# In Arizona, It's Still Okay To Be Fired For Being Gay, Justices Say

PHOENIX - The Arizona Supreme Court has quietly upheld the right of employers to fire Gays.

Without comment, the justices refused to review a May 5 ruling by the Court of Appeals that sexual preference is not protected by law. That means nothing prohibits an employer from dismissing a worker because he or she is a homosexual.

The decision sets no precedent because the high court did not issue a written ruling. But the court's refusal to intercede means that any legal relief for Gays and Lesbian have to come from lawmakers.

Bill McDonald, who chairs the Arizona Human Rights Fund, said the chances of change either state or federal law are minimal.

But he said people generally are more willing to come out against job discrimination than "what we do in the bedroom." McDonald said if lawmakers balk at changing the law, his organization may take the issue directly to the ballot.

The case involves Jeffrey Blain, who had been an employee of Golden State Container in Phoenix. Blain said he was fired, because he was a Gay man with AIDS.

A trial judge instructed the jury that it should find in Blain's favor if he was fired because he had AIDS. That was based on provisions of the Arizona Civil Rights Act, which prohibits discrimination based on disability, including AIDS.

But the judge told jurors they should rule against him if they found he had been fired because he was Gay because that fact is legally irrelevant.

The appellate judges, in their written ruling, said they recognized that "sexual preference has nothing to do with job performance." But they said what is considered legally unacceptable in the state is defined by lawmakers, not by judges.

Both state and federal law specifically prohibit discrimination based on sex, age, religion, race, handicap or ethnic origin. The statutes, however, are silent on other issues.

Legislation to change Arizona law would stand little chance of passage, McDonald said. In fact, Senate President John Greene, R-Phoenix, is proposing a bill that would make it more difficult for fired workers to sue.

Earlier this year, Governor Fife Symington came out against an unsuccessful initiative drive that would have barred the state and cities from enacting laws guaranteeing equal rights to Gays. But the governor also said at the time that he saw no need for laws protecting the rights of Gays.

Doug Cole, the governor's press aide, said that Symington has not reviewed the Blain case.

McDonald said Gay rights groups had been counting on efforts by U.S. Senator Ted Kennedy, D-MA, to amend federal civil rights laws. But now, with the Republicans taking control of Congress, he said it is doubtful that the measure would even get a hearing.

The outcome of the case might have been different had Blain been a public employee. Courts generally are more willing to limit activities of government than they are to restrict what private companies can do.

In fact, the appellate court specifically brushed aside Blain's claim he was entitled to constitutional protection.

"What the state and federal constitutions prohibit government from doing is not automatically proscribed for private individuals and companies," they wrote.

Some communities have laws that restrict what some private companies do.

In Tucson, for example, the City Code specifically includes sexual preference in its provision prohibiting discrimination in public housing, accommodation and employment. A narrower ordinance in Phoenix bars discrimination in city employment and by any company with 35 or more workers that does business with the city.

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## Wingspan Sets Election For New Board Members

TUCSON - Wingspan's Nominating Committee and current Board of Directors have completed their search for nominees for the 1995 Wingspan Board of Directors. The response to this outreach for new Board members was exceptional, 12 individuals have come forward to serve on the Board and will be up for election on Sunday, January 8, 1995, at 6 PM at Wingspan.

Wingspan members and the entire community is encouraged to attend and participate in the election. The election will be for the slate of nominees as they appear listed below, but, nominations and seconds for other interested individuals will be accepted, and may be offered for election. Anyone interested in running for a position on the Board is encouraged to contact Ken Godat at 624-1779 as soon as possible.

The list of nominees for the Board is as follows:

Karl Ballard: Past Wingspan volunteer, Karl organized last year's Candlelight Vigilat El Presidio Park and work closely with THRC.

Bob Diaz: Current Wingspan volunteer on newsletter and events, he created Leslie Feinberg events and is a Wingspan donor.

Romulo Gonzalez: A Tucsonan since '91, Romulo previously helped with Los Angeles AIDS organizations and is interested in membership and fund raising.

George Kaplan: Leader of Tucson Prime Timers, George is interested in improving Wingspan's fund raising abilities.

Al King: A Wingspan volunteer since early summer, Al has also worked with the Events Committee and has offered to be coordinator of volunteers.

Yiorgos Moussouris: Past Wingspan volunteer, he is a Ph.D. student at the U of A and is interested in improving membership benefits.

Marcia Paris: Current volunteer, has expressed interest in past policy decisions by the Board. She is involved with Desert Voices and St. Francis, has many contacts in the Lesbian community.

Mark Schaye: Active in many organizations including St. Francis AIDS Ministry, he's a real estate professional.

Michael Shoel: Has community service experience in Los Angeles and is currently a volunteer (along with his partner Donald).

Ernie Slaight: Current dedicated volunteer, active in the Events Committee. Contacts with Cronies and with Prime Timers. Will be volunteer co-ordinator next year.

Leslie Vinson: Leslie is an artist and a supporter of Wingspan who has made significant donations in the last year.

Werner Wijnant: Moving back to Tucson after a year in Denver, Werner has experience in Development for Up with

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## Navy Panel Okays Lesbian In Reserves

SAN FRANCISCO, CA (AP) - Gay rights activists hailed a Navy tribunal's recommendation not to discharge a Lesbian reservist, the fourth time a homosexual has been allowed to stay in the military under President Clinton's "don't ask, don't tell" policy.

The recommendation to allow Lt. Cmdr. (Select) Zoe Dunning to remain in the service must still be approved by the naval secretary.

"The decision, in a sense, is obviously a classic Bronx cheer at the policy," said Matt Coles, director of the Lesbian and Gay rights project at the American Civil Liberties Union's San Francisco office.

Pentagon officials confirmed that Dunning is the fourth Gay person who has been allowed to stay in the service since Clinton's policy was implemented early this year.

The old policy banned homosexuals outright; the new policy permits Gay men and Lesbians to serve, but only if they keep quiet about it and don't practice homosexuality.

The military, meanwhile, is forbidden from questioning service members about their orientation, the "don't ask" portion of the rule.

Under the new policy, if service members publicly declare themselves to be Gay, they face discharge unless they can prove they do not engage in homosexual acts.

Last month, the government told the 2nd U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals in New York that in three instances under the new policy, Gay service members have been able to overcome the presumption that they engage in or are likely to engage in or are likely to engage in homosexual acts, and they have been retained in the military.

## Oral HIV Vaccine Ready For Human Clinical Trials

SAN FRANCISCO, CA - AIDS vaccine researcher Dr. James Kahn is enrolling people for a clinical trial of the first oral vaccine against HIV to undergo human testing.

Kahn says the vaccine not only would be simpler and easier than shots, but it could stimulate the body to fight infection exactly where it's initially most crucial: in the mucosal fluids.

The vaccine is the oral formulation of an injected vaccine made by United Biomedical Inc. in New York. Earlier this month, Kahn reported that his San Francisco General/ UC San Francisco study of 24 people found the injected version to be safe and, in most of the patients, to trigger the immune system to fight the virus. Antibodies from approximately 80 percent of the patients successfully fought off the virus in test tube studies, Kahn said.

Kahn plans to evaluate the safety of the oral vaccine and measure whether it can cause the body to produce infection fighting antibodies in the semen, vaginal

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# UPDATE

## Tucson Greater Softball Assn Seeks New Board Members; Volunteers for Next Season

by Dan Senglaub

TUCSON - The Tucson Greater Softball Association (TGSA) is seeking individuals to serve on the Board as well as people to volunteer time to help organize the upcoming '95/'96 softball season, TGSA's second.

The Board positions will be appointive until the elections are held on February 26, 1995. All offices will be up for election. TGSA strongly encourages individuals to run for office for the upcoming season and to help make the second year of TGSA a big success!

TGSA also points out that persons who plan on running for the post of Commissioner or Assistant Commissioner should plan on traveling to Seattle, Washington, February 19-21, to attend the N.A.G.A.A.A. meetings, which one of the topics will be the 1995-96 Gay World Series.

The TGSA 1995-96 season is set to commence on Sunday, April 2nd, at Freedom Park. (Date, time and location to be confirmed by Tucson Parks and Rec.) All pertinent information about the season, upcoming tournaments, and the election will be in the TGSA newsletter, which will be sent out the first week of January.

The first tournament on the 1995 schedule is the Second Annual Cactus Cup Softball Tournament. The tournament will take place in Phoenix, March 25-26. The cost is $275.00 per team, A guaranteed minimum of 4 games. TGSA advises teams to start planning fund raisers so the whole league could go and participate.

If you would like to be apart of the fastest growing Gay and Lesbian softball league in the United States, call Dan Senglaub at 622-4503

## Desert Voices Concert Saturday, Dec. 10

TUCSON - Desert Voices, Tucson's premier Gay and Lesbian chorus, will open its 1994-95 season with a winter concert on December 10.

"Many Visions, One Voice," a celebration of our diversity with a holiday spirit, will begin at 8:00 PM, at the Pima Community College (PCC) West Campus Center for the Arts Proscenium Theatre.

Tickets are $8.00 and may be purchased at Antigone Books, 600 North 4th Avenue; Tucson Trunk, 5605 East River; Compass Travel, 33 North Stone Avenue; PCC and by mail from Desert Voices, POB 40036, Tucson, AZ 85717-0036. Student tickets are $5.00 and are available through PCC and from Desert Voices.

For information call 791-9662. All concerts are ALS interpreted.

## 1-In-10 Auditions For 'Movie Queens'

TUCSON - One In Ten, Arizona's premier theater company will be holding auditions for "Movie Queens" by Claudia Allen.

The auditions will take place Sunday, December 11th, 1:00 PM, with call backs on Monday, December 12th, 7:00 PM, at the Historic "Y" Theatre, 738 North 5th Avenue, Suite 131, in Tucson. Performance dates are February 8-25.

The play, "Movie Queens" is from the author of last season's hit "Hannah Free" comes 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. The cast calls for up to 13 women and up to eight men. Four actresses will split the "younger" and "older" parts of two female leads.

Auditions usually consist of cold readings from the script and with other actors, but may vary with the director's needs. Please be prompt and expect to spend to hours at first auditions. Resumes and photographs are gladly accepted but are not necessary.

Actors who cannot attend the Sunday audition may come to callbacks by calling 770-9279 prior to auditions and alerting the director. One In Ten Theatre encourages the participation of all people without regard to race or sexual identity.

For more information call 770-9279.

## 42 Nations Represented At AIDS Talks

PARIS, France (AP) - Delegates from 42 nations, gathering for the first political summit on AIDS, hope to correct an imbalance that channels more than 90 percent of AIDS funding to wealthy nations that have only a fraction of the victims.

The one day international summit was hosted by France and the World Health Organization, seeks to improve cooperation in fighting the disease and reduce discrimination against its victims.

Twelve prime ministers and 17 health ministers, including U.S. Health Secretary Donna Shalala, convened at U.N. Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization headquarters for the summit, a focal point of World AIDS Day.

The day was marked around the world by symposiums, fund raising events and efforts to increase awareness of the disease.

Saudi Arabia, which rarely reports cases of AIDS, hosted its own international conference. Prince Sattam Ibn abdel-Aziz said in Riyadh that education based on the "principles of Islam" could counter the disease.

## Lesbian Writers Fund Accepting Submissions for 1995 Awards

NEW YORK, NY - The Astraea National Lesbian Action Foundation announced the submission deadline for its 1995 Lesbian Writers Fund. Now in its fifth year, the Lesbian Writers Fund will making five awards of $11,000 each to emerging Lesbian writers of fiction and poetry. Three fiction and two poetry prizes will be awarded in 1995.

"Astraea stands alone in committing substantial grant monies to support Lesbian writers," according to Astraea program director, Ivy Young. "The Writers Fund has made it possible for past awardees to have that space where creation is possible. And we are all made better by their efforts," Young said.

The deadline for applications is Wednesday, March 8, 1995. Interested writers should write or call the Astraea Foundation for guidelines and an application form at The Astraea National Lesbian Action Foundation, Attn: Lesbian Writers Fund, 666 Broadway, Suite 520, New York, NY 10012; 212-529-8021.


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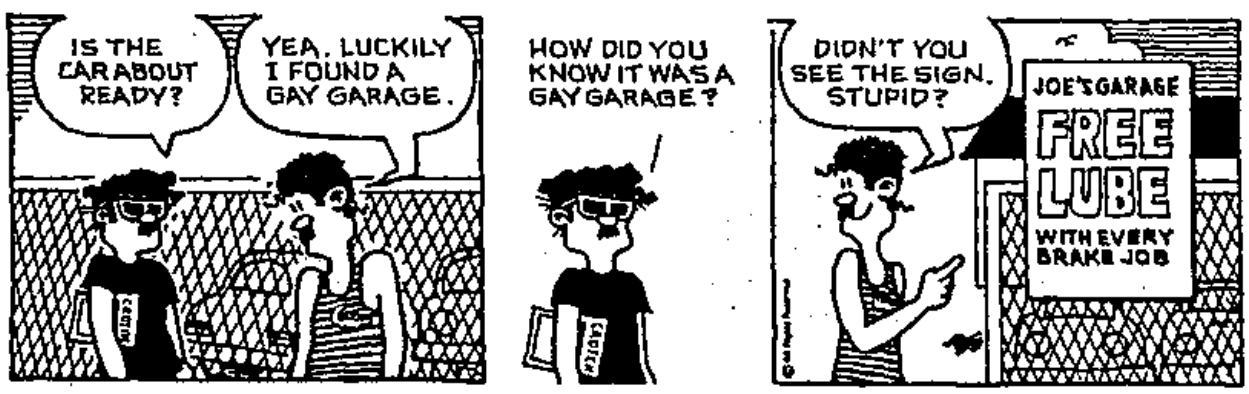

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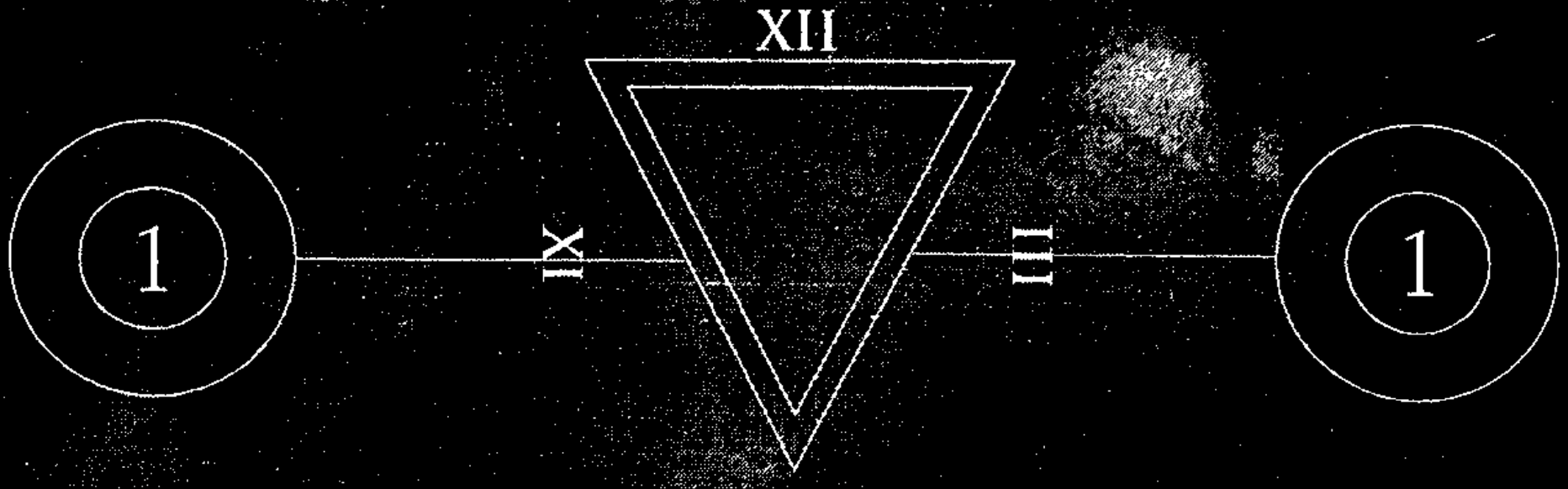


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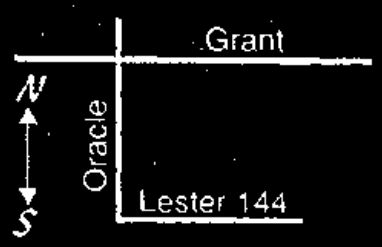


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# Gay Killer Fugitive On Most Wanted List Is Arrested

JACKSONVILLE, FL (AP) - Gary Ray Bowles, a confessed serial killer who targeted Gay men in three states, probably will face trial in north Florida before being turned over to Maryland and Georgia authorities, a prosecutor said.

Bowels admitted to three killing in Florida, two in Georgia and one in Maryland after his arrest in Jacksonville Beach.

State Attorney Harry Shorstein said he expects to prosecute Bowles in the slayings of Walter Jammell Hinton, and Albert Alcie Morris, before allowing other states to pursue their cases.

"My intent at this point at this point is to try one or both of the cases in my jurisdiction before I release it," Shorstein said. "I haven't determined which od the two cases I would try first."

Bowles waived his initial court appearance before a Duval County judge and is being held in a one man cell in the county jail.

"He is in isolation cell for his own safety and security," said Sgt. Malcolm Adams, a spokesperson for the Jacksonville Sheriff's Office.

Just eight days before his arrest, Bowles had been in custody in the Duval County Jail. he was held three days on a public intoxication under an alias.

Bowles has been arrested at least 14 times in Florida since 1981, but the department's computerized fingerprint system failed to establish his true identity because he had never been arrested before in Duval County. He was placed on the FBI's "Most Wanted List" last week.

"It is possible to be picked up on a minor change and be charged and not have a local record," Sheriff Jim McMillan said.

Bowles was arrested again at a day labor office for questioning in Hinton's murder. Hinton's body was found Sunday, but he had been dead for several days. He and Bowles were briefly roommates.

When questioned about the slaying, the man admitted he was Bowles.

## Wingspan Election

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People and has offered to coordinate Wingspan fund raising.

Michelle Yakovich: A hardworking force behind the Awareness Project and the Survivor Art Project, she is a volunteer and supporter of Wingspan.

With this potentially dramatic increase in size, Wingspan's Board will stand poised, to better represent a much broader range of individuals within Tucson's Gay, Lesbian and Bisexual community.

The talents, interest and concerns of this new Board coupled with even greater input from the community, will form an integral part of the refocusing of Wingspan's mission. It is hoped that this new Board will have the potential to open broad new areas of services and communication that Wingspan has previously been unable to provide for the ongoing benefit of all of Tucson's Lesbians, Gay men and Bisexuals.

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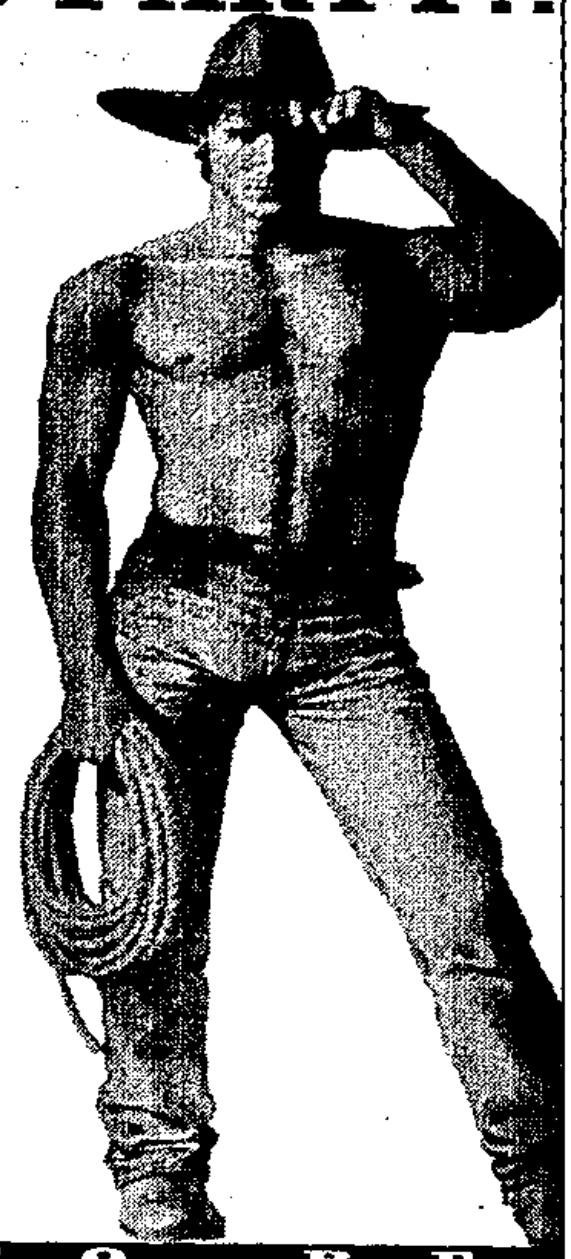

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## POLITICS '94 by Mark Kerr

D.C. DOINGS: On the National scene, the Democratic and Republican caucuses in Congress met this past week and elected their leaders for the 104th Congress.

The Republicans, with majorities in both Houses for the first time since 1954, elected Bob Dole to be the Majority Leader in the Senate and Newt Gingrich as the next Speaker of the House.

In the House, Richard Gephardt of Missouri was elected Minority Leader, and Tom Daschle of South Dakota was elected Minority Leader of the Senate.

MIDTERM MAULING: Some cheesy facts for your perusal. During midterm elections, the party that controls the White House usually gets it the ballot box during these elections. Here are the results going back 20 years:

| YEAR | PRES. | HOUSE/SENATE |
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| 1974 | Ford | D 49, D 5 |
| 1978 | Carter | R 15 R 3 |
| 1982 | Reagan | D 15 D 0 |
| 1986 | Reagan | D 5 D 8 |
| 1990 | Bush | D 7 D 1 |
| 1994 | Clinton | R 47 R 8 |

HEILER PROMOTED: Jay "Sieg" Heiler, Press Secretary to Republican Governor Fife "All eyebrows and no substance" Symington, was recently embroiled in a controversy for making anti-Gay and Lesbian remarks after a press conference during the election campaign; when Democratic Gubernatorial candidate Eddie Basha had stated on a radio talk show that he would sign legislation allowing for same sex marriages.

Heiler wrote a half-hearted letter of apology to the Arizona Human Rights Fund; which had demanded his removal from office; in which he claimed that he didn't remember making the remarks.

What did the Fifester do? Promote Heiler and gave him a big fat raise! Do you think we have a friend in the Governor's chair. Nope! Fife's actions show he is no, never has and never will be open to the Gay and Lesbian community in any way!

MARSH'S FIRST IDEA: Pima County Supervisor Paul Marsh (District 4), Chair of the Board, decided, despite the Board voting for another proposal, created a bipartisan committee to investigate the problems surrounding the general election.

The election was beset by an extremely slow count, due to problems processing and counting absentee ballots, and the counting of write in votes. The Board had voted, unanimously, to allow Pima County Administrator, Chuck Huckleberry, to appoint an individual to review the elections process.

But Marsh's first idea as Chair, ran into trouble when the County Recorder stated she would not cooperate with the committee. And then to make matters worse, the bipartisan committee, headed by former Pima County Supervisor Katie Dusenberry and DNC member and chatterbox, Martin "The Martinizer" Bacal, met and decided to not continue until the Board to approve the formation of the committee.

Well, this past Tuesday, the Board met and by a 3 to 2 vote, struck down Marsh's idea, and voted to have Chuck Huckleberry appoint someone to review the process, and have a reported completed in 60 days time.

DEMO NEWS: If you are regular reader of this column, you know I have railed against the current leadership of the Pima County delegation for their lack of courage, leadership and motivational abilities which led the party down to defeat in the November election, and led to the joke, "The Democrats will be reorganizing. When have they ever been organized?"

Well, things are beginning to change. The Pima County Democrats have been meeting in District reorganization meetings and new leaders are being elected to lead the party and to fight the GOP. More on this in next weeks column.

MEDIA MUSH: KOLD-TV Channel 13; the CBS affiliate and home of the crack news team led by Bud "Roadkill" Foster; has delayed their move into their new facilidad de Marana in Mammy Yokumville.

Well, KOLD will begin broadcasting from their new space on December 16th. Rumor has it that they will name their new, plush and really big broadcasting studios after the "Dean of Arizona Broadcasters", Hank Hubbard. Also, it is alleged that Hank will appear again on t.v. through the power of animatronics.

GOOD TV "OR WHAT A CHEAP ASS PLUG": At least there is one television who puts on good newscast in town. That is KGUN-TV Channel 9's broadcasts. The news programs are produced by Jim Lemon, former anchor. They inform you of what's going on in Arizona and the world without resorting to cute cross talk or sappy looks by the anchors or reporters. Keep up the good work people, you do a great job!

QUOTE OF THE WEEK: South Carolina Senator, Strom Thurmond (R), the oldest living being in the world at 368 bow wow years said about term limits, "I have served in the Senate for 40 years. I am going to vote for term limits and plan on running for re-election in 1996." Hey, go figure!


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## *HOME ON THE RANGE WITH AGRA*

by RY

The AGRA Christmas Jamboree will be held this Sunday, December 11, at The Graduate. The party will kick off at 7:00 PM and continue until closing. Events scheduled for this years Christmas Jamboree include beer busts, balloon busts, raffles, door prizes, entertainment, and Christmas Carol sing-A-Longs.

Ken will prepare his famous Barbecue Meatballs for all to enjoy. Make sure you keep Sunday open and come on down to The Graduate and join us in celebrating the arrival of the holidays. Don't forget to wear your Santa hats.

There will be an AGRA Wagon Ride through Winterhaven on Saturday, december 17. Tickets for the AGRA Wagon Ride are $10.00 per person. There is a limited number of tickets, so make your reservations now. Tickets will be sold on a first come, first served basis. Call Telvi at 323-0805 to reserve your seat now.

The AGRA Do It Yourself Messiah will be held on Sunday, December 18. The event will take place at The Southwest Center for Music, 2175 N. 6th Avenue. This is a great holiday event that you can share with your family and friends. Admission is $10.00 per person. Gift certificate are now available. A gift certificate to the Messiah makes a wonderful gift for that someone that has everything.

Immediately following the AGRA Do It Yourself Messiah, several area restaurants will present "Taste of the Holidays." You will have the opportunity to sample some of the areas best holiday cooking.

"Taste of the Holidays" is included with your paid admission to the Messiah. A no host bar will be set up for those that would like some refreshments throughout the evening. The evening will be overflowing with the magic of the holidays. Make sure you are part of this community event.

Don't forget the December AGRA-Tucson Chapter Meetings on Sunday, December 18, at The Graduate. The Board Meeting will start at 2:00 PM. The General Membership Meeting will start at 4:00 PM. New members are always welcome. Please remember to bring your canned food donations for the AGRA Pantry.

Now you all know that I'm not one for gossip, but word is that a local AGRA member had a small "social gathering" over the weekend. A very reliable source tells me that the little wing-ding had a Mexican theme with plenty of Tequila and Linda Ronstadt Sing-A-Longs to last those present a lifetime.

Along with the massacre of Linda's "Canciones De Mi Padre" there was a brief drag show, conga lines, and even the limbo. But lets not forget the wonderful rendition of the Mexican Hat Dance as performed by Steve. Word is he even had a 4' "sombrero" for his little dance number. Did you know that Barney and Herman do a fabulous Cha Cha? I hear the hip action these two put into their Cha Cha just beats all. Sounds like a great time. I'm sorry I missed it.

Hey George, what's this about belt buckles, small rooms, and roving hands?

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## AIDS Activist Glaser Was A Voice For Children

SANTA MONICA, CA - Elizabeth Glaser wasn't just another victim of AIDS. The 47 year old wife of actor/director Paul Michael Glaser faced death with stubborn determination that other families should not suffer as hers did.

Glaser, whose gripping speech to the 1992 Democratic National Convention brought her tragedy into the homes of millions, died this past Saturday at her home.

"She was one of the greatest women I've ever met," says Sen. Orrin Hatch, R-Utah, who co-chaired the first fund raiser for Glaser's Pediatric AIDS Foundation.

"Until she came into my life,...I never really centered on the face there were a significant number of children who suffered," Hatch says. "She brought that home to me."

Glaser was infected with the AIDS causing virus in 1981 when she received blood transfusions during the birth of her daughter Ariel. But she didn't find out until four years later, when Ariel got sick. Ariel died in 1988. Her son Jake also is infected but remains healthy.

After Ariel's death, Glaser spurred politicians and celebrities to focus on pediatric AIDS. She founded the Pediatric AIDS Foundation, which has raised $30 million for research.

"She became a human face on this issue," says Suzie Zeegen, one of the foundation's co-founders. "That's why (people) can relate and realize this is everybody's problem, not 'just a Gay disease.'"

At the time Glaser became an AIDS activist, not only was there no funding earmarked for pediatric AIDS, few in the general public even realized infected children were a significant part of the epidemic.

"She gave a voice that people were able to hear when many were trying to tune out AIDS," says Dr. June Osborn, who chaired the National Commission on AIDS. "The love of children was something everyone could gather around."

That she was the wife of a TV star and got AIDS "innocently", through a blood transfusion, made her presence palatable to politicians and other who had shunned other AIDS activists.

"There wasn't any money spent on pediatric AIDS research before we started going to Washington," says Susan DeLaurentis, another foundation co-founder. "Now, there's a pediatric AIDS agenda that didn't exist before."

Glaser's speech to the Democratic Convention brought tears to many who saw it. The noisy, raucous convention was nearly silent while she spoke.

"I started out just a mom, fighting for the life of her child. But along the way I learned how unfair America can be. Not just for people who have HIV, but for...poor people, Gay people, people of color, children."

In a statement, released this past Saturday, President Clinton said Glaser fought AIDS while the nation was "too indifferent to this illness and the people who had it." Clinton said the nation should "honor her memory by finishing the work to which she gave everything she had."

## Oral HIV Vaccine Ready For Human Clinical Trials

Continued from page one

fluid and saliva. The vaccine stimulates an immune response by mimicking part of the envelope protein of the HIV virus. An oral version was difficult to make because it had to stand up to the rigors of the digestive system.

The new study will compare the vaccine pill to the same oral vaccine followed by a booster shot, and also to the injected vaccine followed by an oral booster. Kahn hopes the combination approach will stimulate antibodies in both the bloodstream and mucous.

Investigators at San Francisco General have injected about 165 people with HIV vaccine candidates over the past three years. In all of the studies, the vaccine appeared safe and the body responded by making both antibodies and infection fighting cells against the virus, Kahn said.

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

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*Making A Difference*

## From The POOP SHEET by Ace Lundon

Well kiss ma' grits and butter ma' buns! An Editor whom I love and respect because he is intelligent and a caring person for our community, not just because his Publication carries this column, recently suggested I shouldn't use the word "homosexual" in my upcoming Radio Talk Shows because "it inflames the minds of heterosexuals".

I haven't been able to shake this comment from my mind since! I've gone from feelings live "thank you, I had no idea" to "What did he mean? It isn't politically correct usage for our community now!" to "inflames the minds!?!" to "what the hell is freedom of speech anyway; I'm not shouting fire in a crowded theater".

This in turn brought me around to thinking about the discord and debate going on in our national community between two, excuse the word, homosexuals, who are much more prominent in the public eye than myself; namely, author Bruce Bawer and national columnist in The Advocate, Michelangelo Signorile.

They're haggling over words at the moment also. And the words? Homosexuality, Gay culture, the "Gay community", Gay sex, Gay politicos. Bawer says they're all different entities for topics of discussion. The sculptured mind of Signorile simply thinks Bawer counters with how important a part confusion has played in the perpetuation of homophobia plus their own conflict at the moment.

What a lively discussion! And is there a "right" or "wrong"? No, there is only a royal discussion. The topics for discourse are on the table' not only for the two of them but for our entire national community.

So! Are we homosexuals, or speaking political correct, Gays? Or both?

You see, I'm of that generation where I've grown from one definition to the next; but at the base of it all, I have to go semantic and consider the pragmatic aspects (Oh Lord, spare us from all those big words so we can all understand, Amen!)

So where do we start? Who really are we? And may I also add: are we ashamed of being who we really are if we find out the truth?

Guess it's definition time. Webster says: "homosexual mn. a homosexual individual. adj. of or characterized by sexual desire for those of the same sex as oneself."

Well that sure as heck describes me to a tee. I'm a "homosexual". But, if I call myself what I am or use the word I could be inflaming the minds of heterosexuals. Well kiss ma' grits! Maybe I should use slang and describe myself accurately as a fairy, according to Webster, so heteros won't become inflamed!?

Webster also says: "Gay n. a homosexual; especially a male homosexual."

Darned if that also doesn't describe me to a tee. Yet "Gay" doesn't supposedly inflame the minds of some heteros!? Come on Mary, what's really in a name anyway? I've even run across some of my Lesbian sisters who don't like the word homosexual, yet they are still in the same boat with all of their Gay brothers...we are homosexuals!

Are we afraid of truth? Are we afraid of being called homosexual, Gay or Lesbian when that's exactly what we are? If so, then maybe we deserve to be called such derisive words as faggot, bull dyke, fairy, sissy, etc., which are as eye opening of ignorance as such words nigger, kike, spic, wetback, etc.

Are we going to go the same route as the politicians we despise and become politically correct at the expense of truth?

Are we forgetting what the Far Right did to our brothers and sisters a few decades ago because our predecessors did not think it was "safe" to be honest, so they stayed in their closets and folks paid with their lives?

Are we forgetting what the Far Right would like to see done to us here and now? How about the "we won't ask, you don't tell" politically correct statement? We surely can be thankful for political correctness can't we?

What if all 25 million of us came out of our closets and began living in the truth? And most of all, live in love. Love on oneself first, so we can then love even our enemies. The only reason thy have any control over our lives now is because of our lies and lack of loving ourselves. What would they do with 25 million of us?! Put is in jails or the gas chamber? I think not!

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

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# 'G Word' Highlights

The Dumont Television Network, home of such shows as "I Married A Car", "Up the Palace!", "The Ratings Game", and "The Ivanna Tinkel Show" proudly present the highlights from "The G Word", seen in Tucson, live on Tucson Cablevision channel 64, Thursdays at 8:00 PM (AST).

Opening the show is the announcer, Tucson's own G.Q. wannabee, Scott Shanks; (Scott recently won a court case allowing him to use his name amateurishly); who gave us a rundown of the colorcast and introduced the host...

Of course as always, the host of "The G Word" is that man with the current top ten album, "Soup's On!", Gary "Wrong key darling!" Clark. Gary was ravishing in his outfit from the Woody Woodpecker collection from Victoria's Secret.

Gary's co-host for the show was none other than Chris Jones, former Co-Chair of the Tucson Lesbian/Gay Alliance. Gary and Chris talked about the Lesbian and Gay communities getting along and life for Gays and Lesbians during these times.

Next on the show was the special guest, singer and songwriter Jess Hawk Oakenstar, who performed a song from her latest CD, "Your Heart Will Show You." Jess then talked about her life in Zimbabwe; her touring and her songwriting. Jess informed us that one of her songs will be on a Gay compilation album, with the likes of the late Michael Callan and Janis Ian.

The G-Boys followed with "The G Spot". The G-Boys, Madison O'Neil and Jonathan Berner discussed World AIDS Day, and Gay youth dealing with the pandemic. The G-Boys interviewed Max K., who talked about dealing with AIDS and his involvement when took care of a friend, 23 with full blown AIDS.

News followed with the news team of Stan Phalp and Scott Hawkins who informed us of the week's news of concern to the community. From World AIDS Day; the Gay sailor winning his appeal to stay in the military; Jeffrey Dahmer; the homophobic aide to Gov. Symington to the calendar of events, Stan & Scott keeps us informed.

Dear Blabby, Dani Reid, followed the news. The "Hedda & Louella" of Old Pueblo Dirt regaled us with the latest dish. Gary Clark's exercise regiment and new fitness tape to Lucinda Holliday's run for Miss Gay America, which is taking place in Dallas, Texas were just some of the bon-mots Blabby talked about.

Jess returned and performed another song from her album. Jess also informed that her latest CD is on sale at a women's bookstore on 4th Avenue. [If you have not figured it out, it is Antigone Books.]

The Slap of the Week went to Topeka, Kansas's own hate mongering, homophobic minister, Fred Phelps for his picketing funerals of persons who passed away from AIDS related complications, harassing individuals who Phelp's perceive to be "Pro Fag".

The Pat on the Butt went to the Rev. Michael Turnbull of the Church of England. Turnbull has been advocating a change in the Church's policy towards Gays and Lesbians.

The next live broadcast will be the season finale, the show will be seen Thursday, December 15th, 8:00 PM on Tucson Cablevision Channel 64.

# *The SHANTI Corner*

by Tom Kappler

An opening night reception for Shanti's "Paper Prayers" art show and sale was held on December 2nd, in the Dinnerware Artists' Cooperative located at 135 East Congress Street. The evening was well attended by people who were eager to view and purchase the unique 4" x 12" works which were on display.

Barb's Frame of Mind, Framing Plus, Frame and Picture Hut, Collector's Gallery and Davis Gallery beautifully framed the works which were offered in the Silent Auction.

The evening's delicious food and beverage was provided by, B & B Cafe, Cafe Magritte, Cafe Melange, Vivace, The Natural Choice, Presidio Grill, Super Liquors, Plaza Liquors, Rumrunner Wine and Cheese Co., and Tony's Liquors.

When speaking with those in attendance, it was found that in addition to showing support for Shanti, many people were doing their holiday shopping. Paper Prayers are a great gift idea.

If you were unable to attend the opening on Friday, you still have an opportunity to see and purchase Paper Prayers. They will be available at Dinnerware for the entire month of December, If opening night is any indication, Paper Prayers will prove to be a successful benefit for Shanti.

Shanti offers a huge, "Thank you", to the business, artists, patrons and volunteers who contributed to this event.

If you noticed Anne, Amy, Tommy or any of the Shanti office volunteers looking a little "Blue" lately, it's because they are working in the new offices and the heat had not yet been turned on. Despite the cold, this hardy group is in high spirits and happy the move to the new space is complete.

The move to 300 East 6th Street, was made on Sunday, November 27th. The furnace is the only thing that is not operational. All programs and services are up and running as usual. Shanti's telephone number, 622-7107, is still the same.

The Shanti Holiday Party on December 15th, from 6:00 PM to the 8:00 PM would be a great time for you to stop by and see the new offices. Join us in celebration at our new home.

Shanti's next volunteer training is scheduled for January. Because Shanti relies so heavily on volunteer personnel, new volunteers are always welcome. All volunteers must complete our volunteer training program. If you are interested in becoming a Shanti volunteer, call the office for more information.

Another Shanti Skate Night is scheduled for Monday, December 12th, starting at 7:00 PM. The evening will take place at Skate Country North. The address is 2700 North Stone Avenue. A $5.00 donation entitles you to an evening of skating and fun.

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## of upcoming events

### FRI. SAT. - SUN.-, DECEMBER 9-10-11

IBT'S - 25th Annual 4th Avenue Winter Street Fair. It's stupendous with thousands and thousands of bodies walking up and down the avenue - it's a cruiser's paradise. Don't miss this event! Showtime with Hostess Madame X at 3 p.m. on Saturday and 3 and 9 p.m. on Sunday (the shows are not repeated). Show stars Helena Bubbles, Lucinda Holliday, Gilda Fatale, Angelica West, Mr. Kenneth Blake and Adrienne Alexander plus the live vocals of Teresa Housley. Dancing following the shows.

### SATURDAY, DECEMBER 10

GRADUATE - Tucson Knight Owls monthly beer bynat here from 2 to 6 along with the regular Cash Pool Tourney. Always fun.

### SUNDAY, DECEMBER 11

AIN'T NOBODY'S BIZNESS - Billed as "The Best Lesbian Drag Show You've Ever Seen In Your Life!" will take place here this evening. The show headlines Slique Callahan as 'Ivana Tinkle' and her cast of 12 from Phoenix. There is a $4.00 donation at the door which will go directly to the MPS Society. Tickets are now on sale at the Biz but get there soon before they are all gone. This will be a sell-out!

GRADUATE - AGRA Christmas Jamboree here all afternoon and evening. Balloon Bust, Beer Bust, and a great time. Y'all come!

### WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 14

CLUB 2520 - The Club welcomes Clint back from his 'sea duty'. He is back to stay and will be playing your favorite music and the newest club mixes from Germany, France, Amsterdam and Italy, all ports of call on his cruising ship!

HOURS - Promo Nite. Come join in the fun and prizes. Enjoy the feature for the night, Kahlua and Amaretto Di Saronno. 7-9 p.m.

### SATURDAY, DECMBER 17

GRADUATE - TKO's annual Christmas Benefit here tonight begins at 8:30 p.m. Show, auction and raffle with proceeds going to Shanti and PACT for client housing. Prizes include $100 cash, $100 leather gift certificate, 2 tickets to the Copper Bowl, t-shirts, movies and a whole lot more.

### SATURDAY, DECEMBER 31 - NEW YEAR'S EVE

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# Non-Bar CALENDAR

### CURRENTLY PLAYING

One-In-Ten Theatre Company is presenting "17 Days" running through Saturday, Dec. 10. at the Historic 'Y' Theatre, 730 N. Fifth Ave., Suite 131. $9 general admission, $8 students. Tickets are available in advance at Antigone Books on Fourth Ave or by calling One-In-Ten at 770-9279 for reservations. Just 17 days to pack up their childhood home. To sort through memories, to say goodbye. The MacArthur sisters have a lot to do, and the unexpected arrival of their Gay brother doesn't make it any easier. Through the joys and heartache, they'll always remember their "17 Days".

### WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 7

This evening from 7:00 until 8:30 p.m. there will be another "AIDS Service Organizations Community Forum" where Board members and staff from PACT for Life, Shanti Foundation and the Tucson AIDS Project (TAP) will be present and answer questions and welcome input concerning their agency's services. The forum will be held in the auditorium of Tucson Electric Power Company, 220 West 6th Street.

### FRIDAY, DECEMBER 9

A month-long exhibition of photography by Bob MacMahon will open tonight with a reception from 7:00 to 10:00 p.m. at Wingspan Lesbian and Gay Center, 422 N. 4th Ave.

### SATURDAY, DECEMBER 10

"Many visions, One Voice" is the theme for Desert Voices Winter concert at 8:00 p.m. at Pima Community College Center for the Arts Proscenium Theatre, at PCC's west campus on Anklam Road. All seats are reserved so order your tickets now, call Desert Voices 791-9662 before they sell out. Mail your check or money order to P.O. Box 40036, Tucson 85717-0036. Tickets are $11, $8 and $5 for children and students.

Cronies (Gay men over 40 and younger friends) Christmas dinner party at 6:30 p.m. at the Quality Inn Motor Hotel Arizona room. This evening will combine the monthly meeting and the monthly dinner social. Extra special surprise entertainment is scheduled. This is a "don't miss it" fun event. Call Jerry at 690-9565 for reservations.

### SUNDAY, DECEMBER 11

One-In-Ten Theatre Company will hold auditions for "Movie Queens" at 1:00 p.m. at the Historic "Y" Theatre, 738 N. 5th Ave., Suite 131. Cast calls for up to 13 women and up to eight men. Please be prompt and expect to spend two hours at first auditions. Actors who cannot attend the Sunday audition may come to call backs by calling 770-9279 prior to auditions and alerting the director. "Movie Queens" will play from Feb. 8 to 25.

Next Men's Group Massage from 3 to 5 p.m. It's a fun and tactile way to meet new men. Call 881-4582 for more information.

### MONDAY, DECEMBER 12

The next Shanti Skate Night will be held at Skate Country North this evening. Call Amy at Shanti, 622-7107 for more details.

### TUESDAY, DECEMBER 13

"How Revocable Living Trusts Protect Your Family" will be presented at the Nanini Library, 7300 N. Shannon at 1:30 p.m. by Bobbie Carichner of Thompkins Investment Center. This discussion is free and open to the public. Call 544-4274 for more info.

### THURSDAY, DECEMBER 15

"Revocable Living Trusts: More Than Avoiding Probate" will be presented at the Catalina Library, 15560 N. Oracle at 10:30 a.m. by Bobbie Carichner of Thompkins Investment Center. This discussion is open to the public and is free. 544-4274 for info.

### SATURDAY, DECEMBER 17

Rainbow Families, a Gay, Lesbian and Bisexual parents network, celebrates the holidays with a tour of Winterhaven and a Holiday Party. Activities begin at 6:30 p.m. All Gay, Lesbian and Bisexual parents, partners and family members are welcome. Call Craig at 318-9348 or Mary at 690-1634 for details.

Cronies, (Gay men over 40 and younger friends) Video Movie Party "Meet Me In St. Louis" at 7:00 p.m. For more information and reservations, call Jerry at 690-9565.

### SUNDAY, DECEMBER 18

Gay and Lesbian Hiking Club will hold a moonlight hike up Blacket's Ridge in the Catalina Mountains (6.2 miles; 1,700 ft. elevation change). Hikers will start at 2:30 p.m. in order to enjoy the afternoon views of Sabino and Bear Canyons in the light. When the moon has risen, the group will begin the return trip. Bring flashlights, food and water. Call Les McAllan through pager number 446-3711. Be sure to enter your number (touch tone phones only) followed by the # sign.

Raymond Tess, organist at First Christian Church, will present a concert of "Carols Around the World" featuring the Rodgers 3-manual organ in the sanctuary of First Christian Church, 740 E. Speedway at 3:00 p.m. Mr. Tess will be assisted by Bonnie Brady, harpist, Mark Edwards, tenor and Jeanne Jackson, alto. They will perform a program of Christmas carols from around the world. This will also be an audience carol sing-a-long and the afternoon should prove to be lively and entertaining. There is no admission. For further info call the church office at 624-8695.

Cornerstone Fellowship will hold a Christmas Variety Show at 6:00 p.m. Everyone is welcome. Comedy, drama, music and singing. Free refreshments after the show. 2902 N. Geronimo. 622-4626.

# Tucson CALENDAR

## sunday

AIN'T NOBODY'S BIZNESS - Beer Bust 5-10, $1.25 pitchers. Hors d'Oeuvres. Best of 60s, 70s and 80s music begins at 7 pm.

CLUB 2520 - Open Noon. Baked 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 75¢ Schnapps 75¢

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

IBT's - Open 11 am to 1 am. Happy Hour 4-8 pm, $1.25 domestic beer and well. Benefit B-B-Q and Beer Bust for community organizations 4-7. Tea 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 3-7 pm.

## monday

AIN'T NOBODY'S BIZNESS - Happy Hour 4-7, Reverse Happy Hour 9-1. DJ 9pm.

CLUB 2520 - Open 3pm. 99¢ Happy Hour 4 to 8pm. $1.25 well 8-1 + Macon Madness "Buckets". C/W dancing and Progressive Dance Music begins at 9pm.

GRADUATE - Happy Hour 4-8pm all well $1.25 Draft 75¢ Schnapps 75¢ 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.

IBT's - Open noon. Happy Hour 4-8pm, $1.25 domestic beer and well, 8pm to midnight, 50¢ draft beer. Mellow Jazz Mondays with Pete from 9 to 1

STONEWALL/EAGLE - Happy Hour in the Eagle 10am to 8pm with $1.50 Well and Domestic Beer. Out of Mocy Monday, $1 Domestic Beer and Well 7 to 1. Stonewall opens at 8pm for dancing.

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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 7 pm.

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 75¢ Schnapps 75¢

HOURS - Happy Hour 12 to 7pm Well or Domestic Beer $1.25. Schnapps 75¢ 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 tattoo. Prizes and surprises.

STONEWALL/EAGLE - Happy Hour 10am to 8pm. Wet Jockey 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¢ all on everything from 8pm to close. Drink Specials all nite. ID required. C/W dance lessons with Edgar 7:30-9:30

CLUB CONGRESS - Rod Farrow's 'Queer Extravaganza' here from 8 pm to 1 am, featuring caged dancers.

GRADUATE - Happy Hour 4-8pm, all well $1.25 Draft 75¢ Schnapps 75¢

HOURS - Happy Hour 12 to 7pm, Well or Domestic Beer $1.25. 50¢ off all call drinks 7 to close. DJ Mixed Music Night: Request your favorite country, dance or clinic.

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/EAGLE - Happy Hour 10am to 8pm. Stonewall opens at 8pm. Salsa Nite featuring Mexican Cumbia, banda y top 40's. Corona or Cuervo Gold $1.50.

VENTURE-N - Open 6am to 1am. Patio bar opens 7pm. Bare Chest Nite from 7pm. Happy Hour prices for "upwardly naked" 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 Tourney at 8, $2 buy-in with bar matching the pot.

GRADUATE - Happy Hour 4-8pm, all Well $1.25 Draft 75¢ Schnapps 75¢

HOURS - Happy Hour 12 to 7pm, Well or Domestic Beer $1.25. Heineken or Corona $2.00 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 Discounts 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 to8 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 75¢ Schnapps 75¢

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 Lousey 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 NOBODYS BIZNESS - Pool Tournament 3 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 75¢ Schnapps 75¢. Pool Tournament 2pm, $3 entry fee, pot matched.

HOURS - Open Noon. Strawberry & Banana Daiquiris, Pina Coladas $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 Lousey 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 6pm. Leather/Uniform Nite - $1 well and domestic all nite for those in proper attire.

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

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# A View From The Rock

## A Commentary From Cornerstone Fellowship

There's nothing like the sights and sounds of Christmas! The day after Halloween they begin to fill the mails. Artificial trees are put together and strung with shiny tinsel.

Nothing like the sights and sounds...the long line of kids waiting to tell Santa what they want, artificial snow decorating windows, the barking dogs doing "Jingle Bells" on the radio, houses covered with hundreds of blinking bulbs, and floods of catalogs and advertisements filling everyone's mailbox. The list could go on and on. We're so used to these sights and sounds that they're what we expect this time of the year.

Yet, what should we really expect? We should be expecting the celebration of the birth of the Savior, the Messiah, Christ the Lord. Over two thousand years ago God sent his son Jesus to the earth. He chose the teen age virgin Mary to be Jesus' mother. She would be pregnant directly from God, the Creator of everything. An angel came and told her fiancee Joseph to marry her, that the child was conceived by the Holy Spirit.

As good Jews, both Mary and Joseph knew the prophecy that said this would someday happen. Isaiah 7:14 says, "...The virgin will be with child and will give birth to a son, and will call him Immanuel." The world had been waiting over a thousand years for it to happen, and now it was occurring. So they got married, she gave birth in a stable, the child grew up, and they all lived happily ever after. The end of the Christmas story, right? Wrong!

Yes, they did get married and Mary did give birth to Jesus in a stable. He did a grow up, and we're told he had great wisdom that confounded the religious scholars. He was the Messiah, and the angels had told Joseph before Jesus' birth, "...he will save his people from their sins." (Matthew 1:21b) Jesus was born to die. He grew up and when he was thirty he began his ministry of preaching, teaching, and performing miracles.

Finally, he was crucified for our sins. He died with his mother watching him suffer. But, he arose after being dead for three days, to live again on this earth until he ascended directly into heaven. This is the real Christmas story, not all the other sights and sounds. It's the story of a real baby, born so we too could live in his glorious heaven with him forever.

I love to drive around and look at the lights. I laugh when I hear the braking dogs doing "Jingle Bells". I look forward to all those catalogs and advertisements. None of the sights and sounds, however, take my focus off the real reason for the season, the birth of the savior of the world, who was born to save you and me.

The shopping days are quickly ticking by. Christmas will be here and gone before we know it. But Jesus will always be someone worth celebrating!

This year, make a change in your life. Give yourself a present, the present of eternal life which is offered to all who accept the baby Christmas as their savior! Jesus Christ loves us and he is a gift that is for all people. The angels told the shepherd, "...I bring you good news of great joy that will be for all the people." (Luke 2:10b) That means us too!

When you hear a holiday greeting it isn't "Merry Jingle Bells", "Merry Santa", or "Merry Holidays". It is "Merry Christmas". So make this truly a Merry Christmas". So make this truly a Merry Christmas for yourself. Attend a church, ask a Christian you know about Jesus. If you'd like a Bible to read about his birth, call Cornerstone Fellowship and we'll give you one. Jesus is the reason for the season! Merry Christmas!

# Bears of the Old Pueblo

Seasons Greetings, be it Christmas, Hanukkah, Winter Solstice, Kwaanza or whatever you may want to celebrate.

The Fellowship Run was held a few weeks ago and a few of our Bears walked away with awards (no, not the Trash Award): our Chair Bear Troy placed 2nd in Flight of the Owl (cool title, but it's just flying paper airplanes); First Lady Bob got 2nd place in Enduro Driver, and our former Chair Bear John, got 3rd place for something I'm not sure what, (Troy couldn't remember and I couldn't find John). Anyway, congratulations guys.

And now, it's time for this month's Bear Events:

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 17 - The Bears of the Old Pueblo are extending an open invitation to everyone for our Christmas Party. We're inviting members of Desert Leathermen to perform some Leather Cards for us, and the Bears will perform a skit, a kind of class Christmas play (or "class-less Christmas play" as our dear friend Lindsay put it).

This will be a Pot Luck Party, so don't come empty handed, bring a dish to pass. There will also be a Gift Exchange, so if you would like to participate in that, bring a gift valued at $5 or under, (White Elephants also welcome, which means whatever kind of junk you have lying around the house that you can wrap up.)

Plus, we'll have a box for donations that we will give to an AIDS or Homeless help organization to be decided upon later. We're looking for non-perishable personal care items live soap or toothbrushes or what ever you can manage.

The party starts at 6:00 PM and last until 10:00 PM, (which gives you just enough time to get back to the bars). BYOB (translate it anyway you want). Contact Troy at 293-9648 for reservation and location.

This week's Bear Hunting Grounds: Cafe Quebec, Downtown on Broadway and Arizona.

Until next week, Happy Hunting.

Bears of the Old Pueblo is a social group for large and/or hairy men. For more info, call Troy at 293-9648 or Brad at 882-4149 before 9:00 PM.


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# MY TURN

by Rev. Douglas Morgan Strong

It was a typical Thursday in Tucson, warm, clear and by five the familiar hints of pink dotted the western sky. A typical Thursday except that it was December 1st, World AIDS Day. It was a typical Thursday except that a worship service was about to begin, not a familiar time for a community of faith to gather.

People worship for varied and very private reasons. A Service of Healing and Hope for those touched by the AIDS pandemic will draw a special group of worshippers. Some, I am sure, came to be comforted; others to mourn and remember; some to feel the warmth of community. I doubted, however, that anyone came to rejoice, but that is precisely what I found myself feeling.

In a moving litany entitled I Am..., women and men from a variety of faith communities - Buddhist, Jewish; Unitarian Universalist, Episcopal, MCC and people of faith who are working in the HIV community in the name of Love, gave voice to the inner feelings many Gay men and Lesbians have felt about their treatment at the hands of "The Church".

There is no doubt in my mind that one of the two major blocks to AIDS education, understanding and compassion has come from The Church (the other, of course, was the Reagan administration). The Church has for centuries perpetuated a theology of shame and condemnation against those who celebrate same gender affection. The Church has to own its part in the current overwhelming lack of public sympathy towards anyone whose life has been touched by AIDS. The Church must acknowledge its role in oppression and discrimination. The Church needs to say, in one large body, "Forgive us, please, for what we have done". A sense of healing is desperately called for so that HIV illnesses and those who suffer from them can find a spiritual home without feeling angry and hurt.

Through music, reflections, homilies, meditation and stillness a sense of healing and hope flowed through and around us, thanks to the Tucson Interfaith HIV/AIDS Network who crafted the service. While I paused to remember in my heart the many who have died and the many who are living with HIV, I found myself overwhelmed by a sense of religious hope. Seeing so many people of so many traditions speaking in one strong voice was the cause of my joy.

The religious community must expand its mission to welcome and support everyone. When a dozen folks of incredibly different and differing religious perspectives can step beyond their own theological preferences and work in harmony to craft a spiritual service which offers humankind hope and healing, I rejoice.

It may have started as a typical Thursday, but it ended with a powerful thrust towards glory. The sunset was amazing, but then I wasn't surprised. Love and hope speak to us in wondrous and mysterious ways.

[The Rev. Strong is the minister of the Unitarian Universalist Church of Tucson, which welcomes warmly those whose lives are interwoven with HIV issues.]

# WHAT'S UP DOC???

This week I am way behind. For this column today, I'm writing it at Bob's. So what, shut up and write.

The first thing I wish to bring to your attention is that on Dec. 17, TKO will be holding their annual Christmas benefit. As last year, there will be a raffle, auction and a show. With this being a TKO sponsored benefit, the show director has stated that he wants TKO members in this show. Well, TKO will be staging a choir, and other special numbers, by the membership.

This show will start at 8:30 pm, with drawings after each 3 number set. Co-hosting this year will be Aviva Diamond, who will also be in the show. Her co-host will be Ray G. (aka Gracey), who is also wearing the hat as Director.

All proceeds this year will be equally divided between Shanti and P.A.C.T., monies ear marked for client housing.

As stated, this column will be on the short side this time, only because I do not have my notes with me. But, in my travels this week, I did come across some very interesting comments, and also heard of some juicy tid bits.

TBBS: Ernie - move over, Jim says that Burt does make a good boy. Then news came to me about a certain nude, at the Tropics. No names, this time just to protect the innocent (?).

With that, I've got to head home, put together the show tape for TKO, and work on some special show programs. These will be passed out to everyone who attends TKO's show on Dec. 17, in case anyone wishes to join in on the singing.

Have a good week and I hope the recent rain did not water log you.


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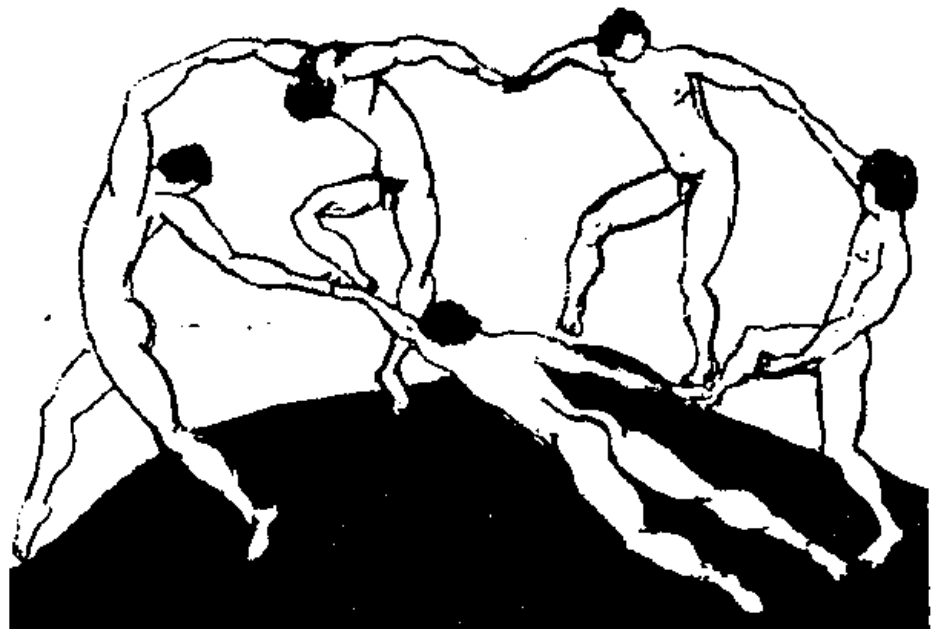

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# NEWS FROM P.A.C.T.

by Frank E.G. Gallego

People With AIDS Coalition of Tucson wishes to express tremendous gratitude to the entire Tucson community for the support and sharing that was so evident last Saturday at the Windmill Inn for our annual Festival For Life fund raising event. Hundreds of persons' time and effort went into planning and scheduling every detail and the big pay off is the success of this celebration.

The following is a very abbreviated list of individuals responsible for organizing: Gregory and Lynn Papanikolas, Clague and Sally Van Slyke, Dr. Lyn Patrick and Diane Beier, Mary Higgins, Tom Gerard and Kirk Damers, Ms. Mary Wilson (celebrity hostess), Jerry Newcombe, all Festival Committee members, all event sponsors, all sponsors for the gift baskets, living memorial trees, raffle prizes, celebrity items and menorahs, wreaths and decorations, restaurants for the buffet, local bar owners and staff for liquor and help, The Windmill Inn and its staff, all volunteers.

Special thanks to all concerned artists who donated all the art for the silent and live auctions. To all of you, thank you from the bottom of our hearts for sharing yours with so many.

# *LIGHT from the LIGHTHOUSE*

by Rev. Nita T. Willey, Pastor — News From MCC Tucson

Already it is time to be working on our Christmas celebrations. We need to remember to not get caught up in all of the commercialization of Christmas, rather in the true Spirit of Christmas. Sometimes the most precious gift can be that of just a little of our time.

This may take the form of sitting down and talking over a cup of coffee or egg nog; writing a long overdue letter to a friend; making some small token of our appreciation to someone who has been special to us this year or even a prayer lifted on behalf of another.

This season can bring great stress while shopping and fighting traffic and hordes of other shoppers in the stores; depression for those who have been cast aside from their families or are far away from family and loved ones; or it can be a time of renewal as we await the birthday of our savior.

This is the time for doing something special for someone (anonymously); opening our homes to others who may otherwise spend the holiday season alone; opening our lives to others, so that they may see the Christ child reborn in us.

There are so many things we can do to make this a time filled with wonder and love. Think about it, what can you do? For in doing for others, we can receive ten-fold what is given.

Last Thursday, December 1st, there was a World AIDS Day Healing Service at Catalina United Methodist Church, located at 2700 East Speedway. It was sponsored by the Tucson Interfaith HIV/AIDS Network. Over 100 people attended, regardless of faith base; Buddhist, Christian, Jew and others, all were represented and participated in this community healing service.

This was a day and time set apart for us to bring our positive prayers and energies together, focused on the healing of our community and world from this horrible epidemic. If you want to become a part of this Network, feel free to call me for more information. Our God is truly awesome and it is most evident when we can set aside our religious dogmas and become a community of FAITH.

Remember to mark your calendars to attend MCC Tucson's Annual Christmas Eve Vigil at 11:00 PM. It is shaping up to be wonderful way to sing in Christmas Day. We will still have our regularly scheduled 10:45 AM worship and Children's church. Know that all are welcome to worship with us at our Sunday morning or Wednesday, 7:00 PM Bible Study/Hymn Sing services.

The Deacons have no set budget, but works from the generosity of congregants and community members. If you should have food (canned, frozen or dry goods), clothing, furniture, etc., and need a place to donate it, give us a call and we will accept it here or come pick it up, as you request. Donation receipts for tax purposes are available upon request.

If you have any questions about us or need to have someone visit you at home or in the hospital, we are here to serve this community in as many ways as possible. Accepting a helping hand is nothing to be ashamed of, asking takes great courage in this day and age. We are her for you.

May God bless each of you. Until next time...


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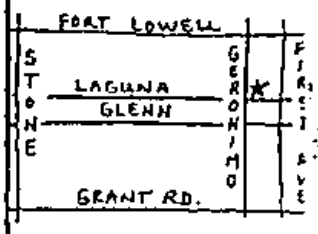


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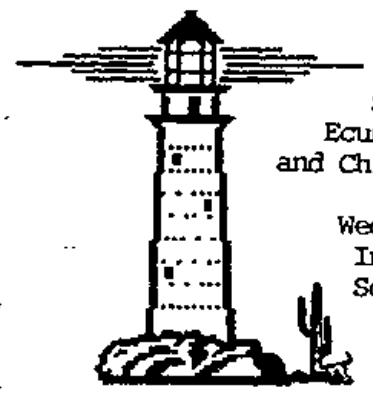

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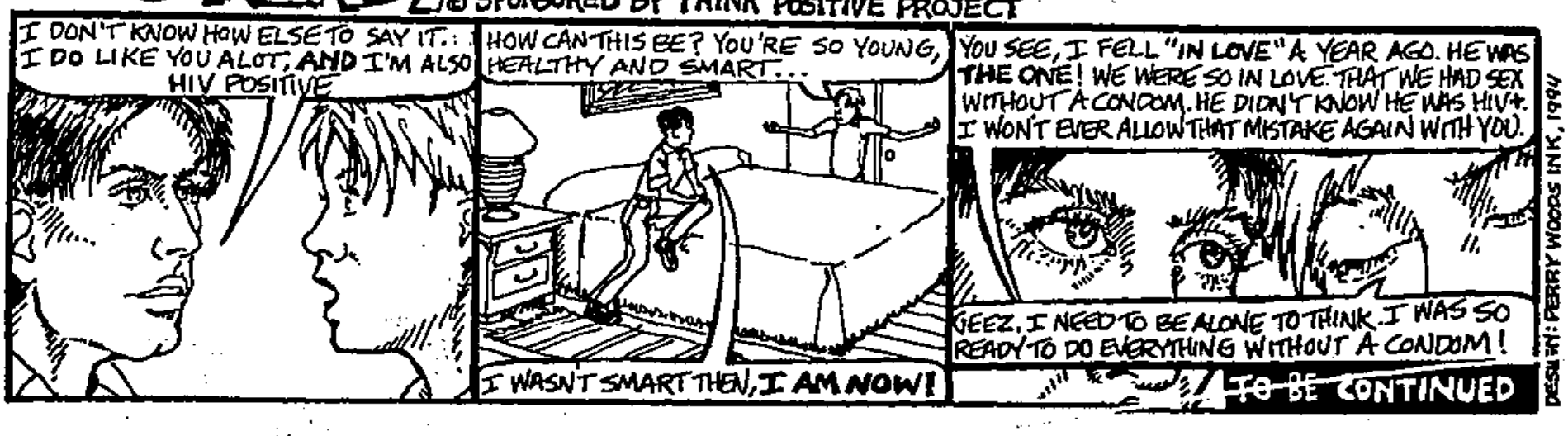

# UPDATE

## Free Income Tax Seminar for Gay and Lesbian Couples

PHOENIX - If you are in a relationship, do you know what simple income shifting techniques, generally not available to married couples, can significantly reduce your combined income tax liabilities? Do you know how joint income or deductions, such as interest and taxes on a home, should be split to save the most money and avoid confrontations with the IRS? If your partner's employer is thinking of extending benefits to unmarried spouses, are you aware of the tax implications for you both? Are you unsure about the different forms of joint ownership, whether or not to have a joint checking account, how the law would treat your joint property if you broke up or if one of you died?

The answers to these questions are not easy to find. The IRS has no handy information booklet for unmarried couples, and most tax professionals can't find the information in a tax system that essentially pretends we don't exist.

On Saturday evening, January 7th, there will be a special free presentation on "Tax Planning for Domestic Partners (including Gay or Lesbian couples)", starting at 7:00 PM at the Valley of the Sun Gay & Lesbian Community Center, 3136 North 3rd Avenue in Phoenix.

The speaker will be Bob Lind, and Enrolled Agent with over 17 years experience as a professional tax advisor. His credentials include consulting on tax matters for MONEY magazine and two television networks, writing a regular column for a national taxpayer's newsletter, being quoted as a "tax expert" by the Arizona Republic, and he is one of the "Tax Gang" that answers questions for users all over the country on America Online. Tax planning for Gay couples is a particular specialty of Bob's, and he has lectured on the topic before in Phoenix and other cities. He was also quoted on the subject by The Advocate.

Bob will explain applicable tax laws, and suggest strategies on how you can use them to your advantage, simply and safely. He will also review the changes for 1994 returns, and give you an idea of what to expect in the next few years. If you have questions on other matters, related to taxes, Bob will be happy to answer those as well.

## Texas Activists Say They Must Ally With Other Groups

DALLAS, TX - Local and national Gay and Lesbian leaders vowed to forge alliance with blacks, Hispanics, and women in the wake of the new Republican majority.

At a national meeting over the weekend, the group said it will build coalitions with other groups to address abortion, immigration, welfare reform, as well as anti-Gay measures, expected to move forward as a result of congressional conservative gains.

"Now more than ever is the time to stand in coalition with our other civil rights movements to stop any further erosion of our civil rights in this country," said Peri Jude Radecic, executive director of the National Gay and Lesbian Task Force.

The recurring theme at the dozens of panels and workshops was that Gays and Lesbians must work to stop a Republican controlled Congress from destroying decades of civil rights advances.

## Slugs Coming Back April 23rd

SANTA CRUZ, CA - The first University of California, Santa Cruz reunion of Gay, Lesbian, and Bisexual alumni will be held on April 23, 1995, during the annual "Slug Days" festival when alumni, parents, and community members are invited to visit the campus. UCSC has long enjoyed an actively political and cultural Gay student body, but for the first time these alumni are returning to meet, play, and reminisce.

Since the campus was founded in 1965, enormous social changes have taken place. In 1965 Gay men's groups meet in secret and there was only one Lesbian magazine. By 1995 a million Gay people had saturated the nation's capitol in a week long party and Lesbian chic had come and already gone out of style.

Over the next few months, reunion organizers will be planning activities and gathering addressers of alumni who wish to learn more about this historic event. To get on the mailing list, contact: Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual Reunion, Alumni Office, Carriage House, UCSC, Santa Cruz, CA 95064. Phone: (408) 459-2530 or email:linda-hooper@macmail.ucsc.edu

## Burroughs Wellcome AZT Patents Upheld By Court

WASHINGTON, D.C. - The U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit upheld a July 1993 district court judgement and affirmed Burroughs Wellcome scientists as the sole inventors on five of the six patents for the use of Retrovir brand zidovudine (AZT) as a treatment for HIV disease.

A three judge panel upheld the ruling of the District Court for the Eastern District of North Carolina as a matter of law in favor of Burroughs Wellcome Co. and against two generic drug manufacturers, Barr Laboratories, Inc. and Novopharm Ltd.

"On the facts before us, it is apparent that the district court correctly ruled against Barr and Novopharm as to five of the patents but that the court's judgment as to the sixth, the '750 patent, was premature," the appeals court wrote.

The Federal Circuit held that five Burroughs Wellcome scientists were correctly names as the only inventors on five of the six disputed AZT patents, and affirmed that the trial court had properly determined that two scientists employed by the National Institutes of Health (NIH) were not inventors.

"We never had any doubt that our five scientists alone discovered the use of AZT as a treatment for HIV infection and AIDS," said Philip R. Tracy, president and chief executive officers of Burroughs Wellcome. "It is encouraging to know that our innovation will be rewarded by patent protection on the use of this compound in the United States until the year 2005."

In their ruling, the Court of Appeals found that a question of fact remained on the '750 patent and the Novopharm should be given the chance to

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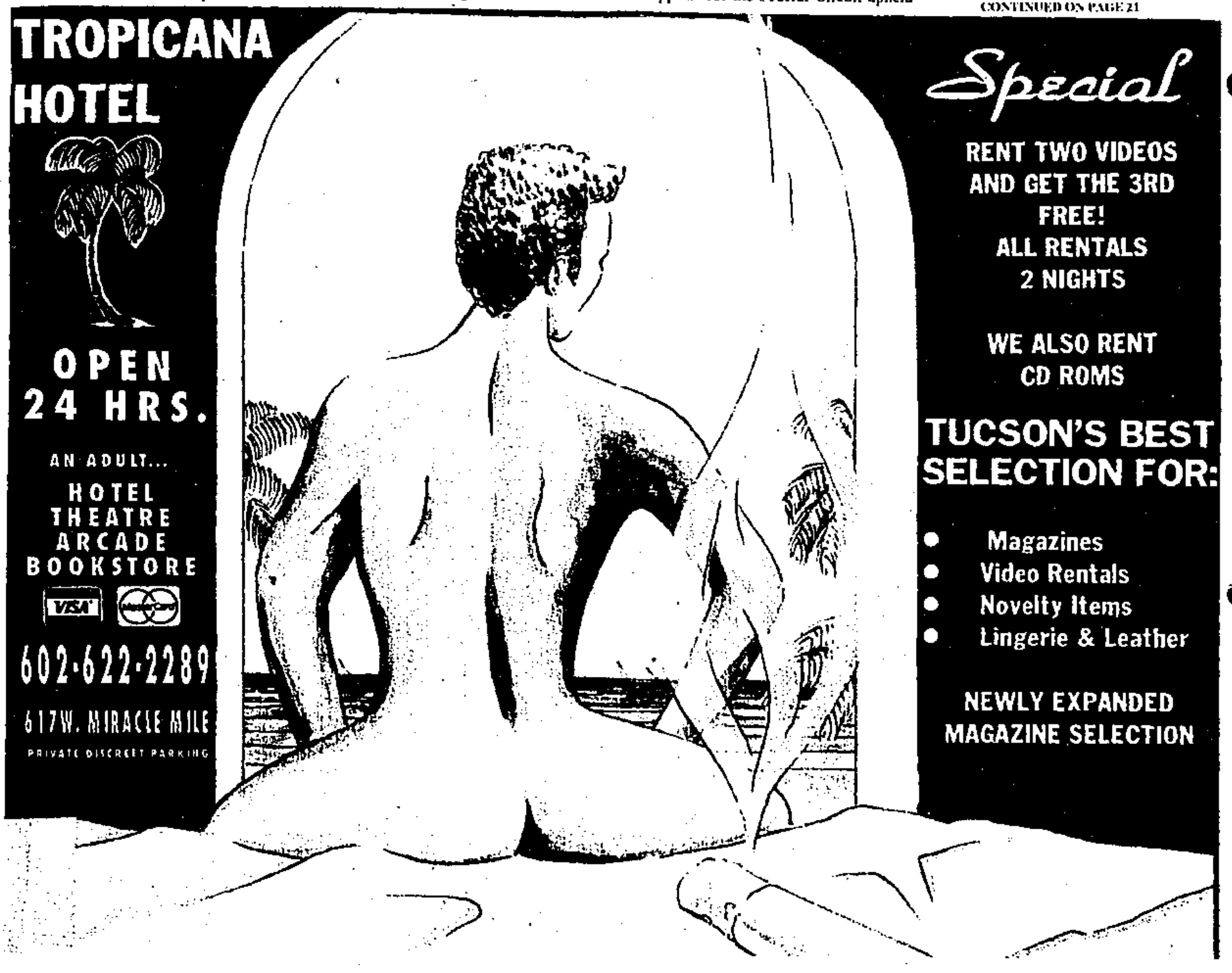

# MPS Benefit in Tucson Dec. 11

TUCSON - On Sunday, Dec. 11 at 7:30 p.m., "The Best Lesbian Drag Show You've Ever Seen In Your Life," is coming to Tucson.

The show features Slique Callahan as 'Ivana Tinkle' and her cast of twelve (count 'em - 12) from Phoenix. Melinda Brown of Ain't Nobody's Bizness will be bringing these dazzling beauties to town for a benefit show. There will be a $4.00 donation at the door which goes directly to the MPS Society.

MPS is a metabolic condition that is characterized by progressive accumulation of mucopolysaccharides in various tissues of the body, including the brain, liver, heart, spleen and joints. It is a progressive disease which has sits onset in early childhood and leads to death usually in the teenage years.

My son Woody, was diagnosed with "Hurler Scheie", a form of MPS, two years ago.

There are over 300 children in the MPS directory (11 with Woody's diagnosis). Because of the rarity of this disease, funding isn't available to us. The MPS Society was founded 20 years ago by parents and friends with MPS children. This disease has taken the lives of their children, and it will take the life of Woody.

The MPS Society was set up as an information center for doctors, parents and friends affected by this disease. We put out a newsletter four times a year. Again, because of the rarity of this disease, we use to newsletter to pass information to each other, information that can only be found from other parents. Our hope is to extend or improve the quality of our children's lives by exchanging medical information.

A special thanks to the employees at the "Biz" for hearing Woody's story and getting involved, and to Slique Callahan who insisted on doing something, and has.

Tickets are now on sale at "Ain't Nobody's Bizness", 2900 E. Broadway This will be a sellout, so get your tickets A.S.A.P.

# Missouri Coalition Discusses Way To Respond To Phelps

KANSAS CITY, MO (AP) - Faith in free speech is bring put to the test among members of a coalition who believe the Rev. Fred Phelps has stretched the limits with his verbal attacks on homosexuals.

"The message of love will be stronger than the message of hate," said Ginger Ashmore, one of the coalition leaders who met to discuss ways to reply to Phelps, whose small Baptist congregation consists mainly of family members.

The catalyst for the meeting was Phelps' recent verbal attack on Maya Angelou, a poet who spoke at President Clinton's inaugural and is well know for her civil rights work, which has included standing up for Gay rights.

Angelou, whose car was surrounded by Phelps supporters after an appearance in Topeka recently, canceled a speech at Emporia State University after she was shouted at by the group.

The coalition claims more than 70 groups as members. Their first step was to send an open letter to Angelou, urging her to come back to Kansas.

"This behavior is an outrage and an embarrassment to our community," the letter said. "The actions in Topeka resulting in a lost opportunity for students at Emporia State to hear your inspirable message is inexcusable and will not be ignored."

As Phelps and about a dozen supporters picketed outside a midtown church, one carrying a sign that said Gays deserve to die, the group talked about setting up counter demonstrations.

They conceded, however, that no organized support has emerged against Phelps out of the fear that Phelps will target homes and businesses for his demonstration.

"How about all of us who believe in acceptance, why aren't we out there with our signs?" Ashmore asked..

Others urged a massive letter writing campaign to Angelou in an attempt to draw media interest to the group's message.

"He inspires his followers to vicious acts," said Karen Pearson of the Kansas chapter of the National Organization for Women. "We are not here to stop Mr. Phelps, neither will we remain silent should he choose to continue to spread his vicious words of hate."

# Patents Upheld By Court

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present its evidence on this patent at the trial court level. "The record does not now support resolution of this question as a matter of law," the court said.

The Court of Appeals, however, expressed its skepticism that Novopharm could prevail on this issue, but stated that it was compelled to return that single issue to the trial court because of the stage in the original proceedings at which judgement was rendered.

"While there may be additional proceedings at the trial court level with respect to the '750 patent, the effect of the ruling is that the trial court's permanent injunction against Barr and Novopharm will remain in full force and effect," said Paul A. Holcombe, Jr., vice president and general counsel at Burroughs Wellcome.

Under the permanent injunction, Barr and Novopharm are prohibited from manufacturing or selling AZT in the United States until 2005 when the '232 and other Burroughs Wellcome patents expire.

In a separate opinion dissenting on the issue of the '750 patent, Circuit Judge Alan Lourie wrote, "I believe that the method of the '750 patent is an inherent, inevitable result of the practice of the other methods patents claiming treatment of HIV or AIDS. The trial court's decision should be affirmed across the board because it correctly found that the Burroughs Wellcome inventors solely conceived and are entitle to the inventive benefit of all the claimed inventions."

Burroughs Wellcome began its AIDS research program in 1983 and currently invests approximately one third of its research and development effort on anti-viral and infectious diseases.


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# HOROSCOPES

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Energetic and feisty Mars squares off with volatile Pluto this week which means that our actions will definitely speak louder than our words. Pluto is unleashed power erupting from the bowels of the earth and Mars is now working like a huge plunger. (Well, you get the idea...) This is a stern warning from the planetary taskmasters to measure our actions carefully. This is a time of monumental breakthroughs and breakdowns that we, ourselves, can cause. Read ahead to see how Mars squared Pluto affects each sign:

### ARIES
MARCH 21 - APRIL 20

It may seem like a great idea to go for that one last dance at that one last party, but now the Mars/Pluto tango will make every indulgence count in a big way. On one hand, it may be the big romantic breakthrough you have been looking for or, as luck would have it, it may be the last straw for your world weary lover. Your actions can change the psychological landscape.

### TAURUS
APRIL 21 - MAY 21

Mars fires up home related issues which may, in turn, set off Pluto's eruptive influence on relationships. The time has evidently come for a dramatic change or reformation of priorities between you and partners. Do you feel like relationships used a little spicing or sprucing up? Change is not necessarily bad. It may be just what is need to keep the wheels nicely oiled and rolling along.

### GEMINI
MAY 22 - JUNE 21

Geminis have on occasion uttered that one comment too many. The Mars/Pluto square is just such an occasion. Your words could set off an avalanche of change on the job. If you have been toiling away in a house of cards, allowing small details and tasks to be swept under the rug, expect a crash! All at once, your obligations have come due. Payment in full.

### CANCER
JUNE 22 - JULY 23

Fun may cost much more than expected when Mars squares Pluto. What you spend now for amusements could affect how you approach romantic and creative outlets. Money becomes the ways and means to a more glamorous lifestyle, if that's what you are after. Just be careful of blowing your financial wad all at once to be at the mercy of others for your jollies.

### LEO
JULY 24 - AUGUST 23

Talk about pushy, pushy; Leos are simply ablaze with self confidence. Taking this burst of ego to the extreme, the Pluto/Mars square may result in a push me, pull you situation where you strive to make a splash on the public scene at the expense of the warm privacy of your home.. Remember that people who live in glass houses must dress in the basement.

### VIRGO
AUGUST 24 - SEPTEMBER 23

Intuition runs into overdrive with the Mars/Pluto face off. Pluto is currently influencing communication so I would advise you to keep your more outrageous and creative conspiracy theories to yourself. The landscape will shift according to your words or writing. Happily, it could be an excellent time to ferret out hidden enemies and destroy them once and for all.

### LIBRA
SEPTEMBER 24 - OCTOBER 23

Friends may become overbearingly needy during the Mars/Pluto square. (or at least it will seem to you.) It is one thing to lend a sympathetic shoulder to a pal, but it is quite another thing to support someone monetarily. The planets indicate that friendships won't bear the burden of a financial obligation. At any rate, Libras may not have enough dough to go around.

### SCORPIO
OCTOBER 24 - NOVEMBER 22

Your career skyrockets, but at what cost? Mars energizes you professional fortunes, setting off Pluto's quest for world recognition. It could mean that your drive to succeed on others terms could propel you into the limelight, but at what price? You can't measure personal success through the eyes of others and be totally satisfied in the long run.

### SAGITTARIUS
NOVEMBER 23 - DECEMBER 22

Mars' vibes helps you reevaluate and reform your global philosophy, but be prepared for Pluto to reveal hidden elements in this new vision that may be unpleasant. Don't take someone's philosophy at face value. You need to cast a more discerning eye on the machinations and manipulations of others.

### CAPRICORN
DECEMBER 23 - JANUARY 20

The more you feel you know yourself, the stronger you will feel that your choice of friends and social acquaintances must change. Such are the demands of Mars square Pluto. There will be an intense inspection. What you may discover is that your circle of friends is not providing you with the support you need and may, in fact, be stifling you.

### AQUARIUS
JANUARY 21 - FEBRUARY 19

Partners' demands are at odds with career demands and someone or something has got to give. You may not blame it all on the Mars/Pluto square, but it is probably a good time to review the effect of professional aspirations on your personal life. More effort will probably go into relationships, but gauge the overall cost and upheaval and be prepared for changes.

### PISCES
FEBRUARY 20 - MARCH 20

Work demands speed up and you may begin to feel like a rat on a treadmill. You may be very tempted to chuck the whole darn effort aside and escape to parts unknown. The Mars/Pluto square may encourage you to travel and thus acquire a refreshed outlook on your work. This is fine, but be careful; Pisces can "escape" and never return.

For best results, read both your Sun sign and your Ascendant. For a free calculation of your ascendant, send birth date, time, place, name of this paper and s.a.s.e. to: Lichtenstein, POB 1726, Old Chelsea Station, NY 10011.

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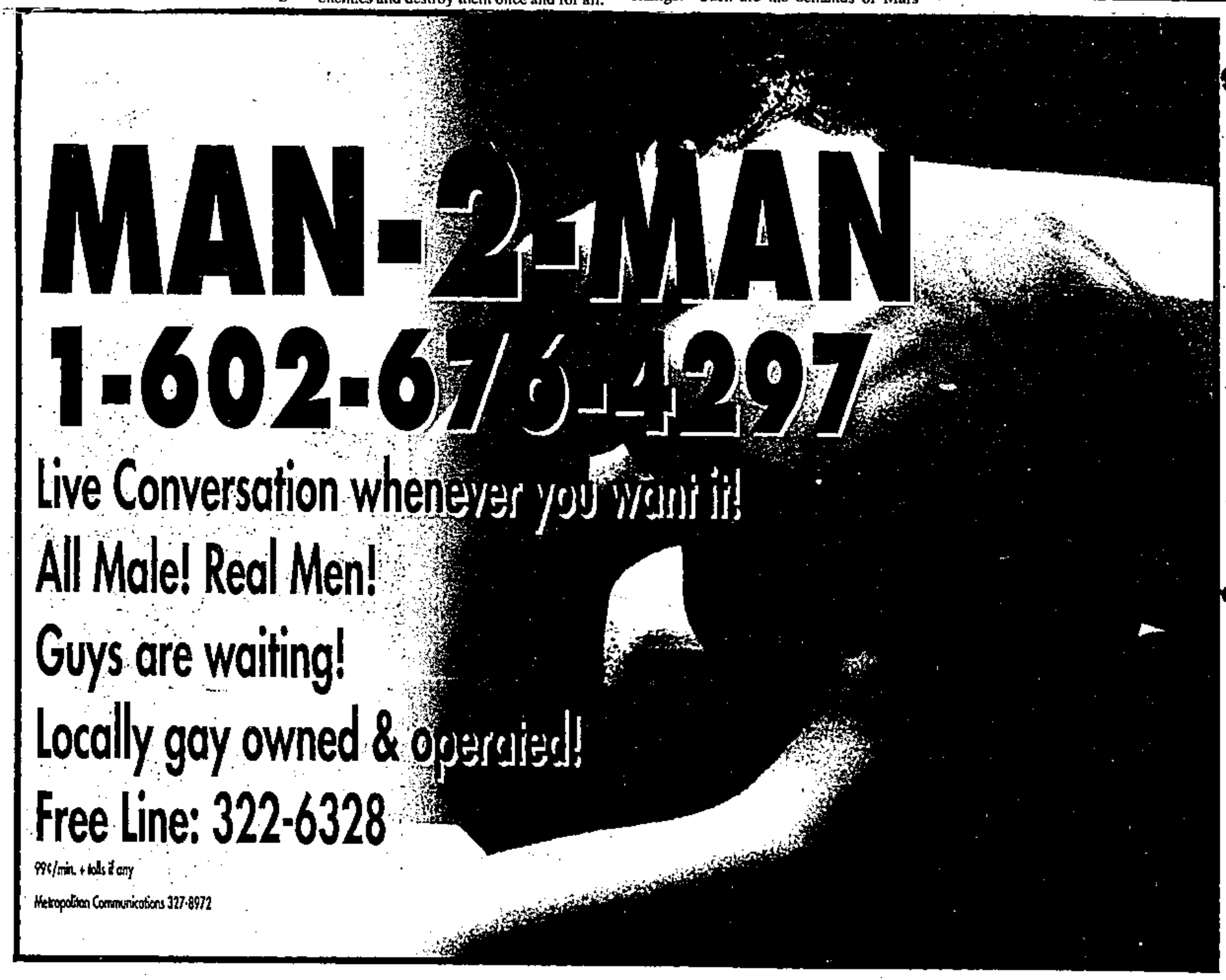

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PACT - People with AIDS Coalition of Tucson, 801 W. Congress. Office hours 8 to 5 M-F (8-7 Wed); Support Group meets every Tuesday at 7:30 p.m. Call 770-1710 for info.

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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 575-8660 or write: P.O. Box 36264, Tucson, AZ 85740-6264. All replies confidential.

Casa 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 Rap Group 7 pm. Closing out issues couple counseling provided. For appointment Pastor R. Lewis for info 323-6455.

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YOUNG AND GAY?
Lesbian and Gay youths 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 Jan. $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 Broadmoor Center Bldg.). Direct services for persons with and affected by HIV/AIDS. Prevention education programs. Business hours, M-F, 8-5. 322-6226. AIDS Hotline: 326-AIDS.

AFFIRMATION Support group for Gay, Lesbian & Bisexual Mormons 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.

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ARIZONA/SONORA PROYECTO, S.I.D.A. - AIDS INFO LINE 882-3933. Also seeking volunteers who are bilingual (Spanish/ English) and are interested in presenting information about AIDS to Spanish groups in Arizona and Sonora, Mexico. Early Intervention Center, 801 West Congress, Tucson, AZ 85745. 770-1314.

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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 Oberhuff, Ph.D. 570-0027

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

GAY AND LESBIAN OVEREATERS ANONYMOUS. Stop binging, purging and overeating. Get a life! Call 793-5418 / 290-1739. Come to a meeting. Meetings are held every Tuesday from 7 to 8:30 pm at Mostly Books, 1001 N. Wilmot.

TUCSON ROOMMATE LOCATOR SERVICE
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"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. Ellie 581-4850 or Rona 968-2384.

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 Brown, 327-1293.

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE GROUP - Outreach to Gay and Lesbian people in Arizona. Meets monthly. Write to P.O. Box 893, Phoenix, AZ 85001 or call Eddy Walters, (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 64044, Tucson, AZ 85728-4044. For faster reply please include phone number.

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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 Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual Reunion, Alumni Office, Carriage House, UCSC, Santa Cruz, CA 95064 or call (408)459-2530. Email: linda_hooper@cats.ucsc.edu.

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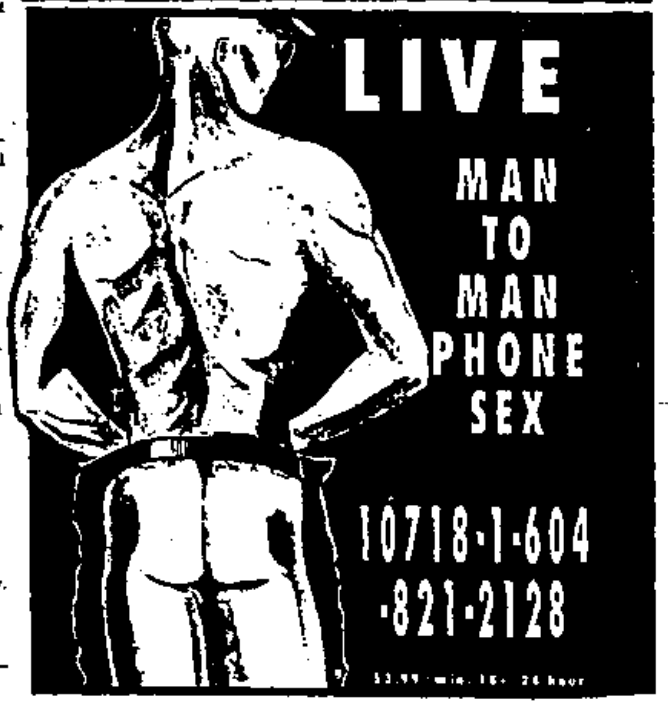

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# Lawyer Defends AIDS Test In Mississippi Murder Case

LAUREL, MS - Information about the health of two Gay men murdered last month isn't essential to the defense, but could be helpful, according to an attorney for the teen charged with the slayings.

Laurel attorney J. Ronald Parrish said if one of the victims had the AIDS virus, it could be another aggravating factor on the conduct of the two men Marvin McClendon, is charged with murdering on October 8.

"I don't know if my information is correct," Parrish said. "That's why I wanted the two victims to be tested before we got too far down the road and the evidence lost."

McClendon was indicted by a Jones County grand jury on murder charges for the slayings of Robert Walters, and Joseph Shoemake.

Jones Country Circuit Court Judge Billy Joe Landrum order the HIV tests be made and the results given to him in secret. Landrum will hear arguments later on whether to reveal the test results.

However, Gay and Lesbian Americans spokesman Michael Petrelis said the possible medical conditions of the two dead men are not issues.

"They are not on trial," Petrelis said. "The trial is for Marvin McClendon and his behavior. That fact seems to be getting lost in Judge Landrum's courtroom."

Parrish may argue that McClendon shot the two men in self-defense after they attempted to force him to have sex with them.

"In some states, people who have AIDS or the HIV virus have been convicted of attempted murder after having a sexual relationship without revealing their condition," Parrish said.

Research by Hattiesburg Assistant Librarian Donna Davis shows that the first conviction for attempted murder against an HIV positive man for engaging in unprotected sex occurred in 1992 in Oregon.

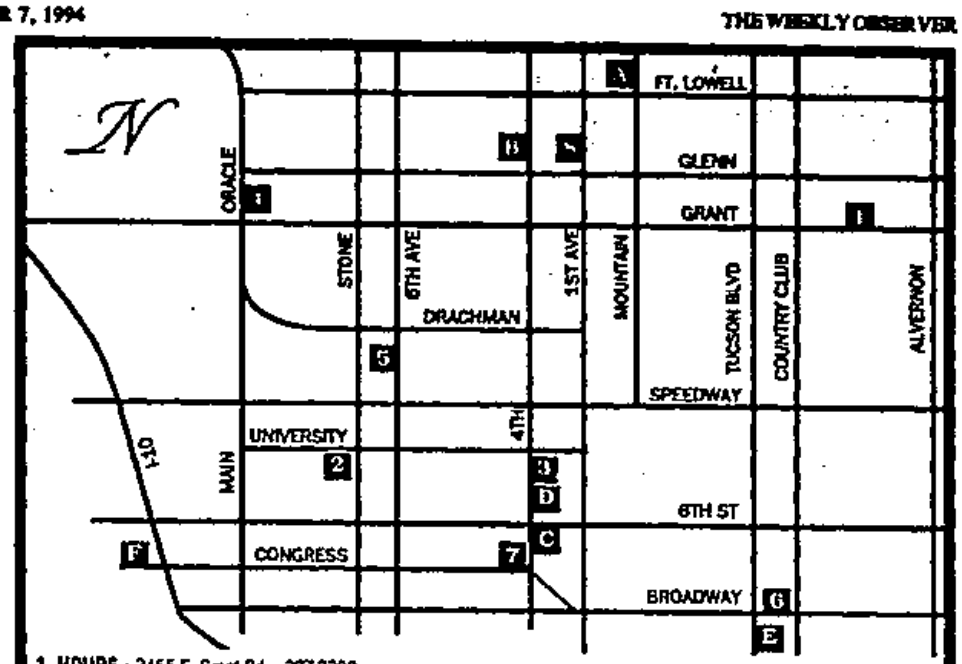
"Since then, some states have adopted AIDS specific criminal statutes," Davis said. "But most states travel under existing laws including attempted murder or reckless endangerment."

Mississippi has no AIDS specific laws, said Assistant Attorney General Wayne Snuggs. "We would travel under some other form of law if we needed to," Snuggs said.

Jones County District Attorney Jeannene Pacific argued against the tests, but she will not discuss the case.

Former prosecutor Michael Clay Smith, who teaches criminal justice at the University of Southern Mississippi, said there is some merit to using the HIV tests in a self defense argument.

"If you know that homosexuals are at greater risk for carrying the HIV virus, and one attempts to force you to have sex and you defend yourself, you could probably use that in making a self defense argument," Smith said.

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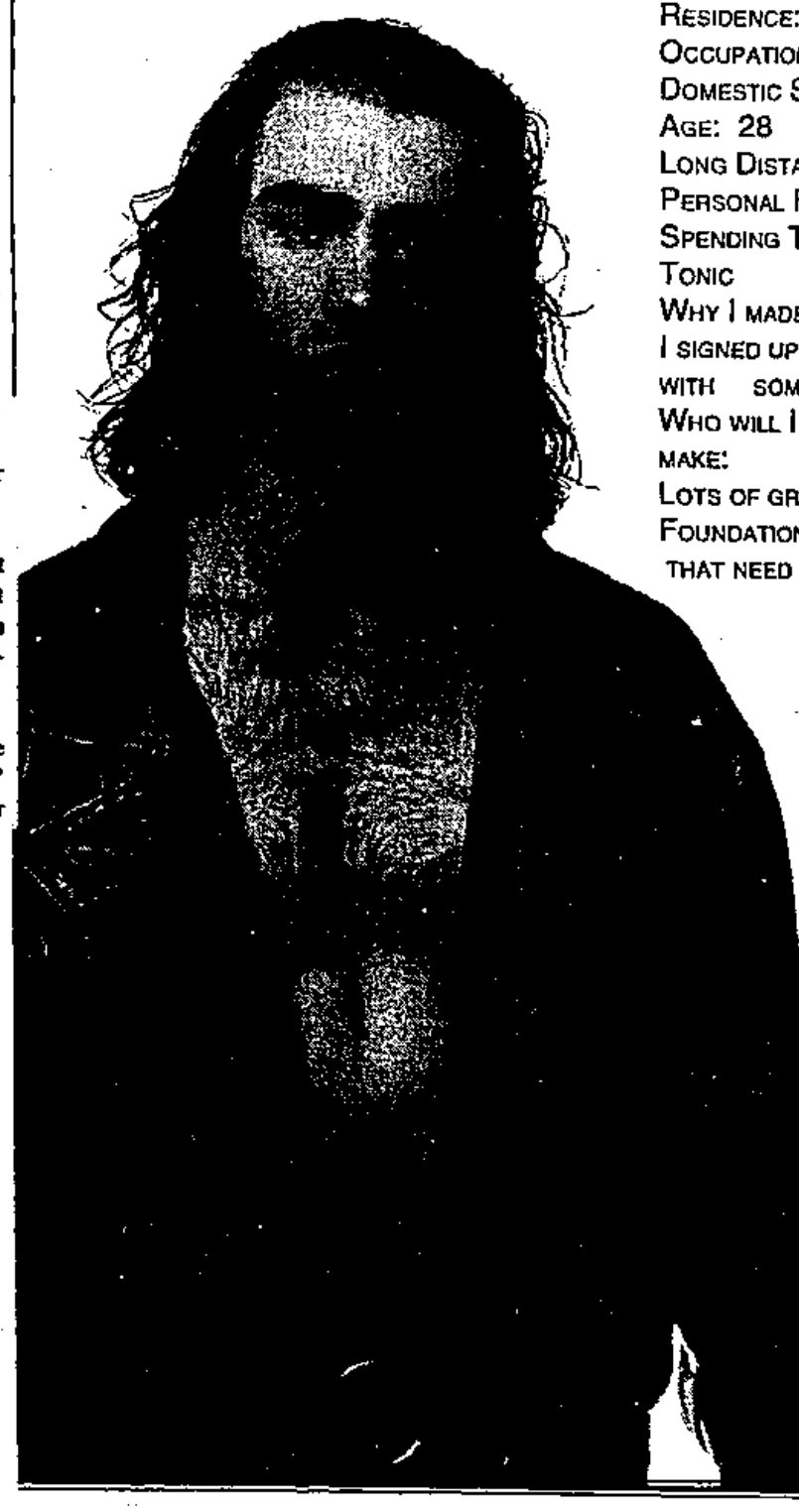

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