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EDITORIAL

For the past few months there has been considerable police action in the Tucson parks. A Specialized Tactical Area Response Unit has been assigned to Tucson parks because "open homosexual activity at two of Tucson's parks has neighbors up in arms and police struggling to control the problem" according to an article in the Tucson Citizen by Stella Pena.

"Police have been working undercover to try to stop an increasing problem of public sexual activity in Reid and Himmel parks, Lt. Paul Hallums said.... Hallums said men have become increasingly defiant of police despite arrests by uniformed and undercover officers," Donine S. Henshaw reported in the Arizona Daily Star.

One officer who has recently transferred to the gang unit has arrested more than 75 men in the last 1 1/2 years according to a report.

Trying to defend public sexual indecency and indecent exposure is a hard task. However it is awfully hard to believe that people in the numbers that the Tucson Police have been arresting offenders, have all been hanging around the parks openly soliciting sexual activity.

Several people that have contacted the OBSERVER have complained bitterly about the tactics of these vice officers having entrapped them into saying something that caused their arrest. It is fair to say that some of these arrests are honest and correctly handled. But if even one person is entrapped illegally, that is cause to look deeper into the situation.

We have been in contact with private citizens as well as members of the legal profession and we are now asking for help from those affected.

Robert Hirsh, an excellent attorney with a good reputation as a defense lawyer for civil rights cases has stepped into the fray. He would like your help in identifying other lawyers who are working on these entrapment cases in the hopes of being able to work together and question the legality of the police actions.

People who feel that they have been entrapped by police actions or who have similar cases pending are themselves requested to contact, or have their lawyer contact Attorney Robert Hirsh, 884-9630.

All information will be confidential, and your help is urgently needed.

Last month, OBSERVER ran a series of articles about the New Jersey State Troopers and their harassment and entrapment tactics at a particular rest stop. When that information got out, the proper authorities put an end to such practices immediately. If a similar program is being practiced in Tucson, it is time to put a halt to it.

ACLU Hails Critical Vote Killing Dannemyer anti Gay Amendments

WASHINGTON, DC - The ACLU AIDS Project declared that a key hurdle had been surmounted in the effort to enact the Americans with Disabilities Act ("ADA", a comprehensive law prohibiting discrimination against people with AIDS and HIV infection, together with those who have other disabilities.

The Energy and Commerce Committee of the House of Representatives voted 40 to 3 in favor of the ADA on March 13. Most of the committee's debate on the bill focused on amendments offered by Rep. William Dannemyer (R-CA) to exclude persons with communicable or sexually transmitted diseases and persons who are regarded as handicapped from protection under the bill.

"We are extremely pleased by the action taken by the Energy and Commerce Committee. It was critically important for this committee to come out strongly in favor of the bill overall and to defeat any anti-AIDS amendment Congressman Dannemyer might offer," said Chai Feldblum, Legislative Counsel for the ACLU AIDS Project.

"The Committee did both by overwhelming margins. This will help us tremendously in moving the bill through the rest of the committees and the floor of the House of Representatives," Feldblum said.

The ADA still must be considered by the Judiciary Committee, of which Rep. Dannemyer is also a member, and the Public Works and Transportation Committees. A subcommittee of the Public Works Committee endorsed the ADA earlier.

"We expect that Rep. Dannemyer may offer more amendments seeking to deny legal protection to persons with HIV infection, but we will be ready for them," Feldblum added.

"We hope to move the bill to the floor of the House of Repre-

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Observer/Community Benefit

TUCSON - The 5th Annual OBSERVER/Community Benefit is set for this Saturday, March 31 at the Quality Inn, 1601 N. Oracle Road. Doors and bar will open at 5:30 p.m. with dinner scheduled at 7:30. Entertainment will be presented both before and following dinner. This annual benefit is produced and hosted by Desert Leathermen.

Tickets for the entire evening, including dinner, are $12.00 each. For those wishing to attend and enjoy the evening's entertainmnly, General Admission tickets are $5.00 each. Tickekts are available at all bars and will be available at the door on Saturday.

In the past years the OBSERVER has equally shared the proceeds from this benefit with one other local non-profit organization. This year, however, in an agreement between OBSERVER and Desert Leathermen, the proceeds from the benefit will be divided between the Shanti Foundation/Tucson and Frensdorff House, a low-cost residence for people with AIDS.

Entertainment will be headed by Mr. Loren Johnson who will act as Master of Ceremonies for both portions of the entertainment. Impersonators Margo Leigh, Michelle Kristie, Christine Shade, Dani Reid and Danny Pagel as well as the live dancing of the Southern Hospitality Howdy Cloggers and the Copper City Squares and a surprise appearance by Queen Moose.

With the Miss Gay Tucson Pageant and well as the Fiesta de Mayo celebration coming up shortly it is expected that all the candidates for these two functions will be present also.

Early in the evening, Desert Leathermen will present their yearly award to their "Person of the Year", and the OBSERVER will present its annual 'TOGA' Awards, humanitarian awards given a male and female who have given outstanding service to the Gay and Lesbian community.

The dinner menu consists of a choice of Sliced Roast Beef or Sauteed chicken served with green beans, salad, rolls and coffee or tea.

In the spirit of a true community affair, many organizations and businesses are volunteering services as waiters, bartenders, ticket sellers, etc.

In addition, the local bars contribute the beverages for the evening which are sold at the moderate price of $1.25 for well drinks, $1.00 for canned beer and .75 for schnapps or soda. All proceeds from the bar as well as all net proceeds from the evening after expenses go to Shanti and Frensdorff. Last year's benefit raised over $3,000.

There will be door prizes awarded during the evening with some valuable prizes already donated. Anyone wishing to donate additional prizes, please call 323-9520.

Gay PAC To Contribute $500,000 In 1990 Elections

WASHINGTON, DC - The Human Rights Campaign Fund, the largest Lesbian and Gay political organizations in the country, will contribute over one half million collars to candidates for the U.S. House of Representatives and Senate in the 1990 elections. Contributions at this level will place the Campaign Fund among the largest political action committees (PACs) in the United States.

"Our ability to make significant contributions to candidates helps maximize the influence of Lesbian and Gay Americans in key congressional races all around the country," said Tim McFeeley, the Campaign Fund's executive director. "We will fight for our health and our rights by electing our friends and defeating our enemies."

Up to this time in the current election cycle, the Campaign Fund has given over $121,000 to 46 candidates and incumbents and five other PACs all over the country. Notable contributions include Senator Paul Simon (D-IL), $5,000; Congressman Sid Yates (D-IL), $5,000; Congressman Barney Frank (D-MA), $5,000; Oregon Democratic challenger Mike Kopetski, $2,500; and Congressman John Miller, (R-WA), $2,500.

PACs are regulated by the Federal Election Commission and are permitted by law to contribute up to $5,000 per election. A PAC may contribute up to $10,000 to candidates who run in a primary and a general election.

"Lesbians and Gay Americans are committed to making a difference through the electoral process. Their generosity has allowed the Campaign Fund to make strategic, early contributions for the 1990 elections," McFeeley said. "We have gone a long way in countering the pernicious influence of our extreme right-wing opponents. On Capitol Hill, the Lesbian and Gay community has become a force to be reckoned with."

The Human Rights Campaign Fund is the largest Lesbian and Gay political and legislative organization in the United States. Its political action committee contributes to both Republican and Democratic members of and candidates for the United States Congress.

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POLITICS '90

by Mark R. Kerr

WORLD NEWS

AUSTRALIA: The Labor Party, headed by Prime Minister Bob Hawke, appears headed for victory in the National Parliamentary election held last Saturday. This would be a record fourth term for Mr. Hawke. Here are the results

	PREV.	NEW
LABOR PARTY	85	73
*LIBERAL PARTY	45	50
*NATIONAL PARTY	18	20
INDEPENDENTS	--	2
UNDECIDED	--	3

(*The Liberal and National parties ran as a coalition in the 1990 election).

HUNGARY: More than 1,600 candidates from 27 political parties participated in the first free elections in Hungary in 45 years. With the results in so far, the Free Democratic Party and the Hungarian Democratic Forum were leading. The independent Smallholders Party was in third place. The former Communist Party, now known as the Socialist Party of Hungary, was headed for a major defeat. They are expected to get less than 10% of the vote. The numerous candidates were running for the 386 seats in the Hungarian National Assembly. Turnout was expected to be about 75%. The large number of candidates will force runoff elections, which will be held on April 8.

UNITED KINGDOM: The question being asked, "Is Thatcher dead?" This arises after events that occurred last week in Great Britain. A Parliamentary By-Election was held in Mid-Straffordshire, and the Labour Party won by a 40% to 33% margin.

What is so significant about a By-Election? This election was held in a "safe" constituency, for the governing Conservative Party. (A safe constituency is where the registration is overwhelmingly in favor of one party). In the last general election, the Mid-Straffordshire constituency went conservative by a 14,000 vote majority, the largest victory in the election in the nation.

The recent polls taken by the various newspapers in London were released, and it shows the opposition Labor Party with a 28% lead.

	FEB.	MAR.
LABOR	51%	57%
CONSERVATIVE	32%	29%
DEMOCRATS	7%	7%

Thatcher, and the Conservative Party's drop in the polls can be attributed to rising inflation, the Thatcher "Poll Tax" and the Conservative Party and Thatcher's way of governing.

NATIONAL NEWS

In Indianapolis, Indiana last week, the Democratic National Committee met in their biennial session. During the Convention, DNC voted to endorse Senator Daniel Moynihan's plan to cut Social Security Taxes. Also DNC voted to make the California Presidential Primary the third in the season, after the New Hampshire Primary and the Iowa Caucus.

In North Carolina, recent polls show that the Leader in the Democratic contest for the U.S. Senate seat held by Jesse Helms, is "None of the Above", with 52%, and former Insurance Commissioner John Ingram running second with 24%.

In Massachusetts, speculation mounts on whether or not Boston Mayor Raymond Flynn, will enter the contest for the Democratic Gubernatorial nomination. None of the announced candidates has made an impact with the voters, thus making a late entry possible.

ARIZONA NEWS

H.B. 2173: The Governor's AIDS Task Force Bill passed in the floor vote last week. The bill now goes on to the State Senate for consideration. (At presstime, the final draft of the bill was not ready. Hopefully, by the next edition of OBSERVER, a copy of the bill will be ready for publication).

PIMA COUNTY NEWS: The Pima Country Democratic Party is in the midst of a major fundraiser for the upcoming campaign and they need our help. What they are doing is a car "giveaway" with a donation of $5.00, you will receive a ticket good for the drawing which will take place on May 12. The actual site of the drawing will be announced later. The winner has a choice of a Plymouth Voyager Mini Van or a Chrysler LeBaron convertible or $12,500 in cash.

The money rased will go to the coordinated campaign effort that the Pima County Democrats are making to get rid of the Republican majorities in the State Legislature and to enact the State

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A COMMENTARY BY

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"MY LEFT FOOT"

The goofy, 60s-kinda graphic on the poster belies the superb quality and masterful artistry which makes England's "My Left Foot" one of the best films ever made.

This biography of successful painter and author Christy Brown (Daniel Day Lewis) --who overcame the obstacles of cerebral palsy-- looks with passion and clarity at the prejudices which affect any person who is not part of the mainstream.

In a performance which rightfully has garnered award recognition (Best Actor, Montreal Film Festival Academy Award Oscar winner for Best Actor for this film), Lewis continues a pattern of quality performances rarely-if ever - equalled in the history of film.

After garnering critical acclaim in "My Beautiful Laundrette," "A Room With A View" and "The Unbearable Lightness of Being", Lewis brings to this character a richness and intensity of life which lifts this film to the pinnacles of story-telling and entertainment.

Spanning four decades of his life, the film opens with Brown's meeting of his future wife at a public reading of his newly published book (upon which this film is based, and which was the basis for the Oscar-nominated script).

Utilizing flashbacks cleverly interspersed throughout this scene, the audience is taken back to Brown's birth and early family life as a child in Dublin, Ireland.

The film progresses with highlights of Brown's life, his early successes, failures, loves and accomplishments --most notable the scene where he spells the word "mother".

Supporting performances here are perfect. Not one actor fails to bring to life the people who surrounded the young Brown.

Most deserving of mention, is Academy Award winner Brenda Fricker, who excels as Brown's mother. Fricker, long an established stage and screen actress in Ireland and England, makes one believe she actually WAS Brown's mother.

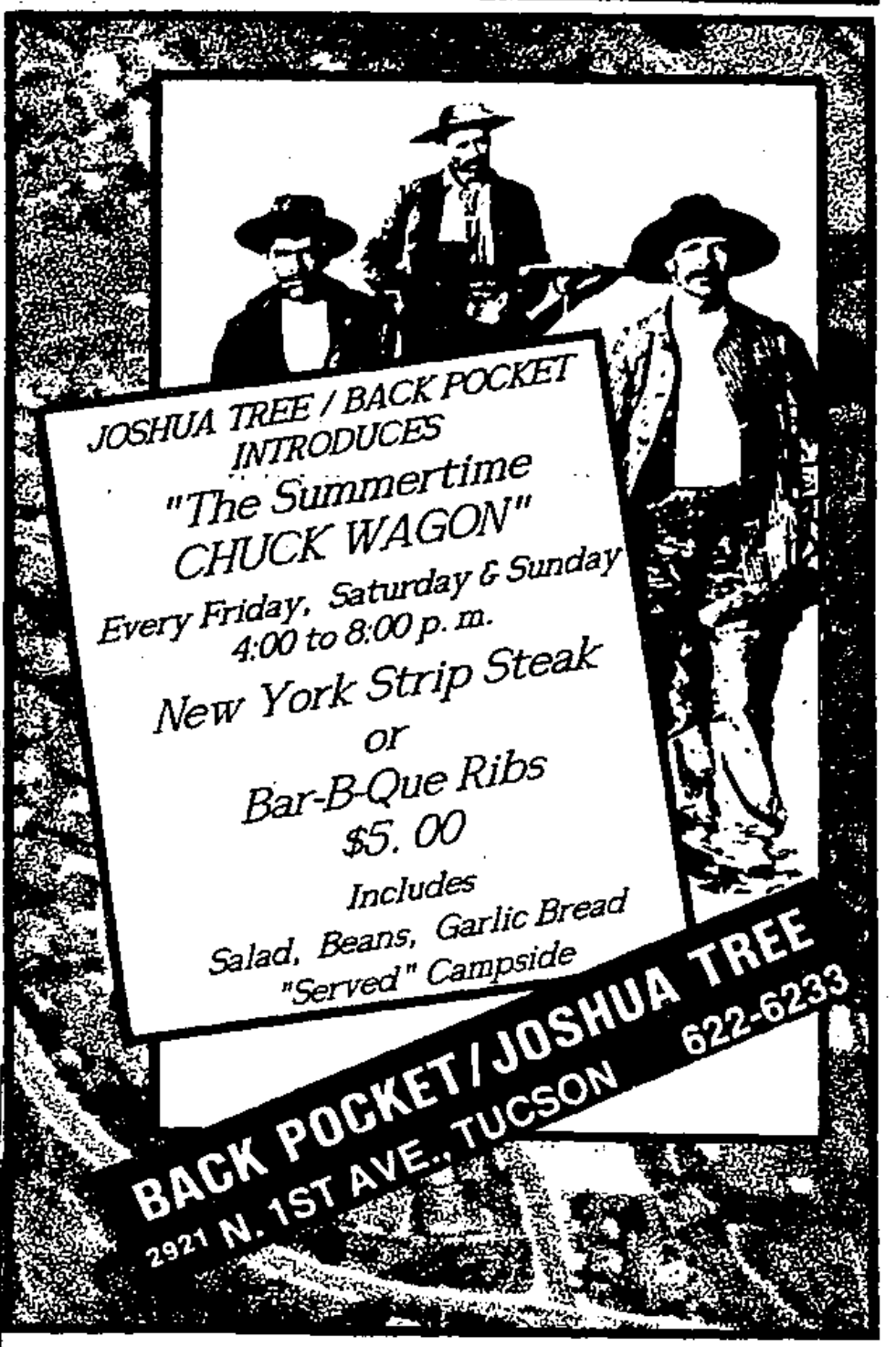
Filled with life, strength and an inner conviction that her disabled son was more than a "cripple", Fricker conveys to the audience the driving force that made Brown want to succeed. To a role that could easily have become melodramatic and farcical, Fricker brings the quiet dignity of that kind of woman for whom the phrase "backbone of the family" was invented.

Also worthy of note as Brown's father is the late Ray McAnally, who recently died of a heart attack; and Fiona Shaw as Dr. Cole who helped Brown overcome the limitations of his disability and who was the first woman with whom Brown fell in love.

Surprisingly wonderful in the role of the young Christy Brown is Hugh O'Connor. For an adult actor to capture the subtlety and nuance of a disabled person is one thing; for a 12-year-old actor to do so equally well is a superb accomplishment worthy of more than a few words here.

"My Left Foot", directed by Oscar-nominee Jim Sheridan is more than a mere film, or an evening's entertainment--although this film is both of those. "My Left Foot" is, without question, the finest example of the courage and bravery of the human soul, and a human's ability to rise above pettiness toward the outer reaches of accomplishment and achievement.

At Spes Non Fracta: See you next week!



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12. Who actually first coined the phrase "the Love that dare not speak its name"?

13. What were Christine Jorgensen's name and occupation before he became Christine Jorgensen?

14. On the average, at what speed does semen travel as it comes out of the penis during ejaculation?

15. Which member of the Watergate conspiracy decided to help prosecutors and testify against the Nixon Administration, in part because he was terrified he would wind up being sodomized if he were sent to prison?

16. How many pages long was the very first issue of *The Advocate*?

17. What predominantly gay rock star is a good friend of the Queen Mother of England?

18. Jimmy Donahue, a gay member of high society in the 1920s and a close friend of the Duchess of Windsor, was heir to what famous U.S. family fortune?

19. What was Divine's real name?

20. What career goal did Horatio Alger, Christopher Marlowe, and Edward Carpenter initially all have in common?

21. What was the final vote in the 1986 Supreme Court decision upholding the constitutionality of Georgia's anti-sodomy law?

22. In 1936, W.H. Auden married the daughter of what famous German novelist, as a matter of convenience to help her flee Nazi Germany?

ANSWERS

22. Thomas Mann

21. 5-to-4. The justices who voted to uphold the law were: Warren Burger, Sandra Day O'Connor, Byron White, Lewis Powell, William Rehnquist. The justices who voted to overturn the law were: William Brennan, Thurgood Marshall, Harry Blackmun, John Paul Stevens.

20. They all originally studied to become priests.

19. Harris Glenn Milstead

18. The Woolworth's fortune

17. Elton John

16. 12 pages. It came out in 1967 and cost twenty-five cents.

15. John Dean

14. 28 miles per hour

13. George Jorgensen, a private in the U.S. army

12. Lord Alfred Douglas

11. Mary Challans

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WHAT'S UP DOC?

Well, it has finally happened, Tucson is now playing games as they do up in Phoenix. I have lived here in Tucson for 15+ years and have always been very proud of our small community atmosphere and closeness, similar to one big happy family.

Now, it has come to my attention, by more than one individual, that all of the fine artists (drag queens) in this community are no longer needed. It seems that a certain organization who has received money from some of these performers has decided to only have one, a new one in town, do the benefits for them because, as stated, "She is the only professional in town".

Of course, they are not the only ones who have chosen to verbalize their feelings concerning a part of the drag queen world here in Tucson. Also, the drag queen world is not the only area these people have chosen to ridicule-try listening to talk about the club scene in Tucson, the atmosphere at the different bars in Tucson, and some even pick on anything they feel is not to their liking at the moment. What are they afraid of?

I'm not sure how all of this started and really do not care, it is not my problem. Yet, being a part of this community that I've lived in, supported, and worked with to make it as beautiful as it is, why this BS? People are telling certain performers that they should change their styles, make-up or on-stage performances because it isn't right for that performer. These same people are the ones who you do not see on stage, some maybe, but not the majority.

Whenever Tucson has needed money for one of the benefits, who are the first people they go to for help-drag queens. Now, because of some kind of misunderstanding (or whatever the hell it is) all are being put on the back burner for, (your guess is as good as mine).

I'm going on record at this time to say thank you to each and every one of Tucson's drag queens and as far as I'm concerned, you are the tops. I feel sorry for those short-sighted individuals who feel our present group of performers are not professional. The next time you (different organizations around town) need some money, just who are you going to call on? Will we, (The Tucson Community) have to endure one person shows from now on? Will this community and all the drag queens now be able to get rid of all their dresses, make-up and everything else they have purchased, for your entertainment? I hope not, and think it is time those individuals who constantly sit on the sidelines and criticize, get their heads back on properly. We need to go on in Tucson as a community that works together, whether it be as a stage performer or whatever.

Now to something I feel should be mentioned - if nothing else - just as a reminder. Regardless of personal feelings either way, it is still against the law-smoking the big 'M'. The other day I witnessed a couple individuals smoking in front of one of the local bars. Yes, they were off the property legal-wise, but, you know how our local police can be when they want to. If these smokers had been caught by the police, not only would they have gotten in trouble, but the police could have made trouble for the bar. Please people, be a little more discreet and lets not have any problems.

The count-down clock has started for a few around Tucson - contestants for this year's Miss Gay Tucson Contest. This year, the contest will be held over at the Quality Inn on April 29. I know of at least three very talented people going after this crown and I'm glad that I'm not one of this year's judges. Competition is always a lot of work and expensive for all those competing. I wish each of you who, over the next few weeks, will be having benefits to help defray your expenses, all the luck possible. I will not try to list the different benefits that the contestants will be having, check their ads and the calendar in the OBSERVER.

This coming Saturday, March 31, it is time for the 5th Annual OBSERVER/Community Benefit, sponsored and produced by Desert Leathermen. A complete schedule for this evening is listed elsewhere in this issue of OBSERVER. Check it out and show up early for good seating and a good time. I'll see you there.

Another contest that is going on is the Fiesta de Mayo King and Queen Contest. I have not been able to get the schedule for the other couples running (the red and white teams) but would be willing to list events for them. As for Kimberly and Freddie, the Green Team, yes, they were over at The French Quarter last Saturday for a Beer Bust and Hamburger Fry. Next this team has a benefit show at the Graduate this

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INS POLICY CAUSES AIDS CONFERENCE BOYCOTT TO GROW

WASHINGTON, DC - The National Lesbian and Gay Task Force (NGLTF) will boycott the VI International Conference on AIDS because of the U.S. Government's discriminatory AIDS and Gay and Lesbian immigration and visitation policies.

In addition, NGLTF is calling on its more than 17,000 members nationwide, as well as other Gay and Lesbian organizations and individuals, to boycott the conference scheduled for this June 20-24 in San Francisco. NGLTF is encouraging activists to continue pressuring the government to repeal the policies.

NGLTF is the first reported national U.S. Gay and Lesbian civil rights organization to boycott the conference. The Task Force joins more than 35 national and international organizations that have chosen not to participate in the gathering, including the National Association of People with AIDS, The International League of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies, the Canadian AIDS Society, Shanti Project and the Names Project International AIDS Memorial Quilt.

"It is with mixed emotions that we announce our decision to boycott," said David Lemos, Acting Executive Director of the Names Project. "While we realize the tremendous need for this annual forum for AIDS information, we abhor the U.S. government's travel policies affecting people with HIV infection. The travel restrictions are in direct conflict with the Names Project objective of working toward an immediate and compassionate response to the AIDS pandemic," Lemos said.

"We therefore cannot in good conscience, participate in a worldwide conference held in this country, while these travel restrictions exist. We also wish to emphasize that our action is prompted solely by these government policies and is not intended to indicate any lack of support for the conference organizers," Lemos continued.

NGLTF's decision to boycott the conference was made by its board of directors at the Nashville, Tenn., board meeting on March 18. NGLTF leaders said the group would rescind its boycott only if travel restrictions on people with AIDS and Gays and Lesbians are lifted.

"We believe the U.S. government policy of denying entry to Gay men and Lesbians and people with AIDS and HIV is morally reprehensible," said veteran NGLTF board member Rick Rudy. Rudy, an openly Gay person with AIDS, is also president of the Bay Area-based High Tech Gays, which is strongly considering joining the boycott. "We do not feel the conference can accomplish its tasks if those most concerned are prohibited from attending."

Under current law, any person testing HIV-positive may be excluded from the U.S., including tourists, refugees, people seeking asylum and legalization, students, persons with special visas to teach or conduct research, as well as persons who have lived legally int he U.S. as students, laborers or permanent residents and are now seeking naturalization as citizens.

Individuals coming from outside the U.S. can be denied temporary admission or detained at the border, which has occurred in Minneapolis, MN and other locations.

HIV was added to the list of restricted communicable diseases, including tuberculosis, syphilis and gonorrhea by an amendment offered by Sen. Jesse Helms to the Supplemental Appropriations Act of 1987.

Waivers for some individuals with AIDS or HIV may be granted for limited or restricted entry into the U.S. Following considerable media criticism and pressure from AIDS and other groups, the Immigration and Naturalization Service in January announced it would stop marking passports of those with HIV infection who are granted waivers to enter the country.

As a result of withdrawal of Names Project participation, the Quilt will not be displayed within the conference this year. Par Stenback, Secretary General of the International League of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies, stated, "As our organization has decided to withdraw from the VIth International Conference on AIDS, we fully understand the decision of the Names Project to boycott. However, the Quilt's presence at past conferences, both in Stockholm and Montreal, added a poignant and much need human dimension to the otherwise medical and scientific environment. The Quilt will be conspicuous by its absence this year, and very much missed."

"NGLTF condemns any prohibitions on immigration, visitation and naturalization of HIV-infected persons as well as restrictions on Lesbians and Gay men," said Urvashi Vaid, NGLTF Executive Director. "AIDS is not imported into the U.S. There must be NO travel restrictions on foreigners with AIDS or HIV or on Gay men and Lesbians."

The United States has more than 121,000 cases of AIDS, by far the greatest number of reported cases of any country in the world.

Vaid pointed out that the World Health Organization, the Presidential Commission on the HIV epidemic, the National AIDS Commission and other groups have rejected restrictions on HIV positive persons as unnecessary, counterproductive and a waste of resources.

"It is our hope that this boycott action, along with the combined actions of many AIDS organizations worldwide, will send a strong message to Washington, and that a tangible change will result," continued Lemos of the Names Project. "If this is so, and the visa regulations discriminating against people with HIV infection are lifted, we look forward to full participation in the VIth International Conference on AIDS".

In addition to fighting discriminatory AIDS policies, NGLTF is involved in lobbying for passage of legislation that would repeal anti-Gay and Lesbian immigration law. A bill offered by openly Gay Rep Barney Frank would change existing law that prohibits foreigners from visiting or applying for permanent residence in the U.S. based on their sexual orientation.

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FEMALE CONDOM DESIGNED TO PROTECT FROM DISEASES

WASHINGTON, DC (AP) - The Food and Drug Administration is beginning to draw up guidelines to market a female condom, which its manufacturer says can help protect women from the AIDS virus and other sexually transmitted diseases.

Colin M. Pollard, an FDA member of the panel that heard testimony on the device, estimated that it will take Wisconsin Pharmacal Co. at least 18 months to conduct the study, receive FDA approval and market the female condom.

"It will take us quite a while to just get the study going," Mary Ann Leeper of the Jackson, Wis., company said after the hearing.

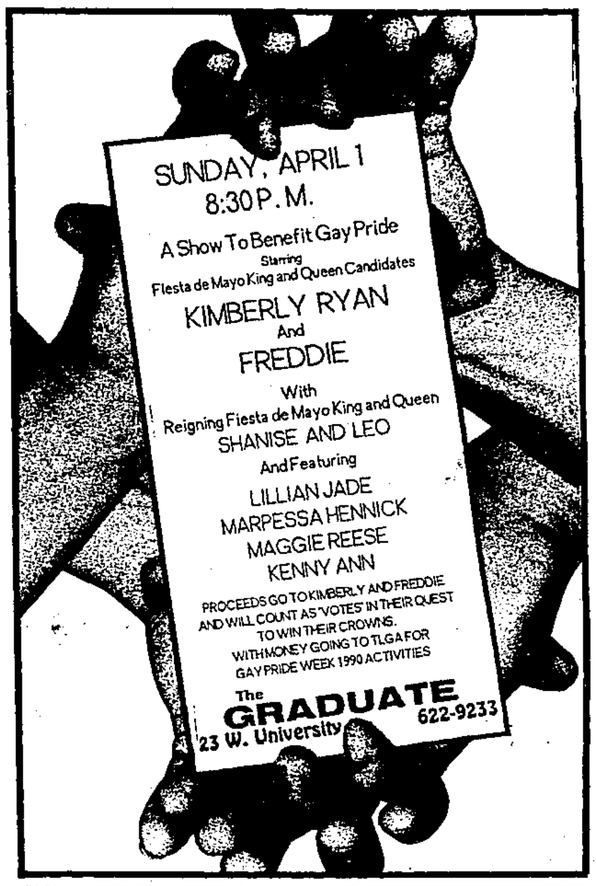
Leeper, in a presentation at the hearing, said the female condom is the only method that a women can herself control to protect against infection from the AIDS virus and from other sexually transmitted diseases.

The device displayed by Leeper resembled a sock made of polyurethane, a tough, clear, flexible plastic. There are soft, flexible rings at both ends.

Leeper said the ring at the closed end is to aid insertion. When properly used, she said, a sheath barrier is created within the vagina. The ring at the open end of the device remains outside and protects the labia.

The female condom would cost about $1.50, Leeper said, and is designed for one use.

Wisconsin Pharmacal proposed to market the condom solely as a device to protect against the spread of sexually transmitted diseases.



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A HIGH NOTE

Billboard magazine reports that at a concert in Los Angeles featuring the Rolling Stones and Guns N' Roses, a member of one of the opening acts, Vernon Reid of the group Living Color, said to the audience, "If you don't have anything against Gay people, don't call them faggots. If you don't have anything against Blacks, don't call them niggers."

Reid's comment is right to the point. We encourage you to write letters of congratulations to Vernon Reid for his courage in speaking out against bigotry to a possibly unsympathetic audience. Write Vernon Reid /Living Color, P.O. Box 407, Bushwick Finance Station, Brooklyn, NY 11221.

DEATH IN THE FAMILY

A document prepared by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, "Report of the Secretary's Task Force on Youth Suicide," concluded that Gay/Lesbian youth are 2 to 3 times more likely to attempt suicide than other young people, and Gay/Lesbian youth may comprise up to 30% of completed youth suicides annually. The key to ending Gay teen suicide, the report said, is ending discrimination against young people on the basis of their sexual orientation.

In response, homophobic Congressman William Dannemeyer (R-CA) contacted President Bush and HHS Secretary Louis Sullivan demanding that they reject the portion of the report dealing with Gay teen suicide as being against "traditional values".

Instead of ignoring Dannemeyer's bigotry, HHS Secretary Sullivan wrote to him, "I am strongly committed to advancing traditional family values.... In my opinion, the views expressed in the paper (Gay Male and Lesbian Youth Suicide) run contrary to that aim.

The National Gay & Lesbian Task Force has called for a meeting with Sullivan and sharply criticized the chief for his alarmingly insensitive and frightening statements regarding Gay and Lesbian teen suicide.

As a citizen and a taxpayer, tell Sullivan to stop trying to suppress the report and encourage him to accept the Task Forces request for a meeting. Write: Louis W. Sullivan, M.D., Secretary, Department of Health and Human Services, 200 Independence Ave., SW, Washington, DC 20201.

SATURDAY NIGHT LIVE: DEAD WRONG

"Wayne's World" is a recurring skit on NBC's Saturday Night Live about Wayne (written and played by Michael Myers), a teenager who runs his own public access cable show. Last season several of these skits used the word "fag" as an insult. This season, "homo" seems to be the epithet of choice.

Another recent skit on SNL was called "The Big Butch Bulldyke Breakout" in which Zsa Zsa Gabor and Leona Helmscape beatings by an overweight Lesbian.

Humor, like beauty, is sin the eye of the beholder. But if SNL doesn't use words like "nigger", "coon", "kike" and "spic", why are "fag", and "homo" and "dyke" alright? And why are Gay people always the butt of the show's Gay "humor", why isn't homophobia targeted for ridicule so teenagers get the point that Gay-bashing is not cool?

Part of the problem may be that since Terry Sweeney left the cast several seasons back, all the performers have been (ostensibly) straights. Isn't it time for another openly Gay cast member, particularly if the show engages in humor about Gays?

We suggest you send your opinion to Lorne Michaels, Executive Producer, Saturday Night Live, NBC, 30 Rockefeller Plaza, New York, NY 10112, and to writer Michael Myers at the same address.

ARGENTINE TERROR

Argentina is undergoing a reign of police terror against Gays. Since early last September, bars, discos, clubs and meeting places have been violently raided. "Buenos Aires has never known anything like this before," said Emmanual Valido of Communidad Homosexual Argentina (CHA). "We are being beaten and wounded as a direct answer to our public protest."

To help, write Dr. Carlos Menem, Presidente de la Nacion, Balcarce 50, CP 1064, Buenos Aires, Argentina. Send a copy to Argentine Embassador, 1800 New Hampshire Ave., NW, Washington, DC and to CHA, Rodriguez Pena 681--2do. Piso--Depto.5, Codigo Postal 1020, Buenos Aires, Argentina. Demand an end to anti-Gay violence and the abolition of article 5, paragraph 1 of Law 333/58, which concerns "access to personal data" and "publicly soliciting for the purpose of sex," provisions used to justify anti-Gay persecution.

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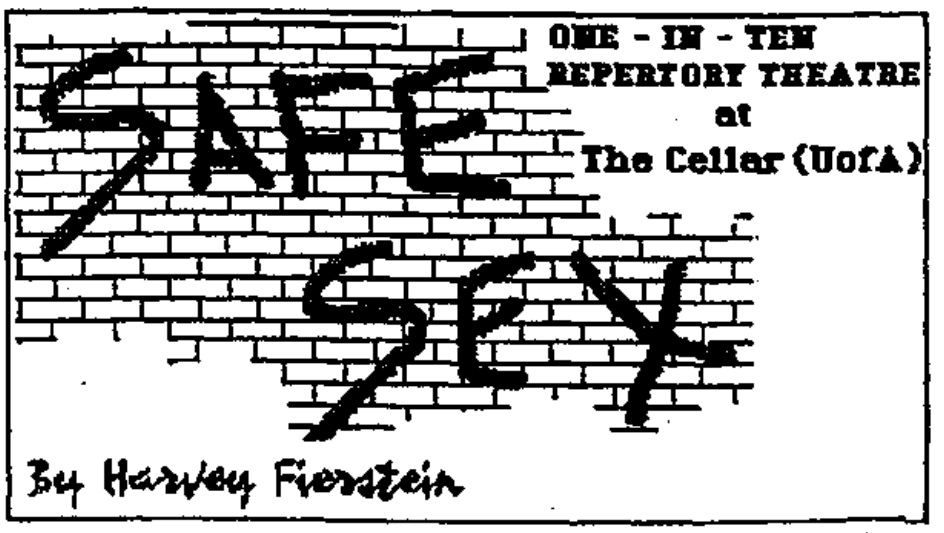

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CALENDAR
of upcoming events

SATURDAY, MARCH 31

OBSERVER/Community Benefit Show at the Days Inn on Oracle Road begins at 5:30 p.m. Check the non-bar calendar and the flyers and posters and advertising about this big community event.

JOSHUA TREE - April Fool Show by Penelope Poupe' and Miss Gay Arizona, Devina. Showtime 9 p.m. with "Blue Light" drink specials all evening.

RUMORZ - 3:00 p.m. an afternoon showing of the fabulous video of the San Francisco Bartender's Folly - "Men Behind Bars". This annual event is one of the year's biggest shows in the City by the Bay. Be sure not to miss seeing this hilarious video on the giant screen.

SUNDAY, APRIL 1

COLETTE'S - "White Knight" a big benefit for Brewster Center for battered and abused women and children. The show will star Reva Channing, Raven, (Miss Go West '89), and JJ's Bad Intentions plus live entertainment by Loren Johnson and Marcus. 8:30 p.m. Produced by Southern Hospitality Club In Tucson.

GRADUATE - Benefit show for Fiessta de Mayo candidates Kimberly Ryan and Freddie Carillo for King and Queen. The show will feature the reigning King and Queen of Fiesta de Mayo Shanise and Leo and also features Margo Leigh, Lillian Jade, Marpessa Hennick, Maggie Reese and Kenny Ann and the proceeds eventually go back to the community during Gay Pride Week. A good cause.

IBT'S - Benefit for Michelle Kristie, candidate for Miss Gay Tucson. ossted by Loren Johnson, guest performers include the IBT's Scream Girls, Big Mike, Jerry & Friends, Marpessa Hennick, Maggie Reese and IBTs Copper City Squares plus a special appearance by Ineeda Mann! 9:00 p.m.

RAINBOW ROOM - Tiffany is holding a benefit show here to assist her in the quest for the Miss Gay Tucson title. Starring Tiffany, of course, the rest of the cast includes Miss Gay Tucson Christine Shade, Lucinda and Keith Lancaster. A good show planned by this popular entertainer.

TUESDAY, APRIL 3

COLETTE'S - Nationally reknowned folksinger Ruth Pelham will appear here in an exclusive performance. An evening of wonderful music and entertainment. "One of America's greatest songwriters", Pelham is a Lesbian/Feminist whose songs provoke and encourage. 7:30 p.m. $3.00 cover. Get in line.

SATURDAY, APRIL 7

Tonight will be the first of Tucson's Sharing Weekend. From 8:00 p.m. until 1:00 a.m. each patron entering one of the Tucson bars will be asked to give $1.00 donation which will be collected by members of Tucson's AIDS organizations. The money will be divided equally among participating organizations. Persons who cannot afford the donation will not be challenged as well as persons who have proof of having contributed previously. Tucson's Sharing Weekend will be held the first Saturday of every month.

COLETTE'S - Christi Lunden will be cocktailing tables shere this evening to help her raise money for the Miss Gay Tucson Pageant. Stop by and say hi.

FRENCH QUARTER - The first afternoon Beer Bust from 2 to 6 hosted by Shanti. .50 draft on the patio. Food, entertainment and lots of fun.

IBT'S - 4th Avenue Street Fair time again and there will shows here beginning at 3 p.m. starring from Dallas the live vocal impressions of Nakoma Shaye along with Loren Johnson, Miss Gay Tucson Christine Shade and CAT Award winner Michelle Kristie. $1.00 Cover.

SUNDAY, APRIL 8

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FRIDAY, APRIL 13

COLETTE'S - Gabriella La Vanity will present a "Meet The Candidate Night" as a benefit for Miss Gay Tucson Pageant.

SATURDAY, APRIL 14

RAINBOW ROOM - A Benefit Show in support of Raven for Miss Gay Tucson is planned here. Watch for details.

SUNDAY, APRIL 15

COLETTE'S - A big Easter Party is planned including an Easter Egg Hunt for the kids as well as the adults. Watch out.

FRENCH QUARTER - Easter Sunday Brunch Extravaganza from 10:30 a.m. until 3:00 p.m. $3.00 per person includes complimentary champagne. All proceeds to benefit Shanti/Tucson - Eggs, pancakes, hash browns, toast, sausage and bacon. Mmm good! Tickets are now on sale from Shanti volunteers, The French Quarter and Rumorz. Reservations accepted for 6 or more with prepaid tickets at French Quarter only.

GRADUATE - The Annual Easter Show and Easter Bonnett and Easter Basket contests and all that hoo haa. Fun and more fun on this festive day.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 18

COLETTE'S - It's Country and Western night here again and as usual, popular Loren Johnson will be performing. He's one of the best. Stop on by.

FRIDAY, APRIL 20

COLETTE'S - Soul Night here and it's always a great night of fine music for listening and dancing.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 25

COLETTE'S - Touring Country and Western vocalist Jeff Miller will be on hand for an evening of wonderful music. This young man has a great C/W singing voice - catch it. $3 cover.

FRIDAY, APRIL 27

A pre-Miss Gay Tucson Show starring the Pageant's sproducer Penelope Poupe'. It's gonna be a big one.

SATURDAY, APRIL 28

GRADUATE - Fiesta de Mayo kick-off show. The Fiesta de Mayo series of events are the annual fund raising efforts to help produce the Gay Pride Week activities. This big show here kicks off the season with the introduction of the Fiesta de Mayo King and Queen candidates who actually are responsible for monies raised.

Non-Bar CALENDAR

(NOTE: If you have an event or special happening that you feel should be included in the non-bar activities calendar please contact Ben Corbin prior to Monday of that Wednesday paper for inclusion in that weeks issue. After the first notice has appeared, it will appear weekly until the event has taken place. Mr. Corbin may be reached at 622-4536).

THURSDAY, MARCH 29

The Arizzona Lambda Democratic Caucus will hold its March meeting at 7 p.m. in the offices of Warad 5 City Councilman Steve Leal. 4300 S. Park Avenue. (You've heard about this office, now come see for yourself). The meeting will be devoted to planning fundraising events and upcoming electoral campaign strategies. Bring your friends and your ideas, refreshments will be served.

SATURDAY, MARCH 31

5th Annual OBSERVER/Community Benefit at Quality Inn, hosted by Desert Leathermen. Cocktails begin at 5:30 p.m. Dinner and a full evening of entertainment is $12.00. General admission is $5.00. Mr. Loren Johnson will head an all-star stellar cast of entertainment. Watch for more details on this important community benefit.

SUNDAY, APRIL 1

There will be a Miss Gay Tucson Pageant meeting at Noon at IBT's. All who are entering - this is a mandatory meeting and please bring your applications with payment and also a blank cassette tape.

The opening of a new one-man show of the abstract acrylic paintings of Tucson artist Knute Lockwood at Gallerie, Etc., 606 N. 4th Ave. Public reception to meet the artist. 20% of all sales this day go to Casa de los Ninos.

SATURDAY, APRIL 7

American Gay Atheists will hold an introductory meeting in Tucson at 6:00 p.m. at Wingspan, 240 N. Court. American Gay Atheists is an educational organization dedicated to State-church separation and to support Lesbians and Gay men.

The 40's or Better group will hold their Spring Fling Dance at the Unitarian Church, 4831 E. 22nd, at 8:00 p.m. Women-Wimmen-Wymin - Wingspan members $3, non-members $5 Women under 40 bring a chaperone.

SATURDAY & SUNDAY, APRIL 21 & 22

One-In-Ten Repertory Theatre Company in conjunction with UofA Lesbian/Gay Alliance will present of Harvey Fierstein's "Safe Sex" at 8 p.m. Saturday and 2 p.m. Sunday in The Cellar, (lower level of Student Union, UofA campus).

SATURDAY, APRIL 28

One-In-Ten Repertory Theater Company will present "Safe Sex" in The Cellar in the lower level of the Student Union on the UofA campus at 8 p.m. The play by Harvey Fierstein is being produced in conjunction with the UofA Lesbian/Gay Alliance.

SUNDAY, APRIL 29

Miss Gay Tucson Pagant. At the Quality Inn on Oracle Road. Applications available at IBT's now. Tickets on sale after April 1.

One-In-Ten Repertory Theatre Company in conjunciton with the UofA Lesbian/Gay Alliance will present the final performance of "Safe Sex' at 2 p.m. in the Cellar (lower level of the UofA Student Union.)

SPORTS

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MONDAY MIXED LEAGUE - 6:30 P.M.
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WEEK OF MARCH 26, 1990

TEAM	WON	LOST	PCT.	PB	BG	HS
1. BOOKS BROTHERS LTD.	53	24	.688	—	935	2495
2. THE STRAY BALLS	51	26	.662	2	863	2464
3. JOSHUA TREE	44	33	.571	9	850	2407
4. BANANA NUT BREAD	38	39	.493	15	859	2392
5. THE BACKDOOR BOYS	37	40	.481	16	908	2458
6. THE WEEK AFTER NEXT	37	40	.481	16	903	2488
7. SOMETHIN' REAL CUTE	34	43	.441	19	841	2361
8. THE VIRGINS	14	63	.181	39	822	2337

HIGH SCRATCH GAME: BOOKS BROS. LTD. 761 / DON. W. 244 / ARLENE F. 187
HIGH HANDICAP GAME: THE WEEK AFTER NEXT 903 / JIM P. 244 / JAN R. 231
HIGH SCRATCH SERIES: THE BACKDOOR BOYS 1963 / JACK S. 639 / CAROL M. 498
HIGH HANDICAP SERIES: THE WEEK AFTER NEXT 2488 / MARK K. 712 / SALLY B. 629
HONOR ROLL: BOOKS BROS. LTD. 2440 / JEFF T. 571 / ARLENE F. 402.

RAINBOW ROOM BOWLING LEAGUE
WEEK # 24 OF 33 (SECOND HALF)
MARCH 12, 1990

TEAM	WON	LOST	PCT.	AVG.
1. HARD TIMES	19	9	.678	581
2. FALL GUYS	18	10	.642	567
3. TEAM #1	17	11	.607	581
4. HEAD HUNTERS	17	11	.607	572
5. STRIKE FORCE	16	12	.571	571
6. TEAM #8	15	13	.535	560
7. LANE BRAINS	12	16	.428	563
8. VIRGINETTES	11	17	.392	563
9. GUTTER QUEENS	10	18	.357	566
10. TEAM #4	5	23	.178	550

HIGH HANDICAP GAME: TEAM #8 693 / HEAD HUNTERS 674 / FALL GUYS 666 / CHARLES I. 287 / JOHN G. 279 / RICHARD B. 270.

HIGH HANDICAP SERIES: STRIKE FORCE 1925 / HARD TIMES 1875 / TEAM #8 1866 / JOHN G. 715 / RICK B. 693 / AL M. 693

Tucson CALENDAR

sunday

BACK POCKET/JOSHUA TREE - Noon to 7 pm Draft Beer .50 per glass; Bloody Marys $1.25. Steak Dinner or Ribs 4 pm to 8 pm 5.00. DJ from 9 pm until 1 am.

COLETTE'S WEST - Open 1 p.m. Brunch til 3 pm. "Wine Down Nite" $1.00 Wine 8 pm to Midnight. Movie Nite on the big screen at 7 pm.

FRENCH QUARTER - Open Noon. Brunch served 12-4 with Bloody Marys and Screwdrivers or Mimosas $1.50. Special Hot Drinks every day and evening.

GRADUATE - All White Well $1.25 daytime / $1.50 nites.

IT'S 'BOUT TIME - Country Music, Line Dancing, Square Dancing. Good food in the DB Cafe with your host DB Galiati. Party with Big Mike and the gang.

RAINBOW ROOM - Open at Noon. Bloody Marys and Screws $1.00 all day. Country Rainbow dance group 4 pm. Complimentary Buffet 5:30.

RUMORHAZZIT 2222 - Noon to 6 pm. Screwdrivers and Bloody Marys $1.25 + Schnapps .50/shot. + Hot Dogs! DJ Duayne 9 to 1.

monday

BACK POCKET/JOSHUA TREE - Noon to 7 pm Draft Beer .75 Schnapps .75 / Well and Domestic Beer $1.75 7 p.m. to 1 a.m. Bowler's Special with Fiesta Bowling card .50 of well and beer 9 to 1. Jeffrey dj's starting at 9.

COLETTE'S WEST - Daily sandwich special. Two for one 5-8. All White Well $1.00 and Jazz with Jeannie from 8 pm to Midnight.

FRENCH QUARTER - Open Noon. Hot Hors d'Oeuvres 5 to 7 "Designing Women" on TV 8:30-9 pm / 'Live' "Win, Lose or Draw" game between competing local bars begins at 9 pm.

GRADUATE - Happy Hour prices opening until closing.

IT'S 'BOUT TIME - 12 to 6 party with Big Mike. 4 to 8 Two for One. Miller & Miller Lite $1.25.

RAINBOW ROOM - Open Noon to 1 am. Happy Hour 4 to 7 pm: Two for 1 drinks, hot hors d'oeuvres. 6:30-8:30 Rowdy Cloggers. Bowlers Special 1/2 price drinks for bowlers.

RUMORHAZZIT 2222 - 4-7 p.m. 2 for 1 well/beer. Monday night drink specials. Dewey DJs at 9.

tuesday

BACK POCKET/JOSHUA TREE - Noon to 7 p.m. Draft Beer .75 - Schnapps .75 / 4-7 pm Domestic Beer $1.50, Well drinks $1.75. 7 pm to 1 am any drink in the house $1.75. Bobby Jr. DJ's at 9.

COLETTE'S WEST - Check for daily sandwich special. Two for one 5-8. Longneck Bottle Beer Special: $1.25 from 8:00 until midnight. DJ from 8 to midnight.

FRENCH QUARTER - Open Noon. Hot Hors d'Oeuvres 5 to 7

GRADUATE - .50 draft from opening to closing.

IT'S 'BOUT TIME - 4 to 8 pm Two for 1. Bud and Bud Lite $1.25. Country Music and Dancing 7 pm to close

RAINBOW ROOM - Open Noon to 1 am. Happy Hour 4 to 7 p.m. Two for One drinks, hot hors d'oeuvres. Rum & Coke Nite - 1/2 price well or call 7 p.m. to 1 a.m.

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 - Draft Beer Bust from Noon to Close Draft Beer .50 - Schnapps .50 / 4-7 pm non-premium beer $1.50, Well drinks $1.75. Wednesday Night special Domestic Longnecks $1.25. DJ Jeffrey 9:00 p.m.

COLETTE'S WEST - Daily sandwich special. Two for one 5-8. T-Squares dance and offer free square dance lessons at 6:30. Schnapps $1.00 from 8 pm to Midnight. DJ 9-1

FRENCH QUARTER - Open Noon. Hot Hors d'Oeuvres 5 to 7

GRADUATE - Non-premium beers $1.25 days / $1.50 nites.

IT'S 'BOUT TIME - Noon to 6 party with Big Mike. 4 to 8 Two for One. 8 to Close, White Well Nite .75 ($1.00 w/juice)

RAINBOW ROOM - Happy Hour 4-7 pm: Two for One drinks, hot hors d'oeuvres. Schnapps .50 from 8 pm to close. Black & White Service Industries Night-Out. Bartenders, waiters and waitresses 1/2 price - Draft .50

RUMORHAZZIT - 4-7 p.m. 2 for 1 well/beer. Bottled Domestic Beer Nite - $1.25, plus .75 schnapps from 7 pm until 11 pm. VJ/DJ Reuben begins at 9

thursday

BACK POCKET/JOSHUA TREE - 4-7 pm non- premium beer $1.50/Well drinks $1.75; 8 pm to 1 am All Domestic Bottle Beer $1.75, Schnapps .75; DJ 9 to 1 Jeffrey.

COLETTE'S WEST - Two for one 5-8. Big League Basketball on TV with .50 draft and .50 Hot Dogs during game. "Sudsersize!" .75 draft beer from 8 pm to Midnight. DJ 9-1

FRENCH QUARTER - Open Noon. Hot Hors d'Oeuvres 5 to 7

GRADUATE - All Dark Well $1.25 days / $1.50 nites.

IT'S 'BOUT TIME - Noon to 6 party with Big Mike, 4 - 8 Two for One. Corona Nite: $1.25. House Music night 9 to 1.

RAINBOW ROOM - Happy Hour 4-7 pm: Two for One drinks, hot hors d'oeuvres. Draft Beer .50, all imported Beer $1.00 7 pm to 1 am. Country/Western Nite - dancing and dance lessons.

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

friday

BACK POCKET/JOSHUA TREE - Noon to 7 pm Draft Beer .75 / Schnapps .75 / 4-7 pm non-premium beer $1.50, Well drinks $1.75. Steak or Ribs Dinner $5 4 to 8. DJ 9 pm to 1 am.

COLETTE'S WEST - Two for one 5 to 8. Party Nite - Hourly Drink Specials 8 p.m. to Midnight. DJ 9 - 1

FRENCH QUARTER - Open Noon. Hot Hors d'Oeuvres 5 to 7

GRADUATE - Drink specials until closing.

IT'S 'BOUT TIME - Come party with Kevin noon to 6 — 4 to 8 Two for One / Dancing with Gilbert 9 - 1.

RAINBOW ROOM - Happy Hour 4-7 pm: Two for One drinks, hot hors d'oeuvres. DJ from 9 to 1.

RUMORHAZZIT - 2 for 1 beer/well 4-7 p.m. Free Hors d'Oeuvres 5:30 pm. Progresaive Friday: Well drinks $1.25 from 7 to 9 then up a quarter each hour til 1 am. VJ/DJ Reuben 9-1.

saturday

BACK POCKET/JOSHUA TREE - Happy Hour 4-7 pm $1.50. non-Premium Beer and $1.75 Well Drinks. Streak or Ribs Dinner 4 to 8 pm $5.00 DJ 9-1

COLETTE'S WEST - Hourly Specials 8 to Midnight. DJ 9-1

FRENCH QUARTER - Open Noon. Hot Hors d-Oeuvres 5 to 7

GRADUATE - Drink Specials until closing.

IT'S 'BOUT TIME - Come party with Kevin to 6 / 2 for 1 from 4-8 pm / Gilbert your DJ 9 to 1.

RAINBOW ROOM - Open Noon. DJ plays from 9 pm to 1 am

RUMORHAZZIT-- Open Noon to 1 am. Hot Dogs. 8 to 1 Long Island Ice Tea $2.25. Dance with VJ/DJ Reuben 9-1.

A View From The Rock

Commentary from Cornerstone Fellowship . . . .

He tends His flock like a shepherd: He gathers the lambs in His arms and carries them close to His heart; He gently leads those that have young." Isaiah 40

How do you view God? I'm sure that, when you read that question, something very simple popped into your mind. But, as you spend more time meditating on this question, that image becomes cloudy and distorted. Why does this happen? First of all, it's very natural. We are human and, as such, our minds can only take us so far in understanding something apparently so vague. Secondly, we've heard and seen so much throughout our lives that we can seriously wonder where "our" beliefs begin and end and someone else's view becomes ours --- like some kind of osmosis.

It is important to have *your* view of God. Why? Part of the reason is so you can be the individual you're meant to be, not just a clone of someone else. It is also very important so that you are not fed lies and led astray by false notions. Who would want to go throughout their life thinking and believing the sky was green because you were blind, and someone had told you that it was green and you had to take their word for it?

How can you have "your" view of God? The only real way is to earnestly desire to "know" God for who He is. If, in the process, you must set aside all that you have seen and heard and start from scratch, then so be it. You must experience God for yourself. No one else can do it for you, just as someone else's salvation can't save you.

May the Lord reveal himself to you through His Word, the Bible, and become "real" to you in the days ahead....

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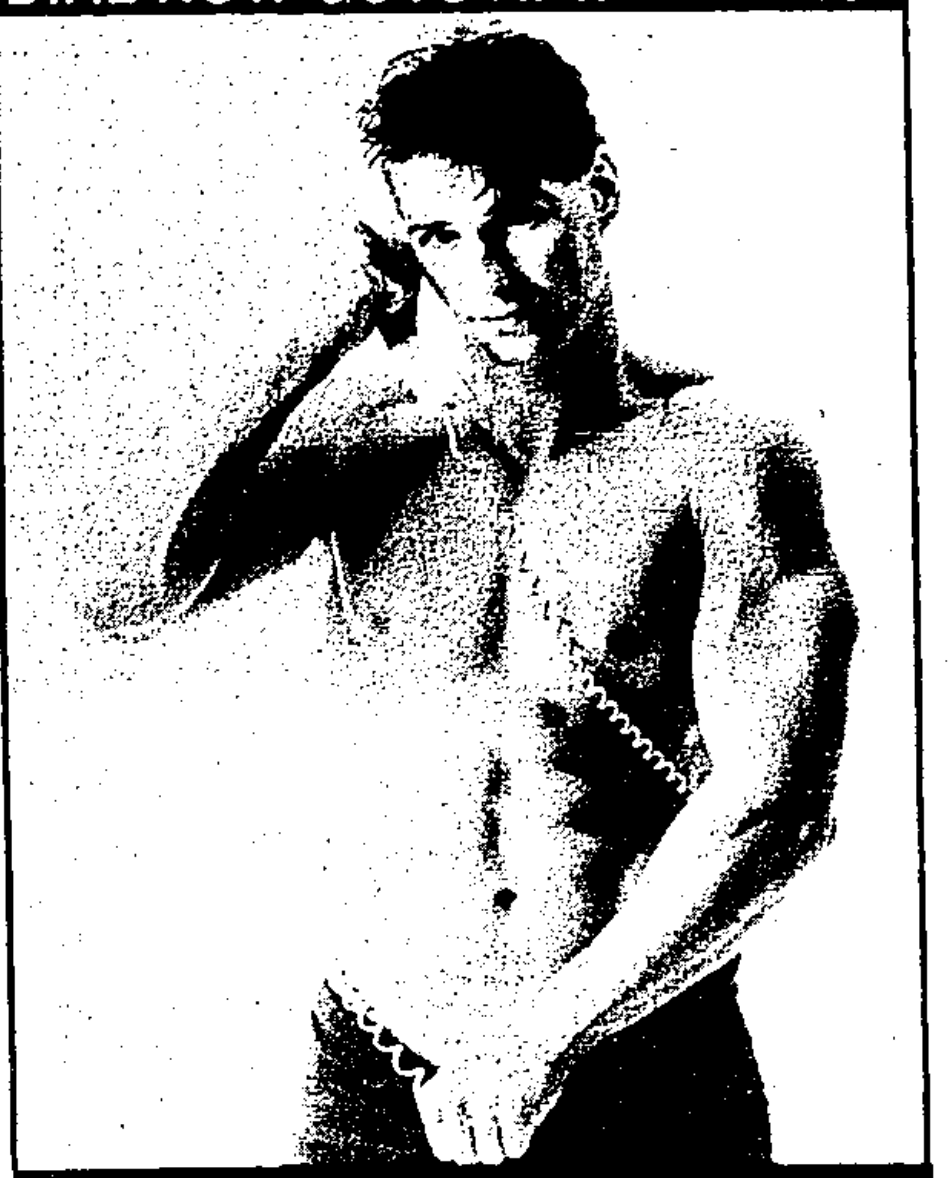

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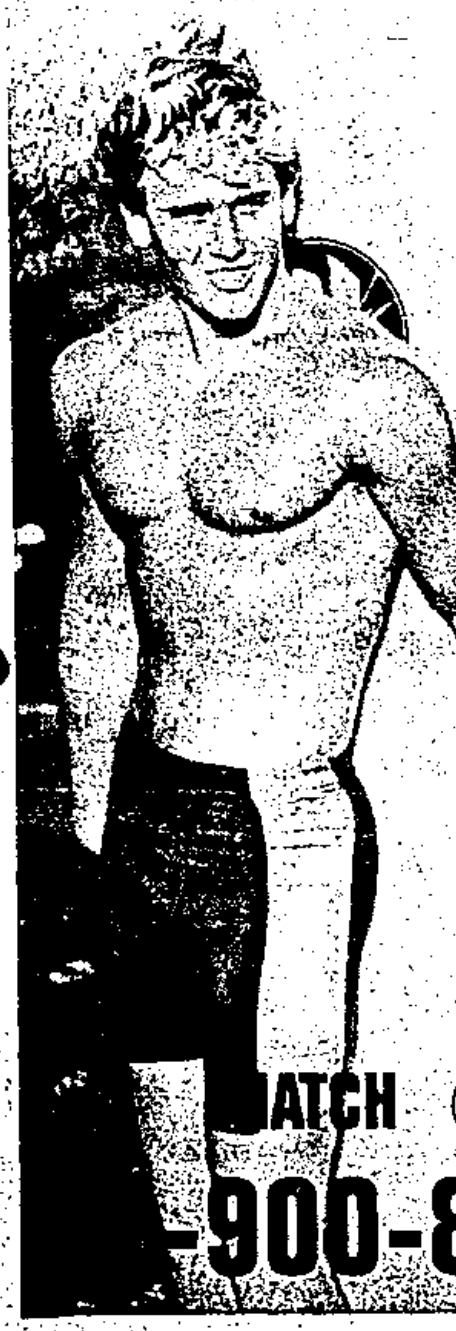

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POLITICS '90

by Mark R. Kerr

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Democratic Platform. They need our help. So please send a check to: Pima County Democratic Party, P.O. Box 40211, Tucson, AZ 85717. It's time for action, so please, let's help them.

AS I SEE T: I have a few things to talk about. First off, the Congressional Dist. 5 race. Presently there are two candidates for the Democratic nomination to run against the Republican incumbent Jim Kolbe. They are Charles McCarthy and Gerald Lee Coyle. If these two are the challengers, then in my opinion, the race is over. They are not known, one has a history of "personal problems", the other does not come across as Congressional material. I am hoping that a credible candidate emerges soon, or the Democrats can kiss CD-5 goodbye.

Next on the Hit Parade, the Arizona Committee for Progress. The (ACP) is the Gay and Lesbian Political Action Committee - the statewide P.A.C., as their advertisements state - but the ACP has not made an effort in Southern Arizona. They have concentrated their effort just in the Phoenix metropolitan area. I hope that very soon, the leadership of the ACP will get the attitude that the state border does not end at the Phoenix city limits. And, hope they do make an effort to be more inclusive. If not, I can't continue my membership, and others in Southern Arizona should discontinue theirs and let us concentrate in areas of our concern.

Until next time, take care.

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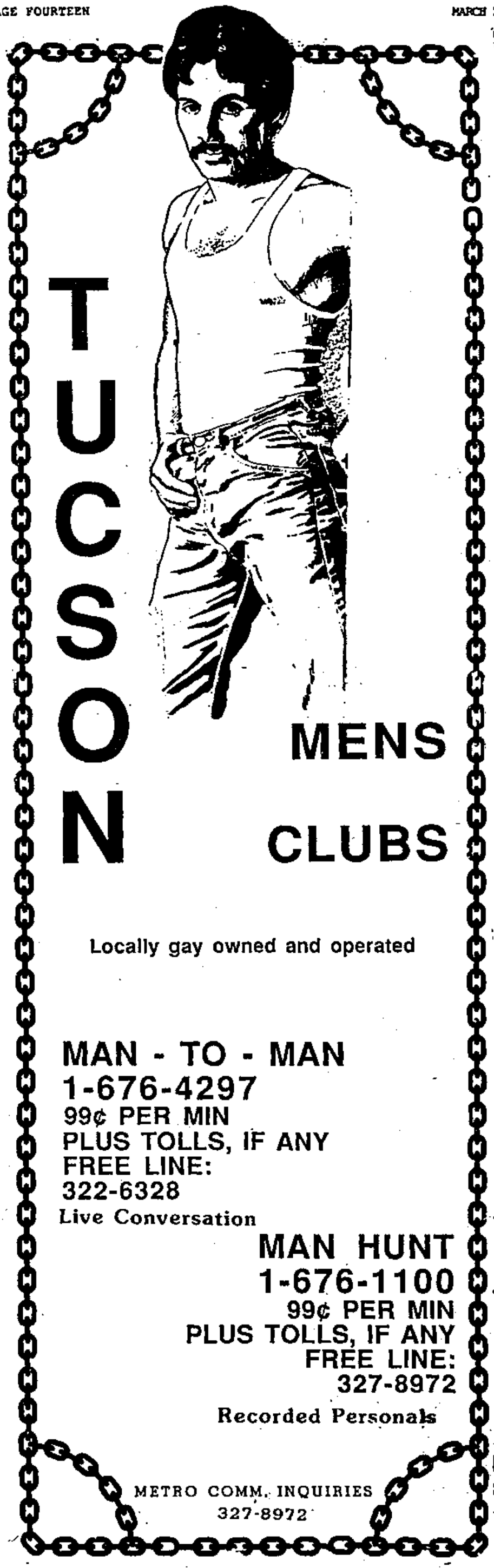

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coming Sunday, April 1 at 8:30 with a very good cast of entertainers. (Check the Graduate ad). They also will be having other benefits and be out selling either raffle tickets for a CD player or buttons. Each dollar raised is equal to one vote, so please be generous to all couples when approached. Remember, all monies that these couples raise goes back to the community during Gay Pride Week and the Gay Pride Picnic.

Applications for this year's TKO Closet Ball Contest will be in all the bars this weekend. They will be available from the bartenders Please - do not pay the bartender your entry fee - mail a money order to TKO, (address listed on the application). Read the rules over carefully and if you have any questions concerning these rules, call me at home after 5 p.m.

I guess that will be it for this week. I am sorry to be on the band wagon when it comes to complaints either reported to me or personally witnessing, but if someone doesn't say something, what will the end result be like. It was stated that I should just leave it alone and it will go away. Well, as you read, I just cannot roll over and let it sleep. Please, everyone, be a little more caring when it comes to others, it will go a long way in supporting the Tucson Gay community.

News From MCC Tucson

A two week absence from the OBSERVER was not planned, but was unavoidable and certainly not an indication that MCC/Tucson is slowing down. There are many projects in the planning stage and will be announced as they are confirmed.

We are sorry to say "Good-bye" top two of our members this week. Deacon June and Bill Willey, parents of our Rev. Nita, have returned to their home in Maine. Deacon June started an "Outreach" in Main last year and the group there is prospering. We pray and wish Deacon June and Bill Godspeed, a safe journey home and continued success with their group.

We are happy to have Dolly Corbin back with us again. After an absence of a year, she will be spending the next few months here in Tucson. It is our understanding that she has to return to Tucson periodically just to keep her son in check. She says it is a tough job but someone has to do it.

MCC/Tucson wishes Desert Leathermen much success with their 5th Annual OBSERVER/ Community Benefit this coming Saturday. It is one of the highlight events of the year.

Thought for the Week: Love is not blind - it sees more, not less. But because it sees more, it is willing to see less. -Rabbi Julius Gordon

5 KILLED AS IRAN BEGINS EXECUTING HOMOSEXUALS

by Allen White

TEHERAN, IRAN (BAR) - Three Gay men and two Lesbians have already been killed through a barbaric new policy calling for the execution of homosexuals by the Iranian government.

The policy statement was issued earlier this year on Iran radio. Details were released by reporter Dale Van Atta in Jack Anderson's syndicated column.

According to Van Atta's report, three accused homosexual men were publicly beheaded in one of the city squares of Nahavand and two accused Lesbians were stoned to death in Langrood.

Daryl Gibson, managing editor for Anderson's column, said many of the revelations were learned from Van Atta's sources in Iran as well as the United States.

Gibson said Iran Radio issued a statement by Iranian Chief Justice Morteza Moghtadai that said, "The religious punishment for the despicable act of homosexuality is death for both parties.

Anderson's column reports that the judge has five options for the execution of homosexuals. They are either to be beheaded by a sword, stoned to death, thrown down a height such as a mountain or tall building, die under the rubble of a wall demolished on their head or burned alive."

Van Atta said, "This is a new practice that should come under the scrutiny of the United Nations special representative, Reynaldo Galindo Pohl, who has received an invitation to visit Teheran to investigate human rights abuses.

JEWISH LESBIAN DAUGHTERS OF HOLOCAUST SURVIVORS HOLD SPRING GATHERING MAY 4-6TH

BOSTON, MA - On April 22, Jews around the world will observe Yom HaShoah, the commemoration of the Warsaw Ghetto uprising, one of many acts of Jewish resistance during the Holocaust. Yom HaShoah has become a worldwide day of mourning, both for the six million Jews who were murdered during World War I, and for the survivors.

Children of some of those survivors will meet several days later when Jewish Lesbian Daughters of Holocaust Survivors (JLDHS) hold their tenth gathering May 4-6 in New Hampshire. The group meets semiannually for a weekend of discussions, support, and networking around issues faced by children of survivors.

JLDHS is for Lesbians whose parent or parents survived the Holocaust. This includes parents who were in Nazi Europe or North Africa in 1933 or later and who survived death camps or in hiding, by passing as non-Jews, or by managing to leave for safer territories. Jewish and non-Jewish Lesbian partners of daughters are welcomed, and may attend workshops specifically for partners. For further information write Box 6194, Boston, MA 02114, or call (617) 321-4254.

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TUCSON AIDS PROJECT (TAP), 151 S. Tucson Blvd, 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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Call Information and Referral 881-1794

GAY OR LESBIAN AND HAVE A DRINKING PROBLEM?
Call A.A. 624-4183. 24-Hour Hotline. Call for information and Gay and Lesbian meetings in Tucson.

GAY OR BI-SEXUAL MEN in relationships with women. Need friends you can talk to? Weekly support group meets Tuesdays 6:30 - 7:30 pm. Certified psychologist facilitator. Call 884-0476 Tucson. Strictly confidential.

AIDS HOTLINE - 326-AIDS. Hours M-F, 10 am to Midnight. Information, counseling, HIV-related services, Tucson.

WINGSPAN - Tucson's Lesbian & Gay Community Center offers support groups / library / monthly newsletter. Hotline M-W-F 2-5 p.m., Weeknights 6-8 p.m. Men's night on Mondays 7:30 pm. Women's night on Wednesdays 7 pm. Volunteer opportunities. Information 624-1778 Tucson.

LUTHERANS CONCERNED/TUCSON is a fellowship and support group for Lesbian and Gay Lutherans. We meet monthly and all are welcome. Call Greg at 322-6334 or write to Lutherans Concerned/Tucson, P.O. Box 40252, Tucson 85717.

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 pm at St. Francis in the Foothills church, Swan and River Road. Call the church at 299-9063 or Paul at 881-5651 for information.

NEED BUSINESS OR PERSONAL CONTACTS IN PHOENIX?
The Camelback Business and Professional Association has your information. Call Peter Hudson at 225-8509 or write CBPA, P.O. Box 2097, Phoenix, AZ 85001.

LESBIAN AND GAY MORMONS
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G.A.P.A. - Gay Asians Pacific Alliance is forming a new social, educational, political and cultural group in Tucson. Call Marc at 881-4582

FRONT RUNNERS OF TUCSON meet for fun runs at 6:00 p.m. Tuesdays in front of the Himmel Park Library. For more information call Mitch at 326-3333.

P.A.C.T. - People with AIDS Coalition of Tucson, Broadmoor Bldg., 3833 E. 2nd Street. Office Hours 10 am to 5 pm M-Fr Wednesdays 7 pm. Call 322-9808 for information.

SHANTI FOUNDATION OF TUCSON
Volunteer groups meet each Tuesday from 7:30 to 9 pm at 602 N. 4th Ave. Potential Shanti volunteers seeking information 7:30 to 8 pm only. Phone 622-7107.

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 contact Joan 790-7526 or Jan 885-7118 or write P.O. Box 17747, Tucson, AZ 85731-7747. All replies confidential.

COUPLES OF TUCSON, a social and support group for Gay and Lesbian couples. For more information write P.O. Box 78613, Tucson, AZ 85703 or call Beverly and Roberta 795-4517 or Sam and Ron 886-0149.

JEHOVAH/ROHBO, HE'S THE LORD THAT HEALETH THEE
To find healing come worship with Casa De La Paloma Apostolic church Sundays at 10:30 am. Plaza Hotel, 1900 E. Speedway, Salon "D", second floor. Call Pastor Sandy at 323-6855 for more information. Affiliated with the national Gay Pentacostal Alliance.

ARE YOU GAY OR LESBIAN and someone else's drinking is getting to you. Call Information and Referral about Gay Al-Anon 881-1794 in Tucson.

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

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

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LAMBDA INTRODUCTION SERVICE
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ARIZONA/SONORA PROYECTO, S.I.D.A. seeks volunteers who are bilingual (Spanish/English) and are interested in presenting information about AIDS to Spanish speakers in Arizona and Sonora, Mexico. Call Enrique 741-1965 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)

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American Gay Atheists will meet Saturday at 6:00 p.m., Saturday, April 7th at Wingspan. For more information write AGA, 3003 North Central #121-211, Phoenix, AZ 85012. 298

Personals

Linda, thanks for a great weekend - you really keep them moving. Here's to a great future Danny

Mr. Bob Bishop - Thank you for the spot on Sunday. The favor was greatly appreciated. Danny Duncan

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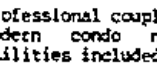
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EVERY TUESDAY
HIV/AIDS Emotional Support Group, 7:30-9 p.m. every Tuesday, TAP office, 151 S. Tucson Blvd. Call 322-6226 for more info.

EVERY WEDNESDAY
Positive Approach to Living with HIV, at P.A.C.T. office every Wed. 7 P.M. You do have choices, come and learn. 3833 E. 2nd Street.

EVERY 1ST AND 3RD THURSDAY
"IMAGES" Shanti Support Group - 7 p.m. A support group focusing on positive attitudes, self-love and self-healing. HIV+/AIDS persons encouraged. Call 571-0372 for location.

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