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AGRA Votes To Have Saguaro Regional Rodeo In Tucson Next Year

TUCSON - The Arizona Gay Rodeo Association (AGRA) met in Tucson this week. The Board of Directors of Phoenix and of the Tucson Chapter meeting was followed by a general membership meeting at Hours last Sunday, July 12. This was the first anniversary of the Tucson Satellite also.

A large number of members attended the general meeting which was spirited and sometimes boisterous, and kept AGRA president Dan Iverson and the parliamentarian hopping.

One of the more important decision coming from this meeting was that the membership voted to produce the Saguaro Regional Rodeo in Tucson again this coming year. Though the Regional rodeo lost some money, by national standards it was considered a huge success for an initial rodeo.

Pictured above are members of the Board of Directors of Tucson and Phoenix.

Compromise Gay-Rights Law Passed In Phoenix

PHOENIX - On June 16, the Phoenix City Council took up for consideration and a vote on an ordinance that would ban discrimination based on Sexual Preference. (OBSERVER, June 17). At the controversial, raucous three-hour hearing, the council had voted to submit the proposal to a public vote in the October 1993 city election.

Last Tuesday, July 7, former Arizona Senator Barry Goldwater - considered the bastion of political conservatism - urged the Phoenix City Council to pass a measure that would ban discrimination against homosexuals in the workplace.

"Under our Constitution, we literally have the right to do anything we may want to do, as long as the performing of those acts do not cause damage or hurt to anybody else," the Arizona Republican said at a news conference. "I can't see any way in the world that being Gay can cause damage to somebody else."

The next day, when the City Council met, Mayor Paul Johnson brought the ordinance back before the council in hopes of avoiding a public vote that he said he feared would tear the city apart.

The compromise introduced by Councilman John Nelson prohibits employers from discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation. But it applies only to companies that do business with the city and have 35 or more employees. The 6-3 vote was cheered by Gay-rights advocates who called it an important first step.

Goldwater had chided the council, "If you put this thing on the ballot, all hell is going to break loose. I've lived here for a long time and I know how excited people can get about nothing."

Goldwater was joined at the Tuesday news conference by Mark De Michelle, president of Arizona Public Service Co., Bishop Joseph T. Heistand of the Episcopal Diocese of Arizona, among others. Goldwater had predicted a battle worse than the one the state saw in 1990 over creating a paid state holiday for Rev. Martin Luther King.

Perot Moves To appease Gay Community

DALLAS - Ross Perot, trying to make amends with homosexuals by revising earlier statement, issued a pledge to fight discrimination based on sexual preference.

"What people do in their private lives is their own business," Perot said in a statement sent yesterday to gay rights groups that have threatened to disrupt the undeclared independent presidential candidate's rallies.

Appearing on the "Today" show this morning, Perot said he was still considering a vice presidential candidate and that he was not ready to say will he formally announce his candidacy.

On other topics:

Perot said he wasn't surprised that former Massachusetts Sen. Paul Tsongas endorsed Bill Clinton. "I expected him to," Perot said.

On polls that show him still holding a slight lead over President Bush and Clinton, he said: "As I've always said, it's a long time from July to November."

Perot's message on gay rights came two days after a meeting here between Perot and gay rights leaders.

"We must focus our efforts on creating jobs, regaining our competitiveness and educating our children," Perot's statement said. "No one should have to lie about who they are; no one should have to live their life in secrecy. We must unite and utilize the talent of all our great citizens."

Perot also appointed a lesbian, Beverly Hills mortgage broker Debra Olson, to be his volunteer civil rights coordinator in California. Olson was part of the Monday meeting.

Sharon Holman, Perot's press secretary, said the statement was intended to amend comments Perot made in an ABC television interview when he said he would not appoint a homosexual to his Cabinet.

Perot said in the four-paragraph statement that if elected, any discrimination based on "sexual orientation will not be tolerated."

"I have always prohibited discrimination in my business and I have no intention of changing that policy if elected

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Mitsou In Exclusive Tucson Show

TUCSON - Music lovers will have the chance to see one of the hottest acts in the business on Sunday, July 25. French-Canadian singing star Mitsou will be appearing at Club 2520 promoting her album. She is currently on a nationwide tour and this will be her only Tucson appearance.

Mitsou's self-titled Hollywood Record debut features lyrics in both English and French. Contributing songs were such established songwriters as the team of Billy Steinberg and Tom Kelly (Madonna, Cyndi Lauper), and Ivan Doroschuk from Men Without Hats.

The sensual video for "Dis-Moi, Dis-Moi", a Canadian Top 40 hit, prompted international media attention upon its release late last year. The black-and-white clip featured Mitsou singing sans wardrobe in a men's locker room shower and contained scenes with male and female nudity. The video was so steamy that it ended up the subject of the "Inside Story" segment on Entertainment Tonight and on A Current Affair, who interviewed Mitsou in her bubble bath. Banned at Much Music (Canada's MTV equivalent), Mitsou defended the clip in a forum on the network titled, "Madonna and Mitsou: A Question of Taste".

Hailing from Montreal, Quebec, her country's fusion of two cultures - American and French - helped sculpt the artist. "I'm always going to be different - maybe more exotic." "I do what I want, whenever I want," taunts the 21-year-old Mitsou.

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UPDATE

Toevs Is Lone Democratic Nominee In 5th Congressional District

TUCSON - A successful challenge to perennial candidate, Joseph Sweeny's nominating petitions resulted in Superior Court Judge Michael Brown removing Sweeney's name from the September 8 Primary Election Ballot, making Jim Toevs the only Democratic candidate in the 5th Congressional District race.

Toevs challenged Sweeney's petitions based on a sampling which showed large numbers of invalid signatures. The Pima County Recorder's office checked 664 Sweeney signatures and found only 176 to be valid.

"It's great to be the Democratic nominee in July rather than having to wait until after the September 8 Primary," Toevs said. "It will be very helpful in raising money, and I now enjoy the wholehearted support of the Democratic Party. It is still extremely important to get the highest possible vote total in the Primary Election, however, because many political observers use primary results as a bellweather for the November General Election," Toevs said.

"We are in this race to win!", Toevs said, "but we need lots of volunteer and financial support." Anyone desiring to help can call the Toevs campaign at 577-6018, or P.O. Box 30115, Tucson, AZ 85751-0115

OP To Present Discussion On Prejudice In Gay Community

Tucson - The issues that unite lesbians gay men in Tucson are much greater than those that divide us.

Those issues will be highlighted at this month's meeting of Old Pueblo Business and Professional Association Friday, July 17, 7:30 p.m. at the Hotel Park Tucson, 5151 E. Grant Road.

Colette Barajas, Brian Bateman, Pat Hughes and Jim Toevs -- who have conducted workshops on prejudice reduction within the gay and lesbian community -- will lead a discussion on way that men and women can better communicate with one another.

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Scott Skinner Receives Journalism Award

ED NOTE: In last week's paper we did a story on Gay journalists giving awards to the mainstream media. The story was gleaned from the Sunday, June 28th issue of the San Francisco Examiner. We now have a press release from the National Lesbian & Gay Journalists Association and much to our dismay one of the awards winners was Tucson's own M. Scott Skinner.

Skinner, a reporter for the Arizona Daily Star, won his NLGJA award for "Crackdown in city parks" a story that prompted the city council to amend its laws covering such arrests and indeed caused a change in undercover arrests by the Tucson police Department's of Gay men in city parks. The Sunday Examiner story did not mention Skinner's name or the award..

However, in another story in the Examiner written by Donna Birch, said: "Reporter Scott Skinner had already "come out" in print at the Arizona Daily Star when he started working on a story in 1991 investigating how Tucson police were allegedly arresting Gay and Bisexual men by entrapment.

"After the first two stories ran, a few readers criticized Skinner, contending that because he was "a renowned homosexual," he couldn't possibly be objective in his coverage.

"At one point, Skinner recalls, 'some editors even brought up putting (the fact) I was Gay right along with my byline' on the stories he wrote dealing with Gay issues."

We apologize to our friend M. Scott Skinner. Had we known he was one of the award winners the story would have made page one, not page two. Keep up the great job, Scott.

NLGJA also awarded the New York Time for increased overall coverage of Gay and Lesbian issues. That fact was also missing from the Examiner story. Just shows you can't trust that mainstream too much.

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Undaunted by the attention that sometimes surrounds her sexy, fun-loving image, Mitsou is excited about introducing her music to a new American audience with her U.S. debut release, "Mitsou". And so what if a little controversy happens to pop up along her way. "What I most want to give people is energy, joie de vivre. People need that. I want people to have fun, because sometimes life can be very dull.

Advance tickets for the one-night only performance are $3.50 and are on sale at the bar now. Tickets will be available at the door for $5.00 the evening of the performance. No one will be admitted without a ticket.

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president," Perot said. "What people do in their private lives is their own business."

Gay rights organizations had earlier protested the televised Cabinet post remark, which Perot said was a response to thoughts over vicious confirmation hearings.

In Olympia, Wash., last week, the group ACT-UP threatened to stage a competing rally on the steps of the state Capitol, but relented after meeting with Perot and securing a promise for more attention to gay issues in his campaign.

Desert Voices Seeks Board Members

TUCSON - The Board of Directors of Desert Voices is aggressively searching to fill two board vacancies, Vice President for Marketing and Vice President for Business Affairs. The Board strongly feels that in order for the chorus to continue moving forward and develop as a strong entity in our community, strong leadership from qualified and experienced individuals is an absolute must.

Persons interested should submit a brief letter stating their interest and also includes qualifications and applicable experiences for the position.

Letter should be sent to Board of Directors, P.O. Box 40036, Tucson Arizona, 85717-0036, and must be postmarked no later than July 15. Upon receipt of your letter, you will be contacted and receive a written position description clearly stating the duties and responsibilities. The Board also welcomes any nominations from the public for either position. Here is a good opportunity for members from our community to become more involved in the chorus. Send your letter today.

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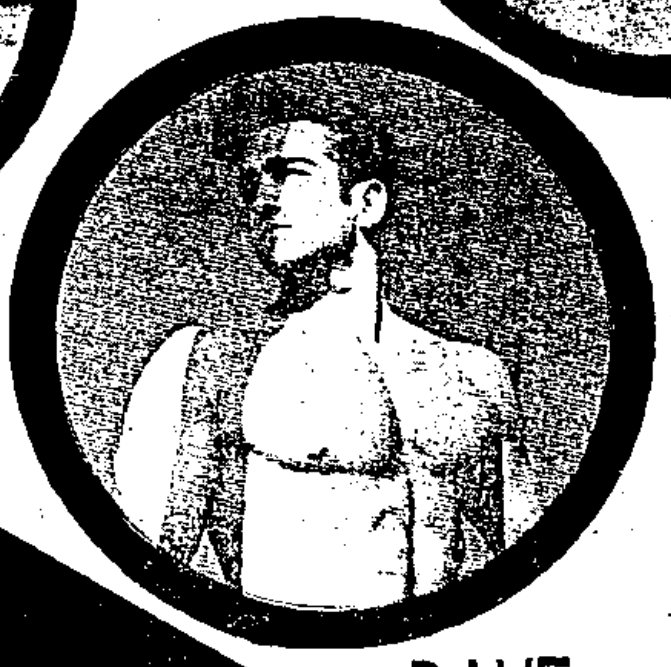

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Our friend Roger Barger passed away early Thursday, July 9, 1992 at the age of 45.

Roger is survived by his lover Peter M. Sittig, his dogs Puff and Damien, his mother Ferne Klein, and his brothers and sisters Dianna McKnight of Ohio, Linda Pink, Sandra Perez, Roxanne Johnson, Lanny Klein, and Tammy Klein, all of California.

A memorial service was held at Metropolitan Community Chiurch on Monday, July 13. The family requests that any contributions should be made to the Shanti Foundation of Tucson.

The Gay and Lesbian commnity of Tucson has lost a champion, whose love of his community was evidenced by his never-ending loyalty in promoting special events, benefits and numerous fund-raising activities throughout the years.

There is no accurate dollar figure to point to as a result of Roger's fund-raising efforts, but the figure has to be thousands and thousands of dollars that he personally was instrumental in raising. As we all remember, when he got on that microphone to ask for donations, sell raffle tickets, or auction items, his manner of cajoling, sweet-talking, and coaxing - Roger's art of persuasion was something to behold. Many of us can personally attest to having bought some bric-a-brac just because we happened to wave at someone at the wrong time.

Roger's dedication to those in need in our community - whether it was financial or emotional - is also well remembered. Whether a person was a friend or stranger, or one of his customers, in the hospital, in the bar or even in jail, if that person needed a friend - Roger was there - always.

And, personally, Roger was intensely loyal in his devotion - to his family, his lover, Peter for 17 years and to any job or task that he undertook.

There is now a big void in our hearts and in our community because of the passing of this kind, considerate, sweet, compassionate, generous and gentle man. We will all miss you, Roger, and until we meet again, God bless you.

Save a stool for me, kid.

Roger -
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We will miss you very much, Roger

Love, Freddy & Buster

Roger Barger, You old codger

Just a Bacardi and Coke for back
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When they failed and were in the poke,
You never took it as a joke.

But when friends failed you, you still were there
But when I was 86'd, you weren't anywhere.

Yet I love and respect you still
Always have and always will.

You did more for us you know
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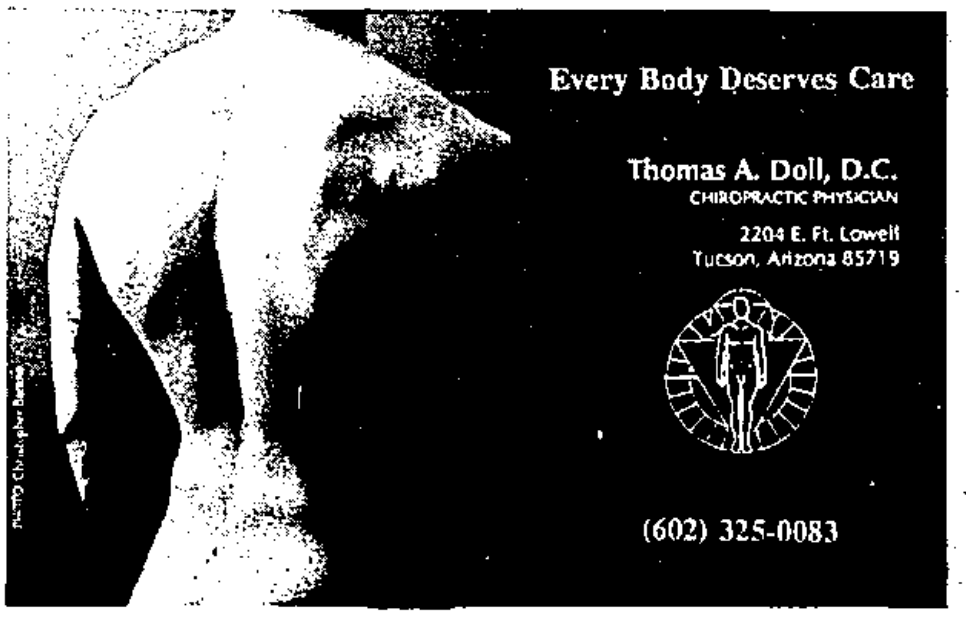

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What's Up Doc ?????

This column is dedicated to the memory or Roger. Last Monday, I along with close to 200 people, all attended the memorial service for him at the MCC church.

I could go on for a long paragraph or even a column, just talking about Roger. But, those of us fortunate to have been a friend of his, and he did have a lot of them, can remember so many things about him, why take the time to remind you. Yes, he will be missed but his memory will live in all of us for as long as we ourselves walk this earth.

It is always sad to say goodbye to someone special and each of us over years past have had to do so. This is one time I will not say goodbye - just see you later on at that bar in the sky. As Bob E. said during the memorial service, I also say, "Save me a bar seat, Roger."

This coming weekend it is time for Partners and their monthly beer bust over at the Graduate. Hopefully also, Partners will have applications for their Panda Run on hand and be able to answer any questions you may have on this one day tubing run down the Salt River.

Also, I'm sure they will have more of those questionable gag gifts they pass out at the drawings. I will say, if I win another set of combs, hair spray again or anything along these lines, I'll quit claiming them, if I do by chance to win one.

TJ - U KNOW I'S NOT DE BEST WHEN IT GETS TO THE INGLISH LANGWAGE SO STOP STRAINING YOU I'S SCANNING MY COLUMN FOR MISTAKES.

The Tucson Knight Owls turned 14 years old on July 1 and last Saturday afternoon, they celebrated their birthday with a big party and beer bust. A good size crowd was on hand to help bring in the new club year and to welcome the newly elected and sworn in Officers.

This coming years officers are Keith (formerly Kimberly Ryan)-President, David (Skunk tamer)-Vice-President, Ed (head cave mistress)-both Secretary and Treasurer, and myself (the power behind the throne)-Activities Captain. Due to my wife being elected and sworn in as President, that gave me the title of "First Lady" also. You know, I now hold the two most powerful offices of TKO so the club members had better watch their P's and Q's from now on.

What with pool tournaments held each Saturday at the Graduate, TKO has been having a tab bit difficulty coming up with some kind of game for people to play. They are going to try Bingo, with popcorn next month. I hope the pool players do not get too confused when those Bingo numbers are called out.

Well, I guess I'll close for this week. For all of us that are the "First Ladies" of the 4 different Tucson Clubs, we have a meeting tommorrow evening over at the Venture-N, 6 PM. Then, those of us that are "Road/Run/Activities Captains", we have a meeting next Thursday evening, also at the Venture-N, also at 6 PM.

Have a loving week everyone and the next time you are in the Tucson Mall, check out the "Everything for a Dollar" store, first level, by Foleys.

Bit Of The Old South

by Sean Thomas

It is a very difficult thing sometimes to say 'good-bye' to a close and dear leader of our community, but this last week we had to do just that. This man may not be physically in our midst, but his spirit, love, compassion, strength, wit, humor and courage will endure as a shining example not only to the Gay community, but to our entire City of Tucson. I am speaking, of course, of Mr. Roger Barger (freed, but not forgotten).

This coming weekend, I have the pleasure of being able to participate in the San Francisco AIDS Walk. I encourage all people in our community to participate as well in our local AIDS fund raising and awareness activities. Those people who continue to hide their heads in the sand and shield their hearts from the epidemic are doomed to a rude awakening. It is not a matter of "them" and "us", but a matter of we. We are one community. Diversified, yes, but united as one community.

Why must it take such a situation as this epidemic to knock sense into some people's heads. I wish no one ever had to experience, on any scale, this situation but reality is a different story.

There are wonderful, compassionate and beautiful people every day, giving selflessly of themselves to assist people to live, survive and yes, even thrive during this epidemic. Each one of you could be such a person. Everyone has that potential within them. All people need is to get past their fears and to educate themselves both to the facts and the needs. Many times, a little understanding and patience can go a long way.

Not everyone needs to be a "Mother Theresa" to make a difference in someone's life. It takes very little time, very little effort, and a whole lot of love. It is frustrating that something as simple as this is made so complicated in the minds of some people, preventing them from being an effective tool in alleviating just a little bit of the pressures surrounding this epidemic.

If someone is moved to help, I encourage them to contact one of our four local organizations and find a place that they feel comfortable about to be effective. People often tell me that they are sick and tired of hearing about AIDS/HIV. Unfortunately, they have no clue as to what being sick and tired of AIDS/HIV really is like and hopefully, they never will.

Enough of my preaching this week and I really wish each and every one of you a safe and long life. Until next week, Sean. 628-7816

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Double Mischief

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Perot? No!

The early murmuring about H. Ross Perot were seductive. A man who turned $1,000 into billions must be magically capable, right? And his ostensible combination of homespun wisdom and social laissez-faire were attractive, particularly since his early comments about gay men and lesbians seemed open-minded and kind. And wouldn't just about anyone be better than George Bush or Bill Clinton as President of the United States?

But we're past the early murmuring and appearance, and Perot reality is not seductive at all. The romance with him should be over, yet his popularity in the polls remains higher than Bush's or Clinton's. This guy could win. But who is he?

Some people would have you believe he's a Frank Capra hero, as they speak of an Outsider fixing up what's wrong Inside. Either these people are unaware of just how Perot got his billions, or they've never actually seen a Frank Capra movie.

Just where does the Outside end and the Inside begin? The real Inside in the United States includes politics, business, and rich people. Perot might not take money from PACs and he may not be influenced by rich and mighty special interest groups, but that wouldn't improve his governing for most of us. He agrees with the rich and mighty; he is the rich and mighty.

And even if the definition of Insider includes only those already involved in government, Perot is still and Insider. In a scathing article in the Village Voice, Michael Tomasky explains that Perot's "billings . . . represented the second largest item on the entire Medicare part B administrative budget" in 1971 and that the Nixon administration approved a $2 million/year Medicare contract for Perot's company although its bid was "three times as high per claim as the lowest bid." Tomasky adds that, "just after Nixom won a landslide reelection, two of Perot's top deputies combined to donate almost $200,000 to the Committee to Re-Elect the President." Ramparts magazine named Perot "Amierica's First Welfare Billionaire." This is an Outsider?

And then we have the Frank Capra analogy. Capra's heroes eschewed money. George Bailey in It's a Wonderful Life chose the comfort of others over his own profit, gaining the eternal enmity of Mr. Potter, the rich and mean (often synonymous in Capra films) banker. When Mr. Smith went to Washington, he fought against the sort of deals that made Perot a rich man. And Mr. Deeds gave away his fortune. Yes, Perot is a character from Frank Capra movies, but he's the villain, not the hero.

Perot's fortune can easily be seen in itself as immoral. In a world where millions are starving or homeless or lacking medical care, all for want of money, the interest of Perot's fortune could support 75,000 families on $40,000 a year forever, without even touching the principal. Is a man who keeps a huge chunk of the world's resources for himself a hero? What exactly do his supporters find heroic about him?

It was recently revealed that some of Perot's employees must agree to reimburse $9,000 for training if they quit or are fired in their first three years. As a result, they cannot say no to extra hours, unfair treatment, or anything the company wants to dish out. The situation has been compared to indentured servitude. In addition, according to Ellen Goodman, "his company dress code required skirts for women unless it was freezing." He wouldn't have "homosexuals or adulterers" in his cabinet.

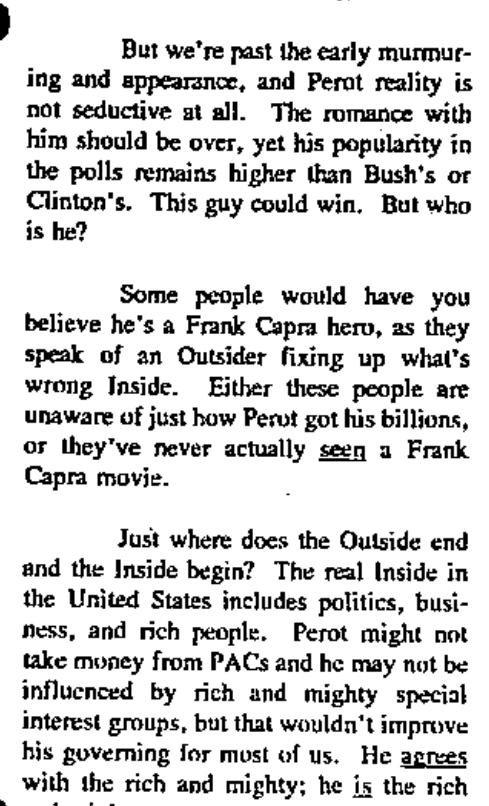
Even his big heroic move of having his employees freed when they were hostages in the Middle East was mitigated by the little detail that Perot's men also freed hundreds of murderers and rapists. It's easy to believe his claim that he would cordon off neighborhoods for door-to-door searches for drugs.

Has this potential president heard of the Constitution?

So what do people see in him? Are they supporting him simply because he's not a Democrat or Republican? Will they go for anyone who's new? Do they simply want to see the usual politicians sweat? Have they not read the articles on who Perot really is? Would they vote for anyone who offered a change?

A more frightening interpretation is that they do understand exactly who Perot is, and they want him—potential despot who considers the constitution a nuisance and doesn't support government interference in business unless it help him. A man who would force his moral beliefs on the rest of us.

Many letters to the editor have pointed out that voting for "anybody for a change" can lead to electing a Hitler. But what if a Hitler is really what those 39% of people polled want?



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Computer fund Receipts	0.00	0.0	65.00	0.4
Penny Campaign Donations	10.50	0.3	86.31	0.6
Sales	521.00	14.3	1,461.40	9.7
Total Receipts	3,641.62	100.0	15,064.57	100.0
DISBURSEMENTS				
Office Rent	400.00	11.0	2,400.00	15.9
Office Supplies	96.77	2.7	295.46	2.0
Activity Supplies	0.00	0.0	981.16	6.5
Activity Expense	0.00	0.0	157.59	1.0
Maintenance	18.58	0.5	558.33	3.7
Exec Salary - prior years	1,000.00	27.5	4,000.00	26.6
Staff Salary	0.00	0.0	300.00	2.0
Payroll Taxes	76.50	2.1	346.01	2.3
Advertising & Promotion	40.00	1.1	463.00	3.1
Community Events	15.00	0.4	35.00	0.2
Education Expense	0.00	0.0	60.00	0.4
Training Expense	0.00	0.0	623.00	4.1
Printing Expense	40.30	1.1	548.28	3.6
Desert Eclipse Expense	0.00	0.0	2,172.33	14.4
Postage, Fax, Delivery	80.10	2.2	237.38	1.6
Telephone Expense	177.41	4.9	974.92	6.5
Travel Expense	300.00	8.2	469.00	3.1
Utilities	62.62	1.7	617.73	4.1
Cost of Goods Sold	49.00	1.3	1,021.99	6.8
Direct Aid Payments	0.00	0.0	285.87	1.9
Insurance Expense	68.25	1.9	371.09	2.5
Books, Tapes, Publication	11.75	0.3	64.00	0.4
Fees	217.00	6.0	265.00	1.8
Total Disbursements	2,653.28	72.9	17,252.14	114.5
EXCESS OR (DEFICIENCY)	988.34	27.1	2,187.57-	14.5-

ASSETS

CURRENT ASSETS			
1st Interstate Bank	4,438.53		
Valley Bank-Safe Sex Fnd	4,477.23		
Home Savings of America	225.11		
Inventory for sale	500.00		
Total Current Assets		9,641.87	
FIXED ASSETS			
Furniture and Equipment	5,801.39		
Computer Equipment	450.00		
Total Fixed Assets		6,251.39	
Total Assets			15,893.26

LIABILITIES

CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Salary Payable-prior year	8,750.00		
Total Current Liabilities		8,750.00	
Total Liability			8,750.00

FUND BALANCES

General Operating Fund	3,749.09		
Direct Aid Fund	1,237.04-		
Computer Fund	1,790.00		
Penny Campaign Fund	551.55		
Pima Co. Safe Sex Fund	4,477.23		
Total Fund Balances			9,330.83
Current Excess (Deficncy)		2,187.57-	
Total Liability & Funds			15,893.26

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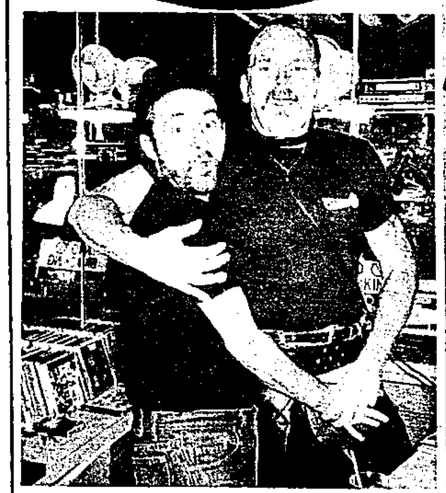

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CALENDAR
of upcoming events

It's 'Bout Time - IBT's is closed temporarily for remodeling. It is scheduled to open July 31. Watch for details here.

SATURDAY, JULY 18

GRADUATE - Partners monthly Beer Bust to be held here from 2:00 to 6:00 p.m. Get wet and Party! Fun and Games and Prizes and a great group. Find out about their upcoming Salt River Tubing adventure.

SUNDAY, JULY 19

CLUB 2520 - The annual "Reno Memorial Jello Wrestling" fund raising event for Shanti. Aviva Diamond will be MC. There will be the usual wrestling matches, and this year Club 2520 is bringing in four hunky male strippers and you can make your 'bid' to wrestle one of them. There will be door prizes, raffles, and auction items. Check their ad in this issue. All donations go to Shanti and are 100% tax deductible. Special grand stands are being built so everyone can watch the fun, plus it will be on TV monitors in the bar. Lots of fun and surprises on this 6th Annual Jello Wrestling event.

SATURDAY, JULY 25

CLUB 2520 - Now on a national tour promoting her new album, French-Canadian recording star Mitsou will be appearing here in her only Tucson appearance, beginning at 9:30 p.m. singing songs from her latest album and some of the older hits including "Dis-Moi, Dis Moi" that made her an international star. Advance tickets are $3.50 per person and well worth it. Tickets at the door will be $5.00. Everyone wishing to see this great new performer must have a ticket. Get yours now.

SUNDAY, JULY 26

CLUB 2520 - A benefit show honoring Lee Thompson, aka Margo Leigh from 6 to 10 p.m. More later.

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Non-Bar CALENDAR

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NOW THRU AUGUST 8

Cactus Gallery presenting watercolors by Jerry Livingston, Ceramics by David Reavis and Oils by Colleen Hench. Showing 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. 621 N. 4th Ave.

THURSDAY, JULY 23

Auditions for their September production "Untold Decades is being held at 7:00 p.m. by One In Ten Repertory Company. The auditions will be held at the Cactus Gallery, 621 N. 4th Ave. Prepared monologues are not required. For more information call 446-2445.

FRIDAY, JULY 17

"Man Vs. Womyn" is the topic of a discussion to be held at the monthly meeting of the Old Pueblo Business and Professional Association. Why do Lesbians and Gay men discriminate against each other? What causes dikes and fags to distrust and exclude each other? How can we bridge the stereotypes and misunderstanding? Panel discussion led by distinguished Gay men and Lesbians. Meeting begins at 7:30 followed by the discussion. Free to OP members and newcomers.

MONDAY, AUGUST 10

Jamie Anderson will appear live on "Queer Music" on KXCI from 7 to 8 p.m. KXCI 91.3 FM! She'll be interviewed and play a few songs live. Tune in.

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Tucson CALENDAR

sunday

CLUB 2520 - Open 11 am. Salad Bar and Western Steak Fry 3 to 7 pm. Tea Dance 3 to 8. C/W dancing and Progressive Dance Music 8 pm to 1 am.

GRADUATE - Happy Hour 3-9 pm - All Short Well Drinks $1.00.

HOURS - Bloody Marys and Screws $1.25 til 7 pm. Country/Western dance instruction 6-8 pm. Country Dance Music 8 to 1.

RUMORZ - Open at noon. $1.25 Bloody Marys Noon to 6:00 pm.

VENTURE-N - Open 10 a.m. 301 Dart Tournament 1 pm, $3 entry fee. Cash prizes. Patio Bar Beer Bust 2 p.m.

monday

CLUB CONGRESS - 70's Disco with Super Star Lover, $1, 9 pm to 1 am

CLUB 2520 - Open 11 am. 99¢ Happy Hour 4 to 8 pm. Kitchen closed. Hourly mystery drink specials 8 to close. C/W dancing and Progressive Dance Music begins at 8 p.m.

GRADUATE - Happy Hour 3-9 pm all short well drinks $1.00. Bring in your VHS movie and they'll play it. (No porno please!).

HOURS - Open Noon. Happy Hour 12 to 7 pm - Well and Domestic Beer $1.25. .50 Draft Beer 7 to close.

RUMORZ - Open noon. From 3:00 pm until 9:00 pm $1.25 Well and Domestic Beer. 8:00 to closing, $1.50 White Well.

VENTURE-N - Open 6 a.m. to 1 a.m. Patio Bar opens at 5 pm

tuesday

CLUB 2520 - Open 11 am. 99¢ Happy Hour 4 to 8 pm. Kitchen closed. $1.25 Well and Domestic Beer 8 pm to close. T-Squares Advanced Group 7 p.m. Country/Western dancing and Trash Disco Black Light Party begins at 8 pm.

GRADUATE - Beer Bust all day. Happy Hour 3-9 pm, all short well drinks $1.00.

HOURS - Happy Hour 12 to 7pm Well or Domestic Beer $1.25. Schnapps 75¢ 7 to close

RUMORZ - Open noon. $1.25 Well and Domestic Beer from 3:00 p.m. to 9:00 pm.

VENTURE-N - Open 6 a.m. to 1 a.m. Patio Bar opens at 5 pm

wednesday

CLUB CONGRESS - Rock 'n Roll Boy Bar with DJ Sir Rodney Farrow

CLUB 2520 - Open 11 am. 99¢ Happy Hour 4 to 8 pm. Spaghetti Nite 6-8, $2. 50¢ off on everything from 8 pm to close. C/W dance lessons for partners by Paul Barner from 7-9. C/W dancing and Progressive dance music at 8 pm.

GRADUATE - Happy Hour 3-9 pm, all short well drinks $1.00.

HOURS - Happy Hours 12 to 7 pm, Well or Domestic Beer $1.25. Bartender's Choice 7 to close. T-Squares Basic & Mainstream group 7-9

RUMORZ - Open noon. From 3:00 pm until 9:00 pm $1.25 Well and Domestic Beer. From 8 to closing, 75¢ Schnapps.

VENTURE-N - Open 6 a.m. to 1 a.m. Patio Bar opens at 5 pm.

thursday

CLUB 2520 - Open 11 am. 99¢ Happy Hour 4 to 8 pm. Chicken Fried Steak 5-7, $3. Men's Nite - Anyone in barn coat, boxer or Jockey shorts or swimsuit 1/2 price on all well drinks. Strip Show or Jockey Shorts Contest + 50¢ draft beer 9 pm to 1 am. C/W & Progressive Dance Music begins at 8 pm.

GRADUATE - Beer Bust all day. Happy Hour 3-9 pm, all short well drinks $1.00.

HOURS - Happy Hours 12 to 7pm, Well or Domestic Beer $1.25. Heineken or Corona $1.25 9 pm to 1 am. Country/Western dancing 9 to 1.

RUMORZ - Open Noon. $1.25 Well and Domestic Beer from 3:00 pm to 9:00 pm. 50¢ Draft from 8:00 pm to close.

VENTURE-N - Open 6 a.m. to 1 a.m. Patio Bar opens at 5 pm.

friday

CLUB 2520 - Open 11 am. Extended 99¢ Happy Hour 4 to 10 pm, (well and domestic beer). "Build Your Own" Hamburger Nite 5 to 7, $3. C/W dancing and Progressive Dance Music begins at 8 p.m.

GRADUATE - Happy HOur 3-9 pm, all short well drinks $1.00.

HOURS - Happy Hours 12 to 7pm, Well or Domestic Beer $1.25. Dancing 9 pm-1 am. Country/Western last Friday of each month.

RUMORZ - Open Noon. $1.25 Well and Domestic Beer from 3:00 until 9:00. Hors D'Oeuvres. VJ/DJ Mark 9-1.

VENTURE-N - Open 6 a.m. to 1 a.m. Patio Bar opens 5 pm.

saturday

CLUB 2520 - Open 11 am. B-B-Q Spare Ribs 5 to 8, $3. 50¢ Schnapps 8-1. C/W dancing and Progressive Dance Music begins at 8 pm.

GRADUATE - Happy HOur 3-9 pm, all short well drinks $1.00.

HOURS - Open Noon. DJ music 9 to 1. Last Saturday of each month is Country and Western dance music.

RUMORZ - Open Noon. $1.50 Coronas 8:00 pm to close. Dance with Jeff VJ/DJ 9-1.

VENTURE-N - Open 6 a.m. to 1 a.m. Cash Pool Tournament 3 p.m. $3 entry fee. Patio bar opens at 5 pm.

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New Technique Kills Cells With Deadly Virus, May Be Used To Fight AIDS

WASHINGTON (AP) In a therapy that may eventually be used against AIDS, scientists have proven that borrowed white blood cells can be targeted to seek out and kill cells that are infected with a dangerous virus.

Researchers reported in the journal Science that three patients whose immune systems were destroyed as part of their cancer therapy were all protected from an often-fatal virus by injections of lymphocytes, or white blood cells, from healthy donors.

Dr. Phillip D. Greenberg, head of labs at the Fred Hutchinson Cancer Research Center and at the University of Washington in Seattle, said that though the clinical research used only a few patients, it is the first step toward a new technique of conquering viral infections in patients who have no natural immune protection.

Patients in the study were all being treated for cancer by receiving powerful radiation doses that destroyed their bone marrow. Bone-marrow transplants would restore their blood and immune system over several weeks.

But, until the bone-marrow graft is fully functioning, these patients are virtually defenseless against infection. And one of the most serious threats is the cytomegalo-virus, or CMV, which can cause a vicious and usually fatal pneumonia in patients with weak immune systems.

"CMV has been a major cause of mortality in bone-marrow transplant patients," Greenberg said. "And it has become a major problem in HIV (human immunodeficiency virus, the AIDS virus) patients."

In the study, Greenberg said that researchers took from bone-marrow donors a type of lymphocyte called cd8 cells. These cd8 cells are sort of the immune system enforcers. Their job is to seek out other cells that are infected by the virus and then kill both the cell and the virus. This stops the spread of the virus. The cd8 cells used in the study were all targeted to attack the CMV virus.

After nurturing the cd8 cells in the lab for weeks and allowing them to increase the cultures were injected into patients who had received bone-marrow transplants from the same donors who contributed the cd8 cells.

Greenberg said each patient received four injections, with an increasing number of cd8 cells.

In the following weeks, blood tests showed that the transplanted cd8 cells protected the patients from CMV infection.

"It very effectively reconstituted their immune response to the virus," Greenberg said. k"The magnitude of the response was even higher than that detected in (healthy) people."

None of the patients in the study developed CMV virus infections.

To prove the validity of the therapy, Greenberg said it will have to be tested in a much larger number of patients. That is under way.

Also started, he said, is a study that uses the cd8 transplant technique to treat AIDS patients who have developed lymphoma, a type of cancer, and who are being treated with radiation, followed by bone-marrow transplants.

Eventually, said the researcher, targeted cd8 cells may be used to attack the AIDS virus itself.

Science, which published the study today, is the journal of the American Association for the Advancement of Science.

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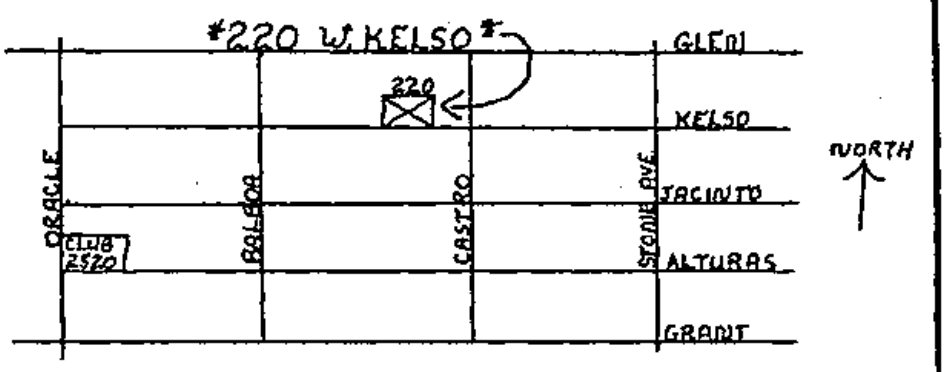

Call Larry or Dennis 882-6924 for more info.

The Bowling Beat

by Mark Rosenbaum

Think it's hot & sticky here in Tucson? You should've been in Houston over the July 4th weekend for T.I.T. VII. It was a steamy 3 days of bowling, partying, and fun, culminating with the Sunday awards ceremonies where Tucson's own Jim Shafer placed seventh in the Doubles competition. Although the unplanned cancellation of one of our 'delegation' caused some logistical problems, the Houston tournament committee was able to find Jim a substitute partner and the rest is history. In addition to Jim, Tucson was represented by Dennis, Mark, and Mike (a very recent arrival from Dallas). When they weren't bowling, the guys were doing plenty of P.R. for the Halloween Invitational Tournament - Tucson.... Watch for the arrival of plenty of Texas Cowboys and Cowgirls come this October.

In response to many inquiries, H.I.T.T. will continue to sell the Gay Pride Freedom rings introduced to Tucson at our Gay Pride Picnic. Look for the H.I.T.T. Freedom Rings table this coming weekend at Hours (Thurs), Club 2520 (Fri & Sat), and Rumorz/2222 (Sunday). Remember, H.I.T.T. is the only outlet or organization selling Freedom Rings in Tucson; your support help provide much needed funding for this non-profit Gay and Lesbian event. For more information, call Geoffery (882-7501) or Mark (743-3303).

• Coming in August: The first annual Dog-Days Beer Bust Bonanza, featuring games, raffles, and prizes, including a Grand Prize of a roundtrip airline ticket to your choice of great destinations. Watch this space for complete details.

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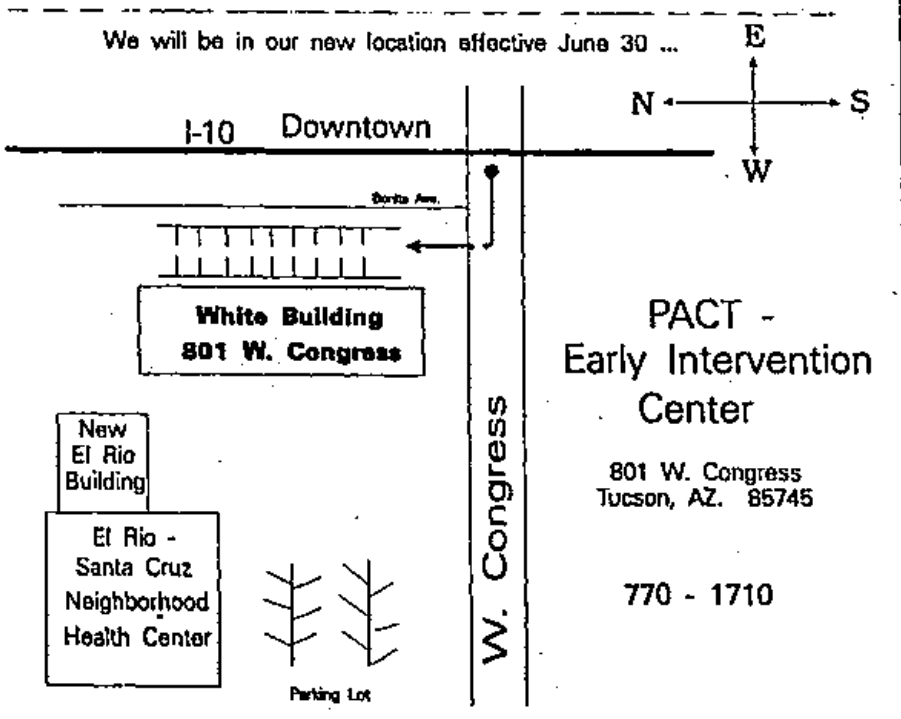

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Gay Ban In The Military Costs Everyone

For many years, lesbians and gay men in the military have paid an unaccountably high human price for their service. Wanting only to honorably represent their country, these men and women have faced harassment, investigation, court martial and discharge simply because of their sexual orientation. They have had careers, and in some cases lives, ruined.

Now there comes evidence that all of us--not only those of us in the gay community, but all American taxpayers--have been paying for the senseless witchhunts for gays in the military.

A new, 143-page General Accounting Office study, requested by me along with Reps. John Conyers, Jr. (MI) and Ted Weiss (NY), has documented that the Department of Defense (DOD) spends tens of millions of dollars each year to implement this policy of institutionalized discrimination.

Simply to recruit and train replacements for those who are so illogically discharged, the Pentagon wastes $27 million every year. Our taxes pay over $28,000 to replace each gay enlisted man or woman who is discharges; the price to replace an officer is more that $120,000. And, of course, the personal toll on gay soldiers, sailors, and air personnel is incalculable.

This inquisition continues despite the fact that 81 percent of Americans feel that gay men and lesbians should not be discharged because of their orientation. The witchhunts continue in the absence of a single shred of scientific evidence that our military is in any way jeopardized by the service of gay men and women. Indeed, the homosexual officers and enlisted people drummed out of our military tend to have sterling records, and to have performed brilliantly, both in peace and on the battlefield.

Yet over the last decade, an average of 1,500 people each year have been summarily thrown out of the military simply for being gay. More that $250 million has been wasted in the process.

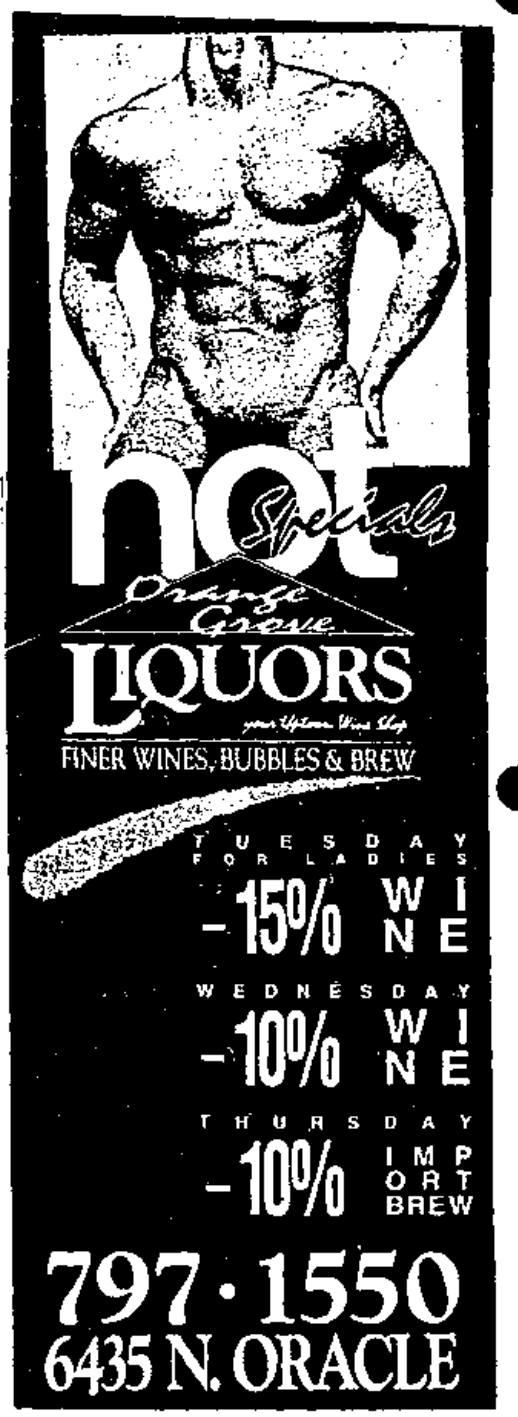
The Pentagon no longer even claims to have any reasonable rationale for this systematic and costly discrimination. DOD's own reports concede--and Defense Secretary Dick Cheney has himself publicly acknowledged--that the old argument of "security concern" is absurd on its face. Even the Pentagon is starting to realize you can't blackmail people who have nothing to hide.

Yet with all of this, the momentum is clearly moving toward long overdue acceptance of gay men and lesbians in the military. Community organizations, university faculties, newspaper editorial boards and at least five dozen members of Congress are actively supporting the overturn of the policy. Legislation introduced by Rep. Pat Schroeder (CO) in the House of Representatives has already garnered 64 cosponsors.

I encourage those in the gay community, and all fair-minded Americans, to contact their own members of Congress and urge them to help end this medieval inquisition--and cosponsor the Schroeder bill.

If our social history has taught us anything, it is that racism, sexism and prejudice of all types have exacted tremendous costs--costs which we still bear today. When will we learn that exclusion means disaster, that bias tears us apart as a nation?

When will we end the witchhunts and let gay men and lesbians openly and proudly serve our nation?



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● Changes in sexual interest. If your partner shows a sudden indifference in your desires, this could mean an affair, she said. Or he or she could become more attentive — in which case someone else may be reopening his or her eyes to the joys of sex.

● Increased time away from home. Many late nights at the office or time spent away can mean an affair.

● Preoccupation. He or she may seem lost in thought or absentminded.

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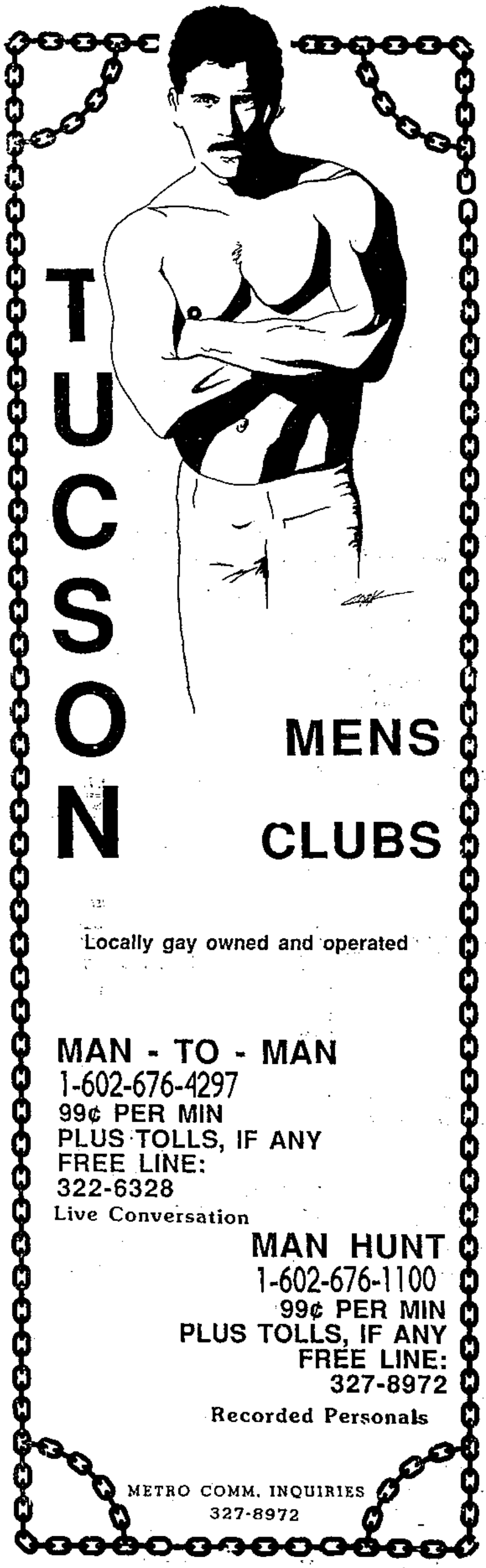

Rise In Arizona AIDS Cases Outpacing Funding For Treatment

Phoenix - William Fitts believes he'd be one of two places if not for the support he's gotten from a local AIDS group. "At best, I'd be on the streets," the 40 year-or Phoenix man said. "More likely, I'd be in a grave."

Fitts is alive and not on the streets; but funding for the program he credits with saving him is in jeopardy -- along with that of other groups that provide services to Arizonans who suffer from acquired immune deficiency syndrome. Funding, critics say, isn't keeping pace with the growing demands of the epidemic. Though more money than ever is being spent to help AIDS victims, the spread of the disease continues to outpace funding.

Fitts, who had lived in several states before settling in Arizona, said services here are better than in most places he's been.

He arrived from Nashville in late February, attracted by the climate.

Alone and despondent about having full-blown AIDS, he was down and out, and suicidal.

"It's hard not to think about suicide," he said. "This disease is just so enormous to deal with."

He met friends in the local gay community, who introduced him to the Arizona AIDS Project where he found support.

The non-profit group helped guide him through a maze of bureaucracy to obtain such social services as food stamps, disability payments and enrollment in the Arizona Health Care Cost Containment System, the state's health-care program for indigents.

Today, living in his small one-bedroom apartment by himself, he says he's no longer alone.

"They (at the AIDS Project) have a buddy program, so I have a friend who'll call me just to see how I'm doing," Fitts said.

"I have a case manager who I can talk to, also. One of the first things we did was talk about the disease and how to live with it, not just die from it."

But the AIDS Project, which has 234 clients, up from 133 four months ago, is in peril.

Last year, it received the lion's share of federal funding channeled to Arizona for AIDS services.

This year, although the financial pie is larger, there are more service groups lining up for a slice. So as officials prepare to dole out hundreds of thousands of dollars, the AIDS Project is competing with other programs and may loose funding.

"We'll probably see a two-thirds decrease," said Dennis Graviss, executive administrator of the AIDS Project. "And we're seeing more than 100 new clients in the last six months.

His agency, with a paid staff of 13 and more than 200 volunteers, provides a variety of support for AIDS patients, from handing out emergency food boxes to providing transportation for those to ill to drive to doctor appointments.

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ARIZONA/SONORA PROYECTO, S.I.D.A. - AIDS INFO LINE 882-3933. Also seeking volunteers who are bilingual (Spanish/ English) and are interested in presenting information about AIDS to Spanish groups in Arizona and Sonora, Mexico. Early Intervention Center, 2579 N. 1st Ave., Tucson, AZ 85719. 770-1314.

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

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PROGRAM COORDINATOR, Prevention Services, Tucson AIDS Project, Inc. Program Coordinator to develop a new primary prevention program for Hispanic men who have sex with men. Bilingual (English/Spanish) required. Bachelors degree in health education or experience in AIDS education/prevention. Salary range $19K - $21K. Health, dental, life and disability insurance. Open until filled. Approx. starting date, August 1, 1992. To apply, pick up a job description with application requirements Mon-Fri, 8am-5pm: Tucson AIDS Project, 151 S. Tucson Blvd, #252, (2nd Floor, Broadmoor Bldg.) No phone calls please. AA/EOE. 416

The Tucson AIDS Project (TAP) is looking for an HIV/AIDS Educator to work developing a prevention program targeting young Gay and Bisexual men. Successful candidate will possess: knowledge of the Gay/Bisexual men's community; knowledge of community groups serving Gay/Bisexual men; experience developing prevention or health promotion materials; knowledge of HIV prevention information; Bachelor's degree in related field, or work experience in related field. Interested persons should pick up complete job description and instructions for application at the TAP office, 151 South Tucson Blvd., Suite 252, and to pick up a job description. No phone calls, please.

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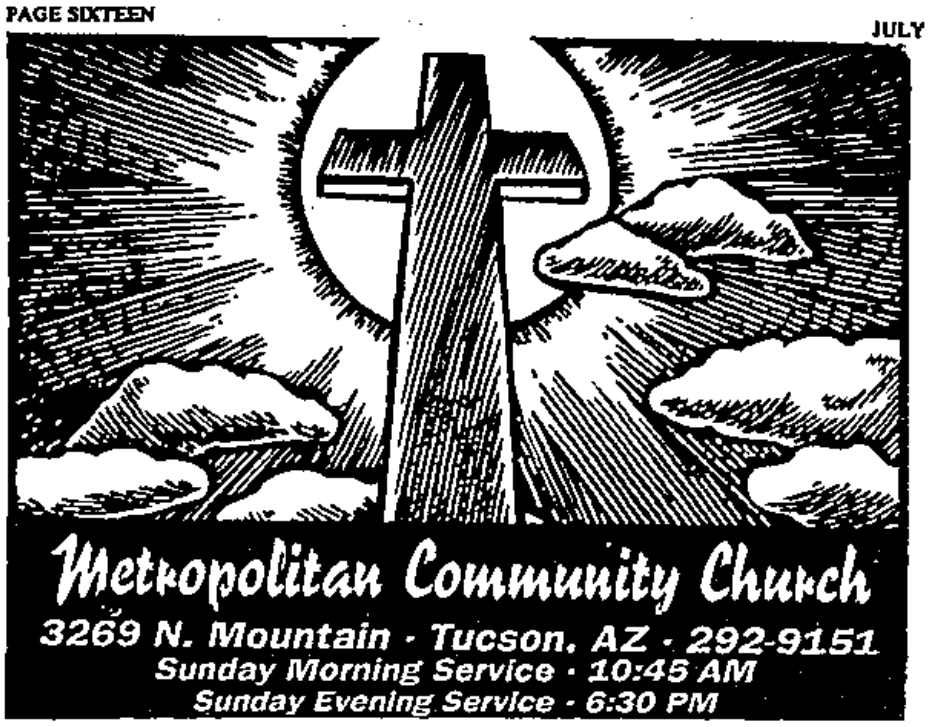

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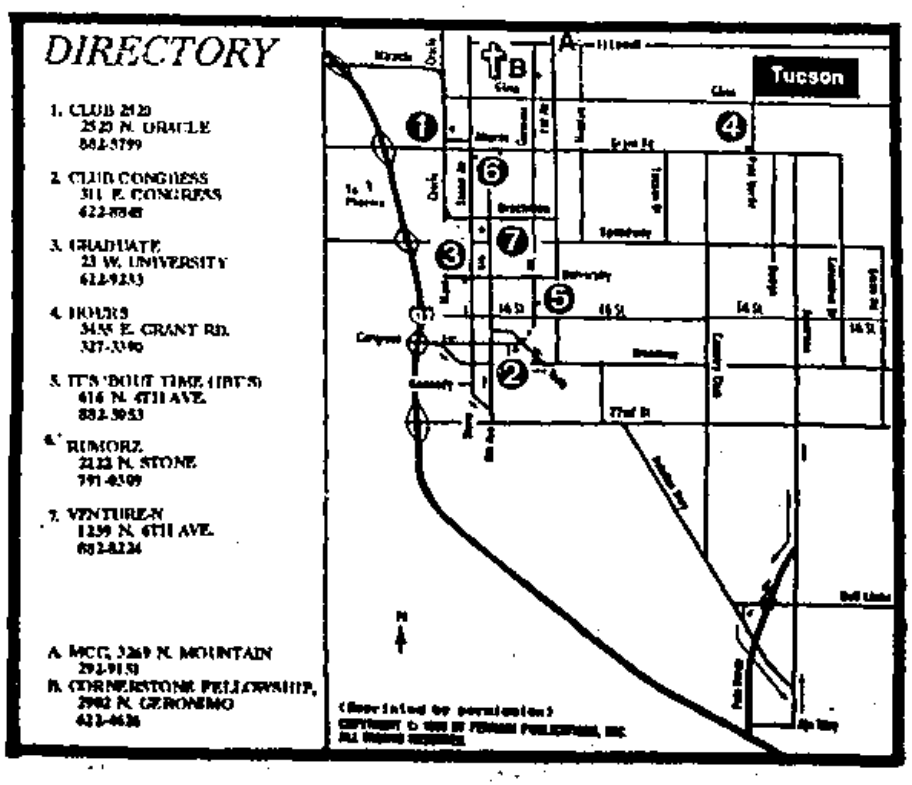

News From MCC/Tucson

by Ben Corbin

Many members of MCC/Tucson are not well known community leaders, and there are few community leaders even associated with MCC/Tucson. But, this past week one of our most noted community leaders and a member of MCC/Tucson passed away to another life. Roger Barger was a unique person. Unique in a sense that those who knew him will remember him for many years to come. Unique in a way that whether you loved or disliked him, Roger was Roger, and you will remember him. While Roger was calling you a string of four letter words, he was bending over backwards to make sure you rights and privileges as a person was not being infringed upon. Roger had no prejudices, he believed in equality for everyone. Roger was not bashful, he spoke his thoughts whether you agreed with him or not. Roger showed very little personal emotion in public, only his closest friends ever knew the total Roger.

Yes, Roger had faults, who doesn't, but he had heart and compassion that overshadowed all of his shortcomings. In a conversation with Roger just a couple of weeks ago, he told me that he wished he had the time to go to each person that he felt was an enemy to make amends and ask for forgiveness for any misunderstandings. He did not want to leave knowing that there was anyone who felt ill toward him.

Roger was a very good personal friend of mine, I shall miss him very much. I thank God from the bottom of my heart for the privilege of having known him and having him as my friend. I feel resentment in not being able to have him as my friend for a long time in the future.

Good-bye, Roger, we shall all miss having you around with us. All members of MCC/Tucson are a part of a family, it is not easy to give up a good family member.

A View From The Rock

A Commentary From Cornerstone Fellowship

Hi there! How's your day going'? Have you ever noticed how MANY people wear "crosses", either gold or silver, tin, brass, whatever? Crosses. Or, a "crucifix" maybe; which means instead of a plain cross it has a raised physical image of Christ nailed to the cross? Did you ever think about the fact that no one has to show their "Christian ID card" in order to buy and wear a cross?

Amazingly enough, there are a lot of people in this world who make no claim at all to being "Christian" in any way, shape, or form; yet, what is always hanging around their necks? Crosses! These people have chosen to reject everything that being a Christian involves, yet, "just in case..." they wear a cross. They've heard the stories—the every-Sunday-Christians actually BELIEVE some guy who died 2,000 years ago came to life again and mysteriously disappeared in the clouds; that the world is going to "come to and END" (ha ha) someday, and this guy is coming back to get the Christians and spirit them into heaven, whether they were dead or alive, to live, ALIVE, "eternally!" Now, the scoffer doesn't believe one word of that stuff, BUT, you know, a guy has to make sure his tracks are covered...what if it's TRUE!!!

These poor scoffers are trapped between a rock and a hard place. They refuse to believe, because they dearly love every second of sinning they are involved in; but they're so scared it "might be true", what do they do...they go down to the dimestore if they're lower income, or a nice jewelry store if they're upper-middle or higher income, and 'buy a cross!" Why, they wouldn't think of ever leaving their house without it! In fact, most of these pathetic people are in that position of uncomfortable uncertainty between accidentally making the kind of mistake a few-bucks-put-into-the-right-hand will not "take care of," or what they consider "ruining" their lives by knocking off the weekend-benders, the sin-women/men-and song, and risking their dearest possession; their selfish "self", and putting their very lives, hearts, and souls into belief in what millions of Christians live, have lived, are persecuted, killed, or died for...the very Person of the Son of God, Jesus Christ, Himself. You know, the image on those crucifixes? In short, accept Christ as their own personal Lord and Savior, and embrace Christianity. How sad that so many people eventually decide to become Christians not out of "hope". No, out of "fear."

It has been said, "We are not to regard the cross of Christ as "defeat," and His resurrection as "victory." Rather, the cross was victory WON, and the resurrection the victory endorsed, proclaimed and demonstrated." Christ, Himself, said "I am the resurrection and the life. He who believes in Me will live, even though he dies; and whoever lives and believes in Me will never die." (John 11:25). The empty tomb becomes the pledge of God that you and I, if we're believers in Christ, are going to live forever. In Christ's resurrection we learn that the short, perplexing life we live doesn't complete our destiny; the grave is not the end; we are not consigned to decay. The great stone rolled away from in not the end; we are not consigned to decay. The great stone rolled away from Christ's "empty tomb" removes every doubt and obstacle concerning our own eternity. Believing in Christ compels us to tell the world, "Because He is risen, because He is alive, we too shall live!

At Cornerstone Fellowship, any Sunday at 10:30 a.m. or 6:00 p.m., we Christians sure will welcome the opportunity to tell you "why" we are so certain, our faith is so unshakable, in Christ, that we have laid down our entire lives, body and souls, for our Savior. We'd like to introduce you to Him. His nail-scarred hand is reaching toward you right now. Will we see you Sunday.....

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