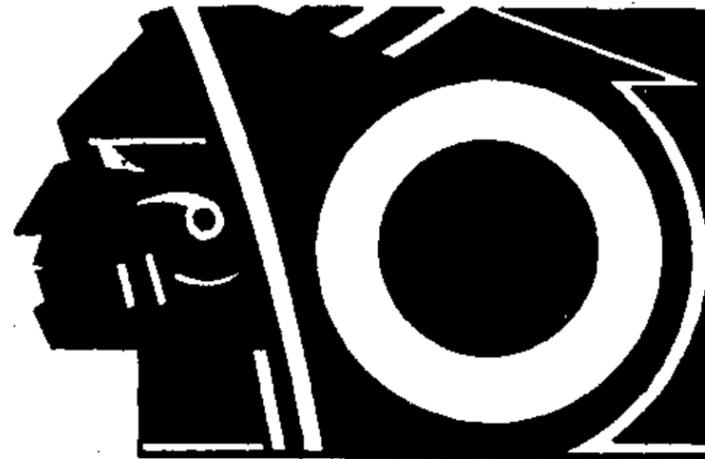




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Lesbian Named To Prominent Job At HUD By Clinton



ROBERTA ACHTENBERG

WASHINGTON (AP) - President Clinton has nominated Roberta Achtenberg, a Gay San Francisco Supervisor, to be assistant secretary for fair housing and equal opportunity and will become the nation's top fair housing enforcement officer.

Achtenberg said she was "deeply honored by President Clinton's nomination. Our nation's commitment to equal opportunity in housing has been sorely neglected over the past 12 years. I look forward to joining Secretary Cisneros to take on the challenge of building an effective and efficient fair housing department within HUD."

In 1990, Achtenberg was elected to the San Francisco Board of Supervisors, which functions as the city council. Achtenberg, 42, spent more than 15 years as a lawyer and executive of Gay rights advocacy groups.

She lives with her partner, Mary Morgan, presiding judge of the San Francisco Municipal Court. They have a 7

year old son but will not say which of them is the biological mother.

In 1989, she legally represented a lesbian couple, Millie Jensen and Sue Pavlik, who won the right to adopt a 2 year old boy with AIDS. Achtenberg accused Alameda County adoption workers of foot dragging in the case.

Achtenberg's appointment must be confirmed by the Senate, according to Coalition '93 co-chair William Waybourn, who also serves as executive director of the Gay and Lesbian Victory Fund. "We should let the President know how much we appreciate his faith in Roberta's ability to enforce the nation's fair housing standards. We should also let the members of the Senate Banking Committee know that the community supports her nomination, too" Waybourn said.

Roberta's appointment fulfills one of Bill Clinton's desires to make this Administration reflect the diversity of the country," said Andrew Barrer, Project Director Of Coalition '93, an organized effort of 18 national Gay and Lesbian groups to promote qualified openly Gay and Lesbian applicants. "We expect that she will be an outstanding assistant secretary.

Her appointment to the post in the Department of Housing and Urban Development pays \$115,700 a year.

Achtenberg was an early backer of Clinton and was on the 1992 Democratic Platform Committee.

If confirmed by the Senate Banking Committee, Achtenberg would oversee HUD's fair housing and equal opportunity programs, be responsible for developing affirmative action programs for the department and work to help increase job opportunities for HUD project residents.

Simplified Message Program To Show Support To End Military Ban

AUSTIN, TX., - To simplify efforts to demonstrate support for President Bill Clinton's proposal of lifting the ban on Gays and Lesbians serving openly in the military, a special messaging program has been created through Western Union. With a single phone call, supporters of lifting the ban can send separate cablegrams to President Clinton at the White House, their two United States Senators,

and their Congressmen in the United States House of Representatives. Western Union will automatically identify a caller's congressional leaders and send messages to the appropriate individuals.

Take advantage of this program, individuals should call Western Union at (800) 258-2222, and refer to Hotline

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Lesbian-Bisexual-Gay Awareness Week On UA Campus Feb. 15-19

TUCSON - The Bisexual, Gay and Lesbian Association (BGALA) of the Associated Students of the University of Arizona (ASUA) is sponsoring the Second Annual Lesbian-Bisexual-Gay (LGB) Awareness Week from February 15-19. Various events will take place on the UofA campus in order to educate the public and promote a positive image of Lesbians, Bisexuals and Gays.

On Monday, Feb. 15, there will be an Information Fair on the West end of the UofA Mall from 11:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. At noon there will be a silent rally to kick off the weeks events, also on the West end of the Mall. At 7:00 p.m. a presentation entitled "The LBG Movement: Then and Now" will take place in Room 285 of the Student Union. Speakers include Jim Toevs, Colette Barajas, Debra Bruner and Anne Schmitt.

"How Aware Are You?", a quiz will take place on the UofA Mall Tuesday, Feb. 16 from 11:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. to dissolve common misconceptions held about Lesbians, Gays and Bisexuals. Participants will receive free beverages. At Noon there will be a panel discussion, "LGB Voices: Candid session to answer the questions of the straight community," in the Student Union, Rincon Ballroom. Later that evening, the film "Word Is Out: Stories of Some of Our Lives" will be shown in conjunction with "Queers on

Film" series and the LBG literature class, Economics Building, Room 110.

"Queers as Curriculum: LBG Studies at the UofA" will take place on Wednesday the 17th at noon. This will be a brown bag presentation so be sure to bring you lunch to Room 280 in the Student Union. On Thursday evening, Feb. 18, there will be an Improvisation "Male and Female Stereotypes within the LBG Community". This presentation will take place in the Harvill Building, Room 108. Everyone is invited to come and join in the fun.

Friday, Feb. 19, at noon, everyone is invited to come and immerse yourself in culture. Listen to LBG poetry at the Brown Bag Poetry Reading, Student Union, Room 280. Later in the evening, at 7:30 p.m. BGALA and the Student Union Activities Board will present "A Concert For Unity", featuring Desert Voices, Erica Wheeler, Russ McCoy, and Mimi Baczewska. MC for the evening will be Slique Callahan in the Harvill Building, Room 150. This presentation is handicap accessible and signed. Tickets are \$5.00 for students and KXCI members and \$7.00 general admissions. Tickets are now on sale at Antigone Books and the BGALA Resource Center at the UofA. If an interpreter is needed for other events or for further information call BGALA Resource Center 621-7585.

Tucson Men's Study Begins Second Year

TUCSON - The Think Positive Project and the Tucson AIDS Project, in collaboration with the Center for AIDS Prevention Studies at the University of California, San Francisco, have been studying how Gay and Bisexual men in Tucson are adapting to the AIDS epidemic.

So far, approximately 1000 men in Tucson are participating in the study, known as the Tucson Men's Study, which makes this one of the largest studies of Gay & Bisexual men currently underway in the United States.

The information from the first wave of data collection has already been shared with the Tucson AIDS Project and the Think Positive Project so that they can better target prevention and treatment services for Gay/Bisexual men in Tucson.

The study is now beginning it's

second year. Each of the men who participated last year will be recontacted for a second interview, to see how Gay and Bisexual men's reactions to the AIDS epidemic have changed over time. Participation in the study takes about a half hour and confidentiality is guaranteed.

The study director, Dr. Ron Stall, noted that "We don't know a lot about how Gay and Bisexual men outside of San Francisco and New York are responding to the AIDS epidemic. The Tucson Men's Study is one of the few opportunities that we have to measure how men's attitudes and behaviors are changing over time outside of one of the largest coastal cities.

"The information that we have already received from men in the study will help local AIDS prevention services allocate scarce resources more effectively,"

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UPDATE

AIDS Entry Ban To Be Reversed

WASHINGTON (AP) - President Clinton will reverse the 6 year old policy that barred foreigners infected with the HIV virus from entering the United States, the White House said.

But Press Secretary Dee Dee Myers said no timetable had been set for lifting the ban, which Clinton had promised to do during the campaign.

Her boss, Communications Director George Stephanopoulos, said the Department of Health and Human Services is working on the policy. "We just have to make sure the executive order is right," he said.

Lifting the ban on entry to those infected with HIV could help Haitian refugees whose bid for political asylum was held up because they are infected with the AIDS virus. They are under detention at Guantanamo Bay, Cuba.

HHS officials, speaking on the condition of anonymity, said Secretary Donna E. Shalala has sent the proposed change in immigration rules to the Office of Management and Budget.

The Justice Department must also sign off on the proposal.

Myers said flatly that Clinton intends to overturn the ban. "He will do that," she said.

The health department, acting on advise from infectious disease experts, also recommended removing syphilis and leprosy from the list of diseases that are grounds for denying people entry to this country.

The only disease left on the entry list would be infectious tuberculosis. The United States is now battling a resurgence of TB in its inner cities.

Logo Contest For 'Walk'

TUCSON - A contest for a logo for the "From All Walks of Life - AIDS Walk '93" has been announced by Walk Coordinator, Jim Toevs.

Prize for the winning logo will be \$150. Designs are to be submitted to Toevs at 5505 N. Camino Arenosa, Tucson, Arizona 85718, on 8 1/2 x 11 white paper, no later than March 15, 1993. The logo must be suitable for use on letterhead, T-shirts, posters, brochures and other promotional items.

Anyone desiring further information may call Jim Toevs, 577-6018.

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DEAR EDITOR:

Last week, when I wrote all readers of the Observer encouraging them to write their Arizona legislators encouraging support for SB 1043 repealing the anti-sodomy and lewd and lascivious acts statutes I transposed the last two numbers. While S.B. 1034 is of interest to Tucsonans, it is not necessarily of interest to the Gay community.

S.B. 1034 only provides that the two city prosecutor members of the state prosecuting attorneys advisory council come from Phoenix and Tucson (1 from each). It has nothing to do with the sodomy and lewd and lascivious acts statutes. I encourage those who may have already acted on my erroneous information to act now on the correct information and support the passage of both S.B. 1043 and S.B. 1144 which de-criminalizes these acts between consenting adults. I apologize for my mistake and the extra labor it may have caused.

YHOS, Curt Stubbs

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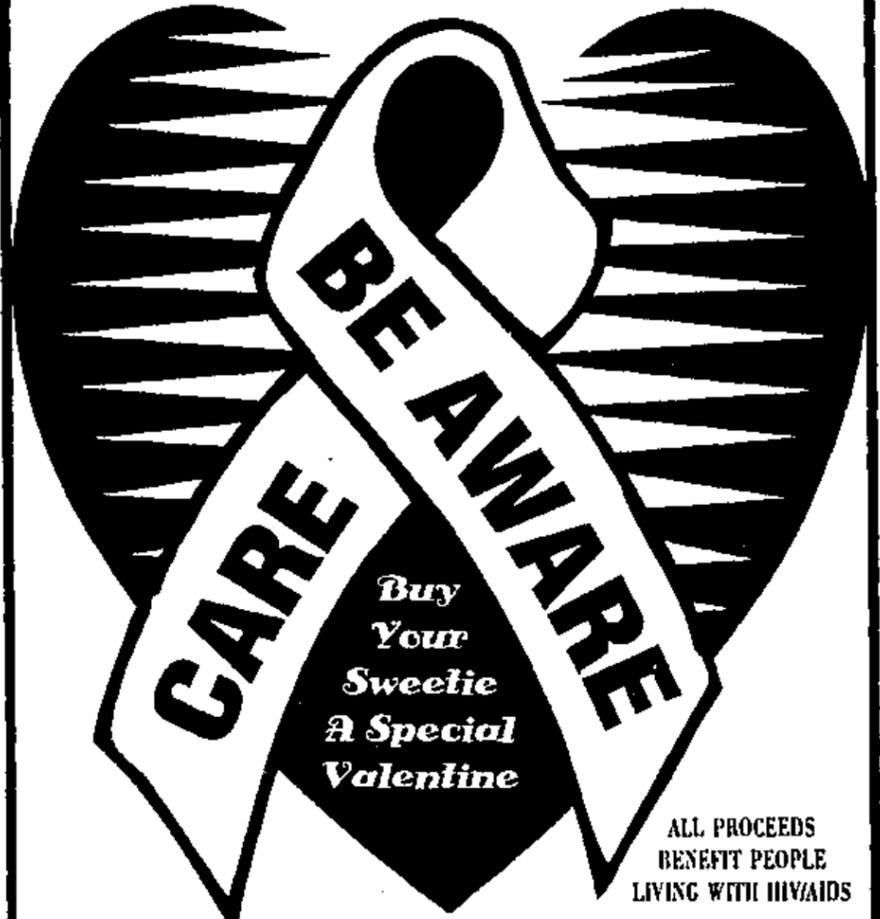
Number 9342. For \$8.75, cablegrams will be sent to President Clinton, two U.S. Senators, and a U.S. Representative in Congress. The cablegrams express support for ending the ban on Gays and Lesbians serving in the United States Armed Forces. The charge for the messages may be billed directly to an individual's home phone number, Visa, or MasterCard.

"This program should make it easier and cheaper for our community to show its support for ending the ban," said organizer Paul von Wupperfeld, Co-Chair of the Austin Lesbian/Gay Political Caucus. "Rather than making three long distance calls to Washington or waiting to get a free line to members of Congress or the White House, Gays and Lesbians can make one call and send three letters which will probably arrive in Washington the next day."

For more information about the cablegram program, please contact West-ern Union at (800) 258-2222, or the Austin Lesbian/Gay Political Caucus, P.O. Box 822, Austin, Texas 78767-0822.

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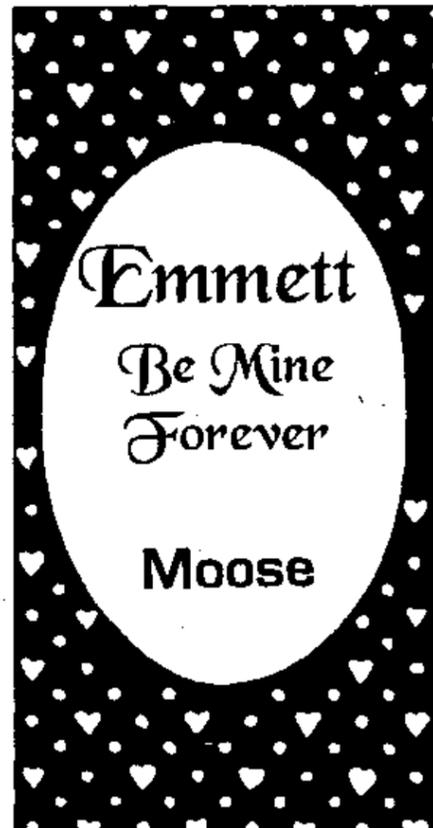
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Stall said. Stall also noted that the value of the study depends on men's willingness to continue participating in the study.

As he put it, "To the extent that men continue to participate in the study, our data will continue to be important in developing services for Gay/Bisexual men in Tucson. We will be contacting men over the next month, and I urge everyone to continue to be part of the Tucson's Men Study".

If you have any questions about the study, please feel free to call Bruce Porter at the Tucson AIDS Project at 322-6226.



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Senate Stops GOP Effort To Thwart Lifting Of Ban On Gays In Military

WASHINGTON (AP) - The Senate voted last week to reject a Republican attempt to thwart President Clinton's efforts to lift the ban on homosexuals in the military.

By a 62-37 vote, the Senate turned aside a GOP sponsored measure that would have restored the 50 year old ban on Gays as it existed before Clinton announced his compromise with Democratic congressional leaders.

(Arizona Democrat Dennis DeConcini voted against the measure. Arizona Republican John McCain voted for the measure.)

Instead, the Senate adopted a non-binding resolution that leaves intact interim changes Clinton implemented, including temporary suspension of the formal discharge of homosexuals from the military.

Clinton also ordered that recruiters stop asking applicants about their sexual orientation.

The president, who promised during the campaign to lift the ban, was forced to retreat during the first week of his presidency in the face of widespread Democratic and Republican opposition.

Senate Republican Leader Bob Dole of Kansas had predicted defeat but vowed Republican would eventually prevail on the divisive issue. "I happen to believe that mainstream America recognizes bad policy when they see it," he said.

Clinton has ordered Defense

Secretary Les Aspin to draw up an executive order on lifting the ban by July 15. The Republican legislation would have required Clinton to get congressional approval before any policy change. The measure was an amendment to the family and medical leave bill.

Republicans were less than totally united on the issue, however, as seven senators joined with the Democrats to reject the GOP measure.

Among the Republican defectors were Sen. John Chafee of Rhode Island, a Republican who served in the Marine Corps and was Secretary of the Navy in the Nixon administration. In addition to Chafee, Republicans voting with the Democrats were Alfonse D'Amato of New York, Mark Hatfield and Bob Packwood of Oregon, Arlen Specter of Pennsylvania, Dave Durenberger of Minnesota and James Jeffords of Vermont.

Two Southern Democrats, Howell Heflin and Richard Shelby of Alabama, voted with the Republicans.

Led by Sen. Dan Coats of Indiana, Republicans argued that allowing homosexuals in the military would seriously undermine the quality of the armed forces.

Democratic Sen. Carol Mosley-Braun of Illinois, said the GOP arguments against lifting the 50 year old ban resembled the military complaints in the 1940's against President Harry S. Truman's plan to integrate the services.

"The military has no more of a rational basis for banning Gays and Lesbians in 1993 than it did for segregating African Americans in 1943," said the first year lawmaker, who is black.

Senator Sam Nunn, D-Ga., chairman of the Armed Services Committee, said he remains opposed to lifting the ban, but the compromise announced by Clinton does not alter the policy for the average officer working directly with enlisted personnel.

"Resolving this conflict between individual rights and the basic needs of our military is difficult, but our nation has had an effective military because we've achieved an acceptable balance," said Nunn, whose panel will hold hearings on the issue next month.

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LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

As mentioned in last week's column, there are three bills, in the state legislature, of concern to the community. They are S.B. 1062, which would gut the Omnibus AIDS Act, H.B. 2125, which would end mandatory AIDS education in the schools, and S.B. 1043 which would repeal the "lew and lascivious" and "sodomy" statutes from the books. Here is what's happening with these bills.

S.B. 1062, was passed by the Health, Welfare and Aging Committee and was passed by a vote of 6 to 3, it then went to the Senate Rules Committee where it was passed. It now goes to the full floor for a vote. H.R. 2125 has been assigned to the House Education Committee for consideration. The bill is not on this weeks agenda. S.B. 1043 has been assigned to the Senate Judiciary Committee. It has not been given a date for hearings.

We must act now. We must call our State Representatives and State Senators and show our support for S.B. 1043, and also to have the bill heard, and our opposition to H.R. 2125 and S.B. 1062. The phone number to call is 1-800-352-8404, Monday through Thursday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Here is the list of our southern Arizona Legislators, Committeemembers and Committeechairs and leaders to call and show your concern:

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 Representative Ruth Solomon* (D)
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Double Mischief

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The Real Thing

Do you ever feel that humans are mean, stupid, bumbling creatures, specializing in war, bigotry, and greed? I do. When I'm in that mood, to avoid drowning in despair, I remind myself of particular people who demonstrate what humanity could be, can be, at its best. Albert Einstein. Harvey Milk. Toni Morrison. Helen Keller. Fred Astaire. Eleanor Roosevelt.

Audrey Hepburn.

When I heard that Ms. Hepburn had died, I felt as though the sun had briefly dimmed. Hepburn was more than a star: she was a superb human being. And she more than epitomized grace and elegance; she showed how those traits could be bone marrow deep. Interviews with her showed a charming, modest woman, grateful for her good luck, who paid her rent on earth by helping children.

I watched *The Children's Hour* often as a kid and as a teenager. I don't know when I realized it was about Lesbian love; I don't know what I thought it was about! But even before I understood the film, I understood why Shirley MacLaine's character would fall in love with Hepburn's. How could someone not fall in love with Audrey Hepburn?

My most recent viewing of the movie brought a new awareness. I had presumed that MacLaine played the Lesbian in the movie, with Hepburn solely the object of her love. But, in the final scene, as Hepburn, wearing a beret, walked regally from MacLaine's graveside. I suddenly understood: she's one too! She'd heading for the Village to come out!

Whether or not that interpretation had anything to do with the film makers' intentions, I appreciate that Hepburn played the role with her usual grace and dignity, not choosing to freak out and make faces when MacLaine confessed her forbidden love.

Interestingly enough, the tributes to Hepburn published after her death had three things in common: they all said she was elegant, they all said she was lovely, and they all ignored *The Children's Hour*.

Of Hepburn's other films, my favorites are *Roman Holiday*, *Charade*, and *Two For The Road*. In the first, she showed what a princess should really be like (Di just doesn't cut it); in the second, she was funny, charming, and sexy as hell; and in the third, she had her most mature and interesting role. Unfortunately, she often played powerless movie females, and she was frequently teamed with men so much older that the films veered between the ridiculous and icky.

I once had the pleasure of seeing Hepburn in person. At the time I was an usher and used to seeing famous people. Yet when I spotted Hepburn, while walking up some stairs, I tripped and stumbled; all the celebrities I had ushered had not prepared me for true royalty. She was too thin, but she was stunning. She had more wrinkles than show up on TV, and each added beauty.

While writing this, I keep flashing on when I once saw a baby giraffe galloping. Seeing Hepburn had a similar effect on me: in both cases I felt I had seen something/one real, yet rare and magical.

My heart felt lighter.

And when I read she had colon cancer, I was surprised that she even had a colon. But she was just a human.

Yet some folks practice a better sort of humanity than others. For example, people seem to learn one of two main lessons from pain. The first is "I will never be hungry again and I don't care about anyone else", immortalized by Scarlett O'Hara. Unfortunately, this lesson is frequent, as shown by Gay people who are racist, Jews who are homophobic, and African Americans who are anti-Semitic. Many damaged people fight only for their own rights and their own needs and express their pain by trying to keep others down.

The other possible lesson learned from pain is "no one must ever suffer as I did again." Hepburn went hungry for years as a young teen during World War II in Nazi infested Holland; as a result, she strived to end hunger for others. When she could have pattered and partied and done the occasional film, she chose to toil long days to get the kids of the world fed. Instead of jet setting with the "beautiful people," she held and comforted children so skinny that they made her look fat. She didn't show up at the occasional benefit and then forget about need and pain; she was the real thing, an authentically loving human being. Her graciousness was more than good manners; it was a way of life.

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by Sean Thomas

I hope you all are ready for this coming Sunday, yes, Valentine's Day. Don't forget your sweets. There are always special things you can do, one of which is to attend the Southern Hospitality Fund-raiser at Rumorz to raise money for the Lee Thompson Pediatric AIDS Hospice. A lot of great entertainment, terrific raffle items and fantastic company are available that evening. I hope to see you all there. Well, coming up in just a couple of weeks is the 10th Annual S.O.S. Hoe Down. This year it's being held at Hours, on Grant Road. It looks to be one of the most entertaining yet. All proceeds from this event are to help to finance Tucson's Second Annual Saguaro Regional Rodeo. Let's get out there and help to make this the best rodeo in the international Gay circuit. That is only possible by the support of you, the members of the Tucson Gay community. Thousands of people from around the country, including Canada will be in attendance at our rodeo on the 19th, 20th, and 21st of March. Let's give them a truly righteous Tucson Welcome!

Oh, and by the way. Please, do not forget the outrageous experience, I would recommend the rodeo in the day time and the Hides of March at night on the 19th, 20th and 21st of March. More details will be forthcoming in this publication.

On the seventeenth of April will be the Observer Community Benefit. Tickets are already available. Details can be found elsewhere in this week's issue and upcoming issues of the Weekly Observer. Come on out and enjoy yourself while helping to raise money for two of the Gay communities favorite charities, namely The Shanti Foundation of Tucson and PACT For Life. Help them to continue the great work they are doing and have done in the Gay community.

I'd like to take this opportunity to express a deep and heart felt appreciation to two men who do so much, yet get so little recognition for their work in helping to raise money for the HIV community. Those persons are Jim Dobson, the owner of the Venture-N and Michael Bennett of Club 2520. Their compassion has been more than evident and their generosity is well appreciated. Thank you both and a belated happy birthday to you, Jim.

It is quite important that we, as a community keep ourselves focused on the

important things that help us to further and advance in this world. These things must begin from within and will eventually manifest from without. Namely, what I'm speaking of is our mutual acceptance (not tolerance) but the diversity of our people within our community. Diversity is our strength but can be, if abused, our weakest point. We, as a people celebrate in the strength of our diversity and shall prove to the world that the Gay culture, being the oldest and richest is also the strongest. Pride is not a dirty word; arrogance is. We have shared so much of our culture within the straight community, yet have never received the rightful recognition of our contributions. This must change. We deserve full credit for the things we do to make this world more beautiful. Without our contributions, society would seem as sterile and bleak as the old Soviet Union. We have liberated and brightened society by our gifts and it is about time that we receive due credit for those contributions. It is a sad thing when thinking about it that the suit that Jesse Helms wears or the gown that Phyllis Schlafly wears may have been designed by a Gay person, yet worn by homophobics. Isn't that ironic?

Thank God we now have a president with the balls to stand up for the totality of the people and not just those that are profitable or convenient for political gain. Bill Clinton is not the messiah, but in my opinion, he has the potential of being the messenger; the messenger of equality, and justice for all citizens of this country. His burden is great and we must, whenever possible, help him and ease his burden as much as possible. Please support him in his efforts to liberate by law the minds of our fellow Americans who have lived in the darkness of ignorance for so long. This is not an easy task, nor is it one that will be accomplished overnight, but without our support it will not become a reality. What happens in this country in the next four years will have a lot to do with the way that each and every one of us acts (or doesn't act.) Let's honestly make a decisive difference in America, now that we have the potential to do so.

Until next week, Sean.

As I See It.....

by Clark



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yours. I love you! Rick

DUANE - Happy Valen-
tines. Falling in love with
you. Love, Jeff

K.K. - You give great dinner
& friendship. Harp-Harp-
Harp. Love you. W.A.

BETH - Happy Valentines
Day! You're all heart, so it
should be a great day! Stay
sexy. James

GORDON - A hearty (har-
har) and a very big tip from
your fellow B.T. Thanks for
being so sweet and always
making me laugh. Love, Greg

CAROLINE - While Nan's
gone, will you be my Valen-
tine. The Queen of the Night

LITTLE LORI - Happy Val-
entines Day. You really are a
sweetheart. Bubbles

LEE & EDDY - Your love
and friendship and support
has been wonderful! Love
you, mean it! Susie

SARAH - Happy Valentines
Day. Won't you be my fresh
fish special? The Tuna Queen

AUNT NORA - Looks like
we celebrate another V-Day
alone. Men - who needs
'em?? Love Jeff

HONEY BEAR - I love you
with all my heart. Your
Moester

DEB D. - You're my secret
Valentine! Ooh Baby! M

SARA-SARA - Love you
lots. Happy Valentines Day.
Ducky

LAURI - Happy Valentines to
a great housemate and some-
time dance partner. Thanks
for taking me to Hours. XC

ANDREA - Happy Valentines
day. I love you with all my
heart. I pray we'll be togeth-
er for a long time. I want,
need and desire you. Love
always, Debbie

GENE - Happy Valentines
Day. I love you. Michael

BAMBI - You'll always be in
my "Achy Breakie Heart".
Love, Bubbles

EDDY - You're the only DJ
that really makes me jump
around. Happy V.D. Goñe
A. Rhea

STEVE - The happiness
you've brought into my life is
worth waiting 4 years. Love
ya, Pookie

MY LITTLE MAN - May I
always make you as happy as
you make me. Love always
Kory

MYRA - Roses are red, vio-
lets are blue. Wishing you a
happy Valentines Day. Do
you need a haircut. XO
Fronk

ART - This is going to be a
very special year for you.
Love, Dana

PEARLE - Goodbye dead fish
- she's a loser!!! Next!!!
Happy V.D. Day. MAM

HERB - I am glad that you
came in my life. I love you
so svery, very much gthat
words can't say. Paul

PAM - X!@?)... Thanks for
the "better" times! Happy
Valentines! OXOX! M.M.

UNCLE BARNEY - I love
you. Your funny nephew.

BECKY & TERI - Will you
be our Valentines? We love
ya. Rick & JR

RON - There will never be
another you. Seven years
and still going strong! I will
love you always. John

MARK A. - Even though we
may not be together by the
time you read this, remember
that I have not regreted meet-
ing you and that I love you.
Forgive me. YM

MIKIE - I love you. Your
cuz Rick

MARILOU - I love you!
Patrick

PEANUT HEAD - I love
you. BB

BDS - I love you and your
wonderful love meat. Let's
get it on. BDF

MS FIZDALE - Thanks for
believing in me. Your sup-
port has made me whole
again. Mike V.

TO ALL OUR FRIENDS
LOST TO AIDS. We still
think of you all. Love BKB

JOE - You mean the world to
me. Patrick

DAVE - Thanks for 16 won-
derful years. I love you.
Happy Valentines Day.
Frank

JR - You mean everything to
me. I will love you forever.
Rick

MANDO - Happy V-Day.
Love you, Eddie

TO ALL MY SISTERS -
Happy V-Day girls! Love
Erika S. with a "K"

DOC - Words can't say how
much I love you, exopt I truly
love you. Happy sixth Val-
entine's to you, and many
more. Keith

NEIL - You're a bitch, but
we love you anyway. Jim
and Larry

SANDRA & SUE - What can
i say. I love you both clear-
ly! If we'd never have met,
we would have missed a lot
of good times. You both will
always hold a very special
place in my heart. Many
years of love and happy times
to you. Love you, Beth

JERRY - I will never find
another friend as honest and
caring as you. I love you my
pal. Happy Valentine's d
Susie

DEAR JIMMY - Roses are
red, violets are blue. You're
such a fox, I love you. Del

To my best friend, never say
Mr. Love you and to his
wife Helen. BKB

CINDY - Let's keep trying to
make tiny bubbles. Love,
Big Bubbles

HASTINGS - Happy V-Day.
I love you. B.D.

BEDDY - I love you! Happy
Valentine's Day my pal.
Love Blee

SUPER MODEL - Love ya
glamor boy. From your
friend on the inside pages.

TERRY - The woman who
has stood by my side my
bad times. I now know I
have a good woman. I will
love her always. Love ya,
Shayla

MARI - Did I forget to walk
the dog? Happy V-Day. XO,
A.

STEVE - Thank for making
my life more complete. You
will always be my Valentine.
Love ya, Kory

SUSIE - Mu left-handed
Piscean sweetheart... I'm so
happy to have found a "Sun-
day kind of love" with you.
Passionate kisses. C.

PORKY & PORKY BEAN -
Happy V-Day. Bubbles &
Bambi

RICHIE & TONY - You're
the tops! Will you be
mine? Kari

SWEET PEA - I'm happy
you're a part of my life. XO
Princess

BERRI - Remember me, the
one who's free to possibly,
go out with me. An admirer

MARIA & JANET - I love
you both. Happy anniversa
and have a great V.D. Your
bud, Smeg

GREG - From bartender to
bartender: I have more fun
with money in your cleavage
than you in mine!

Neil - You old slut, I love
you. Happy Valentine's Day.
Yours, Randy

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GREG - My dearest friend. I love you and always will. R.

DEB - To my favorite woman who always has my shoulder to lean on and the same to me. I couldn't have done it without you! I love you. Gabie

MARK, DENNIS, S MIKE, JEFF and all the others for the painstaking efforts in making our bowling league and tourney the best ever. My heart goes out to you all. Thanks. Greg

AL - We've always loved you, always. You Demi-God of love. The Crotch & Cleavage Sisters

COLLIE - Thanks for all your love and friendship. Love you always. Lori

STORMY - I want to tell the whole world how much you mean to me. You've brought my life so much happiness and love. I will continue to love my life and heart to you forever. I never expected to find someone who would make my every day and night so full of joy. I love you baby. "If I ever had to live my life without you loving me, I'd be down on my knees", yours forever, Bunnie

BEAST - Dancing with you is the high point of my days. Waltz love, Queen of the Night.

MO - Silence is Golden. Q

DUANE - Happy Valentines. "Do Me". Love you truly. Jeff

MUFF & MUFF - Thanks for the coffee. Thanks for the friendship and the memories! Watch out Phoenix, here we come. You're two of the greatest women we know. Love you both very much. J.J. and the Blonde

A Great Big Heartfilled Thank You to all the patrons of Hours who give so much in so many ways. Your B.T. Greg

PAT AND CHARLIE - Happy V.D. Thanks for your friendship & support. Love you guys. Susie

BOOTS & MARGARET - Love ya always. I'll love ya till I die. Mark

To my sweet be-be on Valentines Day. I love you. Bobby

J. REYES - Our friendship like two reflecting mirrors, tragique. Have a Fabulosity St. Valentine's Day! Moi, L'ichele

CHIQUITA ANA - Love your lips so supple & brite - smeared over your face most every nite. I love you, Mom

BUNNY - You are haven sent! Thank you for bringing me life again. Meet me in Montana? I love you. Your Old Lady

EDDY - I love you!! Will you be my Valentine? Lee

LUCY V - Don't sweat over petty things. Pet sweaty things. Love, L.

B.P. - Because I love you, because I care, I want you to know, I'll always be there! Always Tigger

MICKY - You're my favorite Valentine. Here's to you. Here's to me. K. Serere will be. Minnie.

BRIAN - Happy Birthday to the sweetest Valentine a mother and dad could have.

SABRINA - Happy Valentines Day. K.

VICTORIA - Happy V-Day. One of these days, yum yum. D.

SANDY - Baby, love ya, but I'm gonna stick you. Love. D.

BERRI - To someone who's sweet, I'd like to meet. Heard you're free to spend the night with me. An Admirer.

DEAREST BRY - Have a wonderful Valentines & anniversary. I love you always. Love Ro II

LING LING - I love you more each day! Beast

TANA - Thanx for always being there. You're the best. Dave

GIDGETTE - The best sister anyone could ever ask for. Happy V-Day babe 1-4-3. Forever, Dave

CLAYTON - Happy Valentine, sister. Love ya. JFF

BETTY BEV - Just wanted to publicly say I love you. Loosey

RICK & PAUL - Hope your first love day lasts for eternity. Jeff M.

TUCSON - Thanks for being so good to me! Rick

Don O. - I love you always! Patrick

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DUNES - Love ya! Thanks for being a friend. Happy V-Day. Sara & Ducky

DELTA DAWN FLIRTATIOUS - Forever and always you'll be in my heart and prayers. Love L.

LUCY V. - I wish you wanted me. Golly Gee it's Me Me Me

BUBBLES - This is the way it is in the year of the silent "B". Happy V-Day. Bambi

KATHY KUDDLER - I want you bad. Love, Me L.

BOB & GARY - We appreciate everything you do. Love and kisses. Jim McKearney

LEONARD - Se Que Tre Amarè. Shakespeare's other sister.

SMEGIE MARY - My cow-girl #1. Happy V.D. My love to you for who you are and all that you do. You've captured my heart for eternity. I love you. Your cow-hand, Smeg

JOHN G - Thank you for listening sos often and so well to my continuing banter and for reminding me that I'm cared about when I'm feeling lonely and blue. I feel blessed to call you friend. Happy Valentines Day. I love you. Brad

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WILMA - With love. Keep peddling your dildos. Love, Lo and Julie

BRENDA - 12 flowers red or yellow? Terry

HARRY - You are the one that made me come here. Thank you and I love you. D.J.

TO THE STAFF OF RUMORZ - Happy Valentines from the management.

JIMMY - My precious love, you are my reasons. Love, Del

RANA - You're my beautiful secret agent man, my poetry prince, my night incognito... Oh baby, light my fire, you set me on fire, and I love it when you put it out all over me. Sergi (Señor Pisces)

KEE & EDDY - Thanks for my new home. Love your lawn. Jockey

JOHNNY - My new buddy!!! 4-ever. Jim McK.

DEAR DARLING - Happy Valentines Day from you darling. RLH

DEAR BOSTON BITCH - Thanks for all your love and support. Also that cute Max! FS & BDS



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Notes From Desert Voices

"We belong in the streets, to walk without fear. We belong in the open, telling everyone we're queer." As I sang those words with Jamie Anderson Saturday night, it made me think.

And I don't mean just "think." I mean THINK!

I found myself scanning the crowd for people I work with. Would they be surprised to see me up there singing with Pastiche, the small ensemble of Desert Voices?

Probably.

But I didn't have to worry, because I didn't see anyone.

And then I thought about the words to that song again. I try out to live "in the closet." I mean, I don't hide who I am. But I also don't make a point of telling people about my sexual preference, either. It's just who I am.

Or maybe that's the easy way out.

Maybe it's a lot easier to proclaim myself "out" to those who know me and accept me for who I am than it is to stand up in front of several hundred people and proclaim myself "queer."

No, I don't really have to think about that. I know it to be so. I know that my boss wouldn't take too kindly to knowing that I'm a Lesbian. He's not the most open minded fellow in the world.

But, considering that I have worked with him for several years, I also know that if I were to come out to him, it would be hard for him to brush me

aside or to suddenly see me as other than I have always been in his eyes.

I know I'm not doing my Gay brothers and Lesbian sisters any favors by keeping who I am under wraps. Well, I sort of tried. I posted a flier about the concert on the bulletin board.

I think, deep inside, I was hoping that someone would see it, attend the concert, and find me there, singing with pride.

Desert Voices is that opening for me. It is the chance to stand up and be counted in, what is to me, a non-threatening way. I'm just up there doing what I like to do, which is singing.

With the political climate changing, I know that my chance is now. It's never been more acceptable to be Gay or Lesbian than it is at this very moment. If each of us would come out of the closet to someone who would be surprised by our revelation, we could turn this world upside down. It might be a little easier for our friends in the military, also.

I'm glad I didn't allow my nervousness Saturday night to get in the way of singing that there will be "no closet for me." I just wish that someone from work had been there to listen to me do so.



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News From MCC/Tucson
by Ben Corbin

This coming Sunday is Valentine's Day. For centuries it was known as Saint Valentine's Day, but in recent times the Catholic Church eliminated him from the canon of Saints. But whether a Saint or not, Valentine was an early bishop who became a martyr when he was put to death during the persecution in Rome under the rule of Claudius II on February 14, 270. The custom of choosing "Valentines" on this day is considerable antiquity. It was an old belief that birds begin to mate on this day. On the eve of Saint Valentine's Day, young people of both sexes used to meet. Each of the males drew by lot from a number of names of the opposite sex which were put into a common receptacle. Each male thus got a female for his Valentine and became the Valentine of the female. The earliest known Valentine Cards were drawn and painted in a most elaborate fashion and given to the "Valentine" of their choice by both sexes. With the advent of the printing press, Valentine Cards became easily available to the mass-

es. In keeping with the Valentine spirit, MCC-Tucson will hold a "Sweet-heart Dance" on February 20th. There will be dancing, refreshments and door prizes during the evening, starting at 7:00 p.m. There will be a request for a donation of \$2.50 at the door, more if you can, less if you can't. Bring your Valentine or perhaps you will find your Valentine as we enjoy the evening.

The Board of Directors had their monthly meeting this past Sunday with two new members. Edna was elected to the Board at the Congregational meeting. One of our members resigned from the Board recently and Nadine was appointed to the Board to fill that position until our next regularly scheduled Congregational Meeting next January.

Thought for the week: Nothing can make the rain seem more wet, than having it during a ball game.

A View From The Rock
A Commentary From Cornerstone Fellowship

Life is full of memories. Even Valentine's Day can stir up the past. To me, I remember those cheap valentines we'd exchange in elementary school. They were always fun and everyone got some. Nobody was left out. If you were lucky, you'd get a small candy heart taped on the back with a poignant message.

Maybe you remember a more recent Valentine's Day, with a card from someone who was a friend or you were romantically involved with. The poignant message then might have said, "I love you because, you're beautiful; you're always there for me; you're special; you're a dream come true; you're a knockout; you're my friend, etc."

If you're a sentimentalist and save those cards, you might wonder, years later, about the sincerity of the sender; especially if the relationship is over. What happened to that love? Well, we humans too often love one another if certain conditions occur. Even the love of friends, too often, is conditional. We sever the friendship, stop the love, if the other person fails to meet the expectations.

Is there anyone who will love us

unconditionally? I've heard people say their parents always loved them and supported them unconditionally, until they found out their child was Gay. Yet, there is someone who loves us regardless. That person is Jesus Christ. Before we were even born, he agreed to die for us so we could go to heaven if we accepted him.

He loves us no matter how human we act. He'll forgive us regardless of the sin; and, he also knew we were Gay, even before we knew it! So his love wasn't only for a certain few.

Everyone has a valentine from God. A present beyond any earthly gift. That gift is Jesus. And Valentine's Day is on Sunday. What a perfect time to contemplate true, unconditional, love. If you haven't accepted this gift, I hope you'll talk with someone who has.

If you're unsure who to talk with, come to Cornerstone Fellowship. This Valentine's Day you can "get the gift that keeps on giving." It can be the start of happy, wonderful memories filling your heart; healing your hearts. You're very welcome to worship with us ever Sunday at 10:30 a.m. or 6:00 p.m.

Home On The Range With AGRA-Tucson
by Tony Smaby

Howdy friends!

Well as you all know it's almost time for the 1993 Saguaro Regional Rodeo, March 19-21. As you know we are still looking for volunteers remember if you volunteer you get in to the rodeo and the dance for free. I good a good question the other day, "What's there to do at the rodeo?" Good question, well there are exciting events like Bull Riding, Steer Riding, Chute Dogging and Bucking Bronc Barrel Racing, and my favorite, the Wild Drag Race, which has to be the funniest event at the rodeo. I am sure it will bring a smile to your face. There are many vendors selling some of the most

unique western souvenirs you can find anywhere. Plus there are information booths and some of the best entertainment and western dancing in the state of Arizona. After that, there will be food, pop, and beer, but the most important thing at the rodeo is the cowboys and cowgirls, ye haw! So be sure to come and see the rodeo.

As you all know, the S.O.S. Hoe Down is Sunday, February 28th at Hours. Chili Verde Days will be at Club 2520, March 6th and 7th. These are sure to be great fun and I hope to see you there. Last, but not least, we'll be having a General Membership Meeting at Club 2520 on February 21st. We'll be taking nominations and selecting the Rodeo Grand Marshall.

Well, till next time partners thanks.



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GRADUATE - TKO Monthly Beer Bust here plus the exchanging of Valentines and lots more fun planned. Get here or be queer.

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 14

CLUB 2520 - Valentine's Day will be celebrated here with your choice of Steak or Prime Rib plus the salad bar. A groccocat place to celebrate this day with your loved one or ones! Call for reservations to assure a smooth service and a delicious meal.

GRADUATE - The Pool "Tournament of Champions" takes place here beginning at 3:00 p.m. \$100 Winner-Take-All will be awarded plus some trophies. If you are interested in watching some really outstanding pool, get here early for a good spot.

RUMORZ - At 9:30 sharp!, Alotta Whoremones and Southern Hospitality present "A Heart Of Gold" benefit for the Lee Thompson Pediatric AIDS Foundation. The show will star Alotta Whoremones, Jessica Blake, Angelica West, Mr. Dani Reid Christina de Alexis and Kristin. There will be raffles for some valuable prizes plus various door prizes. Raffle tickets are on sale this weekend and every weekend until showtime. Look for Alotta at your favorite bar. They're also available at Shanti and PACT.

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 21

CLUB 2520 - AGRA General Membership Meeting. The members will be taking nominations for the Grand Marshall for the upcoming rodeo. If you would like to become a member, come on down and join up partner.

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 28

HOURS - AGRA presents the annual SOS Hoedown here. Plenty of country/western dancing, entertainment, auctions, food and raffles. Tons of fun. It all starts at 2:00 p.m. and lasts until 7:00 p.m.

RUMORZ - Live music with the popular band "The Blues Attack". It all begins at 9 p.m. and there is no cover!

SATURDAY - SUNDAY, MARCH 6-7

CLUB 2520 - Chili Verde Days, a benefit to help AGRA sponsor their 2nd Saguro Regional Rodeo. Fish Tanner will be your hostess with the montecas and will appear as Divine! Also there will be a raffle for a 5-disk CD player with remote. \$1 per ticket. You are guaranteed to have a great country time.

THURSDAY, MARCH 18

CLUB 2520 - Pre-Rodeo show starring the very popular country vocalist Dena Kaye. Two shows 9 and 11 p.m. Be there or be square.

SUNDAY, MARCH 21

RUMORZ - 1st Annual Roger Barger Memorial Closet Ball will be held here beginning at 9:00 p.m. For applications and more information call Rumorz or Cristina De Alexis 682-6619. Watch for more details.

THURSDAY, APRIL 22

CLUB 2520 - "Tucson is Burning" will appear here for the second time around. For those who remember the first time, will know it is an outstanding show. For more information about catering the show contact Adrienne Speed at Lowne's Costumes.

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Non-Bar CALENDAR

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FRIDAY-SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 12-14

"Caring for Caregivers", a weekend retreat for caregivers and health care workers, will be offered at Picture Rocks Retreat, 7101 W. Picture Rocks Road by Fr. Dick Mevissen, CSSR, a spiritual counselor and former psychologist for the public schools. Retreat begins at 7 p.m. Friday and closes with lunch on Sunday. A suggested donation of \$75 includes the program, accommodations for two nights (including linens), and all meals. To register call 744-3400 by Monday, Feb. 8.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 13

Bob and Ted and Carol and Alice are going to the Valentine Sweethearts Dance hosted by Wingspan, Southern Arizona's Lesbian, Gay and Bisexual Community Center. Refreshments sold by UA Lesbians, Bisexuals, and Gays United. At the Center, 422 N. 4th Ave., 9 p.m. to 1 a.m.

Tap for TAP - Tucson Artists Perform for Tucson AIDS Project - benefit showing of "Rocky Horror Picture Show" at the Loft Cinema, 3233 E. Speedway. 11 p.m. 795-7777.

MONDAY - FRIDAY, FEB. 15-19

LESBIAN-BISEXUAL-GAY AWARENESS WEEK on the UofA campus all week long. Special events planned daily both day and evenings. See schedule elsewhere in this issue and plan to attend any or all. For more information 621-7585. Celebrate.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 16

"Queers on Film" series continues with "Word Is Out: Stories of Some of Our Lives". A documentary of Lesbians and Gay men of all ages telling their stories, both pre- and post-Stonewall. This film will be shown in conjunction with BGALA's Lesbian, Bisexual and Gay Awareness Week activities. Shown in Economics 110 at 7 p.m. 130 minutes - 1975.

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 21

The Men's Massage Group of Tucson will meet at 2 p.m. The group is open to everyone regardless of age and color. It is a comfortable and safe format with group and individual massage. Non sexual. At 4 p.m. there will be a sensual awareness workshop lasting 2 hours. This is a safe sex workshop. The workshop's purpose is to bring more individual and group awareness to improve our relationship with ourself and others. Nominal fee. Call Marc Haberman between 8 am and 8 pm for more information and to register at 881-4582.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 23

Queers on Film at the UofA continues with "The Times Of Harvey Milk" at 7 p.m. in the Modern Languages Bldg. Room 310. A documentary set in the 1970s that tells the inspiring and tragic story of Harvey Milk, one of the first openly Gay people elected to office in the country.

SATURDAY, MARCH 6

Cronies March meeting will feature speakers Bill Darnell and Bill Conn from Arizona Gay Rodeo Association.

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

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

HOURS - Blasty Marys and Screws \$1.25 all 7 pm. Country/Western Dance Instruction 6-8 pm. Country Dance Music 8 to 1.

IBT's - Open noon to 1 a.m. Happy Hour 4-8 pm, \$1.25 domestic beer and well. Cocktail for community organizations 3 to 6 m. Dancing 9-1

RUMORZ - Open at noon. Blasty Marys and Screw Drivers \$1.25 from Noon to 6:00 pm. Domestic Beer \$1.75 9-1.

VENTURE-N - Open 10 a.m. 301 Dart Tournament 4 pm, \$3 entry fee. Club prizes. Patio Bar Beer Bust 3-7 pm, B-B-Q 5-7 pm.

monday

CLUB CONGRESS - 70's Disco with Super Star Lover, \$1.99 pm to 1

CLUB 2520 - Open 11 am. 99c Happy Hour 4 to 8 pm. Kitchen closed. \$1.25 well 4-1 + Moon Madness "Backstage". 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 to 1 am. Happy Hour 4-8 pm \$1.25 domestic beer and well, also, 8 pm to midnight, 50c draft beer. Mellow Jazz Mondays 9 to 1

RUMORZ - Open 3:00 pm. From 3:00 pm until 9:00 pm \$1.25 Well and Domestic Beer. 9:00 to closing, Domestic Beer \$1.75 9-1.

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

tuesday

CLUB 2520 - Open 11 am. 99c Happy Hour 4 to 8 pm. Kitchen closed. \$1.25 Well and Domestic Beer 8 pm to close. "Monster Beer Nite" 25oz can of Posters \$2.75 8 to 1. T-Squares Advanced Group 7 p.m. Country/Western dancing and Trash Disco Mash Light Party begins at 8 pm.

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

HOURS - Happy Hour 12 to 7 pm Well or Domestic Beer \$1.25, Schnapps 75c 7 to close

IBT's - Open noon to 1 am. Happy Hour 4 to 8 pm \$1.25 domestic beer and well. Also country/western night with Tom Marx. Lessons at 7 pm. Open C/W dancing 9 pm. Red and Red Light \$1.50 8 pm to midnight.

RUMORZ - Open 3:00 pm. \$1.25 Well and Domestic Beer from 3:00 pm to 9:00 pm. \$1.75 Domestic Beer or \$1.50 White Well 9 pm to closing.

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 Parrow.

CLUB 2520 - Open 11 am. 99c Happy Hour 4 to 8 pm. Spaghetti Nite 6-8, \$2. or Teaco 8-11. 50c off on everything from 8 pm to close. C/W Dance lessons with Paul 7-9 pm. 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.

IBT's - Open Noon to 1 am. Happy Hour 4 to 8 pm \$1.25 domestic beer and well. Seminal short specials 8 pm to midnight.

RUMORZ - Open 3:00 pm. From 3:00 pm until 9:00 pm \$1.25 Well and Domestic Beer. From 8 to closing, 75c Schnapps & domestic beer \$1.50.

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

thursday

CLUB 2520 - Open 11 am. 99c Happy Hour 4 to 8 pm. Chicken Fried Steak 3-7, \$3. Men's Nite - 50c draft beer 9 pm to 1 am. C/W & Progressive Dance Music begins at 8 pm. Dart Tournament 8 p.m. Bar matches too.

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

HOURS - Happy Hours 12 to 7 pm, Well or Domestic Beer \$1.25. Dancing 9 pm-1 am. Dance 8pm to 1am playing a mix of dance and country music.

IBT's - Open noon to 1 am. Happy Hour 4-8 pm \$1.25 domestic beer and well. Dance Party Weekend 9 pm to 1 am.

RUMORZ - Open 3:00 pm. \$1.25 Well and Domestic Beer from 3:00 until 9:00. Hazy D'Queers. V/D/D Linda Finkle 10-1.

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

friday

CLUB 2520 - Open 11 am. 99c Happy Hour 4 to 8 pm. (well and domestic beer). "Build Your Own" Hamburger Nite 5 to 7, \$3. Domestic Bottle Beer and Well Drinks \$1.75 8 pm to 1 am. 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 7 pm, Well or Domestic Beer \$1.25. Dancing 9 pm-1 am. Dance 8pm to 1am playing a mix of dance and country music.

IBT's - Open noon to 1 am. Happy Hour 4-8 pm \$1.25 domestic beer and well. Dance Party Weekend 9 pm to 1 am.

RUMORZ - Open 3:00 pm. \$1.25 Well and Domestic Beer from 3:00 until 9:00. Hazy D'Queers. V/D/D Linda Finkle 10-1.

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

saturday

CLUB 2520 - Open 11 am. B-B-Q Spare Ribs 5 to 8, \$3. Country Dance Lessons with Ricky 7-9 pm. Domestic Bottle Beer and Well Drinks \$1.75 8 to close. 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. Dancing 8-1 with a mix of dance and country music.

IBT's - Open noon to 1 am. Happy Hour noon to 8 pm \$1.25 domestic beer and well. Dance Party Weekend continues 9pm to 1 am.

RUMORZ - Open Noon. \$1.50 Corona 8:00 pm to close. Dance with Linda Finkle V/D/D 10-1.

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

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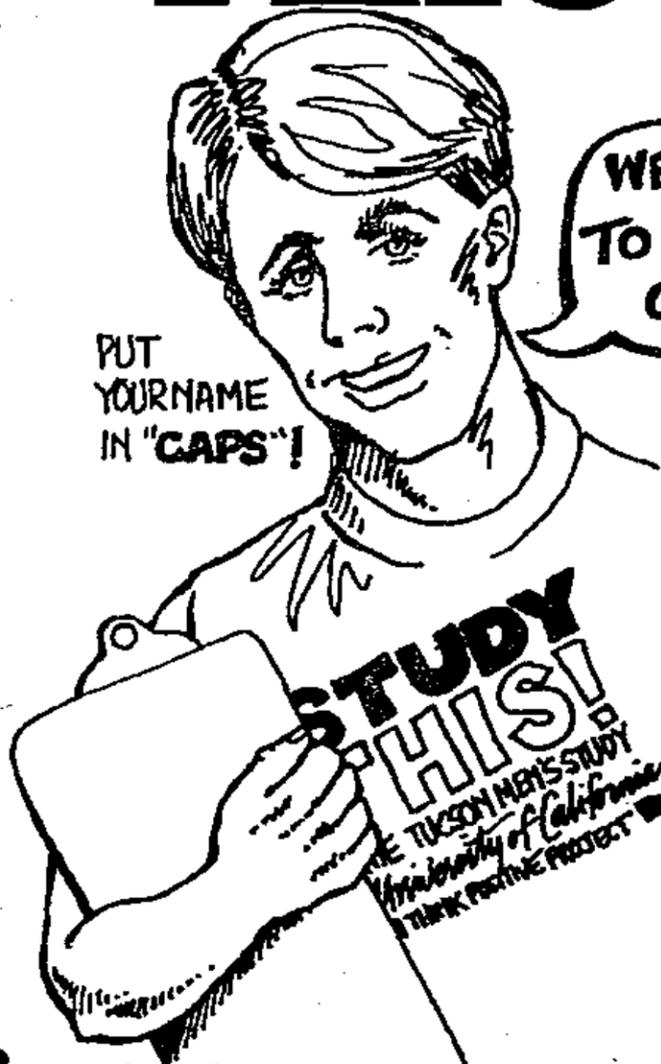
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Findings will be used to help Tucson AIDS agencies provide more efficient services to the gay/bisexual male community.

During February and March we will be contacting you again for a follow-up interview. We need to reach as many of the original men in the survey as possible, so that we can find out how attitudes and behaviors of gay/bisexual men in the Tucson area are changing over time.

Confidentiality is absolutely guaranteed. Please continue to be part of a project that helps gay and bisexual men in Tucson. If you have questions or need more information, contact Ron Stall, collect, at the Center for AIDS Prevention Studies, (415)597-9155 or Bruce Porter at TAP 322-6226.

WE LOOK FORWARD TO TALKING WITH YOU AGAIN!



WHAT'S UP DOC???



It is only 5 more days to Valentine's Day and four until the cards in the Valentine box on the stage will be opened and the cards inside passed out. This box, located on the stage of the Graduate, with Valentine cards for your use, will be opened during TKO's beer bust this coming Saturday. If you have not filled out one or more of those cards as of yet, please do so. This can be fun if each of you allows that child side of you to come out a little.

In one of the shortest meetings I've attended in years, I will at this time tell everyone that this year's version of the First Ladies Run is just about complete, when it comes to planning the theme, date, and location. Of course, the location still have to be checked out but as of this writing, this year's version will be a three-day campout starting June 18. We will be breaking camp to return to Tucson for this year's Gay Pride Picnic. The theme for this year will be "Twelve Days of Christmas."

The committee has not decided upon the run fee as of yet but after our next meeting, Mar. 14, applications, with this figure on it, will be going out in the

mail. This is the one and only true Tucson run, with the four clubs all working together, it again will get back to the basics, when it was first started. I'll be passing more information on to you as this run draws closer, but for now I suggest you mark your calendars for future reference.



With this issue of the Observer having all of those little personal messages in it, I just want to take this opportunity to wish everyone a very Happy Valentine Day. May everyone's heart be filled with the love St. Valentine had in mind. Yes, it is a day to celebrate St. Valentine, but it is one that we all should practice the love he showed.

And in closing I'll also delete any TBBS's I may have. Some of those I've caught a time or two are thankful. But, I will tell you this, I've started to get a few new people that have been caught but as of yet have not read their names in this column. So, just be careful because not only am I watching and listening, my spies are out there taking notes also.



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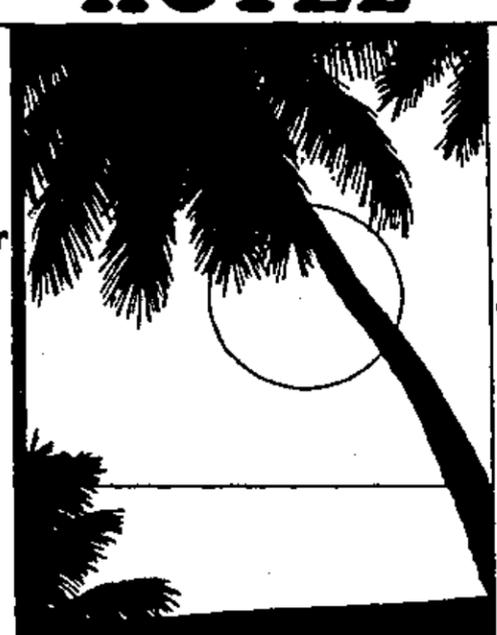
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KIM - I am your Valentine still. I'll always be there for you. I'll never be able to thank you. I love you, Psycho Woman

FRAN - You wild New York woman. Damn glad you're here! Show Tucson how to party please!! We luv ya, Beth & Lori & Kim

HARLAN - Happy Valentine's Day. You're a big boy with a mind of your own. Seems to me Peter or Ryan, whoever he is should crawl back into his hole. Gilbert

LEE & EDDY - We'll party till the cows come home! Thanks for everything you've done for us. Love, Lori & Colleen

ROBERT - To my best friend, love ya. Also, it's time to rearrange the house. Love. Glen

TO MY LOVE - I would follow you to the moon the stars above. Thank you for all your love & patience. Happy Valentine's babe. With all my love. Sweet Pea

HARLAN - Happy, happy, Valentine's Day. Your friend indeed, Gilbert

SUSIE - Keep smiling because it would be utterly ridiculous if you didn't. Love, Bambino

MOM - Thanks for all your wisdom and guidance. It helps to have someone older to look up to! Happy V-Day. Love, L.L.

ANNIE & EMMA - I love you! Jim Mck

ANA - Please, please, please, please, please, please, please, please, please, please have a great Valentine's Day! You know who!! oxoxoxo

Happy V-Day! Daffy & Shabba

TERI NUNN (a.k.a. KIRK) - Take my breath away. But now it's my turn. Signed, the Metro

Biscuit says: I love you, and I really missed you. I am sorry that life is so confusing right now. Please don't forget that I care.

NANCY N. - So I can't live with you, I can't live without you either. Love Dave S

TONY - I have waited 11 years to find you and now that I have, I will never let you go! Love always, Randie

Lots of love to all the guys at 2520. You're the best. Love R.J.

HUNNIE BUNNIE - Happy V.D., be strong, you are always in my heart. Love, P.B.

Once again we thank the TUCSON TAN- NERS who are so loyal and we look forward to meeting new nudist members through our open house now in progress near Orange Grove and I-10. If interested please send an LSASE to P.O. Box 84-G, Cortaro, AZ 85652. Be sure to include your home or work phone number.

STEVE & ADAM - I wish you happiness. Ken

BOB E. - My Buswell, as it were. Your ever-lovin' Demi-Blonde, Gary

PAUL - For "embalming" Jerry, he's such a lucky stiff!! Your roomie

MICHAEL V. - I'll always be there for you. The happiest Valentine for you. L

GORDON - Be my naught! Jim Mck

TONI S. - Roosters, peacocks, christmas lights, Pete, Marty, Tommy, Marilyn, SAS, Country Night, Cheap Beer, Patsy Cline, Tom, and dreams where I die. I remember you and smile. Love always, Ken

Happy Valentine's to my one and only wife. I love you, love you, love you, love you. Beth

T.M. - You may be an ass. But I still love u. E.

HUMMINGBIRD - You sweet nectar makes my world complete. Otter Dude

YO BUNK'S - Ya know I love ya. Ya know I NEED ya. And on this day I really want to "steed" ya. With all my love, Snuggle Butt

DIANE - Tree Frogs, Lizards, Computers, Dogs, Cats and Coffee. What a Cyber-Family we are! Love, Anne

STEVE - Flowers, soft music, the rain that falls in my hand. These are things that remind me of the way I feel with you. Happy Valentine's Day. Love, Rich

ARIZONA - Happy Birthday! A Southern Arizona Native Dyke.

IRA - Happy Valentine's Day! Welcome to Tucson. Natalie & Beth

DOC - Remember the old days??? Luv, Kitty of L.A.

BRENDA LEE - I don't know why everyone treats you mean, when your so nice! Tu Amiga, Rosa

FRITZ - It's been a great 2 1/2 years. Love, BDS

CLARK - Another Valentines Day and another chance to say how much I love you and how much I value your artistic talents and wonderful sense of humor. You make me glow. Thanks for everything. Love, Bob

MAX - My heart is so filled with love, it's like the wings of a dove. Under the wings, you are the air, when you are near I do not have a care. I think of you before and after I sleep, and to you I give this love to keep. Jackie

GREGORY - All I can say is "To Sir With Love". The past years I shared with you were the best years of my life; they were also the hardest. Should we try it again some day. Remember, all or nothing. Jeffrey.

NENA - I hope we can be friends one day. I wish you and Yolanda a very happy and loving Valentine Day. Peace and Love. Denise

DL - Stay with me through thick & thin. I love you all. BKB Pledge.

CHEWY - The road still goes on. Hopefully there will be no more road blocks. I love you now and always. Tom.

KEITH - Life is not always a bed of roses and Mother Nature does not always make it smooth sailing. If I knew all the answers, I would know some of the questions. But I do love you very much, and wish to always remain at your side. Doc

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Call A.A. 624-4183. 24-Hour Hotline. Call for info about Gay and Lesbian meetings in Tucson.

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

WINGSPAN - Tucson's Gay, Lesbian & Bisexual Community Center offers support groups / info line / social events / library / meeting space. Volunteer Opportunities. Board meetings every 2nd Sunday (open to all). General Meetings every 4th Sunday 6:00 p.m. Thursdays Video Night 6:30 pm. 422 N. 4th Ave. Information 624-1779.

GAY SUPPORT GROUP: Lesbians and Gay men meet weekly for open discussions in a loving, supportive atmosphere. Meetings Thursdays from 7:30 to 9:30 pm at St. Francis in the Pothills Church, Swan and River Road. Call the church at 299-9063 for information.

'BEARS OF THE OLD PUEBLO - a social club for bears and bigger, more robust men (and of course, those who prefer their company). For more info, write PO Box 40031, Tucson AZ 85717; call 327-8781; or come to our general meetings the first Thursday of every month at 7:30 pm on the Venture-N patio.

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Notices

ARIZONA/SONORA PROJECTO, 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, 801 West Congress, Tucson, AZ 85719. 770-1314.

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