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Helms Introduces Hate Legislation Targeting Gay & Lesbian Workers

WASHINGTON, D.C. - In the first indication that anti-Gay extremists in the new Republican controlled Congress may target Lesbian and Gay Americans in discriminatory legislation, Sen. Jesse Helms (R-NC) has introduced two bills that would promote hate speech and discrimination against federal workers.

The Helms bills mark the first two pieces of anti-Gay legislation introduced in the 104th Congress, according to an analysis by the Human Rights Campaign Fund (HRCF).

"In a move that contradicts the Republican promise to keep focused on the business of the nation, Jesse Helms has begun to execute his own private contract on Gay Americans in the first few days of the 104th Congress," said HRCF Executive Director Elizabeth Birch. "This is the first indication that Jesse Helms intends to use his newly acquired power in Congress to pursue his anti-Gay obsession, a clear breach of the Republican promise to address issues that are important to Americans. Voters who changed the face of Congress have overwhelmingly rejected discriminatory measures of the ilk that Helms is proposing."

The first bill, numbered S.23, would give a special exemption from workplace non-discrimination policies to government employees who voices prejudices against Lesbian and Gay co-workers. S.25 would target Lesbian and Gay employees for discrimination by denying their employee groups for Lesbian and Gay federal workers have formed, similar to groups representing African-Americans, Latinos and women in the federal work force.

"This legislation would promote hate speech and discrimination against federal workers," said HRCF Public Policy Director Daniel Zingale. "Americans overwhelmingly believe that no one should be singled out for discrimination in the workplace. Helms' hate legislation flies in the face of this fundamental American value."

Following a growing trend in the private sector, at least 17 major federal agencies have included Lesbian and Gay people along with other workers in their non-discrimination policies. No federal law protects people from being fired or otherwise discriminated against in the workplace on the basis of sexual orientation.

"The federal government is only now catching up to corporate America, where half of the Fortune 1000 companies have non-discrimination policies protecting their Gay and Lesbian employees," said Birch, who recently left a high level management position at Apple Computers to lead the largest national Lesbian and Gay equal rights organization. "A growing number of successful corporations also have Gay employee groups and diversity training. If successful companies like Apple and Xerox provide equal protection to their employees, the federal government would do well to follow their example."

Anticipating the Helms bills and supporting its lobbying activities on Capitol Hill, HRCF has activated its 5,000 member Federal Advocacy Network (FAN) to generate calls and letters to program is generating 31,159 letters to the Senate and 14,203 letters to the House asking Members to reject legislation that singles out Lesbian and Gay people for discrimination. HRCF is also coordinating communications activities with the federal Gay, Lesbian & Bisexual Employees (GLOBE) organization.

Idaho Lawmakers Play Down Anti-Gay Issue But Concede It Could Come Up

TWIN FALLS, ID - Citizens Alliance Chairman Kelly Walton says he has backers in the Legislature willing to fight for an anti-Gay rights bill.

But Walton would not say who, and the leaders of the Republican dominated Legislature say their focus will be on reducing big government during the session which began on January 9th.

House Speaker Michael Simpson and Senate President Pro Tem Jerry Twiggs, both R-Blackfoot, predict most politicians will steer clear of controversial anti-Gay measures in 1995.

Sen. Joyce McRoberts, R-Twin Falls, says she was unsure who would introduce anti-Gay rights legislation and predicted opponents would try to keep any bill bottled up in committee.

"But if it makes it out of committee I would say that it would probably pass," McRoberts said.

Twiggs said that the Idaho Citizens Alliance backers could use parliamentary maneuvering early in the session to bypass the GOP leadership and get their proposal to the floor. If that happens and the bill deals only with the topic of homosexuality in public schools, Twiggs said lawmakers might be forced to tackle the issue.

The Heyburn based Alliance sponsored Proposition One on Idaho's November ballot. The measure was rejected by voters dictated how schools, libraries, and government agencies would deal with homosexuality.

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Former O'Odham Accountant Indicted In Deal Involving Gay/Lesbian Resort

TUCSON - A federal grand jury last week, indicted a former Tohono O'odham Nation accountant of diverting $2.7 million to bankroll a Texas resort in which he had a hidden interest.

An indictment charges Emilio G. "Lee" Dutari of Tucson with five felony courts of mail fraud and misappropriation of tribal funds.

Each count carries a maximum penalty of five years in prison, a $250,000 fine or both."

"The people of the Tohono O'odham Nation trusted their accountant would invest their funds to benefit their nation," said Janet Napolitano, U.S. attorney for Arizona. "The indictment alleges that, rather than benefiting the nation, Mr. Dutari benefitted himself. This is called stealing."

The indictment came after Dutari's friend, John Morton, pleaded guilty to receiving misappropriated tribal funds from Dutari and agreed to testify against him.

Dutari, is to be arraigned before a federal magistrate on January 19.

The indictments alleged that without tribal authorization, Dutari sent a total of $2,712,000 in four wire transfers from the tribe's accounts in Tucson to a bank in Athens, Texas.

Dutari distributed $627,000 to Morton for Morton's personal use, and about $2.1 million to three other friends, who used it to buy a Texas oil baron's former estate and run it as a resort marketed mainly to Gay men and Lesbians, according to the indictment.

The three friends, James Rutledge, R. Norman Gill, and Dutari's lover, Todd Seaton, are former Tucsonans who moved to Texas and operated the Meadowood Ranch Resort near Athens. Seaton has lived with Dutari since 1982, the indictment says.

The grand jury charged that at Dutari's direction, Gill and Rutledge became 25 percent owners of Meadowood Ranch Inc. and Seaton, the company president, received a 50 percent share.

"In reality, Seaton's share included a 25 percent share for Dutari, who planned to become involved in the operation of the ranch on a full time basis at a future date," the indictment alleges. "None of these individuals had any experience or training in operating a resort."

In 1992, Dutari used $5,500 of the tribal funds to buy a 1962 Ford Thunderbird and also had Morton use tribal funds to buy four cashier's checks totaling $25,000, which Dutari cashed, the indictment says.

The indictment says Dutari provided the $627,000 to Morton without documenting the transaction. After tribal offices questioned the transactions, the pair created two backdated documents showing Morton's receipt of the money, according to the indictment.

O'odham officials put Dutari on administrative leave in March while they investigated the transactions. On march 29, he signed a tribal document promising that he would remove only personal items from his office in Sells and only under supervision, according to the indictment. But five minutes later, he tried to remove documents on the Meadowood and Morton transactions, the indictment says.

The tribe fired him on April 7. The tribe then forced closure of the Gay hideaway resort last year, took possession of it and put it up for sale for $2.6 million.

In a separate civil case in U.S. District Court in Tucson, tribal officials are suing Dutari, Seaton, Gill and Rutledge for unspecified damages. The defendants have all denied wrongdoing, with the Meadowood officers saying they did not know Dutari lacked authority to invest tribal funds in the resort.

Morton paid a $918,000 settlement to the tribe after officials confronted him about the purported loan and was not names as a defendant in the suit. Morton is to be sentenced March 23.

2 Studies Devoted To AIDS Drug Bactrim

BALTIMORE, MD - Johns Hopkins University researchers are starting two studies that explore ways of extending to AIDS patients the benefits of a life prolonging medication called Bactrim.

The sulfa based antibiotic is used to prevent and treat pneumocystis carinii pneumonia (PCP), an opportunistic infection that preys on people with severely damaged immune systems.

Unlike AZT, an anti-viral treatment prescribed to slow the progress of the AIDS virus itself, Bactrim is used to treat the complications that arise when the virus reaches an advanced stage. And, in the absence of a miracle AIDS drug, many doctors call Bactrim the most broadly effective treatment available for people in the later stages of infection with human immunodeficiency virus.

The catch is that about half of them cannot tolerate the medication.

"Among the drugs we've re-

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UPDATE

Desert Voices Preparing For Spring Season, Voices Sought

TUCSON - Desert Voices, Arizona's Premier Gay and Lesbian Chorus is gearing up for a festive and memorable Spring Season.

We welcome new singers, especially those wonderful Tenors and Basses, to come join us. We invite you to be part of a positive contributing organization to the Lesbian and Gay Community! We rehearse on Monday evenings from 7 PM to 9:30 PM at the University of Arizona's School of Music Building, Room 162.

We also have opportunities available for volunteering, fund raising, and serving on the Board of Directors. For further information, contact David at 886-1208.

Looking For Pre-Stonewall Chicagoans

CHICAGO, IL - Ron Pajak, A Chicago filmmaker, is producing a documentary about the pre-stonewall years in the Windy City. If you or someone you know was out or coming out in Chicago any time before 1970, please call 1-800-439-1384.

Tucson Main Library Offering 'Out' & 'Denueve' Magazines

TUCSON - The Main Branch of the Tucson-Pima Library System now offers 2 additional magazines of interest to the Gay and Lesbian community of Tucson.

Starting this month, the library will begin to receive DENUEVE and OUT. DENUEVE is primarily a Lesbian magazine, while OUT is of interest to all segments of the community. In addition the library still subscribes to the Advocate and Christopher Street.

All four titles can be found in the periodicals room on the 3rd floor of the library located downtown at 101 North Stone Avenue.

Main is the only branch that subscribes to any Gay/Lesbian interest magazines at this time.

Cincinnati Judge Throws Out 'Salo' Evidence

CINCINNATI, OH - The obscenity case against a Cincinnati bookstore and its staff for renting the video version of Pier Palo Pasolini's anti-fascist film Salo to members of the Cincinnati vice-squad has come to a halt because of misconduct by the police, Judge William Mallory threw out the evidence, the Salo video, because the police kept it 18 days beyond its rental period before obtaining a judicial warrant of "probable cause." Thus the police violated the First and Fourth Amendments. The prosecutor has appealed.

NCAC and the ACLU, in a friend of the court brief, urged dismissal of the charges. "A work with serious artistic, literary, and political value cannot, as a principle of the First Amendment, be found to be legally obscene," the brief said. Fifty prominent film makers, actors, museums, film societies and scholars, and other groups joined as signers.

In spite of the significance of the case to the First Amendment and the prestigious individuals and institutions that signed onto the brief, the case is arousing little outrage except as a cause celebre for the right.

To no one's surprise, Donald Wildmon of the American Family Association is charging that church groups that participate in NCAC are defending "pornography" and a bookstore that he described as "catering to homosexuals."

The Pink Pyramid is Cincinnati's only Gay and Lesbian bookstore.

In Memoriam

JOHN BUSENBARRICK, JR.

John Francis Busenbarrick, Jr., age 33, passed away on January 1st after a long courageous battle with AIDS. He is preceded in death by his father, John Francis Busenbarrick, Sr.

He is survived by his life partner, John Cooper, of Dallas, Texas, Mother Helen Busenbarrick of Vancouver, Washington, Sisters Kathy Ayers and husband Robert of Vancouver, Washington and Joan Shaffer and Barry of Phoenix, 4 nephews and 2 nieces. Also Jim and Elaine Cooper and Beth Melvin of Tucson.

A celebration of Life service was held at their home on January 4th. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made in John Busenbarrick's name to the AIDS Resource Center of Dallas, POB 190869, Dallas, Texas 75219-0869, or to the Shanti Foundation of Tucson.

"G Word" Season Premiere January 19

TUCSON - The season premiere of Tucson's only Gay and Lesbian Television show, The "G Word", takes place on Thursday, January 19 at 8 PM, live, on Tucson Cablevision channel 64.

This show will launch the second season of the program. The season will consist of 12 shows, seen live on Thursdays at 8 PM on channel 64.

Scheduled for the January 19 colorcast is a retrospective of highlights of last season and Hana Ripp of the Arizona Theatre Company.

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by Mark R. Kerr

More Adventures of the Tucson Truss!

THEM DEMS: This past weekend, the Pima County Democratic Party precinct committee members met in their biennial convention to elect new officers for the 1995-96 term.

Over 129 p.c.'s gathered at the Plumbers and Steamfitters Hall in Tucson for the election to see who would lead the party after the November election debacle where the Republicans swept most of the races, including Pima County, where the Democrats lost every contest but the ACC seat.

So the question that arose was, "Will the Democrats make the needed changes or will they continue with the Old Fart Network, which led them down the path to defeat?"

The Democrats answered that "change" was needed with the election of District 13 Chair, Carmen Villa Prezelski as County Chair. She defeated the incumbent, John Soltero of Legislative District 14 by 58% to 42% margin.

[Finally, the Change faction, led by Arizona Democratic Party Vice Chair, Winston Smith, may finally make Arizona a two party state. But, time will tell!]

PAPERGATE: This past week, House Majority Whip, Jeff "Papers, I don't need to filed no stinking papers" Groscost (R-District 30) resigned this past week as Majority Whip.

His resignation came due to surfacing allegations of Groscost not filing campaign finance reports for his 1994 election and for not filing the appropriate paper work with the ACC for his two businesses, a jewelry company and a day care center.

Later this week it is expected that the House Republican Caucus will meet and elect a new Whip, whose primary responsibility is to count votes on legislation, keeping legislators in line.

[It seems that these ultra-conservative, homophobic Republican legislators think there above it all, not part of the common rable. But you are Blanche, you are!]

JUST SAY NO!: Tucson State Senator Ann Day (R-District 12), has a solution to the teen pregnancy problem, which Arizona leads the nation in.

Her answer, abstinence. Day has introduced legislation to create a program to teach abstinence to pre-teens; to lower the high rate of pregnancy.

[Ann, it did not work with Nancy Reagan, and ain't going to work this time!]

TUCSON MAYORS RACE: It looks like the Republicans, despite a disadvantage of 30,000 in voter registration in Tucson, will have a candidate running for Mayor.

Tucson businesswoman, Sharon Collins has expressed interest in running as the GOP candidate.

In the rumor mill department, it seems that leading Republicans are wooing Ward 4 Council Member, Roger "Good hair day!" Sedlmayr (D), to have him switch parties and run to thwart the possible candidacy of Ward 1 Council member, Bruce "I do look fabulous, so what!" Wheeler (D), if he runs and wins the Democratic primary.

A LITTLE LATE, HUH!: KOLD, now in their new home, the "Hank Hubbard Studios" in Dogpatch, are proud of their new home, their state of the art technology; which they talk about all the damn time during their commercials, the news and any other time they can, which seems like,...forever.

But, they don't talk about their staff, and after last Tuesday, you can see why?

This past Tuesday, 11:37 PM, after the "Late Show with David Letterman" had concluded, KOLD ran a commercial for Sam Coppersmith, the former Democratic candidate for U.S. Senate who was defeated in the November 1994 election by our favorite Republican homophobe, Jon Kyl.

[Gee guys, check your calendar, the election occurred 3 months ago!]

IRELAND DOES IT AGAIN: Recently the former Chair of the Tucson Unified School District School Board Joel "Public trust, I don't care about the public's trust" Ireland said in a televised interview on KVOA-LA-DEE-DAHS Eyewitless News; after the Board had voted to postpone building the proposed Southwest side high school, "I feel the $17 million dollars should go to Catalina High School."

Forrest Gump summed it up best, "Stupid is as stupid does." So true!

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An Ode To Masturbation and Honesty

When I was 22 and living in the first place that was totally my own, I spent a month masturbating. I did go to work and I did have a social life, but the focus of that time was me, my clitoris, and the first finger of my right hand.

It would take thousands of words to express how important that time was for me. As a child, I had been abused physically, emotionally, and sexually, and I spent my teen years pretty much closed down. What feelings I did have were always "wrong", that I didn't even discover masturbation on my own; I only started touching myself after reading an article in Ms. magazine (thank you, Ms. magazine). But even with Ms.'s help, it took me years before I could get my poor trammeled body to come, and sometimes masturbation was quite depressing.

I finally left home, come out of the closet, and lost my virginity. And then I had that month, that month of brand new feelings and joyful orgasms, that month of liberation and discovery, happiness and the beginnings of self love.

As the years have passed, masturbation has stayed with me as a good friend and a source of great pleasure. And I have not gone blind, nor have I sprouted hair on the palms of my hands.

Yet in the 1990s, in the United States of America (land of the free, ha, ha), the Surgeon General can get fired for simply mentioning masturbation and children in the same sentence. Worse than that, millions of people, some of them so-called liberals, think she deserved to get fired. Even some Lesbian and Gay leaders have refused to openly support masturbation as an excellent and delightful form of safe sex.

Did I miss something? Have we gone back to the Middle Ages? Did the 1960s suddenly disappear from history, along with the 1970s and 1980s? Are we letting humorless, rigid, myth-driven, body-hating, so called religious people run our world? (You know the answer to that last question, and it's not pretty.)

Certainly, few people would dare to say, outright, unblushingly, that it is a perfectly wonderful idea to teach kids about masturbation. But it is a perfectly wonderful idea to teach kids about masturbation.

Every time we choose not to educate people, we leave them hostage to stupidly, lies, and rumors. Does it help kids to believe that masturbation is unhealthy and sinful and leads to blindness and hairy hands? No! Did it help me to spend my teen years ignorant of the joys of my body but all too aware of its limitations? No!

An important aside: The bible is a collection of badly translated myths. It represents the beliefs of the winners of some ancient political struggles. It is not God's word; no one knows what God's word is (if indeed there is a God).

Although I don't believe in the bible, it is of course fine for others to believe in it and to live their lives by it, but it is not fine for them to force their mediocre teaching down the throats of innocent people, such as children. (And remember: these are people who ignore every rule in Leviticus that affects them, while insisting on the one that affects us!) Nor is it fine for the rest of us to retreat from the truth just because these pseudo-spiritual people currently have so much power. When we retreat, we give them more power.

The masturbation controversy is an excellent place to draw the line in our fight against the religious right, because it's about our own bodies and how we use them; it's about truth; and it's about freedom of choice. It's about hypocrisy, too. Are we to believe that Newt and Pat and Jesse and Strom and Bill have never masturbated? (Maybe that's the problem!)

Throughout time, survival of the fittest has chosen the most sexual creatures to thrive, since they are the ones that reproduce most often. Billions of years of evolution tell us, "Have sex! Have sex!" The problem is that, in today's human world, sex can be a mine field of potential heartbreak, disease, and pregnancy. Wasn't it nice of evolution (or God, if you prefer) to give us a wonderful way to take the pressure off?

Deciding that we shouldn't masturbate, or talk about it, makes as much sense as deciding we shouldn't eat, or smell flowers, or enjoy the ocean, or watch a sunset. It's insanity. Masturbation is the good guy here; repression is the villain.

Court Finds Same Gender Harassement Isn't Illegal

BALTIMORE, MD (AP) - Harassing someone of the same sex isn't illegal under federal discrimination law covering sexual harassment, a federal judge ruled.

The federal Civil Rights Act of 1964 doesn't cover a person claiming to have been the "victim of sexual harassment by a supervisor or co-worker of the same gender," U.S. District Judge Alexander Harvey II ruled. It was the latest of several contradictory rulings on the question.

Harvey dismissed a suit filed by David Hopkins, a former employee of Baltimore Gas and Electric Co. who claimed his male supervisor, Ira Swadow, made unwelcome advances. Hopkins said Swadow pointed a magnifying lens at his groin and questioned him about his sexual activities, among other incidents.

Both were laid off as part of restructuring last year.

Harvey wrote that Hopkins may have been justifiably offended by his supervisor's remarks but did not have a harassment case under existing federal law. He noted that the supervisor allegedly harassed men and women equally, according to testimony.

Hopkins said he would appeal the ruling. Swadow has denied he made the remarks.

Though the ruling is not precedent setting, it could influence judges ruling on similar cases, said Jay Fries, a employment law expert who represents Baltimore area employers.

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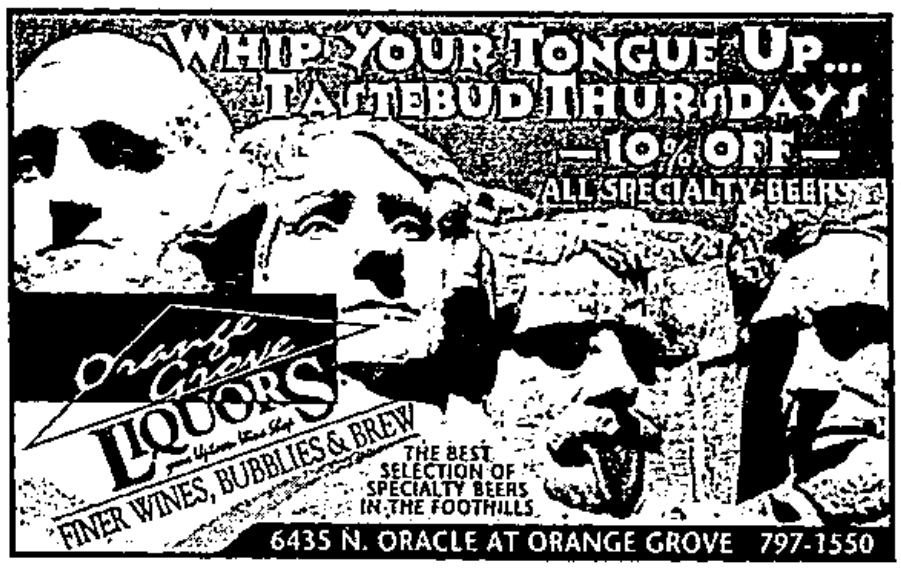

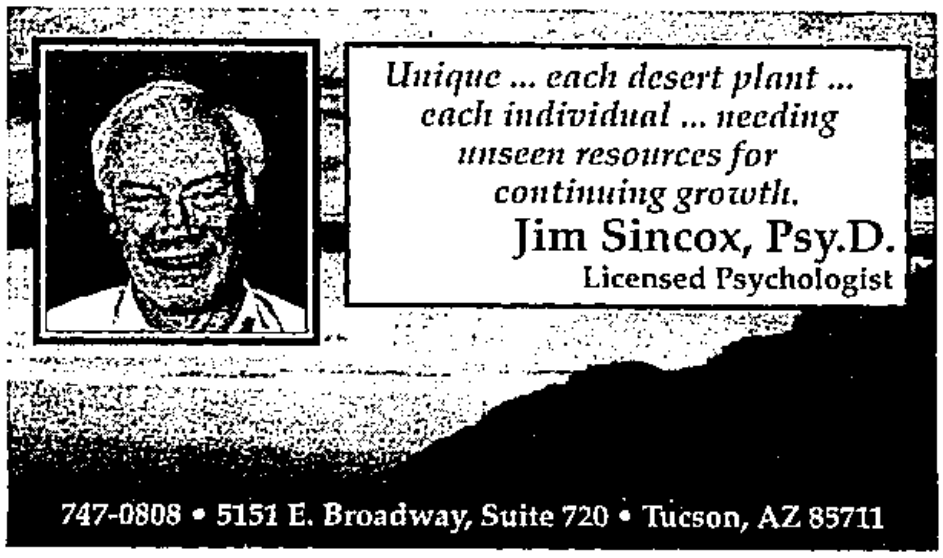

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by RY

Congratulations to AGRA and Phoenix on hosting a fantastic 1995 Road Runner Regional Rodeo. A record breaking 3,900 people attended the weekend event. A great turnout from all over the country. A heartfelt thanks to everyone who donated their time and services at the rodeo. The rodeo would not have been the success it was without your help.

Congratulations to the newly crowned the Miss AGRA-Adrienne Alexander. Adrienne was crowned Friday evening by her predecessor, Miss AGRA '94-Gilda Fatale. Way to go Adrienne! The Ms. AGRA Title went to Julia Wilson. Congratulations Julia! 1st Runner Up to Ms. AGRA went to Teresa Housely. Ron Henderson took the title of Mr. AGRA. Congratulations to all of our new royalty. We wish each and everyone of you the best of luck in your new positions as AGRA Ambassadors.

The AGRA-Tucson Chapter was well represented at the Phoenix Rodeo. The group took part in the Grant Entry Parade on Saturday. The Tucson Delegation also had a booth set up at the rodeo where they were selling mugs and T-shirts. A big thanks to all the Tucson Members that attended the rodeo and donated their time and services.

As I mentioned earlier, The Tucson Chapter was well represented (depending on what you interpretation of the word well is). Seems the Tucson Delegation was quite visible over the weekend, in more ways than one. Did you all catch the Tucson Conga Line at Charlie's? It was quite a sight. Even Miss IGRA was boogying to the Conga beat as the group weaved through the crowd during their Conga number.

Did you all catch Tommy, a.k.a. RT, doing a little "dirty dancing"? I had no idea that boy could grind those hips that well, especially so shortly after surgery. You go girl! I hear Herman, now known as The Porcelain Queen, had a little trouble with a certain porcelain object in the hotel restroom. I'll spare you the rest of the details. I do believe that was Victoria London and Julia Wilson I saw scampering through the hotel grounds carrying what seemed to be live plants. Did you all notice the hotel lobby at checkout on Monday? Not one plant in the entire lobby!!

Hey Hank, I hear you're related to Rose Nilan from St. Olav. I wonder who decided to decorate the third floor of the hotel and the elevator with Charmin. It was a toilet paper paradise. Hey Richard, what's this about you, the Grand Canyon, and Mr. NGRA? In case you haven't heard, seems the Tucson Delegation hosted a small "cocktail" party in the hotel Jacuzzi. Attending the small social gathering were representatives from Canada, California, Nevada, and Arizona, as well as representatives from both the Phoenix and Tucson AGRA Boards. The entertainment was none other than Nevada Vanna herself. Nevada Vanna showed us the art of "Pole Bending". Maybe we can get her to compete at our rodeo in March. All joking aside, the entire weekend was fun filled and many new friendships were formed. Thanks to everyone that attended the rodeo and helped make it a success.

Don't forget the Tucson Chapter Meetings this coming Sunday, January 22, at The Ramada Downtown. Board Meeting will start at 3:00 PM. General Membership Meeting will follow at 5:00 PM. Don't forget your canned food items for the AGRA Food Pantry.

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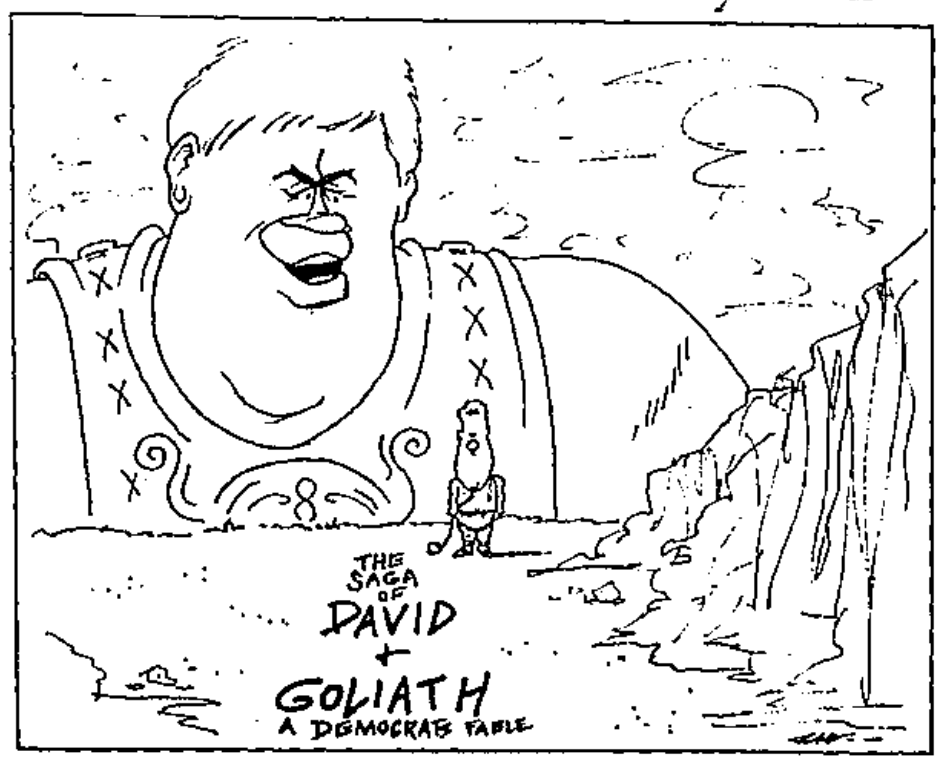

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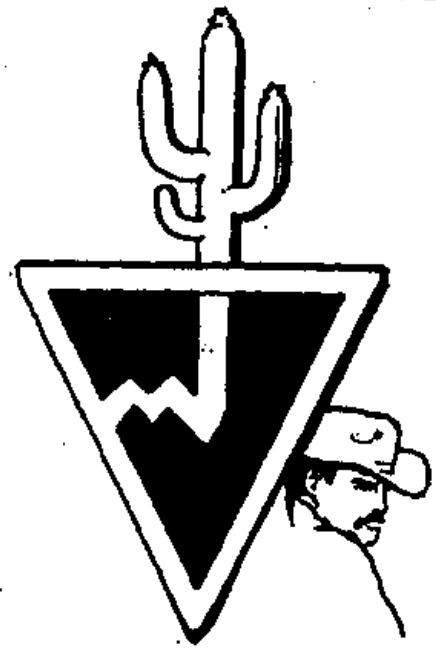

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OK! I was wrong and I know people will tell me. I was for Pittsburgh and San Francisco, but we all saw what happened. Now, I'm going on record to say I'm for San Diego, only because they are the underdogs. And, I'm going to have to check the paper out, which bar is going to have a San Diego crowd? Of course, all will have Super Bowl Day parties, so I'll just wait to read next weeks paper.

You know, there is something that goes on daily that I wish I had an answer as to how to stop. People will be sitting at the bar with friends, and sooner or later, conversations gets around to someone one of them does not like. Hell, if we lived in a world where everyone liked everyone else, there would be no wars, poverty, hunger, or anything along these lines. Just think - we all live in a Utopia.

What I would like to see for 1995 is people trying to, as much as possible, hold your personal opinions about others to yourself. I know that is almost impossible, but lets try.

As for myself, my main New Years resolution was that I was not going to allow anyone to bring me down again. When you stop and think about it, when you are down, 90% of the time it is because you yourself has allowed someone to do it to you. Negative type people can do this without even trying.

I'm as guilty as anyone else, yes, I have talked about others but if I can try to change that portion of my life and mind, why couldn't you? If I would spend as much energy on other more important matters, that I do, or you do, just think of all good that could be accomplished.

Another area people like to involve themselves in, summed up in one word is, judgmental. Try it some time, and just ask the person next to you about anyone that may be sitting in the bar also. I'll bet they will be able to give you a number of bad points about that person.

What does that tell you about the person doing the talking? To me, they must live in a very unhappy life and the only way they feel they can be happy is to shot someone else down. Did they ever stop to think, that could be one of the main reasons they are always alone.

Everyone says they have friends, but how many of them can you count on when your chips are down? Is this the kind of friendship that they want, hell no. But, it is going to take an effort of their part to change it, not the listener.

With that, and I'm not sure how I got off into left field this time, I'll just close. There really isn't that much that I've heard about for any of the clubs that I didn't mention last week, so if I've (again) missed anything, let me know.

DINNERS AT CLUB 2520
TUES. - SAT. 4-8 P.M.

NEWS FROM P.A.C.T.

by Frank E.G. Gallego

1995 is a year of challenge for all AIDS Service organizations and People With AIDS Coalition of Tucson, driven by commitment, dedication and purpose has never rested in preparing for this year's fund raising events.

Funding for AIDS treatments and services continues to become more difficult to obtain and our collective efforts in obtaining financing places a critical emphasis on successful ventures.

Four main fund raising events provide part of the financial blood line to PACT's continued extension of services: Golf Tournament, March 26th; Style For Life, July; Art For Life, September, Festival For Life, December.

Hundreds of hours of preparation, planning and work are a constant activity by staff, volunteers, sponsors and local merchants and business persons with a multi-faceted goal encompassing generosity and compassion for our fellow brothers and sisters.

Behind the scenes committee members gather and organize all aspects of each event to make each one as successful as possible. As information is made available, details will be published in this column.

An orientation and informational meeting for all volunteer staff comprising reception, front desk and telephone management will be held at the PACT office, 801 West Congress this Thursday, January 19th, from 10:00 A.M. to 11:30 A.M. followed by a luncheon. Facilitators include Susan Mathews, Office Manager, Lisa Alcala, Assistant Housing Director and myself.

Continuamos informes en español. Las persona infectadas con el VIH pueden verse y sentirse saludables por largo tiempo. Puede llevar hasta 10 años para que las personas infectadas con el VIH desarollen el SIDA. Pueden verse y sentirse saludables por años después de haberse infectado. Aun cuando no se vean o se sientan enfermas pueden infectar a otros. Cuando aparecen los signos de la enfermedad, estos varían de persona a persona.

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I leave you with this in mind. "God does not look at a man through a man's eyes. Man seems an outward appearance. God looks at his heart," Brother Cadfael.

PERSPECTIVE by Jonathan Rauch

A Pro-Gay, Pro-Family Policy

If you listen carefully, you can hear the sound of a taboo cracking. In September, William Bennett told the Christian Coalition: "In terms of damage to the children of America, you cannot compare what the homosexual movement has done to what divorce has done. It is not even close."

In October, when Rep. Steve Gunderson, R-WI, publicly came out of the closet, Rep. Newt Gingrich pronounced the matter of no political importance. In November, the Washington Blade quoted the House speaker designate as saying that the GOP's stance on homosexuality "should be toleration."

Maybe Republicans are ready, at last, to decouple the debate about family from the obsession with homosexuality. They now have the chance to build pro-family policies that embrace all responsible Americans, homosexual and heterosexual alike.

In pleading for those policies, I address myself to Republicans not because I am one (I'm not) but because Republicans are uniquely positioned to build a stable, principled and humane position to build a stable, principled and humane position between the politics of intolerance and the politics of radicalism. And if they let the moment slip by, the cost to society may be steep, as we have seen once before.

During the debate on race in the 1960s, Republicans stood on the sidelines and on occasion pandered to racist whites.

"We Republicans had a great history, and we turned it aside," Jack Kemp wrote in 1993.

Republicans could have constructed stable, principled ground between the politics of white back lash and of affirmative action. They could have severed the cause of color blindness from the taint of white bigotry.

Instead, racial policies tumbled into the morass of color tests, race norming and ethnic entitlements, policies that exacerbate and institutionalize racial tensions. All Americans, black and white, suffer as a result.

Now another historic window opens. This time the issue of homosexuality and the family. At a stroke, the pro-family movement could enlarge its tent, disarm the charge that "family values" means intolerance and, most important, bolster the family itself.

To recognize this opportunity, pro-family advocates must first acknowledge reality. To wit: Homosexuals exist and are not going away.

Any policy insisting that homosexuals lead lives of loveless celibacy or furtive secrecy is futile and inhumane, to say nothing of unrealistic. Because fewer and fewer homosexuals are willing to hide, the old deal, homosexuals pretending to be heterosexual and heterosexuals pretending to be believe them, is off.

"That may be," says anti-Gay activists, "but homosexuality is a threat to the family."

But this is a canard. Divorce, illegitimacy and infidelity are the enemies of the family. Homosexuality is a peculiar and rare human trait that effects only a small percentage of the population and is of little inherent interest to the rest. To see it as a threat to the family, you need to believe that millions of heterosexual Americans will turn Gay if not actively restrained an absurd notion. And it is perfectly possible to venerate the traditional family without despising those who are, for whatever reason, unable to have one.

Yet two claims made by anti-Gay activists are true. Many activists on the Gay (and non-Gay) left are hostile to traditional institutions in general and the family in particular.

And the American family is in trouble. Half of all new marriages end in divorce; 30 percent of children are born out of wedlock and a fourth live in fatherless homes. Sexual license has had dire consequences, illegitimacy, child abandonment, child poverty and more.

Those facts underpin all of the country's most serious problems. But they have nothing to do with homosexuality. Whatever one may think of Gay people's sexual practices, they do not produce illegitimate children or account for more than a tiny fraction of divorces. Conversely, condemning homosexuality does no good for the beleaguered family. Indeed, anti-Gay rhetoric is today an obstacle to dealing squarely with the crisis of the family, on both sides of the debate.

On the one side, blaming homosexuals for the decline of the family leads to the family's friends to avoid the real issues. It fools them into believing they are talking about saving the family when in fact they are merely talking about hammering homosexuals.

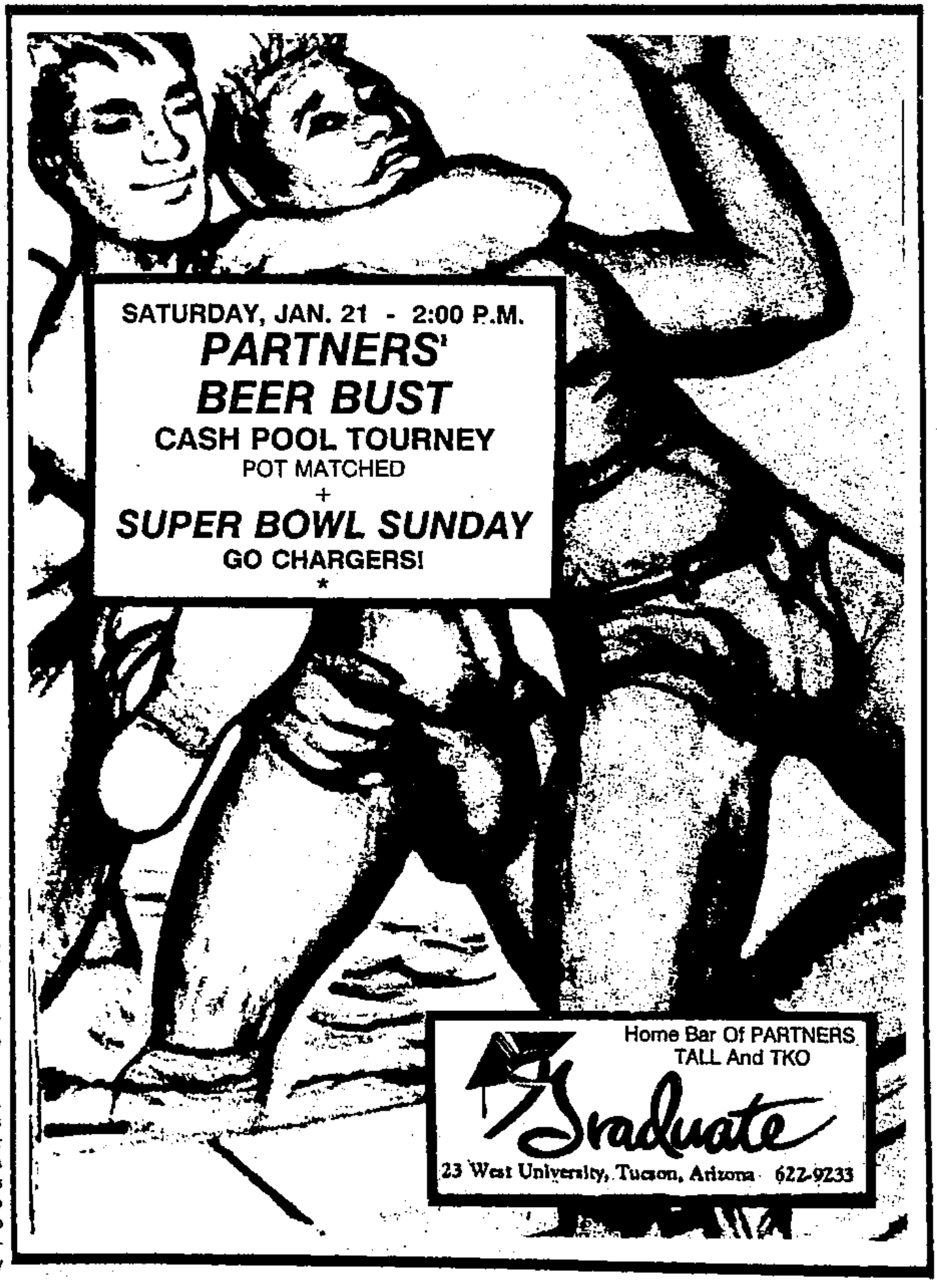
David Boaz of the Cato Institute recently counted reports and articles by "pro-family" groups and discovered that they devoted obsessive attention to homosexuality while virtuality ignoring divorce. This is pro-family?

On the other side, blaming homosexuals for the decline of the family also allows the enemies of the family to avoid the real issues. Instead of confronting the real problems, they can point to the ugly rhetoric of anti-Gay activists and say: "See what 'family values' really means? It means beating up on people who are different and snooping in our bedrooms." (In just that same way, advocates of ethnic entitlements have been able to point to racists and say," See what 'colorblind' really means?")

In recent years, an alternative has emerged, a principled, pro-family but not anti-Gay position:

"No," family advocates might say, "we are not anti-Gay. We are pro-responsibility. We welcome open homosexuals who play by the rules of monogamy, fidelity and responsibility. And we frown upon heterosexuals and homosexuals who do not play by those rules.

"We believe that marriage and fidelity are crucial social institutions that channel lust into love and caprice into commitment. We believe faithful relationships are not only good for children but



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CALENDAR
of upcoming events

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 18

IBT'S - The final Glamazon Show hosted by Madame X will be held here tonight starring the original cast: Miss AGRA, Gilda Fatale; Miss Gay Tucson-Arizona-Gay Door, Lucinda Holliday; Angelica West, Helena Bobbles and Adrienne Alexander. There will be pre-show hors d'oeuvres. Showtime 9:00 p.m. sharp!

SATURDAY, JANUARY 21

GRADUATE - Partners monthly Beer Bust takes place today from 2 to 6 p.m. Also the regular pool tourney takes place beginning at 2 p.m. Don't miss this fun afternoon at the Grad.

SUNDAY, JANUARY 22

CLUB 2520 - A Benefit Show for "Misti Malone" who is a contestant for the upcoming Miss Gay Tucson Pageant. The show begins at 9:00 p.m. sharp and will star Misti (of course), Christina de Alexis (Miss Gay Tucson 1988-89), Raven (Miss Gay Tucson 1990-91), Kristen, Crystal Abhrams, Mr. Kenneth Blake and Samantha.

IBT's - Benefit bar-b-que for IBT's Scholarship Fund on the patio from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. DJ MIQ plays from 4 to 8.

SUNDAY, JANUARY 29

AIN'T NOBODY'S BIZNESS - It's Super Bowl Sunday. Watch the game here on the big screen TV with surround sound! Beer Bust all day plus shot specials, plus a 6 foot sub sandwich. Big screen TV compliments of RTO

HOURS - Watch the Super Bowl Here on the big screen and enjoy the pot luck with 50¢ drafts and more. Check it out!

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 5

AIN'T NOBODY'S BIZNESS - Back by popular demand - Carmela ConiMas with her latin, jazz and salsa. 7:00 to 10:00 p.m. Advance tickets $5 ($7 at the door). Don't miss this excellent entertainer.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 10

AIN'T NOBODY'S BIZNESS - Tonight it's live comedy at the Biz! Direct from New York City and Women's Week in Provincetown, Michelle Balan will have you in stitches with her wonderful brand of humor. 8:00 p.m. prompt. $5 in advance or $7 at the door and that's a bargain!

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THROUGH JANUARY 31

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WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 18

Cronies (Gay men over 40 and younger friends) monthly social dinner at 6:30 p.m. at the Mountain View Restaurant. For more information and reservations, call Jerry at 690-9565.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 20

The first meeting Men Party of 1995 will meet from 7 to 10 p.m. This is a structured group of Gay and Bisexual men that get together to focus on relationships, communication and intimacy. Be there and have fun, and meet someone new. Call 881-4582 for more info. Space s limited. Call well in advance.

SATURDAY, JANUARY 21

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

MONDAY, JANUARY 23

Desert Voices, "Arizona's premiere Gay and Lesbian Chorus" is gearing up for a memorable Spring season. New singers are welcome. The chorus rehearses on Monday evenings from 7:00 to 9:30 p.m. at the UofA School of Music Building, Room 162. For more info call David at 886-1208.

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 26

Arizona Theatre Company will be presenting a Gay/Lesbian Theatre Mixer beginning at 6:30 p.m. at the Temple of Music and Art, 330 S. Scott Ave. Tickets are only $18.00 and includes a pre-Theatre Mixer with wine tasting by R.W. Webb Winery. The performance will be the world premiere production "The Old Matador" a play filled with music, humor and magical realism. This is a truly World Premiere that will life your spirits and touch your heart. Limited availability for this special night and reservations are required. For information and/or reservations call Hanna Ripp at 884-8210.

SATURDAY, JANUARY 28

Crooies (Gay men over 40 and younger friends) monthly activity at the Arizona-Sonora Desert Museum. Meet at the ticket booth at 10 a.m. Cost is $7.95 per person. Call Jerry at 690-9565 for information.

SUNDAY, JANUARY 29

The Gay and Lesbian Hiking Club will hike Agua Caliente/ Milagrosa (7 miles; 800 ft. elevation change). These are scenic desert canyons with waterfalls and beautiful canyon walls. Hikers can choose to make a longer or shorter hike. The group will depart from the carpool location at 8:30 a.m. For information and/or reservations contact Les McAllan through pager number 446-3711. Be sure to enter your number (touch tone phones only) followed by the # sign.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 31

T-Squares is hosting a Newcomers Party to introduce the great enjoyment of square dancing, a healthful, invigorating activity. You will learn some of the basic steps and dance in a friendly, non-bar atmosphere. Or you can just watch and meet new people. Men and women, singles and couples, young and old are encouraged to attend. Dessert and refreshments will be provided. Cornerstone Fellowship Social Hall, 2902 N. Geronimo at Laguna Street, 7-9 p.m. For further information call Art 762-9135 or Libbie 325-9466.

FEBRUARY 8 - 25

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

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 12

The 2nd Annual Michael Bennett Memorial walk will take place today beginning at noon. Watch for details later.

FEBRUARY 17-18-19

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

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 18

A Psychic fair and more! New age Expo/wholistic healing: Shiatsu, chair massage, Reiki, crystals & herbs, color therapy and aura-photography. Half-hour readings include: Tarot, Astrology, numerology, palmistry - past, present, future. Lectures all day included in $2 admission: UFOs, Silva Mind Development, Hypno-therapy & meditation, Developing your psychic ability and more! refreshments. For info call Layla 327-2954. Fundraiser for the Tucson Astrologers Guild. Call after Feb. 1 for lecture schedule. for computer birth charts call Paul Reeder 884-4728.

Tucson CALENDAR

sunday

AIN'T NOBODY'S BIZNESS - Beer Bust 5-10, $1.25 pitchers. Hors d'Oeuvres. Salsa Sunday! Great music, better dancing and it all begins at 7 p.m.

CLUB 2520 - Open Noon. Salad Bar and Western Steak and Hamburger Fry 4-7 pm. Line Dance Jam 7-9, C/W and Progressive Dance Music 8 to 1.

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

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

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. Moose and Bruce Madness $1.25 well and shot specials 8-1. C/W dancing and Progressive Dance Music begins at 9pm.

GRADUATE - Happy Hour 4-8pm all well $1.25 Draft 75¢ Schnappe 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 Money Monkey, $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. Full menu dinners served 4-8, Cheeseburger & fries $1.99 at the bar. $1.25 Well and Domestic Beer 8 to close. C/W dancing and Cumbia/Salsa Music 8-1.

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

HOURS - Happy Hour 12 to 7pm Well or Domestic Beer $1.25. Schnappe 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. Schnappe Shots $1.

CLUB 2520 - Open 3pm. 99¢ Happy Hour 4 to 8pm. Full menu dinners served 4-8. Cheeseburgers & fries $1.99 at the bar. 50¢ off on everything from 8pm to close. Drink Specials all nite. ID required. Line Dance Lessons with Edgar 8:00.

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¢ Schnappe 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 disco.

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, bands 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. Full menu dinners served 4-8, cheeseburger & fries $1.99 at the bar. Men's Nite - 50¢ draft beer and 50¢ Schnappe 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¢ Schnappe 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. Full menu dinners being served 4-8, cheeseburger & fries $1.99 at the bar, Extended 99¢ Happy Hour 4 to 10 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¢ Schnappe 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 Lounge 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 5 pm. Pot matched, winner take all.

CLUB 2520 - Open Noon. Full menu dinners served 4-8, cheeseburger & fries $1.99 at the bar. C/W dancing and Progressive Dance Music begins at 8pm.

GRADUATE - Happy Hour 4-8pm, all well drinks $1.25 draft 75¢ Schnappe 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 Lounge 9-1. Dance 9 to 1 with DJ David Z, and Go Go dancers begin at 10pm.

STONEWALL/EAGLE - Open at 10am. Stonewall opens at 8pm. Leather/Uniform Nite - $1 well and domestic all nite for those in proper attire.

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

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BEARS of the Old Pueblo

Now, I know that it's "winter" here in Tucson, but that can't possibly mean that all the Bears in this burg are hibernating. And I'm not even referring to the Bears of TOP; I'm talking about all of you bulky, burly, bearded, hirsute monsters of testosterone out there. Hopefully, you're not preparing to simply hole up in your cave. There's lots of stuff going on out there just for you, mister.

First thing you can do once you leave your little cave is pick up the latest issue of Bear Magazine. It just hit the newsstands about a week ago smashing all those rumors of its demise that have been circulating in the Bear community. You can pick an issue up at Pleasure World downtown on Toole, Adult Expectations on Stone, or Tuff Stuff Too! Leather Shop in the Venture-N.

Once you have your Bear (the magazine, that is), turn to page 18 and you'll see an advertisement for the International Bear Rendezvous in San Francisco, a huge blow out on February 17-20 with a pre-event party on February 16. The whole event costs $89. The host hotel is the Ramada on Market Street and 8th ($59 for a single, $69 for 2-4 people); call 1-800-227-4747 for hotel info and reservations.

For more information, call the Bears of San Francisco Info Line at (415) 541-5000. (Bears of TOP recommend this even. International Bear Rendezvous should not be confused with the other concurrent San Francisco event, the Bear Expo.)

If you can't make the trip to Frisco, here's some local Bear events:

SATURDAY, JANUARY 21 - Movie Night/Pot Luck Dinner at Frank and Dave's lovely, home at 7:30 PM. Bring a movie and a favorite dish and, of course, your luscious self. Call for location.

This week's Bear Hunting Grounds: I recommend a ride on Sun Tran because some of those drivers are particularly woofy. Great scenery, and you don't even have to look out of the windows.

This article is dedicated to Snowflake, our favorite Fair Bear. (No, he's not dead. He just needs to be humiliated in print.)

Until happy next week, Happy Hunting.

[Bears of the Old Pueblo is a social group for big and/or hairy men with or without facial hair and their admirers. For more info, call Chair Bear Troy at 293-9648 or Money Bear Brad at 882-4149, before 9 PM.]

Perspective

(Continued from page Nine)

help keep men settled and help keep the burdens of caring for one another off society's shoulders. And we support extending those norms to all Americans, Gay and straight.

"We do not insist that homosexuals 'change,' which is impossible, or that they live lives of lovelessness and despair; we do ask that they, and heterosexual Americans, settle down into patterns of responsibility. We believe in the genuine universality of family values, without regard to sexual orientation."

Here is a fully consistent and staunchly pro-family position, one whose benefits are manifold. It elevates family values to genuine universality. It separates the real issue (responsibility vs. license) from the phony one (straight vs. Gay). It hurts radical activists by putting them in the position of arguing for license rather than for toleration of minorities.

This paradigm opposes partner benefits for unmarried heterosexuals, who should get married if they want the benefits of marriage. But it may accept partner benefits for homosexuals, who can't get married but should be encouraged to settle down. It holds that the two parent family is special and should be favored by public policy, not at the expense of homosexuals per se, but at the expense of single people (including homosexuals) and childless couples (again including homosexuals).

This view doesn't require family advocates to like homosexuality, but it does require them to accept the importance of settled relationships for homosexuals. No easy sell, perhaps, but consider the alternative. More non-fringe, non-radical homosexuals emerge into public view every day. As the stereotype of the homosexual as anti-social deviant crumbles, a party or faction that tolerates Gay baiting rhetoric in the name of "family values" makes "family values" look more and more like common bigotry.

That would be tragic, since there is no problem more urgent than shoring up the family; but as long as family advocates imply that it is better to be an adulterous or licentious heterosexual than a faithful and monogamous homosexual; the chance to rescue the pro-family position from the taint of intolerance goes unclaimed.

[Jonathan Rauch, who wrote this essay is the author of "Demosclerosis: The Silent Killer of American Government."]

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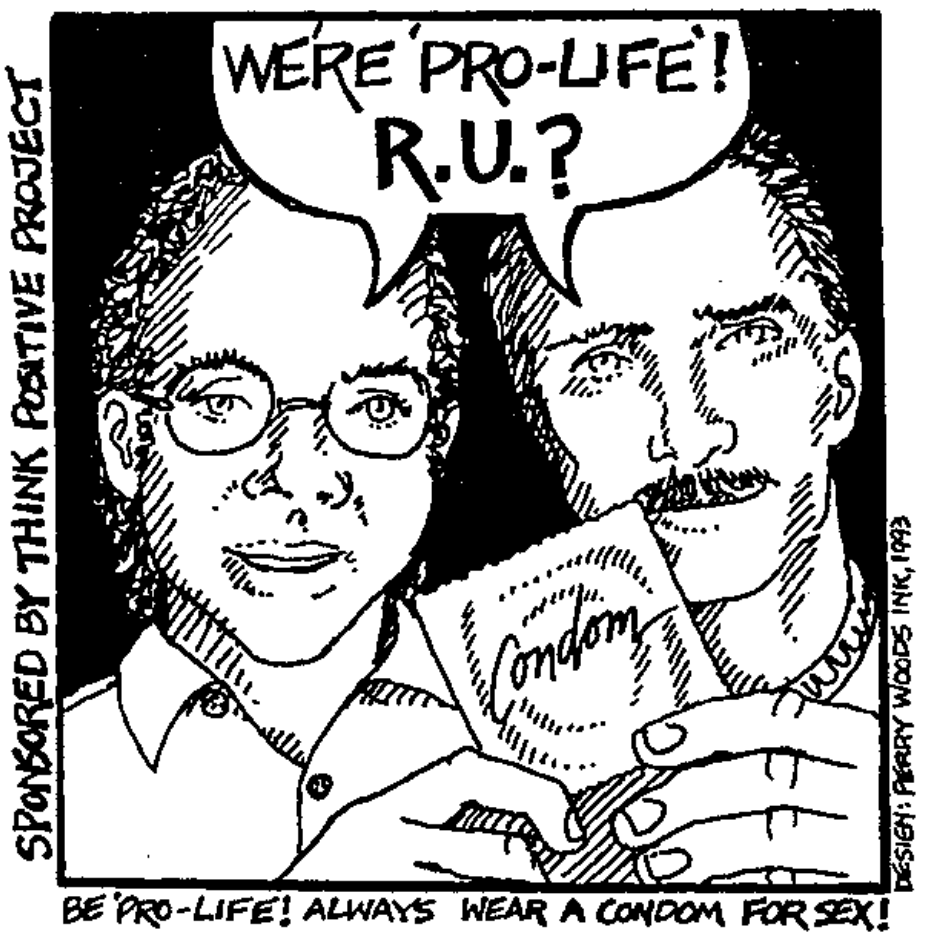

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From The POOP SHEET
by Ace Lundon

Well kiss ma' grits and butter ma' buns! Somebody called you, of all people, "immoral"! Well get used to it, 'cause if you're a homo it will continue as long as there's an organized Religion with a tenet saying homosexuality is "immoral".

Consider the Black Race; they have had to get used to organized Christianity's tenet stating they, as descendants of Canaan, shall be servants to the descendants of Shem and Japeth (Genesis 9:18-29).

What a yoke! You see, a Religion can say they are to be slaves and "believers" will believe it. A Religion could also say we are perverts and should be put to death.

A religion can even declare "Holy Wars" on anyone who disagrees with its' tenets and it can urge its' adherents to kill, in the name of God, those in disagreement.

So what should we do? All become atheists?! Well, only if we're totally illogical. Only if we believe Religion and spirituality are synonyms.

We maybe need remember there is no way an organized Religion would change its tenets; especially if its' been organized for centuries and successful in gaining converts. Additionally: religiously speaking, if a positive i.e. "love" is to exist, there must be a negative, i.e. "hate" to show what love really is.

Religions also have to have something to gain, i.e. heaven and something to shun i.e. hell and they must have a road map to show how to get to either through their specific tenets. This also brings forth the probability of a "savior" and a "devil," i.e. good and evil which "believers" must cope with in their lives.

This, in turn, brings forth the mental, emotional, and yes physical attitudes of believers being in a battle or war against an enemy of their souls. Believe me, if I had to select an enemy to fight the good fight of faith against, it would be a minority of any nature.

It's odd to me how any of us can hate another human, when we all, no matter what color of orientation, can scientific trace our roots to the same Family Tree.

Even Christianity teaches this in the story of Noah. After the Great Flood, it was his sons who produced not only the Hebrews, but the Armenians, Persians, Arabians, and the Black Race.

So anyway, when you hear a "Fundie" saying "The Bible says homos should be put to death", just remember they get this in Leviticus 20:13; it is a part of their tenets.

This seems to be the quote the Fundies major upon and I probably wouldn't be as vexed if they also carried through with the remainder of the Chapter. It states that if a man fools around with his mother-in-law, they shall be burnt with fire. If involved with bestiality; put to death. If incest is committed; cut off from the sight of their people. If a man has sex with a woman during her period, both should be shunned by their people and if you curse your Mom or Dad, you shall surely be put to death and ditto the same for adulterers. Of course, homos are an easier target as a minority population.

"What can we do?" you may be wailing. Remember: their definition of "immoral" is defined because of what we are i.e. homosexuals, not who we are as human brothers and sisters.

Morality thus becomes the best weapon we have. Morality thus becomes the best weapon we have. Morality is a matter of the heart and mind, no matter what or who we are. Granted, many in our community as in theirs are "immoral", not because of what they are, but because of who they are in their hearts and minds.

What can we do? We must develop a moral edge in our lives which will put to shame the ignorance displayed by followers of antiquated tenets of organized Religions. Morality is the best weapon we have!

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

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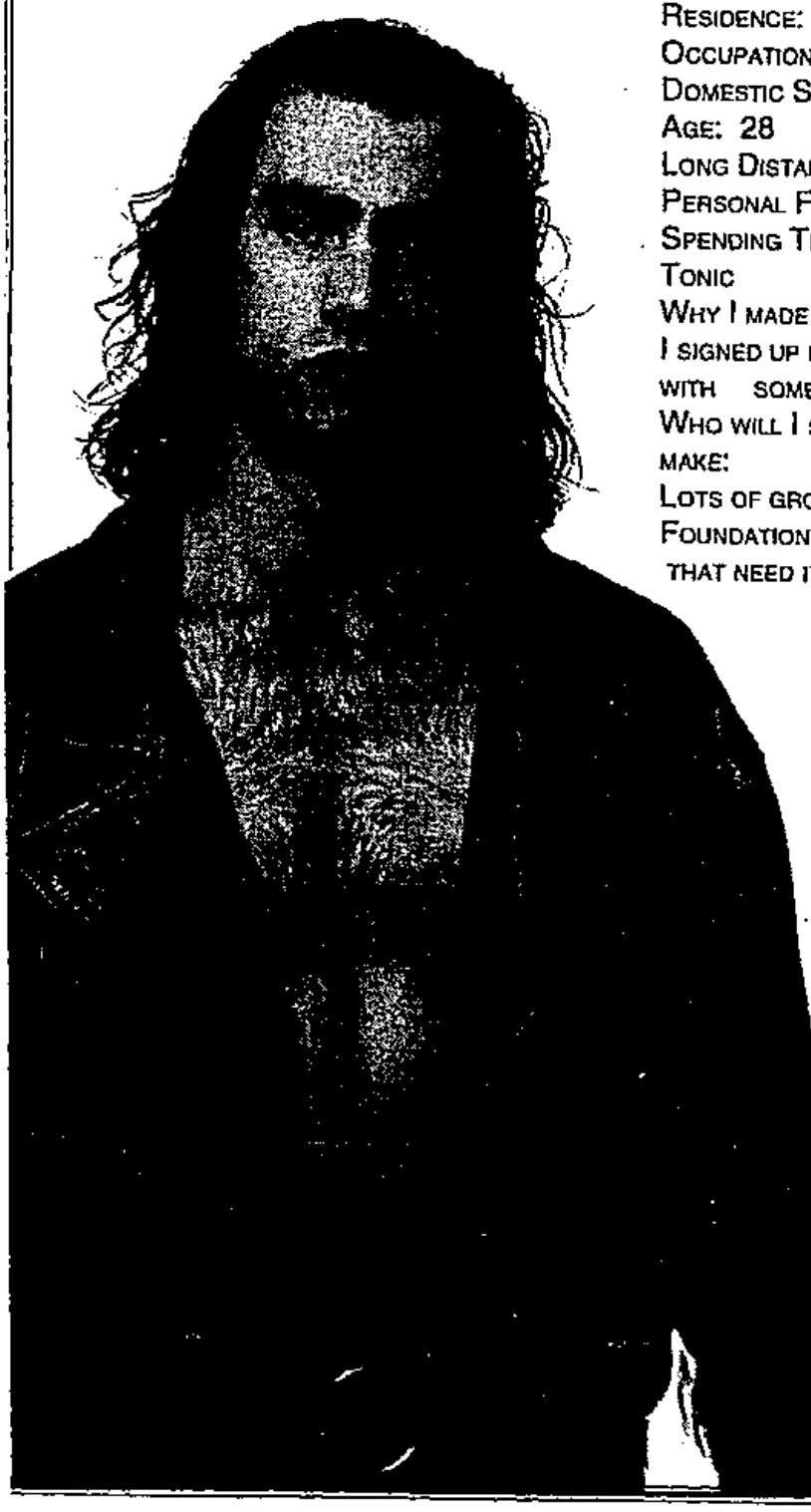

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Man Suspected of Gay Slashings Charged With Florida Murder

JACKSONVILLE, FL (AP) - The man authorities says confessed to killing six homosexual men has been charged with first degree murder in the slaying of his roommate.

But Gary Bowles pleaded innocent through his attorney in Duval Circuit Court to murder and armed robbery charges in the death of his roommate, 43 year old Water Jammell Hinton of Jacksonville, said prosecutor Tom Bishop.

Bowles, of Clifton Forge, Va., was arrested last month, days after being added to the list of the FBI's 10 Most Wanted Fugitives.

"He has confessed to six and says that is all he did," Jacksonville Sheriff Jim McMillan said at the time of Bowles' arrest. "All of us are relieved he is off the street."

"There is no doubt there would have probably been more."

The FBI says Bowles frequented Gay bars, hustling men in exchange for lodging, household chores or sexual favors. He confessed to murders in Jacksonville, Daytona Beach and Hilliard, as well as Atlanta, Savannah, Ga., and Silver Spring, Maryland, McMillan said.

All the victims were bludgeoned strangled or shot.

Bowles was arrested at a day labor office in Jacksonville Beach and question about Hinton's killing. Hinton had been found dead in his mobile home last month.

Bowles, has been charged with fleeing prosecution after being charged with strangling a 72 year old disabled veteran in Savannah, Ga. He also has been charged with murder in the strangling of a 39 year old loan processor in Silver Spring, Maryland, and the death of a 37 year old Hilliard man.

Authorities said he has confessed to murders in Atlanta and Daytona Beach but hasn't been charged.

A View From The Rock

A Commentary From Cornerstone Fellowship

We have two poodles who are among the most pampered dogs in town! Every day they get not one, not two, but three different doggy treats, in addition to their dog food, of course, and whatever chips or popcorn they can beg from us!

They have a toy box full of doggy toys, including stuffed animals which get washed on a regular basis. They have a toy box full of doggy toys, including stuffed animals which get washed on a regular basis.

They never have to ask to be let outside or back in, because they have their own doggy door which they can use at their convenience. Every night while we sit and watch TV and we hold them and pet them and tell them what good dogs they are. And of course, they sleep on our bed at night! Oh, to live a dog's life!

And yet, in spite of all the special care and pampering and loving that they get, one of our dogs doesn't seem to be happy with her lot. How else would you explain her repeated attempts to dig under the fence and escape? She doesn't get taken for walks very often, so she has no idea what kinds of dangers lurk on the other side of the fence, but she doesn't seem to care.

We live in a suburban area of the city, and there is desert very close to where we live. If she were to escape from our yard there is a good possibility that she might end up as some coyote's lunch! Even if she did not get eaten by a coyote, she would be in danger of getting cactus thorns in her paws. We do not live on a busy street, but there are many young people who live nearby, so it is possible she could get hit by a car and injured or killed if she ran loose.

And because she is a pure bred poodle, there is always the possibility that she could be "dog napped" and taken to some place where she wouldn't receive the loving attention that she gets now. Why would she want to trade the safety and pampering of our home for the dangers of the unknown?

I am no dog psychologist, so I can't answer that question, but she reminds me of some people I know, and maybe some you know, or maybe even yourself! Just as we take very good care of our dogs, so our loving heavenly Father takes care of us.

He knows what is best for us and what we need, even when we don't know. Sometimes he allows us to go through troubles and experiences that don't make us happy, just like when we take our dogs to the vet to have their annual shots. Can you imagine trying to explain to a dog why it has to endure the pain of a vaccination?

And yet we know that it is far better for that dog to a have a little pain now so that it won't get a serious illness that might result in its death. Just as it is impossible for us to explain such things to a dog, it is impossible for God to explain his ways to us. He tells us in Isaiah 55:8-9, "'For my thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways,' declares the Lord. 'As the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways and my thoughts than your thoughts.'"

There is no way to reason with a dog, but for those of you who are unhappy with your life and trying to "escape" I have a couple of questions to ask you.

Do you have a personal relationship with God through accepting his son's sacrifice for you on the cross? If not, this is the first step to having a more fulfilling life. If you are a Christian, are you in regular communication with your heavenly Father through prayer and Bible reading?

As you grow closer to the Lord, your faith will grow deeper, and you will be able to accept his ways for you instead of trying to get your own way. The day will come when you realize how much "pampering" you are receiving from him, and you will stop trying to "dig under the fence"!

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Golden Threads Celebration June 23-25

NORTHAMPTON, MA - The Ninth Annual Golden Threads Celebration will take place on June 23-25, 1995 at the Provincetown Inn in Provincetown, Massachusetts. Lesbian women from all over the United States, many from Canada, and some from other countries will converge in Provincetown to celebrate their Lesbianism and their age, whatever it is.

Entertainment will be provided by Alix Dobkin. A banquet will be followed by dancing. Our own Lesbian DJ will mix in the pre-rock oldies. Also, Alix will lead a 2 hour workshop, "Why We Need Women Only Space." Lesbian author, Lesléa Newman, will read from her fiction.

OLOC (Old Lesbians Organizing for Change) steering committee has arranged their June meeting to coincide with the Golden Threads Celebration. OLOC, the only organization dedicated to raising the consciousness of everyone about ageism against women, will lead a workshop.

In continuous existence since 1985, Golden Threads is a worldwide social network of Lesbian women over 50, and women of any age who are interested in older women. Members received a contact publication, Golden Threads, which is published four times a year. It lists many self descriptions of Lesbian women, resources, book reviews, etc., all addressing the interests and concerns of midlife and Old Lesbian women.

Golden Threads is not an inclusionist network. The annual Celebrations are created specifically for Lesbian women who were born female. The weekend is short. Of necessity, the agenda and the program cannot be designed to accommodate transsexual interests and issues, although they too have their own importance. Therefore, male to female transsexual women are not invited to the Celebrations.

For reservation information please write: Christine Burton, Golden Threads, POB 60475, Northampton, MA 01060-0475.

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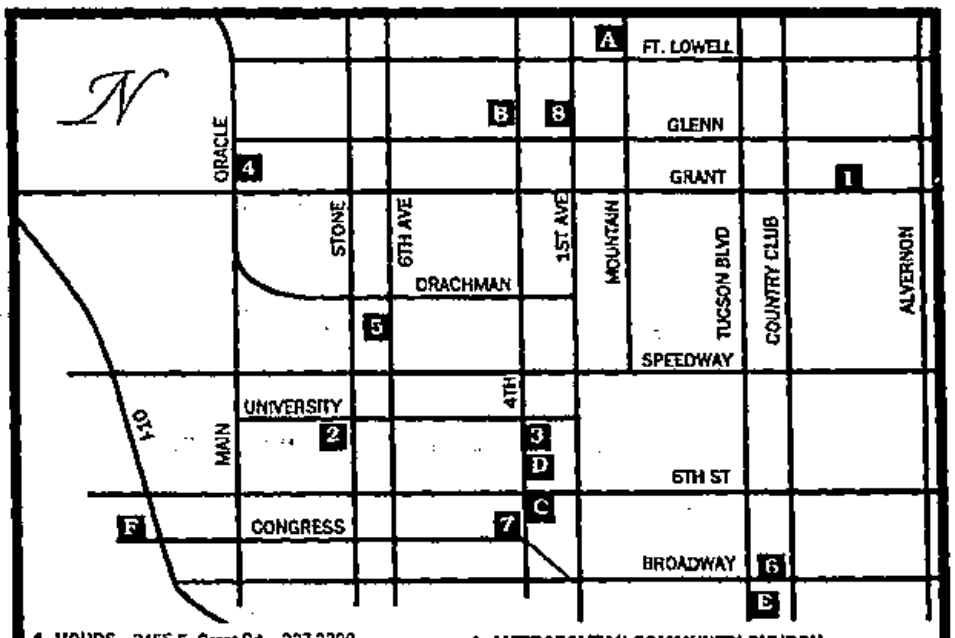

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Viewpoint

The Act That Bears No Name

The firing of Joycelyn Elders was an outrage. She should've been drawn and quartered. Wanting to teach out little children about masturbation is all well and good. But she said she was adamantly opposed to teaching them how to do it.

It goes without saying, gentle reader, that neither you nor I has ever engaged in such activities, but the fact of the matter is that millions and millions of Americans do. And not a single one of them has ever received any formal instruction on how to do it.

Here is an activity that requires both skill and technical knowledge. Yet all most Americans know about it is what they have been forced to pick up from the gutter. Parental guidance is rarely, if ever, offered. "Go figure it out for yourself" is the best any modern child can hope for. So our offspring are forced to fumble along, hit or miss. How right Dan Quayle is about this nation's sorry lack of family values.

Consequently, millions and millions of Americans have probably been going about it all wrong.

How can this be? We live in enlightened times. No aspect of human sexuality is beyond the social pale. Even in family newspapers we discuss in intimate detail Gay sex, oral sex, S & M sex and just plain sex. No sexual topic escapes our scrutiny, no topic but one: what we enlightened souls refer to as "the M Word."

All other facets of sex are discussed calmly and coolly at length in the classroom and at cocktail parties on the theory that sex is as normal a human function as eating or drinking. But introduce the M word and-SHAZAAM!-the air turns to ice.

This need not be. If we can set aside a few moments in our schools each day for prayer, surely we can find a few moments for instruction in this all-important human endeavor. Once the M word has become as acceptable as the F, A and S words, citizens can at last achieve self-gratification without that overwhelming burden of guilt.

Once everyone is practicing it properly, what a lovely world this will be. No safer sex can be envisioned. Here's a partner who won't get pregnant and who is guaranteed to have no disease that you don't have already.

No longer will we suffer from messy relationships, tangled divorces and nightly headaches. National grouchiness will be reduced by half. Ask yourself: Would you prefer to be pulled to the curb by a smiling, self satisfied office or a snarly, finger drumming cop with but one thing on his mind?

True, great art might be the less in this idyllic society. Tristan and Tristan won't sell many tickets, nor will Isolde and Isolde. But if Romeo loved only Romeo, he wouldn't have killed himself, either. And, what the heck, you can always curl up with "All You Wanted to Know About M, But Were Afraid to Ask."

So write your congressman. Demand that this all important subject be lifted out of the gutter and placed in the classroom where it belongs. Until that happy day comes, Americans will have no choice but to skulk in the shadows secretly fumbling with who-knows-what inefficient, impractical, ineffective methods to achieve what should be theirs on an educational platter.

Is it any wonder that we're a nation of discombobulated, sex obsessed curmudgeons?

[Arthur Hoppe is a columnist for the San Francisco Chronicle]

Award Winning Gay Cable Show Ends Run In D.C. Area

FAIRFAX, VA (AP) - An award winning cable television talk show aimed at Gays will end a two year run that featured such headliners as actress Lily Tomlin and film director Jonathan Demme, the show's producer said.

"One in 10 People," seen monthly on cable stations in northern Virginia, suburban Maryland and the District of Columbia, airs its final show this month.

The show is produced by volunteers at Channel 10. Fairfax County's public access station. It won numerous awards for cable television production and became the nation's most widely distributed and became the nation's most widely distributed Gay cable program, said producer and creator Pearson Brown.

"My goal was to put out a high quality show which would represent the Gay community accurately and show them as accomplished and productive members of society. It was like 'Entertainment Tonight' with a Gay slant," Ms. Brown said.

The title is a reference to Gay rights' groups estimate that 10 percent of the population is Gay.

The show was a finalist last year in the American Film Institute's nationwide competition promoting excellence in local television.

Ms. Brown said she decided to end the show in order to pursue a film career. "I wanted to get out while everything was still exciting."

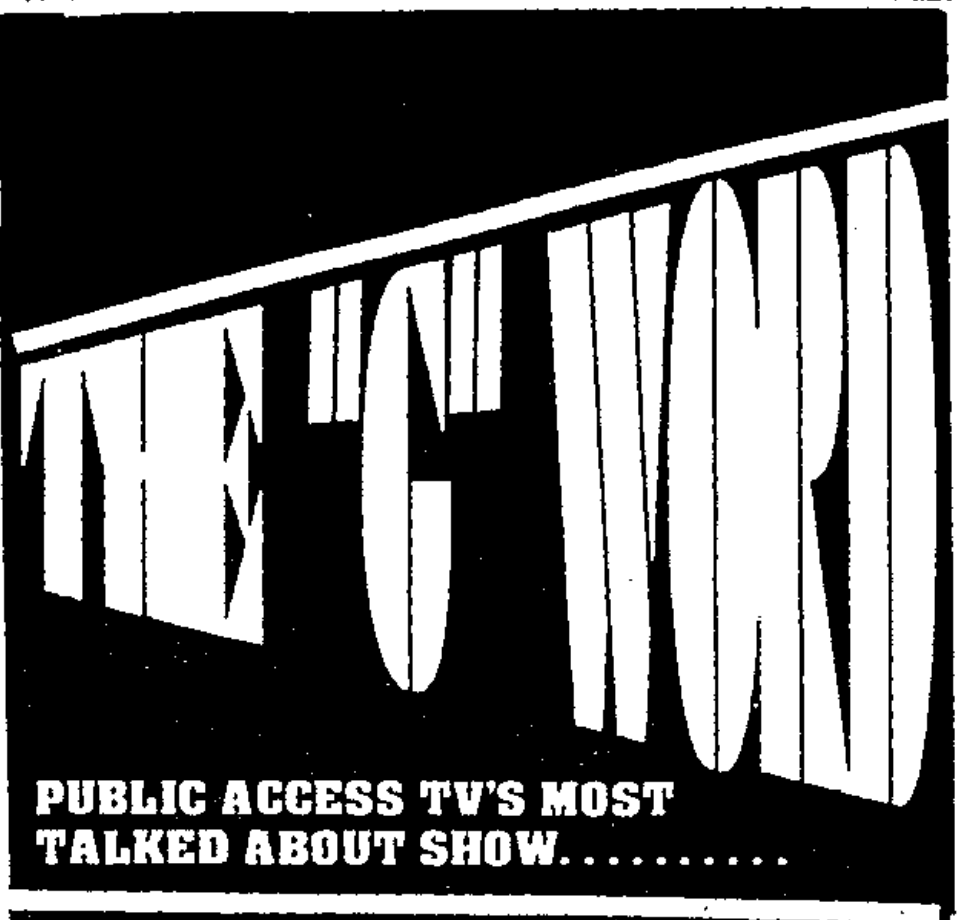
Although Gay issues are at the center of a long debate over public library policies in Fairfax, the cable show provoked no opposition, said officials with Fairfax Cable Access Corporation.

The company received no complaints about the show, which is one of about 100 regularly featured on the station, station officials said.

Kelly Mullins, a spokesperson for the Traditional Values Coalition, which opposes homosexual activism, said she knew of no complaints about the show.

"if it's objectionable to adults, they can change the channel. And it's up to parents to monitor what their children watch," Ms. Mullins said.

"One in 10 People" generally featured a breezy interview format, and often focused on celebrities visiting the Washington area.



Begins its second season this Thursday, January 19 at 8:00 p.m. on Tucson Cablevision Channel 64. Don't you dare miss it!

Audience participation is encouraged so come to the studio 30 minutes before air time. Seating is limited. If you don't have Tucson Cablevision, come by the studio and see the show live or see it on TV at Club 2520, IBT's or Stonewall/Eagle etc every Thursday!

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HOROSCOPES

BY C. LICHTENSTEIN

The big newsmaker this week is Pluto which changes signs once every eleven years or so and heralds in a new era. Now, after an intense stint in maniacle Scorpio, Pluto slowly moves into adventurous Sagittarius. Scorpio's rule was passionate, destructive and violent (AIDS, earthquakes, terrorism, war riots). To the experts, Pluto in Sag may be more egalitarian and expansive or, conversely, more religiously zealous and unbending. And remember, Pluto grinds exceedingly slow and fine. We'll have to see for ourselves whether Sag is naughty or nice. Read ahead to see how the power erupts for your sign:

ARIES
MARCH 21 - APRIL 20

Pluto will soon impact the are of your horoscope which affects large global projects. The unleashed energy of this planet may help you transform and maneuver the course of events for us all. Good things Aries folks have pioneering souls. If I were to choose anyone to move the course of events for the Gay community, I would want the unassailable and courageous Ram heading the pack.

TAURUS
APRIL 21 - MAY 21

Sexual and psychological issues are given a good once over when Pluto moves into Sagittarius. If you have been hiding in your closet and not allowing your true feelings and desires out, prepare for a jolt. Why be unhappy being someone you are not? It does you no good to live a lie. Pluto may work as a much-need catharsis if you go with the flow, or it may act as agent of destruction if you fight it.

GEMINI
MAY 22 - JUNE 21

Relationships are put under intense scrutiny and reexamination when Pluto moves into Sagittarius. Partnerships that are not based in mutual respect or have problems that are not dealt with honestly and appropriately will suffer. Remember, Sag is very honest energy and will not stand for unspoken hurts or lies. Pay Pluto its due and deal with partnership issues before they deal with you.

CANCER
JUNE 22 -JULY 23

Are you doing what is necessary to maintain good work and health habits? The job may undergo dramatic transformation as you find yourself doing very different type of work. It is also a good time to review what you do to preserve your strength and maintain good vigor. Do you eat well and exercise regularly? Pluto in Sagittarius is taking stock and it is the wise Crab who attends to these issues.

LEO
JULY 24 - AUGUST 23

Fun and romance will have a way of revolutionizing your life. Try your hand at something creative while Pluto in Sag brings out your muse. Who knows what can happen? You may decide to toss out the old pinstriped gorilla suit and become a full fledged artiste. Love affairs may zap you off your feet. I strongly suggest you take a long cold look at the current object of your affections to see if it's worth it.

VIRGO
AUGUST 24 - SEPTEMBER 23

Secure foundations may shift (or is it erupt) with the tide. Pluto in Sagittarius will have a way of dramatically changing how and even where you live. It all bubbles up to the surface. And don't discount the value of a little therapy. You continue to undergo intense introspection and may still have to come to terms with childhood or parental constraints. Good! Be true to yourself and be proud!

LIBRA
SEPTEMBER 24 - OCTOBER 23

Little trips will have far reaching effects on your life. Blame it on Pluto in Traveller Sagittarius. Use this time to garner as much knowledge as possible from your immediate environment. There is a lot to learn from everyday interactions. Problems won't go away unless you pay closer attention to even the most mundane parts of your life. This is because after a while, everything looks like the wall paper.

SCORPIO
OCTOBER 24 - NOVEMBER 22

That which you hold near and dear to you may not be all that desirable after Pluto in Sagittarius gets finished. All that glitters may not be gold. Money and investments may become issues over the next few years as it may be harder to borrow or a source of funds may dry up. You will simply have to do with less for a while until you completely revamp the way you regard money.

SAGITTARIUS
NOVEMBER 23 - DECEMBER 22

For all of us born with the Sun in Sag, all I can say is hang on! Pluto will now behave as the Sigmund Freud of your horoscope. You must strive for self improvement and self renewal so you can help others. If you use this energy selfishly, you will come off as a bully who needs to be toppled. If you approach this Plutonean phase with a keen interest to explore, you can rule the world.

CAPRICORN
DECEMBER 23 - JANUARY 20

Pluto in Sagittarius acts as a cosmic garbage can if you're lucky. There are many behaviors that we have been taught in childhood are bad. Of course, most of this is non-sense, but we can continue to beat ourselves silly under the yoke of this hidden oppression. Clear away the cosmic debris, open up the psychological closet and throw out your parents' baggage once and for all.

AQUARIUS
JANUARY 21 - FEBRUARY 19

Don't let friends take you to where you don't want to go. The danger in Pluto in Sagittarius is that you are so keen for new, intense friendships that you will allow a lot of "handling". What you should be looking for is someone who can teach you and guide you without making you a robot. We can all benefit from your burning desire to change the world, but it should be channeled properly.

PISCES
FEBRUARY 20 - MARCH 20

There are those Pisces that know exactly where they are going in life, but there are many (too many) that can't quite make up their minds. This can be a time tremendous success in your career, but more than likely, Pluto in Sagittarius will compel you to decide on a new direction; one that will give you far more satisfaction and success in the long run. The important thing is to be proud of who you are and use your strengths to your advantage.

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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Bactrim

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searched to use in treating HIV and AIDS, the use of Bactrim is perhaps the single greatest achievement," said Dr. Judith Feinberg, director of the studies at the Johns Hopkins Medical Institutions.

And "of all the advances we've made in the management of HIV disease in the past few years, nothing has had the impact in terms of prolonging life that preventing PCP has."

Bactrim, manufactured by Roche Laboratories, is one trade name for the drug trimethoprim-sulfamethoxazole. The drug also is manufactured by Burroughs Wellcome under the name Septra.

The two studies will investigate the use of alternatives to Bactrim and a method of building patients' tolerance to the drug. Both drug trials also are being conducted at several other sites nationwide under the auspices of the AIDS Clinical Trials Group, a network of institutions that conducts acquired immune deficiency syndrome research.

Initially used to treat leukemia patients suffering from PCP, Bactrim long has been among the arsenal of drugs used to treat AIDS patients with PCP.

But in the late 1980s, doctors realized that if the drug was prescribed to patients before they had PCP, it could fend off the pneumonia.

Since then, studies have shown that Bactrim is the most effective way of preventing and treating PCP, which causes dry coughs, fevers and shortness of breath and can be fatal.

During the 1980s, the pneumonia was the first sign of the onset of AIDS in 65 percent of HIV positive patients. That figure has dropped by about 20 percent, said Feinberg, an associate professor of medicine.

Deaths caused by PCP in AIDS patients also have dropped significantly, down from 40 percent of all AIDS patients who got the disease in 1985 to about 8 percent now.

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Despite the setback, Walton's group has vowed to fight on with another ballot initiative in 1996 if necessary. But Simpson said that the issue was settled by voters. "Why should the Legislature step in and do something that was defeated at the polls?" Simpson said.

Twiggs said he doubted the Idaho Citizens Alliance could win support for its agenda at the Statehouse, but that did not mean legislators would be willing to make Idaho a haven for Gay men and Lesbians.

"The mood of the Legislature is not to give Gays, Lesbians, homosexuals, anybody, special rights-that's a given," Twiggs said. "But I'm not sure that they're going to want to go in and limit them either."

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