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Fiesta Raises Over $3,000 For Shanti

TUCSON - The three-day extravaganza held at Rumorz this past weekend was a fund-raiser for the Shanti Foundation/Tucson. When all the festivities were over, $3,200 was raised for that local AIDS organization.

Minerva, raised a little over $2,000 for Shanti to win her crown as Queen of Fiesta de Independencia. See separate story.

Pictured above are Ann Maley, Executive Director of Shanti/Tucson with Frank Perez, Producer of the Fiesta de Independencia held at Rumorz last weekend.

Frank Perez, producer of the event, used the Mexican Independence celebration as the theme for the 3-day affair. There were booths serving plenty of Mexican food, entertainment by a live Mexican band and shows with a long list of local perforemrs.

Three persons were participating in running for "Queen" of the Fiesta de Independencia. The person who raised the most money by Sunday evening, was to be crowned "Queen". Minerva, Angelica West and Clarissa were the contestants. When the final counting was over, Minerva was the winner by a wide margin and received the crown for this year.

All the contestants are to be congratulated for their excellent efforts as are the performers who donated their tips to the cause and to all the crowds who attended the big Fiesta for donating to Shanti.

PACT for Life Presents 'Life thru Art' Sept. 1 - 26

TUCSON - The People With AIDS Coalition of Tucson, PACT for Life, are presenting their second annual "Life thru Art".

Due to the overwhelming success and the fine quality of the art which was presented last year, the Etherton-Stern Gallery and the Temple of Music and Art asked PACT to expand this year's showing and auction to four weeks.

"Life thru Art" is a fine art show and silent auction culminating with a live auction. The live auction on Sept. 26 will be preceded by complimentary champagne and hors d'oeuvres. A full bar will also be on hand. Live chamber music will compliment the evenings festivities.

The event is taking place in the Etherton Stern Gallery located in The Temple of Music and Art, in Tucson. Public viewing is now through September 26. Here is the schedule of events:

September 1 - 26. 3 to 6 p.m. Open for public viewing and silent auction. Some days have extended viewing hours, please call our offices for more details. The Gallery will be closed on Sunday, Sept. 20.

Saturday, Sept. 26, 5:30 to 7:00 p.m., Reception, silent auction continues with complimentary champagne, hors d'oeuvres and live chamber music. 7:00 to 8:00 p.m., live auction.

The art is being donated by prominent, local, fine artists. With over 75 original works of art, virtually all art forms will be represented. All proceeds go to individuals and families affected by HIV and AIDS.

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Paniccia Taken Off Active Duty

Protest Rally Called For Monday, Sept. 21 at DM

TUCSON - A Davis-Monthan Air Force Base sergeant who is challenging the military's ban on Gays was notified last Thursday that he has been relieved of active duty. Paniccia said he will continue to receive his full military pay until his case is decided. He added he wasn't surprised to be relieved of duty.

A discharge board hearing is set for next Monday, Sept. 21 on the base to possibly decide his future, he said. A rally to stop Anti-Gay discrimination in the military is scheduled for 7:00 a.m. on Monday to take place at the Northwest corner of Golf Links and Craycroft Road at the entrance to D.M.A.F.B. All persons interested in giving Paniccia encouragement in his fight against the military are urged to be at the rally to help him fight for full civil rights for all Americans. For more information call 327-5061.

The board on the 21st can recommend that he be retained as an active military member or discharged. Paniccia will be represented at the closed meeting by attorneys, he said.

Tom Paniccia stowed his intimate feelings away when he joined the Air Force 11 years ago and settled into a life he grew to love. But more and more, he missed his feelings: "I was extremely lonely, extremely empty," he says. "There was so much contradiction all around me. It just wasn't fair for the military to discriminate against Gays and Lesbians.

So, after seeing Navy Lt. Tracy Thorne come out on national television, Tom Paniccia, 28, decided to do the same, taking his feelings out of hiding and risking the loss of the life he loved. He came out on ABC's "Good Morning, America" on July 23.

Paniccia will be the featured speaker Friday September 18, at a meeting of Old Pueblo Business and Professional Association, 7:30 p.m., at the Hotel Park Tucson.

He was born and raised in Ticonderoga, N.Y. His family, he says, never guessed his sexual preference. He was barely aware of it himself.

"I shared a room with my brother for years," Paniccia said. "He told me it never even occurred to him that I might be Gay. Tom told his brother and two sisters a couple of weeks before his TV appearance; his father, the day before.

The Air Force responded predictably, informing him that he is to be discharged. He will have one chance to appeal that decision September 21.

He says he doesn't know what life will be after that, but he will continue to protest the military's anti-Gay policy.

"The flame is still burning very brightly," he said. He added that support from the Tucson community "has been tremendous."

This OPBPA meeting is open to the entire community and there will be no charge. Hotel Park Tucson is located at 5151 E. Grant Road.

Jim Toevs Questions Kolbe's Effectiveness

TUCSON - Democratic candidate in Arizona's Fifth Congressional District, Jim Toevs, today challenged voters to review Jim Kolbe's voting record and to support a candidate who truly represents the people of Arizona.

Speaking before the Democrats of Greater Tucson, Toevs commented, "The incumbent, Jim Kolbe, is a george Bush Republican. He brags that he votes with Bush 80% of the time, and with the majority of House Republicans 85% of the time. Just this past week he demonstrated his loyalty to George Bush by voting against the Family Leave Act which would have allowed workers in companies of more than 50 employees to take up to 12 weeks of unpaid leave for family emergencies such as birth, death and illness." Continuing, Toevs noted, "George Bush has stated he will veto this badly needed legislation which would do so much to support true family values, and the incumbent can be counted on to support the President's veto as he has in almost every instance in the past. Who does Jim Kolbe represent: George Bush or the people of the 5th Congressional District?"

Toevs stated that, "Jim Kolbe says he represents senior citizens, yet the National Council of Senior Citizens give the incumbent a 12% out of a possible 100%. Jim Kolbe supports education. Yet the National Education Association gives the incumbent a rating of 22% out of a possible 100%."

Toevs pointed out, "On March 23, 1989, Jim Kolbe voted against raising the minimum wage for workers to $4.55 per hour. Eight months later, On November 7, 1989, Jim Kolbe voted to raise his own salary from $90,000 to $125,000, an increase of $35,000 per year, which is more than the average family of four earns in an entire year. What does this tell you about the incumbent's commitment to 'family values'."

"What about the incumbent's effectiveness in Congress? Where is his

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UPDATE

Toevs Polls 41,114 Votes In Primary Election

TUCSON - Jim Toevs' showing in the September 8 Primary Election impressed many political observers who noted that Toevs polled more votes than either of the incumbent congressmen in the 2nd or 5th congressional districts. In District 2, Ed Pastor received 32,976 votes; and Toevs' opponent in the 5th District, Jim Kolbe, received 36,834.

What these results prove, coming on the heels of an in depth article on Toevs in the Tucson Weekly in which Toevs sexual orientation was prominently mentioned, is that Toevs is a proven vote getter with broad appeal to voters in the 5th Congressional District.

With 48 days left until the November 3rd General Election, Toevs is urgently appealing for volunteers and money to carry his message to the voters. Toevs for Congress Headquarters is open from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. Monday through Friday. 8:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. on Saturday, and 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. on Sunday. Volunteers are needed for telephoning, walking precincts distributing literature, mailing, and many other tasks. Call the Toevs for Congress Headquarters at 881-0107, or stop by at 2536 East Broadway.

New TDD At Phoenix Switchboard

PHOENIX - The Lesbian and Gay Community Switchboard/Arizona AIDS Information Line has recently purchased a TDD (Telecommunications For The Deaf). Callers wishing to contact us by TDD may call (602) 234-0937. The Switchboard has served the Lesbian and Gay community since 1978, offering information and referral in the Valley of the Sun.

The Switchboard has adopted a fresh approach to effecting greater outreach to underserved communities. In purchasing the TDD, the Switchboard is attempting to better serve the hearing impaired community.

The Switchboard's operating hours are from 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. seven days a week.

Volunteers continue to be TDD-trained, so please be patient!

AIDS Count Could Be Higher

ATLANTA (AP) - The government says tests are already being used in many hospitals that would allow federal health officials to broaden the definition of AIDS to include another 160,000 people.

A study released yesterday by the U.S. Centers for Disease Control found that 90 of 94 U.S hospitals that treated HIV patients in 1990 monitored the white blood cells called CD4's.

That is the latest year for which statistics were available from the National Public Health and Hospital Institute.

Federal health officials want to expand the AIDS definition to include people with the HIV virus who have very low levels of CD4's. Currently, patients are told they have full blown AIDS when they get certain infections, such as pneumonia.

Under the expanded definition, another 160,000 people with human immunodeficiency virus that causes AIDS would be added to the 230,180 already diagnosed in the United States.

"This is a relatively new technology and it's fairly expensive, but it's very important in monitoring the progression of the disease so you can institute the appropriate treatment at the right time," said Dr. John Ward of the CDC.

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National Coming Out Day Bumpersticker

ALBUQUERQUE, NM -To further expand the outreach of the National Coming Out Campaign, a "The Bumpersticker" is now available so each person can personally reach thousands of people every day.

"Raising consciousness is what Coming Out Day is all about. "The Bumpersticker" is our latest method by which we can be visible and support others in being visible as well. The closet is a thing of the past. 'The Bumpersticker' reaches out to the entire community as a reminder that there are significant numbers of people in the closet. Our personal and political power depends in large part on our willingness to tell the truth about our lives, "said Crane Winton, former District Court Judge of Minneapolis.

"The Bumpersticker" is available for $1.00 plus 50 cents shipping at National Coming Out Day Headquarters, PO Box 8270, Sante Fe, NM 87504-8270 / 505-982-2558 or 1-800-445-NCOD.

Homeless Voter Registration

TUCSON - The Southern Arizona Coalition for the Homeless will hold a mass homeless voter registration drive Thursday, September 17th in Presidio Park at 1:30 p.m. Members and supporters of the Coalition will be on hand to continue their work of registering the hundreds of homeless Tucsonans who have been excluded from the political process in our city, our state and our country.

Thursday's homeless voter registration drive here in Tucson is part of a campaign by the National Coalition for the Homeless to empower the hundreds of thousands of homeless men and women who have been ignored by both political parties in this important election year. Cities all across the United States will be holding simultaneous mass voter registration drives as part of this nationwide effort.

A member of the homeless community will discuss the hardships faced by homeless men and women here in Tucson. Independent state senate candidate and homeless rights advocate Joe Bernick, whose Time For A Change campaign has already registered scores of homeless, poor and low income people in District 11, and County Supervisor Raul Grijalva has also been invited to speak.

ARIZONA DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES - DIVISION OF DISEASE PREVENTION

AIDS, ARC, HIV+ SURVEILLANCE REPORT FOR ARIZONA - SEPTEMBER 1, 1992

COUNTY OF RESIDENCE	POPULATION	CASES OF AIDS AUG.	JULY	JUNE	DEATHS	CASES OF ARC AUG.	JULY	JUNE	DEATHS	CASES OF HIV+ AUG.	JULY	JUNE	DEATHS
APACHE	61,591	4	4	4	1	1	1	1	0	4	4	4	0
COCHISE	97,624	14	12	12	7	7	6	6	0	44	46	47	2
COCONINO	96,591	10	10	10	6	0	0	0	0	20	20	20	0
GILA	40,216	5	5	5	3	0	0	0	0	4	4	4	0
GRAHAM	26,554	4	4	4	1	1	1	1	0	5	5	5	0
GREENLEE	8,008	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
LA PAZ	13,844	3	3	3	2	0	0	0	0	7	7	7	0
MARICOPA	2,122,101	1395	1376	1350	796	262	263	265	28	2265	2227	2194	58
MOHAVE	93,497	17	17	17	9	1	1	1	0	27	26	26	1
NAVAJO	77,658	6	6	6	4	1	1	1	0	5	5	5	1
PIMA	666,880	362	351	346	187	60	58	58	8	562	555	554	14
PINAL	116,379	16	15	15	12	3	3	3	0	27	27	26	1
SANTA CRUZ	29,676	6	6	6	3	1	1	1	0	4	4	4	0
YAVAPAI	107,714	20	20	20	12	0	0	0	0	31	31	31	2
YUMA	106,895	26	24	23	13	3	3	3	1	63	63	61	2
UNKNOWN		2	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	154	158	162	0
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** NOTE: ON MARCH 15, 1989, THE OPTION TO RECEIVE HIV TESTING ANONYMOUSLY BECAME AVAILABLE. AN ADDITIONAL 1,436 PERSONS HAVE TESTED HIV+ USING THE ANONYMOUS OPTION.

Shanti Grief Group
Begins Wednesday, September 16th · 7 pm
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So Start Walkin'

TUCSON - These boots were made for walkin'..", and on Saturday, October 10, 1992 that's what Tucsonans from all walks of life will be doing. Put on your boots (or sneakers, if that's more comfortable) and join the Tucson AIDS Project annual Walk for Life, a 10 kilometer (6.2 mile) pledge walk that raises money for AIDS education, prevention and human services for people HIV infected and effected.

AIDS Walk 1992 is the culmination of a two month long pledge drive where participants solicit, collect and walk to raise money through pledges from individuals. The largest single special event fundraiser staged by TAP, AIDS Walk 1992 needs as many people as possible. "The numbers of people touched by HIV and AIDS is ever increasing, which makes the success of AIDS Walk 1992 even more compelling than in years past," explained Coordinator Ronald Vang.

AIDS Walk Registration will begin at 7:30 a.m. at Reid Park Ramada #10, located at the southwest corner of Reid Park, 22nd Street and Country Club Road. Opening ceremonies are at 8:30 a.m., followed by the beginning of the 10 K walk at 9, and the 2 K walk at 9:15 a.m.

Participants may form "Walk Teams" with friends and co-workers. Teams satisfying certain pledge requirements will receive AIDS Walk 1992 T-shirts:

A) 1-4 person team - $50 per member
B) 5-9 person team - $35 per member
C) 10 or more persons - $25 per member

Total pledge dollar amount collected is divided by the number of members in the team to fulfill numbers listed above.

Trophies will be awarded to teams and individuals that raise and collect the greatest amount of pledge money, based on that turned in prior to the walk. Participants who raise $50 or more will also receive a t-shirt.

Refreshments will be provided along the course and at the conclusion of the walk. Obtain a pledge card from the TAP office at 151 S. Tucson Boulevard. Collection of pledge money in advance of the walk is strongly encouraged.

For more information contact AIDS Walk General Manager Ronald Vang at 722-3733, or Tim Janes at 322-6226. Walk your heart out!

1993 AGRA Saguaro Regional Rodeo Poster Contest

TUCSON - The Arizona Gay Rodeo Association announces the 1993 Saguaro Regional Rodeo poster contest. The contest is to select a poster design to promote the 1993 Saguaro Rodeo to be held in March. This contest is open to anyone; membership in a rodeo association is not a requirement.

All entries must be 18" x 24". The only lettering to be one the poster shall read 1993 Saguaro Regional Rodeo. In addition, there needs to be enough room left on the design for location, dates, phone numbers and three logos to be added. The poster may be black and white or color. If color is used, it has to be the original art work or an original photograph. We suggest that all entries be matted and covered with clear plastic (framed if you desire). Your name, address, and telephone number are to be placed on the upper left back of your design.

All entries must be received by October 11, 1992. You may bring them with you to AGRA's General Membership meeting at Charlie's, 727 West Camelback Road, Phoenix on October 11 and register them by 4:00 p.m. Or you may mail them to AGRA Poster Contest, C/o Charlie's 727 W. Camelback, Phoenix, Az 85013 or to AGRA-Tucson, P.O. Box 40894, Tucson, Az 85717.

Judging will be done Sunday, October 11, 1992 at AGRA's Monthly General Membership Meeting at Charlie's starting at 5:00 p.m. The winning design will be selected by a vote of the AGRA General Membership present at that meeting. The winning design and original art work becomes the sole property of the Arizona Gay Rodeo Association. The winner will be awarded $100.00. All other entries will be destroyed unless other arrangements are made; all returned entries will be at the artist's expense.

For further information, please contact:

A.G.R.A. in Phoenix at (602) 265-0618 or Clyde Mitter in Tucson at (602) 798-3528.

Workshop on Loss, Change, Grief Focuses on Life and Fulfillment

TUCSON - The Tucson Men's Cooperative is sponsoring a workshop, "Keeping Centered When Loss Is Inevitable", on Saturday, Sept. 26, from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., at the First Christian Church, 740 E. Speedway (corner of Euclid). Registration fees (including lunch and workbook) are: $20 general admission; $15 Tucson Men's Cooperative members; $10 students; scholarships are available. The registration deadline is Friday, Sept. 18.

Steven Dietz, workshop leader, contributing writer for the OBSERVER, and professional grief counselor, has worked with hundreds of AIDS patients, their friends and families. He has written the book, "Take These Broken Wings and Learn to Fly" and has produced a video for professionals and business on AIDS and caring for those impacted by the loss and grief AIDS has created.

"All of us experience loss in our lives: loss of our friends, our family, jobs, opportunities and dreams," says Dietz. "Some of these losses are from choices we make and may feel positive. Yet many losses not of our own choosing may leave us feeling powerless, angry and frustrated. This workshop will help us explore the possibility of transforming these inevitable losses into positive, strengthening experiences leading to greater personal fulfillment."

Dietz uses humor, awareness and practical tools to help participants towards empowerment in the face of loss.

For additional information, contact Tim Wernette at 791-3952 (work) or 298-2918 (home).

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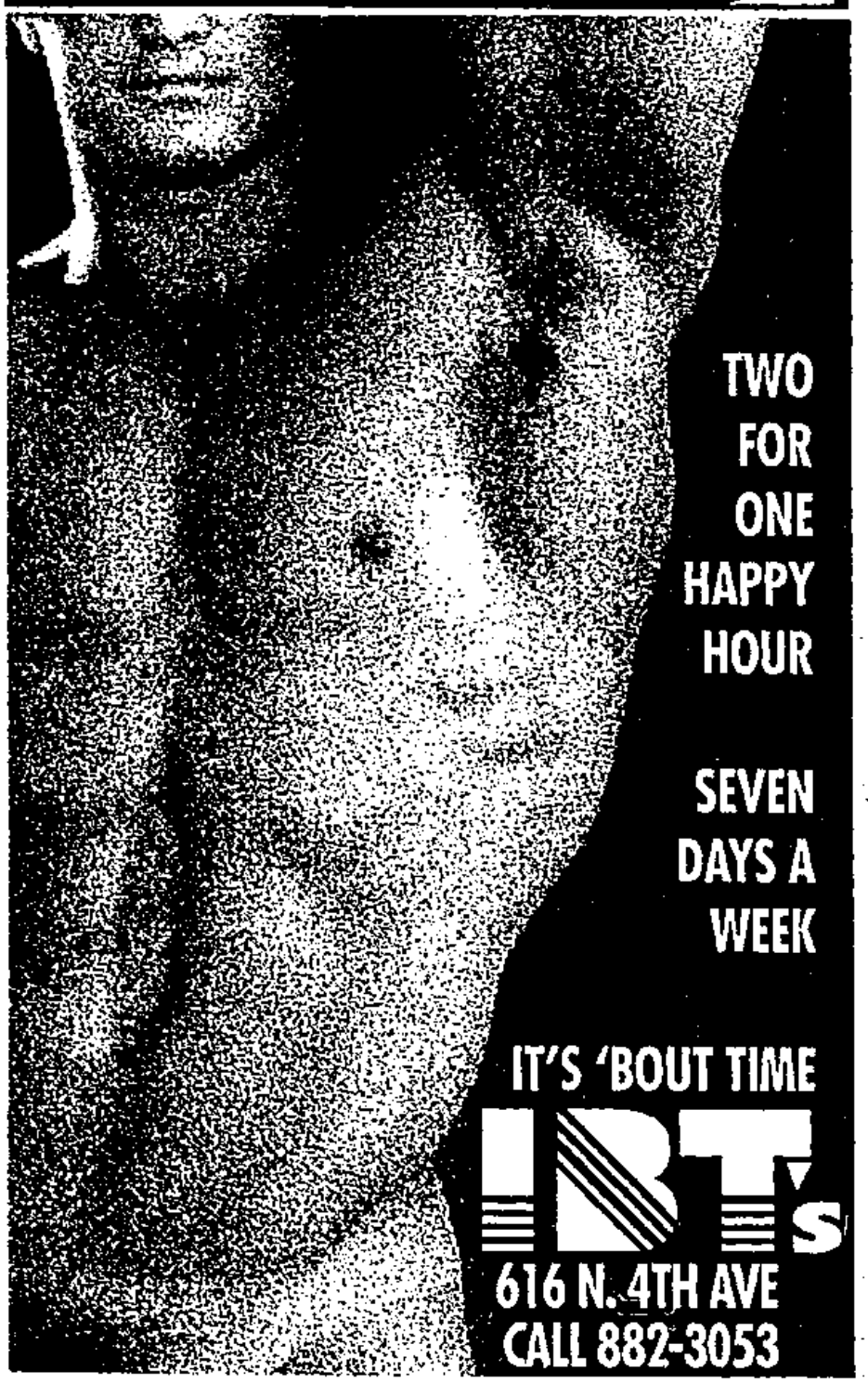

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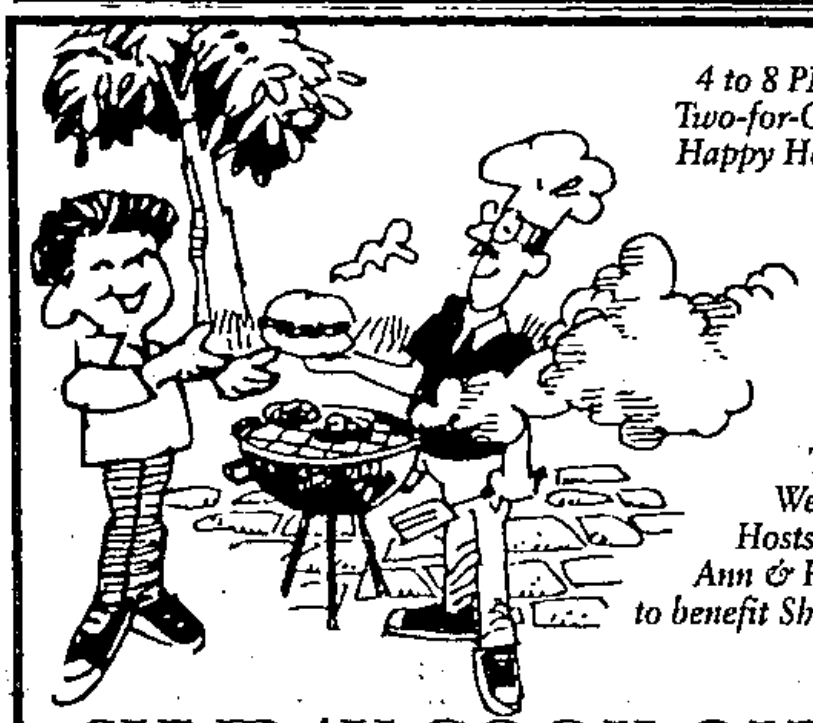
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Review by Neil Cowhey

Review - "Untold Decades"

by Robert Patrick

"Untold Decades" is now being presented by One-in-Ten Repertory Theatre Company at the Temple of Music Cabaret Theatre, 33 S. Scott Ave.

The company is doing only three of ten decades in the original play and they picked the right ones as far as I'm concerned - they are the 40s, 50s and 60s.

The 40s, titled "Bill Batchelor Read", set in 1945, was nicely directed by Mario Magaña. The set design is simple but effective and served well the lifestyle of Bill (Steve Burgos) and Bob (John Banks). This funny, bitchy and loving couple enjoyed making servicemen who were going off to war feel good and have something to live for through the war and have reason to come home.

Enter the Reverend (David Zinke), the prudish father of one of the servicemen the couple has entertained. I won't tell the rest of the story. I will say to watch for the fast pose by Bill - it is hilarious.

"Odd Number," set in the 1950s is directed by Scott Smith-McCurdy. This act hit home because I was in the service in this decade. The points made in this act were real, believe me, and again was well acted. I wanted to protect the 17-year-old Edgar, played by (Adam Drake) - he was so convincing. The airman Brad (J.P. Campbell) was me at 21-years-old.

He was aggressive, passionate and the definitive of authority - but could still play anyone's game. JP's characterization and growth through the different situations was enormous and well directed.

The Captain (Gary Edwards) was a perfect authority figure. His shading of feelings could be a little more subtle. This act was the most realistic act of the three. The set was ideal for the situation.

"The Fog" set in the 1960s, is directed by Victoria Terra. In this, the final act of the 2 1/2-hour evening, the set was exquisite, the design set the atmosphere immediately and created the tone needed.

This is a story of two guys meeting in Central Park late at night with the fog so thick they can't see each other.

The Fag (Geo Benito) is atypical of the 60s New Yorker. The Stud (Todd Karleskin) is a young and disillusioned-writer from out-of-town. He's finding that 'beautiful people' stay together and could care less about real talent or the "soul" of people.

This act, I felt, was the strongest in acting. The actors were funny, heart-breaking, crass, caring and thoroughly believable from the start of the act to the finish.

These two actors had the right karma between each other and shared it with the audience. I thank them.

Overall, the cast and crew should be proud and pleased. They took Robert Patrick's script and made his words come to life. Congratulations. Go see the show!

"Untold Decades" continues performances Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, Sept. 16, 17, 18 and closes Saturday, Sept. 19. All performances are at 8:00 p.m. Tickets are $8.00 and are available at Antigone Books, 600 N. 4th Ave. or call 446-2445 for reservations.

Jim Toevs

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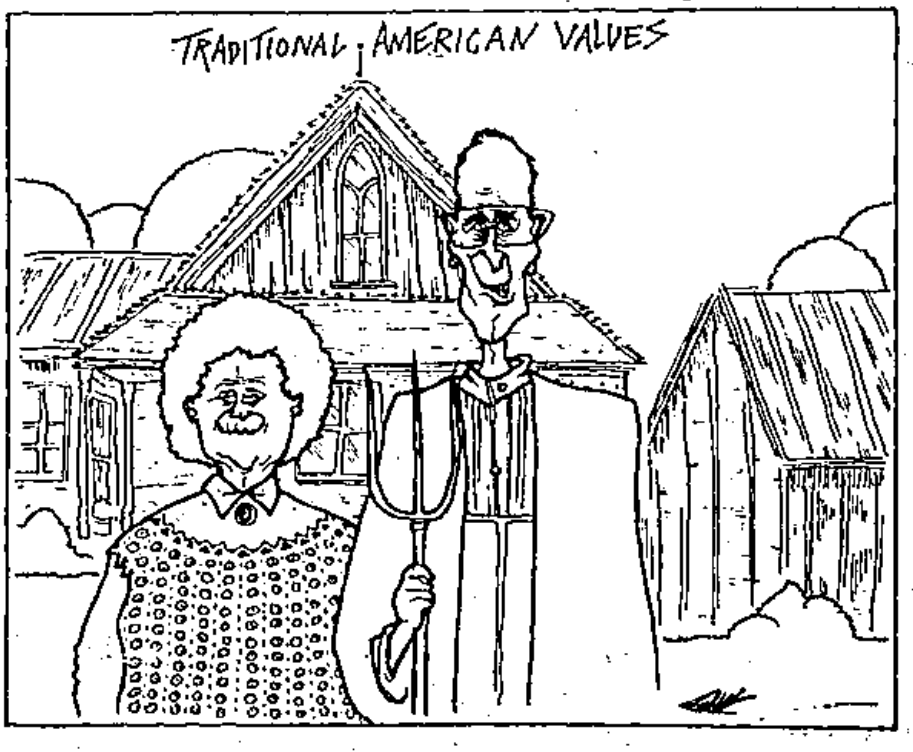
leadership on health care? Campaign Finance Reform? The environment? Keeping American Jobs? And the Freedom of Choice Act?, questioned Toevs. "For the last several years, Jim Kolbe has spent his time being a good George Bush Republican. he has been Bush's 'point-man' in promoting the ill-fated North American Free Trade Agreement which will result in the loss of hundreds of thousands of American manufacturing jobs to Mexico. Other than NAFTA, Jim Kolbe has failed to distinguish himself as an expert on any other issue before the Congress in the past eight years."

Concluding, Toevs said, "What I am asking of you today is to catch the vision of victory. Imagine what it will be like to have a Congressman who will truly represent you, who will provide leadership in Congress on health care, job creation, and the Freedom of Choice Act. A Congressman who believes that every child deserves a chance, and who will work put an end to politician's reliance on campaign contributions from special interest PAC's and wealthy favor seekers like Charles Keating."

As I See It..... *by Clark*



Think Positive PROJECT

by Pat Bradford, Shanti Foundation

The Think Positive Project will hold its next workshop on "Man to Man Dating" on September 18th and 19th, 1992. the workshop is designed to help you survive in the sometimes intimidating world of dating.

Dating is one of the hardest things we do. When we find someone we would like to date, we often find excuses to justify not asking him out:

- He wouldn't like me.
- Maybe he prefers blondes, not redheads.
- I'm not the right size or height.
- I'm not wearing the right clothes.
- What would we have to talk about?
- What if he had said yes, what would I do then?

It's so easy for us to put the negatives into our thoughts instead of the positives.

Wouldn't it be wonderful if when we met someone our thoughts were:

- I'm really the one he would like to know better.
- I'm just the right hair color.
- My body is great!
- Boy, do I have a hot outfit on!
- I really have a lot to share with him.
- When he says yes, we could go to a movie or out to dinner.

By putting out a positive attitude, we're more likely to get a positive response.

The "Man to Man Dating" workshop will help you develop negotiating skills, focusing on the kind of person you are as well as the kind of person you are looking for. Come join the Think Positive Project for "Man to Man Dating" on Friday, September 18th, 6 to 9 p.m. and Saturday, September 19th, 1 to 5 p.m. Call 622-7107 to reserve your spot today.

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Many artists have expressed a strong desire to speak out publicly on how HIV/AIDS has affected them or some loved one and why they are supporting this fund raiser.

We are encouraging the media to take a personal look at this event and the artists. If you are interested in speaking with one of the fine artists, please contact the PACT office.

Tickets for the Live Auction on Saturday the 26th are $10.00. they may be purchased in advance at PACT or at the door. Ticket price includes 1 raffle ticket. Raffle tickets are $1.00 each or 12 tickets for $10.00. The raffle item is an original glass vase by Tom Philbaum valued at over $500.00

Double Mischief

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Ain't Sex Weird?

Remember those whispered, giggly conversations about sex we had when we were in grade school? You know, the ones where we counted the times our parents had had sex by the number of kids in our families? Someone would announce, "My parents did it four times!", and we'd all squeal with horror and delight. We didn't know much about sex, but we knew it was weird.

By high school, we had outgrown that silliness. Sex was very serious stuff.

My high school best friend knew an older woman (age 20?) who told her all about sex, and she passed the info on to me. One day my friend announced, "Women look angry when they come!" I wasn't sure what come meant, but I nodded my head solemnly at this important piece of data. Then she continued, "And never let a guy put his tongue in your mouth. it makes your spine get longer, and then you can't stop yourself from having sex!"

I eventually understood that people had sex for fun, and that they did it often, and that the most surprising people enjoyed it. You know, old people, funny looking people, people who wore ugly clothing. I would sit in the subway, look around at me, and think, "These people have sex! It's too weird!"

Then I discovered sex myself, and the weird turned wonderful. I liked it so much that sex became central to my life. Sex wasn't weird, it was important.

With time, and with assurance that there was enough sex to go around, I relaxed, and I even developed a sense of humor about the subject. Now, years later, I'm writing a how to sex book, and, after focusing on sex full time for months, I find I've come full circle: sex is weird.

Think about it. You're going out on your first date with a sexy person, or else you and your long time lover have planned a special evening. She has spent hours trying to look perfect, choosing just the right clothing. What will be the proof that she pleased you? If you want to tear off her clothing and stick your face in her personal parts.

Tell me that's not weird!

It's because we're human, that bizarre form of animal. We have billions of years of evolution telling us to have sex with a strong and healthy co-parent to have strong and healthy children, but our brains and psyches have added emotion, social mores, and religion to the equation. Plus, much of human sex has nothing to do with procreation. Yet biology prevails. The result of these mixed messages? That messy thing called human sexuality.

At k.d. lang's Los Angeles concert, women threw their underwear at her. This behavior could be interpreted in all sorts of post modern ways, but I think the bottom line is this: those women's ovaries were telling them that k.d. lang would make a great father for their children.

A man I know, when he sees a CONTINUED ON PAGE FOURTEEN

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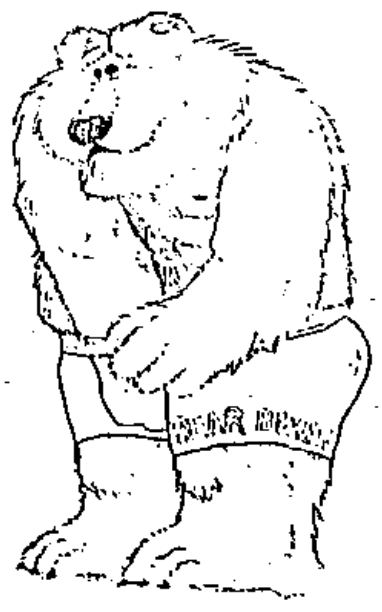

Kickoff Party:
Date: Saturday, Sept. 19
Place: Venture-N patio
Time: 8:00 P.M. - Midnite

POLITICS '92

by Mark Kerr

The '92 PRIMARY

The voters went to the polls last Tuesday to vote to see who will represent their respective party for various offices for the general election campaign. A lot of surprises came out of the results. Some have called it, "The Year Of The Woman". I disagree with that. I call it the "Year That Peopled Want Change At Any Price."

In the race for the Democratic nomination for the United States Senate, the people passed on the candidate supported by the Democratic party insiders and went for Phoenix activist Clare Sargent, by a 3 to 2 margin.

The race for the new Congressional District 6 saw the voters reject a leader in the State Senate, Senator Alan Stephens of Phoenix, and go for the environmental activist, State Senator Karan English of Flagstaff. English will face Doug Wead, an arch conservative Republican with ties to former televangelists Jim and Tammy Baker.

In CD 1, Representative Jay Rhodes, who was implicated the Check Kiting Scandal with 32 overdrafts, squeaked by in the Republican primary.

Representative Jim Kolbe turned back his ultra conservative challenger, Michael Beehler, for the G.O.P. nod. Kolbe will face Jim Toevs, the Democratic nominee.

The races for the State Legislature provided some upsets. In District 9, for the GOP nod for the State House, Lou Ann Prebble and Bruce McGibbon bested the rest of the field to take on Chuck Core and State Representative Marion Pickens. In the State Senate race, Representative Keith Bee (R) will take on the incumbent, Senator John Dougherty (D).

In District 10, activist Betty Liggins ran a good campaign, but fell short in her bid to oust Representatives Cajero and Hubbard. Senator Victor Soltero was unopposed in the Democratic primary, and will face opposition from the Libertatrian Arthur Karschen.

In District 11, Elaine Richardson came in first in the crowded field for the State House Race on the Democratic side. The upset in this race occured when Jorge Garcia finished second for the other nod. Garcia edged out Phil Lopes with victories, by a 3 to 1 margin in Nogales and in southwestern precincts in Pima County. Representative Peter Goudinoff won the Democratic nomination for the State Senate.

In District 12, State Senator Ann Day turned back a conservative bid and won the GOP Primary. On the House side, Winifred Hershberger and Dan Schottel won the G.O.P Primary.

In District 13, a big win for Dr. Andy Nichols and troubles for George Cunningham. Nichols won the primary with an impressive 44% of the vote. Cunningham came in second with 34%. Cunningham outspent his opponents by a 3 to 1 margin and came in second on the Democratic side and fourth compared to the Republican nominees, Tony Terry and Pat Beatty. This race is now considered a toss up.

In District 14, Truly Nolen fell short in his bid to oppose Senator Cindy Resnick. Nolen polled 296 votes as a write in for the Republican nomination. Nolen needed 442 write-in votes to be the nominee.

The Pima County Board of Supervisors races had a few surprises. In District 3, State Representative John Kromko thrashed his other 3 opponents and won the Democratic nomination by a 4 to 1 margin. Supervisor Ed Moore, who switched his party affiliation from Democratic to Republican, barely won the GOP nomination over former Marana Town Councilman David Morales. Moore should have beaten this minor challenger by 30 points to have a chance to beat Kromko. But he squeaked by with a 6% win. Moore is in serious trouble. In District 4, the developer's Supervisor, Reginald Morrison, came in third for his bid for another term on the Board. He lost to Paul Marsh, who will face Democrat Frank Luiz and Libertarian Herb Johnson in the general election campaign.

In other County races, Ann Rodriguez beat Winston Smith for the Democratic nomination for Recorder. She will face the Republican, Paul Julien, which experts call a toss up at this moment.

For sheriff, Kevin Shearer defeated Lon Bothwell for the GOP nod to face incumbent Democrat Clarence Dupnik.

For Assessor, Alan Lang edged out Ralph Armenta for the Democratic nomination. Lang will face Rex Waite Sr.

For Justice of the Peace in District 2, Susan O'Mara scored the upset and defeated Felipe Lundin. In Justice Precinct 4, the 4 term incumbent, James West, withstood the strong challenge of Kate Dawes and won the Democratic primary, which was the election since there is no opposition in the general. For Constable, State Representative Richard Pacheco beat the incumbent Christine Roy, who was seeking a second term in J.P.4. In J.P. 1, Marty Lepird defeated Mike Dorgan for the G.O.P nod and the victory, since there is no opposition in the general.

Until next time, politics is unusual!

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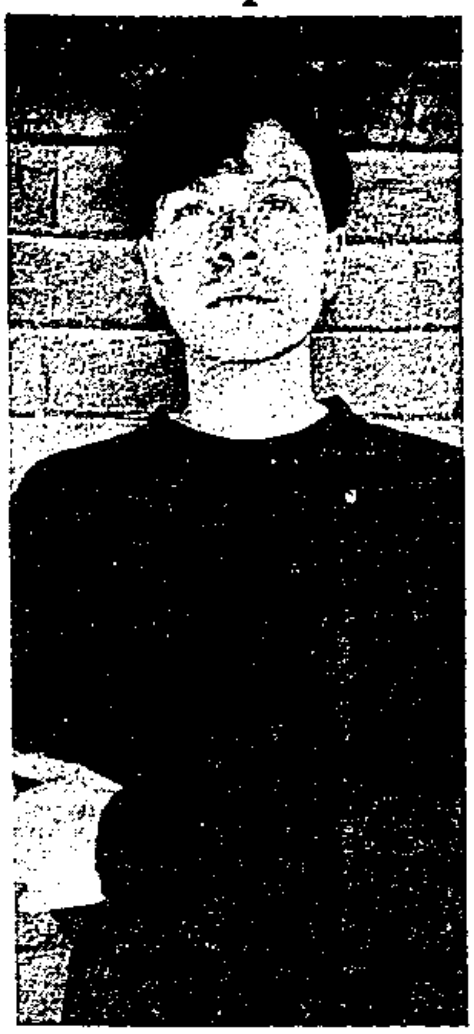
Lodato's 'The Cutting Garden' Opens At a.k.a. Theatre



VICTOR LODATO

TUCSON - Victor Lodato, popular local writer and performer, is scheduled to hit to boards once again this week at the a.k.a. Theatre with his performance in "The Cutting Garden". Lodato acknowledges that it is a bit daunting, "The will be the first time I've done a mainstage production at a.k.a., one that runs the full three weeks."

The show will also be his most ambitious. The hour-long collection of monologues, performed by Lodato and Lori Scheer, introduces the audience to people who are having relationships with those who have died.

"One thing I want to stress is that, even though the audience will experience some sadness, nmost characters are connecting with something celebratory, they are finding joy now that this person has left them." Lodato said.

"I'm playing Flesh and Lori is playing Spirit. Lori's role as a spirit has her singing a capella songs between the monologues. Some are originals, some are traditional spirituals and there are two songs by African-American artists.

The title "Cutting Garden" was chosen when Lodato realized that almost every piece contained flower or garden imagery. "The Cutting Garden" is a romantic term for a garden that someone cultivates simply to have a supply of cut flowers for their home. The flowers are cut at their peak, or when they are just about to bloom," he says. The "Cutting Garden" includes stories about people who have been taken away in their prime.

The idea for the show was not the AIDS crisis, but Lodato's own experiences in communicating with loved ones who have passed away. "I'm not talking about science fiction or ghost stories, but genuine communication. I believe the dead do communicate with us. Not everyone will come to the theater with this belief, I realize that, but I hope they will leave the theater with a feeling that spirits are among us.

"The Cutting Garden" opens Wednesday, Sept. 16 at 8:00 p.m. Shows continue Wednesdays through Sundays through October 3. Tickets are $7.00. a.k.a. Theatre is located at 125 E. Congress, in downtown Tucson.

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DAILY SPECIALS

monday

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HOURLY MYSTERY DRINK SPECIALS 8-1
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LINE DANCE LESSONS 6-8
C/W DANCING &
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tuesday

99¢ HAPPY HOUR 4-8
$1.25 WELL & DOMESTIC BEER 8-1
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C/W DANCING &
PROGRESSIVE DANCE MUSIC 8-1

wednesday

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C\W DANCE LESSONS 7-9
C/W & PROGRESSIVE DANCE MUSIC 8-1

thursday

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CHICKEN FRIED STEAK 5-7 - $3.00
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friday

EXTENDED 99¢ HAPPY HOUR - 4-10 P.M.
ALL YOU CAN EAT 'BEER BATTERED'
FISH FRY - $4.50 OR
BUILD YOUR OWN HAMBURGER - $3.00
C/W & PROGRESSIVE DANCE MUSIC 8-1

saturday

50¢ SCHNAPPS 8-1
BAR-B-QUE SPARE RIBS 5-8 $3.00
C/W DANCING &
PROGRESSIVE DANCE MUSIC 8-1

sunday

SALAD BAR AND WESTERN STEAK FRY 3-7
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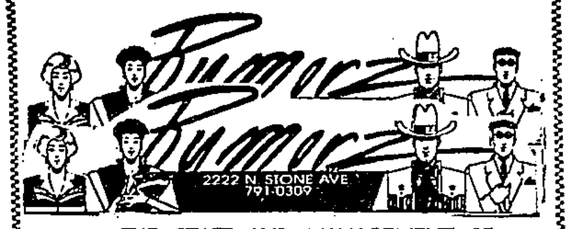

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CALENDAR
of upcoming events

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 9

GRADUATE - Partners' monthly Beer Bust here today from 2 to 6 p.m. Food and fun for play!!! 2 p.m. cash pool tourney.

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 20

HOURS - Benefit for Telvi Roybal, contestant for Ms. AGRA. All proceeds to go to P.A.C.T. and Lee Thompson Pediatric AIDS Foundation. Join in the scavenger hunt, entertainment, games, food, drink specials and lots of country dancing. It all begins at 2 p.m.

IBT's - Ann and Fritz host the Shanti Benefit Cook-out on the patio from 2 to 6 p.m.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 26

IBT'S - Beer Bust for National Coming Out Day. The winner of IBT's UofA scholarship will also be announced.

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 27

IBT'S - Mary and Mario will host the Parents and Friends of Lesbians and Gays (PFLAG) cook-out on the patio.

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 4

IBT'S - Dave Hoff and Frank Schepis host IBT's Oktoberfest Party with German beer and bratwurst. There'll be a hot time in the old town tonight!!!

RUMORZ - Arizona Gay Rodeo Association - Tucson Satellite will have a benefit show here. More later.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 10

HOURS - Big 2nd Anniversary party set for here beginning at 9 p.m. Entertainment, food, dancing and lots more. Check it out.

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 11

RUMORZ - The "Blues Attack" live jazz and blues band will be playing here from 8:30 to 11:30. Make plans to some great sounds.

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 22

CLUB 2520 - The popular country/western performer Dena Kaye will be performing two shows here beginning at 9:30 p.m. Make plans and mark your calendar. She's excellent.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 31

HOURS - 9:00 p.m., H.I.T.T. Halloween Costume Dance Party with a pumpkin carving contest on the patio at 3 in the afternoon.

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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 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. Call Mr. Corbin at 292-9151 in Tucson.

NOW THRU SEPTEMBER 26

PACT for Life presents "Life Thru Art" at the Etherton-Stern Gallery, in the Temple of Music and Art. Gallery open every day from 3 to 6 p.m. for public viewing and Silent AUction. Some days have extended viewing hours. Call PACT for info. The Gallery will be closed on Sunday, Sept. 20.

SEPT. 16-17-18 & 19

One In Ten Repertory Theater will present "Untold Decades" by Robert Patrick - three one-act romantic comedies set in the 1940s, 1950s and 1960s. All performances at 8 p.m. except Sept. 13 which is a 2 p.m. matinee. Temple of Music and Art Cabaret Theater, 330 S. Scott. Tickets $8.00 at Antigone Books. Call 446-2445 for reservations and information.

SEPT. 16-17-18-19-20

a.k.a. Theatre presents Victor Lodato aka Lori Scheer in Lodato's new performance piece "The Cutting Garden". 8 p.m. curtain. Continues Wednesdays through Sundays through Oct. 3.

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 17

The Tucson Men's Cooperative is sponsoring a workshop "Alternatives to Violence" from 7 to 9 p.m. at St. Andrew's Church, 545 S. 5th Ave. Call 622-8039 for more info.

The "Wake Up And Live" Foundation will present a lecture on success, positive thinking, confidence, creating visualization, motivation, relationships and happiness. Keven Rockford is the speaker. 7 to 9 p.m. at the Quality Inn, 1601 N. Oracle. Admittance $7 each with advance reservations or $9 at the door. There is a student discount. Call 741-8825 for more information.

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 18

Sgt. Tom Paniccia, USAF will be special guest at this regular monthly meeting of the Old Pueblo Business and Professional Association. This Davis-Monthan staff Sergeant marked a Gay rights milestone when, after 11 years in the Air Force, he came out on national TV. Now he fights, not just for his country but for all Gay men and Lesbians in the U.S. military. 7:30 p.m. at the Hotel Park Tucson, 5151 E. Grant Road. Free to OP members and newcomers.

Womyn's 3rd Friday Coffee House will have a special Voter's Awareness event this evening. Register to vote or show your voter's registration card at the Lambda Democratic Caucus information table, and receive a free gift. Gifts include a $10 Antigone gift certificate, signs artwork, coffee mugs, t-shirts, pens, etc. $2 at the door as usual, more if you can, less if you can't. Unitarian Universalist Church, 4831 E. 22nd St.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 19

Monthly Gay & Lesbian Self-Awareness workshop. 10:30 a.m. until noon, Shanti office, 602 N. 4th Ave. Focus: "Unoppressing Ourselves & Each Other As People". Free. Everyone welcome. RSVP 327-5061.

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 20

"A Big Party For A Big Time", a Human Rights Campaign Fund Clinton/Gore fundraising party at the Cactus Gallery, 621 N. 4th Ave. 4:00 to 6:00 p.m. A film of Gov. Clinton speaking to the L.A. Gay and Lesbian community. Hosted by Debra Broner and Alene Levine. For more information call 791-7000.

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 21

A rally for Staff Sgt. Tom Paniccia on the first morning of his discharge hearing. 7:00 a.m. at the Northwest corner of Golf Links and Craycroft entrance to Davis Monthan Air Force Base. Show Tom you are behind him by attending this rally. Stop the Anti-Gay practices of the U.S. military. For more information call 327-5061.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 26

PACT for Life "Life Thru Art" final day. 5:30 to 7:00 p.m. reception, silent auction continues. Complimentary champagne, hors d'oeuvres and live chamber music. 7 to 8 p.m. Live auction. Plan to attend this unique exhibit with art from some of Tucson's finest artists contributing their work for PACT.

The Tucson Men's Cooperative is sponsoring a workshop, "Keeping Centered When Loss Is Inevitable," from 10 a.m. until 3 p.m. at the First Christian Church, 740 E. Speedway (corner of Euclid). Registration fees (including lunch and workbook) are $20 general admission; $15 Tucson Men's Cooperative members; $10 students; scholarships are available. Registration deadline is Friday, Sept. 18. Call Tim Wernette at 298-2918.

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 18

The second annual Torch Awards will be held from 7 to 10 p.m. at the Quality Inn, 1601 N. Oracle. Tickets are $13 per person. The awards were created by people with HIV/AIDS to recognize people in their community for their accomplishments in the struggle against HIV/AIDS. MC Alan McLaughlin of Cloud 95 radio. For more information contact PACT, 770-1710.

Play Safe!

Tucson CALENDAR

sunday

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

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.

IBT's - Open noon to 1 a.m. 2 for 1 Well and non-premium beer 4 til 8. Big John (courtesy of Venture-N) spins rock and country 2-6. Miller Lite and Genuine Draft $1.50 from 9 to close. Old Leon DJs Country/Western at 8.

RUMORZ - Open at noon. Sunday Brunch noon to 3 pm $3.99. Bloody Marys and Screw Drivers $1.25 from Noon to 6:00 pm.

VENTURE-N - Open 10 a.m. 301 Dart Tournament 3 pm, $3 entry fee. Cash prizes. Patio Bar Beer Bust 3-6 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.

IBT's - Open noon. Happy Hour 2 for 1 well and non-premium [illegible] from 4 to 8 p.m. 50¢ mug Draft Beer 8 to close.

RUMORZ - Open 3:00 pm. 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

IBT's - Open noon. Happy Hour 2 for 1 well and non-premium beer from 4 to 8 pm. Advanced Country/Western dance lessons 6-8 with Gil Leon. $1.50 Bud/Bud Light and C/W dance 8 to close.

RUMORZ - Open 3:00 pm. $1.25 Well and Domestic Beer from 3:00 p.m. to 9:00 pm. Bud & Bud Light Cans 99¢ all day.

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. or Tacos @ $1 each. 50¢ off on everything from 8 pm to close. C/W dancing and Progressive dance music at 8

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

IBT's - Open Noon. Happy Hour 2 for 1 well and non-premium beer 4 to 8 pm. Beginners Country Dance Lessons 6 to 8, with Gikl Leon and Tom Maza. C/W dance 8 to close.

RUMORZ - Open 3:00 pm. From 3:00 pm until 9:00 pm $1.25 Well and Domestic Beer. From 8 to closing, 75¢ Schnapps. VJ/DJ David 10 to 1.

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 Fr[illegible] Steak 5-7, $3. Men's Nite - Anyone in bare chest, 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.

IBT's - Open noon. Happy Hour 2 for 1 well drinks and non-premium beer 4-8 pm. Margaritas and Kamakazis $1.50 from 8 to close. Gil Leon DJs Country/Western at 8.

RUMORZ - Open 3:00 pm. Draft Pitchers $2.00 all day. $1.25 Well and Domestic Beer from 3:00 pm to 9:00 pm. DJ/VJ David

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). "All you can eat" "beer battered" Fish Fry $4.50 or "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.

IBT's - Open noon. Happy Hour 2 for 1 well and non-premium beer from 4 to 8 pm. Tom Maza DJs Country/Western at 9.

RUMORZ - Open 3:00 pm. $1.25 Well and Domestic Beer from 3:00 until 9:00. Hors D'Oeuvres. VJ/DJ David 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. Pool Tournament 2:00 pm, $3 entry fee, pot matched.

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

IBT's - Open noon. Jayne Wayne rides again! Happy Hour extended noon til 8 pm. 2 for 1 well and non-premium beer. Tom Maza DJs Country/Western at 9.

RUMORZ - Open Noon. $1.25 Corona 8:00 pm to close. Dance with David 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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Notes From Desert Voices

Members of the Gay and Lesbian community have just one more opportunity to become a member of Desert Voices, Arizona's only Gay and Lesbian chorus. The last day to join is this coming Monday, September 21. Rehearsal begins at 7:30 p.m. in Room 428 of the Harvill Building (2nd & Olive) on the University of Arizona campus. If you are among these individuals who came to one of the three rehearsals held so far, we would love to see you return this Monday. A hearty welcome goes out to those new people who came on Monday. We hope to see you at this Monday also. Finally, welcome back to those who either sang with the chorus last season on in years past. When all of these groups come back together last Monday night, there were 37 singers. That's right, 37 men and women from our community who have a desire to see their chorus grow. Now if everyone who showed up in the past 3 weeks were to make a strong commitment to join, Desert Voices could have around 50 strong voices.

The chorus has begun their "jingling, ring-ting, tingling" for the holiday concert by rehearsing the well known "Sleigh Ride". Other works already underway include "Dadme albricias, Lijus d'Eva'", from a collection of three Spanish carols written in the 16th century, 'Christmas Hymn" from the 17th century which displays a familiar choral technique of echo writing, common during this time period, and portions from Brittain's "Ceremony of Carols." These are just a few of the selections which are planned to appear on this year's holiday concert, scheduled for December 19.

Other programs scheduled for this season are not musical but they are critical to the continued success of Desert Voices. A volunteer program is being developed to recruit volunteers to assist in all areas of the chorus. We are especially fortunate to have a wealth of knowledge and experience among our memberships, both current and past members. These individuals will be able to support the chorus through offering their expertise in areas such as publicity/marketing, fund raising, recruitment, and mailings. It is the volunteer force of Desert Voices that is a strong component. Our Director of Music can do only so much, and everything he does to develop and promote the chorus relies on our volunteers. Watch for further information after September 21st. There may be a chance for you to give a little of your time to support your choices.

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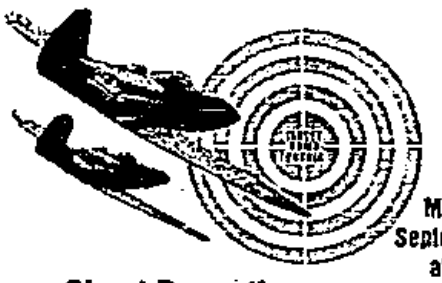

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Vandalism, Webster defines, "to destroy or damage property maliciously." We've all experienced some type over the years being both in the Gay lifestyle or not. Recently, Tucson, especially the Venture-N, has been experiencing it again. This time it was on the hoods of any car (new or old) sitting in their parking lot.

Vigilante - This time Webster says, "one of an unauthorized group organized professedly to keep order and punish crime." Those good old boys from days past when the west was a big open territory and the local law man was more than a days ride away and sometimes here in Tucson, more than 3 hours distant.

I could go on and on with a list of all kinds of words that describe things members of the Gay community have gone through, just here in Tucson since I've lived here.

Yes, one of Tucson's watering holes has been experiencing vandalism. Of course, no Gay bar in Tucson at one time or another has not experienced some type over the years each of them have been open. And yes, some bars have had more than their fair share of it. But what about the security system each bar has, in hopes of both protecting you and your property, (car or truck)?

Well, I got to thinking about the security at each bar in Tucson and I've come up with the following. of course, each bar does have a door person, for checking I.D. cards. recently even these little cards were found to be altered in a lot of cases. Still, after discovering this, the cards just floated away, for the time being. Every bartender in Tucson knows that no matter how hard and careful they try to be, a minor is going to slip through the system and be served. But, that is not the security I'm talking about.

Since the vehicles at the Venture-N were vandalized, owner Jim Dondson had video surveillance cameras installed on the roof. These cameras overlook the front parking lot, and are monitored in the bar. In the evening, there is a security guard who patrols the parking lot on a regular basis. The parking lot, both in front and around back are both well lighted. What more can be done, especially since the car hood scratchings were accomplished in broad daylight, in front of the bar, two weekends in a row.

The Graduate installed a light over the front awhile back and the other parking lot has a street light. Their door person patrols the adjoining parking lot on a regular basis.

Rumorz, in the past, had two different people patrolling two different parking lots. They still have a door person watching the parking lot by the door.

Club 2520 also has a door person who even walks all the way out to the street watching customers cars.

HOURS parking lot is so well lit, you can read a digital watch at night in it.

Now with JBT's open again, they also have a door person but in their case, they have two doors. Of course, the back gate is locked at sundown. But what about the cars parked back there?

What more can bar owners do to try to protect your property. Your help is needed also. If you see something suspicious, bring it to the attention of the door person. The old military saying, "but officer, they fell down a flight of stairs", will not wash in this case.

We, all the Tucson Gay community, has to work together, watch out for those who just don't fathom us, or our life style. Don't get me wrong, I'd probably get my rear kicked all the way to Nogales but if I saw something or someone vandalizing someone's car, I run to the rescue and try to at least stop them.

If you are in a group, even two of you, and you see something that does not look right, one of you go get the door person or someone from the bar and the other one stand watch. If the culprit(s) get into the car, get the license and a good description.

With the camera up on the roof of the Venture-N presently, so far nothing has happened but, just let Jim remove them and bingo!

A little away from my normal column, wouldn't you say? But, if everyone of us takes just a little bit of time and watches just a little more, we can defeat most of the vandalism experienced by the Tucson Gay community.

The dart tournament I was going to have last Saturday during TKO's beer bust, well let me just say, for that day, it was impossible. But, I've figured it out how to have both the food and the dart tournament for the next time so be ready.

My quote for the week: "I feel like chicken tonight."

News From Southeast Arizona

by Robert L. Hiebert

The Gay/Lesbian Alliance of Bisbee began a new workshop on the 13th of September. This workshop will continue every other Sunday at the YWCA at 5:30 p./m. until all the topics have been covered. this workshop will concentrate on various "isms", sexism, age-ism, ableism, racism, classism, feminism, looksism, etc. On Sundays when the workshop is not in session a rap group to help Gay people with their problems and to share their joys will be held.

Classism was discussed at the first meeting with all those present sharing their prejudices and feelings about how classism had affected and was affecting their lives. It was suggested that which class one is in at the moment is not always the determining factor in how we respond to our various "classes", but the class we were raised in did have a lot to do with how we view the various classes. of course by the rest of the world Americans are all in the upper class no matter what class we may fit in, in our society.

The next session on September 27th will deal specifically with how classism affects the Gay community and how classism is tied to other "isms" such as racism and sexism. it is hoped that some of the issues being discussed guest speakers will be able to offer us some enlightenment on the issues and how they relate to Gays and Lesbians.

News From MCC/Tucson

by Ben Corbin

Yes, the campus at MCC-Tucson does look good. There were a total 19 people who cam on Labor Day and spent the day cleaning, painting and having fun. (Or at least I was told they had fun.) Unfortunately, I personally couldn't make it, but driving into the driveway off of Mountain, the results of their work could be seen. There are no doubts about it, this is a big place and it takes a lot of work to keep it up, but we do have the "angels" take pride in our church property and spend the time and energy in keeping it with a good appearance.

Rev. Ed Perry and Lee Cain have returned from their trip to Seattle. Haven't been in contact with Pastor Ed yet, but I'm sure that I will be getting a report on all of the enjoyable times that they had while they were there. This is the first vacation, that can really be called a vacation, that Pastor Ed has taken in all of the years that he has been in Tucson. It was a well deserved vacation and we are all looking forward to hearing about it. Pastor Ed will be back in his office at his regular hours this week. Pastor Ed is in the church office Wednesdays through Saturdays from 12:00 noon until 7:00 p.m. unless there is an urgent need for him elsewhere.

We were happy and privileged to welcome a new member into the family of MCC-Tucson this past Sunday. We will always consider our membership a family of God where our brothers and sisters really do care about one another. God is our parent, Jesus Christ is our Lord, savior and redeemer, the holy spirit is our comforter and our guide; with these three as the head of our family, who can say that our family is too big for anyone else?

Thought for the week: No one can feel as helpless as the owner of a sick goldfish.

A View From The Rock

A Commentary From Cornerstone Fellowship

Most people, at one time or another in their lives, reflect upon why they exist. They contemplate what they see in this world and wonder if anyone is really in control of this mass of humanity that we live in. They feel happy at different times, but never truly fulfilled.

I, personally, find great comfort in the knowledge that there is an almighty God in control over all things. He is a personal God who loves and cares for every one of his creations; yet, he has given each one of us the free will to either follow him, or to reject him. He has a plan for humanity, and it will be done according to his will, with or without your or my cooperation; but he loves us and wants us to be with him in this life, and throughout eternity.

In the Book of Isaiah, the Lord tells us, "From the east I summon a bird of prey; from a far off land, a man to fulfill my purpose. What I have said, that I will bring about; what I have planned, that will I do." (Isaiah 46:11)

Would you try to weed your garden with your lawn mower? Of course not! It might chop off the top of a few weeds, but it wasn't created for that purpose. So it is with human beings who haven't sought the direction of God in their lives. The Lord gave you life, established your purpose, and will give you the means to achieve fulfillment in your life through him. The apostle Paul tells us, "and we know that in all things God works for the good of those who love him, who have been called according to his purpose." (Romans 8:28)

If you were to buy a new Canon camera and wanted to know all of its capabilities, would you ask a Minolta dealer? Of course not! If your Ford pick up was not performing properly, would you take it to a Honda dealer? Of course not! Then why do so many people seek the answers for their lives in everything and everyone except God? Unlike man made products with a multitude of manufacturers, there is only one God of creation, and through him only one true source with all the answers that you seek.

When you have accepted the son of God, Jesus Christ, as your personal Lord and Savior, you are endowed at least one gift of the Holy Spirit to help you achieve the purpose for which you were created. You receive guidance in all things from the Holy Spirit of the Lord, and you feel fulfilled in what you are doing, because it is what you were meant to do. The apostle Paul states, "There are different kinds of gifts, but the same spirit. There are different kinds of service, but the same Lord. There are different kinds of working, but the same God works all of them in all men." (I Corinthians 12:4)

If you really want to know why you exist, go to the source, your creator, almighty God. We at Cornerstone Fellowship would like to help you, and encourage you in finding the answers for your life through the Lord. We welcome you to our Worship Services Sunday at 10:30 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. Let us share our joy with you.

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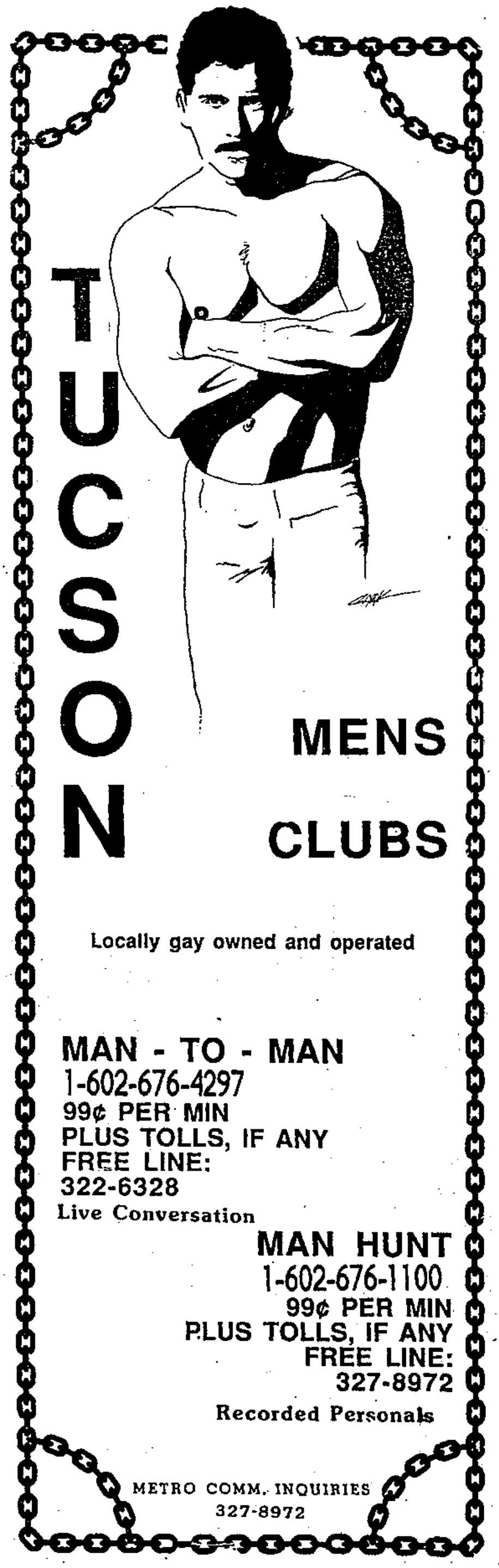

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ARIES
MARCH 21 TO APRIL 20

It's "shake up the household" week. Everything centers around the home. The physical structure, those inside, those passing through and family members. Keep cool to assure things. Go smoothly.

TAURUS
APRIL 21 TO MAY 20TH

Take care of basic maintenance this week. Your health, car, wardrobe and demeanor will all need to be in check. Demands are heavy on all levels.

GEMINI
MAY 21 TO JUNE 20

You will find it necessary to match you goals with your results. All your desires cannot be met without old-fashioned hard work. Make yourself eligible to reap the rewards of dedication and discipline.

CANCER
JUNE 21 TO JULY 22

With Mars entering Cancer you find an atomic blast of energy. This boosts your self esteem and forges infrequently travelled paths, full steam ahead! I hope everybody is ready for you.

LEO
JULY 23 TO AUGUST 22

As you step out of the spotlight this week, your efforts will turn to some personal forecasting. It's a good time to research and plan your nest egg. You can get there from here.

VIRGO
AUGUST 23 TO SEPTEMBER 22

Routine takes a back seat this week. Social is definitely on the agenda. Your calendar is not overbooked and accepts engagements at a measured pace. You glow in the company of friends.

LIBRA
SEPTEMBER 23 TO OCTOBER 22

The push is on to "show your stuff" in the workplace and toward career betterment. Your sense of humor gives you the edge along with your acquired sense of tact. Exterior input is great!

SCORPIO
OCTOBER 23 TO NOVEMBER 22

You have always felt different from the norm. This week challenges your various stimuli. Travel, intellectual, social and sensory, all are on tap for the asking. Key word: expand.

SAGITTARIUS
NOVEMBER 23 TO DECEMBER 21

Advice is two part this week. If you are in a relationship your bond will be enhanced by mutual planning and heightened sensuality and passion. If you are a force of one, enjoy sexual activity without the constraints of romance, remember, better safe than sorry!

CAPRICORN
DECEMBER 22 TO JANUARY 19

It's time to clean house and unload excess baggage. After the dust settles, the clarity will enable you to draw on the ernest and sincere. This catharsis will cover those relationships both personal and in the workplace. Be kind and considerate throughout.

AQUARIUS
JANUARY 20 TO FEBRUARY 18

It's time to concentrate on you! Longevity is achieved through physical maintenance. Your job forges on without an external hitch. Streamline your efforts to avoid hassle.

PISCES
FEBRUARY 19 TO MARCH 20

Creativity is riding high this week. Use this talent to it's fullest extent. This return of your sensitive nature brings you back to a very familiar and inspired you. Harness this enough to communicate your feelings.

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beer ad featuring almost nude buxom blondes, says sarcastically, "Sexy women! I want a beer!" He knows his libido is being jerked around, and he laughs at the ad, but millions of men buy the beer.

Then there is Susie Bright, a.k.a. Susie Sexpert, who holds the crucial role of id for the U.S. 90's. While other feminists worry about being believed when they say no, she worries about being believed when she says yes. For her birthday, her lover arranged a three part orgy for her, which included Bright shining the boots of a female cop, getting tied up and whipped, and being blindfolded and then stroked by more hands than she could count, and never finding out whom all those hands belonged to. Bright enjoyed herself; Bright always enjoys herself. But, in terms of human reality, the weirdest thing she does isn't her sexual activity, it's telling the truth!

Compare Bright to the anti-sex far right. They take all desires and squeeze them, pervert them, if you will, into teeny tiny squares. Only what they do in bed is acceptable. No, only what they say they do in bed is acceptable. Where Bright says, "These are my feelings and I embrace them," they say, "These are my feelings and I banish them." Then they go one step further with, "And I banish your feelings too."

It's easy to understand why those far right folk don't like sex. Would you want to kiss Dan or Marilyn Quayle? Jesse Helms? Phyllis Schlafly? Mon seriously, can you imagine the turmoil of a person who honestly believes he or she was made in the puritan God's image wanting to rut like an animal? Sex is weird.

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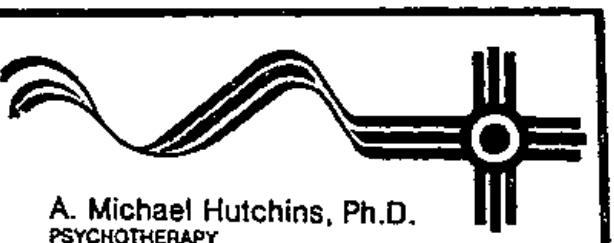

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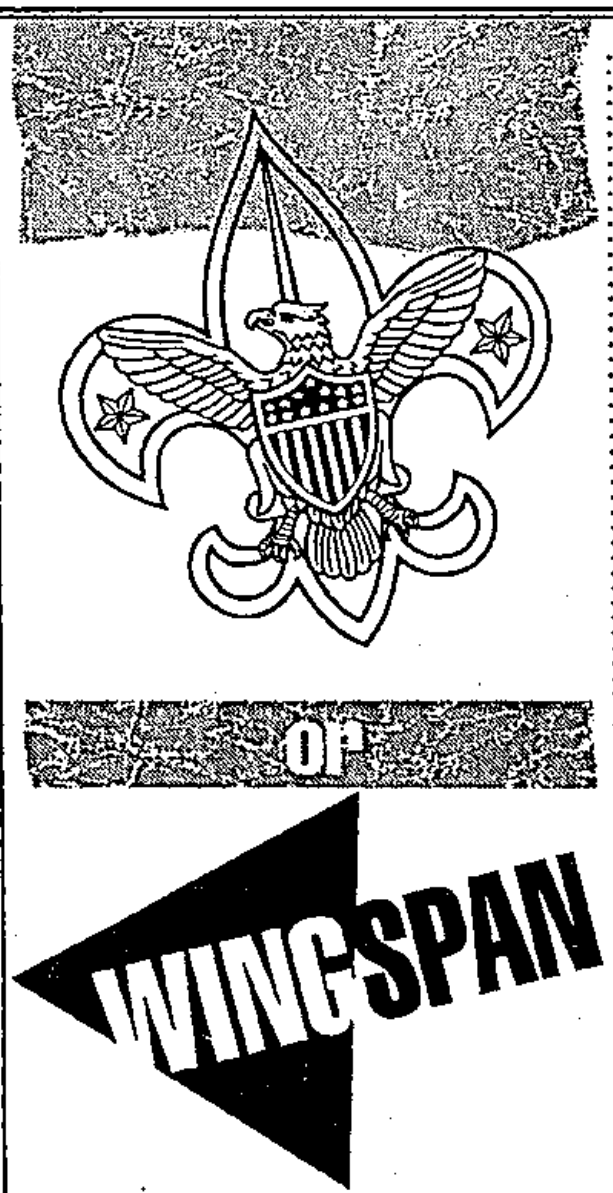

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T-SQUARES Tucson's Square Dancing Club

TUCSON - Monday, September 21, is the last night to enroll in the basic square dance class being offered by the T-Squares. The classes are free and are being offered every Monday from 7 to 9 p.m. at Club 2520. They are open to singles, couples, men, women, Gays, Lesbians and sundry as long as the sundry are Gay friendly.

While square dancing is thought of as a uniquely american dance form, its roots can be traced back to the Crusades of the 11th, 12th, and 13th centuries. Crusaders brought back from the Holy land great moorish circle dances called braules.

These braules had learned patterns of steps, each step with its own name, repeated throughout the dance. Linguisticly the modern term for a barroom fight, a brawl, is descended from the moorish braule because that was inevitably what broke out when a bunch of drunken knights in armor with broadswords hanging on their hips tried to do intricate dance steps.

As the 14th, 15th, and 16th centuries brought more civilized behavior to Europe these braules evolved into the more sedate circle dances. These dances were done in the great halls under the tuteledge of a dance master who might occasionally call out a step to remind the dancers what they were supposed to do. This type of dancing was especially well developed in medieval France.

As the new world was settled, and particularly as civilization spread west across the continent, a dearth of the great halls, the dance masters and the leisure time necessary to learn the steps changed the circle dances into modern square dances.

The great halls became pioneer kitchens just big enough for four couples to form a square. The dance master became the caller who told the dancers what to do step by step. And, of course, the calls became more uniform and less dependant on independent study under an individual dance master. Many modern square dance calls such as allemande left and do-sa-do reflect their beginnings in the great halls of France.

While Gay square dancing, per se, began in South Florida in the late 1970's same sex couples go back to pioneer days when they were called, in derisatory fashion, "arky" couples. These were not same sex couples out of choice, but out of necessity.

Today there are Gay square dance clubs in most major metropolitan areas of both the U.S. and Canada. Every summer, thousands of Gay square dancers gather in one unsuspecting place for the International Association of Gay Square Dance Clubs convention. Next summer the convention will be held in Seattle.

Gay square dancing is different from non-Gay dancing in ways other than the make up of the couples. Style, of course, is very important to Lesbians and gay men and many square dance steps have been stylized with high kicks, hand claps, twirls, and of course, screams. Non Gay groups put this down as garbage dancing. These same people also buy their stylish clothes at K-Mart.

In some parts of the country Gay groups have been branching out and dancing with non-Gay groups. Once the initial discomfort has been gotten through, both groups enjoyed the interaction.

Bit Of The Old South

by Sean Thomas

The other day I was having a conversation with a friend of mine about self image. It shouldn't have but it did surprise me when he said he was not happy with himself because of how he thought others perceived him. This is not something unique to the Gay community but is common. Low self esteem is a result, I believe, of society constantly telling us we are wrong, sick, evil, sinful, illicit and even unlawful, and the constant emphasis on appearance by the advertising media. Our self perception is a vital part of self esteem, but to rely on the opinions of others as the main source of that determination is crazy.

Most people would like to be admired in some way by others, but one must admire themselves before looking for that approval in the general public. And the funny thing about it all is that, each of us are complete and wonderful and deserving of a good self image. So what stops us from accepting this fact? We do. I have known people with many impressive physical attributes that other people admired and still had low self image/esteem. And on the other hand, I have known others who when you meet them you are attracted to them or admire them and quite can't put your hand on the reason why.

Many times the reason is that a person has self confidence, a high self image/esteem and it is visibly apparent when you meet them. The desire to improve ourselves is a good and healthy thing. but the perception that we are constantly in need a overhaul is not. People are a beautiful and wonderful creation. And we really need to see ourselves in a true light and not in the shadow of others perceptions. We are all in a sense, diamonds in the rough but only we can polish up that stone and make it shine. We are the ones that internally possess the tools that it takes to accomplish that task.

We are the only ones responsible for our own actions and need to get away from the idea that everyone else is responsible for us, our actions and how we should think of ourselves. And as a result we can collectively and individually make one hell of a difference in this world. But we must start individually with ourselves.

When we realize our personal strength and lend it to the collective we have one unbeatable force that will have to be reckoned with. In my own opinion, we as Gay people are truly blessed and as a people with all our faults are deserving of society's admiration. The problem is that many of them can't see us as we really are, which is as I said, diamonds in the rough. just wait till we get polished, the shine will dazzle them and they can't help but notice us.

Till next week: Sean.

P.S. I really do miss you Mr. Walters