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Nightmare in Nashville

by Elizabeth Pincus

NASHVILLE, TN (GON) - In a sting operation coyly dubbed "Pearl Harbor" by arresting officers, nearly 300 Nashville men and women were apprehended for "conspiring to solicit crimes against nature" in city parks last winter. Most of those arrested over the six month period were Gay men.

The Director of Nashville Metro Parks, Jim Fyke, offered no pretense about the arrests - he admits ordering an undercover investigation specifically to crack down on Gay sex. Both local daily newspapers here printed the names, addresses and occupations of those arrested, causing job loss, humiliation, endangerment and an ongoing community-wide flap over issues of privacy, sexual freedom and the role of the press.

Though the specific sting operation has stopped in the parks, the outrage continues and has contributed to a new surge of activism in Nashville's Gay and Lesbian community.

"The thing that made the arrests in Nashville different," says Greg Fisher, an activist and member of the Tennessee Gay Coalition (TGLC), "is that they planned a strategy to entrap people. I mean, they're arresting people in parks in every city in the nation, but here men were entrapped by undercover cops for simply suggesting they were interested in having sex, not for open sex acts."

Most of those arrested were charged with misdemeanors for solicitation, conspiracy to solicit, or indecent exposure, and through plea bargaining most received fines from \$50-\$200 and suspended jail terms. This pattern suggests that most were not caught openly having sex, since in Tennessee committing "crimes against nature" is a felony punishable by 5-15 years in prison.

Press reports, the TGLC and some of the men arrested put forth the following account of the alleged entrapments.

Undercover park ranger Jeff DeBusk, the officer responsible for most of the arrests, wandered the parks wired with a battery operated microphone allowing a second ranger to eavesdrop on conversations from a nearby, unmarked vehicle. DeBusk would engage possible violators in sexual dialogue and bring them to the vehicle, where the other ranger was hidden in the rear with a video camera. If a solicitation ensued, the individual would be immediately arrested and informed of the video and audio "evidence". DeBusk also roamed secretly with a still camera gathering photographs of alleged indecent exposure and open sex acts. To facilitate the arrests, DeBusk stated that he studied the unwritten handkerchief codes that some Gay men use to denote sexual tastes.

"What we've got here is an aggressive ladder-climbing officer who's doing a lot of solicitation himself," said Sam Adams, a TGLC member and a long-time Nashville activist. "But he's denied all

charges of entrapment. DeBusk seems to think he has found a group of people who are easy prey. The undercover operation has been called off, so at least he's not sneaking around any more. But even though he's back in uniform, he's still in the park with binoculars."

Adams said he met with DeBusk to discuss the park arrests and the harm caused by the newspaper publicity, and to begin education on positive Gay sexuality. According to Adams, DeBusk claims to believe that Gays deserve the right to privacy, but that he's upholding the law by enforcing the "crimes against nature" statute in city parks.

Community uproar resulted when the daily papers, the Nashville Tennessean and the Nashville Banner, published the names and addresses of those arrested. Charging invasion of privacy and endangerment of lives, angry Gay men and Lesbians, civil liberties groups and reportedly some newspaper employees sparked agitation that may have led to closing the undercover probe.

According to Adams and Fisher, even judges and attorneys handling the arrests were annoyed by the expense and clogging of the court system caused by consensual sexual conduct cases. Press reports also speculated that park rangers participated in the round-up to prove their arrest powers were comparable to those of the city police - and therefore their pay should be raised correspondingly. Though both DeBusk and Parks director Fyke deny such allegations, the adverse publicity may have squelched the sting.

"It was a ploy that backfired for them," said Fisher. The park rangers in fact did not get more pay and finally quit because they were making more work for themselves.

The devastation continues for some of those arrested. Few were openly Gay and most suffered adversely from the public exposure, according to a survey distributed by a group formed last December to document the trauma. The group, made up of several TGLC members, mailed questionnaires to those listed in the newspapers and received responses from over half of those contacted. Many respondents remained anonymous, but some expressed the desire to meet and discuss human rights violations, and some wrote notes in the margins describing their arrests as entrapment. Survey results indicate:

- * 57% had been harassed by coworkers or classmates.
- * 32% were fired from their job or dismissed from school.
- * 55% had received annoying telephone calls.
- * 79% feared for the loss or their job or student status.
- * 46% feared for the safety of self or loved ones.
- * 28% received threats against their families or friends.

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Bowling for Dollars raises big bucks for Shanti Foundation



TUCSON - Partners, a local club whose membership is made of of Gay and Lesbian couples, produced a benefit "Bowling for Dollars" for the Shanti Foundation of Tucson last Sunday, Dec. 6 at Fiesta Bowling Lanes.

Shown above is Natalie Perry, director of Shanti/Tucson being presented a "Bowling for Dollars" T-Shirt by Partners President, Gary L'Abbe.

45 bowlers participated in the benefit and these bowlers raised over \$4,000 in pledges against their bowling scores. In addition donations from the local bars - IBT's, Graduate, Rumor Hazzit, Colette's West and Joshua Tree donated money to defray costs of T-Shirts and other promotional materials.

Some of the pledges are still outstanding and revenue is coming in from various other sources so it is impossible to give the exact amount that this entertaining and certainly bountiful event made at the moment.

All bowling trophies and money raised will be presented on January 16 at IBT's at approximately 2:00 p.m. A full financial statement will be published in the OBSERVER as soon as possible.

Top bowlers were, John Griffo with a high single game of 199; and Joe Alwine won high series with a 536.

Congratulations to all participants and sponsors. And especially to those who made the pledges to the various bowlers for their generous contributions.

Mecham names state AIDS panel

PHOENIX (AP) - Governor Evan Mecham has announced the formation of commissions on AIDS and rape prevention.

The AIDS commission will review the recommendations of various agencies, committees and local health groups, and make recommendations to the 1988 Legislature. The commission is also expected to draw up a statewide strategic plan by August 1988.

Mecham's office said that 333 cases of acquired immune defi-

ciency syndrome were reported in Arizona by November 1. 177 cases of AIDS-Related Complex were reported. The number of people with AIDS antibodies was put at 784.

The chairman of the commission will be State Health Director Ted Williams. Also on the panel will be state Sen. Carol MacDonald, R-Safford, a member of the Senate Health and Welfare Committee; and state Rep. Brenda Burns, R-Glendale, who is chairwoman of the House AIDS subcommittee. Other members are to be named later.

UPDATE

DE ANZA PARK 'HOT' FOR GAYS
TUCSON - De Anza Park on the corner of Stone and Speedway has been the scene of several arrests in connection with homosexual solicitations, police officials report.

Police have begun patrolling the park just north of downtown Tucson in a program aimed partly at arresting Gay men who solicit sex.

In a review of police reports, an undercover officer will stand by a street bordering the park and wait for some to approach him while a uniformed officer waits nearby. The undercover officers will engage in conversation if someone else initiates it.

In one case, an officer was approached by a man who made an explicit comment about the type of sex act he preferred and then asked the officer if he would like to go home with him. According to the report, the officer said he did not want to leave the park "but...we could go over to an alley." The report said the man became frightened and drove away.

In another report, an officer turned down an invitation to get into a man's car by saying he "was shy." The man drove away without soliciting sex but returned minutes later, solicited sex and was arrested, the report said.

Members of the Gay community are warned that solicitation of sex in a public place is a dangerous act and could result in arrest.

ARTIFICIAL INSEMINATION AND THE UNMARRIED WOMAN: Legal Rights and Responsibilities

by Julie A. Waltz, J.D.

As single parenting and parenting in the the Gay community have increased, so has the popularity of artificial insemination. Yet the legal world has been slow to adapt to this phenomenon, and there is little definitive legal information available to women considering artificial insemination. Most literature previously available on this subject addressed married women, donor banks, and physician-supervised insemination.

However, because most physicians will not inseminate single women, and because of the relatively simple nature of the procedure, many unmarried women are choosing to inseminate themselves. "Artificial Insemination and the Unmarried Woman: Legal Rights and Responsibilities" is a self-help guide addressing legal issues of concern to these women, and to males considering donating sperm.

Prepared by an attorney, this easy-to-read text discusses the legalities of do-it-yourself insemination, the pros and cons of the use of anonymous versus known donors, and paternity rights, such as custody, visitation and child support.

Guidance is given to women who wish to totally exclude the sperm donor from any involvement with the child's upbringing, those who wish to share joint custody of the child with the sperm donor (or with him and his same-sex family), and those who wish the sperm donor to have only a carefully limited role in the child's life. The laws of all fifty states and the District of Columbia are addressed, and an appendix of sample legal forms and contracts is included.

This should be required reading for any woman about to make such a major life decision. 51 pages. (The Opportunity Press, P.O. Box 1821, Dept. 11, Aiken, South Carolina 29802. \$29.95)

PHOENIX GAY ARIZONA YOUTH PLAN NEW YEARS BALL

PHOENIX - Looking for a fun place to spend New Year's Eve? Gay Arizona Youth (GAY), the Valley's new support group for Gay young people, will be throwing an all-ages Costume/Masquerade Ball to ring in the New Year at Mount of Olives Lutheran Church, 3546 E. Thomas Road.

Featured at the party, which will start at 8:00 p.m., will be a Disk Jockey for dancing, soda, munchies, and door prizes. No alcohol will be served.

Tickets, which cost \$3.00 in advance, or \$4.00 at the door, are available at GAY's weekly Saturday afternoon meetings. For more information call (602) 493-9326 or 996-0182.

a.k.a. THEATRE PRESENTS GAY-THEMED MUSICAL

TUCSON - a.k.a. Theatre at 121 E. Congress is presenting "March of the Falsetto's" an off-Broadway musical by William Finn.

The plot concerns a man who leaves his wife after several years of marriage for a male lover. It also explores many other different relationships.

The musical is playing on Wednesday, Dec. 9, Friday and Saturday, Dec. 11 and 12 and Friday, Dec. 18. Showtime for the 110 minute production is 9:00 p.m. This weekend Dec. 11 and 12 there will also be a midnight presentation.

For further information call 623-7852.

AIDS GUIDELINES MAY BECOME RULES
PHOENIX (AP) - The Arizona Insurance Department might change into state regulations what now are guidelines allowing insurance companies to test some prospective clients for AIDS, officials said.

Under proposed rules, blanket testing of everyone who wants to buy life or health insurance would not be permitted department spokeswoman Stephanie Johns said. Insurance companies would be allowed to test potential clients only if they already had been required to have health exams, she said, adding that people infected with the virus could be denied insurance.

EUROPE GETS A LITTLE SEXY ON SAFE SEX

HAMBURG, GERMANY (GON) - Some European governments have shown considerable sexual openness in their AIDS education campaigns, as shown by some examples reported in the West German newsmagazine Der Spiegel.

In Switzerland, a TV news anchorman demonstrated on the air how to put on a condom, although he used his middle finger rather than the proper organ.

In Denmark, a public health agency put full-page ads in newspapers showing a picture of Copenhagen's red-light district with the caption, "You can get more than a quick fuck here."

In Norway, almost every newspaper has carried an ad showing an erect penis with arms stretched out as if to dive into a pool. The caption: "Think before you leap into pleasure."

In Finland, public health officials have proposed subsidizing condoms so that teenagers can better afford them.

However, in Italy, a safer sex campaign has met with opposition from the Catholic church. Radio Vatican stated, "It is not the condom, but rather chastity which is the true weapon against AIDS."

MECHAM A WINNER OF BOZO AWARD
NEW YORK, NY (AP) Arizona Governor Evan Mecham won a Bozo Award from television's original Bozo the Clown, Larry Harmon, who also cited Jim and Tammy Bakker for preaching the gospel "according to Gucci".

Others cited were Joan Collins, Gary Hart, Donna Rice, Oliver North and ousted Philippines president Ferdinand Marcos and his wife, Imelda, who received a Special Life Achievement Bozo Award.

NOW OPPOSES HIGH COURT NOMINEE
WASHINGTON, DC (AP) - The National Organization for Women has said it would oppose the Supreme Court nomination of Anthony M. Kennedy and charged that he "would be a disaster for women" if he were confirmed to the high court.

NOW President Molly Yard told a news conference that Kennedy's record shows him to be a "sexist, a person unwilling to help women in the struggle for equality."

Yard said her group was especially upset at Kennedy's ruling against female workers in the state of Washington who sought equality in pay with men holding comparable jobs.

"He paid not the slightest attention to findings of fact," which, Yard said, showed that discrimination did exist.

She also criticized a Kennedy opinion that upheld the military's firing of homosexuals on grounds that the military's authority superseded Americans' right to privacy.

"What will he say on the rights of privacy of women to control their reproductive rights?" she asked.

According to the NOW President, Kennedy only recently resigned from a private San Francisco club that barred women and blacks.

"It's truly unacceptable to be sexist and to sit on the Supreme Court," Yard said.

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Court upholds Winans' conviction New LaRouche AIDS quarantine measure for California



R. Foster Winans

WASHINGTON, DC (AP) - The conviction of R. Foster Winans for revealing stock trading information in advance of publication has been upheld by the U.S. Supreme Court. Winans was found guilty of defrauding his employer, the Wall Street Journal, by revealing the contents of his stock tips column to private investors. The court ruled that his actions violated the property rights of the newspaper to keep confidential the contents of the column until publication.

The high court let stand the ruling of a Court of Appeals that Winans had violated federal security laws by engaging in so-called insider trading.

Winans was convicted of conspiracy, securities fraud and mail fraud. Also convicted was Kenneth P. Felix, a broker with whom Winans worked. Winans' lover David Carpenter was found guilty

of aiding and abetting the insider trading scheme. Winans got 18 months in prison; Felix six months and Carpenter was placed on probation.

The Winans case was one of the first such insider trading scandals to rock Wall Street.

QUOTE OF THE WEEK

"So long as the states are able to enact statutes proscribing activity in private and so long as Florida has a law on the books under which consensual sexual activity could be prosecuted, then I think there is a gaping hole in our rights... I want to plug that hole."

-Alan Terl,
A Florida director of the
American Civil Liberties Union.

LOS ANGELES, CA (AP) - California voters who overwhelmingly crushed a 1986 initiative to allow quarantine of AIDS patients and suspected virus carriers may find a similar measure on next June's ballot.

A pro-Lyndon LaRouche group called Prevent AIDS Now In California (PANIC), announced it has collected more than enough signatures to place a measure nearly identical to its unsuccessful Proposition 64 on the June ballot.

Proposition 64 was voted down by 71 percent of voters last November after opponents linked its supporters with LaRouche, a fringe presidential candidate.

The new initiative would, as before, declare carriers of the human immunodeficiency virus, or HIV, to be in an infectious, contagious and communicable condition and make them subject to quarantine and isolation statutes and regulations.

Once again, the initiative is backed by Khushro Ghandi of Los Angeles and Brian Lantz of Livermore, Calif., LaRouche supporters.

"These people are walking around infecting others with AIDS, and they have no basis for changing their behavior because they don't know they have the disease," said PANIC spokesman Jim Duree.

Authorities say carriers of the virus may or may not develop the disease. While patients suffering from AIDS must be reported by doctors and other health care workers, it is not

necessary to report carriers of the virus.

Mandatory reporting goes against recommendations established by the American Medical Association, the national Centers for Disease Control and the U.S. Surgeon General, said Werner Kuhn, the executive director of the Gay and Lesbian Community Services Center in Garden Grove, Calif.

All have called for greater availability of confidential testing, he said. "They are trying to punish the victims of this unfortunate disease," Kuhn said.

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While supporters of the initiative said it is a "medical absurdity" not to report carriers of the disease, Orange County epidemiologist Thomas Pendergast said such a reporting requirement would undermine public confidence in the public health-care system.

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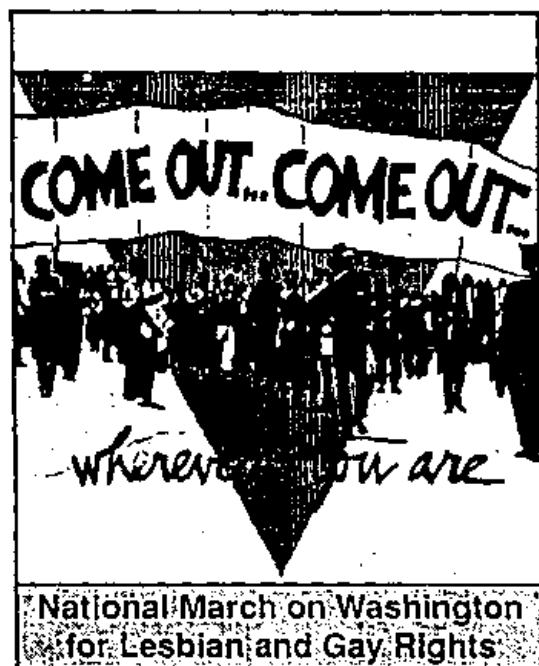
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- * 57% have been rejected by family members or friends.
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- * 7% had their property damaged.
- * 6% were physically injured.
- * 100% disagreed with the newspapers' current name-printing policy which includes addresses and place of employment of those arrested.
- * 96% disagreed with the Park Department's methods and procedures of their arrest.

Adams has since met some of the respondents and shared the survey results with the local newspapers and the Park Department. He has also made the information available to one arrestee who is suing the Parks for \$1 million for injuries suffered as a result of his arrest.

Hedy Weinberg, Executive Director of the Tennessee Chapter of the American Civil Liberties Union (ACLU) said the "crimes against nature" laws are used specifically to attack and harass the Gay community. In Nashville, the whole park arrest campaign was vindictive and pointless. It's a real concern when there are major crimes happening on a daily basis in this town - we have a skyrocketing crime rate - and suddenly the officials are spending a lot of time trying to curtail private, consensual sexual activity," Weinberg said.

Adams and other Nashville activists say the horror and aftermath of the park arrests has led to a major recharging of the TIGC. The organization has existed since 1977, but suffered a lag period from 1984 to 1987. Now Gay activism in Tennessee is being recognized on a national level; the state is targeted as one of the "test spots in attempting to overturn sodomy statutes" on a state-by-state basis.

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Adams spoke about Lesbian and Gay visibility and the possibilities for promoting progressive ideas. "There's such terrible suppression in our community," he stated. "We're used to secrets and stolen moments, we don't openly date or hold hands or have romances. Because there's so much fear, round-ups like the park arrests can happen. We need to make ourselves available and visible in these smaller towns."

HRCF LAUNCHES AD EDUCATION
WASHINGTON, DC - The Human Rights Campaign Fund (HRCF) is placing full-page ads in major newspapers across the country to draw attention to limits Congress is placing on AIDS prevention education programs in 1988.

Both houses of Congress support an amendment, submitted by Sen. Jesse Helms (OBSERVER, Oct. 21), to the Health and Human Services Appropriation. The amendment orders the federal government not to pay for AIDS prevention educational programs that discuss sex outside of monogamous marriage, and forbids the frank and open discussions about sex and drugs essential to effective AIDS prevention.

Specifically, the amendment would strip funds that "promote or encourage, directly or indirectly, homosexual sexual activities." A literal reading of the Helms Amendment could prohibit distribution of the U.S. Surgeon General's Report on Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome, since the Report explicitly discusses means to prevent sexual transmission of the disease.

"We placed this ad to point to the lack of responsible leadership on the AIDS health crisis that America faces," said Vic Basile, Human Rights Campaign Fund executive director.

Meese vows to attack 'Obscenity Epidemic'

by Ike Flores

ORLANDO, FL (AP) - The Reagan administration will step up its battle against "the horrors of the obscenity epidemic" with a legislative package to be introduced in Congress this year.

"We are not in favor of censorship... We are talking of something that is not protected by the Constitution," Attorney General Edwin Meese said.

Meese detailed the Justice Department's high-priority attacks on sexual exploitation of women and children and pornography's links to organized crime.

Earlier this month, Meese addressed a pornography conference sponsored by Morality in Media, a national clearinghouse group, and received an award for his "dedicated commitment to obscenity law enforcement".

Calling obscene publications, videos, telephone services and movies "a corrosive evil" of a permissive society, Meese said the Justice Department has embarked on a program of "reliable and consistent enforcement of the laws that are already on the books."

The new legislative package would make enforcement easier, he said.

In a message read to the conference, President Reagan said the new initiatives would "help us push back the tide of obscenity."

Meese has previously announced legislation to attack cable television programming found to be legally obscene and to outlaw obscene Dial-A-Porn telephone services that are accessible by children.

Under the cable programming legislation, anyone under 21 would be prohibited from performing in pornographic movies.

A hearing was held Sept. 30 on the proposed Dial-A-Porn bill. American Civil Liberties Union lawyers testified that outlawing the service would raise constitutional questions. They recommended instead provisions to allow individual telephone subscribers to block such calls.

Meese was praised for creating a National Obscenity Enforcement Unit within the Justice Department's criminal division, in keeping with earlier recommendations from an Attorney General's Commission on Pornography.

That commission was criticized by civil libertarians and others for what they said were censorship efforts and for creating "a panic of hysteria" by citing explicit sexual contents in a long list of publications, video programs and other sexual materials.

Meese called such attacks unfair and praised the groups report for its "fairness, objectivity and balance."

The U.S. Supreme Court has repeatedly ruled that obscenity is not protected by the First Amendment right of free speech.

The difficulty for law enforcement officials is in legislative and judicial interpretations of what constitutes obscenity.

Meese said a brief description of pornography is "prostitution, exploitation and abuse reduced to pictures and print."

Among the Obscenity Enforcement Unit's actions this year was the first obscenity indictment and two nationwide undercover operations that resulted in indictments of more than 100 people for child pornography offenses, Meese said.

Operation MIPORN, a Miami-based FBI investigation into organized crime's control of the porn industry led to some of the indictments.

The conference, which drew delegates from 31 states and Puerto Rico, also received a message from Pope John Paul II, who said the Roman Catholic Church "cannot but be concerned about the moral dimensions of the media."

Bishop Thomas J. Grady of Orlando, Florida, who read the pope's message to the conference, told the group that "pornography is a debasement of sex, a debasement of love... and destructive of the family and society."

News From MCC / TUCSON

We are now in the Christmas Holiday Season and the Christmas Spirit is starting to be felt. Next Sunday, the Third Sunday of Advent, we will decorate our Christmas Tree. Everyone who attends a Worship Service next Sunday is encouraged to bring a Christmas Tree ornament. The ornament can be either purchased or hand-made. Our Christmas Tree will have many ornaments on it that have been placed on our trees from the previous years. It has become a tradition at MCC/Tucson over the years, for those who have placed ornaments on the trees in the past, will know that their ornaments are still being used each Christmas.

Last Sunday, we had our District Coordinator, Rev. Judy Dahl with us. It was a Spiritual Renewal that will be long remembered. During our Sunday morning Worship Service, Rev. Judy Dahl, with Pastor Ed, Rev. Nita and our Deacons, ordained Rev. Bernardo David. Rev. Bernardo was recognized as an Ordained Minister of the U.F.M.C.C. at the General Conference in Miami, Florida last Spring. Rev. Bernardo elected to have his Act of Ordination at MCC/Tucson. Rev. Bernardo David is our Associate Pastor and is the

first clergy we have had at MCC/Tucson to be an Ordained Minister. Rev. David recently underwent extensive surgery but has recovered enough to fulfill his ministerial duties as in the past.

Whether you are prepared or not, Christmas is only two weeks away. There will be special Worship Services at MCC/Tucson to celebrate this holiday. We will announce the activities of MCC/Tucson for the holidays next week.

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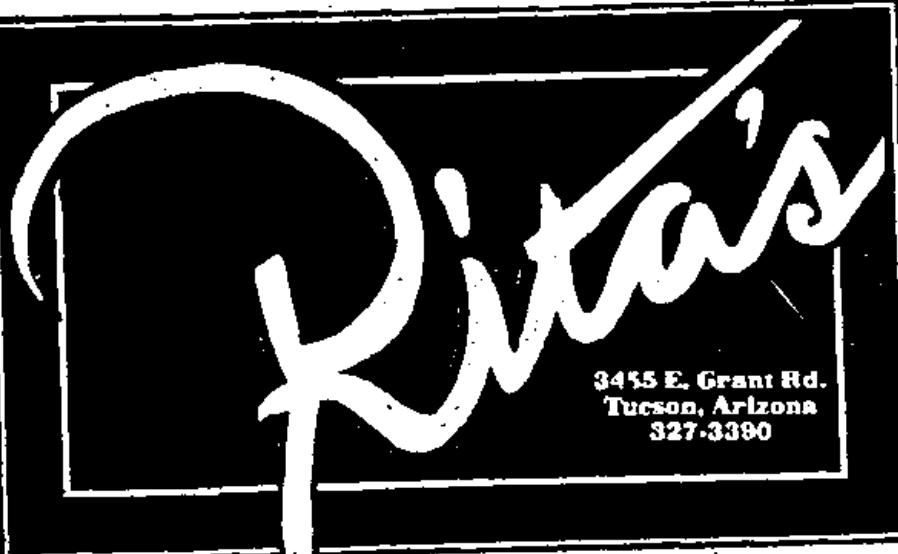
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Jerome Beillard and the PWA
Coalition announce the formation
of the "TROY STEPHENSON MEMORIAL
FUND FOR AIDS TREATMENT".

This fund will provide
financial assistance for alterna-
tive treatments, supplements,
drugs and other treatments a
person with AIDS cannot otherwise
afford.

This is the first fund of
its kind in Tucson and it is
greatly needed. Donations on
Troy's behalf may be made to the
Troy Stephenson Memorial Fund,
PWA Coalition,
P.O. Box 2488
Tucson, Arizona 85702.

As Troy would say, "Isn't
that special?"

We love you Troy - the guys
from Tuesday night.

A COMMENTARY BY

CHRISTOPHER GEOFFREY McPHERSON

THE POWER BEHIND A SINGLE VOTE

You are all probably well
aware of the events in Haiti last
week: due to an onslaught of vi-
olence, the first democratic elec-
tions in that country were
cancelled. Bullets won out over
ballots.

As I watched the footage on
MacNeil, Lehrer NewsHour last
Monday, I was struck by the pas-
sion with which the people of
Haiti wanted to vote. Braving
threats against life, voters—or
potential voters—went to the vot-
ing places. Many of those who
went never came back: they were
slaughtered by gunfire by sup-
porters of ousted dictator "Papa
Doc" Duvalier.

The film of bloodied, butch-
ered bodies made me wonder how we
—the homosexuals of this country—
would react if, someday, our
rights to vote were taken away.
Would we even care? So few of us
vote today that the absence of our
votes would probably not even be
noticed.

We parade around each June
—in observance of an event most
people know nothing about— demand-
ing our "civil rights": our rights
to be treated as equals. But when
it comes down to exercising our
"civil rights" to vote, where are
we? Not at the polling booth,
that's for sure.

Do we have to brave crazed,
machete-wielding murderers in or-
der to cast our votes? no.

Do we have to worry about
our loved-ones, our children, our
families meeting untimely deaths
because we wish to cast our votes?
No.

Do we even have to fight for
our "civil right" to vote. No.
The right to vote exists for each
and every citizen of the United
States once they attain the age of
18. So, where are WE?

In less than one year, we
will have —once again— the oppor-
tunity to elect the man who will

run this country. (Had the lone
woman candidate not bowed out, our
choices would be considerably more
appealing). When we wake up that
morning in November, will we be ea-
ger to go to the polling booth and
elect that person who we best feel
can do the job? Or will we, like
we have for so many years, blindly
go about our daily routine, obliv-
ious to the world which exists
around us?

Oh, you say your single vote
doesn't count? Realistically,
standing alone, it probably
doesn't. One vote cannot stand up
to, nor change the outcome of, an
election where several thousand
votes stand between you and what
you want. But, add to your sin-
gle, lone vote that of thousands
and thousands of other Gay men and
Lesbian women across the country
and your single vote —together
with those thousands others— can
change the course of human
history.

Think about the power behind
your single vote.

Think now about your priv-
ilege, your OBLIGATION to your-
self. Think about the struggle
through which you gained your per-
sonal freedom, your sense of self-
esteem. Think of those children
now who will —several years from
now— sit alone in a darkened bed-
room wondering why they are so dif-
ferent, why the other boys and
girls pick on them. Why it is
they have these odd, unexplainable
desires for other men or women.

If we ALL vote, one day
these children will not have to
sit alone, thinking they are they
only ones to feel these feelings.
If we ALL vote, we will make our
presence known.

If we DON'T vote, do not be
surprised to wake up one morning
and discover that you no longer
have the right to vote.

At Spes Non Fracta: See you
next week!

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EDITOR:

I am writing about a story that appeared in the Observer of December 2nd concerning the Fellowship Run that was held over the Thanksgiving holiday weekend.

In the story you mentioned an "apparent boycott" by the men's clubs from Phoenix. As a member of the Sons of Apollo I can assure you that I know of no such "boycott". Our membership was quite upset upon learning that such assumptions were being made.

SOA was not included in the plans for the Run. We did not even know about the first meeting. When the run became politically motivated, SOA did vote not to attend as a club function, but we did encourage individual participation by our members.

We are very aware of the annual run since we were the founding "Brotherhood Run" club.

And to set the record perfectly clear, our constitution does not prohibit women as SOA members. In fact we welcome women motorcyclists in the Sons Of Apollo.

We are happy that the run was a successful one, but please do not say that SOA "boycotted" this event. To my knowledge there was none by any of the other Phoenix clubs either.

Sincerely
Bill Laybourne,
Sons of Apollo, Phoenix

EDITOR:

Today I read this letter to NGTIF Executive Director, Jeff Levi and he agrees that it is within the philosophy, spirit, and policy of the National Gay Task Force

Mr. William Siart
President and CEO
First Interstate Bank
21515 Hawthorne Blvd.
Union Tower, Suite 700
Torrance, CA 90503

Dear Mr. Siart:

I find to my dismay, that First Interstate Bank has made a sizeable financial contribution to the U.S. Olympic Committee.

Please close my First Interstate checking account immediately. The USOC has shown ignorant, homophobic contempt for my community, and I see no reason to subsidize ignorance and bigotry.

I resent being made to support, involuntarily, my enemies.

As you must be aware that while the name "Olympic" is freely used by those who sponsor crab cooks, rat races, frog jumps, and other endeavors, (some worthwhile and some frivolous), the USOC refused use of the word "Olympic" to the Gay/Lesbian community for their annual athletic competition. The unequal treatment should be obvious.

As you must also know, this issue reached the U.S. Supreme Court. It is the dissenting opinion on this Supreme Court case, which will in time prevail, not the ignorant, homophobic and logically silly majority opinion, which states that the USOC has not been discriminatory in their refusal to let the Gay Games use the name "Olympic," while letting hundreds of other organizations do so.

Have you no awareness that at least 20%, and possibly more, here in the San Francisco Bay Area, are Gay men and Lesbians, and, additionally, your customers? Some are very large depositors.

While I regret that you do

not look at what your bank is doing from a moral, ethical perspective, from a purely business standpoint, you are going to lose a lot of money on this "misguided patriotism".

Sincerely
David Steward,
Mountain View, CA

Member: Board of Directors
National Gay & Lesbian Task Force

A LETTER TO THE COMMUNITY:

On Sunday, Dec. 6th, Partners of Tucson hosted a Bowl-a-thon at Fiesta Lanes to benefit Shanti Foundation of Tucson.

On behalf of all our members, I would like to thank the entire community for the tremendous support that was given to this benefit.

Preliminary figures show that over \$4,000 was raised. This figure is based on pledges that were given to the 45 bowlers present for this fun-filled event. A full financial statement will be published in the Observer as soon as all figures have been verified.

A special thank you also goes out to all our sponsors: IBT's and the Graduate for providing the T-shirts. To Rumor Hazzit, Colette's West, Joshua Tree/Back Pocket and the Observer for printing, trophies and advertising.

All awards and monies will be presented on January 16th at IBT's at approximately 2:00 p.m.

Again, thank you Tucson, you did it again.

Gary L'Abbe
President
Partners of Tucson

A HOLIDAY LETTER TO THE GAY COMMUNITY OF TUCSON:

A moment in time is rapidly approaching us that we all celebrate in our own special ways. This year I am happy to say I'll be celebrating the holidays with a sense of joy, peace of mind and forgiveness.

I wish it were possible to share my happiness with all of my friends in Tucson. But for varying reasons that is not possible. It may be because I've lost your phone number or your address. Perhaps it's because of harsh words or misunderstandings I've forgotten. It could also be due to failing health and memory, I've forgotten your names. But my mind will never let me forget your faces - they are etched forever.

I am not a composer so I have taken freedom to misquote my feelings towards my friends in Tucson by a great composer: John Lennon, "In My Life".

There are faces I'll remember all my life, though some have changed. Some forever, some have gone and some remain. All these faces have their moments with lovers and friends I still can recall. Some are dead, and some living. In my life I've loved them all.

And all these friends and lovers there are none that compare with the ones in Tucson. And these memories will never lose their meanings when I think of love as something new.

Though I know I never lose affection

For lovers and friends that went before

I know I'll often think about you

In my life I've loved you all.

May all of you, my friends, have a safe and happy holiday.

Sincerely
Jim Smith - Tucson



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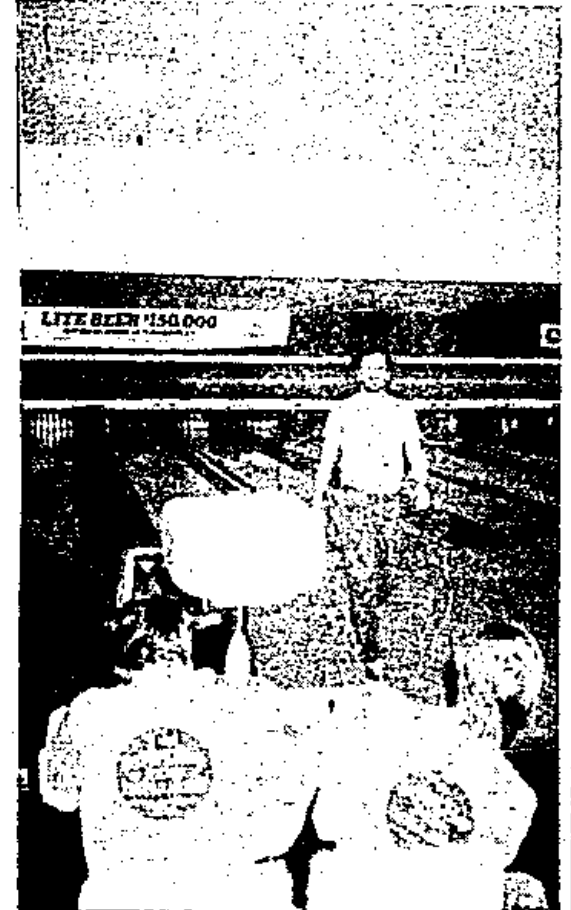
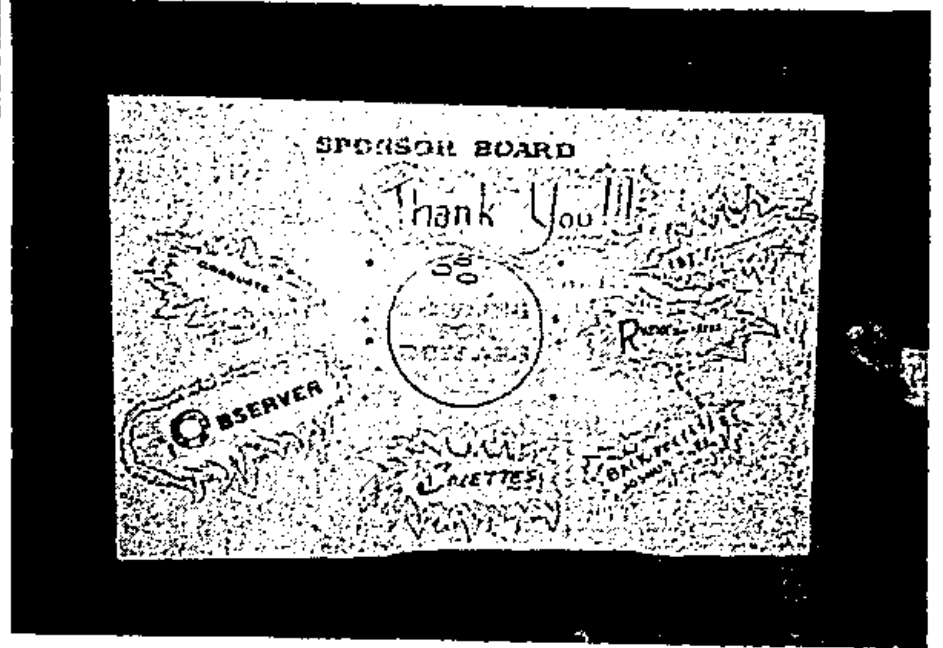
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PERSPECTIVE

It's important that you know the story of a man, a young man, and a good friend. He would have soon been 26 years old. He had the biggest brown eyes, a warm smile, and a heart to match. He knew and experienced more of life than most his age. Much of it was spent looking for love; looking also to share the love he had inside himself to give to others. His quest was met with pain early on he met with rejection. He was never quite accepted by those in "our caring, traditional society". But somehow this beautiful man kept looking and sharing his love.

You should know about this man, called Troy, as he was not really any different than other men. His dreams were to love and be loved, to be creative and productive with his talents, and to give to others. Somehow this "society" we live in, pushed him aside, placed gigantic barriers in front of him, and worse, they questioned his worth. But somehow this beautiful man kept his courage, and sought after his rights; to love and be loved.

Troy was a recent friend as measured in time, but in that time he gave endless gifts that seemingly would have taken years. Could it be that "society" placed Troy on the outside because his special love was for another man? a very SPECIAL MAN. The story goes on because Troy was with his Special Man and they shared their love for each other and for others with us.

And now the story grows. Troy loves a man called Jerome. They were so committed. How committed? Well when Troy became ill with this disease called AIDS, their bonds became stronger. They shared their fears and their hopes with each other. And they lived on their shared hopes. Troy's pain, although a different pain, became Jerome's. Their love was strengthened, their bond inseparable. They grew in ways that are difficult to explain. Their pain and anguish were more than most of us care to imagine.

You must know this story because they endured. Troy has left us, more sadly, has left his Special Man. His body simply could not match his magnificent spirit and has ceased to be. But the magnificent spirit lives on. His spirit is in Jerome's heart and the hearts graced to have known him. Troy met "society" on its terms. He was productive, cared for others, and shared that singular and so Special love with Jerome.

Troy and Jerome shared their love with those around them. They have given us the understanding that one can love and be at peace with their love, despite "society" - despite illness. Their love endured pain and material barriers. They have shown us that love and commitment are simply LOVE and COMMITMENT. Troy would want you to know, BE FREE TO LOVE AND BE LOVED!

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WHAT'S UP DOC?

It is really a beautiful feeling when I attend a fund-raising event and see the support the people of Tucson give. As of this writing, on Monday evening, over \$4,000 has been pledged to Partners' benefit for Shanti Foundation/Tucson. This figure will surely be moving up once all pledge sheets are reported in.

Partners would like to thank the Tucson Community for their support and a very special thank you to the Graduate and IBT's. Both bars contribute a little extra that paid for the printing of the T-shirts. Other sponsors who each contributed money that brought the T-shirts and paid for all printed materials and the trophies were Rumor Hazzit, Colette's West and Joshua Tree/Back Pocket. One very special thank you goes out to Bob Ellis of the Observer for all the free advertisements, which helped this benefit. But the final and most important thank you goes out to each of you who showed up at the Fiesta Lanes and bowled. Without you 40 plus people all the other donations etc, would have not really been worth much.

Listening to some of the conversations during the day, I could tell everyone was having a good time. It wouldn't surprise me to see another day of bowling for everyone again, maybe sometime next summer. This time, I'm not promising anything, will just be for the fun of it. If I get any wind of such an event, I'll pass it on to you via this column. You could tell those sitting on the sideline was having a good time also because at least two different people asked to learn to bowl so

they also could join in.

Along those lines, bowling, the Fiesta Lanes approached me about the possibility of getting a short season league together, starting in January. They suggested four people teams to start bowling at 8 p.m. They also stated two different nights are available - Tuesday and Thursday. I will be putting a sign-up sheet on the wall at the Graduate for anyone interested to sign up on. Also, on this sheet, pick the day you would rather bowl, Tuesday or Thursday. You can also call me or Keith at my home from 11 a.m. until 10 p.m. at 884-7309.

To have a good league it is suggested that there be at least eight different teams of 3 or 4 bowlers each. The total length of this season will be determined on the number of teams (allowing each team to bowl all other teams at least twice, maybe three times). Please contact me early so that if enough sign-up, I can possibly get a sponsor and work with Fiesta Lanes to get it started. One final note, this will be a closed mixed league just for us.

As of Tuesday evening, posters are now up in Colette's West, Rumor Hazzit, IBT's and the Graduate announcing TKO's annual \$100 Christmas Tree Raffle. The drawing will be held at the Graduate, Dec. 18th at 10 p.m. Once again, this is a live, plantable tree, this time with a \$100 bill on top of it, and the tree, fully decorated. The actual tree should be going up this week at the Graduate for viewing. All proceeds raised will be donated to the children's "Make-A-Wish" program.

Last year's tree raised over \$600. Can we top that figure this year? You can purchase your raffle tickets (\$1 a piece), from any TKO member or at each of the bars displaying the posters. Look for more details on this special evening in the Graduate ad in this issue of OBSERVER. Be sure to put a phone number where TKO can reach you if you are not present for the drawing, which isn't required.

For the record, Desert Leathermen did not have a beer bust at IBT's last Saturday because they and Partners are teaming up on Dec. 26 for a big, big one. All proceeds from this combined Beer Bust will be going to a local charity. As soon as I find out which one, I'll pass that info on to you.

This Saturday at the Graduate, TKO will be having their monthly Beer Bust from 2 to 6 p.m. Along with the normal plants to win, there will be at least five turkeys, a ceramic Christmas tree, plus other prizes in envelopes. As always those winning tickets drawn will have your choice: a plant; a frozen turkey or draw an envelope. See you Saturday for this Beer Bust.

I'll close for this week and I'm sure Bob says thank you. A short novel from my pen doesn't always go over bit for him when he has to type it. I hope everyone is being good because Santa is watching, and if you are not good, he will not visit you.

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The last Quarter Moon for this period occurs on Dec. 13 at 4:42 a.m. Tucson time. Scorpio in the forefront indicates a less than pleasant week, but the bad-dies are behind the scenes in the 12th so it may not be that rough.

ARIES

6th House: Health and employment are on the agenda this week, Jupiter riding the cust. now is the time to ask for that raise or promotion. Your health should be better than usual, if not get a check-up.

Taurus

7th House: This is the week your one on one relationships can be smoothed out with good communication and understanding on both sides.

GEMINI

8th House: Now is the time to get rid of all that old stuff and make a new start. Have a garage sale. Clean out your attic, you may turn up something of great value. You may also have to care for an older relative or friend. Inheritance possible. So is some kind of refund.

CANCER

9th House: A very successful business trip may do much to increase your knowledge of the world and open your mind to foreign concepts and philosophies.

LEO

10th House: Some public attention is possible for you this week. A promotion on your job or a better one. Some kind of recognition for past performance. A definite improvement in your finances is possible. (That's the kind of prediction a Libra astrologer would make).

VIRGO

11th House: Getting together with your crowd for pre-Christmas festivities and planning for your annual big blast, or whatever your group does as its humanitarian gesture at this time of year will keep you busy this week.

LIBRA

12th House: What have you done this time to get talked about. Is there any truth to those rumors. Better be discreet. Visit friends in hospitals or even prisons.

SCORPIO

1st House: This is your week for uninhibited self-expression. The world is your oyster and you are unstoppable (but you may not be invulnerable so some prudence is suggested).

SAGITTARIUS

2nd House: All the tools you need to make a buck are on hand, including the unexpected windfall potential. Although I do not, as a rule, recommend gambling for 2nd House matters, Sagittarians can and win.

CAPRICORN

3rd House: Affectionate communication your forte' this week. You may receive a gift or love letter. Visit with close kin, friends and neighbors. Take a short trip with someone you care about.

AQUARIUS

4th House: Give a party at home. Redecorate or remodel. Find a new residence. Unexpected funds available.

PISCES

5th House: Take your pick - romance, kids or win playing it. New relationships possible. It will be an entertaining week.

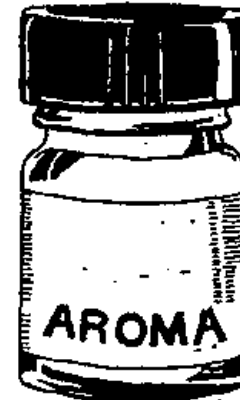
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FRIDAY, DECEMBER 11 (see below)

RAJAZZIT - DJ Linda Fildale will take over the turntables and video for this evening's dancing from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. It promises to be a 'hot' night!

FRIDAY, SATURDAY & SUNDAY, DECEMBER 11, 12 & 13

IBT's - Celebrates the FOURTH AVENUE WINTER STREET PAIR. Always a lot of fun with thousands and thousands of people to cruise, lots of unusual merchandise to buy as Christmas presents and lots of fun at IBT's shows. Showtime on Saturday and Sunday at 3:00 p.m. both days. Drink specials and a really, great time. Check their ad this issue.

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 13

COLETTE'S WEST - For all you 'Trekkies', every Sunday in December is Star Trek night here on the big, big screen. This Sunday it's the "Wrath of Khan".

MONDAY AND TUESDAY, DECEMBER 14 & 15

ELMOR KAZZIT - Back by popular demand, the piano playing and singing talents of Doug Cooper will be heard here from 5 p.m. to 9 p.m. for your listening pleasure. Cooper who played here last Monday and Tuesday during cocktail hour won a legion of new fans. Come on by and hear this talented performer LIVE! A great way to start the evening.

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 15

COLETTE'S WEST - Anne English acoustic music 8 p.m. to midnight. No cover.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 17

BACK POCKET/JOSHUA TREE - "The Fairies Who Saved Christmas", a humorous Christmas play to benefit Casa de los Ninos and the Tucson Community Food Bank. Produced by Joshua Tree Productions and Tucson Lesbian/Gay Alliance the first performance (of three) is scheduled prior to this year's Hayride. A large cast will perform the original Christmas story. A new toy, or a can of food or a monetary donation will get you in and go to a couple of very worthy charities. Show begins at 6:30 p.m. **THEN - Immediately following the play, the Tenth Annual Christmas Hayride** will depart here at 7:30 p.m. making the rounds of all the other Gay bars to pick up passengers and enjoy libations and caroling then off to Winterhaven to enjoy the Christmas lights and decorations. It's always lots of fun. Bundle up or cuddle up cause it could get chilly. Anti-freeze is recommended.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 18

GRADUATE - A big Christmas Show in conjunction with the annual TRO \$100 Kias Tree Raffle. The show stars Tiffany, Bobbi Jo and Tabitha Scott and begins at 8:30 p.m. Following the show, Tucson Knight Owls will raffie off their beautiful Christmas tree decorated with lots & lots of 'green' totaling \$100.

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 20

COLETTE'S WEST - Trekkies are in for a treat tonight. The Star Trek movie is "Search for Spok".

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 22

COLETTE'S WEST - 2nd Annual Christmas and Tree-Trimming Party from 7 to 10 p.m. Santa Claus arrives at 8:30 p.m. Children are welcome. First hour features dancing for the kids only.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 24 (Christmas Eve)

BACK POCKET/JOSHUA TREE - Second performance of "The Fairies Who Saved Christmas", a humorous holiday play you will not want to miss. It features an "all-star" cast and promises to be a very entertaining evening on the outdoor stage. Make plans to spend Christmas Eve here. 7:00 p.m. Benefits Casa de los Ninos and the Tucson Community Food Bank. A toy or a can of food or monetary donations gets you into see the production and will go to these worthy charities.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 25 (Christmas Day)

BACK POCKET/JOSHUA TREE - Final performance of "The Fairies Who Saved Christmas" takes place here at 7 p.m. A unique and original story performed by a group of unique and original actors from the Tucson community. Charles Dickens eat your heart out. A benefit for Casa de los Ninos and the Tucson Community Food Bank. Admission is a donation of a new toy or a can of food or they'll even take money!

COLETTE'S WEST - Closed all day Christmas day.

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 27

COLETTE'S WEST - Winding up Star Trek Month, the movie tonight is "The Voyage Home", what else?

GRADUATE - First Monthly Beer Bust and Dinner sponsored by the Tucson Arizona Levi/Leathermen (TALL). See you there.

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 29

COLETTE'S WEST - Anne English sings and plays acoustic music from 8 p.m. until midnight. No Cover.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 31 - NEW YEAR'S EVE

COLETTE'S WEST - New Year's Party with free buffet, champagne and party favors. \$5.00 cover. Make your reservations early.

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LETTERS

EDITOR:

I visited Tucson in August. I ran across your paper, "The Observer" and brought it home, and read it from cover to cover.

I must commend you for a very professional, interesting and entertaining paper. The local Gay paper here in Sacramento could never compare.

I thought I would contact you about some poetry I've written after spending Christmas by myself last year.

I told myself I would never spend Christmas like that again. I also promised myself I would do something to put a smile on another lonely person's face at that very special time of year.

If I could make one person happy, it would touch me very much.

I would like very much if you could help me reach these lonely people by printing my poem in your publication.

Thanks for your much valued time.

(ED NOTE: After those kind words, how could we possibly refuse. Here's the poem).

Dear Santa:

I'm a dark-eyed man with skin so fair,
attractive and slender with brownish hair.
I stand 6' tall, not too big & not too small!
I do smoke & drink socially a bit,
I'm out-going & have humor and wit!
I'm just 25 - still very young,
I'd say, I'm in excellent shape -
why I'm not even grey!

My interests are varied - I love nature, too,
and hugs & togetherness - and being happy like you!
I dwell in a log house in a beautiful setting,
but Santa you don't know how lonely I'm getting.
Sitting here by the fire and my Christmas tree,
with no man to share in this season with me.

Santa, I seek someone kind and sincere,
who'd like a nice man for Christmas this year!
One who's adventurous & has a good mind,
the outgoing, caring, hang-in-there kind!
To my interests he should relate,
I'm looking for a lifetime mate.

I'm a wholesome man, affectionate and true,
and I want a man who is that way, too!
Oh Santa, won't you hear my plea -
and leave a nice man under my Christmas tree?
Someone who'd want me, not just for today,
but for all the Christmas' to come our way.

I'd be good to him, just wait and see,
he'd be someone special to me.
And when Christmas is over and the New Year begins,
there'd be two happy people to ring it in!
Thank you, dear Santa, that's my wish this year,
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wednesday

BACK POCKET/JOSHUA TREE - "Wednesday Madness" - From 2-8 pm Drink Special: Check the chalkboard. Draft Beer Bust Bud or Bud Lite .50 per glass! Bobby Jr. DJ's 9 pm to 1 am.

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

GRADUATE - Domestic Beer \$1.00 with other specials.

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 .40 shot. Dance 8 - 1 am.

RITA'S RENDEZVOUS - Open from 3 pm to 1 am. Happy Hour 3 to 6 pm.

RUMORHAZZIT 2222 - "White Wednesday" 8 pm to midnight .99 White Well (with juice .25 extra). \$1.25 Well Drinks or Long Neck Domestic Beer & Munchies 1-7 pm. Video Disco Dancing 9 - 1.

thursday

BACK POCKET/JOSHUA TREE - B-B-Q Chicken plus served 4 pm to dusk - \$2.50. 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 - .85 - from 8 pm to midnight.

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 - Open 3 pm to 1 am. Happy Hour 3 to 6 pm.

RUMORHAZZIT 2222 - Kegger 8 pm to 12 am .25 per glass. \$1.25 Well Drinks or Long Neck Domestic Beer & Munchies 1-7 pm. Video/disco dancing with David Ross 9-1.

friday

BACK POCKET/JOSHUA TREE - Shots of Schnapps \$1.00 each from open to closing. Bobby Jr. DJ's 9 p.m. to 1 a.m.

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

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 Juice \$1.75). Dancing 8 to 1.

RITA'S RENDEZVOUS - Open 3 pm to 1 am. Happy Hour 3 to 6 pm.

RUMORHAZZIT 2222 - \$1.25 Well drinks and Long Neck Domestic Beer plus Munchies 1-7 p.m. Video/Disco dancing 9-1 with David Ross.

saturday

BACK POCKET/JOSHUA TREE - "Picnic Party": Earvin and Becky entertain at the piano in the B/P during the afternoon, Hot Dogs and Hamburgers from the outdoor grill plus draft beer, 3 pm to dusk. Special drink prices. Bobby Jr. DJ's in J/T 9 pm to 1 am.

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

GRADUATE - Drink Specials until closing.

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 - Open 3 pm to 1 am. Happy Hour 3 to 6 pm.

RUMORHAZZIT 2222 - Corona Nite 8 pm - 12. Open Noon till 1 am. Video/Disco dancing with David Ross 9pm - close.

sunday

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

COLETTE'S WEST - "Wine Down Nite" .75 Wine 8 pm to Midnight. Movie Nite at 7 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 (7). Dance 8pm-1am

RITA'S RENDEZVOUS - Closed on Sundays.

RUMORHAZZIT 2222 - Open Noon to 1 am. Brunch served 12:30 to 3:30 pm. \$3.00 per plate. Screwdrivers and Bloody Marys \$1.25 during brunch hours. Video/Disco Dancing 9-1

monday

BACK POCKET/JOSHUA TREE - Bud canned beer .75 - 9 pm to 1 am. "Bowlers Special Night" 1/2 price on Well drinks for J/T Bowling Leaguers. Dave Pierson DJ's 9 pm to 1 am.

COLETTE'S WEST - Check for daily sandwich special. .50 hot dogs and .25 draft. All Well \$1.89 from 8 pm to Midnight. Monday Night Football on our big screen.

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 juice \$1.25), Long Neck Beer (non-premium) \$1.25, 5:30 to 1 am "Moose Madness".

RITA'S RENDEZVOUS - Open 3 pm to 1 am. Happy Hour 3 to 6 pm.

RUMORHAZZIT 2222 - 4 to 7 pm Well drinks or domestic long neck beer \$1.25, munchies. Video/disco dancing 9 - 1 with Gavin

tuesday

BACK POCKET/JOSHUA TREE - "Spuds McKenzie Nite" Bud Lite Long Necks \$1 plus \$1.50 Well Drinks from 9 pm to 1 am Bobby Jr. DJ's in J/T beginning at 9 pm.

COLETTE'S WEST - Check for daily sandwich special. "Sudserize!" .40 draft beer from 8:00 until midnight. Alternative listening and dancing music from 60s - 70s and early 80s from 7 to 11.

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, "Trashy Tuesday" show begins at 4 p.m. 5:30 to 1 am "Moose Madness".

RITA'S RENDEZVOUS - Open 3 pm to 1 am. Happy Hour 3 to 6 pm.

RUMORHAZZIT 2222 - Well drinks or domestic long necks \$1.25, munchies 1-7 pm. Video/disco Dancing 9-1 with David Ross.



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CORNERSTONE FELLOWSHIP is a loving Christian church where YOU are welcome. Sunday worship services are at 10:30 a.m. Wednesday Bible Study is at 7:00 p.m. Our caring staff is on duty Tuesday through Friday 7-9 p.m. and at other times by appointment. Call 881-3519 or stop by at 3333 E. Grant Road, Next to O'Reilly Leasing.

ANYONE INTERESTED IN JOINING A SUPPORT GROUP for Parents and Friends of Lesbians and Gays, please contact Herb at 327-8519 or Sean, P.O. Box 26394, Tucson, Arizona 85726. All information is strictly confidential.

ROOMMATE REFERRAL OF TUCSON
Men and women both welcome. NO FEE. Call Bill James 622-3808 in Tucson.

GAY INFORMATION AND REFERRAL IN TUCSON
Call Information and Referral 881-1794

TUCSON AIDS PROJECT (TAP), 151 S. Tucson Blvd., Suite 252 (The Broadroom). Services for people with AIDS/ARC or HIV; community education. Monthly public meetings. Volunteers welcome. 326-AIDS (Hotline) or 322-6226 (Administration).

ARE YOU GAY OR LESBIAN and someone else's drinking is getting to you? Call Information and Referral about Gay Al-Anon 881-1794 in Tucson.

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.

TUCSON WOMEN'S POTLUCK
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SHANTI FOUNDATION OF TUCSON
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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.

TUCSON LESBIAN/GAY YOUTH GROUP is now sponsored by Matrix Community Services/Amity Incorporated and meets at the following locations: Wednesdays 6 to 9 p.m. at 1030 N. 4th Ave. 884-7413 (Matrix) and on Saturdays 3 to 5 p.m. at 420 S. Main, 792-0204 (La Pilita). For more information call Wayne Blankenship at 882-4009.

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