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Compound Q secret tests wind down

SAN FRANCISCO, CA - Researchers administered the last round of injections to San Francisco AIDS patients as part of the controversial underground study of Compound Q, saying that initial results of the drug have been encouraging.

The last five of the 14 San Francisco AIDS patients participating in the study sat for two hours in a medical suite in downtown San Francisco two weeks ago while a solution containing a purified Chinese version of the drug GLQ-223, or trichosanthin, dripped into their veins.

The patients were taking part in a four-city study organized by the San Francisco-based Project Inform, an AIDS treatment information and advocacy group. The five-week study has bypassed the Food and Drug Administration approval mechanisms in an attempt to get speedier answers about the drug's toxicity and possible benefits.

A spokesperson for the FDA said that the agency had begun an investigation of the legality of the study and expects to complete its review within "the very near future".

The study involved 42 patients and nine doctors in New York, Los Angeles, Miami as well as San Francisco. They met after hours in makeshift treatment rooms and private clinics where doctors administered the drug which was smuggled from Shanghai, China.

Organizers of the study defended their actions under the FDA's "compassionate use policy" for experimental drugs. The FDA's compassionate use decision allows individuals to import "personal use" quantities of experimental drugs. Large-scale importation of unapproved products for commercial use is prohibited.

Dr. Alan Levin, a San Francisco immunologist who helped set up the study, said the program is at least six months ahead of mainline research on the drug's efficacy and contended he could have dosage recommendations within three months.

Of the 42 patients, three showed adverse reactions and one died, possibly from side effects induced by the drug, Levin said. The patient, however, was in the advanced stages of AIDS.

"We would have liked to have done this study formally, and with the approval of the FDA," said Dr. Paul Rothman of Los Angeles, one of the participating doctors. "But one person dies from AIDS every 30 minutes. We felt that as long as we proceeded on a rigorous scientific basis, we would be on very strong ground."

Dr. Levin contends that the experiment is a "treatment program" and therefore, legal under federal regulations that permit physicians to use imported but unapproved medications on desperately ill patients.

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HRCF responds to Supreme Court decision



WASHINGTON, DC - Calling the Supreme Court's decision in Webster v. Reproductive Health Services a "blow to individual liberty and women's freedom," the Human Rights Campaign Fund (HRCF) has vowed to continue its fight for the right of privacy of all Americans and lend its support to a nationwide coalition organized by key pro-choice groups.

"As Gays and Lesbians concerned about equality and keeping the government out of our bedrooms, we are extremely troubled by the Court's decision," said Tim McFeeley, HRCF Executive Director. "We will look for opportunities to educate politicians and support pro-choice groups as the battle for privacy now moves from the courts to the legislatures."

In a move that may lead to overturning Roe v. Wade, the 1973 landmark abortion and privacy rights case, the Supreme Court in its Webster ruling on July 3 gave states broad powers for governing abortions. For example, state governments may enact laws that:

- ** Prohibit state employees from counseling on the option of abortion.
- ** Prohibit state-funded facilities from offering abortion.
- ** Require doctors to perform tests to determine "fetal viability".
- ** Determine that life begins at conception as long as such determinations are "advisory" and not binding.

The National Abortion Rights Action League (NARAL) has said that the ruling basically "guts" Roe and "has taken from women the right to choose abortion and has given that right to state legislatures."

The Court also announced it will hear three additional abortion cases next term, a decision pro-choice organizations believe may signal the Court's intention to completely overturn Roe.

HRCF has been part of the pro-choice coalition organized by NARAL, Voters for Choice, National Organization for Women and others. The coalition will continue to educate, advocate and mobilize constituents and politicians around the choice issue.

"As Gays and Lesbians, we must continue to stand up for the civil rights and privacy of others if we ever want to see our own rights protected," said Eric Rosenthal, HRCF political director.

"The victories we want in the courts depend on precedents set in such cases as Roe and Webster," said Rosenthal. "If we want anti-Gay sodomy decisions like Barwick overturned, the right to privacy must be upheld across the board."

Following the ruling, HRCF activists and pro-choice and women's rights groups reiterated that the key issue at stake in Roe, Webster and Barwick is individual freedom.

"Who decides about abortion or sexual practices, the government or the individual?" said Robert Bray, HRCF communications director. "In recent rulings the Supreme Court — now heavily stacked with Reagan-appointed justices — seems to be shifting away from individuals and toward the government."

Pro-choice coalitions are now gearing up for intense legislative and electoral battles over abortion. NARAL plans to make choice a major issue in key campaigns around

the country.

"Gays and Lesbians must do the same with issues of privacy and civil rights," said HRCF's Rosenthal. "We cannot depend on the Court to uphold the Constitution and defend individual liberties. We must protect ourselves by using the ballot box."

EDITORIAL

When it came time to begin work on issue 260, something rang a bell and sure enough that was a special number. It marked the 5th time that we had issued 52 issues of OBSERVER. Five years of weekly publishing. The only paper in the Southwest to do that, and one of less than a dozen in the entire country.

To say that it has been easy would be wrong, there is a lot of hard work and long hours put in on each and every issue. However, it has been rewarding in many ways. Though not necessarily financially rewarding, the remarks we receive daily from readers and advertisers alike; the words of encouragement and praise are particularly rewarding. There are always those few detractors, but the overwhelming response is positive and that makes it alright, and gives the additional energy to make it another five years, at least.

Thanks to all our wonderful advertisers, all our wonderful readers and, of course, all of our wonderful contributors who help fill these pages with their wonderful wisdom.

See you all next week!

UPDATE

TONI STANTON TO SPEAK AT OF MEETING JULY 21

TUCSON - An entire booth at the 11989 Los Angeles Gay Pride Festival was devoted to the struggle against "media bashing" of Gays and Lesbians.

Is media treatment of alternative lifestyles an oppressive factor in Tucson? Veteran local radio personality Toni Stanton will make observations on that question Friday, July 21, at the monthly meeting of Old Pueblo Business and Professional Association at Hotel Park Tucson.

According to the Lesbian and Gay Public Awareness Project, sponsors of the L.A. booth, "media bashing" is defined as perpetuation of negative Lesbian and Gay images through focus on the bizarre, erotic and permissuous. That attention fuels heterosexual hatred of Gays and Lesbians and even encourages violence against them.

Stanton is program director and vice president of news and programming at KTUC AM radio. Raised in Tucson, she has worked for stations in Los Angeles and Wichita, Kansas as well as Tucson.

A no-host social half hour begins at 7:30 p.m., the program at 8:00. Members and their guests are welcome.

THEY'RE BACK!

TUCSON - It's back for another season for the Tucson Metropolitan Community Chorus. Rehearsals began last Monday at the MCC church building. If you missed auditions in June, you still have time as open auditions will be held the first four weeks of the season.

This year the Chorus will have two public performances - A Winter Concert and a Holiday Concert.

This year's music will include "America" from the Jazz Singer "Wade in the Water", and "Shenendoah". Songs for the Holiday concert include "Carol of the Bells", "Still, Still, Still", and "This Is The Day When Christ Was Born".

Not only does the chorus sing, they have social activities. Some things planned for this year are: ice cream social, rafting down the Salt River, plus many more.

The Tucson Metropolitan Community Chorus is not affiliated with the Metropolitan Community Church of Tucson. The Tucson Metropolitan Community Chorus is a non-profit corporation in Arizona. Call Jim for more information and scheduling an audition, 887-6851.

GREAT OUTDOORS/TUCSON PLANS TWO JULY OUTINGS

TUCSON - Great Outdoors, Tucson Chapter will be having a day hike to Madera Canyon this Saturday, July 15. This is a good chance to escape the heat. Interested persons are meeting at the Rainbow Room parking lot, 3455 E. Grant Road, before 9:00 a.m. The group will carpool to Madera Canyon in the beautiful Santa Rita Mountains approximately 30 minutes south of Tucson.

The hike, moderately easy, will be through lots of shady pine trees. The return trip is expected to arrive back at the Rainbow Room at about 3:00 p.m. Call Joel at 795-4519 to sign up for the trip or for more information.

The cost is free for GO members and \$2.0 for guests. Be prepared to share the expense of gas for carpooling.

On Sunday, July 23, GO will meet at the Rainbow Room at 7:30 a.m. and carpool to the Salt River for a cool and relaxing day trip tubing down the Salt River.

Cost is free to GO members and \$2.00 for guests. Be prepared to share the expense of gas for carpooling. Tube rental and bus shuttle at the river - \$6.25. Call Wayne at 325-7607 to sign up for the tubing trip or to get more information.

GAY AND LESBIAN DEMOCRATIC CAUCUS
FORMATION MEETING JULY 20
TUCSON - The organizational meeting of the fledgling Gay and Lesbian Democratic Caucus will meet at the Unitarian Universalist Church (Main Hall), 4831 E. 22nd Street on Thursday, July 20 at 7:00 p.m.

The agenda includes agreeing on a name for the organization, agreeing on a set of by-laws and electing an Executive Committee. Attending will be Pima County Democratic Chair Bill Minette, Executive Director Lynn Mandelberg and from Dist. 10, Betty Liggins. Ward 5 City Council candidate Steve Leal will also speak.

At the Pride Picnic last June 25, enough people signed up to be recognized by the State Democratic Party. This is a first for Arizona and it is important all concerned attend.

For complete information concerning the Gay and Lesbian Democratic Caucus and why it is needed see Mark Kerr's "Politics '89" column in this week's issue.

MISS GAY ARIZONA PAGEANT
MAY BE IN TUCSON THIS YEAR
TUCSON - The annual Miss Gay Arizona Pageant, will be held Friday, Saturday and Sunday, Nov. 3, 4 and 5 this year.

Pageant producer Penelope Poupe has indicated that if Tucson can gather eight contestants for the pageant, that it will be held in Tucson at a place to be announced later.

There is an October deadline for entering the contest so if there are any Tucsonans out there considering entering the contest, make up your minds. It would save a lot of travel time and money if it were held here.

Currently, information and entry forms are available at LGBT's.

BELGIAN GAY EDITORS ACQUITTED
BRUSSELS, BELGIUM - The editors of "Tels Quels," a Belgian Gay/Lesbian newspaper, were found not guilty of promoting prostitution through the paper's classified ads. After dragging the case out for more than a year, the judge determined "there cannot be discrimination against Gays."

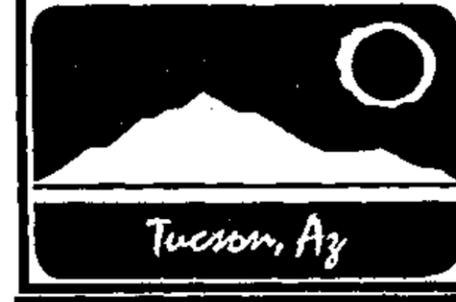


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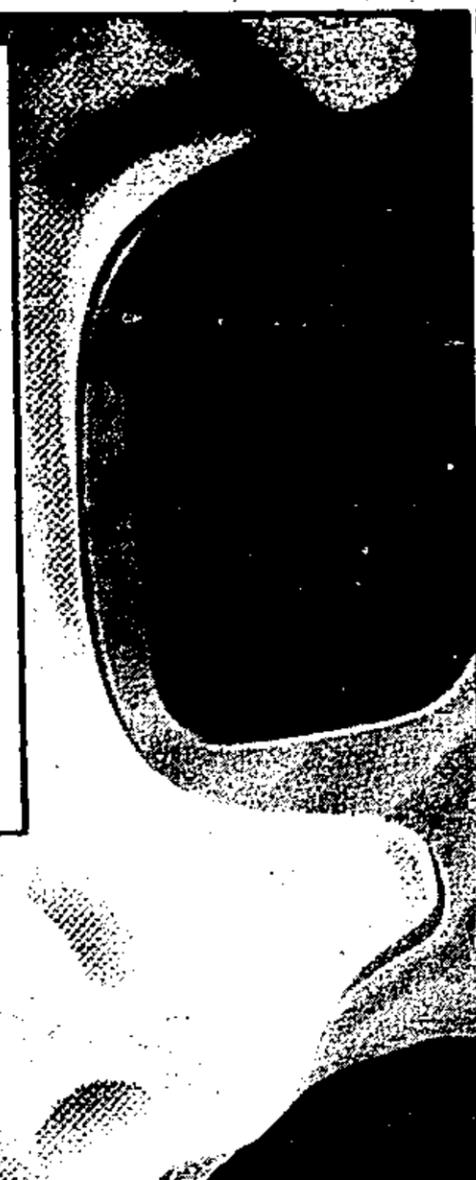
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(Second Runner-Up)



A COMMENTARY BY

CHRISTOPHER GEOFFREY McPHERSON

Yes, Its That Flag Thing Again

The story so far:

January 1989: The United States Supreme Court ruled unconstitutional a Richmond, Virginia set-aside program which gave 30% of the city's public works to minority-owned businesses. (Richmond v. J.A. Croson Co.). Newly elected President George Bush said nothing.

June 5, 1989: The United States Supreme Court ruled that the fact that the majority of lower-level workers in a company were minority, was not enough to force a company into court to prove discrimination is not being practiced at that company. (Wards Cove Packing Co., Inc. v. Antonio). George Bush—demonstrating a pattern—said nothing.

June 12, 1989: The United States Supreme Court made it possible for white firefighters to challenge a court-approved 1981 racial-bias remedy of promoting one-for-one blacks and whites. (Martin v. Wilks). Again, George Bush said nothing.

June 15, 1989: The United States Supreme Court ruled that an 1866 civil rights law only covered racial discrimination in private contracts and did not extend to racial discrimination on the job. (Patterson v. McLean Credit Union). Following his precedent, George Bush said nothing.

June 21, 1989: The United States Supreme Court ruled 5-4 that burning the American flag was free speech protected under the First Amendment of the United States Constitution. George Bush, awakened suddenly, started a nationwide fire-storm of protest demanding a constitutional amendment to end the free-for-all destruction of our nation's symbol.

As ruling after ruling has come down in favor of lessening civil rights protections so long fought for, Bush has taken photo opps with his puppies and met with various foreign dignitaries. Not once has he stood on his wobbly legs and demanded a constitutional amendment making discrimination of any kind illegal. He's been too busy taking lunch.

Our illustrious President has chosen, instead, to expend the nation's already taxed time and resources to protect a flag while racial discrimination on college campuses in America is on the rise, as is the number of Americans living under the poverty level, and while 30,000 Americans live day to day fearing illness or injury for lack of basic medical insurance.

While millions go homeless and hungry each night, Bush takes photo opps in front of the Iwo Jima monument decrying the desecration of the flag. Are our nation's priorities skewed here?

With the conservative tilt

the Supreme Court has recently taken (thanks, Ron) each and every non-white, non-heterosexual, non-male, non-young, non-employed, non-college educated human in this country is on borrowed time. If we ever hoped to get federal protection based on sexual orientation, the time to aggressively move forward is now.

But with Bush's attention to "more important" issues like flag burning, I'm afraid time might have already run out.

CAPSULE COLUMN: A CHORUS LINE is now playing in Phoenix. The fab Michael Bennett Broadway musical, winner of the Pulitzer Prizes and nine Tony Awards, stars Tony-Award-winning wowwer DONNA McKECHNIE and runs through July 16. Tickets range \$20 to \$32. Available at Dillard's ticket outlets. More info: 262-7272.

(Watch this column next week for a review of the opening night performance—and an interview with show star Donna McKechnie).

At Spes Non Fracta: See you next week!

News From MCC Tucson

This coming Sunday, July 16, will begin the U.P.M.C.C. (Universalist Fellowship of Metropolitan Community Churches) General Conference in Minneapolis/ St. Paul, Minnesota. This week-long conference is held every other year to further the doctrines established by the church, to elect the Board of Elders and to set a budget for the next two years among the many items on the agenda.

Rev. Perry and Rev. Terlisner-Willey have already left for this Conference as Rev. Perry is being considered for ordination and Rev. Terlisner-Willey is being considered for the renewal of her license. Deacon Stephen and Lay Delegates Ben and Dennis will leave early Sunday morning. All five of the representatives of MCC/Tucson will return together on July 23rd.

Even though the Pastoral Staff will be out of town, MCC/Tucson will continue having regular worship services. There will be special speakers during the next two Sundays. Morning Worship Service will begin at 10:45 a.m. and Evening Worship Service begins at 5:30 p.m. on both Sundays. There will be a mid-week service on Wednesday at 6:45 p.m.

Our Bingo games will be held on Saturday, July 29, starting at 6:30 p.m. As usual, there will be ten games played with the final game paying a cash prize of \$40. During the games there will be an Ice Cream Social with ice cream being sold during the evening.

This coming Sunday, July 16, MCC/Tucson will have a booth at Partners' Country Fair at IFT's. There will be many bakery items for sale. Look us up while you are there enjoying the many games being played.

Thought for the Week: In most instances, all an argument proves is that two people are present.

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		JULY	JUNE	JULY	JUNE	JULY	JUNE
APACHE	52,108	4	4	2	1	1	0
COCHISE	85,686	6	6	2	4	4	1
COCONINO	75,008	6	5	3	-	-	1
GILA	37,080	3	2	2	-	-	0
GRAHAM	22,862	-	-	-	1	1	0
LA PAZ	12,557	1	1	0	-	-	0
MARICOPA	1,509,052	598	574	333	231	229	67
MOHAVE	55,865	7	7	4	-	-	0
NAVAJO	67,629	3	3	2	-	-	1
PIMA	531,443	160	155	71	31	30	26
PINAL	90,918	9	9	7	1	1	1
SANTA CRUZ	20,459	-	-	-	1	1	0
YAVAPAI	68,145	9	9	4	-	-	1
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COMPOUND Q SECRET TESTS WIND DOWN, S.F. RESEARCHERS ARE HOPEFUL

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Participants have said they had no second thoughts about their involvement, despite the investigation and criticism from mainstream researchers.

"I could care less" about the FDA probe, said Robert Pitman, 48, a San Francisco playwright. "I have an absolute right to make decisions about my treatment for myself. I am an adult, fully cognizant and absolutely well informed about the risks involved with this."

Pitman expressed doubt that he could wait until conventional FDA tests have been conducted, given the severe deterioration in his immune system in recent months. "I very well might not be around once that happens," he said.

One of the doctors involved with the monitoring of the patients' immune systems said the drug appeared to be affecting the levels of a protein known as p24 antigen, which is thought to reflect the level of viral activity by HIV.

On the average, the p24 antigen levels of patients in the study had dropped by 50 percent, according to Dr. Larry Waites, a private San Francisco doctor involved in the treatment program. One patient's p24 level dropped from 1,100 to 150 he said.

"I've never seen that kind of a drop before," Waites said. "It's very rare to see that much improvement."

In theory, such a drop may mean a decrease in HIV attacks on the immune system. If the drug works in patients as it has in the test tube, viral activity would be decreased and patients would see a progressive restoration of their immune system, enabling them to fight off serious AIDS-related ailments.

He and study organizers, however, cautioned that it is still too early to evaluate the effectiveness of Compound Q and its possible side effects. Results are expected within 30 to 60 days, they said.

In a press conference, study organizer Martin Delaney, co-director of Project Inform, strongly cautioned HIV-infected people from trying to administer their own doses of Compound Q.

"We need more information before we start telling people to use this drug," Delaney said. "We want to urge people not to try to self-medicate or get their doctors to start treatment. Please folks, hold tight."

Experts also said that some forms of trichosanthin available from herbalists could have devastating side effects because they have not been purified to remove toxins. The drugs used both in the underground and official studies of Compound Q are purified extracts of the herb, which is derived from the root of a Chinese cucumber.

Meanwhile, AIDS groups and organizations in San Francisco and around the nation began to close ranks in support of Project Inform.

"There is tremendous support for this study continuing," said John Belskus of the Community Health Coalition.

"We'd do whatever was neces-

sary to protect the people who went out on a limb in this study," said Terry Bewick of the San Francisco chapter of the AIDS Coalition to Achieve Power (ACT UP). "We'd be up in arms if they tried to do anything to them."

In a San Francisco speech, on June 23, Dr. Anthony Fauci, the federal government's top AIDS researcher, called for opening up a "parallel track" of drug testing that would greatly expand the availability of new treatments for AIDS sufferers.

As AIDS coordinator for the National Institutes for Health, Fauci's announcement marked a major philosophical shift in the leadership of the government's sometimes controversial program to test new treatments for acquired immune deficiency syndrome.

"We cannot just rely on the traditional approach to clinic trials" of new AIDS drugs, Fauci said. Although he said that he favors the continuation of strictly administered clinical trials to determine the safety and effectiveness of new treatments, he also supports a new "parallel track" of studies for people who do not fit the rigorous criteria that orthodox tests usually demand.

[ED NOTE: This article was compiled from Associated Press dispatches and from articles by Randy Shilts, national correspondent for the San Francisco Chronicle. Next week author Randy Shilts tells how the Compound Q trials went private in San Francisco.]

LETTERS

THANK YOU TUCSON -
Mi Casa Su Casa celebrated a beautiful evening with fabulous people. We hope you enjoyed us in our introduction to the community. We couldn't have accomplished this event with the help and support of you.

We have special thanks to: Aviva Diamond, Christine Shade, Michelle Kristi, Loren Johnson, Marpessa Hennick, Lillian Jade - our hugs and kisses.

We wish to thank our waiters, bartenders, the help behind the scenes, the bars, clubs and organizations in our community.

Special thanks to Betty and Lee and Sean and Dell for all the hard work before the evening began.

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Last Saturday afternoon, the Graduate was one big party - the reason being TKO's 10th Birthday Party. Things started at 11 a.m. with the club holding their monthly meeting. At 2 p.m. it was time for their monthly Beer Bust, followed by the installation of the newly elected officers and then the free buffet. From the time the Beer Bust began until well after it concluded, the bar was very festive. TKO thanks everyone in attendance who helped them celebrate 10 years and still going strong.

Now, this coming Sunday, July 16, it will be another weekend for good times and lots of laughs. The occasion will be Partners' Annual Country Fair. This yearly event starts at IBT's around 1:00 p.m. Booth rentals have been coming in from the different clubs and organizations around town and it looks as if it will be a busy and fun-filled day.

SOS will be having a dunking booth this year, with a special guest sitting up on the perch just daring anyone to dunk them. TKO will again be having their Water Balloon Toss booth. MCC will be having another one of their always delicious bake sales, this one set up inside due to the heat. All other booths will be outside in the back parking lot.

Also throughout the day, there will be some mini-shows inside, approximately 15 minutes in length, to help break that hot Arizona sun beating down on everyone during the outside festivities.

Booth spaces are still available if you or your organization would like to rent one. These booths can be for a game, selling of crafts or even informational. Contact either myself at 884-7309 or Gary at 882-6498. Set up time for your booth will be at 11 a.m. with the doors open to the public at noon. Rental fees for the day are \$20 for a profit-making booth and \$10 for a non-profit, informational type.

After this, it's time for Partners' Annual Panda Run on July 29. Maps and run applications will be available for anyone wanting to go on this always wild and wet adventure - tubing down the Salt River - at Partners booth this Sunday at the Country Fair at IBT's.

There will be a small group going to Phoenix on that Friday evening, July 28, to promote this trip to those in Phoenix. If you plan on going to Phoenix either Friday evening or after the tubing trip is over, your motel room expenses will be your own responsibility. Most of the time when Partners goes to Phoenix for this venture, they stay at the Motel 6 on Van Buren. Of course there is always the Flex Complex you can stay at and I'm sure some of this bunch will.

It is suggested that car pooling be utilized as much as possible for both the trip to the run site Saturday morning and for those going into Phoenix afterward. Run fee for this always interesting day, in the tube, is only \$6.69, which gives you some beer to drink while floating down the river, your tube rental fee and a meal after the tubing is completed. Any additional expenses - gas, lodging, and bar hopping will be your own responsibility. When you pick up your run application, the time schedule for departure from Tucson will be explained.

In past years, nearly everyone going on this run from Tucson meets for coffee in the early a.m. and car pooled from there. Arrival time at the run site should be by 8:30 a.m. for departure time for tubing at 9 a.m. We try to leave early to beat the heat. It is also suggested old clothes be worn, shoes included, and some good sunscreen. One other very special item you will need, for anyone who smokes that is, zip lock bags to

keep them in. Partners will supply some, but if you have something that is possibly water tight, I suggest you bring it along. One boat will be carrying all the beer and soft drinks, but if you want to carry your own, that's ok also.

We in Partners, are requesting everyone driving up for this run, please leave all the driving to and from both the starting point and ending point, for tubing, to us. There will be a designated driver to take everyone to the starting point and be there to pick us up at the ending point. This is our way of trying to keep everyone together and preventing any possible DUI's. Let's all go, have fun and play safe.

Don't forget those joining Partners again this year and a warning to people going for the first time, there will again be those two awards always passed out - the SUNBURN award and the TACKY award. Another award, starting this year, will be the THEME award. This year's theme is "Down Under". The partners members will be judging your tubes or whatever, looking for the best theme adaptation.

There is also that one word, if spoken during the tubing ride will cost you .25 each time you are caught saying it. I'll give you this year's word now - "ROCKS", or any variation thereof. Collection for your tongue's slippage will be at the camp site after the tubing is completed.

If you need more information on this run, check with one of the Partners members at this weekend's Country Fair at IBT's.

Last Sunday evening was one of the most beautiful and entertaining I've spent in months. The occasion was the "Under The Stars" show held at Mi Casa Su Casa. At first I was a little worried what with the rain earlier, but as it worked out, the rain's after effects just added to the evening.

A large crowd was on hand looking over the Mi Casa Su Casa facilities, hearing what the place is all about and finally watching the entertainment for the evening. Congratulations goes out to Brian and Harrison for the very successful and very entertaining evening. And yes, I did love those lime green briefs.

Well, that brings me to the end for this week. I look forward to seeing everyone at Partners' Country Fair this coming Sunday, July 16 at IBT's. Have yourselves a top-notch beautiful week and share some of your love with a stranger.

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WHY IS THE GAY AND LESBIAN

This week I am not going to talk about the goings on in politics, heaven knows I do enough of that. I am going to talk about the Gay and Lesbian Democratic Caucus of Pima County and why it is so desperately needed.

To refresh your memories, the Gay and Lesbian Democratic Caucus is a political group which will work within the Democratic Party. The goals of the group are as follows:

- (1) To elect candidates whose views are sympathetic to the Lesbian and Gay community and who will act to help us.
- (2) To elect Gay and Lesbian candidates to political office.
- (3) To elect Gays and Lesbians to office within the national and Arizona Democratic framework.
- (4) To get the planks regarding alternative lifestyle issues in the national platform strengthened and enacted.
- (5) To get planks added to the Arizona Democratic Platform regarding alternative lifestyle issues and get the Democratic legislators to act on these planks.
- (6) To get more Gays and Lesbians as delegates to the National Convention.
- (7) To defeat candidates whose views are a threat to the community.
- (8) To be taken seriously as a group by our elected officials.

We need candidates who have the courage to propose legislation to get the sodomy laws off the books, to make confidential HIV testing permanent. We cannot rely on kind words or promises, we must have action and most definitely, the time is now for that action. Kind words or a gesture does not a vote for a candidate make.

Isn't it about time we run for elected office. We are always so fearful about being known. Hells Bells, at least we are being honest with the electorate, that's more than a lot of straight politicians are doing. Also, we do have very qualified people within the community who would make excellent public officials, from President all the way down to precinct Committee-person.

Within the Democratic Party, the good ol' boy network still unfortunately exists. (NOTE: When I refer to good ol' boy, I am not referring to men, I am referring to those few who pull the strings). When we get involved in the process, we will be able to change most aspects of the process and to change the system for the better, so that all people can participate. If we are to get what we want, we are going to have to work long, hard, and we must work within the system to get what we need.

The Democratic Party Platform is a document that a lot of work has been put into. It is a document that is fought over. And after the fracas, the compromises, etc., it is a document that is almost forgotten. It is a pity, it is the document that states where the Democratic Party stands and what they would like to do. We have to hold the party to what they state they are going to do. When we get involved, we will make them enact the platform, with strong planks regarding Gays and Lesbians.

When it comes to the Arizona State Democratic Platform, we are not mentioned at all. Here is where the most work is needed. We have to add the proverbial planks, (write the section on alternative lifestyle issues). We also have to show up to the local conventions to help get the planks we add, adopted. Thus we must become precinct

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committeepersons, thus we would be able to vote on the platform.

At the Democratic National Convention which was held in Atlanta last year, out of the 4,163 voting delegates, can you guess how many of our brothers and sisters went as delegates? 1,000? 700? 500? Maybe 200? How about 100? None? The correct answer is 631 (1.6%).

With the way the delegate selection process is now set up, we can run slates of delegates in each Legislative District and we can control it! But we have to unite as a group, unite behind a presidential candidate, and we will send an all Gay and Lesbian delegation.

Point Seven, defeating those candidates and those in office who are a threat to us. We have to get behind their opposition and work hard (walking precincts, stuffing envelopes, phoning, etc.) and we must work to succeed. One of the first races the Gay and Lesbian Democratic Club will be heavily involved in is the Ward 5 City Council race involving Roy Laos.

Now the last point, about being taken seriously. At the recent Pride Picnic, we managed to get, after a lot of begging and pleading, two City Council members. Janet Marcus and Bruce Wheeler did show up. In Chicago, Mayor Daley showed up, in San Francisco Mayor Agnos showed up. But not in Tucson - why? Because we are not organized, we don't have our act together, and we really don't offer the elected officials anything to show up for. So with the Gay and Lesbian Democratic Caucus we have something to offer the elected officials and the candidates, and we will definitely be taken seriously!

The first organizational meeting will take place on Thursday July 20. The time of the meeting is 7:00 p.m. The meeting will take place at the Unitarian Universalist Church, 4831 E. 22nd (near 22nd and Swan).

The agenda is (1) To come up with a name for the organization. (2) To agree on a set of by-laws. (3) Elect an Executive Committee.

Also we shall hear speeches from Pima County Democratic Chair Bill Minette; Executive Director Lynn Mandelberg and from Legislative District 10 Chair Betty Liggins, and we will hear from Steve Leal, Ward 5 Democratic candidate.

At the present time we have nothing. We hope one day to have confidential HIV testing permanent; we hope to get the sodomy laws off the books; we hope just to lead our lives as we wish. We can't hope, we have to act. The Gay and Lesbian Democratic Caucus is needed and is needed NOW!

I plead with you to please show up at this organizational meeting and show that we do, in fact, have serious political clout.

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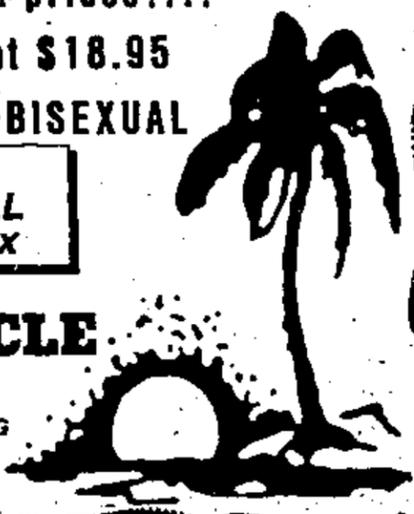
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FRIDAY, JULY 14
COLETTE'S - Showtime with Penelope Poupe and Lady Casandra. 8:30 p.m., \$2 Cover. Always a fun show with these two. Keep this date in mind.

SAURDAY, JULY 15
RAINBOW ROOM - The terrific talents of Penelope Poupe and Lady Casandra perform on the Rainbow stage beginning at 8:30 A fun time in a nice setting. No cover.

SUNDAY, JULY 16
COLETTE'S - Popular singer-songwriter Cynthia Stacey performs here this evening. Don't miss it!

GRADUATE - It's a Coronation Show hosted by Miss Gay Tucson, Cristine Shade with first runner-up, Christi Lunden and second runner-up Lillian Jade. Some top talent and it all begins at 9:00 p.m.?

IBT'S - Partners 2nd Annual Country Fair holds forth today inside, and on the patio and in the parking lot! Entertainment features Loren Johnson, Anne English, Penelope Poupe, Lady Casandra, Michelle Christi, Margo Leigh and Miss Gay Tucson, Cristine Shade. Booths are available. Call 884-7309 for more details. Mini-shows all day long. Lots of fun and games all day and evening. Be sure to attend.

JOSHUA TREE - It's a benefit evening for the Shanti Foundation of Tucson. From 7:30 until 9:30 p.m. the popular band Rare Breed will be playing, then at 10:00 p.m. it's showtime starring Gabriella La Vanity with Mandy Nicole and Bobby Holiday and special guests. In addition there will be a Keg Party beginning at 7:30 p.m. with proceeds going to Shanti also. Plan to attend this fun evening under the stars.

TUESDAY, JULY 18
COLETTE'S - You asked for it and here it is - Womyn's Music Nite. An evening of music by and for womyn. This will be a monthly event every third Tuesday of the month.

WEDNESDAY, JULY 19
COLETTE'S - Monthly Country and Western night with live vocalist Loren Johnson. Stop on by!

FRIDAY, JULY 21
COLETTE'S - The first of a continuing series featuring 'Soul Music'.

SUNDAY, JULY 23
COLETTE'S - Benefit softball game in Himmel Park for the Community Awards of Tucson committee, THEN it's "Rags to Riches" a very entertaining variety show featuring members of the cast from the Inognito in Phoenix. Music, comedy and skits. 6 to 10 p.m. \$3 cover. A fun time is guaranteed!

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Non-Bar CALENDAR

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WEDNESDAY, JULY 12
C.A.T. Committee meeting at Back Pocket/Joshua Tree starting at 7 p.m. All C.A.T. Committee members are urged to attend and everyone is welcome.

Positive Approach to Living with HIV, at P.A.C.T. office every Wednesday, 7 p.m. You DO have choices, come and learn. 151 S. Tucson Blvd. #282.

THURSDAY, JULY 13
HIV/AIDS Research and Treatment Forum, co-sponsored by P.A.C.T. and U of A. Learn about the latest developments with HIV research studies. 7 p.m. University Medical Center, Rm. 5403 (main bldg., 5th floor).

FRIDAY, JULY 14
HIV Social Group meets every Friday at P.A.C.T. office. Open House from 6-10, 151 S. Tucson Blvd. #282, Call 322-9808 for more information.

SATURDAY, JULY 15
HIV Wellness Clinic for HIV+, ARC/AIDS. Balancing the mind, body and spirit in a supportive and confidential atmosphere. Yoga, nutrition and treatment options. Every Saturday, 1-4 p.m., 151 S. Tucson Blvd. TAP and P.A.C.T. offices.

4-10 p.m. Uncircumcised Society of America-Arizona Chapter fund raiser party. Nude sun bathing and swimming. This is a chance to meet your uncircumcised brothers. For reservations call Marc at 881-4582 no later than Friday, July 14.

MONDAY, JULY 17
INTERNATIONAL UPDATE ON AIDS: A REPORT FROM MONTREAL. Hear the latest from last month's conference, including the development of new treatments and vaccines. 4-6 p.m., Duval Auditorium, University Medical Center.

TUESDAY, JULY 18
HIV/AIDS Emotional Support Group, 7:30 - 9 p.m. every Tuesday, TAP office, 151 S. Tucson Blvd. #152

WEDNESDAY, JULY 19
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FRIDAY, JULY 21
 Old Pueblo Business & Professional Association monthly meeting. Hotel Park Tucson. Radio personality Toni Stanton talks about coverage of Gays and Lesbians in the media. 7:30 p.m., no-host beverages; 8 p.m. general meeting. Free to OP members and first-time guests, \$10 for repeat guests at the door. Information 296-4642.

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SATURDAY, JULY 22
 Alvin Harper, Health Educator from the Arizona Department of Health Services in Phoenix will be in Tucson to host a 4-hour AIDS Prevention Workshop to be held at Colette's West, 3143 E. Speedway, from noon to 4:00 p.m. Open to all interested members of the Tucson Gay community. "This meeting is important. I really want as much input as possible from every aspect of Arizona's Gay male community," Harper says. He wants OUR input - Your attendance is a must!

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SUNDAY, JULY 23
 Softball games at Himmel Park as a fundraiser for the Community Awards of Tucson sponsored by Colette's. There will be refreshments served during the afternoon. A fun way to help support a community organization. Are you registered to vote for next year's award winners? There will be registration during the afternoon.

Young Men's Massage Group meets from 6 to 8:30 p.m. This meeting is open to men under 40. Facilities limit meeting to 12 people. Call 881-4582 for info and reservations. Minimal fee.

TUESDAY, JULY 25
HIV/AIDS Emotional Support Group, 7:30-9 p.m. every Tuesday, TAP office, 151 S. Tucson Blvd. #252. call 322-6226 for more info.

SATURDAY, JULY 29
MCC/TUCSON will have their monthly Bingo Games starting at 6:30 p.m. This month's games will include an Ice Cream Social with ice cream being sold during the evening. Call 622-4536 for information.

SATURDAY & SUNDAY, JULY 29 & 30
 Partners of Tucson will have their annual Panda Run on the Salt River. Call 882-6498 for details. More details will be announced as the time draws nearer.

SATURDAY, AUGUST 5
 Jamie Anderson celebrating the release of her new album "Closer To Home" with special guest comic Slique Callahan, 8:00 p.m. Unitarian Universalist Church, 4821 E. 22nd St. \$6.50 at the door or \$5 in advance from Antigone Books, 3rd Friday Coffeehouse or by mail. For more information call 325-7828.

Tucson CALENDAR

BACK POCKET/JOSHUA TREE - Noon to 7 pm Draft Beer .50 per glass; Bloody Marys \$1.25. Steak Dinner 5 pm to 777 \$4.00. DJ from 9 pm until 1 am, Linda Fisdale.
COLETTE'S WEST - "Wine Down Nite" \$1.00 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 'BOU TIME - Noon to 8 p.m. check the light board for Sunday specials. Dance 9 - 1.
RAINBOW ROOM - Buffet 5:30 to 77 Clint DJ's.
RUMORHAZZIT 2222 - Noon to 6 pm. Crowddrivers and Bloody Marys \$1.25 + Schnapps .50/shot. 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. DJ 9 to 1 Dave Pierson.
COLETTE'S WEST - Daily sandwich special. All White Well \$1.00 from 8 pm to Midnight.
GRADUATE - Happy Hour prices opening until closing.
IT'S 'BOU TIME - Noon to 4 pm, Well drinks \$1 (w/juice \$1.25), Longnecks \$1.50, Draft .75; 4 to 8 pm Two for One. 8-1 Miller Products \$1.25. Dance 9 - 1.
RAINBOW ROOM - Open Noon to 1 am. Happy Hour 4 to 7 pm: Two for 1 drinks.
RUMORHAZZIT 2222 - Open noon to 1 am. 4-7 p.m. 2 for 1 well/beer + nachos and melted cheese.

Tuesday

BACK POCKET/JOSHUA TREE - 5-8 pm non-premium beer \$1.25, Well drinks \$1.50. Corona Beer \$1.00 or Well Tequila \$1.50 from 8 pm to 1 am. + 'Stop Light' specials. Bobby Jr. DJ's at 9.
COLETTE'S WEST - Check for daily sandwich special. Longneck Bottle Beer Special: \$1.25 from 8:00 until midnight. DJ from 8 to midnight.
GRADUATE - Dark Well Drinks \$1.50 till closing.
IT'S 'BOU TIME - Noon to 4 pm Well drinks \$1.00 (w/juice \$1.25), Longnecks \$1.50, .75 draft; 4 to 8 pm Two for 1. 8-1 Bud Products \$1.25. Dance 9 - 1.
RAINBOW ROOM (formerly Rita's) - Open Noon to 1 am. Happy Hour 4 to 7 p.m.: Two for One drinks.
RUMORHAZZIT - Open Noon to 1 am. 2 for 1 well/ beer 4-7 pm + nachos and melted cheese. WJ/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 \$1.00 Schnapps from 8 pm to close! DJ Linda 9pm.
COLETTE'S WEST - Daily sandwich special. Schnapps \$1.00 from 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 'BOU TIME - Noon to 4 p.m. Well drinks \$1.00 (w/juice \$1.25) Longnecks \$1.50 & .75 draft. 4 to 8 Two for One. 8-1 Well Nite, all Well .75, Dance 9 - 1.
RAINBOW ROOM - Happy Hour 4 to 7 pm: Two for One drinks.
RUMORHAZZIT - 4-7 p.m. 2 or 1 well/beer + nachos and melted cheese. Bud Can Beer Nite - .50 per can, plus .50 schnapps from 7 pm until close. WJ/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 Dave Pierson.
COLETTE'S WEST - "Sudserize!" .75 draft beer from 8 pm to Midnight.
GRADUATE - All White Well \$1.50 open to close.
IT'S 'BOU TIME - Noon to 4 pm Well Drinks \$1.00 (w/juice \$1.25). Longnecks \$1.50, Draft .75; 4 to 8 pm Two for One. 8-1 Beer Bust, all can beer .50/can. Dance 9 - 1.
RAINBOW ROOM - Happy Hour 4 to 7 pm: Two for One drinks. Clint DJ's.
RUMORHAZZIT - 2 for 1 well/beer 4-7 p.m. + nachos and melted cheese. 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, Bobby Jr.
COLETTE'S WEST - International Happy Hour plus Party Nite - Hourly Drink Specials 8 pm to Midnight.
GRADUATE - Drink specials until closing.
IT'S 'BOU TIME - Noon to 4 pm, Well Drinks \$1.00 (w/juice \$1.25), Longnecks \$1.50, draft .75; 4 to 8 Two for One; 8-1 Well drinks \$1.50 (w/juice \$1.75); Dance 9-1.
RAINBOW ROOM - Happy Hour 4 to 7 pm: Two for One drinks. Clint DJ's.
RUMORHAZZIT - 2 for 1 beer/well 4-7 p.m. + nachos & melted cheese. Progressive Friday: Well drinks .75 from 7 to 9 then up a quarter each hour til 1 am. DJ Ruben 9-1.

BACK POCKET/JOSHUA TREE - Happy Hour 5-8 pm \$1.25 non-Premium Beer and \$1.50 Well Drinks. DJ 9-1 Bobby Jr.
COLETTE'S WEST - Hourly Drink Specials 8 to Midnight.
GRADUATE - Drink Specials until closing.
IT'S 'BOU TIME - Noon to 4 pm, Well Drinks \$1.00 (w/juice \$1.25), Longnecks \$1.50, Draft .75; 4 to 8 Two for One. 8-1 Well drinks \$1.75 (w/juice \$1.75); Dance 9 - 1.
RAINBOW ROOM - Open Noon to 1 am. Clint DJ's.
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CASA DE LA PALOMA APOSTOLIC CHURCH. Bible Study Group meets every Saturday at 7 p.m. Affiliated with National Gay Pentecostal Association. For more information call Sandy 323-6855 in Tucson.

TUCSON FRONT RUNNERS meet for summer fun runs at 7:00 p.m. Tuesdays in front of the Himmel Park Library. For more information call Mitch at 326-3332.

P.F.L.A.G. - Parents and Friends of Lesbians and Gays is a support group available to anyone who has a son, daughter or friend who is Gay. In Tucson, anyone is invited to contact Joan 790-7526 or Jan 885-7118 or write P.O. Box 26394, Tucson, AZ 85726. All replies confidential.

COUPLES OF TUCSON, a social and support group for Gay and Lesbian couples. For more information write P.O. Box 56613, Tucson, AZ 85703-6613, or call Bev and Bobbie at 888-8694 or Don and Hadlan at 888-9236.

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GAY MEN'S THERAPY GROUP NOW FORMING. The group focuses on assisting members in integrating a positive sense of self and building caring relationships. For information, contact Michael Hutchins, Ph.D., 327-4024 Tucson. 217

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

UNCIRCUMCISED MEN'S GROUP: A social and educational support and networking group for men who are uncircumcised and cut men who want to meet men who are uncircumcised. Part of a national organization. Write for more information to: USA/AZ P.O. Box 40504, Tucson, AZ 85717.

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

YOUNG AND GAY?
Lesbians and Gay youths under 23 meet weekly in Tucson for sharing, support and information. You are not alone. Call Renee 884-7413 (days) or Wayne at 882-4009 (evenings)

P.A.C.T. - People With AIDS Coalition of Tucson - Broadmoor Bldg. - 151 S. Tucson Blvd. Office Hours 10 am-5 pm, M-F. Wednesdays - 7 pm. Positive Approach to Living with AIDS; Fridays, 7 pm, Singles Social; Saturday, noon-1 pm, Open Meeting. Call 322-9808.

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

WOMEN'S 3RD FRIDAY COFFEE HOUSE meets third Friday of each month at Unitarian Universalist Church, 4831 E. 22nd St. \$1 at door (more if you can, less if you can't).

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

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GAY INFORMATION AND REFERRAL IN TUCSON
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AIDS HOTLINE - 326 AIDS. Hours: M-F, 10 a.m. to Midnight. Information, Counseling, HIV-Related Services.

GAY OR LESBIAN MILITARY VETERANS
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GAY SUPPORT GROUP
LESBIANS AND GAY MEN MEET WEEKLY for open discussions in a loving, supportive atmosphere. Meetings rotate Wednesdays and Thursdays from 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. at St. Francis in the Foothills Church, Swan and River Roads. Call the church at 299-9063 or Paul at 81-5651 for information.

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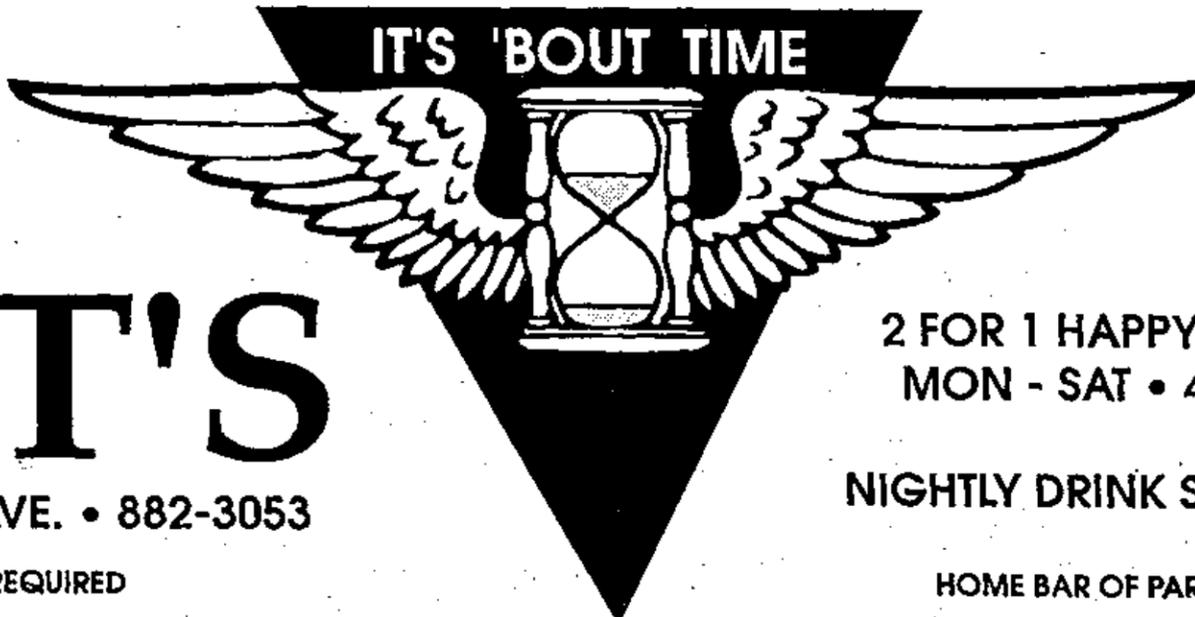
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