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Guest Editorial

Vote for Mike Dukakis November 8

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On November 8, 1988, millions of Gay men and Lesbians will have a choice. That choice is clear: we must elect Mike Dukakis the next president of the United States. Mike Dukakis is the best candidate Gay men and Lesbians have ever had. This election is the most important election our community has ever faced - it is a choice between better lives for the millions of Gay men and Lesbians in the United States or years more of stagnation and defeat.

This summer GLDA endorsed Mike Dukakis for president. We made that endorsement because the records of the two candidates are clear. Mike Dukakis supports Gay and Lesbian rights and more effective programs and policy on AIDS; George Bush opposes Gay and Lesbian rights and has participated in the malign neglect of AIDS of the Reagan-Bush administration.

Michael Dukakis has said, "Every American should have the opportunity to live his or her life fully and openly - and to contribute and participate in the life of our country - without fear or intimidation. Our civil rights laws acknowledge that discrimination on the basis of race, sex, religion, age, national origin or disability is fundamentally unfair. Discrimination against an individual because of his or her sexual orientation is no less unfair... that is why, as President I will fight for federal legislation to add a prohibition against discrimination based on sexual orientation."

Meanwhile, George Bush says, "We do not believe in codification of laws relating to homosexuals," and "I don't think American society should be asked to accept that homosexuality is a standard which should be held up for acceptance."

The Reagan-Bush Supreme Court has, in Hardwick v. Bowers, denied the privacy rights of Gay people. The next president of the United States will appoint at least three new justices and shape the court well into the next century. George Bush will appoint people like Robert Bork and Edwin Meese; Mike Dukakis will appoint people like Thurgood Marshall and William Brennan. The choice is clear.

Mike Dukakis recognizes that AIDS is a public health crisis and says, "AIDS is the most serious threat to public health we have faced in our lifetime. It must be conquered... As President, I will provide leadership to meet this crisis. I will commit the resources necessary to prevent the spread of the virus, find a cure, develop a vaccine, and care for people with AIDS and ARC. We will have a national strategic plan to guide us in the war on AIDS and we will have a President leading the charge."

In contrast, George Bush says, "Ultimately we must protect those who do not have the disease. Thus we have made the decision that there must be more testing." More than 40,000 people have died from AIDS in the United States during the eight years of the Reagan-Bush inaction. The choice is clear.

Mike Dukakis supports efforts to eliminate discrimination against Gay men and Lesbians in immigration laws. He believes that violence against Gay men and Lesbians should be treated as a civil rights violation.

George Bush supports neither. The choice is clear.

The Democratic Party supports an end to discrimination against Gay men and Lesbians while Republicans fail to speak out. Almost 100 openly Gay men and Lesbians were delegates to the Democratic Convention in 1988. No openly Gay men or Lesbians were Republican delegates. Four openly Gay people are members of the Democratic National Committee, none are members of the Republican National Committee. The Dukakis campaign has three openly Gay staff people at the national level; the Bush campaign has no openly Gay staff people.

The choice is clear. Four more years of Bush-Quayle, like the eight years of Reagan-Bush, will doom hundreds of thousands of people in our community to illness, death, loss of jobs and homes. We cannot sit out the election on November 8 - we must vote and when we vote we must remember that we are deciding our fate and those of millions of others. We must vote for Mike Dukakis.

Richard Kimball to address OP

TUCSON - "During the past 20 years, technology has dramatically changed our means of selecting political leaders," Richard Kimball will tell the October 20th general meeting of the Old Pueblo Business and Professional Association (OP) at the Hotel Park Tucson. "Skillful consultants are able to tailor candidates to appeal to voters on style and appearance rather than on issues. As a result, Americans have lost faith in our elected leaders."

Kimball, founder of the Tucson-based Center for National Independence in Politics, believes a forum of unbiased, nonpartisan information about issues and candi-

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Congress passes AIDS legislation

Federal confidentiality fails

WASHINGTON, DC - The U.S. Congress last Thursday, Oct. 13, passed a multi-section AIDS bill addressing the areas of research, education, home health care and anonymous testing. But the final bill did not include a section passed by the House, establishing general testing and counseling programs and federal confidentiality protections for those who undergo testing for HIV, the AIDS virus.

In the closing moments of the 100th Congress, the U.S. House and Senate passed the omnibus health bill that includes the nation's first comprehensive plan for fighting AIDS. Vic Basile, Executive Director of the Human Rights Campaign Fund (HRCF), hailed the passage as "an extremely important first step toward the long-overdue national battle-plan against AIDS."

"This bill is especially critical to people with AIDS and HIV infection because it offers them hope that drugs will begin to move more quickly through the research process and become available to sick people as early as possible," added Basile.

Activists and others who were pushing for guaranteed confidentiality plan to try again next year. "We have lost precious time until then," said Rep. Henry Waxman, D-Calif., one of the chief authors of the legislation. Plans to ensure confidentiality of AIDS tests were dropped after conservatives threatened to use Senate rules to block the measure.

Chai Feldblum, Legislative Counsel for the ACLU's AIDS Project noted that "There was generally overwhelming support in both the House and the Senate for including those provisions [general testing and counseling programs and federal confidentiality protections]." "Unfortunately, Senator Jesse Helms was able to use the threat of a filibuster to stop the Senate from even considering these provisions."

The omnibus bill authorizes up to $300 million in new research funds each of the next three years provides $370 million for extensive programs in AIDS education, authorizes $100 million for anonymous testing and counseling for two years, and authorizes $100 million in block grants to states for home health care services for people with AIDS. The program will be anonymous to the extent the various state laws permit.

AIDS activists credited Senators Kennedy and Hatch and Representatives Waxman and Madigan for moving the bill, and cited their hard work and persistence int he closing hours.

Key controversies in the bill were negotiated as follows:

1. The guidelines for consent, counseling and confidentiality in HIV testing and counseling were eliminated except as they apply to authorized anonymous testing sites.

"It is unfortunate the Congress could not stand up to the handful of demagogues who blocked the comprehensive testing bill that passed overwhelmingly in the House," said Basile. "A testing and counseling and an anti-discrimination bill will be our top priorities in the next Congress. However the anonymous testing program authorized here is an important first step that will give people access to HIV testing without risking discrimination and loss of confidentiality."

2. A stipulation is included that education programs are not to be "designed to promote or encourage, directly, homosexual or heterosexual sexual activity or intravenous substance abuse" but that they shall provide "accurate information about various means to reduce exposure to and transmission of" HIV. This language contains the essential elements of the Cranston-Kennedy amendment included in this year's Labor-HHS appropriations bill.

"This is a major victory for common sense and effective AIDS prevention; it solidifies the gains we made in defeating the "killer" Helms and Humphrey amendments on the appropriations bill this year," said Basile. (OBSERVER Aug. 3).

3. Testing of state prisoners was limited to those convicted of sexual assault, prostitution, intravenous drug offenses and other "high risk" prisoners, and is tied to a separate authorization for matching federal and state funds.

"While we oppose mandatory testing in any circumstances, this provision allows maximum flexibility to the states to determine their own prisoner-testing programs," said Basile.

Nan D. Hunter, Director of the ACLU's AIDS Project, said that "a top priority for the ACLU will be to pass the testing and confidentiality provisions early in the next Congress. Our other priority will be passing the Americans with Disabilities Act, which will provide essential anti-discrimination protections for people with AIDS and HIV-infection," said Hunter.

The omnibus bill now goes to President Reagan for signing into law.

AIDS has been diagnosed in 74,447 American, and 41,925 have died; according to the Centers for Disease Control.

UPDATE

PHOENICIAN COMPILES COMING OUT BOOK

PHOENIX - "Like Coming Home: Coming Out Letters", compiled by Phoenix writer Meg Umans, will be available at book stores this month.

The book presents a number of Gay men and Lesbian women "coming out" letters to family and friends. Some responses are also included in the contributions that Umans sought for the book in 1986.

According to Umans, "Like Coming Home" evolved from recognizing a void in current literature on the subject.

"In recent times, there have been 'advice' books on telling your friends and your family about your homosexuality and there have been stories written about people coming out," Umans said. "This book, however, focuses solely on the actual letters Gay men and Lesbian women have written to their friends and families to tell them about their sexuality — and the written responses they have received.

"'Coming Out' can be a difficult process and there is a great deal of risk involved," she added, because in the course of disclosing your alternative sexuality in this case homosexuality, people may shun you, hate you, think you're sick and/or disown you.

"This book sheds a great deal of light on the process of coming out and while it doesn't paint a picture of 'happily ever afters,' people who are 'coming out' are willing to take that risk in an effort to be true to themselves," Umans concluded.

Meg Umans, who owns Humanspace Books in Phoenix, was named one of the Gay community's "21 unsung heroes" by the Advocate in September and is working on a book about nurses, and other health care professionals, and their experiences with AIDS patients.

MARTHA GRAHAM DANCE COMPANY TO PERFORM TAP BENEFIT

TUCSON - After a 14 year absence, the Martha Graham Dance Company returns to Tucson to perform in a benefit for the Tucson AIDS Project (TAP).

The performance will take place at 8:00 p.m. at the Centennial Hall on the University of Arizona campus on Monday, Nov. 7.

The sponsors of the benefit are the St. Philip's Plaza Merchants, Gadabout Hair, Skin sand Nails Salon, and the Asociacion Universitaria de Estudiantes Hispanos.

Of special note is the presentation of "Night Chant", a new work inspired by Miss Graham's travels throughout the Southwest and by Native American culture. The world premiere of the work choreographed to music by R. Carlos Nakai, was held in New York City last Thursday, Oct. 13. Other Graham classics to be presented at the Tucson performance include "Letter To The World", "Deep Song", and "El Penitente".

Since Martha Graham's first dance concert in 1926, she has been recognized as a pioneer and an innovative artist of extraordinary talent. She was presented with this country's highest civilian honor, the Medal of Freedom, in 1976 by President Gerald Ford, naming her a national treasure. Her monumental body of works includes 176 ballets, many of which are considered to be masterpieces of American dance, and a unique technique of movement — the Graham Technique — that has trained some of the twentieth century's finest dancers, choreographers and actors.

AN EVENING OF WOMEN'S COMEDY

TUCSON - Comic Slique Callahan makes a return visit to Tucson in "An Evening Of Women's Comedy," on Saturday, Nov. 5 at 8:00 p.m. at the Unitarian Universalist Church, 4831 E. 22nd Street.

Slique's outrageous, shoot from the lip, performances have delighted many audiences - including one in Tucson last year. Local women's music performer Jamie Anderson will open the show.

Free childcare is available with reservations. Tickets are $4-6, sliding scale available at the door. For more information call 887-1540.

CORNERSTONE YARD SALE SET

TUCSON - Cornerstone Fellowship, an independent evangelical Christian church, will sponsor a Benefit Yard Sale on Saturday, Nov. 12, from 9:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m. at 3333 E. Grant Road.

The Yard Sale proceeds will benefit Persons With AIDS (PWAs) in Tucson, and impoverished persons in Nogales, Sonora, Mexico. The church has outreach ministries to both of these groups.

Tax-deductible donations of household goods and clothing may be delivered to the church between 7 and 9 p.m. Monday through Friday between now and Nov. 12. For additional information call 881-3519.

PHOENIX SHANTI GROUP TRAINING

PHOENIX - The Phoenix Shanti Group has scheduled a 44 hour training period for PWAs, family, friends, significant others, volunteers and health care workers. The training sessions will take place over two weekends, Nov. 4-5-6 and Nov. 11-12-13 at the Phoenix Indian Medical Center, 16th St. and Indian School, in the Library Conference Room.

The purpose of the training will be to gain knowledge and insight about this syndrome called AIDS from numerous perspectives, including medical, legal and emotional. To encounter one's own fears and attitudes about death in general and AIDS in particular. And, to develop a compassionate sense of understanding for the feelings of loss experienced by people with AIDS.

The training sessions are free to Persons with AIDS; $50 for those willing to make a 6-month Shanti volunteer commitment and $125 for those taking the training for professional or educational reasons.

For further information call the Phoenix Shanti Group, P.O.Box 17618, Phoenix, AZ 85011 or call (602)265-3884.

REV. JUDY DAVENPORT TO VISIT TUCSON

TUCSON - During the weekend of Oct. 21 through 23, one of the U.F.M.C.C.'s best loved and most dynamic ministers will be in Tucson. Rev. Davenport is currently pastor of MCC/Albuquerque where she just celebrated her fourth anniversary with that church in July.

While being pastor of MCC/Albuquerque, Rev. Davenport is also currently serving on the Southwest District Committee of U.F.M.C.C. Even with these time consuming duties she still finds time to be active in the Albuquerque community and is on the New Mexico Conference of Churches Task Force for AIDS.

Rev. Davenport founded two MCC churches - San Antonio and Corpus Christi, Texas. She has also been assistant pastor of MCC/Ft. Lauderdale, Florida and Pastor of MCC/Oklahoma City, Okla.

News from MCC Tucson

Last Friday evening, Oct. 14 at 6:00 p.m., Russ Fetters died at the Baptist Hospital in Phoenix. Russ was a member of Oasis MCC in Phoenix and was our Southwest District Clerk of U.F.M.C.C. Russ was a supporter of MCC/Tucson and was a very dear friend to many here in Tucson. Russ died of complications due to AIDS. There will be a Memorial Service at Oasis MCC this Saturday, Oct. 22 at 1:00 p.m. For more information or details on the Memorial Service call MCC/Tucson at 622-4536 between noon and 7:00 p.m.

This weekend is our "Three Days In October" spiritual renewal. Rev. Judy Davenport will be our guest speaker and will be bring a message at three services, Friday, Oct. 21 at 7:30 p.m.; Saturday, Oct. 22 at 7:30 p.m. and Sunday, Oct. 23 at 10:45 a.m. There will be a pot-luck supper with an informal gathering to meet Rev. Judy at 5:00 p.m. on Friday, Oct. 21. Everyone is invited to share with us and meet Rev. Judy Davenport.

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK: Without God, I can't; without me, God won't.

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Researchers hunt for the longest-surviving AIDS patients

by Rob Stein

NEW YORK, NY -- Researchers are searching for the longest-living survivors of AIDS virus infection -- two men who could still be alive even though they may have been infected with the deadly virus as early as 1974.

Both men are believed to be living somewhere in New York City, one of them apparently having obtained a driver's license as recently as March of last year.

If scientists can find them and they agree to cooperate, the researchers hope to learn why they have been able to survive so long. his information could help others infected with the disease, which usually destroys the immune system.

"It's possible it would help," said Dr. Robert J. Biggar, international AIDS coordinator for the environmental epidemiology branch of the National Cancer Institute in Bethesda, Maryland.

Biggar has asked the New York State Department of Health, which has the identities of the two men, for approval of a plan to contact their doctors to confirm that the men are still alive and find out if they are willing to cooperate.

Dr. Philip C. Nasca, director of the bureau of cancer epidemiology for the New York health unit, is working with Biggar and said he plans to seek higher review of the proposal.

Biggar and Nasca came across the two cases while reviewing information from the New York State Health Cancer Registry, which keeps track of all cancer cases in the state but normally keeps patients' names confidential.

The researchers were reviewing the registry for the incidents of Kaposis sarcoma, a once rare form of cancer that has become common among homosexual men with AIDS.

The scientists identified four men diagnosed with Kaposi's sarcoma who did not meet the classic characteristics for victims of the disease but had characteristics that would put them at high risk for AIDS.

One man died in 1983 and another in 1986, one from what the death certificate said was AIDS and the other from what the death certificate said was pneumocystis carinii pneumonia, a common cause of death among AIDS patients.

But no death certificates could be found for the remaining two men, indicating they were still alive.

"A couple of them appear to be still alive," Biggar said. "That is quite amazing."

Records show that one of them was a 26-year-old homosexual from lower Manhattan when he was diagnosed with the cancer in 1977. It often can take several years from the time a person is infected with the AIDS virus for the cancer to develop, suggesting he was infected as early as 1974.

The second man was 46 years old when he was diagnosed with Kaposi's sarcoma in 1978. The records did not indicate whether he was a member of any known risk group for AIDS.

Dr. Harold Jaffe, chief of the epidemiology branch of the AIDS program at the federal Centers for Disease Control in Atlanta, said that to his knowledge the earliest cases of infection with the AIDS virus in which the patients are still living were a group of homosexual men in San Francisco who had been infected since 1978. Studying such long-term survivors could yield important insights into the disease, he said.

"I think potentially it would be interesting to study them to see if there is anything unusual about how they responded," said Jaffe. "It may turn out there is a subset of people who, even though they are infected with the virus, do well over a long period of time. It may be something to be learned about the way their bodies respond."

Biggar said it is possible neither of the New York men has AIDS, but this is unlikely given what the researchers know about them. It is also possible both the men moved out of the area and died, but it is believed they are still living in Manhattan.

Biggar was uncertain what would have enabled the men to live so long, but he speculated they may have been infected with a less deadly form of the virus or their immune systems or lifestyles differed in some way.

If this turns out to be true, the information could help doctors find a way to prolong the lives of other infected people. "I think it is kind of exciting," said Biggar, who reported his findings in a letter published in the New England Journal of Medicine.

(Rob Stein is a Boston-based writer for the United Press International).

RICHARD KIMBALL TO ADDRESS OP
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dates will restore confidence in the American democratic process.

The Center enlists the support of leaders from both liberal and conservative views, including U.S. Senators William Proxmire and Barry Goldwater. Focusing on "democracy through education," the Center has led some national leaders to join in setting aside disagreements in order to promote awareness and participation in American democracy.

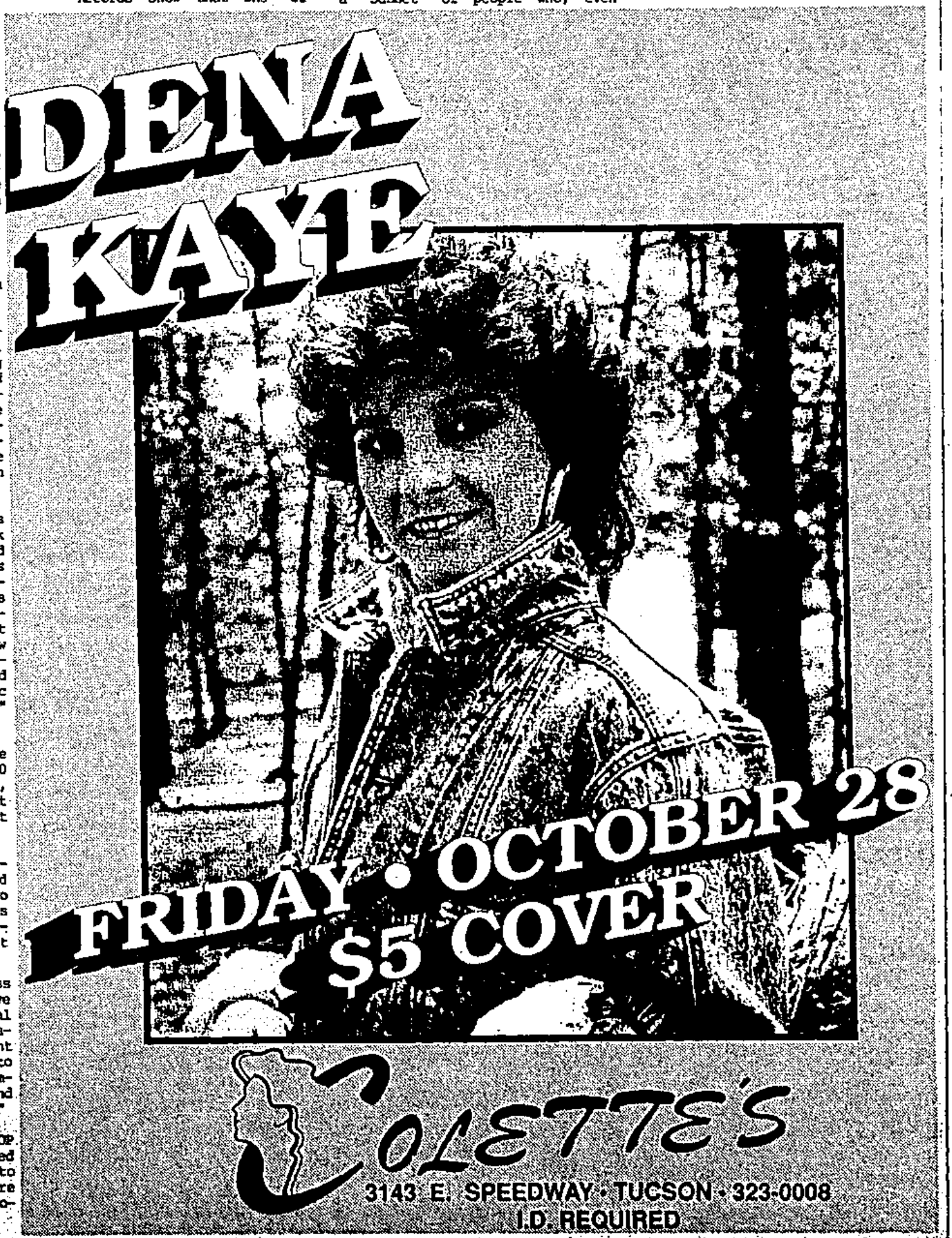
Two immediate Center goals are to spur the public to think more critically about issues and candidates, instead of appearances and images, and to identify elected leaders who represent interests conflicting with their constituencies in order to raises sufficient campaign dollars. "Our nation now ranks last among industrial democracies in voter participation, and polls measuring trust in public officials are at all-time lows," Kimball states.

No-host beverages begin the evening's presentation at 7:00 p.m. in the hotel's Acacia Room, followed by the general meeting at 7:30. The Hotel Park Tucson is at 5151 East Grant Road.

Admission to the presentation is free for OP members and first-time guests. Visitors who have attended previous OP meetings but choose not to join the association are charged a $5 cover at the door.

"OP is a group of business and professional people who have joined together for educational and humanitarian purposes," asserts the association's President Jenny Martin. "Our goals are to promote and strengthen our members' businesses and careers and to help build a better community."

Newcomers are welcome to OP meetings, adds Martin. Interested men and women are encouraged to call 297-3794 in Tucson for more information about the group's programs or membership information.



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WHAT'S UP DOC?

I hope everyone caught those Wildcats this past Saturday. We have a good football team here and these Wildcats will be playing in a Bowl Game come the Christmas holidays.

If you missed SOS' Hoedown, shame on you. IBTs was completely decorated to the ceiling. Beautiful flower arrangements, balloons galore, and an overall country Fall scene. Then add the great entertainment and it made for one very successful, fun-filled day. Now I wonder if there will be a Spring Hoedown?

Later in the evening, I went over the JT/BP for DL's Casino Night. A good crowd was on hand trying to win enough chips for some of the great prizes for the top winners. Mary Bishop of course was right in the middle of the game and I'm sure probably walked off with more than one prize. Even the rain wasn't able to dampen the spirit and fun by everyone playing. Great fun evening, DL, and let's have more.

This coming Saturday, Oct. 22, the hottest action for the weekend will be over at Colette's. Partners will be having an "Octoberfest" Beer Bust and will also be serving German Food. Time for all of this is from 2 until 6 p.m. All proceeds from the day will be going to the Community Awards of Tucson (C.A.T.) Committee. Stop in for the afternoon, enjoy some of the great food and show some of Tucson's superior support.

While on the subject of fund raisers for the C.A.T. Committee, let me remind you of Colette's Softball Game to be held Nov. 6 at Himmel Park. Anyone interested in playing in this game, individually, or as a team, sign up at Colettes before that date. Times and field number will be passed out at that time.

And for all of you who would rather watch football on the screen, cold drink in hand, over at Rumor Hazzit, TKO will be holding a Beer Bust from 2 to 6 p.m. Join TKO for a fun day and you might get a chance to watch the video tape of their recent trip to Albuquerque.

In case everyone has not gotten the word yet, the Graduate Turnabout Show had to be cancelled and is rescheduled for Friday, Nov. 18. It seems that not everyone who was to be in this show, got back to Roger in time. I hope if and when this annual event does come off, everyone will get their music to Roger in time. Come on gang, this has always been a lot of fun, so let's get with it this time.

Just a friendly reminder to all those on the Arizona Fellowship Committee, you have a meeting this Saturday, Oct. 22 at 10 a.m. at the Graduate. This may be the last meeting for this year's version of the Fellowship '88 run, so be sure to attend. For everyone else, this year's run applications are out so if you would like to join us, contact one of Tucson's clubs to obtain and application.

Also, with our Wildcats playing great football again, don't forget to get your chance on the two football tickets to the DofA/ASU football game on Nov. 27 here in Tucson. Raffle tickets are only $1.00 and the drawing will be on Nov. 12 at TKO's Beer Bust at the Graduate.

Well, I guess that's about it for this week. With these holidays upon us now, I'll try to keep up with all you need to know about coming events. Also, please watch that drinking and driving.

Quote for the Week:" The game of life is a game of boomerangs. Our thoughts, deeds and words return to us sooner or later with astounding accuracy.
-Florence Scovel Shinn.

PERSPECTIVE

by Nina Finley

CHAPTER 16

One spring my father went to Burns, about eighteen miles away, and bought a riding horse that was for sale there. He was white with five brands, indicating that he had had several owners. The fifth brand wore off during the summer. That brand was chiseled into his front hooves, so he had traveled a multitude of miles with his last owner.

I had never ridden a horse until father bought Jim, but he was mine and didn't need another brand since we never had one. He had been cut up severely with fence wire and carried great patches of scars on his neck and shoulders. Friends of ours had a hardware store in Hillsdale, so we got a catalog of saddles from them and I picked the one I wanted. It was a good stock saddle and beautifully decorated with roses and steers heads all hand tooled. One thing my father insisted on, I had to ride with covered stirrups. If the horse fell with me, my foot would not get caught in the stirrup and maybe be dragged by a frightened horse.

Well, Jim did fall several times, making a quick turn driving cattle or step in a hole concealed by weeds. If that happened, he would get up, groan and shake himself then look around for me and nuzzle me as though apologizing for having fallen.

We could drive him as a single driver to the buggy or he could work in the field alongside the regular team, and Jim as the third horse. Father worked in an adjoining field, and when five o'clock came, he would signal me and I would unhitch and take my horses home to be watered and put in the barn. But Jim had to be saddled, and we were on our way to bring the cattle in off the open range to be corraled for the night.

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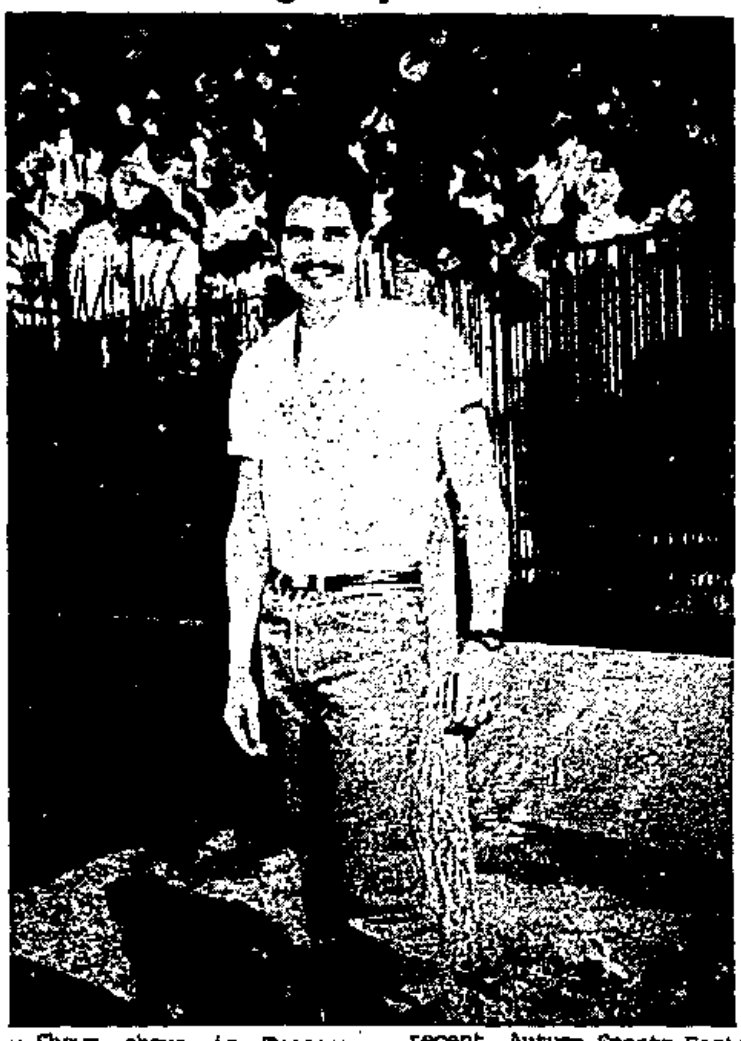


TUCSON - Shown above is Tucsonan Jim Felix sporting the Gold Medal he received in racquetball in the recent Autumn Sports Festival held in San Diego. See related story this issue.

TUCSON - Volleyball and Racquetball enthusiast Jim Felix, of Tucson, returned home from the San Diego Autumn Sports Festival with a Gold Medal which he won in the Racquetball competition. Felix had to beat some of the Gay Games II gold medalists from the San Diego Racquetball Squad to win his medal.

This first Autumn Sports Festival hosted by Athletes in Motion of San Diego was held Oct. 7 - 10 and was attended by several hundred sports enthusiasts from all over. To his knowledge, Jim Felix was the only participant from Tucson, or from Arizona for that matter. He has been asked to be the Arizona sports coordinator for those wishing to participate in various sporting events in the future with an eye on the Gay Games III to be held in Vancouver August 4-11, 1990.

The next sporting event will be a Volleyball Tournament to be held in San Diego over the Thanksgiving Weekend, Nov. 25-6-7. Felix is organizing a Tucson team as well as Phoenix participants for this tournament. "We have a few good players already, but could use several more," Felix said. Interested players are encouraged to call Jim Felix, 881-2769 in Tucson. "We need to get some practice in before we leave for San Diego, so we need to get moving on this now," said Felix.

Phoenix athletes can either contact Jim Felix at the above number or contact the Athletes In Motion (A.I.M.), P.O. Box 33113, San Diego, CA 92103.

DC Gay Demos oppose civil rights threats

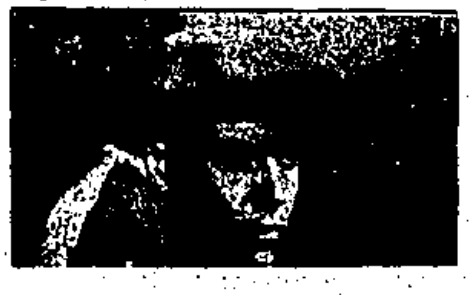
WASHINGTON, DC - "The House and Senate votes on the DC appropriations are a major blow to both District of Columbia Home Rule and to human rights in general," says Herb K. Schultz, president of the Gertrude Stein Democratic Club and treasurer of the Gay and Lesbian Democrats of America (GLDA). Schultz's statement followed the Congressional action to seek an overturn of the District of Columbia Human Rights law, especially that portion of the law that protects the rights of Lesbians and Gay men.

"We urge all people concerned with civil and human rights issues to contact their representatives in Congress and urge them to turn this decision around," continued Schultz. "We in the District of Columbia are outraged by these actions. Congress has trampled on our rights and has shown, once and for all, that the District is little more than a U.S. colony."

Although residents of the District of Columbia are U.S. citizens, they have no voting representation in Congress, and the law enacted by the City Council are subject to Congressional veto. Efforts to seek statehood for the District and repeal of the District sodomy law have been stymied by Congress for several years, but have the support of most progressive organizations, including the Gay and Lesbian Democrats of America.

Over the past several weeks Congress has, in addition to its action on the human rights law, sought to repeal a DC law protecting the rights of people with AIDSD, prevented the District from providing any federal or local health care funds for abortion, and sought to repeal the DC residency requirement (similar to that of many other cities in the U.S.) for District government employees. If the DC City Council does not act on these measures it faces loss of all tax revenues.

Christine R. Riddiough, executive director of GLDA, urged Gay and Lesbian Democrats to speak out on this issue. "Both GLDA and the Democratic Party as a whole support statehood for the District. We are very concerned with this attack on human rights and believe that swift action in response is imperative," she said.



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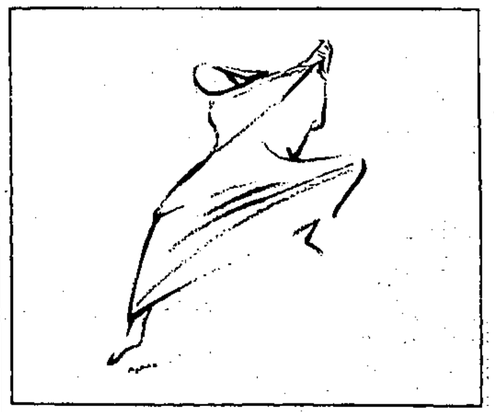

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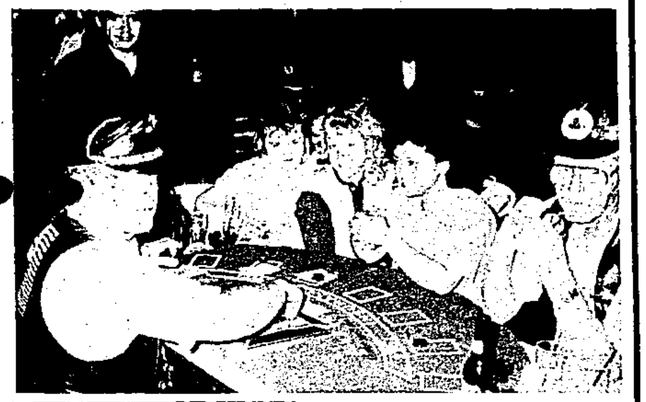

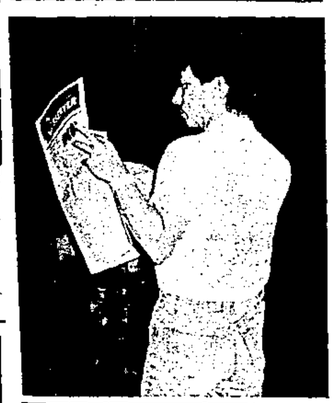

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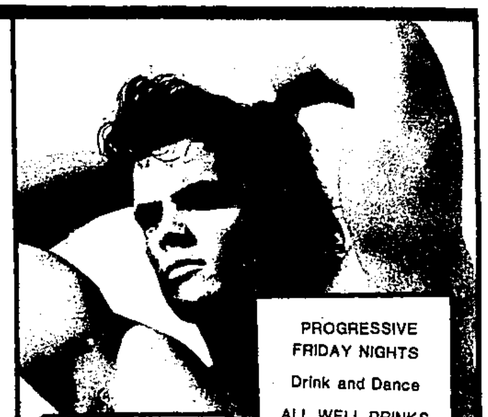

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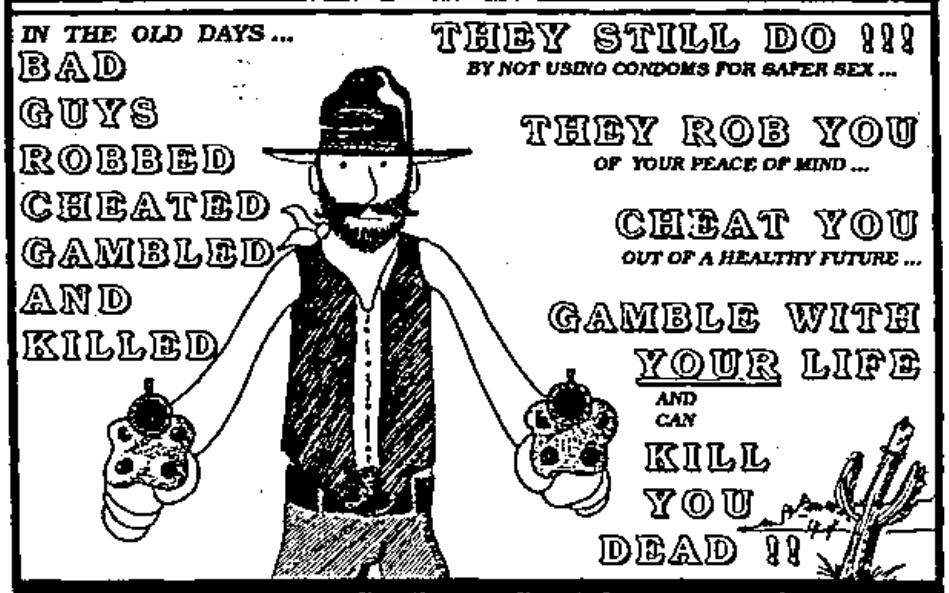

DON'T GET PRICKED WITHOUT A CONDOM

POLITICS '88

by Mark R. Kerr

THE LAST BUSH/DUKAKIS DEBATE: The debate took place last Thursday in Pauley Pavilion in Los Angeles. Dukakis trailing in the polls, needed to hit a home run and rattle Bush to score some much needed points with the voters. Well, Dukakis showed in this debate that he is a kind, caring person. But all he hit was a Texas-League single.

Bush won this debate and will gain a little in the polls. Dukakis forces state that the campaign will be won in the last weeks. Well it is in the last weeks of the campaign and this country cannot stand another four years of Conservative, blue-blood rule of the Republicans. We have had eight years of living life through rose-colored glasses, letting apathy run amok. So I hope and pray that the Dukakis campaign in these last weeks will launch a Truman-esque campaign. It isn't too late to start!

LOCAL NEWS: Well the Democrats of Greater Tucson (DGT) this week expelled three prominent members. The three were Sheriff Clarence Dupnik, County Attorney Steven Neely and former candidate for the Pima County Board of Supervisors (Dist. 3) and former State Senator Sue Dye. Why were they expelled? For publicly endorsing Republican candidates for various political offices. The DGT went a little too far, and so did these people.

Expelling was a little drastic, but it is wrong for an elected official of one party to make endorsements of the opposition party. If they are not happy with their own party's candidate the best thing to do is remain silent.

BALLOT PROPOSITIONS: There are several ballot propositions to be voted on this November. They are as follows:

PROPOSITION 100: What this proposition would do is to let the Treasurer of the State of Arizona be able to serve more than two terms.

PROPOSITION 101: This would repeal the provision relating to the method used by the Corporation Commission to determine the value of public service corporations.

PROPOSITION 103: Would strike the provision in the state Constitution allowing only men to serve as Governor, Secretary of State and Treasurer.

PROPOSITION 104: Would amend the Arizona Constitution to include the acquisition of rights-of-way and construction or reconstruction of streets and bridges by incorporated cities or town within the existing provision which authorizes an additional twenty per centum voter approved indebtedness.

PROPOSITION 105: Would require 50% + 1 vote requirement for the state office of Governor through Superintendent of Public Instruction.

PROPOSITION 106: Would make English the official language of the State of Arizona.

Proposition 300: Would raise the salary of our state senators and state representatives from $15,000 to $25,000.

CONSIDER THIS: If the Republican Party supports labor unions in Eastern Europe, why can't they support labor unions in this country? Have you noticed that one of the biggest advocates of the death penalty are the Pro-Life people? The Teamsters Union has come out and endorsed George Bush! Need I say more!!!

Until next time, take care.

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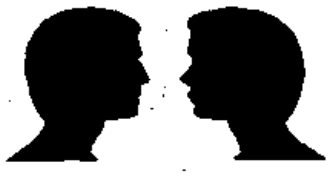

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CALENDAR
of upcoming events

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 21

GRADUATE - Direct from Los Angeles, Country and Western singer Karen Hadley will perform here beginning at 9:00 pm. No Cover. Don't miss this fine performer from Phoenix.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 22

COLETTE'S - A Benefit Beer Bust for the Community Awards of Tucson Hosted by Partners is set here from 2 until 6 p.m. in the afternoon. There will be some special food available also. All proceeds go to C.A.T.

IBT'S - A big football party is in the works here beginning at 12:30. Come on by and watch the UofA vs. U.C.L.A. game. A complementary buffet prepared by Big Mike and Ruben tops of a fun and victorious afternoon!

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 23

COLETTE'S - The 7:00 Sunday movie tonight is "Lost Boys" and it's a real good one. Don't miss it.

MONDAY, OCTOBER 24

IBT'S - Teno's Monday Movie begins at 4 p.m. and this week's movie is "Suspect" with Cher and Dennis Quaid. Then at 6 p.m. the piano and vocal antics of popular Doug Cooper entertains until ????. A great way to begin the work week. One down and four to go!

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 28

COLETTE'S - The Dena Kaye Show will be playing here from 9 p.m. until 1 a.m. One of the premiere Country/Western acts in the country. Make plans to attend now! $5.00 Cover and worth every penny.

JOSHUA TREE - Beginning of a Four Day Halloween Weekend here with a Pumpkin Carving Contest from 6 to 9 p.m. 1st Prize $25; 2nd Prize bottle of champagne

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 29

COLETTE'S - Halloween Costume Contest here begins at 10 p.m. with Cash Prizes. Watch next weeks ad for all the details. Plenty of fun and games!

IBT'S - Big Halloween night here with contests, prizes and surprises. Watch for details next week.

JOSHUA TREE - Big Halloween Costume Contest with a 10 p.m. sign-up at the outdoor stage area. 1st Prize $100; 2nd Prize $50; 3rd Prize $25; 4th Prize bottle of Champagne. Lots of other nonesense and fun. See their ad next week.

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 30

COLETTE'S - It's spooks, ghosts and goblin time again and what better video for snowing tonight than the classic movie "Halloween"? It begins at 7 p.m. It will scare you "sheetless"!

JOSHUA TREE - Halloween celebration begins its third day here with the usual Steak Dinner from 4 until ??? plus special drink prices all day and night plus some other Halloween surprises. Watch for details next week.

MONDAY, OCTOBER 31 (Halloween)

JOSHUA TREE - The Halloween party winds down with a celebration for the die-hards with a true Halloween "Costume Contest". More details in next weeks paper. Watch for them.

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 4

COLETTE'S - Lisa Otey sings and plays for your listening pleasure during the cocktail hour which also features some really great International Hors D'Oeuvres. Each Friday and different country is featured.

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 6

COLETTE'S - Benefit Softball Game at Himmel Park at 1:00 p.m. for the Community Awards Committee. Food and beer will be available for a donation. Colette's team challenges any and all others!!! Acoustic songstress Patty McCulla plays from 9 until midnight.

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 8

COLETTE'S - The guitar and vocals of the always popular Anne English plays beginning at 8:30 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 16

COLETTE'S - It's Country and Western Wednesday again. It's a once-a-month feature here. Phoenix singer Loren Johnson will be singing your favorites here beginning at 8:30 p.m.

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 18

COLETTE'S - TGIF again and Lisa Otey's singing talents will help you wind the week out in fine fashion. Don't forget those International Hors d'Oeuvres either. They're something else and the price is right - complimentary!

GRADUATE - The 6th annual "Turnabout Show" will be held here again. See Kenny or Roger to sign up, and watch for more details. It's always great fun.

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2. BOTTOMS-UP	13	7	.650	2
3. DICK'S LITTLE INDIANS	12	8	.600	3
4. "NEXT WEEK"	12	8	.600	3
5. TRES AMIGOS	11	9	.550	4
6. LUCKY DEVILS	11	9	.550	4
7. STRIKER FORCE	10	10	.500	5
8. CHESTER & THE BOYS	10	10	.500	5
9. WHOLLY ROLLERS	9	11	.450	6
10. MOOSETEERS	9	11	.450	6
11. PHILISTINE PROS	8.5	11.5	.425	6.5
12. TEAM #7	8.5	11.5	.425	6.5
13. BUSY B's	6	14	.300	9
14. UNKNOWN BOWLERS	5	15	.250	10

HIGH SCRATCH GAME: MARK K. 226 / ROBIN R. 225 / BILL C. 220

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TEAM HIGH SCRATCH SERIES: DICK'S LITTLE INDIANS 1528 / TRES AMIGOS 1476 / TEAM #7 1423

Non-Bar CALENDAR

OCTOBER 21 - 23 - MCC/Tucson celebrates 20th Anniversary of U.F.M.C.C. and "Three Days In October" spiritual renewal will be held at MCC/Tucson. Rev. Judy Davenport from MCC/Albuquerque will be guest speaker. PotLuck Supper Friday, Oct. 21 to meet Rev. Davenport.

SATURDAY & SUNDAY, OCT. 22 & 23. "Womyn Loving Womyn Retreat" in Oracle co-sponsored by Wingspan and the UofA Women's Center. Information and registration at Antigone Bookstore, UofA Women's Center and the Third Friday Womyn's Coffeehouse or call 882-8374.

MONDAY, OCTOBER 24 - Couples of Tucson business meeting, 7 p.m., followed by a group discussion on what opportunities couples can utilize for growth. Newcomers always welcome. Call 888-8694 or 577-9886.

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 5 - "An Evening Of Women's Comedy" with comic Sligue Callahan at 8:00 p.m. at the Unitarian Universalist Church, 4831 E. 22nd St. Sliques outrageous shoot from the lip performancees have delighted many audiences. Local women's music performer Jamie Anderson is opening. Freee childcare is available with reservations. Tickets are $4-6, sliding scale, available at the door. For more info call 887-1540.

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 7 - Martha Graham Dance Company performs a benefit for the Tucson AIDS Project. 8:00 p.m. in Centennial Hall, University of Arizona. Tickets $40, $30, $20 (students) available through UofA, TCC and Dillards Box Offices.

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 9 - Community Awards of Tucson (CAT) Committee meets at 7 p.m. at Temple Emanu-El in the Board Room.

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 12 - Cornerstone Fellowship sponsors a Benefit Yard Sale from 9 a.m. until 5 p.m. at 3333 E. Grant. Proceeds will benefit PWA's in Tucson and impoverished persons in Nogalles, Sonora, Mexico. Tax deductible donations of household goods and clothing may be delivered to the church between 7 and 9 p.m. Monday through Friday until Nov. 12. For more info call 881-3519.

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 13 - Gay Film Festival continues with a Tucson Premiere of "The Consequence" a German film (1977) where a convict is seduced by a teenage boy and a genuine relationship develops between them. Presented admission free by Shanti Foundation/ Tucson. 3:00 p.m. at YWCA, 205 University Blvd.

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 16 - Community Awards of Tucson (CAT) Committee meets at 7:00 p.m. in the Board Room at Temple Emanu-El.

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 17 - Old Pueblo Business and Professional Association monthly meeting, Hotel Park Tucson (Acacia Room); 7:00 p.m., no host cocktails; 7:30 p.m., general meeting. 'Giving everyone "Fitz"', Arizona Daily Star political cartoonist David Fitzsimmons' cutting and cut-up views follow the November general elections. Visual aids spark the animated speaker's remarks; "Homecoming" meeting free to everyone, including past guests and former members. Information (602) 297-3794.

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 19 - Great Outdoors celebrates a Pre-Fellowship Run with a BBQ Bash at Gates Pass. Register before Nov. 1st $5 per plate. After Nov. 1 $8.00 per plate. Mail check to Great Outdoors, 2332 E. 18th St. Tucson 85719.

"Les Follies Boy-Lesque!!" will perform at the Eagles Lodge No. 180, 1530 N. Stone, in Tucson at 9:00 p.m. Tickets are $5.00 donation. Cast includes Lady Casondra, Felicia Fahr; Tamara, Tatiana, Bobbi Holliday, Kyra Star; Deja Vu. All-male leads are Noel Poesa and Steve Lasata. Janterra and Anisa are chorus girls. Open to the general public. For more info call 889-7298

Tucson CALENDAR

sunday

BACK POCKET/JOSHUA TREE - Noon to 7 pm Drafat Beer .50 per glass; Caribe' Beer $1.00; Bloody Marys $1.25. Steak Dinner 4 pm to ??? $4.00. DJ from 9 pm until 1 am.

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

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

IT'S 'BOUT TIME - Mike's Mimosas $1.50, Bloody Marys $1, Champagne Cocktails $1.50 Noon to 4 pm. Dance 8 pm.

OUTRAGEOUS - Pool Hall opens 4 pm. .75 Schnapps. Strip shows cancelled til further notice. Dancing.

RITA'S - Noon to 7 pm Bloody Marys or Screwdrivers $1.00; Buffet (Spaghetti, salad, fruit and bread) 2-7 p.m.

RUMORHAZZIT 2222 - Noon to 6 pm. Screwdrivers and Bloody Marys $1.25 plus Schnapps .50 a shot and Peter Dogs with all the trimmings for .25 each. VJ/DJ Dwayne 9 to 1.

monday

BACK POCKET/JOSHUA TREE - Noon to 1 am Miller bottle or Schnapps .75 5-8 pm non-Premium Beer $1, Well Drinks $1.25 + Monday Bowler's Specials. DJ 9 pm to 1 am.

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 'BOUT TIME - Drink specials on our Light Board specials day and night. Teno's Monday Movie at 4 pm.

OUTRAGEOUS - Pool Hall opens at 4 p.m. Football on the big screen. $1.00 well drinks 5-1.

RITA'S - 6 am to Noon Mary's and Screws .75 - 6 am to 6 pm Well $1.25; Longnecks $1.00; Schnapps .75

RUMORHAZZIT 2222 - Open noon to 1 am. 4-7 p.m. 2 for 1 well/beer. Monday Night Football on big screen, .50 draft beer and sandwiches. Pool Tournament at 7 p.m.

tuesday

BACK POCKET/JOSHUA TREE - 5-8 pm non-premium beer $1, well drinks $1.25. Corona Beer or Well Tequila $1.00 from 8 pm to 1 am. + 'Stop Light' specials. DJ at 9 pm. Pool Tournament 10:00 pm, $25 First Prize..

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 'BOUT TIME - Check our Light Board for drink specials day and night. "Trashy Tuesday" show at 6 pm.

OUTRAGEOUS - Progressive Dance Rock with Randy in Disco 9-1. $1.25 imported beers

RITA'S - 6am to Noon Marys and Screws .75 - 6 am to 6 pm Well $1.25; Longnecks $1.00; Schnapps .75

RUMORHAZZIT - Open Noon to 1 am. 2 for 1 well/ beer 4-7 pm. VJ/DJ 9-1 with Dwayne.

wednesday

BACK POCKET/JOSHUA TREE - 5-8 pm non-premium beer $1, well drinks $1.25. Draft Beer Bust .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 'BOUT TIME - Check our Light Board for drink specials day and night. Dance 8 pm - 1 am.

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

RITA'S - 6 am to Noon Marys and Screws .75 - 6 am to 6 pm Well $1.25; Longnecks $1.00; Schnapps .75

RUMORHAZZIT - Open Noon to 1 am. 4-7 p.m. 2 for 1 well/beer. Bud Can Beer Nite - .50 per can, plus .50 schnapps from 7 pm until close. VJ/DJ Ruben.

thursday

BACK POCKET/JOSHUA TREE - 5-8 pm non-premium beer $1, well drinks $1.25, 8 to close Well Drinks $1.50, DJ 9 to 1

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

GRADUATE - All White Well $1.50 open to close.

IT'S 'BOUT TIME - Check our Light Board for drink specials day and night. Dance 8 to 1.

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

RITA'S - 6 am to Noon Marys and Screws .75 - 6 am to 6 pm Well $1.25; Longnecks $1.00; Schnapps .75

RUMORHAZZIT - Open Noon to 1 am. 2 for 1 well / beer 4-7 p.m. Kegger 8 pm to 12 am .50 per glass, munchies. Video/disco dancing with Ruben 9-1.

friday

BACK POCKET/JOSHUA TREE - 5-8 pm non-premium beer $1, well drinks $1.25. Capt. Morgan Rum's $1.00 from open to closing. DJ 9 pm to 1 am.

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

GRADUATE - Drink specials until closing.

IT'S 'BOUT TIME - Check our Light Board for drink specials day and night. Dancing 8 to 1.

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

RITA'S - 6 am to Noon Marys or Screws .75 - 6 am to 6 pm Well $1.25; Longnecks $1.00; Schnapps .75

RUMORHAZZIT - 2 for 1 beer/well 4-7 p.m., Munchies. Progressive Friday - all well drinks .75 from 7 to 9 and go up a quarter each hour til closing. DJ/VJ Ruben 9 TO 1.

saturday

BACK POCKET/JOSHUA TREE - Happy Hour 5-8 pm $1 non-Premium Beer and $1.25 Well Drinks. Capt. Morgan Rum's $1.00 from open 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 'BOUT TIME - Check our Light Board for drink specials day and night. Dance 8 to 1.

OUTRAGEOUS - Hot, hot, hot Dance Party. Various theme nights. Sloan DJ's.

RITA'S - 6 am to 6 pm Well $1.25, Longnecks $1.00; Schnapps .75 Noon to 7 pm Marys or Screws $1.00.

RUMORHAZZIT - Open Noon to 1 am. Original Peter Dogs .25 with all the trimmings 1-6 pm. .99 Corona Nite 8 pm-12 am. A hot dance nite with VJ/DJ Dwayne.

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A COMMENTARY BY

CHRISTOPHER GEOFFREY McPHERSON

WRITE A LETTER TO THE ABC NETWORK

ABC, formed from the second-half of the original NBC network, is not first place in the ratings. It is not second-place either. It is, in fact, last in a three-way race.

This is not to imply ABC's programming is devoid of quality. Why, it has...um...and there's... well...I guess this DOES imply ABC is devoid of quality programming.

But wait, quality or not, there IS a reason to write a letter to ABC: homosexuals.

Rather, homosexual characters in some shows on its network, plus an objectively sympathetic ear for the plight of AIDS sufferers. Let me elucidate:

The evening of Oct. 7, ABC's critically praised, award-winning evening news program, "Nightline" presented an entire show devoted to the now-famous AIDS Quilt stop in Washington. It contained interviews with people affected by the Quilt, as well as its originator.

It was, of many quality installments, perhaps "Nightline's" finest half hour. (I even detected the slightest glimmer of tears in host Ted Koppel's eyes after the opening news package about the Quilt).

For this reason, if none other, you should write a brief or long thank-you note to the powers-that-be at ABC.

Is there more? You bet.

This upcoming season (which may or may not begin this year due to the writer's strike) has not one, not two, but —count 'em— three programs featuring characters who are Gay or Lesbian. (!)

In a trend probably begun in the early 1980s with the character of Steven on ABC's now nearly terminal "Dynasty," ABC has been on the forefront of providing a clearer understanding of who Gay men and Lesbian women are. (Billy Crystal's embarrassing caracature on "Soap" does not qualify).

Now, with Steven gone from "Dynasty," ABC is left with three: the recurring character of Rick Silardi, a policeman, on the acclaimed "Hooperman"; the highly praised "HeartBeat" and its regular character Marilyn McGrath, a nurse-practitioner; and the Emmy-winning comedy (there's no accounting for taste) "Thirty-Something", which this season will add to its cast the recurring, and as yet undefined, role of a Gay man.

Why is this important? Two reasons. The obvious is that now, finally, as we near the beginning of the twenty-first century, Gay men and Lesbian women are no longer perceived to be the perverted, child-molesting failures as we once were on network television. (Cable television, to their great credit, broke this image with Showtime's "Brothers" years before).

For this, ABC deserves credit and a letter of thanks.

Secondly, a religious group is trying to engage in a hate-letter campaign to ABC and its advertisers saying that ABC is "promoting" homosexuality. (Somewhat akin to CBS "promoting" blackness by having a black character in "Maude" in the 1970s. Some minds are too small to fully understand the variety which exists in this world.

These hate letters might actually have an impact on future ABC programming. This cannot be. Your letter of thanks will counter the hate letters and hopefully encourage ABC to continue to provide positive role models for the millions of Gays and Lesbians in our country and around the world.

The address: ABC, 1330 Avenue of the Americas, New York, NY 10019, ATTN: Executive in charge of programming.

You don't have to give your real name. Just write. The one time —with the exception of voting— when your opinion can REALLY make a big difference.

At Spes Non Fracta: See you next week.

OUT ON THE TOWN

Christi hasn't been doing many tricks lately but it seems her fan club members sure have. From Welcome Wagon Hostesses to World Trade. The Stock Exchange has nothing on the way the fan club has been exchanging sometimes even knowingly!

Christi has been maintaining but it seems her lost twin sister Babs, who hasn't been heard from in years, has reportedly been spotted sauntering the streets of Scottsdale. Apparently all that walking has worked for her. She's never been seen wearing the same outfit twice. More on that later.

Mae's box seems to be overflowing these days. Her mourning certainly didn't last very long - out of sight, out of mind, out of state, one more time. Guess Mae decided she really did like the western way of living after all. As the saying goes, "Put something exciting between your legs. . ."

It's been rumored Granny has a new job as a mate tester. It doesn't occupy much of her time, so she decided to clean house again. Seems she only does it every couple of months whether it needs to be done or not.

Thumblena is changing boxes again. After having gotten a taste of the Ponderosa box, a Ponderosa girl wanna be she is no more. It's the big city life for her, so North she goes. Speaking of which, Christina took to Phoenix waters like a fish - star that is.

The real chicken hawk finally flew in. She wasted no time swooping down on that poor chicken at the Ponderosa. Chopce, the chicken hawk, assisted by Jade the jester. So, is Mz. JR married or maintaining. Clarisse is now beached by the bay while Sister Bootie was left lingering in the mountains, one by choice, one not. Champagne Brunch anyone?

Til next time, forever yours
Jza Jza LaMore

Lights Of Tucson

Michael is on vacation and will return hopefully in time for next week's column in OBSERVER. Watch for it.

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

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