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## Tucson Police Raiding Parks Again, 17 Arrests Made TLGA Meets With Police Officials Community Warned To Act With Caution

TUCSON - The Tucson Police Department has been conducting raids in Reid Park for the past week or so and has made 17 arrests "for actual sex acts and public masturbation" according to Dave Sherman of the Tucson Lesbian/Gay Alliance (TLGA).

On Monday, Aug. 1, some members of TLGA met with three Tucson Police Department administrators about the situation in Reid Park. The police reported that they have received complaints of sexual activity in the restrooms and have made arrests.

In talking to some of those arrested complaints were made about harassment, entrapment and a lack of respect shown to Gays and Lesbians who exercise their right to be in the park.

As a result of this meeting, the

police agreed (1) that no arrests should be made based on words spoken with an undercover policeman. (2) No arrests based on police inducement, suggestion or entrapment. (3) No harassment, showing disrespect or saying that Gays and Lesbian are not welcome in the parks.

In exchange, TLGA representatives agreed to get the word out to the Gay and Lesbian community that it is illegal to participate in sexual acts in the park and that you will be arrested.

TLGA representatives agreed to meet with the Tucson Police Department on a monthly basis.

Anyone who has complaints that the police are violating these rules, must come forward and let TLGA know. Contact David Sherman at 882-0662 immediately.

## Doctors Gather To Improve Lesbian & Gay Health

SAN FRANCISCO - Lesbian and gay physicians from all specialties and from across the U.S. and Canada will gather in New York City for a three-day conference on critical lesbian and gay health issues Sept. 2-4.

The conference, "Empowering Physicians: Moving the Lesbian and Gay Health Agenda Forward in the '90s," is the 12th Annual Symposium of the American Assn. of Physicians for Human Rights (AAPHR).

The meeting promises two days of programming on cutting-edge lesbian and gay health and medical issues and a third day for AAPHR's annual AIDS Update, which focuses on the latest challenges in treating and preventing HIV infection. The Symposium is intended for physicians, medical students and health policymakers, regardless of sexual orientation.

Speakers include Robert Bazell, chief science correspondent for NBC News, Leslie Feinbers, author of *Stone Butch Blues*; German Maisonet, MD, infection control director for the US Bureau of Prisons; NIH geneticist Agela Pattatuci, PhD; author and poet Minnie Bruce Pratt; Doug Hamill, MD, a gay pediatrician and Franciscan friar; and Kate O'Hanlan, MD, a gynecologic oncologist and lesbian and gay health advocate.

For registration information, contact AAPHR by telephone at 415-255-4547, or by fax at 415-255-4784, or in

writing at 273 Church St., San Francisco, CA 94114. Registration fees are \$345 for physician members, \$70 for intern and resident members and \$50 for medical student members. For those who are not AAPHR members, the fees are \$475, \$120 and \$70, respectively.

The Symposium will take place at the sleek, modern Holiday Inn Crowne Plaza, which is in the heart of the theater district at Broadway and 49th Street in midtown Manhattan. To receive the discounted room rate AAPHR has arranged, please call the Crowne Plaza directly at 212-977-4000 and identify yourself as an AAPHR attendee.

AAPHR is accredited by the Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education to sponsor continuing medical education for physicians, and will provide Category 1 Continuing Medical Education (CME) credit at this conference.

AAPHR is the U.S. and Canadian organization of 1,400 lesbian, gay and bisexual physicians and medical students. AAPHR works to promote quality healthcare and equal right for lesbians and gay men and to better the working environment in organized medicine for lesbian and gay physicians. AAPHR operates the Medical Expertise Retention Program, the nation's only program specifically for HIV-infected physicians, and the Lesbian Health Fund, which awards grants for research into area of particular concern to lesbians.

## Gay Jobs Bill Draws Criticism and Praise

WASHINGTON (AP) - A law professor told senators yesterday that extending job-discrimination protection to homosexuals would give special privileges to an "elite group" that is affluent and influential.

Joseph Broadus, a law professor at George Mason University, said it would "result in special privileges for an elite group that has unjustly played the victim card to advance."

Those comments drew the anger of Sen. Paul Wellstone, D-Minn.

His voice rising, he told Broadus, "As a Jew, I have a real problem with what you say. That is precisely the kind of argument that has been made...in behalf of the worst kind of discrimination against Jewish people."

Several business executives, a union official and another law professor spoke in support of the legislation at the Senate Labor Committee hearing.

Also testifying were Cheryl Sum-

merville, a former employee of Cracker Barrel from Bremen, Ga., who was fired for being a lesbian; and Ernest Dillon, a postal service employee from Detroit who was beaten unconscious and severely injured by a co-worker for being gay.

Legislation introduced last month by Sens. Edward M. Kennedy, D-Mass., and John H. Chafee, R-R.I., would prohibit discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation in hiring, firing, promotion and pay.

The legislation has been endorsed by several civil rights leaders including Coretta Scott King, religious organizations, the AFL-CIO, business leaders and former Republican Sen. Barry Goldwater of Arizona.

Broadus cited studies he said showed gay people have incomes far above the average level.

There are 100 ways to have great sex with other men in Tucson. But there's 1 way that will get you arrested:

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## Sex + Parks = Arrest

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If you have any complaints concerning of police activity in Tucson parks, contact Dave Sherman at 882-0662

# UPDATE

## AIDS Researchers - What Can They Say?

[ED NOTE: The following is reprinted from the Aug. 6 issue of U.S. News and World Report].

The first global AIDS research conference was held in Atlanta in 1985. The 10th occurs in Japan next week. Scientists are dismayed that so little has happened in between. "We didn't expect home runs," says Dr. Richard Marlink of the Harvard AIDS Institute. "But we thought there would be more people on base by now."

Among Yokohama topics:

**TOLL.** Nearly 1 million AIDS cases have been reported to the World Health Organization - including 216,949 last year. But WHO suspects the real toll is 4 million, plus 17 million infected with HIV. The AIDS epicenter is shifting from Africa to Asia. In Thailand, an HIV subtype unknown to the West is most easily transmitted through heterosexual sex.

**TREATMENT.** New studies question the effectiveness of numerous AIDS therapies, including the drug AZT and experimental vaccines. Gene therapy offers one promising, though yet untested, avenue. Still, the average survival rate of people with full-blown AIDS has nearly quadrupled since 1983.

With progress so slow, researchers have agreed to meet less and work more. After Yokohama, global conferences will occur every other year, meeting next in 1996 in Vancouver. Says Dr. Anthony Fauci of the National Institutes of Health, "People are realizing that it's unrealistic to think we'll have breakthroughs every year."



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## Prosecutor Denies Trashing Bar In Drag

FORT LAUDERDALE, FL (AP) - A state prosecutor denies he was part of a group of men who dressed as women and trashed a Boca Raton Gay bar and harassed patrons.

Broward County Assistant State Attorney Mark McHugh, 32, could face suspension if formal charges of disorderly conduct are filed. The state attorney's office in adjoining Palm Beach County - where the arrests occurred - will decide by Aug. 8 whether to prosecute the prosecutor and three of his rugby club teammates.

The incident began when a group of rugby players, including McHugh, decided to go bar-hopping after finishing a golf tournament in which they played in women's clothing as a spoof of the LPGA.

Police say two witnesses identified McHugh, who supervises 12 attorneys in Fort Lauderdale office's felony division, as among a group of men who came to the Paradise Club in wigs, dresses, stockings and women's shoes.

"The men ripped pictures off the wall and tore up plants, shouting words like, 'Fags!, Homos!'" police Sgt. Bob Rutter said. "They paraded around the bar ... then jumped up on the tables and the bar, and began to strip off their women's clothes and attempted to get free beer."

McHugh and three other men were arrested on disorderly conduct charges about 15 blocks away after an officer noticed one of them holding the top half of a plastic torso. The men were booked on the misdemeanor charge and released.

The hate crimes statute becomes applicable in cases where there's evidence of prejudice, including sexual orientation.

## Alaskan Convicted Of Male Rape

FAIRBANKS, ALASKA (AP) - A 22-year-old former University of Alaska Fairbanks student has been convicted of raping his male roommate earlier this year.

Timothy Brubst was found guilty of two counts of first degree sexual assault, while the jury found him innocent of two similar counts.

Sentencing has been scheduled for the week of Dec. 5. The maximum

sentence for first-degree rape is 30 years.

Brubst's attorney, public defender Paul Canarsky, said he hasn't decided whether an appeal would be filed. "I appreciate that this was a difficult decision for the jury," Canarsky said. "If we appeal, it will have to do with certain legal issues," which he refused to discuss.

Canarsky hinted the jury of four men and eight women might have had prejudices against homosexual behavior.

Prosecutor Gayle Garrigues declined to comment on the jury's decision.

## Idaho Girds For Anti-Gay Initiative

BOISE, ID (AP) - The state's Human Rights Commission will meet with law enforcement leads from across the state next month in an attempt to map out strategies to assure the campaign over the Idaho Citizens Alliance anti-Gay initiative remains non-violent.

"What we're talking about is a safety issue," Commission Director Marilyn Schuler said. "We're very concerned about the rhetoric. We hear people on both sides voicing threats."

With Alliance founder Kelly Walton and anti-Alliance leaders both already having reported receiving death threats, Schuler said the commission wants to make sure local police departments and county sheriffs are aware of the ) for problems, that they are required to notify the federal government of reports and incidents of malicious harassment based on sexual orientation and that they take those reports seriously.

While commissioners were confident in the state's larger communities are also concerned about the possibility of the campaign turning violent, they remained worried that the same concern will not be shown in smaller jurisdictions.

## THRC Meeting Aug. 4

TUCSON - The Tucson Human Rights Coalition will meet on Thursday, August 4, at Cushing Street Bar & Grill. The meeting will begin at 5:30 p.m. Items on the agenda include but are not limited to:

- 1) The future of THRC
- 2) Lesbian and gay people in the political process
- 3) The proposed court challenge to the Tucson Human Rights Ordinance
- 4) Building a Coalition, walking the walk, ditching the talk

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# Closeted Gay Man donates \$400,000 Farm To HRCF

## Donation Among the Largest To Any Gay Organization In History

WASHINGTON, DC - John James Vasey lived in a hotel from transients in Portland, Oregon. He led a quiet life, and before his death in 1992, few who knew him were aware that he was rich, or that he was gay. When Vasey became ill with leukemia in the early 1980's, he decided to write a will. In it, he left an estate worth several hundred thousand dollars, including an Illinois farm which he donated to a national gay organization.

As he contemplated his will, Vasey called William Shepherd, an attorney about whom he had read in the local Portland gay press. Shepherd and his wife were the founders of Parents of Gays in Oregon, a support group for families of lesbians and gay men. Shepherd helped Vasey draft his will, in which the donor laid out his plans to fund the fight to end discrimination against lesbians and gay men. As his executor, Vasey chose another prominent activist, Jerry Weller, who served at the time as co-chair of the Board of Directors of the Gay Rights National Lobby. Weller never met Vasey, and always assumed the man was poor. Vasey named Shepherd to be the trustee of the farm in Illinois, with the understanding that it would be turned over to the Gay Rights National Lobby, which could then sell it.

By the time of Vasey's death, however, the Gay Rights National Lobby no longer existed. In 1986, faced with financial problems, the Board of GRNL agreed to merge with the Human Rights Campaign Fund. As a result of that merger and Vasey's generosity, the Human Rights Campaign Fund has inherited Vasey's farm, worth more than \$400,000.

"This is an extraordinary act of generosity," notes Tim McFeeley, executive director of the Campaign Fund. "Mr. Vasey's decision to contribute his farm to the Gay Rights National Lobby was directly related to his high regard for the work of Jerry Weller and GRNL. Jerry's incredible work for lesbian and gay Americans inspired Mr. Vasey to do something himself. His financial support will enable us to continue the fight to end discrimination and secure full equality for lesbian and gay Americans."

Weller was honored by the Human Rights Campaign Fund at an event in Portland, Oregon on Saturday July 16th. In addition to his service on the Board of the Gay Rights National Lobby, Weller also served as a member of the Board of Directors of the Human Rights Campaign Fund when it was founded in 1980. "Jerry Weller has made a tremendous contribution to the gay and lesbian community in Oregon and nationally, and we wanted to let him know how appreciated he is," McFeeley said.

When speaking of the Vasey farm, McFeeley also stressed the importance and benefit of long-term continuity in the lesbian and gay community. "We need to build institutions that can meet the challenges of change," he said. "Organizations that have difficulties should look to other groups with similar goals and join together in common cause." He praised the decision made by Vic Basile, executive director of the Campaign Fund in 1986, to merge HRCF with GRNL, rather than allow the lobbying organization to permanently shut down. "Had the Gay Rights National Lobby closed its books

and gone out of business, rather than merging with HRCF, this gift would not have come to us," McFeeley said.

In its fifteen year history, the Campaign Fund has also merged with the Fairness Fund, a national grassroots program, and with National Coming Out Day, and educational program encouraging lesbians and gay men to be honest about their sexuality with family, friends and coworkers.

"This is a perfect example of long-term planning at its best," McFeeley said. "It is also a great example of the kind of generosity that will enable us to continue the hard work of ending discrimination. If more individuals followed the lead of Mr. Vasey, our community's institutions would be in a much better position to combat the growing influence of the Radical Right," McFeeley said. "Bequests such as this one make a real difference in our work. I think Mr. Vasey did something extraordinary for our community and our cause."

# Helms At It Again

## Senate Votes Not To Fund Districts That Teach Acceptance of Gay Life

WASHINGTON (AP) - The Senate yesterday voted to cut off federal funds to any school district that teaches acceptance of homosexuality as a lifestyle.

"We simply can't do that," Wellstone said, calling the amendment "very mean-spirited."

The 63-36 vote on a proposal by Sens. Jesse Helms, R-N.C., and Bob Smith, R-N.H., came during debate on reauthorization of the Elementary and Secondary Act, which provides \$12.5 billion in federal funds to the nation's public schools.

The measure would cut federal aid to districts that "carry out a program or activity that has either the purpose of effect of encouraging or supporting homosexuality as a positive lifestyle alternative."

Arizona Sens. Dennis DeConcini, a Democrat, and John McCain, a Republican, both voted in the majority.

The bill covers the distribution of instructional materials, counseling and referral of students to gay organizations. Some school districts teach acceptance of homosexuality during social studies or sex education programs.

Smith said school districts use the money to buy books and other materials that are "so graphic and so disgusting that I can't display them here on the floor of the United States Senate."

The Senate also approved 66-33 a proposal by Sen. John Danforth, R-Mo., that would allow single-gender public schools on an experimental basis.

But Sen. Paul Wellstone, D-Minn., said the provision would forbid counseling of gay students, who he said are up to three times as likely to commit suicide as other teen-agers.

Danforth's proposal would permit the Department of Education to approve as many as 10 such programs nationwide and provide \$1 million for grants and other costs.

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**POLITICS '94** by Mark Kerr

by Mike Griffin

**EDITED NOTE:** Mark Kerr has been unable to write his weekly column due to serious asthmatic illness. He is expected back within the next two weeks. Unfortunately his string of 316 consecutive weeks of reporting has been broken, but only because of his illness. Good luck Mark. We miss you and look forward to your speedy return.

Mr. Michael Griffin has written a column that would certainly fit under the Politics heading, so we have included it here.]

Several weeks ago Mark Kerr reported in his political column in the Observer (7/6/94) that among Democratic candidates for Governor, it appeared that Paul Johnson was taking the lead. The poll cited by Mark Kerr as the basis for his speculation was conducted by Joel Wright in Phoenix, and may have even been commissioned by persons affiliated with Johnson's campaign.

Rather than refuting results of Mr. Wright's poll, I should like to share with Mark's readers all the other polls conducted in this state for the past six months - all showing that Terry Goddard has maintained a substantial lead in the Governor's race - and by significant margins, even as recently as this past July.

As most of you can see, Terry Goddard has at least an 11% lead over his opponents in every demographic subgroup. He also leads by 16% in the Phoenix media market area. The polls cited below were all conducted by reputable national research or polling firms, or by groups such as the ASU Cronkite School of Journalism, and by our own local media.

**I. Arizona Daily Star/KVOA Poll**  
 Conducted: May '94

Democrat Votes in the Primary:

Terry Goddard 46%  
 Paul Johnson 23%  
 Eddie Basha 16%

Democratic candidates against Symington in the general election:

Goddard 46% vs Symington 40%  
 Johnson 36% vs Symington 45%  
 Basha 38% vs Symington 45%

**II. Rocky Mountain Polls**

Conducted: July '94, April '94

Democrat Votes in the Primary:

Terry Goddard 39% 34%  
 Paul Johnson 15% 22%  
 Eddie Basha 19% 17%

Democratic candidates against Symington in the general election (conducted July '94):

Goddard 45% vs Symington 39%  
 Johnson 44% vs Symington 37%  
 Basha 42% vs Symington 38%

**III. KAET/PBS/Cronkite (ASU) Polls**

Conducted: Mar. '94, Feb. '94

Terry Goddard 40% 50%  
 Paul Johnson 22% 14%  
 Eddie Basha 16% 12%

**IV. Mellman-Lazarus-Lake Polls**

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## God Is With Gays But Episcopal Bishops Stop Short of Allowing Homosexuals to be Ordained

by David Briggs  
NEW YORK, NY (AP) - The nation's Episcopal bishops are discouraging the ordination of homosexuals even as they declare that God is present in same-sex relationships.

written by a committee of eight bishops and six members of the House of Deputies, were leaked amid concerns that people in the pews were being left out.

In the final draft of a pastoral letter obtained by the Associated Press, spiritual leaders of the 2.5 million-member denomination recommended that future ordinations follow church teachings, suggesting a moratorium on the ordination of Gays and Lesbians.

While the draft document does not go as far as the church's Gay rights advocates would like, it may broaden the perspective of many church members, said Bishop Frederick Borsch of Los Angeles.

The church has said it is not appropriate to ordain practicing Gays or Lesbians. But in recent years several bishops have ordained homosexuals anyway, wither publicly or quietly.

"For some people on the conservative side, it is going to open up some doors and possibilities that they don't want opened," he said.

At the same time, the proposed sexuality statement urges church members to welcome homosexuals. It declares that the love, caring, commitment and spirituality found in heterosexual relationships can be found in Gay and Lesbian relationships as well.

"As it can be for heterosexual persons, the experience of steadfast love can be for homosexual persons an experience of God", says the bishops' proposed statement.

Nearly every major religious group is grappling with the contentious issue of sexuality. The United Church of Christ is the only major Protestant denomination to allow the ordination of homosexuals.

The Episcopal church's legislative body has declared that homosexuals are children of God with full and equal claims upon the church, and that physical sexual expression is appropriate only within the lifelong, monogamous union of husband and wife.

Attempting to avoid a backlash, the Episcopal bishops had decided to keep their work confidential until they presented the final draft to the House of Bishops at the General Convention beginning Aug. 24 in Indianapolis.

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**PERSPECTIVE**

by R.T.

This article is dedicated to my family. By the time you guys read this you will have already known I am Gay.

For about 7 years, I have struggled with finding a part of my life that I was missing or did not understand. Subliminally, I guess I knew that I was Gay but refused to accept it. Hoping that it was only one of those issues some teenagers go through, I suppressed it and tried to forget it. I was so confused by this issue that each time a psychological problem appeared on a T.V. show or song, I would compare it to myself. I also tried with a Gay man. From the beginning I enjoyed, but I felt bad and was disgusted by it toward the end of the night. So when I was accepted to the University of Arizona, I decided to leave all these crazy ideas behind me and start over again. It lasted for a little over a year.

During that time, whenever a "Gay" thought entered my mind, I would push it away. My dorm roommate, Mark has friends at the University. Whenever he asked me to go somewhere with his girlfriend or friends, he made it very obvious that he really did not want me along. I would force myself to go with him to relieve myself of these thoughts. Then I joined several organizations on campus, such as clubs, ROTC, and a fraternity, to make friends. Because I was still afraid to open up, none of them helped. Some of my fraternity brothers did try, but I was boring and eventually sort of drove them away. I was afraid I was taking after our parents, ending up with no true friends.

After my third roommate, (each one getting worse and worse), I decided to live by myself. At the beginning of this year, the subject of being Gay haunted me so badly that I finally decided to explore to see if it truly is the source of all my problems. It took me about two weeks to convince myself that I was Gay. I went to a support group and a Gay bar. I then came out to myself and made some Gay friends.

Looking back at the years I have gone through trying to find myself, I realized I have put far too much energy into it. And it was staring me in the face the whole time. I guess that's the way life goes. I have gone through almost every psychological problem there is --low self esteem, no self respect, insecurity, no confidence, loneliness, suicidal, and depression - on my own - fortunately, I survived. I tried seeing a psychologist and even a psychiatrist, but nothing helped, no one could find my problem.

There wasn't a day that went by that I did not feel sad and lonely. There were times when I thought I was born retarded and that my parents refused to tell me in the hope of my overcoming it.

I remember when I was hanging around with straight people, at least I think they were, I did not really have a voice. I would go along with the next guy who looked pretty normal. I hardly ever talked because by the time I decided what to say, we were either onto another subject or someone else had already said it. And when I said something, I had not thought it over, my statement would turned out wrong.

It seems like this year, 1994, is finally the year for me to come out of the closet. Most of my straight friends, (more like acquaintances), have graduated. Ever

since I came to peace with myself, I find myself feeling good and much happier. I now find people listening to what I have to say. My life seems to be more worthy. I guess my long-time goal of getting married to a woman and raise a family has been altered. Maybe I'll become a doctor or a physical therapist, who knows.

I feel really good writing this down. After thinking about what my family will think about homosexuality, I realized that my sisters have given me their opinion on it.

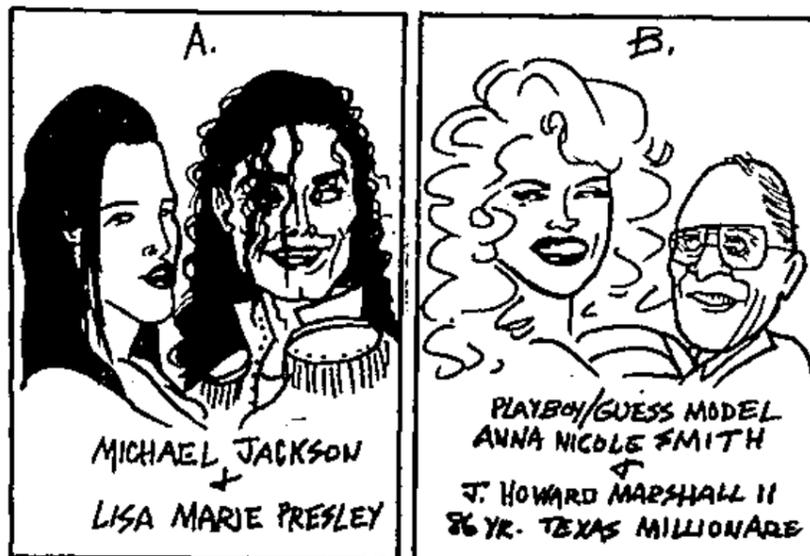
To my sisters and Mom: What I hope to get from you all are support and acceptance.

To Dad: I think Dad and I lost the father-son bond ever since our distant cousin came over to live with us. It will be great, Dad, if you can support and accept me, but it's okay if you don't because I probably will never understand how you think anyway.

To Steve: Even though we have been brothers, we never really had a brother to brother relationship. In most ways I am so different from you. It will be great if you accept and support me and it'll be okay if you don't. This is really

to help you because, after struggling for 7 years, I am finally happy with myself and nothing will affect how I think about myself. Whatever happens, I will still love you all.

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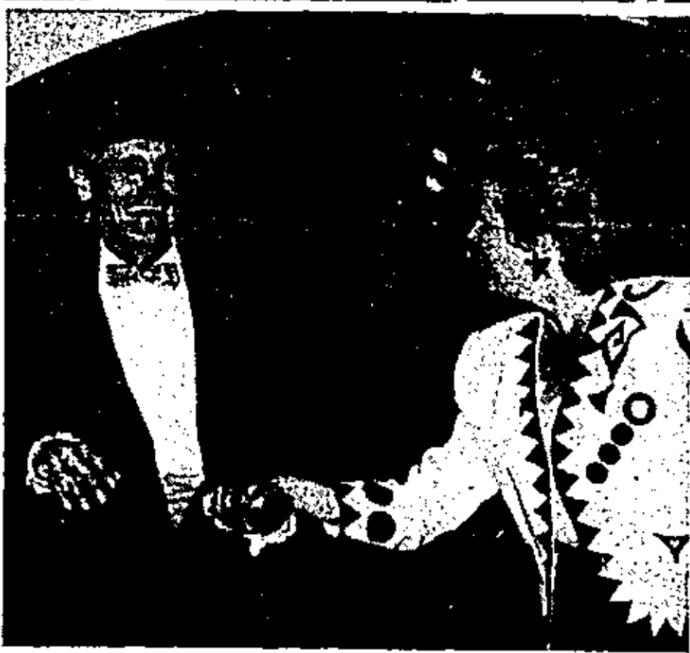
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# AIDS Action Activists Arrested In Fight For Health Reform

AIDS advocates, including staff members of AIDS Action Council, were arrested today at the U.S. Capitol as they protested Sen. Robert Dole's, R-Ks., opposition to comprehensive, universal health care reform.

taxpaying public) pays for his health insurance (\$3,645) and the amount of PAC money Sen. Dole has taken from the insurance industry and medical establishment since 1979 (\$707,794).

AIDS Action Council joined health care advocates from across the country July 26-27 in a two-day M.A.S.H. protest—Mobilizing America to Save our Health Care. The action was targeted at members of Congress who are impeding rather than promoting real health care reform. Citizen Action organized the protest.

Arrested AIDS Action staff members include Matt Patrick and Megan Whilden. Also arrested were Tim Sweeney and Ruth Finkelstein, consultants to the leadership project.

AIDS Action Council, founded in 1984, is the only national organization devoted solely to advocating at the federal level for more effective AIDS policy, legislation and funding. The council represents more than 1000 community-based AIDS service organizations throughout the United States. The fight for health care reform is the council's top priority in 1994. Through its Health Care Reform Leadership Project, AIDS Action has been studying the impact of proposed reform on the HIV/AIDS community and implementing strategies to safeguard the community's needs.

"We're coming down to the wire on health care reform and these guys still don't get it," commented Christine Lubinski, AIDS Action deputy executive director for programs and a leader of its Health Care Reform Leadership Project. "The insurance industry has thrown limitless dollars at members of Congress to sway their votes. We have only our stories of our health care needs gone unmet, of facing financial ruin as a result of health care crises, of the insurance industry denying affordable health insurance to those who need it most—the sick. Congress must hear our stories before it is too late."

On July 26, protesters roamed the halls of Congress distributing "Dole Dollars"—imitation \$100 bills outlining Senator Dole's own health insurance status, including salary (\$133,600), the amount he pays for health insurance (\$1,215), the amount his employer (the

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The cost of this two day, one night adventure is only \$150.00 per person. This includes park admission, round trip bus fare and one nights lodging at the Comfort Suites Hotel (rooms are two room suites with microwave, wet bar, refrigerator, 2 T.V.'s and a deluxe continental breakfast.

KNOTT'S BERRY FARM will close the park down to the general public that afternoon and the park will re-open at 6:00 p.m. until 1:30 a.m. only for the gay and lesbian community, SO PARTY THE NIGHT AWAY!! For those of you who don't like to ride the rides, the main pavillion will be turned into a huge dance hall for the evening and there will be country rock stars to perform for you.

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We will depart Tucson at 2:00 a.m., Friday, September 30. This way bar staff can have time to clean up where they work and board the coach. Estimated time of arrival at the hotel will be 10:30 a.m. Friday. You then have 7 hours of free time to nap, sightsee or just swim and relax until 6:00 p.m. Friday. We will spend from 6:00 p.m. until 1:00 a.m. Knott's Berry Farm. Return back to the hotel and depart for Tucson at noon, Saturday, October 1st.

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# GLAAD Merges Los Angeles and New York Chapters

LOS ANGELES, CA - Moving to address what it calls "new challenges in the post-Stonewall era," the Gay & Lesbian Alliance Against Defamation (GLAAD) is establishing a new national organization that encompasses all of its local chapters, and includes a formal merger of its two largest chapters, Los Angeles and New York.

One of America's most powerful gay and lesbian organizations, GLAAD fights for fair, accurate, and inclusive representation of gay and lesbian lives in the media and entertainment industries.

The new group will also launch an aggressive national chapter expansion, according to Ellen Carlton, executive director of the former GLAAD/NY. Its first field office for organizing new local chapter will be headquartered in Portland, Oregon, headed by prominent activist Donna Red Wing. The group expects to form 18 or 24 additional local chapters within the next year. GLAAD is the first national grassroots gay and lesbian organization with local chapters across the country.

GLAAD will maintain headquarters in both Los Angeles and New York, making it the first gay organization with a national headquarters in Southern California. "A presence is essential in New York, the nation's media capital, and Los Angeles, the entertainment capital," said Carlton. Before the merger, both chapters had operated as individual entities.

### Under New Structure, Local Chapters to Continue Critical Role

In addition to New York and Los Angeles, GLAAD currently has chapters

in eight major cities: Atlanta, Chicago, Dallas, Denver, Kansas City, the national capital area, San Diego, and the San Francisco Bay area. Each chapter will have at least one seat on the national board. The structure will continue GLAAD's strong and effective presence at the local level while allowing the group to speak in one unified, strong voice.

The first national GLAAD board of directors will meet in September 1994 in Dallas. It will begin the process of selecting a new national executive director, adopting a national budget, setting national priorities and projects, continuing strategic planning, and addressing fundraising for an estimated annual budget of approximately \$1.5 million.

### "Time of Incredible Change" Helped Prompt Reorganization

Until now, GLAAD has been a loose confederation of local chapters. "But we're in a time of incredible change for gay men and lesbians, and that warrants a strong, unified voice to address new goals and new challenges," explained Lee Werbel, executive director of the former GLAAD/LA.

The new national GLAAD will help facilitate the growth of GLAAD projects at the national level. Among its ongoing programs: a campaign for inclusion of gay and lesbian lives in school textbooks; national seminars for media professionals; and urging relocation of the 1996 Olympics from Cobb County, Georgia.

Since its founding in 1985, GLAAD has been dedicated to improving public attitudes about homosexuality by demanding fair, accurate, and inclusive media portrayals and news coverage of lesbians and gay men from print, music, film, radio, and television.

## Cops Fired In Dahmer Case Are Reinstated

MILWAUKEE, WI (AP) - Two police officers fired for believing Jeffrey Dahmer's story that a naked, bleeding boy was his drunken, adult lover were reinstated by a judge's order.

The Fire and Police Commission voted unanimously to reinstate Joseph Gabrish and John Balcerzak.

Reserve Circuit Judge Robert Parins ordered the reinstatement, saying the firings were too severe a penalty. A state appeals court denied the commission's request to block the order pending appeal of Parin's ruling.

Police Chief Phillip Arreola fired the officers and placed a third officer on probation for a year after Dahmer was arrested in July 1991 and accused of killing 17 males.

In May 1991, witnesses called police after seeing a naked, incoherent, bleeding boy near Dahmer's apartment building. The officers accepted Dahmer's explanation that the youth, later identified as 14 year old Konerak Sinthasomphone, was his adult lover and had had too much later to drink. Dahmer later confessed that he killed him soon after the officers left.

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# News From MCC/Tucson

by Rev. Sharon West

On July 30, 1994, the majority of the MCC-Tucson membership voted to accept Rev. Nita Terlisner-Willey as permanent Senior Pastor, succeeding Rev. Eduard E. Perry, effective August 1, 1994. All members, friends and congregants warmly welcome Rev. Nita to the pulpit of MCC-Tucson's Senior Pastor.

Rev. Eduard E. Perry, former seven-year Sr. Pastor, has several opportunities to consider, leaving the final decision in the Lord's hands. We will all miss the warm smiles and open-to-listen ears and heart of Pastor E. Thank you for those seven years of dedication. May God bless you abundantly in your every endeavor in His Name.

The August Board of Directors meeting will be held Tuesday, August 9, at 6:00 p.m. Congregational Concerns will be heard as near to 7:00 p.m. as possible. Join us as we "mind MCC's business."

Join Pastor Nita and the Bible Study class now conducting an exciting study of REVELATION!! Class resumes Tuesday, August 16 at 7:00 p.m., in the

MCC Fellowship Hall. No bible Study for August 9th.

### REVISED WORSHIP SCHEDULE!

Effective SUNDAY, AUGUST 7th, our Eucharistic Mass service begins at \*9:30\* A.M.; Ecumenical Worship with Children's Church begins at \*10:45\* A.M. as usual. Out 1:30 P.M. Music and Praise service is now \*DISCONTINUED\*. After our "growing pains" just wait till you see what is offered at your NEW! MCC...Now!!

Christians need not ever grow hopeless; there are some things that cannot ever be taken away from us and each is Scriptural: Jesus' continual Presence with us; the Lord's promise of Eternal Life the Holy Spirit's indwelling access to the Father through prayer and spiritual gifts to serve the body of Christ. Considering what Jesus has done for and given us, we never need to wonder why we "keep the Faith and continue sharing and passing it on."

Thought for the Week: We'll never exhaust God's supply!

## A View From The Rock

A Commentary From Cornerstone Fellowship

Here we are in the middle of summer. It is generally over 100 degrees every day. We endure it, knowing eventually the weather will cool off. The time passes slowly till then, or does it? We're already more than half way through the year! The age old question: are we half way through this year, or half way towards the next year? Regardless, the time is speeding by. How has your year gone?

Let's cool off for a minute here and think back to winter and last New Year's Eve. Just who were you with and where were you? Did you think of a resolution for the New year? How about quitting smoking, losing weight, exercising, reading more, saving more money, or meeting the right person. At times in my life these have all been my goals. We've had half a year to work on these goals, and many of us haven't done too well. Sometimes our good intentions can be a source of a lot of guilt. They can even make us feel like a failure when we don't achieve them.

Whether we call them resolutions

or goals, most of us have something we'd like to change about ourselves. It's not always easy, but recognizing the need to change is a positive first step. Now you can ask for help-help from God Who already knows about your desire for change. The Bible says in Psalm 139:2b, 4, "...You perceive my thoughts from afar...Before a word is on my tongue you know it completely, O Lord." Realizing that God knows all of our thoughts can be comforting or scary. No matter who you are, He knows them. Whether you're a Christian or a non-Christian, He knows them.

When I was a teenager, I had many friends who knew me well, or so they thought. However, I never told them many of my thoughts. I never came out to them because I knew I'd lose friends. But God knew all my thoughts. He knew I was gay long before I accepted Jesus as my Savior. He's watched me succeed and fail in reaching goals, but he's always been there for me. The Lord will be there for you too. He will help you find your purpose in life and will help you reach your goals as you grow spiritually.

The remainder of this year could be the best year of your life. How about a new resolution to read the Bible, to go to church, to learn about God? This is a resolution that will change your life 100% for the better. Think about it. A life-changing resolution....

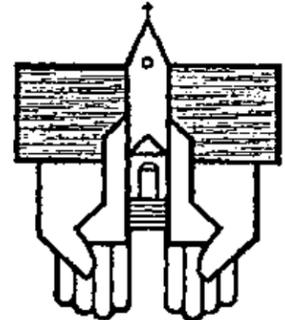
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### UPCOMING EVENTS

Positive Approach Support Group Tuesday, August 9th with guest speakers Jennifer Hallum, MD; Laura Casali, MD., on "Questions About Standard Medical Treatment Options".

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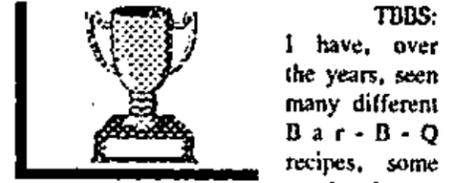


## HAPPY BIRTHDAY

### "HOPI"

On this 3rd day of August, over at the Venture-N, it will be party time. The party is for Hopi, who will be celebrating his (?) birthday (probably the 3rd or 4th time around). I take this opportunity to wish you Hopi, a very special birthday and your hangover in the morning, just a little one.

I know, and I'm sure a lot of you are tired of reading about the TKO City of Rocks run, 19-21 Aug. At TKO's beer bust on 13 Aug., there will be run applications available. Also, the final opportunity for you to sign up and get a ride will be at the Venture-N, 9:00 a.m. - 19 Aug. 1994. The (?) train will be leaving as soon as everyone is loaded, but no later than 9:30ish. If you miss this and do not have your own ride, you missed the boat.



TBDS:

I have, over the years, seen many different Bar-B-Q recipes, some good and some needing help. Well, this past Saturday I discovered the secret ingredient used by one of the cooks around Tucson. Brenda, who weekly has been serving meals at the Graduate, last Saturday served one using Bar-B-Q sauce. Guess what her secret ingredient was - SUNGLASSES. Yes, while stirring the sauce, she found her glasses that she had lost earlier, in the sauce.

If this is carried on to other meals she will be serving, maybe we had better do our own checking to see just what she adds. Regardless, everything she has served has received high praise and all this I've just stated, is just poking fun at her.

I guess this will be it for this week. There are a hell of a bunch of rumors, bets, and etc., going around town presently but you can bet - you will not read about them in this column.

Have a good week and WALK AWAY IN THE PARKS.

**If you don't get everything you want think of the things you don't get that you don't want!**



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## Home On The Range With AGRA-Tucson

by RY

AGRA-Tucson Chapter August Meetings will be held at the Flamingo Sun Hotel, 1301 N. Stone, on August 21. The Flamingo will be one of two overflow hotels for the 1995 Saguaro Regional Rodeo. Board Meeting will be at 3 p.m., General Membership will meet at 5 p.m.

Following the meetings at the Flamingo Hotel, The Graduate will be offering half price cocktails to all AGRA members in attendance at the meetings. Thanks to Art and The Graduate for their support of AGRA.

Don't forget the 1995 Saguaro Regional Rodeo Poster Contest is now underway to select the official poster design for the March 1995 rodeo. The contest is open to anyone, AGRA

membership is not required. Entry deadline is August 21, 1994. The winner of the contest will receive \$100. If interested please call AGRA at 323-0805 for full details.

We'd like to wish Barney Amparano a Happy Birthday. We hear you took the honors at a recent dinner party-something to the tune of "Mr. Photogenic." Congratulations Barney!

For those of you planning to attend the San Diego Rodeo, if you have not made your reservations, you have better do so soon. Word is that all host hotels are already full. Anyone wanting more information on the San Diego Rodeo or would like a copy of their rodeo brochure please call the AGRA Hotline.

Club 2520 will be hosting a fundraiser in memory of Robert Olen Strickland this Thursday, August 4. Robert passed away July 20, at the age of 23. Funds are being raised to help the Strickland family with the costs of medical bills and the funeral. Let's not forget our fallen brother and help his family out in their time of need. Anyone wishing to contribute may also contact Club 2520.

Hope to see you all there!

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# From The POOP SHEET

by Ace London

Well kiss ma' grits and butter ma' buns! Dang'd if 'n I didn't hear someone say the other day: "you can always spot one of them dykes. They're always overweight and no man wants 'em so they become lezzies and never shave their legs and armpits."

I couldn't help saying to myself "now there's a real educated man! Wonder where he got his degree!" That portion of Scripture also came to mind where it says "God winked at their ignorance". It really is hard to believe there are folks out there like that, isn't it! This is the 1990's! Do you think they have any idea at all of how dumb they appear to others?

Probably not; no one really wants to appear stupid. So, when someone like this pops up with such a stupid statement, what should we do? Since they truly are such ignoramus's, would it do any good to get upset and try to "correct" them? I seriously doubt it. It would be like trying to carry on an intelligent conversation with a drunk. Maybe we could even breathe a prayer that God might provide a brain to fill their void between the ears. That's about it. We certainly wouldn't want to lash out at them since it would only reveal our own incapability of trying to educate a non-existent brain.

Maybe what we've got to do is work hard on helping to educate those with brains who simply haven't exercised those brains enough yet.

**CHANNEL CHANGE:** It's often crossed my mind over the years that gays and lesbians in the 1900's may be the modern day nomads; we do seem to move around a lot. It's as if our lives are a part of a traveling circus and we've got our bag packed and ready to get our show on the road. We learn early to accept and blend in; sometimes only for a month here or there and we feel right at home no matter where. Oh the places I've lived and loved over the years for brief and lengthy periods! So many memories! And maybe we ought to take a moment in the present to thank ourselves for these memories.

So many new-and-now-old acquaintances some of which have blossomed into true friendships even after we moved on. So many memories. Memories from Beresford, SD; Puyallup, WA; Hillsboro, OR; Guadalajara and Mexico City; Ruidoso, NM; Paso Robles & Truckee, CA; Greenwich Village, San Francisco & New Orleans.

Minneapolis/St. Paul, MN; Rockford, IL...and in the L.A. Area: Pasadena, Hollywood, Monrovia, Azusa, Sierra Madre, Whittier, West Hollywood, Glendale, Venice, Van Nuys, Riverside, Bradbury Estates Camarillo. Do you think our paths may have crossed in some long forgotten rendezvous of stranger in the night?

Ah! Memories! And now my home is in Reno, NVB, "Home" - where the heart is! Where we hand our hats!

**GUIDE TO SAFE FAX**

Q. Do I have to be married to FAX?

A. Although married people FAX often, there are many single people who FAX complete strangers everyday.

Q. My parents say that they never had FAX when they were young, and were only allowed to write memos to each other until they were twenty one. How old should someone be before they can FAX?

A. FAXing can be performed at any age, once you learn the correct procedure.

Q. There is a place on our street where you can go and pay for FAX. Is this legal?

A. Yes, many people have no other outlet for their FAX drives and must pay a professional when their need for FAX becomes too great. Nevada is a unique State in this aspect of FAXing.

Q. Should a cover always be used for FAXing?

A. Unless you are absolutely sure of the one you are FAXing, a cover should be used to insure safe FAX.

Q. What happens when I incorrectly do the procedures and I FAX prematurely?

A. Don't panic. Many people prematurely FAX when they haven't FAXed in a long time. Just start over. Most people won't mind if you try again.

Q. I have both a personal and business FAX. Can transmissions become mixed up?

A. Being Bi-FAXual can be confusing, but as long as you use a cover with each one, you won't transmit anything you're not supposed to.

Q. If I FAX something to myself, will I go blind?

A. There hasn't been any recorded case of blindness due to FAXing oneself.

And that's the straight poop from the Poop Sheet.



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		JUNE	MAY	APR.		JUNE	MAY	APR.		MAY	APR.	MAR	
APACHE	61,591	7	7	7	5	1	1	1	1	2	2	2	0
COCHISE	97,624	28	28	28	15	6	6	6	0	41	41	40	2
COCONINO	96,591	17	17	17	12	0	0	0	0	19	19	19	0
GILA	40,216	8	8	8	5	0	0	0	0	2	2	2	0
GRAHAM	26,554	8	8	7	4	1	1	1	0	4	4	4	0
GREENLEE	8,008	2	2	2	2	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	0
LA PAZ	13,844	7	7	6	5	0	0	0	0	5	5	6	0
HARTCOPA	2,122,101	2476	2463	2419	1535	543	538	528	54	1811	1804	1790	95
MOHAVE	93,497	43	42	42	23	5	5	5	1	26	26	26	3
NAVAJO	77,658	12	12	12	9	2	2	2	0	3	3	3	1
PIMA	666,880	752	742	728	442	95	93	90	13	518	521	526	42
PINAL	116,379	41	36	36	24	6	5	5	0	32	32	32	1
SANTA CRUZ	29,676	9	9	9	5	0	0	0	0	2	2	2	0
YAVAPAI	107,714	35	35	35	22	7	6	6	0	33	31	31	3
YUMA	106,895	44	43	40	24	10	7	8	1	52	55	56	2
UNKNOWN		5	5	6	3	1	0	0	0	112	112	112	1
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# CALENDAR of upcoming events

## WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 3

**IBT'S** - Tonight at 9:00 p.m. sharp. The Amazing Glamorous will perform. Hosted by your new Miss Gay Arizona, Lucinda Holliday and a very special star lineup for tonight.

## SATURDAY, AUGUST 6

**GRADUATE** - 2:00 p.m. a benefit Beer Bust for the new Miss Gay Arizona, Lucinda Holliday to raise money so she can participate in the Miss Gay USA pageant. Don't forget the cash pool tourney at 2 p.m. and Brenda's homecooking also!

## WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 7

**IBT'S** - Bar-B-Que on the patio from 4 to 7 p.m. plus afternoon Rock 'n Roll with Klee as DJ.

## FRIDAY, AUGUST 12

**HOURS** - "Rockin' To The Oldies" featuring live entertainment and drink specials. Check on details next week!

## SATURDAY, AUGUST 13

**GRADUATE** - A really big show giving Lucinda Holliday a chance to say thank you for her title of Miss Gay Arizona 1994-95. See line-up next week.

## SUNDAY, AUGUST 14

**IBT'S** - The afternoon Beer Bust and B-B-Q will benefit the Halloween Invitation Bowling Tournament (HITT). Watch for more details.

## THURSDAY, AUGUST 18

**AIN'T NOBODY'S BIZNESS** - The long-awaited opening of this women's bar where Gay men are welcome will take place at 4:00 p.m. Check their ad in this issue for daily hours and events. See you there!



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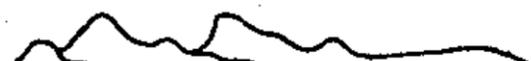
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## Non-Bar

# CALENDAR

## SATURDAY, AUGUST 6

**Cronica**, (Gay men over 40 and friends) monthly meeting at 7:00 p.m. MCC Church building, 3269 N. Mountain Ave. Call 888-7264 or 690-9565 for information.

## FRI., SAT., SUN., AUGUST 12-13-14

This will be a Gay and Lesbian Hiking Club Chiricahua Mountain Exploratory Weekend. Club members will be leaving at 32:00 p.m. on Friday to reserve camping space. Other hikers may choose to meet the group at the camp site for all three days or for any portion of the weekend and rides can be arranged. Short hikes form the camp site to various locations in the Chiricahua's will be led throughout the weekend. Each person is responsible for his/her own food, water and camping equipment. The camp ground is accessible by car and it is about a 150 mile drive, so please be prepared to pay your driver \$4. for more information call pager number 446-3711 and leave your number followed by a # sign, or write Les McAllan, P.O. Box 42532, Tucson, AZ 85733-2532.

## SATURDAY, AUGUST 13

Tucson's Gay, Lesbian and Bisexual parents network, Rainbow Families, holds a potluck at 6:00 p.m. Bring a dish, yourself, and your kids out for dinner and play. Call Mary at 690-1634 or Craig at 318-9348 for directions or more information.

Come participate in a 'House Party' benefit to elect openly Lesbian candidate Denise Heap who is a candidate to the Arizona Legislature from Dist. 29. Her goal is to become state government's most visible advocate for Gay and Lesbian concerns. 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. 5710 W. Belmont Road. Videos from Gay Games IV and Stonewall 25 events will be shown. Call 579-7000 for more information. \$5 donation requested.

## WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 17

A Benefit "Skate for Shanti" from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. at Skate Country North, 2700 N. Stone Ave. \$5.00 donation (skates included) A benefit for the Shanti Foundation sponsored by Cafe Malanga.

## THURSDAY, AUGUST 18

**Cronica** (Gay men over 40 and friends) mid-month dinner social will be held at 6:30 at Marie Callender's Restaurant. Call Jerry at 690-9565 for information and directions.

## SATURDAY, AUGUST 20

Rainbow families, a Gay, Lesbian and Bisexual parents network, holds a support and discussion group every third Saturday of the month. Meet at 4:00 p.m. at St. Francis in the Foothills Church at River and Swan, room 31. All Gay, Lesbian and Bisexual parents, partners and family members are welcome. Call Craig at 318-9348 for more information.

## SATURDAY, AUGUST 27

Voters for Human Rights host a fundraiser for Representative Elaine Richardson (Dist. 11). The fund raiser will be held at 2223 E. Edison from 6 to 7 p.m. Stonewall 25 and Gay Games IV will be shown from 5:30 to 6:30 when Elaine Richardson will speak. A \$5.00 suggested minimum donation at the door. There is a cash bar.

## SUNDAY, AUGUST 28

The Gay and Lesbian Hiking Club will depart from the carpool site at 7:00 a.m. (to beat the heat) for a 10 mile ride to reach the 10 mile bike location at Vault Mine/Mt. Hopkins in the Santa Rita Mountains. There is a 3,000 ft. elevation gain, but the pace will be moderate with many interesting sites to see along the way. The drive to the trail head is about 50 miles and the passenger fee will be \$3.00. For more information call Les McAllan pager 446-3711 and enter your number followed by the # sign. Touch tone phones only.



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# CALENDAR

## sunday

**CLUB 2520** - Open Noon. Salad Bar and Western Steak Fry 4 to 7 pm. AGRA C/W Dancing and Beer Bust 5-6, all you can drink \$3. C/W and Progressive Dance Music 8 to 1.  
**EAGLE** - Opens at 10am with specials on Bloody's & Screws all day. Pool tournament 3pm with Beer Bust.  
**GRADUATE** - Happy Hour 4-8 pm, all well \$1.25 Draft 75c Schnapps 75c  
**HOURS** - Bloody 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 am. Happy Hour 4-8 pm, \$1.25 domestic beer and well. Benefit B-B-Q and Beer Bust for continuity organizations 4-7. Tea Dance 4-8. Rock 'n Roll dancing later  
**STONEWALL** - Opens at 8pm, Disco dancing 8 to close.  
**VENTURE-N** - Opens 10 a.m. 301 Dart Tournament 4 pm, \$3 entry fee. Cash prizes. Patio Bar Beer Bust 3-7 pm, B-B-Q 5-7 pm.

## monday

**CLUB 2520** - Open 3pm. 99c Happy Hour 4 to 8pm. \$1.25 well 8-1 + Moon Madness "Buckles". C/W dancing and Progressive Dance Music begins at 9pm.  
**EAGLE** - Happy Hour in the Eagle 10am to 7pm with \$1.50 Well and Domestic Beer. Country Night, drink specials to those in western attire.  
**GRADUATE** - Happy Hour 4-8pm all well \$1.25 Draft 75c Schnapps 75c Bring in your VHS movie and they'll play it. (No porno please!).  
**HOURS** - Open Noon. Happy Hour 12 to 7pm - Well and Domestic Beer \$1.25. 50c Draft Beer 7 to close.  
**IBT's** - Open noon. Happy Hour 4-8 pm, \$1.25 domestic beer and well. 8pm to midnight, 50c draft beer. Melrose Jazz Mondays with Pete from 9 to 1  
**STONEWALL** - Opens at 8pm for dancing. Karaoke 9:00 p.m.  
**VENTURE-N** - Open 6am. Patio Bar opens at 7pm

## tuesday

**CLUB 2520** - Open 3pm. 99c Happy Hour 4 to 8pm. \$1.25 Well and Domestic Beer 8 to close. T-Squares Advanced Group 7pm. Country/Western dancing and Trash Disco Black Light Party begins at 9 pm.  
**EAGLE** - Happy Hour 10am to 7pm. Skivvy Nite, drink specials to everyone wearing skivvies.  
**GRADUATE** - Happy Hour 4-8pm, all well \$1.25, Draft 75c Schnapps 75c  
**HOURS** - Happy Hour 12 to 7pm Well or Domestic Beer \$1.25. Schnapps 75c 7pm to close  
**IBT's** - Open noon. Happy Hour 4-8 pm, \$1.25 domestic beer & well. 9 pm to 11pm, 2 for 1 on well and domestic beer.  
**STONEWALL** - Opens at 8 pm. All new male tranny strippers with hot attitudes and hot bodies 9:30 p.m.  
**VENTURE-N** - Open 6am to 1am. Patio Bar opens at 7pm

## wednesday

**CLUB 2520** - Open 3pm. 99c Happy Hour 4 to 8pm. 50c off on everything from 8pm to close. Drink Specials all night. ID required. C/W dance lessons with Edger 7:30-9:30  
**CLUB CONGRESS** - Red Farrow's "Queer Extravaganza" here from 8 pm to 1 am, featuring caged dancers.  
**EAGLE** - Happy Hour 10am to 7pm. Leather Nite, drink specials to everyone wearing leather.  
**GRADUATE** - Happy Hour 4-8pm, all well \$1.25 Draft 75c Schnapps 75c  
**HOURS** - Happy Hour 12 to 7pm, Well or Domestic Beer \$1.25. 50c off all call drinks 7 to close. Disco dance music 8-1.  
**IBT's** - Open Noon to 1am. Happy Hour 4 to 8pm, \$1.25 domestic beer & well. \$1.50 Bud Product Special 9 pm to close. (Specials do not apply during shows)  
**STONEWALL** - Opens at 8pm. Salsa Nite featuring Mexican Cuban, bands y top 40's. Corona and Margarita specials.  
**VENTURE-N** - Open 6am to 1am. Power Hour 5-6 \$1 Longshots & Well. Patio bar opens 7pm. Bare Chest Nite from 7pm. Happy Hour prices for "upwardly mobile" men.

## thursday

**CLUB 2520** - Open 3pm. 99c Happy Hour 4 to 8pm. Men's Nite - 50c draft beer 9pm to 1am. C/W & Progressive Dance Music begins at 9 pm. Draft Tournament 8pm. Bar matches pot.  
**EAGLE** - Happy Hour 10am-7pm. Uniform Nite, drink specials all night to those in uniform.  
**GRADUATE** - Happy Hour 4-8pm, all well \$1.25 Draft 75c Schnapps 75c  
**HOURS** - Happy Hour 12 to 7pm, Well or Domestic Beer \$1.25. Heineken or Corona \$2.00 9pm to 1am. Country/Western dancing 9 to 1.  
**IBT's** - Open noon to 1am. Happy Hour 4-8 pm \$1.25 domestic beer and well. Underwear Nite 10 to 1 - w/a pair of Calvin Klein underwear. \$1.25 Well and Domestic Beer to those in their underwear.  
**STONEWALL** - Opens 8pm. Pattie's on the Pampa show 9:30 p.m. followed by disco dancing.  
**VENTURE-N** - Open 6am to 1am. Power Hour 5-6 \$1 longshots and well. Patio Bar opens at 7pm. Leather Nite 8 to midnight. Special prices for men in leather. Pool Tournament 7pm, \$3 entry fee.

## friday

**CLUB 2520** - Open 3pm. 99c Happy Hour 4 to 8 pm. (well and domestic beer). C/W dancing and Progressive Dance Music begins at 9pm.  
**EAGLE** - Happy Hour 10am-7pm; Hot Rods 4' Openers 6pm  
**GRADUATE** - Happy Hour 4-8pm, all well \$1.25 draft 75c Schnapps 75c  
**HOURS** - Happy Hour 12-7pm well or domestic beer \$1.25. Dance 9-1  
**IBT's** - Open noon. Happy Hour 4-8pm \$1.25 domestic beer and well. GoGo dancers 10pm. Patio Bar with Looney 9-1. Dance Party 9 to 1 with DJ David Z.  
**STONEWALL** - Opens 8pm. Disco dancing all night long.  
**VENTURE-N** - Open 6am to 1am. Power Hour 5-6 \$1 longshots & well. Patio Bar opens 7pm.

## saturday

**CLUB 2520** - Open Noon. C/W dancing and Progressive Dance Music begins at 8pm.  
**EAGLE** - Opens at 10am. All day special on screwdrivers and Bloody Marys until 7pm.  
**GRADUATE** - Happy Hour 4-8pm, all well drinks \$1.25 draft 75c Schnapps 75c. Pool Tournament 2pm, \$1 entry fee, pot matched.  
**HOURS** - Open Noon. Strawberry & Banana Daiquiris, Piña Colada \$3. Dancing 8-1.  
**IBT's** - Open noon to 1 am. Happy Hour noon to 8 pm \$1.25 domestic beer and well. Patio Bar with Looney 9-1. Dance 9 to 1 with DJ David Z. and Go Go dancers begin at 10pm.  
**STONEWALL** - Opens at 8pm, Disco dancing all night long.  
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# Custody Case Appeal Blocks Lesbian Mom From Taking Tot Home

RICHMOND, VA - Sharon L. Bottoms, the Lesbian mother who had expected to take her 2 year old son home after the Virginia Court of Appeals ruled in her favor, may now have to wait weeks or even years because of an appeal of her mother.

On June 21, the court reversed a local judge's decision that had given custody of the toddler, Tyler Doustou, to his grandmother, P. Kay Bottoms of Richmond. Court rules allow her to keep him until her appeal is decided.

Tyler, who will be 3 on July 5, has not been allowed to see Sharon Bottoms companion, April Wade, since April 1993, when Bottoms lost custody of him. For months, Tyler's only presence in her apartment in suburban Richmond has been his voice on the answering machine.

"Everything is on hold," Bottoms, said in an interview. "When I told Tyler about the ruling, he was ready to go out the door right then. Now I had to tell him he was going to have to wait a while longer."

The turn of events has stunned Gay rights advocates, who had viewed the opinion as a major victory that was likely to bolster the cases of homosexual parents worldwide.

"What we have here amounts to the kidnapping of a child, solely because of anti-Gay prejudice," said Evan Wolfson, the senior attorney at the Lambda Legal Defense and Education Fund, in

New York City. "The thought that the mother will have to wait, when a court had said she is a fit parent, is horrifying."

On June 24, the grandmother notified the appellate court that she would appeal the ruling to the Virginia Supreme Court. Her lawyer, Richard Ryder, said he planned to file the petition in the next several days. He said Tyler did not want to leave his grandmother.

If the justices reject the case, Tyler could be home in as little as two months. But if the case is accepted, which a court official said is likely in such a precedent setting matter, a ruling will probably take six months to two years.

Officials at the American Civil Liberties Union, which represents Bottoms, said they were searching for a way to appeal to the court for temporary custody. "This is not like a criminal trial, where if you are innocent you can walk out of the courtroom," said R. Kent Willis, the executive director of the Virginia ACLU.

Bottoms was permitted by the judge who ruled on the case, Buford M. Parsons Jr. Henrico County Circuit Court, to have 16 hours of visitation with Tyler each week, and that order will stay in effect during the appeal.

Ryder said the grandmother was refusing to yield the child out of concern for his welfare. "He is a beautiful little boy, and I think the kid's going to be psychologically and physically messed up

if he lives with these women," Ryder said.

Bottoms said the dispute with her mother began over Wade's right to discipline Tyler. She said her mother had resisted letting her visit her son.

Virginia law forbids marriage between people of the same sex. In January, Bottoms and Wade exchanged rings at a holy union ceremony, which some ministers perform for homosexual couples. "We didn't do it to spit in anybody's

face," said Wade, who works as a manager of a health food store. "We did it because we love each other."

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by Barry Cherin

Where and when did I get this idea to run a gay penpal club? What inspired me to entire into this hobby/business which has put the names/addresses of more than 5,000 Gay men on my computer?

In June of 1990, when my vacation in London was coming to an end, I wanted it to continue. I had just been to the USSR, Berlin, Kenya and Tanzania. I wanted to retain the exhilarating process of making new friends and acquaintances in strange and wonderful places — people who spoke a different language and had backgrounds totally dissimilar to mine.

Coincidentally, an old hobby of buying and selling movie posters was winding its way down in my life. I was searching for a new interest outside of my full-time occupation and then it just hit me: Why not start a Gay penpal club? Why not indulge in one of my interests and make a little money at the same time.

I have always loved to travel but I've been lonely in cities like Buenos Aires, Bangkok, Milan, Vienna and Marrakech because I knew no one there. I never knew how to operate effectively in a Gay bar in my twenties but now in my fifties, I am totally at sea in that environment of attitude. This is no problem in a place like Marrakech where there are no Gay bars but the one I visited in Durban, South Africa might as well have been trendy West Hollywood.

When I've visited a city where I've had penpals or have been advised to look up people, a strange and hostile city can suddenly become warm and friendly. I remember a dinner party in Rio where three different languages were spoken. A penpal in Bombay had his cook make us a splendid dinner in his penthouse. A scholar in an old Dutch city gave me a historic tour. My two penpals in Stockholm kept busy every night at dinner parties. My most interesting day in Australia was spent at a penpal's sheep ranch.

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It was kind of exciting corresponding with these guys but the reality of meeting them was terrific. Yes, a few were "stiffs" and not at all like their letters but others were warm, friendly, outgoing, hospitable and they remain in my memory forever identified with their cities.

Some of these men actually asked me to stay with them but I have done this rarely — only when I sensed a kind of bonding in our letters. I value my privacy and I have to sleep in a tomblike environment no sound or light. No matter how tacky the hotel room, I am more comfortable paying \$80 a night and staying on my own even though a typical European hotel room for this price will not permit one to open his suitcase and have an erection simultaneously. Cheap European hotel rooms can be very, very small.

When that idea of starting a gay penpal club came to me in London, it mushroomed. Certainly, I thought, there must be other Gay men like myself who travel and want to know guys in the cities they plan to visit. And there must be other Gay men who would be satisfied

with just correspondence, knowing they'd probably never meet.

I spent about \$1,500 taking ads in Gay publications in major international cities courtesy of "Spartacus Guide." When men wrote to me for information enclosing a stamped (or IRC) return addressed envelope, I replied with printed material telling them that for \$10 (now \$15), they would receive two newsletters a year with about 350 50-word listings including their own.

At first I discouraged any messages with sexual references because of my own puritanical streak and I assumed these guys could express anything they desired once they made contact through private letters. I have since relented and am just beginning to allow sexual messages. While this will inspire and be approved by young men with exploding hormones it will probably irritate couples who want to meet other couples for friendship — only.

The first person who actually sent me \$10 was from a rural town in Mississippi. I could barely read his writing and had to rewrite his message because his grammar was so bad. He asked for Japanese men to come and stay with him. I knew that it would be months before his message found its way to Japanese Gay men and then the likelihood of some young Gay from Tokyo ending up in a rural town in Mississippi seemed highly unlikely, but I accepted the message — and the \$10.

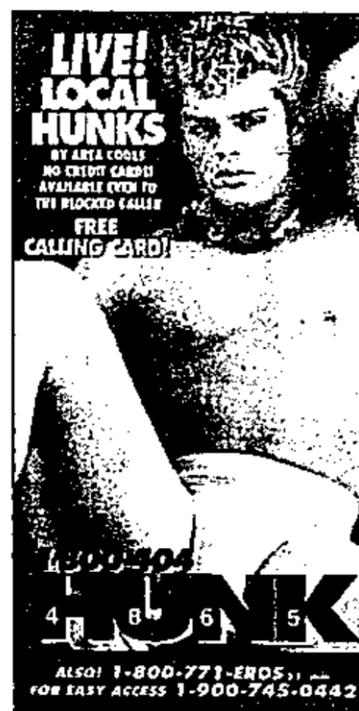
From the first issue (Fall, 1990, 45 members) to the forthcoming newsletter (Winter, 1995, 400 members), I got some very interesting letters. I got inquiries

from exotic places like Zimbabwe, Ghana, Saudi Arabia, Martinique, Guyana, Malta and Mauritius

I learned that in many countries, getting \$10 in American money (international bank check) can be prohibitive for some locals because of the high value of the dollar and because of all the trouble and expense it takes to get a conversion bank draft or actual US. dollars. Understanding this, I now give free listings (but no mailings) to Gay guys from South Africa, India, Indonesia, Thailand, Poland, Russia, Romania, Mexico, Hungary and Turkey.

An imaginative man from Guyana

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## Pen Pal Club

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offered me a watercolor instead of \$10; it's now on my wall. A young man from Brazil sent me a nude photo (unsolicited) in which he sported a huge erection. Well, of course I listed him.

I find it amazing that Gays in Russia, Poland, Romania, Hungary and Cuba have heard of my club. Having been to Russia and Poland, I am equally amazed that their letters ever reached me. At times, I have been very moved to start writing some of these men on my own but I already have more of my own pre-club penpals than I can handle.

Some of these letters can be heart-breaking like those from confused young men from small Russian towns or villages in India where being Gay is considered one step away from being a murderer. Their letters are a cry for help but if I put them all my on free mailing list, I'd go broke. By just listing them in the newsletter, however, they will at least be the recipients of mail from Gays in more liberal countries.

I find it interesting that many members in the U.S. and abroad are so concerned that the envelope will indicate what is inside. Did they think I'd put photos and drawings of nude hunks on the outside of the envelope?

Most of the inquiries from Thailand and Indonesia are similar in tone. Almost all include a stiff portrait like the kind we had taken for our junior high yearbooks. The letter is written on a thin, transparent tissue paper. The addresses are almost always totally illegible.

Age is a serious issue when it

comes to listings. So many guys in their twenties, thirties and even their forties will give an age limit of about thirty to the guys they want to hear from. This, of course, cuts them off from some wonderful men. If a man is 55 and lists his age, about 95 percent of the membership in the Western world will not respond to the letter.

Asians tend to like the opposite -- maturity. And they are also turned on by a little weight and a hairy body. I recently advised a man who is 56 not to put his age in the newsletter or his first few letters when starting a correspondence. The man has a better body than most 35-year-olds (so he told me) so I advised him to take a "hunk" photo in white underwear and send it to penpals before divulging his age. He has now had some great experiences through IGP.

I have advised some members who live in less sophisticated locations to refrain from using expressions such as "straight-acting" and "masculine." They are far removed from the world of Gay activists who consider these pre-Stonewall terms offensive.

I don't ask for feedback but I've gotten some warm letters praising me as a cross between Dear Abby and Mother Theresa. I like hearing about the Belgian who is in love with a Canadian, the English guy who will visit his penpal in San Francisco, the Seattle man who spent a month being shown around Thailand by his Thai penpal and that's just the tip of the iceberg. There is a slew of couples from Hamburg, London, Brighton, Cambridge, Boston, Denmark and San Francisco who have all met and interchanged house-guesting visits.

So what am I getting out of this? When I compute the money I've made

from the \$15 subscriptions divided by the working hours I've spent writing, addressing, folding, typing, stuffing, stamping, etc. -- I'm on the losing side. My lover used to make wry jokes when he saw me at the typewriter and word processor day after day. He was threatening divorce until I showed him some letters of thanks.

And, of course I've used IGP listings myself. I think I might have been a lonely guy in South Africa, Australia, Paris, Strasbourg, London, Amsterdam, Copenhagen, Krakow, Vilnius, Hamburg, Cologne, Seattle and Vancouver if I had not had access to several names and addresses.

I may have signed away a lot of my life to I.G.P. (International Gay Pen-

pals), but there are some definite perks. I can look forward to spending my declining years in the Jewish Home For the Aged opening letters from men around the world who want to meet other men around the world.

[Persons wishing more information concerning IGP may write to: Barry Cherin, International Gay Penpals, Suite 320, Box 7304, North Hollywood, California, 91603]



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