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400,000 Attend San Francisco Pride Celebration

The Associated Press

SAN FRANCISCO, CA (AP) - Helping Barbie wave to the crowd of 400,000 at San Francisco's Gay Pride Parade is Mark Kelly, of the Barbie Support Group.

SAN FRANCISCO, CA (AP) - House Speaker Newt Gingrich's sister smiled and waved to the ecstatic crowd as her purple Mustang inched down Market Street, luxuriating in her new role as grand marshall of the city's Gay pride parade.

"I'm having a great time," Candace Gingrich said from the convertible. "It's a chance that too many people only have one day a year, the chance to be out."

Some in the crowd shouted to her.

"Hey, Candace, tell your brother 'Hi' from me!" one man yelled.

Two women arm in arm, shouted together, "You can be in our family any day!"

One first time participant was Navy Lt. Cmdr Zoe Dunning, who learned that the government is dropping its effort to drum her out of the service for homosexuality.

"I'm looking forward to marching, without fear of looking over my shoulder," Dunning said. "From this day forward, I serve as an open Lesbian in the U.S. military, with the military's condonement."

Dunning acknowledged that she has no guarantee that if the policy prevails, the Navy might not bring a fresh case against her.

Dunning added, "This is the first time I've felt free to be part of my community." Dunning walked with members of the Alexander Hamilton, San Francisco's Gay American Legion post.

Off to one side, 17 protesters waived signs with such slogans as "God Hates Fags," "AIDS Cures Fags."

"The whole thing is calculated to warn this evil city that they're going the way of Sodom," said the Rev. Fred Phelps, whose Topeka, Kansas church group was making its first appearance at the annual march.

The group left when police told them officers were having difficulty protecting them.

Four counter protesters were arrested. Three had thrown eggs or tried to throw eggs; a fourth jumped two barricade lines separating the protesters from the parade.

Police estimate 400,000 people turned out for the Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender Pride Celebration. Organizers said it is the nation's largest Gay pride parade.

Organizers of New York's parade, estimated that 1.1 million people, including spectators, attended the march and rally last year. New York will hold it's parade this Sunday, June 25.

San Francisco's parade featured marching bands, floats, square dancing, unicyclists, stilt walkers and a group of topless bicycling women carrying signs reading "Scruffy Dykes On Clunky Bikes."

"This is very good. This is the first time we have seen such a parade," said Beijing tourist Liang Pingtian, whose family stumbled onto the parade by chance. "But what kind of people are these?"

White House Police Don Gloves To Admit Gays; Group Protests

WASHINGTON, D.C. (AP) - White House police committed an "error of judgment" when they donned rubber gloves before admitting a delegation of Gay elected officials, President Clinton's spokesman says.

But some Gay activists are calling it an insult, contending it illustrates the insensitivity of the administration to the concerns of Gay men and Lesbians.

"For that to even happen at the White House shows they haven't got a clue about AIDS," said Steve Michael, a spokesperson for ACT-UP. "It just shows where they're at."

The incident took place at a meeting set up by the administration to reach out to homosexuals, some of whom have been critical of the administration's recent decision to stay out of a Supreme Court case on Gay rights.

About 40 visitors, who included state senators and representatives, city council members and judges, were met by members of the uniformed division of the Secret Service, many of them wearing rubber gloves.

The officials raised the incident at the meeting, saying the officers told them they were trying to protect themselves from AIDS.

Medical authorities say the virus is not transmitted by casual contact. Several of the visitors said they were offended by the action.

A protest took place later in the week, with protesters retaliating decorating the mansion fence with the offending items.

President Clinton, meanwhile, has written an apology to the officials, saying the officers' action was "inappropriate and insensitive."

The president wrote that be had discussed the incident with Secret Service Director Eljay Bowron and that Bowron "is taking steps to ensure that it will not happen again and is already redoubling his efforts on training and education," news reports said.

"I want to apologize for the inappropriate and insensitive treatment several of the participants were subjected to at the entrance gate of the White House," Clinton wrote, according to a copy of the letter. "It was wrong."

He thanked the Gay officials for attending and said: "I deeply regret any insult or embarrassment you suffered. You are welcome in the White House and I look forward to continuing to work with you in the future."

The protesters were chanting "shame, shame" and festooned the black iron fence outside the White House with at least 75 rubber gloves. The protestors, who apparently had left the line of a Gay Pride Day parade, jammed the gloves over the fence spikes.

Police did not remove the gloves from the fence while protesters were in the area, but carried them away in garbage bags a while later.

Supremes Ban Gays From Boston's St. Pat's Parade

WASHINGTON, D.C. - Organizers of parades can't be forced to include groups with which they disagree, the Supreme Court ruled unanimously.

And so, the justices concluded, parade adjutant John J. "Wacko" Hurley and other veterans who run Boston's St. Patrick's Day-Evacuation Day Parade have a constitutional right to bar Gays, Lesbians and Bisexuals from their celebration.

Compelling the veterans to include the Irish-American Gay Lesbian and Bisexual Group of Boston (GLIB) in the 93 year old parade would violate a fundamental First Amendment rule that speakers have the freedom to choose the content of their own messages, Justice David Souter declared for the court.

"I hope this decision resonates across the country," said Chester Darling, the lawyer for Hurley and the veterans. "Any number of groups have tried to intrude in other people's parades."

"My guys finance a parade every year and organize it, and this ruling says they're entitled to control its content and no one else can tell them what to include," Darling said.

Cathleen Finn, spokesperson for GLIB, said it was "very disappointing to have a unanimous decision against us."

She said she was disturbed by the court's observation that her group could get a permit for its own parade.

"That really smacks of some of the discrimination we've been fighting against, separate but equal," Finn said.

"Having a separate parade would

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UPDATE

Greg Louganis To Take Part In San Diego Pride Weekend

SAN DIEGO, CA - San Diego Lesbian and Gay Pride has announced that Olympic gold medalist Greg Louganis will head this year's "Out & Free" Pride parade as grand marshall. Louganis, formerly of El Cajon will be joined by his mother as they lead the colorful processional on July 15.

Louganis will be visible throughout the entire three day Pride celebration, beginning with a rally speech on the evening of July 14. After the parade the next day, he'll be found autographing copies of his autobiography, "Breaking the Surface," from the P.A.W.'s booth on festival grounds.

"Given his limited schedule, we were quite honored when he accepted the invitation to take part in this year's Pride weekend," said Brenda Schumacher, executive director of San Diego Pride. "We feel he's an important role model, especially to our city's Lesbian and Gay youth."

San Diego is Louganis' final "Pride stop" after making appearances only in New York and Houston. The former diving athlete turned actor turned activist has decelerated his pace somewhat after a grueling book tour that made him a household name. Since revealing his sexuality and HIV status on a Barbara Walters interview, and telling his life story in "Breaking the Surface," Louganis has been on high demand within the Gay community for special events and lectures.

The selection of Louganis as a grand marshall aptly reflects the "Out & Free" theme of this year's Pride celebration. In his book, the divers reveals numerous accomplishments made within the homophobic world of the Olympics as he rose above society's constraints to achieve personal freedom. After discovering he contracted the HIV virus, Louganis bravely pressed ahead with his career and continued exhibiting to the world his astonishing athletic skill. The four gold medals and scores of diving awards he earned have become a symbol of encouragement to many in our community.

Louganis later enjoyed a career in acting while receiving a sizable endorsement from Speedos. Since then he's toured the country to promote his book and is making public appearances that are received by many as "lessons in tolerance." He's proven to be an inspiration to all, especially to Lesbians and Gays all over the world.

In keeping with this year's theme, Party Boy Productions has teamed up with San Diego Lesbian and Gay Pride organizers to present an "Out & Free Dance" directly following the festival in the historic U.S. Grant Hotel. The all night affair will be held in the main lobby and basement from 9 A.M. to 5 A.M., Saturday, July 15.

Party Boy Director Michael Patton says the venue is "gorgeous" in that it provides huge amounts of space for dancing and socializing amidst a turn of the century setting. The "catacombs" are in their original site from when the hotel was built, and the artwork and arched ceilings are still in place.

"It absolutely thrills me that we're able to help capture the spirit of Pride weekend by offering something for everyone. This dance welcomes men, women, and all age groups from 18 years and up," says Patton.

Lesbian Resource Project Sports New Logo

PHOENIX, AZ - The Lesbian Resource Project has adopted a new logo. The winning drawing came from a contest run earlier this year.

"We are pleased to have a logo that depicts the diversity of our communities so well," said Barb Jones, executive director. "We will be using the logo on our new letterhead, buttons and brochures."

International Ms Leather Contest July 21-23

CHICAGO, IL - Chicago will be the host for the 1995 International Ms. Leather contest, July 21-23.

A full weekend of activities is planned to include auctions, workshops, play parties, vendor space, and, of course, the contest.

A special attraction for the weekend will be the Chicago premier of "Blood Sisters" a 70 minute documentary on the women's leather community.

The contest will be held on the 23rd at the Bismarck Hotel Palace Theater. A complete weekend package with brunch is only $70 at the door. Pre sales of tickets are available at a discount from Bare Images Productions at (402) 451-7987.

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I have been and always shall be your friend. Love, Greg

In Memorium for Richard Woodworth

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between the clouds,
and spread a palette of
colors across the horizon
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to comfort and settle him
to his rest
and as the colors faded,
I heard - like a whisper,
good night -
rest in peace -
I'll see you in the morning.

Love, Ron Jordan
(Granny)

P.S. There are Angels In America, and you have a place on my shoulder - 'til we meet again, Thank you.

COPE Community Center Yard Sale Fundraiser

TUCSON - Operating COPE and Project TEAM will be having a community yard sale, June 23-25, from 9:30 A.M. on those three days.

The yard sale will take place at the Project Team Community Center, located at 732 North Stone Avenue.

For more information call (520) 624-9818.

Shootin' Around Town

by Wayne Steele

TUCSON - Listed below are the pool tournaments happening around town and some of the winners:

Stonewall/Eagle: 8-Ball Team Tournament. Winner take all, $35.00 to the champions. First Place - The Roadrunners, Carl & Tim, $35.00. Second Place - Wanna Be Winners!, Sherry & Robert. Third Place - The Eagle's Nest, Kenny and Mike.

First Out - Thunder and Lightning, Christine & Nikki.

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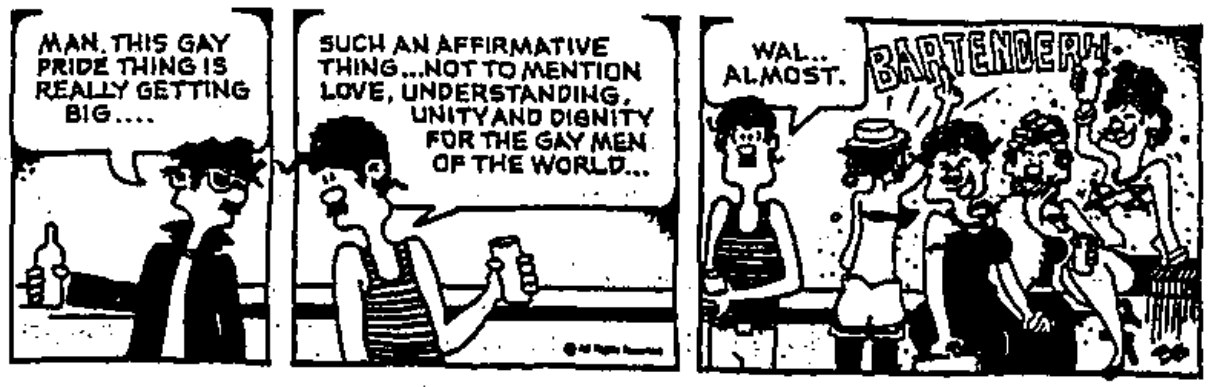

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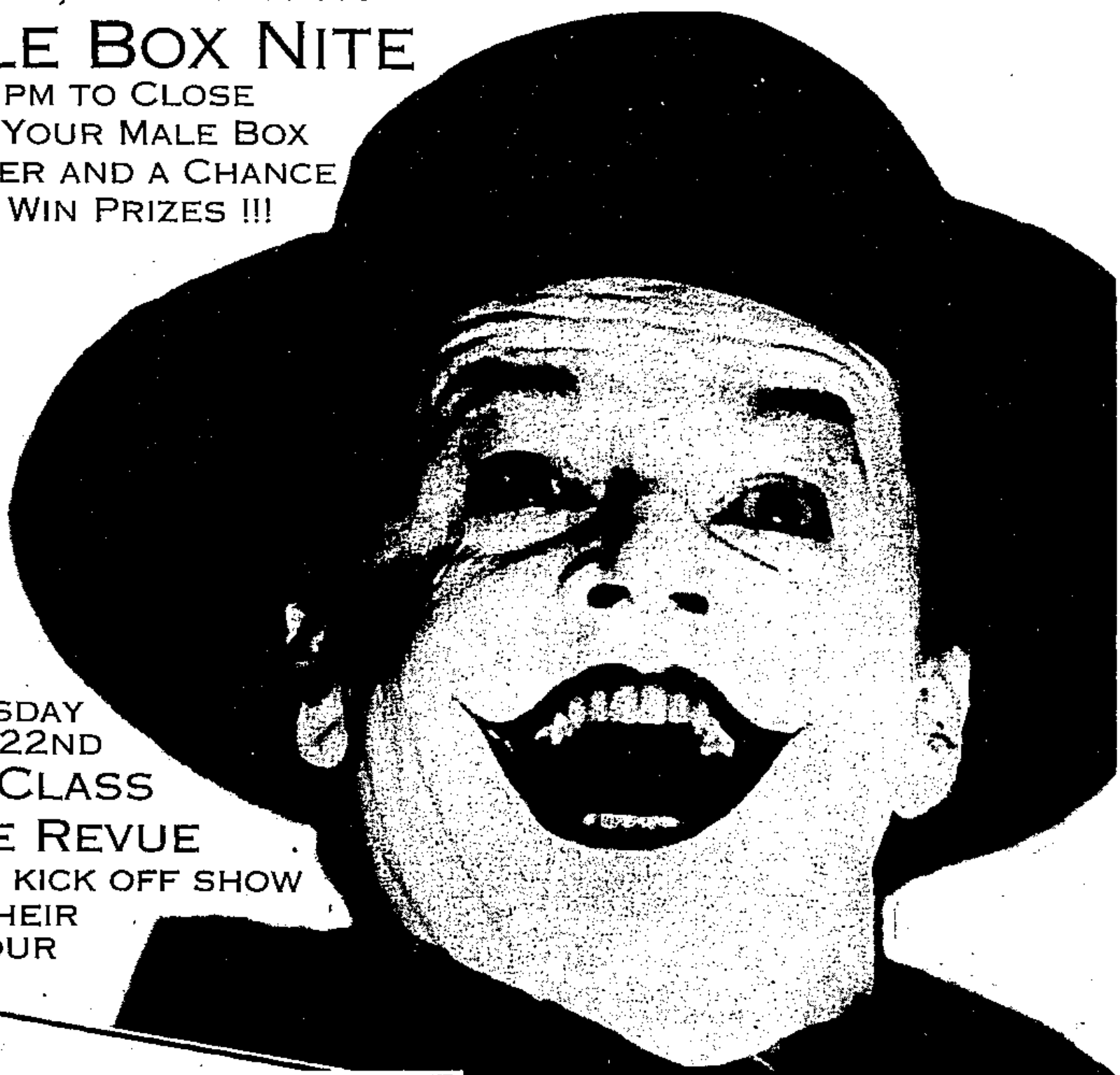

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POLITICS '95

by Mark R. Kerr

"You Have Attractive Elbows!"

OLIVE BRANCH?: After the most recent of many disappointments the Gay and Lesbian community has had, (the Justice Department not joining the fight to overturn Colorado's Amendment 2 just last week), with the Clinton administration. The White House tried to make amends.

Just after the Justice Department fiasco, the White House announced during a press conference that President Clinton had authorized the set-up of a blue ribbon panel to deal with Gay and Lesbian issues, the panel would consist of Gays and Lesbians.

Well, when the Gay and Lesbian leaders came to the White House, invited, White House security put on rubber gloves and went through their belongings. When asked about this, security stated, "for protection."

One of the leaders, New York City Councilman Tom Duane called it, "an outrage." [You tell them Tom!] The White House expressed their displeasure over the treatment, and the Secret Service later stated they could have handled the situation better. [Frankly, what's next for us and this administration?!]

ENDA'S BACK: At a Washington D.C. news conference held by the Human Rights Campaign Fund, it was announced that the Employee Non-Discrimination Act (ENDA) was being introduced in the 104th Congress.

The bill going through the Senate is being co-sponsored by Senators Edward Kennedy (D-MA) and James Jeffords (R-VT). During the conference Sen. Kennedy called ENDA, "a bill long overdue."

[More in future editions of this column.]

PASTOR CHALLENGE: Winslow native and Yuma lawyer [What a combo!]. Vida Zoe Florez announced last week that she will run for the Republican nomination for congress in C.D. 2 to challenge Democratic incumbent Ed Pastor.

Florez said that Pastor is "too liberal" to represent District 2. While holding a pamphlet from the Christian Coalition, Florez stated that her reason for running is that Pastor, "voted for funding to teach children in schools about homosexuality." [Let the bashing begin!]

Democrats outnumber Republicans in District 2 by a 2 to 1 margin.

"CHARTREUSE LOOKS GOOD!": Governor Fifester commented on the crisis with Arizona school funding by stating that the key is teaching, not buildings. If that was the case where I got my college education (Harvard) would have been a bad one with the buildings being condemned long ago."

[Wouldn't that be true for governor's offices as well. The Fifester is spending $1.7 million of your tax dollars on remodeling the governor's office in Phoenix. I hope the ever so butch motif and the carpeting and drapes match!]

GUESS WHO, DON'T SUE: What Pima County elected official who bemoans the funds allocated for their office as well as any elected official or measly county employee who crosses their path must be strapped because they always have to borrow a tie for their press conferences because they never seem to have to go with their "law" suit.

So it goes for now.

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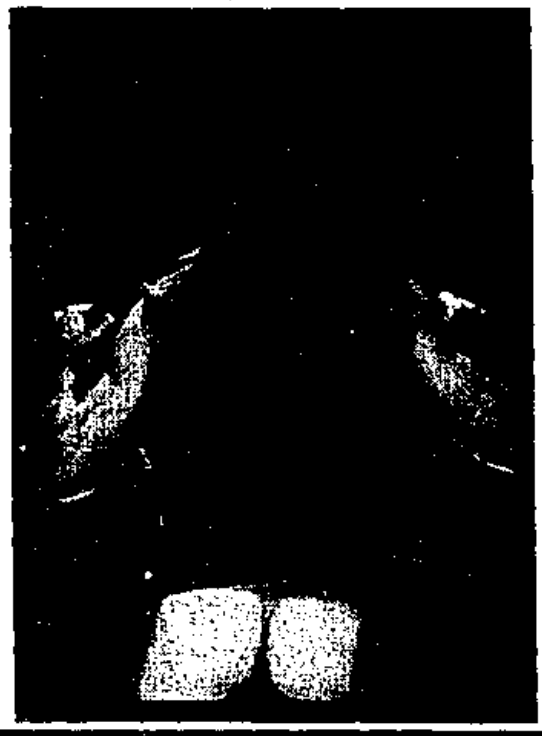

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Miss Gay Latina 1995

TUCSON - The annual Miss Gay Latina Contest was held last Sunday evening at Club 2520. Over 200 people were in attendance.

Jasmine Bouvier was chosen Miss Gay Latina 1995 from a group of very fine candidates. The judges, as usual, had a tough time picking a winner among the contestants.

Selina was chosen 1st alternate; Pricilla 2nd alternate and Casandra 3rd alternate. Congratulations to Jasmine and the alternates as well as all the contestants for a very exciting evening..

The event was also a fund raising event for the Pride Picnic in October and was hosted by the Purple Team, headed by Misti Malone. A total of $575.00 was collected for the picnic.

The purple Team is also hosting the Carousel Closet Ball as a fund raiser for the Picnic. The Closet Ball will be held nest Sunday, June 25 at the Stonewall.

GUEST EDITORIAL

SAN FRANCISCO, CA - [This is a reprinted article of an editorial that appeared in the San Francisco Chronicle.]

It appears that personal political ambition played a far more important role than public policy considerations in California Attorney General Dan Lungren's disgraceful decision to put the state on record in asking the U.S. Supreme Court to restore Colorado's anti-Gay initiative.

The attorney general signed a "friend of the court" brief supporting Colorado's legal appeal of a court ruling in that state overturning Amendment Two, a controversial 1992 initiative that struck down several local Gay rights measures. The initiative approved by 54 percent of Colorado voters, threw out local laws that prohibited discrimination based on sexual orientation in employment and housing.

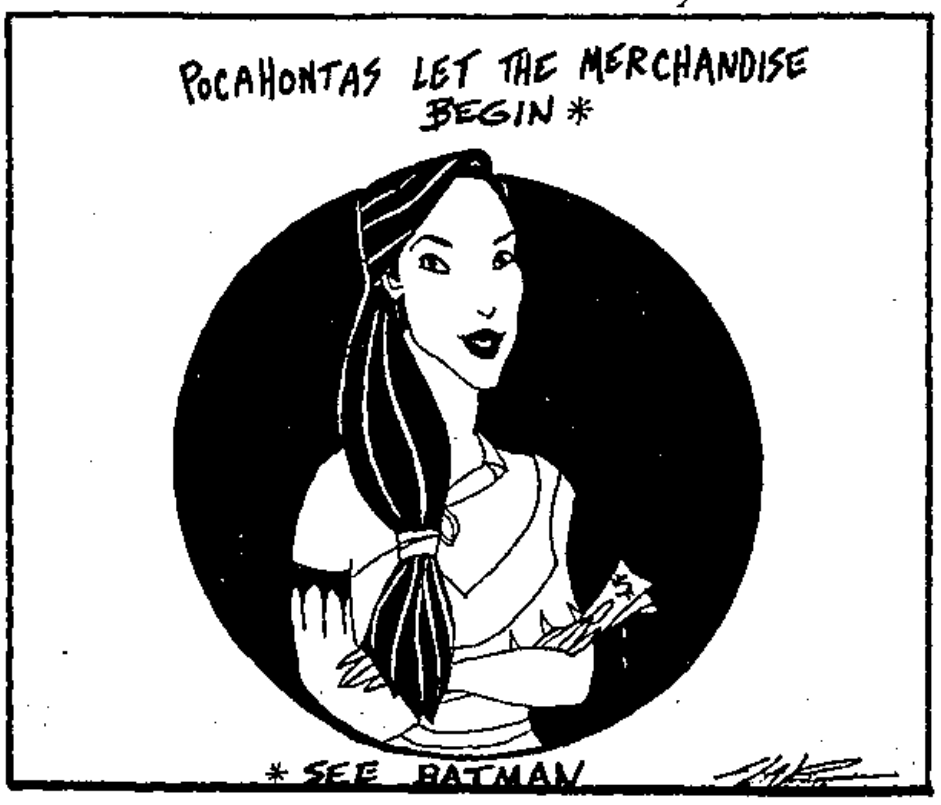
Lungren's spokesman insists that his boss' intervention had nothing to do with Gay rights, but was simply based on the good government belief that the voters in a state should have the right to create their own laws. Please pardon our guffaws.

How handy for Lungren to argue that the merits of the issue of discrimination against Gays had nothing to do with his endorsement of the brief. With that reasoning, the ambitious, conservative can have it both ways: He can defend his action to his California constituents who abhor measures that treat Gays as second class citizens, and still pander to social conservatives and other supporters of the Colorado initiative, assuring them with a wink and a nod that he is on their side.

No doubt, his signature on the brief will be seen as a plus on his resume by some right wing primary voters when Lungren, in his second term as attorney general, makes an expected bid for governor or other higher office.

But as state attorney general, Lungren is sworn to represent California, and California has passed laws denouncing discrimination against homosexuals. No matter how politically artful he tries to be, Lungren has no business using the good name of the state to attempt to restore an initiative that is inimical to its laws.

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



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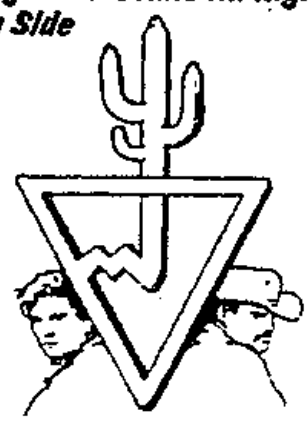
This Friday, June 23rd - Guest DJ "Mark" from San Francisco on the Country Side!



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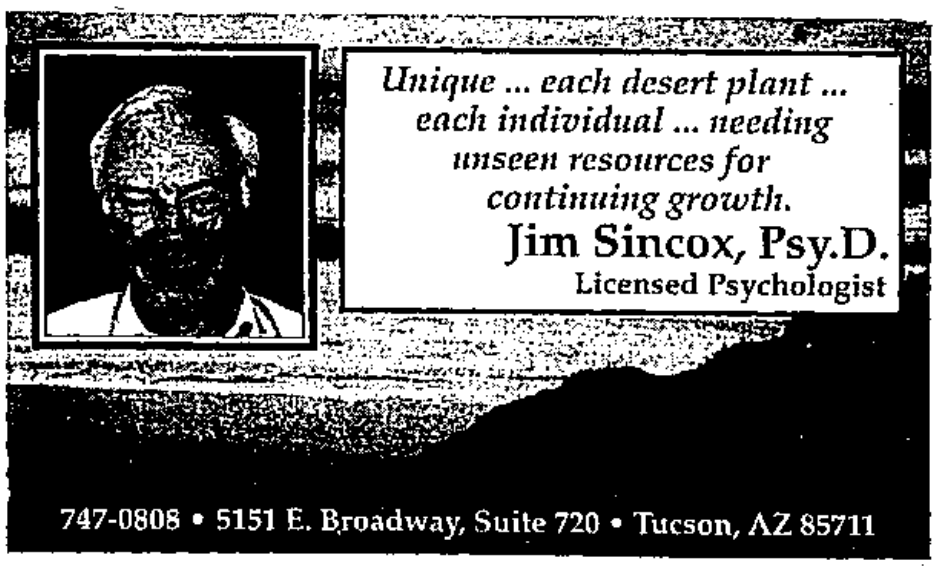

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HOME ON THE RANGE WITH AGRA-TUCSON

by Addison McDorman & George Plentzas

Well, we're back in full swing. The AGRA-Tucson Board and general membership meetings were held this past Sunday at Ain't Nobody's Bizness.

Our 199 Saguaro Regional Rodeo volunteer coordinator, Shelly O'Brien was appointed PR Director for the 1995-1996 rodeo year. Congratulations Shelly. The membership will be asked to affirm her appointment by a vote during the July meeting. Kudos to the Biz and Melinda for being such gracious hosts. Thanks also to all of those who attended.

Tucson will be hosting the State Board meeting on July 9th. The Tucson Board will meet at 1:00 PM followed by the State Board meeting at 2:00 PM in the Agate room at the TCC. The membership meeting will convene at 5:00 PM at Hours, 3455 East Grant Road, in conjunction with the AGRA-Tucson anniversary party. Come join us for some food and fun.

There is still a vacancy on the 1995-96 board for the position of treasurer. The board would like to hear from anyone interested in this important position. Inquiries may be made at the AGRA hotline. Prospect must have prior bookkeeping experience and must be bondable.

There are also several committee positions left to be filled. Anyone interested in serving on one of the AGRA committees may contact AGRA at the hotline number listed below. Please mention the are in which you would like to assist so that the appropriate director may contact you.

We are just about to kick-off our 1996 Rodeo poster contest. We will be publishing the specifics of the contest in the next few weeks. So, get those creative juices flowing and hit the drawing board. It could be worth $100 bucks!

And now for some news from our neighbors up north. Alaska is, er {Phoenix had a successful Grand Ole Opry this past weekend at Charlie's. The following candidates were announced for 1996 royalty. Miss AGRA: Pussy Le Hoot. Mr. AGRA: Clyde Mitter and Tommy Read. Ms. AGRA: TJ Alvis, Teresa Housely and Sherry Reedy. Good luck to all the candidates.

Performances for the evening included the MCC Choir, Mr. GSGRA 1st runner up David Medzerian, Miss Rhinestone and candidate for Miss GSGRA Miss Olsen. In addition, we head that both Julia and Sherry got all wet! Thanks for everybody's help.

Some enterprising Phoenicians have scheduled a Salt River tubing trip this Saturday, June 24. They would like to invite everyone to attend. Please call Sherry Reedy at (602) 205-4580 for reservations. The trip will originate from the Bush Highway/Usery pass intersection at 10:00 AM.

Don't forget to attend the Closet Ball this Sunday, June 25th at the Stonewall/Eagle. Let's all cheer for AGRA's own Miss Holly Boo!

For all you Sid Spencer fans (we know who you are), he will be appearing at Club 2520 on Friday, July 7th. Lets all try to attend and show him how much Tucson loves him!

As usual, there were more parties this weekend then most people attend in a year, but nevertheless we all survived. Unfortunately, the work week is not the time to recover from a weekend's activities. First, there was a birthday big "0" party for an AGRA Board member. He says it was 4 on the cake, but I swear it was a 9. At least he's younger than the other two ex-Board members with birthdays this month.

Following that, Gary had another of his famous after hours parties. It's a good thing that Addison invited everybody. We hear that a can of whipped cream can become a dangerous weapon when wielded by an out-of-control Mexican by the name Raul. The weekend concluded with an afternoon swimming party at the "big house on the hill". There was lots of skin, fun and men. Thanks guys!

In case any of you were wondering what became of Raybeline's secret admirer, that cute little love sponge was looking for him everywhere this weekend, but not luck yet.

Until next time, see ya!

[AGRA-Tucson, P.O. Box 40894, Tucson, AZ 85717-0894. Hotline (520) 323-0805]

Newt Gingrich's Sister & Sonny Bono's Daughter Push Bill To Ban Gay Job Discrimination

The Associated Press

WASHINGTON, DC (AP) - Senator Edward Kennedy, Candace Gingrich and Chastity Bono discuss the bill. See related story.

WASHINGTON, D.C. (AP) - Newt Gingrich's sister and Sonny Bono's daughter, both Lesbians, were on Capitol Hill promoting legislation to outlaw job discrimination against homosexuals.

But both Candace Gingrich and Chastity Bono conceded they had little hope of winning support from the Republican House speaker or the freshman California congressman.

"I have not given up on swaying my brother, but there are millions of other people I have a better chance of talking and educating," said Ms. Gingrich. As a spokesperson for the Human Rights Campaign Fund, she is in the middle of a 50 city tour urging Gay men and Lesbians to help end discrimination by telling people about their sexual orientation.

"My father's Republican, I'm a Democrat. We keep things on a very friendly and loving plane, so we don't really talk to each other about politics," said Ms. Bono, whose mother is pop icon Cher.

Ms. Bono's father sits on the House Judiciary Committee, which has jurisdiction over the bill banning discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation in hiring, firing, promotion and pay.

The congressman said that he will not co-sponsor the measure because it gives "special status" to what he called a special interest group.

Of his daughter's lobbying, Bono said: "I don't think she understand it completely. Those things she'll have to find out when she's older...You know, when you're young, you're passionate."

The speaker's press office did not return calls for comment, but Gingrich, R-Ga., spoke out strongly in March against giving homosexuals fired because of their sexual orientation the right to sue in federal court.

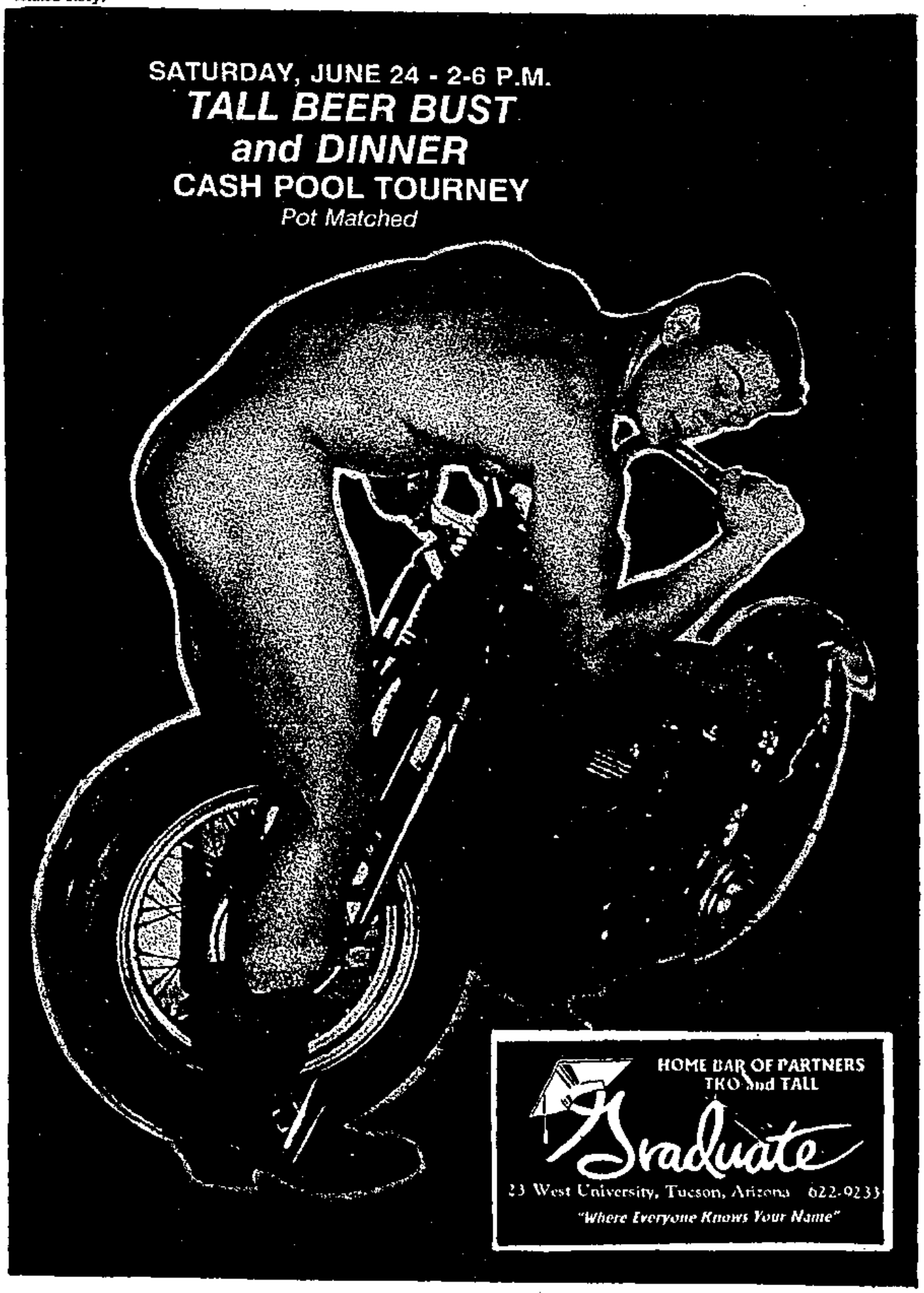
Federal civil rights laws, and the laws in 41 states, do not forbid discrimination based on sexual orientation, but the legislation introduced by Sens. Jim Jeffords (R-VT), Edward Kennedy (D-MA), and 27 co-sponsors, would add that category.

The bill "does not convey any special rights, it conveys the same rights to all people," said Rep. Peter Torkildsen, (R-MA), a sponsor of similar legislation in the House, which was introduced by Rep. Gerry Studds, (D-MA), and 115 other co-sponsors.

Neither bill applies to the military, religious organizations or to schools affiliated with religious organizations. Businesses with fewer than 15 employees are also exempt, but profit making affiliates of religious organizations are covered.

Asked about the exemptions, Jeffords said, "I want to see the bill passed and am being pragmatic in that sense."

The legislation specifically prohibits preferential treatment, including quotas, based on sexual orientation and does not require employers to provide benefits to their workers' same-sex partners.



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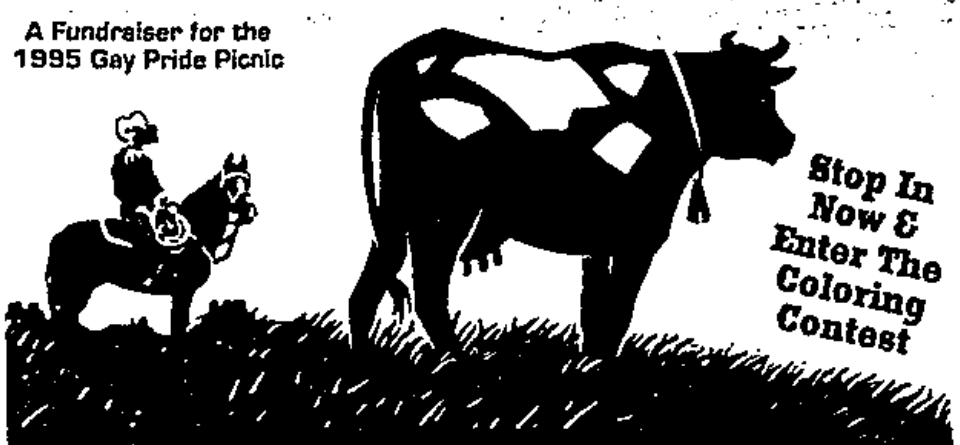

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by Frank E.G. Gallego

Exhibiting the Names Foundation AIDS Memorial Quilt in the Old Pueblo is becoming reality. The initial stages of planning continue and your help and support is needed in bringing this event to fruition. Take an active part in one of the committees or donate any contribution that will spur what is to become a community wide effort.

An open invitation is extended to all southern Arizona communities as well as to the entire state. This event is for everyone!

As a volunteer, one of the following committees will provide a place for everyone: Ceremonies; Display Promotion; Education; Finance; Fund Raising; Logistics; Media; Panel Making; Volunteer. Heading the Quilt Host Committee are Co-Chairs, Cheryl Marita (887-7858) and Peggy Heslinga (885-3122). Faxes may be sent to 885-3122.

People With AIDS Coalition of Tucson is one of the sites providing anonymous HIV Antibody Testing. Located at 801 West congress, anyone may call to make an appointment through 770-1710. Testing is by appointment only. Test results are available two weeks later and are only give person to person to maintain confidentiality.

What is the HIV Antibody Test? The human immunodeficiency virus (HIV) antibody test is a blood test used to determine if a person has been infected with HIV, the virus that causes AIDS.

What does the test tell you? The test tells you if you have been infected with HIV. While this is not a test for the virus, it does test for antibodies, an indication that infection has occurred. The test will not tell you if you will ever get sick with AIDS. Some people who have been infected with the virus, have not gotten sick. Still, it's important that infected persons take care of their health and avoid being infected again or transmitting the virus to others.

What test will be done? A blood sample will be taken from your arm with a needle and analyzed in a laboratory using a test called ELISA (Enzymed Linked Immunosorbent Assay). If the ELISA test is repeatedly positive, a second test, called Western Blot, will be run on the same blood sample to confirm the result.

How accurate is the test result? This is a test for antibodies. Most people produce antibodies during the first 3 to 6 months if they are infected.

As with any laboratory test, there can be false positives and false negatives.

FALSE POSITIVE: The current testing procedure has proven to be accurate. Blood specimens that test repeatedly ELISA positive will have the confirming Western Blot test done. This insures that a false positive is extremely unlikely.

FALSE NEGATIVE: A few people will be told that they have not been infected with the virus when, in fact, they have. This can happen when they have gotten the test too soon after they have been infected, and the body has not had time to produce antibodies. Antibodies are usually produced during the first 3 to 6 months if a person is infected. If you are tested within six months of your last possible exposure, you may need to consider retesting.

What do the results mean? POSITIVE RESULT: A positive result indicates that you have antibodies and are infected. People with a positive result should assume they have the virus and could therefore transmit it to others. NEGATIVE RESULT: A negative result indicates one of the following: 1) You have not been infected with the virus and no antibodies were produced, or 2) You have been infected with the virus, but your body has not yet produced antibodies. Most people take 3 to 6 months to produce them.

A negative test result foes not mean that you are protected from getting the virus in the future, it depends on what you do from then on.

INCONCLUSIVE RESULT: A small percentage of results are inconclusive. This means that your results are neither positive or negative. This may be due to a number of medical factors which have nothing to do with HIV. If this happens you should follow the prevention recommendations given and be retested in 30 days.

What can you *do to stop* the spread of the virus and protect your health? Being sexually active today carries with it some choices and some responsibilities. Remember, it's your behavior that keeps you safe. Prevention is the only way to stop the spread of the virus and to protect yourself from infection. You can choose behaviors which reduce your risk of being exposed to the virus and other sexually transmitted disease. It is your responsibility to avoid being infected.

Additional information may be obtained from the Pima County Health Department HIV Counseling and Testing Program at 791-7676.

The 4th Annual Celebrity Pool Tournament, POOL AID '95, benefitting the AIDS Project of Los Angeles (APLA), is history by now. Held at the Hollywood Athletic Club in Hollywood, it is a fund raising even I have looked forward to participate in for over twelve months. Hosted by Stephen Baldwin, organized by Pat Reaves, co-hosted by Luke Perry and Jason Gedrick, this "party" will have provided interesting tidbits to report in next week's column.

I leave you with this in mind, "Enjoy life! This is not a dress rehearsal."

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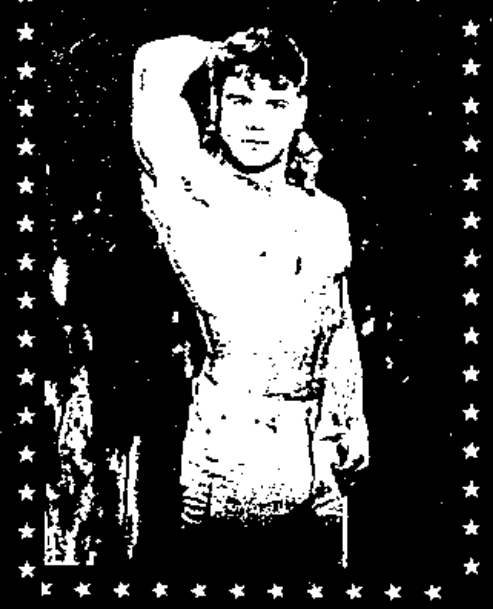

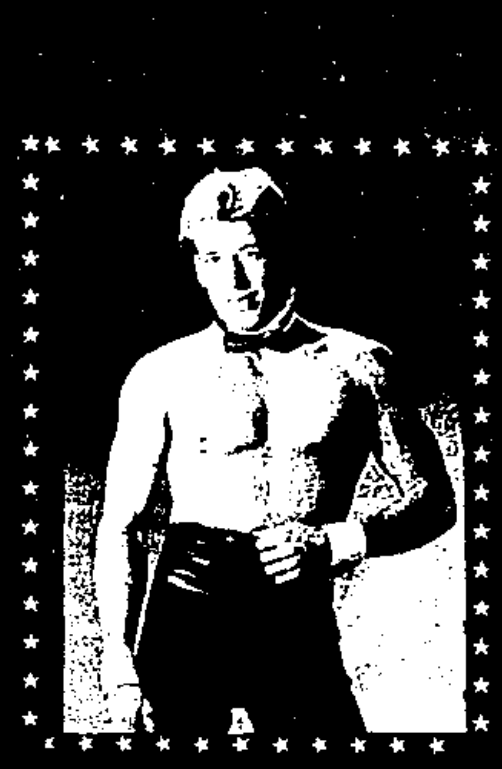

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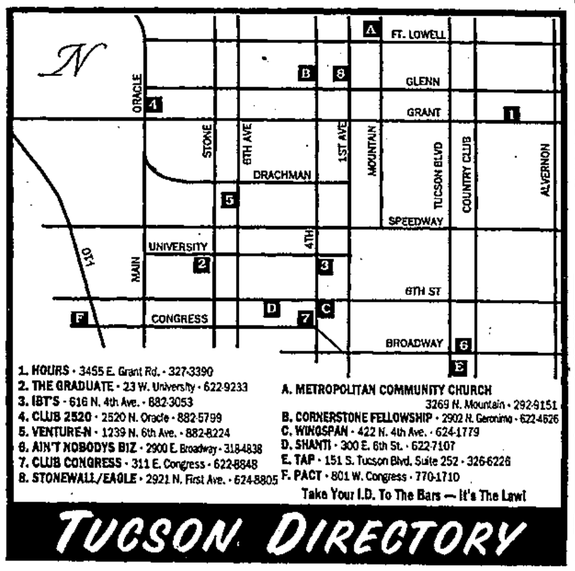

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Tests Indicate Some Condoms Have Unacceptable Rates Of Failure

NEW YORK, NY - Condoms are an excellent form of birth control, experts say, and the best protection there is against sexually transmitted disease.

Yet seven brands had unacceptably high failure rates in tests by Consumer Reports magazine. Six of the seven brands were from Trojan, the nation's leading condom manufacturer.

The watchdog publication says that it tested 6,500 condoms in 37 styles, using standards adopted last year by federal inspectors.

The seven losers flubbed the so-called air burst test, failing at rates of 1.5 percent or higher. That exceeded a standard set by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration, whose inspectors reject manufacturing batches of condoms when they fail at that rate.

However, 30 condom styles, including seven other Trojan brands, passed the air burst test.

Carter-Wallace Inc, the New York City maker of Trojan condoms, responded to the magazine tests with a terse rebuttal: "Trojan brand condoms are quality condoms that meet or exceed all governmental and industry standards for strength and leakage. In addition, all Trojan condoms are 100 percent electronically tested for microscopic holes."

Pressed for an explanation as to why some Trojans fared poorly in the Consumer Report tests, a company spokesman said: "That's our whole position on the matter." Trojan has almost 60 percent of the U.S. condom market.

The condoms brands that failed were Trojan: Extra Strength, Mentor, Plus, Very Thin, Enz, Non-lubricated and Lifestyles Ultra Sensitive.

Consumer Reports testers went on to rate the 30 condoms that passed the government test against a more stringent stand, the magazine's own Burst Index. Most scored within a narrow range near the Burst Index performance and the claims on some condom packages for extra strength.

Consumer Reports bestowed its "Best Buy" stamp of approval on a condom called Touch from Protex, based on its high Burst Index and its low price, it was the least expensive brand overall.

The magazine's Burst Index was based on results of a study in the journal Contraception, involving 260 couples who used 4,600 condoms. That led researchers to suggest a standard more stringent than the one required by federal inspectors, who pump condoms with at least 15 quarts of air; the more stringent standard requires 23 1/2 quarts.

Air burst testing measures both the strength and the elasticity of a condom, qualities that experts say are vital for minimizing failure during intercourse.

The magazine also compared these aspects of condoms:

Materials. The vast majority of condoms are made of latex rubber. But a few people are latex sensitive. They can try using condoms made of natural animal intestines; however, although natural condoms prevent pregnancy, they may not prevent the passage of HIV, herpes and hepatitis B viruses.

Another answer is a new polyurethane condom. A condom should be available by this summer.

Sensitivity. Some condoms claim to enhance sensation for men, although those styles aren't necessarily the thinnest ones. The thinnest condoms, by Consumer Reports' measure, were Beyond Seven, Sheik Super Thin and Ramses Ultra Thin. Warning: The same types tallied some of the lowest air-burst scores.

Lubricants. Many condoms come coated with a lubricant. For additional lubrication, couples should be certain not to use products with a base of petroleum or mineral oil, including petroleum jelly, baby oil, cold cream and many hand lotions. These rapidly weaken latex condoms.

Spermicides. Many condoms now include nonoxynol-9, which has been proven to kill sperm and to inactivate a range of microbes, including HIV, but only in the test tube. Experts aren't sure how well it works in real use. The Centers for Disease Control says a latex barrier alone is sufficient protection.

TOP 12 PERFORMERS

BRAND NAME	PRICE
Excita Extra Ultra Ribbed with spermicide	$1
Ramses Extra Ribbed with spermicide	99 cents
Sheik Elite (U.S.)	53 cents
Lifestyles-Ultra ribbed	44 cents
Ramses Extra with spermicide	75 cents
Ramses Sensitol	83 cents
Sheik Elite Ribbed with spermicide	68 cents
Sheik Elite with spermicide	59 cents
Trojan Enz-Large	75 cents
Trojan Enz-Nonlubricated	47 cents
Lifestyles	46 cents
Touch from Protex	31 cents

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Making A Difference

Researchers Study Promising New Approach To HIV Vaccination

ST. LOUIS, MO - A new approach to HIV vaccination is under study at Saint Louis University School of Medicine and five other sites nationwide..

The approach utilizes a vaccine consisting of genetic copies of HIV components. The new vaccine is made up of copies of more components of the AIDS virus than have been used in previous preventive HIV vaccine studies.

The research is being conducted in the six AIDS Vaccine Evaluation Unit's (AVEU's), funded by the National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases (NIAID), part of the National Institutes of Health (NIH).

Some previous vaccine studies have involved genetically engineered vaccines that resemble one protein on the surface of the AIDS virus. The new study will use copies of the surface protein gp 160 as well as the core proteins of the virus and one of its enzymes. Because the copies are genetically engineered, participants cannot get AIDS by receiving the vaccine.

"As the science of HIV vaccines has developed, we have begun to believe immunity to additional portions of the virus may be necessary," said Robert B. Belshe, M.D, director of the division of infectious diseases and immunology and director of the Center for Vaccine Development.

Belshe went on, "Because this vaccine more closely resembles HIV, we hope it will provide an enhanced immune response compared to the vaccines that use only genetic copies of the surface proteins of the virus. We believe this to be one of the most promising new avenues of HIV vaccine research."

A vaccine factor known as canary pox vaccine will be used to carry and present the genetic copies of pieces of the AIDS virus to the immune system. Scientists use canary pox vaccine as a vector because it can carry larger quantities of HIV genes or other foreign DNA than other vectors tested before. It has also been associated with few side effects in previous studies.

A total of 76 volunteers will be recruited at the six sites. Researchers are seeking healthy men and women, who are HIV negative, at low risk for HIV infection, and between the ages of 18 and 60. Half the volunteers will have received smallpox vaccine previously and half will not. Study participants will receive a series of vaccinations over a six month period with the investigational vaccine or a placebo. The participants will then be monitored for a year to allow researchers to track the levels of antibody in their blood.

For more information about enrollment, contact the Center for Vaccine Development at (314) 268-5448.

WHAT'S UP DOC???

Well, another week has come and Doc is still out of town. So here we go, again.

Last Sunday was Father's Day and use to be the day for the Gay Pride Picnic and the beginning of Gay Pride Week here in Tucson. But, some brilliant people got together and decided that the last part of June is just not the right time to spend the day out in the "boiling" sun.

So we now celebrate at a more suitable time. Still, I can't help but reflect on the past and still consider this a good time to compare the time we're living with and what used to be.

I can remember when I first came out. One didn't actually "come out" publicly, one came out to themselves and to a few friends, very close friends. What double standards you had to live with, daily. If you came out publicly, you would probably lose your job, be asked to leave what you called your home and many times have to leave town and start all over again. I know, it happened to me.

And if you went to a "Gay" bar, you never knew when the police would "raid" the bar and take every patron to the police station for "questioning". I'll never forget the one time I was in a bar in St. Louis. The police "raided" the bar and there were 69 patrons and Pauline, the bartender, taken to jail.

We were put into cells and held until the next morning. There was no questioning, no charges made, just go into a state of panic wondering how public the situation would be made. Fortunately, nothing ever went further than the police showing how "powerful" they were. Thank God, for the Stonewall episode.

There are many more horror stories I could tell but are not necessary. Our younger generation has no conception of what use to be. But, because some brave souls thought of more than just themselves, times have changed.

Here in Tucson, we have many to thank for our present situation. Many of the pioneers who came out publicly and literally fought for our rights have left us physically but we still have many who are continuing the fight. They are not seeking any rewards or recognition but they feel the need to make what is right, right. A few who should be recognized are Bob Ellis, Mark Kerr, Jack Stockslager, Aviva Diamond and yours truly, Doc.

A View From The Rock

A Commentary From Cornerstone Fellowship

"Why should I become a Christian?, What's in it for me? What difference will it make in my life?"

Have you ever thought these or similar thoughts? Just why should a person become a Christian?"

Does becoming a Christian guarantee wealth? There are some very rich Christians, including Sam Walton, the founder of Wal Mart, but there are many Christians of average income, and many who are poor. No, becoming a Christian doesn't guarantee wealth.

Well, what about popularity? If I become a Christian will that make me more popular? Once again, the answer is no. Some popular people are Christians, including singer Glen Campbell, but these people didn't become popular because they were Christians, but for other reasons.

What about good looks? If I become a Christian could God make me better looking? Of course God could make a person better looking, but he usually doesn't. And though there are good looking Christians, including some former Miss Americas, the vast majority of Christians, just like the vast majority of all people, have average looks.

Certainly becoming a Christian would mean that I wouldn't have any more troubles. After all, God is in control, isn't he? Actually, Christians aren't immune to any of the troubles that occur in this world. I know Christians who have lost their jobs, been betrayed by their spouses, contracted fatal diseases and died.

The question of why God allows bad things to happen to his children is one which has been debated at length, and could be the subject of another column, but the fact is that the same tragedies which non-Christians experience also befall Christians.

What about power? If I become a Christian I would certainly have more power, after all, God is the creator of the whole universe, so doesn't he give his children some of his power? One of the most powerful men of our day is the President of the United States, who is a professing Christian, but he didn't become President because he is a Christian. Most Christians are plain old every day folks, just like you and me.

If becoming a Christian doesn't guarantee a person wealth, popularity, good looks, lack of troubles, or power, what is the reason to believe in Jesus?

Most non-Christians, if they are truly honest with themselves, will admit that they feel something lacking within themselves. It is this lack which drives people to continually try new experiences, make more money, become obsessed with power. An early theologian called this lack a "God shaped hole" which each persons has, and he said that all people's hearts are restless until they find their rest in God through Jesus Christ.

Jesus asked a very pointed question: "What good will it be for a man if he gains the whole world, yet forfeits his soul?" (Matthew 16:26) I ask the same of you, have you tried many things, only to find that succeeding in each of them somehow didn't satisfy you like you thought it would? Perhaps it is time for you to accept the only one who can fill that God shaped hole within, Jesus Christ.

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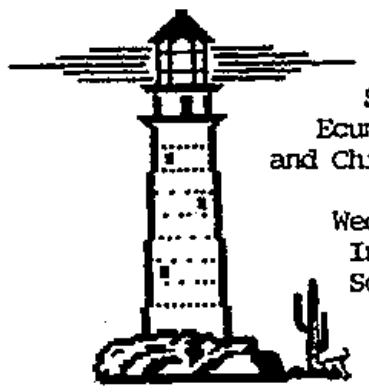

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From The POOP SHEET

by Ace Lundon

Kiss ma' grits and butter ma' buns! Well, now we know; we are prone to judge before we have the facts!

At least this is one of the lessons we should have learned following the terrorist attack on the Federal Building in Oklahoma City. Why? Well, because, before any news at all came out about the culprits, we had already set our sights on "those damn Arabs and Islamics".

We play same tune throughout the year when we hear of a 7-11 robbery. Immediately we just know it is a Black or a Mexican who did it. All of this is probably a hangover from the Wild West days when citizens would take the law into their own hands and hang the nearest suspect from some tree; only to find out later they had hung the wrong man. Wonder how they could live with themselves after something like that!?

I wonder what ever happened to the old saying from the Bible where it says "judge not lest ye be judged" and "cast out the beam out of thine Own eye" before we try to cast out the sliver in our brother. It seems these sayings certainly don't carry any weight any more!

When we judge before viewing the entire story, we are placing ourselves in jeopardy of being embarrassed when the whole truth arises. We can know, however, that time has not changed this aspect in man; they were doing it way back in Jesus' time. Maybe one of these days we'll get it!

It would be interesting to speak with some of the Folks who "just knew", it was those Islamics or Arabs who did the bombing. What would it be like to awaken to the reality of two White Americans being arrested?

Why might it be so hard to believe it could be one of our own? have you noticed how many idiots and complete nut cases there are roaming around our neighborhoods nowadays?

Have you heard some of the insane rhetoric being advocated by speakers in these para-military groups; the White Supremacy advocates, with their know-it-all arrogance mirroring the memories of Herr Hitler.

And surely we've all heard the rabid ravings of anti-abortionists who would think nothing at all about murdering a doctor who performed an abortion. And we're aware of the likes of Rev. Fred Phelps, who has the nerve to call himself a servant of God when he preaches hate and intolerance.

Oh, they are all around us! All kinds of nuts! But! How dare we even think about casting the sliver out of our Arab, European, Asian and African brothers eye before we correct our own sight impairment first!?

Jumping to conclusions is an attitude of youth. And, since our youth is part of our past, it is something always in our memories and habits; it will probably always be present in us.

Maturity should give us wisdom and strength when we are tempted to youthfully pre-judge. Should we yield to temptation we could learn something, however.

We should be able to detect previously hidden prejudices in ourselves. It's a hell of a way to have to learn a self-master lesson, though!

Pre-judging is a part of many lives in our Gay/Lesbian community also, isn't it? What we should be and could be doing is gathering facts, facts, before we condemn a brother or sister. Then and only then we can go directly to them and say they have or don't have our support.

What if one of our own is a pedophile? Do we condemn before we have facts? If the facts prove truth that pedophilia exists, do we then go to them and try to help them get help? or, do we just sit back and talk about them behind their back?

Or, what about someone who is carrying the AIDS virus but doesn't use protection when in sexual encounters. Do we simply talk about them in judgment, yet do not sit down face to face and try to bring them to sanity?

Yeah, the philosophers down through the ages, including the Biblical ones, have urged their followers not to pre-judge others. The problem has existed and it still does as evidenced by the Oklahoma City bombing, the OJ trial, etc.

Plus, our very own military, which pre-judges our homosexual community with its idea that Gays and Lesbians are unfit for service because we screw everything walking on two legs.

Maybe if the military thinks this is what we are all about, it is because they are mirroring thoughts of what they themselves are like on the inside!? Possibly they also do not read their own Bible.

I'm reminded once again of one of Dad's old sayings, "You can't pull a man out of the well, kid, if you are in the well with him."

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

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Wayward Mercury finally turns "direct"; communications clear up a bit, but not before our chatty planet opposes jovial and expansive Jupiter. We get our words right, but they seem to unleash a blast beyond our wildest dreams.

This is great if we want to create a scene or two, but it doesn't bode well for those of us who prefer a quicker approach. Oh what the heck, let our words fall where they may. We're on the march! This is Pride month and others will simply have to adjust.

HOROSCOPES

BY C. LICHTENSTEIN

ARIES
MARCH 21 - APRIL 20

This is the time to prepare that Gay rights treatise for the entire world to enjoy. Mercury opposing Jupiter makes your words and thoughts extra especially powerful and global. Proud Rams need to take the reins and set the foundation for future success not just for themselves, but for the entire community. This may be an excellent time to take that vacation of a lifetime. You never know what you may find out there.

TAURUS
APRIL 21 - MAY 21

Bulls experience the ying and yang of your money versus others' money when Mercury opposes Jupiter. is it "What's mine is mine and what's yours is mine...?" (I can never remember how that goes.) They say that two bank accounts are better than one and that money can be intoxicating, so roll up your french sleeves and share the bounty with a close companion. The operative word is share, darling.

GEMINI
MAY 22 - JUNE 21

With Mercury in your own sign opposing grand old Jupiter, Gay Twins become especially know-it-all, much to partners chagrin. Be careful of cockiness (although some people like it that way) and of demanding your way or no way. You can make a lasting first impression with your flair for words and can use this talent to bring relationships to a more meaningful level. The secret is to listen more than you talk.

CANCER
JUNE 22 - JULY 23

Put your intuition to work for you. Nimble Mercury opposes Jupiter and gives you tremendous luck on the job. You almost psychically plan projects to get the most bang out of your efforts. Abilities can also be used to supervise underlings; try mentioning a worthwhile student. Health also seems to get a psychic burst of energy. Implement a new diet or exercise plan while the planetary energy is right.

LEO
JULY 24 - AUGUST 23

Friends get you into all sorts of delightful mischief, if you're lucky. (And what proud Lion isn't?) It must be Jolly Jupiter opposing Mercury that brings friends closer. The keyword is fun, fun, fun and don't go it alone. You feel in command of the group dynamic and can express yourself eloquently, passionately and convincingly. Go for the big Gay picture, but let a close pal keep tabs on the details for you.

VIRGO
AUGUST 24 - SEPTEMBER 23

The opposition between Mercury and Jupiter turns the spotlight on career and other security issues. Things may have a way of blowing up all out of proportion, on the one hand, but can also bring you enormous gains and unparalleled recognition on the other hand. The odds are that precise Virgo has already set the stage for success. Now all you have to do is learn to enjoy it.

LIBRA
SEPTEMBER 24 - OCTOBER 23

Thoughts of travel and interaction with exotic and foreign folk excite your intellectual curiosity. Happily, Mercury opposite Jupiter energizes all educational pursuits from elemental building blocks to grandiose philosophies. Choose a subject and go for a ride. Sign up for that course that you have been meaning to take. Express your pride through writing. Let the world know what you think.

SCORPIO
OCTOBER 24 - NOVEMBER 22

Thoughts turn to sex and what you can get out of it. Alas, intense and serious Scorps now seem unable to enjoy the grand merging without a little extra grease. It's probably Mercury opposing Jupiter that brings out this pernicious aspect in you. Recognize this and avoid any unsuitable behavior in the boudoir. Enjoy sex for the delightful gift that it is; simple, pure and free.

SAGITTARIUS
NOVEMBER 23 - DECEMBER 22

Jupiter in your own sign makes the usually lucky Archer even luckier. Even now, with zippy Mercury opposite your ruling planet, great ideas flow like nectar from the lips of partners. Is it too good to be true? No! By all means take their advice; it is bound to pay off for you in new ways and with new projects. Meet and greet, sweetheart, the planets have given you a superb guide.

CAPRICORN
DECEMBER 23 - JANUARY 20

Think carefully about what you intend to accomplish on the job and then let yourself go wild! Mercury opposite Jupiter places wise old Capricorn in the drivers seat at work. I suggest you use your considerable planning talents in a more altruistic manner; manage a benefit or volunteer for a Gay cause close to your heart. You can achieve a great deal for our community right now so get moving while the planets are so aligned.

AQUARIUS
JANUARY 21 - FEBRUARY 19

Careful planning in any creative endeavors will energize your social calendar. Plan a party or two, or five. One might say that the more the merrier when Mercury opposes jolly Jupiter. You may feel inspired to delve into more artistic pursuits as your fabulous creations find an appreciative audience. People bring you luck now so find a few kindred souls and weave a rainbow.

PISCES
FEBRUARY 20 - MARCH 20

Mercury opposite Jupiter makes you overly optimistic about balancing home and career. It will be difficult to serve both masters. Try not to overextend with commitments at home; you must prepare for a professional blast of opportunity that pushes you into the forefront and makes you especially busy. Ready or not, success is at hand. Not bad for such a self effacing soul!

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TUCSON GREATER SOFTBALL ASSOCIATION

Venture-N Wins, Ties Biz 1 For First; Comeback Wins Rule The Day!

If you haven't been out to Freedom Park (29th St. East of Swan) on Sunday to catch TGSA action, you don't know what you're missing. There are two weeks left before the big tournament on July 15th & 16th. Mark it on your calendars now.

The week 7 games were close and there were 3 games each decided by 1 run in the last inning. The 4 pm game matched up IBT's and Ain't Nobody's Biz II. This wa a close and exciting game right to the end. Biz II has their offense going with Val D. batting 1.000 going 4 for 4 with run scored. Teri K., Deb D., Wendy S., and Jennifer M. all went 3 for 4 with runs scored. IBT's answered with offense of their own. Team bartender Loosey batted 1.000 and David S., Robb G., Jerry L., and Ernie G. all had rbi's. IBT's grabbed the late lead and held off a Biz II rally. Biz II had loaded the bases and was threatening to win when the IBT's hero Adrienne D. snared a fly ball in left center for the third out, stranding all three runners. IBT's won by 1 edging Biz II 11-10.

At 5 pm Before Hours went up against Stonewall/Eagle. Before Hours had a good game highlighted by Toby R's two home runs (one was a Grand Slam) and Dee W.'s Inside-The-Park (ITP) home run. Stonewall/Eagle put up a good fight but Before Hours prevailed 14-9.

Queer Gear/Egg Garden followed with a shocker at 6 pm facing Ain't Nobody's Biz I. Queer Gear almost upset the league's number 1 team to ruin Biz I's Chris S.'s birthday celebration. (Hey, they wrote it!) Queer Gear held this well seasoned team for most of the game. Queer Gear should be proud of their performance: taking a 7-1 lead into the 6th inning and their improving defense. They forced Biz I to have to score 7 runs in the bottom of the 6th to win. Biz I did it to win. Great job on both sides.

Still Hours and After Hours battled at 7 pm. This one was another exciting nail biter. Still Hours looked good in the outfield. Joe S. had two defensive put outs at 1st base from left center! (That's a long throw and they were on the money, child!) After Hours was looking equally as good. Frank G. had an outstanding game defensively and at the plate hitting his first over the fence home run. It looked as if After Hours was going to walk with this one going ahead 11-6. That is until Still Hours came up to their last at bat, down by 5 and putting the bats to the hard work at hand. Suddenly there was hit after hit and Polly P. put the game away with her stand up triple scoring the winning run from 2nd base. Another come back saw Still Hours score 6 to steal the win 12-11.

The final game at 8pm featured Venture-N and TEAM 2520. It was a battle to remain tied for first place since Biz I had won earlier. Venture-N had no problem with TEAM 2520 getting 3 runs in the first inning allowing only 1 run then getting more to blow it open. Venture-s Shane A. went 3 for 3 scoring 2 times, batting in 2 and had 5 catches for fly outs. Emmitt went 2-3 and scored twice. TEAM 2520 started to get their bats going in the 3rd, scoring 4 runs on only 6 hits to narrow the lead to 10-5. TEAM 2520's defense did shut down Venture 1-2-3 in the final three innings turning two double plays however their big bats went a combined 2 for 16 giving Venture a 11-7 win.

WEEK 8 GAMES: 4pm-Biz II v. Venture-N, 5pm-IBT's v. Queer Gear, 6pm-After Hours v. Stonewall, 7pm-Before Hours v. TEAM 2520, 8pm-Biz I vs. Still Hours.

1995 TGSA WEEK 7 STANDINGS

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Ain't Nobody Biz I	6-1
Venture-N	6-1
Before Hours	5-2
TEAM 2520	5-2
Still Hours	4-3
Queer Gear/Egg Garden	3-4
Ain't Nobody's Biz II	2-5
IBT's	2-5
After Hours	1-6
Stonewall/Eagle	1-6

Parade

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not achieve what we're looking for. We want to be included, along with every other organization."

The Boston parade, which has drawn as many as 20,000 marchers and up to 1 million spectators, traditionally honors Irish-Americans and the forced evacuation of British and Loyalist troops from the city by George Washington in 1776.

Discussion & Book Signing With Judith McDaniel June 25

TUCSON - Judith McDaniel, local author, teacher and activist, will be discussing her new book, The Lesbian Couples' Guide: Finding the Right Woman and Creating a Life Together, at Antigone Books, 600 North Fourth Avenue on Sunday, June 25, at 7:30 pm.

Judith McDaniel will talk about issues affecting Lesbians in all stages of relationships, and invites everyone to bring their own questions, thoughts and experiences. Topics may include: Do Lesbians date? What things change in a relationship when you start living together? What special challenges affect Lesbian couples? How do Lesbians create relationships that last?

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CALENDAR of upcoming events

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 21

IBT'S - The Girlie Show: "Summer Shocker". Hosted by your very own Helena Bubbles. Starring Felice Renard, Kristie, Sasha Valentine and Spotlight guests.

THURSDAY, JUNE 22

IBT'S - 1st Class Male Revue Kick-Off Show for their U.S. Tour. Showtime 9:00 p.m. Mark your calendars for this group of HOT men!

FRIDAY, JUNE 23

AIN'T NOBODY'S BIZ - One night only, Maggie Cassella, a wild, wicked, funny woman will perform at 8:00 p.m. Get your tickets now. Sure to sell out!

SATURDAY, JUNE 24

GRADUATE - Tucson Arizona Levi/Leathermen (TALL) monthly beer bust and dinner from 2:00 until 6:00 p.M. Also, don't forget the regular Saturday, Cash Pool Tourney with pot matched.

SUNDAY, JUNE 25

IBT'S - Beer Bust and Bar-B-Que 4:00 to 7:00 p.m. on the patio. Proceeds benefit Shanti.

STONEWALL/EAGLE - Annual Closet Ball at 8:00 p.m. More details later.

TUESDAY, JUNE 27

IBT'S - The dynamic duo return! Jeff and Roland with "Riddler" and "Penguin" cocktails only $1.50. $50 for best Bat character in the costume contest. Hot music with David Z.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 28

IBT'S - Male Box Nite! Come play post office = get your male box number and a chance to win prizes!

FRIDAY, JUNE 30

HOURS - 2nd Annual "Party Till The Cows Come Home". 8:00 p.m. Promo Party - prizes, raffle, Pride Picnic Fundraiser, Cow Contest. Come dressed in your best cow outfit. Cash prize. See You There!

SUNDAY, JULY 1

AIN'T NOBODY'S BIZ - PRIDE EVENT: Drawing for trip to San Diego.

TUESDAY, JULY 4

HOURS - 4th of July Bar-B-Que 2:00 p.m. and Adrianne's famous Indian Fry Bread. Come party with the Hours gang.

FRIDAY, JULY 7

CLUB 2520 - "The Country Gentleman" Sid Spencer will make a return visit here. For the best in country/western vocalizing, Sid is it. He's making a national tour promoting his new recording.

SATURDAY, JULY 8

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THURSDAY, JUNE 22

PRIDE MONTH - Potluck Picnic TLGA, Wingspan, Awareness Project, BGALA.

GLIA dinner and Bingo. 6:00 p.m. at Cornerstone Fellowship Social Hall, 2902 N. Geronimo. All those with AIDS or HIV+ and their families are welcome. For more info call 622-8860.

Tucson Prime Timers join Prime Timers of the Desert in San Diego for Lunch and Boat Trip. for details please leave your name and phone number at our message center 887-7493 and your call will be returned.

Dream Group for Gay and Bisexual Men, 7:00 p.m. every Thursday, Bring a dream or part of a dream to share and learn about yourself and others. For more info, call Robert Feldhaus, PhD 623-1732.

FRI-SAT-SUN. JUNE 23-24-25

Yard Sale to benefit COPE Project Team opened 9:00 a.m. each day at 732 N. Stone. All proceeds will benefit people living with AIDS/HIV.

FRIDAY, JUNE 23

PRIDE MONTH: Celebrate Gay Pride with poetry. Do-It-Yourself poetry reading 6:30 to 9:00 p.m. at Wingspan, 422 N. 4th Ave. Bring your own, or anybody else's, poetry to read. Or just come and listen. Refreshments. No charge.

SATURDAY, JUNE 24

TLGA (Tucson Lesbian/Gay Alliance) and Wingspan host a potluck-mixer from 6:30 to 9:00 p.m. at Wingspan, 422 N. 4th Ave. Bring a food-dish and share and chat.

Men's Social Network (Gay men of all ages). 7:00 a.m. (beat the heat) Hike into the Catalinas at the north end of Alvernon. Call Jeff at 299-1194 for details. Guests always welcome.

SUNDAY, JUNE 25

PRIDE MONTH: Judith McDaniel, local author, teacher and activist, will discuss and sign copies of her new book, "The Lesbian Couples' Guide: Finding the Right Woman and Creating a Life Together". at 7:30 p.m. at Antigone Books, 600 N. 4th Ave. Call 792-3715 for more info.

TUESDAY, JUNE 27

S.A.L.S.A. (Self Awareness Leading to Self Acceptance) group for Gay and Bisexual men meets every Tuesday at 7:00 p.m. Better than a support group -- a laboratory for self-awareness and growth. Meet other men who are interested in personal growth. For more info call Robert Feldhaus, PhD 623-1732.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 28

Men's Social Network (Gay men of all ages). Card game night. 6:30 p.m. Variety of card games, some just starting. Call Jerry at 690-9565. Guests always welcome.

THURSDAY, JUNE 29

PRIDE MONTH: VideoQUEER

Dream Group for Gay and Bisexual Men, 7:00 p.m. every Thursday, Bring a dream or part of a dream to share and learn about yourself and others. For more info, call Robert Feldhaus, PhD 623-1732.

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Tucson CALENDAR

sunday

AIN'T NOBODY'S BIZNESS - Beer Bust 3-10, $1.25 pitchers. Hors d'Oeuvres. Salsa Sunday! Great music, better dancing and it all begins at 8pm.

CLUB 2520 - Open Noon. Salad Bar and Western Steak and Hamburger Fry 4-7 pm. Beginning Line dance lessons & Line Dance Jam 6-9, C/W Dancing 9-1. 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 Noon-7pm. Pool tournament 3pm. Bar-B-Que and Beer Bust. Stonewall opens at 9pm with High Energy Music.

VENTURE-N - Open 10 a. m. Backside Beer Bust 3-8pm 50¢ draft. 501 Dart Tournament 5pm $3 entry fee. Beer Burgers 5-7, Tuff Stuff Tool 4-11pm.

monday

AIN'T NOBODY'S BIZNESS - Happy Hour 2-7 2for1 well and domestic beer. Free pool 2-4. "Card Club" 7-9pm.

CLUB 2520 - Open 3pm. 99¢ Happy Hour 3 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¢ 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 - Longneck Specials all day & nite. Stonewall opens 9pm Trash Disco nite.

VENTURE-N - Open 6am. Draft Beer 50¢ 6am - 8pm. Happy Hour Prices 6am - 8pm. Backside open 5pm - 8pm.

tuesday

AIN'T NOBODY'S BIZNESS - Happy Hour 2-7 2for1 well and domestic beer. Free pool 2-4. Dart Tournament 7 pm. Boys Nite Out At The Bar

CLUB 2520 - Open 3pm. 99¢ Happy Hour 3 to 8pm. $1.25 Well and Domestic Beer 8 to close. C/W dancing and Cumbia/Salsa Mania 8-1.

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 Noon to 7pm. Spaghetti Feed $1 donation for Shanti. Bad cans $1. Stonewall opens at 9pm Trash Disco.

VENTURE-N - Open 6am to 1am. Draft Beer 50¢ 6am - 8pm. Happy Hour prices 6am - 8pm. Backside open 3pm - 8pm.

wednesday

AIN'T NOBODY'S BIZNESS - Happy Hour 2-7, 2for1 well or domestic beer. Free pool 2-4. Western Nite. Country Dance Lessons begin at 8pm. Schnapps Shots $1.

CLUB 2520 - Open 3pm. 99¢ Happy Hour 3 to 8pm. 50¢ off on everything from 8pm to close. Drink Specials all nite. ID required. Line Dance Lessons 8 to 10 pm

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 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 Noon to 7pm. Stonewall opens at 9pm with Karaoke. Corona or Cuervo Gold $1.50.

VENTURE-N - Open 6am Draft Beer 50¢ 6am-8pm. Cuervo Gold $2 all day/night. Happy Hour Prices 6am-8pm. Backside open 5pm-close. Tuff Stuff Too open 8:30pm.

thursday

AIN'T NOBODY'S BIZNESS - Happy Hour 2-7, 2for1 well or domestic beer. Free pool 2-4. Beer Bust 9 to midnight, $1.25 pitchers.

CLUB 2520 - Open 3pm. 99¢ Happy Hour 3 to 8pm. Men's Nite - 50¢ draft beer and 50¢ Schnapps 9pm to 1am. Pride T-Shirt Specials - $1.50 domestic & well drinks for those in any Gay-themed T-Shirt. 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. Peter specials all night long. Stonewall opens 9pm. Hot male strippers.

VENTURE-N - Open 6am Draft Beer 50¢ 6am-8pm. Pool Tournament 7pm $3 entry fee. Happy Hour prices for Men in Leather 8pm to close. Backside open open 5pm-close. Tuff Stuff Too! open 8:30pm

friday

AIN'T NOBODY'S BIZNESS - Happy Hour 2-7, 2for1 well or domestic beer. Free pool 2-4. Complimentary Hors D'Oeuvres

CLUB 2520 - Open 3pm. Extended 99¢ Happy Hour 3 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¢ 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 Lunacy 9-1. Dance Party 9 to 1 with DJ David Z.

STONEWALL/EAGLE - Happy Hour noon-7pm; Hot Hors d'Oeuvres 6pm. Stonewall opens 9pm with High Energy music. Long neck specials.

VENTURE-N - Open 6am. Draft Beer 50¢ Bar 6am-8pm. Happy Hour Prices 6am-8pm. Backsideopen 5pm-close. Tuff Stuff Too! opens at 8:30 pm.

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.

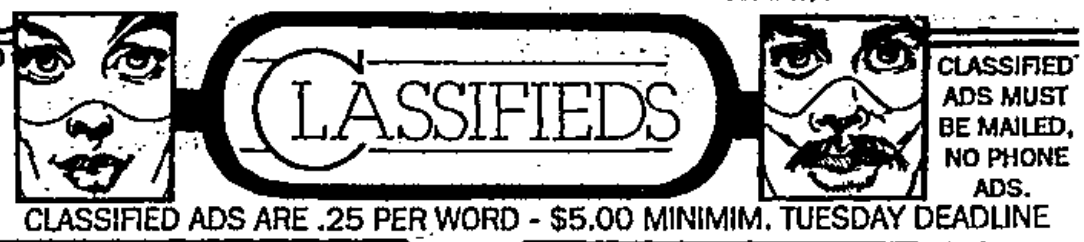
GRADUATE - Happy Hour 4-8pm, all well drinks $1.25 draft 75¢ Schnapps 75¢. Pool Tournament 2pm, $3 entry fee, pot matched.

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 Lunacy 9-1. Dance 9 to 1 with DJ David Z. and Go Go dancers begin at 10pm.

STONEWALL/EAGLE - Noon to 7pm Frozen Margarita Special: $1 glass, $3 pitchers. Stonewall opens 9pm with High Energy Music.

VENTURE-N - Open 6am. Bitches & Bagels w/$1 Bloody Marys 6am-noon. Happy Hour Prices 6am-8pm. Backside open 5pm-close. Tuff Stuff Too! Opens at 8:30pm.



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Notices

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ARIZONA GAY RODEO ASSOCIATION (AGRA) TUCSON CHAPTER. Interested? Call 323-0805 or write: AGRA/Tucson, P.O. Box 40894, Tucson, AZ 85717.

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

SOURCES UNLIMITED, a Lesbian & Gay referral service. Business and individual listings are free of charge. All information available to anyone just simply by asking. 322-5635. Leave message.

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

ATTENTION ALL NUDISTS - Tucson Tanners is a nudist group open to all -- Nude activities scheduled both indoor and outdoors. Not "Gay Only", but Gays are welcome and invited to join. For further information send SASE to: Tucson Tanners, P.O. Box 84-G, Corona, AZ 85622.

INNER WISDOM - Try hypnotherapy for pain relief, past life exploration and addiction release. Also available: Spiritual Counseling and Dream Interpretation. 579-9020

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

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

BEARS OF THE OLD PUEBLO -- a social club for bears and bigger, more robust men (and of course, those who prefer their company). For more info, write 5250 N. Oracle Rd, #85, Tucson, AZ 85704 or come to our general meetings the second Friday of every month at 7:30 pm at the Catalina Foothills Lodge Clubhouse.

GAY AND LESBIAN OVEREATERS ANONYMOUS. Stop binging, purging and overeating. Get a life! Call 793-3488 / 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
Men and women both welcome. Office 574-2272.

"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 581-8850 or Rom 968-2384.

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

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

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

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Join the LESBIAN & GAY PUBLIC AWARENESS PROJECT. In Tucson write Awareness Project, 3661 N. Campbell Ave. #365, Tucson, AZ 85719.

AA Meeting with HIV/AIDS focus, Wednesdays, 7:30 p.m., MCC Church, 3269 N. Mountain. All alcoholics welcome.

A young Lesbian and Bisexual women's Support Group is starting Sunday, March 14 at Noon at Wingspan. Ages 14-23 only. Group will meet every Sunday at Noon. Call Wingspan for info.

MEN'S SOCIAL NETWORK: Social organization for men of all ages. Building an extended Gay family in Tucson. Monthly social potluck gatherings the first Saturday of each month and almost weekly social activities. Call Jerry at 690-9565 for information and a newsletter.558

TOSA - Tucson Ocotber Softball Association, Tucson's #1 Gay Softball League. For info call Robert S. 882-8513 or Mary O. 770-9979

DREAM GROUP for Gay and Bisexual men meets every Thursday at 7pm. Bring a dream and learn about your deepest self and that of others. Call Robert Feldhusen, PhD 623-1732

S.A.L.S.A. (Self Awareness Leads to Self Acceptance) group meets every Tuesday at 7pm. Better than a support group - a laboratory for self-awareness and growth. Meet other men interested in personal growth. Call Robert Feldhusen, PhD 623-1732.

FRONT RUNNERS OF TUCSON meet for fun runs Tuesdays at 6 p.m. Group meets in front of the Himmel Park Library (East side), and Sundays at various times and places. For more information call Mitch at 326-3555

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

SHANTI FOUNDATION OF TUCSON
Help us help others in giving emotional support to persons with life-threatening illnesses and their families, friends. Contact us Monday through Friday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., 300 E. 6th Street, 622-7107. VOLUNTEERS WELCOME.

P.F.L.A.G. - Parents and Friends of Lesbians and Gays - is a support group available to anyone who has a son, daughter or friend who is Gay. Call 575-8660 or write P.O. Box 36264, Tucson, AZ 85740-6264. All replies confidential.

LIVING WATERS FAMILY CENTER now meeting in the front building of MCC Church, 3269 N. Mountain. Worship services on Mondays at 5:00 p.m. Counseling provided for couples and individuals. For more information call 795-7266.

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

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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.

GAY INFORMATION AND REFERRAL IN TUCSON
Call Information and Referral 881-1794 - 8 a.m. - 5 p.m. Mon. - Fri.

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

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

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

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

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

CAMELBACK BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATION (CBPA) OF PHOENIX
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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.

RECREATIONAL VOLLEYBALL every Sunday 4-6pm at St. Francis in The Foothills. Anyone who likes to play and have a blast call Davey 886-1208 for more info.

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ATTENTION - ATTENTION - ATTENTION
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New Director Named For Victory Fund

WASHINGTON, D.C. - The Gay and Lesbian Victory Fund announced the selection of nine term Wisconsin State Representative David Clarenbach to replace retiring executive director, William Waybourn.

The Victory had contributed more than $1 million directly to the campaigns of qualified openly Gay and Lesbian candidates. Since the Fund's inception in 1991, the number of openly Gay and Lesbian officials has doubled.

"Thanks to William Waybourn's leadership, the Victory Fund has matured from an activist's dream to a dynamic player in the political arena," says Victory Fund Co-Chair Joy Tomchin. "Our goal now is to 'grow' the Victory Fund so we can train and support the ever increasing number of openly Gay and Lesbian candidates. We are confident that David has the vision and the skills to take the Victory Fund to the next level."

A seasoned veteran of state, local and national politics Dane County (WI) Supervisor at the age of 18, and was elected to the Madison (WI) Common Council in 1972. He served in the Wisconsin State Assembly from 1975 to 1993, and was Speaker Pro tem from 1983-1993.

During his tenure in the legislature he wrote Wisconsin's Gay and Lesbian Civil Rights Act of 1982, the first in the nation to include Gays and Lesbians in state wide anti-discrimination laws. Clarenbach also authored Wisconsin's Hate Crimes Act, which was upheld unanimously by the U.S. Supreme Court.

"One of my goals is to bring an outside the Beltway wake up call to the nation's capitol," says Clarenbach. "The rest of the country is way ahead of Washington in recognizing the contributions of Gay and Lesbian citizens. The people of my home state of Wisconsin have been electing qualified openly Gay candidates for years and, as a matter of fact, our country's first openly Gay officials were elected four years before Newt Gingrich was."

Despite the conservative swing in the November election, seventy six percent of Victory Fund candidates won their races, and openly Gay incumbent on the ballot was re-elected.

"The problem is no that Gay and Lesbian people haven't been involved in the electoral process, it's that we've been invisible," says Clarenbach.

Viewpoint

by Doloris S. Lewis

Sexual Birthright

Once upon a time, in a small town called Jacksonville, there stood a movie house. Inside of this movie house were shown movies to entertain, excite, thrill, horrify and, sometimes, to educate.

This day, it was to educate, to picture Truth, Truth in its simplest, purest form, but, when Truth, the rare, the unthinkable, that apparition, was unleashed, the inraged became outraged. "Surely, Truth, appearing for all to see, should be banned from our small town called Jacksonville.

Maybe since time began, born were male and female, each with a sexual birthright (birthright - possession to which a person is entitled by birth) but, with time proceeding, the sexual birth right became, erroneously called "preference" (preference - the power of opportunity to choose). Doesn't it seem that the "preference" preferred was, and still is, to be a part of life, family, community, not apart from life, family, community?

Sexuality is - a fact, a circumstance, of developmental gestation, resulting in desire, attraction, interest for, towards, opposite, same, or both genders.

This being the case, this letter is being written on this 5th day of May, 1995, coining "sexual birthright," and requesting that "sexual birthright" be added to future editions of your dictionaries.

Letter and request by: Doloris S. Lewis, 6413 Shady Oak Drive, Jacksonville, Florida 32277, because of David A. Lewis, 10/1/64 - 1/12/93, my youngest son, mentor and best friend.

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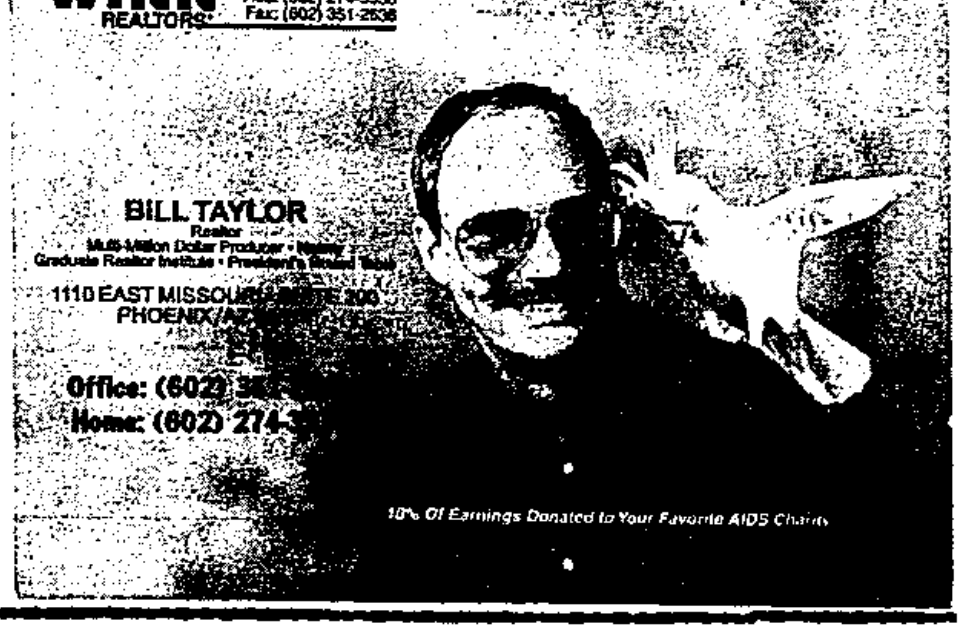

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