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Aids Uncommon In Tucson, Some Say: Others Doubt It

by Carla McClain

TUCSON - Tucson is "Everywhere, USA" when it comes to the impact of the dreaded Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome (AIDS), health officials say, although some doctors believe the disease is underrecorded here.

"Elsewhere, USA" is what national health officials informally have dubbed cities that apparently have escaped epidemics of the killer disease. It continues to strike heavily in major cities like New York, surrounding areas of New Jersey and Connecticut, San Francisco, Los Angeles, Miami and Houston.

AIDS - a still-mysterious agent that primarily attacks Gay males by tearing down their immune systems - has hit all U.S. states and most Western European countries since it was first recognized as a distinct disease about four years ago.

"AIDS cases may no longer be doubling every six months, and the disease may have faded somewhat from the national spotlight, but it has by no means fallen off in this country," said Dr. Michael Gottlieb, a California internist who runs a large AIDS clinic in Los Angeles. He was in Tucson recently to discuss the disease with Tucson physicians.

"Cases are still accumulating at a steady rate, and it remains an epidemic in some areas of the country."

AIDS has hit 5,394 people in the United States and has killed 2,452 of them - a fatality rate of about 46 percent.

"That's deceptively low, an artificially low, fatality rate," said Gottlieb. "Most of the recently diagnosed cases, coming in (at) about 85 to 90 a week now, just haven't had time to die."

Seventy-two percent of the victims have been homosexual or bisexual males, another 16 percent are intravenous drug users and about 10 percent have been hemophiliacs (believed contaminated by infected donated blood).

In the Tucson area, where there are roughly half a million residents, only five AIDS cases have been officially diagnosed by the Pima County Health Department, and there have been three deaths. Twelve cases have been reported in the Phoenix area.

"By and large, we are what is called 'elsewhere, USA' by the Centers for Disease Control (in Atlanta) - like most of the country that is seeing only scattered AIDS cases," said Bruce Porter, head of the division of communicable diseases in the Pima County Health Department.

Still, the number of AIDS cases here could be two or three times higher than the five official cases, depending on who's doing the counting.

The controversy over the actual number of victims centers on the definition of AIDS. By following the strict definition issued by the Centers for Disease Control, the county health department has tallied only five cases. But doctors who are treating the patients say there are more.

"The problem is that, in the absence of any test for AIDS, which we don't have yet, the CDC had to make a rigid and strict definition, with markers that are real and can be proven, for epidemiological purposes," Porter said. "The doctors on the other hand, who must treat the disease or what certainly looks like it, say it really doesn't matter what you call it. They have very sick patients, whose immune systems are shutting down, who are wasting away, as AIDS patients do, and they have to act as if it is heading for the full-fledged syndrome."

According to the CDC, a person is officially diagnosed with AIDS only if: "There is present what is known as an 'Opportunistic infection,' that is, a disease that humans normally do not get if the immune system is working properly. Most frequently, these infections have been a form of pneumonia known as Pneumocystis, or a rare form of skin cancer called Kaposi's sarcoma."

"There is no other reason why the immune system would be failing, such as cancer chemotherapy, steroid medication or any other immune-centered disease."

Doctors, on the other hand, tend to diagnose with AIDS anyone who is suffering the classic symptoms of the disease - prolonged bouts of fever, severe weight loss, night sweats, prolonged lymphadenopathy (swelling of the lymph nodes) - and who fits the classic AIDS profile, mainly Gay male, drug abuser or hemophiliac, Porter explained, even though no opportunistic infection may be present.

"We call this 'pre-AIDS,' or 'AIDS related,'" he said. "And, in reality, these patients probably do have AIDS, but in a different form, in a form that does not progress on to the opportunistic infection - a form that is survivable."

The theory that there actually may be two forms of AIDS - survivable and fatal - is new. Most scientists have speculated that AIDS is virtually always fatal, that it just takes a year or two to gradually kill its victims.

One Tucson man who was not officially diagnosed with AIDS because he suffered from no opportunistic infection did eventually die.

"It was just a wasting syndrome," said Porter. "He had the symptoms, he lost lots of weight, but we were not able to confirm him as having AIDS.

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Phoenix Barowner Critically Injured In Auto Crash

PHOENIX - William "Bill" Reinke is in critical condition at St. Joseph's Hospital in the intensive care unit. Reinke was driving west on Indian School Road on Monday afternoon, October 1, when he apparently lost control of his vehicle and crashed and flipped it upside down near the intersection of 58th Street and Indian School.

Reinke was a well known entrepreneur and bar owner in Phoenix for many years. Before opening his present establishment, JR's Hideaway, in Scottsdale, Bill along with his long-time partner Sonny owned Casa de Roma, Forum Boardwalk, Matty's Attic, Sonny's and The Grand Canal.

At press time, Reinke's condition remains most critical and your prayers and kind thoughts are requested for this popular Phoenician.



Political Forum Set For Oct. 9

TUCSON - Next Tuesday, October 9, at 7:00 p.m. at the Temple of Music And Art, 330 S. Scott, The Tucson Lesbian and Gay Pride Committee (TLGPC) will sponsor a Political Forum. TLGPC has invited candidates running for County Attorney, Sheriff, County Supervisors and County Attorney.

The candidates have been provided a list of questions on Lesbian and Gay Rights, Human Rights, Pornography and other issues. Each candidate will be given time to speak to those questions plus any other issue that they feel they need to address. After all the candidates have spoken, the floor will be open for questions from the audience.

Some may ask why Lesbians and Gays should be concerned about county elections. What effect can county officials have on Lesbian and Gay rights? Tucson remains one of the few cities across the country, and the only city in Arizona, that has a law against discrimination based on sexual and affectional preference. So, within the city limits we are protected against discrimination in housing, employment and public accommodations. Once we cross the city limits, there is no protection against discrimination. The County Supervisors do have the authority to consider and pass an anti-discrimination ordinance for Pima County. This will not happen unless we bring the issue to them. In my opinion the best time to push for such an ordinance is now when all the County Supervisor positions (5) are up for election.

Let's make sure these candidates have to face, and listen to the concerns of the Lesbian and Gay

community.

It is the job of the County Attorney to charge and prosecute those people who have been accused of breaking the laws of the State of Arizona. It is not against the law in Arizona to label oneself Lesbian and/or Gay. It is against the law to have sexual relations with a same sex partner. Stephen Neely, Democrat, and William Mach, Republican, are running for County Attorney. Both candidates have agreed to be at the Political Forum next Tuesday. Where do they stand on the issues? Would either one push for strict enforcement of this law? Would they support a county ordinance against discrimination for sexual and affectional preference? Would they support a change in the state law? Would they consider affection shown between people of the same sex in Lesbian and Gay bars as lewd and lascivious? Also, considering the current and justified outrage in Pima County against child molestation, do these men running for county attorney believe the myth that Lesbians and Gays molest children?

These and many other questions will not be answered unless we ask them. The time to ask is now at the Political Forum. It is time that those running for office realize that there are enough Lesbian and Gay votes in Pima County to sway an election. It is also time that we use our voting power so that we can enjoy the same rights as the heterosexual community. One thing to remember about voting is that no one can tell your sexual preference when

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EDITORIAL...

Last Sunday, September 30, a show was held at the Graduate bar as a benefit to raise funds for this newspaper, Observer.

Our regular advertisers subsidize the Observer with their weekly advertising, but many times the bills exceed the weekly income from these faithful and wonderful people. So a benefit to catch up on old bills was necessary.

To say that the evening was an entertainment success would be putting it mildly. To say that it was a financial success would be absolutely correct. The performers and their crew, all volunteers, did their jobs beautifully and the very high-energy audience who actually made the show a pleasure to witness contributed \$455.70 to further the cause of our local paper.

Very special thanks go to Ron Templeton of the Graduate, a very staunch Observer supporter from the beginning. To Bea who made a very sizeable contribution. To Mike and Mitch of Books Brother, Phil Santhon of Speedway Books, to the other businesses and organizations who contributed, thank you. To the performers, Brenda Starr, Aviva Diamond, Stephanie Price, Pussy Wells, Candy Plastique and Page (not Sage as the poster said) a thousand thanks for a job done superbly. This goes for the sound, lights, back-up personnel, bartenders and waiter.

But the whole thing would have meant nothing if it weren't for the marvelous audience that attended. Your generous donations to the performers who donated everything to this paper, we can only say thank you a thousand times.

Not only do we at the Observer thank you, but our printer, typesetter, copier, gas station, utility department and everyone who will get paid off in full as a result thank you also.

Thank you all.

Bob Ellis

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BRIEFS

MR. TUCSON LEATHERMAN CONTEST NEARS

TUCSON - The six Tucson Gay bars are girding themselves as the First Annual Mr. Tucson Leatherman Contest nears. Next Sunday, Oct. 7 the first of the six separate contests will take place at The Graduate. On Monday, Oct. 8 Colette's West will host their contest, and on Tuesday, Oct. 9 Tramps will hold their Mr. Leatherman Contest.

The following week, on Sunday, Oct. 14 Rita's Rendezvous will be the location. On Monday, Oct. 15 the Fineline holds their contest and on Tuesday, Oct. 16 the Joshua Tree/Back Pocket will be the location. The contest begins each night at 9:00 p.m. sharp. The finals will be held at Colette's West on Sunday, Oct. 28.

Contest rules for preliminary contests are simple: 1. All contestants must be Arizona residents and be at least 21 years of age. 2. Any applicant holding title to a state, regional, national or international contest is not eligible to enter. 3. Each contestant must file a signed application and publicity waiver form with the registrar. 4. Each contestant must have received and read a copy of contest rules. 5. All contestants must be registered and checked in one half hour prior to the contest they enter. 6. Each contestant must keep his entry number visible from the time of registration until the end of the contest.

There will be a pool of judges at these preliminary contests chosen by the sponsors who will be available for actual judging or assistance in judging. Each business holding a preliminary contest may request assistance at any time for their contest. The participating judges will then select one of their members to be the Senior Judge.

The winner of the Mr. Tucson Leatherman Contest will be entered into the Mr. Arizona Leatherman Contest to be held at Trax in Phoenix on Saturday, Nov. 10 at 10:00 p.m. The winner of this contest will then be entered into the finals of International Mr. Leatherman contest held annually in Chicago.

All interested persons are urged to contact the bar of their choice to enter that particular contest. It will be a lot of fun and could result in your advancement up the ladder to the Chicago finals. Good luck to all.

'ABSOLUTELY NO REFUNDS'

SCHEDULED ONE MORE NIGHT

TUCSON - The show "Absolutely No Refunds" starring the "Diva" Phil Clark at the Fineline this weekend has been extended to three night instead of the original two. Phil will be appearing in the Showroom at the Fineline this Thursday, Oct. 4, Friday, Oct. 5 and Saturday Oct. 6. Both the Thursday and Friday shows are near sell-outs being the reason for another performance.

Showtime for the Schnitzel production is 9:00 p.m. each night. Tickets are \$3.00 in advance or \$4.00 at the door of the BPR.

NOTE OF THANKS

Thank you everyone who attend and supported last Sunday evening's Observer Benefit show at the Graduate.

To our bar host, Ron, we love you and the magic your bar brings out in us.

To the Bartenders, Jason and Roger who worked extra hard to keep the joy juice flowing.

To David Rainey owner, and Jesse, manager of Tramps along with Curt, their DJ who came to our rescue in recording our show music.

To my dear friend Denver Wayne who worked our sound for us.

To Andrew, always there with bright smiles and new Do's on spot the light.

To Steve, Hal and Reno for chauffering us to and from the show - such gentlemen.

To Jeff and Steve in managing to keep sane while helping us get dressed in the Graduate's infamous "Dressing Room On Wheels". And Vernon's pics and suggestions.

To Tom our waiter for the evening - thanks for putting up and out for all of us!

To Gary Clark for his beautiful poster work and help all around for the show!

To all the entertainers in the show - newcomer Candy Plastique, Tucson will never be the same. Pussy Wells, we will all have a pretty day, today. Page, the sideburns are great. A very special thanks to Stephanie Price, my right hand, during preparation for this show, your mama loves you. And, of course our Hostess with the mostess (biggest tits I've ever seen) Miss Brenda Starr!

To the most important one, who we all know and love "Daddy" Bob Ellis, thank you for your dedication, support, and love through all the years giving Tucson a "newspaper" now the Observer. This is only a small part of gratitude we return - but all our love and much support in the years to come.

In closing, Thank You Tucson for your love and support that we can come together and help each other in a community of brotherly love!

God bless you all!
David Weinstein
(aka Aviva Diamond)

REWARD OFFERED

SAN FRANCISCO, CA (GCN) - Mayor Dianne Feinstein offered a \$10,000 reward for information leading to the conviction of youths who fatally beat a Gay man on Polk Street last month, according to the San Francisco Examiner. And City Supervisor Ruth Silver said she will ask the Board of Supervisors to appropriate \$5,000 more reward money in the case. "Gay bashing has become a grim sport," Silver said.

Dennis John O'Connell, 40, died a few days after he was beaten by four to six youths who shouted "faggot" and "queer" during the attack. Police reported no new leads in their search for the young men.

Police officials who work with Gay-related assaults said that queerbashing are on the increase this summer in San Francisco.

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Another Country Opens At Cinema 2



TUCSON - Guy Bennett (Rupert Everett) and Tommy Judd (Colin Firth) star in the Orion Classics release "Another Country" which opens this Friday, October 5 for a four week engagement only. Highly Recommended.

TUCSON - When "Another Country" screenwriter Julian Mitchell left school in 1953, Guy Burgess and Donald Maclean had already defected to Moscow. Kim Philby had ten more years in the west, and Anthony Blunt had a knighthood ceremony to attend before he was revealed as the Fourth Man.

Throughout screenwriter Mitchell's adult life, people have been asking how it was that these members of the upper classes, considered among the most privileged people in British society, had become not just spies, but Russian agents. Certainly they had been adolescents in the thirties, when the depression had made people look to politics for alternative solutions, but that didn't quite explain the extra step. Why should young men who had all the advantages, had been to all the best schools, hate their own country enough to become agents for another one?

Twenty-five years later, when Mitchell thought he had some of the answers to these questions, he wrote "Another Country", the story of a crucial term in the public school days of Guy Bennett (the lead character in the movie). The play's themes are hypocrisy, homosexuality, and cricket. It is easy, although not quite correct to read Burgess for Bennett.

The movie opens in Moscow, 1984. An aging Guy Bennett sits in his wheelchair listening to the celebrated English cricket commentator Brian Johnson, reporting on a rain-interrupted match between England and Australia. An American Reporter arrives to interview him about his life, and the influences that led to his defection from England.

Flashback more than fifty years, to the summer of 1932, when the young Guy (Rupert Everett) is nearing the end of his next-to-last year at one of Britain's leading public (boarding) schools. A clever, hedonistic young man, his future looks bright. - Come next term, he will be a "Prefect" and, better still, a "God", a member of the school's ruling elite. As he contemplates his future, he sees himself rising to the heights of his chosen career in the diplomatic service by being appointed Ambassador to France.

His best friend, Tommy Judd (Colin Firth), is a revolutionary committed to Lenin's brave new world, and despises such bourgeois aspirations. At the annual Memorial Day service honoring the school's First World War dead, he protests against ancient traditions by

refusing to join in the hymn. Bennett sings enthusiastically while using the assembly to make contact with Harcourt (Cary Elwes), a handsome boy from another house.

In a school permeated at all levels by homosexuality, such affairs are tolerated provided the participants obey two rules: They must believe that their activity is just a passing phase in the absence of girls and, they must not on any account be found out. When Martineau, a boy from Bennett's house breaks both of them, he hangs himself in shame, sending the rest of the school into shock.

It is in this climate that Bennett realizes his feelings for Harcourt are more than a schoolboy attraction, that he is in love with him. Forced to acknowledge that in his case homosexuality is not transitory, he begins to live dangerously in relation to the "Prefects" -- who hold elective power to the "God" elite -- by being indiscreet about his passion for Harcourt.

Barclay (Michael Jenn), in overall charge of the house, is racked by guilt after Martineau's suicide; Delahay (Robert Addie) displays insufferable superiority toward the dead boy; Menzies (Frederick Alexander) can manipulate them in any direction, but it is Fowler (Tristan Oliver), in his plodding devotion to tradition at the expense of his humanity, who ultimately brings about Bennett's downfall -- he will not be a "God" in his last year.

Publicly humiliated, Bennett sees this as a portent of his future: he will never be Ambassador to France. He resolves to strike back by becoming a revolutionary like his friend Judd.

And thus the seeds of treason were sown.

The film ends as it began, poignantly.

GREAT OUTDOORS

COMING ATTRACTIONS

TUCSON - Great Outdoors will hold its General meeting at 7:30 p.m. on Thursday, October 4. The meeting will be held in the Hospitality Room at Gusto Beer Distributors, 3635 East 34th Street. All Great Outdoors members, their guests, any non-members are always welcome. Great Outdoors sponsors outings that are designed to get people out of town and into the outdoors. The following events are planned for the next few weeks.

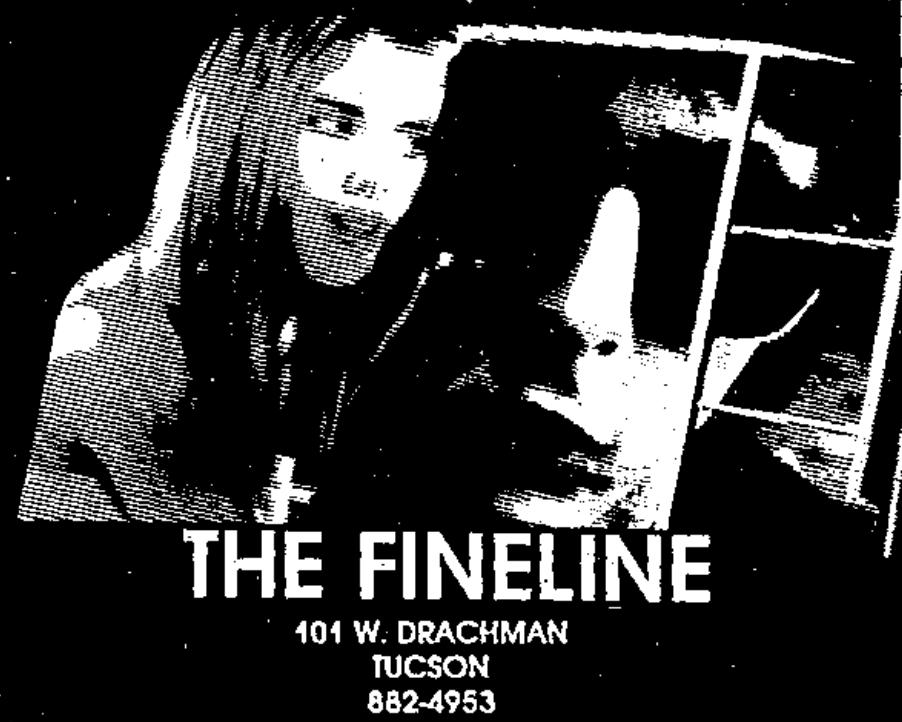
LAKE POWELL

There are only a few spaces left for this year's Lake Powell Houseboat Adventure. This will be the third year for this popular outing. Again, a 50 foot houseboat has been rented for the 5-day, 4-night outing. (That's Friday, Oct. 5 thru Tuesday, Oct. 9). New this year is the addition of a speedboat for water skiing and for exploring side canyons too distant or narrow for the houseboat to visit. Participants will be divided into food groups, each group providing one meal for all of the others. Therefore, except for one meal, you are catered to by the other groups. The cost is \$150 for members and \$160 for non-members. Call Wayne at 623-4897 for the few remaining reservations.

PIMA CANYON

This beautiful canyon is located so close to Tucson that there is always a good crowd of day hikers whenever it appears on the schedule. The Pima Canyon Trail is not only beautiful but a good one for novice hikers. Starting at the northern end of First Avenue, the trail wanders into the Cataline Mountains following a pretty mountain stream which provides water to the lush foliage on the canyon floor. This day hike is scheduled for Sunday, October 14. Call Carl, 792-1586 for more information.

BIG SCREEN TV SCHEDULE
MON.NITE FOOTBALL
TUES.NITE MOVIES
WED.NITE. DYNASTY
THURS.NITE HILL STREET
BLUES & BROTHERS
FRI.NITE DALLAS
IN THE B.F.R.



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by Miss D. and Mr. P.

Sunsets in Arizona. What a special treat for us! We all have our special place from which to watch them. Of course it always helps to have that special person along (not to mention good smoke and a bottle of wine). One of mine is located at the top of Campbell, just off Skyline Drive. There you can watch the sun sink gracefully behind the Tucson Mountains. As the sunset colors fade away, the city lights engulf the valley.

After all that excitement, you must surely have become hungry, or at least have the munchies.

Just coast on down to Las Campanas de las Catalinas. The menu is not long - six entrees are listed. This compared with a dozen or so desserts, ten appetizers and twenty four wines. On the night we dined, the entrees Closed Sundays.

included veal, lamb, steak, fish and chicken dishes. Your appetizer is included in the price of your meal as is a salad and dessert. Prices range from \$10.75 to \$16.00.

We selected sauteed scallopini of veal, marsala, and a rack of lamb, roasted au natural. Both were served with roast potatoes and steamed whole zucchini. The lamb was superb. Unfortunately, for the veal, the marsala seemed to have burned. The fact was mentioned to the waitress, she was chagrined and asked what she could bring instead. We demurred, she insisted saying they would rather be told at the time. That way, she pointed out, they could correct the situation. Not so when a disappointed diner telephoned the next day, or worse yet, wrote to them from Denver. We ordered another rack of lamb. The salad, bread and appetizers were very good. We had gazpacho and lentil soup. We can also recommend the raspberry parfait.

The service is attentive, the food very good, the atmosphere and view of the city lights are divine. Until we eat again.

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you mark your ballot. You don't have to be "out of the closet" to vote for those candidates that are responsive to your needs. Make your vote count and be an informed voter by attending the Political Forum next Tuesday, October 9th at the Temple of Music and Art.

by Jack Stockslager, Co-Chairperson of The Tucson Lesbian and Gay Pride Committee (TLCPC).

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Yet, another Tucson man, diagnosed with AIDS almost 2 1/2 years ago, is still alive, out of the hospital and "looks good and is feeling very well," according to one UA scientist involved in the man's experimental treatment.

"He seems just fine, his color is good, his weight is up," said Wayburn S. Jeter, director of the UA's Cellular Immunology Laboratory, who has been treating the young man with an unproven process called the "transfer factor" - the transfer of certain blood cells from a healthy human or animal, who is immune to the disease or infections, to the blood of the patient.

All physicians and scientists working with the survivor, however, refuse to credit the transfer factor for his apparent well-being.

"It certainly has been an encouraging situation," said Jeter, "but we cannot draw any conclusions from just one case. We can't really say what has happened."

(Tucson Citizen)

Club

Events

by Doc

Thank goodness things have been slow this last week. I guess all the clubs even take time off once in awhile to rest up for more important things. Now I'm worried what they are building up their strength for.

A couple of little notes from the two home bars in Tucson:

As for the Graduate, the favorite watering hole that outlaws shorts of the under type (real swingers), I was sitting there minding my own business when Hopi of SOS came up and complained I never report anything on them (SOS). Well, I told him, give me something to write about and I'd be glad to print it. I'm not sure how serious it was but he told me SOS was going to San Francisco!

The next day, sitting in the same bar (Graduate), minding my own business, I overheard B of R & B say, "I'll do anything for money." I wonder???

Vinny, from Rita's Rendezvous tells me on Oct. 20 and 21 the bar is having a Uno Doubles Tournament. First prize \$50 and second \$25. He also said he is going to have a special home made drink each day on special.

As for the TKO and TALL, they are getting ready for the trip over to Albuquerque for the Balloon Fest. Contact either Tammy or Chester of TKO or TJ or Lee of TALL for details if interested.

I haven't heard anything from any of the clubs up the pike so let's get with it guys, send me something to write about.

In closing, it gives me pleasure to announce that the new name for the Arizona 3-Way will be "Arizona Brotherhood Run". This event will be held over the Thanksgiving holidays in Phoenix. I'll report more on this as I get the info.

An apology goes out to the Copper State Leather Fraternity for listing their name past tense last week.

So long for this week and say hello to a new face this week - promote BROTHERHOOD!!!

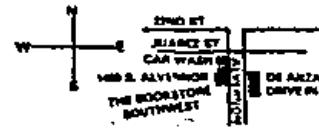
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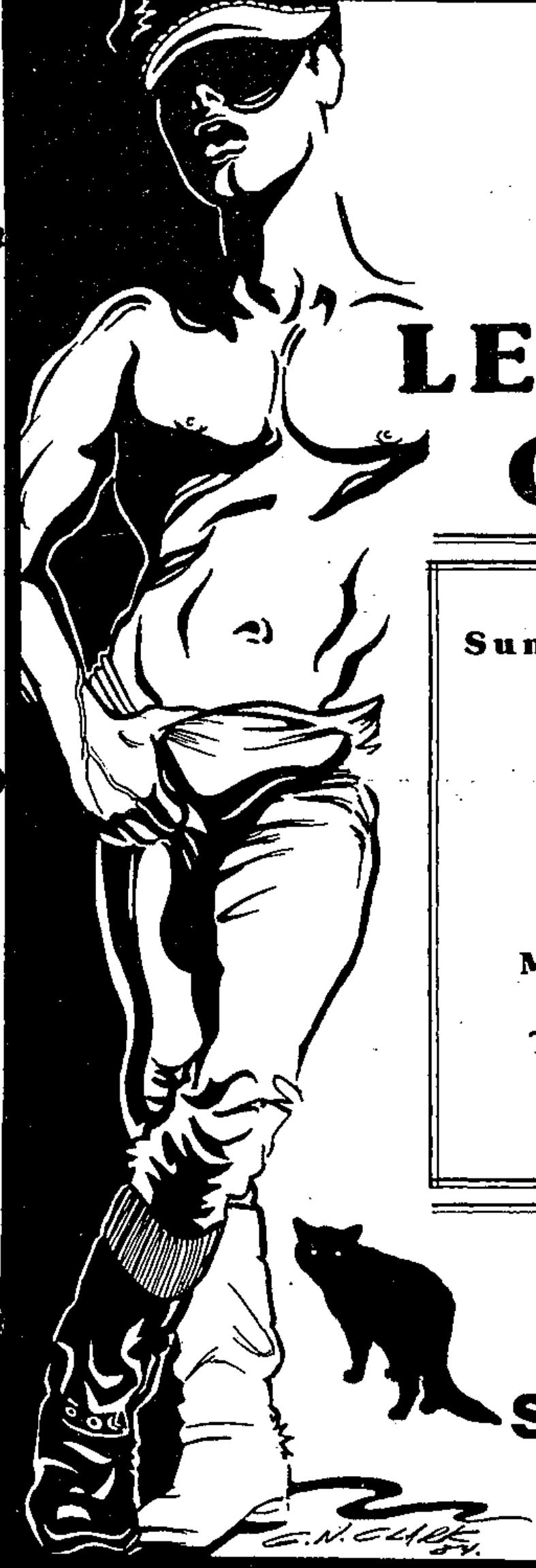
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Sunday. Oct. 7 THE GRADUATE

Monday. Oct. 8 COLETTE'S

Tues. Oct. 9 TRAMPS

Sun. Oct. 14 RITA'S

Mon. Oct. 15 THE FINELINE

Tues. Oct. 16 JOSHUA TREE

9:00 P. M.

ALL EVENTS

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**COLETTE'S WEST
SUNDAY. OCT. 28.**

Ask Your Bartenders For DETAILS

THE TUCSON CALENDAR**WED.**

BACK POCKET/JOSHUA TREE - Draft Beer Bust 9-11, 40 Glass.
 COLETTE'S WEST - Well Liquor .75 - 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 4 to 8 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 CAT" 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 - "Hill Street Blues" and
 "Brothers" on big screen TV in BFR.
 RITA'S - Well Shots .75 - Free Hors d'oeuvres

FRI.

BACK POCKET/JOSHUA TREE - Shots of Schnapps .75.
 FINELINE - "Dallas" on big screen TV in 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 (DICKS) - 16 oz. Strawberry Fruity Daiquiri
 Special 11 a.m. to 7 p.m.
 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
 from 6 to 9 p.m.

SUN.

BACK POCKET - Steak Dinner 4 to 8 p.m. \$3.00. VOLLEYBALL.
 COLETTE'S WEST - Sunday Sick Call - All Juice Drinks \$1.00
 Happy Hour Prices 4 - 9 p.m.
 FINELINE (DICKS) - 16 oz. Strawberry Fruity Daiquiri
 Special noon to 7 p.m.
 RITA'S RENDEZVOUS - DJ Dancing 3 to 7. Kitchen opens at
 Noon. BBQ Dinner 5-8 p.m.
 TRAMPS - BEER BUST Noon to 1 a.m. - \$5.00 cash "Grab Bag".
 Drawing begins at 11 p.m.

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
 9:00 p.m. to Midnight on alternate Tuesdays.
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A View From Within

by Christopher Geoffrey McPherson

NIGGER! NIGGER!

World War Two, while by no means an isolated incident, is the most notorious case in recent history of sanctioned segregation and prejudice. Here I speak not only of the methodical and well organized mass slaughter of millions of Jews, but also that of the Catholics, blacks, handicapped and, yes, the homosexuals.

In the death camps, those people who survived the train trip, and those who survived the initial 'thinning of the ranks', were assigned numbers permanently tattooed on their forearm, as well as patches to be worn on their clothing. For example, the yellow Star-Of-David signified the wearer was Jewish, as the pink triangle signified the homosexual.

These 'labels' as they were, proved very useful to the German SS guards, helping them to identify who was who.

Luckily, the death camps were short-lived and are now but a dim memory. However, one lasting effect has remained: Labels...

As homosexuals, we are very fortunate: It is (usually) very difficult to spot one of us and conclusively state the sexual orientation. How lucky that we are not all born with pink triangles as birthmarks on our faces, or arms. How could we hide then?

The black men and women who

valiantly and bravely fought for their civil rights had little choice. It would prove rather impossible for them to deny the fact that they were black, wouldn't it.

Consider then the point that I am trying to make: If you currently deny your sexual orientation, would you strongly deny it if you were marked? Or different in some obvious way? Answer? Probably not. You would have as much chance as a black man.

Our cause would be so much further along if we had big pink birthmarks on our faces. You would grow up harassed, discriminated against, and castigated. Would you stand up for your rights then? Would you demand fairness and equality in the eyes of law.

Damn right you would.

So, instead, because we can 'blend in' with 'straight' society we choose to sit back, do nothing. We are satisfied with our lot in life, complacent to be non-descript.

This attitude is why so many of us lead closeted lives, hiding. Forever looking over our shoulder, fearful and frightened.

Examine your principles, morals and your character. If you are like me, you have no reason to be ashamed, no reasons to lie and hide.

If you grew up being called 'Nigger!', then perhaps your attitude about life would be different.

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