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MCC and the Tucson Community welcomes Rev. Troy Perry

by Ben Corbin

TUCSON - MCC, The Metropolitan Community Church of Tucson has planned a busy weekend this Friday, Saturday and Sunday, July 5-6-7. The congregation is inviting the Gay and Lesbian community of Tucson to join with them as they celebrate their 21st Anniversary and the formal dedication of their newly purchased church and property which is located at 3269 North Mountain Avenue.

Rev. Elder, Dr. Troy Perry, founder of the Universal Fellowship of Metropolitan Community Churches (U.F.M.C.C.) will be in attendance during all three days of the celebration and dedication.

This is the weekend for which the congregation at MCC/Tucson has been planning, working and praying. For the past 21 years, it has been a series of events leading up to this great climax. In the beginning when the congregation was meeting in the homes of MCC members, it was the common joke, "Don't miss a service or you won't know where the next service will be", but always dreaming and praying that they would have our own permanent place in Tucson. When MCC/Tucson did start renting, they would continue to look for another place because they never knew, most of the time, where the next month's rent was coming from, or if they would be asked to find another place by the landlord.

These past 21 years have been glorious, happy, sad, fulfilling and heartbreaking. If any of those founders who met in the Ramada Inn back in 1970 knew what they were starting here in Tucson they would certainly be "busting their buttons" right now. As MCC/Tucson begins its 22nd year, it is certainly a year of being grown up. But, even as they have grown in stature, in credibility and in respectability, "we" still have a lot to learn.

The congregation will be celebrating their past accomplishments and will be celebrating the present circumstances as they prepare for the future this weekend. The general community is welcome join in any or all of the functions that are planned.

This event will mark the fact that this MCC facility is the first to be owned by a predominately Gay/Lesbian group in Tucson. It is one of the first churches in the U.F.M.C.C. to be purchased with no lien, no mortgage nor any loans. Since MCC/Tucson is a chartered church within the U.F.M.C.C., the ownership of the property is actually within the U.F.M.C.C. even if MCC/Tucson were to dissolve from the main church. However, the property and its use is under the sole direction of MCC/Tucson.

"With the dedication of our new facilities this coming Sunday, we will be giving it all to Jesus Christ for the purpose of serving the entire Tucson community for Him. MCC/Tucson is now established at a permanent address, an address that will be the same for many years to come," said Pastor Eduard Perry.

The schedule for this three day weekend is as follows:

FRIDAY, JULY 5

7:30 p.m. "Meet The Speaker", reception and Round-Table discussion featuring Rev. Elder, Dr. Troy Perry. Refreshments will be served.

SATURDAY, JULY 6

10:00 a.m. "Pancake Brunch". $2.00 donation per person is requested.

6:00 p.m. "MCC/Tucson 21st Anniversary Dinner". Buffet dinner with entertainment hosted by Mr. Loren Johnson and featuring

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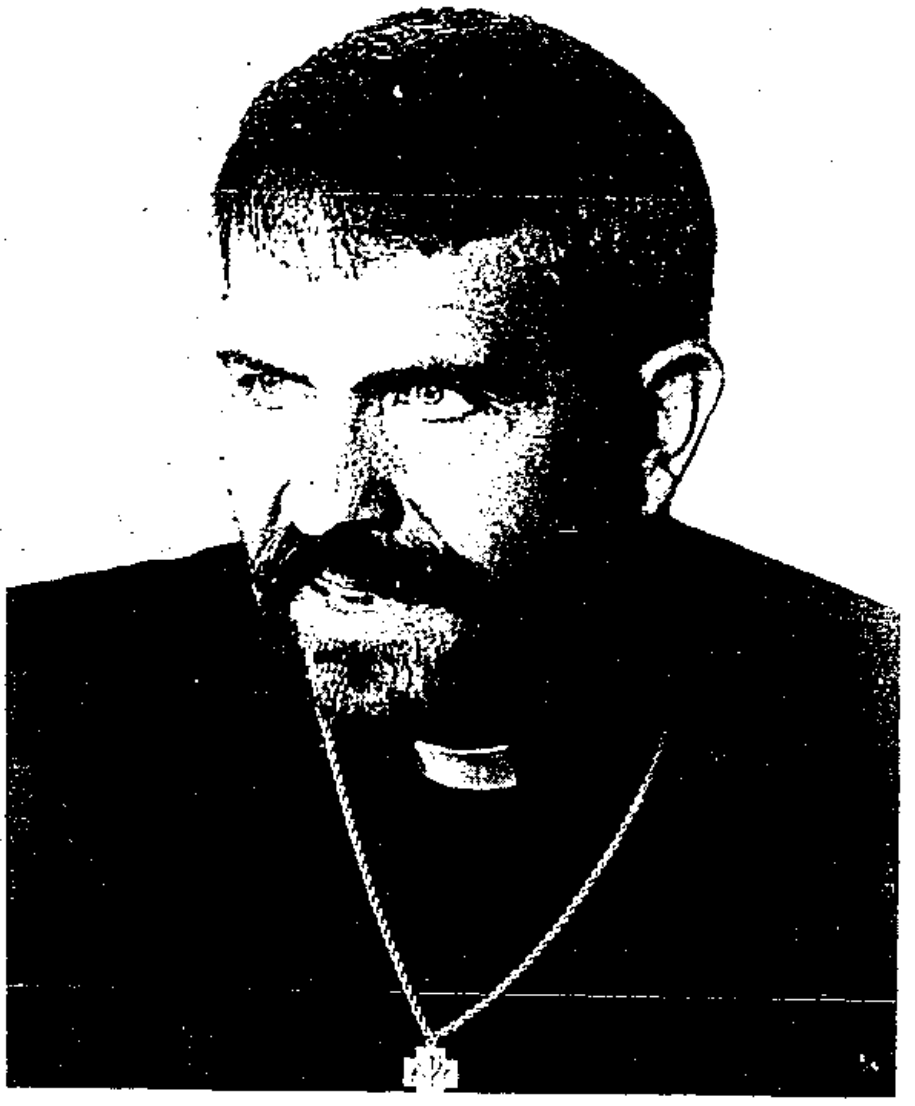

TUCSON - The Metropolitan COmmunity Church of Tucson (MCC/Tucson) will be celebrating it's 21st Anniversary and will be dedicating their new Church buildings this Friday, Saturday and Sunday.

Tucson is happy and proud that these events will officiated by the Founder of the Universal Fellowship of Metropolitan Community Churches (U.F.M.C.C.), the Rev. Elder, Dr. Troy D. Perry, pictured above.

The MCC/Tucson congregation as well as the Tucson Gay and Lesbian community welcomes Troy to this historic event in our community.

TUCSON - Pictured above is the newly acquired building which houses the Sanctuary and meeting rooms for MCC/Tucson. Also included on the acre and half half property are other buildings which include a fellowship hall, meeting rooms and a small residence for the sexton. The property is located at 3269 N. Mountain. just North of Ft. Lowell. See accompanying story.

S. F. Freedom Day Parade Draws Huge Crowds and Protests By Gays Too

by Elaine Herscher and Yasnin Anwar

SAN FRANCISCO, CA - Hundreds of thousands of revelers in leather, lace or nearly nothing cavorted in the sunshine in last Sunday's [June 30] San Francisco Lesbian/Gay Freedom Day Parade. But, in a new twist in Gay rights history, the procession was disrupted several times by Gay and Lesbian protesters.

Organizers estimated the crowd at between 500,000 and 650,000, which would make it the largest in the parade's 22-year history; police estimated 250,000. By any count, the sidewalks were jammed and traffic was gridlocked throughout the downtown area.

The 22nd annual Lesbian and Gay Pride March in New York City also drew a large crowd, with more than 500,000 people marching down fashionable Fifth Avenue.

In San Francisco, shortly after Dykes on Bikes roared down Market Street to a wildly cheering crowd, about 30 protesters from a group called Bad Cop, No Donut sat in the street and blocked a car bearing San Francisco Police Chief Willis Casey. The group, which splintered from Queer Nation, chanted: "Cops bash queers. Get out of our parade." The message was directed at Casey, who recommended that a police officer accused of misconduct in an October 1989 demonstration in the Castro District be suspended for 45 days rather than be fired.

Parade organizers said the protest,

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UPDATE

Mass. Governor Issues First Pride Proclamation

BOSTON - Massachusetts Governor William Weld proclaimed June "Lesbian and Gay Pride Month" at the State House on June 11. It was the first Gubernatorial Gay Pride Proclamation in Massachusetts history.

Pictured above (l to r) Abner Mason (openly Gay candidate for the Boston City Council); Governor Weld; Lieutenant Governor Paul Cellucci; David LaFontaine of the Massachusetts Coalition for Lesbian and Gay Civil Rights.

Weather Or Not

by Bart

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EDITOR:

We of the Share Bear Committee wish to express our appreciation to the staff, managers and owners of the French Quarter for their generosity in allowing us to hold the First Annual Share Bear Gay Pride Festivities at the French Quarter. We all had a real good time. Thank you very much Michael Bennett, and Ruben, Ramon and Mark, thanks for Win, Lose or Draw.

We wish also to thank Southern Hospitality, Larry Moore, current vice-president and producer of the entertaining show that night for the benefit of Share Bears. He and his fellow performers, Miss Gay Arizona, Amanda McLamara; Miss Gay Tucson, Tiffany St. Thomas, Lucinda Holliday and Mr. Dani Reid should be congratulated. Also, thanks to Moose for the posters for the auction. Sincerely

The Share Bears - Sean, PACT; Bruce, Shanti; Tim, TAP and Juan, El Proyecto.

Gay/Lesbian Conference Moved To Acapulco

MEXICO CITY, MEXICO (AP) - After being run out of Guadalajara, the International Association of Lesbians and Gays will hold its 13th Annual Convention this week in the more permissive city of Pacific beach resort of Acapulco.

The convention, originally planned for the more conservative Guadalajara, 500 miles west of Mexico City, was cancelled after months of anti-Gay marches, death threats and government pressure forced hotel owners there to reject the group's reservations.

Acapulco, where the seven-day meeting opened Sunday, was secured with the help of Mexican government officials.

P-FLAG Shares Insight with OP Members

TUCSON - When Jean Baker asked her oldest son the old reliable question, "Was it something your father and I did?" to make him Gay, his answer stuck with her. "If you did, I want to thank you for it," he told her. "I'm happy being Gay, and I'm proud of who I am."

This was how the thoughtful, stimulating panel discussion celebrating Gay family pride went at the June 21st meeting of the Old Pueblo Business and Professional Association (OP).

Jean Baker, a clinical psychologist, was one of five panelists at the OP meeting where the subject was "Gays, Lesbians and Our Families. Baker is the mother of two Gay sons, the youngest of whom died of AIDS in 1989.

Terri and Dick Bibbens and their Gay daughter, Lisa, 23, a UofA law student, were also on the panel. They and their other, straight, children were featured recently in an article that appeared in the Tucson Citizen. Most of the response they received to the article has been positive, including comments from four Catholic clergy.

"One Gay man called to say he believes strongly that homosexuality is a conscious choice," Terri said. "I'm sorry, but I will never buy that. It is not a choice, it is what you are. Thirty percent of all suicides in this nation are young Gays who have been led to believe they can change their sexual orientation if they will only try. They do try and find that they can't"

"I only wish I could have known more about homosexuality at an earlier age," Dick said. "I think I missed out on a lot by not knowing Gay people."

Terri, Dick and Jean are active in Tucson's chapter of Parents and Friends of Lesbians and Gays (P-FLAG).

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- Bob Paris & Rod Jackson

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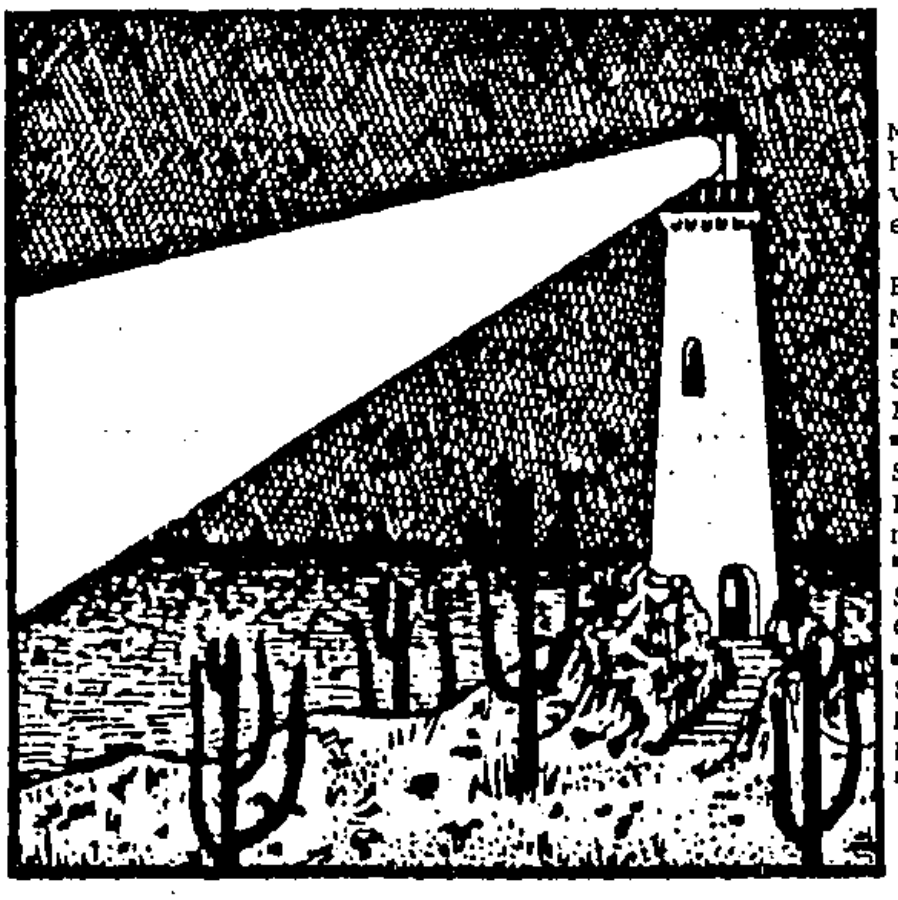

MCC/Tucson invites you to help us celebrate our Anniversary and Dedication Weekend.

Friday, July 5, 7:00 p.m.
Meet The Speaker

Saturday, July 6, 10:00 a.m.
Pancake Brunch

Saturday, July 6, 6:00 p.m.
Buffet Dinner with Entertainment.

Saturday, July 6, 8:00 p.m.
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Freedom Day Parade Draws Huge Crowd & Gay Protests

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and one or two others that followed farther down Market Street, eventually held up the parade for 40 minutes, much to the consternation of most of the people who came to watch. The protest was loudly booed by angry people who screamed at the group to move on.

Protester Gerard Koskovich defended the action. "There's only one issue here," he said, "and it's that the chief needs to fire cops who bash queers."

The same people who booed the protest enthusiastically greeted a small group of mostly Gay and Lesbian police officers, the first such contingent in the parade's history. Officer Mark Guglielmo, wearing his blue uniform and a pink triangle earring, drove a patrol car in the contingent.

"I came out nine years ago when it was just 'tolerance' (for Gay cops)," Guglielmo said. "That's why I wouldn't have missed this for the world."

Mayor Art Agnos and his wife, Sherry, got a warm reception all along the route but were delayed when members of ACT UP conducted short "die-ins" in front of their car. They want Agnos to legalize needle-exchange for intravenous drug users to stop the spread of AIDS. Agnos supports the idea but says it is beyond his power to invoke such a law.

Supervisors Harry Britt, Carole Migden and Roberta Achtenburg waved to the crowd from a white convertible a couple of cars behind Agnos.

To the people on the street, the parade was either deeply symbolic or just good fun. They saw the usual contingents of men in drag, bare-breasted Lesbians, Gay cowboys and people of every political and ethnic stripe having their one day in the sun. The theme of this year's parade was "Hand In Hand Together".

Thank God we're back in Northern California, where Gay people don't look down at the ground," said 35-year-old Michael Gorman, who said he was fired this month from a teaching job in San Bernadino County because he is Gay.

Gorman and his partner, Clifford Cart, brought their 9-year-old son, Mack, for the first time. "I'm going to be here every year," Mack said. "I like being here because I'm in support of Gay people."

Two 18-year-old vacationing women from Idaho wearing lots of makeup and flouncy sun dresses watched the parade and seemed to be enjoying themselves. Even so, they were afraid people might mistake them for Lesbians.

"If a parade like this happened in Idaho, they'd probably run them down with tractors," said Amy Warren. Her friend, Michelle Gowe, added: "I almost fell out of my hotel window when I saw the dykes on bikes without shirts."

In contrast, Monique Doryland, a hospital admitting clerk, had no shyness about why she was there. "I'm here because I'm a dyke," she said. "We're celebrating ourselves and our beauty.

Brian Regen, fresh off a Greyhound bus, stepped unexpectedly into the festivities while looking for a homeless shelter. "They don't have this in Detroit," Regen said. "All these people are Gay? Hey, it's their life. They can do what they want."

This year, Gay and Lesbian people in San Francisco and beyond are claiming some significant victories. Migden and Achtenburg became the first open Lesbians to be elected to the Board of Supervisors. Gay teacher Tom Ammiano won a seat on the San Francisco School Board. The domestic partners law, granting health benefits to Gay and straight unmarried partners of city employees, was signed into law this month.

And California state legislation that adds sexual orientation to other protected categories in the state's Fair Employment and Housing Act was passed by the California Assembly on Friday, June 28. It is expected to be passed by the Senate and signed into law by the governor.

[San Francisco Chronicle]

P-FLAG Shares Insight With OP Members (Cont. from page 2)

Jeff Thompson, 27, is blessed with an actively supportive mother. "She really pulled me out of the closet, and I was hanging on to those hangers real tight." His father also has accepted the truth, Thompson said, but it still must be kept from his grandparents, at his father's request. That mandate puts a wall across his family, Jeff said.

"It's pure hell waiting for someone to die so I can be myself," Jeff said.

"If I had it to do over, I would have placed more faith in my parents to be understanding and accepting," Lisa said. "I would have come out sooner and I would've had books and other reading material ready for them."

Jeff aims to devote his life to counseling adolescents, "helping them to get through what I had to go through on my own." He said he spent much of his youth, "trying hard to prove I was straight because my church, my family and everybody around me had always told me that being Gay is wrong."

Baker said that her life is now dedicated to advocacy for Gays and Lesbians and people with AIDS. Public education is a major element of that, she said.

"We need to dispel the myths," she said. "Coming out to your parents is a powerful way to do that. I've had Gays tell me their parents don't ask about their lifestyles because 'they don't want to know.' I ask them to consider that maybe their parents really don't have a clue. I didn't, and I'm a psychologist, for heaven's sake."

What she described as the fourth stage the parent of a Gay person goes through is appreciation of Gayness. "I always thought my sons were wonderful people," she said. "Being Gay must be a part of what makes them wonderful."

P-FLAG maintains a message phone for parents, children and friends of Gays and Lesbians who need information and support. The number is 575-8660.

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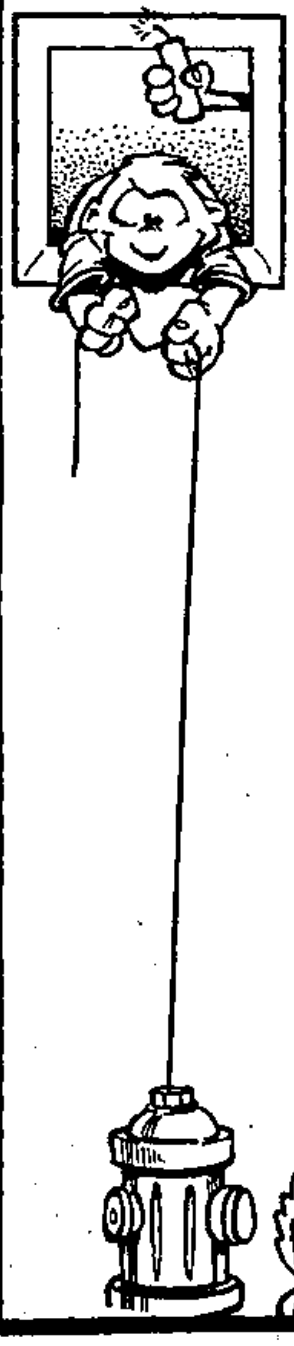

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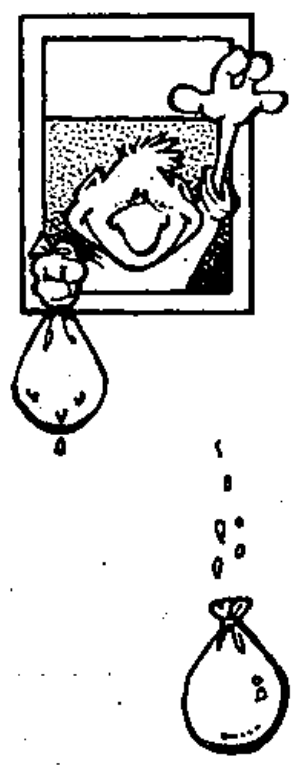

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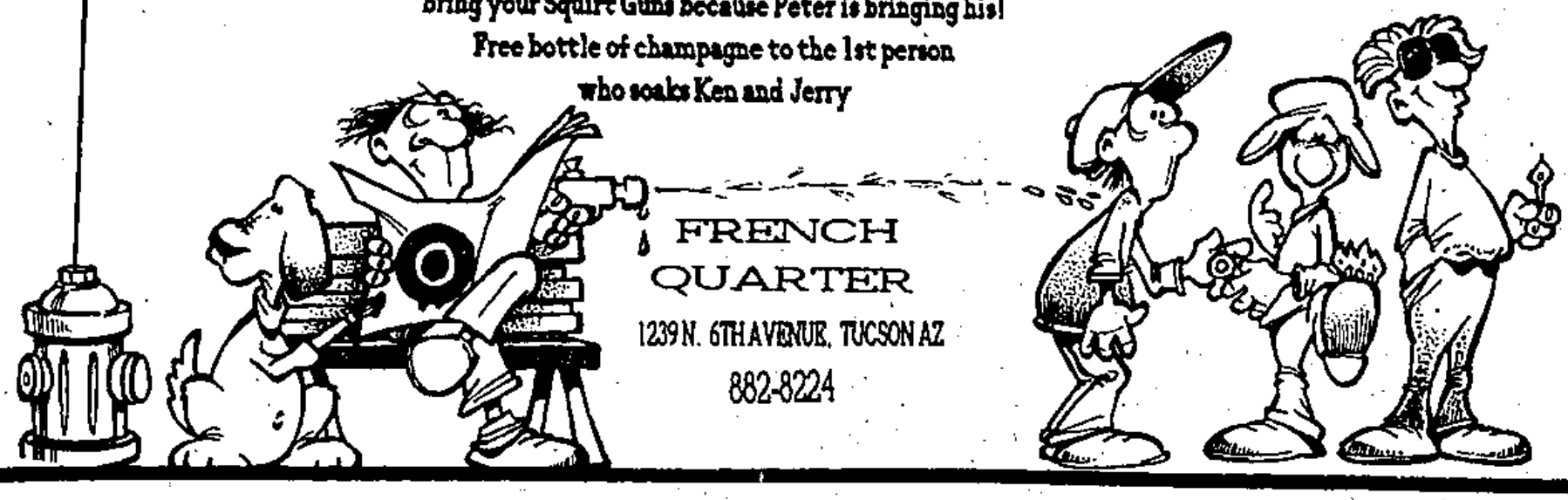

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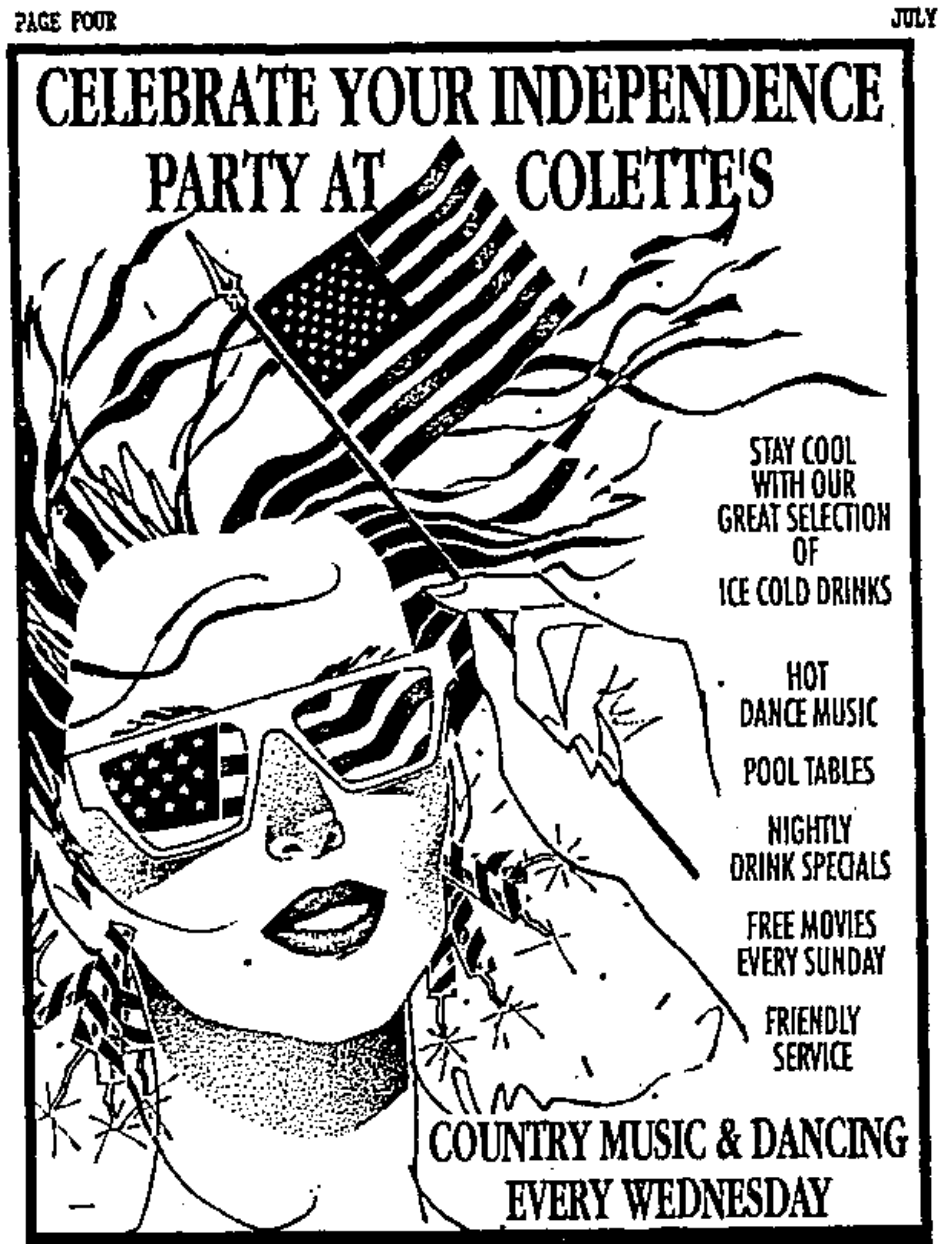

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What's Up Doc ???

Driving home from work today, listening to the radio, I heard a Randy Travis song, "Beacon of Light". While listening to it, I thought back to last weekend - the Gay Pride Picnic. To me, last Sunday found over 9,000 people, each a "Beacon of Light", showing support for basic human rights, and it makes me proud to have been a small part of the total celebration. Just to celebrate being Gay can be done every day, any place (almost - within reason), but having that number of individuals from all walks of life, goes beyond description and everyone should be proud to have been a part of the total experience.

I am running late this week getting this column to Bob, so I'll make it a short one. The couch was just too comfortable last night, I fell asleep!

Here we go, 1/2 of the year gone and just getting into the swing of this hot summer. With the different club runs approaching, I'm sure some of us will be able to get out of town and escape this heat. Don't get me wrong, I love the heat a hell of a lot better than the cold.

One run I need to mention that has been cancelled is Partners' Panda Run. This would have taken place the weekend of July 27th. I can tell you, at this time, Stan and I are planning on trying to get some people together and go on this run anyhow. I'll mention it more as we work out all the details and pass the on to you, in case you are interested in Tubing on the Salt River.

Well that's it for this week. See, I told you it would be a short column.

A Remarkable People

by Curt Stubbs

Our "kinder, gentler nation" is getting smaller and meaner every day. Those much vaunted "thousand points of light", are slowly being revealed to be the torches of lynch mobs in a much darker night.

A case in point is last week's Supreme Court opinion allowing "character" witness for the victims during sentencing hearings following a murder conviction. With one decision the Supreme Court has reduced justice to vengeance. They are not the same. To misquote old maps, 'Here there be vigilantes'.

Justice is only just, justice is only fair when it is free of emotion, all emotion, including that which the Supreme Court has now allowed. But, playing to cheap emotion is ever the conservatives way. Remember Willie Horton? By introducing the sheer emotional fear of a "big, buck nigrah" into a presidential election, George Bush was able to reduce politics to its most base -- irrational gut emotion.

By its very nature, this kind of emotional appeal is unjust. Who is going to be a "character witness" for a murdered homeless person? Or one without a family? What of those people whose reactions are less emotional? In a recent movie version of a true story, Meryl Streep portrayed the mother of a child snatched from the family tent by a dingo. Because her emotions were less than people thought a grieving mother's ought to be, she was tried in the Australian press and found guilty. Though later evidence exonerated her, emotional justice had made her as much the victim as her lost child. Is American justice going to be held hostage to emotion this same way? Has the Supreme Court now created different classes of victims?

For that matter, since this column is meant for the Gay community, how will it impact us? We have fought bitterly to exclude the "homosexual panic" defense when some ostensibly non-Gay man has killed a Gay man after being propositioned. If character witnesses for a victim are allowed, what about against" Are murdered Gay men going to once again be maligned and dragged through emotional mire to justify their lives?

God, this whole country is looking more like Texas every day. Soon, murdering Gay men and prostitutes will merit only minor punishment. When Justice has been lain in her grave, who will take her place, - Vengeance, or Privilege?

As I See It . . . . .

by Clark

A Commentary By

Christopher Geoffrey McPherson

Gays, Lesbians, and the Police

Recently, public attention has been brought to crimes against Gays and Lesbians --crimes which are not new. Even more public attention is being drawn to the uncaring and unprofessional conduct of police officers in cities across the state --Phoenix and Tucson among them-- when dealing with the victims of crimes which range from simple assault and robbery to murder.

Police officers and departments around the country (and, yes, even around the world) have faced increasing scrutiny over their conduct, including brutality directed at both criminals and victims. Who can say he or she has never seen the video tape of a Black man being mercilessly beaten by more than a dozen uniformed officers.

To this dark moment have been added tapes of brutality against peaceful protesters in San Francisco and New York, and against party-goers in San Diego. These unfortunate victims of police brutality were fortunate enough to have their abuse caught on video tape.

But, what about the hundreds, if not thousands of others for whom no video-taped proof is available. What about those victims of police brutality who have no proof other than a few bruises and cuts the police insist were "self inflicted".

Those victims of police brutality may seem to have no chance at justice, no choice but to give up. But, they DO have something to protect them: their rights as citizens of the United States of America.

Sure, citizens' rights are denied every day: sometimes by others, sometimes by citizens themselves. Sometimes citizens are forced to give up their rights through threats and intimidation by criminals or police officers, sometimes through the fear of the citizen that some hidden truth might be exposed, sometimes just through ignorance of what rights exist for ALL citizens.

It is never pleasant to be the victim of ANY crime, whether minor or life-threatening. When those who are supposed to "preserve and protect" begin to "threaten and abuse" the situation becomes worse.

But NEVER choose to make the situation far worse by freely giving up your rights. If you should ever be the victim of a crime, and you receive uncaring and unprofessional treatment by any police officer --even stretching to threats and abuse by the police-- NEVER give in to their threats.

The police might make your life miserable for a while, but until each and every Gay and Lesbian refuses to be intimated by the police, the police will continue to get away with abuse, harassment, threats and blackmail.

KNOW YOUR RIGHTS: Understand that you do not have to make a statement without a lawyer present (whether you are a victim or criminal, this is good to remember). Understand that it is your RIGHT to press charges against a criminal. It is your RIGHT to demand justice.

KNOW YOUR OPTIONS: If you believe you have received unprofessional treatment from the police, FILE A COMPLAINT. If that doesn't work, GO TO THE NEWSPAPERS AND TELEVISION STATIONS WITH YOUR STORY.

NEVER give in. DO SOMETHING TO PROTECT YOUR RIGHTS. Not only will you bring attention to your own situation, but by demanding fair and equal treatment from the police (and every other entity, for that matter) you will help bring an end to this unfair treatment --and, even more, you might help a less brave Gay or Lesbian down the line.

SPECIAL NOTE: The Governor has still to sign a bill requiring police departments to compile a list of hate crimes against various groups INCLUDING crimes based on sexual orientation.

CALL THE GOVERNOR. DEMAND HE SIGN THIS BILL!

At Spes Non Fracta: See you next week.

Troy Perry in Tucson

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many local entertainers. Donation requested: $5.00 in advance or $7.00 at the door. Tickets are available at MCC/Gentle Shepherd or MCC/Oasis in Phoenix; in Tucson, tickets may be purchased in advance at the Graduate, Colette's, Antigone Books. Reserved tables for groups are available by contacting MCC/Tucson, 292-9151.

In addition to Loren Johnson, performers for the evening include Gospel singer Charlotte Strayhorn from Phoenix, and from Tucson Miss Gay Tucson, Tiffany St. Thomas, Margo Leigh, John Barnes, Jerry Harrell with his friends and Rev. Nita Terlisner-Willey plus some surprises.

There will be a community sing with Communion at 8:00 p.m.

SUNDAY, JULY 7

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Bit Of The Old South

by Sean Thomas

The official celebrations for this year's Gay Pride Week have ended, and TLGA is to be totally commended for a super job. But the celebration of our beautiful sexuality is not over. It's a continual celebration, maybe not in fabulous picnics of thousands or the many other wonderful activities this great community produced, but rather in our hearts and our day-to-day living, in our own personal ways.

We may not have the cosmopolitan flair of a European city or the non-stop parties of an American metropolis, but rather, we here in Tucson have something richer. A network of some of the most loving, caring and dedicated Gay people I've ever known. They make Tucson what it is to so many of us, and that simply is "home". No we are not perfect - this is not Utopia. But it feels good to call the Old Pueblo "Home".

Last Saturday at the French Quarter, some fun history was made. Teams from the four local AIDS organizations got together to add to the celebrations of Gay Pride Week under the name of the Share Bears. El Proyecto, PACT, Shanti and TAP were fully represented. Ruben, Ramon and Mark did a great job on "Win, Lose or Draw". Thanks guys! Kirk, Bob and the 'Men Aloud' Poster Men were terrific doing the "Dating Game".

Then came the "Family Feud". Some of the responses we got from our survey were a big different, which made things quite interesting. But, when the dust settled from the first two rounds, there were two family teams left - the TAP family and the PACT family - in the final round. People really got into it, and I really believe everyone enjoyed themselves. After the final round only one team was left - P.A.C.T. The first champions of what we all hope to be the annual Share Bear festivities for Gay Pride Week.

And finally, this Saturday at MCC/-Tucson, in fact all weekend, there will be celebrating. And the guest of honor will be the Rev. Troy Perry, founder of MCC and a true pioneer of Gay rights and understanding. Look for MCC's ad and the story in this issue. Come, join them in celebrating and dedicating their new, beautiful church.

Please be careful this Fourth of July. It's easy to forget. Play safe and drive sober. Happy Birthday, America! A proud American, Sean. Till next week: 628-7816.

A View From The Rock

A Commentary From Cornerstone Fellowship

I would really like to take this opportunity to share with you just a couple of ways my whole life has been changed and I have been transformed within and without, in just five short, but intensely meaningful, years.

I spent 25 years as a practicing Buddhist. I have worked hard all my life for the support of myself and my two children, as a single parent. Ten years ago, I suffered my third and final, complete nervous breakdown. My entire life was in ruins and I was incapable of helping myself. I was withdrawn and alienated from my family and friends. Mental illness still carries a social stigma, even in 1981 and 1991.

I was diagnosed as hopelessly, chronically mentally ill. I was informed I would remain mentally ill and handicapped all the rest of my life, and required drugs to help me function at all, the rest of my life. I would never work again. I was withdrawn, silent and spent five years passing the hours of being awake, sitting alone, silently, staring at nothing.

My spouse took me to a brand new church in the community, Cornerstone Fellowship, and from that moment, five years ago, God took control of my life. I can swear on oath that through God's divine intercession in my life, for reasons only God knows, He completely healed me of all mental illness. I am now in full possession of all my mental faculties and function continually on a high level. Higher than I've ever been able to function before! I do not know why He performed this healing for me. I did not ask for it; I did not expect it; He simply did it. And I deeply, sincerely thank and praise Him.

I have smoked cigarettes for 35 years. Many times I have attempted to free myself from this health-damaging, expensive addiction. All attempts failed miserably. All of my attempts were carried out in my own inadequate strength, to quit smoking, and failed. Eight months ago, I prayed and admitted to God I could not help myself. I asked Him to take from me this enslaving addiction. Another miracle! Immediately I was freed of this habit. In His power, nothing is impossible or insignificant.

Do you have a problem you are helpless to cope with? Do you have an unfilled need or longing for fulfillment? I've already told you Who can help you; Who can meet all your needs. Would you like to feel complete, unconditional, everlasting love? God offers that to you freely, anytime. Just ask Him. He will hear you. He will answer you. I invite you to enter into new, glorious, joyous living with me. Look what just two of the things are He did for insignificant me!

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Double Mischief

by Wendy Caster

The Bisexual Challenge

Although Lesbian events often include signers, wheelchair ramps, and attempts at multiculturalism, the goal of total inclusiveness is never attained. Wheelchair accessibility plans may be carried out with good hearts but insufficient knowledge, or women of color may not feel welcome or heard. Sometimes needs clash, as when an artist needs to charge X dollars to earn a living while a Lesbian mother just can't afford that ticket. The most difficult clashes occur when one group simply doesn't like another, as when S/M Lesbians are asked not to attend music festivals or groups of "professional women" insist that members wear expensive clothing to exclude "lower class" women.

Yet for all the failures and mixed messages, many women still try to make the Lesbian community a place in which all sorts of women can be happy. There's fighting and insanity, but genuine goodheartedness, too.

There is a growing challenge to that good-heartedness: Bisexual women -- or Lesbians who sleep with men --or Bisexual Lesbians -- or women who are confused. However they define themselves, many are seeking a home in the Lesbian community -- or who are already there -- and many Lesbians are not thrilled to see them.

This situation presents a two-pronged challenge: How do we avoid becoming the oppressors of Bisexual women while maintaining the emotional and physical spaces we have carved out for ourselves?

These questions bring up still more questions: What does "Bisexual" mean? What does "Lesbian" mean? Do we have just one sexuality throughout our lives? Does it matter how we label ourselves? Can't we all just be people?

No. Not as long as same-sex marriages are illegal. Not as long as same-sex couples holding hands on the street are risking their lives. Oppression makes labels necessary. To identify as a Lesbian is to take chances, make sacrifices, and break rules. To be a Lesbian can mean giving up family and/or friends and/or job opportunities. And, for many of us, to be a Lesbian means <u>not going back</u>. We're not in the mainstream anymore.

But where are Bisexuals? Some Lesbians feel that Bisexuals have the best of both worlds, since they can fall back on the safety and heterosexual privilege of being with a man. Since, if the going gets tough Bisexuals can just go, some Lesbians do not trust them to be around through thick and thin.

For some Lesbians, the bottom line is that Bisexual women <u>are not Lesbians</u>, and, as such, are not appropriate to Lesbian groups. But what about women who are predominantly Lesbian? Or who are in a Lesbian relationship now? What about women who consider themselves 100% Lesbian but change their mind? What about women who consider themselves Bisexual but choose to live as Lesbians? What about women who are confused? What about women who are our old friends, who perhaps helped start our Lesbian groups, who one day end up with men?

One answer is to let all women into all Lesbian groups. That is certainly inclusive, but, while it gives more freedom to Bisexual women, it takes some away from Lesbians. We have <u>earned</u> our time alone together; not too long ago, Lesbians risked lost jobs and even jail for one another's company. We still need the hard-won opportunity to recharge our batteries among our peers.

But must that lead to us oppressing other women? Not if we are honest, open-hearted, and careful -- and if the other women are as well. Lesbians need to accept that many Bisexual women feel oppressed on all sides, while Bisexual women need to remember that many Lesbians identify as significantly different from them. And Bisexuals should not expect Lesbians to share organizations or spaces that they have built by themselves for themselves <u>unless they choose to</u>.

There may need to be a series of solutions. Certain groups might remain Lesbian-only while others might expand to include Bisexual women. Or perhaps new mixed groups will need to be founded. Personal friendships would of course require personal decisions, though friendships across sexualities can enhance all our lives.

To meet the "Bisexual challenge," Bisexual women and Lesbians will have to understand each other's needs and fears. Lesbians and Gay male friends do not assume that both will be welcome at every event one of them attends. Similarly, there will be times for Lesbians and Bisexual women to be together and times for us to be apart. We might call it semi-inclusion.

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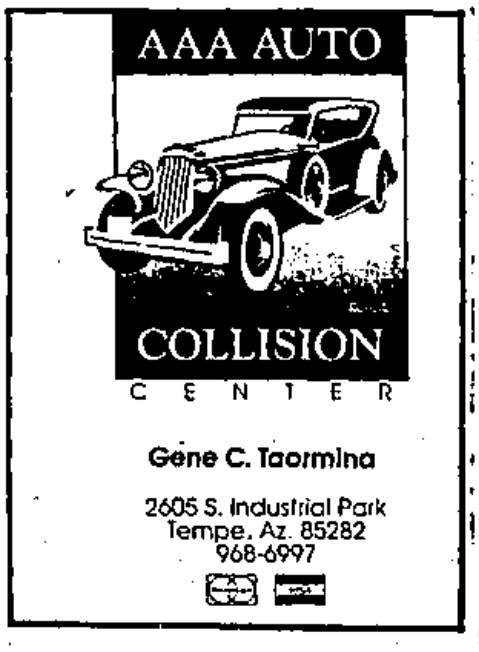

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CALENDAR
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THURSDAY, JULY 4

COLETTE'S - Traditional July 4th Bang-Up Bar-B-Que and party. Lots of food, dancing, partying and funnnnnn. 3:00 p.m.

JOSHUA TREE - Independence Day Party with Beer Bust. A special July 4th show with Miss Firecracker" Kristin plus Mr. Frank Perez will present Kabuki to celebrate the 4th too.

SATURDAY, JULY 6

CRUDGATE - "Saturday Night Special" - show starts at 4:30ish and stars Raven, Candy Plastique, Aviva Diamond and special guest, the Graduate's own Miss Halloween 1990 - Dara Far.

SUNDAY, JULY 7

RUMORS - Black Light Party! Check out the new black lights and if you are wearing white - all white well is only $1.50, Schnapps 75 cents and draft beer if 50 cents all night long. Party!

SUNDAY, JULY 14

RUMORS- It's Jello Wrestling time again. Some more hot models from the coast will participate and this always popular event is a benefit for our Shanti Foundation. More later.

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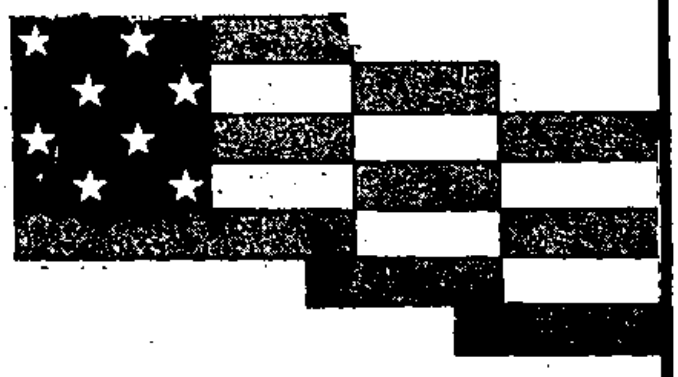

Non-Bar CALENDAR

[NOTE: If you have an event or special happening that you feel should be included in this Non-Bar Activities Calendar, please contact Mr. Ben Corbin prior to Monday of that Wednesday's paper for inclusion in that week's issue. After the first notice has appeared, it will appear weekly until that event has taken place. Mr. Corbin may be reached at 393-9191 in Tucson.]

FRIDAY, JULY 5

"Meet The Speaker" a reception and Round-Table discussion featuring the Rev. Elder, Dr. Troy Perry, founder of UFMCC. In conjunction with the 21st Anniversary of our local MCC Church and dedication ceremonies of the new MCC church building, 3269 N. Mountain. Refreshments will be served.

SATURDAY, JULY 6

MCC's 21st Anniversary and church dedication celebration continues with a Pancake Brunch at 10:00 a.m. Donations of $2.00 per person is requested. Then at 6:00 p.m., an Anniversary Buffet Dinner with entertainment. Donation of $7.50 per person requested, entertainment includes Loren Johnson, Charlotte Strayhorn, Margo Leigh, Tiffany St. Thomas (Miss Gay Tucson), John Barnes, Jerry Harrell with Istulic and Fifi, Rev. Rita Terliuner-Willey and some other surprises.

SUNDAY, JULY 7

MCC 10:45 a.m. Morning Worship Service and Church Dedication. UFMCC Founder, Rev. Elder, Dr. Troy Perry will be delivering the message. Everyone is invited to join in this celebration/dedication and hear the dynamic Rev. Perry speak.

Tucson Lesbian/Gay Alliance (TLGA) will hold a critique on the just ended Gay/Lesbian Pride Week activities. They meet on the patio at the Joshua Tree beginning at 3:30 p.m. Everyone is welcome to give their input.

WEDNESDAY, JULY 10

C.A.P. Committee will meet at 7:00 p.m. at MCC Church, 3269 N. Mountain Ave. All members are urged to attend this meeting as those members who have missed three meetings since January will be deleted as voting members of this year's Committee.

TUESDAY, JULY 16

Lambda Democratic Caucus will hold its regular monthly general meeting (3rd Tuesday of each month) from 7 to 9 p.m. at 2617 E. Broadway. New members welcome.

FRIDAY, JULY 19

"Gays/Lesbian In The Military" will be the focus of Old Pueblo Business and Professional Association's July meeting. The Persian Gulf crisis has reawakened the criticism of the U.S. military's policy of discrimination against homosexuals. Discover differing points of view in the current debate. Hotel Park Tucson, 5151 EastGrant Road. Free to OP members and newcomers.

MONDAY , JULY 22

DofA Committee for Gay, Lesbian and Bisexual Faculty and Staff will meet from noon until 1:30 p.m. in the Regent's Room in the Administration Building. This group meets every fourth Monday of each month for a brown bag lunch. Prof. Bruce Fowler is the facilitator.

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Tucson CALENDAR

sunday

BACK POCKET/JOSHUA TREE - Open Noon. Drink Specials. $4.00 steaks, Dave cooks 4-8. Variety Show 10:30 p.m. Food served 9-12. Dave DJs.

COLETTE'S WEST - Pool Tournament 3:30 pm. $2.00 entry. Brunch till 3. "Miss Down Rite" $1.00 wine 2 pm to midnight. Movies on the big screen begins at 7 pm.

FRENCH QUARTER - Open Noon. Brunch served 12-3. Drink specials. 5 p.m. Pool Tournament. Double elimination, $2 entry, 60/40 split 1st & 2nd.

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

ROCKS - Bloody Marys and Screws $1.25 till 7 pm. Country Dance Music 7 - 1 and with your DJ Mark. House Madness Specials 7-1.

INN'S - 2 for 1 Happy Hour 4 to 8 p.m. on well and non-premium beer. 9 to 1 Trash Disco Night. Hot music from the 70s & 80s. Well drinks $1.50.

OUTLAWS - Open daily 6 p.m. to 1 a.m.

RUMORS - Open at noon. Drink specials.

monday

BACK POCKET/JOSHUA TREE - Open Noon. $1.50 Domestic Beer 12-7. $1.50 draft and schnapps 7 to close. Dave DJ 9-1, classic rock & Roll. Food served 9-12.

COLETTE'S WEST - Daily Sandwich Special. Happy Hour 4-7. All White Well, schnapps or wine $1, Domestic Bottle Beer $1.25, draft .75

FRENCH QUARTER - Open 3 pm. Daily drink specials. Burgers, sandwiches or chicken-in-a-basket $2.50 from 4 to 9 p.m.

CRUDGATE - Happy Hour prices open to close.

ROCKS - Open Noon. Happy Hours 3 to 7 pm - Well and Domestic Beer $1.25,

INN'S - 4 to 8 Two for One. Bowler's Special $1 Well or non-Premium Beer. Easy listening music. Bring in your own tape for a drink special 4 pm to 1 am.

OUTLAWS - Open daily 6 p.m. to 1 a.m.

RUMORS - Open Noon. Daily drink specials. Todd DJ's at 9.

tuesday

BACK POCKET/JOSHUA TREE - Open Noon. $1.50 well 12-7. $1.50 Corona/.75 Kamikaze shots all day. Bobby Jr. DJs 9-1. Food served 9-12

COLETTE'S WEST - Check for daily sandwich special. Happy Hour 4-7: All white well, schnapps or wine $1, Domestic bottle beer $1.25, Draft .75. Longneck Bottle Beer $1.25 from 8 to midnight. DJ 8 to midnight.

FRENCH QUARTER - Open 3 pm. Daily drink specials. Burgers, sandwiches or Chicken-in-a-Basket $2.50 from 6 to 9 p.m. It's Movie Nite and the Big Screen too!

CRUDGATE - .50 Draft open to close.

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

INN'S - 4 to 8 Two for One. Copper City Squares 7-9. Leather Nite with .75 draft beer and .50 off call liquor for anyone wearing leather 8 pm to close. Country music and dancing with Gil Leon 9-1.

OUTLAWS - Open daily 6 p.m. to 1 a.m.

RUMORS - Open noon. Daily drink specials. DJ/DJ 9-1 with Clint.

wednesday

BACK POCKET/JOSHUA TREE - Open Noon. $1.50 white well 12-7. Male and Female Strippers 10:30p.m. Dave DJs 9pm. Food served 9-12.

COLETTE'S WEST - Daily Sandwich Special. Happy Hour 4-7: All white well, schnapps or wine $1, domestic bottle beer $1.25, Draft .75. T-Squares dance and give free lessons at 6:30. 2-Step Country/Western follows. Schnapps $1 from 8-12 am. DJ 9-1

FRENCH QUARTER - Open 3 pm. Daily drink specials. Burgers, sandwiches or chicken-in-a-basket $2.50 from 6 to 9 p.m.

CRUDGATE - 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.

INN'S - 4-8 Two for One. 8 to Close, 50 cents off Call Liquor, Linda dj's 9-1.

OUTLAWS - Open daily 6 p.m. to 1 a.m.

RUMORS - Open noon. Daily drink specials. DJ/DJ Clint at 9pm.

thursday

BACK POCKET/JOSHUA TREE - Open 8a a. $1.50 white well 12-7. $2.75 pitchers Bud/Bud Lite all day and night. Dave DJs 9-1. Food served 9-12.

COLETTE'S WEST - Happy Hour 4-7: All white well, schnapps or wine $1, Domestic bottle beer $1.25, Draft .75 / "Submarine!" .50 draft from 8-12. DJ from 9 to 1.

FRENCH QUARTER - Open 3 pm. Daily drink specials. Burgers, sandwiches or chicken-in-basket $2.50 from 6 to 9. 7 p.m. Dart Tournament $2 entry 60/40 split.

CRUDGATE - 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 $1.25 from 8 pm to 1 am. Country/Western dancing 9 to 1 with your DJ Mark.

INN'S - 4-8 Two for One. Country music and dancing with Gil Leon. Free dance lessons 8 p.m. Bud and Bud Lite $1.50 from 8-1.

OUTLAWS - Open daily 6 p.m. to 1 a.m.

RUMORS - Daily drink specials. Dancing with your DJ/DJ Clint 9-1.

friday

BACK POCKET/JOSHUA TREE - Open Noon. $1.50 domestic beer 12-7. Bobby Jr. DJs at 9pm. Food served 9-12.

COLETTE'S WEST - Happy Hour 4-7: White Well, schnapps or wine $1, Domestic bottle beer $1.25, Draft .75 / Party Rite Hourly Drink Specials 8-12. DJ 9-1.

FRENCH QUARTER - Open 3 pm. Daily drink specials. Burgers, sandwiches, chicken-in-basket $2.50 from 6 to 9.

CRUDGATE - Drink Specials until closing.

ROCKS - Happy Hours 3 to 7pm, Well or Domestic Beer $1.25. Dancing 9 pm - 1 am

INN'S - 4-8 Two for One / Hot Music 9 to close with Ray.

OUTLAWS - Open daily 6 p.m. to 1 a.m.

RUMORS - Daily drink specials. Free Hors d'Oeuvres 5:30. DJ/DJ Clint 9-1.

saturday

BACK POCKET/JOSHUA TREE - Open Noon. $4.00 steaks Jay cooks 4-8. Drink specials. DJ Bobby Jr 9 to 1. Food served 9-12.

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

FRENCH QUARTER - Open Noon. Daily drink specials. Burgers, sandwiches or chicken-in-a basket $2.50 from 6 to 9.

CRUDGATE - Drink specials until closing.

ROCKS - Open Noon. 7 pm to 1 am. DJ music 9 to 1. Last Saturday of each month is Country and Western dance music.

INN'S - 4 to 8. Hot music 9 to close with Linda Hidalo.

OUTLAWS - Open daily 6 p.m. to 1 a.m.

RUMORS - Open Noon. Daily drink specials. Dance with DJ/DJ Clint 9-1

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Massages start at Shanti on July 8th for Shanti Clients and others with HIV on a space available basis... so call the office to book your massage. That number is 622-7107. Massages will be given on Mondays, Thursdays and Saturdays in the afternoon.

Thanks to Michael and all the performers at the Reunion Show last week at Rumorz for your generous donations of your tips to the Shanti Foundation. The performers in Tucson and Phoenix are some of the most generous people when it comes to donating to the various AIDS agencies and we all appreciate it very much.

The Fourth of July is coming up this weekend... it is really the start of vacation time from now thru Labor Day. Some hints about packing for trips may come in handy right now. Fashionable wools are the easiest to pack as they resist wrinkles, springing back in shape quickly.

When packing your suitcase, put the heavy items on the bottom, getting lighter as you get to the top. If you don't use a separate case for shoes, then put them on the bottom, stuff them with things like socks, stockings, cosmetic or lube jars, folded gloves, items that will take up space in the shoes. It also helps hold the shoes in shape. Skirts should start with the hem at one of the suitcase, making sure that the bottom side of the skirt lies completely smoothed out. If it isn't a straight skirt, smooth out the overhang on both sides and fold back neatly over strips of tissue paper. Another strip of tissue goes under the fold-back you make with the waist extending over the other end of the suitcase. For the next skirt, start the procedure from the opposite end of the suitcase, so that the thickness evens out.

Blouses and shirts will be smooth if folded right, at the shoulders, with sleeves under the back, much as new shirts are folded. Again alternate their position for level packing. Suit jackets may be packed like shirts, possible folding the sleeves toward the front. Stuff front with tissue paper. Or, turn suit jacket inside out except for the sleeves. Fold jacket in half, tucking one shoulder inside the other. Smooth out folds at collar and lapel. Roll pajamas and underwear to save space and use to stuff the corners of your bag, it keeps the other items from sliding around and wrinkling.

Unpack the clothes as soon as possible so they can hang out upon arrival at your destination. Take along a portable steam iron, it takes up very little space and by spreading hand towels on a hotel bed, one can press out any wrinkles easily. Pack items snugly, but not crowded to prevent wrinkles. If you carry your own soap, wrap it in aluminum foil to "fence out" the dampness. Use foil for washcloths or if you have to pack a damp swimsuit. Try to transfer toiletry items to plastic bottles as glass can often break. Ties may be folded in half and rolled over accordion-pleated tissue for wrinkle proof packing. Often extra socks, briefs and T-shirts can be packed in expandable briefcases while traveling.

If traveling for a long period of time and you don't want to worry about laundry and you're only making short stops in various cities, take shirts, underwear and socks that can be rinsed out nightly and be dry by morning, when moving on to another location. This can cut down on loads of luggage too... if on a constant move, the same people won't be seeing you, so things can be worn more often by rinsing them out. It can sure lighten one's luggage and make the whole traveling experience much more fun.

Remember to take your medications and prescriptions in case you need refills on your trip. Same with glasses in case they get broken. If you don't want to take an address book along to send postcards back, then make up mailing labels before you go, they are lighter to store in your luggage and can be stuck right on the postcards.

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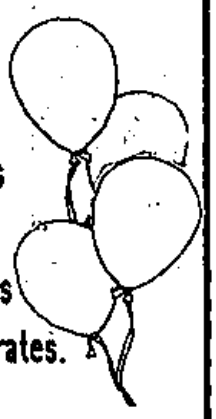

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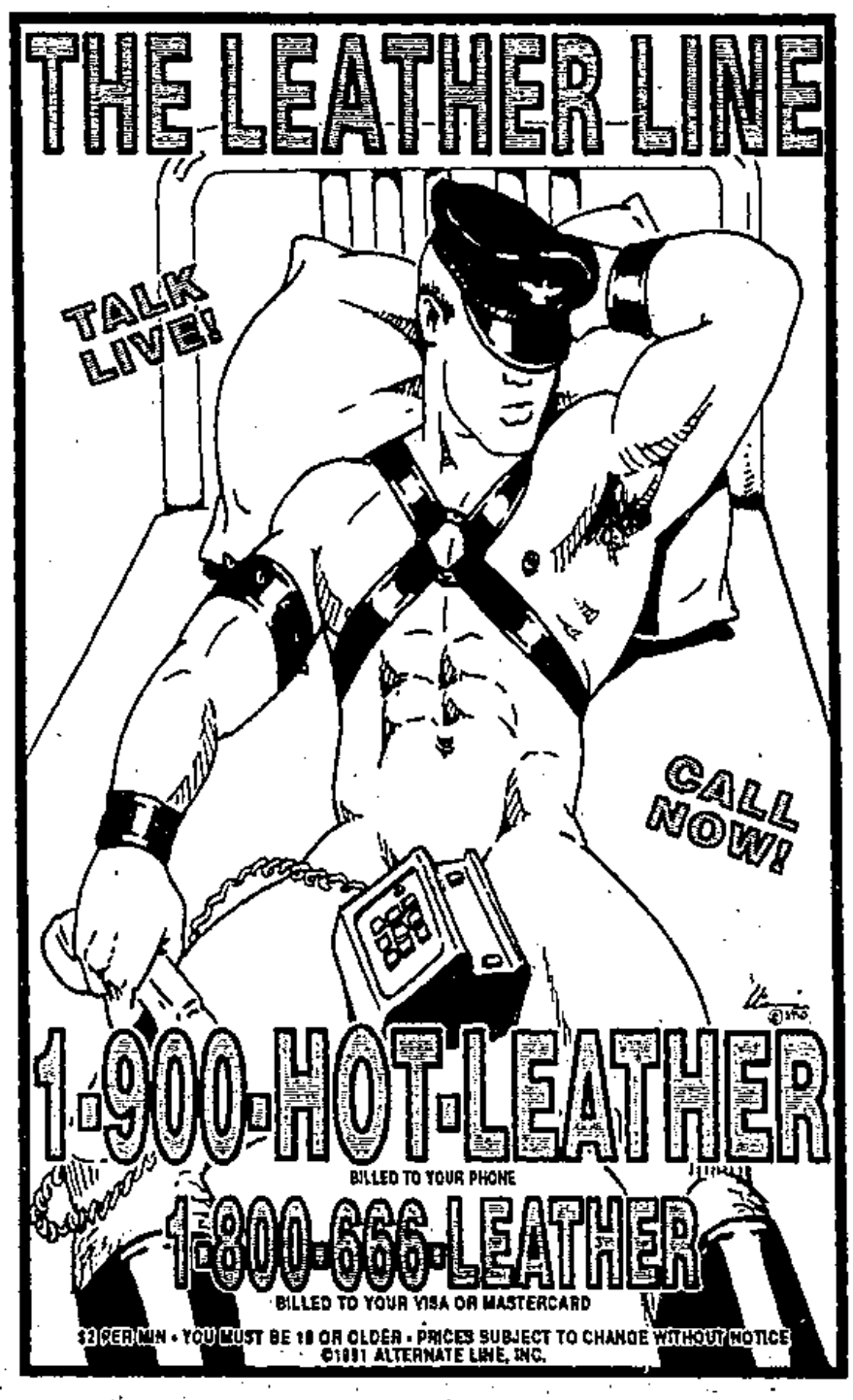

POLITICS '91 by Mark Kerr

Why should the elected officials and candidates care about the Lesbian and Gay community... When we don't...

The Tucson Lesbian and Gay community suffered a setback last week. How you might ask? Well, the Lambda Democratic Caucus, on Friday, June 28th, held a "Meet the Candidates Night" as an official Pride Week Event. Tucson Mayor and candidate for the Democratic nomination for Congressional District 2, Thomas Volgy, was in attendance. Also present were Vice-Mayor and Ward 2 City Council member Janet Marcus,; Ward 1 City Council member Bruce Wheeler; former Ward 3 City Council member and candidate for Mayor, George Miller; Democratic Mayoral candidate Tom Saggau and the Director of Southern Arizona Planned Parenthood and candidate for the Congressional District 2 nomination, Virginia Yrun, who flew in from Washington, D.C. to be in Tucson for this night.

It was a terrible pity for us that only a <u>small</u> number turned out from the Lesbian and Gay community. Yes, that is right, including elected officials, candidates and their respective entourages, the total attendance was 40.

Where were the groups/organizations within the community who get funding from the Federal government, or rely on funding from the Federal or local government, or would like to get funding from the Federal or local governments? They blew a golden opportunity to talk to and establish good relations with the next Congressperson from C.D. 2. Yes, the next Congressperson was there. Where were the groups and organizations?!?

Where were the people, who at the Pride Picnic, stated vociferously, "We Want Our Rights!", "We want police harassment against us to end!", "We want to be treated with dignity!" "We are proud!" Where were these people, who could have talked to the present and <u>our next Mayor</u>, yes, the next Mayor was also there. Where were the people who are supposedly proud?

Do you think that the candidates for office and elected officials forget about events like this? The answer is no!!! Once these people are in office and we, as a community, go to them to try to get something done, or changed, do you think they are going to be enthusiastic about introducing legislation in our behalf? The answer is simple, NO!!! Why should a politician help us, when we cannot get the people out to an event to show that, as a community, we care, we are concerned, and we want action. Why should they care?

I am deeply distressed by the lack of attendance on this special evening. Do you think it was easy getting your elected officials and candidates for important political positions to come to the picnic? Do you think it was easy to have our Mayor Volgy read his proclamation? (Tucson joins a very small list of cities to have the Mayor show up to read a Proclamation)! Then to have those same people come to a special event, in a very nice setting, free to everyone, and have 20 or 25 people show up? It's like pulling teeth to get these people to come to an event. Their calendars are usually full months in advance. They have other groups who demand their attention also.

The Lambda Democratic Caucus goes to these people, invites them, then sends them an official invitation, then reminds them numerous times until the event and until they show up. The caucus states to the elected officials and candidates that the Lesbian and Gay community is a large and active group that is strongly concerned about issues, that is <u>not apathetic</u> and that is knowledgeable about politics and votes. Then they show up to an event like "Meet The Candidate Night", that has minimal attendance. How do you think the Lesbian and Gay community looks in the eyes of the elected officials and candidates? <u>Terrible - a group that is apathetic and possibly one that should not be cultivated or dealt with</u>!

We have made so much progress, we cannot afford to be shoved back to square one. We have so much to gain - a Hate Crimes Bill, and a Domestic Partners Bill in the City of Tucson. A Gay/Lesbian Rights Bill in Washington, Gay/Lesbian legislation and AIDS legislation in Phoneix, etc. But if we are to obtain these wonderful things, we must show that we want them, by political activity and showing up to events in support of them.

Candidates and elected officials will pay attention to groups that show that they mean business. What we did Friday was show that we, as a community, do not care and that we are apathetic. We have some fences to be mended!

Think about the following: When you say that the politicians do not care about us, ask yourself, have you attended one Lesbian and Gay sponsored political event in Southern Arizona to show your support of the Lesbian and Gay community in obtaining basic civil rights, or other Gay/Lesbian-related legislation?

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TAURUS

Singing that faboo rap song again? "Me So Horny?" Anything's better than a hand job - sometimes. Grease your lips and hit the I-10 Bookstore - we're having fun now!

GEMINI

Still after that double-fisted beer drinker? Me too! Your taste is impeccable as usual. Don't act so stuck up though, you're not <u>that</u> special. A dinner invitation comes your way - don't pass it up!

CANCER

Don't bother trying to analyze your new popularity - just enjoy it. Of course, since only dogs go for you, try the city pound. The pot of gold at Rainbow's end is almost within your grasp.

LEO

That special "gift" you have should be insured by Lloyd's of London. The gossip you come up with is astounding! Ann Margaret insured her legs, maybe you can insure you mouth. A special night, Sunday.

VIRGO

You'll be a busy beaver this week. Fireworks light up your bedroom this weekend. Don't forget the Summer's Eve though. Just think, you won't need Pleasure World for a few nights now - or the Ken doll.

LIBRA

You'll meet a hot number driving a Jeep Wrangler (your favorite) who is going to take you for a ride. Wear a can of snuff in your back pocket, it attracts those types too. Take a walk on the wild side.

SCORPIO

That drag show you attended last week brought back memories. Go ahead, get the panty hose out of mothballs. Lady Luck is on your side this week. Almost anything you gamble on will pay off.

SAGITTARIUS

Still kicking your heels up? Your feet are getting <u>very</u> tan. As usual you made a spectacle of yourself last weekend. Look for a repeat this weekend at the "Love Shaque".

CAPRICORN

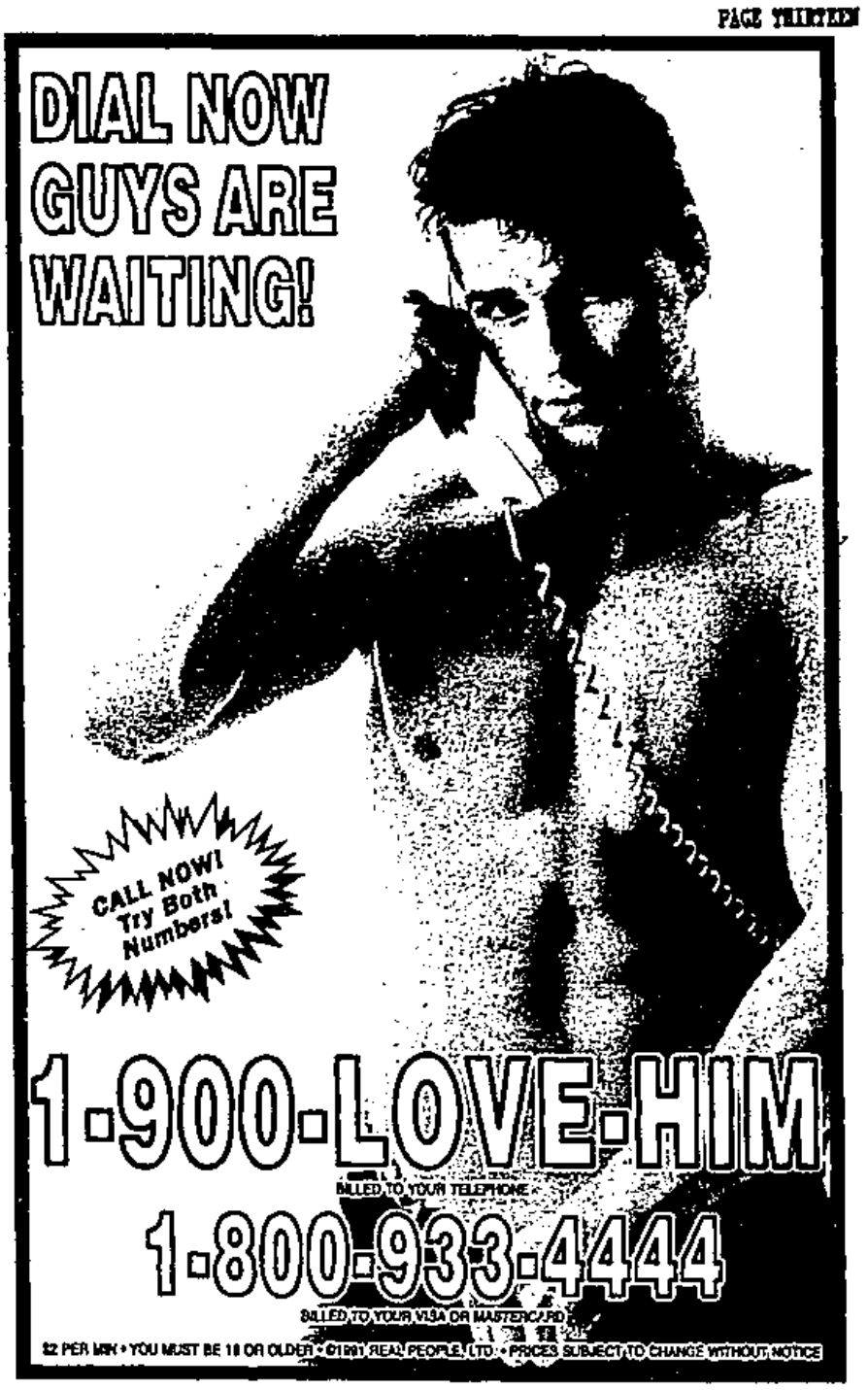
Are people whispering behind your back when you walk into a bar? That swap meet cologne does it everytime. Be more assertive this week. A certain person is waiting for <u>you</u> to make the first move.

AQUARIUS

Just because you have another boyfriend doesn't mean you have to both hide in your darkened room and watch MTV. It does beat the weather channel though. (Ain't love grand?) This is a good money week.

PISCES

Changes in the wind - possible a career move or new relationship. Be more coy in your approach to people. That hot pants look, sucking on a lollipop, is a little over used - especially on Stone Ave.



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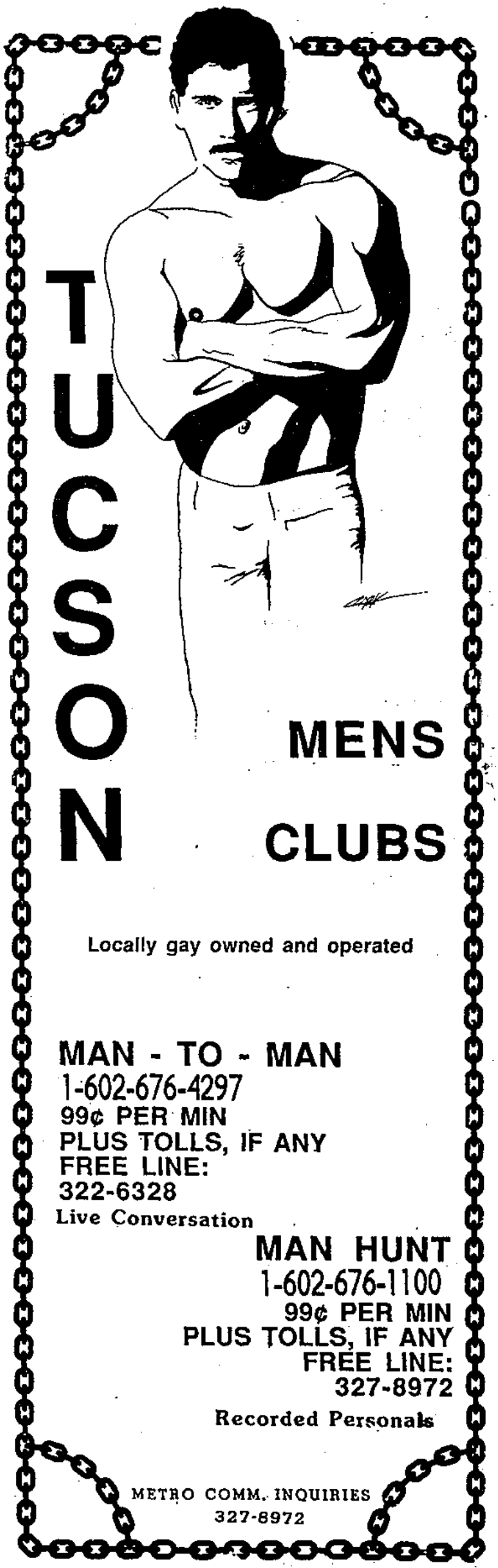

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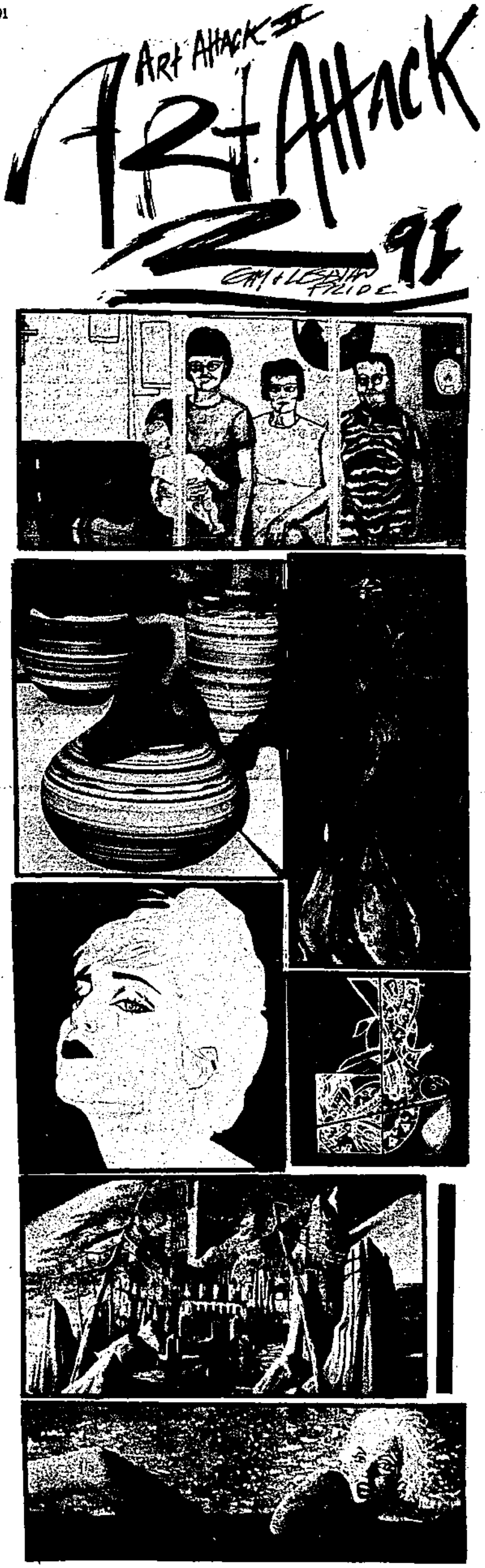

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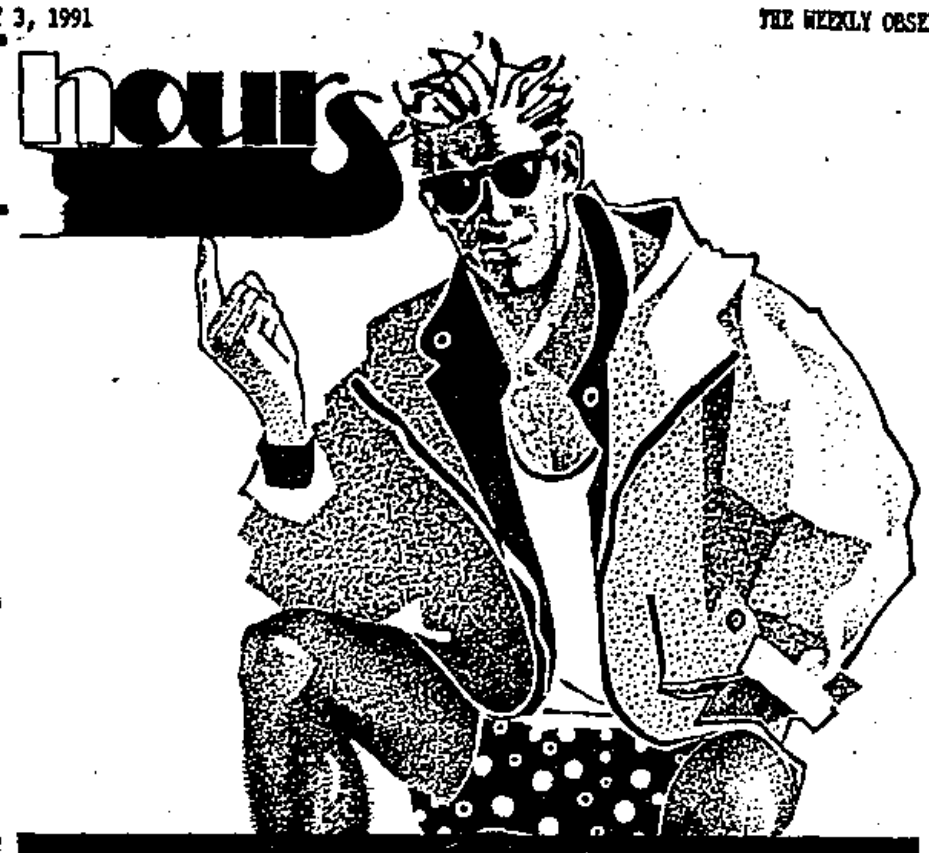

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