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## Frank urges political activism

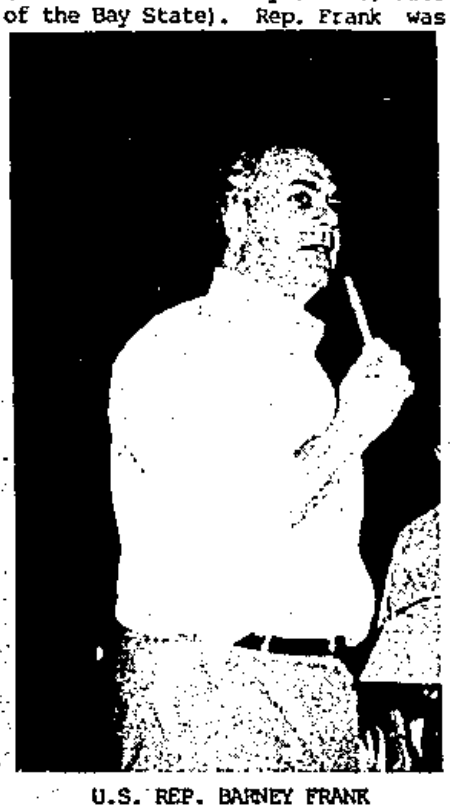
PHOENIX - Approximatley 200 persons gathered in Phoenix last Saturday, Feb. 11, at a fund raising event for the Gay and Lesbian Political Campaign Fund '90.

Pictured above (l to r), Host Ed Buck; Guest of Honor Rep. Barney Frank (D-Mass); Dist. 25 State Rep. Sue Laybe (D-Phoenix); and Charlie Harrison of the Committee for Progress. See related story.

by Mark Kerr

PHOENIX - Last Saturday, Feb. 11, a political fundraiser, sponsored by the State Committee For Progress, was held at Ed Buck's home at Squaw Peak. The guest of honor was Representative Barney Frank (D-Mass). The proceeds raised went to the Gay and Lesbian Political Campaign Fund '90.

Rep. Frank is one of two openly Gay members of the United States House of Representatives. (The other is Gerry Studds, also of the Bay State). Rep. Frank was



U.S. REP. BARNEY FRANK

elected to the House in the early 1970s, and has served with a distinguished record, rising through the ranks to party leadership in the House. But it was in October of 1987 when Frank came "out". It was during the controversy surrounding the death of Rep. Stewart McKinney, a Republican from Connecticut. McKinney's death was a result of complications from AIDS.

In his short talk before about two hundred in attendance, Frank stated that the news of his coming out cost him about 2 to 3 percentage points when election time rolled around. Also that after he came out, he did polling in his District and found that only about 20 percent of his constituents reacted negatively.

Rep. Frank's talk covered several different topics. Regarding the House of Representatives, he stated that it was his opinion that they are not a prejudiced body, they believe in the right to privacy, also they believe that the Federal Government should do more to find a cure for AIDS.

Frank's goals for the new Congressional session is to work for repeal the anti-Gay statute in the Immigration law.

The main focus of Frank's talk concerned Gays and Lesbians becoming more involved in the political process. He stated that "complacency will get us nowhere."

"We must get behind candidates, be it for federal, state, county or local office, and work hard to get them elected. If we are an active group, we shall be rewarded, if we are complacent, we shall be haunted," Frank said.

Frank also emphasized that as a group the Gay community should be united, no sniping at each other because of party affiliation. "But come election time, when you go to the polls, remember which party has the better views regarding Gays and Lesbians," he said. "We must focus on our enemies as one."

George Bush and the national Republican party were also covered in Frank's talk. He felt that Bush ran a terrible campaign concerning civil liberties, but also stated that Bush and the GOP did not run an anti-Gay campaign because "they realized that most of the voting electorate is pro-Gay."

One of the most classic remarks was regarding voting for certain candidates. He said, "Voting for a candidate is like being in a bar at 10 minutes to closing and you have the opportunity of going home with someone. It may be a one-time shot, but you do not have to commit to a relationship with that one person."

## ABA goes on record in support of Gay discrimination protections

NEW YORK, NY - The American Bar Association in its mid-year meeting last week voted for a resolution in support of protection against discrimination based on sexual orientation.

The passed resolution urges "the federal government, state and local governments to enact such legislation, subject to such exceptions as may be appropriate, prohibiting discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation in employment, housing and public accommodations."

In a report backing up the ABA resolution there were a many facts shattering myths about homosexuality including child molestation.

On Monday, Feb. 13, the Arizona Daily Star editorialized that the ABA deserved kudos for "joining major religious, health and other professional organizations in condemning such discrimination. We hope Congress is listening."

The Star continued, "For instance, protecting Gay men and women from discrimination will not endanger the nation';s youth, as some opponents of Gay rights fear. The ABA's report quotes experts who say homosexuals, as a group, are not oriented toward children. The incidence of child molestation is not greater among homosexual men than it is among heterosexual men.

"Nor would anti-discrimination protections prevent disciplinary action against any Gay individual who was found to behaving inappropriately. It would make an individual's conduct, rather than his or her status, the determining factor. That's how it should be," the Star said.

The Bar Association report pointed out that there is research establishing that homosexuality is the result of genetic factors and/or early childhood development. It is rarely, if ever, an adult choice.

"That shoots holes in two favorite arguments of Gay-rights opponents. If homosexuality is not an adult choice, anti-discrimination protections are not going to promote it. Nor do anti-discrimination protections condone 'immorality'. Morality is a matter of choice. Homosexuality is a matter of fact, like brown hair or blue eyes," continued the Star editorial.

"Morality does play a big part in this debate, however. It is not only moral, it is in the best American tradition to protect human rights by condemning discrimination," the Star said.

## Sports Festival July 4 in Seattle

SEATTLE, WAS - Gay and Lesbian athletes from around the country and the world, will gather in Seattle this summer for a multi-sport extravaganza that will serve as a tuneup for Gay Games III in 1990. The 1989 Northwest Gay/Lesbian Sports Festival, offering opportunities in at least ten sports, is scheduled for the four-day July 1-4 holiday weekend.

For the third year in a row, K&L Distributors of Bellevue, Washington, is the primary sponsor of the Sports Festival with a grant of $7,500. K&L distributes Perrier, Soho Soda and Anheuser-Busch products in Western Washington.

The Northwest Gay/Lesbian Sports Festival is the second largest multi-sport event for Lesbian and Gay athletes. Only Gay Games attracts more athletes. In 1987, the Sports Festival's first year, 900 athletes participated. By 1988 the number had increased to 1200. Seventy percent of the participants are from out of state.

This year competition is scheduled in sports such as swimming, diving, women's softball, tennis, bowling, croquet, volleyball, running, water polo, and golf. Other sports tentatively scheduled include darts, soccer, track and field, rugby, martial arts, women's basketball, and flag football.

Team Seattle, organizers of the Festival, plans several Festival-wide events during the course of the weekend.

The 1989 Northwest Gay/Lesbian Sports Festival occurs just 13 months before Gay Games III in Vancouver, B.C., Canada. Seattle is just a short hop from Vancouver, and Festival organizers have worked closely with Games officials to help promote the Gay Games.

Entry forms for Sports Festival events will be available in March. Information about the 1989 Northwest Gay/Lesbian Sports Festival or entries for events can be obtained by writing to: Team Seattle, 1206 E. Pike St., #1505, Seattle, WA, 98122, or by calling (206) 322-2777.

# UPDATE

## WOMEN'S WEEK CELEBRATION MARCH 4 IN TUCSON

TUCSON - In celebration of women's Week there will be an exciting concert of Women's Music and Stories on Saturday, March 4 at 8:00 p.m. in the University of Arizona Social Sciences Auditorium.

The event will feature musicians Andes Chicko, Jamie Anderson, Lucia, and writer Evyn Rubin. Tickets are $4 in advance and are available at Antigone Books, Third Friday Coffeehouse and UofA Women's Center, or $6 at the door. There is free childcare with reservations.

The evening will feature several talented performers. Andes Chicko is an energetic performer who sings folk music with an edge. Recently she performed at the Arizona Women's Music Festival.

Jamie Anderson is known for her personable stage manner and engaging original music. She has performed for many audiences from California to New York. Her album "Closer To Home". is scheduled for release this year.

Lucia is a duo from Phoenix who sing original music that celebrates spirituality through song. Their repertoire includes everything from a cappella chants to folk music that is complimented by guitar and soaring harmonies.

Evyn Rubin is a writer who will be reading from her original work titled "Sarah Stilskin," a funny and insightful story. Recently she appeared at a special benefit for the New Jewish Agenda.

The entire evening is being presented by the University of Arizona Women's Resource Center and Desert Night Productions. For childcare or more information, call 621-3919.

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## 1989 TUCSON BALLOON FESTIVAL SATURDAY AND SUNDAY, FEB. 18-19

TUCSON - The 1989 Tucson Balloon Festival takes place this weekend, Saturday, Feb. 18 and Sunday, Feb. 19. There will be 85 balloons in this year's festival which takes place at the Continental Ranch, The ranch can be reached by exiting west off I-10 at Cortaro Road. Traffic control will guide you to charity parking lots. The gates open at 5:00 a.m. both days. Admission for all if $5.00 per car load.

On Saturday, the first race begins at 7:20 a.m. and the second race begins at 8:10 a.m. From 9 a.m. until 1 p.m. festival entertainment will include U.S. Navy Leapfrogs Skydiving; tethered Balloon rides; live music, food fair and crafts show.

On Sunday, the mass balloon ascension begins at 7:20 a.m. and continues until all the balloons are up. Then from 9 a.m. until 1 ap.m. again a repeat of Saturday's entertainment.

This is a spectacular sight. If you have not witnessed this sport, make it a priority on your list of things to do this weekend.

## TUCSON MARDI GRAS CELEBRATION TO BENEPIT P.A.C.T.

TUCSON - The first big fund-raiser of the year will begin on Feb. 26 and end on March 5. It is Mardi Gras '89 and will benefit the People with AIDS Coalition Tucson.

On Sunday, Feb. 26, from 8 a.m. until 5 p.m., there will be a Parking Lot Sale in the Rainbow Room parking lot, 3455 E. Grant Road. Anyone wishing to donate items to sell at this sale are encouraged to do so. You may call the P.A.C.T. office at 322-9808 or bring articles to the Rainbow Room prior to the sale.

From 3 until 6 p.m. there will be a Cajun-style buffet served at the Rainbow Room and then from 8 p.m. on there will be the official "Mardi Gras Drag Search". Anyone interested in competing in this contest is requested to contact Frank at the P.A.C.T. office by Monday, Feb. 20. The winning contestant will be announced on Sunday, March 5.

The Rainbow Room will donate 10% of it's gross profits received all day Sunday, Feb. 26 to P.A.C.T.

On Friday, Saturday and Sunday, March 3-4-5, the Mardi Gras continues at Joshua Tree where booths will be set up selling arts and crafts and food. There will be game booths as well as live entertainment all three days. The official crowning of Mardi Gras Queen 1989 will be held Sunday evening, March 5.

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## OBSERVER/COMMUNITY BENEFIT SET FOR SATURDAY, MARCH 25

TUCSON - The Fourth Annual Observer/Community Benefit has been set for Saturday, March 25 from 5:30 to 9:00 p.m. at the historic Hotel Congress in downtown Tucson.

The theme for the evening will be "Stroll Down Memory Lane" and promises to be a most unusual evening. There will be a buffet dinner, raffles, entertainment and lots of surprises for this evening which will not only take over the Club Congress but spill over into the lobby of this venerable old hotel.

Loren Johnson and Doug Cooper will head the entertainment program. Raffle items already include a 10-speed bike, 2 television sets plus several other door prizes. Persons wishing to donate additional prizes are encouraged to call 623-6761 or 744-7923.

As usual there will be a bar set up and stocked with liquor donated by the local Gay bars. And the prices certainly not meant to "gouge". Canned beer will be sold for $1 and well drinks $1.25 and soda for 50 cents. ID will be required and designated drivers are encouraged.

Tickets for the affair will be $10 for those eating dinner, or $4.00 for general admission. They will be on sale shortly. Plan on this short but fun evening. More details later.

# MORE Valentine's

ANNIE: Love grows stronger with age. I'm working on it. Ben

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DOUG: You're all it takes to love you. Andy

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FRITZIE: Here is to the next 23 years with the one I love. Jackie

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JEFF AND BOBBY: Have a happy Valentine's Day. Love ya'll, Stephanie

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CHRISTINE: You are my Valentine plus lots more that I'm thankful for. Love you very much. Mama Willis, Freddie

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TO ANDY: You are very special and close to my heart. I love you more than I can say. I try to show it. Just love me the way I love you and we will be together forever. Love Doug

TO ALL MY SECRET ADMIRERS: I love you. Juicy Lucy

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## THOMPSON TO SEE KOWALSKI!

by Jennie McKnight

DULUTH, MN (GCN) - In a late-breaking story, Gay Community News of Boston has learned that Karen Thompson will visit her disabled lover, Sharon Kowalski, whom she has been prevented from seeing for over three and a half years. According to Caroline Foty of the National Committee to Free Sharon Kowalski, one of the doctors on the court-appointed medical team charged with evaluating Kowalski contacted Thompson February 1 and told her Kowalski has asked to see her.

At press time, Thompson was on her way from her home in St. Cloud, Minnesota to Duluth, where Kowalski is in a rehabilitation hospital. Weather conditions in Minnesota made it unclear exactly when the women would meet. Look for a report in next weeks OBSERVER.

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## NORWAY BACKS LESBIANS

OSLO, NORWAY (GCN) - The Norwegian government has granted an annual pension of $13,000 to Kim Friele, a Lesbian leader in the country. According to Rag Rag, the government gives subsidies to prominent individuals to allow them to pursue their scientific or cultural activities without worrying about making a living.

Friele, one of 55 Norwegians to receive such support, said her government sees "Gay and Lesbian emancipation as a political issue and not only a private and personal one."

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# Canadian pair sues for government benefits

by Rex Wockner

VANCOUVER, BC (BAR) - In a case set to determine whether Canada already has national Gay rights protections, a British Columbia couple is suing the federal government for what they see as their fair share under Canada's Old Age Security Act.

James Egan and John Nesbit have been together for 40 years. Under Canadian law, citizens over age 65 receive an old-age pension. Spouses - either married or common law - between the ages of 60 and 64 may apply for a spouse's allowance when the couple's income is below $16,000.

When Nesbit was refused his spouse's allowance by Health and Welfare Canada, the couple decided to fight back and eventually received funding for their case from the government itself - under the Canadian Council on Social Development's Court Challenges Program.

The couple's lawyers intend to prove - ultimately to the Canadian Supreme Court - that Canada's Charter of Rights and Freedoms prohibits discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation - a contention that has been put forth by human rights advocates since the charter was enacted six years ago.

The 67-year-old Egan says he is particularly galled that a common-law heterosexual couple who has been together only one year is automatically approved for the allowance, while he and Nesbit have been automatically denied.

"We're not asking for any special protection at all," Egan said. "We're asking for precisely the same protections that are accorded to heterosexuals."

Egan is one of Canada's pioneering Gay activists. He became well-known in the late 1940s through letters to the editor complaining about negative homosexual references in Toronto's newspapers.

"There were five or six scandal sheets going in Toronto at the time," Egan explained, "and every one of them would pounce on these cases where some unfortunate guy had been arrested in a washroom or entrapped in one of the local cruisey spots. The articles were always absolutely outrageous, talking about shifty-eyed sex perverts being hauled into court, and on and on with this drivel."

Egan continued writing letters for 15 years, bombarding not only newspapers, but magazines, publishers, journalists,s government agencies, clergy, psychiatrists and doctors. The Canadian Lesbian and Gay History Project has just published a book of his early letters.

Egan and Nesbit, meanwhile are flying high from their recent 40th anniversary celebration held in the small Vancouver Island town of Courtenay. The large party was organized by the couple's heterosexuals friends.

Egan is also an openly Gay politician, representing 7,000 islanders in the local government council.

# Project seeks vet's stories

WASHINGTON, DC - Prompted by the incarceration of three female Marines on charges of homosexuality, a joint project to effect long-lasting changes in military policy towards Lesbians and Gay men has been launched by the National Gay and Lesbian Task Force, the National Organization for Women, Women's Equity Action League and the ACLU Lesbian/Gay Rights Project. The Military Freedom Project was conceived and developed at a meeting in Washington, DC in mid-November 1988.

"The Gay and Lesbian Military Freedom Project will make a concerted and coordinated and longterm effort to win recognition of the contributions of Lesbians and Gay men in the Armed Forces by dismantling the military's viciously homophobic policies and practices," said Sue Hyde, NGLTF's Privacy Project Director.

"While most of us do not expect to suffer imprisonment for our sexuality, that has been the fate of scores of Gay people in uniform. For those lucky enough to escape the brig, harassment and humiliation, followed by dishonorable discharges, await thousands of service people who love members of their own sex. We must stop this shameful treatment of citizens who are willing to sacrifice their lives in service of their country," Hyde said.

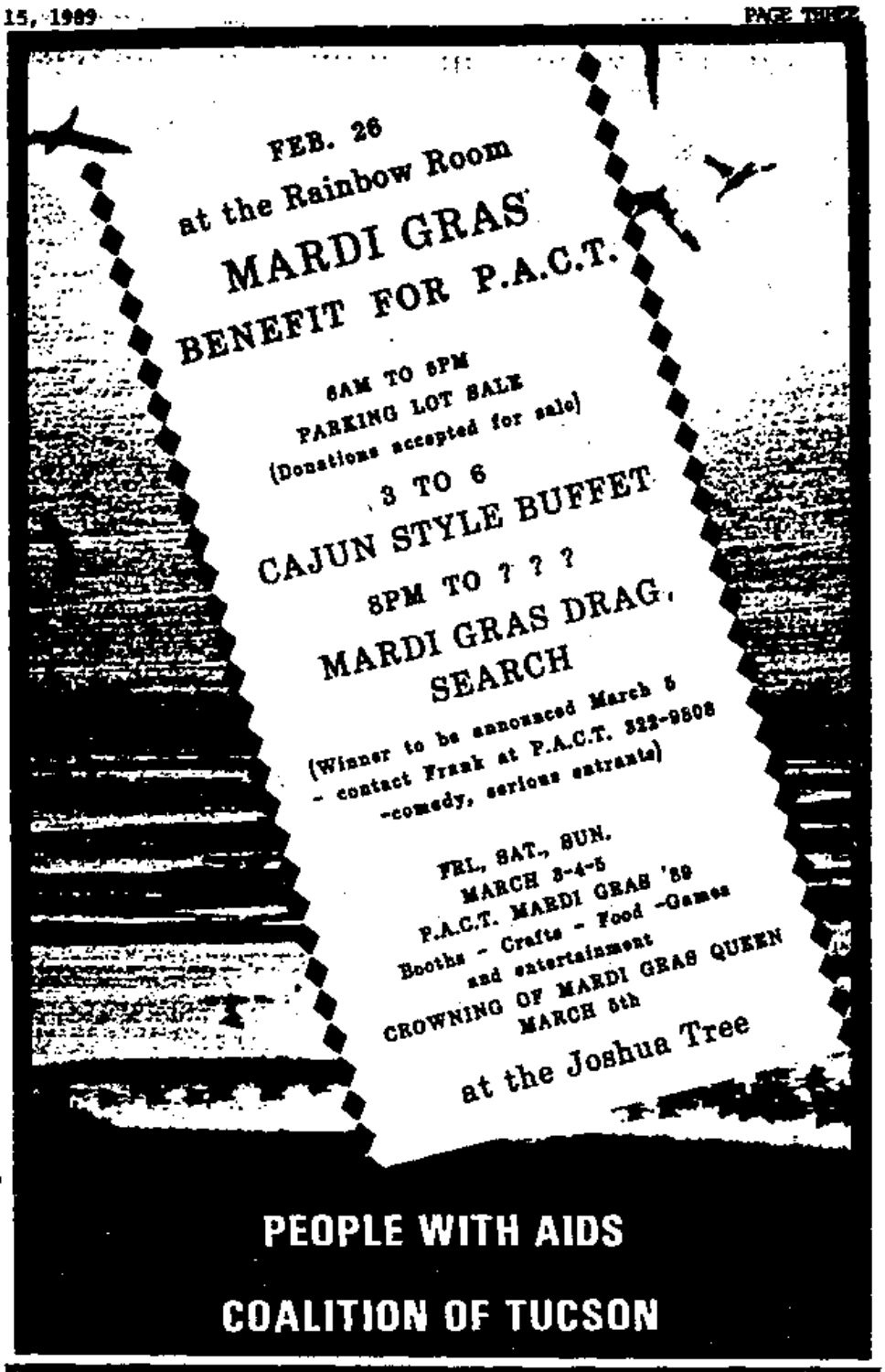
The Gay and Lesbian Military Freedom Project has three immediate goals: (1) to press for U.S. Congressional hearings on the harassment of women and Lesbians in the service; (2) to testify at the Spring '89 meeting of Defense Advisory Committee on Women in the Service (DACOWITS); and (3) to conduct educational and outreach program to Lesbians and Gay men in the service.

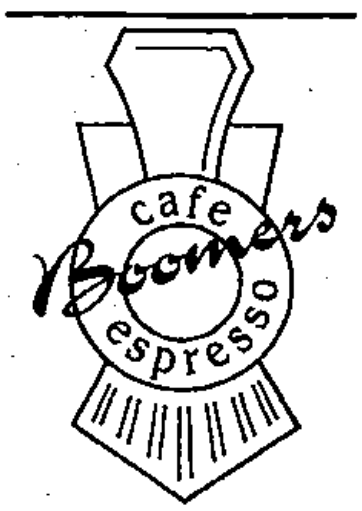
As part of the education and outreach programs, the Gay and Lesbian Military Freedom Project seeks testimonies and first person accounts by Lesbians and Gay men who are Armed Forces veterans or who are currently serving in the service.

Stories are sought from persons who were closeted in the military, as well as those who were out; from persons who were hounded out, as well as those who were respected and finished their tours of duty without incident; from enlisted personnel, as well as officers; from women, as well as men. Whatever your experience in uniform, the Gay and Lesbian Military Freedom Project welcomes your contribution.

All requests for confidentiality will be respected. The stories will be included in collected testimony presented to Congressional committees and will be edited and compiled for inclusion in outreach and educational materials.

Please send your 500 to 1,000 word account of your experience in the military to: Gay and Lesbian Military Freedom Project, NGLTF, 1517 U Street N.W., Washington, DC 20009.

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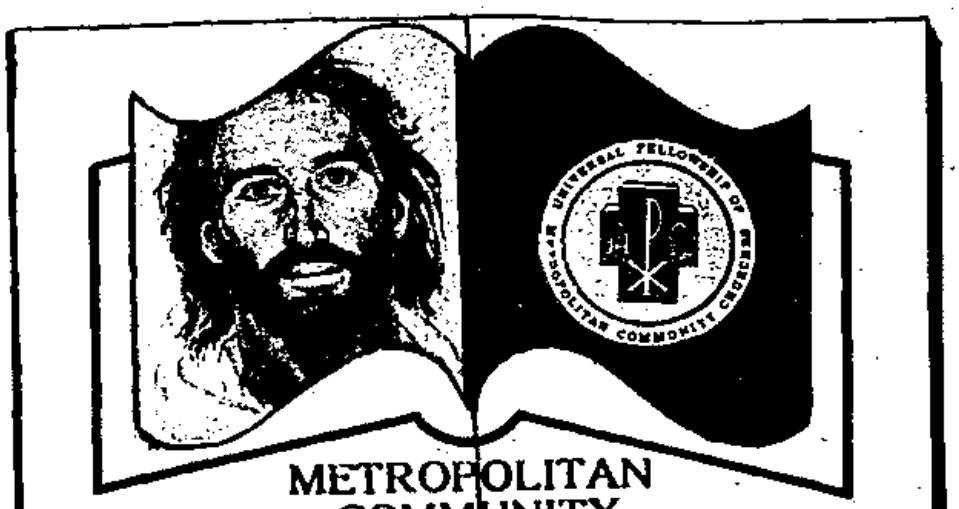


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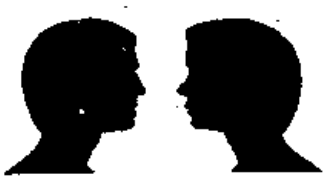

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# WHAT'S UP DOC?

Competition was stiff this year at TKO's Mini Tacky Ball at the Graduate last Saturday. The contestants worked extremely hard to win the title of "Miss Tacky '89". Each flew around the bar grabbing their own props from all those hanging on the walls. When the word "go" was given, each contestant asserted themselves, showing their own individualism and creativity when choosing from those tacky props supplied by TKO. In the end, judging proved to be very difficult because each was "Tacky". But there was that one really tacky jewel who stood out in the crowd and was crowned Miss Tacky '89. This year's winner was Gary G. Last year's winner didn't even make it to the run-off.

Now that this highly respected contest is over, we can look forward to another class act this coming Saturday. It is time for Partners' annual "Legs Contest" over at IBT's. This super contest will be held during their Beer Bust. The Beer Bust runs from 2 until 6 p.m. with the "Legs Contest" starting around 4ish.

The contest is in the middle of the Beer Bust because time has to be given to those contestants to get ready. Winners will also have time after to show off those winning legs by parading around the bar. Judging again will be by those in the audience. Stop in and help by either being one of the impressionable judges, or one of those flaunting their legs (?) contestants.

To those interested, don't forget this coming weekend also is Tucson's Balloon Festival. All is happening up at Continental Farm, close to Marana. It only costs $5 a car load.

For once, I think I'll choose to shut up for a change. I'll even pass up by TBBS' for this week. Of course, I will say hello to Nadia, who sent those sweet Valentine messages to me. We all know a pig loves to wallow in mud and he (?) loves to wallow through this BS I've been writing.

Have a beautiful week, and I'll see you next week.

# OUT ON THE TOWN

And that cute curly-haired bartender was that fix-a-flat too, and is he really into decapitation? Altawalpa who? She must have been bitten by that culture shark again. Was that II or III?

According to Squeaky Sue Chang, Hot to Trot Babs spent her NY's in S.F., partied three days straight (?) in her Montgomery Ward's outfit. She then recouped, regrooved in Scottsdale (tried to forget) too tired to come to Tucson last week with KH & DP (thighs!).

Will those Welcome Wagon hostesses ever retire? After kidnapping that poor butch soul, they left him stranded at the Ponderosa with a bad case of dishpan hands.

So how was Tif's gamble? The Old Pueblo town certainly didn't last long. Did she really just come back to town for a few good heads?

Someone must have worked a miracle if Miss Mae now has a newborn. Last time she tried, the egg wasn't even fertilized and exploded in miscarriage. That miracle will soon be terrorizing those poor pussies at the Ponderosa unless there's an adoption soon.

Will Teresa Brewery really be touring the Old Pueblo soon? Le Shea thought she died. And Sister Bootie, where was she? She certainly wasn't with Blabby. If Blabby under the weather or under the wagon? Is she still indisposed, decomposed or did she just lose her composure again?

Tina and Puchie will soon be looking for some young pussies for their north forty. Let's hope Bob and Earl can handle them.

Is Cristina really a working girl now? Open your eyes and see if you can. Super glue to rubber glue to who knows who?

Are the Kelly girls going for the gusto on wheels? Walls do have ears but they're not padded. Maybe they should be. Is it true Mz. J.R. is a pussy snatcher?

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HUGGING BANNED BY COPS

BOSTON, MA (BAR) Two officers of the Massachusetts Capitol Police have been accused with harassing members of a Gay Al-Anon group by threatening them with arrest if they engaged in hugs at the end of their meeting in a public health center. Members of the group say they were warned that if they continued to embrace they would have to leave the building or be charged with committing an act of public display of affection.

There is no law in Massachusetts against same-sex couples hugging in public. Capitol Police Chief Daniel Skelly told the Gay newspaper Bay Windows that he would speak to the officers involved. "Their alleged actions do not represent a directive from my office," he said.

Because there are state offices in the same building as the health clinic, Capitol Police regularly patrol the area.

Earlier this year Capitol Police were charged with spying on Gay and Lesbian groups who protested the policies of Gov. Michael Dukakis.

Skelly said that he would meet with Gay representatives to avoid further problems.

# Kissing arrests continue in Britain

by Rex Wockner

LONDON, ENGLAND (BAR) - London Police have arrested another couple for kissing on the street. Christopher Hayes, 23, and Gordon Mack, 21, both recent immigrants to London from Scotland, were nabbed by three policewomen outside a Gay bar in late October. The policewomen alleged that two women passersby had complained.

British activists say they are angered by these kind of arrests, alleging that they reflect pure homophobia and harassment. According to Michael Mason, co-publisher of the London newspaper Capital Gay, same-sex kissers are usually charged with disorderly conduct or with conduct that is likely to cause a breach of the peace.

"They've got you in a corner," said Mason. "All the police have to say is that somebody was offended by your conduct and was likely to be provoked by your conduct. That provocation could then lead to a breach of the peace. There's no law against kissing or homosexuality, but ... laws to maintain the public order."

Before arresting same-sex partners, police must receive a complaint from a member of the public. But Mason says police never have to produce the complaining person.

British Gay activist Simon Watney alleges, in fact, that the offended member of the public usually doesn't exist. "It's never the passersby who complain," he said, "but the police, who stand in on behalf of the imagined scandalized person. The public is never shocked and horrified by two teenagers having a snug."

The laws under which the police arrest same-sex kissers are not statutory law but, rather, old English common law. As such, Mason said, "it's not a question of bringing legislation to abolish it but rather, making a new, specific law to exclude particular types of conduct from the ambience of common law. It's very loose, broad, flexible law for the police to administer at whim - and a very vague, indefinite target when you're talking about law-reform campaigns and protest."

Mason doesn't know of any case where heterosexuals making out in public have been charged with conduct likely to lead to a breach of the peace. "If someone were offended by that," he said, "the person who felt provoked to become violent would probably be the guilty party. They would say that this is the sort of violent actions one would expect from a pervert."

The two men arrested in London were fined $270 plus court costs of $35. They told the court in November that they didn't have the money and were given two months to come up with it.

In the meantime, a reader of Capital Gay sent an anonymous bank draft to the newspaper with instructions that it be forwarded to the kissers. The man said his lover was in prison and that the check represented money the two of them would not be able to spend together over the Christmas holiday.

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COURT OF APPEALS RULES ON MANDATORY HIV TESTING

OMAHA, NE - On Feb. 6, the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Eighth Circuit affirmed a lower court decision holding unconstitutional a mandatory HIV testing program for employees of a facility for the mentally retarded.

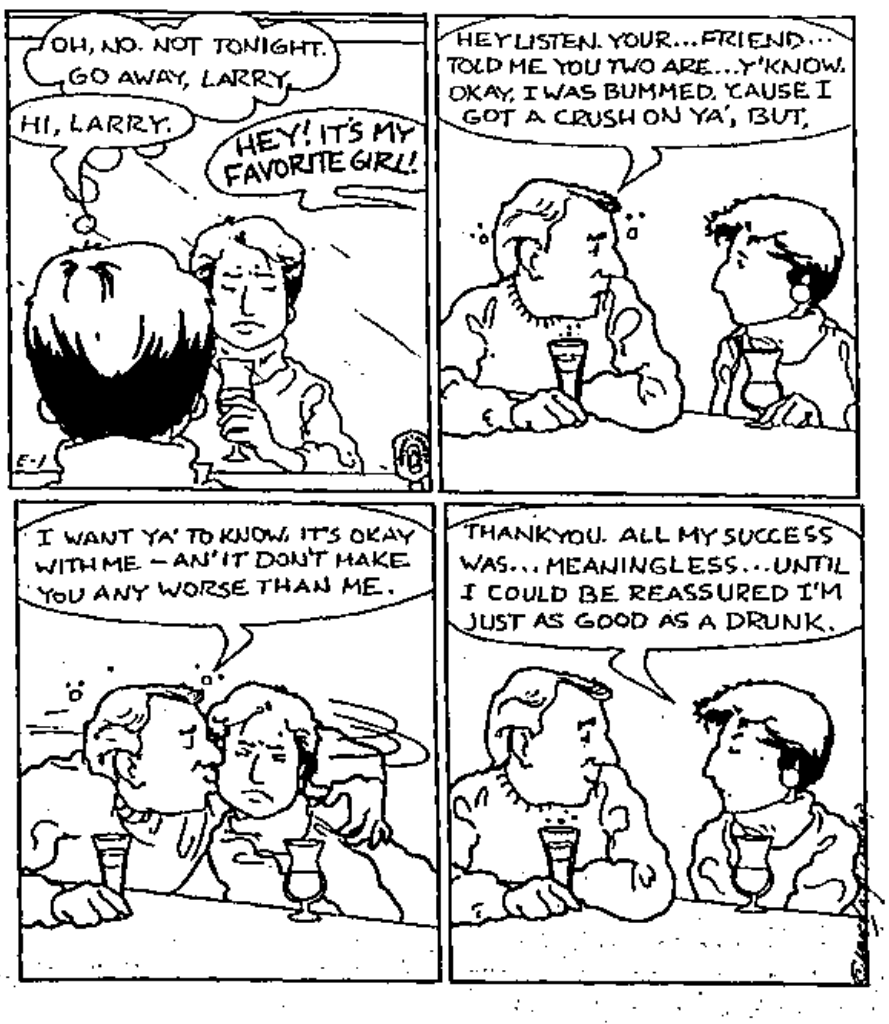
The Court upheld the trial court's ruling that the testing program was a violation of the staff members' Fourth Amendment rights; the Fourth Amendment prohibits unreasonable searches and seizures.

In a case brought by the ACLU of Nebraska, a federal district court had ruled that because the risk of transmission of the AIDS virus by employees to patients was "extremely low, approaching zero," the mandatory testing program lacked a rational basis. The policy was adopted shortly after a staff member had died of AIDS.

"This is the most important ruling on AIDS-related testing which any court has rendered," said Nan D. Hunter, director of the ACLU AIDS Project in New York. "It is the first decision on this issue by a federal appeals court, and it is the strongest judicial statement yet that mere speculation of risk is not enough to justify mandatory testing."

"It is a victory for sane and reasonable approaches to workplace AIDS policies," said Hunter.

**Morgan Calabrese'** by N. Leigh Dunlap



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# Lights of Tucson

by Michael - Tucson

The first Quarter Moon occurs on Feb. 12th in the 14th (Valentine) degree of Taurus. Ha! Aquarius and the Sun are in the 7th (lover's) house. So I guess you men and women know what is going on!

ARIES
10th House: Hits the big time with Mars/Moon/Jupiter all in the same house but different sign (MONEY)! The combination of Mars and Jupiter indicates wild and unrestrained spending.

TAURUS
Intercepted 10th House: Get your umbrellas out to catch some of the money Aries is spending.

GEMINI
11th House: You may meet an interesting and unusual older person who will really turn you on, over and out.

CANCER
12th House: If you are looking for treasure, try your basement and the dark corners of your attic. Visit friends and such in hospitals and prisons. Avoid scandal.

LEO
1st House: Well, it is your chance to let it all hang out, however this is not the best time of year for you, unless of course, you are into meditation. If you are, this will be a great week for some serious introspection. Since your Sign is continuing through the 2nd House, you may make some money, or get some good money making ideas out of your meditation.

VIRGO
3rd House: This will be a very busy time for you catching up on all your delayed correspondence and phone calls about your work.

LIBRA
4th House: Arguments with the boss or parents are not recommended this week, you will lose. You may also leave home anyway or quit your job. But think twice before doing so.

SCORPIO
Intercepted 4th House: Your social relationships in your home or office will be disrupted and you may find some of your darkest secrets are being discussed by people who can hurt you. Be discreet.

SAGITTARIUS
5th House: Just where you always wanted to be. It is your week to break the bank at Monte Carlo, or win the Pick. You too may discover a romantic interest in an older person who may be quite rich.

CAPRICORN
6th House: Hard work is nothing new to you, and this will be the time when it pays off with all that big money in the 10th House favorably inclined your way.

AQUARIUS
7th House: You may find yourself attracted to a young, dark, Taurean, with all that implies. Stay cool. Continuing into the 8th House, you may also become obsessed by a mysterious Scorpio with underworld connections. Keep on staying cool.

PISCES
9th House: This may be the time you will take that trip you have been planning on so long. You may meet a stimulating Capricorn of a foreign background.

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# POLITICS '89

by Mark R. Kerr

The political gathering at Ed Buck's house last weekend with Rep. Barney Frank as guest speaker, was an experience in several ways for me. First, I wandered if the couple of hundred in attendance would actually take Rep. Frank's words to heart and get involved in the process, or will they just sit on their proverbial bar stools trying to be seen by Mr. Right, or just Mr. Right for that night. My heart raced when Rep. Frank stated that we have to get into it to succeed, I hope his words will lead to action.

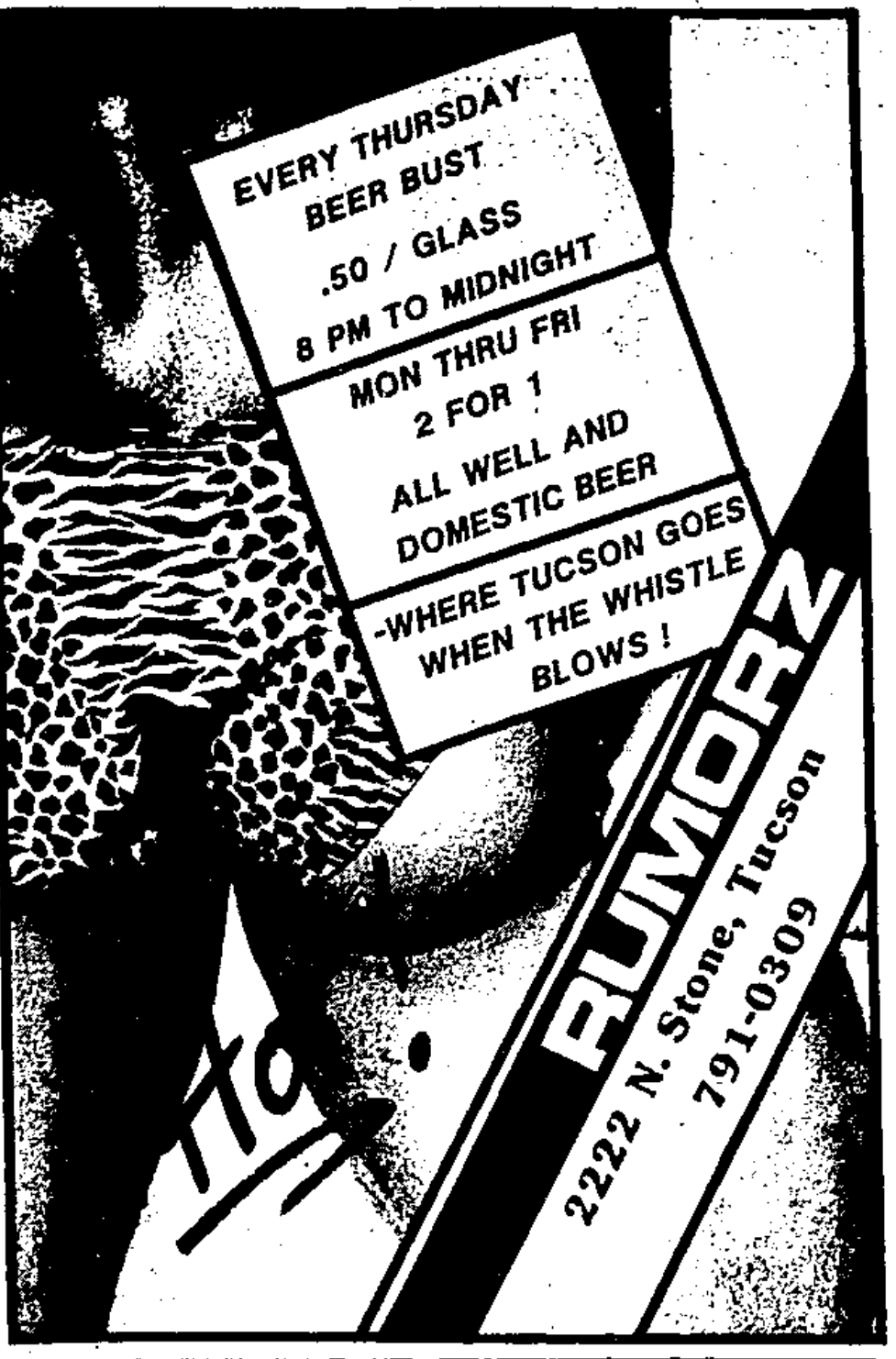
MARK KERR WITH REP. BARNEY FRANK

Second, about his remarks concerning the political divergence within our community. He is right, we need to respect each others views, be it liberal or conservative, Democrat or Republican. I have been guilty of not doing this, but people can change! I am going to try, but this only applies to Gay Republicans. When it comes to the State Representatives and Senators, members of the United States House of Representatives and Senate, and, of course, the Presidency, my views will stay that the best persons for these respective jobs are Democrats.

The Democratic Party is for the common person. The Democratic Party protects the workers right to unionize, protects their right to bargain, and protects them in the workplace. The Democratic Party believes that when it comes to foreign policy that we must end our paternalistic attitude towards other countries and that we must treat them as equals. The Democratic Party believes in life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness. The Democratic Party believes in the right to privacy, the end to discrimination regardless of who or what.

These are just a few of the reasons why I am proud to say that I am a member of the Democratic Party, also that I am a Precinct Committeeperson, also that I am a State Party Delegate for Dist. 13 of the Arizona Democratic Party. I believe in voting FOR candidates, not against other candidates. The Democratic Party offers candidates to vote for, not against.

Until next time, take care, register to vote, and when you register, register with the party of common sense, The Democratic Party.




# News From MCC / TUCSON

Last Wednesday, Feb. 8, was Ash Wednesday which began the religious celebration of Lent. Where did we get the custom of celebrating Lent? Jesus never commanded it. The disciples never observed it. There is no mention of Lent in the Bible. Lent owes its origin to two decidedly different customs that grew up in the Christian church, notably the Roman Catholic Church.

One origin of Lenten observance is rooted in the natural desire of human beings to celebrate any special event. The second origin is centered on the Saturday night/Sunday morning Easter Service. Originally, Lent was celebrated for 40 hours to represent the time Jesus was in the grave. It was then extended to include the entire period which we now call Holy Week. The Lenten period was finally extended to 40 days about the end of the seventh century. The time from Ash Wednesday until Easter Sunday is actually 46 days, but Sundays already being a holy day, are not counted and are not part of the 40 days of Lent.

Last Saturday MCC/Tucson had another Bake Sale in conjunction Sale in conjunction with SOS' Annual Hoedown at IBT's. This event will be on Sunday, Feb. 26. If you have any special order, call the church at 622-4536 and we will see that your item will be there for you.

This coming Sunday, Feb. 19, at our morning Worship Service, starting at 10:45 a.m., Rev. Nita-Terlisner-Willey will be bringing the message entitled "A Hen Gathers Her Young". If you haven't heard Rev. Nita preach, this will be the time for you to hear this dynamic speaker. Also, this coming Sunday, Feb. 18, starting at 5:30 p.m. will be our monthly Deacon's Service. This Worship Service will be conducted by Deacons and the offering will go into the Deacon's Fund.

Thought for the Week: God never permits us to suffer pain without giving us the strength to bear it.

with TKO's Beer Bust and Mini Tacky Ball. Thanks to all who made purchases of the many items for sale. Your support is appreciated, we hope that you have enjoyed your selections. MCC/Tucson will again be having another Bake

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# CALENDAR
## of upcoming events

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 15

COLETTE'S - Loren Johnson will headline this month's 'country and western' night. Also it is Coors Promotion Night with T-Shirts and other great prizes.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 18

IBT'S - Get your gams ready for Partners' Beer Bust and Leg Contest. It begins at 2 p.m. and runs until 6:30. It's fun! Come on down.

OUTRAGEOUS - T-Shirt Night! Wear an Outrageous T-Shirt and enjoy drink specials all night long!

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 19

COLETTE'S - Lisa Otey plays and sings for your entertainment from 9 p.m. until midnight.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 21

COLETTE'S - Singer / musician / songwriter par excellence Anne English performs this evening.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 23

COLETTE'S - Those zany original Dyketones from Provincetown are back on stage here beginning at 8:0 p.m. (They know where the nice weather is). Cover is $5 and worth it! Catch this show.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 24

COLETTE'S - Leave it to Colette to come up with another 'unusual' evening! This time it's the "Gayly Wed Game". Contestants for the evening will be Ben and Annie; Natalie and Patty; Marge and Mickey; Darryl and Keith. Sound like fun? You bet! Get there early for a good seat. It begins at 8:00 p.m.

FEBRUARY 23 - 26

OUTRAGEOUS - Rodeo Daze - They'll be partying hardy for the cowboys. Join the gang at Outrageous.

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 26

IBT'S - Sisters of Sonora (SOS) present another of their fabulous Hoedown's. Food, entertainment and lots of country western music and dancing. It's a full day from 2 until 10 p.m. and there are over $1,000 in prizes to be raffled at 10 p.m. Entertainment by Loren Johnson and Doug Cooper. Dance music is supplied by guest DJ from Charlie's in Phoejnix Joey Frazee. Don't miss this fun day.

JOSHUA TREE - It's showtime here headlined by Brandy Valentine and a star-studded cast. Starts around 10. More details later.

RTAINBOW ROOM - Kick-off for Mardi Gras '89, a benefit for People with AIDS Coalition of Tucson (P.A.C.T.). The day begins with a Parking Lot Sale from 8 a.m. until 5 p.m. If you have anything you would like to donate for this sale, bring it by prior to the sale. Then from 3 until 6 p.m. there will be a Cajun-style Buffet served in keeping with the Mardi Gras theme. From 8 p.m. on there will be a Mardi Gras Drag Search" featuring comic and serious drag performances. The deadline for entering is Feb. 20. Contact Frank at 322-9808 to enter. The winner, to be crowned Queen of the Mardi Gras, will be announced at the wind-up ceremonies on March 5 at Joshua Tree. A fun day for a great cause.

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 27

COLETTE'S - Pat McCulla will be playing and singing from 7:30 until ?? A real nice evening of music.

FRIDAY, SATURDAY, SUNDAY, MARCH 3-4-5

JOSHUA TREE - Mardi Gras '89 (a benefit for People AIDS Coalition Tucson (P.A.C.T.) will be held entire weekend. There will be booth with ts, food and games plus entertainment and winds with the crowning of Mardi Gras Queen '89 on Sunday, March 5. All proceeds to P.A.C.T. Be there and help a very worthy group.

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# Non-Bar CALENDAR

[NOTE: IF YOU HAVE AN EVENT OR SPECIAL HAPPENING THAT YOU FEEL SHOULD BE INCLUDED IN THIS NON-BAR ACTIVITY CALENDAR, PLEASE CONTACT BEN CORBIN PRIOR TO MONDAY OF THAT WEDNESDAY'S PAPER FOR INCLUSION IN THAT WEEKS ISSUE. AFTER FIRST NOTICE HAS APPEARD IT WILL APPEAR WEEKLY UNTIL THE EVENT HAS TAKEN PLACE. MR. CORBIN MAY BE REACHED AT 297-1909 OR 622-4536].

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 15 - Independent Tavern Owners Association (ITA) meets at Rainbow Room 10:00 a.m. Members only.

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Community Awards of Tucson (CAT) Committee meets at 7:00 p.m. at Joshua Tree for critique of past Awards ceremonies. Community input is requested.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 16 - Old Pueblo Business and Professional Association general meeting. Hotel Park Tucson. Attorneys Susan Freund and Gregory Gadarian offer tax tips and IRS updates. 7:00 p.m., no-host beverages; 7:30 p.m., general meeting. Free to OP members and first-time guests, $5.00 for repeat guests at the door. Information: (602)297-3794.

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Boomers Cafe Espresso - Flutist Renee' Janton begins performing at 8 pm.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 18 - St. Francis Reconciling Group invites you to the "Gay 90's Valentine's Dance" at 8:30 p.m. to 1:00 a.m. at St. Francis In The Foothills, 4625 E. River Road. Lisa Otey will entertain from 10 to 11 plus dancing, fun and games. Snacks and non-alcoholic beverages will be served. Suggested donation $3, couples $5. The St. Francis and Tucson Communities are invited.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 25 - MCC/Tucson will hold their first Bingo games. Games will run from 6:30 until 9:00 p.m. The public is welcome. These will be state licensed games and no one under 18 will be allowed to play. There will be beverages and snacks for sale during the evening.

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 26 - P.A.C.T Rummage Sale from 8 a.m. until 5 p.m. in the parking lot at Rainbow Room, 3455 E. Grant. If you have something you want to donate for this sale, please bring it by prior to the sale. All proceeds go to People With AIDS Coalition Tucson (P.A.C.T.)

SATURDAY, MARCH 4 - In celebration of Women's Week this year, there will be a concert of women's music and stories in the U of Arizona Sciences Auditorium. This sevent will feature musicians Andes Chicko, Jamie Anderson and Lúcia and writer Evyn Rumbin. Ticketsdi are $4 in advance

THURSDAY - SUNDAY: MARCH 2-5; 9-12; 16-19; 23-25 - The Tony Award-Winning Play version of "Torch Song Trilogy" will be performed by a.k.a. Theatre, 125 E. Congress. All performances begin at 8 p.m. Tickets are $7 (no discounts). For reservations or information call 623-7852.

## SPORTS

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| 2. TRES AMIGOS | 12 | 4 | 6992 | 670 |
| 3. THE BACKDOOR BOYS | 11 | 5 | 6903 | 664 |
| 4. DICK'S LITTLE INDIANS | 10.5 | 5.5 | 6895 | 716 |
| 5. BOTTOMS UP | 10 | 6 | 6730 | 704 |
| 6. MOUSEKETEERS | 9 | 7 | 6930 | 638 |
| 7. STRIKER FORCE | 9 | 7 | 6896 | 689 |
| 8. BUSY B's | 8 | 8 | 6862 | 650 |
| 9. "NEXT WEEK" | 7 | 9 | 6757 | 650 |
| 10. THE FIRST PLACE TEAM | 7 | 9 | 6730 | 640 |
| 11. CHESTER AND THE BOYS | 6 | 10 | 6889 | 664 |
| 12. WHOLLY ROLLERS | 6 | 10 | 6689 | 635 |
| 13. ACEY-DUCEY | 2 | 14 | 6647 | 604 |
| 14. PHILISTINE PROS | 1.5 | 14.5 | 6756 | 643 |

TEAM HIGH GAME: DICK'S LITTLE INDIANS 716 / BOTTOMS UP 704 / LUCKY DEVILS 668

TEAM HIGH SERIES: STRIKER FORCE 1920 / TRES AMIGOS 1919 / THE FIRST PLACE TEAM 1901

HIGH SCRATCH GAME: WAYNE J. 263 / JOHN G. 258 / SCOTT B. 234

HIGH SCRATCH SERIES: Bill C. 628 / Richard S. 608 / Mark K. 593

HONOR ROLL: BILL C. 590 / RICK H. 553 / JOHN G. 516

# Tucson CALENDAR

## Sunday

BACK POCKET/JOSHUA TREE - Noon to 7 pm Draft Beer .50 per glass; Bloody Marys $1.25. Steak Dinner 4 pm to 7?? $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 - Noon to 5:30 p.m. check the light board for Sunday daytime specials. 5:30 - closer Bud and Bud Light $1.25 - Dance 8 pm.

OUTRAGEOUS - Game Room opens 7 pm. .75 Schnapps all nite. Strippers on first Sunday of each month.

RAINBOW ROOM - Open at noon. Buffet 3 to 6 with DJ.

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 $1.25, Well Drinks $1.50 + 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 - Noon to 5:30 p.m. Well drinks $1 (w/juice $1.25), Longnecks $1.50 - 5:30 to close: Miller and Miller Lite $1.25

OUTRAGEOUS - Denise serves $1 Coronas and $2 shots of Cuervo!

RAINBOW ROOM (formerly Rita's) - Open Noon to 1 am. Happy Hour noon to 8pm: Two for 1 drinks.

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 $1.25, Well drinks $1.50. Corona Beer or Well Tequila $1.50 from 8 pm to 1 am. + 'Stop Light' specials. DJ at 9

COLETTE'S WEST - Check for daily sandwich special. Longneck Bottle Beer Special: $1.00 from 8:00 until midnight. DJ from 8 to midnight.

GRADUATE - Dark Well Drinks $1.50 till closing.

IT'S 'BOUT TIME - Noon to 5:30 p.m. Well drinks $1.00 (w/juice $1.25). Longnecks $1.50. 5:30 to close: Schnapps .50 per shot.

OUTRAGEOUS - Movie Night. Danny hosts $1.25 well from 7 to 1. Movie begins at 9 p.m.

RAINBOW ROOM (formerly Rita's) - Open Noon to 1 am. Happy Hour noon to 8pm: Two for One drinks.

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 $1.25, Well drinks $1.50. 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. Pool Tournament 8:00 p.m.

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

IT'S 'BOUT TIME - Noon to 5:30 p.m. Well drinks $1.00 (w/juice $1.25) Longnecks $1.50. 5:30 to Midnight Beer Bust .50/glass - Schnapps .50/shot.

OUTRAGEOUS - Game Room opens at 7 pm. Pitchers of Miller or Miller Lite $3.00.

RAINBOW ROOM (formerly Rita's) - Open Noon to 1 am. Happy Hour noon to 8 pm: Two for One drinks.

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

## thursday

BACK POCKET/JOSHUA TREE - 5-8 pm non-premium beer $1.25, Well drinks $1.50, 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 - Noon to 5:30 p.m. Well Drinks $1.00 (w/juice $1.25). Longnecks $1.50. 5:30 to Close: Well Drinks .75 (w/juice $1.00). DJ 9 to 1.

OUTRAGEOUS - .25 Draft all night. Gavin opens the doors at 7 p.m.

RAINBOW ROOM (formerly Rita's) - Open Noon to 1 am. Happy Hour noon to 8 pm: Two for One drinks.

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 $1.25, Well drinks $1.50. 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 - Noon to 5:30 p.m. Well Drinks ; $1.00 (w/juice $1.25), Longnecks $1.50. 5:30 to Close: All Well $1.50 (with juice $1.75).

OUTRAGEOUS - Game Room opens at 7 pm. Dancing 9-1. Check for Theme Night events. Teen Club opens at 8 pm.

RAINBOW ROOM (formerly Rita's) - Open Noon to 1 am. Happy Hour noon to 8 pm: Two for One drinks.

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 $1.25, non-Premium Beer and $1.50 Well Drinks. DJ from 9 pm to 1

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

GRADUATE - Drink Specials until closing.

IT'S 'BOUT TIME - Noon to 5:30 p.m. Well Drinks $1.00 (w/juice $1.25), Longnecks $1.50. 5:30 to Close: All Well $1.50 (with juice $1.75). Dance 8 to 1.

OUTRAGEOUS - Party and Dance in the disco from 9 to 1. Game Room opens at 7 pm. Teen Club opens at 8 pm.

RAINBOW ROOM (formerly Rita's) - Open Noon to 1 am. Under New Management.

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.

A COMMENTARY BY

## CHRISTOPHER GEOFFREY McPHERSON

### ACID RAIN GOT MORE APPLAUSE THAN AIDS

The evening of Feb. 9 heralded the true beginning of the 41st Presidency — the Presidency of George Bush.

As is customary, Bush appeared before the American public to outline his budget plans and the plans of his term of office.

Not surprisingly, the eloquent presentation was dotted with the anti-equality messages so very prevalent in Republican speeches for many years.

But wait: could it be that Bush actually called for the improvements where improvements were due? And spending cuts where they were due? Surprisingly, yes.

Bush waxed grandly on increasing the budget for education. He called for the creation of special awards for the best teachers, the best students and for special achievements in education. "The longer the graduation lines," Bush said, "the shorter the unemployment lines. (Applause)

Bush called for increased spending to stop the scourge of drugs and cut the demand for drugs in America. (Applause).

Bush called for a decrease of the military budget. (Applause)

Calls for cleaning the environment were met with cheers; his call for tax-credits for research and development nearly brought down the house; increases in child-care assistance, in education assistance -- all were loudly lauded.

In fact, Bush was riding the tide of near hysteria when he mentioned his call for an increase in spending for AIDS. The silence that followed was deafening.

Bush should be recognized as having boldly gone where Reagan rarely went: mentioning AIDS in a national speech. But it gives me cause to wonder why the assembled Senators, Representatives, Cabinet members and official guests left their hands on their collective lap at the mention of increased funding for AIDS.

In fact, Bush's mention of ending acid rain brought a bigger response than his AIDS comments. It is, in the least, baffling.

Bush called for ending the bigotry and prejudice in American, then excluded a huge chunk of Americans by saying "family and faith" were the most important things in America. For Gay men and Lesbian women, our relationships are not even recognized as "families" --with the exception of a few select cities dotting the country.

Faith is also a selective term. Whose faith does he conclude we should follow? The faith of the "skinheads" who espouse a racist, all-white America? The Christian faith which follows their God? The Jewish faith which follows theirs" Too many religions espousing too many different versions of perceived reality make his claim as to the national importance of faith tenuous at best.

And what about the homeless: Are they not family. Bush did not mention them. In fact he gave more air-time to the mental-health issue than the homeless issue.

What about the 30 million Americans who have little or no health insurance? Bush did not mention them.

And national illiteracy? From Bush's speech, you wouldn't even know a problem existed.

What about those workers who can early only a minimum wage: a wage lower than what welfare would pay? It hasn't been addressed in 8 years -- but Bush never mentioned it, either.

I want very much to like and support our new President; I just wish he wouldn't make it so damn hard.

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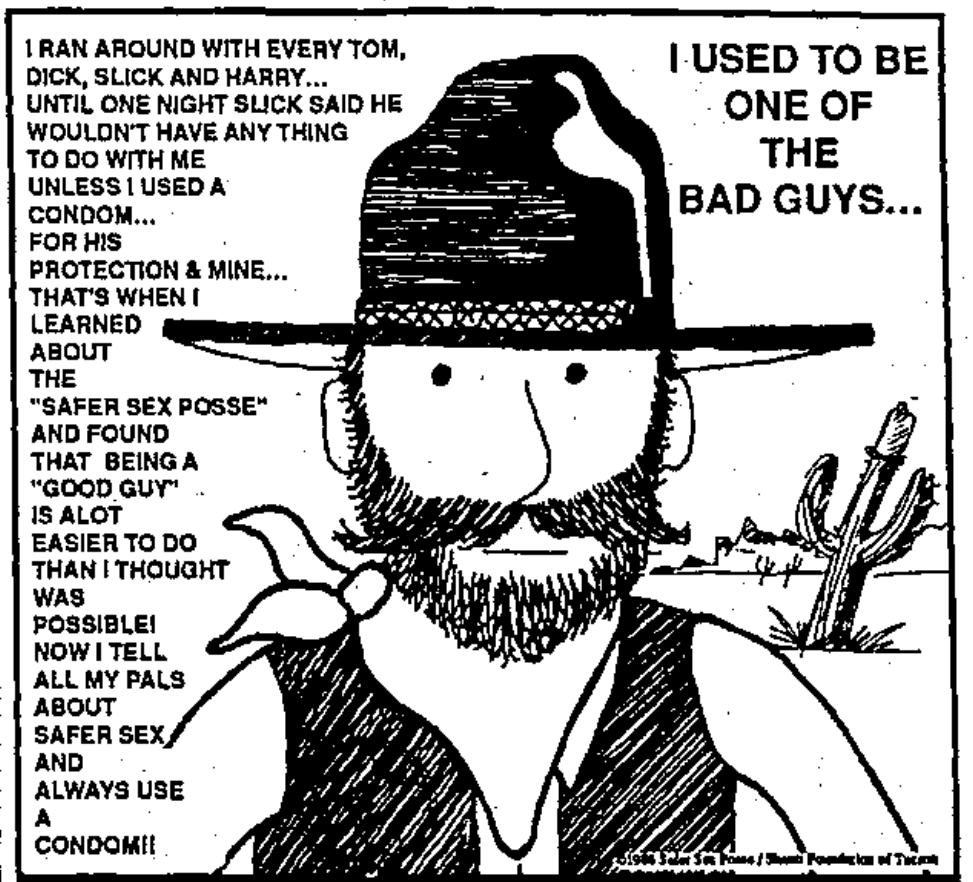


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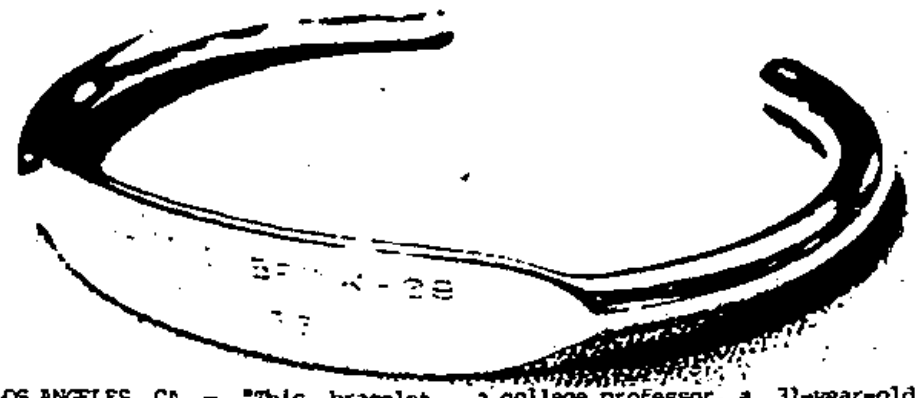
# Memorial Bracelet Declares Public War On AIDS



LOS ANGELES, CA - "This bracelet which honors my son's memory also honors his amazing courage in battling the disease that took his life," says Mary Jane Edwards, founding President of Mothers of AIDS Patients in Los Angeles. "The Public War on AIDS Bracelet is a very personal symbol of our struggle and I think it is one of the greatest ways we can honor the thousands of men, women and children who have fallen to this vicious disease," she adds.

The "PWA Bracelet" is imprinted with the name, age and date of passing of individuals struck down by AIDS. Conceived by a public relations firm called Pride Media Relations to raise money for grass roots AIDS organizations, the single-piece memorial band is sponsored by the Public War on AIDS Endowment Fund, a nonprofit organization which provides emergency funding to people with AIDS and their families. Proceeds from the $10 contribution requested for each gold or silver-plated bracelet are also assigned to the Mothers of AIDS Patients in Los Angeles as well as forty other AIDS-related groups across the country who are participating as Nonprofit distributors.

"I wanted to crate an intimate symbol that would unite our country in the battle to defeat AIDS,' said Mark Manning, the public relations specialist who conceived and designed the PWA Bracelet and is currently the National Director. "The essence of this national campaign is the bond which develops between the person wearing the PWA Bracelet and the individual commemorated," he explains. "It is an excellent way for someone who has never known anyone with AIDS to get involved and support the Public War on AIDS," Manning adds. "And our greatest response has been from America's heartland, far from the urban centers where AIDS has claimed thousands of lives."

Accordingly, people are wearing PWA Bracelets which honor men, women and children they did not know who have died from AIDS and these bracelet wearers want to know all about the persons commemorated. Authorized biographies of each name memorialized are prepared to respond to such inquiries and families of the deceased often receive cards and letters of support from bracelet wearers all over the country.

The list of those persons whose names appear on a PWA Bracelet include a high school principal, a building contractor, a college professor, a 31-year-old mother and her 11-month-old infant, a male fashion model, and a 15-year-old boy who was a former poster child for the Hemophilia Foundation.

Names and addresses of every bracelet wearer are retained so that when a cure for AIDS is established we can call back all of the bracelets and melt them down and build a monument," declares Operations Director Dennis Millette who is responsible for fulfilling the thousands of bracelet requests received from all over the country as well as processing the crucial documentation required to place a new name on a PWA Bracelet.

"The process is called a Sponsorship and the procedure is extensive," states Millette. "We require the written permission of the primary next of kin or executor of the estate as well as a copy of the death certificate and/or a letter from the attending physician which verifies the cause of death as AIDS-related," he emphasizes, "because the decision to sponsor is the decision to make that name known to the national public."

Program officials hope to raise between ten and twenty million dollars to provide emergency funding. The Public War on AIDS Endowment Fund has already provided financial assistance to a number of people across the country for such purposes as emergency travel, moving and funeral expenses, and other AIDS-related hardships not covered by local, state or federal services.

Among the public figures who currently have a PWA Bracelet are President George Bush, Dr. C. Everett Koop, Michael and Kitty Dukakis, Elizabeth Taylor, Lynn Redgrave, Bea Arthur, Liza Minnelli, Tom Hanks, Ann-Margaret, Whoopi Goldberg, Elton John, Joan Rivers, Madonna and Olympian Greg Louganis.

Mary Jane Edwards, who is now the National Chair of the PWA Endowment Fund, says a resolution is scheduled to be submitted to Congress this year by Senator Edward Kennedy (D-Mass) which will, if passed, make the PWA Bracelet a national symbol of unity in the battle against AIDS.

For more information, individuals and organizations may call 1-(800)248-0465 or write The PWA Endowment Fund, %Pride Media Relations, 731 S. Spaulding, Los Angeles, CA 90036.

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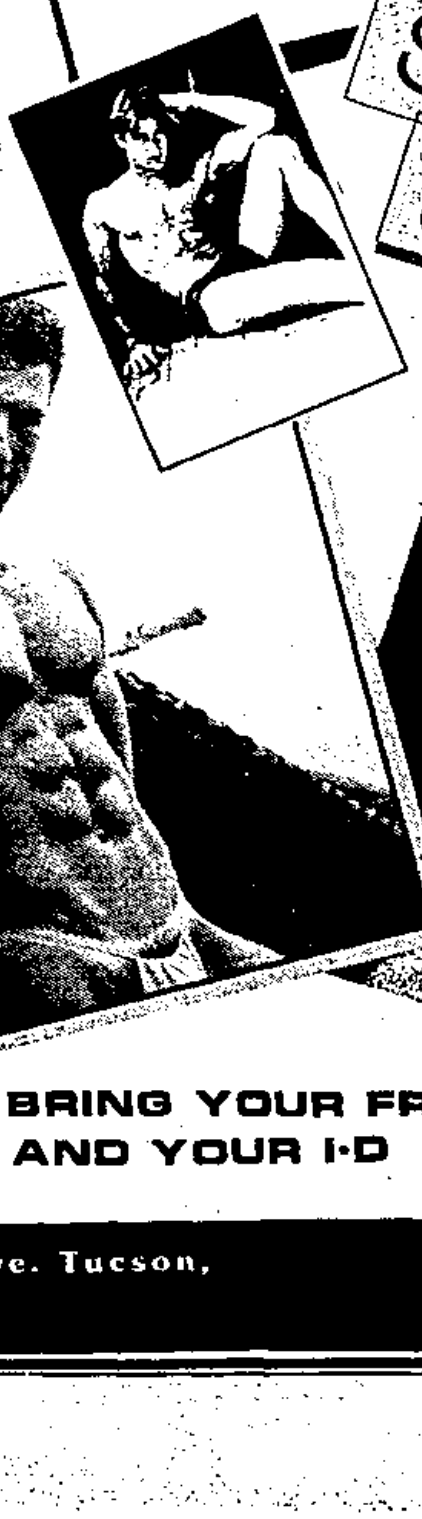



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