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NATIONAL COMING OUT DAY



TAKE YOUR NEXT STEP
OCTOBER 11

LOS ANGELES, CA - As "National Coming Out Day" (NCOOD) draws near, it is clearly evident that Oct. 11, will be celebrated by people from coast to coast. Excitement is building in the Gay community as thousands of Lesbians and Gay men plan to "take their next step" by participating in special events planned in cities and towns nationwide.

In Phoenix, NCOOD is being coordinated by Bj Bud, President of the Coalition for Immediate Action (CIA). A benefit dance is being planned for South Mountain on Saturday, Oct. 1. The proceeds from the dance will go to the Lesbian and Gay Community Switchboard and the Gay and Lesbian Pride Planning Committee. An Arizona media blitz is also being planned from Oct. 1 through Oct. 11, Bud said.

"Last year's October 11th March on Washington energized the Gay community across the country, as it took our strength and spirit to the nation's capitol," said Jean O'Leary, Executive Director of the National Gay Rights Advocates (NGRA). "This year the strength comes home, to the local grassroots organizations that are the backbone of the Gay movement," she continued.

Coordinated by NGRA and co-sponsored by The Experience Weekend, the event is a reminder to all Gay men and Lesbians that the time has come to go forward in the campaign for civil rights, the time has come for them to "take their next step."

To excite Gay and Lesbian organizations in local communities, the organizing body of NCOOD has begun a large scale campaign of its own. The national media has been put on alert, three full time staff members have been hired by NGRA to work exclusively on the event and "Coming Out Kits" have been mailed to thousands of grassroots Gay organizations nationwide.

The kits, which include dozens of different ideas for "coming out" from acknowledging that "those roses are not from your mother" to "organizing a demonstration for Gay rights" are inspiring local organizations to call NCOOD to share other ideas about "how to come out." In fact, phones at official NCOOD headquarters are ringing off the hook with reports of dances, dinners, seminars, letter

writing campaigns and celebrations that are in the works.

NCOOD is making available a wide variety of support materials to groups coming on board as "Official Event Sponsors" including buttons, bumper stickers, key chains and lapel pins. The staff has put together a set of guidelines on how to go about obtaining media support as well as an informational circular on how to start a Gay support group. Artist Keith Haring has designed an original poster to celebrate the event and there will be a commemorative journal in which individuals, businesses and organizations can place personal statements.

"National Coming Out Day is catching on all over the country," O'Leary said. Rob Eichberg, Founder of the Experience Weekend and O'Leary's co-chair of the event adds, "It's definitely an idea whose time has come."

O'Leary said, "We are working around the clock preparing for this October 11th. Last year's March clearly showed that, even in the face of the deadly AIDS epidemic, our community is vibrant and growing. We need more than ever, an annual event to celebrate life, one that will help us renew our commitments to one another. Ours is a community that is coming out of the closet forever."

The NCOOD campaign encourages every Gay man and Lesbian to "take the next step" this October 11, a step that for each individual is intensely personal. O'Leary adds, "The official Coming Out Kits can only offer suggestions for next steps; people must choose what is best for them."

"Some people may acknowledge to themselves for the first time that they are Gay or Lesbian, while others may come out to a friend or family members. One thing is certain, no matter how far in the closet, or out of the closet, we are, we all have a next step," O'Leary said.

For more information about NCOOD, and to obtain Official Coming Out Kits, contact National Gay Rights Advocates at (213) 650-6200 or write to 8380 Santa Monica Blvd., Suite 202, West Hollywood, CA 90069. Bj Bud may be contacted in Phoenix by writing: National Coming Out Day, P.O. Box 33233, Phoenix, AZ 85067.

Names Project completes tour readies for return to Washington Oct. 8

SAN FRANCISCO CA - The National AIDS Memorial, the huge quilt made of individual 3 foot by 5 foot panels, each bearing the name of a single person lost to AIDS has returned to San Francisco after successfully completing its first 20-city national tour. The Names Project Quilt was viewed in Phoenix last April 16 and 17.

A nationwide army of more than 9,000 volunteers helped move and display the Quilt. Host committees set up in each of the cities were responsible for local arrangements. The 7-person Names Project Road Crew brought the Quilt from city to city, traveling the 12,000 miles over 4 months in a 24' bobtail truck and a Winnebago.

Local panels were added in each city, doubling the size of the Quilt to more than 6,000 panels by the end of the tour. At its present rate of growth, the Quilt will exceed 10,000 names by the Aug. 15 deadline for inclusion in Washington. The D.C. display could easily stretch from the Washington Monument to the steps of the Capitol.

In the past year more than 3 1/4 million Americans have viewed the Quilt, most leaving with a new understanding of the impact of AIDS on individuals, and on society. For many, the Quilt was part of their healing process: parents, lovers, and friends of people who had died of AIDS found a way to express their grief, and at the same time, contribute to AIDS organizations in their community.

In every city, the Quilt helped to encourage support and activism. Parents, city officials and U.S. Congresspeople read names from the Quilt and participated in special presentations. Donations made at each Quilt display re-

mained in that community, and were distributed to local agencies providing direct AIDS services. Boston raised over \$140,000, Chicago raised \$26,000 in only one day. In Cleveland, proceeds are being used to establish a new "drop in" center for those with AIDS.

The Quilt remains an ongoing project, the visual symbol of the growth of the AIDS epidemic. New panels continue to be added daily.

On Oct. 9 and 10, the Quilt returns to Washington DC for a 2-day display. Other events, including a candlelight march are also planned for the weekend.

The Names Project of Tucson, in conjunction with the National Names Project is interested in finding out how many people from Tucson are planning to attend the unfolding ceremonies in Washington. Anyone interested in reading, unfolding, monitoring, and clean up, please contact Robert Harris, chairperson of the local chapter of the Names Project at the Shanti Foundation/Tucson office, 622-7107 or at 749-3030.

Tentative schedule for the activities in Washington are:

Thursday, Oct. 6 - Benefit Rock Concert produced by legendary producer Bill Graham.

Friday, Oct. 7 - Lesbian and Gay community concert headlined by performer Holly Near and many other national performers.

Saturday, Oct. 8 - Quilt unfolded at dawn. Names read throughout the day. Candlelight March begins at Quilt site. At dusk, thousands of mourners will light candles and move slowly from the Mall to the Lincoln Memorial. Leading the

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UPDATE

'AIDS MAJOR HISTORICAL EVENT'

TUCSON - "Even without being exposed to the virus, the exposure to AIDS as a major historical event has made a deep personal and social impact on everyone's lives," nurse researcher Pam Reid Duffy, PhD, told a meeting of Old Pueblo Business and Professional Association (OPBPA) last Thursday, Aug. 18.

After three years of field interviews and analysis of media reports that resulted in her doctoral dissertation at the University of Arizona, Duffy shared her findings on "living with the threat of AIDS - or surviving survival" at the monthly OPBPA meeting at the Arizona Inn.

Duffy's research in New York, Arizona, and Hawaii led her to conclude that worry about contracting AIDS, especially among high-risk groups, was a devastating as the disease itself. Nonetheless, she explained how people were ably coping with the AIDS threat through three methods: personal and social vigilance, safeguarding and balancing.

"More than just practicing safe sex," Duffy said, "people are taking control of their own lives and reaching out to strengthen those around them."

Duffy emphasized the value of her research to health care workers. "An enlightened awareness allows us in medicine to emotionally and physically support the people who are outliving the stress of the AIDS epidemic," she stated.

The next OPBPA meeting is Sept. 15 at the Plaza International Hotel and focuses on the reasons for unmarried persons to prepare wills, living wills and the powers of attorney.

Men and women involved in business and careers are encouraged to call 297-3794 in Tucson for more information about OPBPA's programs or membership information.

'LES FOLLIES BOY-LESQUE'

TO OPEN SEPT. 3 AT TCC

TUCSON - The long-awaited performance of Les Follies Boy-lesque will be presented at the Tucson Convention Center's Leo Rich Theater on Saturday, Sept. 3 beginning at 8:00p.m. Tickets for the performance are \$12.50.

Produced by Lightning Lighting and Prism Productions, the "Les Follies" has been in the 'works' for several months and this is the first performance before an audience. The producers plan to take the troupe on a cross-country tour.

Mixing the parody of "Les Ballets Trockadero de Monte Carlo", the zaniness of "La Cage Aux Folles" and the glamour and magic of Las Vegas, "Les Follies Boy-lesque" is a high-energy, high stepping salute to some glamorous and glorious musical greats - Tina Turner, Carol Burnett, Cher, Parton, Streisand etc.

The variety show has a twist though, the legendary female stars will be portrayed by an all-male cast.

"The glittering costumes and the professional choreography with the hilarious impressions of the starlets is all designed to astound the audience. 'Les Follies Boy-lesque!!' is a fun, unforgettable revue with some of the foremost impersonators in many wonderful impressions of female greats," says producer/director Adrienne R. Sneed.

Tickets are available at all T.C.C. Box Offices and Dillard's. For more information call 889-7298.

AIDS TESTING INFORMATION
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AIDS INFECTION RATE MAY BE TWICE AS HIGH AS ESTIMATED

WASHINGTON, DC (AP) - According to a study by the Hudson Institute, the AIDS virus may have infected twice the number of Americans as has been estimated by the federal government. Hudson is a privately financed public policy research organization with headquarters in Indianapolis, Indiana.

The Atlanta-based Centers for Disease Control (CDC) has estimated that as many as 1.4 million people are infected with the HIV antibodies. The Hudson report suggests that in 1987 there were up to 3 million Americans infected.

Kevin Hopkins, a Hudson mathematician, said that the study used the centers' data on the number of cases of AIDS, but Hudson used different computer models and more sophisticated statistical analysis techniques to estimate the rate of HIV infections. Hopkins said the study also showed that the number of heterosexuals infected by the virus may be three times higher than government estimates.

The Hudson study estimates that of the 850,000 to 1.4 million heterosexuals infected with the HIV virus, between 200,000 and 500,000 are those who do not use drugs.

The CDC has estimated that the AIDS virus has infected only 80,000 to 165,000 of the non-drug-using heterosexual population.

Dr. Timothy Dondero of CDC disputed the Hudson claim. "We do not feel that a change in CDC data is appropriate," he said.

He said for the Hudson model to be correct, about 2 percent of the young adult population in the United States would have to be infected with HIV. Yet, he said, "their figures are inconsistently high within segments of populations for which there are test results." Dondero said tests from hospital patients, military recruits and prisoners show HIV infection rates of less than 1 percent - 0.2 percent to 0.66 percent - among young adults.

The CDC said that as of Aug. 15, 1988, AIDS had been diagnosed in 70,702 Americans, of whom more than half (39,898) have died since June 1, 1981.

PRESBYTERIANS COME OUT FOR LESBIAN AND GAY RIGHTS
BILLOXI, MS (TWN) - On landmark decisions by religious groups: The delegates at the 199th General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church of the United States approved a resolution which urges Congress and state legislatures to pass laws banning discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation.

The group will now be establishing a panel to recommend to the church whether or not to ordain openly Gay and Lesbian ministers. However, a vote is not expected on that issue until the General Conference vote in 1989. The gathering of 650 also urged the repeal of all laws restricting private sexual activity between consenting adults. Everybody say, "amen".

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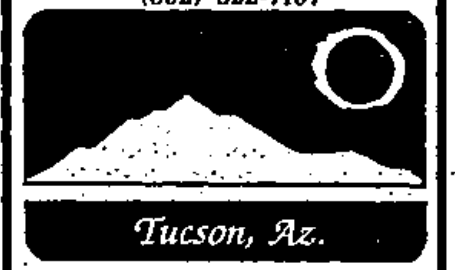
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WASHINGTON, DC - A House-Senate conference has deleted the anti-Gay amendment that would have denied federal funds to any education, health, or research program that called homosexuality "normal," "natural" or "healthy." The U.S. Senate had passed the amendment, sponsored by Gordon Humphrey (R-NH), last month by a vote of 82-15. (OBSERVER, Aug 3).

The conference was called to reconcile differences in the 1989 appropriation bill for the Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services and Education, as passed by the House Of Representatives earlier this summer. The Humphrey Amendment to the Senate version of that bill had been blasted by Gay civil rights and AIDS activists as being "blatantly homophobic" and "mean spirited".

"Overturning the amendment is a victory for common sense, free speech and AIDS prevention" said Steve Smith, legislative counsel for the Human Rights Campaign Fund (HRCF).

Calling this action "the finishing touch on a grand-slam week of legislative victories," the AIDS Action Council noted that the legislative tide clearly seems to be moving in favor of sound public health policy and away from divisive amendments.

Smith pointed out that the amendment, if passed, could have prevented programs from presenting information about homosexuality in honest and straightforward ways in federal AIDS prevention programs, health-care programs, youth services and most federally funded behavioral science research.

The conference voted to retain the amendment offered by Senators Alan Cranston (D-Calif) and Edward Kennedy (D-Mass.) also passed by the Senate. The Cranston-Kennedy amendment - planned as a "pre-emptive" amendment to avoid other, harsher amendments -

states that federal education programs relating to sexuality must not be "designed to promote or encourage, directly, sexual activity, homosexual or heterosexual," but that they should be "designed to reduce transmission of AIDS by providing accurate information."

The conference resolved other differences between the House and Senate versions of the appropriations bill, and actually boosted federal funds available for AIDS programs.

Both versions contained about \$1.3 billion to fight AIDS - the amount of the President's request. However, the conference increased funds available for clinical trials of AIDS drugs by \$8.5 million. The conference also stressed that trials should reflect the geographic and demographic diversity of the HIV-infected population, and encouraged the National Institute of Health to cooperate with community-based research organizations conducting drug trials, including those serving the Gay community.

In addition, the conference earmarked \$6 million for additional personnel for key federal agencies involved in AIDS research and prevention; and urged Congressional and state authorizing committees to address the issue of purchase assistance for AZT, the only AIDS drug currently sanctioned by the government.

The appropriations bill now returns to the House and Senate for final approval, then goes to the President for signing into law.

"With the simultaneous acceptance of the Cranston-Kennedy amendment from the Conferees, Congress has been provided competent public health policy with sufficient political merit to withstand future Humphrey type amendments," said the AIDS Action Council.

POLITICS '88

by Mark R. Kerr

QUAYLE? The big news at the Republican Convention was the selection of the junior Senator from Indiana, Dan Quayle for the Vice-Presidential nomination. You all are probably wondering, "Why him?" George Bush wanted someone lesser known, conservative, appeals to the younger voter - the Yuppie, and most of all he wanted someone whose personality does not overshadow him, or, in other words, allowing Bush to be a leader, strong, forceful, etc., so he picked Sen. Quayle, not Bob Dole or Jack Kemp, whose personalities and images would overpower Bush.

Bush no longer has to play second fiddle, he has the spotlight now, and a Dole or Kemp would take it from him. But what raised my eyebrows was why Quayle from Indiana? If he wanted a lesser-known person for the job of Vice President, why not Senator Pete Wilson of California, or perhaps Phil Gramm of Texas, or a Congressman from the south?

With the choice of Quayle, Bush got almost what he wanted, but that is another story. Indiana has gone Republican in almost every Presidential election since 1944. The old political adage goes, "If the District of Columbia votes in a Presidential election, they will go Democratic, and in Indiana's case, it will go Republican." Bush needed to pick someone from the West or South, but we will have to wait and see how his decision went.

WHO'S RUNNING FOR PRESIDENT? For the Democratic Party you have Governor Michael Dukakis of Massachusetts. For the Republican Party you have George Bush. For the Libertarian Party you have Ron Paul. For the New Alliance Party you have Dr. Lenora Fulani. For the Consumer Party you have former Senator Eugene McCarthy. And lastly, for the Meadow Party you have Bill the Cat. Note: The first four listed will be on the Arizona ballot. For Senator McCarthy, he would be a write-in candidate. For Bill the Cat, we can read Bloom County, the cartoon, but that is all.

LOCAL RACES: In the Pima County Board of Supervisors race in Dist. 4, running on the Democratic ticket are Sherylin Young and Dennis Posey. Incumbent Republican Reg Morrison is being challenged by Geri Menton. In the District 14 House of Representatives race, Democrats Cindy Resnick, running for re-election and Ruth Solomon will be running against Republican incumbent Jim Green and Gloria Tucker.

For the State Senate seat from Dist. 14 you have incumbent Bill DeLong, a Republican, being challenged by Ken Chiaro. On the Democrat side you have Harold Hyams and Craig Runyon running for the nod.

ENDORSEMENT: David Bartlett is running for the State Senate in Dist. 13. He has been in the

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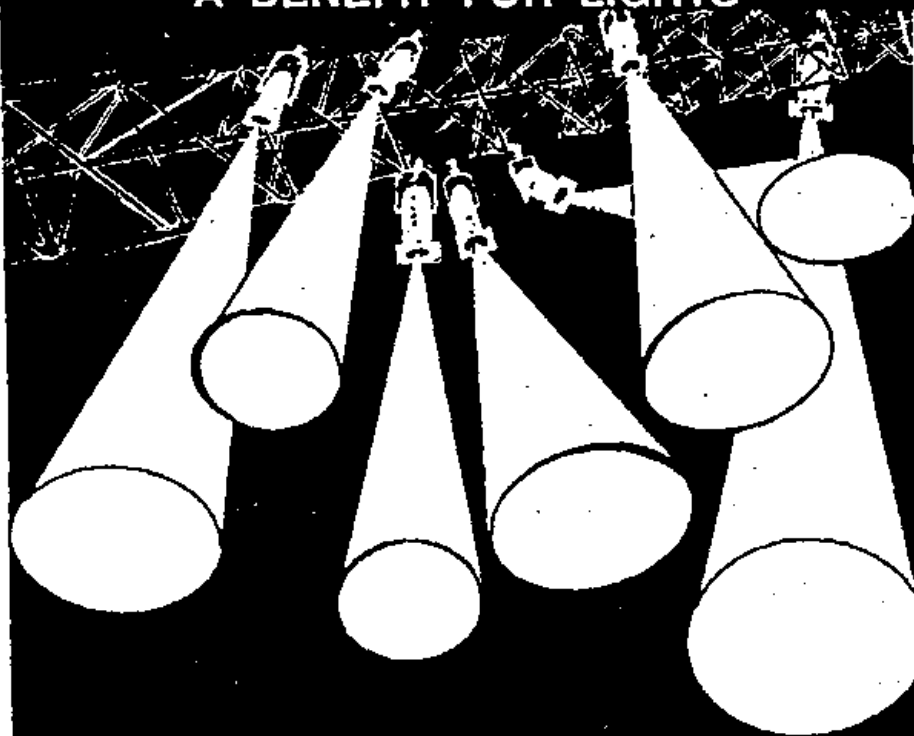
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procession will be representatives from various parents' groups from around the country, there to express their concerns about AIDS and its impact on us all. Marching alongside those parents will be several government leaders who will participate in a brief ceremony at the Lincoln Memorial.

Sunday, Oct. 9 - Quilt unfolded at dawn. No name reading on Sunday. The last concert of the weekend will be a performance at the John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts. Details to be announced. Also an interfaith Memorial Service at the National Cathedral at 6:30 p.m.

Monday, Oct. 10 - National Parents Conference on AIDS. ACT NOW Civil Disobedience Demonstration at the Dept. of Health and Human Services.

Tuesday, Oct. 11 - National Coming Out Day (see separate story this issue). ACT NOW Civil Disobedience Action at the Food and Drug Administration

Other scheduled events as of presstime include a new play based on the Names Project "More Than Names" will be playing Sept. 29 - Oct. 9, at the New Playwrights' Theatre. A Lesbian & Gay Film Festival is also being planned.

In addition, the National Gay and Lesbian Task Force has planned several other activities during the week, including Lobbying Days, AIDS Activism Conference, as well as a Benefit Birthday Party for Names Project founder Cleve Jones.


United Airlines is offering special discounts for the Names Project Washington DC display. To receive 5% off any applicable domestic fare from First class to UltraSaver, 35% off full coach

fare, simply call toll-free 1-800-521-4041 and give the Names Projects account number #8664N. United will mail tickets or they may be purchased from a local travel agent. Be sure that the reservation is made through United's Convention Desk.

If you use United Airlines, and cite Account #8664N, the Names Project will receive a donation from the airline.

Hotel rooms are presently difficult to find because the American Dental Association has overbooked many of the D.C. hotels for their convention. The Names Project has been assured that many of these rooms will become available in coming weeks as hotels begin to release the unconfirmed rooms.

This weekend of AIDS awareness and fundraising events marks the first anniversary of the National March on Washington for Lesbian and Gay Rights and the Inaugural Display of the Names Project Quilt.



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A REMARKABLE PEOPLE

by Curt Stubbs - Tucson

My family moved from the midwest to Arizona, Apache Junction to be exact, in 1961. There wasn't much to the Junction at that time, a grocery store, a hardware store, 3 restaurants, a hotel, a gas station and the liquor store my dad bought. Across the highway from my dad's store was a Circle K, the first I had ever seen. From my point of view, Circle K was a real dud. They didn't have much variety in candy, their sodas were too expensive, and at that time they didn't even carry Mad magazine.

Later, this one at least got a liquor license and went into direct competition with my dad's store. What began then for me was a general antipathy for all Circle K's which has continued throughout the intervening 25 years. In that time I have known many people who have gone to work for Circle K and probably 90% of them have been fired on bogus charges, usually just before they were due for a raise. But, what can I say, I'm lazy and I like my convenience. I continued going to Circle K's frequently, all over the state in spite of this rather sleazy, unacknowledged policy.

That is now changed, my conscience can no longer ignore such a sleazebucket operation. I can no longer drop my hard earned pennies into the hands of corporate pirates. I have not been to a Circle K since their insurance policy on AIDS, alcohol/ drug abuse and self inflicted wounds was made public. I have several friends with AIDS, but I'm not avoiding Circle K's on their account.

I know many people, includ-

ing myself, who are recovering from alcoholism and/or drug addiction, but again, I am not boycotting on any of our behalves. And I know several people, again including myself, who have attempted suicide, who, in their fear and loneliness asked for help the only way we could, but again my boycott is bigger than those few people known to me.

Somewhere there is a fat kid, or a kid who smokes, or a kid destined to become a high level business executive prone to stress or hypertension. I don't want these kids denied insurance coverage and thus necessary health care by some robber baron moral equivalent of Circle K saying that their health problems are actually "lifestyle" decisions.

That fat kid needs help with his overeating, he has not chosen to be a laughingstock. That smoker may need help quitting or he may develop lung cancer as a result of all those cigarettes he smokes, (often bought from his friendly neighborhood Circle K). That future executive faces problems that are frequently a part of his career.

I do not want some company deciding what health problem they will insure by the criteria of what is least expensive to pay for. This policy on the part of Circle K is not blatant homophobia but rather a blatant attempt to use institutionalized homophobia and residual Victorian prudery to increase their own profits. What they want is to be handed money without taking risks. In their under-side-of-a-rock view, risks should be taken by the government, i.e., the taxpayers. You and I,

Gay and straight, poor and middle class.

Personally I would like to see just how much actual taxes the Circle K Corporation pays each year. And I wouldn't mind seeing just how much their top "executives" (read highwaymen) take home after taxes. That could probably be compared to what a store

manager for one of their local operations takes home, the way the Grand Canyon compares to one of the pot holes along Pima road. Mostly though, what I would like to see is Circle K slowing going bust for lack of business - Gay business, recovering alcoholic business, compassionate human being business.

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State House of Representatives, and has served District 13 well. He is a progressive with a good head on his shoulders. I urge all who reside in Dist. 13 to support him, and to vote for him. He will be an asset in the State Senate, and heaven knows it needs one, or sixteen (Democrats).

OPINIONS: Does anybody care? Does anybody see what I see? It is time we take action on several issues. First off, BOYCOTT CIRCLE K!!!! Second, it is time to get a Gay and Lesbian Democratic Caucus going in Tucson. We need a voice within the party if we want to have any hope of changing things for the better - statewide and

nationally.

If you are interested, please write to me in care of the OBSERVER. Don't you believe that we are citizens of the U.S.? Don't you believe in life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness? Dates of the first organizational meeting will be forthcoming.

And lastly, I was in JT's last Saturday, and much to my delight, I overheard a group talking about politics, and the issues. There is hope for us all yet.

Until next time, take care, and vote.



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WHAT'S UP DOG?



Surprise, Ben did not win a trash award!

City of Rocks for this year is now history. This year's theme - "GG-7", which our host club thought of, and we later found out was Gay Games and our 7th year at this run.

This year's games were, (1) Discus throw, choosing for one throw, a different size weight from a bar-bell set ranging from 2 lbs up to 6 lbs. (2) A team game carrying a greased grapefruit, passing on to your next team member after running around the cactus garden, and never using your hands. (3) A high-hurdle-girdle race. (I had to go through this twice because I put the girdle on the wrong way my first trip). (4) "Miss Congeniality" walk down that long ramp.

Winners for the games were: Tommy M. for the first two, because she showed she can get in and out of a girdle faster than anyone else. Tom Z. is Miss GG-7 for 1988 and Keith won Miss Congeniality '88 because she even walked as a true pregnant woman on the long trip to the john.

A few other minor awards were passed out and since I was one of those winners (and yes Ben won one also), I've conveniently forgotten their titles. (Sometimes there are are benefits when you write the column).

It seems every year this City of Rocks run gets better and better, and this year was no different. TKO carried 16 people along and Hijos del Sol brought 10. As always it was party time from our late arrival Friday evening, due to the rain in Tucson, and along the drive. Everyone on this run as always, had a great time. No one wanted to depart Sunday, but as we all know, all good runs end sooner or later, and everyone does have to depart.

I hope there will be some pictures in this issue of OBSERVER thanks to our photographer David G. As always, pictures can never tell the true overall story. Just listen to those TKO members and guests who went to this run and you will hear the complete story and probably some parts I didn't see or hear.

Now that we have all returned safely, some a lot redder (sunburned), we can rest up and get ready for our annual trip to Albuquerque for HUGS' Balloon Fest coming up in October.

Since I covered everything coming up in Tucson in last week's column, I'll give Bob a break and make this week's column shorter. I did goof in last week's news and I'm sure I'll hear about it, but I forgot to mention Partners' Beer Bust last Saturday. Sorry gang, but without a proof reader, or secretary, even I'm human and capable of mistakes.

I do want to remind all those in Partners, TKO and any others, for those of you going to Phoenix next Saturday for the grand opening of Durango's to be at the Graduate this coming Saturday at 10:00 a.m. We will try to car pool as much as possible. The major portion of this group will be staying overnight, so if you plan on returning that evening, you will have to make other arrangements.

This trip is a non-club supported excursion, so everyone is basically on your own. Some of us diehards who always find ways to make these trips, will, whenever possible, try to be helpful, but the main responsibilities, housing, food and money, are on your own shoulders. I personally would

like to see a very large number from Tucson, especially club members from the different Tucson clubs, make this trip.

The people at Durango's have been in Tucson in the past, supporting us, and a few will be coming down in September. (More on that at a later date). We still love our brothers and sisters up there so let's show them we are together.

The football tickets for the UofA/ASU game are in, the jars and raffle tickets on hand and will be arriving at your favorite bar shortly. The only thing holding me up on this "Arizona Fellowship 88" are the posters, and as soon as they are completed, I'll get the raffle tickets, etc. to the bars.

Just a few reminders before closing, don't forget the full CAT Committee meeting on Aug. 31, and TALL's Old Pueblo Run over Labor Day Weekend. Also don't forget the Sept. 18 "Over 40's Show" at IBT's. I will give you a hint of Partners' Beer Bust on Sept. 17. A couple of special surprises are in the works for everyone's enjoyment and appetites. More on this one at a later date, after all details are worked out and approved.

With that, I'll close for this week and get to work on other projects. Have yourselves a very enjoyable week everyone.

News from MCC Tucson

We are so accustomed to the printed Bible published in one bound volume that we tend to forget that its different books were written by many different people in many periods of ancient history and that the books at first circulated independently - only gradually were they gathered together into smaller and then greater collections until a collection of collections was formed. Many of the writers were separated by more than a thousand years.

But the Bible is also one book. It arose out of the religious experience of one people - Israel, with their God, Yahweh. The Bible explains the origin of these people, the character of their history, the nature of their institutions, the purpose of their existence and their ultimate destiny as the people of God. The Christian church regarded itself as the true Israel of God and the events of its founding as the fulfillment of the purposes of God as expressed in the holy writings.

Thus the church came to see Jewish scriptures and Christian writings as complementary - as together bearing witness to the mighty deeds of God in the forming of a people of God's own out of the stock of Israel and - through the true Israel - out of the nations of the world. The Bible is therefore one book with a prevailing theme: God's activity in the redemption of the world through a chosen, renewed and obedient people.

MCC/Tucson has elected to boycott all Circle-K stores. It was a difficult decision but it was felt that a statement had to be made. We, as Christians, are taught that God does not discriminate and we, as God's followers, should not sanction discrimination. If we, MCC/Tucson, continue patronizing Circle-K, then we are condoning their policies.

Thought for the Week: If you were on trial for being a Christian, would there be enough evidence to convict you?

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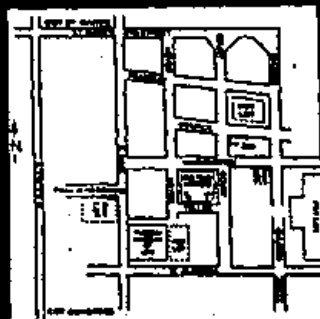
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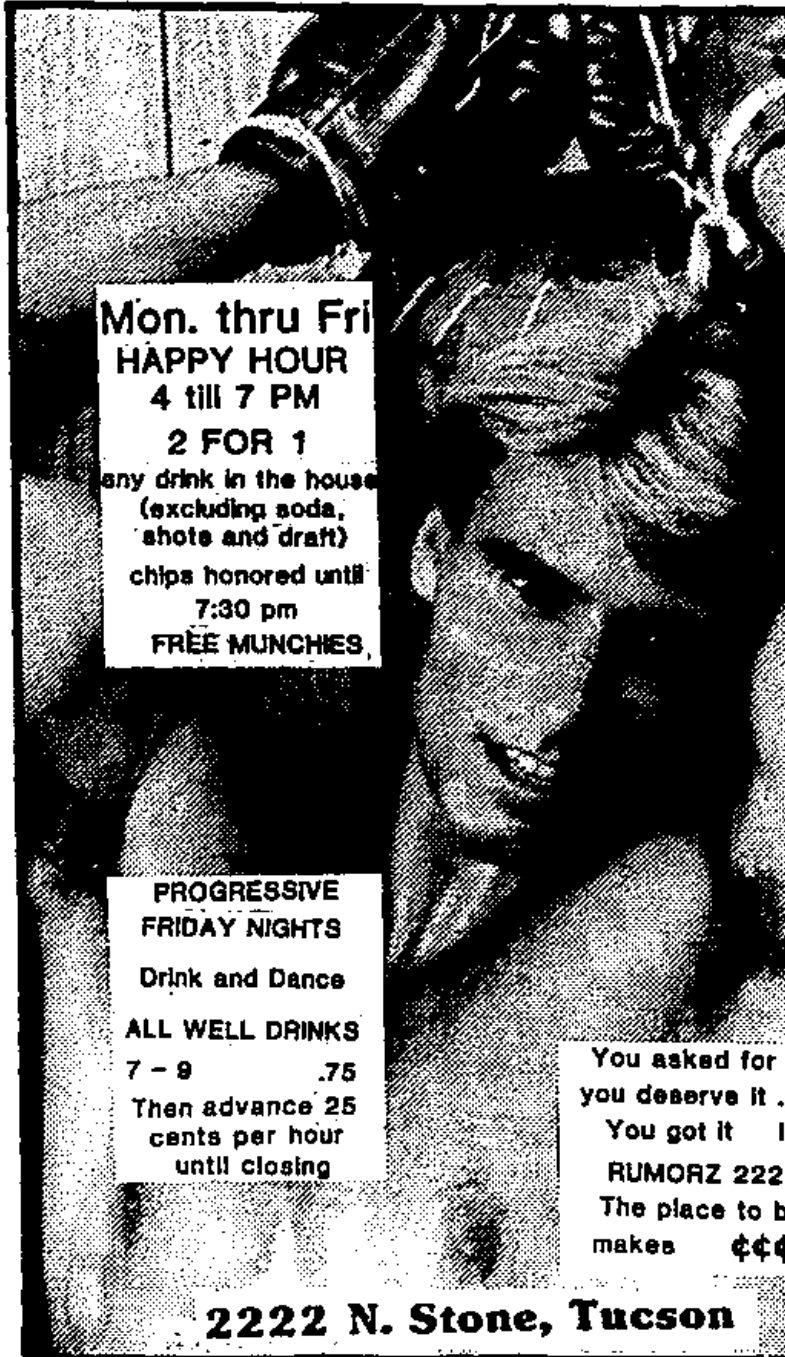
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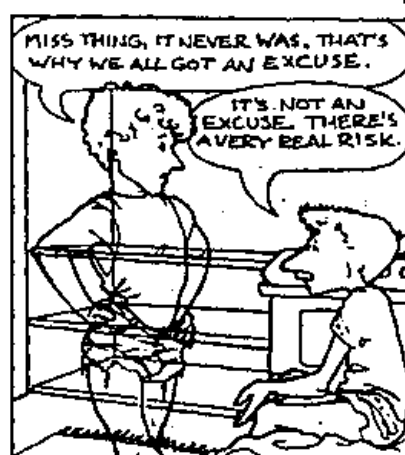
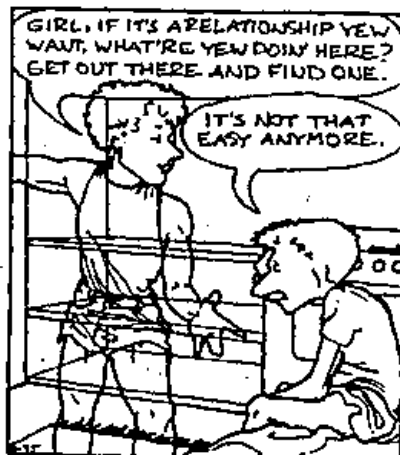
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CHAPTER 9

Senator Francis E. Warren was a famous United States Senator who raised sheep. He had persuaded Congress to set aside a block of sections for his sheep pastures and one corner of the reserve cornered the southeast corner of our homestead. A few years earlier, his men had built a sheep camp on the corner of our homestead, cornering his reserve.

Father asked them to remove the camp within a year, and rent was paid for that year, as they kept a herd of sheep there although there was no water for them. The nearest watering places were East Mill, three miles north; South Mill, three miles south; and Antelope Camp, five miles away. It was located near the center of the reserve.

It was not unusual, on a warm spring day, to look around the area and see sheep feeding on the hills everywhere. Each herd

was made up of 2,000 to 2,500 sheep, so we would see probably ten thousand sheep at a time. They never fed on homesteader's land.

During the summer, the herder who had a trusty sheep dog, would come by and talk with father. A "Camp Tender" would visit his camp each week, bringing him supplies, then go on to the next camp. Sometimes the herder would want milk or eggs and mother always shared with him.

When it was his turn to butcher a lamb for meat for the three camps, he would ask father to help him. He always gave father a nice piece of meat, for he was so particular about the butchering. One day he came by and stopped to give father something. It was a can of "Chile Con Carne". He said, "I don't know what it is, I like it, but it's hotter than Bell". So did we, and that was our introduction to "HOT STUFF".

Juicy Lucy

Yes girls, little ole me did make the trip to the City of Rocks with that rowdy bunch. It was almost more than this sweet thing is used to. To start with, that bunch tried to drown me before leaving town. Then they forced me to enter all rest-stop tea rooms along the way. Thank goodness I'd brought my own liquid refreshments. To make matters worse, once we did arrive at the campsite, they kept me up until 1 a.m. Fine, you say? Well, from that point on, it went downhill. At 6:30 the next morning, everyone both in our campsite and campers 50 miles away were awakened by a certain other pen flinger with a hellashishly loud tape deck. Every one felt they were safe later, because the batteries in the tape deck died, too bad her batteries didn't.

After Mother Nature's morning rituals were out of the way, it was time for Tennessee Mud (they called it coffee). Thank goodness breakfast was close behind or I would have been forced into drinking that early in the morning, and God knows I never think of doing that.

This behind me, and I'd made it over another hurdle, it was time for those games (?). I had to hutch it up throwing a weight, carrying a greased grapefruit to a teammate, show those other girls how to wear a girdle, and run and jump hurdles, and finally a beauty contest (my best area for competition). The nerve of those stuck up judges in all contests. I didn't win. Just wait, I'll get even with each one of you.

I did on this outing, find out some strange but true, true names of some of Tucson's bunch. One was and will be forever, "Ten Minutes" Joe. See, I told you - strange names. Then I met "CP-NP" Bill; "Elvira" John; "Olive" Gary S.; and the last (more true than strange), "Princess Poken In The Highness" David.

Yes, I did enjoy myself regardless of all the hardships I was forced to tolerate. But the biggest insult I had to witness and receive was watching that tacky pregnant gal giving birth to (of all things) an elephant during her beauty pregnant walk. To think I lowered myself to those judges being my typical sweet thing and then they didn't give me the tiara I so deservedly should have been awarded.

After arriving back in Tucson, I learned one of Tucson's oldest gals - Sofonda Peters is back in town. Would you believe she was too embarrassed to go into that shoe store at the mall to buy those studded-rhinestoned-spiked high heels she is going to be wearing? I wonder what she would have done if Henrietta hadn't been with her. Then I hear one of those Phoenix twins by the name of Kenny, has more of a walking swish than her sister, Mark. I haven't really noticed, but that was an observation reported to me by Mark (?).

Then I witnessed Glenn falling in love, then divorced all in the space of 10 minutes. See, bartenders do have some privileges. Also, speaking of bartenders, for those of you who have graduated from Tacky 101 and 102 Master courses, you now have the opportunity to work on your Doctor's degree. Sign up with Scott at the Graduate. You just thought I was tacky - she tops everyone I've ever known.

Well, it's time to get this beautiful piece of writing to Bobby E, so be good. If you're not, you know if I either catch you or hear about you though the grapevine, you will be reading it here in this award deserving column.

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CALENDAR

of upcoming events

SATURDAY, AUGUST 27

COLETTE'S - A Big Variety Show is scheduled here beginning at 8 p.m. Lots of fun and some really great talent. It's a benefit, of sorts, to raise some bucks for some new stage lights which will make this entertainment complex one of the best in the state.

JOSHUA TREE/BACK POCKET - "Full Moon Party" with prizes for best vampire costume plus all those who wear leather will get 25 cents off all drinks (except those on special - Black Ricardi/Black Russians/Black Jack Daniels) which will be going for \$1.25 all evening. Costume contest judging at midnight of course. Come on out and howl!

SUNDAY, AUGUST 28

COLETTE'S - Movie for this week is "Bamburgh Hill" and it begins at 7:00 p.m. No charge.

JOSHUA TREE/BACK POCKET - She's Back! Gabriella LeVanity will perform on the outdoor stage beginning at 9:30 p.m. She will be joined by Veronica Lake, Mandy Nicole and Ms. Luisa. Better than ever!

MONDAY, AUGUST 29

IBT'S - Monday Movie Madness begins at 4 p.m. The movie this week is "Down and Out in Beverly Hills" starring Bette Midler. Free Bors D'oeuvre.

TUESDAY, AUGUST 30

COLETTE'S - The guitar and vocals of Anne English, an always popular entertainer here.

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 2

COLETTE'S - Special show featuring Lady Cabindra, Tish Turner and Felicia PLUS special appearances by members of the cast of "Les Pollies Boy-Lesque" which opens at the Tucson Convention Center on Saturday, Sept. 3. "There's something funny going on here!"

OUTRAGEOUS - After Hours upstairs until 4:00 a.m. with real lights and sound. Sloan DJ's. \$2 Cover.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 3

COLETTE'S - Labor Day Bar-Be-Que and Slave Auction takes place here. Plenty of action all day long. Good food, Good friends, Good times. **JOSHUA TREE/BACK POCKET** - Blake, Travis and Anthony, from Phoenix take the spotlight here on the outdoor stage area and proceed to take it off for you fans. Christina, Miss Gay Tucson, MC's and participates too! Check it out!

OUTRAGEOUS - After Hours upstairs until 4 a.m. Sloan DJ's with real lights and great sound. \$2 Cover.

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 4

JOSHUA TREE/BACK POCKET - Blake, Travis and Anthony take to the outdoor stage and take it off for all you voyeurs. Christina will be on hand, whips and all, to make sure these boys behave!

OUTRAGEOUS - Hot - Hot - Hot male strippers. 6 of the best, hosted by Miss Gay Phoenix, Deja Vu. 9:30 showtime. \$1 Cover.

RUMOR HAZZIT - Big, Big, Labor Day Weekend happening here in conjunction with Tucson's sister city - San Francisco. An annual Benefit for Shanti Foundation/Tucson, the day will feature the latest video of "Men Behind Bars" the annual extravaganza put on by the bartenders of San Francisco. There will be an auction of many, many valuable items featuring primo auctioneer Keith Morris from Phoenix. Parties interested in donating items to be auctioned, please contact Rumor Hazzit, or Shanti. The day continues with an All-Star show featuring all the royalty in the city, past and present, plus an all-boy revue, plus drawing for the big San Francisco weekend raffle. Much More. This yearly event is one of the highlights of the season.

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 9

COLETTE'S - The guitar and singing of popular Lisa Oley during the cocktail hour winds the week down perfectly.

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 20

COLETTE'S - Anne English makes another appearance here and still wows 'em every time. Take it in.

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 21

COLETTE'S - The monthly Country/Western Night is becoming very, very popular here. This month's live act is not yet verified, but if all works out, it will be a very popular west coast act.

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 30

COLETTE'S - Lisa Oley plays and sings your favorites during cocktail hour. Relax and enjoy.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 8

COLETTE'S - Watch out for the big Anniversary show and celebration being planned here. It's always a big one!

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 23

JOSHUA TREE/BACK POCKET - Desert Leathermen will host a Casino Night here. Watch for more details.



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SUNDAY, AUGUST 28 - Body Erotic Workshop for men who want to use their own erotic and sexual energy better. Call Marc to register or for more information, 881-4582. Limited space. Fee.

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 31 - Community Awards of Tucson (CAT) Committee meeting at 7 p.m. at Temple Barrio-El, 225 North Country Club. Entrance to Board Room at rear of the Temple.

FRIDAY - MONDAY, SEPT. 2-5 - Annual Old Pueblo Labor Day Run sponsored by Tucson Arizona Levi/Leathermen. Run fee \$40 if received by Aug. 19 and \$50 thereafter. Registration Sept. 2 at Graduate.

THURSDAY, SEPT. 15 - Old Pueblo Business and Professional Association monthly meeting. Plaza International Hotel, (Salon F), Tucson, 7 p.m., no host cocktails; 7:30 p.m. general meeting. Estate planning advice for unmarried men and women by attorneys Susan Freund and Gregory Gadarian. Free to OPRPA members and newcomers, \$5 for repeat guests at the door. Information: (602) 297-3794

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 2 - (Tentative) Tucson Lesbian/Gay Alliance (TLGA) host a Community Presentation by Tucsonans who attended the recent International Lesbian and Gay Health Conference and AIDS Forum in Boston. These are the people who attended thanks to donations from the Tucson community. This short presentation is must hearing for all members of the community. No charge and the exact time and place will be announced next week.

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 18 - Octoberfest Business Fair sponsored by the Old Pueblo Business and Professional Association on Unitarian Universalist Church grounds. Entertainment, food, beverages, prizes plus business demonstrations. Free to everyone. Information: (602) 297-3794.

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 15 - Old Pueblo Business and Professional Association monthly meeting, Hotel Park Tucson (Acacia Room); 7 p.m., no host cocktails; 7:30 p.m., general meeting. Giving everyone "Pitz", Arizona Daily Star political cartoonist David Fitzsimmons' incisive views follows the November general elections. Free to OPRPA members and newcomers, \$5 for repeat guests at door. Information: (602) 297-3794.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 17 - Ye Olde Pueblo Business and Professional Association Holiday Gala. Doubletree Hotel, Tucson. Annual Christmas banquet and entertainment. Time and cost to be determined.

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saturday

BACK POCKET/JOSHUA TREE - Capt. Morgan Peach Run \$1.00 from 7 pm to 1 am. DJ from 9 pm to 1 am.
COLETTE'S WEST - Hourly Drink Specials 8 to Midnight.
GRADUATE - Drink Specials until closing.
IT'S 'BOU TIME - Noon to 5:30 pm Bloody Marys \$1.00 5:30 pm to 1 am All Well \$1.50. Dance 8 to 1.
OUTRAGEOUS - Hot, hot, hot. Dance Party. Various theme nights. Sloan DJ's.
RITA'S RENDEZVOUS - Open 6 am to 1 am. 6 am to 6 pm Well \$1.25; Longnecks \$1.00; Schnapps .75
RUMORHAZIT - Beer Bust 1 to 6 pm Draft .50/glass. Original Peter Dogs .25 with all the trimmings. .99 Corona Nite 8 pm-12 am. A hot dance nite with W/DJ Ruben.

Tucson

CALENDAR

sunday

BACK POCKET/JOSHUA TREE - Draft Beer Bust Noon to 8 pm Bud or Bud Lite .50 per glass. Steak Dinner 4 pm to 777 \$4.00. DJ from 9 pm until 1 am.

COLETTE'S WEST - "Wine Down Nite" .75 Wine 8 pm to Midnight. Movie hits on the big screen at 7 pm.

GRADUATE - Bottle Beer (non-premium) \$1.25 plus other drink specials.

IT'S 'BOU TIME - "Slip and Dip" by "poolside". Bloody Marys \$1.00 Noon to 6:30. 6:30 to 1 am "Moose Madness" every hour (7). Dance 8 pm - 1 am

OUTRAGEOUS - Pool Hall opens 4 pm with drink specials. Male Strippers hosted by Miss Gay Phoenix, Deja Vu at 9:30 in disco. Dancing follows. .75 schnapps.

RITA'S RENDEZVOUS - Noon to 6 pm Well \$1.25; Longnecks \$1.00; Schnapps .75; 8-8-0, fresh fruit & salad 4 to 9 pm.

RUMORHAZIT 2222 - Noon to 6 pm. Screwdrivers and Bloody Marys \$1.25 or Fresh Fruit Daiquiris \$1.50 plus any flavor schnapps .50 a shot plus Peter Dogs with all the trimmings for .25 each. W/DJ Wayne 9 to 1.

monday

BACK POCKET/JOSHUA TREE - Miller bottles or Schnapps .75 - Noon to Midnight. 5-10 pm non-premium beer \$1 and well drinks \$1.25. DJ 9 pm to 1 am. Pool Tournament 10:30 pm, \$25 prize.

COLETTE'S WEST - Daily sandwich special. .50 hot dogs and .25 draft. All White Well .89 from 8 pm to Midnight.

GRADUATE - Happy Hour prices opening until closing.

IT'S 'BOU TIME - Noon to 5:30 pm Well Drinks \$1 (with juice \$1.25), Non-Premium Beer \$1.50. Monday movies 4-6, hors d'oeuvres. 5:30 to 1 am "Moose Madness".

OUTRAGEOUS - Unofficial Ladies Night with Dawn 9-1. \$1.00 Well. Boys welcome too.

RITA'S RENDEZVOUS - Open 6 am to 1 am. 6 am to 6 pm Well \$1.25; Longnecks \$1.00; Schnapps .75

RUMORHAZIT 2222 - 4-7 p.m. 2 for 1 call/well/beer. 1-7 pm Well drinks \$1.25, munchies.

tuesday

BACK POCKET/JOSHUA TREE - 5-10 pm non-premium beer \$1, well drinks \$1.25. Corona Beer or Well Tequila \$1.00 from 9 pm to 1 am. + "Stop Light" specials. DJ at 9 pm.

COLETTE'S WEST - Check for daily sandwich special. Longneck Bottle Beer Special: \$1.00 from 8:00 until midnight. Alternative listening and dancing to music from 60s - 70s and early 80s from 7 to 11.

GRADUATE - Dark Well Drinks \$1.50 till closing.

IT'S 'BOU TIME - Noon to 5:30 pm Well. Drinks \$1.00, Long Neck Beer (non-premium) \$1.50. "Tranzy Tuesday" show begins at 6 p.m. 5:30 to 1 am "Moose Madness".

OUTRAGEOUS - Alternative dance rock with Randy in Disco 9-1. \$1.25 imported beers

RITA'S RENDEZVOUS - Open 6 am to 6 pm. 6 am to 6 pm Well \$1.25; Longnecks \$1.00; Schnapps .75

RUMORHAZIT 2222 - 2 for 1 call/well/beer 4-7 pm. Well drinks \$1.25, munchies 1-7 pm. W/DJ 9-1 with Wayne.

wednesday

BACK POCKET/JOSHUA TREE - 5-8 pm Drink Specials. Check the chalkboard. 5-10 pm non-premium beer \$1, well drinks \$1.25. Bring your own meat for outdoor cooking. 3/7 supplies the salad and beans 5-8 pm. Draft Beer Bust Bud or Bud Lite .25 per glass plus .75 Schnapps from 8 pm to close! DJ 9 pm to 1 am.

COLETTE'S WEST - Daily sandwich special. Schnapps .75 8 pm to Midnight. Raffle drawings at 10:30 p.m. for prizes.

GRADUATE - .50 draft or .75 schnapps open to close plus other drink specials.

IT'S 'BOU TIME - Noon to 5:30 pm 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.

OUTRAGEOUS - Long Neck Domestic Beer Bust 8-10 .50; 10-12 .75; after midnight \$1. Top dance hits with Jearnie.

RITA'S RENDEZVOUS - Open 6 am to 1 am. 6 am to 6 pm Well \$1.25; Longnecks \$1.00; Schnapps .75

RUMORHAZIT 4-7 p.m. 2 for 1 call/well/beer. \$1.25 Well Drinks & Munchies 1-7 pm. Bud Can Beer Nite - .50 per can, plus .50 schnapps from 7 pm until close. W/DJ Ruben.

thursday

BACK POCKET/JOSHUA TREE - 5-10 pm non-premium beer \$1, well drinks \$1.25. All Well \$1.00 (w/ juice \$1.25), all Wine Coolers from 10 pm to 1 am. + "Stop Light" specials. DJ, 9 to 1 am.

COLETTE'S WEST - "Sudsersize" .40 draft beer from 8 pm to Midnight.

GRADUATE - All White Well \$1.50 open to close.

IT'S 'BOU TIME - Noon to 5:30 pm Well Drinks \$1 (with juice \$1.25), Long Neck Beer (non-premium) \$1.50. 5:30 to 1 am Long Neck Beer (non-premium) .75 - Dance 8 to 1.

OUTRAGEOUS - .25 Draft Beer Bust 4-7. Sloan cranks out the hits 9-1.

RITA'S RENDEZVOUS - Open 6 am to 1 am. 6 am to 6 pm Well \$1.25; Longnecks \$1.00; Schnapps .75

RUMORHAZIT 2222 - 2 for 1 call/well/beer 4-7 p.m. Kegger 8 pm to 12 am .50 per glass. \$1.25 Well, munchies 1-7 pm. Video/Disco dancing with Ruben 9-1.

friday

BACK POCKET/JOSHUA TREE - 5-10 pm non-premium beer \$1, well drinks \$1.25. Capt. Morgan Peach Run \$1.00 from 7 pm to closing. DJ 9 pm to 1 am.

COLETTE'S WEST - International Happy Hour plus Party Nite - Hourly Drink Specials 8 pm to Midnight.

GRADUATE - Drink specials until closing.

IT'S 'BOU TIME - Noon - 5:30 pm 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.

OUTRAGEOUS - Pool Hall opens at 4 pm. Dancing 9-1.

RITA'S RENDEZVOUS - Open 6 am to 1 am. 6 am to 6 pm Well \$1.25; Longnecks \$1.00; Schnapps .75

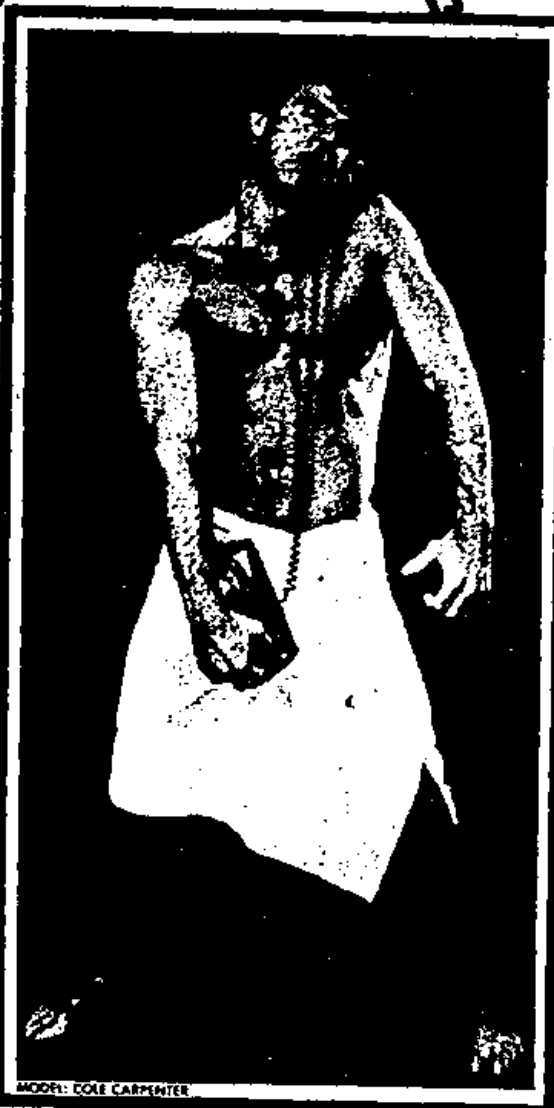
RUMORHAZIT 2222 - 2 for 1 call/well/beer 4-7 p.m. \$1.25 Well drinks plus Munchies 1-7 pm. Progressive Friday - all well drinks .75 from 7 to 9 and go up a quarter each hour till closing. DJ/WJ Ruben 9 to 1.



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The Full Moon of August 27th is an Eclipse occurring on the 4th degree of Pisces. Lunar Eclipses and Solar Eclipses mark off important points in our lives. They are usually paired on opposite ends of the constellation axis. The Lunar Eclipse of March 3rd in 13 degrees Virgo was either a beginning or an end of one last September in Pisces so this one is a beginning or an end of whatever was happening for you in March of this year. A good example of this one will be Aries, some of whom will move away from Tucson now and by next March be wholly settled in wherever you moved to.

ARIES
9th House: Probability of a long trip or sea voyage. Contact with foreign places or people. Act with care to avoid accidents especially when driving.

TAURUS
10th House: Possible honors, advancement or financial gain, some public attention may come to you. If you are employed a raise or promotion.

GEMINI
11th House: You may have an opportunity to join a research organization, be elected to a club office. If young, you may be rushed for Fraternity or Sorority membership.

CANCER
12th House: Your secret romance may be discovered, or your background investigated. Not a good month for indiscretions of any kind. Visit friends in hospitals or prisons.

LEO
1st House: Your turn to let it all hang out in full self-expression, but you may have to do it through your work because your ruler, the Sun, has just entered Virgo.

VIRGO
2nd House: Now is the time to turn your practical analytical talents to a profit. Writing research papers could be quite profitable for you at this time. You can also make it in the communications field.

LIBRA
3rd House: A busy period for Libras now. Short trips to visit relatives or close friends. Lots of phone calls and correspondence. You will either do a lot of talking or listening, but it will be profitable.

SCORPIO
4th House: Many changes in your home life now, you may in fact leave home and go to a different place. If young go away to college. Do not be led into temptation now, rough times pass more quickly if you stay busy.

SAGITTARIUS
5th House: Well, it is the lucky house and Sagittarians are noted for their luck. Real Estate could be profitable. Sudden romances will not last, but can occur with an older person. Your children could be using drugs and get sick. Read the fine print in any business deal, but play the Pick or the Office Pool anyway.

CAPRICORN
6th House: A time for hard work which will ultimately be rewarding. Pay attention to detail and have a check up, watch your diet and have plenty of sex.

AQUARIUS
7th House: New friends, business partners and people will listen to your ideas now. You will do well with older people now.

PISCES
8th House: Past difficulties will now turn to your advantage and children will bring you more than happiness. You may be separated from old friends, but it was time. You may have to take on heavy financial responsibilities, but you will receive assistance from a higher source.

(NOTE: For personal assistance regarding your Horoscope, call Michael at 721-8155 in Tucson. Michael may also be seen on Tucson Channel 37 every Wednesday at 5:30-45 p.m.)

A COMMENTARY BY

CHRISTOPHER GEOFFREY McPHERSON

MODERN DILEMMA

The medical question used to be, "Do you want a transplant, or do you want to die?" Now, the medical question has been changed to, "Do you want to die, or risk getting AIDS?"

It seems this is the state of modern medicine since the announced suit in Phoenix of a man who received a heart transplant, was treated with a drug derived from human blood products, and then recently tested positive for AIDS.

The patient, who, it is believed, is alive now because of the heart transplant, is suing the doctor because he has been exposed to the HIV antibodies. I realize the man's plight, but isn't this a case of biting the hand that feeds you?

Doesn't everyone who undergoes such drastic medical cures assume the risk of failure, or complications? It is a tricky question because of the fine-line between assumed risk and malpractice. I do not infer malpractice in this case, but the patient obviously does.

Since about five years ago, the nation's blood supply has been tested for contamination by the HIV antibodies. Blood transfusions and even treatment for hemophilia have become more safe;

not positively safe, but safer. Chances of getting AIDS through blood products administered in a hospital setting have been drastically reduced. But, as with any medical procedure, there are risks.

Whenever I am confronted by a conundrum like this, I try to place myself in the situation to better analyze my reactions; walking a mile in another person's shoes greatly enhances one's perspective.

I am, however, perplexed by this case. Were I given the choice of dying unless I received a new heart, or living with the chance (remote, at best) of getting exposed to the AIDS virus, I would opt for the transplant without a second thought. Death from heart disease is absolute, and although there is yet no cure or sure treatment for AIDS, there is always the chance of treatment providing borrowed time until the cure is found.

Although the specifics of the case have not yet been made public, I do not think I could thank a doctor for saving my life and then sue him for exposing me to AIDS.

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