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Midshipman's Suit On Again

NEW YORK, NY - The United States Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia reversed a decision by the lower court which had dismissed the case against the U.S. Naval Academy filed by Joseph Steffan, former top-ranking midshipman who was forced to resign within weeks of his graduation because he stated he is Gay.

Steffan had appealed the district court's action of dismissing his action for failure to comply with a discovery order. Steffan had claimed his Fifth Amendment privilege against self-incrimination when refusing the answer questions during his deposition about whether he had engaged in homosexual conduct during or after his tenure as a midshipman. On the advice of his lawyers, Steffan refused to answer questions about his sexual activity on the grounds that it was not relevant to the central issue of his case -- that he was forced to resign from the Naval Academy based solely on his statement that he is Gay. The three judge federal appeals panel agreed.

Noting that "the record is clear that [Steffan] was separated from the Naval Academy based on his admission that he is a homosexual rather than on any evidence of misconduct," the appeals court recognized that the government could not later put into issue whether Steffan had engaged in "potentially disqualifying conduct" unless such conduct was, from the start, a basis for his separation.

The case now returns to the lower court on the issue of whether the Naval Academy violated Steffan's constitutional rights when it forced him to resign from the Academy, forfeiting his graduation and stripping him of his commission, simply because he stated that he is Gay.

Regarding the victory, Steffan said, "I'm very encouraged by the decision and anxious to finally get on to the heart of the matter."

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Gay Man Awarded $44,749 For Unlawful Firing

ST. PAUL, MN - A Gay St. Cloud man was awarded $44,749 by a judge who called his firing "intentional discrimination by an employer carried out in the most offensive manner." Administrative Law Judge George A. Beck awarded Lyle J. Pierce, former manager of the Di Ma Corp. bookstore in St. Cloud, $27,749 in compensatory damages and interest and $17,000 in punitive damages.

"It's an important decision,"said state Human Rights Commissioner Stephen Cooper, whose department prosecuted the case. "The amount of money awarded is a stiff deterrent to discrimination in this manner."

Beck also ordered Di Ma and its president, Richard Carriveau, to pay a civil penalty of $25,000 to the state's general fund. Further, he ordered that Pierce be immediately reinstated to his position as Di Ma manager.

"To countenance discrimination such as that set out in this case is to permit fear and prejudice to prevail over reason," Beck wrote in his decision. "The relief ordered in this case is directed at ensuring that (Pierce) is viewed according to his capabilities rather than his disability. The outrageousness of (Carriveau's) conduct, as well as the resulting serious harm, fully justifies the substantial damages awarded in this matter.

According to court documents, here are the facts of the case:

Pierce had three stints of employment at Di Ma bookstore, which sells adult magazines and videos and has a back room where customers can watch sexual films in small booths. Pierce was fired in 1983 after working there for two

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Rose Mofford's Last Christmas Card As Governor

Each Christmas Arizona Governor Rose Mofford sends out an original personal card that always causes comments. Her 1988 card featured her as the Goddess of Liberty atop the Capitol's dome, with a bare left leg sticking out from a white toga. Though this year the card is a little tamer, it depicts her dressed as Santa Claus with earrings and blue eye shadow with the message, "And to all a good night!" Beside the usual greeting, the card also contained the message, "This will be my last personal greeting to you for the holiday season. Henceforth, the money I spent to buy and mail Christmas cards will be donated to various charities." Mofford's personal Christmas cards were designed for the past 12 years by Sherman Goodrich, a San Diego artist.

Season's Greetings to you and yours and my heartfelt thanks for your support during my last months as Governor of the Great State of Arizona.

Rose Mofford '90

UPDATE

Gay Protesters Confront Arsenio Hall

LOS ANGELES, CA (AP) - Two Gay activists confronted an angry Arsenio Hall on his talk show, demanding to know why he doesn't interview more homosexual guests.

The nearly ten-minute debate, which at times turned into a shouting match, took place at the beginning of the Friday, Dec. 11, show, which was taped earlier in the evening for broadcast later that night. The argument appeared to run uncut.

It started when two men, one wearing a T-shirt carrying the slogan "Queer Nation", stood up in the audience and demanded to know why Hall didn't have more Gay guests on the program.

"There are a lot of Gay guests on this show," Hall shot back, But it ain't none of your damn business that they are Gay!"

Hall, who is black, said he is sensitive to the plight of all minorities, but the hecklers accused him of making fun of Gays. "I do black jokes. I do Gay jokes," he said. "I'm a comedian."

Weather Or Not

by Bart

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THIS WEEKEND EXPECT ANOTHER ARCTIC FRONT. CLOUDS. POSSIBLE SHOWERS AND VERY COLD.

NEW YEARS EVE: CLOUDY AND CHILLY.

AIDS Mastery Workshop In Phoenix

PHOENIX - Northern Lights Alternatives/ Los Angeles will offer the AIDS Mastery workshop in Phoenix on Jan. 11 and 12.

The Mastery is a weekend experience which challenges the notion that the quality of life is dependent upon the circumstances or duration. AIDS as a circumstance in life can be used to depress the quality of life or it can be used as a motivator to enhance the quality of life. Despite HIV in our lives, it is possible to live full, rich, joyful and empowered lives. The workshop offers participants the opportunity to find their own unique ways to move beyond the circumstances affecting their lives.

The Mastery is for anyone confronting HIV or mortality at any level. While the content of the workshop is targeted to those dealing with HIV in their bodies, lives or families, the philosophy is applicable to anyone interested in a better quality of life. The workshop also serves doctors, nurses, therapists and all caregivers.

The workshop is accomplished through one-on-one interaction between facilitators and participants, group interaction, as well as emotional exercises and visualization. In order to promote intimacy and assure confidentiality, the workshops are limited in size.

The AIDS Mastery is not a set belief system, rather it is designed to allow the participants to discover their own inherent power, self-expression and uniqueness.

"Art For Life '91"

PHOENIX - On Saturday evening, Jan. 12, the Phoenix Shanti Group will sponsor its second "Art For Life '91" benefit art auction at the Ritz-Carlton in Phoenix. The benefit will offer over 175 paintings, drawings, prints, photographs and sculptures by the most established and exciting contemporary and southwestern artists in the United States including Fritz Scholder, Ed Mell, Andy Warhol, Lowell Nesbitt, Jun Kaneko, Jeff Low, Robert Mapplethorpe, Otto Rigan, Amado Pena, R.C. Gorman, Kevin Sloan, Joe Fay, William Wegman, Deloss McGraw, Keith Haring, Jim Connor, Denise Wallace, Beth Apes Swartz and Michael Peter Hawley.

Ms. Kathleen McFadden Guzman, President and Chief Auctioneer of Christie's East, New York, will once again conduct the auction, pro-bono, this year. Cameron Harper, prominent Phoenix newscaster, will serve as master of ceremonies. All proceeds will benefit the Phoenix Shanti Group a non-profit corporation providing health care, support services and research to those persons living with AIDS.

Founded in 1986, the Phoenix Shanti Living Center represents a new model for managing the long-term and chronic needs of persons with HIV. It utilizes case management in tandem with a continuum of health care services within one centralized location. The Phoenix Shanti Group was one of 18 sites in the United States chosen by the National Institute of Health to provide a community program for clinical research on AIDS. The center provides services conveniently to all states within the southwest. Other programs include information and referral, case management, wellness clinic, residential and hospice care, emergency housing, early intervention and prevention training and education, 18 weekly support groups, volunteer training, outpatient services and counseling.

The "Art For Life '91" benefit art auction serves as the major fund raising event for the Phoenix Shanti Group. Prominent gallery owners, artists and community leaders are involved and committed to help those who have contracted the AIDS virus. To make the evening a success Shanti is in need of fine art for the auction, attendees for the benefit, and most important, buyers for the art. The art may be previewed January 9 through 11, from noon to 4:00 p.m., and during Art Walk, Thursday evening, Jan. 10, 7 to 9 p.m. at 4142 N. Marshall Way, Scottsdale, in the space between Wilde-Meyer and Lisa Sette Galleries.

Tickets for the benefit are $100 each, and include a hosted cocktail bar, formal dinner with wine, Christie's live auction, silent auction and entertainment. For more information or a commitment to help, contact the benefit chairman, Robert Minor, (602)271-0008.

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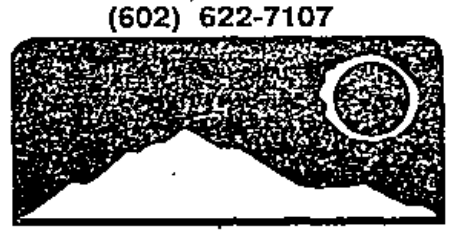

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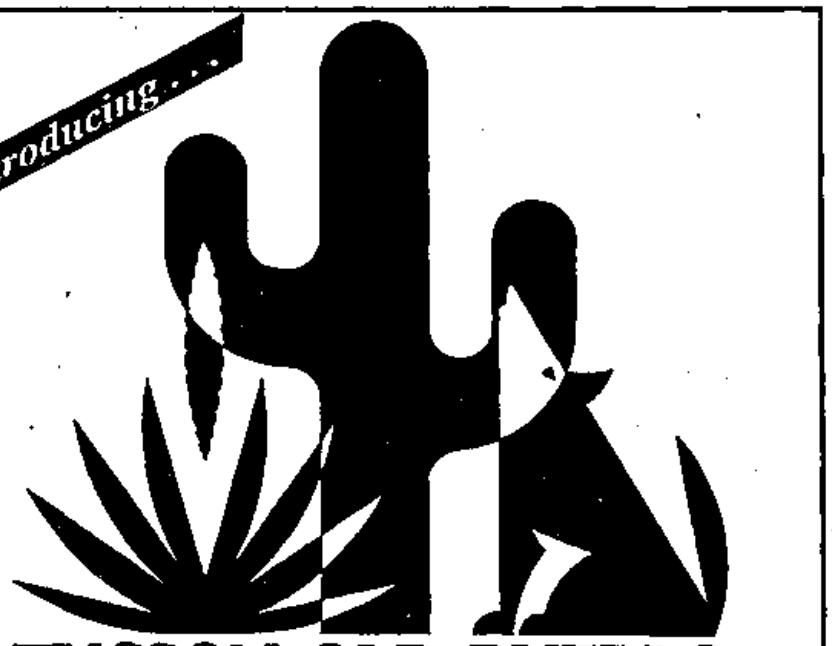

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POLITICS '90 by MARK R. KERR

WORLD NEWS: The first opposition party in the last Stalinist country, Albania, was granted legal status last week, in the midst of a major uprising by students and workers. The Albanian Democratic Party is the name of the new party. The party pledged to change the backward communist country into a free market society. The party held their first rally in the capital, Tirana, and over 15,000 attended the rally held last week. In the Yugoslavian Republic of Slovenia, a referendum was held on whether or not the tiny republic should secede from the Yugoslav Federation. By a 95% vote, the Slovenes said yes. It is expected that what we know as the country of Yugoslavia shall cease to exist in six months, with the secession of Slovenia, and the expected secession of the Croation Republic and two other "republics".

NATIONAL NEWS: Last week, President Bush named former Tennessee governor Lamar Alexander as the new Education Secretary to succeed Lauro Cavazos. It is expected that he will be confirmed shortly, and by a wide margin.

ARIZONA NEWS: The United States Justice Department gave their final approval on the February 26th date for the Gubernatorial runoff between Terry Goddard and Fife Symington. Both campaigns expressed their pleasure on the quick action taken by the Justice Department. They also stated they will start their respective campaigns on January 2nd. In a related story, Democratic Gubernatorial candidate Goddard, stated that if elected, he would make a clean sweep of the State Department heads, asking for their resignations.

State Representative Eleanor Schorr of Tucson has caused a stir before the 1991-92 session has started. She has refused to sign documents stating that she had never been a communist. In the 1940s, legislation was enacted making legislators sign a loyalty oath, which stated that they had never been members of the Communist Party, which at that time was outlawed. This oath was challenged in the 1960s and was declared unconstitutional. The Republican Speaker of the House, Jane Dee Hull of Phoenix, stated that she did not understand why Schorr was making such a fuss. (It may be 1990, but it is still 1952 in the minds of these Republicans).

TUCSON NEWS: The Tucson Business Coalition announced that it is postponing, for the time being, a petition drive to change the form of government that the City of Tucson now has, from a Manager/Council to a Mayoral/Council.... Last week the Pima County Board of Supervisors voted by a 3 to 2 margin, to okay the Rocking K development project for the southeast side of Tucson. The swing vote was Supervisor Greg Lunn, who joined Supervisors Ed Moore and Reg Morrison. Supervisors Raul Grijalva and Dan Eckstrom voted against it. Opponents of the Rocking K development stated that they will launch a petition drive to overturn the ruling.

END NOTES: Just a few dates to remember:
JANUARY 24: The first day to vote by absentee ballot.
JANUARY 28: The last day to register to vote in the February 26th runoff election.
FEBRUARY 26: The Gubernatorial runoff election.

The Lambda Democratic Caucus will be holding a registration drive at all local Tucson bars. So, if you have not registered, do it and then VOTE!

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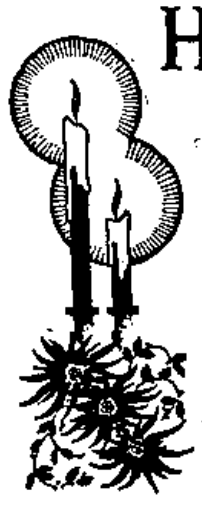

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We wish each of you a Happy Holiday and a Heathy, Happy New Year.

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Bit Of The Old South

by Sean Thomas

Hope everyone had a nice Christmas. I did. The Christmas season can be a long one too. Just think only 363 days till Christmas. (Ha Ha).

Now we have one of the biggest, festive party holidays coming up. New Year's Eve! A time to reflect on the ups and downs of this year and the hopes and aspirations of the next. This year has been one of the most eventful years I've ever experienced. I've made so many new friends and acquaintances. There have been times I was quite concerned, but each time the beautiful of Tucson pulled together.

1991 is the year for fresh starts and great accomplishments. But, remember this does not happen by itself. It takes you and me (all of us), to do it! Some of the old negative feelings are hard to let go. But I'm going to try. Let me start by reiterating the fact that there is a "person" involved when you deal with so called "AIDS cases". The immature, unprofessional mentality of persons who think of the whole issue as fast-food competition of numbers served or who is number one, is sad, rude and grossly pathetic. AIDS service organizations are very accountable to the people they serve first. It is hard enough going through the whole HIV experience, as well as to ask for help, then feel one is a notch/-number to increase a group's rating. Rating? This crap needs to stop. There, I've said it. Hopefully that issue can be finally laid to rest.

Now to the final chapter of the Floyd Meeks story. (At least for this column). Floyd is a very complex, yet direct man. His ultimate fantasy, he says, involves, shaving, hot wax and handcuffs. Now let your imaginations go wild and see what you come up with. No he is not pure perversion - decadence maybe. He strongly believes that life is to be lived to the max. If you're not enjoying life, then you're just existing, not living.

After hearing stories by Floyd and his lover Ron, I feel you could easily call Floyd's life, up to now, A Gay Adventure of Floyd in Wonderland. He says that to financially survive a number of years ago, he would rely on the kindness of strangers, and sing (so to speak) for his dinner. From New York to Los Angeles and many a city in between, he was well known for his numerous and sundry talents.

He is constantly telling me, "people need to take responsibility for their own lives and actions and not be constantly blaming their personal stumbles and pitfalls on others. Be an adult, act like an adult and play hard like an adult."

"Remember that a good friend is hard to find and that a good hard friend is even better. Fear and paranoia of HIV can in itself be a debilitating disease. Learn the facts and live and enjoy."

"An exciting and safe fantasy-filled sex life is not limited to the videos, magazines and a firm hand. Get out there and learn to love and live life."

Thanks Floyd for giving me the most unique interview so far. May we have a fruitful and long friendship.

And finally to my best friend in the whole world, Kenny. I wish you the best and only the best on your 25th birthday. You know how I feel. Thanks for being there when I needed you and you can always count on the same. And a happy "29th" birthday to Raven (Parker). My new year's wish for you all is that 1991 finds us and gives us health, happiness and caring from the heart for each other. Please enjoy the New Year's Eve partying, but let someone else drive if you've had too many. I'd like to see you next year.

Till next year: Sean, 323-3780.

Advice From Your Counselor

STEVEN DIETZ..

Steven Dietz's column is not available this week because of holiday madness and a bad cold. His column will again appear next week. In the meantime, he has asked that we wish all his readers a very happy new year.

We encourage reader participation. All correspondence should be written directly to Steven Dietz, P.O. Box 35145, Tucson, AZ 85740. All correspondence is confidential, and letters used in the OBSERVER will not carry the name of the correspondent. To receive a reply directly from Mr. Dietz, you must enclose a self-addressed, stamped envelope.

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Alyson Publications Ten Years Old And Still Going Strong

"I've already chosen to be what I am, which is what I always have been."

This is the last line from David Rees's "In The Tent', one of the myriad books Alyson Publications has published. It is a line which fits the publishing house as well as the seventeen-year-old Gay male protagonist.

Sasha Alyson, who founded the press on a shoestring ten years ago, has both reflected and helped to build our diverse community. Like a family that never tires of recognizing its own, his press most recently reached out its arm to the children of Lesbian and Gay parents with a line of books called Alyson Wonderland. The first release is "Daddy's Roommate" by Michael Willhoite.

Nor are young Gays a forgotten group. There were no juvenile Gay novels when I was an adolescent. My hunger for this is still so great I practically swallow whole anything by Don Saker -- his newest is "Lucky In Love". I devoured Jane Futcher's "Crush", which Alyson reprinted in 1988, as well as Ann Heron's "One Teenager In Ten", wherein 27 Gay teens wrote their stories. These kinds of books change lives and strengthen Gay kids who eventually become our community.

The adult Gay family is big enough for its disparate elements to lay down swords to create parades and institutions where we can all come together. Alyson offers us a literary parade that takes risks to give voice to every segment of the community. This year, Alyson introduces "Bi Any Other Name: Biserual People Speak Out," by Loraine Hutchins and Lani Kaahumanu and "Doc and Fluff," Pat Califa's futuristic S/M novel,

In a community, when one of us begins to speak, the door opens for everyone. The late Joseph Beam's "In The Life," an anthology of stories, essays and poetry by Black Gay men, did just this. Its sequel, "Brother To My Brother," is due for release in 1991. "Rocking the Cradle" was a pre-dyke-baby-boom treatment of Lesbian mothers. In "The Trouble With Harry Hay" Stuart Timmons writes the life story of the father of Gay liberation, an early door opener.

Despite the runaway successes of "Lesbian Lists," "The Gay Book Of Lists," "The Alyson Almanac" and Terry Boughner's "Out Of All Time," the press is not primarily a non-fiction house. My all-time favorite work of fiction is John Preston's "Franny: The Queen Of Provincetown," about the love in all its forms in the life of an aging queen in the Gay mecca. Preston also created the Gay adventure genre with his Alex Kane series. Mythic muscular heroes fight for justice for Gay people, enhancing our self-image along the way. Would Act-Up exist without outrageous fictional exploits brewing in Gay imaginations?

Gay lit did not begin with Alyson, however. "Quatrefoil (1950); "The Hustler (1926); The Pearl Bastard (1959) and Forman Brown's "Better Angel" (1933), written under the pseudonym Richard Meeker, are some of the classics that Alyson has put back into print.

Recently, the press branched into poetry with "Decade Dance" by Michael Lassell, an accessible book about Gay men in the plague years. "Gays In Uniform: The Pentagon's Secret Reports," edited by Kate Dyer, is the war machine's surprise self-expose proving that there is no justification for keeping Gays out of the military.

In its tenth year, Alyson has poets, warriors, people of all colors and ages, dykes and faggots, mothers and fathers, sleuths and seductresses, readers and writers from around the world marching across the pages so its books. It has provided us with history as it entertained us, it has given us reference books and novels, biographies and erotica, heroes and heroines, laughter and tears, and most of all, a sense of belonging to an enormous community of which we can be proud. The pen is indeed mightier than the sword.

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(Lee Lynch is a free-lance writer living in Oregon)

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FBI Officials Ordered to Give Answers on Former Agent

SAN FRANCISCO, CA - A judge hearing the case of a veteran FBI agent who claims he was fired because he is Gay ordered the agency to turn over any records indicating whether it denies security clearances to Gay people. U.S. District Judge Eugene P. Lynch also ordered several top FBI officials to submit to pretrial questioning by attorneys for the agent who sued the agency, claiming he was fired because he was Gay. (OBSERVER, Nov. 28).

The order also directed the FBI to produce records on whether the agency has a policy, implied or otherwise, of denying security clearance on the basis of sexual orientation. Lynch gave the FBI until Dec. 31 to file objections to his ruling in the case of Frank Buttino, 45, who has filed a discrimination suit against the agency. Lynch refused, however, to allow the agent's lawyers to take a deposition from FBI Director William Sessions, who has declared under oath that he did not participate in the decision to revoke Buttino's security clearance.

Buttino, of San Diego, was fired in June after 20 years with the FBI. His security clearance, required for all agents, was revoked the previous month. In papers that sought to dismiss Buttino's suit, the Justice Department said Buttino's clearance was lifted not because he was Gay, but because he had lied repeatedly to FBI investigators and placed himself in a position vulnerable to coercion.

The agent has stated that the only lie he told, in hopes of saving his career, was to deny initially to investigators in 1988 that he had written a social letter to another person that indicated his homosexuality. The letter had been anonymously forwarded to the FBI.

The court ordered the FBI to make available for depositions agent Thomas Kuker, in charge of the probe that led to revocation of Buttino's clearance; Security Officer Jerry Rubino of the Department of Justice, who approved the lifting of Buttino's clearance; FBI employee William Teagan, who administered a lie-detector test to Buttino, and agent Gary Stoops, FBI Security Programs manager, who made the first decision to revoke the clearance.

Lynch ruled that Buttino "is entitled to information regarding whether defendants (the FBI) have a policy of considering one's sexual orientation in deciding whether to grant security clearances and information regarding whether such policy, if one exists, was applied to plaintiff."

Judge Rules Texas State Sodomy Law Unconstitutional

AUSTIN, TX - A state judge has ruled that Texas' so-called anti-Gay law against homosexual sodomy is unconstitutional. (OBSERVER, Dec. 12).

"It's great, really exciting. This is a very important day for us," said Mell Hahn, attorney for the Texas Human Rights Foundation, which helped file the suit challenging the law.

A spokesman for the state attorney general's office said a decision on whether to appeal the ruling by District Judge Paul Davis would be left to Attorney General-elect Dan Morales.

Gay men and women from Austin, Houston and Dallas challenged the 1879 law before Davis, who made his ruling after an hour-long hearing, according to the plaintiffs and the Texas attorney general's office.

The law makes it a Class C misdemeanor, punishable by a $200 fine, for consenting adults of the same gender to have "deviant sexual intercourse".

The plaintiffs asserted that the law violates Texas constitutional guarantees of privacy, equal protection and due process, as well as the state Equal Rights Amendment. They also alleged that the law, which has not been prosecuted recently, encourages discrimination and hate crimes against Gay people, and restricts their career and employment opportunities.

"What people do in the privacy of their own home is not anybody's business, particularly the state's," said Suzanne Wagers of the Texas Human Rights Foundation. Attorney Tom Doyal of Austin said he was extremely pleased with the ruling. Doyal said it would allow Gay people to go on with their lives without fear of being branded as criminals.

Texas Assistant Attorney General Harry Potter said the 5th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals and the U.S. Supreme Court have upheld sodomy laws, ruling that they "do not violate a person's privacy or other rights."

But Ms. Hahn said that case was filed in the federal court system, and noted that the latest case was brought in state court. "The Texas Constitution is really different, with a bill of rights that is even stronger," she said.

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SUNDAY, DECEMBER 30

JOSHUA TREE - The Christmas/New Year 50/50 raffle will end at 5 p.m. with the drawing for the winning ticket. The money in the pot is nearly $200 at presstime and will surely be well over that by draving time. The winner will receive one half of the pot and the other half goes to Shanti/Tucson.

MONDAY, DECEMBER 31 - NEW YEAR'S EVE

COLETTE'S - Welcome 1991 here in style. A fine gourmet dinner will be served beginning at 5:30 p.m. $8.25 per person includes the party which runs from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. with gourmet snacks, champagne at midnight and other surprises. Cover for the party only is $7.25 per person.

FRENCH QUARTER - The party starts here at 9 p.m. There will be a complimentary buffet with such goodies as salads, spiced sausage, beans, old fashioned cornbread, etc. Special drink prices include all well drinks and domestic beer for $1.25 and "designated drivers" can get coke and 7 up for 50 cents or free coffee and of course there will be party favors, dancing and champagne at midnight.

HOURS - Time to Party here with guest bartenders Esther and Teno. Free buffet all night long and free champagne at midnight. Party favors and great dance music. No cover. Be sure to bring your ID.

IBT'S - Celebrate New Year's Eve the IBT way with their big party. Lots of party favors, complimentary champagne at midnight. Plenty of non-alcoholic drinks specials for "designated drivers". And, it's the last chance to enter the Santa drawing contest. $1 per entry and it goes to Shanti/Tucson. Cash prizes $100 and $50.

JOSHUA TREE - Dance the new year in here. It's a Black and White New Year's Eve celebration with party favors, complimentary champagne at midnight. Wear black and white for a special surprise.

RUMORZ - Bring in the new year here with a Dance Party with DJ Clint. The new year itself will be televised on the big screen during the evening also. Champagne at midnight and party favors, of course. Plenty of non-alcoholic beer and sodas for the "designated driver" plus free coffee.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 1, 1991

COLETTE'S - They will be closed all day today let the employees rest up from a very, very busy holiday season. Happy New Year!

RUMORZ - "SICK CALL" !!! Let nurse Bucky heal whatever it is that ails you - and you know what that is.... Bloody Marys or Screwdrivers for only $1.00 from noon until 4:00 p.m. Plus complimentary black-eyed peas and cornbread to bring you luck during the new year. Party..... again.....!

SATURDAY, JANUARY 5

It's "Sharing Weekend" and there will be volunteers at all the local bars collecting your $1.00 donation which is divvied up among various AIDS organizations. Once you have donated, you get a sticker and will not be asked to donate again that evening no matter where you bar hop.

SUNDAY, JANUARY 6

JOSHUA TREE - Consualia, a very hot, gifted performer from Phoenix will be here at 10 p.m. Make plans to see this great act - you won't be sorry.

SUNDAY, JANUARY 13

COLETTE'S - The regular Sunday Pool Tournament will resume tonight after the holiday layoff. It begins at 5:30 and there is a $3.00 entry.

JOSHUA TREE - Show with Lucinda Holiday and friends begins promptly at 10:30. Always entertaining.

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 16

COLETTE'S - It's Country & Western Night here again and it's hosted as usual by that singin' troubadour, Cowboy Loren Johnson.

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sunday

BACK POCKET/JOSHUA TREE - Open Noon. Drink Specials. Steak Dinner 4:30 to 7:30 pm $4.00. DJ Bobby Jr. 9-1.

COLETTE'S WEST - Open 10 am. NFL Football on our big screen. Special drink and food prices. Pool Tournament 5:30 pm. $3.00 entry. Brunch til 3. "Wine Down Nite" $1.00 wine 6 pm to midnight. Movies on the big screen begins at 7 pm.

FRENCH QUARTER - Open Noon. Brunch served 12-4. Bloody Marys - Screwdrivers - Mimosa $1.50, Daiquiris $2. .50 Draft Beer 7 p.m. to closing.

FIRELINE - Opens at 1 p.m. .75 draft. Country/Western music.

GRADUATE - All White Well $1.25 daytime and $1.50 nighttime.

ROCKS - Bloody Marys and Screws $1.00 til 7 pm. Noons Madness Specials 7-1.

IBT'S - Great sandwiches from DB Cafe noon to 4. Copper City Squares 2 to 7?? C/W music and dancing lessons with Cowboy DJ/Instructor Gil Leon.

RUMORZ - Noon to 6 pm Beer Bust .50 draft + Screws and Marys $1.25 + Schnapps .50/shot. + Hot Dogs + Todd DJs 9-1

monday

BACK POCKET/JOSHUA TREE - Open Noon. Daily Drink Specials plus Bowlers Special! Bobby Jr. 9-1

COLETTE'S WEST - Daily Sandwich Special. 2 for 1 drinks 5-8. All White Well $1.00. Monday Night Football!! .50 Draft and .75 Beer Dogs during the game.

FRENCH QUARTER - Open 3 pm. 3 to 7 All Well and Domestic Beer $1.25.

FIRELINE - Open at 1 with Big Bike. .50 hot dogs all day. 5-7 $1 Well, $2.50 Pitchers.

GRADUATE - Happy Hour prices open to close.

ROCKS - Open Noon. Happy Hours 3 to 7 pm - Well and Domestic Beer $1.25, to 8:30 Rowdy Cloggers.

IBT'S - 4 to 8 Two for One. Bowler's Special $1 Well or non-Premium Beer.

RUMORZ - Noon-7 pm Domestic Beer or Well drinks $1.25 plus All White Well $1.25 8 to close. Todd DJs at 9.

tuesday

BACK POCKET/JOSHUA TREE - Open Noon. Daily Drink Specials. Ladies Night: Strippers. Bobby Jr. DJs 9 p.m.

COLETTE'S WEST - Check for daily sandwich special. 2 for 1 from 5-8. Longneck Bottle Beer $1.25 from 8 to midnight. DJ 8 to midnight.

FRENCH QUARTER - Open 3 pm. 3 to 7 pm All Well or Domestic Beer $1.25. 7 pm to close all Well Drinks $1.25.

FIRELINE - Opens at 1 pm. .50 hot dogs. 5-7 $1 Well, $2.50 Pitchers. $1 drink specials at night.

GRADUATE - .50 Draft open to close.

ROCKS - Happy Hours 3 to 7pm Well or Domestic Beer $1.25.

IBT'S - 4 to 8 Two for One. Copper City Squares 7-9. Leather Nite with .50 draft beer and .50 off call liquor for anyone wearing leather 8 pm to close. Country music and dancing with Gil Leon 9-1.

RUMORZ - $1.25 Domestic beer or well drinks Noon-7 pm. All White Well $1.25 8 to close. VJ/DJ 9-1 with Clint.

wednesday

BACK POCKET/JOSHUA TREE - Open Noon. Strip Shows every Wednesday. Bobby Jr. DJs 9pm

COLETTE'S WEST - Daily Sandwich Special. Two for One 5-8. T-Squares dance and give free square dance lessons at 6:30. Schnapps $1 from 8 to 12 am. DJ 9-1.

FRENCH QUARTER - Open 3 pm. 3 to 7 pm all Well or Domestic Beer $1.25. 7 to close all Domestic Beer $1.25, All Schnapps .75 Mexican Dinner served 6 to 9.

FIRELINE - Opens at 1 pm .50 hot dogs. 5-7 $1 Well, $2.50 Pitchers. $1 drink specials all night.

GRADUATE - Domestic Beer $1.25/days - $1.50 nites.

ROCKS - Draft Beer .50 Noon to close. Happy Hours 3 to 7 pm Well or Domestic Beer $1.25. Black & White Service Industries Night Out. Bartenders, waiters and waitresses 1/2 price.

IBT'S - 4-8 Two for One. 8 to Close, White Well Nite .75 (w/juice $1.00). Top 40 dance music with Linda Firdale 9 to 1.

RUMORZ - Noon-7 pm Domestic Beer or Well drinks $1.25 Domestic Bottle Beer Nite $1.25 + .75 Schnapps 8 to close. VJ/DJ Clint at 9pm.

thursday

BACK POCKET/JOSHUA TREE - Open Noon. DJ 9-1

COLETTE'S WEST - Two for One 5-8. "Sudsersite!" .75 draft from 8 to midnight. DJ from 9 to 1.

FRENCH QUARTER - Open 3 pm. 3 to 7 pm Well or Domestic Beer $1.25. Italian Dinner served 6 to 9. Golf Appreciation Nite - Corona Beer $1.25 3 pm to closing.

FIRELINE - Opens at 1 pm .50 hot dogs. 5-7 pm $1 Well, $2.50 Pitchers. $1 drink specials at night.

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

ROCKS - Draft Beer .50 Noon to Close. Happy Hours 3 to 7pm, Well or Domestic Beer $1.25. Heineken or Corona $1.00 from 9 pm to 1 am. Country/Western Nite, dance lessons 8:30 - 9:30. C/W Dancing 9:30 to 1 DJ Art Ranch.

IBT'S - 4-8 Two for One. Country music and dancing with Gil Leon. Bud and Bud Lite $1.25 8-1.

RUMORZ - $1.25 Domestic Beer or Well Drinks 12-7pm. Keggar 6pm to Midnight .50/draft, .75 Schnapps, munchies. Video/Disco dancing with Clint 9-1.

friday

BACK POCKET/JOSHUA TREE - Open Noon. Bobby Jr. DJs beginning at 9pm.

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

FRENCH QUARTER - Open 3 pm. 3 to 7 pm all Well or Domestic Beer $1.25. Dinner served 6 to 9 with Barley Bess at the piano. Patio Bar open 9-1 with .50 draft.

FIRELINE - Opens at 1 pm .50 hot dogs. 5-7 $1 Well and $2.50 pitchers. $1 drink specials at night. New Fireline opens 8:30 "Share Nite" 17 & older with dancing/neon light show. Bar open for 21 and over with proper ID.

GRADUATE - Drink Specials until closing.

ROCKS - Happy Hours 3 to 7pm, Well or Domestic Beer $1.25

IBT'S - 4-8 Two for One / Hot Music 9 to close with Linda Firdale.

RUMORZ - $1.25 Domestic Beer or Well 12-7pm. Free Hors d'Oeuvres 5:30. Progressive Friday: Well drinks $1.25 from 7 to 9 then up a quarter each hour until 1 am. VJ/DJ Clint 9-1.

saturday

BACK POCKET/JOSHUA TREE - Open Noon. DJ Bobby Jr 9 to 1.

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

FRENCH QUARTER - Open Noon Check the special calendar. Dinner served 6 to 9 p.m. with Barley Bess at the piano. Patio Bar open 9 to 1.

FIRELINE - Opens at 1 pm. Sports Saturday - .50 Free hot dogs, drink specials all day long. The New Fireline opens at 9 pm for 21 and over with neon light show and hot dancing.

GRADUATE - Drink specials until closing.

ROCKS - Open Noon.

IBT'S - 2 for 1 drinks from 4 to 8. Hot music 9 to close with Linda Firdale.

RUMORZ - Open Noon. 8 to 1 Corona Beer $1.25 Dance with VJ/DJ Clint 9-1

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What's Up Doc ???

All the Christmas gifts have been opened, the big meal with friends and family behind us and everyone starts planning for the New Year's Eve party. Good old Saint Nicholas brought those gifts he could afford, maybe not everything you had wished for, but gifts anyway. Remember, those who may not have received even a candy cane this year, so be thankful.

Now we all look forward to a new year, 1991, and ponder just what it will bring. For some, it may bring happiness, love and money; others may not be as lucky. Still, each in our own way will try to make the best of what Father Time burdens us with. Those New Year's resolutions we all made that lasted three days last year, we wonder how long they will last this year. One I'll make this year, that may be a little difficult to keep, is to treat everyone equal, with a smile, and try not to look down on them because their beliefs or feelings are not always what I would consider to my liking.

If each of us would try just a little harder to get along with others, I'm sure life for all would run a lot smoother and happier. A person does not always have to try to decide what they feel is best for others. No one is number ONE, we are all in this together, and hopefully we will try just a little harder to work together for everyone's benefit. When one tries to control areas of a community according to their own beliefs, others suffer. A little friction amongst people can be constructive but too much can destroy more than can ever be recovered. When was the last time you got mad at someone and voiced your personal opinion to the point others started believing you? That is when some of the childish problems start, and mushroom to the point that the end description of the original complaint is way off base.

If I had a dollar for each time someone got mad at me or disliked something I may have said or done, I would never have to work again. Still, after a cooling off period, those who have had these feelings towards me, has put these feelings behind them and we have gone on for better or worse, but gone on together.

This year, when thinking over your New Year's resolutions, consider those times in 1990 when things were not going smoothly for you for one reason or another, and try to start off 1991 in a positive way, forgiving when necessary, loving when needed, and sharing life with all.

Last Saturday evening at the Graduate, TKO's annual Christmas Tree Raffle and Benefit show for the Make-A-Wish Foundation, was very successful and those in attendance had a great time. This years winner of the tree (and money on it) was James, from DOURS, Aviva Diamond, who due to work, was unable to be in the show, donated a cuddly white teddy bear, with rhinestones all over it. He requested that it be auctioned off, with the winning bid of $75 being made by Roger.

The show was not one of those long, drawn-out types, but short and sweet. The ending number to this show was one of the most heart-warming I have ever seen in any show. Pam, of DL, made her stage debut, signing "Wind Beneath My Wings". To say this one number stole the show is putting it mildly. Even with the great talent in this show, this one number by Pam got to the hearts of everyone in attendance and her feet were covered with tips.

On behalf of TKO, I want to take this opportunity to thank Pam for her contribution, making this show a very special one. A great big thank you also goes out to Raven, Kimberly Ryan, Margo Leigh, and Neil for their excellent performances, and their support for this worthwhile benefit. Thanks also to those who worked behind the scene, Stan on sound, Gary (of Kip and Gary) on lights, David behind the bar, and of course, Roger. Last but not least, a very special and loving thank you goes out to each and every one of you who attended this annual benefit. Without you, all would have been lost.

After all the money is collected, TKO will donate the complete receipts of $491 to the "Make-A-Wish" Foundation.

>>>> A warning to all who drive to the Graduate, now and until the mess gets cleared up, do not park in the HSL parking lot. It seems our local police department is on another kick of harassment, by issuing tickets to anyone parked in the lot, even after the business is closed for the day. Hopefully, in the next few days, Roger will be able to get this current problem cleared up and we can go on with our normal good times at the Graduate again. With this going on, you should also be careful when leaving the Graduate, or any bar for that matter, the police may just pull you over for no apparent reason. To me, as stated before, this is just harassment.

On that I'll close for this, the last column for this year. When partying this weekend, or whenever, for New Year's please be careful. Turn those car keys over to someone else or call a cab, Do not start out the New Year with a DUI.

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Roaming Around With Chuck

First let me personally thank everyone in the Gay community for their great response to the need of the Xmas boxes this year. We were able to fill our goal of 45 boxes. The clubs: SOS, TALL, TKO. DL and Partners really opened their wallets for this as well as the ITA. We could not have made the goal without their help. And I want to thank all the local guys as well as the ones in San Diego and Las Vegas who sent checks to me for the boxes. The offices and individuals who brought in bags and boxes of food... I thank you all very much. God love you and make your holidays very special as you have made the holidays special for some great people who needed you. Some things are still coming in and we shall see that they get to others in need who do not use any of the agencies.

For many of us the time to travel comes after all the holiday rush... a time to get away and relax or just have some fun after a hectic time of dinners and get togethers with friends and relati es. The International Gay Hospitality Exchange, houses Gay travelers and you find Gay households when traveling, so one doesn't have to do the regular tourist thing. Base yearly membership is $20,00.

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Many think of the beaches of Hawaii. ....Hamburger Marys at 2109 Kuhio Ave, Waikiki or try the Godmother Italian Restaurant and Lounge, 339 Saratoga Road, Honolulu. One might enjoy staying at Hotel Honolulu at 376 Kaiolu St., Honolulu, Hawaii, 96815. Or try a Gay vacation package: Write Pacific Ocean Holidays, P.O. Box 88245-P, Honolulu, Hawaii, 96830 or use their toll free number 1-800-735-6600.

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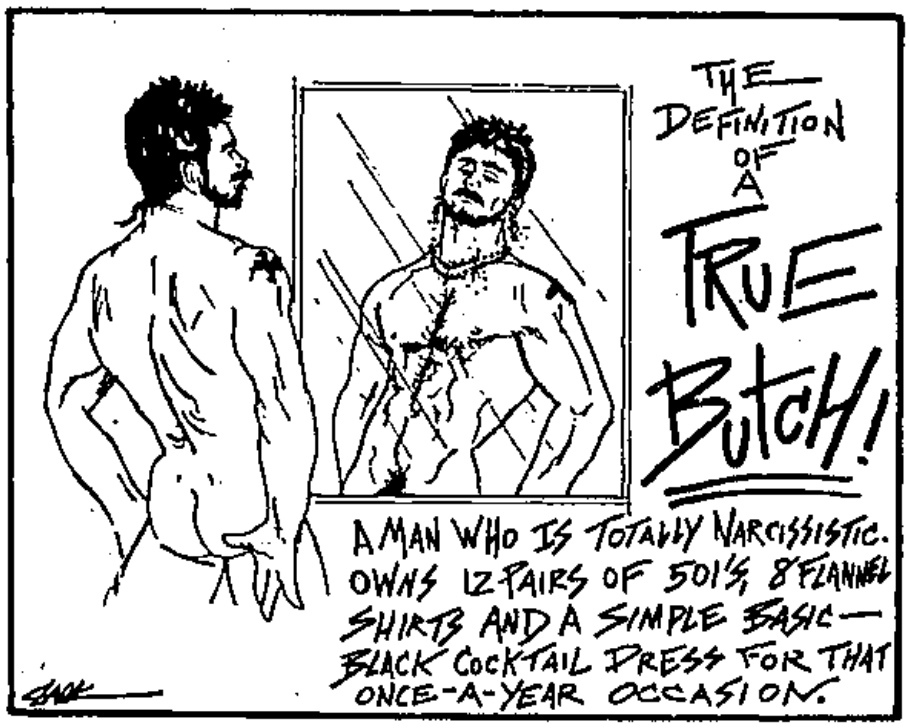
Until next time... Love ya... Chuck

As I See It . . . . . by Clark



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PERSPECTIVE

by Don Schrader - Albuquerque

My aunt wrote me, "I love you but not what you believe or what you are." I replied frankly - asking what if she said to Bonita (our niece by marriage), "I love you but not your being black." What if she said to her only son Lance (a concert violinist), "I love you but not your music ability." Aunt Susie, will you ever see that my capacity to deeply love and make love with another man, is a gift of God just as real as Bonita's black skin or Lance's musical ability? Susie, can you imagine what it feels like to go to other people's weddings and be expected to celebrate and congratulate them, when I know many of them would not celebrate me and congratulate me if I find a male lover/companion.

If I someday have another lover, I choose to express my affection publicly just as many male/female couples in love do - arm around the other's shoulder, sitting close, hugging, endearing looks across the room affectionate kisses wherever.

I choose to dance proudly with him at neighborhood celebrations - I will not quarantine myself to the Gay Ghetto. I refuse to let society make me feel or act as if our romance is inferior or reserved only for the privacy of our bedroom.

Two of my hardest lessons in romance are (1) my intense attraction for another man in no way guarantees his attraction for me; (2) a man's sexy physique in no way guarantees his common sense, compassion or our emotional compatibility.

What is more frustrating than someone with craving and capability for deep intimacy to be partners with someone not capable because of previous massive emotional wounds not yet healed? Because someone needs love does not guarantee that person can receive love or return love in equal measure.

As much as possible, I aim to be the kind of lover I seek. I am attracted to someone honest, strong, tender, healthy, full of life, horny, lean, muscular, vegetarian, masculine, perpetually passionate, romantic, forgiving, proud to be openly Gay, knows what he wants, thrives on intense intimacy and vigorous argument, enjoys living fulfilled on little money, does not smoke or drink, is deeply committed to justice and peace, and celebrate nature often nude in the sunshine.

I will not wait for society's attitudes to change in order to exercise my full humanity - to live openly and proudly Gay. I choose to live the freedom NOW!!!

A View From The Rock

A Commentary From Cornerstone Fellowship

Christmas 1990 is now past, just another memory. We have New Years's Day looking us in the face, the first holiday of 1991. How does the new year look to you? A new year is an opportunity to start fresh, wipe the slate clean, and create new memories. We all have pasts and vivid memories. For many of us, the holidays are filled with ghosts from the past. Old celebrations from our childhood haunt us, as well as more recent ones. Some memories we want to forget, while others are a joy to share.

Our church family at Cornerstone Fellowship has had quite a year. We bought our own building, hired a pastor, entertained a missionary from Tansania, and began the G.L.I.A. (God's Love In Action) outreach to the HIV community. We saw some baptisms, several Holy Unions (marriages), and we had to say good-bye to loved ones who passed on.

Was it a wonderful year for you, or a time that was hard to bear? No one has to bear these burdens of life alone. God promises us many wonderful things in the Bible. During this new year, find out about these promises. This can be the best year of your life. Let the past and all of its sadness go. We have the promise from God of a blessed life, if we just give Him control.

Why not make one resolution that will change your life completely? Resolve that you will find a church home where you can learn about God. If you don't know where to start looking, you're welcome at Cornerstone Fellowship. We'll teach you about God and how to find this hope. Our church will hold a service on New Year's Eve at 11:00 p.m. to usher in 1991. You're invited to attend and start this year off right. Make new memories that are wonderful to reflect upon, pasts worthy of sharing. God bless you in 1991!

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Cornerstone Fellowship will have a game night on Monday, Dec. 31 at 8:00 p.m. Everyone is invited to join us for bingo and an assortment of other activities, as well as munchies! At 11:00 p.m., we will have our traditional New Year's Eve Watchnight Service as we welcome 1991 and seek God's blessings for the new year. You may join us at any point during the evening. This is a wonderful opportunity to spend a sober New Years's Eve with people who look to the future with hope and anticipation. Cornerstone Fellowship is located at 2902 N. Geronimo, one block north of Glenn and two blocks west of First Avenue. Call 622-4626 for more information.

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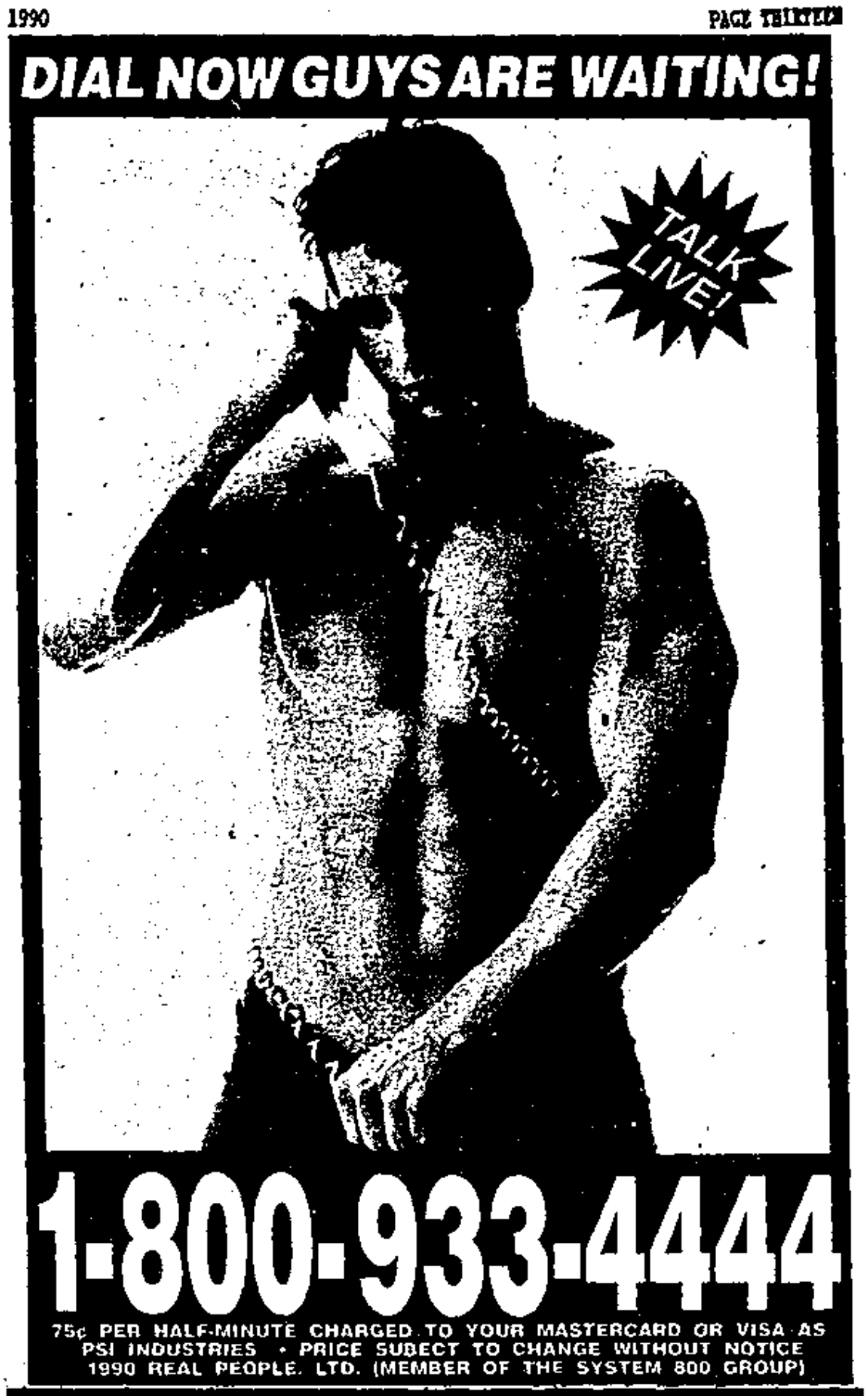

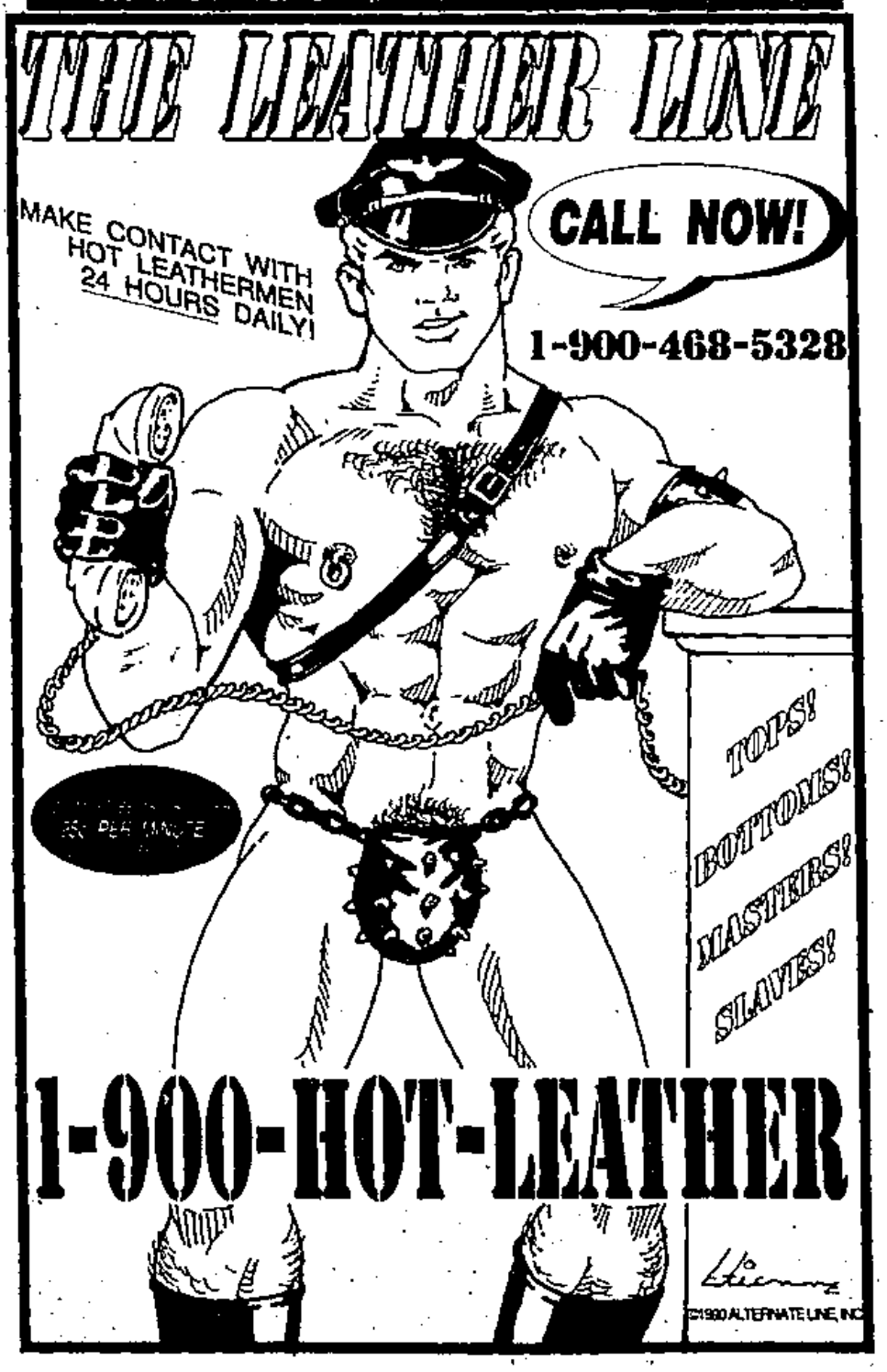

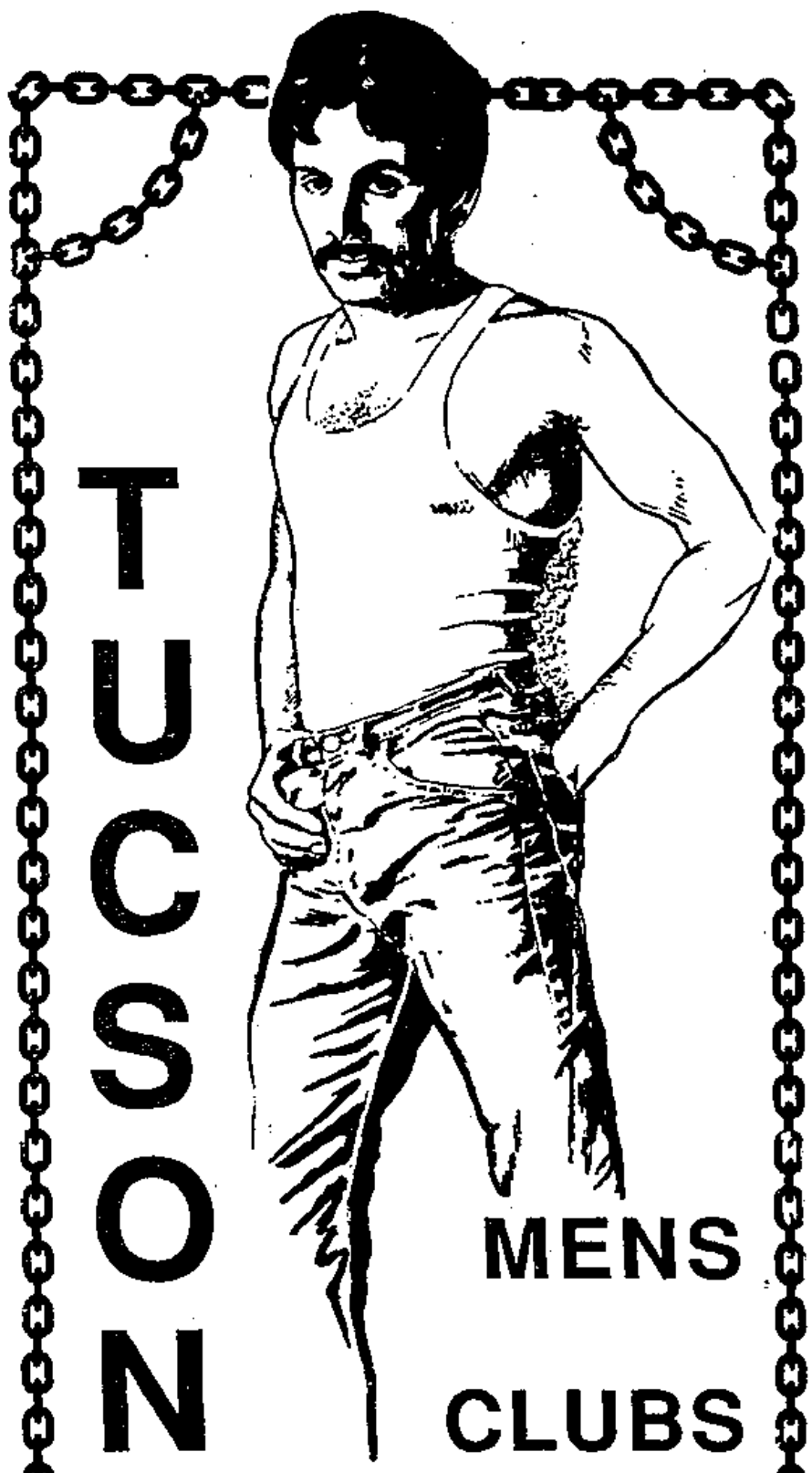

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Gay Man Awarded

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years, and he quit voluntarily in 1984 after working there for six months.

He began his third stint as a sales clerk on Dec. 18, 1986. The next year he and another Gay sales clerk were asked to have an HIV antibody test at the expense of the company. Pierce had told Carriveau in 1981 that he was Gay.

"Carriveau believes that if one of his employees has AIDS he might catch it himself," Beck wrote. "He believes that Gay people are likely to have AIDS and therefore wanted employees he believed to be Gay to be tested for AIDS.

Pierce tested positive for antibodies to HIV, but altered the test results so that it showed a negative result, and submitted those results to Carriveau, according to court documents.

In May 1988, Carriveau promoted Pierce to manager of the St. Cloud bookstore. Later that year, Pierce lost about 50 pounds through dieting. Carriveau noticed the weight loss and asked Pierce if "AIDS was eating him up." He later told Pierce that he could no longer ride in the company car because he didn't want AIDS germs on him or his family.

In early 1989, Pierce came down with a cold that wouldn't go away. Carriveau asked Pierce if the cold was due to AIDS.

Mr. Pierce would get coffee for Mr. Carriveau, usually every morning," Beck wrote. "Mr. Carriveau told him that he wanted his coffee in a little plastic bag or paper bag so that Pierce wouldn't get AIDS germs on it."

While Pierce was on vacation in April, someone told Carriveau that Pierce was a "carrier". When Pierce returned, Carriveau began asking him on a daily basis to take an "AIDS test". When Pierce refused to submit results of an AIDS test by May 15, Carriveau fired him.

Richard Carriveau fired Lyle Pierce because he accurately suspected that he had an HIV infection. His treatment of Mr. Pierce was indefensible," Beck wrote.

"...Richard Carriveau's concern was merely for his own personal safety based upon his irrational fear of AIDS. In acting upon his fear, he added significantly to the already heavy burden borne by Mr. Pierce because of his disability.

"The employer's main defense is that it is entitled to test employees for an HIV infection and fire them for insubordination if they refused to provide test results.

Midshipman's Suit

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"This is a great day in the Gay rights movement's fight against the irrationality of the military's exclusion of Gay and Lesbian citizens," stated Sandy Lowe, staff attorney at Lambda Legal Defense, who is representing Steffan, along with cooperating attorneys Marc Wolinsky and Calvin Steinmetz. "Because, at last, the issue at hand, the constitutional issue of whether the military may exclude Gay men and Lesbians from serving, must now be faced squarely by the courts."

Wolinsky added, "This decision proves that we were right all along in resisting the government's attempt to find alternate grounds to support Joe's discharge. While there is still a long way to go, hopefully we will now be able to focus the courts on the merits of the suit."

Lambda filed Steffan's suit in December 1988, after Steffan was discharged from the Naval Academy in Annapolis, less than four weeks before he was to graduate with honors.

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P.A.C.T. - People with AIDS Coalition of Tucson, 3833 E. 2nd Street. Office hours 10 to 5, M-F; Wednesdays 7 pm. Call 322-9808 for more info.

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 8:00 pm only. Phone 622-7107.

P.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. Contact Joan, 790-7526 or Jan 885-7114 or write P.O. Box 17747, Tucson, AZ 85731-7747. All replies confidential.

ARE YOU IN A COUPLE RELATIONSHIP and interested in meeting others for social activities in a supportive atmosphere? Call Judith and Joanne 624-5247 or Don and Marian 884-9236 in Tucson.

Casa De La Paloma Apostolic Church, 1122 E. Jones Blvd., Tucson. Worship Services Sundays at 10 a.m. and 7 p.m. If you are looking for a loving and caring church family who has a strong desire to share the love of God with others, look no further! Call Pastor S. Lewis for info 323-6855.

ARE YOU GAY OR LESBIAN and someone else's drinking is getting to you. Call Information and Referral about Al-Anon 790-8922 in Tucson info about special groups for Gays and Lesbians.

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.

OLD PUEBLO BUSINESS & PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATION (OP)
For meeting dates and locations or membership information call 883-8823 or write: OP, P.O. Box 44033, Tucson, AZ 85733

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YOUNG AND GAY?
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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.

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

GAY MEN 40 PLUS. For active men who are interested in meeting others in the same age group for dinners, theater, movies, travel, sports and companionship. Call Art at CRONIES, 881-2759 in Tucson.

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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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 & 6-8 p.m. Men's Night on Mondays 7:30 pm. Womyn's Night on Wednesdays 7 pm. Volunteer opportunities. Information 624-1774 Tucson.

LUTHERANS CONCERNED/TUCSON - A fellowship and support group for Lesbian and Gay Lutherans. We meet monthly and all are welcome. For more information call Ray at 575-0047 or write to Lutherans Concerned/Tucson, P.O. Box 40252, Tucson, AZ 85717.

GAY SUPPORT GROUP: Lesbians and Gay men meet weekly for open discussions in a loving, supportive atmosphere. Meetings 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.

Notices

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KALEIDOSCOPE offers Gay men and women a chance to explore the joys and trials of Gay life. Through educational programs, confidential discussions, and community outreach, we try to nurture understanding, trust and support. Singles, couples, bi-sexuals, or "just coming out" call Information and Referral 881-1794 Mon-Fri 8 to 5.

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THE MEN'S MASSAGE GROUP meets the 3rd Sunday of each month at 7 p.m Call Marc at 881-4582 to sign up. It is a great way to meet new men, and enjoy yourself safely. Mark it on your calendar

UNIVERSITY OF ARIZONA LESBIAN/BISEXUALS/GAYS UNITED
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Women affected by HIV support and discussion group. Call P.A.C.T. at 322-9808 if interested.

EVERY TUESDAY

HIV Long Termers Self Empowerment Group, 7:30 to 8:30 p.m.. PACT office, 3833 E. 2nd St. 322-9808.

EVERY TUESDAY AND THURSDAY

Drop-in Support Group for family, friends and significant others 7 to 8:30 p.m. at the Shanti office, 602 N. 4th Ave. Open to anyone wanting emotional support in dealing with a person who is HIV+, AIDS or facing any life-threatening disease.

EVERY WEDNESDAY

Positive Approach to Living with HIV. P.A.C.T. office, 3833 E. 2nd St. 7 p.m.

EVERY FIRST AND THIRD THURSDAY

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

EVERY SATURDAY

"POSITIVELY WELL WORKSHOPS", (formerly HIV Wellness Clinic) for HIV+, ARC/AIDS. Balancing mind, body and spirit in a confidential and supportive atmosphere. Discussion groups, treatment options. Yoga, nutrition and immune system blood monitoring. 1-4 pm, P.A.C.T., 3833 E. 2nd Street.

A Commentary By

Christopher Geoffrey McPherson

Reflections

As happens every year, people of influence to us personally, or to the world around us, die. This year, a profound number of people influential in my own life died, giving me reason to pause and think. The result is the following column featuring four lists of my choices of the Most Important People.

The titles of each list is self-explanatory, and the people listed are in no particular order of importance.

1. TEN MOST IMPORTANT PEOPLE IN HISTORY I WISH I COULD HAVE MET:

Plato, philosopher
Michelangelo, artist
D.W. Griffith, film pioneer
Thomas Jefferson, politician
Solon, Greek statesman who encouraged education of young men (women were not allowed such education), and established laws which helped protect the rights of common citizens. He has the distinction of being the earliest Greek statesman whose writings, in their original form, still exist.
F. Scott Fitzgerald, writer
Franklin D. Roosevelt, American President
Winston Churchill, English Prime Minister
Oliver Wendell Holmes, Supreme Court Justice
Louis B. Mayer, film pioneer.

2. TEN MOST IMPORTANT PEOPLE ALIVE IN MY LIFE, BUT NOW DEAD I WOULD HAVE LIKED TO HAVE MET:

Jim Henson, puppeteer
Fred Astaire, dancer and film actor
William Paley, founder of CBS radio network, later television network.
Ayn Rand, writer and philosopher
Frank Lloyd Wright, architect
Edward R. Morrow, broadcast journalist whose rooftop broadcasts from London during night-time German bombings helped galvanize American support for American involvement in World War Two
Joan Crawford, actress
Gabrielle "Coco" Chanel, fashion designer
Leonard Bernstein, composer
John F. Kennedy, American President
Aaron Copeland, composer.

3. TEN MOST IMPORTANT PEOPLE ALIVE NOW I WOULD LIKE TO MEET:

Agnes De Mille, choreographer whose work on the Broadway musical "Oklahoma!" revolutionized American theater
Margaret Thatcher, recently English Prime Minister
Glenn Close, actor
Daniel Day Lewis, actor
Barbara Walters, broadcast journalist
George Burns, actor
Mikhail Gorbachev, President of the Soviet Union
Akira Kurosawa, Japanese filmmaker
Jessica Tandy, stage and film actor, was original "Blanche" in Broadway production of "A Streetcar Named Desire"
Rosa Parks, began civil rights movement by refusing to sit in the "blacks only" section of a bus
Walter Cronkite, broadcast journalist.

4. SIX MOST IMPORTANT PEOPLE I HAVE ACTUALLY MET:

Red Skelton, television and film comedian
Paloma Picasso, artist. Daughter of famed artist Pablo Picasso
E.G. Marshall, actor
Donna McKechnie, actor, original star of Broadway's "A Chorus Line"
Rudolph Nureyev, ballet dancer
Avedon, photographer

At Spes Non Fracta: See you next year!

Pro-Gay Rent Codes Upheld in NYC

NEW YORK, NY - A New York appellate court has ruled that a lower court erred in issuing a preliminary injunction against rent regulations that protect Lesbian and Gay surviving partners from eviction on the same basis as other surviving family members. The 24-page ruling left in place the broad protections established by the state Division of Housing and Community Renewal earlier this year.

The Appellate Division, First Department, issued the decision. Those joining in the action included Lambda Legal Defense and Education Fund, the Legal Aid Society and other tenants groups in representing the interests of Gay people facing eviction and AIDS service organizations, such as Gay men's Health Crisis, which serve many people with HIV or AIDS threatened by landlord actions. The case now goes back to the lower court for further proceedings.

The new regulations guarantee that surviving family members -- including surviving Gay life partners -- cannot be evicted from New York's one million rent-stabilized apartments upon the death or departure of the tenant of record. "Lesbians and Gay tenants, as well as other non-traditional family members, can now rest easier," said William B. Rubenstein, director of the ACLU's national Lesbian and Gay Rights Project. "We now have security against eviction when our partners depart," Rubenstein said. "Our relationships are finally being recognized and our apartments being seen as family homes."

"Once again, a New York court has affirmed that Gay people who live together in relationships of dedication and caring form families just as blood or marital relations do," said Evan Wolfson, the Lambda attorney handling the case. "All family members deserve protection against eviction and loss of their homes."

The court's decision followed last year's landmark ruling by the state's high court in Braschi v. Stahl Associates, which established criteria by which to define "family" according to the reality and diversity in which people live. In response to the Braschi decision, DHCR moved to implement regulations that apply to all rent-regulated housing.

Lambda is the nation;s oldest and largest Lesbian and Gay legal rights advocacy organization. Lambda is based in New York, with a regional office in Los Angeles, and handles test case litigation nationwide.

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