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COMMUNITY AWARDS OF TUCSON FINALISTS

TUCSON — Various businesses, individuals, organizations and clubs will receive awards at The OBSERVER/Community Benefit on Saturday, March 26. These names have been chosen from nomination ballots submitted by members of the entire Tucson Gay community. The top five, in each category appears below.

The final Committee meeting for voting on the 1988 C.A.T. — Community Awards of Tucson, was held on Wednesday, March 16 at Colette's. This final selection committee consisted of some 28 members made up of persons from every sector of the community.

The top five in each of several categories had been compiled from the nomination ballots, and winners will be awarded certificates at the OBSERVER/Community Benefit on Saturday, March 26. Each vote from the select committee was by secret ballot and the winners known only to Bob Ellis until they are announced at the Americana Hotel on March 26.

The following is a list of the select committee members and their representatives:

Back Pocket/Joshua Tree, (bar)
Bob Bishop
Books Brothers, Ltd. (business),
Michael Beimbach
Casas Adobes Florist, (business)
Rick Crause
Colette's West, (bar)
Colette Barajas
Cornerstone Fellowship, (religious)
David Cooper

Desert Leathermen, (club),
Stan Phalp
Graduate, (bar)
Roger Barger
Great Outdoors, (club)
Ed Nolochek
I-10 Bookstore, (business)
Joe Hilt
IBT's - (bar)
Mark Elenz
M.C.C./Tucson (religious)
Rev. Ed Perry
Observer, (business)
Bob Ellis
P.W.A. Coalition (service org.)
Gregg
Partners, (club)
Gary L'Abbe
Rita's, (bar)
Thom Swanson
Rumor Hazzit (bar)
Peter Sittig
Shanti Foundation (service org.)
Bobby Harris
Sisters of Sonora, (club)
Mike Uolla
T.A.L.L., (club)
Glen Durbin
T-Squares, (club)
Maxine Smitherman
T.L.G.A., (service organization)
Terry Miller
T.A.P. - (service organization)
Tucson Knight Owls, (club)
Tommy Marlin
Freddie Carillo -
Community-At-Large
Ben Corbin - Community-At-Large
Doc Rayes - Community-At-Large
Bert Hoop - Community-At-Large
Jackie West - Community-At-Large

In addition, there will also be Special Merit Awards presented to individuals, organizations, groups and businesses as voted on

by this select committee and these will be announced at the Benefit Dinner on March 26 also.

The following are the finalists on the Official Ballot of the Community Awards of Tucson who are being judged for their community service. There will be only one winner in each category (except in cases of a tie, when duplicate certificates will be awarded).

BEST DOOR PERSON OR SECURITY
Bobby P., Joshua Tree/Back Pocket
Brandy, Colette's
Freddie - Graduate
Lindsay, Colette's
Mike B., IBT's

BEST DAYTIME BARTENDER - MALE
Bill - Graduate
Bucky - Rumor Hazzit
Tony - Back Pocket
Kenny - Graduate
Teno - IBT's

BEST DAYTIME BARTENDER - FEMALE
Colette, Colette's West
Natalie - Colette's
Pattie - Colette's
Sandy - IBT's
Sue - Colette's

BEST NIGHT BARTENDER - FEMALE
Beverly - Colette's
Gordon - Rumor Hazzit ??
Sally - Joshua Tree
Sandy - IBT's
Sue - Colette's

BEST NIGHT BARTENDER - MALE
Danny - IBT's
Gordon - Rumor Hazzit
Reno - Rumor Hazzit
Roger - Graduate
Scottie - Back Pocket/Joshua Tree

HAPPY HOUR - BEST BAR
Back Pocket
Colette's
Graduate
IBT's
Rumor Hazzit

BEST DANCE BAR
Colette's
IBT's
Joshua Tree
Rita's
Rumor Hazzit

BEST DISC JOCKEY - MALE
Clint - IBT's
Bobby Jr. - Joshua Tree
David - Joshua Tree
Randy - Rumor Hazzit
Rubin - Rumor Hazzit

BEST DISC JOCKEY - FEMALE
Jamie - Colette's
Laura - Colette's
Norma - Colette's
Teresa - Colette's
Yvonne - Colette's

BEST OVERALL ENTERTAINMENT BAR
Back Pocket/Joshua Tree
Colette's
Graduate
IBT's
Rumor Hazzit

BEST BAR MANAGER
Bobby Jr. - Back Pocket/Joshua Tree
Beverly - Colette's
Jim - IBT's
Peter - Rumor Hazzit
Roger - Graduate

BEST GO-FER, JUMPER-INNER
Esther - Colette's
Jack - IBT's
Kenny - Graduate
Patrick - IBT's
Tyrone - Rumor Hazzit

High risk behavior continues in many cities

WASHINGTON — Although dramatic changes in sexual behavior have occurred among homosexual men in some cities with a high prevalence of AIDS, high-risk behavior persists in other cities and in areas with a low incidence of the disease, a report said.

The report, a draft of which was obtained by the Los Angeles Times, concluded that high-risk behavior among Gay men is least common in San Francisco, as the likely result of "community organization and intervention." But in other cities — including New York, which has the highest number of AIDS cases in the nation — "there could be quite a bit of high-risk behavior still going on," said the study's author, Thomas J. Coates, co-director of the University of California at San Francisco's Center for AIDS Prevention Studies.

As of Monday, March 7, a total of 55,167 Americans had contracted AIDS. Of those, 30,932 already have died of AIDS. An estimated 1.5 million Americans have been exposed to the AIDS virus.

The study, funded by Congress' Office of Technology Assessment and expected to be released in June, examined data on sexual behavior changes among homosexuals from a dozen studies conducted in San Francisco, Los Angeles, New York and other cities.

The report called the changes in cities such as San Francisco "impressive and important," but said that "considerable proportions of Gay men in these studies, especially from areas not at the epicenter of the epidemic, continue to engage in high-risk behavior."

Coates said that five years ago, 55 percent of San Francisco's homosexual men were practicing high-risk behavior, but that the figure since has dropped to between 6 percent and 12 percent. "That's a fairly dramatic change, but the data from other cities, including New York, indicate that the changes there haven't been nearly as dramatic," he said.

For example, the report said, one New York study indicated that in 1986, homosexual men had reduced the numbers of their male sexual partners and the incidents of anal intercourse by more than 70 percent, while a second New York study the same year reported only an 18 percent reduction in the percentage of people who had multiple male sexual partners.

The report said that data from other studies "raise serious concerns" about continued levels of high-risk behavior. For example, the report said, one study showed that "the mean number of partners with whom the average male homosexual had engaged in un-

protected anal intercourse in Los Angeles in 1986 was 1.6, compared with 1.0 in San Francisco.

Other examples cited in the report said that study participants in Mississippi "reported a mean of 19.7 partners with whom they had practiced unprotected anal intercourse" during the last year, and that 70 percent of the men at New Mexico's clinics for sexually transmitted diseases had said they had indulged in unprotected anal intercourse during the last year.

Impersonators sought for national tour

TUCSON — Prism Productions will be holding auditions for female impersonators and male performers who can lip sync and dance, to join a company that will eventually tour across the country. The production will be a Las Vegas revue-type and will be professionally designed, choreographed, produced and directed.

Already there has been a lot of interest shown for the touring company. The audition will be held on Sunday, March 20 at Teatro Chicano, 308 E. Congress at 6:30 p.m. For more information call Prism Productions, 889-7298 in Tucson.

Log Cabin Club meets March 22

PHOENIX — The March meeting of the Log Cabin Club will be held at 7:00, Tuesday, March 22 in the social room of Casa de Cristo MCC, 1029 E. Turney Ave, Phoenix. The Log Cabin Club is an association of Republicans concerned about the rights of Gay men and Lesbians. Everyone is welcome to attend the meeting.

This will be the second regular meeting of the club since its organization last December. The meeting will be informal, giving members and guests an opportunity to get to know one another. The business agenda will include the adoption of bylaws, the acceptance of members and the election of officers for the remainder of 1988.

Because this will be the first meeting at which the club will have bylaws, persons who join the club now will become Charter Members. Anyone who is a registered Republican voter in Arizona may become a regular voting member of the Log Cabin Club. Everyone else may become an associate member. Dues are \$20 annually or \$10 semi-annually.

Special invitations have been extended to the two Republicans who appear to be serious candidates in the upcoming recall election to speak briefly at the start of the meeting.

UPDATE

WOMEN HELPING WOMEN PROGRAM

TUCSON - The Women Helping Women Program, sponsored by the YWCA has a counseling program that can help women find answers to career changes and job hunting techniques as well as legal and financial matters.

The Career Counseling Program with fully accredited professional counselors who are qualified to advise about the job market today. They can assess your skills, give you ideas on how to present them to your best advantage, show you job-hunting techniques and give you the knowledge and direction that will save you time and energy.

Every Monday evening from 5:30 until 7:00 p.m., counseling sessions are held at 738 North Fifth Avenue. These are by appointment only. They are half hour individual sessions - not group sessions. There is a nominal charge of \$5.00 for the half hour appointment.

There is also counseling in legal and financial matters. The financial advisors are financial planning experts with offices in Tucson. The legal advisors are practicing women attorneys of Tucson. The charge for financial appointments are \$5.00, the legal counseling is \$10. These are also by appointment only.

For more information or to make an appointment call the YWCA at 884-7810 or call Winnifred Wallace at 296-1285.

PORN STAR DIES, REPORTEDLY OF AIDS
LOS ANGELES, CA (AP) - Pornographic film actor John Holmes, who made hundreds of sexually explicit films during a career spanning two decades, has died. He was 43 years old and reportedly had AIDS.

Holmes, a leading sex film actor of the 1970s and early '80s, died last Saturday night, March 12 at the Veterans Administration Medical Center in Sepulveda.

AIDS BENEFIT RAISES \$2 MILLION
MIAMI BEACH, FL (AP) - A star-studded AIDS benefit led by Elizabeth Taylor raised \$2 million for education and research.

Among those helping Taylor were celebrities Brooke Shields, Maralee Matlin, Margaux Heningway, Zsa Zsa Gabor, Ed Asner, Matt Dillon, Eddie Albert and Lynn Redgrave.

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L.A. GAY RODEO MARCH 25-27

LOS ANGELES, CA - Personnel has been selected for the fourth annual Los Angeles Gay Rodeo which is hosted by the Los Angeles Chapter of the Golden State Gay Rodeo Association (G.S.G.R.A.). The Los Angeles Gay Rodeo is the largest Gay rodeo in the country, attracting over two hundred contestants, and 12,000 spectators from all over the United States and Canada. In addition, 350 performers participate in the Country Dance Festival at the Rodeo Grounds. This year, the Rodeo will be held the weekend of March 25-27, at the Los Angeles Equestrian Center.

Al Bell has been selected as this year's Rodeo Director. Bell is a founding member of both G.S.G.R.A. and The International Gay Rodeo Association (I.G.R.A.). Assistant Rodeo Director will be Mark Marshall, a founding member and former president of the New Mexico Gay Rodeo Association.

ARIZONA WOMEN'S CAUCUS FOR ART

EXHIBIT '88, MARCH 23
PHOENIX - The opening reception for "Rhythm and Blues" the 1988 Arizona Women's Caucus for Art (AWCA) juried art show will be held Wednesday, March 23 from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. with a performance piece by Marti Otten entitled "Venus in Blue Jeans: Persephone Revisited." The exhibit takes place at the Kerr Cultural Center.

The competition is open to members of the AWCA and will be juried by Ka Graves, painter, sculptor and art educator and Agnese Udinotti, painter, sculptor and owner of Udinotti Galleries in Scottsdale and San Francisco.

The show will continue through April 24. Exhibit hours are Monday thru Friday, 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Saturday noon to 5:00 p.m. and during all Kerr Cultural Center Performances. For more information call 926-KERR.

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SOME U.S., FOREIGN CONDOMS FAIL TESTS

ATLANTA, GA (AP) - Twelve percent of U.S.-made condoms and 21 percent of foreign-made condoms failed in recent testing, federal researchers said. The prophylactics have been advocated as a means of slowing the spread of AIDS.

Officials of the Atlanta-based national Centers for Disease Control said that as of February, the U.S. Food and Drug Administration had tested samples from 430 batches of condoms. Of those, 165 batches had been manufactured in the United States, and 265 had been manufactured abroad.

The FDA reported previously that as many as one in five batches of latex condoms it tested failed to meet federal standards.

The FDA rejects a batch of condoms if more than 4 per 1,000 fail in water-leakage tests. If two or more batches from a foreign manufacturer fail, future shipments from that maker are stopped at their port of entry into the United States.

The CDC said condoms can help prevent sexually transmitted diseases, but that they don't always work. Lab tests have shown that latex condoms are effective barriers to the spread of AIDS, hepatitis B, gonorrhea, chlamydia and other sexually transmitted diseases. However, breakage or other mishaps during use can negate their disease-fighting effectiveness.

WESTERN STATES CONFERENCE

A SUCCESS

PASADENA, CA - The Western States Lesbian and Gay Students United (WSLSU) held its seventh annual conference at Cal Poly, San Luis Obispo in mid-February. There were approximately 150 representatives from 25 campuses in California, Oregon, Washington, Arizona and Nevada.

In keeping with the theme, "Sharing Our Identity," workshops were conducted under such titles as "Gay Politics and Politicians," "Being In or Being Out," and "Gay People of Color." Among the other concerns were the issues of media coverage, campus organizations, alcoholism, religion, and AIDS. Overall, more than thirty areas of Lesbian and Gay concerns were addressed.

Next year's conference will be hosted by the California State University at Fresno. WSLSU provides a network through which members of campus communities can share knowledge and experience in dealing with issues and concerns of Lesbian and Gay students. For more information contact Denise Be Cotte at (818) 791-9096, or Marilyn Yawnick at (209) 632-9436.

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Observer/Community Benefit scheduled March 26

TUCSON, Ariz. - Desert Leathermen's presentation of the Third Annual OBSERVER/Community Benefit is scheduled for Saturday, March 26. Always one of the big fundraisers of the year, this year's extravaganza is growing day by day and promises to be one of the biggest events the Gay community of Tucson has seen in some years.

This year the benefit has been moved in order to expand because of crowding in past years. This year's benefit will be held in the Ballroom of the Americana Hotel, 1601 N. Oracle Road. There are over 4,000 square feet of space, more than double last year's accommodations. There will be two wet bars with reasonably priced beverages for your enjoyment, a large dance floor, and a stage centrally located in the room that affords good viewing from almost anywhere in the room.

Presented annually by the Desert Leathermen of Tucson, this year's OBSERVER/Community Benefit co-beneficiary is the Shanti Foundation of Tucson.

Doors open at 5:00 p.m. with a cocktail hour until 6:30 p.m. Cocktails will be served throughout the evening. Dinner will be served from 6:30 until 7:15 p.m. It will consist of Fresh Fruit Salad; Fresh Tossed Garden Salad; Potato Au Gratin; Green Beans Almondine; Steamship Round of Beef; Baked Chicken and Chocolate Cake.

Tickets for the entire evening, including dinner, are \$12.50 each. General Admission Tickets, not including dinner, are \$4.00. There will be no reserved seating with the exception of tables of ten for dinner. These reserved tables of ten must have their dinner tickets purchased in

advance.

Immediately following dinner Mr. Mark Elenz will be put on the spot by being 'roasted' by many of his 'friends'. Mark, owner of IBM's, has been an outstanding supporter of the Tucson Gay community, and it is fitting that he be given this 'honor'.

From 8:00 until 9:00 p.m., there will be the presentation of the First Annual C.A.T. Awards (Community Awards of Tucson). This is the first year for these awards. See separate story elsewhere in this issue.

In addition, the OBSERVER staff will be introduced and the yearly TOGA Awards (Tucson Observer Gay Appreciation) awards will be presented.

Following the awards ceremonies, there will be an all-star show from 9:00 until 10:30 p.m.

The show, "A Tribute To Broadway," will include Miss Gay Arizona, Penelope; Miss Gay Phoenix, Lady Cassandra, plus a large cast of well known performers. The entire show list will be published next week.

Broadway shows to be headlined include, Hello Dolly; Brown Sugar; Gypsy; Funny Girl; Phantom of the Opera and Chorus Line.

The evening is scheduled to be over between 10:30 and 11:00 p.m. allowing those members of the audience to retire to their favorite Saturday night partying spots.

The OBSERVER/Community Benefit is one of the largest fundraisers of the year and is important because of the participation of all clubs, businesses and organizations in the city of Tucson as well as many from the Phoenix community. Community members act as

volunteer waiters, bartenders, door persons, security, etc. It is a real Tucson team effort, and it benefits two important organizations in this city.

Bars and businesses donate many things for the evening which keeps the cost down and allows for a larger net to be donated to the recipients.

In addition, there will be various prizes raffled off throughout the evening and there will be door prizes also.

It is an evening not to be missed. Dress is informal, but you can make it dressy if you wish. The main thing is to come and enjoy and participate in a real 'happening' in the Tucson Gay community.

TALK SHOW HOST LOSES COAT
SEACOAST, N.J. (UPI) - Hot words between a talk show host and guest have led to assault charges against the host, Sean Morton Downey Jr. The New York Times reports that AIDS educator Andrew Bumm had been asked to appear on the show as a representative of the Coalition for Lesbian and Gay Rights.

According to Bumm, Downey "went out of control" during a discussion of homosexuality and Catholicism and made "a vile statement presuming that because I was Gay I had AIDS." Bumm responded with an obscenity. "And then Downey said, 'You can't say that on my show,' and hit me across the chin with the back of his hand," reported Bumm.

A conviction for simple assault may lead to a maximum sentence of six months in jail and a \$1000 fine.

CORNERSTONE FELLOWSHIP

SPRING CALENDAR OF ACTIVITIES

3 / 27	10:30 a.m.	Palm Sunday Celebration
4 / 1	7:00 a.m.	Good Friday Observance
4 / 3	6:00 a.m.	Easter Sunrise Service (Ft. Lowell Park, Ramada #5)
	8:00 a.m.	Potluck Breakfast
	10:30 a.m.	Easter Sunday Celebration

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Lights of Tucson

by Michael - Tucson

LIBRA
The First Quarter Moon for the Aries period will occur at 9:42 p.m. on March 24. (Tucson time) and may be a difficult week for Tucsonans since Scorpio is on the Ascendant and the Square here is from the Sun/5th to Moon/8th and ending of some kind.

TAURUS
6th House: Health and work are the key words for Aries this week, although the Sun is still in the 5th House indicating some luck will be available, or a new romance.

TAURUS
7th House: Venus is in this house in her own sign, so this will be the week that either your love life, or business expands with Jupiter also in the sign.

GEMINI
8th House: Lucky Gemini an almost uneventful week for you except a bad letter from home or a parent.

CANCER
9th House: If you are going to take that long-awaited trip, be sure to get a thorough check up on your vehicle and drive with great care. Mechanical failure could occur.

LEO
10th House: Well here you are in the limelight again. Public attention will be showered on you this week if you have done the least little thing to deserve it.

VIRGO
11th House: Friendship is up the fore this week. All those wishes, hopes and dreams you wanted but could not get by yourself will be yours with the help of friends.

SCORPIO
12th House: Now is the time your great diplomatic ability will really help someone in hospital, asylum or prison. But if you have been underhanded, you may find yourself an inmate.

CAPRICORN
1st House: Yea, this is your week Scorpio. Let it all hang out. Express your deepest feelings now and receive the kind of response you have always wanted from that one and only you desire so much.

SAGITTARIUS
2nd House: Now is your chance to make a few bucks, and you can take that either way according to your whim, but it will be a profitable week for you.

MOON
4th House: Great time for some home improvement. A new stereo or a musical instrument will add to your home enjoyment this week.

PISCES
5th House: You could be lucky this week or have a new romance, or even go out for a night on the town. Take some kids to a ball game. Enjoy yourself, Pisces, you are in a period of grace. Good luck and a healthy rip-off of the week ahead.

Gay/Lesbian 'War Conference' held amid controversy

by Elizabeth Pincus

WASHINGTON, DC (GO) - A conference that gathered a "select group" of Lesbian and Gay leaders from around the U.S. to examine the state of the Lesbian/Gay movement was criticized by participants and observers for perpetuating racism. Others praised the event, which took place Feb. 26 to 28 at a conference center in Virginia, for providing a forum for prominent activists to meet and strategize.

The War Conference, tagged as such by organizers claiming "they're making war against us," was open to participation by invitation only - another circumstance that led critics to wonder just what, and who, was behind the conference.

"A commitment to being inclusive was ignored," said War Conference attendant Pat Norman, a Black Lesbian activist from San Francisco and national co-chair of the March on Washington for Lesbian and Gay Rights. "People of color are tired of having to deal with racism constantly... we already have to deal with homophobia at every turn."

According to Norman and a bevy of other participants, only about ten people of color were present at the conference of about 200 people. Critics said they believe few people of color were invited, and that some who were may have declined to attend because of racist conference planning. "To call it 'a very white event' would be the understatement of the year," said David Barr, staff attorney for New York's Lambda Legal Defense and Education fund.

Women were also underrepresented at the meeting, which cost at least \$200 plus travel expenses to attend. Approximately 50 to 60 Lesbians participated. Conference organizers acknowledged that the process of distributing invitations was random and hurried, motivated by urgency in light of increasing homophobic backlash against Lesbians and Gay men.

For example, they cited the passage by Congress of the Helms' amendment limiting funds for AIDS education which "kicked [the movement] in the gut" last fall just a few days after the March on Washington.

A statement of purpose included with the War Conference invitation read, "... the choice today - the choice in midst of the war which is being inflicted upon us - is a choice between being arbitrary and imperfect but doing something.

"We recognize that the 200 people we are asking to attend this conference will only crudely represent the breadth and depth and strength of Gay America. ... We recognize that the list we have assembled is arbitrary and faulted. It is neither comprehensively nor proportionately representative. It is not necessarily even half male and half female..."

Conference organizer Michael Shower maintains the weekend provided an open environment for exchange of ideas, and that participants experienced an "overwhelming sense of cooperation." He explained the idea for organizing a national Lesbian and Gay strategy meeting arose at a Human Rights Campaign Fund Dinner last fall in New York City. According to Shower, an ad hoc group of individuals responded to rhetorics that were mentioned about a "war" against "us" and met to begin planning a coordinated fight. They hoped to work toward building a stronger movement. An immediate round of "invitations" to the War Conference went out in mid-December.

"Those of us in the group dumped our roledexes in a pile," Shower said, "and invited people we knew were activists at a community or national level. We made a relatively good faith effort to bring people in. I recognize and appreciate the concerns of people of color, but I have to disagree with any allegation that this conference was exclusionary."

A second round of invitations was mailed in early February to other Lesbians and Gay men whose name surfaced for consideration. Conference critics charge that most people of color were solicited in these final weeks....

Charles Stewart, acting chief of staff for state Senator Diane Watson (D-Los Angeles) and chairs the California Black Legislative Caucus created a stir at the conference by reading a statement of dissent. In his "minority report" he said the Anglo Lesbian/Gay leadership made it clear that inclusion of people of color was not a priority. Stewart also said that because his concerns were peripheralized, he could not maintain primary allegiance to the Lesbian/Gay movement, and that the movement could not expect to rely on people of color in its struggle given the ongoing pattern of disregard.

"I'm torn between the allegiance of my people and of my heart," Stewart told GO. "Our agendas overlap, but people at the conference made it clear where they stand - the conference was a microcosm of the pattern of neglecting concerns of people of color."

Stewart described the War Conference as worthwhile nonetheless. "Slap me on the face," he said, "and I'll still get on with the work. I got a lot out of the conference.... The chief benefits were getting to know active people and focusing our mental energies for two and a half days. People left thinking along the same lines."

According to Stewart, the specific resolutions adopted at the conference were excellent. He said, however, he feared that people not invited to participate may resent the proposals. He also pointed out that no specific implementing body was formed to ensure that ideas are enacted.

The conference made a ringing, eloquent statement about the nature of what we're facing, what the New Right is doing to us," said participant Jay Deacon, director of the Office of Lesbian and Gay Concerns for the Unitarian/Universalist Church in Boston. "However, I'd feel better if I were clearer about what happens next. Some stuff - like strategies for civil disobedience and boycotts - fell through the cracks. To my mind, the closing statement didn't say anything."

Urvashi Vaid, director of public information for the National Gay and Lesbian Task Force (NGLTF), also expressed hope for more concrete ideas. "I would've liked to have seen the planning of one united, direct action," she said. "That can be an effective empowerment tool. But we need to be fighting on many fronts, with a multiplicity of visions."

One conference plan that seemed to garner broad enthusiasm among participants was the establishment of a "National Coming Out Day" to occur annually on Oct. 11 to commemorate the March on Washington. Most participants agreed that closets remain one of the key obstacles to Lesbian and Gay freedom.

Other specific recommendations that emerged from the War Conference include the development of an emergency response network and a coordinated national training and education center for activists in the Lesbian and Gay movement. A consensus statement describing War Conference resolutions is now being finalized for distribution among the Gay and non-Gay press.

"The conference was an incredibly moving experience," said key organizer Howard Katz. "Despite our different agendas, we came to a common agreement. We can't speak for everyone in the community, but ultimately it was a success. We learned our outreach wasn't good enough - people of color must be intimately involved from the beginning. But we'll do better next time."

Vaid described the War Conference as an effective retreat of motivated and involved people. "Frankly," she said, "it was a chance to get away and breathe and talk politics."

Fiesta de Mayo

TUCSON - The Third Annual Fiesta de Mayo will take place Friday, Saturday and Sunday, May 6, 7 and 8 at the Joshua Tree/Back Pocket. This celebration is the Lesbian/Gay version of the Mexican holiday Cinco de Mayo. The Fiesta is the major fundraiser for the Tucson Lesbian/Gay Alliance (TLGA) to pay for the expenses of Pride Week each year.

As usual, candidates will compete for King and Queen of the Fiesta by obtaining votes. One vote equals one dollar. The candidate couple with the most votes (dollars on hand at the time of the final counting - no IOU's) wins. The winning couple reigns over this year's Pride Week activities. Queen Minerva and King Juan, winners of last year's Fiesta contest will reign over this year's Fiesta de Mayo.

In the voting last year, more than \$3,000 was raised by the various candidates which covered the Pride Week expenses, without having to go to businesses and organizations to help pay for the expenses of the weeklong events. The Pride Week Picnic alone costs over \$1,000 to produce - and was attended by nearly 3,000 people last year.

King and Queen candidates are now urged to register at the Back Pocket by the deadline of midnight, Wednesday, March 30. The candidate couples will then have the entire month of April up until the final vote is tallied on May 8 at 10:00 p.m., to gather votes.

Another aspect of Fiesta de Mayo is the party atmosphere at the Joshua Tree with nightly entertainment and the various food, game and crafts booths open each afternoon and evening. Organizations, clubs and individuals are encouraged to set up a booth for the Fiesta. These can be used as fund-raising booths for your organization. There will be over this year for only 12 booths, so those interested in setting up a booth need to register at the Back Pocket or call Jack Stockslager at 293-3515 by May 1st. This year there will be no charge for booths, and booths will be assigned on a first-come basis.

Registration for candidates and booths space is accomplished by leaving your name (organization, club, etc.) address and phone number at JT/BP or by calling the above phone number.

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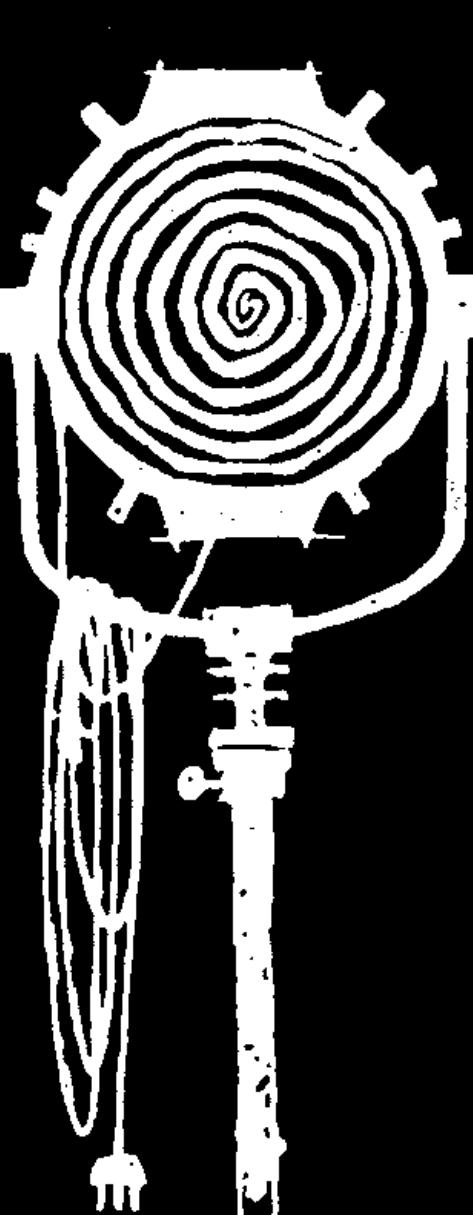
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Legislative Alert On S.1220

WASHINGTON, DC - The most comprehensive legislation dealing with AIDS is expected to move on the Senate floor this week and so is Jesse Helms. Sponsored by Senator Edward Kennedy (D-MA), S.1220 amends the Public Health Service Act to provide for a comprehensive program of education, information, risk reduction, training, prevention, treatment, care and research concerning AIDS.

Preliminary vote counts indicate widespread support for such a comprehensive bill. However, when it comes to counting votes on damaging and restrictive amendments - such as amendments we are likely to see from Jesse Helms - support falls off dramatically. There is particular concern about amendments trying to restrict the content of AIDS education materials and mandate HIV testing in certain settings.

The bill was reported favorably out of the Committee on Labor and Human Resources with unanimous support. Senator Kennedy is joined by the following co-sponsors: Cranston (D-CA); Mikulski (D-MD); Dodd (D-CT); Metzenbaum (D-OH); Pell (D-RI); Simon (D-IL); Harkin (D-IA); Inouye (D-HI); Matsunaga (D-HI); Burdick (D-ND); Hatch (R-UT); Thurmond (R-SC); Stafford (D-NC); Weicker (R-CT); Cochran (R-MS); and Kerry (D-MA).

Letters, phone calls and mailgrams to Senate offices are needed immediately in the next two - three weeks. The message to Senators should be: Vote for S.1220 without restrictive amendments! Oppose efforts to restrict the content of AIDS education programs or impose mandatory testing!

Letters to Senators can be addressed to: The Honorable _____, Washington, DC 20510. See the advertisement on this page on how to send mailgrams and other information on the dangerous amendments that threaten S.1220. Act now!

The Human Rights Campaign Fund (HRCF) is asking members of the Gay community across the country to personally lobby their Senators for passage, without hostile amendments, of the Federal AIDS Research, Information and Care Act - S.1220.

The Campaign Fund, the national political action committee of the Lesbian and Gay community, is launching an advertising campaign from coast to coast, to run in Gay community newspapers from coast to coast. The ad headline reads, "Jesse Helms is prepared to sabotage the nation's first AIDS research and education bill."

"This is our chance - the chance each one of us has - to stop Senator Helms and his cohorts from crippling the best, most responsible piece of federal legislation on AIDS that we have ever seen in this country," said Vic Basile, Campaign Fund executive director.

S.1220 at long last declares AIDS to be the public health emergency that it is. The legislation would enable AIDS education grants to be awarded to community-based organizations, allow the hiring of researchers at the Centers for Disease Control, the Food and Drug Administration and the National Institutes of Health, enable the launching of a national AIDS prevention campaign and hasten processing time for AIDS research proposals.

"Helms and his henchmen are willing to gamble that members of the Senate, in their zeal to realize these fine goals, may be willing to compromise essential civil rights issues," said Basile.

Sen. Helms is poised with amendments to allow food and health care workers to be fired,

to cancel health insurance policies, to require mandatory HIV testing and reporting, and to impose ridiculous criminal penalties for transmitting the AIDS virus, among other possibilities.

"We desperately need the bill, and we just as critically want to pass it free of destructive debris. Our Senators must understand we will hold them accountable for irresponsible votes," said Basile.

Each ad encourages readers to visit, call or write to express their constituent right to a full-powered, unencumbered Federal AIDS Research, Information and Care Act.

News from MCC Tucson

As the adage goes, "All's quiet on the Western Front" - so it seems with MCC/Tucson this week. But everything is in the preparation stage for the Easter Celebration. The choir is preparing a special Easter Anthem to be presented at the Morning Worship Service on Easter.

Rev. Perry, Rev. Nita and Rev. Bernardo are preparing special services for Palm Sunday, Maundy Thursday, Good Friday and Easter Sunday. There will be a Sunrise Service on Easter Morning, final plans will be made this Sunday, March 20th at the Administrative Council meeting.

MCC/Tucson is planning to be visibly present at the OBSERVER/Community Benefit on March 26th. This Benefit is presented annually by Desert Leathermen and they have asked MCC/Tucson to help. MCC/Tucson is proud and honored to have been asked to be a part of the community event.

Thought for the Week: Of the senses (such as taste, touch, sight, hearing, feeling, and smelling) which do you think you could give up if you had a choice?

LETTERS

EDITOR:

Livid. We all should be livid. Again.

Again a national newvoice has fueled the fires of hatred and bigotry through fear. It is inexcusable. 'Newsweek's' latest issue (Sex in the age of AIDS, March 14) does nothing but incite those who are looking for an excuse to "lock 'em all up and throw away the key". For the ramblings of the out-of-work, out-of-limelight and desperate-for-dollars-doctors - Masters & Johnson - another "source" for the fundamentalist to quote is out there in print. And to make certain no one missed this issue, 'Newsweek' placed full page ads in major dailies (NY Times, LA Times) touting their rag.

Livid?

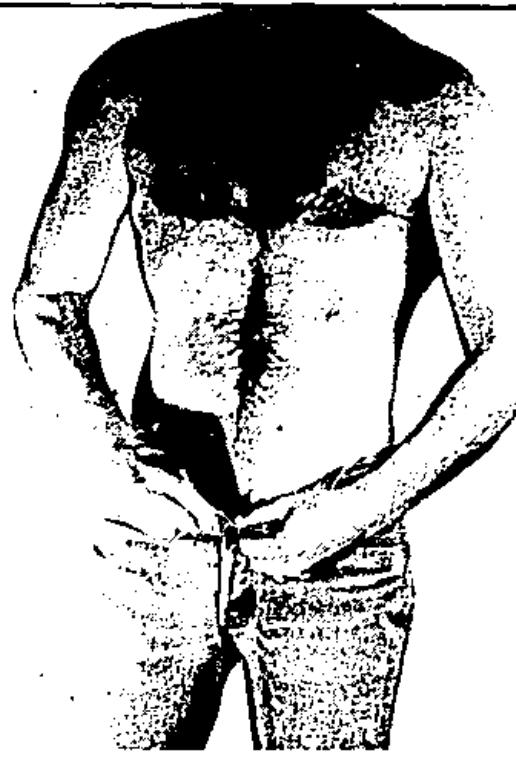
Let them know. It's time to tear out those Business Reply cards in every 'Newsweek' you can find (don't buy one!) and drop a note, at their expense. Make sure they know it's from "us".

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WHAT'S UP DOC?



To start this week off, I want to talk about the Community Awards of Tucson (C.A.T.). Depending on when Bob Ellis gets the call to pick up this week's Observer from the printer, sometime on March 16, everyone in town will be able to find out the five top nominations in each category. A complete listing of these can be found elsewhere in this issue. Now the only remaining function facing the C.A.T. Committee is the final voting on all the counted nominations submitted.

The Community-At-Large Committee (C.A.T. Awards) found last week in compiling the list of nominations, a very interesting variety in some of the different categories on the submitted nomination ballots. Some of the more humorous will be passed on at the OBSERVER/Community Benefit by Juicy Lucy.

This committee would like to thank all those who took time to fill out one of these, first-ever nomination ballots, nominating your favorite in each category. Also, from these ballots, a large number of Special Merit Awards has been compiled, which the full committee will be voting on Wednesday, March 16. We also wishes good luck to each of you in the different categories your peers have nominated you for. Make sure you attend Desert Leathermen's OBSERVER/Community Benefit, March 26, at 6:00 p.m. at the Americana Hotel.

This past Saturday found TRO at the Graduate for their monthly Beer Bust. As always, a good size beer drinking crowd was on hand and a lot of fun was had by all.

Now TRO is getting ready for their Annual Closet Ball. This Saturday, March 19, everyone will be at the Back Pocket outdoor stage area. Doors open at 7:00 p.m., with a \$5.00 per couple or \$3.00 single entry donation.

This year's version of the Closet Ball has two different categories - King and Queen. Prizes for the top winners will be \$100. Winners and pictures will appear in next week's issue of the Observer. The absolute deadline for contestants entry is 7:30 p.m. Saturday, March 19 the night of the Closet Ball. Applications are available at all the bars and in this paper if you want to enter earlier.

Judges will be picked from the audience the night of the Closet Ball.

Sunday found that happy bunch of performers from Partners giving Tucson's final presentation of "Gypsy". We, those on stage and all those supporting people in the background, thanks everyone who attended this showing and the complete management and staff at Rumor Buzzit.

Partners now is getting ready to carry this show to Phoenix for two showings. The first will be in the afternoon at the Dine Store and the second over at Stixx at 9:00 p.m. on Saturday, April 23. Watch this column for more details as they are worked out and this date draws closer.

I'll stop for this week and give you a chance to read more of the paper. Have a beautiful, loving week and I hope to see a large group of you at the TRO Closet Ball this Saturday, March 19 at the BP/JT.

Tickets for this year's DL OBSERVER/Community Benefit are in all the bars. From some of my conversations with Bert (DL), a fun-filled evening is planned and I highly recommend getting your tickets early and be on hand. Also being presented during this benefit will be the first Annual C.A.T. (Community Awards of Tucson). Check the posters around town for more details, and also DL's ad in this Observer.



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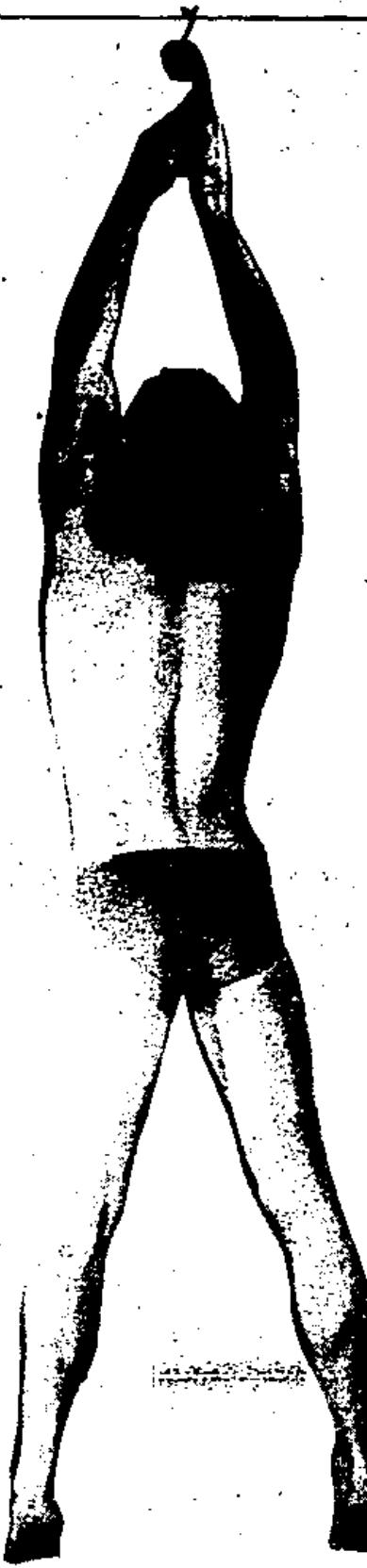
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VICTIM OF TECHNOLOGY

No sooner do I get cable installed in my house when I then suffer the worst of all bad things which can happen to a technological creature such as myself: A power outage.

It was a Wednesday like many other Wednesdays: I went to work at the magazine, came home, tuned in CNN-2 to watch the world news. I got on the phone, gabbed with a couple friends when (flicker-click) the lights went out. (We had been experiencing some rain earlier that day, and a new storm hit about an hour previously).

Suddenly, I am thrust into a world alien to me; no lights lit my room; that familiar green-tinted glow from my VCRs and my telephone/radio did not light my room. I grabbed my flashlight (which I keep handy next to my bed for just such occasions) and wandered around the rest of the house.

Nothing. No life. Only darkness.

Resigned to my (it was hoped, temporary) fate, I grabbed my current issue of "Insight" magazine, curled up in my recliner and began reading.

The lights flickered on. I managed to get up to my room just as they went out --again.

There I was --strapped in the blackness. I called APS, our electric company, and they told me it would be a couple hours. As I could do nothing else, I went to bed.

Every couple hours I awoke to blackness. Call after call revealed nothing other than, "It should be only another couple hours." She was nice, yes, the woman from APS; she could afford to be nice: she had power.

Finally --at 4:36 a.m., I saw that familiar flickering. On then off. On, then off. I looked, cheer filling my heart. Could it be? Yes! My VCRs were back on!

Oh, joy! Happiness! I set the timers on the VCRs --I didn't have to on my clock/radio which was equipped with a battery back-up for just such occasions. I then curled back under my blankets for three happy, comfortable, power-filled hours of sleep. A victim of technology no more.

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Juicy Lucy

I thought it was Spring time in this Old Pueblo. With this weather, I just don't know what to wear. Still, I was able to pick up a few items to pass on to you that only I find.

First off, I want to thank all of you that nominated me for a Special Merit Award in the up and coming C.A.T. Awards. After all the time I've been writing my column, you recognize top notch reporting.

Now let's read over some noticeable items I've come across in my travels.

Peter was at Rumor Razzit last Sunday with a whistle - he said that he needed something to blow on, and Roger has been gone only three days.

Terry announced that he has a new broken tooth - he is now known as an organ grinder.

Why was Kenny on the floor picking up all those blue tickets thrown away at the TNO Beer Bust? Did he think TNO was going to have another drawing - a stud for him?

Partners' gave their final performance, for Tucson, at Rumor Razzit last Sunday. Bucky now wants to do Gypsy Rose Lee's last number - look out Kip, you may have a stand-in when you go to Phoenix and Las Vegas.

While we're on the subject of "Gypsy", Ernie had his debut as Mr. Goldstone and Tug Boat Annie ran the show tape forward and cut out half of the number. Well, as they say, "That's show biz."

Have I been missing him or has he been avoiding me? I haven't seen Cowboy since I re-

viewed his number on top of the bar.

Who was that playing with Richard at the pool table the other day? And I don't mean his opponent.

I see that Hopi is now in his "Seventh Heaven", or is it his "Pac 10 Heaven?"

I understand that Kenny got edged out as a nominee for the C.A.T. awards as Best Night Bartender - Female. You can read the nominees in this weeks issue to find out who edged him out.

Well, I've got to get to work, sewing up my formal gown for my accepting of my award at the C.A.T. Awards. I promise I'll keep my acceptance speech short. So until then, be sweet and don't do anything I wouldn't, which leaves you a wide-open field.



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IT'S - St. Patrick's day is celebrated here with Dani's complimentary Irish Buffet and special show at 5:00 p.m.

JOSHUA TREE/BACK POCKET - Green Drink Specials here all day - Check their ad this issue.

RITA'S - A real Irish Corned Beef and Cabbage Buffet will be served here to honor St. Patrick and his special day. 4:00 to 8:00 p.m. \$2.50.

RUMOR HAZZIT - From 8 p.m. to 1 a.m. .50 Green Beer and if you wear green you can get your schnapps for only 50 cents!

FRIDAY, SATURDAY & SUNDAY, MARCH 18, 19 & 20

IT'S - Headquarters for the annual Spring Fourth Avenue Street Fair which is attended by thousands and thousands. Always a great place to meet and imbibe and cruise and enjoy the great spring weather. There will be shows on Saturday and Sunday featuring the return of the Tucson Trio - Candy Plastique, Aviva Diamond and Stephanie Price, with special guests Mr. Dani Reid, Penelope Poupe - the current Miss Gay Arizona and the current Miss Gay Phoenix, Lady Cassandra with Don Henkle. Showtimes both days is 3:00 p.m. A great show that is usually packed. Get there early and enjoy.

SATURDAY, MARCH 19
JOSHUA TREE/BACK POCKET - Tucson Knight Owls (TKO) Annual Closet Ball scheduled here. Applications printed in the Observer. Deadline for entering is 7:30 March 19. Gates to the outdoor stage open at 7:00 p.m., donation \$5 per couple or \$3 single. \$100 cash prize for the winning King and winning Queen of this years Closet Ball. Rules and more entry blanks available at all the bars. Come on and join the fun.

SUNDAY, MARCH 20
COLETTE'S - "IN MEMORY OF DIVINE" a big Benefit for MS - Multiple Sclerosis. "Lust In The Dust" and "Pink Flamingoes" will be shown beginning at 3:00 p.m. A "Divine" Look-a-like Contest will be judged at 8:30 with some great prizes donated by several local businesses. There is also the MS Ugly Bartender Event too! \$2.00 Cover with all proceeds going to MS. A real fun event and a very worthy cause.

FRIDAY, MARCH 25
COLETTE'S - Miss Odey will be singing and playing some great jazz and blues during happy hour and then: A Pre-Observer/Community Benefit show starring Miss Gay Arizona Penelope Poupe and Miss Gay Phoenix, Lady Cassandra plus guest stars to be announced.

JOSHUA TREE/BACK POCKET - A pre-Observer Benefit show "Frightening Friday" will begin at 7:30 p.m. Come on down and join the pre-benefit festivities.

SATURDAY, MARCH 26
3rd annual OBSERVER/COMMUNITY BENEFIT Dinner, Roast and show in the Ballroom at the Americana Hotel. Produced each year by the Desert Leathermen, this benefit is participated in by all local clubs, organizations and businesses. It is one of the big fundraisers of the year and this years co-beneficiary will be the Shanti Foundation/Tucson. The evening features dinner, dancing, a Roast of a Tucson personality, and a really big show with top entertainers from Tucson and Phoenix. Observer T.O.G.A. Awards and a new "Community Awards" will be presented also. Tickets on sale now at all bars in Tucson. Watch for much more information as this yearly Tucson benefit takes shape.

SUNDAY, MARCH 27
COLETTE'S - From Phoenix Valerie and Rochelle, who appear regularly at Incognito, will be playing and singing here from 4 to 8 p.m. There will also be a special appearance by Marta. \$2.00 Cover.

TUESDAY, MARCH 29
COLETTE'S - Women's Music Direct from San Francisco comes Mary Gemini. Mary is a composer, pianist, synthesist, vocalist, a multi-instrumentalist, a video artist and a lesbian who can tell a good joke or two. It all begins at 7:30. Ann English will follow with her own brand of vocalizing accompanied by her acoustic guitar. An unusual evening of women's music. Don't miss it.

FRIDAY, APRIL 1
COLETTE'S - Benefit Show for Anna who is entering the Miss Gay Tucson Contest coming up. Showtime is from 8:30 to 10:00 p.m. and there is a \$2.00 Cover to help defray costs of costumes to enter the Contest. Show features Jacqueline de Savoie and Tabitha Scott, the current Miss Gay Tucson. Dancing follows.

SUNDAY, APRIL 3 - EASTER SUNDAY
COLETTE'S - Big Easter Egg Hunt goes on from 3:00 p.m. to closing. Also special drink prices all day!

SUNDAY, APRIL 10
COLETTE'S - Back from a "Triumphant" European tour, Patti McCulla returns here and will be singing and playing after the Sunday movie from 9 p.m. to midnight.

SOFTBALL - Another afternoon of Softball in Himmel Park. These are fundraisers for the Shanti Foundation of Tucson. Beer and Hot Dogs will be available. In addition, this afternoon will feature Volleyball too! Come out and support the cause.

SPORTS



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TEAM	(LAST WEEK)	WON	LOST	PINS
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2. DOROTHY'S BOYS (4)	18	10	41280	
3. GREASE MONKEY'S (5)	18	10	41042	
4. THE DIRTY DOZEN (1)	17	11	42063	
5. THE STUDS (3)	16.5	11.5	41303	
6. HEADGAMES (6)	15.5	12.5	40951	
7. TWO HITS & 1 MISS (7)	14.5	13.5	40317	
8. THE VIRGINS (8)	12	16	40947	
9. LATE COMERS (11)	10	18	35456	
10. KILLER BEES (9)	9.5	18.5	40585	
11. KNOCK-EM-OVER (10)	9.5	18.5	33871	
12. ALLEYCATS (12)	7.5	20.5	36934	

TEAM HIGH GAME: HEADGAMES 729; THE DIRTY DOZEN 714

TEAM HIGH SERIES: DOROTHY'S BOYS 1992; THE DIRTY DOZEN 1946

HIGH SCRATCH GAME: RICK H. 256; DAVID C. 245

HIGH SCRATCH SERIES: JACK S. 645; MARK K. 628

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In last weeks column on softball, the wrong dates were given for the next two games in Himmel Park.

There will be two more softball benefit games for the Shanti Foundation of Tucson. They will be on Sunday, April 10 and April 24. Himmel Park, Field #1 is the location and the time will be 11:00 p.m. It is planned to have a volleyball game also for those who would rather watch or play that sport.

There will be beer and hot dogs available, with the proceeds going to Shanti. The weather is great and it is fun to get out in the park and either play or watch. And you are helping a very worthy organization. Mark your calendars for these two special Sunday afternoons in Himmel Park.

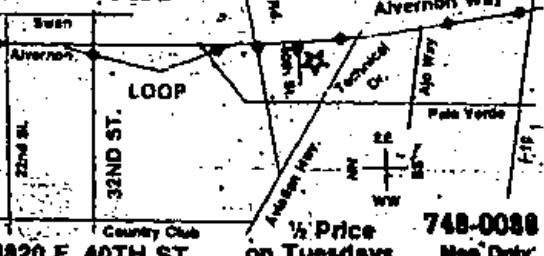


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THE TUCSON CALENDAR

wednesday

BACK POCKET/JOSHUA TREE - "Wednesday Madness" - From 2-8 pm Drink Special: Check the chalkboard. Draft Beer \$1.50 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) \$1.50. 5:30 to 1 am Draft Beer .50 and Schnapps .50 shot. Dance 8-1 am.

RITA'S RENDEZVOUS - Open 12 noon to 1 am. Happy Hour Noon to 6 pm.

RUMORHAZIT 2222 - "White Wednesday" 8 pm to midnight .99 White Well (with juice .25 extra). \$1.25 Well Drinks & Munchies 1-7 pm. Video/Disco Dancing 9-1 with Randy.

thursday

BACK POCKET/JOSHUA TREE - B-B-Q Chicken Dinner from 5:00 until 7:30 \$3.50 then \$1.25 Nite! All Wine Coolers, All Domestic Bottles Beer \$1.25 from 9 pm to 1 am. Dave Pierson DJ, 9 to 1 am.

COLETTE'S WEST - "Sudsersize!" .40 draft beer 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) \$1.50. 5:30 to 1 am All Well \$1.50 (with juice \$1.75). Dancing 8 to 1.

RITA'S RENDEZVOUS - Open 12 noon to 1 am. Happy Hour Noon to 6 pm.

RUMORHAZIT 2222 - Kegger!!! 8 pm to 12 am .25 per glass. Happy Hour \$1.25 Well, munchies 1-7 pm. Video/Disco dancing with Randy 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 to 6 pm Bloody Marys \$1.00. 6 pm to 1 am All Well \$1.50. Dance 8 to 1.

RITA'S RENDEZVOUS - Open 12 noon to 1 am. Happy Hour Noon to 6 pm.

RUMORHAZIT 2222 - Happy Hour 1-7 pm \$1.25 Well drinks plus Munchies 1-7 p.m. DJ/VJ Randy 9 to 1.

saturday

BACK POCKET/JOSHUA TREE - Drink Specials: Bobby Jr. DJ's in J/T 9 pm to 1 am.

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

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 12 noon to 1 am. Happy Hour Noon to 6 pm.

RUMORHAZIT 2222 - \$1.00 Corona Nite 8 pm-12 am. A hot dance nite with DJ/VJ Randy.

sunday

BACK POCKET/JOSHUA TREE - Draft Beer Bust Noon to 7 pm Bud or Bud Light .50 per glass. Steak Dinner 5 pm to 7:30 \$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 (?) . Dance 8pm-1am.

RITA'S RENDEZVOUS - Open 12 noon to 1 a.m. Happy Hour Noon to 6 pm. Complimentary Hot Dogs with all the trimmings and Potato Salad from 2 to 6 pm.

RUMORHAZIT 2222 - Open Noon to 1 am. Brunch served 12:30 to 3:30 pm. \$7.00 per plate. Screwdrivers and Bloody Marys \$1.25 during brunch. "Rumors: Unofficial Progressive Music Nite" with videos & dancing 9 to 1 with Randy.

monday

BACK POCKET/JOSHUA TREE - Miller bottles or Schnapps .75 - Noon to Midnight. "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 .75 draft. All White Well .89 from 8 pm to midnight.

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) \$1.50. 5:30 to 1 am "Moose Madness".

RITA'S RENDEZVOUS - Open 12 noon to 1 am. Happy Hour Noon to 6 pm.

RUMORHAZIT 2222 - 1-7 pm Well drinks \$1.25, munchies 1-7 pm. Video/Disco Dancing 9-1 with Randy.

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. Longneck Bottle Beer Special .65 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) \$1.50. "Trashy Tuesday" show begins at 4 p.m. 5:30 to 1 am "Moose Madness".

RITA'S RENDEZVOUS - Open 12 noon to 1 am. Happy Hour Noon to 6 pm.

RUMORHAZIT 2222 - Well drinks \$1.25, munchies 1-7 pm. Video/Disco Dancing 9-1 with Randy.

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As I See It

by Bruce Fowler

As the governor's impeachment trial grinds on and on in Phoenix, the gavel-to-gavel coverage by KUAT in Tucson and KAPT in Phoenix also goes on. These two PBS affiliates have undertaken a rather daring venture in order to bring the people of Arizona the "live" view from the Senate chamber. With almost no financial support these stations have, made a commitment to be sure this historical "event" is "available" for any member of the community who wants to watch. That decision took guts and that decision may cost these stations a great deal of money and viewership as well.

When KUAT here in Tucson approached various companies and contributors in the community asking them to financially support the trial coverage, most said "no"; they felt the whole thing was "too political" and could have adverse effects on their businesses. Add to that the fact that the programming that is getting "bumped" to make room for the live trial coverage is the very popular PBS program "Sesame Street", among others and you have a situation that most commercial stations would have buckled under. Thus, we'd have had a situation of no station carrying the trial, gavel-to-gavel - "just not economically feasible" would have been the reasoning.

Why then is it important that some station carry it. After all, most people are bored with the whole situation anyway and for many, a quick digested version is all that's necessary at the end of the day. Why is more needed?

Gavel-to-gavel coverage, which opens the event for all to see and witness, is important to our American democratic process, whether it's economically feasible to individual businesses or not. We need to see that the American

democratic process DOES work and that it's fair, appropriate, protective of the rights of those involved and carries out the wishes of the voters. As those voters, we need to know exactly what the facts are and judge them for ourselves, not as some newscaster has interpreted them for us. After all, that's what a democracy is all about - the wishes of the majority being fulfilled.

In the eighteenth and early nineteenth centuries, many decisions in America came out of the concept of the "town hall". All those deciding on issues would gather, hear all the facts and then vote. Television allows us, the 1988 voters, to participate in the town hall kind of decision making that our forefathers and mothers used to such great advantage.

By the time the trial is over, KUAT management estimates that it could cost more than \$50,000 to carry gavel-to-gavel coverage of the impeachment proceedings. The chances of local businesses underwriting the costs are not strong as of this writing. The station may have to "eat" those costs which will greatly affect their ability to program for several months to come.

KUAT is currently involved in a fund raiser, trying to raise donations from viewers to support programming of the station for the next several months.

As I see it, this would be an excellent opportunity for members of the Gay and Lesbian communities to make a strong statement about our priorities. Pledges to the station (621-1600) on behalf of the community could show our concern for their plight and additionally would say "thanks" for the gavel-to-gavel coverage that benefits all of us, because it benefits our democratic process.

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If He Wins, You Could Lose Your Job,
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The U.S. Senate is ready to consider landmark AIDS legislation that will provide new programs for AIDS treatment, research, public education and health care for people with AIDS. U.S. Senators Ted Kennedy (D-MA), Orrin Hatch (R-UT) and others are working hard to pass a bill that will launch an all-out national war on AIDS.

If Senate Bill 1220 passes, AIDS will at long last be declared the public health emergency that it is.

Sen. Jesse Helms (R-NC) and his henchmen are poised to cripple this bill with amendments to call for FIRING FOOD SERVICE AND HEALTHCARE WORKERS, CANCELLING HEALTH INSURANCE, REQUIRING MANDATORY HIV TESTING AND REPORTING, AND IMPOSING RIDICULOUS CRIMINAL PENALTIES FOR TRANSMITTING THE AIDS VIRUS.

Passage of S. 1220 - THE FEDERAL AIDS RESEARCH, INFORMATION AND CARE ACT - is vitally important

to us, because it will require the federal government for the first time to:

Award AIDS education grants to community-based organizations

Hire needed scientists at the Centers for Disease Control (CDC), Food and Drug Administration (FDA) and National Institutes of Health (NIH)

Provide home and community health care for people with AIDS

Conduct a national AIDS educational advertising campaign

Set strict deadlines for quickly processing research funding requests

**UNLESS YOU ACT NOW
OUR NATION'S RESPONSE TO
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GAY OR LESBIAN AND HAVE A DRINKING PROBLEM?
Call: A.A. 624-4183. 24-Hour Hotline. Call for information on Gay and Lesbian meetings in Tucson.

AIDS HOTLINE - 326 AIDS. Hours: M-F, 10 a.m. to midnight. Information, Counseling, HIV-Related Services.

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.

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.

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.

OLD PUEBLO BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATION For meeting dates and locations or membership information call 296-4642 or write OPBPA, P.O. Box 44033, Tucson, AZ 85733.

SHANTI FOUNDATION OF TUCSON
Volunteer groups meet each Tuesday from 7:30 to 9:00 p.m. at 602 N. Fourth Ave. Potential Shanti volunteers seeking information 7:30 to 8:00 p.m. only. Phone 622-7107.

EASTERN EROTIC MASSAGE WORKSHOP, Sunday, March 13, 10:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m., or April 10th. Where most conventional male sexuality focuses on discharging energy from the body, Taoism heals by circulating erotic energy through the body. In this pleasurable class you will learn both to give and receive an hour erotic massage. This hands-on class is done nude. Sexual activity is not part of the class. Fee \$25. Pre-registration required. Call Marc 881-4582. in Tucson. 192

Join "Xanadu" via video vision! CINE RUN WITH US
TUCSON FRONT RUNNERS meets at 6:00 p.m. every Tuesday in front of Himmel Park Library for a fun run. And now every Saturday at 9:00 a.m., we meet at Rillito Park, at Campbell and the north bank of the Rillito river for a river run. Call Mitch for more info at 326-3332.

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

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 Blakeship at 882-4009.

GAY AND LESBIAN ADULT DISCOURSES are informal rap group meetings provided by and for our Gay community in the Tucson area. All discussion is Gay-related. Compassion and confidentiality emphasized. Meetings are free and facilitated. Occasional guest speakers, films and social outings. For "G.L.A.D." contact information call Information & Referral at 881-1794 M-F 8-5.

ARIZONA/SONORA PROJECTO, S.I.D.A. is seeking volunteers who are bilingual (Spanish/English) and are interested in presenting information about AIDS to Spanish speakers in both Arizona and Sonora, Mexico. For further information, please call Enrique at 741-1965 in Tucson.

TRANSSEXUAL AND LESBIAN SUPPORT GROUP. Games, Ping Pong, Potluck, Conversation and Friendship. Ask for Laura or Joan - 888-4775 Tucson. 186

CORNERSTONE FELLOWSHIP is a loving, Christian church where EVERYONE is welcome. Sunday School (adults & children) 9:00 a.m.; Sunday Worship 10:30 a.m.; Wednesday Praise & Prayer 7:00 p.m. Our caring staff is on duty Tuesday thru Friday 7 - 9 p.m. and at other times by appt. 3333 E. Grant Rd. (north entrance, Tucson. 881-3519.

TUCSON LESBIAN CO-OP - WOMEN'S COMMUNITY POTLUCK. Open to all women. 2nd Sundays at 6:00 p.m. Various locations. Call: Claire at 622-0191 for more information.

ANYONE INTERESTED IN JOINING A SUPPORT GROUP for Parents and Friends of Lesbians and Gays please contact Barb at 327-8519 or Sean, P.O. Box 26394, Tucson, AZ 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

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ARIZONA AIDS PROJECT SEEKS VOLUNTEERS. 277-1929 OR WRITE 735 E. FLINN, PHOENIX, AZ 85014. 190

ECSTATIC/HEALTH SEX SEMINAR - March 27, 12-5 p.m. This seminar is about healing ourselves and healing others with erotic energy. Information and techniques in this seminar come from Taoist and Taoist traditions. Topics include masturbation as self-therapy, six steps to full body orgasms every time, separating ejaculation and orgasm, healing the heart-genital connection, enhancing and prolonging orgasm. There is no sex or nudity in this class but plenty of creative pleasurable homework assignments. Call Marc 881-4582 Tucson. 192

Personals

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HAPPY BIRTHDAY MOOSE, from All the Gang 191

TO STEVE AND JO JO: A belated Happy First Anniversary. Thom and Mac. 191

FRANK DEMOURA: March 16th have a GAY 29th Birthday! And, Francesca, I've got something BIG waiting for you! Brian 191

ALPHONSE J. MORIN, JR.: Contact me (Harrison) at Sahara Motel, Tucson - E.H. Rex, Rm 217. 192

WHITE RETIRED MALE - 50s, 6', 160, gray hair and attractive. Would love to meet a nice male friend. Age or race are not important but it would be nice to know someone who is free day times. Lets give it a try. Write me. All answered. JIM, P.O. Box 3911, Douglas, AZ 85608. 192

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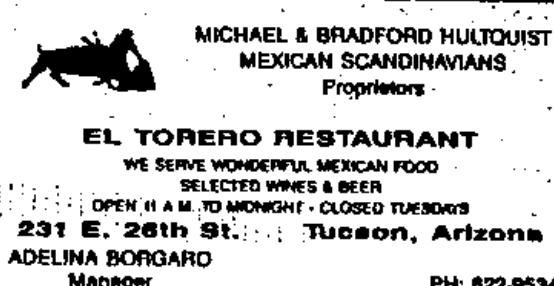
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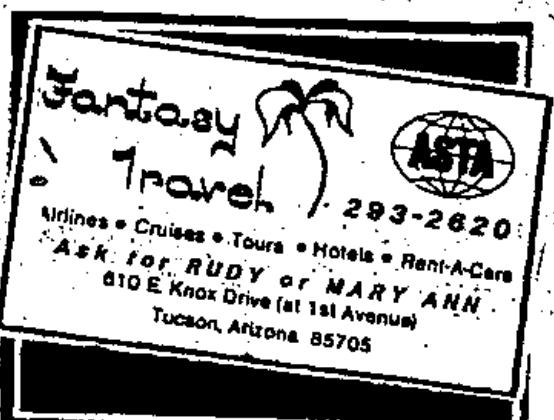
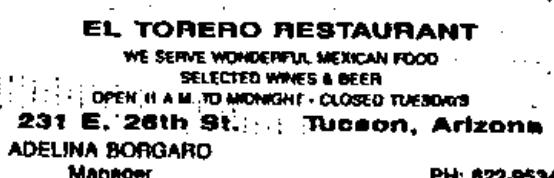
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