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Arizona Gay Barowners Association Present "Octoberfest '84" This Sunday

PHOENIX - The fourteen member bars from Phoenix and the six member bars from Tucson will present the annual Octoberfest in South Mountain Park this Sunday, October 21 in the Los Lunas picnic area.

This is one of the largest events of the year for Arizona. Thousands of Gays and Lesbians will descend on South Mountain showing their support for the reason that the Arizona Gay Barowners Association (AGBA) put on this annual affair - a benefit for the Arizona AIDS Fund Trust. All proceeds from each ticket sold will be turned over to the Trust which is dedicated to the physical and mental health of Arizona AIDS patients and also acts as an educational group publishing literature etc.

For those who do not wish to drive to South Mountain, or the drive back for that matter, but would rather enjoy the afternoon and evenings festivities can do just that and not be bothered with driving.

Free busses will be available hourly starting at 2:00 p.m. leaving from the following bars - Tommy & Clyde's; JR's; Little Jim's 307; Farrah's; Grand Camel; Ramrod; Taylor's; Nutowne; Hotbods; Shanno's and Trax. Persons wishing to take advantage of the free bus rides are welcome to leave their cars in the parking lot of the particular bar they leave from. Busses will be returning to those same bars on a regular schedule.

Tickets to the Octoberfest, which opens at 3:00 p.m. and closes at 11:00 p.m. are \$5.00 donation each and are available from any AGBA member bar or at the gate.

The \$5.00 donation will not only go to a very worthy cause, but you will receive in return, plenty of food, beer, wine, fun and games, as well as some great dancing music provided by popular DJ George Hill. Be sure to be there and meet your friends.

Demand Your Rights' County Attorney Candidate Mach Urges Tucson Gays

TUCSON - William Mach, Republican candidate for Pima County Attorney, urged Lesbians and Gays to overcome discrimination by becoming a political and legal force. Mr. Mach addressed 30 Lesbians and Gays at a Political Forum sponsored by the Tucson Lesbian and Gay Pride Committee on October 5 at the Temple of Music and Art. "You can become such a force in the community, but, to do it, you must demand your rights," Mach said.

TLGPC had invited all county office seekers to speak at the Forum. Mr. Mach was the only candidate to attend. His opponent, County Attorney Stephen D. Neely had agreed to attend but did not appear. The following day, Mr. Neely said he scheduled another appointment for that evening. His understanding was that he had to meet with TLGPC before he could attend, and no one called his campaign office to set that up. Clearly Mr. Mach nor any of the other candidates invited by TLGPC had that misunderstanding.

At the Forum, Mr. Mach spoke to the group for over an hour. He said that the law "should have no interest whatsoever in what consenting adults do among themselves. I support the repeal of laws governing acts by consenting adults."

Mr. Mach also stated that he would support and actively enforce a county Lesbian and Gay rights ordinance banning discrimination based on sexual or affectional preference in housing, employment and public accommodations.

When asked about the public uproar over the disappearance of Vicki Hoskinson and the slaying of Michael

Perry, and the concern of Lesbians and Gays in the category of child molesters, Mach said, "it would be absurd to label Lesbians and Gays as child molesters."

Jack Stockslager, chairperson of TLGPC also addressed the meeting. He stated that Lesbians and Gays historically and realistically function in the heterosexual society from a base of the fear of being found out. "We fear losing our jobs, being arrested, losing housing and rejection by family and friends. This fear prevents many of us from reporting crimes committed against us," Stockslager explained. "We are not asking for special consideration, but to be treated equally," he continued. He stressed that, "one way to help eliminate this fear is public communication. This Forum is a step in that direction by publicly asking politicians to address the issues that affect our lives."

Mr. Stockslager reported that the candidates for county supervisor had been contacted by telephone after many of them did not respond to two letters of invitation. Iris Dewhirst did respond to the invitation, and although she had a prior commitment agreed to an interview before the Forum so her positions could be known. See separate story this issue

Supervisor David Yetman said he would not attend the Forum as he was running unopposed and his presence would serve no purpose. Reg Morrison and Eva Bacal had full calendars. Ed Moore was driving a bus for a soccer

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Latest Falwell Mailing Makes Harshest Attack Yet

I do believe my second-favorite journalist (second to Murray Kempton) has son-infiltrated the ranks of the is Myra MacPherson of The Washington Post. Her coverage of this election that? By walking down the streets. In year has been astonishingly good. In a Falwell's words, "He went incognito; new series, she has found just the right tone of coverage for the pious lubricity of Jerry Falwell.

Back in the 1950's, Falwell defended segregation by claiming integration was just a plot hatched in Moscow. In the 1980's, he opposes the Democratic Party because it is just the stalking horse for homosexuals. He Falwell wants to send his followers, in opposes a plan not for its internal sealed envelopes, pictures of homosexuals seen in flagrante. These are inclosed in his missive, "in a sealed envelope to protect children from such sights." What about his own child? The old sin-sniffer knows how to ginger up a sermon, all right.

How does he know this? Because his son-infiltrated the ranks of the is Myra MacPherson of The Washington Post. Her coverage of this election that? By walking down the streets. In what happens on the streets of San Francisco makes it seem that no one would remain incognito without traveling in drag.

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Back in the 1950's, the plotters were more-discreet. Integrators did not kiss pictures of Stalin on the streets in the South. But only Stalin has a motive to eliminate segregation in America. According to Falwell: "The true Negro does not want integration. He realizes his potential is far better among his own race. Who then is propagating this terrible thing? First of all, we see the hand of Moscow in the background..."

Falwell's doctrine of "the true Negro" is an interesting one. What is a false Negro? Someone pretending to be black? Maybe a KGB agent in burnt cork. The absurdity of American politics can only be grasped when we remember that the president and the vice president of the United States are honored, at the other conventional, by this lurid-ecclesiastical clown. (Universal Press Syndicate)

By Gary Wills Universal Press Syndicate



Two of the photos included in Jerry Falwell's latest mail campaign come with a warning that the reader destroy the photos so that no children see them.

The simple and accurate word for this is McCarthyism. The McCarthyites saw communist plots everywhere, even within President Eisenhower's executive staff. At the Democratic National Convention this year, Falwell saw homosexual conspiracy everywhere. This is not simply a campaign to secure Gay rights, but to bring about "a different America." To rape our children.

"Militant homosexuals plan to force every major American corporation to set official policies giving them favored job status...to pass laws forcing churches and Christian schools to hire homosexual and Lesbians even if they flaunt their lifestyle...and they do have their eyes on our children!"

SAN FRANCISCO, CA (AP) - The city's public health director ordered 14 Gay bath houses and sex clubs to close immediately, accusing them of "fostering disease and death" by allowing indiscriminate sexual contacts that can spread AIDS.

"These businesses have been inspected on a number of occasions and demonstrate a blatant disregard for the health of their patrons and of the community," Dr. Mervyn Silverman said at a news conference.

He said the 14 establishments including the 21st Street Baths, Boot Camp, Animals, Club Baths of San Francisco, Jack's Turkish Bath and Jaguar Adult Bookstore, were among 30 investigated by undercover health officials since an April ordinance went into effect banning "unsafe" sexual

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EDITORIAL...

BRIEFS

Everytime Halloween rolls around I get scared. Not because of the hob goblins and the ghosts, but rather, I know that November is here and in a year such as this one, I know it is an election year.

I get scared because I have witnessed many elections since I came out too many years ago to admit. I have seen dedicated people work to get people in our Gay communities registered to vote, and they succeed fairly well. But when the date to go to the polls comes around most of these new registrants cannot be found to place their most valuable asset - their vote.

Gay organizations, whose only purpose is to inform our community as to what is taking place in the political arena, are ignored. It is not a matter of political affiliation either. It is a matter of APATHY. That word keeps popping up whenever an election year comes around. I wish it were not in our vocabulary. It is a terrible word. To think that a person, whether Gay or not, just doesn't give a damn about the future is overwhelming. But if you look around, you will see plenty of that type. Booze, poppers, sex, drugs and rock and roll are the most important order of the day for them.

This means that the small Gay minority, within the Gay minority, again is called upon to cajole, pressure, push and shove to get every Gay voter to the poll. (Gee, I wish I could remember how many times I have printed those same words! But they're true.).

Come on gang. Grasp what all of these dedicated people are trying to tell you. They don't want to see their lives regress because of APATHY. (God how I hate that word).

It's such a simple thing - vote! Try it, you might like it.

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COUNTY CANDIDATE DEWHIRST SUPPORTS NON-DISCRIMINATION COUNTY ORDINANCE

TUCSON - Although prior commitments prevented her from attending the Political Forum sponsored by the Tucson Lesbian and Gay Pride Committee, County Supervisor candidate Iris Dewhirst agreed to an interview before the Forum took place so her positions could be made known at the Forum.

Generally, Ms. Dewhirst would support and vote for a county Lesbian and Gay ordinance against discrimination. She does not believe that Lesbians and Gays are prone to molest children.

She is in favor of the ERA and feels the doors should remain open regarding abortion. She would appoint minorities to her staff including qualified Lesbians and Gays.

The Political Forum was taped by "Arizona Gay", Tucson's Gay weekly television show, and will be shown on Cox Cable public access station.

AIDS TRANSMISSION BY SALIVA UNLIKELY

WASHINGTON, DC (AP) - The virus believed to cause AIDS has been found in the saliva of people with the greatest risk of getting the deadly disease, but federal health authorities said it is unlikely that anyone could get AIDS through contact with saliva.

Research at New England Deaconess Hospital in Boston and the National Cancer Institute in Bethesda, Md., confirm a previous suspicion that AIDS might be transmitted through saliva, as well as through other bodily fluids.

Shellie Lengle, a spokeswoman for the U.S. Public Health Service said no one was surprised about finding HTLV-3 in saliva. She said concern is minimized because all evidence indicates that saliva is not an efficient method of transmitting AIDS.

A virus like this might be transmitted if uninfected persons had cuts or sores in their mouths at the time of contact, she added, or if they were nicked using the razor of an infected person.

Cross-infection seems unlikely from casual contact, or handling dishes and utensils used for meals, she said.

CUOMO CALLS FOR N.Y. STATE GAY RIGHTS BILL

ALBANY, NY (GCH) - New York Governor Mario Cuomo appointed a state Task Force on Gay issues, created by his Executive Order 28 which bars discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation in the provision of state services and in state employment. Cuomo, at a press conference, also called for a state law to bar discrimination against Lesbians and Gay men.

"This executive Order represents a failure, it's a failure of government that I have to issue an Executive Order to protect Lesbian and Gay men from discrimination. Non-discrimination should be a matter of public policy," Cuomo declared.

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NOW GIRLS

SAN FRANCISCO, CA (GCH) - Michael Jackson, whose screaming protestations that he is as straight as straight comes have made big news, has gone on the offensive of late, according to the "Bay Area Reporter". The San Francisco Gay paper reports that Jackson's mouthpiece, Norman Winters, suggested that comedienne Joan Rivers "Look into her own closet".

Apparently, Rivers has recently made reference in her comic routines to the Jackson preference question: "Michael Jackson is Gay. He's Gay. Her lost his other glove in Boy George's pocket."

The intrepid BAR reporter dutifully relayed Winters' dykebaiting remark to Rivers' mouthpiece Richard Grant. Said Grant, "I will not dignify that question with a comment."

LONGSTAFF DEPORTATION DELAYED

WASHINGTON, DC (GCH) - A legislative maneuver by the House Judiciary Subcommittee on Immigration, Refugees and International Law has, for the time being, protected a Gay man threatened with deportation, according to the Washington Blade. The subcommittee voted recently to send a request "for more information" to the Immigration and Naturalization Service which has been trying to deport Richard Longstaff of Texas. The move, taken during work on a private bill introduced by Mickey Leland (D-TX) to prevent Longstaff's deportation, effectively stays any INS action against Longstaff until the committee receives the report.

Leland introduced the bill after the Supreme Court refused to hear Longstaff's appeal of an unfavorable ruling by the Fifth Circuit Court of Appeals which said Longstaff had not been lawfully admitted to the country when he did not identify himself as a "psychopathic personality," the INS code words for homosexual.

WHEN INSIGHT FAILS

What follows are AIDS precautions as handed down to the followers of Rajneesh:

"1. One doesn't repress sex drive, but simply give it up through insight. That is the most certain protection against AIDS.

"2. Whoever is not enlightened enough for that must stay with one partner, melt together with him innerly more and more until sex becomes unimportant.

"3. When, however, it has to be, then: use condoms during the sex act and latex or rubber gloves during foreplay. Totally avoid anal and oral intercourse."

The Seattle Gay News reports that shortly after these guidelines were released to the Rajneesh rank and file, a Berlin ashram requested from the London Rubber Company a "differential bid for your prophylactic brand Wenn purchased in lots of three, five and ten thousand."

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activity at sex parlors and bath houses. The 14 have not complied with the ordinance, said Silverman, who has been under pressure from Mayor Dianne Feinstein to order the shutdowns.

"The places that I have ordered closed have continued in the face of this epidemic to provide an environment that encourages and facilitates the multiple unsafe sexual contacts, which are an important factor in the spread of this deadly disease," Silverman said.

"Make no mistake about it. These 14 establishments are not fostering Gay liberation," Silverman said. "They are fostering disease and death."

Most of the victims of acquired immune deficiency syndrome are homosexual men. The disease destroys the body's ability to fight disease, leaving it prey to cancer, pneumonia and other infections.

Authorities posted closing notices on the sex club buildings. If a notice is ignored, the city would go to a judge to obtain a court order shutting down the operation, officials said.

Silverman's announcement came just a week after the department released figures showing an increase in the reported AIDS cases in San Francisco, where officials estimate that 15 percent of the city's 700,000 population is homosexual.

In September, 39 new cases of AIDS were reported for a total of 723 since July 1981. Eighteen AIDS patients died in September the department said. According to the federal Centers for Disease Control in Atlanta, 6,122 AIDS cases have been reported throughout the United States and 2,734 of those patients died.

ONE CHIEF TOO MANY

COLUMBUS, OH (GCN) - When Gay and Lesbian activists here confronted the local police chief about queerbaiting by his officers, he responded by appointing a liaison between the department and the Gay/Lesbian community, according to the Ohio State University "Lantern". But if the liaison and the rest of the boys in blue reflect the chief's attitudes, Columbus Gay folk may be in no better shape than before.

Chief Dwight Joseph told about 75 people at a recent meeting that Gay people who complain of police harassment are paranoid. Last May, a meeting between Joseph and Stonewall Union president Rhonda Rivera was prompted by a series of anti-Gay incidents, including police taunting Gays outside bars and arrests for jaywalking and drunk driving. Joseph however, admonished the town queers, saying, "We have police officers that are opposed to your lifestyles and that's their right. I can't change attitudes. Just maybe some of you are being a little paranoid about why you're being stopped."

One audience member countered, "Columbus cops are swarming all over Gay bars, but you never see them at any of the other bars. If you're going to enforce the laws, enforce them equally."

Joseph was asked if the department has an anti-Gay hiring policy. "Not that I'm aware of," he replied.

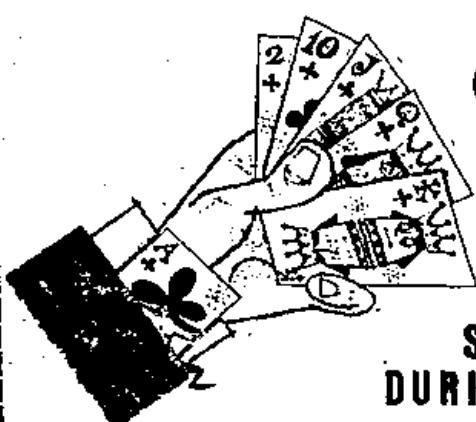
"Shouldn't you know?" he was asked.

"I can't know everything," Joseph wisely answered.

When asked what he would do if there were an openly Gay officer on the force, Joseph replied, "I've thought long and hard about that - I really don't know."

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PHOTO QUIZ

In what we hope to be a graduation photo, etc. Black and continuing column, we would like to white pictures preferred. We will present some photos from the distant make every effort to return the photos and not-too-distant past to our to you. readers and see if they can discover just who the subject in the photo is. Now, can you guess who these two lovables from the '60's are? I know. So dig out those old photos of your or but I'm not telling....Find the your lover on that bearskin rug or answer in this issue's classifieds.



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team that evening. Jim Howell's office promised an interview at a later date.

TLGPC is currently compiling information on the other candidates positions and will publish that information next week. At the close of the forum it was stressed that Tucson Lesbian and Gay Pride Committee does not endorse any candidate, but will do all that is possible to ask the candidates to speak to the issues that affect the Lesbian and Gay community as well as the community-at-large. Participants at the Forum were strongly urged to vote.

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by Doc

The big news this week is that S.O.S. is opening up its club for membership. Yes, anyone who would be interested in joining the highly visible and worthwhile group can now do so. The S.O.S. meets the first Sunday of the month at the Graduate. Hopi reports to me that S.O.S. is going to be structured. I'm not sure just what Hopi means when he says structured. It also was reported to me that at Sundays meeting something about Hopi's water broke. All Jokes aside, S.O.S. is one that every club or organization benefits from because the bottom line is helping others. Good luck in the future gang, and I'll be watching and listening for news of all kind to report.

As for TKO, the first order of business is to wish Lloyd B. a big HAPPY BIRTHDAY. He claims 29 but I suspect a couple more years added on. The TKO is planning on a campout over the Halloween weekend with the Arizona Rangers at Roosevelt Lake. TKO's Aunt Lavendar is going to need two inner-tubes if she plans on tubing the Salt River.

This is also the weekend TKO starts their Turkey Raffle. Tickets for this go for \$1.00 each, but each ticket gives you a chance to win one of 4 different turkeys, 18 pounds and up. You will be able to purchase chances from any bartender or TKO club member.

Finally for TKO concerns their home bar - Rita's Rendezvous. This weekend, Saturday and Sunday, is the Uno Doubles Tournament. Prizes again will be \$50 first prize and \$25 second prize. Hope to see a lot of couples this weekend and good luck to each couple.

I haven't been able to get any info on what, if anything, TALL is doing, or plan on doing in the near future. I guess the new slate of officers is not sure if they want to do anything, that way no one gets into trouble.

In closing, I just found out we have a couple of the Arizona Rangers in town, so maybe next week I'll be able to give you some news from up the road. Smile, it makes people wonder what you've been up to.

YWCA OFFERS SUPPORT PROGRAM

TUCSON - The Tucson YWCA is offering a women's support group as part of the "Women Helping Women" program.

Discussions related to making life changes will include such topics as goal-setting, self-esteem, assertiveness, coping with loss and/or divorce, and relationships. There will be six consecutive sessions which will be held every Monday evening from 7 to 8:30 p.m. beginning October 22 at the Family Development Center, 1160 North Craycroft.

Enrollment is limited to 10; registration is \$20; deadline is Oct. 18. Call the YWCA at 884-7810 (Lillian Causbie or Winnifred Wallace) for more information.

Gay Teens Ask For An Open Door

by Jay C. Jones

High school can be a pretty scary place. The straight-A student who actually likes science and carried three ballpoint pens in his shirt pocket is labeled a "nerd". The kid who's going through puberty later than everyone else is the "retard", always the last to be chosen when teams are picked in gym class.

But what about the teenager who's Gay, and who realizes it? Or, worse yet, who's Gay - and everyone knows it? It happens, and it can make high school traumatic, especially when there's nowhere to turn for help.

When he was 15 and a high school freshman, J.R. was a solid athlete. But instead of being popular, J.R.'s teammates called him "the queen bee" of the track team. By his own description, J.R. is rather effeminate. During his two years at Madison's West High School, he usually hung around with girls instead of boys.

J.R., now 18 and employed in Madison, says that ever since he was in junior high, most of his peers have assumed he was Gay. He has never tried to persuade them otherwise. "I can't think back that far!" is J.R.'s response when asked when he first realized he was homosexual.

Like J.R., Paul has known of his sexual preference most of his life. Now 17, Paul is a senior at West High. But unlike J.R., he says no one at school suspects he is Gay; in fact, he went through a period when he deliberately tried to prove he was straight, both to himself and to his friends.

Recalling his early adolescence, Paul says his wet dreams and fantasies while masturbating were always about men, sometimes a favorite male teacher. But he didn't confront his Gayness until he was 15, when he came face-to-face with a middle-aged Gay man.

Paul was hitchhiking on a hot afternoon during the summer of 1981. He was wearing only a pair of shorts when a man offered him a ride. Paul says he got visibly excited as the man ran his hand up a bare leg; the 15-year-old's first sexual encounter followed.

A huge guilt trip accompanied the experience. Although Paul had enjoyed the Gay sex, he wasn't ready to accept his enjoyment as all right. The following month, he had sex with three women "to prove to myself I wasn't

Gay." He began wearing the most masculine clothes he could find, and hanging around with a "butch crowd" to show the world he was straight.

Not until March of 1983 - nearly two years after his first sexual encounter with a man - did Paul stop the self-denial. After extensive therapy he began to accept himself as Gay and to come out.

Both Paul and J.R. are now out to their families. Paul says his parents try to ignore the truth. "They try to forget, but they think about it a lot," he explains.

When J.R. came out, he was disowned by his real parents. That was a couple of years ago, and he has since lost touch with them, the last he knew, his father was in Minnesota and his mother in Texas. He now lives with a foster family on Madison's west side.

Both foster parents are supportive, so much so that J.R. has taken his mom to three Gay bars in town. "She loves all of them," he says with pride.

Both young men describe their adolescent years and their struggles for sexual identity as traumatic. They agree that the pain might have been eased if Madison had had a Gay youth center where they could have turned for advice, and also support from other young Gays. Recalling the years they both attended West High, Paul says, "A lot of people used to call him (J.R.) 'faggot', and wouldn't hang around with him." Paul accepted his own Gayness, but never approached J.R. for friendship; he was fearful that the name-callers might be wrong. It wasn't until one night recently when both men were in the same bar at the same time that each finally realized the other was Gay.

Paul thinks a Gay youth center would help eliminate guessing games such as he and J.R. played. "There's really no place you can talk," he says with dismay. That, he believes, only perpetuates the thought that "I must be the only Gay kid in school."

ED NOTE: The two young men interviewed for this story are not identified by their real names. The article was taken from the Madison, Wisconsin Gay newspaper "OUT".

Although Tucson does not have a Gay Youth Center, it does have a very active Gay Youth Group which meets every Saturday, from 3 to 5 p.m. at 560 S. Stone in the MCC Church building. All Lesbians and Gays under 22 are invited.



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Tucson Lesbian And Gay Pride Committee Report

Your Committee went to much expense of money and time to produce five-state Conference to be held in the Political Forum that was held April, 1985 in Las Vegas. The October 9th: We purposely scheduled Conference will be called "The First the event outside of our bars to be Desert States Lesbian and Gay able to demonstrate that, as Conference" with the theme of individuals, and as a community we are "Empowering Each Other". Lesbians and ready to publicly confront the issues Gays from Arizona, Nevada, New Mexico, that oppress us. The hope was that Colorado and Utah will be invited to with enough numbers of Lesbians and attend this weekend event. The Gays in attendance, regardless of how conference will consist of 20 to 30 politicians showed up, we could workshops, a luncheon, keynote demonstrate to this city, county and addresses from nationally known leaders state that we are a force that must be and entertainment. Hopefully this will addressed.

I had hoped that Lesbians and Gays become the host city in the future. In Tucson were tired of living in fear. The thought behind the conference and tired of having to "pass" as heterosexuals to avoid discrimination. I had hoped we were strong enough to come out of our closets, out of our bars and show our oppressors that "We Are Here". Thirty Lesbians and Gays hardly makes a viable political and legal force. We turn out more people for drag shows, volleyball games, softball games and beer busts - all of which are very safe, fun activities, but unfortunately don't help change attitudes or laws.

The Tucson Lesbian and Gay Pride Committee is here to serve you. We are ready to work for you and with you to begin to achieve equality. The question I ask is are you, the community ready? We can easily continue to provide you with fun, party activities if that is all you want. The choice is yours. I for one am tired of discrimination. I am tired of living with the fear of being found out. I am ready to work to make a difference, to make change. Join me at the next TLGPC meeting if you are ready. The next regularly scheduled meeting is at the Fineline, 101 W. Drachman at 6:30 sharp.

Lesbian and Gay leaders from Tucson, Phoenix, Las Vegas and Reno met in Las Vegas last Saturday, Oct. 13, to plan a five-state conference. I represented Tucson at this meeting.

The Lesbian and Gay Youth Group, financially supported by TLGPC, is currently expanding its networking efforts with area mental health therapists, Juvenile Court, shelters for Juveniles and a potential organization of Lesbian and Gay students at the University of Arizona. Rich Blum is the facilitator of that group for people age 22 and under. Phone 792-3772 for more information.

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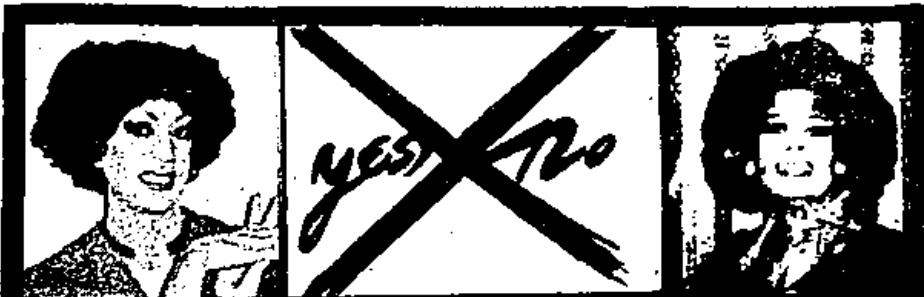
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OBSERVER - Tell us please, after all these years, why did you come out of **Dear Blabby's**?

BLABBY - Oh, it wasn't my idea. I was perfectly happy to leave things as they were. It was because of nosy reporters like you that my secret was discovered.

OBSERVER - Why in the world would you prefer to avoid the limelight due an author and hide behind another person's face?

BLABBY - Well, you see I've been around enough to see what public recognition, and social status can do to people after a period of time. Close friends of mine have had their share of problems because of publicity.

OBSERVER - Close friends? Anyone we know?

BLABBY - Why yes. Stuart and Loretta von Oystershucker have been run ragged. What with having to keep up with all the social responsibilities of well known authors. And then there is Loretta's drinking problem.

OBSERVER - Loretta has a drinking problem?

BLABBY - Oh yes. In the latter part of the evening she sometimes has a great deal of difficulty getting her glass to her mouth.

OBSERVER - That's a drinking problem?

BLABBY - For Loretta it is.

OBSERVER - Well, back to the subject at hand. So you have always written your advice column single handedly?

BLABBY - Not in the beginning. I started writing the column with a group of friends years ago. We all took the letters that were to our own best personal interests and answered them as we saw best, either as a group or individually.

OBSERVER - Well, this has been very interesting getting everything straightened out. Will our readers be seeing more of your column now that you are exposed, or are you planning to retire from the advice biz?

BLABBY - That depends on the public, I suppose. As long as those cards and letters keep on coming, I'll answer them.

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 COLETTE'S WEST - Well Liquor .85 - 9 to Midnight. T-Squares
 Square Dancing Group meets alternating Wednesdays with
 Tramps.
 FINELINE - Tall Neck Bottle Beer Night .75 - "Dynasty" on
 big screen TV in BFR.
 GRADUATE - Watermelon Shots .75 - 9 p.m. - Midnight.
 RITA'S - "Dynasty Nite" on big screen TV. Alexis Champagne
 Cocktail .50 from 8 to 9 p.m. Well Shots .75 - Free
 Hors d'oeuvres.
 TRAMPS - Square Dancing and country and western music with
 DJ Linda Fiddle.

THURS.

BACK POCKET/JOSHUA TREE - Bottle Beer Night .90 domestic
 9:00 - 1:00 a.m. "ARIZONA GAY" television show on TV
 at 7:30 p.m.
 COLETTE'S WEST - Draft Beer Bust 9 p.m. - Midnight \$2.00.
 FINELINE - Shots of Schnapps .75 - "The Wild Heart" Male
 Revue. 8:00 p.m. in BFR.
 RITA'S - Well Shots .75 - Free Hors d'oeuvres

FRI.

BACK POCKET/JOSHUA TREE - Shots of Schnapps .75.
 FINELINE - The Belladonne (A mystical show) in the BFR.
 GRADUATE - Watermelon Shots .75 - 9 p.m. - Midnight.
 RITA'S RENDEZVOUS - Jimbo's Kitchen open Noon to 9 p.m.
 Complete dinners served 6 to 9 p.m. Specialty items.

SAT.

COLETTE'S WEST - Free Pool from Noon to 4 p.m.
 FINELINE - Rhiannon and the Wild Hearts (Male Revue) in the BFR. Check daily schedule board in lobby for times and admissions.
 RITA'S RENDEZVOUS - Beer Bust 4:00 to 8:00 p.m. \$1.50
 Jimbo's Kitchen open Noon to 9 p.m. Dinner served
 6 to 9 p.m.

SUN.

BACK POCKET - Steak Dinner 4 to 8 p.m. \$1.00. VOLLEYBALL.
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MON.

COLETTE'S WEST - Monday Night Madness - \$1.00 Margaritas
 9:00 to Midnight.
 FINELINE - All Well Drinks .75 - "Monday Night Football" on
 big screen TV in BFR.
 GRADUATE - Watermelon Shots .75 - 9 p.m. to Midnight.

TUES.

BACK POCKET/JOSHUA TREE - Shot Nite - Well shots .75.
 COLETTE'S WEST - .75 Domestic Beer. Pool Tournament from 8
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SPORTS REPORT

TEAM STANDING
 COMMUNITY MIXED VOLLEYBALL LEAGUE
 FINAL STANDINGS - FIRST HALF

Team	W	L	PCT.	GB
J/T's MEN AT PLAY**	18	6	.750	0.0
BACK POCKET PICKERS	17	7	.708	1.0
FINELINE SCHNITZELS	17	2	.708	1.0
COURT JESTERS	13	9	.591	4.0
THE BLADES	8	15	.375	11.0
THE LADIES AND THE TRAMPS	5	17	.222	12.0
COLD GUST	4	18	.182	13.0

** Winner of First Half

TEAM STANDING
 COMMUNITY MIXED BOWLING LEAGUE

TEAM	W	L	PCT.	PB
JOSHUA TREE #3	17.0	3.0	.850	0.0
BACK POCKET #8	14.5	5.5	.725	2.5
SPEEDWAY DOGS #2	14.0	6.0	.700	3.0
WE GOT ROBBED	11.0	5.0	.688	4.0
CUTTER TRAMPS 1 26	11.0	9.0	.550	6.0
NIGHT BLOOMING SERIOUS #10	9.0	11.0	.450	8.0
TRAMPS #11	9.0	11.0	.450	9.0
COLETTE'S KILLER BEES #1	7.0	9.0	.438	8.0
CLEAN-UP ARTISTS #4	7.0	9.0	.438	8.0
SUPER TRAMPS #7	7.0	9.0	.438	8.0
FUN FLOWERS #9	6.5	13.5	.333	10.5
T.N.T. #12	6.0	14.0	.300	11.0
CUTTER TRAMPS #11 #13	1.0	14.0	.050	13.5

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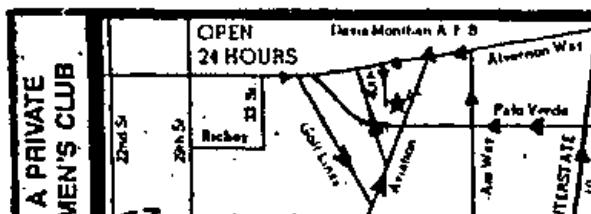
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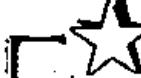
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SUNDAY, OCTOBER 21
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SATURDAY, OCTOBER 27
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SUNDAY, OCTOBER 28
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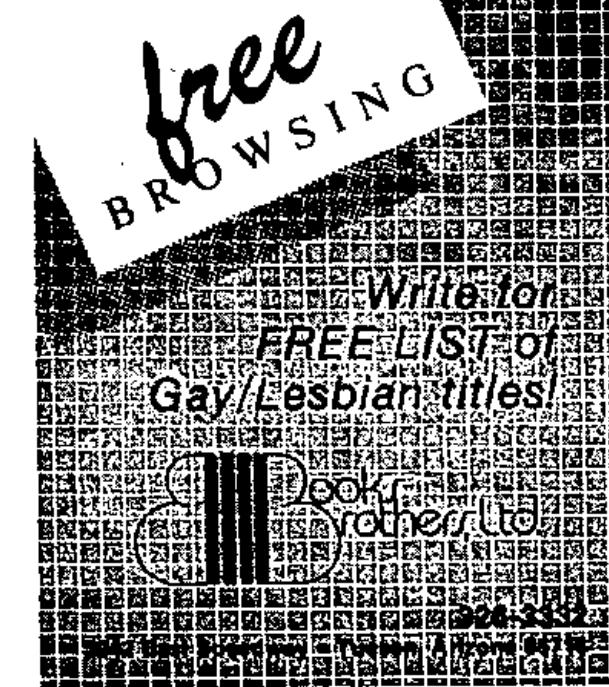
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1. What were the names of the three Trolls that turned to stone? A; B; C.
2. What did Bilbo give Bard to bargain with Thorin?
3. Who were Otho's parents? A; B.
4. How many signatures are required on a Hobbits will? In what color ink?
5. Who was Goldberry's mate?
6. Who was the greatest dragon?
7. Who was the Golden Dragon?
8. Who was the Great Spider?
9. Where was Galadriel?
10. aka Crystal Balls.
11. aka My Precious.
12. aka Morgoth.
13. aka Tiquivel.
14. aka Mithrendir. A & B.
15. aka Nine Riders. A; B; C.
16. aka Thorongil. A; B; C; D; E.

17. aka Treebeard.
 18. aka Gollum.
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BOTHER TO GET INVOLVED

Simple. Life would be so simple "When a group has POLITICAL POWER if everything were fair. If everyone it gets things done. When a group does loved and appreciated everyone else, not have political power, things get if there were no wars (Fight War Not done to it!)" This is why you should Wars), no problems, prejudices, on and get involved. This is why our on and...

Good Morning, and welcome to the mind, your experience, your time, your real world. As our lives are not so financial support.

simplistic, we are surrounded by To fight the injustices of the problems: big ones, small ones, easy legal system: (Although not illegal to ones, hard ones. No problem is be homosexual in Arizona, it is a insurmountable: the more heads working misdemeanor for the "...Act of on it, the easier.

Well then, why does it seem so another adult male..., and forms of difficult for us (the Gay community) to masturbations in the more advanced achieve ANYTHING? Why are we back in stages.); to introduce legislation: the stone-age, so to speak, when it (Such as California's Assembly Bill 1, comes down to the bottom line - OUR resoundingly supported in California and CIVIL RIGHTS? Let me tell you why.

The problem, as it stands, is too to insure freedom, justice and large and complex for the minds who are equality. These may seem like big attempting to understand, challenge and goals, but remember, "Even the Journey remedy it. Change is slow in coming in of 1,000 miles begins with but one the best of situations, and here (in step. Arizona) change flows as does molasses on a wintry morning.

So, why bother? Why bother to pit your mind against* the establishment? Why try to be helpful? Why bother to join any organization, to register to vote, to even give a damn about anything?

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Change comes from within. Join ANY organization concerned with Gay civil rights (YOUR civil rights). If you are unhappy with the situation, say so. Make suggestions, voice opinions, get INVOLVED!

If you sit back, nothing will get done. If the wrong people are in charge, the wrong things will be done. JOIN! Get involved and insure our continued (though meager and few) improvements in Gay civil rights.

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