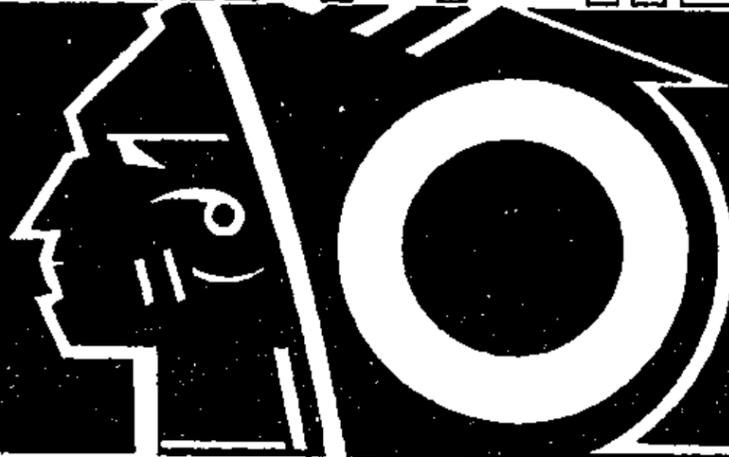


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1994 Progress Report Shows More Victories Than Defeats

by Tim McFeeley

Considering the progress we've made in the past 12 months, 1994 may go down in history as one of the most productive years since the beginning of the modern movement for Lesbian and Gay equal rights.

Despite some setbacks and disappointments, 1994 produced many more victories than defeats for the Lesbian and Gay community in the national political scene.

Along the way, we have shown ourselves to be more sophisticated and effective in educating the general public about our issues and building support for equal rights.

Among the advances we made in 1994 were:

MAJOR WINS AGAINST OUR FOES

We kept anti-Gay initiatives off

ballots in eight states, and defeated those that appeared in Idaho and Oregon.

We were instrumental in denying Oliver North a seat in the U.S. Senate. In Congress, we beat anti-Gay legislation introduced by Sen. Jesse Helms (R-NC) that targeted Gay youth for discrimination in schools and restricted access to condoms in high school health clinics.

We also shot down an attempt by anti-Gay extremist Rep. Bob Dornan (R-CA) to summarily dismiss HIV positive service members from the military.

PROGRESS TOWARDS EQUAL RIGHTS

The Employment Non-Discrimination ACT (ENDA), a new federal bill to prohibit anti-Gay job discrimination, gathered more co-sponsors in four months that the Gay Civil Rights Bill did in the previous 15 years.

ENDA put on track the long term strategy that will bring about equality under federal law. The Senate held its first hearing ever on legislation that would extend any form of civil rights protections to Lesbian and Gay people.

A PLACE AT THE TABLE OF THE CIVIL RIGHTS MOVEMENT

Mrs. Coretta Scott King spoke at the introduction of ENDA, calling the bill a priority for the civil rights movement.

The Leadership Conference on Civil Rights, which is the nation's largest and oldest civil rights coalition, invited the Human Rights Campaign Fund (HRCF), the largest national Lesbian and Gay equal rights organization, to serve on its executive committee.

BROADER SUPPORT AMONG NON-GAY AMERICANS

A series of polls on public atti-

tudes showed consistent, bipartisan support for equal rights and against discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation.

Majorities of Republicans, Democrats and Independents polled this year said that no one should be singled out for being Gay, Lesbian or Bisexual.

Retired Sen. Barry Goldwater (R-AZ) and Gov. Barbara Roberts (D-OR) co-chaired HRCF's Americans Against Discrimination program to defeat anti-Gay ballot initiatives.

ACHIEVEMENTS FROM THE EXECUTIVE BRANCH

President Clinton issued a letter condemning discrimination statewide ballot measures.

Clinton signed the Hate Crimes Sentencing Enhancement Act into law, thereby strengthening federal penalties for bias motivated crimes, including Gay bashings.

Clinton appointed Deborah Batts as the first openly Lesbian or Gay federal judge.

The Justice Department issued a temporary waiver of the HIV immigration ban for athletes attending the 1994 Gay Games in New York.

UNPRECEDENTED VISIBILITY AND INVOLVEMENT

More than 250 National Coming Out Day events were held in all 50 states, generating an unprecedented level of media coverage.

To lobby at the federal level, HRCF enlisted more than 4,000 local activists in all 50 states through a new Federal Advocacy Network.

A travelling computer generated 60,000 personal letters to Congress, and messages sent by participants in our Speak Out program topped the 1.2 million mark.

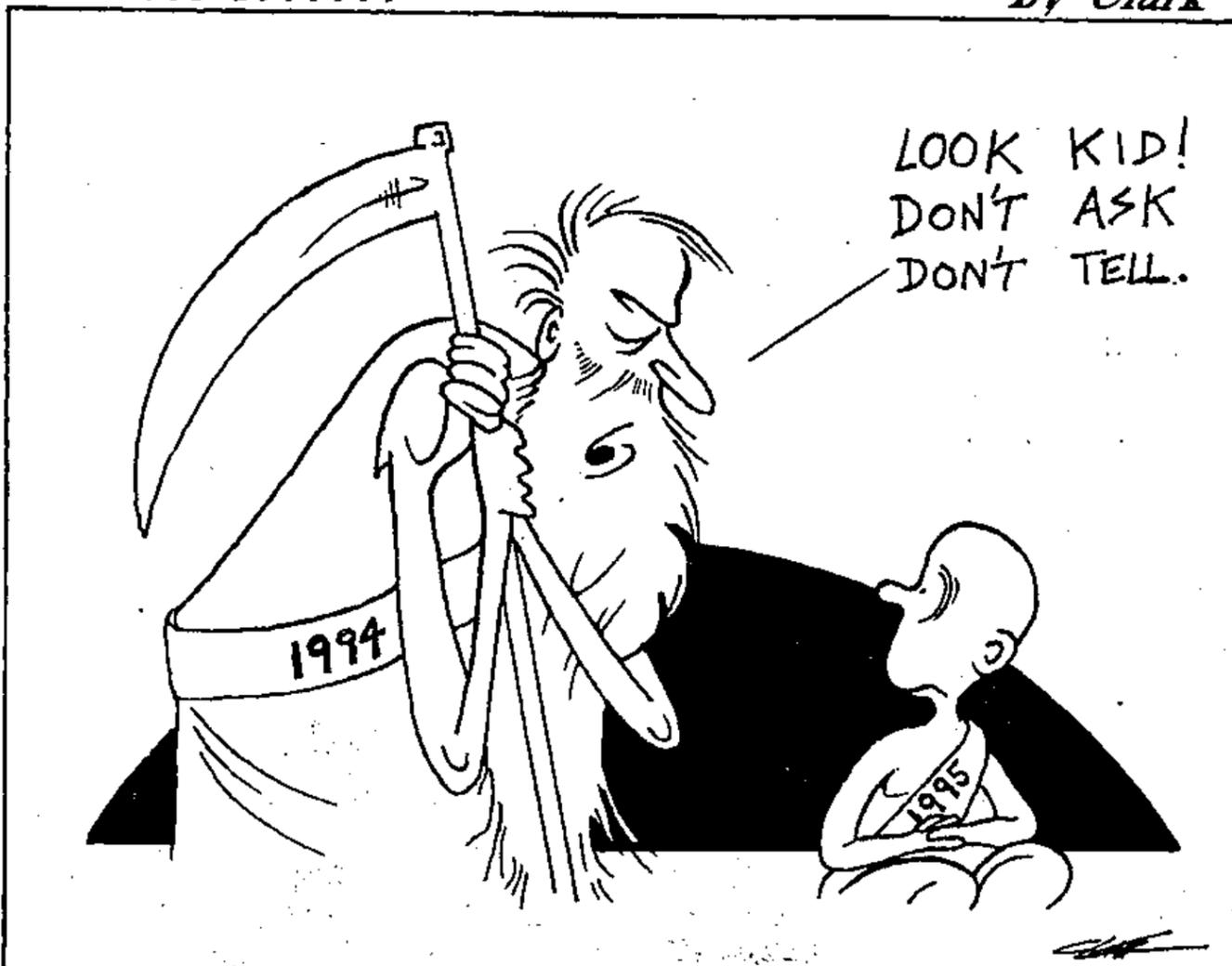
COOPERATION ON A NATIONAL SCALE

The five largest Gay, Lesbian and Bisexual supportive organizations in the country pooled their resources for the first time ever and raised funds nationally to defeat state anti-Gay initiatives.

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As I See It.....

by Clark



UPDATE

Black and White Ball Cancelled

TUCSON - Due to slow ticket sales, the Black & White Ball, scheduled to take place at the Quality Inn this New Year's Eve has been canceled.

Refunds will be made to those who had paid for their reservations in advance. For more information call 513-7805, Lucinda Holliday (pager).

New AIDS Test Using Saliva Instead of Blood Approved

WASHINGTON, D.C. (AP) - An AIDS virus test that used fluid from the mouth instead of blood has been approved by the Food and Drug Administration.

The FDA announced that the new test will be available only from physicians and will be administered only by people trained in its use.

Dr. Jeff Lawrence, a consultant to the American Foundation for AIDS Research, said the test using oral fluid could encourage people who would avoid blood tests to be tested for human immunodeficiency virus, or HIV, the virus that causes AIDS.

"As long as a positive test is followed up with a blood test and as long as there is appropriate counseling available, it is a reasonable thing to do," said Lawrence.

The new test measures the presence in the saliva of the antibodies to the HIV virus. The virus itself has not been found in saliva.

The FDA approval actually involves two systems: a way to collect and preserve the oral fluid, and a way to test the specimen in a laboratory for the HIV virus.

To collect fluid for a test, a specially trained cotton pad on a stick is placed between the lower gum and the cheek and allowed to absorb fluid.

The FDA said that in trials the oral fluid test had a 2 percent error factor in both positive and negative results.

Gay Sailor Wins Discharge Hearing

SEATTLE, WA (AP) - A sailor fighting President Clinton's "don't ask, don't tell" policy for Gays in the military won a federal court order blocking the Navy from discharging him.

U.S. District Judge William Dwyer granted Petty Officer 2nd Class Mark Philips a preliminary injunction and scheduled a hearing for February 22.

A Navy board of inquiry in Bangor, Washington, had recommended earlier this month that Philips, who works as a machinist's mate on a nuclear submarine, be discharged.

He said he was told by the Navy to expect his discharge by last Friday.

Philips' lawyers had argued in a lawsuit the "don't ask, don't tell" rule violates First Amendment guarantees of free speech, Fifth Amendment guarantees of equal protection and Philips' right to privacy.

Philips' problems with the Navy began two years ago when he disclosed his sexual orientation in response to questioning.

In January 1993, Clinton temporarily suspended the formal discharge of homosexuals from the military and ordered that new recruits no longer be asked if they are Gay. Later, the president compromised with opponents.

"G-Word" Show Meeting January 5

TUCSON - Empty Closet Productions, producers of Tucson's Gay and Lesbian television program, The "G Word", will be holding an open meeting on Thursday, January 5, 7:00 PM, at Tucson Cablevision, 124 East Broadway in Tucson.

Ever wonder how they produce Tucson's version of "Melrose Place"? Ever wonder how they schedule guests and subjects for each broadcast? Ever wonder how they come up with such goofy highlights for The Observer. Now is your chance to find out.

The January 5th meeting, open to anyone interested in being involved with the show; will cover the second season premiere of the show, scheduled for January 19. Also the 12 shows for the upcoming season.

For more information call 882-2075.

Washington Gay Couple Allowed To Adopt Boy

SEATTLE, WA (AP) - A Gay couple has been allowed to adopt a 4 year old boy, ending a custody struggle with the boy's mother, who gave him away and then tried to get him back.

Ross and Luis Lopton, who had been the boy's fosters parents, and a King County Superior Court commissioner signed the adoption papers.

"I'm living here forever," the boy, Gailen, told the Seattle Post Intelligencer. He calls Ross "Daddy" and Luis "Papa".

Gailen was placed with the Loptons in September 1993, a year after his mother, Megan Lucas, surrendered her parental rights.

When she learned that Gailen had been placed with a Gay couple, Lucas tried to rescind her decision and retain her parental rights. But a Superior Court judge rejected the request because it was filed a day too late under state law.

Lucas bore Gailen as an unwed teen uger then tried to adopt him, but the courts rejected that attempt, too. State officials also opposed the effort, citing her history of drug and alcohol abuse and a criminal record dating from age 11.

Washington is one of six states that permits adoptions by Gay couples. Six states have outlawed adoptions by same sex couples.

The Loptons, who are bankers, spent four years in training and counseling to become foster then adoptive parents.

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WHAT'S UP DOC???



Would you believe, 1994 is over? Boy, time really has a way of flying when you are having fun. Hell, it seems just like yesterday I was saying something to the effect, Happy New Year.

But, as I sit back and reflect over 1994, as most everyone can also agree with, in ways it was just another year. There were the good points or times, and the bad. It's strange to me because it seems even numbered years have never been strong ones for me, on the plus side. I guess it may have something to do with being called odd when I was growing up. Odd numbered years seems more of a plus type for me.

I have never really believed to spirits but last week, I took another look at them. Call it whatever you want because at a time or two, I've heard other people talking about them. Think back to the times the lights flickered at the Graduate, someone would say, "That's Roger checking up on us." He was probably checking on the Bacardi, and seeing the stock was still flowing, thanks to feedings for Neil.

This past week, I along with a few others, was in attendance at the Venture-N for the memorial service for Dale McK. The proceedings were to begin at 6 PM. For whatever reason, they did not begin until about 7:45 PM.

Nothing strange about that you say, well read on. At 7:05 every light in the bar went out, and I do mean every light. Everyone sat around, making jokes about one thing or another. Jim found some (?) candles, so the bar looked or took on a different atmosphere.

Then, 7:45 PM, those gathered for Dale got together on the patio. The first speaker was Bob E. He gave some history of Dale, telling of the good points Dale brought to everyone and ended with something to the effect, "Dale, you were well liked and you will be missed by all." Bob no sooner finished saying this when all the lights came back on.

Now, I ask, did Dale turn off the lights because everyone was running late? Did Dale finally turn the lights back on at the end of Bob's speech? I'll leave that for your own interruption, it was just too weird for me.

It seems every time I walk into the Venture-N, yes I'm talking about that bar again, someone will come up to me and tell me yet another story about Ernie. Hell, you would think he was running for Mrs. Leatherman of the Venture-N with all the different advertisements and comments.

This one, from Dennis B., was just another in the many passed on to me. It seems, Ernie went in the other day for a Sonagram and the results showed triplets. Now the question is, who is the true Father?

And one on someone I have not mentioned lately, Hopi. TJ was on hand for just a simple quiet cocktail, with Hopi in tow. That's a bunch of towing and I hope the rope (or should I say chains) is strong enough. Well anyway, I was saying something to TJ and Hopi interrupted. I told Hopi that I was talking to TJ. Hopi's response was, "Anything you say to TJ has to go through me first." Talk about a personal Secretary, this is beyond comprehension.

Finally, and yes - a week late, but who cares. A belated Happy Birthday is sent out to Allan, the A & G couple, (sounds like a grocery store to me), and to Tony - a.k.a. Safonda.

Now, for the last time this year, please be careful when out attending all those parties to bring in 1995. The cops have all kind of new ideas for catching each and everyone of us who tries to drive after a few drinks. You may even see them in the bars watching. How they have enough to waste time standing around bars I'll never know. Let us all bring in 1995 in a strong positive and happy light.

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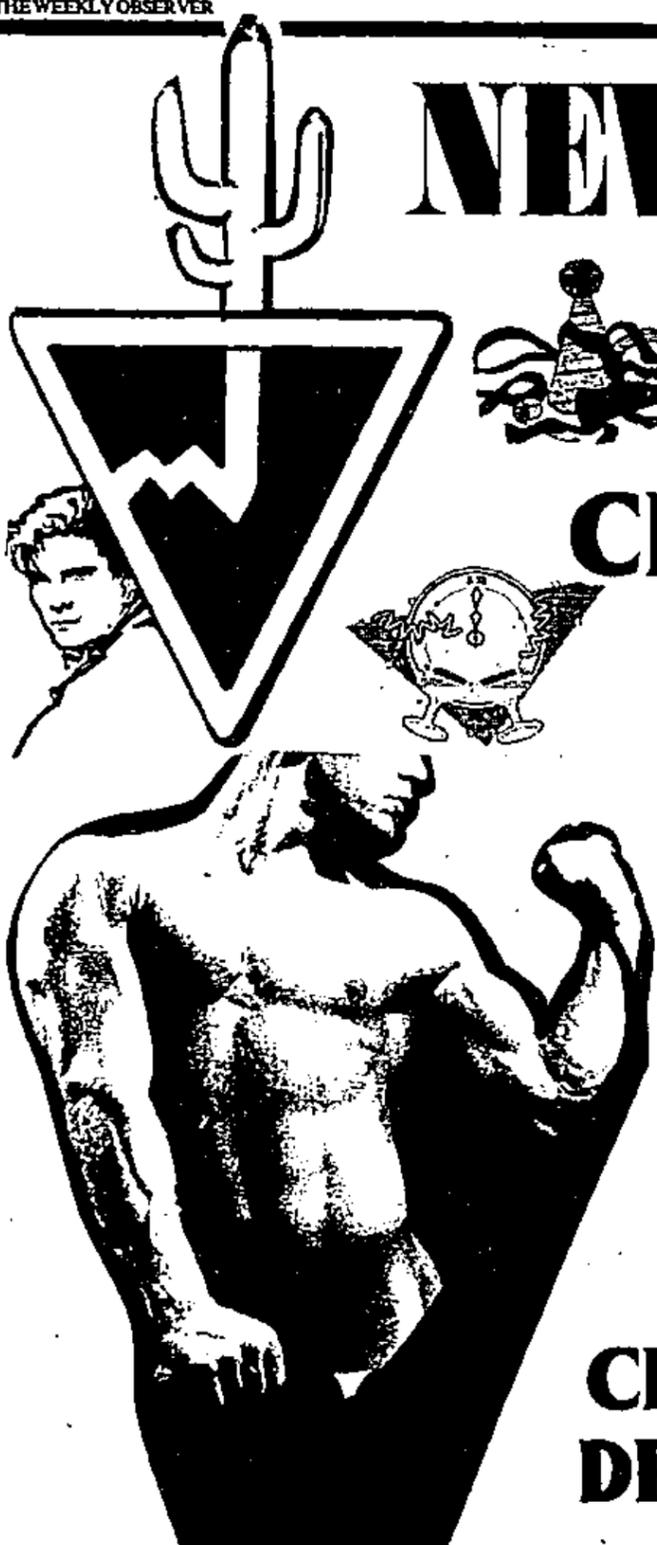
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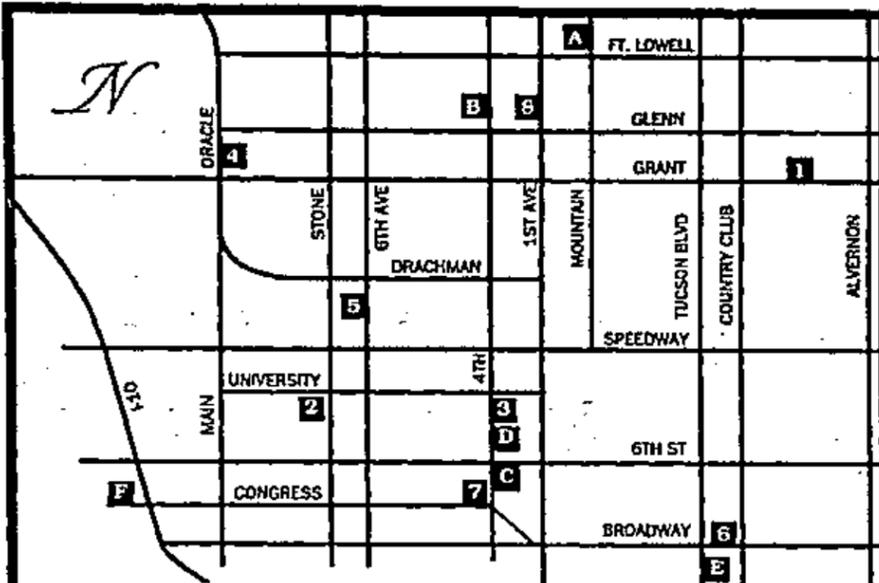
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Contacting Congress is quick, easy, and effective. This may be hard to believe, but Members of Congress respond to the people back home. The forces of fear only triumph over the forces of fairness when they send more mail to Washington than we do.

Congress trounced us on discrimination in the military because constituent calls and letters ran 100 to one against us. On the other hand, when Members of Congress have heard from us, we've made progress. Through simple phone calls, letters, and meetings, average citizens secured unprecedented support for the Employment Non-Discrimination Act (ENDA), a top legislative priority for Lesbian and Gay Americans.

The good news from the 1994 election is that, amidst the Republican

sweep, voters of all parties rejected anti-Gay discrimination. They defeated discriminatory ballot measures in Oregon and Idaho and re-elected virtually all Members of Congress who supported ENDA.

Post election polls confirm that non-partisan majorities support equal rights: 64 percent of Republicans, 71 percent of Independents, and 77 percent of Democrats agree that Lesbian and Gay Americans should not face discrimination, particularly in the workplace.

Our challenge is to bring the message of non-discrimination to the new Congress, even though we are severely out-gunned by well funded Radical Right groups. Pat Robertson's "Christian Coalition" alone claims more than 1 million members. His TV network reaches 60 million homes, mobilizing viewers to call the Capitol. Our task is to get Congressional moderates of both parties to overcome this pressure and fight for the fundamental value of fairness.

It's Easy: Take just a few minutes of simple action to fight the right in Congress. Introduce yourself to your Senators and Representative by calling or writing them about each of the following issues. Ask them to:

*Support the Ryan White CARE Act. A post election poll found that 78 percent of voters favor increased effort for AIDS research, prevention, and care. The CARE Act is the key source of federal budget cutting fever gripping Washington, this crucial resource is in severe danger without our help.

*Co-sponsor the Employment Non-Discrimination Act (ENDA). ENDA would prohibit job discrimination based on sexual orientation. Remind Congress that until ENDA passes, no federal law protects hard working Americans from being fired and otherwise discriminated against at work merely for being Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, or even heterosexual.

Polls show most voters of all political stripes favor equal rights in the workplace. Point out that bill prohibits quotas and does not apply to religious organizations, small business, and the military.

*Opposes any legislation that singles out Lesbian and Gay people for discrimination. Anti-Gay extremists will use any opportunity to further their discriminatory agenda through federal law. Attacks are expected on education bills, arts funding, HIV/AIDS, and other issues.

Keep these addressed and phone numbers, and pass them on to fair minded friends and family: The Honorable Jon Kyl or John McCain, U.S. Senate, Washington, D.C. 20510. The Honorable Ed Pastor or Jim Kolbe, U.S. House of Representatives, Washington, D.C. 20515.

Call them. Simply dial the U.S. Capitol at (202) 224-3121. If you aren't sure who your Members of Congress are, just give the operator your zip code and you will be connected.

Meet with them at an office near you. HRCF is organizing 100 members in the first 100 days of the new Congress. Contact HRCF's Federal Advocacy Network at (202) 628-4160 for help with arrangements.

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POLITICS '94 *by Mark Kerr*

LOOK BACK AT '94

fund. Passed 93-4.

This week's edition of shoveling the manure is going to take a look back at 1994 (Oh yeah!):

NATIONAL: In the midterm elections for Congress saw a political earthquake with the Republicans taking control of both Houses of Congress, for the first time since 1954. The Republicans made a net gain of 9 seats in the Senate and 52 seats in the House.

When it came to legislation, the 103rd Congress voted on several bills. In the Senate: Nickles Amendment to S.1 NIH Revitalization Act of 1993. Which prohibits the permit immigration of persons infected with the HIV virus. Passed 76-23.

Research: S.1-National Institutes of Health (NIH) Revitalization Act of 1993. This bill gives new authority to the Office of AIDS Research (OAR), including a \$100 million per year discretionary

Nomination of the Surgeon General: Senate Confirmation of Joycelyn Elders as Surgeon General. Confirmed 65-34.

HIV Prevention: Helms Amendment to Goals 2000: Educate America Act. This amendment would have prohibited the use of funds to support the distribution or provision of condoms or other contraceptives devices or drugs to an unemancipated minor without prior written consent. Rejected 34-59.

HIV Prevention: Helms Amendment to S. 1513-Elementary and Secondary Education Act: This amendment inhibits the ability of schools to provide effective HIV prevention for young Gay and Bisexual teens. It restricts the use of ESEA funds for sex education and prohibits local educational agencies which receive funds authorized by the act from implementing or carrying out programs or

activities that encourage or support homosexuality as a positive lifestyle alternative. Passed 63-36. HIV Prevention: Kennedy Amendment to S. 1513 (ESEA). This amendment deleted many of the onerous provisions from the Helms amendment. Passed 91-9.

Appropriations: Funding for Research, Care and Prevention. Appropriations Act for FY 1995: The bill includes funding for AIDS prevention, research and care. Passed 83-16. Funding for Housing: Agencies Appropriations Act for FY 1995: The bill includes funding for housing programs for people with AIDS (Housing Opportunities for People With AIDS). Passed 90-9.

In the House 8 bills were considered as well: Project Aries Amendment to H.R. 4-NIH Revitalization Act of 1993. An amendment prohibited further funding by NIH for Project Aries at the University of Washington in Seattle, a research project on HIV prevention counseling for Gay and Bisexual men. Passed 278-139.

HIV/AIDS Research: H.R. 4-NIH Revitalization Act of 1993. Gives new authority to the Office of AIDS Re-

search, including a \$100 million per year discretionary fund. Passed 283-131. Immigration: H.R. 4-NIH Revitalization Act of 1993. Calling for a ban on the permanent immigration of people living with HIV/AIDS to the U.S. Passed 356-58.

HIV Prevention: Unsoeld Amendment to H.R. 6-The ESEA Act. This amendment would prohibit enforcing the Hancock amendment since it is a federal infringement on local schools' right to determine content of local school curricula. Passed 224-194. The Hancock Amendment passed by a vote of 301-120.

H.R. 4301-Harman Amendment. Eased proposed restrictions on military service for people living with AIDS. Passed 331-89.

Appropriations: Funding for Research, Care and Prevention. Appropriations Act for FY 1995. Passed 331-89. Funding for Housing. Appropriations Act for FY 1995. Passed 313-61.

Also Rep. Ernest Istook proposed an amend to the D.C. Appropriations which prohibited the District for using funds to implement the D.C. District Domestic Partners Act. Passed 236-192.

When it came to state politics, the record was the same, the GOP won and won big. The GOP swept all the state-wide offices. They picked up 2 seats in Congress, 3 seats in the State House and 1 seat in the State Senate.

With the GOP already in control of the Legislature only 3 pieces of legislation made any headway:

S.B. 1314, sponsored by Sun City Republican, Sen. Austin Turner, which would have stripped away consensual rights of those wishing to be tested for HIV. Passed Senate, 16-14; killed in House when session ended without action being taken.

S.B. 1066, sponsored by Phoenix Democrat, Sen. Chuck Blanchard, which would have repealed the sodomy, oral sex, co-habitation statutes on the books. Passed Senate Judiciary Committee, 7-2, held up in Senate Rules Committee.

HCR 2009. Sponsored by Rep. Russell Bowers. The legislative attempt to place the Meliti hate amendment on the November general election ballot. Bill killed by Speaker.

Of course this past year, we had to deal with Frank Meliti and his supposed group, the Traditional Values Coalition, by doing a con job on the media with his proposed anti-Gay hate amendment, which he never filed any petitions when the deadline came.

1994 is over, time for 1995 and the City elections. The game never ends. So it goes for 1994...

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From The POOP SHEET

by Ace London

Well kiss ma' grits and butter ma' buns! We certainly got what we deserved in the Big Election, didn't we! We worked hard for it. More contests were won by only a few votes than I can remember in my lifetime of six decades.

Our G-L community turned out in record numbers because they knew their voters would while we managed to convince the Evangelicals to believe they didn't have a chance. Now, thanks to our non-voting "friends" we all have to face the beat of a different drummer in the days ahead and America is safe from theocracy.

Now, also, thanks to our voting efforts, we have a chance to educate our new Republican office holders whom we installed in office. Guess we'll have to get our bar stool butts in gear, huh? I know. It's a nasty job but somebody's gotta do it and those butts were made for walking. Just think of all the new friends in high places we will be making!

Actually, all of this activism in our community has reminded me of the good ol' days of 20/25 years ago. Oh, there were fewer of us out of our closets then, and, there were a lot of differences amongst us with bitch fights every so often, but, there was this same realization that our butts were on the line and we did honestly love one another as brothers and sisters so there was a strange unity as we fought the good fight together then.

What isn't the same today is the apathy in our midst, the homophobia the AIDS virus has brought out, the apathy in our midst, the burn out of many who've been carrying the bigger load in fighting the AIDS battle, the apathy in our midst, the deaths of so many of the pioneers for Gay rights, the apathy in our midst, the greed factor adopted from Mr. Reagan's "me generation" (yes, even Gays and Lesbians can be greedy!), the apathy in our midst, the lack of any leader emerging who is respected by the straight community nationally, and of course, the apathy in our midst.

What is the same today is that we were denied equal rights then and still are. What is the same is that we weren't demanding special rights then and we aren't now, either. What is the same is that our voices, individually and collectively, were heard when we spoke up just as they are today as we hear the whimper from our pansy population.

CHANNEL CHANGE: Let's take a look at a valuable tool used over the decades to make a point and gain objectives: boycotting.

The normal reason for a boycott is the belief there is an injustice going unnoticed which needs to be brought to light. When justice has been met, there usually is no further reason for continuing the boycott and it is recalled.

So! Who calls a boycott? Actually, any group or organization can call one; so can individuals.

What criteria are used or should be used? Does one boycott because of the activities of Corporate behavior or misbehavior or of the shareholders of Corporation owners?

There are lots of questions to be answered and since we're all responsible for our individual actions, we must face these questions lest we be looked upon for being bigots ourselves.

If a boycotted injustice is to be corrected, is a negotiator needed? Who sets the requirements to be met by the boycotted Company? Who will have the power to end a boycott once it's started? What should we be concerned about? The inequities or Company employment practices, or, should we only be concerned if it involves the welfare of all Gays and Lesbians?

Maybe we should be involved because a religious belief system is involved which is anti-Gay. Of course this could put us into a boycott against our own families in many cases, as well as our own families in many cases, as well as Companies which are owned by followers of such religions. This would put us into boycotting Protestants, Catholics, Muslims, etc., etc.

And we know, if they followed their teachings we can know in advance we'd be at a dead end before we began because their Church tenets certainly aren't going to be changed. Of course there is the possibility, not probability, they might be "converted" from their beliefs.

We also could hate them because they believe in such doctrines or we could live in the love which conquers hate and hatreds. We could allow them to pursue and practice their beliefs as all have the right and freedom to do and maybe by so doing we'd set the example of what is truly moral.

I personally can't see the validity of boycotting a Church or its believers even when they hate and think I'm immoral. I rather believe these are folks who need our love and compassion, and yes, even pity.

They need our leadership into the morality or reality and not some antiquated tenet. We must not punish the ignorant; we must educate. We have fought too long and too hard and come too far to deny ourselves now. When we decide to boycott without any leadership or negotiators, let us be sure it is not the impatient whim of our youth speaking from our emotion, when it should be our intellect and heart guiding us in our decisions to boycott anyone or anything.

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

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Home On The Range With AGRA-Tucson

by RY

I hope everyone had a great Christmas! This weeks column will be a tad bit shorter than usual due to the Holidays. 1995 will be upon us before we know it. Time to start thinking of those New Years Resolutions. If you're anything like me, by the end of January the resolutions will have already been broken. It's fun while it lasts.

The January AGRA-Tucson Chapter meetings will be held on January 22 at the Ramada Downtown. The Tucson Chapter Board Meeting will start at 3:00 PM. The General Membership Meeting will start at 5:00 PM. Please remember to bring your canned food items for the AGRA Pantry.

The ramada Downtown will be the Host Hotel for the 1995 Saguaro Regional Rodeo in March. The Saguaro Regional Rodeo will take place on March 17-19, at the Tucson Rodeo Grounds. The rodeo is just around the corner, now is the time to join AGRA and get involved in the fun.

January marks the start of the AGRA-Tucson Membership Drive. If you've ever even thought about joining AGRA, now is the time! Many fun activities and fund raisers are planned for

1995. Get in on the action and fun with AGRA. If interested please call the AGRA Hotline at 323-0805. New members are always welcome.

Don't forget that January also brings the Tenth Annual AGRA Road Runner Regional Rodeo to Phoenix. This years rodeo will take place on January 13-15. Volunteers are still needed for the Road Runner Regional Rodeo. If interested in volunteering please call 602-265-0618 for more information.

Coming in February will be the AGRA Valentines Day Dance. More details on the dance as the event approaches.

Get well soon wishes to Lee at Hours. Lee has been a little under the weather lately and we wish her a speedy recovery. Our thoughts and wishes are with you Lee.

That's it for this week folks. I was out of town for the Christmas Holiday so unfortunately I have no little tid bits to pass on to you this week. May you all have a wonderful and safe New Years Holiday. Please remember to drink responsibly and play safe. Until next week. Happy New Year!

Coming Home For The Holidays

by Amanda Bearse

The first time you bring someone special home to meet mom and dad can be stressful. But, when you are a daughter, and you bring home a woman, this adds an entirely new dimension. Will they reject me and stop loving me? All sorts of fears race through your mind.

You could call me one of the lucky ones. As an openly Lesbian actress on Fox's Married...with Children, my co-workers, fans, friends and family know and accept me for who I am. And while my family loves me and includes me in all our family celebrations, including the holidays, being the Gay family member has not always been easy.

While it was not always easy, it has been my openness and honesty with my family about who I am that showed them the truth about Gays and Lesbians, not the negative stereotypes they learned from society. I'm not sure if there was a right time or a wrong time to bring someone I care about home to meet my parents, but when someone plays a significant role in my life, I want them to be a part of the family. There is now no question in our house what family means to us.

But, many Gays and Lesbians choose not to include themselves in family celebrations because of the fear of rejection. While I know of families that turn their backs on their Gay children, there are so many more families that are never given the chance to know their Gay relatives because of the self imposed exile called "the closet." Some of my Gay friends have even said, "I'm sure they don't want to know about my lifestyle so why even go home."

Now that I have a family of my own that includes my daughter, I cannot imagine her missing the joys of the season I have grown so fond of over the years. She won't have to, because I took the initiative to weave all parts of my life into the fabric of my family.

Lesbians and Gays must acquaint "our families" with each other, showing them how loving and devoted our relationships truly are. For me, it meant having my friends meet my family, sharing those who matter most to me with each other. It has also included bring my partner with me to work social events. This has shown my non-Gay friends and family that my personal relationships are just as important and significant as theirs.

So, before Gays and non-Gays continue to chart their separate courses, I encourage everyone to give the gift of yourselves this holiday season.

For Gay people, take the step that's right for you and come out to your family and friends, letting them know who you are and how being Gay has no bearing on how good a son, daughter or friend you are to them. At work, it means putting a picture of your life partner or friends on your desk, or perhaps discussing with the office manager company policies and benefits for domestic partners. (Most companies that have implemented domestic partnership benefits for their employees have done so because Gay employees have asked for them.) For non-Gay people, it means listening to these family members and friends whom you have grown to love and respect. Understand that they are taking a big risk in telling you about a very personal, yet integral part of who they are. All they are doing is asking for the opportunities to share special events with the ones they love, which includes their life partner, friends and family.

Reflecting on my life during the holiday season, I realize I have a lot to be thankful for. And, because of the investment my family members have made in each other, I know that my coming out to them now enables me to truly come home for the holidays.

[Amanda Bearse is an actress who plays Marcy D'Arcy on Fox's Married...with Children, and is the spokesperson for National Coming Out Day.]



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Prevention Services

Making A Difference

Community Spirit Achieves Legal Victory Over TNC

CHICAGO, IL - The Gay long distance wars wage on between Overlooked Opinions and Trans National Communications. The two companies parted ways on February 17, 1994 on the less than amicable terms when Overlooked terminated Trans National's contract because of TNC's failure to provide adequate service to CommunitySpirit customers.

On June 8, 1994, Overlook won the first round when the U.S. District Court Of Massachusetts Ordered the following:

1. Trans National to send a letter of apology to over 20,000 CommunitySpirit and Overlook Opinions names.
2. Ordered Trans National to stop using the CommunitySpirit and Overlooked Opinions service marks.
3. Trans National to issue replacement calling cards to thousands of people to whom Trans National had sent Trans National calling cards imprinted with the both the CommunitySpirit and Overlooked Opinions logos, but that were actually billing with Trans National.

"Trans National went so far as to use Overlooked's federal trademarks in an attempt to mislead our customers into switching their long distance service over to the Pride Network! That takes a special kind of stupid," concludes Jeffrey J. Vitale, President of Overlooked.

"I can only guess that TNC was desperate to collect signatures, Trans National had already switched nearly 20,000 CommunitySpirit customers to the Pride Network without customer notification or authorization. I really don't think that TNC thought through the ramifications of what they were doing," Vitale added.

On November 4, Judge Gertner denied TNC's request for partial summary judgment in the case. This second set back pulls the rug out from under Trans National argued that as the only party in the suit with an FCC status of Common Carrier prior to February 17, 1994, that Trans National owned the CommunitySpirit customers.

Judge Gertner, in her most recent memorandum and order, wrote, "It was OOI, not TNC, that dealt directly with potential customers, and its promotional literature placed great stress on OOI's 'LesBiGay' corporate identity, the idea that patronizing CommunitySpirit meant keeping money within the LesBiGay community, and that LesBiGay charities would benefit from the contributions which OOI promised to make from the receipts of the enterprise."

Vitale is pleased with the Court's decision, but he fears it will be some time before CommunitySpirit completely recovers from the dispute. He also stated that CommunitySpirit won't be able to repair the damage overnight, but it will take time.

HRCF Names New Board Co-Chairs Coming Home for the Holidays

WASHINGTON, D.C. - The Human Rights Campaign Fund, the largest national Lesbian and Gay equal rights organization, announced the selection of Denver marketing and public relations consultant Julia-Fitz Randolph and Dallas attorney Donald McCleary as the new co-chairs of its Board of Directors.

Fitz-Randolph and McCleary were elected to succeed outgoing co-chairs Hilary Rosen and Steve Shellabarger at the Board's November meeting in Washington D.C.

With more than twenty years of experience in the non-profit and private sectors, Fitz-Randolph has a long record of community service advocating for women, children and people living with HIV. Currently an associate with Ordinary Magic, she served for eight years as Vice President of the Children's Hospital in Denver.

Fitz-Randolph founded the Women's Foundation of Colorado and served as National Fund Raising Coordinator for Equal Protection Ordinance of Colorado, one of the groups fighting right-wing attempts to repeal and block local non-discrimination laws that include sexual orientation.

"The Radical Right will try to pressure Republican moderates in the new Congress to bow its extremist agenda of intolerance. We must remind Congress that, amidst the Republican electoral sweep, voters rejected discrimination. I feel honored to be entrusted with this new level of responsibility at this critical time," said Fitz-Randolph.

McCleary has long been active in the Dallas business and AIDS communities. In addition to work with the Dallas Assembly and the Dallas Citizens Council, McCleary has been on the AIDS Arms Network's Board of Directors and the AMFAR Local Council. He has also served as National President of the Sigma Phi Epsilon Fraternity.

McCleary stressed the sense of urgency that comes with the 104th Congress, commenting that "1995 will intensify the 'David v. Goliath' struggle against well funded Radical Right groups, and I look forward to helping Campaign Fund members get the resources to hold the line against discrimination in the new Congress."

"Julia and Don are making a tremendous contribution to the Lesbian and Gay equal rights movement," said outgoing Campaign Fund Executive Director Tim McFeeley. "Their leadership will be vitally important in the coming year."

Through programs of grassroots mobilization, Congressional lobbying, political action, and public education, the Human Rights Campaign Fund fights discrimination based on sexual orientation. In November, HRCF selected Apple Computer head attorney Elizabeth Birch to serve as its next executive director. Birch will begin her new position next month.

National Coalition Against Censorship Year In Review

Protecting The Right Of Young People To Read

NEW YORK, NY - In the past year, the National Coalition Against Censorship has expanded its program to protect the rights of young people to inquire and read, the rights of writers to communicate to children, the rights of teachers to teach, and the rights of parents to raise their children free from unwarranted pressures to limit and distort reading, writing, and thinking.

We believe that selection of books for libraries should be made by professional librarians; class curricula should be similarly established using educational criteria; choices about which books to read should be made by young people and, when appropriate, with the guidance of their parents, rather than by self appointed moral guardians.

CREATE THE CLIMATE

NCAC has greatly increased its efforts to create a climate favorable to these basic free speech and inquiry values. It has:

Published and disseminated 1,200 copies of an information packet, *Fighting the Religious Right in Schools*; which includes material describing the attempts of members of the religious/political right to limit school curricula and to eliminate or to reduce the availability of a very large number of books, and describes methods to be used in "regaining" school districts all across the country.

Begun a new publication, *Censorship Matters*, to provide the local community advocate with detailed suggestions, examples, and encouragements for countering censorship in public schools and libraries.

Assisted Parenting magazine in conceptualizing a special feature on censorship of children's literature with articles by six juvenile writers who have experienced censorship attempts.

Drawn attention to the absurd but

tragic school censorship controversies in this country at our 1994 benefit, *Clear and Present Danger*, which received media attention, in *The New York Times*, *Publishers Weekly*, *New York 1*, and on the *Charlie Rose Show*.

Assisted over 500 students, ranging from grade school to high school, with research reports on censorship through topic specific information mailings and telephone consultations.

Publicized school censorship through our newsletter, *Censorship News*.

Catalogued and widely distributed information on book censorship controversies throughout the country (and their outcomes) with periodic publication of NCAC Books of the Month.

Worked continuously with media, print, radio, and TV, securing national, local, mainstream, and alternative publications across the country.

Increased our communication with juvenile writers (our list is now over 300).

For some year's children's books have been attacked for such sins as "promoting Satanism," "taking the name of the Lord in vain," and for "letting evil triumph over good." These and similar charges continue to be widely made. More recently, other books have been attacked as "promoting the homosexual agenda."

In the past year, NCAC responded to attempts to remove books from school curricula and libraries with advice, written materials, and communications to teachers, librarians, and "ordinary" citizens as well as to decision makers.

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Assistance to Victims of Abuse (AVA) 795-4880 24-hour crisis line, shelter, and outreach counseling; for women and children.

Tucson Rape Crisis Center 327-7273 24-hour crisis line; counseling 327-1171; for children, adolescents, men, women, couples and families.

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CALENDAR of upcoming events

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 29

CLUB 2520 - Gold Schlager and T.Q. Hot promotion night from 10:30 p.m. until 12:30 a.m. \$1 shots of both plus free T-shirts, shot glasses and hats.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 31 - NEW YEAR'S EVE
AIN'T NOBODY'S BIZNESS - Complete buffet, party favors, champagne at Midnight, dancing - the whole nine yards. Spend your New Years Eve at the Blz. Buffet and DJ begin at 7:00 p.m. Free sodas and coffee for designated driver. Cover charge.

CLUB 2520 - Out with the traditional! Bring in 1995 with a 'Dark Fantasy' at the Club. Dress to tease - latex, leather - chains - chaps, you get the idea. Drink specials all night for those in 'proper' attire. Champagne at midnight. Party favors etc. No Cover.

GRADUATE - New Year's Nougata here with food, fun, complimentary champagne at midnight, party favors etc. Free soda, juice or coffee to those who wish and champagne to take home. Lookout '95. No Cover.

HOURS - Make plans now for IBT's New Year's Eve Gala beginning at 8:30 p.m. Lots of special surprises. Check out their ad this issue! No cover.

IBT'S - Party! Watch for upcoming ad and mark your calendars. No Cover.

STONEWALL/EAGLE - Join the gang here for New Year's Eve and their "San Diego for Two" Give-Away! You must be present to win. Besides there'll be lots of fun, favors, dancing, and all the hoopla associated with New Year's Eve. Y'all come.

VENTURE-N - A real Venture-N-style New Year's Eve is planned here! Yea Party! Plenty of men - fun - games and some great classic rock music.

SUNDAY, JANUARY 1

AIN'T NOBODY'S BIZNESS - Recover from the New Year's eve here with Meandu and Minusas plus the big screen TV football.

VENTURE-N - Start the New Year right with all the traditional fare that is associated with New Year's Day. All afternoon....

TUESDAY, JANUARY 3

CLUB 2520 - First night of the new dinner schedule with food prepared by House of Jerome Catering. This evening's meal will be a spaghetti dinner and will benefit Shanti foundation of Tucson. \$3.95 per person. Dinners will be served daily Tuesday thru Saturday from 4 to 8 p.m. Check it out!

Non-Bar CALENDAR

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 31 - NEW YEAR'S EVE

New Year's Eve Black and White dinner, dance and show at the Quality Inn University, 1601 N. Oracle. \$25 per person includes dinner, party favors and champagne at midnight. No host bar. All proceeds benefit the National MPS Society. Limited seating. Get your tickets now. All ages welcome. Bring your ID for cocktails, enjoy an evening of live vocals, piano music, comedy, female impersonators. Door prizes and lots of dancing. Ticket information call 747-7426 or get your tickets at Holiday's Headliners gift shop inside Club 2520.

"After Dark" after hours 1:00 to 4:00 a.m. hosted by Tucson Lesbian and Gay Alliance (TLGA) in the first of a series of non-alcoholic dance events celebrating your support of and benefit for the Tucson Gay and Lesbian community. \$4.00 at the door. DJ will be MIQ. Located at 3206 N. 1st Avenue in the Amphitheater Plaza.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 6

A collection of color photographs by David Eydes entitled "What I did On My Vacation" will be on exhibit at the Wingspan Community Center Gallery, 422 N. 4th Ave. 7:00 to 10:00 p.m. The exhibit will run through January 31. Gallery hours Monday, Wednesday, Friday: 1:00 to 7:00 p.m., Tuesday, Thursday: 1:00 to 5:00 p.m., Saturday: 1:00 to 3:00 and 5:00 to 7:00 p.m.

SUNDAY, JANUARY 8

Wingspan's, (Tucson's Gay, Lesbian and Bisexual Community Center) annual meeting and election of new board members begins at 6:00 p.m. at Wingspan, 422 N. 4th Ave. Current Wingspan members can come and vote at the Annual meeting for the new board members. If you'd like to vote, but you're not a current member or volunteer, you can become a member at this meeting by paying the annual membership fee. This is an important meeting, be sure to attend.

FRI-SAT-SUN., JANUARY 13-14-15

10th Anniversary Rodeo! Arizona Gay Rodeo Presents the annual Roadrunner Regional Rodeo in Phoenix. Quality Hotel is the Host hotel (602)248-0222. The rodeo will be held at Corona Ranch and Rodeo Grounds - 29th Avenue at Baseline.

SATURDAY, JANUARY 14

Gay and Lesbian Hiking Club will hike the Bear Canyon and Seven Falls (8 miles; 700 ft. elevation change). Group will meet at 9:00 a.m. and follow the park road to Bear Canyon and then on to Seven Falls where they will relax and have lunch. For those who wish, there is the possibility of hiking beyond the falls for beautiful views from above. For information and/or reservations, call Les McAllan through pager number 446-3711. Be sure to enter your number (touch tone phones only) followed by the # sign.

SUNDAY, JANUARY 15

Tucson Prime Timers (Gay and Bisexual men over 30) monthly meeting at Wingspan, 422 N. 4th Ave. from 4 to 6 p.m. Discussion of individual and group plans for 1995.

FEBRUARY 8 - 25

"Movie Queens", the next One-In-Ten theatrical production is by Claudia Allen, the author of last season's runaway hit "Hannah Free". It's the story of two feuding legendary actresses who are reunited for a Broadway play, only to find that their personal history is the real stuff of great drama. To make reservations, or for more information call 770-9279.

FEBRUARY 17-18-19

The NAMES Project will display the AIDS Memorial Quilt in Phoenix at the Phoenix Civic Plaza. The Event Steering Committee needs volunteers. Panel making workshops are held in Phoenix the Third Wednesday and Second Saturday of each month through February 15th at 111 E. Camelback. Volunteers from Tucson are needed to help with set-up, quilt monitoring, sales, panel making, candle-lite vigil. Call Mary Higgins or Frank Gallego at the P.A.C.T. Office, 770-1710 to sign up.

Tucson CALENDAR sunday

AIN'T NOBODY'S BIZNESS - Beer Bust 5-10, \$1.25 pitchers. Men's Nite! Great music, better dancing and it all begins at 7 p.m.
CLUB 2520 - Open Noon. Salad Bar and Western Steak Fry 4 to 7 pm. C/W and Progressive Dance Music 8 to 1.
GRADUATE - Happy Hour 4-8 pm, all well \$1.25 Draft 75c Schnapps 75c
HOURS - Bloody Marys and Screw \$1.25 till 7 pm. Country/Western dance instruction 6-8 pm. Country Dance Music 8 to 1.
IBT's - Open 11 am to 1 am. Happy Hour 4-8 pm, \$1.25 domestic beer and well. Beautiful B-B-Q and Beer Bust for community organizations 4-7. Ten Dance 4-8. Rock 'n Roll dancing later.
STONEWALL/EAGLE - Happy Hour 10 am until 8 pm. Pool tournament 3pm. Bar-B-Que and Beer Bust. 50¢ Draft. Stonewall opens at 8pm, Disco dancing 8 to close.
VENTURE-N - Open 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.

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AIN'T NOBODY'S BIZNESS - Happy Hour 4-7, Reverse Happy Hour 9-11, DJ 9pm.
CLUB 2520 - Open 3pm. 99¢ Happy Hour 4 to 8pm. \$1.25 well B-B + Moose Madras "buckets". C/W dancing and Progressive Dance Music begins at 9pm.
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. 50¢ Draft Beer 7 to close.
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VENTURE-N - Open 6am. Patio Bar opens at 7pm

tuesday

AIN'T NOBODY'S BIZNESS - Happy Hour 4-7. Dart Tournament 7pm.
CLUB 2520 - Open 3pm. 99¢ Happy Hour 4 to 8pm. \$1.25 Well and Domestic Beer 8 to close. T-Squares Advanced Group 7pm. Country/Western dancing begins at 9 pm.
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 close Tattoo Tuesday. \$1.25 well and domestic beer for those showing their tattoos. Prizes and surprises.
STONEWALL/EAGLE - Happy Hour 10am to 8pm. Wet Jersey Short Contest 10pm. Stonewall opens at 8pm for dancing.
VENTURE-N - Open 6am to 1am. Patio Bar opens at 7 pm

wednesday

AIN'T NOBODY'S BIZNESS - Happy Hour 4-7. Western Nite. Country Dance Lessons begin at 7 p.m. Schnapps Shots \$1.
CLUB 2520 - Open 3pm. 99¢ Happy Hour 4 to 8pm. 50¢ off on everything from 3pm to close. Drink Specials all night. ID required. C/W dance lessons with Edgar 7:30-9:30
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VENTURE-N - Open 6am to 1am. Patio bar opens 7pm. Bare Chest Nite from 7pm. Happy Hour prices for "spontaneously asked" men.

thursday

AIN'T NOBODY'S BIZNESS - Happy Hour 4-7. Beer Bust 9 to midnight, \$1.25 pitchers.
CLUB 2520 - Open 3pm. 99¢ Happy Hour 4 to 8pm. Men's Nite - 50¢ draft beer and 50¢ Schnapps 9pm to 1am. 2-Step lessons 7 pm. Dart Tossing at 8, \$2 buy-in with bar matching the pot.
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. Hitchhike or Corona \$1.00 9pm to 1am. Country/Western dancing 8 to 1.
IBT's - Open noon to 1am. Happy Hour 4-8 pm \$1.25 domestic beer and well. Underwear Nite 10 to 1 - win a pair of Calvin Klein underwear. \$1.25 Well and Domestic Beer to those in their underwear.
STONEWALL/EAGLE - Happy Hour 10am-8pm. Stonewall opens 8pm. Country/Western Nite: Drink Discussions for those in Cowboy Hats.
VENTURE-N - Open 6am to 1am. Patio Bar opens at 7pm. Leather Nite 8 to midnight. Special prices for men in leather. Pool Tournament 7pm, \$3 entry fee.

friday

AIN'T NOBODY'S BIZNESS - Happy Hour 4-7. Complimentary Hors D'Oeuvres
CLUB 2520 - Open 3pm. 99¢ Happy Hour 4 to 8 pm. (well and domestic beer). C/W dancing and Progressive Dance Music begins at 8pm.
GRADUATE - Happy Hour 4-8pm, all well \$1.25 draft 75c Schnapps 75c
HOURS - Happy Hour 12-7pm well or domestic beer \$1.25. C/W dance 8-1
IBT's - Open noon. Happy Hour 4-8pm \$1.25 domestic beer and well. GoGo dancers 10pm. Patio Bar with Launcy 9-1. Dance Party 9 to 1 with DJ David Z.
STONEWALL/EAGLE - Happy Hour 10am-7pm; Hot Hors d'Oeuvres 6pm. Stonewall opens 8pm. 10:30 to 11:30 p.m. Cruise Party, \$1 well and domestic beer. Leather/Uniform Nite. \$1 Well and Domestic for proper apparel.
VENTURE-N - Open 6am to 1am. Patio Bar opens 7pm.

saturday

AIN'T NOBODY'S BIZNESS - Pool Tournament 5 pm. Pot matched, winner take all.
CLUB 2520 - Open Noon. C/W dancing and Progressive Dance Music begins at 8pm.
GRADUATE - Happy Hour 4-8pm, all well drinks \$1.25 draft 75c Schnapps 75c. Pool Tournament 2pm, \$3 entry fee, pot matched.
HOURS - Open Noon. Strawberry & Banana Daiquiris, Pilsa Cofeada \$3. Country/Western Dancing 8-1.
IBT's - Open 11 am to 1 am. Happy Hour noon to 8 pm \$1.25 domestic beer and well. Patio Bar with Launcy 9-1. Dance 9 to 1 with DJ David Z. and Go Go dancers begin at 10pm.
STONEWALL/EAGLE - Open at 10am. Stonewall opens at 8pm. Leather/Uniform Nite - \$1 well and domestic all night for those in proper attire.
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A View From The Rock

A Commentary From Cornerstone Fellowship

It's time to welcome in a new year. It's a time for reflection, a time to look at how we've lived our lives and think about making some changes. What will 1995 hold for us? What moments of happiness will we experience? What trials must we endure?

The future has always held a fascination for humanity. When we look at our world today we can recognize, as never before, a world becoming more and more like the one described in the Bible as that which will exist right before the return of Jesus Christ for his children.

We see an increase in violence, hate, natural disasters, famine, and incurable illness, as well as a decrease in the effectiveness of certain medications that have always been considered reliable.

There is much over which we have little or no control, but where we choose to spend eternity is one decision reserved for each individual. The renewal that we seek to achieve within ourselves year after year is becoming increasingly significant.

In Biblical times, every fiftieth year was called a Jubilee Year. Debts were wiped clean and the land was freed from constant sowing and reaping of the soil by farmers so that it could be rejuvenated.

In another observance, every year a Jewish priest would conduct animal sacrifices to the Lord in celebration of the Day of Atonement. The blood of these unblemished animals served as a temporary cleansing from sin for all the people.

With the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ, we no longer need to rely on temporary sacrifices to atone for our sins. Through him, the debt of sin is paid in full! Scripture tells us, "Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation: the old has gone, the new has come!" (II Corinthians 5:17)

As new creations, does it mean that our troubles in this world are over? Does it mean that we will no longer sin? This world now is far from what it will one day be when Jesus returns.

Trouble will come our way, but when we become new creations by declaring our faith in Jesus as our savior, it's not the troubles that we should focus on, but rather the strength to endure them which is available to us through Jesus Christ.

Sin is a part of our inherited nature, but the power to resist temptation exists for those actively and sincerely seek it through the Holy Spirit of God given to us by our savior Jesus Christ.

Is this gift of eternal salvation beyond the grasp of the Gay and Lesbian community, as many straight fundamentalist Christians proclaim? The Bible tells us "Therefore, there is now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus." (Romans 8:1)

The Lord has made the gift of salvation available to all who believe that Jesus died for their sins. For more information on this subject, please call or write Cornerstone Fellowship for a copy of "From Darkness Into Light". It will show you the truth of scripture about homosexuality and help you understand the extent of God's love for you!

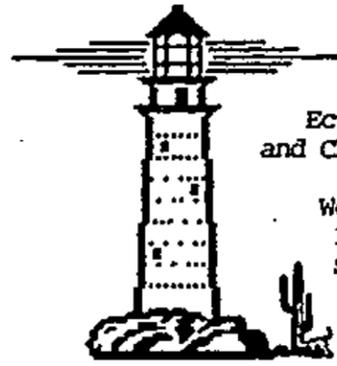
God's gift to all people, his only begotten son, Jesus Christ, is not just reserved for January 1st at 12:01 AM. It's a gift available to you at any time you choose to accept it. So this year, as you determine to make changes in your life, remember that the choice you make to accept Jesus is the greatest and most lasting New Year's resolution you could ever make.

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by Frank E.G. Gallego

People With AIDS Coalition of Tucson prepares for the challenges we face in 1995. Tempered by our cause, our goals and our collective experience PACT continues its quest in reaching the entire community with help, understanding and care. Our numbers grow and so do the totals of HIV/AIDS. We are making a difference and more of you need to know about what HIV/AIDS is, does, affects everyone's life.

PACT for Life, is a coalition of, by, and for people living with HIV/AIDS.

Membership is free and open to anyone concerned, this means, open to everyone in the entire Tucson community. This organization offers all its services to both the Gay/Lesbian and straight communities. Anyone wishing for information on our organization, services, or volunteering to help, call 770-1710.

Many thanks are extended to Claudia Nesbitt and her fellow members of the Sahuaro Women's Club for their assistance and contributions to our very successful Christmas Party and Open House last week. Laurie Allen, Food for Life chairperson, and her team of volunteers are also thanked for all the food and energy they contributed to the event for everyone's enjoyment.

As we look over this past year and look down and up the road that is 1995, we rededicate ourselves, our strengths, our solidarity. Please join the world community we are a part of and help those who cannot help themselves. In the coming year give of yourself for as long or short a time you can. It is really in giving that we receive.

All of us at PACT wish all of you a happy, healthy and prosperous 1995.

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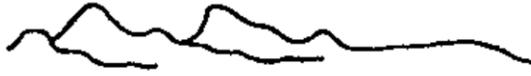
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1994 closes on a bang. This week, Mercury and the Sun face off in Capricorn and charge up communications. It is an excellent time to reach out to others and express your opinion, whether it's in work, play, love or money. Read ahead to see how we can best maneuver ourselves and others. Happy holiday!

ARIES

MARCH 21 - APRIL 20

The Mercury/Sun conjunction could not come at a better time for you professionally. In this high energy phase, you are easily able to grab the ear of someone in authority who will give high priority to a matter of importance to you. What a great New Years gift! I suggest you give a little thought to what you really want the pinstriped 1995 baby to bring you. It would be a darn shame to waste this energy on nonsense.

TAURUS

APRIL 21 - MAY 21

If this turns out to be a time of restlessness and excitability for you, blame it on the Sun/Mercury conjunction. This transit may make you eager to get out, travel and explore the world. Since this is the holiday season, you may want to find a good excuse to visit faraway friends on family and therefore scratch those itchy travellers feet. At very least, gather some kindred souls together and have an exotic and unusual celebration.

GEMINI

MAY 22 - JUNE 21

The mind works in mysterious ways as you find yourself focusing more and more on sex and deeply intimate urgings. The conjunction of the Sun with Mercury makes you a smooth operator indeed; you can charm your way into anyone's drawers now. The secret to success in your quest is to talk less about yourself and more about the fabulous qualities of your targeted quarry.

CANCER

JUNE 22 - JULY 23

Mercury and the Sun conspire to fill your mind with relationship issues. It seems as if you can't stop talking about what your needs are, what you are feeling about partners and partnerships in general. This is all very well and good as long as you don't become naggy or whiny. This planetary aspect can help you air out the dirty linen, but honestly dear, a little goes a long way.

LEO

JULY 24 - AUGUST 23

Your ruling planet (the Sun) is receiving a jolt from dear old Mercury. If you apply this electric conjunction properly, you can be extraordinarily effective on the job. Mercury fires up your mind so you can handle even the most onerous and detailed of tasks effectively and adeptly. Try to your hand at something new; you can make quick and accurate business decisions because your mind is crystal clear.

VIRGO

AUGUST 24 - SEPTEMBER 23

The Mercury/Sun aspect gives you extra courage to step out and do some public speaking or even a bit of dramatic performance. (I vote for comedy over tragedy.) You may just surprise a few people with how gregarious you can be at parties and how chatty you are at holiday social events. Virgos can often be too uptight for their own good. Go with the flow and have fun!

LIBRA

SEPTEMBER 24 - OCTOBER 23

Do you feel a bit restless? It may be that the Sun/Mercury conjunction is putting a little more stress than usual on home related issues. You may also be very

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tempted to let family or very close old friends know exactly what you think, come what may. The holiday season can bring out the best or the worst in us. Libras are usually diplomatic enough to avoid messy recriminations.

SCORPIO

OCTOBER 24 - NOVEMBER 22

Your mind become a big sponge, anxious to sop up every bit of information to the last drop. Now, with Mercury conjunct the Sun, you can easily plan projects and take intellectual matters to the necessary next step. This is a superb time to catch up on correspondence; writers block will miraculously disappear and your thoughts become fluid and compelling. Is it time for you to begin that great American Gay Novel? We are anxiously waiting...

SAGITTARIUS

NOVEMBER 23 - DECEMBER 22

Sags are usually pretty carefree with their money but now, with the Sun/Mercury conjunction, you must allow your money

to work for you instead of vice versa. Investments and financial planning are highlighted as your mind is sharp and focused on the bottom line. Even quick decisions may bear green fruit. I strongly advise you to plan now so you can reap financial benefits later.

CAPRICORN

DECEMBER 23 - JANUARY 20

The Sun and Mercury light a fire in your personality. It is time to focus more of your attention on personal growth in order to decide what you need to start now in order to advance your personal agenda. The planets spur you to action; there may be a great need to express yourself come what may. Word of warning; this conjunction could make your personality much stronger than usual. Don't use a hammer when a feather will do.

AQUARIUS

JANUARY 21 - FEBRUARY 19

Grab a mantra and go for a ride. The Sun/Mercury conjunction encourages you

to delve deep into your spiritual well. Intuitive thoughts are sharp and on target as you uncover hidden elements in your life, whether they are the areas of opportunity or deceptive areas of challenge. Don't forget to give generously to our community projects this holiday; show your rainbow colors and get involved.

PISCES

FEBRUARY 20 - MARCH 20

Are you getting all you need from friends and your social circles? The Mercury/Sun conjunction places all friendship related issues squarely on the table. Pisces sometimes show an alarming tendency to give their all for the greater good of the group. This is not always advisable, as the planet now make amply clear. Establish who you are, warts and all. Compromise is fine as long as it doesn't swallow up your personality.

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Study Links Male Homosexuality To Number of Fingerprint Ridges

WASHINGTON, D.C. (AP) The American Medical Association, reversing a 13 year old policy, has stopped recommending efforts to turn unhappy Gay men and Lesbians into heterosexuals.

In a report adopted by the AMA's governing House of Delegates earlier this month, the association calls for a "non-judgmental recognition of sexual orientation by physicians."

"All patients, regardless of their sexual orientation, have a right to respect and concern for their lives and values," says the report, entitled "Health Care Needs of Gay Men and Lesbians in the U.S." "However, Gay men and Lesbians face ostracism and discrimination from some health professionals."

The policy paper, adopted at a December meeting, replaces a 1981 paper titled, "Health Care Needs of the Homosexual Population." The 1981 paper supported treatments aimed at changing the sexual orientation of homosexuals. The notion that Gays could not be turned into heterosexuals was a myth, it said.

"There are some homosexuals who would like to and probably could change their sexual orientation," the old policy read. "Because some homosexual groups maintain contrary to the bulk of the scientific evidence, that preferential or exclusive homosexuality can never be changed, these people may be discouraged from seeking adequate psychiatric consultation. What is more important is that this myth may also be accepted by homosexuals."

In its new policy paper, the AMA notes that homosexuals may have "some unique mental health concerns" related to negative social attitudes regarding homosexuality. However, it says, most of the emotional disturbance homosexuals may feel about their orientation "is due more to a sense of alienation in an unaccepting environment."

For this reason, it says, "aversion therapy", such as showing a Gay man nude pictures of men and then administering electric shocks or a substance to induce vomiting, "is no longer recommended for Gay men and Lesbians."

"Through psychotherapy, Gay men and Lesbians can become comfortable with their sexual orientation and understand the social responses to it," the new policy says.

Dr. M. Roy Schwarz, the AMA's vice president, said that the report is an attempt to educate physicians about the unique health care needs of the homosexuals.

"Our thrust here was what kind of diseases do these people with lifestyles get, not do you have the right lifestyle and do you try to change it if you don't," he said.

Schwarz also said he was surprised the policy was adopted without dissent.

"There were physicians who announced from the floor (of the meeting) that they were Gay," he said. "That wouldn't have happened five years ago."

AMA Ends 'Aversion Therapy' Policy For Gays

WASHINGTON, D.C. (AP) Two Canadian researchers have found a link between the number of ridges in fingerprints and male homosexuality, adding to the theory that sexual orientation is determined before birth.

The researchers, working at the University of Western Ontario, compared the number of tiny ridges on the fingertips of 66 homosexual men with the fingerprint patterns of 182 heterosexual men.

Thirty percent of the homosexual men showed more ridges on their left

hands than their right, while only 14 percent of the heterosexual men showed the same pattern.

Most men and women have more ridges in the fingerprints of their right hands. Fingerprints are completely developed in the human fetuses by about the 16th week after conception and are largely genetically determined.

"This certainly suggests sexual orientation is somehow determined by prenatal events," said researcher Doreen Kimura.

The study appears in the December issue of Behavioral Neuroscience.

Kimura and the study's lead author, graduate student Jeffrey Hall, said the fingerprint patterns are not distinctive to Gay men or a marker for homosexuality. Most homosexual men show the more typical pattern of more ridges on the right hand, they noted.

"What we found is a statistically significant difference between groups of heterosexual and homosexual men," Kimura said.

Roger Gorski, a UCLA neurobiologist who has done extensive research on sexual differentiation, called the study "another suggestion that there's a biological component to sexuality." But he said he had some trouble with making the connection between ridges on fingers and sexual orientation.

"The way I like to summarize it is

sexual orientation is a multi-faceted behavior and it's unlikely that one gene, that one hormone, that one environmental experience, or that one fingerprint is going to be the explanation for everything," he said.

Kimura is also known for her work on difference between men and women, ranging from problem solving ability to brain hemisphere differences.

She speculates that there is a link between finger ridge patterns and the development of the nervous system. Many of the Gay men with ridges on their left hands were also left handed. Research has established that there is a higher incidence of left handedness among Gay men and Lesbians than in the general population.

The team also found a difference in hearing. Most people report words spoke to the right ear more accurately than words to the left ear. The right ear is directly linked to the brain's left hemisphere, which controls speech.

However, Kimura and Hall found some Gay men who could hear equally well out of both ears. This might be due to better transmission of information between the brain's hemispheres, Kimura said.

Clinton Drops Plan For Gay Ambassador

SAN FRANCISCO, CA (AP) - President Clinton is being accused by fellow Democrats of denying an ambassadorship to an openly Gay San Francisco philanthropist in deference to the new power of conservatives in Congress.

"It's an outrage. It's a victory for bigotry," Matthew Rothschild, chair of the Democratic Party in San Francisco, said. "Bill Clinton doesn't have a backbone, is he against bigotry or not?"

Rothschild was responding to a report in The Washington Post that Clinton had decided not to nominate James C. Hormel as ambassador to Fiji. The nomination would require confirmation from the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, whose incoming chair is Jesse Helms, R-NC.

Hormel operated a firm that invests his family's meat industry fortune, and works on charitable and civic activities including AIDS services and public television. He was expected to become the first openly Gay U.S. ambassador.

Clinton courted Gay voters during the 1992 campaign, but has angered many Gay political leaders by compromising on the issue of Gays in the military and firing Surgeon General Joycelyn Elders over comments at an AIDS forum about sex education.

Gay Actor Relates To Homeless Teens

LOS ANGELES, CA - The Christmas episode of television's "My So Called Life: hit home, and homeless, for Wilson Cruz.

"It's a realistic, sad fact that many teens get kicked out of their house because of their sexuality," said Cruz, a Gay actor who plays the makeup wearing, sexually confused Rickie Vasquez.

"I got one letter the other day, from a 13 year old boy in Ohio, who said he knows exactly what Rickie's going through," Cruz said. "He said he can never tell his parents or anyone in his community. But at night, he's thought of committing suicide. Toward the end of

the letter, you could see teardrops on the paper."

Cruz said the teen-ager included his telephone number, so Cruz called him. "I told him not to believe his life would be some unhappy myth, that he would be okay," Cruz said.

Progress Report

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A people of color summit held at HRCF brought together more than a dozen groups representing African Americans, Latinos and Latinas, Asians, Pacific Islanders and Native Americans to discuss strategies for countering the radical right.

More than two dozen Lesbian health professionals gathered in Washington for the first ever "Lesbian Health Roundtable," bringing formidable expertise and knowledge to bear on Lesbian health issues.

The list goes on. Taking stock of our accomplishments is not about taking credit and feeling good. As we enter a new era of unprecedented challenges, we need to know exactly where stand.

An assessment of 1994 shows that we can face adversity and win, find new allies for our cause, and build the groundwork necessary to advance from a position of strength.

As I leave my position as the head of the largest national Gay and Lesbian equal rights organization, I see a future full of hope and confidence for our movement and our community.

[Since 1989, Tim McFeeley has served as Executive Director of the Human Rights Campaign Fund. He retires from that post in January.]



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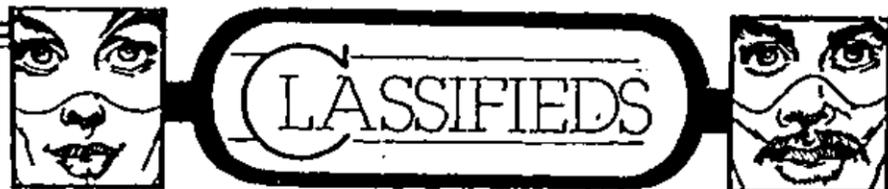


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PACT - People with AIDS Coalition of Tucson, 801 W. Congress. Office hours 8 to 5 M-F (8-7 Wed), Support Group meets every Tuesday at 7:30 p.m. Call 770-1710 for info.

SHANTI FOUNDATION OF TUCSON
Help us help others in giving emotional support to persons with life-threatening illnesses and their families, friends. Contact us Monday through Friday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. 622-7107. VOLUNTEERS WELCOME.

P.F.L.A.G. - Parents and Friends of Lesbians and Gays - is a support group available to anyone who has a son, daughter or friend who is Gay. Call 575-6660 or write P.O. Box 36264, Tucson, AZ 85740-6264. All replies confidential.

Case De La Paloma Apostolic Church, 225 W. Flores, Tucson. Worship Services Sundays at 11 am & 6:30 pm. Wednesday & Saturday Bible Studies 7 pm. Tuesday, women's Rep Group 7 pm. Counseling and issues couple counseling provided. For appointment Pastor S. Lewis for info 323-6455.

ARE YOU GAY OR LESBIAN and someone else's drinking is getting to you. Call information and Referral about Alcoholism 790-1922 in Tucson info about special groups for Gays and Lesbians.

OLD PUEBLO BUSINESS & PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATION
For meeting dates and locations or membership information call 795-6055 or write: OP, P.O. Box 44033, Tucson, AZ 85733

SORORITY - A support group for male & female Transsexuals, Transvestites and Gay cross-dressers. Family oriented. Meets every Tuesday at 7 pm and at 8 pm on 2nd Saturday of each month. Call: 293-3456. NOT A DATING SERVICE.

YOUNG AND GAY?
Lesbian and Gay youth 23 and under, meet every Saturday in Tucson for sharing, support and information. Meetings are held at 422 N. 4th Avenue from 3 to 5 pm. You are not alone. For more info call Wingspan, 624-1779.

WOMYN'S THIRD FRIDAY COFFEE HOUSE meets third Friday of each month at Unitarian Universalist Church 4831 E. 22nd Street, featuring DJ Sister Jam. \$2 at the door (more if you can, less if not).

The **TUCSON Chapter of PRIME TIMERS INTERNATIONAL** invites Gay or Bisexual men over 30 years old to join and share Prime Timers Fellowship. We welcome mature men who are or wish to be involved in Gay community activities, issues and organizations. Call 887-7493 and leave your name and phone number. Monthly meetings are held on the 3rd Sunday, 4-6 p.m. at Wingspan, 422 N. 4th Ave.

TUCSON AIDS PROJECT (TAP), 151 S. Tucson Blvd., Suite 252 (The Drummer Center Bldg.). Direct services for persons with and affected by HIV/AIDS. Preventive education programs. Business hours, M-F, 8-5. 322-6226. AIDS Hotline: 326-AIDS.

AFFIRMATION Support group for Gay, Lesbian & Bi-sexual Men and ex-Mormons. For information write P.O. Box 78461, Tucson, AZ 85703 or call 791-7946. Meetings are held the 1st Sunday of the month at 4:00 p.m.

UofA FACULTY AND STAFF for Gay, Lesbian and Bisexual Equity meets on the fourth Monday of each month for a Brown Bag Lunch from noon to 1:30 p.m. in the Student Union, Room 283 or 285. Open to UofA faculty and staff concerned about Gay, Lesbian and Bisexual issues.

ARIZONA/SONORA PROJECT, S.I.D.A. - AIDS INFO LINE 887-3933. 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 85745. 770-1314.

ARIZONA GAY RODEO ASSOCIATION (AGRA) TUCSON CHAPTER. Interested? Call 323-0803 or write AGRA/Tucson, P.O. Box 40384, Tucson, AZ 85717.

AMERICAN GAY & LESBIAN ATHEISTS advocating state/church separation. Monthly meetings and support for the non-religious. Write: 3003 N. Central Ave., Suite 121, Box 211, Phoenix, AZ 85012-2903. "Educating Out Community Since 1983".

SOURCES UNLIMITED, a Lesbian & Gay referral service. Business and individual listings are free of charge. All information available to anyone just simply by asking. 322-5655. Leave message.

GAY COWBOY CLUB - Nationwide Personal Ads. Advertisers welcome too. Send stamp for information. Mavericks, Box 9543, Santa Fe, NM 87504.

ATTENTION ALL NUDISTS - Tucson Tantrix is a nudist group open to all - Nude activities scheduled both indoor and outdoors. Not "Gay Only", but Gays are welcome and invited to join. For further information send SASE to: Tucson Tantrix, P.O. Box 84-G, Cortaro, AZ 85652.

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PRESCOTT GAY, LESBIAN, BISEXUAL & QUESTIONING SUPPORT GROUP now forming. Are you lonely? Scared? Confused? Need Friendship? Support? Please write to us. We will respond to all in confidentiality. We're here for you... don't be alone! For students and the community. YAG, Box 8663, 3200 North Willow Creek Road, Prescott, AZ 86301-3720.

GAY & LESBIAN THERAPY GROUP. This ongoing therapy group, facilitated by a licensed psychologist, provides a safe place to work on enhancing intimacy and self-esteem. Group can provide the sense of family that is often so hard to find. Membership will be limited to 7-8 people. Tuesdays, 7:00 - 8:30 p.m. Call Randy Oberhoff, Ph.D. 570-0027

BEARS OF THE OLD PUEBLO - a social club for hairy and bigger, more robust men (and of course, those who prefer their company). For more info, write PO Box 41141, Tucson AZ 85717 or come to our general meetings the first Thursday of every month at 7:30 pm on the Venetian patio.

GAY AND LESBIAN OVEREATERS ANONYMOUS. Stop bingeing, purging and overeating. Get a life! Call 793-3448 / 290-1739. Come to a meeting. Meetings are held every Tuesday from 7 to 8:30 pm at Monty Books, 1001 N. Wilcox.

TUCSON ROOMMATE LOCATOR SERVICE
Men and women both welcome. Office 624-0498.

"LAMBDA CAR CLUB, Grand Canyon Region" for information about membership or activities call Mike White 888-0471 Tucson.

LESBIAN AND GAY ALANON - Affected by someone's drinking? Meeting every Tuesday 8:45 to 9:45 p.m. at Lambda Center, 2940 E. Thomas, Phoenix. Elic 581-8830 or Room 964-2314.

JOIN US! PLGC, Presbyterians for Lesbian & Gay Concerns, is a national organization of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.). The Tucson chapter formed in May 1993. PLGC de Cristo. We invite all Presbyterians to join us at our meeting on the 4th Sundays of each month at St. Mark's Presbyterian Church, 3809 E. 3rd St. Tucson in Geneva Hall. For more details contact Nancy Dwyer, 327-1293.

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE GROUP - Outreach to Gay and Lesbian people in Arizona. Meets monthly. Write to P.O. Box 493, Phoenix, AZ 85001 or call Billy Waters, (602)371-1102

ARE YOU A GAY MAN 40 OR OLDER? Do you enjoy the companionship of your peers? Call Cronies 888-7264 in Tucson.

Notices

ATTENTION ALL NUDISTS! Arizona Nude Dudes or ANDES/Tucson for short, is a Gay men's nudist group. We hold local activities each month and have connections to Gay men's nudist groups across the country. For further information please send a self-addressed, stamped envelope to ANDES/Tucson, P.O. Box 32083, Tucson, AZ 85731-2083. For faster reply please include phone number.

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AIDS HOTLINE - 326-AIDS. Hours M-F, 9:00 am to 10:00 pm. Info on issues, counseling, HIV-related services, Tucson.

GAY OR BI-SEXUAL MEN in relationships with women. Meet 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, 422 N. 4th Ave., offers support groups / info line / social events / library / meeting space. Volunteer Opportunities. Board meetings every 2nd Sunday (open to all), 6:00 p.m. 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 Fox-hills Church, Swan and River Road. Call the church at 299-9063 for information.

LICHEN HIKING CLUB for women of all ages and backgrounds of life. Hike with other women. Listings in Rubyfruit Journal available at Antiqua's Books.

CAMELBACK BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATION (CBPA) OF PHOENIX
For information and membership write: CBPA at P.O. Box 2097, Phoenix, AZ 85001.

LESBIAN SUPPORT GROUP addressing a full spectrum of issues, problems and situations. Meetings 2nd & 4th Wednesday 7 to 8:30 p.m. at Wingspan, 422 N. 4th Ave. 624-1779.

Take **GAY SQUARE DANCE LESSONS** with T-Squares every Tuesday 7-9 p.m. at Camelback Fellowship Hall, 2902 N. Gettysburg. New Basic class begins Jan. 31, 1995. Join the fun. Call Dave, 745-9212.

SUN COUNTRY NATURISTS. Social Nudist Club for men and women. Write to: Sun Country Naturists, P.O. Box 43772, Tucson, AZ 85733-3772

LIGHTNING LIGHTING will provide lighting for AIDS and related benefits at no charge. For more info call Adrienne at 889-7298.

GAY & LESBIAN HIKING CLUB. Persons interested in desert and mountain hiking and backpacking experiences which average 8 miles or more are encouraged to join. Hikers must be willing to create a day/weekend trip, environmentally friendly experience. For information about hikes, call pager number 446-3711 and leave your number followed by a # sign or write Len McLean, P.O. Box 42532, Tucson, AZ 85733-2532.

MALE MEN: Long-haired Gay male pupal network. Photo, 3 IRC's to join. Box 231, Station B, Ottawa, CANADA, K1P6C4

GAY & LESBIAN SPIRITUALITY GROUP meets at St. Philip's in the Hills Episcopal Church on alternate Mondays. Call David, 323-7943 for more info.

"AT EASE AGAIN", a men's discussion group meets at Wingspan at 7 p.m. every Tuesday. All Gay and Bisexual men are welcome. 422 N. 4th Ave.

THE UNIFORMED SERVICES ACTIVITY, 2725 15th St NW, Wash. DC 20009 "Water Membership Campaign". Professional resource referral network of military & veterans. Offering legal, health care, education and spiritual outreach.

UCSC ALUMNI: The first reunion of Lesbian, Gay and Bisexual University of California Santa Cruz alumni will be held April 23, 1995. For more information contact Leobian, Gay, Bisexual Reunion, Alumni Office, Carriage House, UCSC, Santa Cruz, CA 95064 or call (408)459-2530. Email: leobian_reunion@comcast.net.edu.

GAY AND LESBIAN SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTISTS - You are not alone! SDA Kinship International exists to offer spiritual, emotional and social support to present or former SDA's who are Gay or Lesbian. For more information on Kinship in their Tucson area, contact, SDA Kinship International, P.O. Box 7320, Laguna Niguel, CA 92677. (714)248-1299. Confidentiality is assured.

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