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Obscenity bill passes State House

PHOENIX - According to Rep. William English, H.B. 2359, defining community standards on obscenity has "unfortunately made it out of the House" and is now ready for Senate action.

H.B. 2360, the "Moral Nuisance" Bill is still pending, but according to English, "I still have hopes that we can beat 2360." In order to "beat" H.B. 2360 in the House requires immediate action of those concerned with the passage of repressive laws such as these. Telephone calls and letters to your representative concerning the "Moral Nuisance" bill (H.B. 2360) are urgently needed now. There is a toll-free number to contact any of the Senators listed below: Dial 1-800-352-8404 - now!

This bill will shut down all adult bookstores or any other establishment deemed by the legislature, any law enforcement official or any individual for that matter that such establishment is "moral nuisance."

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Mecham recall leader assailed as homosexual

PHOENIX - Governor Evan Meacham's supporters attacked Ed Buck, one of the leaders of the Meacham Watchdog Committee, saying he is a "Sexual-disoriented" person. Buck claims that the issue is not his sexual orientation but Gov. Meacham's actions.

The allegation concerning Buck's sexual orientation became public at a news conference called by the chairman of Arizonans for Traditional Values, Julian Sanders, last Friday, March 14. About 100 people attended the conference held in a restaurant.

After Buck was roundly assailed, he stepped forward to speak, saying he had been "misquoted long enough." He then was heckled by members of Sanders' group and the Arizona Breakfast Club, a conservative organization that met before the press conference.

Buck, spokesman for the Meacham Watchdog Committee, later called his own press conference in his house overlooking Phoenix. Buck, 32, told reporters he has been a homosexual since he was 18. "Ed Buck is not a saint," he said, "and though his opponents want to make the focus Ed Buck," the real issue is Meacham's recall.

What began as a recall campaign was renamed the Meacham Watchdog Committee since no recall effort can be undertaken formally until Meacham has been in office six months.

Sanders contended Buck lacks stability, integrity and fair play. He also said Buck, a self-described conservative-to-moderate Republican, has deceived people because he was a registered Libertarian until May 4, when he became a Republican.

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Observer/Community Benefit Growing

TUCSON - The Desert Leathermen's 2nd Annual Observer/Community Benefit is gathering momentum as it nears the Saturday, March 28 date for the event.

One major change in this annual benefit is there will be two organizations sharing in the funds raised. This year, Desert Leathermen have chosen the Metropolitan Community Church as co-recipient with the OBSERVER. The co-recipient non-profit organization will change each year in sharing with the OBSERVER.

The affair is being held at Sir George's Royal Buffet, 2303 North Miracle Mile (Grant and Miracle Mile). It begins with cocktails at 6:00 p.m. Cocktails incidentally are being served by participating clubs and organizations who are donating their time, and will be served throughout the evening for \$1.00 each with all proceeds going to the benefit fundraiser.

Dinner follows the cocktail hour and runs from 7:00 to 8:30 p.m. The menu includes a choice of Roast Beef, Baked Chicken, Ham, Bar-B-Que Beef, Ribs, Baked White Fish or Meat Loaf. There is a great choice of salads and vegetables as well as desserts.

Following the dinner, there will be a 'Roast' of one of Tucson's well-known celebrities. This year, Desert Leathermen have chosen Graduate manager Roger Berger as Roastee. Roger will sit in the hot seat while various people proceed to 'get even' and do a proper roast of 'Roxanne'. Comedian Tish Tanner from Phoenix will MC the roast.

Tickets are now on sale at all local bars. Tickets for all the events of the evening including dinner, roast and show are \$12.00. Those wishing to see the show only, may purchase show tickets for \$3.00 and arrive at Sir George's at 9:00. Cocktails will be served.

Following the roast, at approximately 9:00, a truly all-star show will be presented. Because of the large number of personalities who will be appearing, numbers by each performer will be limited. SOS is producing the show with director/performer Aviva Diamond.

The early list already includes Tamara, Tish Tanner, Lady Cassandra and Penelope Poupe from Phoenix and Tucson performers, Candy Plastique, Roxanne, Jeff, Candy, Jacqueline de Savo, Eddie Florez, Don Henkle and the list grows longer each day. It will be a really big 'show' when complete. The entire list of performers will be announced next week.

As happened last year, The annual TOGA (Tucson Observer Gay Appreciation) Awards will be presented. Each year two persons are presented with the award for meritorious/humanitarian service to the Tucson Gay Community.

Another first this year will be the presentation of all writers who are contributing articles or regular columns to the OBSERVER. The list includes Arthur Le Blank,

Doc. Ernie, Bruce Fowler, Monte-Jon Gilmer, Jza Jza LaMore, Nancy Neman, Ben Corbin, Christopher Geoffrey McPherson and Jack Stockslager. The above list does not include the infamous Juicy Lucy, who has endeared herself to the entire local community and some even beyond our borders. At present, Lucy insists that she will be there to face all of her 'admirers'. That event in itself should be worth the price of admission.

All in all it promises to be a fun evening. Another room has been added this year at Sir George's to help take care of the overflow crowd that attended last year's event. If you are planning to attend this social event of the year, get your tickets and get there early for the best seats. It all starts at 6:00 p.m. Tickets will also be available at the door. There will be drawings for some excellent door prizes all evening long.

Remember all net proceeds, tips, donations will go to help the OBSERVER in continuing to present the Arizona community with a weekly newspaper - the only weekly newspaper in the southwest; and to assist the MCC Church of Tucson to get over a serious financial crunch.

See you all there.

National March on Washington: Update

WASHINGTON, DC - On March 1, the Coordinating Committee for the National March on Washington for Lesbian and Gay Rights received a report outlining the basic plans for The Wedding for October 10, 1987. The Wedding is a national demonstration officially sponsored by the National March on Washington to emphasize the demand that Lesbian and Gay domestic partners in committed same-sex relationships be entitled to the same rights as married heterosexual couples. The demonstration will include a non-sectarian union ceremony to celebrate existing on-going relationships followed by a reception for the participants, guests, sponsors and media representatives.

The report was presented by Cary Junkin representing COUPLES, Inc. This Los Angeles-based group is the National Organization for the Advancement of Lesbian and Gay Couples.

The goal of The Wedding is to have at least one thousand couples celebrate their existing on-going committed relationships in such a way to draw attention to the March demand for couples' rights. The Wedding is not intended to be a marriage ceremony for new couples, nor will the organizers restrict participation by defining couples or acceptable relationships.

COUPLES, Inc. will be inviting representatives of numerous religious groups and non-religious leaders to serve on an advisory board to help define

UPDATE

JURY DEADLOCKS

IN VIDEO-STORE TRIAL
MEMPHIS, TN - A criminal court jury here declared itself hopelessly deadlocked in the trial of a video store accused of violating the state's obscenity statute by renting X-rated adult videotapes.

Courtroom sources said that the jury was deadlocked 8 to 4 in favor of acquitting Michael Goode, a Memphis attorney who owns Video, Etc. Goode was indicted following an FBI undercover investigation that resulted in the seizure of adult videotapes at 17 family video stores and six adult bookstores in Memphis.

A federal grand jury is preparing to hand up indictment against the distributors of the adult videos. Prosecutors in the Goode case said immediately that they would seek a new trial, but Goode's attorneys said they would mount a legal challenge to the obscenity law.

WHITE SUPREMACIST ATTACKS PWAs
ATLANTA, GA (GCN) - White supremacist J.B. Stoner, recently released after a prison term for the bombing of a Black church in Alabama, announced that he will seek to promote the segregation of people with AIDS. The Advocate reported that Stoner said both Black people and white Gay men are being punished with AIDS by God. Thus, he concludes these groups should be removed from the rest of society.

Stoner is a disbarred attorney from Marietta, Georgia, and a former head of the National States Rights Party, a white supremacy group. He has recently launched a "Campaign Against Corruption," and he is also writing a book called "Praise God for AIDS".

Reader's Input...

ATTENTION INCOGNITO

And All Gays Everywhere
A long overdue thank you to all the ladies who go to the INCOGNITO. Thanks also to the owner, the ladies who tend bar, the disk jockies, and very special thanks to the ladies who talk and dance with me.

In January, I celebrated my 63rd birthday at the Incognito. I've celebrated three birthdays there, and God willing, I will celebrate many more with my lady Gay friends.

After my wife (Irene) died, I thought that I would never again find happiness. I did not, until I went to the Incognito. Here, many of you ladies opened your arms and your hearts to me, and gave me sympathy, support and strength. I love all of you -- I love you very much. You have made life worth living again for me.

I wrote many poems for Irene, before and during our marriage. I quit when she moved "upstairs". I finally found inspiration to write another poem, which I now dedicate to all of my friends at the Incognito, and to all Gays everywhere.

Love, Homer
The old straight dancer

HOPE ENDURES

by Homer Hayes
Walk with me awhile. See the beauty that God gave to our world in abundance for all to view.

Linger with me awhile. Hear the beauty of song birds, forest animals, and the never silent rivers.

Sit with me awhile, as a friend, for friends provide shoulders to lean on, and give hope to one another.

Dream with me awhile, for dreams supply the mind with treasures that can be.

Hope with me awhile, for hope helps us to bear our burdens, and gives us patience to wait for what is to be.

Pray with me awhile, for prayers bring us peace of mind, and open the vines of friendship.

Enjoy with me the many rewards that friendship provides. Friends are forever.

Love, Homer
Phoenix

PISTA DE MAYO BENEFIT VOLLEYBALL TOURNAMENT

TUCSON - A benefit Volleyball Tournament will be held on Saturday, March 21 at the Joshua Tree Volleyball Court from noon until 8:00 p.m.

An entry fee of \$25 per team will be asked with an eight (8) player maximum team roster. All monies raised will benefit Christina for Fiesta Queen. It will be a double-elimination tournament, 2 out of 3 games in the winners bracket. One game in the losers bracket.

First and Second place trophies will be awarded as well as medallions. If you are not interested in playing or entering a team, come and enjoy the tournament. For more information, contact Luis at 745-6309 after 8:00 p.m.

QUOTE OF THE WEEK

There was a time when you moved to Tucson, you bought a house in the foothills to look down at the lights of the city. Now people are buying homes in the city to look up at the lights in the foothills.



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AIDS education plan calls for abstinence

WASHINGTON, DC - The federal government last Monday, March 16, released its new AIDS education plan, which stresses sexual abstinence and monogamy as preventive measures and recommends "safe sex," using condoms when these measures are impossible.

The long-awaited and much-debated plan stresses the need to leave local jurisdictions free to decide what information should be passed on to young people, according to Dr. Robert E. Windom, assistant secretary of health and human services.

The plan calls for the federal government to develop television advertising, school curricula and other material for national distribution.

The plan has been the center of controversy for months over how explicit it should be about sex and condoms, and whether it should adopt a strong moralistic tone.

The report was released unexpectedly, following a congressional hearing at which the administration was criticized for delay in addressing the need for education about acquired immune

deficiency syndrome.

AIDS, caused by a virus transmitted through sexual intercourse, infected needles, blood or from mother to infant during birth, has struck 32,000 Americans, killing more than 18,000 since 1981.

The report does emphasize sexual abstinence, fidelity in marriage and letting local moral values determine what information should be offered in schools and advertising campaigns. It also prominently recommends, "if it is not possible to practice sexual abstinence until infection status can be determined, always use condoms during sex, because use of condoms can reduce the risk of transmission of the AIDS virus."

"No cure for the disease currently exists.... Our best hope today for controlling the AIDS epidemic lies in educating the public about the seriousness of the threat, the ways the AIDS virus is transmitted and the practical steps each person can take to avoid acquiring or spreading it," wrote Health and Human Services Secretary Otis R. Bowen in the preface to the 60-page report.

As I See It

As human beings, we are called to growth. Growth is the major reason for our being here as near as I can tell. We study, we learn, we experience and we grow. In that growth we get closer and closer to the source of our being - God. There are some that say growth is the most important thing we do in this life because it brings us closer and closer to God, until one day we will merge with him (her) and that is what heaven is all about, perhaps they are right.

We are complex people. We have many facets to our being. All at the same time we are physical, mental, psychological, spiritual, emotional and much more. As Gays and Lesbians we often feel required to develop particular aspects of our personalities, like our physical-sexual, for example, and at the same time we ignore some other aspects such as our spiritual.

The society in which we live has much to do with how we develop. That society can encourage us to growth as total persons, or it can try everything in its power to discourage us and stunt our growth. As Gays and Lesbians, we can allow this to go on or we can resist it and develop our own growth patterns.

Despite the flak we take as Gays and Lesbians, we often find ways to grow as sexual human beings. And yet in our rebellion against society to be allowed to grow as Gays and Lesbians we may feel that we have to reject formal religion and in doing so, we may be closing the door on our spiritual growth, a price we have to pay if we want to come out of the closet and develop our

physical, psychological, emotional needs.

Is there any way to do both? Is there a way in which we can grow in our totality and fulfill all aspects of our being? Can we find a growth pattern that allows for complete development without jeopardizing any aspect of the total person we are? I think we can.

Those of us who are on the journey out of our closets have already embraced much of who we are and who we are becoming. If we have had to put aside our spiritual side in the name of that mission, then perhaps it's time to give some thought to how we can develop that aspect too.

Traditional religion works for some of us, especially so long as we understand what it is and the history it comes from. For others something less traditional may be the answer and for still others, something totally radical may be the place to look. Where we start this journey isn't as important, I don't think, as the fact that we DO start it.

To ignore a whole aspect of my being and allow it to wither only assures that the total package I call "me" is not complete and whole. I will do serious harm to myself if I do not encourage growth in every aspect of my being. I will be stunted and maimed. Perhaps as stunted and maimed as any fundamentalist homophobe who has denied his or her sexual growth. If I develop my sexuality and not my spirituality, how am I any different from that religious "nut" who has developed a spirituality and not a sexuality?



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WHAT'S UP DOC?

Congratulations to Matthew, Closet Ball Queen for 1987. This year's version was no different, as all the contestants were good, but Matthew came out on top. A special video tape showing for the contestants and sponsors can be set up by contacting Roger at the Graduate.

The Tucson Knight Owls wish to thank all contestants and sponsors for a good presentation. TKO also wishes to thank the judges. Their job was not a simple task as this year's competition was very close. Also, from TKO, a very special thank you goes out to the SDS for a top performance of a show and Big Mike as MC for the evening.

TKO also thanks Colette's West for holding the Closet Ball and everyone of you in attendance, without both, the evening would not have been such a good success.

Unfortunately Saturday was not a good day for everyone.

During the afternoon, five of our brothers were wiped out by a fire in the apartment building. The five who lost most, if not all of their possessions were: Bill B., Tom, Tim, Bert and Ernie. Before the evening was over, \$571 had been raised by the community towards their relief. Items needed by each varies. It is suggested if you would like to help out in this tragedy, you can either talk to them, leave word at either the Graduate or IBT's, or call me at home, 884-7309. Come on Tucson, let's show our support.

Don't forget, March 28th is the Observer/Community Benefit. Tickets for this are available at your favorite bar or contact one of the Desert Leathermen. Final details and program for the evening should appear in next week's paper.

Then the following weekend, it's some of the local clubs monthly meeting time. In this past month a lot of interest has

been expressed by some non-club individuals about possibly joining some of the clubs. I'll publish a schedule of date, time and location for each club meeting in next week's paper, including phone numbers for each club.

If you have an interest in one of the local clubs, contact the one you have the interest in and go by their meeting. Your first visit with the club of your interest does not mean you have to join that day, unless you choose at that time to do so. True, the club types are not to everyone's liking, but for those of you it does, come by to see what they are all about. With the warmer weather coming, each club will be having a lot of activities, some involving the club and guest, and other involving the community. Watch for the schedule and phone numbers in next week's issue and contact the club of your choice.

When all else fails, the hell with it. With that I say so long for this week. Have a good week and I'll see you via this column next week. Don't forget the fire to our brothers, let's help out.

'87 CLOSET BALL NOW HISTORY



News from MCC Tucson

Last Sunday, immediately following the Morning Worship Service, the Board of Directors met for their monthly meeting. This Board meeting, as are all Board meetings, was open to the public and there were quite a few who were not on the Board who were present.

Rhonda was presented as a new candidate for Deacon to the Board by Rev. Perry. The Board unanimously approved the recommendation and Rhonda will be installed as Deacon this coming Sunday, March 22. Rhonda will be joining Deacon Matt and Deacon Gregg, with Rev. Perry, Rev. Bernardo and our student clergy, Nita, on our Pastoral Staff.

Rev. Perry has been with us only since March 1st, but he has already made himself known to the community. He had an article written about him in the Tucson Daily Star, he was on Channel 9 television and now on Tuesday, March 17, he will be on KUAT radio. Since this article is written prior to the radio broadcast and the arrangements were made after the Observer went to press last week, it was impossible to alert everyone of this radio program or to report on the proceedings of the program.

Thought for the Week: It is a theory that there are no two snow flakes exactly alike. Will it ever be a proven fact?

MONA LEO: Another Theory



by Barbara Siegel

PARIS, FRANCE (GCN) - Artist and computer technician Lillian Schwartz has proposed what may be the most creative theory yet explaining the enigmatic and captivating smile of the Mona Lisa: Mona Lisa is actually Mona Leo. Schwartz, writing in 'Art and Antiques' magazine concluded that the model for the much-admired portrait was none other than Leonardo da Vinci himself.

Within hours of the disclosure of the latest in a 500-year-old series of Mona Lisa theories, cocktail parties and elevators were abuzz with the news, and crowds at the Louvre in Paris swelled around the painting.

Using a computer to juxtapose a self-portrait of Leonardo as an old man with an image of the Mona Lisa, Schwartz observed that all of the major facial features - the nose, eyes, the forehead, the mouth - aligned almost perfectly. The historical facts, she argued, bolster her theory. Although legend identifies the Mona Lisa sitter as the wife of a Florentine merchant, Francesco del Giocondo, the theory remains unproven. Furthermore, Schwartz notes, Leonardo worked on the painting in Milan and later in France, so that he would have been the only consistent model.

Schwartz also suggested that Leonardo's homosexuality, which is historically undisputed, may have

motivated him to create the cryptic portrait. Keith Christiansen, associate curator of European paintings at the Metropolitan Museum of Art, commented in the New York Times that in the last decade, both scholarly interpretations and popular notions of great Renaissance art have increasingly taken the homosexuality of the artists into account.

"You have Caravaggio, the homosexual outcast; Michaelangelo, the tortured romantic homosexual; and Leonardo as the solitary genius isolated by homosexual dreams that he couldn't share," says Christiansen, although he dismisses such interpretations as a projection of 1987 values onto 15th and 16th century artists.

Sir Kenneth Clark, who wrote what is considered a definitive essay on the Mona Lisa in 'Burlington' magazine in 1973, also interpreted the portrait in light of Leonardo's sexuality. While not casting the artist in a stereotyped, anguish-ridden role, Sir Kenneth did argue that Leonardo's sexuality left a trace in the work. In Sir Kenneth's words, "Leonardo, who could depict a fiery ascetic of the desert with a smile and a gesture of feminine allure, was quite capable of transferring the attributes of one sex to the other, and of expressing some of his obsession with Salai's [his young homosexual assistant] smile in the smile of the Mona Lisa."

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NATIONAL MARCH ON WASHINGTON

UPDATE

the demonstration. Several nationally recognized figures will be invited to conduct the demonstration.

The Wedding is to be held at 2:00 p.m. on Oct. 10, the eve of the March on Washington, to help draw attention to the March. It is also scheduled to encourage couples to come to Washington for the entire weekend to participate in the other sponsored events.

This self-supporting event will turn over excess money collected to the National March Committee to help build and pay for the March and Rally.

To respect the diversity of the Gay and Lesbian community, COUPLES, Inc. will make a special effort to encourage participation by women and people of color. This effort will work toward the March goal of including at least fifty percent women and twenty-five percent people of color.

For more information on the March on Washington, contact the National March on Washington for Lesbian and Gay Rights, P.O. Box 7781, Washington, DC 20044, or for The Wedding, contact COUPLES, Inc., P.O. Box 13323, Los Angeles, CA 90013.

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MECHAM RECALL LEADER ASSAILED FOR HOMOSEXUALITY

enough not to get down there in the gutter with Mr. Sanders and argue over garbage like this."

Buck said the effort to recall Mecham "is happening because of Evan Mecham" and that personal attacks against him will not hurt the effort. "I am not key to the campaign," he said.

Buck formerly owned an insurance information service in Phoenix. He sold the business for more than \$1 million about a year ago.

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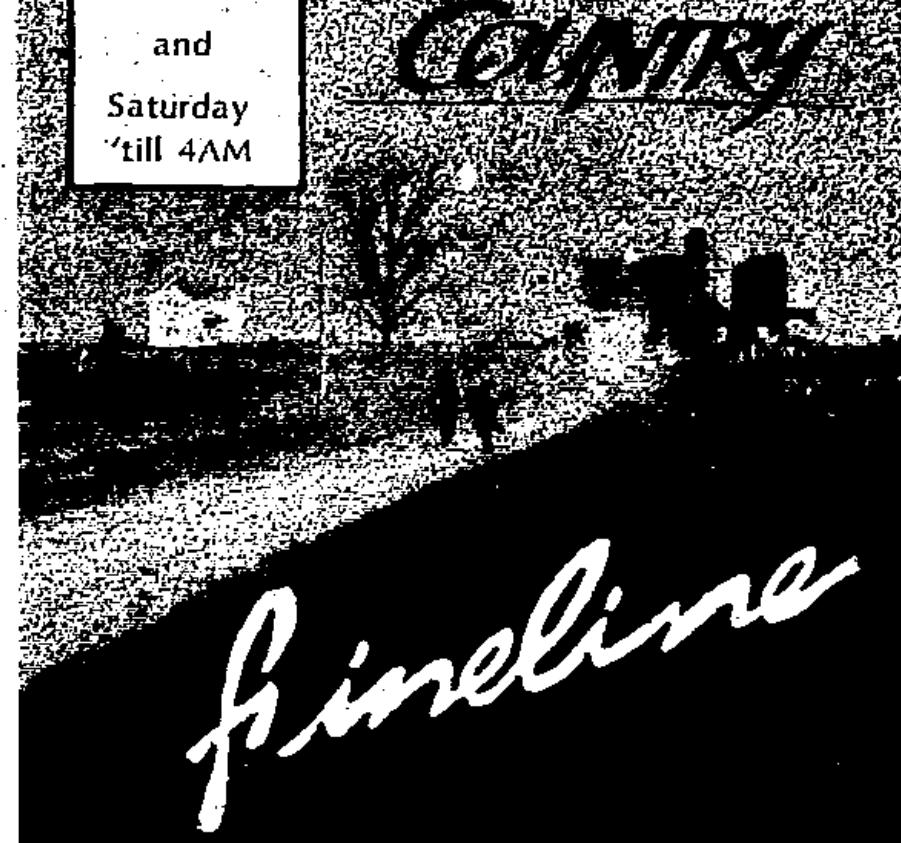
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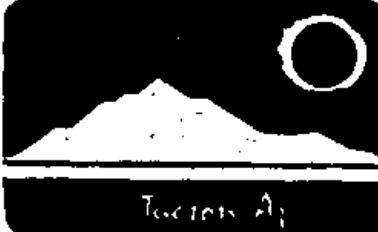
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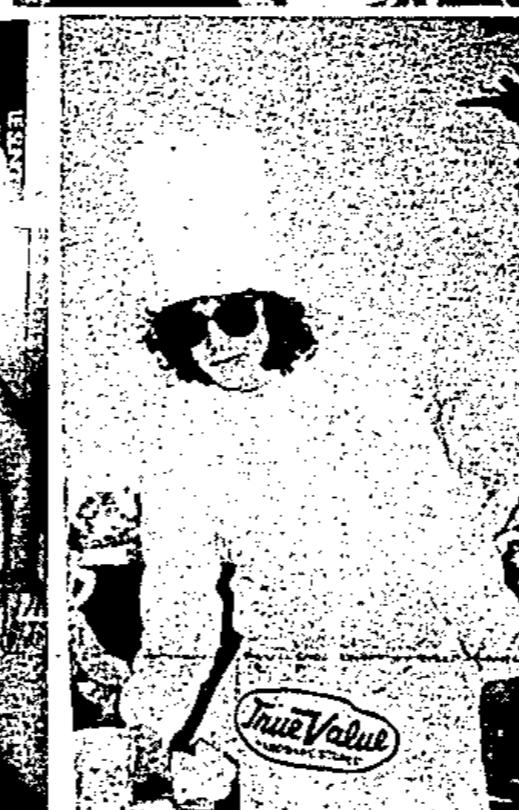
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THE TUCSON CALENDAR

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COLETTE'S WEST - Check for daily sandwich special. Schnapps shots .75 from 8 pm to midnight.

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

FINELINE - Full service bar open 3 pm to 1 am. T-Squares meet at 7 pm. MICHAEL'S INTERNATIONAL MARKET PLACE - Fine food and spirits open for dinner at 5 pm.

IT'S 'BOUT TIME - Noon to 5:30 Well Drinks \$1. (with juice \$1.25), Long Neck Beer (non-premium) \$1.25. 5:30 to 1 am Draft Beer .50 and Schnapps .50 shot. Dance 8 - 1 am.

RITA'S RENDEZVOUS - 11 am - 1 am.

RUMOR HAZZIT - .75 Well & .50 Hot Dogs 4-7 pm. "Dynasty" on life-size screen 8:00 p.m.

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 - Check for daily sandwich special. Bottle Beer Special from 9 pm to midnight.

FINELINE - Full service bar open 5 pm to 1 am. T-Squares meet at 7 pm. MICHAEL'S INTERNATIONAL MARKET PLACE - Fine food and spirits open for dinner at 5 pm.

GRADUATE - Happy Hour Prices until closing! IT'S 'BOUT TIME - Noon to 5:30 Well Drinks \$1. (with juice \$1.25), Long Neck Beer (non-premium) \$1.25. 5:30 to 1 am Long Neck Beer (non-premium) .75 Dance 8 to 1.

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

RUMOR HAZZIT - .75 Well & .50 Hot Dogs 4-7 pm. Coors Draft Beer Bust 7 to 10 pm. .25 per glass. Regular disco/video dancing 9 pm to close.

friday

COLETTE'S WEST - Check for daily sandwich special. Party Nite. Hourly Drink Specials 8 p.m. to Midnight.

FINELINE - Full service bar opens at 5 pm. Downstairs opens at 8 pm for non-alcoholic drinking and dancing. Afterhours till 4 am. MICHAEL'S INTERNATIONAL MARKET PLACE - Fine food and spirits open for dinner at 5 pm. Afterhours dining till 4 am.

GRADUATE - Drink specials until closing.

IT'S 'BOUT TIME - Noon - 5:30 pm Well Drinks \$1 with juice \$1.25), Long Neck Beer (non-premium) \$1.25. 5:30 to 1 am All Well \$1.50 (with Julee (\$1.75). 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.

RUMOR HAZZIT - .75 Well & .50 Hot Dogs 4-7 pm. Video dancing 9 pm to close.

saturday

COLETTE'S WEST - Party Nite Hourly Drink Specials 8 to 10 pm. Draft Specials until closing.

FINELINE - Full service bar opens at 5 pm. Downstairs opens at 8 pm for non-alcoholic drinking and dancing. After-hours till 4 am. MICHAEL'S INTERNATIONAL MARKET PLACE - Fine food and spirits open for dinner at 5 pm. Afterhours dining till 4 am.

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

IT'S 'BOUT TIME - Noon to 6 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.

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

sunday

BACK POCKET/JOSHUA TREE - Beer Bust 4 to 7 pm .50 per glass. Steak Dinner 5 pm to 7, \$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.

FINELINE - Full service bar opens at noon. T-Squares meet at 1 pm. MICHAEL'S INTERNATIONAL MARKET PLACE - Fine food and spirits, Sunday Brunch noon to 3 pm. All you can eat Bar-B-Que and .25 draft beer starting at 3 pm.

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

IT'S 'BOUT TIME - Bloody Marys \$1.00 Noon to 5:30. 5:30 to 1 am "Moose Madness" every hour (?). Dance 8pm-1am

RITA'S RENDEZVOUS - Noon to 1 a.m.

RUMOR HAZZIT - Open Noon to 1 am. 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 - Check for daily sandwich special. .50 hot dogs and .25 draft. All White Well .89 from 8 pm to midnight.

FINELINE - Full service bar open 5 pm to 1 am. MICHAEL'S INTERNATIONAL MARKET PLACE - Fine food and spirits. Open for dinner at 5 pm.

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

IT'S 'BOUT TIME - Noon to 5:30 Well Drinks \$1. (with Julee (\$1.25), Long Neck Beer (non-premium) \$1.25. 5:30 to 1 am "Moose Madness".

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

RUMOR HAZZIT - Open 1 pm to 1 am. .75 Well & .50 Hot Dogs 4-7. Coors Draft Beer Bust 7 to 10 p.m. .25 per glass. Video dancing begins at 9 pm.

tuesday

BACK POCKET/JOSHUA TREE - Dave Pierson DJ's in J/T beginning at 9 pm.

COLETTE'S WEST - Check for daily sandwich special. "Sudsersize" .40 draft beer from 8:00 until midnight.

FINELINE - Full service bar open 5 pm to 1 am. MICHAEL'S INTERNATIONAL MARKET PLACE - Fine food and spirits open for dinner at 5 pm.

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

IT'S 'BOUT TIME - Noon to 5:30 pm Well Drinks \$1.00. Long Neck Beer (non-premium) \$1.25. 5:30 to 1 am "Moose Madness".

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

RUMOR HAZZIT - .75 Well & .50 hot dogs 4-7 pm. Video dancing 9 pm to 1 am.

MARCH 18, 1987

SPORTS

JOSHUA TREE MIXED BOWLING LEAGUE
STANDINGS AS OF MARCH 9, 1987

TEAM	WON	LOST	PINS
1. PENEGRATING FORCE	26	18	15837
2. KASSIE'S KLAN	23	13	15738
3. MEN AT WORK	22	14	15444
4. 3-J's	21.5	14.5	15683
5. FLINTSTONES	20.5	15.5	15826
6. HEAD CASES	19	17	15573
7. JOSHUA TREE	19	17	15360
8. THE MISPISTS	19	17	15197
9. SHOT'S PLEEEZ	18.5	17.5	15370
10. BACK POCKET	18.5	17.5	15273
11. RITA'S GIRLS	15	21	15181
12. THAT'S THE TICKET	12	24	14860
13. THREE MINUS ONE	9	37	15807
14. THE TRUMPERS	9	27	14928

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JOSHUA TREE VOLLEYBALL
SPRING LEAGUE
STANDINGS AS OF MARCH 15, 1987

TEAM	WON	LOST	GAMES	PCT.
MEN AT PLAY	19	7	26	.731
J.T.'S SLAMMERS	10	4	14	.714
U-GUYS	15	11	26	.577
PLU & THE TRAMP	12	11	24	.542
ONE MORE TIME	7	14	21	.333
MIS FITS	1	20	21	.048

In spite of very windy conditions and a little rain, the league was able to finish three fourths of the schedule this past Sunday. This was the fifth week of play and true to form as has happened every week, the lead has again changed hands. "Men At Play" moved up from second to first mostly due to receiving a two-game forfeit from "One More Time". "J.T.'s Slammers", previously in the lead moved down to second place losing two games to "U-Guys". "PLU & The Tramp" moved down in the standings to fourth place losing two games to "U-Guys", who moved up to third place from fourth.

Next week league play will start with two make-up matches and then proceed with the last week of the first half. The team in first place after this coming Sunday will then be involved in a playoff at the end of the season with the winners of the second half, for the championship.

Volleyball League play is every Sunday at 1:00 p.m. through 6:00 p.m. at the Joshua Tree.

SCHEDULE OF PLAY WEEK OF MARCH 22

PLU & THE TRAMP vs. J.T.'S SLAMMERS (one game)
MIS FITS vs. ONE MORE TIME (make-up)
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SPECIAL CALENDAR

SATURDAY, MARCH 21

RUMOR HAZZIT - The Male Strip Show scheduled for March 21 has been temporarily postponed. Details later.

SUNDAY, MARCH 22

COLETTE'S WEST - 7 p.m. movie this Sunday will be "Motel Hell", an L.A. comedy/horror cult classic. Then at 9 p.m. the Rock 'n Roll band 'CSEA' hold forth. Come and listen and dance. They're great.

TUESDAY, MARCH 24

COLETTE'S WEST - Patty McCullin playing the acoustic guitar will perform throughout the evening. No cover. A fine performer.

SATURDAY, MARCH 28

SIR GEORGE'S ROYAL BUFFET - Second Annual OBSERVER BENEFIT will be held with drinks, dinner, show and roast. Tickets on sale at all bars. Tickets for entire evening \$12. Tickets for show only at 9 p.m. \$3. One of the bigger social events of the year held at a neutral site for those who prefer alternatives. More later.

SUNDAY, MARCH 29

COLETTE'S WEST - Barbara Bird and Da Fellas playing those red-hot blues from 9 p.m. to closing. \$2.00 cover. Don't miss this group.

GRADUATE - A return performance of the "Phoenix Phalsie Comedy Revue". Mark your calendars so you don't miss this 'command performance'.

HIMMEL PARK - Another fundraising softball afternoon in the park to benefit Shanti Foundation/Tucson. This afternoon will feature several teams representing bars and organizations. Beer, Hot Dogs, fun in the sun and fresh air. Who could ask for more - and all to a worthy cause! It all begins at noon and goes till dusk on field #5 at Himmel.

FRIDAY & SATURDAY, APRIL 3 & 4

IT'S 'BOUT TIME - Domino Theory BC-3, holds forth here for a two-day stint. Be sure to catch this fast-rising act while they're still in Tucson.

SUNDAY, APRIL 5

COLETTE'S - The extraordinary fine movie "Desert Hearts" will be shown again here at 7:00 p.m.

RUMOR HAZZIT - A really big show set here and it features Miss Ebony and Joanne from Phoenix and Monte-Jon plus some others who will be identified later.

FRIDAY, SATURDAY & SUNDAY, APRIL 10, 11 & 12

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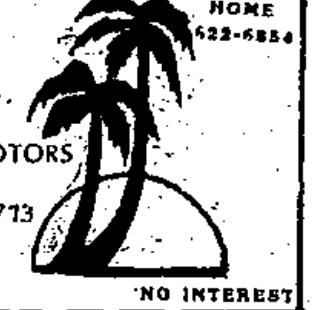
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What a night we had at Colette's last Saturday night with the TKO Closet Ball. That place will never be the same. There was Dennis in that cute little outfit sitting by the door and Miss Hannah Hopper running around all over the place - Bill was just too tall for the place and knocked out a light fixture. And with that SOS gang on stage during the one-hour transformation of the contestants, it was just too much. Since I'm new in town and don't know what happened at the previous Closet Balls, I understand from the rumors that this was one of the best of the Closet Balls. SOS did have a good show with Big Mike so butch in his outfit, I still don't know which outfit he had on was the butchest, but one thing for sure is that both of Big Mike's outfits were nothing in comparison to what Ben showed up in. There were two show stoppers: Candy with her Kate Smith number and then Candy with Penny and Mike (the other Mike) with their "Mr. Sandman" number, both of these acts deserved the encores they got. Roxanne and Aviva (the two professionals) helped to round out a really good show.

The grand finale of crowning Miss Matthew topped off the show. That girl in her pink Miss Scarlett outfit was a good choice of the judges. Miss Scarlett was out running all over town in that stretched out Cadillac, letting everyone have a good look at her, whether anyone wanted to see her or not. Look out, Aviva, Candy and the rest of you - we may have a new face around town.

There was a good panel of judges, and speaking of judges, Miss Roxanne, who was the first

winner in that Closet Ball ten years ago, was also in pink but it didn't do for her what it did for Miss Scarlett. If Miss Roxanne had all of those wrinkles back ten years ago that she has now - well - I'll save that poor old thing a lot of embarrassment and not say any more on the subject.

I don't have to have a ton of bricks fall on me, I can take a hint. And recently I have been hearing rumors going around concerning little ole me. Since that article in the Observer last week announcing that I would be introduced to the Tucson public, there has been a lot said about what certain people are going to do to me.

Glen said that he was going to bring his double-barrel shotgun; Patrick has said that I won't live through the night and Elmer said that if I showed my face at the Observer Benefit that I wouldn't have a face when I left. And then there was the letter from Annie published (with quite a few cheering her on) with those nasty remarks about me. Well, if I have offended that many people by my just reporting what I have seen and heard (even though I only got part of what I heard and not always the complete picture of what I saw) then I guess it is about time for me to grab the next train out of town.

I was just beginning to like this little old burg of a town and all of the interesting people that are helping to keep it a little old burg of a town. But, if I can get my bullet-proof vest completed in time, I will still be at the Observer Benefit anyway.

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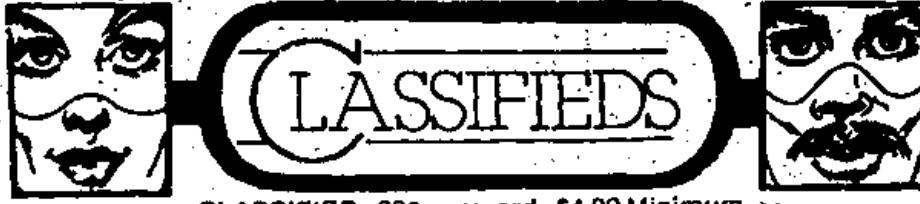
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Candidates for this year's King and Queen of Fiesta de Mayo should call 881-4816 or 628-1550 or write Fiesta de Mayo, P.O. Box 1686, Tucson, AZ 85702.

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AFFIRMATION, Gay and Lesbian Mormons meet monthly in Phoenix for fellowship and positive support. AFFIRMATION, P.O. Box 315, Mesa, AZ 85201 or (602) 981-0121.

SOURCES UNLIMITED is a non-profit information and referral service for the Lesbian and Gay community. Businesses and individual listings are free. Call 884-1606 in Tucson for information.

ARE YOU UNCIRCUMCISED? Would you like to meet some more men who are? Then write to local U.S.A. Organization, P.O.B. 48504, Tucson, AZ 85717.

ANYONE INTERESTED IN JOINING A SUPPORT GROUP for Parents and Friends of Gays please contact Herb at 792-0891 or Sean at P.O. Box 27929, Tucson, AZ 85726. All information is strictly confidential.

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TUCSON AIDS PROJECT (TAP) meets the second Thursday of each month at the University of Arizona Medical Center in Dining Room "C" (second floor) at 7:30 p.m. Everyone welcome and urged to attend. Get involved! For more information call 792-3772.



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A View From Within

A COMMENTARY BY
CHRISTOPHER GEOFFREY MCPHERSON

Well, the flurry of activity across the nation regarding condoms is hard for anyone to escape. The Feb. 19 announcement by CBS saying that its owned and operated stations will be allowed to run advertisements for condoms is only one of the happenings.

The week of Feb. 9 saw Congress entering the debate on condom advertising by accepting testimony from witnesses at a hearing for the House Health and Environment Subcommittee. The subcommittee's chairman, Henry Waxman (D-Calif.), strongly urged the three television networks to begin running advertisements for the product. The hearings found representatives from ABC, CBS and NBC sticking to the current policies, of not airing the ads, but adding that the matter was still under review.

(A recent *Wall Street Journal/NBC* poll showed that 78% of those surveyed did not oppose condom advertisements. A recent *Entertainment Tonight* telephone poll showed 30,000 favoring the ads, with 20,000 against).

Fox Broadcasting is expected to announce shortly that it will accept ads for condoms. It is expected that these ads will begin airing on *The Late Show With Joan Rivers*. The seven owned and operated Fox stations are also considering the ads. It is expected that all seven will approve running the ads during adult viewing hours).

But perhaps the most interesting item to cross my desk lately details the complaints of major Gay publications that are upset that condom makers are avoiding advertising their products in their publications.

Apparently, makers of condoms, including Ansell-Americas, Carter-Wallace, and Schmid Laboratories, have consistently refused advances made by Gay publications. Joe DiSabato, who represents 125 Gay newspapers and magazines on Madison Avenue, says, "On the one hand, Gays are happy to see condom advertising hitting the general media. On the other, there is a growing sense the condom industry is capitalizing on the deaths of thousands of Gay men to force the general media to accept its advertising."

(Until the advent of AIDS, condom advertisements were unofficially banned from the airwaves. It has only been since the threat of AIDS, that any serious consideration has been given by the visual media to accept these advertisements).

The condom makers say they are not discriminating knowingly. Instead, they insist that they're merely going the most efficient route, by advertising via the mass media. They use a compelling argument, "Very simply, there are more heterosexuals than homosexuals."

The use of condoms by the Gay population is estimated at 60%, based on a study for *The Advocate*. This majority use is noted as the reason for the recent upturn in condom sales. In line with this, DiSabato is soon to begin a campaign aimed at the condom makers. The protest will demonstrate the financial clout of Gays by urging Gay condom users to send the wrappers of used condoms to the company which holds a 55% share of the condom market, Carter-Wallace, maker of Trojan

The protest will urge Gay men to buy condoms made by competing companies and send the wrappers to Carter-Wallace. It is hoped that this show of strength will encourage makers of condoms to aim their advertisements to the market which is being hurt most by AIDS: Gay men.

If you want to get a jump on this protest, begin to buy condoms other than Trojans, and save up the wrappers. If you want to send them, or a letter to Carter-Wallace encouraging them to reconsider their position on condom advertising, the company's address is:

Carter-Wallace, 787 Fifth Avenue, New York, NY 10153. Send them to the attention of Mark Klein, Marketing. Be sure to include a letter telling him why you are sending the condom wrappers.

But, whatever you do, remember: When having intercourse use a condom. It is the only way to be relatively safe when engaging in an "un-safe" sexual practice.

That's the view for now: see you next week!

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SHANTI SOFTBALL BENEFIT SET FOR
SUNDAY, MARCH 29

TUCSON - On Sunday, March 29 there will be a benefit softball game for Shanti Foundation/Tucson.

The word has gone out to all the local bars and social organizations and teams are rapidly forming. It promises to be a great "Battle of the Bars/Clubs". Anyone interested in playing should check with your favorite bartender or club officer.

Hot dogs and beer will be available with all proceeds going to Shanti. Anyone interested in donating potato salad, baked beans or any other picnic-type food, or for further information please contact Deb Whalen at 887-0574 or Jack Wilson at 882-9815.

The first softball game was great fun and a success, raising over \$200 for Shanti. The Tucson Shanti Foundation operates on donations to train volunteer workers and counselors; it provides the invaluable service of support and counseling to persons with life-threatening illnesses and their loved ones. Without our combined community support, Shanti cannot be available to those truly in need.

Game time is scheduled for 12 noon at Himmel Park, Field #5 (Southwest corner near Treat and 3rd Streets). Food and beer servers have been scheduled and a few surprises are in the works. Everyone is guaranteed a great time, so sign up to play. Get out your cheerleading pom-poms, or just come out for some fun in the sun to support such a worthy organization.

See you at the games... You won't want to miss this afternoon.