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Gay Guards formed in S.F.

SAN FRANCISCO, CA - The recent rise of anti-Gay violence on the West Coast has spawned the formation of the "Gay Guards" in San Francisco. Using the group "The Guardian Angels" of New York as their model, the "Gay Guards" will deploy themselves on regular street patrols in San Francisco in an effort to stem the incidence of Gay bashing.

The Gay Guards is headed up by Chris Burns, a Gay adult film star and martial arts expert who has become concerned about the rising tide of Gay bashing. "Straight people are convinced that Gay people are wimps and so they get their brains bashed in," laments Burns.

Burns, who holds black belts in Karate, Kung Fu and Tae Kwon Do, is busy training candidates for the Gay Guard in basic self-defense measures they need to know before going out into the streets of San Francisco.

The San Francisco Police Department has been monitoring the training classes conducted by Burns to ensure the patrolling guards are instructed to operate within the confines of the law. Gay Guard patrols will be equipped with walkie-talkies that link them directly to the San Francisco Police Department (SFPD).

Police Officer Sally DeHaven, Mission Precinct liaison to the Gay community, has been attending the group meetings for her captain. While the SFPD neither endorses nor opposes such groups, she likens the Gay Guards to a neighborhood watch group that walks the streets. The citizen's group has impressed her as a "nice" democratic group of men and women.

Comparing the Gay Guards to the Lavender Brigade of the Seventies, DeHaven says the group will act as "eyes and ears" to alert the police to specific violations of the law by blowing whistles and alerting people. The only advice she has imparted to them is, "don't get yourself hurt and don't take the law into your own hands."

Giving technical assistance to the group is the Community United Against Violence (CUAV). Founding member of CUAV, Randy Schell says the need for an organized group to combat anti-Gay violence is greater now than it has ever been because the severity of the violence is much worse. Schell said 10 to 12 years ago, anti-Gay violence consisted of rock throwing incidents and name calling. Today, Gay bashers are out to "maim and kill" as evidenced by the murders and stabbings that have happened all over the country this summer.

Schell said this attitude is condoned at the state and national level, considering the introduction of anti-Gay and Lesbian legislation in Congress and state assemblies across the nation. He praised the Gay Guard as a show of force to those who get it into their heads to go out Gay bashing. A perpetrator who is caught will

not be able to escape as the first priority of the Gay Guard will be to isolate them, contact the police and then prevent the perpetrator from escaping. If that means that person must be physically restrained, the Gay Guard is trained to do that.

CUAV is also providing technical assistance to the Gay Guard, advising them on such matters as: what problems street patrols run into, what constitutes a citizen's intervention during the commission of a crime, what constitutes a crime, and how to act as witnesses for each other. In the event of an arrest, CUAV has instructed Gay Guards on what they will be expected to do within the criminal justice system to see the violator gets a jail sentence.

Burns described the two categories of anti-Gay situations the guard will be dealing with: that of a threatening situation and that of disturbing the peace. The threatening situation is by far the most severe and the guard is being trained to put transgressors under surveillance, immediately contact police, and position themselves in a manner that prevents the threat from being carried out.

For instance, Gay Guards will train in how to take a baseball bat away from Gay bashers and, if necessary, how to use the baseball bat defensively on the aggressor, Burns explained. The objective of the patrols is ultimately to place such Gay bashers under a citizens arrest, handcuff them, and hold them to the ground until the police arrive.

In the instance of a disturbance of the peace, as when a passing trouble maker calls out "faggot" or some other derogatory epithet, such individuals will be put under surveillance by the Guard and urged to move on their way.

Burns has starred in over 80 adult films and has traveled all over America appearing in stage shows. Burns has settled in San Francisco and recently opened the first Gay martial arts school in the country.

Yale law students into pink triangles

NEW HAVEN, CT - Yale Law School's annual ritual of on-campus interviews is a little more colorful this year as hundreds of law students wear pink triangles to their job interviews to show their opposition to discrimination against Lesbians and Gay men. The pink triangle campaign was organized by Yale's Lesbian/Gay Law Students' Association (LGLSA) to express concern that discrimination against Lesbians and Gay men in hiring and promotion exists despite the law school's policy of prohibiting on-campus recruitment by firms or organizations that discriminate on the basis of sexual orientation.

The campaign has been remarkably successful. Estimates for the number of students wearing

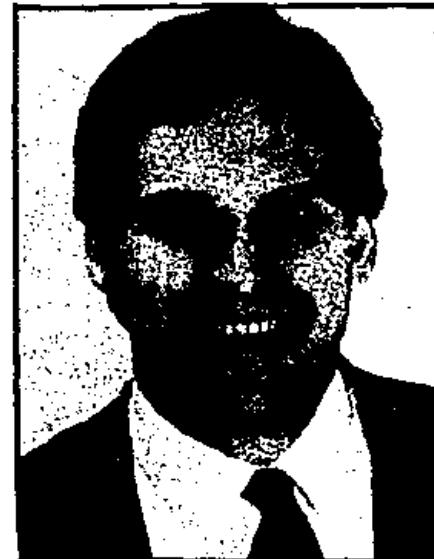
Lambda sends more than 1,000 letters to White House

NEW YORK, NY - More than one thousand letters urging that President Reagan heed the recommendations of his own Commission on the HIV Epidemic have been sent to the White House by Lambda Legal Defense and Education Fund (LDEF).

The letters, part of Lambda's educational efforts to raise the awareness of the AIDS crisis, read identically and declare:

"Admiral James D. Watkins (Chairman of the President's Commission) has called for new federal directives to eliminate discrimination against people with AIDS and people associated rightly or wrongly, with AIDS. I urge you to move immediately to implement his recommendations and put an end to AIDS-related discrimination." (The letters were received at the White House on Monday, Nov. 7).

"These letters serve to remind Mr. Reagan that he still has not addressed the central recommendation of the commission he himself created to address the AIDS epidemic," stated Thomas B. Stoddard, Lambda's Executive Director.



Thomas Stoddard, Executive Director of Lambda Legal Defense and Education Fund.

"In August, the President referred the commission's recommendations on discrimination to the Justice Department for further review," Mr. Stoddard noted. "It is time for reviews to end and action to begin. We must not permit the commission's report to slide into oblivion. The well-being of too many Americans is at stake," he said.

The letters, unsigned, were distributed to all members of Lambda during the summer. According to Mr. Stoddard, many people seem to have photocopied the form and circulated it to their friends and families, as some came back in batches. Occasionally, the signatories added personal notes. One note read, "I am a nurse practitioner working with individuals with AIDS and for my clients' sake, I urge you to do something soon to stop all the discrimination."

"President-elect Bush must confront AIDS and the Watkins Report in the very first weeks of his new administration," added Mr. Stoddard. "These letters bear witness to the challenges ahead."

Founded in 1973, Lambda is the nation's oldest and largest legal organization dedicated to the rights of Lesbians and Gay men, and to educating others about the Gay and Lesbian community. In 1983, Lambda brought and won the first AIDS discrimination case in the country, on behalf of a doctor facing eviction for treating patients with AIDS.

Coors funds Boston foundation

by Elizabeth Pincus

BOSTON, MA (GCN) - In the aftermath of negotiations between the Coors company and Boston City Councillor David Sondras, a grant-giving foundation has been formed to distribute corporate funds to human rights organizations in the Boston area. The new group, called the Human Rights Charitable Foundation, will especially consider granting money to Lesbian and Gay groups. At a recent press conference announcing the formation of the foundation, United Liquors, the distributors of Coors beer in the Greater Boston area, presented the foundation with a start-up check of \$25,000.

According to Gary Dotterman, Sondras' aide and a key organizer of the foundation, much of the grant revenue for the foundation is expected to come directly from Coors. Last winter, Coors expressed a commitment to donating money to the Lesbian and Gay community as part of an agreement with Sondras, who in turn announced his satisfaction with the brewery's reforms.

Coors - the target of a 13-year-long boycott and labor dispute - has been accused of homophobic, racist and sexist practices, and has been lambasted by organized labor for alleged union busting. Though the AFL-CIO called an end to the Coors boycott last year, some labor and Gay/Lesbian activists have expressed dissatisfaction with the company's negotiations and are continuing to boycott Coors.

Dotterman said he hopes other large corporations, such as Coca Cola, will join Coors in contributing to the Human Rights Charitable Foundation. However, Dotterman said, he could not predict how much money the foundation will have to dispense, how frequently grants will be given, or how long the foundation will operate. Dotterman explained that the foundation - which is still in the planning stages - intends to give money to organizations for short-term (or "short-in-the-arm") needs not for long-term operational expenses.

At the press conference, Sondras explained that the establishment of the foundation "goes beyond the resolution of the Coors

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ARIZONA FELLOWSHIP RUN '88
TUCSON - The second annual Arizona Fellowship Run will be held over the Thanksgiving holiday, Thursday, Nov. 24 through Sunday, Nov. 27. The run is hosted by the Tucson clubs and is open to all club members in Arizona as well as their friends and supporters.

Registration will begin at the Graduate at 4:00 p.m. Applications for the run are available at IET's and the Graduate. Run fee for the four-day run is \$30 and includes all meals (breakfast excluded) and allows you to participate in each of the different contests or games put on by the different Tucson clubs. Games will be continuous throughout the weekend with first, second and third place trophies being awarded. In addition there will be a scavenger hunt with awards also.

On Thursday, Nov. 24, Dinner will be hosted by Great Outdoors and T-Squares and it will be a traditional Thanksgiving turkey dinner. On Friday, Nov. 25, luncheon is hosted by Tucson Arizona Levi Leathermen (TALL) and after lunch the games will open. Friday night's Ham Dinner will be hosted by Partners of Tucson.

On Saturday, Nov. 26 lunch is hosted by Desert Leathermen. After lunch and before dinner, a scavenger hunt will take place. Saturday night Roast Beef Dinner will be hosted by Tucson Knight Owls (TRO).

The weekend activities will close with a luncheon at the Graduate hosted by Sisters of Sonora (SOS) followed by presentation of the trophies for the various games and contests.

It's a complete, busy schedule of fun and games, food and camaraderie. All are welcome. Get those applications and come by the Graduate at 4:00 p.m. and meet old and new friends and enjoy the entire Thanksgiving weekend in sisterhood and brotherhood.

a.k.a. THEATRE TO HOLD AUDITIONS

FOR 'TORCH SONG TRILOGY'
TUCSON - Harvey Fierstein's Tony Award-winning "Torch Song Trilogy" will be presented by the a.k.a. Theatre sometime in late February. The theatre company is holding auditions Monday, Dec. 5 beginning at 7:00 p.m. at the theatre building, 125 E. Congress.

Persons coming for the audition should bring a short, prepared monologue.

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TUCSON GAY AND LESBIAN CHORUS
UPDATE

TUCSON - The Tucson Gay and Lesbian Chorus has been formed and is already underway practicing. Weekly rehearsals, at the MCC church building, are held every Sunday evening beginning at 7:30 p.m. The group is planning a Christmas Concert and plans are being made for a Spring Concert.

There were approximately 21 singers who initially showed an interest in joining the group. Some of those did not follow up and their help is needed. "We're off to a good start," says Chorus manager Jim Ehrlich, "but anyone who initially contacted the organization and expressed an interest in singing, please mark your calendar to be at MCC this Sunday night," he said. "You don't need a special invitation to join - just show up."

If you are already in a choir, encourage your friends to join, Ehrlich says. "This organization is for the community and it will exist only if the Gay and Lesbian community of Tucson gets involved and supports this area of the Arts," said Ehrlich. Interested persons who want to join or need more information may call Jim Ehrlich at 298-7411 in Tucson.

DOMINO THEORY BACK ON THE SCENE
TUCSON - Bo Cormier, leader of Domino Theory, one of the more popular bands in the Tucson Gay community, and whose musical career has been steadily rising on the national scene, will be performing this Friday evening, Nov. 18 at 9:30 p.m., at Graffiti's nightclub located at 5120 East Speedway in Tucson. Everyone is welcome.

Domino Theory has played at various Gay clubs during the past year and also headlined The Pride Week Picnic two years ago. Cormier, who plays drums in the group writes most of the material performed by the band. She has been approached about recording an album and also has a video in the works.

Domino Theory fans will be happy to hear that in a couple of weeks Cormier will also be heard regularly at Graffiti's during cocktail hour and playing 30's and 40's music for a change of pace.

Opening the show Friday at Graffiti's will be another popular Tucson band, The Empathy playing new age rock.

As a special event there will be a presentation of some members of "Les Follies Boy-Lesque" who also will perform.

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BOWLING FOR DOLLARS II
A BENEFIT FOR SHANTI/TUCSON

TUCSON - The second annual Bowling-For-Dollars benefit for Shanti Foundation/Tucson will take place this year on Sunday, Dec. 11 from 2:00 until 6:00 p.m. at the Fiesta Bowling Lanes. This annual benefit is sponsored by Partners of Tucson. Information packets and applications are now in all the local bars and the Shanti Office, 602 N. 4th Avenue.

Each bowler is asked to take a pledge sheet and ask friends, relatives, co-workers etc., to make a pledge for each pin bowled by the bowler in a total of three games. Flat donations are also accepted. The fee for the bowling entrants is \$5.00 and covers bowling fees, shoe rental, prizes and a T-shirt.

Awards will be presented on Saturday, Jan. 21 at IET's. Everyone is urged to join in this once-a-year-bowl-a-thon to benefit Shanti. Last year this benefit raised over \$2,500 for the beleaguered Shanti Foundation which offers emotional support and counseling to people who have life-threatening illnesses.

COLETTE'S WINS SOFTBALL GAME OVER
PHOENIX'S NEW MOON

TUCSON - One of the toughest softball teams - men or women - in the state is that fielded by Colette's West of Tucson. Many teams have come up against the women of Colette's and met defeat.

The latest to realize the power of this Old Pueblo Team was the team from the New Moon Saloon in Phoenix. The games held at Himmel Park last Sunday, Nov. 13 brought out a good crowd and watched as Colette's team built up double digit scores and handed the New Mooners defeat in both games. The score of one game was said to be 24 to 1!

Both games were all in good fun and both teams went back to Colette's for an after-the-game party. They were met there by members of a women's golf tournament so the afternoon turned out to be a sports woman's delight. Congratulations to the softball team from Colette. Any challengers out there?

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A REMARKABLE PEOPLE

by Curt Stubbs - Tucson

The biggest obstacle facing Lesbians and Gay men is fear. Not our own fear, but that of others, and not their fear of us per se, but their fear of their own lives. Those four punks who beat up IBT's doorman, Kenneth "Garner" last Thursday, were so afraid for their own sexuality that they had to attack him in the dark, with overwhelming odds and with a medieval type weapon designed for use against armor.

That is the way it's always been with fag bashers. If they don't have overwhelming odds in their favor, they don't attack. If Garner had been gagged and bound securely, it would only have taken two of them to put him in the hospital. As angry as I get over even the idea of a basher, I also, though, have to pity them. Growing up, I knew I was Gay even though I couldn't accept, and I was terribly afraid of by sexual feelings even though I knew what they were. I imagine those kids are probably unsure of what their sexuality is. I can empathize with their ignorance and their fear, but I still hope the cops catch them soon.

Some people, like Jesse Heims and William Dannemeyer are so afraid that the quality of their lifestyle won't measure up that they will do anything up to, and including, sell their souls to keep even one positive thing from being said about homosexuals or the homosexual lifestyle.

It's kind of like the man who shot all his farm animals because he was afraid his wife might love one of them instead of him and run away with it rather than live with the man. It's called fear, irrational, pathological fear. What little lives these men must lead to be so afraid of us.

And what a mean spirited and niggardly God religious leaders like Jerry Falwell and the Pope must follow to inspire them to such fear of us. They are so fearful of any conversation about us that is not judgemental and condemnatory that one begins to wonder about the God of love of theirs.

He begins to appear to be more a God of fear than love,

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YALE LAW STUDENTS TO WEAR

PINK TRIANGLES TO JOB INTERVIEWS

pink triangles to job interviews range from 30 to 50 percent. Stephen Liacouras, a second-year law student and member of LGUSA said, "Even more students than we expected are wearing triangles. We're particularly pleased to see a good number of interviewers wearing them."

The law school administration has been extremely supportive of the campaign. In a letter to interviewing students and law firms and organizations, Yale Law School Dean Guido Calabresi pointed out that students wearing pink triangles "are self-consciously doing something they believe to be risky ... to demonstrate their opposition to discrimination." Dean Calabresi also observed that "Courage at any age and in any circumstance is rare; courage among the young seeking jobs is rarer still."

The pink triangle campaign is meant to heighten the sensitivity of law firms and organizations to the reality of homophobia in the work place and hiring process. In addition, LGUSA sees the pink triangle campaign as a means of educating straight students about the everyday compromises which the threat of discrimination forces Gay and Lesbian people to make. In a letter to law students, LGUSA

Repression than openness, and punishment than compassion. Thank you, no. I will stick with the kind and loving God my Gay life has revealed to me. If that makes me smug, then so be it. If that makes the Pope and Falwell lesser men than I, then so be that also.

Fear can limit people's lives as I have mentioned, or it can strengthen them. Lesbians and Gay men must overcome fear everyday of our lives, fear of exposure and its attendant losses, fear of rejection by our families, fear of chicken shit punks like those who attacked Garner, fear of AIDS.

And for the most part, we transcend that fear, rise above it in an often noble way. Look at our response to the AIDS epidemic for instance. When that 'B' actor in Washington was too afraid of public opinion to do anything but take credit for what we did, we did plenty. We educated, we raised money - incredible amounts of money, we took care of the sick and dying - Gay/non-Gay, whatever, we changed our sex habits, and when much of America was afraid of public toilets we conquered our own fear and continued to love.

As a community, we have nothing to be ashamed of, ever. The only thing left for us to conquer is the fear and ignorance of others.

The World Health Organization (WHO) has declared December 1st to be World AIDS Day, a day to get the word out, to communicate, to educate, to practice compassion. A local group in conjunction with local groups all over the world will be doing a simultaneous balloon launch. The Tucson time will be at 9:00 a.m. on the 1st. The cost to sponsor a balloon is \$1.00.

There are boxes at all the bars, at many local businesses, both Gay and non-Gay. There are also donation boxes at the Shanti office and the Tucson AIDS Project office. This coming Friday, Nov. 18, we will be at the doors to all the bars collecting donations, allowing people who want to do so to sponsor balloons.

compared a straight student's decision not to wear a triangle in an interview for fear of being perceived as homosexual to a Gay or Lesbian student's decision to delete Gay/ Lesbian political activities from his or her resume.

Members of LGUSA have been pleased to see so many of their classmates willing to make a courageous statement against discrimination.

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COORS-FUNDED FOUNDATION

KICKS OFF IN BOSTON

boycott," and includes broader human rights agreements. He stated, "The foundation opens doors to corporations to fund groups never before in the mainstream, to keep moving forward in the public interest." Scondras said the foundation - a kind of "United Way for the Gay and Lesbian community" - will consider issues of discrimination and human rights in determining grant recipients.

The seven members on the board of Human Rights Charitable Foundation are Scondras, Dotterman, Harry Collings, Helen Cox, Irma Greenglass, Vin McCarthy and Elaine Nobel. The board has invited 47 other community representatives to serve on an advisory board, a group which will offer advice when the foundation considers grant applications. The board expects to begin its process of grant-giving within a few weeks.

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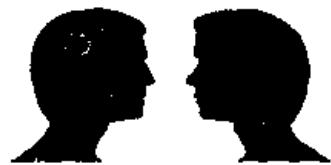


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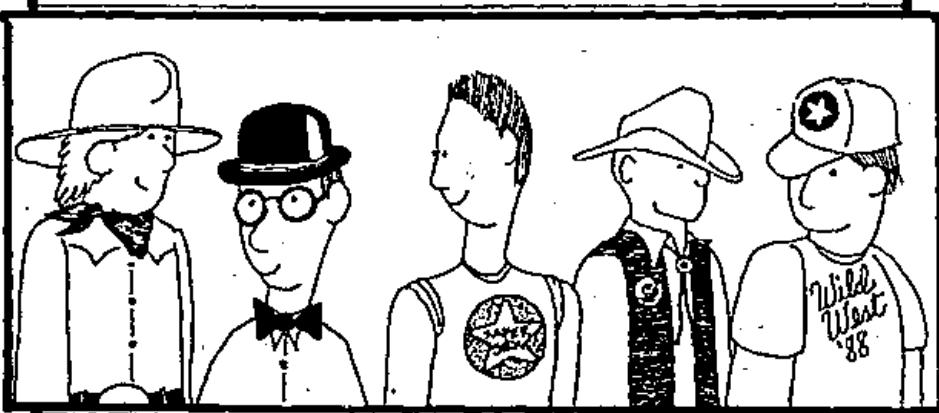
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WHAT'S UP DOC?



Well Folks, did you enjoy this year's Turnabout Show? It took us a tad bit longer to have it this year, but just like good wine, aging helps. It was, to me, the best I've seen and I congratulate everyone in the show for a 4-star production. Even you, Roxanne, who wasn't quite up to her usual style, see what happens when you dry out? After the show I saw a couple DL members hiding their colors, that was their Run Captain.

TRO sure pushed the suds this past weekend. To start off Saturday was their monthly Beer Bust at the Graduate. The high spot for the day was the drawing for those two UofA/ASU football game tickets. The winner was George M. and he bought his raffle chance only an hour earlier. On behalf of TRO and the Arizona Fellowship Committee, I want to thank all those who supported this raffle.

Following Saturday's Beer Bust, TRO moved over to Rumor Hazzit on Sunday to host a Benefit Beer Bust for the CAT Committee. The highlight of this event was that game "Donate Your Weight To Charity". Of course, that wasn't a high spot of the day as a few who chanced spinning the arrow landed on the nickel per pound slot. Again, on behalf of TRO, this time, the CAT Committee wish to express my thank you to all who stopped by and supported this benefit Beer Bust.

Of course, when thanking people for supporting CAT Committee Benefits, let me not forget to thank all those who supported the two previous benefits. The first was held by Partners at Colettes and the second was the Colette's sponsored softball game. All three benefits have been well attended by others than CAT Committee members and we (CAT Committee) thank you.

I guess at this time I should again mention this year's Arizona Fellowship '88. Run applications are at a few of the bars, so stop by, pick yours up, fill it out, show up at registration on Nov. 24 at the Graduate and get ready for four days of good food, parties and true brotherhood/sisterhood in the Old Pueblo. If you are unable to get an application, give me (or Keith) a call at 684-7309 and I'll make sure to get one to you.

Speaking of this, since this AZ Fellowship Run is being held over Thanksgiving holidays, I'd better mention one more raffle going on. Again this year, TRO is having their annual Turkey Raffle and jars with these raffle tickets are located in all the bars. Drawing for a turkey at each bar will be Nov. 19, this Saturday. TRO will be stopping at each bar to draw the lucky winning tickets starting at 6:00 p.m. (ish). As always, each turkey will be in the 10 to 14 pound range.

Now on to a little lighter side of this column but just as important and worthy of mentioning.

Partners' yearly Bowling For Dollars Benefit for Shanti is on us again. All pertinent forms will be out this weekend. If you wish to sign up to bowl and accept pledges and are unable to locate these forms, stop by the Shanti office at 602 N. Fourth Avenue, or call Gary at 327-2486 or myself at 684-7309, to receive your forms.

A new format has been put into the works this year whereby you will not be responsible for collecting your pledge monies after bowling this year. All instructions can be found in your bowling packets. Bowling will again be at

the Fiesta Lanes on Dec. 12 from 2 to 6 p.m.

ATTENTION TUCSON CLUBS: The Partners Bowling team hereby challenges any and all other clubs to form a team, show up and try to beat us. All proceeds of course, also goes to Shanti. I have been challenged personally by the team of Patty and Keith to a game at a penny a point. How many other challenges along these lines can we come up for the day?

Come on Tucson, let's support this benefit and top last year's final figure of approximately \$2,500+. Yes, both Partners and Shanti realize that the 4th Avenue Street Fair is the same weekend, but we hope you can find the time to stop at Fiesta Lanes and support this year's Bowling For Dollars and also by bowling. Get those bowling packets, sign up those pledges, and let's all have fun together.

I guess that's it for this week. I've misplaced my cute little quote book, so no words of wisdom quote-style until I find it.

I do have one little TEBS I'd like to pass on to you. I'm sure all at Colette's will love this. It seems the other night Colette found a new way of ridding her bar of those of the (?) looks - she beats them with her leather tie. Careful Colette, you might find one who is into S&M and you'll end up with one you may not want to keep around.

PERSPECTIVE

CHAPTER 19

One day it was necessary to go to Burns to the bank because of the farm in Nebraska, so mother, still not wanting to ride in a car, started out with her team and spring wagon, father and took the Ford. It was twelve miles to Hillsdale and then another eight miles to Burns. Father and I got to town, and mother HAD to ride with us the other eight miles to Burns, so as to arrive there before the bank closed.

Of course, on the return, mother had to drive her team home from town. Father and I got home a long time before she did. Incidents like that never happened again. At that time no one was breaking the speed limit of twenty miles an hour!

One day father sent me somewhere on an errand and on the way home I had a flat tire. Well, I had never thought much about tires and didn't know anything about them except that they had to have air pumped into them. Ignorant as I was, I took the tools out from under the back seat and low and behold there was an instruction book.

It told what and how, which was much appreciated, and after following instructions, I got the job done and went on home. To pump the tire up was a real job but I did it and considered I had done quite an accomplishment. That was quite a learning experience! YES, Ford did put an instruction book in their cars on those days.

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JUST SAY NO: A BANDAGE ON A BLEEDING WOUND

As noble an effort as the anti-drug campaign telling kids to "Just Say No" might be, one must stop and ask whether this solution helps stem the problem of drugs in any way. Unfortunately, I think not.

This country has degenerated into one of symbols and veneer, images and sound-bites —all at the expense of issues and substance. We saw it dramatically illustrated in the recent sham which passed for the Presidential Elections of 1988. And we see it again in the anti-drug campaign "Just Say No".

On the outside, this appeal might appear a grand and noble effort to keep America's children free from drugs; most surface and veneer solutions to deep problems appear nice and sugar-coated on the outside. What is missing is a direct attack on the CAUSE of the drug problem: drugs and addiction.

For example, let's imagine you are suddenly struck with appendicitis; you feel a terrible pain in your side and you go to the doctor. What should the doctor do? Ideally, he or she would diagnose appendicitis and order surgery to remove the problem. If your doctor follows the "Just Say No" approach, however, he or she would give you pain killers and send you home. The pain would diminish, but later return. Your doctor would give you more pills and send you home. Eventually, because the cause of the pain was not treated, you would die. The same holds true with drugs.

The reason cocaine, heroin and crack are so addictive is they recreate in the brain extreme sensations of pleasure. These feelings have been described as "an orgasm magnified a thousand times, happening all over your body". Food and sex are the two strongest

drives in the human animal, and when the body receives either, certain chemicals are released in the brain making you feel good; illicit drugs are essentially the same chemicals —only at much stronger intensities. One can easily see why drugs are so popular —even when drug addiction means theft and murder.

Warning children to stay away from drugs is not bad; addressing the addiction itself and curtailing the supply of drugs, however, would make all other efforts redundant and unneeded. If no drugs were allowed into this country, kids wouldn't have to "Just Say No", and if science could counter the addictive nature of these drugs, the addict's brain would not make him or her desperately seek out more —at the expense of all of us.

Both of these solutions are currently available. Why aren't they being used? Because they are termed "Too Expensive". When you calculate the amount of property stolen each year, the number of lives lost, the amount of business productivity lost and all the other negative impacts attributable to drugs and addiction, the cost of these solutions quickly becomes a relative bargain.

"Just Say No" is immensely popular because it is so simple anyone can do it and feel like they are actually doing something helpful: "Remember Johnny, if anyone offers you drugs 'Just Say No'". There, the parents job is done and now they can sit in front of the television content in the knowledge their child is safe from the dangerous world outside.

How simple. Putting a bandage over an open wound is much easier than suturing and dressing it —and much less expensive. I'm afraid the bandage of "Just Say

No" is allowing the patient to slowly, yet surely, bleed to death.

At Spes Non Praet: See you next week.

BOOK REVIEW

For those of us who are tired of reading novels that only include the typical hetero heroes, views of our lifestyle from their side of the fence and romance where we want to switch the gender of the characters involved there are some wonderful alternatives.

Alyson Publications, Inc., a Boston publishing firm, has some alternatives. This week I read three novels from this source that covered the field from truly comic to heartfully romantic to a historically correct novel of two women in 17th century London.

"Dead Heat", by Willyce Kim is a delightful comic adventure involving such wonderful characters as Dancer Dawkins and the California Kid. These Lesbian best friends cavort through an adventure that includes Dancer's broken heart and subsequent sobriety, the Kid falling in love with a gangster's girl friend and Ta Jan, a roommate with a passion for playing the horses. The resulting situation is combined with a woman jockey named Cody Roberts and her quest for success in the male-dominated sport of horse racing. Add gangsters, two wonderful dogs, the biggest race of the year, plenty of laughs and "Dead Heat" becomes a very entertaining piece of writing.

"Crush" by Jane Putcher is a wonderful Lesbian romance. Set in an exclusive girls school in the 1960's, "Crush" looks at the pain and joys of adolescent love. The relationship between the characters is absolutely believable and the scenes are so well portrayed as to make them seem to be snapshots instead of words. Jinx is a young woman who encounters that

phase of life where school and "real life" become separate realities as she decides that her attraction for Lexie is indeed love and that to become an artist is more important than going on to a more socially acceptable college. A story of strength and growth that left me feeling happy and perusing my own memories.

Katherine Sturtevant has written an incredible historical novel as well as a moving and beautiful love story. "A Mistress Moderately Fair" is the story of two women in 17th century London. Margaret Featherstone, a playwright, and Amy Dudley, an actor, are doing what they must to survive in the rough and racy era of King Charles II. Margaret has to hide her secret desires from the world and Amy is trying to become a player in the theatre while avoiding her own past. Together they find success in their art and in their love, but not without plenty of drama and suspense.

The historical aspects of "A Mistress Moderately Fair" allow for a deep involvement in the story and its characters as this amazing saga unfolds. The attention to detail is such that the musty velvets and slop drenched streets, the antics of the players at the theatre and their interactions, leave you with a greater understanding of this section of history and a greater appreciation of those women who not only lived during this period but also managed to write and think and act at a time when "women didn't do those things."

This is a fine novel and I hope to see more from Katherine Sturtevant again.

OUTRAGEOUS PRESENTS

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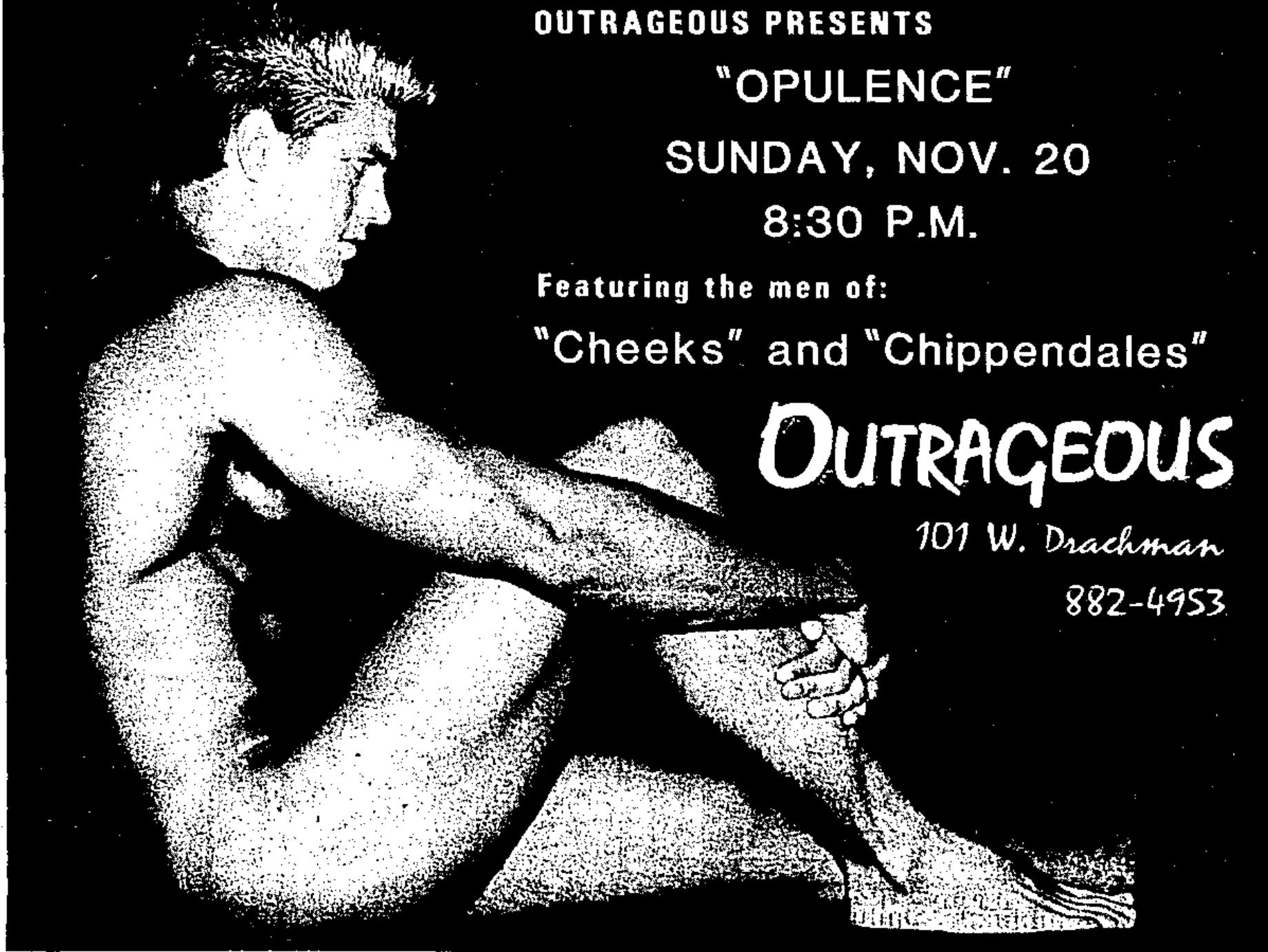
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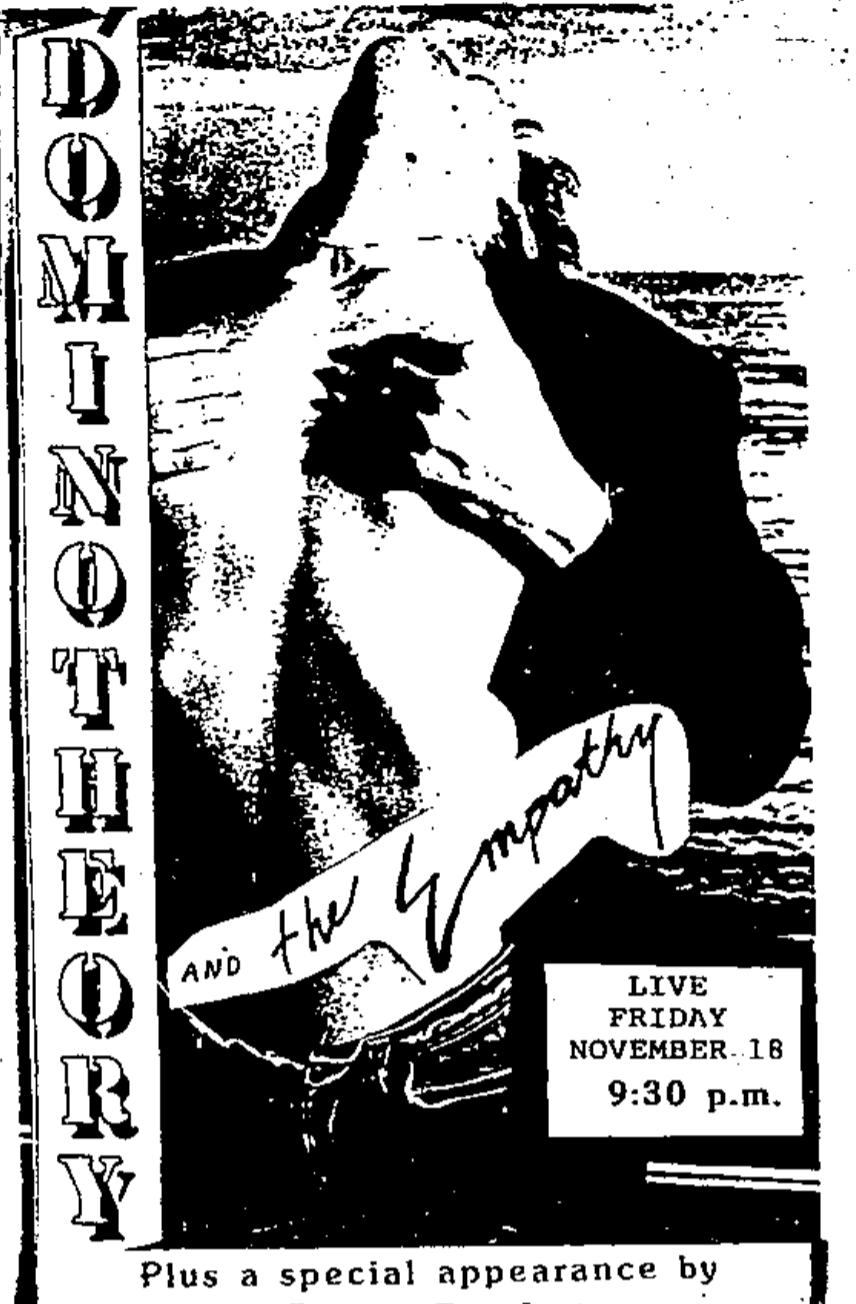
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POLITICS '88

by Mark R. Kerr

AND SO IT WENT
The election is over, the signs are down - well, most of them - and the campaign offices are closing down. What do the results mean for us all?

Starting off with the presidential race: Bush did not win by a whopping landslide. In the popular vote he received 54% of the vote to Governor Dukakis' 46%. Bush may have gotten 426 Electoral votes, but remember that it takes 50% plus one vote to win the Electoral vote from that state.

For the Democrats, a question arises: The Presidency, how to win? What the Democrats need to do is to abandon their old strategy of trying to win the southern states, and build from there. They are going to have to go after the New England states, the northeast, the industrial belt (Ohio through Michigan), the farm states and the west coast states. The south is lost to the Republicans. When it comes to this latest national election, the Democrats have nothing to worry about, they control both Houses of Congress.

Locally and for the state, work needs to be done. First off, the state Representative and state Senate races, the respective Democratic candidates for those offices must work as a TEAM, working together so that the Democrats can regain control of the state legislature. The Democrats only picked up two seats in the state House and state Senate (34-46 House, 17-13 Senate).

Even though the gains were small, they were encouraging. In Legislative District 9, for example, it used to be considered a Republican stronghold, but the tide is turning. Marion Pickens who ran for the House, lost by only about 500 votes. Marjel Detlauer gave incumbent Senator Jeffrey Hill a run for his money, and was narrowly defeated.

In District 12, the Democrats nearly picked up the senate seat. Incumbent Senator John Hawnhiney won by just a thousand votes over Reid Ewing. In District 13, the Democrats nearly made it a clean sweep, but Andy Nichols lost by just 200 votes to Patti Noland. The Democrats picked up a seat in Dist. 14 when Ruth Solomon defeated incumbent Jim Green. Unfortunately, that gain was negated when Republican Ruth Eskeson won the House seat in Dist. 12, taking a previously held Democratic seat.

Districts 7, 10 and 11, went as expected, Democratic sweeps. The Pima County Board of Supervisors went as expected with no upsets, the favorites winning. The biggest surprise was the Pima County Recorder's race where the Republican challenger, Mike Boyd, soundly defeated the Democratic incumbent Richard Kennedy. Mike Boyd decided to get in the race after Kennedy's handling of the Mecham Recall petitions, and the purging of the voter rolls. The other local races also went as expected, all the incumbents won.

The ballot propositions had a big surprise when Prop. 106 nar-

rowly passed. My batting average for the Propositions was .571 (4 right, 3 wrong). Props. 101, 104 and 300 were defeated. 102, 103 and 105 passed. But I do have one question to those 200,000 who voted against 103 (which would let women run for the offices of Governor through the state School Superintendent). Why did you vote that way? As of press time, Prop. 106 is being challenged in court, and in this columnist's opinion, I hope it is struck down as it is racist and will divide this community.

To my avid readers, I say thank you for taking the time to read this column, the comments were well appreciated. This is not the last one though, the column will continue on a bi-weekly basis, to give me more time to come up with something to write about, or at least try to write a non-slanted piece about (much to the relief of my editor).

This column is making headway for Gays and Lesbians in the political arena, but we have a lot of work still to do, so let's keep the faith (even with that Twinkie in the White House), we will go on, work hard, and the benefits will come in for us. I have enjoyed writing this column, raising hell with the politicians, politicos and other elected officials. It is not easy, but in the long run, we will succeed, and be treated as humans, not as second class citizens.

Let us watch what is going on in the nation's Capital, and Phoenix, and Tucson, and hopefully I will better inform you. Thank you again, and until two weeks from now, take care, and register to vote.

LETTERS

TO THE GAY COMMUNITY OF TUCSON:

Hello everyone. My name is Dana Matthews, better known as Dana Barrett. I would like to let the community know that I want very much to apologize to you for the actions I took towards the Tucson Pageant. This apology honestly comes from my heart to you. My show on Nov. 12 was to allow me to do this in person. I'm very happy that those of you there accepted me back. Thank you and thank you Tamara, Bobby and Ryra for making it a success.

Please understand that what I did was not an intentional act to humiliate or disregard my friends and supporters. Colette's West. I have no excuse for my actions, but I sincerely want to apologize and ask that you give me the chance to show all of you I have changed my ways.

This experience has taught me a great lesson. I miss being a part of you and ask that you give me the opportunity to prove how much I really care.

Thank you very much,
Dana Matthews

A Conversation When Queens Collide



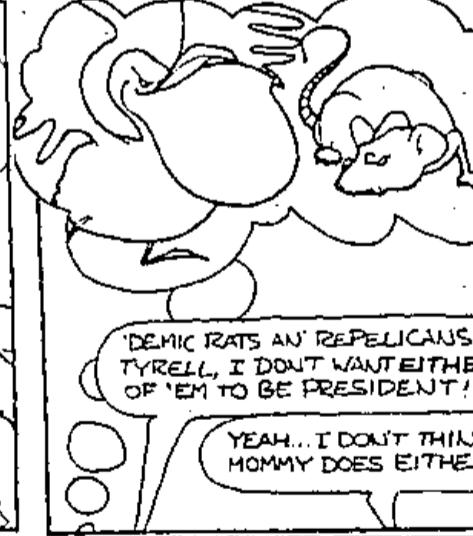
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CALENDAR

of upcoming events

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 18

COLETTE'S - TGIF again and Lisa Otey's blues and jazz 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!

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 19

IBT'S - Partners will be hosting their monthly beer bust with other surprises from 2 until 6 p.m. Come on by and suds up for 50 cents a glass!

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 20

GRADUATE - Sisters of Sonora (SOS) holds their monthly Casino Night from 4 until 9 p.m. with some wonderful prizes. It's fun and it helps SOS continue their good work.

IBT's - A benefit show for Miss Gay Tucson, Christina, to help her put on her presentation in Phoenix in quest for the Miss Gay Arizona crown. It begins at 9:00 p.m. with an all-star cast.

JOSHUA TREE/BACK POCKET - Come celebrate the anniversary of the Mexican Revolution with special prices for Corona and Well Tequila for only \$1.00. Authentic Mexican entertainment will be interspersed with the regular dancing on the JT side during the evening. A fun evening. Olay!

OUTRAGEOUS - "Opulence", an all-male show featuring the men of Cheeks and Chippendales. Make sure to see this outstanding revue that has some of the hottest male bodies in the entire state. It all begins at 8:30 p.m.

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 21

IBT'S - Mondays are getting very busy around the IBT premises. Beginning at 4 p.m. the regular Monday Movie hosted by Teno. This Monday there will be a special show by some of the Turnabout performers including Moron Monday, and Connie Lingus, plus special appearances by Tamara and Vanna White. Then following the show, from 7 until 9 p.m., Mr. Doug Cooper will be playing and singing his favorites and a few of yours too! Sit back and enjoy a few hours of continuous and varied entertainment.

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 22

COLETTE'S - Musician, singer, songwriter Anne English holds forth again from 8 until midnight. Be sure to hear her.

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 23

COLETTE'S - A Pre-Thanksgiving Party is planned here on the 23rd since Colette's won't be open until 6:30 p.m. on Thanksgiving Day. Come on by and 'Pluck Your Turkey'

JOSHUA TREE - Tamara will be presenting some of her hot dance and mime numbers in between dance sets on the J/T dance floor throughout the evening. Come on by and dance up a storm as well as be entertained by the one and only Tamara.

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 24

COLETTE'S - Opens at 6:30 p.m. today only in order that the crew can celebrate Thanksgiving with their families or friends or significant others.

JOSHUA TREE/BACK POCKET - "Thank you Tucson Thanksgiving Dinner" will begin at 3:00 p.m. Nowhere to go? No one you wanna see? Share the day with the folks at JT/BP.

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 26

JOSHUA TREE/BACK POCKET - All the way from San Antonio, Texas comes the "Muscles in Motion" for an evening of men strippers who really know how to do it. They've been here before and they are worthwhile seeing again, that's for sure!

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 27

JOSHUA TREE/BACK POCKET - Taylor, Lance, and Shawn, better known as "Muscles in Motion" will appear here for the second night. These boys are hunks from San Antonio, Texas and they are a sight to see.

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 29

COLETTE'S - Singer-songwriter-musician Eileen Edmunds comes to town to play during Happy Hour today. An unusually versatile performer who is bound to gain a lot of new fans from this, her initial appearance in Tucson.

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 30

COLETTE'S - A benefit show for Miss Gay Arizona candidate and show hostess, Christi Lunden. Featured in the show will be Mr. Dani Reid and from Phoenix, Penelope Poupe. It all begins at 8:30 p.m.

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 4

JOSHUA TREE/BACK POCKET - A benefit performance for Gabriella LaVanity who is seeking the Miss Gay Arizona title at the pageant which will be held later this month.

NOVEMBER 16, 1988

Non-Bar

CALENDAR

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

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 18 - Domino Theory, one of the more popular musical groups in the community will be playing one night only at Graffiti's, 5120 E. Speedway beginning at 9:30 p.m. Also appearing will be the wonderful band The Empathy plus there will be a special appearance by the members of Les Follies Boy-lesque. It should prove to be a real interesting evening. Stop on by.

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 Casandra, Felicia Fahr, Tamara, Tatiana, Bobbi Holiday, Kyra Star, Deja Vu. All-male leads are Noel Posus and Steve Lasata. Janterra and Anisa are chorus girls. Open to the general public. For more info call 689-7298.

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 20 - Gay Film Festival presented "Farting Glances" dealing with the difficulties of a current relationship of a young writer while trying to remain supportive of a friend who is dying of AIDS. Plays at 3 p.m. at YMCA, 205 E. University and presented admission free by Shanti Foundation/Tucson. Safer sex rap following the movie.

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 23 - Cornerstone Fellowship Church will have a special Thanksgiving Service at 7:00 p.m. at 3333 E. Grant Road. Handicapped Accessible.

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 24 (THANKSGIVING DAY) - MCC/Tucson will have their annual Thanksgiving Day Dinner at the church, 520 S. Stone. Thanksgiving Day Services at 11:00 a.m. followed by a traditional turkey dinner at 1:00 p.m. Everyone is invited to join in whether or not you are at the worship services.

Interfaith Thanksgiving Service at First Christian Church, 740 E. Speedway. Guest speakers, special music and Liturgical Dancers. Donations of food or cash for Tucson Food Bank. Reception for fellowship follows. Everyone invited to attend. For more information call Vicki Curtiss 325-1001.

THURSDAY - SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 24-27 - Arizona Fellowship Run II, an annual run for all clubs in Arizona and their guests. Thursday Great Outdoors and T-Squares will host a Turkey Dinner. On Friday, Tall will host a luncheon and Partners will host a ham dinner, with games in between. On Saturday, Desert Leathermen will host a luncheon followed by a scavenger hunt. Saturday night's roast beef dinner is hosted by Tucson Knight Owls. The usual send-off brunch will be served at the Graduate hosted by SOS. There will be special games all weekend long. Persons wishing to attend this Arizona Fellowship Run should contact any club member or the Graduate for run information and application. Run fee is \$30 and it includes all the meals listed above plus allows you to participate in each of the different contests, or games put on by the different clubs.

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 27 - Shanti Foundation/Tucson Gay Film Festival presents free of charge "Prick Up Your Ears" at 3 p.m. at the YMCA, 205 E. University Blvd. Closely based on the life of British playwright Joe Orton, whose plays shocked and intrigued audiences in England and the U.S. Joe's 10-year relationship with his lover is punctuated by sojourns into men's rooms for anonymous sex. Safer sex rap follows film.



SPORTS

JOSHUA TREE MIXED BOWLING LEAGUE
1988-89 SEASON STANDINGS
MONDAY, OCTOBER 31, 1988

TEAM	WON	LOST	PCT.	GB.
1. THE FIRST PLACE TEAM	24	12	.667	—
2. STRIKER FORCE	23	13	.639	1
3. BICK'S LITTLE INDIANS	22	14	.611	2
4. "NEXT WEEK"	22	14	.611	2
5. PHILISTINE PROS	20.5	15.5	.569	3.5
6. BOTTOMS UP	20	16	.555	4
7. THE BACKDOOR BOYS	17.5	18.5	.486	6.5
8. TRES AMIGOS	17	19	.472	7
9. LUCKY DEVILS	17	19	.472	7
10. WHOLLY ROLLERS	17	19	.472	7
11. CHESTER AND THE BOYS	17	19	.472	7
12. BUSY B's	14	22	.389	10
13. MOOSEKETEERS	22	24	.333	12
14. PLUMBERS HELPERS	9	27	.250	15

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HIGH SCRATCH SERIES: BOB K. 609 / MARK K. 593 / WAYNE J. 584

TEAM HIGH SCRATCH GAME: STRIKER FORCE 552 / TRES AMIGOS 548 / THE BACKDOOR BOYS 542

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Tucson

CALENDAR

Sunday

BACK POCKET/JOSHUA TREE - Noon to 7 pm Draft Beer .50 per glass; Caribe' Beer \$1.00; Bloody Marys \$1.25. Steak Dinner 4 pm to 7:30 \$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 - Sunday Brunch 1 to 4 p.m. by Michael. Big Mike's Mimosas \$1.25, Bloody Marys \$1, Champagne Cocktails \$1.25 plus '60s, '70s, '80s music from 1 to 6 p.m. Dance 8 pm.

OUTRAGEOUS - Pool Hall opens 7 pm. .75 Schnapps.

Strip show cancelled till 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 - Open 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 7 p.m. football on the big screen. \$1.00 well drinks 9-1.

RITA'S - 6 am to Noon Marys and Screws \$1.00 - 6 am to 6 pm Well \$1.25 (w/juice \$1.50); Longnecks \$1; Schnapps .75

RUMORHAZZIT 2222 - Open noon to 1 am. 4-7 p.m. 2 for 1 well/beer. Monday Night Poochall 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 - Open 7 pm. Progressive Dance Rock with Randy in Disco 9-1. \$1.25 Imported beers

RITA'S - 6 am to Noon Marys and Screws \$1.00 - 6 am to 6 pm Well \$1.25 (w/juice \$1.50); Longnecks \$1; Schnapps .75

RUMORHAZZIT - Open Noon to 1 am. 2 for 1 well/beer. 4-7 pm. Kegger 8 pm to 12 am .50 per can, plus .50

schnapps from 7 pm until close. VJ/DJ Ruben.

wednesday

BACK POCKET/JOSHUA TREE - 5-8 pm non-premium beer \$1, well drinks \$1.25. Draft Beer Bust .50 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 'n 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 - Open 7 pm. Long Neck Domestic Beer Bust 8-10 .50; 10-12 .75; after Midnight \$1. Jeanine DJ's.

RITA'S - 6 am to Noon Marys and Screws 1.00 - 6 am to 6 pm Well \$1.25 (w/juice \$1.50); Longnecks \$1; Schnapps .75

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

thursday

BACK POCKET/JOSHUA TREE - 5-8 pm non-premium beer \$1, well drinks \$1.25, 8 to close Well Drunks \$1.50, DJ 9 pm 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 'BOUT TIME - Check our Light Board for drink specials day and night. Dance 8 to 1.

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

RITA'S - 6 am to Noon Marys and Screws \$1.00 - 6 am to 6 pm Well \$1.25 (w/juice \$1.50); Longnecks \$1; Schnapps .75



DEAR BLABBY

TO MY READERS:

I couldn't take it anymore! Reports of my death have been greatly exaggerated! I was bored on the south of France and felt I should return to show local columnists what a talented newspaper woman I am! Read on beloved fans - your Blabby is back!

DEAR BLABBY:

I am a long-time admirer of the fabulous Tiffany! But I'm curious. What is her last name? And how can I have dinner with her?

Turned on by Tiff

Dear T.O.B.T -

Let me congratulate you on your excellent taste! Firstly, Tiffany has no last name. Her mother and father left town right after she was born.

Miss Tiffany's strenuous diet decrees that she cannot eat lunch or dinner, but all is not lost. You can always have breakfast at Tiffany's.

Love, Blabby

DEAR BLABBY:

What can you tell me about the luscious Christina? Is it true she's anorexic? Is there anyone special in her life? Is she musically inclined? What does she do for fun?

Crazy About Christina

Dear Crazy -

I would like to put an end to those awful rumors that Christina is anorexic. It is just not funny. The sad truth is that the poor darling was born without a stomach. Her colon starts right behind her teeth.

There are many special people in her busy life. Her dentist and her proctologist to name one. Christina has many musical talents. She has been known to entertain tricks by playing her

rendition of "Tiny Bubbles" on her rib cage!

For fun, she is currently devoting her talents to inventing a dinner napkin - toilet paper combination. Bon appetit, Christina!

Love, Blabby.

DEAR BLABBY:

After watching a wonderful and funny turnabout show at the Graduate last Sunday, I decided to go to IBT's and saw the most amazing thing. Some tall, skinny drag queen, who was in the turnabout show turned to someone at the bar and slapped them HARD! That someone appeared to be Christi Lunden. Did I really see that? And why didn't Christi flatten that queen? I would have, wouldn't you?

Signed, Wondering What Happened
Dear Wondering -

I did see that incident at IBT's that evening. The drag queen in question was none other than Vanna White.

It seems Miss Christi Lunden was somewhat into her cups, and all in the spirit of fun, dropped an ice cube down Vanna's back. Vanna apparently failed to see the humor in it, and with as much grace as she could muster, turned and laid Ms. Lunden out on the bar!

I'm sure Miss Lunden would like to have decked her, but the lovely Christi is above all that, and not being into immediate retribution decided to let it pass ... for now.

Knowing Christi, Vanna will get hers sometime, somewhere.

I'm sure, owing to the regrettable fact that the dress was borrowed had something to do with her decision to rise above it. Vanna, I'd watch out if I were you.

Love, Blabby.

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Lights of Tucson

by Michael - Tucson

The First Quarter Moon occurs on November 16th around 2:35 p.m. Tucson time with Pisces in the forefront. A somewhat difficult week, but luck will see it through.

ARIES

1st House Intercepted: Not a happy position for Aries. All your efforts to squirm out of your problems will come to naught this week.

TAURUS

2nd House: Spend some money entertaining this week and your business will improve considerably.

GEMINI

3rd and 4th Houses: Now you will get all that mail and those phone calls from distant places and foreign people you have been waiting for, including some extra money. However sudden and unexpected events at home may require you to call a plumber, or electrician for repairs.

CANCER

5th House: Luck, love and business investment success ought to be with you this week, however you will have to be really quick to catch the opportunities.

LEO

6th House: Time for a check-up, especially if you have sustained any losses lately as any emotional separation causes heart problems for you.

VIRGO

7th House: Not the best time to argue with your mate or your business partner, even if you win you could lose through an unwanted separation.

LIBRA

7th House Intercepted - You may have to postpone a wedding or a party this week because of delayed income receipts.

SCORPIO

8th House: A time for endings of old matters and new beginnings for you, however there may be some financial gain such as insurance claims, or a legacy.

SAGITTARIUS

9th and 10th Houses: You can derive some income from higher education, or travel to foreign places now. You may also receive some public recognition for some past deed.

CAPRICORN

11th House: A time for group affiliations, clubs and alumni meetings. Old friends may show up unexpectedly.

AQUARIUS

12th House: A time to visit friends in hospitals or prisons. Someone you know may have some sudden and unexpected luck, or get publicity for their misdeeds.

PISCES

1st House: Your chance to express yourself and get things done that you have been putting off too long.

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GAY OR BI-SEXUAL MEN in relationships with women. Want to strengthen your marriage. Considering leaving the marriage? Need friends you can talk to? Weekly support group meets Tuesdays 6:30 - 7:30 p.m. Certified psychologist facilitator. Strictly confidential. Call 884-0476 in Tucson for details.

AFFIRMATION, Gay and Lesbian Mormons meet monthly in Phoenix for fellowship and positive support. Write: AFFIRMATION, P.O. Box 26601, Tempe, AZ 85285-6601 or call 921-4025.

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

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