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MCC/Tucson makes holiday gift to Food Bank



TUCSON - The local Metropolitan Community Church held a food drive to benefit the Tucson Food Bank on the Sunday before Thanksgiving. The congregation collected 78 pounds of food and a cash donation of \$200.

The Food bank received the gift last Monday. Pictured above

we see Food Bank worker Elsa receiving a check from MCC Treasurer Ann Corbin (l) while Pastor Dave Gunton displays the receipt for the 75 pounds of food.

Congratulations to the MCC congregation for their help in feeding the needy at this holiday time.

Exposure to AIDS isolating: Gays are celibate, relationships end

NOW seeks new vote in Vermont

BURLINGTON, VT (AP) - The National Organization for Women is seeking a new vote on a proposed Equal Rights Amendment in some areas of Vermont because it believes abuses may have contributed to the measure's defeat.

The state and national NOW filed the complaint in Superior Court in Washington and a hearing is scheduled for Dec. 8.

Now requested a recount because of the closeness of the vote. Official returns showed the ERA was defeated 95,547 to 89,426.

The complaint charged that college students in Middlebury were discouraged from registering to vote because of false statements by a town clerk; that at least one ballot box was open during voting; and that anti-ERA material was found inside some polling place.

Meanwhile, Assistant Attorney General Marjorie Skogland said she initially thought NOW had the right to seek a recount because

WASHINGTON, DC - Psychologists at the University of California, San Francisco have found a "significant increase" in celibacy and a "significantly higher frequency of relationship disruption" among homosexual men who have tested positive for exposure to the AIDS virus, said one of the researchers.

In an unpublished study, psychologists who have been studying 824 Gay and bisexual men in San Francisco since 1983, said that a positive test frequently results in sexual isolation, the ending of relationships and a "major increase" in anxiety and depression.

"People we interviewed told us that when they got their positive results they really didn't want to be around people - they felt contaminated and just didn't want to be touched," said Dr. Steve Morin, assistant clinical professor of medicine at UCSF.

He added, "That may account for both the high level of celibacy and the high level of relationship disruption."

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EDITORIAL Dec. 9 election a crucial one for future transportation in Tucson

Next Tuesday, Dec. 9, there will be a special election that will have an important impact on the transportation problems that Tucson and Pima County are experiencing now and which will most certainly get much worse in the years to come.

Projections for Pima County call for a population of well over 1 million by the year 2006, which is the time span this particular Proposition encompasses.

Proposition One is an excise tax resolution amounting to 1/2 of 1 percent to be raised by a rise in the sales tax. This Proposition will be in effect for a period of 20 years during which time, revenues accrued will be used to carry out a master plan of widening present thoroughfares as well as building new roadways that will expedite the flow of traffic in Tucson and Pima County as well.

There has been much controversy over Proposition One. To be fair, we quote the official title of Proposition One as it will appear on the Ballot:

"A resolution providing funding for a special trust fund to be used solely and only for design, land acquisition, construction, standard and reduced clearance grade separation, extension and widening of arterial streets and highways, and the land acquisition and construction of landscape buffers, noise barriers, pedestrian bypasses, multi-use paths, open areas and other environmental impact mitigation measures, and design, land acquisition and construction of controlled-access highways, all of which are shown, or will be shown, in the transportation corridors in

the Pima Association of Governments Regional Transportation Plan and to provide funding for the planning and assistance for the development of plans for air quality and public transportation, public transportation, and levying a transportation excise tax to provide moneys for the special trust fund."

This means that Proposition One will finance the design, land acquisition and construction of arterial streets and highways, controlled-access highways, bypasses, paths and environmental protection; standard and reduced clearance grade separation, extension and widening of arterial streets and highways; development of plans for public transportation and air quality; public transportation; and levying a tax.

If Proposition One passes the tax will start January 1, 1987 and be in effect for twenty years.

Money raised from this small raise in taxes will be held in trust and may only be spent for exactly what the Proposition stated - Improving the transportation problems Tucson and Pima County now face as well as implementing a well thought-out plan for future roadways that will be designed to maintain the environment and the aesthetic beauty of our desert landscape.

Arguments against Proposition One include fears that the new roadways would run randomly through suburban neighborhoods, causing blight and only open new areas for development on the perimeter of the city resulting in decay and blight in the inner city. Others claim that this will be only the beginning and that

further tax increases will be forthcoming. Also it is claimed that many businesses who would benefit from the improved transportation will not pay their 'fair' share of the taxation.

Arguments in favor of Proposition One say that it would have a positive impact on public safety. (Pima County has one of the nation's highest accident rates.) The Long Range Regional Transportation Plan would streamline traffic in highly congested areas. Moreover, the first two years after passage, \$1.5 million is designated for the development of an air quality plan, then an additional \$3.5 million over the first five years will go for the development of a Regional Transportation System Plan (i.e.; transit, light rail, etc.).

The long range plan has the distinction of being the first of its kind to specifically call for the protection of neighborhoods and sensitive environmental areas in Pima County. The Board of Supervisors has approved an ordinance to ensure citizen participation in the decision-making process for each major road project. The ordinance calls for open space land acquisition to discourage development along new roadways in sensitive environmental areas, noise buffers, landscaping; funds for mass transit, air quality planning and a number of neighborhood protection measures.

The plan envisions express transit routes along major east-west and north-south thoroughfares. Six new bicycle routes are part of the plan, and will make it safer and easier to take shorter

trips by bike. And for the first time, there will be a serious commitment to sidewalk installation, improved street lighting, and handicap curb ramps.

We can learn from the mistakes of the people of Phoenix. They waited so long to do something that they're paying the price. Phoenix is scarred with congestion, neighborhood blight, and life-threatening pollution. Taking action fifteen years too late left only one option: freeways and asphalt - not neighborhood protection, not open spaces, not mitigation.

It is important to note that the half cent tax will cost the average household approximately \$3 per month. Yet it will help fund a 20-year comprehensive system of new and improved roads throughout Pima County to make transportation more safe and efficient. It will fund new and extended roads, road widenings, landscaping, noise buffers, bike paths, and also provide substantial appropriations for mass transit and air quality planning.

A large portion of the revenues raised will be paid for by persons residing outside of Pima County, - tourists, shoppers and businesses from other areas. All other revenue-raising methods proved too costly for the average consumer. An equivalent gas tax would raise gas prices by an astounding 58 cents per gallon. Property taxes would have to be increased significantly, and "impact" fees on new housing would run close to \$8,000 per new dwelling.

The cost of not implementing
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UPDATE

CORNERSTONE GOES CAROLLING

TUCSON - It was announced this week that Cornerstone Fellowship will hold its first annual Bar Caroling Party on Friday, Dec. 12. Carolers from the church will be visiting four Tucson bars in a whirlwind tour of the city, singing traditional Christmas carols to the patrons of the participating bars.

"We're real excited by this idea," said Cathy Wharton, musical director at Cornerstone Fellowship. "We've never done anything like this before, or even heard of anyone else doing it. Yet the bars have, for the most part, been very enthusiastic about us singing for them. This is a great way of sharing the Christmas spirit with our brothers and sisters out there in the community."

The carolers will be at the following bars around the times indicated: Rita's Rendezvous, 7:00; Colette's West, 7:30; The Graduate, 8:00; and It's 'Bout Time, 9:00. Everyone is encouraged to stop by their favorite watering hole and hear the music.

RARE PRINT SALE TO BENEFIT TAP

TUCSON - The sale of limited-edition prints of work by Salvador Dali, William Marlow, Hilda Rindom and others at Shelby Gallery will benefit the Tucson AIDS Project (TAP) on Saturday, Dec. 13.

From 9:00 a.m. until 9 p.m., ten percent of all sales on these prints will be donated to help educate the community and provide services to Tucsonans with AIDS.

Shelby Gallery is located at 2351 N. Alvernon at the intersection of Grant and Alvernon. These prints would make lovely Christmas gifts and benefit a most worthy cause at the same time.

"TANGLED SHEETS" AT HUMANSPACE

PHOENIX - 'A writer talks about writing'. Gerard Curry, author of the hot new short story collection, "Tangled Sheets", will read and answer questions about writing and getting published on Sunday, Dec. 14 at 3:00 p.m. The presentation is free and Curry will be available to sign copies of his book at Humanspace Books, 1817 N. 32nd Street.

Curry has had stories appear in well-known Gay men's magazines, and he formed a publishing company to bring out his own magazine in Detroit. He is also a fine portrait photographer. For more information, call 220-4419. Don't miss this opportunity to meet the author and hear his interesting presentation.

'GONG SHOW' SEEKS ENTRANTS

TUCSON - 'The Gong Show' lives on, or hopefully so, and wants to be presented to the community in the near future. There is only one problem - they need some more contestants. If you think you have talent, or even if you don't think so, you are welcome to get on stage and prove it to the judges. Prizes to the winners will be given.

The action is scheduled to take place at Rumor Hazzit and when the 'cast' has been completed, the show will go on. Interested persons are asked to call Brian (aka Sasha) the new daytime bartender at Rumors at 6 2 4 - 5 8 4 7.

OPBPA PLANS ELEGANT DINNER PARTY

TUCSON - Live entertainment is promised at the Old Pueblo Business and Professional Association (OPBPA) Dec. 20 Holiday Banquet at the Ventana Canyon Resort.

A piano-singing duo entertains at a no-host cocktail hour beginning at 6:00 p.m. that Saturday. Door prizes and a brief association meeting at 7:00 p.m. precedes the Breast of Capon Chasseur dinner. A visit from Santa caps off the evenings festivities in the Catalina Ballroom at Ventana, one of Tucson's newest resorts.

Cost to OPBPA members is \$22.00 per plate. The non-member price is \$25.00 per plate. Dinner reservations, with payment, are urged by Dec. 7, mailed to OPBPA Holiday Celebration, P.O. Box 44033, Tucson, AZ 85733. Additional information about the evening's celebration is available at (602) 791-9767.

Diners are requested to bring a non-perishable food donation that OPBPA will present to Tucson's Community Food Bank.

OPBPA President Jim Foley states that newcomers are welcome to the association's programs. First-time visitors are encouraged to call (602) 792-3373 for additional information about OPBPA goals and membership benefits. Foley adds that the Gay and Lesbian group of professional and business people are bonded by social, educational and humanitarian purposes.



This Week's TV Programs

7:00 (2) THE LOVE BUTT - (60 min.) The Head Mermaid performs on a neighboring ship and understands the real meaning of renewed friendships. Head Mermaid: Cristl Luvshitz.

(7) THE GUILDED GIRLS - (60 min.) Sophie seems to be looking a bit haggard and unshaven these days. She should think about cleaning up her act. She looked so much better before. Sophie: Bruce Hazzit.

(69) FRONTLINE - (60 min.) Hostess Candi Plasti "throws" a cake party at the home of a friend for her guests. Guests decide they need to shower a lot afterwards. Guests include Jackie de Soy Sauce, Christi Luvshitz, Billy Buns, orchestra leader Don Hinkle and a mysterious lady who somehow found herself in the middle of the crossfire.

8:00 (2) KATIE AND AL - (60 min.) Al's demands keep Katie out of the spotlight and very much behind it where she hasn't got the chance to be so grand. Al: Rodger Curtain. Katie: Petra St. Pool.

(7) MIAMI TWICE - (60 min.) A partygoer decides that one thousand dollars would have been given if only Stubbs had been at that party with his camera. Stubbs: Bob Jealous.

(69) MOVIE: Drama - (120 min.) "Will It Ever Be Done?" A local show diva becomes more and more worried whether her stage will be completed by a fast upcoming show. She also tells a friend, "Please come to the source of a rumor before believing the rumor completely." Starring: Ricki Normal.

9:00 (2) DIE NASTY - (60 min.) Alexi's new haircut is getting highly mixed reviews. Some like it, some don't. Alexi: Davida Zircon.

(7) FAMILY TRIES - (60 min.) The Street Fair is fast approaching and the town wonders whether the straight and narrow will be ready for the goings on again this year.

Jim South has returned to the scenes of his earlier conquests here in the old Pueblo - unfortunately, most of them are now married. Not to be undaunted, he insists that he is in the heyday of his senility, and is not responsible either his actions or his car keys. He is however, very adroit, is compassionate on his unfortunate sisters and is filled with piss and vinegar.



Who are these people and what are they doing?



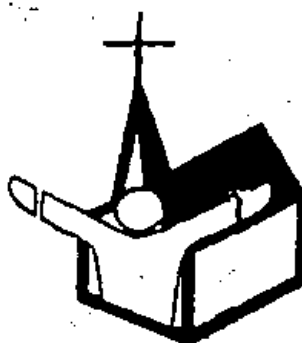
PHOENIX - Caught by our candid camera, we found one of Phoenix's hottest DJ's in intimate conversation with one of Phoenix's hottest barowners. George Hill is

shown talking to Ron Ferrah at the popular westside night spot, Farrah's Club 4158. George is currently playing every Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday at Farrah's and it all begins at 9:00 p.m.

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Mississippi group wants to close Gay bar

TUPELO, MISS. (AP) - An anti-pornography group here wants authorities to close a local bar that caters to homosexuals.

T.K. Moffett, head of the Tupelo-based Morality in America, wants Sheriff Roy Sandifer to use state laws against sodomy and underage drinking to crack down on the Tulip Creek Estates Clubhouse Disco & Showbar in rural Lee County.

"The bar is a threat to the moral fiber of Tupelo," said Moffett.

Although Lee County Concerned Citizens, which last year picketed stores that rent X-rated videos, has not endorsed Moffett's project, some members have aided the effort. Chairman Randy Proctor said he believes members support the work.

Tupelo, headquarters for the National Federation for Decency headed by Rev. Donald Wildmon, has gained national attention for residents' efforts to stamp out sexually explicit materials.

Eddie Sandifer, director of the Mississippi Gay Alliance of Jackson, called the attempt to close the bar "a play on sensationalism" and "a gimmick to make money."

Referring to suggestions by Moffett that those who frequent the bar be prosecuted under the state's sodomy law, Sandifer said "more sodomy takes place at non-gay bars."

Persons convicted under the state's sodomy law, originally enacted in 1848, could be sentenced to a maximum of 10 years in prison.

The bar has also been a hot topic for several weeks on "Sharing the Truth," a Sunday afternoon program on a local Christian radio station.

"I don't believe the people of Tupelo would approve of this immorality," said Bob McCustion, one of the show's hosts. "Our desire is to see these people (homosexuals) helped. Our secondary desire is to see the bar closed."

McCustion and others have been writing down license plate numbers of cars seen at the club. "It's drawing people from Booneville, Corinth, Fulton, Shannon, Batesville, Biloxi and some from even Alabama and Tennessee," he said.

In the past month, efforts by local residents to write down license plate numbers have been thwarted several times because they have been covered by cardboard, McCustion said.

Despite such fervor, the sheriff said law enforcement officials can't make arrests "just because it's a Gay bar. They have rights like everybody else." In order to arrest someone under sodomy laws, "you gotta see it," the sheriff said. If drinks are being sold to minors, an affidavit should be filed, he said.

Moffett and others learned of the club through a recent newsletter by the Mississippi Gay Alliance, which listed the bar as available to homosexuals. The club, which advertised in the newsletter, held a fundraising last summer and collected \$720 to fight AIDS.

Moffett agreed with the sheriff that sodomy is difficult to prosecute. He said law enforcement officials are reluctant to work undercover in bars that cater to homosexuals.

"The law is difficult to enforce, but that doesn't mean you should do away with it," Moffett said. "It's difficult to control speeding, too."

Tucson Bar Soaps**ROOM'S HOPE**

MAEVE RYAN - Ron T.
FRANK RYAN - Tom M.
JILLIAN RYAN - Steve R.
SIOBHAN RYAN DEBUJACQUE - Roger B.
MAX DEBUJACQUE - Peter S.
RYAN FENELLI HYDE - Steve Y.
RICK HYDE - Pat T.
ROGER COLERIDGE - Doc H.
MAGGIE SHELBY COLERIDGE - Bill N.
BESS SHELBY - Candy T.
DELIA REID - Baby Bob
DIANA DOUGLAS - Hopi
DAROTA SMITH - Gilbert B.

CRAVING

Ava suffers jet lag and misses the chance to put her two cents worth in at an important meeting at Alden Enterprises.

Stacey and Jack take friends to see a local show featuring Lottie Bates as one of the headliners. Everyone agrees that Lottie is just as good as she always is. Stacey is forced to leave the performance early however, due to illness. No one is sure whether it's being up and about so soon after the baby, the schnapps or just what.

Isabelle is going crazy remodeling the Alden mansion. Cabbot is worried that if she has any more walls knocked out that they may have a drive-thru. Meanwhile, Gwyneth voices her disapproval of certain liberties that some of the domestic help are taking.

THE OTHER WORLD

While the Pub is being transformed into the picture of holiday cheer, Ada busies herself telling some of the regulars the sordid tale of "Willie The Mooch" (one had to be there).

Vince gets a small scolding for keeping a young lady's mother out all night. He denies the

incident, but no one is really sure.

SANTA FAMOCINA

After getting the ax from C.C., Gina goes into hiding and begins to make notes for a new book entitled "Honesty....Why Bother?" Gina plans this to be an expose on the world of 'BIG' business.

**Writers have considered a new actress for the role of Gina, however this particular role is one thing that this bitch will not give up.

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Violence, Violence, Violence

Texas businessman slaying probed

KYLE, TEXAS (AP) - The slaying of an Austin businessman, whose body was found in a burning auto, may be an extreme example of Gay bashing, says a national homosexual rights group.

But a police investigator says that motive is only one possibility in last week's murder of Edward Schiffers, 39.

Schiffers was found dead in the front seat of his burning car at an Interstate 35 rest stop in Kyle. His hands were tied behind his back with baling wire, he was partially clothed and had been struck in the head, police said. A preliminary autopsy indicated that the cause of death was smoke inhalation.

Jeff Gutierrez, a spokesman for the Gay and Lesbian Service Center of Los Angeles, said the rest stop where Schiffers was killed may be drawn people intent on attacking homosexuals because it was a "notorious meeting place for Gays."

Both Schiffers' business partner and a former roommate told the Austin American-Statesman that their friend was homosexual but not the sort of person who would frequent such a hangout. They said he may have been attacked while stopping to use the rest room, the newspaper reported.

Gutierrez said he heard about the slaying from a friend of Schiffers while helping to establish an information clearinghouse to keep track of and publicize assaults against homosexuals.

The issue of Gay bashing has received increased news media attention in recent weeks. Attacks on homosexuals have "been going on for centuries," Gutierrez said, but they have intensified this year because of public fears about the spread of the AIDS virus.

Gutierrez said his information on the slaying is limited to the reputation of the rest area and the fact that Schiffers was a homosexual.

Police have reported neither suspects nor witnesses in the

case. Firefighters found Schiffers' body about 4 a.m. last Wednesday, Nov. 19 when they were called to the blaze by a passing motorist.

Hayes County Sheriff Alford Hohman and state trooper Jeff Sones, who patrols the interstate through Kyle, said they had heard rumors that the rest stop was a hangout for homosexual men. Hohman said he had heard similar rumors about other rest areas, but both men said they knew of no previous violent incidents there involving homosexuals.

Kyle Police Chief Bill Jones, who is investigating the murder, agreed. "It's got a reputation for that. So do other places. It's also got a reputation for people stopping there to use the restroom," Jones said.

Jones said he is considering all possibilities in the case, including the possibility that Schiffers was attacked because he was a homosexual. "This is a brutal murder, done by somebody I would love to see put away. But I'm an investigator. I don't want the media to investigate the case in the headlines," he said.

Body Found

LITCHFIELD, CONN. (AP) - A mutilated torso found wrapped in a quilt and a plastic garbage bag was identified last Friday, Nov. 28 by the FBI, state police said. Police said the FBI identified the remains as belonging to Jack Franklin Andrews, who had allegedly used the four aliases of Jack F. Walsh, Jack F. Welsh, Charles E. West and John E. Davison. The FBI was able to determine the identity of the remains by its fingerprints, police said. The body's head and legs had been cleanly severed, they said.

Police said Andrews had a lengthy arrest record across the United States, but no record of arrests in Connecticut. They said Andrews had faced charges of burglary, possession of stolen property, providing false information and assault with a weapon.

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OUT ON THE TOWN

STUNT MALIBU CHRISTI FAN CLUB NEWSLETTER

Christi returned from her sabbatical for a short performance at the Ponderosa. A few close friends witnessed her short performance. She put twice as much effort into this show and the audience could really tell. Talk about doubling your pleasure. Speaking of the Ponderosa, the facelift continues, wonder if Miss Mae is still considering a facelift herself. Would it do any good?

After the Ponderosa turkey, several of Christi's friends did manage to make it to town for yet another show, one that Ronda and Miss Mae managed to miss. Helen hugged a few curves a little closer than she planned, so close she couldn't see if anyone was following her or not. Maybe that's why Miss Muffet got lost. Seems that mountain hides bigger spiders than she's used to.

Teresa Brewery continued on with the show. That poor Bruised Eagle had to have a hip bone implant after that minor accident where she also stubbed her toe. No wonder, after the beating she took from front seat Frances and Teresa. Teresa seems to have skipped a few letters in the alphabet, but she certainly did the table tops a few nights ago.

Miss Latina's wedding has

been temporarily postponed. Is she waiting for the right jewel or just a bigger one? Speaking of Latine, her Nogales team certainly stomped the Suffolk Hills team last Saturday at which time Orka seems to have been blown out of the water. Is Miss Latine growing her nails again or what?

Can we quote Miss Jade on this one? The longer it is the harder it gets. Will Totie still try - maybe not when Mae is around. Jade should know. So is Headda Hopper hopping into town or not. Will Miss Leland every wear polyester again? Is Debbie still doing it? Ask Teresa. Has Arrabella lost her touch? Does Miss Mae know any eighteen year-olds? Who's behaving and who's doing who? Jade and Mae plus two?

So who was born to snooze and who was born to booze? Only the Ponderosa knows for sure. Is Mathilda still window shopping or is she afraid to buy? She should talk to Key. Maybe leasing is better. We know when the contract is up. Somebody else may have a better idea.

Till next time, forever yours
Jza Jza La More

Fan Mail To: Stunt Malibu Christi Fan Club, P.O. Box 2704, Tucson, AZ 85702

WHAT'S UP DOC?

Arizona Brotherhood 1986 came to a festive closing last Sunday in Phoenix with the presentation of awards. Each of the sponsoring clubs that were in attendance at both the send-off brunch, supplied by Copperstate Leathermen, presented different awards for different activities throughout the weekend. After all awards were presented, Dennis, president of the Sons of Apollo, this year's host club, turned over responsibility for Arizona Brotherhood 1987 to Tommy, president of Tucson Knight Owls, who will be the host club in Tucson next year.

As in any major run of this size, there will always be a few minor problems, but in the spirit of brotherhood, the complete run - four days worth - was a big success. Each of the sponsoring clubs - Sons of Apollo; Arizona Rangers; Copperstate Leathermen; Tucson Knight Owls and the Tucson Arizona Levi Leathermen - all did their separate activities and meals in a very professional manner, ensuring the total success of this run.

Overhearing conversations from others guests on this run,

everyone had a super, fun-filled four days, and are looking forward to attending next year's version. All in all, there were 71 paid run participants, and no telling how many tag-alongs. Of course, the different bars in Phoenix weren't complaining either, what with the all the bar hopping. The bars in Tucson had better start planning for next year's run here in town because the bars in Phoenix went out of their way helping all in attendance on this run to ensure fond memories would be long lasting after this run came to a finish.

Normally, after a run of this magnitude, I would have tons of TBBS'. But, on this run, I wanted to enjoy myself and give freedom of speech to all and let them enjoy themselves also. I can tell you this however, if I'd had a tape recorder all through this run, it would have given me material to fill the centerfold of this newspaper plus more for later use. Oh well gang, this time I'm giving you this one knowing as time goes by I'll still get something else on you. Happy Brotherhood and I'll see you at the Arizona Brotherhood Run 1987 in Tucson.

NEWS FROM MCC/TUCSON

Roast turkey, dressing, mashed potatoes, gravy, sweet potatoes, cranberry sauce, salads and vegetable were the stars of the big event last Thursday, Thanksgiving Day at MCC/Tucson. The day of festivities began at 11:00 a.m., with a special worship service. Then at 1:00 p.m. a prepared feast was served to the community. The Desert Leathermen really out-did themselves in the preparation of the turkey, it was juicy, tender and delicious. A very special "Thank You" goes to Colette of Colette's West for giving us one of the big turkeys that was prepared by the Desert Leathermen. MCC/Tucson was the scene of the big feast, but without the help and contributions given by the other groups and individuals it would not have been the success that it was.

Last Sunday was the first Sunday of Advent and our First Advent Candle representing the miracle of belief was lighted. Advent is a Latin word meaning "to come". We celebrate the birth of Christ on Christmas Day, but our preparation starts with Advent. Advent is the first season of the Christian year, and it begins four Sundays before Christmas Day. The Advent wreath with five candles has a special meaning. The wreath's round shape symbolizes

God's never ending love. The evergreens represent everlasting life. The candles can be any color, but the four smaller candles are usually purple to represent royalty and is the traditional color of the Advent season. The larger white candle is called the Christ candle and represents the purity of Jesus.

Next Sunday, December 7th will be the Second Sunday of Advent and our second candle when lighted will represent the miracle of visionary faith. Also, at both of our Sunday services our trees will be up and everyone who attends these services is invited to bring a Christmas tree ornament to help decorate the trees.

Our Food Drive Sunday was also a big success. There were several boxes of canned and packaged foods donated and a large amount of cash was given for the Community Food Bank. This gift from MCC/Tucson will help to supplement the Community Food Bank for the needy families for Christmas.

Thought for the Week: You know what hour it is, how it is full time now for you to wake from sleep. For salvation is nearer to us than when we first believed. (Romans 13:11 RSV)

LETTERS

GREETINGS TO ALL OF YOU-

Since Thanksgiving is just past, I'd like to give thanks to all you at the Observer who work so hard and diligently to get the paper out for our use. Never forget, we're thankful to you and your advertisers.

Second thank you goes to Tucson Leathermen and MCC/Tucson for a wonderful Thanksgiving day. The food was fabulous but I'm especially thankful for all the great fun that was had. So thank all you who provided the wonderful food and special thanks to all the wonderful, fun-loving people who shared their joy with all around them.

Finally, I want to thank the Creator who gave us the gift of laughter. We ought to use it more often so thanks for making us creatures capable of laughing.

Bob Hiebert

WE'VE HAD ENOUGH!

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COLETTE'S WEST - Schnapps shots .75 from 8 pm to Midnight.

GRADUATE - Bottle Domestic Beer \$1.00 with other drink specials.

FINELINE - Open 7 pm. Draft Beer Bust: .25 per glass from open to 1 am.

IT'S 'BOUT TIME - Noon to 5:30 Well Bourbon \$1.00. 5:30 - 8 pm: 2 for 1 Well. 8-12 .50 draft and .50 Schnapps. Dance 8 to 1 am.

RITA'S RENDEZVOUS - Schnapps .75 - 11 am to 1 am.

DINKER BUFFET 6 to 9 pm \$4.25.

RUMOR HAZZIT - Domestic Beer Bust all day and nite \$1.75 Well & .50 Hot Dogs 4-7 pm. "DYNASTY" on life-size screen 8 pm. Schnapps .50.

THURSDAY

BACK POCKET/JOSHUA TREE - Bottle Beer Nite \$1.25 domestic 9 pm to 1 am. Dave Pierson DJ 9 to 1 am.

COLETTE'S WEST - "Sudsercize" .40 draft 8 pm to Midnight.

FINELINE - Open 7 pm. Long Neck Bud Nite: .75

GRADUATE - Happy Hour Prices until closing!

IT'S 'BOUT TIME - Noon to 5:30 Well Rum \$1. 5:30 to 8 pm 2 for 1 Well. 8 pm to 1 am .75 Long Neck Beer (non-premium). Dance 8 to 1.

RITA'S RENDEZVOUS - 11 a.m. to 1 a.m. Schnapps .75

RUMOR HAZZIT - Daily Drink Specials 1 p.m. to 8 pm. .75 Well & .50 Hot Dogs 4-7 pm. Square Dancing by T-Squares 7-9 pm. Regular disco/video dancing 9 pm to close. All White Well Drinks \$1.25

FRIDAY

COLETTE'S WEST - Party Nite. Hourly Drink Specials 8 p.m. to Midnight. Michelle DJ's.

FINELINE/SKYLINE - Party till 1 a.m. downstairs in the Fineline disco and Virgo's Pub. After Hours till 4 a.m. in the Skyline for over 21.

GRADUATE - Drink Specials until closing.

IT'S 'BOUT TIME - Noon - 5:30 pm Well Gin \$1.00. 5:30 to 8 pm 2 for 1 Well; 8 pm - 1 am \$1.50 Well plus dancing from 8 to 1.

JOSHUA TREE - Bobby Jr. DJ's 9 pm - 1 am.

RITA'S RENDEZVOUS - 11 a.m. to 1 a.m. Schnapps .75.

RUMOR HAZZIT - Drink Special 1 to 8 p.m. daily. .75 Well & .50 Hot Dogs 4-7. Video dancing 9 pm to close.

SATURDAY

COLETTE'S WEST - Party Nite Hourly Drink Specials 8 to Midnight.

GRADUATE - Drink Specials until closing.

FINELINE/SKYLINE - Party till 1 a.m. downstairs in the Fineline disco and Virgo's Pub. After Hours till 4 a.m. in the Skyline.

JOSHUA TREE - Bobby Jr. DJ's 9 pm to 1 am.

IT'S 'BOUT TIME - Noon to 8 pm Bloody Marys \$1.00 6 pm to 1 am All Well \$1.50. Dance 8 to 1.

RITA'S RENDEZVOUS - 11 a.m. to 1 a.m. Schnapps .75

RUMOR HAZZIT - Open Noon to 1 am. Daily Drink Special. Video Dancing 9 pm to 1 am.

SUNDAY

BACK POCKET/JOSHUA TREE - Beer Bust 4 to 7 pm .50 per glass. Steak Dinner 4 to 7 pm, \$4.00. Dave Pierson DJ's from 9 pm until 1 am.

COLETTE'S WEST - Football on our big screen plus "Wine Down Nite" .75 Wine 8 pm to Midnight. Movie Nite begins at 7 pm. Michelle DJ's from 9 to 1.

FINELINE - Lobby level Fineline opens at 7 pm. Drink Specials.

GRADUATE - Bottle Beer (non-premium) \$1 with other drink specials.

IT'S 'BOUT TIME - Bloody Marys \$1.00 Noon to 6:30 5:30 to 1 am "Danny's Choice" every hour (!). Dance 8-1am

RITA'S RENDEZVOUS - Brunch 12:30 to 3:00 p.m. - \$3.25 Noon to 1 a.m. Schnapps .75

RUMOR HAZZIT - Open Noon to 1 am. T-Squares Beginner's Class every Sunday afternoon. All day and night "501 - 50's Party" wear your 50's and get .50 off whatever you're drinking Plus shots of Schnapps .50 - Video dancing 9 pm to closing.

MONDAY

BACK POCKET/JOSHUA TREE - Bowler's Special: .75 Well Drinks for J/T Bowlers. Dave Pierson DJ's 9 pm to 1 am.

COLETTE'S WEST - "Monday Night Football" on big screen. .50 hot dogs and .25 draft. All White Well .89 from 8 pm to Midnight.

FINELINE - Lobby level Fineline opens at 7 pm. Movie Nite begins at 8 pm. Spaghetti Dinner \$2.00 plus Well Drinks \$1.00

GRADUATE - All White Well Drinks \$1.50 until 1 am plus other drink specials.

IT'S 'BOUT TIME - Noon to 5:30 Well Vodka \$1.00. 5:30 to 8 pm: 2 for 1 Well. 8 pm to 1 am Well \$1.50

RITA'S RENDEZVOUS - 11 a.m. to 1 a.m. Schnapps .75

RUMOR HAZZIT - Open 1 pm to 1 am. "Monday Night Football" on giant screen at 8 pm with drink specials. .75 Well & .50 Hot Dogs 4-7. Video dancing begins at 9 pm.

TUESDAY

BACK POCKET/JOSHUA TREE - 12 oz. cans Millers or Millers Lite \$1.00! Bobby Jr. DJ's in J/T 8 pm.

COLETTE'S WEST - Long Neck Domestic (non-premium) Beer .85 plus check our weekly Tuesday specials 8 pm to Midnight.

FINELINE - Lobby level Fineline open at 7 pm. Tequila \$1.00. 16 oz. Margaritas \$1.50.

GRADUATE - Dark Well Drinks \$1.50 till closing plus other drink specials.

IT'S 'BOUT TIME - Noon to 5:30 pm Well Scotch \$1.00. 5:30 to 8 pm 2 for 1 Well. 8 pm to closer Well \$1.50

RITA'S RENDEZVOUS - 11 a.m. to 1 a.m. Schnapps .75

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SECOND HALF

Standings as of 12/01/86

TEAM	WINS	LOSSES	GAMES	PCT.
INVISIBLES	18	6	24	.750
MEN AT PLAY	17	6	23	.739
U-GUYS	16	10	26	.615
MADOLFOCS	13	13	26	.500
COLETTES	6	9	15	.400
DOUBLE TROUBLE	6	15	21	.286
TNT	2	20	22	.091

With one week off for the Thanksgiving weekend, the players return this coming Sunday, facing two weeks left of league play. The top four teams all have the potential to win first place for the second half. The current first place team, Invisibles, has a very narrow lead of one half game over the winners of the first half, Men at Play. This week the Invisibles will play the team Men at Play, who are coming off a loss to U-Guys, now in third place, three games from first. U-Guys, this week will also play Invisibles. If Men at Play, during the next two weeks, manage to also win first place at the second half, they will be again the league champions. This team has won first place over the past six seasons, which is three years. If another team wins the second half there will be a playoff for the championship. Volleyball league play starts at 1:00 p.m. every Sunday at the Joshua Tree/Back Pocket.

Schedule of Play
For the Week of 12/7/86

COLETTES VS. DOUBLE TROUBLE
INVISIBLES VS. MEN AT PLAY
MADOLFOCS VS. U-GUYS
T.N.T. VS. COLETTES
U-GUYS VS. INVISIBLES
DOUBLE TROUBLE VS. T.N.T.
MEN AT PLAY VS. MADOLFOCS

JOSHUA TREE MIXED BOWLING LEAGUE
STANDINGS AS OF NOVEMBER 24, 1986

TEAM	WON	LOST	PINS
1. RITA'S GIRLS	28	20	20893
2. HEAD ONES	28	20	20443
3. JOSHUA TREE	27	21	20578
4. ELYNSTONES	27	21	20493
5. THE THUMPERS	26	22	20073
6. THE MISFITS	25	23	20215
7. KASSIE'S KLAN	23	25	20318
8. PENETRATING FORCE	22	26	20498
9. THAT'S THE TICKET	20	28	20437
10. THREE MINUS ONE	20	28	20224
11. BACK POCKET	19	29	18187
12. 3 J'S	17	31	19686
13. SHOTS PLEEZ			(Recap sheet not received)
14. MEN AT WORK			(Recap sheet not received)

HIGH SERIES - TEAM: THAT'S THE TICKET 1497. MEN: MARK K. 639. WOMEN: LISA L. 498.

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IT'S 'BOUT TIME - Diner's Leathermen Beer Bust from 2 to 6 p.m. .50 per glass. Such a deal!

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 9

JOSHUA TREE - "Pooles Irish Liqueur Nite" On the Joshua Tree side from 9 to 11 p.m. Door Prizes too!

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 11

COLETTE'S WEST - On Stage - "Street Pajama"!!!! \$3 Cover. Boogie on down!

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 12

COLETTE'S WEST - Street Pajama here live on stage. One of Tucson's great bands. \$3.00 Cover and I.D. required. Be there.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 13

COLETTE'S WEST - Tucson's hottest band, Street Pajama hold forth here for their final night. \$3.00 Cover and you better get there early for seating. 10 required.

IT'S 'BOUT TIME - The winter version of the Fourth Avenue Street Fair is on and your headquarters should be here. There will be two shows today at 2 and 4 p.m. A special all-star guest list is in the works. Check next week's paper.

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 14

RITA'S RENDEZVOUS - Original schedule for a November and a December show here have been revised into one giant, spectacular Christmas show. All-Star cast includes Christi Lunden, Aviva Diamond, Candi Plastique, Jacqueline De' Savoi, male stripper Michael and special guest star Cissy Goldberg. Show starts at 8:30 p.m. SHARP! \$2.00 for reserved seating.

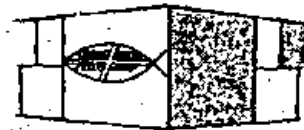
IT'S 'BOUT TIME - The Fourth Avenue Street Fair winds up and there will be the usual female impersonator show here at 2 and 4 pm. It's really an experience to watch the general public view these shows. Watch next week for the entire cast list and make plans to be here for the craziest time of your life. Loads of fun.

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 17

COLETTE'S WEST - CHRISTMAS PARTY! Tree trimming. Family Nite too, so bring your kids cause Santa Claus will be there. Bring a can or toy to be donated to a needy family in our community.

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 21

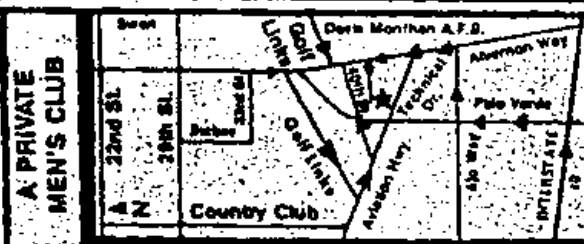
GRADUATE - Big Christmas show is in the works here. Watch for more details, but keep this date open!

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Tucson support group for married Gay men to begin in January

TUCSON - The Tucson-based Center for Human Development is scheduling another eight-week Men's Support Group beginning in January, 1987. The program is not a counseling or therapy group, but rather an opportunity for married Gay men to explore the issues that are central to healthy adjustment and optimum personal functioning. The format of the series includes a weekly one-hour meeting; each of the eight meetings focuses on a specific issue for discussion and provides an opportunity for the participating men to share their ideas, feelings, needs and suggestions regarding the week's topic. No formal presentations are planned. Following each meeting those men who wish to continue the relationship-building, frequently get together for coffee, drinks, etc. at another location to continue the evening's session, and the group may continue beyond the planned eight-weeks if the participants wish.

The support group operates on the premise that each man's marital and Gay status is a highly individual and unique matter. As such, each man must decide (1) Whether he wishes to work toward sustaining and strengthening the marital relationship or instead to move toward dissolution of the marriage; (2) Whether to come out to his wife (and/or family) or to keep his homosexual interests and activities covert; (3) Whether he will be open to, or insulated from, the possibilities of an

emotional, affectional relationship with another man and the implications of that decision; (4) How he can best cope with the feelings of resentment, confinement, guilt, ambivalence, etc. that can occur as he tries to express his full sexual and emotional self and still maintain the expected marital role; and (5) How he will cope with the desire for Gay sexual outlets and the interpersonal and health issues that can arise.

During the eight weeks, the participating married Gay will have a positive, self-enhancing opportunity to explore and examine his values, beliefs, sexuality and capacity for personal intimacy. All matters relating to the group are discreetly managed and confidentiality is assured.

Although the Men's Support Group is limited to approximately eight-ten men each session, two concurrent groups are planned. The only eligibility requirements are that the participant must be (1) Gay or bisexual and (2) planning marriage, currently married or recently separated or divorced. Any man who is interested in the remaining openings may contact Dr. Dan Overbeek's office, himself a formerly married Gay counselor, at 884-0476 for additional details. Meeting dates and times will be scheduled once the participant roster is full, and will, as much as possible, be at the convenience of the participants.

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BODY FOUND

The sexually mutilated remains of Andrews were found by a truck driver who had stopped at a rest area on Route 8, police said. The torso was found on the edge of woods that border the rest area.

Police described the rest area as a meeting place for male homosexuals, and said the killing may have been related to homosexual activity.

Police said Andrews was born in Garden Grove, California, and was between 25 and 27 years old, white, 5 feet 9 inches tall, 135 pounds with red hair and blue eyes. Police said they had been unable to determine the exact date of birth because Andrews had used three different birth dates.

Police said they have no further information about Andrews' death, but urged anyone with information to contact them.



Juicy Lucy

Thanksgiving in Tucson can be plum dead. It was nice for a change, but I wondered where the hell everyone went. Sunday, I was sitting there having my favorite long neck beer when Doc, TJ and Lee walked in, at separate times. I couldn't hear their total conversation, but I did learn everyone was up in Phoenix. I'll do some snooping and see if I can find out any dirt and get back to you.

I sure hope each of you had your fill of turkey. I stuffed myself to the point I curled up in the hayloft for hours. The damn rooster wasn't helping with all his crowing. The cornbread gave me the runs, and the hell with it. Christmas time I'll go back to my

black eyed peas, ham hocks and some homemade ice cream and moonshine.

Now on to a chilly subject. Just why in this day when the temperature is way down, does the air conditioning have to be on? Little ole people like myself stop in to have a few long necks, and talk to a few friends and relax. How can you relax when to warm up you have to drink your long neck. Give us a break, we are there to enjoy ourselves.

See you all next week and watch out what you say when I'm around because I'll sure put it down on this parchment for all to read.

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EXPOSURE TO AIDS ISOLATING; GAYS ARE CELIBATE; RELATIONSHIPS END

Further, Morin said, a positive test also leads to a decrease in behavior that transmits the virus. "We found that a very strong social responsibility motive emerged," he said.

The test, which detects the presence of antibodies to the AIDS virus in the blood, indicates whether a person has been exposed to the virus. A positive test does not always mean that an individual will contract the deadly disease, but he or she is presumed to be both infected and infectious to others. Medical do not know how many infected persons will go on to develop full-blown AIDS.

AIDS, or acquired immune deficiency syndrome, has afflicted more than 27,000 people in the United States, of whom more than 15,000 have died. The disease destroys the body's immune system, leaving it powerless against certain cancers and otherwise rare infections. The virus can also invade the central nervous system, causing severe neurological disorders. It is most commonly transmitted through sexual intercourse, through the sharing of unsterilized hypodermic needles and from mother to child during pregnancy.

The San Francisco psychologists have been examining, among other things, whether the test results have made an impact on sexual behavior. Morin said that 139 of the 824 men in the study took the test. Of the 139 who were tested, 38 were positive and 70 were negative. The remaining men either refused to answer, or did not know their test results. The men were interviewed in November 1985.

In addition to celibacy and termination of relationships among those who tested positive, "we also found a significant decrease in anal intercourse and an increased use of condoms," said Morin.

Last March, federal health officials recommended that members of high risk groups voluntarily undergo the test. They believe that persons who test negative will be motivated to remain that way by practicing low-risk sexual behavior, while those with a positive result will take precautions against infecting others.

Gay rights groups and others oppose the recommendation, fearing that confidentiality of test results may be breached, resulting in discrimination against those who test positive. Further, they say, the psychological implications of a positive test can be devastating.

"The biggest point we make in our paper is the need to balance the public health goal of reducing transmission with an awareness of the psychological consequences to the person," Morin said. "It must be an individual decision that weighs the possible psychological harm against the benefit of knowing."

(Los Angeles Times News Service)

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DEC. 9 ELECTION A CRUCIAL ONE FOR TUCSON AND PIMA COUNTY

this plan would be severe. We've already waited too long to act. With the population predicted to reach the one million mark by the year 2000, the traffic congestion and air pollution will only get worse. And it's hard to imagine how it could get worse. Traffic accidents will increase and in terms of wasted time and gasoline, all of us will pay the costs of future traffic jams.

Weighing all the facts, Proposition One makes good common sense. We cannot wait any longer. OBSERVER endorses Proposition One and urges your vote in favor. A "yes" vote on Proposition One is necessary to insure that these progressive concepts for vehicular, mass transit, bicycle and pedestrian travel are implemented as Pima County moves toward a new century.

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NOW SEEMS NEW VOTE ON ERA IN VT

the ERA lost by less than 5 percent of the vote. But she said the law gives only candidates, not questions, the automatic right to a recount.

Skogland said NOW may win a recount only if it can prove that voting errors or fraud were widespread enough to affect the outcome.

NOW's attorney, Lena Zezulin, said the most serious problem was that college students were discouraged from registering to vote in Middlebury.

In Middlebury, notices in two college publications said students who register to vote in Vermont could lose financial aid from their home states, while their parents no longer would be able to claim the students as dependents. It also said students would have to register their cars in Vermont and obtain state driver's licenses.

The notices were based on information provided by the Middlebury town clerk. Zezulin said a retraction was published, but after the deadline for voter registration.

NOW also contended that it was unfair that the question appeared on top of the ballot, because women are generally shorter than men and more women supported ERA.



Me? Read the classifieds?

LETTERS.

Congress it has a separate office for its Director of Regional Planning so we DO NOT NEED the "Authority".

2. The "Authority" would be controlled by the City of Tucson's seven votes to the County's one vote.

3. There would be no administrative costs to Pima County.

4. PAG could increase gasoline and fuel taxes as needed.

ENOUGH! recommends a NO vote on December 9.

George Gault

DESERT OVERTURE PLANS MASSIVE CHRISTMAS FESTIVAL

PHOENIX - Desert Overture Concert Band will present a joint concert with the Great American Yankee Freedom Band of Los Angeles on Saturday, December 13.

Over 70 members from the Los Angeles contingent will arrive in Phoenix aboard two chartered planes to perform in this unique 2-hour concert. The Los Angeles group also includes a flag corps and baton twirlers. Over 100 combined members will appear on stage at the First Unitarian Universalist Church, 4027 E. Lincoln Drive in Paradise Valley. Tickets are \$5 in advance or \$8 at the door, and are available at Apollo's or from Desert Overture band members. The performance begins at 8:00 p.m. Call 264-0201 for tickets or more information.

In March, 1987, Desert Overture will act as hosts for the National Conference of Gay and Lesbian bands from all over the country. There will be at least 15 bands represented at this meeting and Phoenix should be proud to be host city to this Conference.

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GAY/LESBIAN ADULT DISCOURSES provides weekly group-discussions on various topics for Tucson's homosexual community. Especially open to person "Coming Out". Facilitated participation. No fee. For meeting details call information and referral at 881-1794.

TUCSON LESBIAN CO-OP - WOMEN'S COMMUNITY ROTLICK. Open to all women. 2nd Sundays at 6:00 p.m. Various locations. Call Claire at 795-1006 for more information.

TUCSON LESBIAN/GAY ALLIANCE (TLGA) meets the second Monday of every month at 7:00 p.m. at the Pineline, 101 W. Drachman. Everyone welcome.

ANYONE INTERESTED IN HELPING FORM A SUPPORT GROUP for Parents and Friends of Gays please contact Sean, P.O. Box 27929, Tucson, AZ 85726 or the Confidential Hot Line for Parents of Gays, call Herb, 742-1689 (after 7 p.m.) in Tucson.

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CHRISTOPHER GEOFFREY MCPHERSON

Do you have any idea what it is like to get a phone call at 3 am from someone you love telling you that someone he loved just died from AIDS? It is a horrid experience—that you should live long enough, yet never have to experience this.

You don't need to know the details. By now you should already know the details.

AIDS is the most insidious ailment since the beginning of time. You have no idea how awful it is until you have been face to face with it.

A few days before he died, David got sick. He went into the hospital. On Friday he was told he had AIDS. Sunday morning he died. He was healthier than anyone I had ever met. He worked out, ate right. He was a nice, personable young man. And in less than 72 hours he died.

The absolute swiftness of this disease shocked me. I have seen all the facts about AIDS. I have read case histories by the dozen. I am one of the most AIDS-literate people I know. Yet the shock of this occurrence haunts me still.

The facts are so simple, they would be funny if they weren't so tragic: most of you who are reading this are a members of the highest risk group for exposure to AIDS. Perhaps not the highest risk group—IV drug users are holding that dubious honor—but one of the top three at least.

If you expose yourself to AIDS-carrying fluids, you are exposing yourself to almost certain death. It may happen five or ten years from now, but remembering that AIDS—so far—100% fatal, death is certain.

If you don't know yet, and you should damn well know by now, AIDS-carrying fluids are blood and semen.

STOP DRINKING. STOP USING DRUGS. STOP SMOKING ANYTHING AT ALL. EAT THE CORRECT FOODS. EXERCISE. Obviously, doing these things won't guarantee safety—only celibacy guarantees that—but if you are going to get sick, wouldn't you want to start off as healthy as possible?

Most of all, **READ EVERYTHING YOU CAN GET YOUR HANDS ON ABOUT AIDS!**

In closing, let me tell you what David's lover told me the day before David died. He was talking to David's doctor who told him, in effect: "Don't listen to the optimistic reports you hear on television about AIDS. Millions and millions of people are going to die from this disease before a cure or treatment is found. Anyone who gets exposed to the virus will die. Period. It's going to be a long, long time before we beat this disease."

--This column is dedicated to the memory of David; his lover, who is the bravest person I know; and the many men and women who are striving to find an end to this scourge.

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FOR WEEK BEGINNING DECEMBER 4, 1986

ARIES

A more direct approach to expressing your feelings has brought subtle changes in your lifestyle. Responsibility to those around you makes you help a friend in need.

TAURUS

The good vibrations you feel from friends and loved ones has you in the holiday mood. Financial dealings that involve gifts purchased by two people will help you to buy more for less.

GEMINI

Work and reputation are aspected favorably for the rest of the year. Your relationships and the responsibilities of buying gifts may find you indecisive for fear of running out of money. Don't worry. You will earn plenty.

CANCER

Children are a source of joy as well as many surprises. A conflict of wills may be a part of your work picture today. A financial windfall will come your way.

LEO

Seeking to invest with a roommate could allow you to superbly decorate your home for the holidays. A warm spirit will emanate from you and your home. Popularity will flourish.

VIRGO

Your romantic life is marked for considerable action for all of December. A change in your attitude towards your romantic pursuits will open the door in a relationship. Honest communication is the key to unlock it.

LIBRA

Money will flow like a monsoon rain. Be sure it doesn't evaporate just as rapidly. An ego problem from someone at work may cause you difficulty in communicating with this person or a superior. Don't blow your top until you are on your own time.

SCORPIO

There are wonderful energies working for you during the holiday season. A happiness you don't feel often makes you a joy to be around. Finances will be excellent.

SAGITTARIUS

There is a pleasant surprise waiting for you in the most unexpected place. Make that surprise in the plural. Money gains will be one of the surprises. The others will reveal themselves in the future.

CAPRICORN

Communication by phone or mail could bring you the sad news that someone you know is in the hospital or jail. A hidden influence is affecting your finances in the future. Friends will be a source of much pleasure in the weeks ahead.

AQUARIUS

Friends will play an important role in a financial gain. Over the next few weeks your career and finances are very favorably aspected. Women will favor you for business.

PISCES

This holiday season finds you expanding many areas of your life. Harmony prevails in your opposing natures. Your reputation in your career could bring you closer to an important financial gain. Friends will show love.

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