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Falwell demonstration small but effective



The crowd outside protesting was small but very visible to the 500 or so attending the Jerry Falwell "Friendship Breakfast" held at the Plaza International Hotel last Thursday, March 21. Several members of the Gay community procured tickets and were inside the meeting. Approximately half way through the talk by Rev. Falwell, three of the men stood up and revealed their T-shirts all with Gay oriented wording on them.

Although Rev. Falwell tried not to pay any attention, several members of the media that were present were taking photographs of the trio. The breakfast meeting went on and the Gay men stayed through to the end.

Outside, about 20 demonstrators

stood close by the main door and were greeted, mostly friendly, by Falwell's followers. Some even confided that they did not believe in everything Falwell stood for and some showed great empathy for the Gay community's cause.

The event, held at 7:30 a.m. drew a lot of media attention, television, radio and newspaper reporters were present and although the Gay turnout was considered small, compared to the crowd inside, there was a definite point made by the group's presence - showing that "we know what you are doing Rev. Falwell, and we will not let you alone as long as you are going to continue to harass members of our Gay communities."

That message got across loud and clear.

Delta Airlines drops ban on AIDS patients

NEW YORK, NY - Delta Airlines has revoked a regulation that would have banned AIDS patients from its flights. The action came about because the company was deluged with protests. The controversial ruling which had been announced only about two weeks earlier read, "The carrier will refuse to transport or will remove at any point, any passenger... who is known to have acquired immune deficiency syndrome."

Delta officials are quoted as having said that they felt AIDS patients posed a danger to other passengers through the use of drinking cups and toilet seats.

Among the groups and people who protested the rule were the Centers for Disease Control in Atlanta, Bill Green, the Republican congressman representing Manhattan, and Bruce Decker, head of California Governor George Deukmejian's state task force on AIDS.

Colonel may avoid court martial

WASHINGTON, DC - The Air Force Colonel stationed at Andrews Air Force Base who was slated for court martial based on his alleged sexual relations with another male officer (Observer, Feb. 20) has won a recommendation that court martial proceedings not be instituted against him.

At a second Article 32 hearing (a formal investigative hearing) held recently, the colonel's attorneys were able to call into question the allegations of a male lieutenant who claimed to have had a sexual relationship with the colonel. As a result, according to a Washington Blade report, the hearing officer recommended against court martial. General Paul Harvey, Commanding Officer of Andrews Air Force Base, will make the final decision. Gen. Harvey initiated the original court martial proceedings upon the recommendation of the first Article 32 hearing, at which the lieutenant was not subjected to cross-examination by the colonel's lawyers.

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Tucson told blood supply safe from AIDS - despite antibodies being found

by Carla McClain

transfusions of AIDS-infected blood. Also, some AIDS cases have been discovered among heterosexuals in the United States.

Some concern was expressed that as of April 15, University Medical Center, which uses a fourth of all the blood supplied in Tucson, no longer will receive its blood from the Red Cross, but from a smaller and less expensive blood-supply company, the Scottsdale-based United Blood Services.

However, the Scottsdale company is now screening all of its donated blood for the HTLV-3 antibodies, and "we will be doing so on the day we open our center in Tucson," said Joel Hobbs, director of marketing for Blood Services Inc., which owns United Blood Services.

The only other blood-supply company in the area, Hyland Plasma Centers, is not yet screening for HTLV-3, but plans to do so soon, a center spokesman said. Hyland receives blood from paid donors, and then markets blood products commercially nationwide.

"Yes, I am sure some of our products do end up in Tucson," said assistant manager Dianne Sorenson. "We will begin the screening test soon, but we are not sure exactly when."

Controversy over the HTLV-3 test has erupted in the Gay communities across the country, where people fear that the test's imperfect results might frighten healthy people unnecessarily. There also is concern that positive results might not be kept confidential, and instead might be used to discriminate against Gay people.

Tucson Gay people are being warned by some to avoid all involvement with the test, at least for now.

"The results of that test, which don't tell you anything, could go to the person's insurance company, who may drop him, or to his boss who will say this man has AIDS, he must be Gay... it's a confidentiality issue," said Bob Ellis, editor of the Observer, Tucson's Gay newspaper, which carried a front-page story and an advertisement advising Gay people not to take the test. (Observer March 20).

"We are also concerned about the devastation of a person worrying whether he has AIDS who really does not," he added. "The test doesn't mean a thing, as far as diagnosing the disease."

Ellis agreed, however, that the test was useful and needed to help protect the blood supply, but he pointed out that people at risk for AIDS "have been warned to stay away from blood banks anyway."

The confidentiality of all Red Cross donors found with the antibodies will be "absolutely" protected, Webster said.

United Blood Services also plans to open a Tucson Center offering to screen high-risk people for the AIDS-associated antibodies, but it could not guarantee confidentiality yet. "We are working with the state health department on this," Hobbs said.

Nearly 40 AIDS cases have been

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BRIEFS

DESIGNER SHOWCASE '85

TUCSON - For the third consecutive year, the Tucson Museum of Art League is presenting the "Designer Showcase '85". This spacious two-story hacienda, built in 1932, is one of Tucson's finest examples of charm and sophistication in gracious living. Among the home's most spectacular features are carved ceiling beams built and painted by the well-known local artist, Ted DeGrazia, when he was a carpenter working on the original construction.

The six thousand square foot residence and its grounds have been transformed with imagination and beauty by fourteen of the city's leading interior design studios. The designers have exercised their creative talents and donated their resources to produce inspiring concepts displayed throughout. So celebrate spring with a memorable day at the showhouse. Plan to enjoy lunch, wine, and dessert in the festive tea room (?) elegantly catered by chef Jack Mackey of "O Sole Mio Restorante". There will be modeling daily. Also visit the designer boutique of home accessories. Your attendance will benefit the Tucson Museum of Art.

"Designer Showcase '85" is located at 85 Camino Espanol in the El Encanto area. The showcase is open to the public from April 2 through April 28. Hours are Tuesday through Saturday from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. and Sundays from Noon until 4:00 p.m. On Wednesdays, the house is open for evening viewing from 5:30 to 8:00 p.m. The house will be closed on Easter Sunday, April 7. The designers will be present on Wednesday evenings and Sundays.

Tickets for "Designer Showcase '85" are available at the door for \$7.00 with all proceeds going to the Tucson Museum of Art. Visitors attending the showcase on Saturdays and Sundays should use the shuttle service provided at Temple B'nai-El located at 225 North Country Club.

PASSEOVER AND EASTER SERVICES ANNOUNCED FOR PHOENIX

CONGREGATIONS

PHOENIX - Member organizations of Arizona's Lesbian and Gay Interfaith Alliance will be sponsoring worship opportunities during the upcoming Holy Days to celebrate with "family".

Mishpachat Am will be hosting a Passover Seder and Dinner Saturday, April 6 at 6:30 p.m. Cost is \$10 per person and includes full traditional dinner, wine and beverage. RSVP by April 5. For more information call Andrew 966-5001 or Judy 249-4813. The celebration of Passover reminds us all of deliverance from bondage and is a unique opportunity for both Jews and Christians to join together.

Dignity/Phoenix and Oasis MCC will be hosting an Easter Sunrise Celebration followed by a potluck brunch Sunday, April 7 at 6:00 a.m. The celebration will include prayer, praise, scripture, dramatic readings and guitar music in an outdoor setting. RSVP by April 5. For more information call David 968-4499 or Donna 279-1679. This celebration promises to be inspirational, fun and a good opportunity to join together in worship.

The Arizona Lesbian and Gay Interfaith Alliance invites you to gather together with other sisters and brothers in our community to worship, celebrate and make new friends during the Holy Days.

QUOTE OF THE WEEK

"Almost all abortion doctors are Jews, almost all abortion nurses are Lesbians, and abortion in Orange County (California) is being promoted by the corrupt Jewish organization called Planned Parenthood. At the end of the day (the clinics) take the fetuses, some of whom are still clinging to life, and throw them in the garbage for cats to eat."

---from a telephone tape being played by the White American Resistance, identified as an affiliate of the Ku Klux Klan.

TRADITION TAKES IT

ANCHORAGE, AK (GCN) - An Inuit man was found not guilty on two counts of child sexual abuse and one count of attempted sexual abuse after a Fairbanks trial, according to the Anchorage Daily News.

Anthropologists' testimony convinced the court that 57-year-old Jack Jones' behavior was within the bounds of traditional Inuit culture and had no erotic intent. Jones was in the habit of trying to pull the pants off his son and grandson. The children were expected to resist and fight back. Anthropologists testified that Jones "was well within a cultural tradition of teasing behavior that has as its root teaching young boys to laugh off adversity, to protect themselves when other people come after them, and to be quick in response," according to Judge Tom Stewart.

The accusation and charges arose when Jones attempted the same thing with a child not familiar with the custom. The child told his parents who later informed the Alaska State Troopers.

WEST HOLLYWOOD WINS

FIRST TEST CASE

by Christine Guiffey
WEST HOLLYWOOD, CA (GCN) - In the first test of this newly incorporated city's human rights ordinance, the West Hollywood City Council has forced a restaurant to remove an anti-Gay sign which had hung in the establishment since 1933.

The sign, which said "Fagots Stay Out", hung behind the bar at Barney's Beany, a restaurant specializing in hamburgers and chili. The slogan was also printed on matchbook covers distributed by the restaurant. The sign was removed by Lesbian mayor Valerie Terrigno following an agreement between the city attorney and the restaurant's owner, Irwin Held. In addition, the restaurant agreed to remove the slogan from its matchbooks. However, Held did not acknowledge the slogan as discriminatory but said he was capitulating as an act of good will.

It is estimated that 30 percent of the population of West Hollywood is Gay. Recent elections produced a three-member Gay majority on the five-member city council. Terrigno, one of the councillors, is a Lesbian who also acts as the mayor....

SEX EDUCATION IN BARS

By John Zeh
CINCINNATI, OH (GCN) - In what could become a model program for courses across the U.S., Ohio's Gay health consultant has begun training bartenders and bar owners as lay health educators. Twenty-four bartenders and three bar owners participated in Buck Harris' first official presentation here.

Harris, once a bartender himself, designed the project after overhearing a Cleveland bartender mistakenly tell patrons that a woman had given AIDS to 40 men around the U.S. "People are talking about STD's (sexually transmitted diseases)," he said. "Why not give them accurate information?"

Harris will offer the course which explains most of the 28 known STD's, AIDS, and unsafe sex practices in Columbus, Akron, Toledo, Canton and Dayton, Ohio. He has also been asked to address bartenders in Jacksonville, Key West and Ann Arbor.

In January 1984, Ohio health officials had counted 14 cases of AIDS. The toll now exceeds 70. "Clearly the problem has escalated," Harris told the barworkers. "My major job is to scare people to death." Michael Ritchey, director of the city's Sexually Transmitted Disease (STD) program, cautioned "We're not trying to spread community-wide hysteria, but to help you respond to someone complaining of a two-week-old cough," or other possible AIDS symptom.

Ritchey also helped organize bar owners to join in a massive fundraising effort for people with AIDS here. "For one of the first times," he said, "bar owners are working together. This is exciting, cohesive work by people who care about our community."



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Arizona health chief cites troubles with AIDS blood test

PHOENIX, AZ (AP) - Arizona health director Lloyd Novick calls the new blood test for AIDS unreliable and says he opposes a federal plan to use it to diagnose the condition - acquired immune deficiency syndrome.

Novick said that he considers it "a good idea" to use the laboratory test to screen blood donations but "inadvisable" to make it available to individuals, because up to 90 percent of the people who test positive do not actually have AIDS.

Novick's comments came in response to a proposal by U.S. Health and Human Services Secretary Margaret Heckler, to use the new test to screen blood.

Tucson Lesbian and Gay Pride Committee

Jack Stockslager, Co-Chairperson

"Jerry Falwell and the Moral Majority, we are among you." That was the message of a very concerned and brave group of Tucson Lesbians and Gays that entered Rev. Falwell's Friendship Breakfast last Thursday, March 21st at the Plaza International Convention Center.

Rev. Falwell's purpose of meeting his Tucson supporters was to fleece his flock for new building construction at Liberty College in Lynchburg, Virginia. To everyone's surprise, three Gay men stood up in the middle of his speech, silently exposing their Gay T-Shirts for all to see. Our presence, although noted and photographed by the media, was purposely ignored by Falwell.

Falwell is a very intelligent man with a large following. He is responsible for part of the Republican platform and a supporter of Star Wars weaponry. He and his followers have suggested that Gays be quarantined to protect the rest of the population from AIDS.

What Falwell represents could be labeled our number one adversary. The concerned members of our community who cared enough to show our opposition, made little or no impression among the 500 plus Falwell supporters. I ask myself, being on the front line, what was the point? Where are my brothers and sisters in this struggle?

With this continuing lack of

The test - used to detect antibodies against human-T-lymphotropic virus III (HTLV III), which causes AIDS - is expected to be licensed by the Food and Drug Administration very soon.

Heckler also recommended that the tests be offered at sites other than blood banks so those who are at high risk for AIDS - primarily homosexual and bisexual men, hemophiliacs, and intravenous drug abusers - would not rush to donate blood in order to be checked for the disease.

In addition, Novick said health department officials are not sure how to counsel people whose test results are positive.

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Cat leukemia vaccine may help CURE AIDS

NEW YORK, NY (AP) - A new vaccine to protect cats from leukemia could not only save the lives of the nation's 50 million cats but could also point the way to a vaccine for a closely related illness AIDS.

The vaccine is the first ever developed to prevent infection with retroviruses, an unusual class of viruses only recently found to be important in human disease.

A variety of animal cancers, including feline leukemia, are caused by retroviruses, but until last year only two rare forms of human leukemia had been linked to retroviruses.

Last year, researchers identified yet another human retrovirus that appears to cause AIDS.

The cat vaccine was developed three years ago by Richard Olsen of Ohio State University. At a press conference, officials of Norden Laboratories of Lincoln, Nebraska, the producers of the vaccine, announced that it is now commercially available in the United States and Canada.

In tests with 3,000 cats, Norden has shown that the vaccine will prevent leukemia in 80 percent of the cats that receive it. Feline leukemia is the leading cause of death in cats, afflicting about 1.5 million cats in the United States, Norden officials said. "The vaccine is an important step forward," said Dr. William Hardy, a veterinarian and expert on feline leukemia.

"If you can do it for this virus, you should be able to do it for other retroviruses as long as they don't change in any great degree," said Hardy, head of the laboratory of veterinary oncology at Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center in New York.

The problem with AIDS, however, is that the virus appears to change as it infects, possibly confounding the development of a vaccine, Hardy said. In addition, Hardy said, no one understands exactly how the cat vaccine is able to induce immunity without actually causing the abnormalities seen in feline leukemia.

Olsen, the vaccine's developer, said he believes it accomplishes that trick because it is made not of killed or weakened viruses, as conventional

vaccines are, but rather of chemicals extracted from the leukemia virus.

These substances, referred to as the virus's "antigens," induce the cat to strengthen its defenses against the virus but do not cause the disease, Olsen said.

The vaccine only protects cats not yet infected with leukemia virus. "Like any vaccine, it doesn't reverse the disease," Olsen said.

He said he has been working on the vaccine for 10 years with financial support from the National Cancer Institute.

Norden officials said an initial series of three vaccinations to prevent feline leukemia would probably cost about \$50, although prices will vary depending on the veterinarian. An annual booster will also be required, they said.

They would not say what they will charge veterinarians for the vaccine, given the trade name Leukocell. But they did say that Biotechnology News, a trade publication, had estimated the company would sell somewhere between \$10 and \$75 million worth of the vaccine each year.

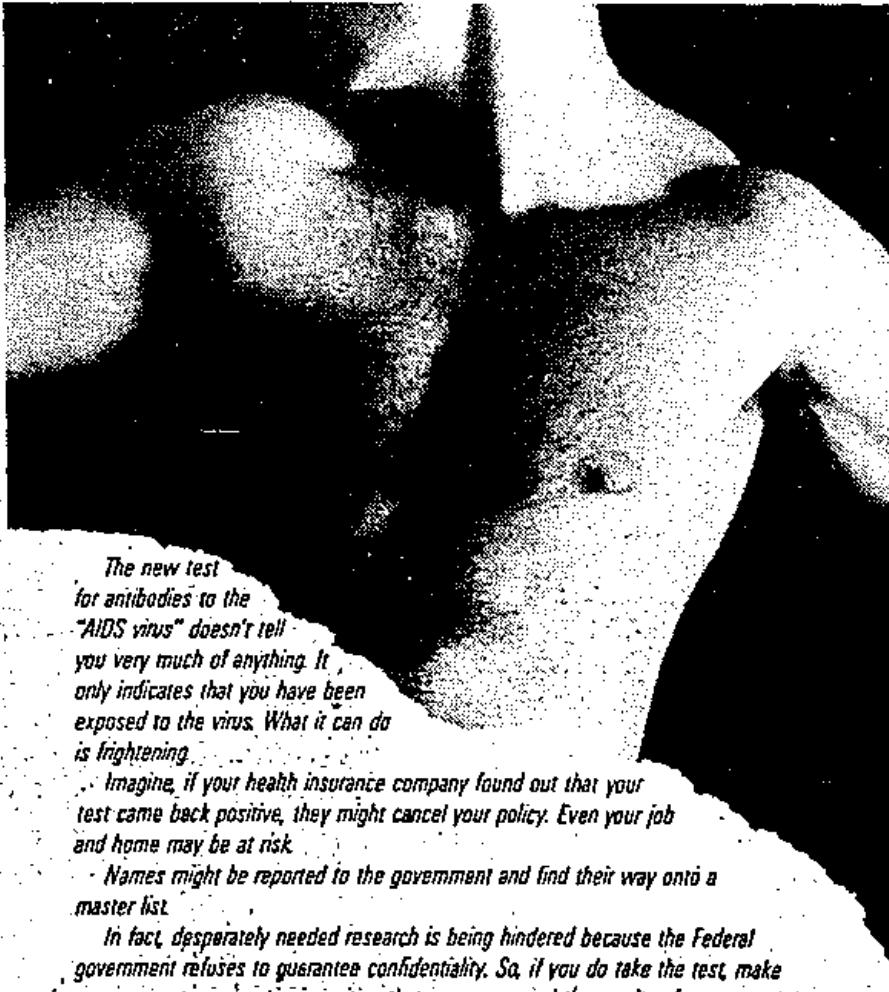
The vaccine produced no adverse reaction in 85 percent of the cats that received it, said Richard Sharpe, a Norden senior research scientist. All cats recovered from the reactions, he said.

FCC REJECTS GAY DEMANDS

PHILADELPHIA, PA. - The Federal Communications Commission recently rejected a petition by the Philadelphia Lesbian and Gay Task Force to deny the license renewals of radio stations WCAU-AM and WCAU-FM.

The Task Force charged the two CBS-owned stations with refusing to air its public service announcements, and a lack of Gay-related programming. The FCC ruled that the Task Force failed to show proof that WCAU did not meet the needs of its service area. Moreover, under a 1983 decision deregulating the broadcasting industry, the FCC held that a licensee is not required to provide programs for all segments of the community.

THE TEST CAN BE ALMOST AS DEVASTATING AS THE DISEASE



The new test for antibodies to the "AIDS virus" doesn't tell you very much of anything. It only indicates that you have been exposed to the virus. What it can do is frightening.

Imagine, if your health insurance company found out that your test came back positive, they might cancel your policy. Even your job and home may be at risk.

Names might be reported to the government and find their way onto a master list.

In fact, desperately needed research is being hindered because the Federal government refuses to guarantee confidentiality. So, if you do take the test, make sure you get a guarantee in writing that your name and the results of your test won't ever be released to anyone.

Otherwise, our advice is, stay away from the test. It's bad news.

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Funtime! Shots



The surprise "guest" bartender at the Congress last week was none other than Tom who poured libations to the thirsty crowd.

Over at Collette's we couldn't find her anywhere, but we did find Jerri, dislocated shoulder and all, talking with some of her favorite customers.



Toney and Monte-Jon backstage at the Pineline after the final performance of "The International Stud." Their smiles tell it all.



Decked out in their Green vests we found part of the working crew at the Joshua Tree/Back Pocket (l to R) Susan, Bobbie, Jr., Louie and Tod.



Part of the security force at the Pineline getting ready for a busy evening.

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Conservative Gays hold meeting in Dallas

DALLAS, TX - Concerned Americans for Individual Rights, the voice for moderate to conservative Gay men and women, will hold their first Annual Meeting in Dallas, April 5 - 7. Anyone interested is invited to attend.

Congressman Bill Green (R-NY) will address the group at a Texas-style barbecue dinner kicking off the meeting, Friday, April 5. Green, highly regarded for his support of the Gay community, has repeatedly encouraged those as-yet-uninvolved moderate to conservative Gay men and women to involve themselves in efforts to combat homophobia through education.

In addition to a dinner Saturday night hosted by a group of CAIR's Dallas supporters and a general business session on Sunday, the weekend-long meeting will feature a series of workshop symposia covering four main subject areas: (1) Homophobia in Religion - Understanding it and combatting it, (2) What Happened In Houston - Why and how to avoid it in the future, (3) Job Discrimination - How to break the cycle, and (4) 1985-2000 - An agenda for Reed Equality.

Concerned Americans for Individual Rights was founded in May of 1984. With offices and staff in Washington, it is an educational, non-profit foundation operating on tax-deductible contributions.

CAIR has effectively lobbied the Reagan Administration to avoid representation at the overtly anti-Gay Falwell Moral Majority Family Forums, and has represented moderate to conservative Gay men and women at the Republican National Convention. CAIR has also begun an aggressive campaign to present a more accurate picture of Gay men and women in the media, has established the first official recognition of Gay men and women by a major National Republican organization, and is planning several workshops and symposiums on the core-level problems of homophobia in America today.

"Most ideas in politics come from the intellectual community and are simply made issues of by political figures", explains Bruce Decker, founder and Board Member. "We need to reach into the Gay intellectual community, encourage the development of positive, effective solutions to our problems, and then encourage our political supporters to articulate them."

"With a Republican Administration and Republican control of the Senate, it is particularly important that we make progress on that side of the

aisle. With a well reasoned, well thought-out approach, many Republican political and opinion leaders will listen to us, particularly if they recognize that we come from similar philosophical and political backgrounds," continued Decker.

Individuals interested in additional information about CAIR or in attending the Annual Meeting April 5 - 7 in Dallas, should call (202) 822-0820 or write Jeff Snow, CAIR, P.O. Box 53041, Washington, DC 20009.

PANEL DISCUSSION WITH ALCOHOL SERVERS AND LEGAL ARM SET

TUCSON - Called at the suggestion of the Tucson Arizona Gay Bartenders Association (TAGBA) and member Dick Plowman of the Fineline, an unprecedented panel discussion will take place on Wednesday, April 10 at the Broadway Holiday Inn from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m.

Because of certain ambiguities in the wording of the Arizona state liquor laws and different interpretations by the various law enforcement agencies, a meeting has been called to discuss the disparities and to find solutions to them.

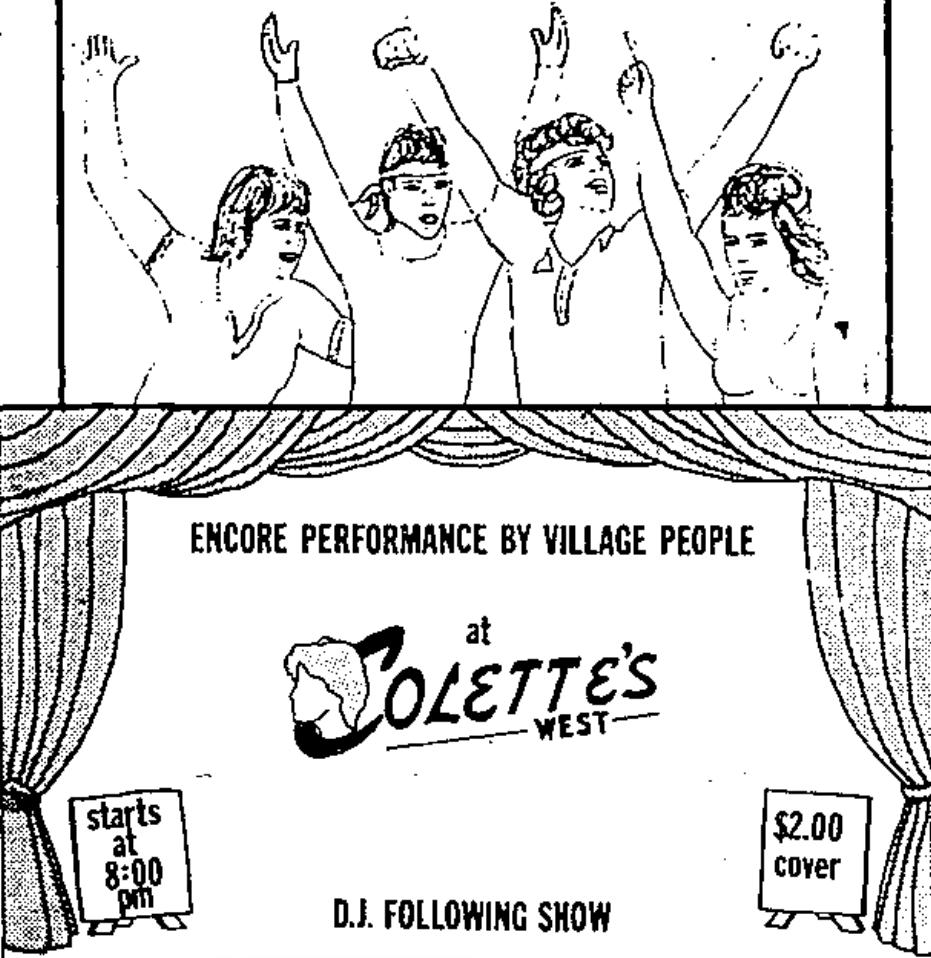
The panel discussion is entitled, "The Law and How You Can Cope", will feature Mr. Bruce Huntsman from the Arizona Liquor Control; Officer Bobby Huff from the Tucson Police Department; Officer Lou Spalla from the Department of Public Safety. Also promised, but not confirmed, to attend will be Mr. Jim Lagattuta, an Assistant from the Attorney General's Office.

Moderator for the panel discussion will be Ms. Camille Stalling, CHSE, who is the representative from Golden Eagle Action Resource Services (G.E.A.R.S.), the local spokespeople for Operation A.L.E.R.T. - Action and Leadership through Education, Responsibility and Training, an Anheuser-Busch program.

Although this is not a public forum, persons who are vitally concerned with the serving of alcohol and the legalities of such service, (bar owners, bartenders, waiters and waitresses, security people e.g. persons whose livelihood as an server of alcoholic beverages depends on keeping the law) are invited to attend.

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SMILES FOR SARA

LOS ANGELES, CA - The Alliance for Gay and Lesbian Artists in the Entertainment Industry (AGLA) has called the NBC-TV series, 'Sara,' "the breakthrough show for the Gay community" for including what the organization refers to as a "happens to be Gay" character.

Rick Henderson, co-chair of the AGLA Media Watch Committee, lauded the program based on the group's analysis of the character Dennis, a Gay lawyer practicing with three other non-Gay lawyers in a San Francisco legal office. "Based on what we've seen so far, Dennis is quite content with himself. He's a positive, likeable human being who just happens to be Gay. The jokes arise from the situations; the audience laughs with him, not at him."

Dennis, who is portrayed by Bronson Pinchot, the young actor who came to notoriety in the Eddie Murphy film, 'Beverly Hills Cop,' "obviously has respect for the character and it shows. He appears to enjoy the role and so do we," Henderson said. "We only hope that NBC develops the character and gives the show a chance to succeed."

'Sara' views Wednesday nights on NBC-TV. The AGLA suggests that viewers make their opinions known by writing to Mr. Brandon Tartikoff, President, NBC Entertainment, NBC-TV, 3000 West Alameda Boulevard, Burbank, CA 91523.

The AGLA, now in its sixth year, was formed to encourage the responsible portrayal of Gays and Lesbians in the entertainment media. Correspondence can be addressed to: P.O. Box 69A18, West Hollywood, CA 90069, or by phone (213) 851-4997.

'RUN' FOR AIDS

NEW YORK, NY - The "American Run for the End of AIDS" (ARFA) is a planned run around the continental United States by a Gay American athlete. The purpose of the run is to raise money for AIDS, to raise the consciousness and the morale of Gay people around the country, and to promote better understanding between Gay and straight Americans.

ARFA will begin and end in New York City. The run will start in the Spring of 1985 and will finish in the Fall of 1986. The event will include

as many cities and as much area as possible. ARFA will symbolize the effort to fight and overcome the terrible disease.

A committee is in the process of being formed to organize and promote the run and to establish The American Run for the End of AIDS Fund. Donations will be evenly divided among AIDS research, and educational programs for the public.

For more information, write the ARFA Committee, 2350 Broadway, New York, NY 10024.

NEWS FROM MCC/TUCSON

Spring has sprung. Have you noticed how the leaves are coming out all over, how the flowers have started to bloom? There is a big citrus fruit tree next door to the church and it is in full bloom, and what a sweet fragrance it emits. It, in itself, makes it worth going to church, almost.

This coming Sunday is known as Palm Sunday. This Sunday will be the beginning of our observance of the final days that Jesus Christ spent on Earth. Palm Sunday is in remembrance of the triumphal march of Jesus in Jerusalem. Jesus did not ride on a fine stallion as was the custom of dignitaries of that time, but in humility He rode on a donkey. The people lay palm leaves on the roadway for Him to pass on. Jesus knew what was coming in the next week and this was the last time He would travel this road through Palestine and Israel. All of the old prophecies were about to be fulfilled.

This Palm Sunday, the sixth and last Sunday of Lent, Pastor Dave will have as the subject of his sermon, "Crying Stones". We invite everyone to come and join with us in this special service, a renewing of our faith as children of God and as followers of Christ. Let us lay palm leaves for Him to pass upon.

Regular worship services are at 10:45 a.m. and 6:30 p.m. Sundays and at 7:00 p.m. Wednesday evening. Pastor Dave has office hours from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m., Wednesdays through Fridays. The church office is open from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Wednesdays through Fridays. If anyone would like to call for an appointment for consultation, call the church office at 622-4536.

Thought for the Week: Most of us can keep a secret. It's the people we tell it to that can't.

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TEAM STANDING
COMMUNITY MIXED VOLLEYBALL LEAGUE
AS OF MARCH 18, 1985

TEAM	W	L	ICT.	PB
JOSHUA TREE	27	98	.750	22
CLEAN UP-ARTISTS	24	12	.666	3
SPEEDWAY ROCKS	22	14	.611	5
FINELINE BARBERS	21	15	.583	6
COLETTE'S KILLER REES	21	17	.575	6
BACK POCKET	20	16	.555	6.5
WE GOT IT TOGETHER	20	20	.500	4
SUPER TRAMPS	19.5	20.5	.487	9.5
NIGHT ROLLING SERIOUS	17	19	.472	10
H.O.T.	15	21	.416	12
THE DISCIPLES	13.5	22.5	.375	13.5
FUN FLAMERS	9	27	.250	18
CUTTER TRAMPS I	9	27	.250	18

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TEAM STANDING
COMMUNITY MIXED VOLLEYBALL LEAGUE
STANDINGS AS OF
MARCH 17, 1985

TEAM	WON	LOST	ICT.	G.B.
NON AT PLAY	18	3	.857	22
TEAM NUMBER ONE	18	4	.819	5
CLIQUE JESTERS	11	12	.478	7.5
TRAMPS	10	13	.434	8.5
YOUTH-N-ASIA	8	14	.363	10
VAN EATERS	7	15	.318	11
BACK POCKET	5	16	.238	13

SCHEDULE OF PLAY SUNDAY, MARCH 31, AT JOSHUA TREE COURT
Non At Play vs Youth-N-Asia / Team Number One vs Court Jesters / Van Eaters vs Back Pocket / Youth-N-Asia vs Tramps / Court Jesters vs Non At Play / Back Pocket vs Team Number One / Tramps vs Van Eaters.

TEAM STANDING
GRADUATE IDLING LEAGUE
MARCH 12TH 1985

TEAM	WON	LOST	PINS
1. LITTLE JACK AND THE WIRATS	24	12	15452
2. HOT CROSS BUNS	22	14	15125
3. HITCHKETCHIN' IRONS	21	15	15190
4. COQUETTES	21	15	15111
5. TOOTH FAIRIES	21	15	15075
6. COOT AND THE CHANELS	19	17	15095
7. BRANCHE'S HONORIS	18.5	18	15120
8. LOOSE LIPS	18	18	13222
9. FAIRHAIRS	17	19	15085
10. THE THREE CHAVES	15.5	20	14749
11. WHITE SAILORS	15	21	15019
12. SHOT QUEENS	15	21	14766
13. BAD JOETS	14	22	14751
14. ALLEY...JOETS	11	25	14754

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SPECIAL CALENDAR

SATURDAY, MARCH 30
COLETTE'S WEST - "Variety Show" begins at 8:00 p.m. with encore performance by Village People. DJ following show. Starts at 8 p.m. \$12 cover.

TRAMPS - .30 Bloody Marys being served by Karen and Daddy David from 8:00 a.m. until noon.

SUNDAY, MARCH 31
TRAMPS - "People's Choice Awards Party". Winners will be phoned from Phoenix periodically and announced here.

SUNDAY, APRIL 1
CONGRESS TAP ROOM - "April Fool's Day" party planned with some super special prices from opening to closing! And that's no April Fool!

FRIDAY, APRIL 5
COLETTE'S WEST - "INNED AS A RYX" nite with live DJ. Old Rock, new rock, country rock and blues rock from 9 p.m. until closing.

SUNDAY, APRIL 7 (EASTER SUNDAY)
GRADUATE - Annual Easter Bonnet and Easter Basket Contest with hostess Aviva Diamond. Prizes and fun.

TUESDAY, APRIL 9
COLETTE'S WEST - "Rock 'n Brewk" Pool Tournament, second Tuesday of every Month. \$25 first prize. Minimum 10 entries. Check it out.

FRIDAY, SATURDAY AND SUNDAY, APRIL 12, 13 AND 14
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THE TUCSON CALENDAR

WEDNESDAY

BACK POCKET/JOSHUA TREE - Draft Beer Bust 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. .40 per glass.

COLETTE'S WEST - Well Liquor \$1.00 - 9 to Midnight.

CONGRESS TAP ROOM - Open 9 a.m. Mon - Sat. Noon Sundays.

FINELINE - Upstairs bar opens 3 p.m. Taff Neck Bottle Beer

Night \$1.00 - "Dynasty" on big screen TV in DPR.

GRADUATE - Watermelon Shots .75 - 9 p.m. - Midnight.

RITA'S - Kitchen open 11:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Country

Western dance music from 9:00 p.m. to 1:00 a.m.

TRAMPS - Square Dancing with Tucson's T-Squares and country

and western music with DJ Art

THURSDAY

BACK POCKET/JOSHUA TREE - Bottle Beer Night \$1.00 domestic

9:00 - 1:00 a.m.

CONGRESS TAP ROOM - Open 9 a.m. Mon - Sat. Noon Sundays.

COLETTE'S WEST - Draft Beer Bust 9 p.m. - Midnight \$2.50.

FINELINE - Upstairs opens 3 p.m. Shots of Schnapps \$1.00.

GRADUATE - Country & Western music from 9:00 p.m.

RITA'S - "Party Nite" - Well Shots and Domestic Beer \$1.00.

Well Drinks \$1.25 from 2 p.m. to 1 a.m. Kitchen open

11:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.

TRAMPS - Leather Night. 1/2 price well and .30 draft if

dressed in leather. Salsa & cruise music by Linda.

FRIDAY

CONGRESS TAP ROOM - Open 9 a.m. Mon - Sat. Noon Sundays.

FINELINE - Upstairs bar opens at 3 p.m.

GRADUATE - Watermelon Shots .75 - 9 p.m. - Midnight.

RITA'S RENDEZVOUS - Kitchen open 11:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.

TRAMPS - Disco music by Curtis 8 p.m. - 1 a.m.

SATURDAY

COLETTE'S WEST - Free Pool from 1:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

CONGRESS TAP ROOM - Opens 9 a.m. Mon - Sat. Noon Sundays.

FINELINE - Upstairs bar opens at 3 p.m.

RITA'S RENDEZVOUS - Kitchen open 11:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.

TRAMPS - Hot Dogs and Hamburgers served on the patio.

All afternoon country and western music by Art. Disco

music by Linda 8 p.m. 1 a.m.

SUNDAY

BACK POCKET - Beer Bust 4 to 6 p.m. .40 per glass. 6 to 9

p.m. Beer, wine and well \$1.00. Steak Dinner 3:30 to

7:30 \$3.50.

COLETTE'S WEST - Sunday Sick Call - All Juice Drinks \$1.35

Happy Hour Prices 4 - 9 p.m.

CONGRESS TAP ROOM - Opens at noon.

FINELINE - Upstairs bar opens at 3 p.m.

RITA'S RENDEZVOUS - Kitchen open Noon to 9:00 p.m. Brunch

11:30; Special Bar-B-Que Dinner 5:30 to 9 p.m.

TRAMPS - Sunday Beer Bust Noon to 7:00 PM, .40 per glass of

draft. "Church" with DJ Linda 3-8 p.m. Disco 9-1

Triv. \$5.00 cash "Grab Bag" drawing begins at 11 pm

MONDAY

BACK POCKET/JOSHUA TREE - Bowlers Special Night. 1/2 price

drinks to Monday night bowlers. Schnapps .75

COLETTE'S WEST - Monday Night Madness - \$1.35 Margaritas

9:00 to Midnight.

CONGRESS TAP ROOM - Opens 9 a.m. Mon - Sat. Noon Sundays.

FINELINE - Upstairs bar opens 3 p.m.

GRADUATE - Watermelon Shots .75 - 9 p.m. to Midnight.

RITA'S RENDEZVOUS - Kitchen open 11 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

TRAMPS - Salsa Night with Linda Fizdale 8 p.m. to 1 a.m.

TUESDAY

BACK POCKET/JOSHUA TREE - "Rocky Horror Picture Show" - the

movie shown every Tuesday at 8:30 p.m. plus Different

Drink Specials.

COLETTE'S WEST - Pool Tournament from 8:00 p.m. to Mid-

night on second Tuesday of the month, \$25 first prize.

Long Neck Beer Bust \$1.00 begins at 9:00 p.m.

CONGRESS TAP ROOM - Opens 9 a.m. Mon - Sat. Noon Sundays.

FINELINE - Upstairs bar opens 3 p.m. Michelob Classic

Dark \$1.00.

GRADUATE - Watermelon Shots .75 - 9 p.m. to Midnight.

RITA'S RENDEZVOUS - Kitchen open 11 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

TRAMPS - "FROTHON NIGHT" check for special schedule each

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Dear
Blabby

Well, friends, Blabby is back. Yes, after a month or so of hob-nobbing with the Hollywood types, yours truly gave up her solo spot at the Academy Awards to come back to the Old Pueblo to render her advice to those in need. Now to try and catch up on all the backed up correspondence.

DEAR BLABBY:

For years now I have been an active member in almost any public display of what we might call entertainment, but last week I saw a real first. I just happened to attend the whatever annual "Closet Ball". I was pretty shocked! The entertainment for the evening was supplied by an entertainer from Phoenix (who shall remain nameless) and boy did she have her hands full. It would seem that some members of the audience (no names please) did not like her very much and made a point of saying so, right in the middle of her act!

I never have been so embarrassed for someone. This whole table of would be's made a shambles of her entire show and obviously on purpose. Why is such behavior condoned? Why didn't someone stop it?

signed: Hot Over Hecklers

Dear Hot-

I was not personally there to witness this atrocity, but I am



TO: THE LESBIAN/GAY COMMUNITY OF TUCSON:

The ordinary seen in a new way. Our pride is our strength. Celebrate this time by sharing your love and pride with those around you by reflecting a positive awareness of our lifestyle to those who do not understand. We can only appreciate our pride knowing we have worked toward a goal that all men and women in our community have worked so hard for in the past and will continue to strive for in the future. Through this pride, a bright future will become a reality.

The Social Activity and Fund-raising sub-Committee's for this years Lesbian/Gay Pride Week, June 23 - June 29, have worked long hours and have done a wonderful job. The committee's are in the early stages of planning and would like to extend an invitation to the greater Lesbian/Gay community. We need people who are willing and able to help with the organization and make Pride Week a memorable event. Please attend and bring a friend to the general membership meeting April 8, Monday evening at 6:30 p.m. Location: Fineline, 101 W. Drachman. All the wonders you see are within yourself. Let us all join together and make this a new beginning.

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familiar with what occurred. The person in the audience causing all the trouble should have and would have been asked to leave in any quality production. (Talk to the producer).

I cannot condone such behavior nor should anyone else. BUT! I must also add, the "quote" entertainer who received this harassment, is guilty of doing very much the same in the past, to fellow entertainers. Funny how the circle is a wheel.

B.

DEAR BLABBY:

Last week I bopped into the Back Pocket for a cocktail and I fell in love. The bartender was simply heaven. His name was Rod or Todd or something like that, and I assume he's new. What a cutie. Tell me about him. Is it true he and David R. frequent the park and hang out in trees? Bumps on heads and such?

signed: Turned over Todd

Dear Turned-

The bartender in question is named Tod (with one 'd') He is fairly new to the Joshua Tree as an employee (God knows she's been hanging around for years). Tod's park experience is somewhat questionable. According to him, David R. was the one with bumps on his head.

B.

Leatherspace

COPPERSTATE LEATHERMEN "EASTER PARADE"

PHOENIX - On Sunday, April 7, the Copperstate Leathermen will sponsor an "Easter Parade". This will be a 'Round Robin' of several bars beginning and ending at Phoenix Power and Supply...

There will be two activities going on at the same time: a Scavenger Hunt and an Easter Bonnet Contest. Both events require no entry fee. They are free! However, registration for either or both events must be done between 2:00 and 3:00 p.m. on Sunday, April 7 at Phoenix Power and Supply. Both events offer prizes, including cash prizes.

The Easter Scavenger Hunt will include certain 'Treasure Items' that will be hidden in bars participating in the Copperstate Leathermen's Easter Parade.

The Easter Bonnet Contest, will offer three cash prizes and two special awards. Prize categories will be based on three themes - sexiest, most humorous and best overall Easter theme. Special awards will be given for club choice (members not eligible) and for bartenders choice.

Easter bonnets must begin as a "man's hat or cap or helmet". Contestants may then use any material and any idea to decorate their bonnet. A contestant may very well win in more than one category.

All in all, it is an event meant just for fun. We hope to see a good turn out.



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You sure can tell the weather is warming up here in Tucson, because all the clubs are getting out and being more visible. Thanks to that, writing this weekly column will be simple.

First off, TALL had their monthly meal at the Graduate last Sunday and I can tell you it was delicious. For everything served you just could not beat the price of \$2.99. For those of you who missed it, I'd strongly recommend not missing next month. The date isn't set yet, but I'll let you know. Lee asked me to extend his personal thanks as well as the gratitude of the entire TALL organization to TKO, SOS, SCLC and the T-Squares for their support Sunday. At this time, I'd like to say I'm sorry about last weeks article stating that SOS was having a bake sale at the same time, but that was the info given to me. Next time I'll do a little more checking out information given to me. SOS did however furnish the dessert, which was also very good.

Speaking of SOS, Big Mike gave me the following news to report on. SOS will be hosting an Easter Bonnet and Easter Basket Contest at the Graduate on Easter Sunday, April 7. He didn't give me the exact time it will start though. Check next week's column. Big Mike hopes to find some little huevos and chorizo, so wear your best bonnets. SOS also planning a panty hose run to Phoenix this Saturday, March 30. Penny has never had a run yet, but she's working on it. Speaking of runs, everybody has bike runs, so SOS is

planning to have a shopping cart run at the all-night Alpha Beta store in the near future. Details to be announced later, so watch this column.

Moving on to TKO, I'll tell you they are really into high gear for this year's version of Spring Fling '85. The bars in town are really getting behind TKO this year, offering any assistance we may need. This year's version will be an in town run, so if anyone would like to join them and have a really great weekend, and meet some out-of-town pretty faces, you can pick up an application at the Graduate. Upon receiving your paid registration, a copy of the schedule will be mailed to you with all the details of the run. I will tell you one part of this year's run will be a Sun Tran bus tour of all the Gay bars in town. If you have questions concerning this run, contact any TKO member or call me at home - 325-8031.

Nothing to report this week from the T-Squares, but from SCLC we learn that they are losing two of their members, Susan and Doreen. They both will be missed and I wish them luck in their new home.

That's all for this week, but with this warmer weather on us, try not to rush your summer tan, that sun does burn fast.

TBBS: Last week TJ told me after reading the paper, he was disappointed because he wasn't written up in it. Now why does he want his name in the paper, we all know who he is....Juan was telling Forrest they couldn't be in the drag show at the Old Pueblo Run because their nails will be a mess.... It was reported to me that Bill N. had the occasion, the other night, to receive a stiff one. Unfortunately the giver only received limp lips.... I wonder if Hopi is going on the Panty Hose Run? Do they make Panty Hose Cow-size????....Penny, I must say you sure looked hot Sunday....I see Mona is back at the Graduate. Boy, is Roger scraping the bottom of the barrel. Welcome Bill N., and you said I couldn't write about you because you are not a club member!

people, places, and events

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by Mona Bare-It & Headly Popper



AND THE RECEPTION CONTINUED.....

- AND THE HONEYMOON STARTED.....

(For references see last weeks column)

PART I - Isidro and Loretta had left and the blue hair, Isidro thought he was at his high school prom - theme: "A Night In Heaven".

Thom S...Well, her's is larger but mine's real.

Ms. Ellie...Where's Bucky's meat?

Jackie W...And no Coors. This whole day has been a waste.

Bucky L...Arthur, would you care to dance?

Don A...The Esquire is better than this.

Peter S...No Roger, this doesn't bring up any memories!

As H/T Tom was running to the exit, "And young, too!"

Del S...Steve and I were just being friendly.

Gary C...I should do a sketch of them, but first let's see if it will last.

Colette H...I left my wife tending bar.

Charlie O...I wasn't trying to upset Loretta, it's too easy to do.

Tiger...I won a bundle. Loretta is so predictable.

Billy McT...I could make 5 or 6 nice shirts out of her dress.

Ricky D. I didn't know champagne was spelled R-i-p-p-l-e.

Jason...She could stand a few tips on make-up.

Neal C...No, I didn't lose an earring.

Brian M...No, this isn't my table, JoJo...For every shot I do, Loretta down three martinis.

Monte-Jon...My tongue is so dry.

Richard W...If they don't use them, they can just give them back.

Eddie F...Ricky Norman told me he wasn't coming to the reception because if you've been to one of Loretta's receptions, you've been to all forty, and did you know those damn knee pads wear out after only a couple thousand tricks, and that...etc...etc... (NOTE: Someone should buy Eddie a muzzle).

PART II - AND THE HONEYMOON STARTED....

Isidro and Loretta stayed that first night at the Congress. Isidro was feeling so sleepy. Must have been the tides Loretta slipped him so she could run down to the bookstore and call the bars to see what she had missed.

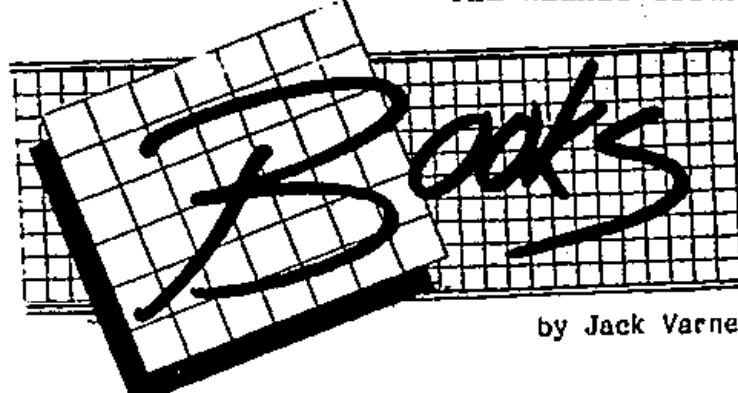
The next day started with Loretta serving Isidro breakfast in bed.... coffee, sweet roll and honey.

For their honeymoon trip, they decided to stay in Arizona. While dating they had started out on a trip to Palm Springs but Isidro was busted at the border for transporting fruit flies. Luckily this matter was cleared up when Loretta closed her legs.

They packed a picnic lunch (martini's and James) for the first day, when they stopped in Green Valley, shopping for a condo, on their way to Tumacacori, the first night's stop. They checked into the local No-Tell (we can't remember anyway) Motel. Loretta still has fond memories of making the adobe bricks for the Mission. Poor Isidro...he jumped up from bed at 5:00 a.m. thinking he had to go to work. Realizing his mistake, he put Loretta to work.

The only sour note that morning was when Loretta told him... "No, I didn't marry you for your money, I married you because your bar is the easiest to get to by bus." Continuing down the road, Loretta remarked as they passed Saguaro National Monument West. "They would do nicely as French Ticklers if they were a little bigger!! Stopping for dinner at Stucky's (Loretta was trying to match that shade of blue for her hair/tint), for a tasteless steak Diane. While gazing out the window Loretta said, 'Now, that's big enough.'

Next stop Eloy. After checking into the local No-Tell (everyone already knows) Motel, Loretta rolled over on his tummy. Between the moon



by Jack Varney

THE AMERICAN POPE, THE LIFE AND TIMES OF FRANCIS CARDINAL SPELMAN

by John Cooney, Times Books, 1984, 327 pages.

One comes away from Cooney's biography of Cardinal Spellman with a sense of a man at once: enmeshed in and at odds with his times and the Church he served for over half century. In this post-Vatican II era of pastoral Church leaders, it might seem incomprehensible that one prelate could have amassed so great a base of power and influence both ecclesiastical and temporal.

Yet power and influence were indeed the cornerstones of Francis Joseph Spellman's life. Born into a second generation Irish immigrant family, Frank, as he was always called as a boy, assimilated the Yankee-Protestant characteristics of ambition, industry, frugality and tactfulness, but, above all, ambition. It was precisely this ambition which led him to the North American College in Rome, a seminary which had earned the reputation as the "West Point of the American clergy". During his years spent in Rome as a seminarian and later in the Vatican state department, Spellman's own American pragmatism, shrewdness and calculating nature served him well in the cultivation of Romanitas - that Roman euphemism for hardnosed flexibility in all things.

Spellman's entry into Vatican circles of power during the 20's roughly paralleled the Vatican's own reemergence from half-century of self-imposed exile into a drastically changed European political and social mainstream. On the verge of bankruptcy, the Church was in constant need of money and it soon became apparent that the American priest Spellman was quite adept at soliciting funds and favors from his vast circle of wealthy and carefully cultivated acquaintances.

As Spellman's range of influence broadened, even the Pope now personally asked him for favors. As a reward for many and varied services rendered, Spellman was elevated to monsignor within the year. During his Vatican years, the American priest's personal wealth increased to the point that by 1929 he was able to buy a thousand shares of Warner Brothers stock for over \$54,000. The following year, he noted in his diary, "Warner Bros. at 72". Scorned by his critics as a social climber, Fr. Spellman's abilities earned him the nickname, "The American back-door to the Vatican." In later years he would also be tagged, "Cardinal Honeybags."

Spellman's financial acumen was matched only by his usually astute political instincts. Europe in the aftermath of World War I and the Russian Revolution was a hotbed of warring ideologies. Italy was in the hands of fascist Mussolini while a vanquished Germany was ripe for Hitler's national socialism. Dread of Communism was upmost in Vatican thinking at every level. It was this fear of further Communist revolutions which led the Vatican to seek improved

relations with Mussolini in 1924 culminating five years later in the Lateran Treaty. During Spellman's involvement in the treaty negotiations he made the acquaintance of Vatican diplomat, Eugenio Cardinal Pacelli, the man destined to become the next Pope. The relationship between the ambitious American and the patrician Roman was a strong one based on genuine friendship. Through Pacelli, Spellman's own power and influence increased greatly and his future prominence in Rome and America was virtually assured.

Returning home in 1932, the first American to be consecrated a bishop in St. Peter's, Spellman immediately set out to consolidate his domestic power. U.S. politicians were quick to recognize the Bishop as a leading Vatican political voice. His influence in American politics soon extended to the White House. As Europe again moved inexorably towards war, Spellman increasingly represented Vatican positions to Washington. Shortly after the election of Cardinal Pacelli as Pius XII, Spellman's own prestige was further enhanced by his elevation to rank of Archbishop of New York in May 1939.

On the United States' entry into the war in 1941, the Pope appointed Spellman military vicar of the American armed forces. This coupled with the Archbishop's national stature led Roosevelt to propose that he act as a clandestine agent carrying messages from the President to foreign heads of state. The assignment instantly appealed to Spellman's patriotism and love of intrigue. Most importantly, it offered him the opportunity to wield more power than any previous American religious figure. After the war, it became apparent that the foreign policy goals of the United States and the Holy See coincided especially in regard to the containment of Communism. Elevated to the rank of Cardinal in 1946, Spellman became a leading anti-Communist spokesman who covertly worked with the FBI and CIA.

As the McCarthy hysteria of the 50's subsided, Cardinal Spellman began to appear to many to be increasingly out-of-step with the times, most notably in his lukewarm stand on civil rights, hawkish support of the United States' growing Vietnam involvement and his outspoken opposition to proposed changes of Vatican II. He had little use of Pius XII's successors and vowed that, "No change will get past the Statue of Liberty." [In the final text] Cooney declines to substantiate rumors about the staunch moralist Spellman being a homosexual, saying only that, "Most people were hardly taken up with the question of whether Spellman had a sex life. They were far more concerned with other things." The Spellman era of church power and influence ended with the Cardinal's death on December 2, 1967, but, as Cooney notes, his legacy, "was so strongly imprinted on the Church that it was to be felt for years to come."

To evaluate the Spellman legacy of conservative politics, militarism and pragmatism in light of post-Vatican II standards and expectations would clearly be a gross distortion of fact. Clearly, Francis Cardinal Spellman was a product of his time, a man whose personal ambition coincided with the Church and the country he served.

[ED NOTE: This review was reprinted from the DIGNITY/Tucson newsletter for which Mr. Varney reviews books regularly.]

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Reported so far in Arizona, including 19 deaths. Not of the state's AIDS cases has been associated with blood transfusions yet.

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All You Ever Wanted To Know About AIDS, And More

We are being bombarded constantly with news items about AIDS, AIDS research, AIDS cures, etc., etc., etc. One gets to the point that the confusion in these news items not only extends from the readers' viewpoints but there is a very distinct possibility that the researchers don't know any more than we laymen do.

Here are a few news items taken from the non-Gay media that have appeared in the past few weeks. If anyone can make heads or tails out of this mess when finished reading, please contact the Centers For Disease Control in Atlanta because, maybe, just maybe, you have found the missing link!

SPECIAL BLOOD PRODUCTS MAY TRANSMIT AIDS

NEW YORK, NY - Two reports published last week indicate that certain blood products may carry a high risk of transmitting AIDS.

Researchers report that more than 80 percent of hemophiliacs who get regular blood transfusions have been exposed to the AIDS virus. Although most don't appear to have the disease, many have immune-system defects similar to those in AIDS patients.

About 15,000 hemophiliacs have to take special blood products called Factor VIII and Factor IX. Researchers believe these products may transmit the virus. "There [may be] something unique about factor concentrate therapy that affects immune function," the researchers say in the Journal of the American Medical Association.

A report in the New England Journal of Medicine also indicates Factor VIII or IX may spread the virus or itself cause suppression of immune function. About 1 percent of the 8,000 AIDS cases have occurred in hemophiliacs.

A third report in Science magazine suggests that AIDS probably originated in Africa. Frozen blood taken from Africans in 1968 had evidence of the virus.

AID FOR BLOOD TRANSFUSION CASES

INDIANAPOLIS, IN - A measure to allow people who get AIDS from blood transfusions to recover up to \$500,000 from the state Patients Compensation Fund without proving negligence was OK'd by the Judiciary Committee here.

NEW DISCOVERY IN AIDS RESEARCH

NEWPORT BEACH, CA - Two medical researchers announced that they have for the first time identified an antibody that inactivates the AIDS virus in laboratory experiments, a step toward development of an AIDS vaccine. However, the scientists were cautious about predicting when an anti-AIDS vaccine can be expected.

Considerable research must be done to determine whether the anti-AIDS antibody will destroy the virus in the human body as effectively as it destroys it in the laboratory.

The discovery was announced at a scientific conference in Newport Beach sponsored by the City of Hope National Medical Center.

The so-called "neutralizing antibody" was identified independently by Dr. Marjorie Robert Guroff at the National Cancer Institute and Dr. Martin Hirsch at Massachusetts General Hospital.

Hirsch confirmed the discovery of the antibody against AIDS, and said his findings soon will be published in a letter to the editor of an unspecified medical journal and will be presented in April during an AIDS conference in Atlanta.

MORE ON AIDS

PASADENA, CA - The Mariposa Foundation, a non-profit research and educational foundation in Pasadena, California recently announced that most over-the-counter birth control foams and gels contain an ingredient that kills the AIDS virus in laboratory tests. A federal official, however, warned that it must be tested for effectiveness in people at risk of contracting the disease.

"We believe this prevention measure can reduce the number of persons who might otherwise contract AIDS over the next several years while an effective treatment is being sought," said Bruce Voeller, a researcher.

Voeller announced that nonoxynol-9, the active ingredient in many spermicides, was found to kill AIDS virus during laboratory tests conducted at the US Centers for Disease Control in Atlanta last year. It also worked well against gonorrhea in tests on humans, but the US Food and Drug Administration has not yet approved the substance for that use.

SECOND VIRUS COULD DELAY AIDS VACCINE

NEW YORK, NY (AP) - It now appears that at least two classes of virus can cause AIDS, a discovery that could complicate the search for a vaccine because they are so different a single preventative might not be enough, researchers say.

Meanwhile, Pasteur Institute scientist Jean Claude Chermann said that an experimental drug that blocks reproductions of a virus believed to cause AIDS may have caused the infectious agent to nearly disappear in the blood of a young male hemophiliac.

The patient's treatment with the drug HPA 23 was discontinued a year ago and he is well enough to return to school, said Chermann, who led the research. "We stopped here, because we did not know how to evaluate the treatment," he said at a day-long symposium on AIDS.

He said the drug is now being given to 34 people with acquired immune deficiency syndrome to help researchers evaluate it.

Luc Montagnier, another scientist from the Paris Institute, said at the same symposium that studies of the genetic material of AIDS viruses have shown that the AIDS virus isolated at the Pasteur Institute and that isolated about the same time at the U.S. National Cancer Institute are the same virus.

However, Montagnier said a third AIDS virus identified in San Francisco differs substantially from the previously identified Pasteur and National Cancer Institute viruses.

In the genes that govern construction of the virus' outer coat, there is a 20 percent difference between the previously discovered viruses and the San Francisco virus, Montagnier said.

Dr. Robin Weiss of the Institute for Cancer Research in England said that the viruses obtained from Haitian patients with AIDS might be yet another strain.

Those reports are troubling because vaccines are often designed to target substances on the outer coat of an infectious particle. When the outer coat varies from one virus strain to another, vaccination can be more difficult, Montagnier said.

AIDS FEAR HASN'T CUT NATION'S BLOOD SUPPLY

WASHINGTON, DC (AP) - There is no widespread shortage of blood despite the public's fear of contracting acquired immune deficiency syndrome (AIDS) through transfusions, says a new report on the nation's blood supply by the congressional Office of Technology Assessment.

"AIDS has shaken the public's confidence in blood supplies far beyond its actual risk to blood recipients," the report says, "yet no widespread shortages have resulted, and both donors and blood collection organizations have generally responded to the challenge."

The report was released by Rep. John Dingell, (D-Mich), chairman of the House Energy and Commerce Committee, which requested it. The study cautioned however, that "it remains to be seen if AIDS will have a long-lasting effect on blood resources."

Lawrence Mike of the Office of Technology Assessment told a press briefing on the report that about 1 percent of AIDS cases have been connected to transfusions, or about 100 cases over the last several years. There are between 10 and 12 million transfusions a year, he said.

"Although recent attention on the safety hazards of blood transfusions has focused on AIDS, individuals have a much greater chance of contracting some form of hepatitis from transfusions of blood components and some plasma derivatives than they do of contracting AIDS, despite a number of medical advances and the decrease in paid whole blood donors," the report said.

However, it said, "OTA concludes from this broad review of blood policy and technology that the policies implemented over the past decade have been successful in assuring a safe and available blood supply."

The report noted a blood test may be available soon to detect exposure to the AIDS virus.

"This test will be used to screen blood donors. But other than indicating that a person has been exposed to the [AIDS] virus, the meaning of a positive blood test is uncertain. What to tell these persons and who should have access to their identities have been difficult issues to resolve," OTA said.



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A View From Within

by Christopher Geoffrey McPherson

I AM GAY, YOU ARE GAY, THEY AREN'T: SO WHAT? OR IT TAKES SOME GETTING USED TO

You will never know how easy it is until you try it. Really! You will never know how easy it is to be "out" until you take that first step (it isn't that big of a step) toward your total freedom of self-expression.

I was scared too. We all have been there before. "What will my friends think?" "Will I lose my job?" Sure, it was pretty scary: most things unknown are. Remember when you were afraid of the dark? Once you knew what was in the dark (the unknown factor) it wasn't scary anymore, was it? Of course not...

When I finally got up the nerve to tell my best friend, Steven, (it took a long time for me to build up enough courage to tell him) he told me that he had known for some time, and was waiting for me to tell him. (And to think of all the time I wasted lying to him about girls...)

That Sunday morning proved fatal for me: from that moment on, I made sure everyone knew. (I suppose I became a little insufferable about this time). Well, too bad! I made a complete 180 degree turn. I was, Saturday morning, ashamed of myself and my lifestyle. I was, on Monday morning, a proud advocate of my right to be who I was: Gay. I strongly resented the fact that "society" made me waste so much time trying unsuccessfully to conform.

I must confess, though, something which was a source of disappointment for me: no one seemed to really care when they heard my "startling revelation". I got no chance to look them in the eye and dare them to make something of the fact that I was Gay. I was, to say the least, disappointed.

I have always defended the right to be Gay (translated: the right to be whomever you are), but didn't realize it at the time. I was too busy proving how competent a businessman, and designer I was - because of, or in spite of the fact that I was Gay.

Everyone knew. Everyone knows. During my lectures to college fashion classes, I would make offhanded, casual remarks about my lifestyle. No smoke-screens, no lies... Still, no one seemed to care. (Disappointment...)

So, now, here I am in the Valley of the Sun. Redneck City. Conservative town. (Oooh... I'm scared...) Guess what? Everyone knows, and no one cares! I act casual about being Gay, and they all take it casually. No big deal.

I wear my cloisonne pink triangle pin - usually everywhere. It is a handsome pin, and people notice it, and compliment me on it. When they ask if there is any symbolic meaning in the pin, I give them a brief, but concise, explanation of the slaughter in Hitler's concentration camps, and the fact that homosexuals had to wear pink triangles on their uniforms, and how the pink triangle has come down through the years as a symbol of Gay civil rights.

They respond with interest, but no one has ever so much as batted an eye. NO ONE!

We have been intimidated and brow-beaten into being ashamed of our lifestyle and our heritage. (And a big THANK-YOU to the Phoenix Human Relations Committee for supporting the lower-than-the-dirt-on-your-shoes image we have in the eyes of the people in Phoenix. Yes, thanks a whole lot...) It is time we deal forthrightly with the fact that we are Gay: I am Gay, you are Gay, they aren't: so what?

No one is going to have any respect for us if we keep hiding in dark closets. (What have we got to hide?) When we begin to act like it is no big deal, so will they. You and I know that there is nothing we can do about the fact that we are Gay. As soon as they realize that, we can get down to the important issues in our life.

Yes, I guess it takes some getting used to: How no one really seems to care that you are Gay. I am still waiting for someone to make a big deal out of the fact that I am Gay: I want to make a big deal out of the fact that they AREN'T!

As long as we deny the fact that we are Gay (and proud), we will be playing the game by their rules. When we rewrite the rules (by being honest and open) then we will be playing the game fairly.

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GAYZE THROUGH HISTORY

by W.W. Wells

History books and the Encyclopedia Britannica have long relegated to oblivion the accomplishments of many Gays. There is a long list of little-known Gays who changed the course of history. So in an attempt to bring light to these forgotten people and their accomplishments, I present this brief compendium:

Ray "Butts" Difflebacher (1865-1939): As a youth attending a strict prep school in Brooklyn, he invented and perfected the Hit-And-Run-Moon. Using a fast horse and carriage, Ray pulled down his pants and stuck his ass out an open window, with his bare butt aimed at the startled head master, Franklin Hooper. After a close inspection, Hooper was able to identify Difflebacher as the culprit by a mole on his left cheek.

Leonard Quigly (1915-1956): While tripping on acid one night, he invented the first scratch-and-sniff inflatable sex doll.

George McFadden (1823-1898): A lonely and under-sexed fisherman from Bangor, Maine, McFadden was overwhelmed by his desires and became romantically involved with several crustaceans and developed the first reported case of crabs.

Pierre Louis Chalet (1603-?) In 1634 he invented the closet, which he wallpapered with back issues of "Gentlemen's Quarterly" and then moved in permanently. His body was discovered by a cleaning lady in 1745.

Pornorysporus (13 B.C. - A.D. 42): A scientist and philosopher in Rome, he invented the VCH and made several movies including: "Blazing Zippers", "The Leather Nun" and "Cell Block 69". The term "pornography" comes from him, although his other accomplishments have been largely ignored.

Jean Marie Dubious (1912-1969): Long dissatisfied with conventional electric and battery operated vibrators, and wanting something more powerful to fulfill her desires, she invented the diesel vibrator in 1954.

Roseine Splitz (1857-1951): An all-around athlete, Splitz invented the modern jockstrap, which leaves the rear exposed. He is also credited with inventing the current method of kicking the football, with the center bent over and the quarterback receiving the ball through the center's legs.

Lester Dingleberry (1919-1975): Held

the first Crisco party in 1940. He was also the first person to hold a "Slip and Slide" party. Dingleberry was sent to prison in 1943 on a morals charge and coined the phrase "bend over and pick up the soap."

Leslie Pleasance (1834-1911) - Driven by his desire for a more masculine appearance, he perfected the first chest hair toupee in 1876.

Zippo Blintz (1845-1922): Although credited to Alexander Bell, the telephone was actually invented by Bell's houseboy Zippo Blintz, which he used to give the first obscene phone call in 1877.

Dr. Fred Lumpster (1901-1978): As a Marine Corps doctor, he invented hernias so that he could examine young soldiers for them. The fact that hernias do not exist did not come out until 1951, after a handsome young private complained to his superiors that Dr. Lumpster had examined him for hernias 235 times in the last year. He also coined the phrase "turn your head and cough."

Of course there were many other Gays who made significant contributions to society. We can only hope that those who write history books will not ignore their achievements - that the likes of Boy George or Richard Simmons among others will be treated with the respect they deserve. [Wisconsin Step]

THE YOUNG AND THE OLD (GAY)

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2. Both have limited income.
3. Both are going through dramatic bodily changes. The young are growing hair, the old are losing hair.
4. Both are involved in the drug scene through faced with different drugs and different pushers.
5. Both are in varying degrees of conflict with the middle generation.

6. Both have difficulty securing employment because of age. (sex) Discrimination against young and old is still rampant.

7. Both are free to be agents of social change. When they work together, the changes can be dramatic.

[ED NOTE: Thanks to Maggie Kuhn, Gray Panthers and the Gay Gray Panthers].

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Reader's Choice Awards Voting Sets Record

PHOENIX - Last Sunday evening at the Phoenix Hilton Hotel, the Grand Ballroom was ablaze with lights, flowers, flamingos and most of all people - lots of them - dressed for the formal occasion of the 1984 Reader's Choice Awards which was produced by the Bar and Business Employees Association (B.A.B.E.S.) and D&R Publications (Western Express).

The gala evening was filled with entertainment, anticipation, presentations, acknowledgements and thank-you's aplenty.

The Readers Choice Awards were hosted by Bob de Brecht and Lou Hudburgh and emceed by John Goldschmid and Garry Magnum. The evening was a benefit for the Arizona Deaf Assistance and Referral Association and the Lesbian and Gay Community Switchboard.

These 1984 awards saw over 44,000 cast for a total of 878 candidates. The categories with the most candidates were Best Male Bartender, Best Female Bartender, Best Waiter, Best Male Employee and Best Female Employee each with from 23 to 38 candidates. Eleven received their award for the second year in a row and four received theirs for a third year in a row.

Tramps of Tucson walked away with the highest number of awards - 11. Of particular interest to our Tucson readers, here are the award winners from the Old Pueblo

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BEST MAN'S DANCE BAR
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BEST HOLIDAY SPECIAL EVENT - CHRISTMAS AT TRAMPS

BOOKS BROTHERS was singled out as the best retail store and the best service company as well as having the Best Male Business Employee (non-bar) - John Helder.

TLGPC (Tucson Lesbian/Gay Pride Committee received an award for their production of Gay Pride Week 1984.

Singled out for a special award of merit was The Arizona Gay Barowners Association (AGBA) for their presentation Oktoberfest 1984. AGBA has for two years presented its annual Oktoberfest as a fund raising activity for the Arizona AIDS Fund. To date Oktoberfest has contributed over \$12,000 toward AIDS research and victims.

Also for the first time, three persons were presented with Humanitarian Awards for certain accomplishments on the part of these individuals which go almost unnoticed by members of the community-at-large. These awards were not voted upon in a popular contest and they will not be in the future. They are the result of a decision on the part of those who wished to establish them. Host Bob de Brecht said, "Once a humanitarian, always a humanitarian. It's not a part-time job. Dedication is lifelong. For that reason there will be no assignment of a year to the title. Those persons chosen annually by those receiving in previous years plus the members of the committee will simply be "Humanitarians" and they will be named only once. As those in consideration

showed, the work doesn't have a starting and stopping point...it has no big year of activity...it was always there in the minds of the recipients and it will always be."

Selected first for this year's Humanitarian awards was Donna Taylor, cited for untiring work with the Lesbian and Gay Academic Union at Arizona State University. The Alternative Relations Center, Arizona Lesbian and Gay Task Force and Metropolitan Community Church - OASIS in Tempe.

Robert Johnson, cited for his total dedication to the Phoenix Clinic. His interest in sexually transmitted diseases, forms of hepatitis, and now AIDS causes him to travel throughout the country to both learn and instruct in panel groups.

The third recipient of the Humanitarian award was Bob Ellis, co-founder of the original Arizona Gay News established in 1976 and currently publisher and Editor of the Observer. Ellis was recently cited by The Advocate News magazine as one of the 400 men and women contributing to the Gay community nationally.

Providing entertainment for the evening were (listed in order of performance): Linda Fizdale, Deja Vu, Misty McRae, Grand Camelle Sisters, Tamara, Aviva Diamond, Sherry Kummerling, Tish Tanner, guest entertainers - Silent Impressions and Mimes.

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H.B. Sweeps Through House, Now In Senate

PHOENIX - The February 27 edition of the Observer carried a cover story concerning House Bill 2429, the notorious "Moral Nuisance Bill". This bill passed the House of Representatives in their Arizona Legislature and is now ready for Senate action.

As stated before, because of the conservative make-up of this session of the Legislature, bills of this sort that take away rights and liberties of Arizona citizens, are easily passed, but they are more easily passed because of the inactivity of persons who will be affected by such legislation. Should this bill pass the Senate, and there is every reason to believe that it will, the only alternative would be for Governor Babbitt to veto the bill as he did in 1982. But his political aspirations are up in the air this time around and he may not be in a position to veto unless heavy pressure is put on him. What we mean by heavy pressure is letters and telephone calls from individuals as well as organizations, and non-Gay who are affected by this type of legislation. If enough ruckus is raised, perhaps we will have a chance in the Senate to defeat this legislation. It would behoove every organization to get out the grassroots clippers and flood the legislature with our sentiments concerning this gross piece of clearly unconstitutional legislation, that will pass if we sit on our hands and do not do anything about it.

House Bill 2429 would permit the closing of any establishment by any citizen who deemed such an establishment a "Moral Nuisance". The bill as it now stands has a few changes, the main one being that it now takes a bond of \$5,000 from a citizen who is bent on closing what he perceives to be a "Moral Nuisance", instead of only \$500 in the original bill.

Exact wording of HB 2429 in two portions of the bill is listed here.

1. Any place where obscene films are publicly exhibited as a regular course of business, or possessed for the purpose of such exhibition.

2. Any place where an obscene film is publicly and repeatedly exhibited, or possessed for the purpose of such exhibition.

3. Any obscene film which is publicly exhibited, or possessed for that purpose, at a place which is a moral nuisance under this section.

4. Any place of business in this state in which obscene publications constitute all of the stock in trade, or a principal part of the stock in trade. If the obscene publications constitute only a part of the stock in trade and are located in a place within the business which is capable of demarcation, the place constitutes the nuisance.

5. Any obscene publication possessed at a place which is a moral nuisance under this section.

6. Any place which, as a regular course of business, is used for the purposes of obscenity, assignation or prostitution and any place in or upon which acts of obscenity, assignation or prostitution are held or occur.

7. Any place where gambling or any game of chance for money, checks, credit or other representations of value is carried on or takes place, gambling paraphernalia is kept or any notice, sign or device advertising or indicating the existence or presence of gambling or any game of chance is displayed or exposed to view.

Gay And Lesbian Victory In Supreme Court Decision On Oklahoma Teachers

WASHINGTON, DC - In a major victory for the Lesbian and Gay community, the United States Supreme Court has let stand a lower court decision striking down an Oklahoma law that permitted the firing of teachers for speaking in favor of Gay and Lesbian civil rights. The National Gay Task Force had challenged the law.

Commenting on the decision, Acting NGTF Executive Director Jeff Levi said, "Teachers, whatever their sexual orientation, can now feel free to participate in the political process when it comes to the issues of Gay and Lesbian civil rights. It is a major advance for our community."

Outgoing Executive Director Virginia M. Apuzzo commented, "In our view, the Court has affirmed that Gay men and Lesbians have the same First Amendment free speech rights as other Americans. It is gratifying to me that Justice has been done, but I am appalled that there are four members of the nation's highest court who would deny Lesbian and Gay citizens their basic Constitutional rights," she continued. "Clearly, our community cannot relax. It's vigil, and we must remind our friends outside the Gay and Lesbian community that we need their continued support."

Levi and Apuzzo expressed their profound thanks to Laurence Tribe of the Harvard Law School who argued the case before the Supreme Court in January, and to his associate Kathleen Sullivan, and their staff.

The Court split 4-4 on the decision, with Justice Lewis Powell not participating. Powell did not hear the oral arguments and declined to ask that the case be rescheduled. The tie vote means the ruling sets precedent only in the Tenth Circuit -- Colorado, Kansas, New Mexico, Oklahoma, Utah and Wyoming -- but Oklahoma's legislature was unique. An attempt to institute a

similar law in California was turned aside by the state's voters in 1978 when Proposition 6 was defeated. Both liberals and conservatives, including then former Governor Ronald Reagan, opposed the anti-Gay initiative.

In a 2-1 decision, the Tenth Circuit Court of Appeals held in March of last year that "The part of Oklahoma Statute 70-6.5 103.15 that allows punishment of teachers for 'public homosexual conduct' does present constitutional problems," since such conduct was defined in the statute as "advocating, soliciting, imposing, encouraging or promoting public or private homosexual activity in a manner that creates a substantial risk that such conduct will come to the attention of school children or school employees."

NGTF, acting as plaintiff in the case on behalf of teachers and principals in Oklahoma City, had appealed an earlier unfavorable ruling. The brief for NGTF argued that the law created an unconstitutional infringement on free speech, and the Appeals Court agreed. Oklahoma appealed that decision to the Supreme Court.

Two Gay Rights Laws In Illinois Legislature

SPRINGFIELD, IL - Two gay rights laws have been introduced into the Illinois state legislature and a contract for state workers has been negotiated which will protect Gays.

State Representatives have started a process to introduce gay civil rights legislation before committee in the 1985 Assembly. Two bills are being introduced. HR-8 will amend the Illinois Human Rights Act to prohibit discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation in employment, real estate transactions, financial credit, and

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Rob Spier (left) and Don Pintacura (right) of Western Express, flanking Bob Ellis and Gary Clark of Observer on the occasion of Bob Ellis receiving the Humanitarian award at the Reader's Choice Awards in Phoenix last Sunday.

CELEBRATE THE RESURRECTION

TUCSON - The Metropolitan Community Church Choir will present "The Day He Wore My Crown," a Resurrection Musical, to a District Gay bar in 1979, Inc. on Sunday evening, April 7 at 6:30 p.m. appealed to the D.C. Court of Appeals. The musical cantata tells the story of Christ's entrance into Jerusalem, His final days and trial, and His crucifixion and victory over death.

This evening will provide music written by some of today's most popular contemporary Christian artists, including Delta Holm, Dottie Rambo, Lari Goss and Bill and Gloria Gaither. Everyone is welcome to join us for this celebration of Christ's love for us. "There is no admission, but donations will be accepted to help the choir further its ministry of music. MCC-Tucson is located at 560 S. Stone.

IT'S NOT ENOUGH

WASHINGTON, DC (KJCN) - Donald Wilson, a black Gay man who was refused admission to a District Gay bar in 1979, Inc. to increase the amount of damages awarded to him by the D.C. Commission on Human Rights, according to the Washington Blade. Wilson's attorney, James Mercer, said the Commission's

award of \$5,000 to Wilson "minimizes the very serious effect which racial discrimination has on its victims." Wilson was denied entrance to the Eagle in September, 1979, while several of Wilson's white friends were allowed to enter. The Commission originally awarded Wilsons \$400 in November 1983, ruling that the bar had engaged in racial discrimination. Wilson then appealed, asking for \$50,000 in damages, the amount he is still seeking.

**Events**

Well, here goes for this week. Having not heard from anyone from SOS who went to Phoenix this past weekend, I'll have to fill you in on all the nitty gritty next week. I'm sure someone will fill me in on the complete weekend, I hope with details.

As for TKO, the Spring Fling '85 is all set, with out-of-state registrations received. The club is going out this coming weekend for their meeting, a picnic and to run thru all the games for this year's version of their Spring Fling. If anyone would like to see TKO in their finest hour, join us this coming Saturday.

TALL is still in town, but it's their week off so nothing to report from them.

The same goes for SCLC and the T-Squares. I guess I'll have to just dream up some good B.S. for all three of them, then maybe I'll get some news.

Now moving on to the SOS, to get a past error on someone's part besides mine, I'll give the following. SOS elected their first slate of officers recently. I guess there were too many speakers and not enough ears? Anyhow, here's their names and offices: David O., Co-Chairperson; Penny P., Co-Chairperson; Ann C., Treasurer; Big Mike V., Secretary and Alex R., Activities Captain. Alex is going to have an assistant who will be announced at a later date. (Boy, I should have one of those in TKO). Good luck to each of you because now you are going to work.

TBS: Congratulations to S.O.S. on their selection as Best Social Organization at the Readers Choice Awards in Phoenix last weekend. See you all next week.

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Special thanks for the smoothly run evening go to the performers, community volunteers, members of B.A.B.E.S. and the staff members of Western Express. Mr. Lou Hudburgh, co-President of B.A.B.E.S. is to be congratulated for his work as General Coordinator of this year's Awards.

A GIGGLE A DAY...

You may have heard the story of a man who worked in the produce department of a certain supermarket. One day a woman walked up to him and said she wanted to buy a half a grapefruit. He said, "We don't sell just half a grapefruit." She insisted she wanted to buy one-half a grapefruit and he repeated that if she wanted a half, she had to purchase a whole one. The woman was undeterred and so the clerk walked into the manager's office, not knowing that the customer had followed him. He said to the manager, "There's a crazy woman out here who wants to buy half a grapefruit." Then realizing the woman had stepped up beside him, he quickly added, "And this lovely lady wants to buy the other half." The woman departed with an air of triumph and the clerk stood there.

The manager said, "That's the fastest recovery I've ever seen. You're quick on the uptake. Where are you from? The clerk replied, "From Baltimore - the home town of ugly women and a great football team. The manager said, "Well that's interesting; my wife's from Baltimore." And the clerk replied without a pause, "What position did she play?"



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Some of the large crowd arriving at the Awards Ceremony. Looking good.



At the Reader's Choice Ceremony, tuxedo's were in abundance.



Pat Olivo of Grand Camel of Phoenix saying hello to Jesse of Tramps in Tucson at the Reader's Choice Awards last weekend.



Garry Magnum (aka Tish Tanner) and John Goldschmid (aka Joanne) before taking the stage to emcee the Reader's Choice Awards at the Phoenix Hilton Hotel, Sunday, March 31.

At The Reader's Choice Awards

Donna Taylor shown receiving the Humanitarian trophy at the Awards Ceremony.



And just plain business suits.

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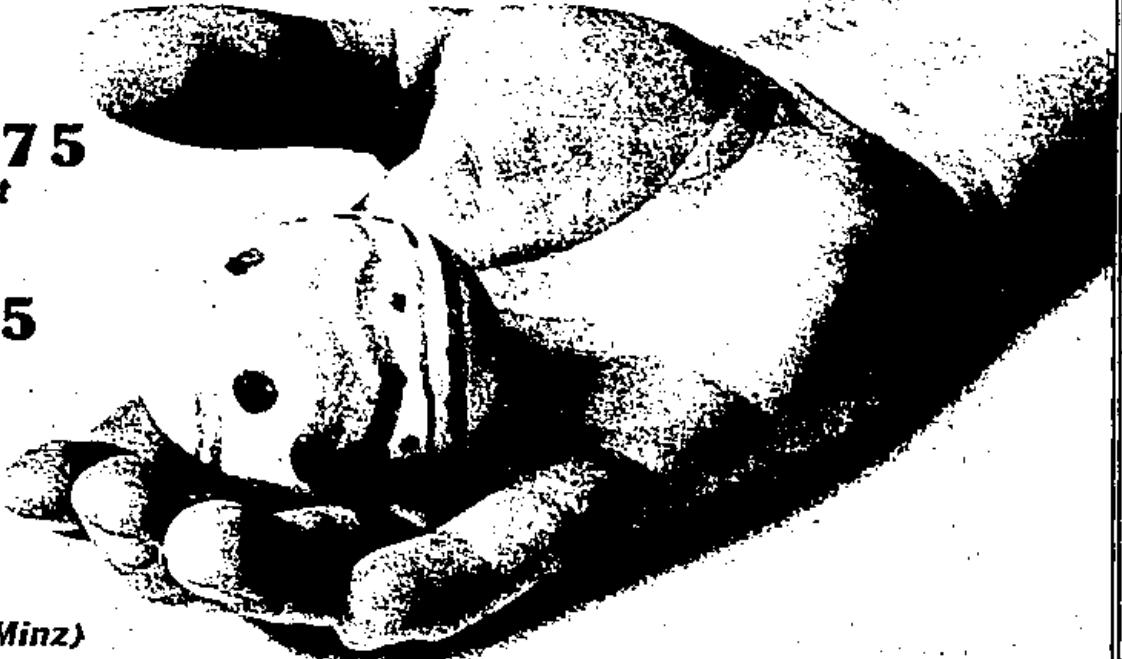
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The hour approaches noon. It's lunch time now and the people start arriving at Rita's to eat. They come alone, in groups, in couples (which are not always the couples we all know). They come to be served by Tammy, the waitress, also known as Tommy the bartender and eat the food created by Bucky L., also known as Buffet By Bucket. Yet all the time, Loretta von Oystershucker is there watching, listening, observing. What does she think about each arrival. Well, let's listen in to that fascinating mind of Loretta's and see what she is thinking...

Here comes Steve Y. with Dan from Phoenix, or is that Robert. Well, whoever, I wonder which one slept on the wet spot on the bed?..

Denny W. is here now. He looks lost, or is he just looking for someone he talked to the night before to help him remember. Oh, you know Denny, that was too many gins ago to remember.

Oh my gosh, it's Big D. Rick from Tramps with all the people he had on a late party with on the patio.

There's Brian M. whose big moment was ruined when it was discovered that the spotlight was really from a police helicopter. Once it was discovered to be a helicopter, Scott H. jumped to the ground in hopes of being a helipad, which he missed out on at the Academy Awards Party. The next morning, Rick M. had to wrap his meat in the kitchen at Rita's and discovered he couldn't get it hot or cold (as in frozen) and was stuck holding CB's until he got it up. From there Rick and Scott left for a photo session where they posed for a nude calendar. Each month offers a portion of their bodies (that's all they can fit on a 12x12 photograph) and the fold out is twenty-four feet long. From there, Rick was off to his greenhouse because he knew Scott would not miss him. Scott does have three Rick's in his life now.

Well, Donny from Tramps is right behind. He looks tired. He should be after all that happened in the back seat with Colette. That Colette is too much, or is that what she said to Donny? Oh well, I heard she said earlier to all the bartenders at the E.A.R.S. Seminar that looking at them in the morning she realized why she didn't sleep with men. I guess that's okay then to just use Donny's trick.

So Skeets must not be working, thank gosh he's not in his tuxedo still. That got a little bushy at the bookstores. I am surprised he has time for lunch with all the traffic he has been running at home. It's too bad he can't remember their names. According to Jojo he can't remember his keys. Back to the tuxedo, didn't Skeets look handsome at the Black and White Ball. It is too bad Candy Plastique thought it was the Black and Blue Ball. After sliding down a bannister with nylons on she almost went thru the wall. They are still finding rhinestones and patching up the holes she put in the floor with her high heels.

Here comes Billy McT. Rita's own version of the Love Barge. Probably here to use the phone. Perhaps he is calling his travel agent now that he has purchased some snow skis.

Get out the green crème-de-menthe. Here is George K. He is so strange. He loves to soak his nuts in the stuff. Oh well, the professor is always right. That's better, I guess, that Lee drinking vodka tonics with a Southern Comfort float and then picking on gentlemen at the Congress Tap Room.

Speaking of Southern Comfort, it's Tom N. (aka H/T Tom) who has taken up some new French interest. My gosh, he must have monitors out at the airport now.

Why Eddie F. How nice to see him walking. The last time I saw Eddie, I noticed he had "Thank You" tattooed to the bottom of his feet. What a nice touch at the bookstore.

Oh that sick child Patrick (as Brian M. would say) is here now. I suppose he has more stories (doesn't he always) about going home with Jay and that Rob and Larry are lovers, but Larry has been seen with Dirk and Rob was seen with Del S. so maybe Peter is

alone, but then not according to Dirk. So much for Washington.

Look at Chopie with that new hair do. Story has it she purchased a new dildo, took it to the shower with her, tried it out, then discovered it was electric. Now Richard W. wants to borrow it.

Oh, Jim from the B/P. I hope he doesn't spend as much time in the bathroom here as he did over there with JJ.

So Todd from the B/P. left his park just for lunch. He is the one that hides behind trees while bartending. Bob B. is so accommodating. Perhaps Todd keeps hoping to bump heads with David R. again.

Well Dan P. arrives again. Wonder what excuse he will use to tell Jackie W. for being at Rita's. Well fine! Another dollar in hush money.

What a nice surprise, James G. is here. You know he usually goes to straight bars. Interesting they are the same straight bars that Jim (you know the Jim that George M. used to see) goes to...

Tom C. must not be working the streets. He is the only one I know who thinks wearing a tie means getting tied up.

Don P. is here. He must be off today. Perhaps he'll do something different like have no shots and go shopping for more cologne.

What's Gary C. saying as he walks in, "Those drag queens at the JOT look no prettier at ten in the morning than they do at ten at night!"

Well, here comes Miss Ellie back from another errand. He seems to be muttering something under his breath: "Well, Loretta may have given Isidro a "Blue Moon" but Thom S. turned over last night and I saw the whole universe."

Poor Bucky L. is working so hard but Don A. makes him. You see the last time Don and Bucky went out to the Desert Museum, Don got heavily fined for trying to remove an old artifact. Once he convinced the officer that it was only Bucky, it still cost him a small fortune. Speaking of old artifacts, Happy Birthday Donald.

So DPDP is here with Camille S. from G.E.A.R.S. He is still trying to use J.B. as a perfect example for the new tapes on those that have had enough.

Loretta could go on and on, but enough is enough. I'm sure she'll let you know more about the other people who lunch at Rita's. Look forward to more tid bits and as Lisa from Colette's would say, "Enough of this, I want to get laid!"

A TANGLED WEB

CHARLESTOWN, SC (GCN) - Two women involved in a \$75 million libel suit against Time, Inc., have pleaded guilty to charges that they perjured themselves by denying they had visited a Utah Lesbian bar, according to the Front Page.

Pam Parsons, former women's basketball coach at the University of South Carolina, sued the corporate owner of Sports Illustrated, after the magazine ran a story claiming she resigned her position because of a Lesbian affair with a player. During the trial, Parsons and her alleged lover, Tina Buck, both denied they were Lesbians and/or lovers. But a surprise witness for Time, Inc., Babs Delay, testified she saw Parsons and Buck dancing at the Puss 'n Boots, a Lesbian bar in Utah where Delay worked as a deejay. Both Parsons and Buck said they had never been in the bar.

The jury ruled in favor of Time and the trial Judge, Clyde Hamilton, ordered a perjury investigation. In a statement distributed to the media by Tina Buck's mother, Janet, with whom both women now live in Atlanta, they said: "We believe that labels of any kind have an intrinsic danger of dividing off and limiting the class of things categorized. In our society, to be labeled a Lesbian is to be cut off from a large segment of society which finds the idea repugnant, and even evil. To be punished by the letter of the law for attempting to defend against such labeling is, we believe, an overzealous application of the law."

Tucson Lesbian and Gay Pride Committee

Jack Stockslager, Co-Chairperson

The first Desert States Lesbian and Gay Conference was held this past weekend, March 30 and 31, in Las Vegas. The conference was very well attended by over 150 representatives from Arizona, Nevada, Utah, Colorado and New Mexico. Arizona was very well represented by over twenty Lesbian women and Gay men from Phoenix and Tucson.

The Conference was held at the Continental Hotel and was opened with a keynote address by Steve Schulte, a member of the West Hollywood City Council. The rest of Saturday was filled with a series of workshops including Democratic Politics; Counseling; Law and the Lesbian/Gay Community; Parenting, Fundraising, Harassment; Computers; Gays in the Military; AIDS; Substance Abuse and a full workshop on Tucson's own "Arizona Gay" cable TV show.

Saturday evening, Conference participants were treated to a very moving and extremely well performed concert by "Voices" from Las Vegas and "Desert Overture" from Phoenix.

On Sunday, we were addressed by Nancy Roth, head of the Gay Rights National Lobby in Washington, DC. She identified the areas of safety, family housing, employment and health as the main areas that grassroots organizations should concentrate their efforts. She elaborated by stating that family and children are also Lesbian and Gay issues, and we should not allow these issues to only be addressed by Moral Majority-type groups. Ms. Roth further stated that Lesbians and Gays are the seventh largest voting block in the country.

A planning session took up the rest of the morning. It was the consensus of all participants that there will be yearly conferences and that for 1986 the conference will be held in Phoenix. Also, a statement of purpose was adopted and will be released in the near future to the media across the country.

After a buffet lunch, Jeff Levy of the National Gay Task Force gave the

closing address. He stated that Lesbians and Gays are 23 million strong in this country, and that some officials are realizing our voting power. Mr. Levy said that grassroots groups must ask of all activities and goals the question, "How does this further empower us?" He closed his address by saying that, "we are demanding our rightful place in the American family."

The Conference lived up to its theme of "Empowering Each Other." I found these two days to be very nurturing and educational. I was also very proud of Tucson's representation, especially "Arizona Gay". I came away energized and ready to share more specifically how we, here in the desert states, can empower each other. Every national representative at the Conference agreed that in politics the Desert States are "where it's happening".

Don't forget this coming Monday, April 8 at 6:30 at the Fineline will be the general membership meeting of TLGPC. We need you to help us finalize Tucson Pride Week activities.

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public accommodations. HB-9 will amend the criminal code to add sexual orientation to the definitions of ethnic intimidation and institutional vandalism.

State employees will receive the protection even without the law. Anti-discrimination clauses have been included in a contract drawn up for the state's professional employees.

A "memo of understanding" was signed recently by the state's Bureau of Personnel and the American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees. The memo says that the "parties agree that sexual orientation is a 'non-merit factor', which means it cannot be used as a criterion for employment. The memo is legally binding and is part of a contract which will cover almost 14,000 employees in the state.

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AIDS CASES ON INCREASE, STUDY SHOWS

With Easter this coming Sunday, MCC-Tucson has many activities and programs planned. Tomorrow night at 7:00 p.m., which is Maundy Thursday, there will be a service of foot washing and communion. It is this night that we commemorate the night Jesus shared with the disciples in the upper room. Friday, which is Good Friday, the Church will be open for personal prayer and meditation from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., then at 7:00 p.m. we will have our "Good Friday Service". As we remember the crucifixion, Pastor Dave will preach on "What Really Happened At Calvary". Each and everyone is invited to share any or all of these services with the family of MCC-Tucson.

Sunday, April 7th, Easter Sunday, at 6:30 a.m. our traditional Easter Sunrise Service will be held in Reid Park, just South of the Rose Garden. Bruce Wale will be speaking. At 10:45 a.m. our Morning Worship Service will be held at 560 S. Stone. Plan to share in our Easter celebration with your friends and family. A special program will be held for the children while regular services are being observed for adults. At 6:30 p.m., the choir will be presenting a special cantata, "The Day He Wore My Crown". Come and share the blessings of this very special service.

Beginning next week, Pastor Dave will be in the office, Wednesday through Saturday from 10:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m., the Church office is open from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Wednesdays through Fridays. If anyone would like to call for an appointment for consultation, call the Church office at 622-4536.

Thought for the week: A grey-haired old lady, long a member of her community and church, shook hands with the minister after the service one Sunday morning. "That was a wonderful sermon," she told him, "just wonderful. Everything you said applies to someone I know."

NEW YORK, NY (AP) - An apparent change in sexual activity by homosexuals hoping to cut their risk of contracting AIDS may be coming too late, with some 300,000 people already believed to be infected with the deadly disease, a researcher says.

A drop in gonorrhea and syphilis among homosexuals suggests they are changing their sexual behavior, but the change may not slow the spread of AIDS, said Dr. James Curran, director of AIDS activities at the National Centers for Disease Control in Atlanta.

"The behavior changes may be just keeping even with the problem," Curran said.

He said several studies of the spread of AIDS have convinced him that some 300,000 people have been infected with the virus believed to cause the illness, and about 30,000 are likely to develop AIDS in the next five years.

"There's quite a lag between infection and development of AIDS," Curran said in a telephone interview. "There are many, many more people that have been infected than have actually developed AIDS."

The average time between exposure to the virus and development of the disease is three years, he said.

The CDC reported on February 4 that AIDS, or acquired immune deficiency syndrome, had struck 8,057 people and claimed 3,863 lives in the United States since 1981.

In the five years since AIDS was first identified, only 5 percent to 20 percent of the people apparently infected with the virus have developed the disease, Curran said.

That's the basis of his rough prediction that approximately 30,000 - or ten percent - of the people developed the disease, Curran said.

"I would guess that since only a small proportion develop AIDS in the first few years, it will be unlikely for all of the rest to develop AIDS," he said. He added, however, that "the long-term consequences of infection - say, over 10 or 20 years - are not known."

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CLEAN UP-ARTISTS	27	13	.675	2
SPEEDWAY ROCKS	23	17	.575	6
COLETTE'S KILLER BEES	25	19	.568	6
FINELINE DAWLERS	22	18	.550	7
SUPER TRAMPS	23.5	20.5	.534	7.5
BACK POCKET	26	20	.500	9
WE GOT HORSES	20	20	.500	9
NIGHT BLOOMING SERIOUS	20	20	.500	9
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COMMUNITY MIXED VOLLEYBALL LEAGUE

Congratulations to "Men At Play" who won first place for the first half of the volleyball season. The first half was hard fought and very close. "Men At Play" had a record of 22 wins and 3 losses, while the second place team "Team Number One" had a record of 22 wins and 4 losses.

The second half the the seasons started last Sunday, March 25 and will continue for five weeks. There will be no volleyball on Easter Sunday, April 7. Have a happy and safe Easter and we will see you all on the next volleyball Sunday, April 14 at the Back Pocket court.

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2. HOT CROSS LUNS	25	15	16899
3. TOOTH FAIRIES	24	16	16759
4. BUTTIETTES	22	18	16909
5. COQUETTES	22	18	16737
6. CIXX AND THE CHANELLS	21	19	16721
7. BLANCHE'S BOOMERS	20.5	20	16732
8. FAIRLANES	20	20	16612
9. SHOW QUEENS	19	21	16520
10. LOOSE LIPS	19	21	14814
11. BAD BOYS	17	23	16439
12. THE THREE GRACES	16.5	23	16452
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FRIDAY, APRIL 5
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SATURDAY, APRIL 6
TRAMPS - Country dance lessons given again by Larry and Kenny from Charlie's in Phoenix from 2 to 5 p.m.

SUNDAY, APRIL 7 (EASTER SUNDAY)
GRADUATE - Annual Easter Bonnet and Easter Basket Contest with hostess Aviva Diamond. Prizes and fun.

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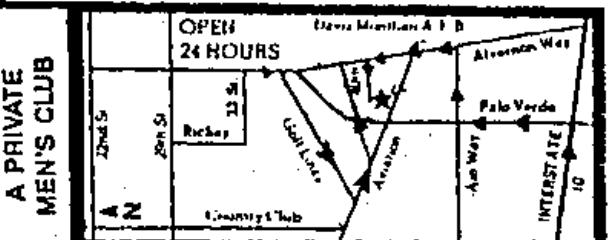
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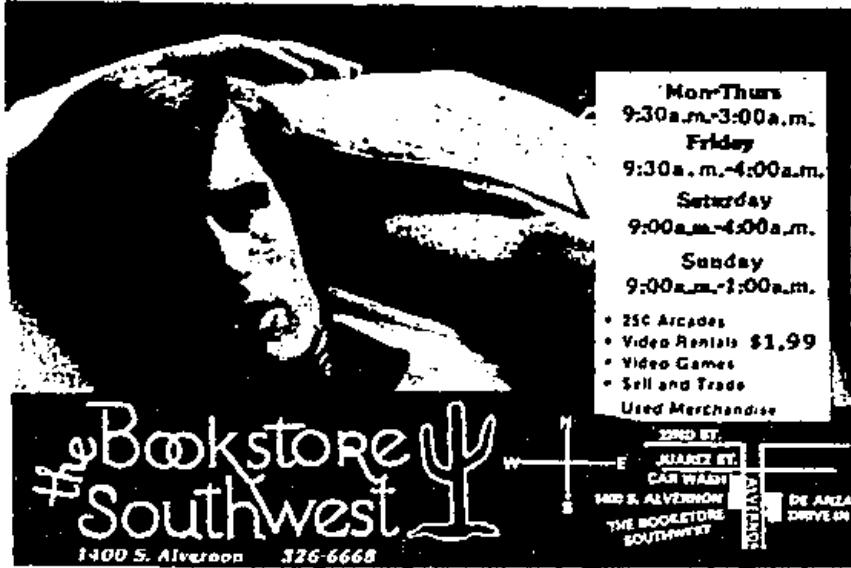
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A View From Within

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LOVE STINKS (!)

Yes, boys and girls, love stinks. This desperately over-rated state of affairs to which every supposedly sane person aspires, is enough to make any 'sane' person writh in utter disgust. LOVE: Who needs it? Not I, thank you, I am just so wonderfully happy being all alone, ignored (by some of the best), and forgotten.

Why, you may ask, am I so down on what is propagandized as being the height of our reason for living? Well, simply put, love stinks!

Remember Ty, from a couple earlier columns? (The rat...). He was dating someone else while he was dating me. We split up on Valentine's Day (The irony is just too remarkable for mere words...) There is a lot to be said for being all alone on Valentine's Day.

I have quite the advantage in writing this column week-in and week-out. Bob Ellis - the publisher - allows me the space to vent my spleen about anything I so choose, and dammit, I'M PISSED!!!

(LOVE STINKS!) Okay, so Ty and I break up on Valentine's Day. ("I'll never allow myself to get so close to anyone again...") You see, I am frightfully shy (really): not in business, or anything where I have total confidence in myself. But when I meet men, well, that is a whole different story. I blush, I stammer (Me? Stammer?) I act just like a love-sick child. I hate myself for being such a twit in situations like these, but I am always afraid that He (Mr. Possibly - Almost Right) will take one look at me, laugh, and say, "Not if you were the last man on earth!" Rejection, let it suffice to say, is a difficult thing for me to handle...

Okay, so to help me over my break-up, I go out on this date with someone who turns out to be a real drip! (You know, a guy who's IQ would make a record-breaking golf score...) While we were out, I met a friend of mine and his friend. (Pay real close attention: Here is where the going gets a little rough). What were my

thoughts when I met my friend's friend? "How can I dump this lifeless piece of shit I am with, and get to talk to my friend's friend? (Shallow! Cheap! Rude? You bet! But then, life is like that, is it not?).

So then, two weeks later, I re-meet my friend's friend (although I don't know it at the time) who we shall call M.S. (These are his real initials: the aliases in my past columns are getting hard to keep up with). One thing led to another (A euphemism...) and...

...well, let us just say that LOVE STINKS! Have you ever felt the feeling like there was a blast furnace in your heart? Like, every face you see is his face? Or, every voice you hear is his voice? Or, that if you cannot spend every moment of the rest of your life with him, you will just die? I did twice: first was with Ronnie, my first boyfriend, and second was with Robert, my second.

And, on March 15th, 1985 (details for my future biographer...) I felt it again for the first time in three (long, hard, lonely) years when I met M.S.

As those of you who read my columns undoubtedly know, I am much too smart to fall for this kind of thing. (or am I?) Only fools rush in... Well, suppose then that I am a fool, for I feel a desperate love for M.S.

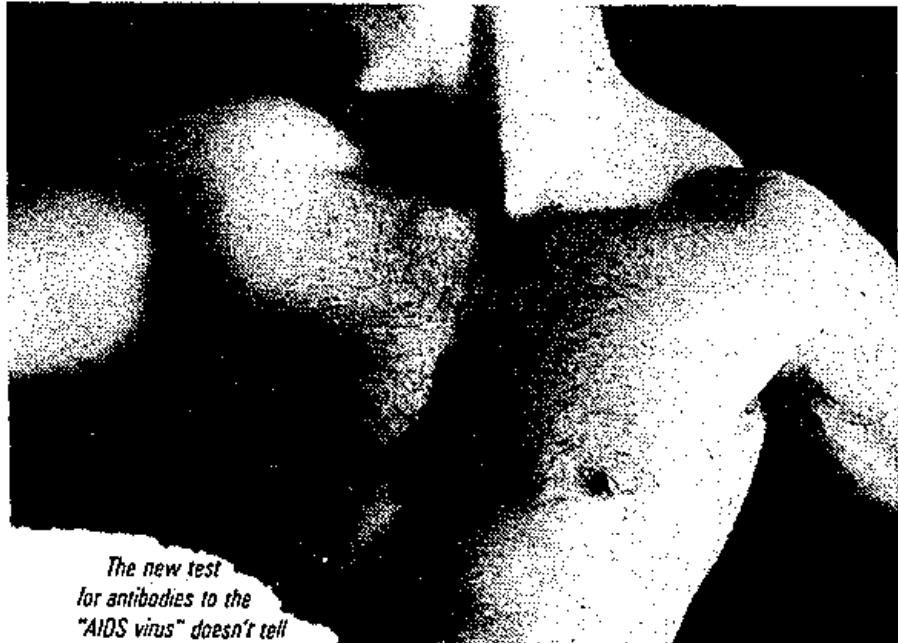
(Now, this is where you the audience can join in...) What do you think I should do?

These are my choices. I can either play it cool and let him realize how wonderful I am, or I can "tackle" this situation and actively pursue him. What do you think?

Please let me know what your advice is. Should I wait? or should I "Go for it"? Write to me at: THE OBSERVER, Post Office Box 50733, Tucson, Arizona, 85703-1733.

Thanks for your help.

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