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Tucson General Election Next Tuesday

Mayor, Three Council Seats Up Determine Fate Of CAP Water

by Mark R. Kerr
Observer Political Reporter

TUCSON - Tuesday, November 7, registered voters in the city will go to the polls and decide the future of the Old Pueblo in the general election.

250,000 or so Tucsonans are eligible to cast ballots in the election, that has four elected offices, the mayor and three council seats in Wards 1, 2, and 4, up for consideration. Also on the ballot are four initiatives and the non-binding presidential preference primary, called City Vote. Here is a brief profile of the election:

MAYOR

The incumbent, George Miller, (D), is seeking re-election. There are two challengers who wish to defeat Miller in his bid for a second term. The Republican nominee is first time candidate, Sharon Collins. The Libertarians have nominated Ed Kahn as their standard bearer.

Miller has a positive record when it comes to issues of concern to the Gay and Lesbian community: He has voted in favor of an Anti-Hate Crimes Ordinance; CDBG funding for local ASO's; issued Gay Pride Proclamations as mayor; voted for the H.B. 2085 Memorial and supports the Anti-Discrimination Ordinance.

WARD ONE

Two candidates are vying to fill the seat vacated by Council member Bruce Wheeler (D), who challenged George Miller for the Democratic mayoral nod and was defeated.

The Democratic nominee for the Ward 1 Council seat is Jose Ibarra, a former aide to Supervisor Raul Grijalva. The Republican nominee is first time candidate, business consultant, Ray Fontaine.

WARD TWO

The incumbent Council member, Janet Marcus (D), was the first woman in Tucson to be re-elected in 1991, seeks to make history by winning an unprecedented third term. But there are two challengers who want to unseat her.

The Republican candidate is businessman, Rick Grinnell. The Libertarians nominated engineer, Tim S. Loomis, as their standard bearer.

Marcus has a solid record when in comes to the Gay and Lesbian community. She voted in favor of the Anti-Hate Crimes Ordinance; voted for the Memorial; voted consistently for CDBG funding for the ASO's; supports the concept of a Domestic Partners ordinance; and has attended many events without reservation, which very few elected officials can say. Marcus is a strong supporter of the Anti-Discrimination ordinance, calling it one of the city's best laws on the books.

WARD FOUR

Two candidates are seeking to succeed current Council member, Roger Sedlmayr (D), who decided not to seek a third term in the post.

The Democratic nominee is Shirley Scott, business owner and instructor at

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Bowling Tournament A Success

$8,000 In Prize Money Awarded

First place team in the H.J.T.T. Tournament with a score of 2745 were (L to R) James Presley, Edmond Leung, Brian Bell and Chris Munoz, all from California

The 1995 Halloween Invitational Tournament Committee is shown here. (L to R) Chuck Ingram, Treasurer; Mike Mahynske, Co-Director; Randy Bilbro, Co-Director; Randy Patch, Secretary.

by Mike Mahynske
& Randy Bilbro

TUCSON - This past weekend Tucson was the host for the Halloween Invitational Tournament Tucson, known as HITT '95. It was the sixth year in a row that the Tucson Gay and Lesbian bowling community has hosted such an event.

Participants and their guests not only bowled, but were also treated to a pumpkin carving contest, a Halloween Carnival and Costume Ball, the awards presentation and banquet, and ending the weekend was the Miss HITT Variety Show.

The weekend began Friday with registration at the Ramada Inn University and was followed by a host bar reception, replete with Native American dancers.

Later Friday night, the vast majority of the bowlers opted to participate in the Moonlight No-Tap at Golden Pin Lanes, a fun tournament held before the weekend competition began. The winners of the no-tap team event were Brian Bell, Edmond Leung, Chris Munoz and James Pressley from the Los Angeles area, bowling a score (with handicap) of 3390, winning $440 in prize money for the fun event.

Saturday morning, competition began at 9:00 A.M. at Golden Pin Lanes with the Singles Event and was followed by the Doubles Event, which commenced at 1:00 P.M.

After a day of grueling bowling, everyone was invited to relax during happy hour and join in the pumpkin carving contest held in the courtyard at the Ramada Inn University. A number of the pumpkins were creatively carved, shaped, dressed, and lighted for display and voted on during the Costume Ball and Halloween Carnival. Winners were chosen by the amount of money donated to each of the pumpkins' receptacles and were announced the following day during the awards banquet. Here are the results:

First - Michelle Hill, "Frankenstein", $150. Second - Michael Witt, $75. Third Place - Thomas Mendonca, $25.

The prize money was from fund raising done by the tournament committee, and the donations made to determine the

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Gay Bashers Back!

It's time again to put out the word that harassment of Gays and Lesbians is rising in Tucson.

In the past three weeks there have been two cases of people being attacked and injured. Attackers in these two incidents appear to be street punks.

Observer has put out this warning several times over the years, and it apparently is time to issue it once again.

Try not to go out on the town by yourself. Always take someone with you after dark. There is strength in numbers, but remember some of these gangs roam in numbers too. Always be alert of things that are going on around you. If something seems suspicious to you, go to an area where other people are available to help.

Be sure you know the person you wish to leave the bar with. If uncertain, check with the bartender or some other regular who might know information about the particular person.

If you are leaving a bar, look in both directions as you leave and if things look suspicious to you, go back inside and report it to the bartender or security person and ask for assistance.

Try to park your car in a lighted area near the establishment you are going to.

In the event of a confrontation, always call the police and give them as good a description of the culprits as you can. The Tucson Police Department is there to help you. Do not be afraid to talk to them.

Local establishments are beefing up their security patrols both inside and outside their places of business, but very often this is still not enough to stop these attacks.

Play safe does not mean only in bed, the streets are deadly too!

UPDATE

Beillard Memorial Friday, Nov. 3

TUCSON - A "community celebration" has been scheduled in memory of Jerome Beillard, the co-founder of the People with AIDS Coalition of Tucson who died from complications of AIDS, October 18.

The wake style gathering will be from 4 to 7 P.M. Friday at the Quality Hotel (formerly the Ramada Inn), 475 North Granada Ave.

The gathering will be free and open to the public.

The family has requested that donations in Beillard's memory be made to the People With AIDS Coalition of Tucson, 801 West Congress Street, Tucson, AZ 85745.

IBT's Scholarship Fund Deadline Extended

TUCSON - Each year, IBT's awards a scholarship to a student at the University of Arizona. This year because of several reasons, IBT'S is forced to extend the deadline one week, to Wednesday, November 8.

Scholarship information can be obtained at IBT's, 616 N. 4th Avenue. Scholarship applications can be obtained at Wingspan, 422 N. 4th Avenue, BGALA on the UofA campus and at IBT's.

UofA Dance-A-Thon To Give Big Cash Prizes And Raise Money For Charity

TUCSON - A 2 hour Dance-A-Thon will begin at 2:00 p.m. on Sunday, Nov. 19 at Bear Down Field on the UofA campus. Dancers will vote on the local charity and the organization receiving the most votes will participate in the proceeds. Tucson AIDS Project the one agency of particular interest to the Gay and Lesbian community.

Professional Dance Masters are sponsoring the event. The more entries, the bigger the cash prizes. Plans are to award a minimum of $5,000 as a minimum of cash prizes to be divided up between the last 50 dancers dancing. $1,000 minimum first place prize. In order to have this special event, the sponsor must have a minimum number of entries.

There is a $25 per person entry fee if pre-paid by Nov. 15. Late fee will be raised to $30 Nov. 16 through 19/

More information can be had by calling Professional Dance Masters, 322-0703.

Gay Congressman To Quit

EDGARTOWN, MA (AP) - U.S. Rep. Gerry Studds, a Democrat in his 12th term, announced that he won't seek re-election next year.

"It is time for me...to move on to other challenges," Studds told about 200 supporters at the Old Whaling Church in this Martha's Vineyard town.

He said he had considered leaving Congress since the summer of 1992, when his district was redrawn, but decided to stay through President Clinton's current term.

Studds, is one of two openly Gay members of Massachusetts congressional delegation; the other is Barney Frank.

Studds said he had no plans yet for another career, but said, "the possibilities are endless."

He said his departure was unrelated to the Republican agenda sweeping the Congress.

"Had the political cataclysm of last fall not occurred, we would still be standing here today," he said.

Nevertheless, Studds blasted the Republicans' agenda, accusing them of using a "wrecking ball" against Medicaid, Medicare and funding for the environmental, arts and humanities.

He said the Republican program left him feeling, "somewhere between incredulous and nauseous."

Studds said several of his colleagues had urged him to run again. Clinton had phoned his office, but Studds said he missed the call.

"I have a feeling that's what the president had in mind," he said. "I don't believe he was calling to ask about the weather."

Psychic Fair Nov. 18

TUCSON - A psychic fair and much more will take place Saturday, November 18, 10 A.M. to 6 P.M., at the Unitarian Universalist Church, Goddard Hall, 4831 East 22nd Street.

Holistic healing: Shiatsu, Reiki, crystals and herbs, color therapy, aura photography; new age arts and crafts displays and delicious refreshments. Also there are half hour readings, $20, tarot, astrology, palmistry, and dream, interpretation. The Tucson Astrologers Guild fund raiser. Come for fun and enlightenment.

The $2.00 admission includes lectures all day.

In Memoriam

JOSEPH DANIEL SANCHEZ
9/27/58 - 10/26/95

We have stared at the night sky in wonder to often to fear the darkness.

Joey was the love of my life for nearly 18 years and I'm certain that you reading this would want to know that he passed on at 3:36 P.M., last Thursday, October 26.

Joe is predeceased by his father, Joseph, and is survived by his mother, Virginia; his sisters Margaret and Susan; his brother, Rick; with in-laws, nieces, nephews, myself, Big John Haase, and my family.

We all adored him and will deeply miss him forever. I know that my baby Joe touched so many lives in so many wonderful ways, that he will continue to live on in all our memories.

A wonderful send off party is planned at our home, Sunday, November 19, 2 P.M., 4144 East First Street. Please come, its a backyard soiree. Bring a "dish" if you like, it would be helpful.

Thank you for your support, love, peace and light. Big John

Victory Fund Backs Arizonan

WASHINGTON, D.C. - The Gay and Lesbian Victory Fund has recommended eleven more openly Gay and Lesbian candidates to its national donor network, including two candidates for the U.S. House of Representatives.

One of these candidates is an Arizonan, Ron St. John, whose running for the State House of Representatives. The primary election for this race is September 10, 1996.

All eleven candidates, including St. John, have undergone rigorous screening to determine their viability as potential public officials, according to Victory Fund Executive Director David Clarenbach.

Members Sought For AIDS Prevention Planning

TUCSON - The Southern Arizona HIV Prevention Planning group is looking for new members.

The HIV prevention planning group is responsible for gathering information about HIV and AIDS in southern Arizona and recommending HIV prevention priorities and strategies. Members of ethnic, rural communities and HIV positive persons are especially encouraged to apply.

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Lecturer Alexandra Chasin Speaks At UofA

TUCSON - The Committee on Gay, Lesbian and Bisexual Studies at the University of Arizona hosted visiting lecturer from Boston College, Alexandra Chasin. She spoke this past Thursday, October 26.

Chasin attend the Fourth United Nations International Forum on Women that took place in Beijing, China this past summer. She was with the Non-governmental Organizations (NGO) representing, as a member of the Board of Directors, the International Gay and Lesbian Human Rights Commission. Some of the Lesbian workshops included Health concerns-HIV/-AIDS cancer, and Lesbian Organizing.

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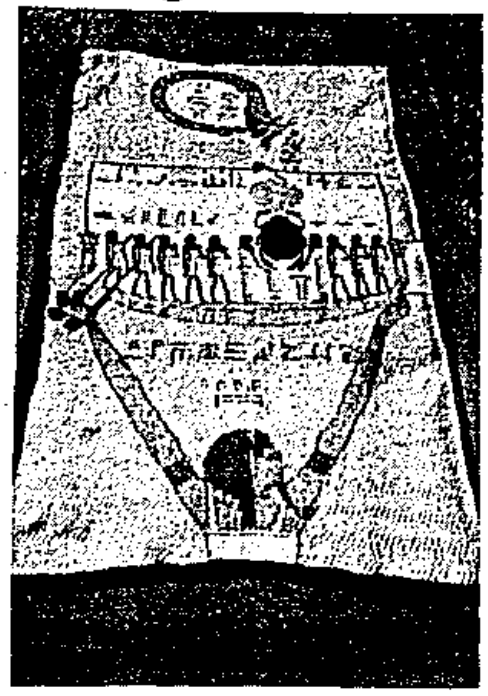

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Your Pima County AIDS Program
by DAVID HOOVER, PCHD AIDS Program Manager

"He looks really spunky." That's what my friend said about Jerome Beillard, while looking at his picture on the cover of the Observer. I told her, "He certainly was."

Last week our community lost a great fighter. We know of his accomplishments in the community. By co-founding PACT he brought more services to Tucson. But more important he brought a philosophy that people living with HIV are best treated through self empowerment, never as "victims". PACT's Life Through Art and Festival of Life fund raisers are among the finest in the State. PACT itself, starting as a small grassroots organization, now boasts a budget of almost a million dollars and dozens of staff people.

People living with HIV are better served due to the legacy of Jerome. Even with all he has given to this community, what I will remember most is his passion. He cared deeply about people and especially people living with HIV. At every opportunity he would remind whoever would listen that all people with HIV deserve services and respect.

This list includes women, injection drug users, poor people, Gay men, homeless people, people of color. In other words anyone who needed care should get it.

An advocate is "anyone who argues for a cause; a supporter or defender." Jerome was an advocate. At times his arguing and supporting was exasperating. But his arguments grew out of his vision.

His vision was adequate care for people with HIV regardless of social class or color. His vision was hundreds of empowered people with HIV finding the best way to health for themselves. His vision was for a place where people with HIV no lung needed to worry about a job or a house.

Jerome marched to his own drum. He had no time to march to any other. He was spunky. He would never want us to sit around missing him. He would want us to continue the fight that he fought and the vision that he held. I hold that vision. I want to fight that fight. I know you will join me.

[David Hoover is Program Manager for the HIV/STD Division of the Health Department. If you have any questions about HIV or the program he can be reached at the Theresa Lee Clinic, 332 South Freeway, Tucson, Arizona 85745.]

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Sons May Inherit Gay Gene From Mom

NEW YORK, NY (AP) - Scientists have found new evidence that a gene inherited from mothers helps influence whether a man is homosexual, bolstering a study that made headlines in 1993.

"Our result says that genes are involved in male sexual orientation, although they certainly do not determine a person's sexual orientation," said Dean Hamer, an author of the study.

"There probably are other biological factors like hormones, for example, and other variables we simply don't know anything about yet."

The study follows others that have suggested a biological influence in sexual orientation, but scientists still can't explain what makes a person homosexual, heterosexual or bisexual.

The latest study does not identify a specific gene. But like Hamer's 1993 study, it suggest such a gene resides in a particular region of the X chromosome, one of the microscopic thread like structures that carry genes. Men inherit the X chromosome from their mothers.

Hamer said there was no way to know how strongly the gene influences the development of homosexuality in men. Researchers looked for such an effect in women but found no evidence for it.

Hamer, a researcher at the National Cancer Institute, reports the work in the November issue of the journal Nature Genetics will colleagues at the institute, the University of Colorado and the White head Institute for Biomedical Research in Cambridge, Massachusetts.

Dr. Elliot Gershon, chief of the clinical neurogenetics branch of the National Institute of Mental Health, said the work does not prove such a gene exists in the chromosome segment, but it is suggestive.

The study focused on a region of the X chromosome that had been identified by the 1993 study.

In a man, this region can get its genetic material from either of his mothers two X chromosome versions. As a result, two brothers normally have about a 50-50 chance of sharing the same version of the genetic material within this region.

Hamer and colleagues examined 32 pairs of exclusively or mostly homosexual brothers from unrelated families. Twenty two pairs, or two thirds, shared the same version of the genetic material, suggesting that it contains a gene predisposing to homosexuality.

By the same logic, Hamer said that if Gay brothers shared a version containing a homosexuality gene, then any heterosexual brother of theirs would probably have a different version. The study showed that was the case in nine of 11 families studied.

Hamer said that by focusing on families with two Gay brothers, the researchers were more likely to find a genetic effect on homosexuality than if they studied a broader population. The study also excluded Bisexual people to simplify analysis.

"This study is an important addition to the growing body of evidence indicating a biological basis for homosexuality in some people," said Beth Barrett, spokesperson for the National Gay and Lesbian Task Force.

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EDITOR:

I would like to express a few sentiments about our recent OUToberFEST which, as I understand it, has replaced the annual Pride event held in the sweltering summer. I recently moved to Tucson from San Francisco where I was born and raised. In my 31 years I have also lived in San Diego and Chicago. My experiences with Pride festivities has been in big cities with major parades followed by extravagant celebrations which lasted well into the night.

Although Tucson's was lacking a more public and demonstrative quality, I found it much more of a pleasurable ordeal as a participant. Although the city of Tucson is very tolerant of and has extended protective measures to the Lesbian and Gay community, the state of Arizona remains somewhat hostile towards us. I understand the need to provide an event which offers a minimal threat of unwanted exposure. For many of us, coming out in a public way is the difference between employment and the poor house, in spite of the law. People who aren't ready to take that risk in Tucson are provided with an opportunity to feel connected to their community, other cities could benefit from our example!

My only suggestion would be to charge a nominal fee for the lovely pink wrist bands and apply those funds towards the development and growth of the celebration. I believe people will come whether or not the beer is free and, if they won't, then our community if better off without them! Community participation (in my opinion) should never be motivated strictly by the prospect of freebies least of all an addictive and damaging substance.

I do have political concerns regarding OUToberFEST, most notably it's lack of demonstration and agenda. I'm no saying Tucson is ready for a full scale "Gay Rights" event. However, something more public would give those of us who have overcome our fear (or are lucky enough not to be employed by homophobes) an appropriate voice for demonstration.

OUToberFEST is great for what it is! I would like to suggest the addition of a non-threatening night time Pride street fair on four or five blocks of 4th Avenue happening in June. "Gay Rights Night," "Gay Freedom Night," or simply, "Pride Night" might be the name of such an event. The attendee would enter for a buck at one end, filter through a variety of vending booths occupied not only by the requisite purveyors of rainbow this-n-that, but by the political, social, legal, and philanthropic organizations which service our community as well! Large displays of Lesbian and Gay fine artists would be present as a demonstration of our contribution to the Arts, etc. The participant would continue on to a dance floor and stage set up at the other end. Here would be presented a variety of short and concise motivational speeches and presentations from the aforementioned service and political organizations. These presentations would be education with an emphasis volunteerism in our community and would be interspersed with performances from Community comics, bands, local theater groups, and choruses. After a few (maybe two or three) hours of education and entertainment, the stage becomes a huge DJ set up and the dance floor turns into one big night club and party!

Yes, there would be cheap, if not free, beer and affordable food, no celebration is complete without thee commodities. More importantly though would be the motivation it might create in our Community, not to mention the visible unity and example it offers to the city of Tucson and, hopefully, the state of Arizona. It also gives those of us who would march in an appropriate vehicle of expression. Happening in June, it would put Tucson in sync with the rest of America's Pride/Stonewall Community. Happening at night, it would save us from the heat!

It occurs to me that this "letter" has since become an editorial. I did not write to be such. I apologize for my lack of brevity. What I wanted to say was this:

If anyone is interested in forming a committee dedicated to creating an event like the one I just described (night time in June in the streets of our fine city), please call 293-5397 and leave your name and a contact phone number (no beepers or voice mail - please!) You will then be contacted and polled as to your preferred time and place for an initial meeting.

Thank you very much!
Rohno Geppert

EDITOR:

I want to thank TLGA for the Richard Heakin Award. It came as a pleasant surprise to be acknowledged for my past work.

I wanted to express my deep sorrow for the recent loss or the past TLGA Secretary, Joe Sanchez (1994).

There are many people that never receive the thanks from the community that they deserve, Joe Sanchez was one of those people.

I didn't say thank you enough for all of his help to make the 1994 Pride Picnic a complete success.

I can only hope that Joe is in a "better place" and that in his passing he knew we all loved him.

Debra Broner

POLITICS '95

by Mark R. Kerr

"Wait For Response, And Turn The Page"

AS WARD 3 TURNS: Thank God this crap is over with! Tucson needs a drink! [CAP Water perhaps?]

The concluding chapter in the long running, overbudgeted, overacted Old Pueblo melodrama took place this past week when "The Gang Who Couldn't Shoot Straight", a.k.a. The Tucson City Council appointed, by a vote of 4 to 1, Michael "They like me, they really liked me!" Crawford to abandoned Ward 3 Council seat.

Really, the Tony Award winning actor for Phantom of the Opera and currently starring in "EFX" a Las Vegas show, making a million dollars per?

No! Michael Crawford, is from Ohio, not Britain, (the YUK!), and works as a public defender in the County Attorney's office. Crawford ran the Kerrey for President Southern Arizona campaign in 1992. Crawford calls himself a liberal and plans to run for election when the term expires in 1997.

[Thank heavens, I thought if the Council had put in yet another temp, they might as well call Kelly Girls!]

DON'T DRINK THE WATER?: We saved the best for last, in regards to the propositions on the Tucson November general election ballot. Proposition 200, also know as Tucson Water Consumer Protection Act.

Proposition 200 would amend the Tucson Code relating to the delivery and treatment of water; amending Chapter 27 of the Tucson Code by adding a new article, Article VI.

What the proposition would do, amending the Tucson Code, is to prohibit use of Central Arizona Project (CAP) Water as drinking water for five years; thereafter permit its delivery as drinking water only if specified water quality standards are met; require recharge of all groundwater withdrawals over any five year period; and require an election for modification or repeal.

That's the synopsis of the proposition. A "yes" vote shall have the effect of amending the Tucson Code to: prohibit use of Central Arizona (CAP) water as drinking water for five years; thereafter permit its delivery as drinking water only if specified water quality standards are met; require recharge of all groundwater withdrawals over any five year period; and require an election to modify or repeal those provisions.

A "no" vote shall have the effect of allowing the City to allocate both Central Arizona Project (CAP) water and groundwater to any use, including drinking water or recharge, within the regulatory framework of federal and state water quality standards."

Arguments For: Richard Wiersma, Chair of Citizens' Voice to Restore and Replenish Quality Water says "Proposition 200 will ensure that our Colorado River allocation is used in a sensible way. Take the time to cast your vote and please vote yes."

Ed Kahn, Libertarian party candidate for mayor calls the CAP a "boondoggle!" Kahn added, "Let's send a wake up call to the bureaucrats who knew at least 5 years ago that untreated CAP would not be suitable for either our plumbing or our stomachs."

Arguments Against: Jack Jewett and Marybeth Carlile of the Southern Arizona Water Resources Association, says, "Proposition 200 unnecessarily restricts both CAP water and groundwater supplies in ways that will complicate the City's ability to meet consumer demands, protect water quality, manage plumes of aquifer contamination, and limited pumpage in sensitive riparian areas such as Tanque Verde Creek.

"Proposition 200 restricts the municipal supply to "only groundwater from unpolluted sources" even though available technology consistently and reliably treats water to safe drinking standards.

"Proposition 200 eliminates from the municipal supply nearly ten million gallons of water produced each day by the Tucson Airport Remediation Project even though this facility removes TCE from groundwater to levels below detection limits for us outside the TCE affected area.

"The cost to consumers, if Proposition 200 passes is unknown and the quality of water is not assured."

NOVEMBER 7: Next Tuesday, November 7, is the City of Tucson general election. The mayor and three council seats are up for consideration. There are also several key ballot propositions, and the non-binding presidential preference primary. If you have any questions about your registration, call the City Clerk's office at 791-4213.

So it goes for now kids!

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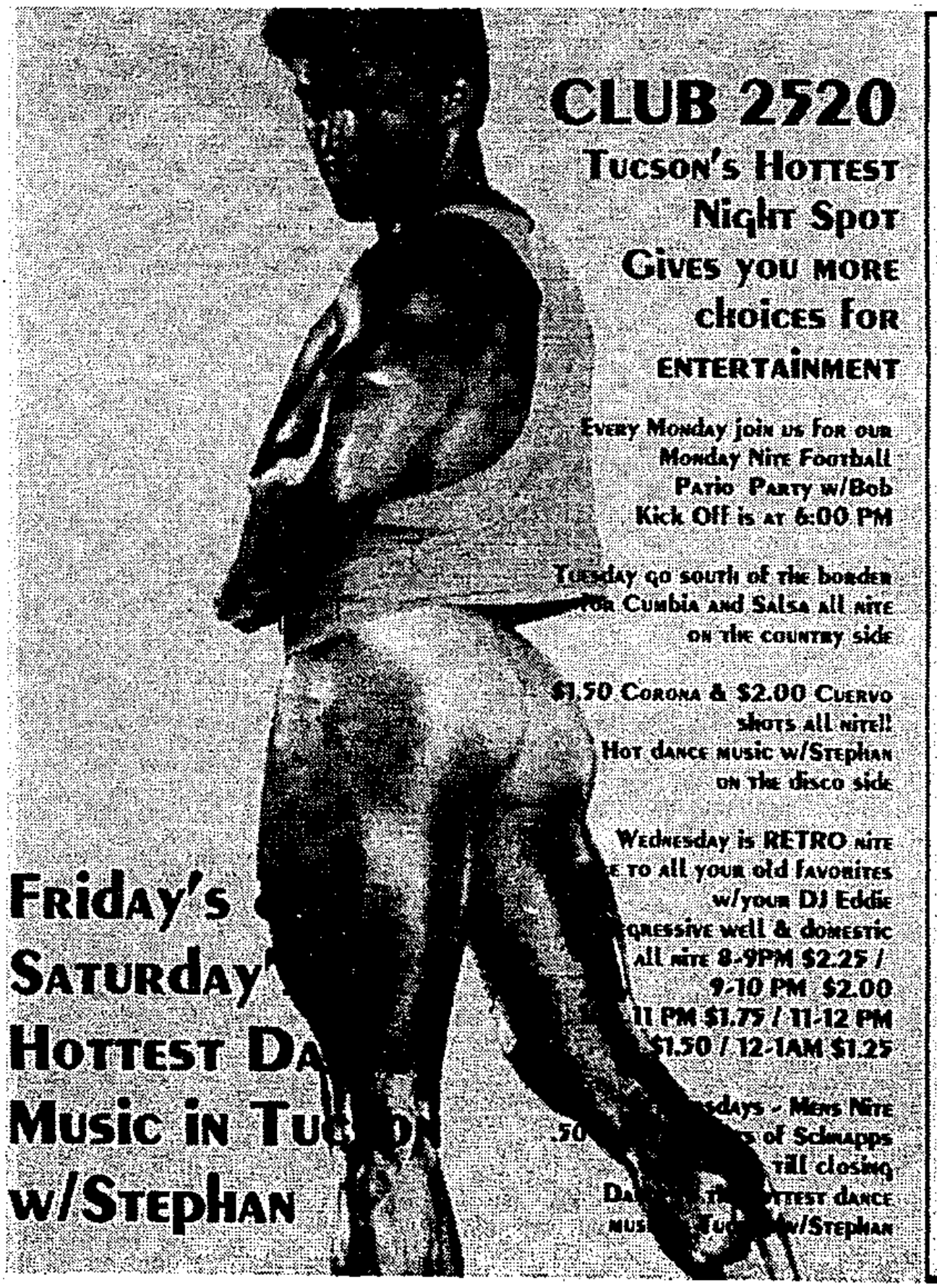

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TIPS FROM T.A.P.

by George Cox, Tucson AIDS Project Volunteer

A young man comes out to his parents and is immediately told to pack his bags and get out of the house. Somewhere else, another young man is leaving a local Gay bar where he has just spent an enjoyable evening with friends socializing and dancing. Outside the bar, he is met by four men wielding baseball bats and boards. The four men proceed to brutally beat him and leave him for dead.

For many in the Gay and Bisexual community, these stories are wrenching and all too familiar. Most Gay, Lesbian and Bisexual individuals have felt some measure of this same sort of pain and prejudice as a result of their being openly homosexual. Arthur Padilla, Project Coordinator of the Gay Young Men's project (GYM), has made it his job to help young men such as the ones mentioned above come to terms with their sexuality and make being or Bisexual a more positive aspect of their lives. The GYM project is a program under the auspices of the AIDS Prevention Collaboration, a cooperative program of the Tucson AIDS Project, the Shanti Foundation, PACT for Life, and the Pima County Health Department. Padilla, a Health Educator with the Pima County Health Department, hopes the project will be successful in destroying some of the homophobia that pervades our country today.

The GYM project began a year ago, when staff recruited members of the Gay and Bisexual community, ages 16-25, and got them together in small discussion groups where they discussed growing up or Bisexual and living in an often challenging, unsympathetic society. From there, GYM took root and participants began meeting weekly to discuss the project's image, its overall purpose, and the direction the group would follow in the near and distant future. In April, GYM had a kickoff party with live entertainment, dancing and refreshments, in a place where young Gay and Bisexual men could meet outside of a bar setting. The event was a rousing success, with more than one hundred people in attendance.

Since then, the group has continued to challenge itself as well as the community as they work to get the word about their program. In early October, two billboards went up on Fourth Avenue. One features a dapper young man in a tuxedo being dressed for success by several hands, one of which is handing him a condom. The billboard's message is "Here's an answer...Pass it on." The billboards have aroused a great deal of community interest, and are sure to get the diverse group of people who shop on Fourth Avenue into some animated conversations. Padilla says he welcomes all comments, both positive and negative, and looks forward to the response.

Unwilling to rest on their laurels, participants of the GYM project are planning a number of events to further involve several different facets of the Gay and Bisexual community. In mid-November, GYM, in conjunction with Hydra, a downtown shop specializing in leather apparel and accessories, plans to put on a show at the alternative teen hangout, the Fine Line. On the weekend of November 18-19, a retreat is planned for Gay and Bisexual youths of faith. In addition to holding these events, GYM plans to put out a newsletter spotlighting local citizens who are making a difference in the Gay and HIV+ communities. Padilla says he also hopes to make a documentary profiling and Bisexual youth, but this project is still in the planning stages.

If any of these events or activities interest you, or if you feel you may have something new to bring to the project, or if you're just looking for a supportive environment to come out in, Padilla openly welcomes you. You can contact him by phone at the Tucson AIDS Project, 322-6226, Monday through Friday from 8 A.M. to 5 P.M. For the more technologically advanced and adventurous, you can e-mail GYM by logging on SPIRALPATH@AOL.com

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The Bowling Beat

by Mike Mahynske & Randy Bilbro

This past weekend would have been extremely difficult, if not impossible, to achieve without the help of our sponsors.

Desert Diamond Casino was extremely generous to the HITT '95 Committee with it's cash donation, the fun-packs provided for the bowlers and guests, and the transportation to and from the casino.

We were fortunate to have six of the seven bars in town as our sponsors as well. Hours, Club 2520, Venture-N, The Graduate, IBT's, and Stonewall Eagle were all supportive of our weekend and again we say "Thank you!!" for supporting this event and Gay bowling in Tucson.

Finley Distributing donated banners for the bars and hotel, supplied beer for the hospitality suite and some promotional items to be given away. We ask that the Gay Community of Tucson respond back to these supporting establishments. Through them, we were able to present Tucson and its community positively to guests from eight states and two countries.

Along these same lines, we were blessed with volunteers for the weekend who helped with registration, score gathering, 50/50 sales, sound systems, banquet set-up....you get the picture. Our committee of four could not have pulled this off without all of their help. We can't possibly mention all of the names, but would like to recognize a few individuals and some of the groups that pitched in.

Part of the weekend event is the selling of 50/50 tickets and we were thrilled to have under the capable direction of Robert Serano members of the Tucson Greater Softball Association, Desert Leathermen, Venture-N bartenders and staff, Tommy Ragan, Chris Borsellini, Emmit Higgin and David, and Joe Sepulveda, all slutting to the max to sell these tickets. A great job was done and sales exceeded expectations. Much appreciation to Dennis Russell for managing the statistics. Thanks also to Jackie Blue, Elaine Kendall, Marina, Wayne Steele, Harold Collins, and Tomi Fields for their help all weekend long selling shirts, running side-pots, doing decorations, managing the mega-brackets, and all of the activities associated with the tournament.

Big hugs to Glen Derbin of Hours for helping with the sound system and playing music for Saturday night's event and to Larry Mann for running the spotlight for Miss HITT. Thanks to AGRA, TLGA, Shanti, PACT, TAP, and Desert Diamond Casino for setting up booths and games Saturday night. Thanks to Bob, Gary, and Mark with the Observer for their talents, coverage and space.

We'll issue an announcement of HITT '95's contributions to the local charities in an upcoming "From the Gutters..."

Tucson should congratulate itself for a fine reception for our out of town guests and an exciting weekend of community efforts and participation. The HITT '95 committee is proud to "have this one in the books!"

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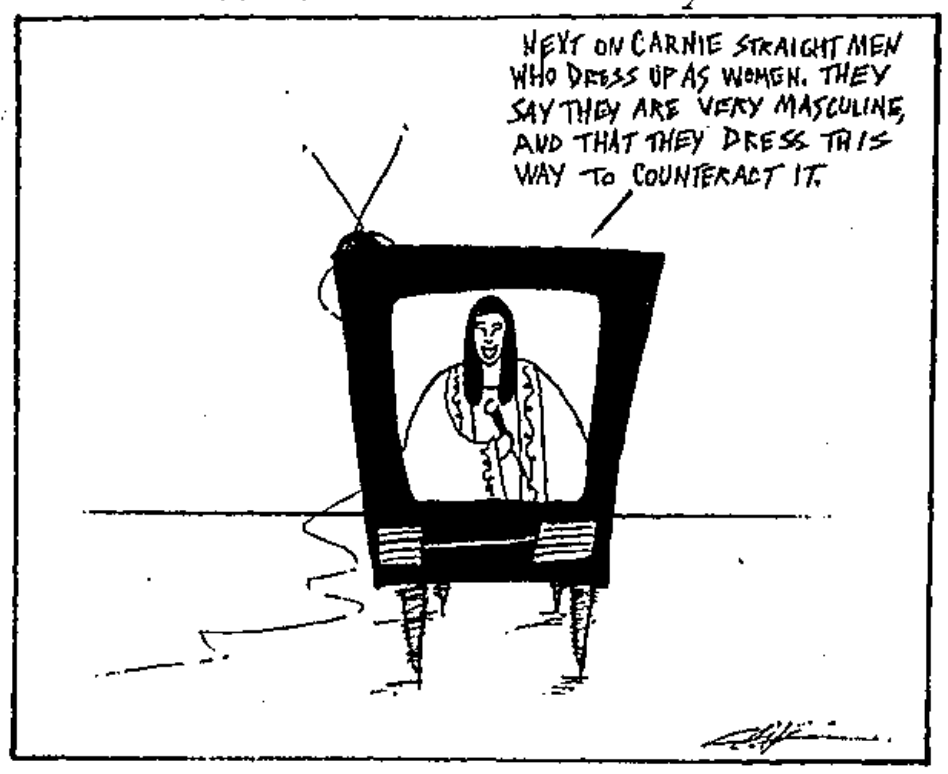

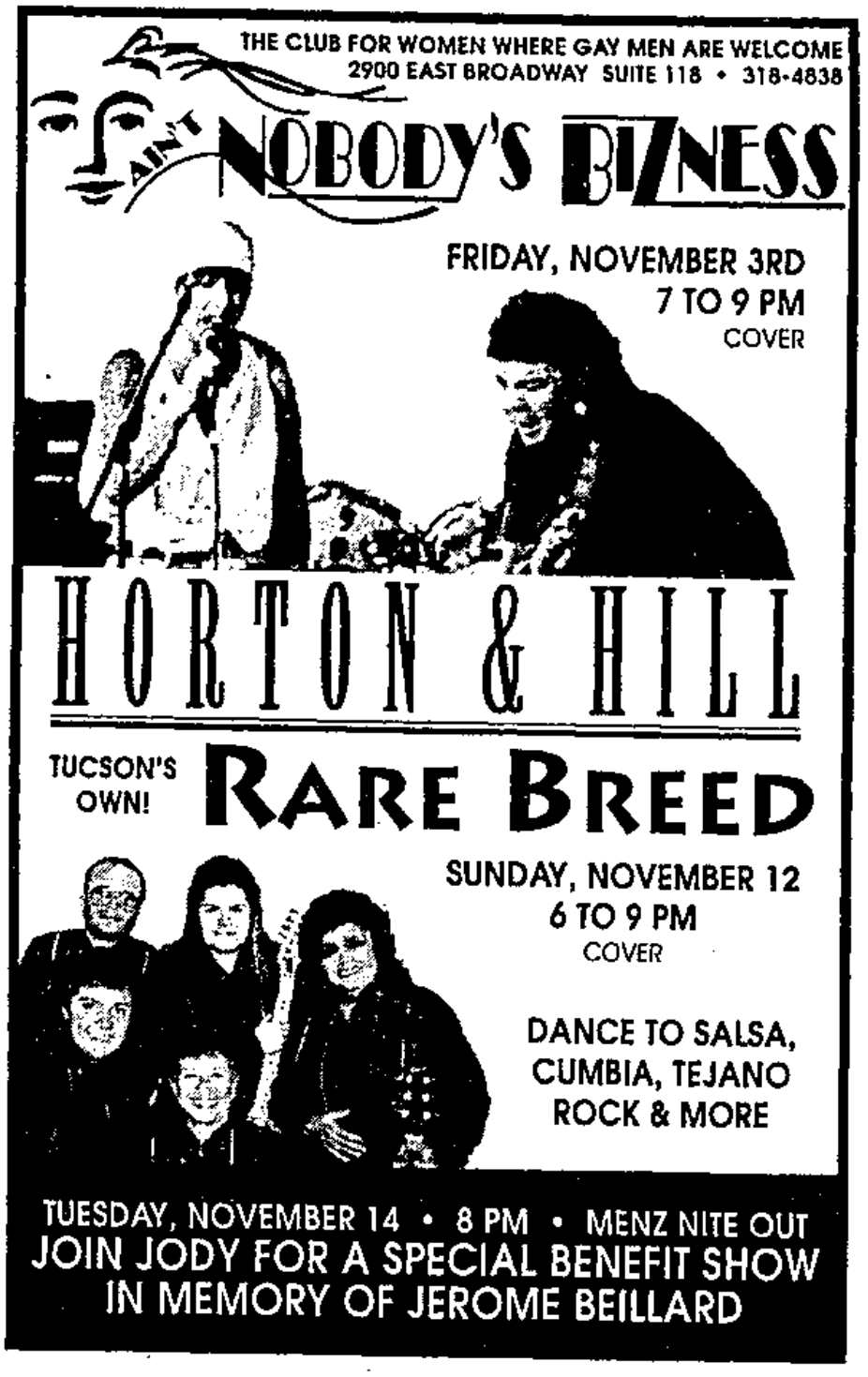

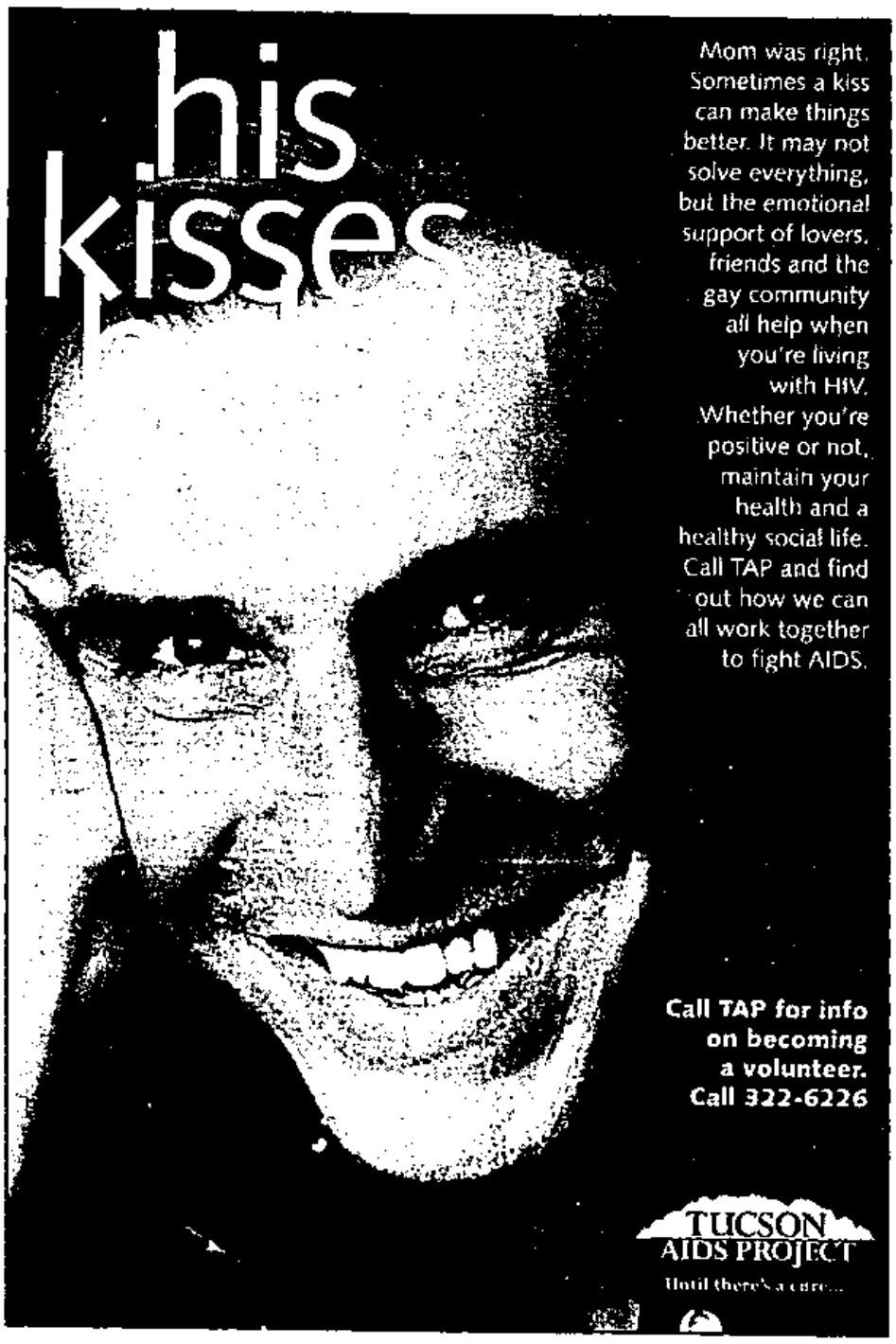

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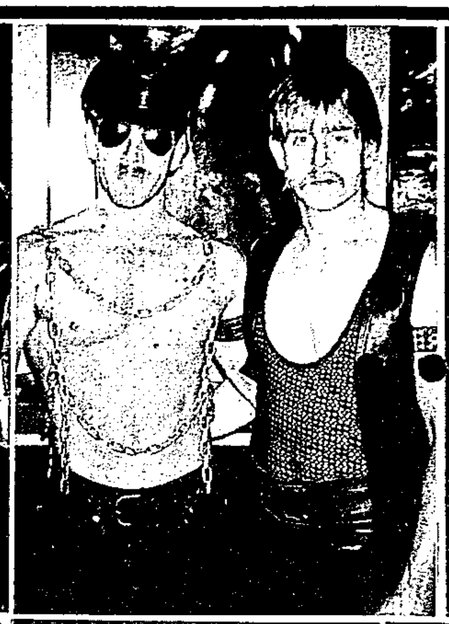

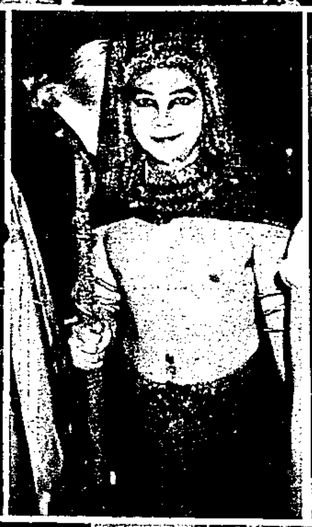

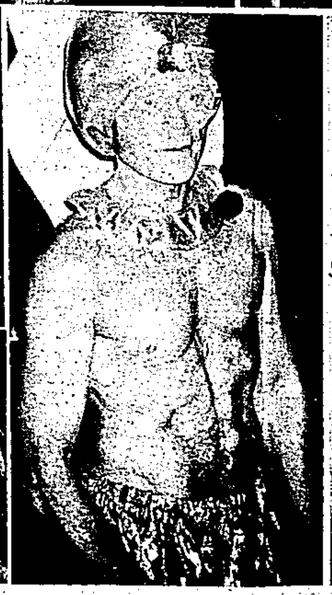

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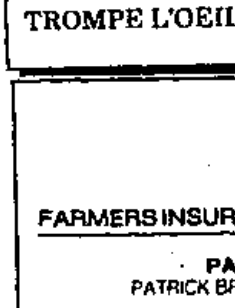
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HOME ON THE RANGE WITH AGRA-TUCSON

by Raul Almeraz

Howdy boys and girls! Hope everyone was able to enjoy all the fun Halloween festivities. There was definitely plenty to see and do. A special thanks to Addison for filling in while I was away on business. Allow me to take care of AGRA upcoming events so all of you can start marking your calendars, then I'll move on to happenings from our busy week.

This month, AGRA-Tucson will be hosting the November meeting at Club 2520 on Sunday, November 12. The State Board meeting will be at 3 P.M., followed by the General Membership meeting at 5 P.M. There will be much to discuss and everyone's input is needed.

Chile Verde Days is approaching and volunteers are greatly needed and most appreciated. Please call the AGRA Hotline, leave your name, telephone number and the days you are available. We are looking for volunteers in set up, blackjack dealers, door persons, etc. Dates for Chile Verde Days are November 11 and 12. It's always a great time so come on out and support AGRA. Don't forget AGRA is always looking for men and women to join their great organization. Applications are always available at all AGRA functions. So if interested, see any member and sign up!

Rodeo Events Director, Bryan Collins, a.k.a. Yummy Butty, is planning a Winterhaven Hay Ride. If interested please contact Bryan through the AGRA Hotline and stay tuned for more details from me in future publications.

The Haunted Hayride was a haunting experience. Everyone had a ghostly and ghastly time. I want my mummy! While Addison whined for his private wagon (Bitch, bitch, bitch!). So Stevie, how was your nap? Oh, I mean dinner with your father?

The AGRA Halloween fund raiser was a great time. A great big thanks to Bobby at Club 2520 for allowing us his facilities and many thanks to the volunteers who helped with by staffing tables and booths.

Those of you who were not in attendance missed the greatest costumes of the weekend:

The "Terri's", a.k.a. Richard, Joseph and Raul. We were Absolutely Fabulous darlings! Talk about showing someone the ultimate compliment. Terri, we love you or should I say we loved being you. Even if only for one night.

As for other costumes, Cindy where did you manage to carry your can of whipped cream in that darling dominatrix attire? Girl, you scare me!

George, loved the gown babe, but you need big hair. See Joseph or Barney for teasing instruction. Big Hair Class 101 & 102.

Last but definitely not least, the surprise of the evening were the pair of "Gate Keepers of Doom", who groped, grabbed and followed everyone around all evening and never revealed themselves till the stroke of midnight. Steve and our very own Raybelline from the great state of Texas. Thanks for the surprise visit. Now we know, you miss us more than we miss you.

Well that seems to be all I have for now. If there are any comments, suggestions or news, please contact me through the AGRA Hotline. Until next time, have fun and play safe.

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A View From The Rock

A Commentary From Cornerstone Fellowship

Don't be misled. Don't make the error of mistaking small things as unimportant. Small house, little time, small talents, small salary, faltering health. What is it that makes people think that they have nothing to use and nothing to offer? All people on earth have at least one resource, the life that God gave them, and most people have other resources as well.

A tiny church shelters homeless people for a few days during the cold of winter. A group of young people spend a few hours a week visiting a nursing home. A woman kept at home by an advancing case of AIDS spends her time doing booking for a Gay Christian singer living off her love offerings.

Whatever it is that a person has which is not being used in the service of God makes that person like the servant who hid his talent in the ground. "His master replied, 'You wicked, lazy servant!'" and took away all the servant had been given. God wishes for us to be like the two servants who used their talents. To them came the master's reply, "Well done, good and faithful servant! You have been faithful with a few things; I will put you in charge of many things. Come and share your master's happiness!" (Matthew 25:14-28)

Stop and take time to ask God to show you the gifts you have. He will show you what they are and help you know how to use them. We are reminded in Matthew 7:7, 8, "Ask and it will be given to you; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you. For everyone who asks receives; he who seeks finds; and to him who knocks, the door will be opened."

If we wait for the handful of "truly gifted" people to get things done, we might as well take our doctor's office pose and settle in for the long wait! The one you are really waiting on is you yourself, and God, in his infinite patience, is waiting on you, too. Whatever your gift or talent may be, large or small, it was certainly bestowed upon you by God. And whatever is given by God, large or small, has God's power and so is not small at all, if used!

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CALENDAR of upcoming events

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 1

IBT'S - Male Box Nite at IBT's. 9:00 p.m. Come play post office.

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 3

IBT'S - Get "Fractoid" at IBT's tonight and next Tuesday. Free "Fractoid" glasses to the first 25 customers at 9:00 p.m. (Reg. $1.50). They'll alter your mind!

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 4

STONEWALL/EAGLE - Bare Chest Contest. First Prize $75.00. Sign-up starts at 9:00 p.m. Be there and show it!

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 5

CLUB 2520 - Girlesque" showtime at 9:00 p.m. Cast members include Raven, Electra Blue, Holly Boo, Candi Plastique and special guest from Phoenix, Cammi DeVaine.

IBT'S - Beer Bust and Bar-B-Que 5:00 to 7:30 p.m. All proceeds go to Shanti.

WEDNESDAY, NOVLEMBER 8

IBT'S - Girlie Show at 9:00 sharp! Hosted by Mr. Kenneth Blake and featuring Helena Bubbles, Lucinda Holliday and Tatiana Ladanova.

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 23

HOURS - Come share your Thanksgiving Dinner with us. Hours will bring the turkey and fixins - you bring the salads, desserts or whatever and spend the day with the folks at Hours.

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Non-Bar CALENDAR

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 1

Tucson Prime Timers (Gay and Bisexual men over 30) monthly dinner at Athens on 4th Ave (at 4th Ave & 6th St.) at 6:00 p.m. Free parking available behind the restaurant on 6th St. If you are interested in becoming a part of the Tucson Chapter of Prime Timers International feel free to join the group. Members of At-East-Again and Cronies Social Club are welcome.

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 2

Men's Social Network 6:30 p.m. Card Game Night at Rays. Call Ray at 797-6648 for reservations and info. Guests always welcome.

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 3

Memorial Fete for Jerome Bellard will take place at 4:00 p.m. in the Gold Room of the Quality Inn Hotel (formerly Ramada Inn Downtown) St. Marys at Granada.

Men's Social Network (Gay men of all ages) 7:00 p.m. Video Movie I, "Philadelphia" at Jerry and Les' home. For reservations and directions, call Jerry 690-9565. Guests always welcome.

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 4

Tucson G/L Hiking Club will take a nice desert stroll to Wild Horse Tank via the Pink Hill Trail in the Rincon Mountains. It is a moderate hike of 8 miles roundtrip and an elevation gain of 500 feet. Depart at 8:00 a.m. Write the club at P.O. Box 52532, Tucson, AZ 85733-2532.

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 5

Gay and Lesbian Hiking Club has scheduled a difficult seven mile moonlight hike to Wasson Peak via the King Canyon Trail in the Tucson Mountains with an 1,800 ft elevation gain. Departure is 4:00 p.m. Write P.O. Box 42532, Tucson, AZ 85733-2532.

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 6

Fourth Annual TORCH (Tucson Organizations Recognizing Community Help) Awards at Southwest Center for Music, 2175 N. 6th Ave. at 6:00 p.m. Recognizing the dedicated people who make a difference in the fight against HIV/AIDS, from the community of Tucson as well as the world around us. Please join in honoring these unique individuals. Tickets are free and are available at PACT for Life, Shanti or TAP.

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 8

Men's Social Network (Gay men of all ages) Evening movie out at a $1.75 theater. Call Chris at 887-3478 after Nov. 5. for the movie selection and location. Guests always welcome.

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 9

Men's Social Network (Gay men of all ages) 7:00 p.m. TV Video Night. A twice-monthly showing of a British TV series begins with :The Black Adder": This slightly addled comedy will leave you laughing and wanting to see the rest in the series. Call Loren or Stephen at 790-4416 for reserved seating. Limited to 12 guests.

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 10

Men's Social Network (Gay men of all ages) Book Club 7:00 p.m. The Book Club will be deciding on new directions. For information and directions call Jerry 690-9565. Guests welcome.

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 11

Men's Social Network (Gay men of all ages) 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Mt. Lemmon excursion. enjoy a mini-experience of the vegetation and environment of Mexico and Canada and points between led by Will, MSN's resident ethnobiologist. There will be stops along the way with nature walks at each stop. For information and directions, call Will at 298-9454. Guests welcome.

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 13

Men's Social Network (Gay men of all ages). 7:00 p.m.sd, join your MSN brothers for another discussion night. The topic will be "Coming Out". Call Jerry or Les 690-9565. Guests welcome.

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 15

Men's Social Network (Gay men of all ages) 7:00 p.m. Dinner at "Po' Folks" restaurant on Speedway. Call Steve at 795-6718 for reservations and directions. Guests Always Welcome.

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 17

Womyn's 3rd Friday Coffeehouse special event: Potluck from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. Plates, plastic ware, iced tea and coffee will be provided. Come early, stay late. Dancing begins at 8:30 p.m. The Coffeehouse needs your support! Don't miss it.

Men's Social Network (Gay men of all ages) 7:00 p.m. Board Game Night. Variety of board games available. easy learning for beginners. Call Jerry at 690-9565 for info and directions.

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 18

Tucson G/L Hiking Club will take a beautiful scenic hike above Sabino Canyon to Blackett's Ridge in the Catalina Mountains. It's a moderate 6 mile round trip hike with an elevation gain of 1700 feet. Group will depart at 8:00 a.m. Write P.O. Box 42532, Tucson, AZ 85733-2532 for more information on the club and its activities.

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 19

A 2-hour dance-A-Thon beginning at 2:00 p.m. at Bear Down Field on the UofA campus. Dance to the beat of the latest jams. Dance alone if you wish. The last 50 dancers dancing will win lots of cash. Fund Raising events for several charities including Tucson AIDS Project. Entry fee $25.00 until nov. 16 when it jumps to $30. Check the local Gay bars for flyers giving the rules and voting ballots for the charity of your choice. Sponsored by Professional Dance Masters. For more information call 322-0703.

Tucson CALENDAR

sunday

AIN'T NOBODY'S BIZNESS - Beer Bust 5-10, $1.25 pitchers. Salsa Sunday! Great music, better dancing and it all begins at 8pm.

CLUB 2520 - Open Noon. Western Steak Fry 4-7 pm. Beginning Line Dance lessons & Line Dance Jam 6-9, C/W Dancing 9-1. Progressive Dance Music 8-1

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, $1.50 domestic beer and well. Benefit B-B-Q and Beer Bust for community organizations 5-7:30pm. Hi energy dancing with DJ Clint 9pm to close.

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. Best 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. Happy Hour 3 to 8pm. Moose and Bruce Madness $1.50 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, $1.50 domestic beer and well. 8pm to midnight, $1.50 32oz pitchers. Retro 80s with DJ Jonathan 9pm-1am.

STONEWALL/EAGLE - Longneck Specials all day & nite. Stonewall opens 9pm HI-NRG Dance Music.

VENTURE-N - Open 6am. Draft Beer 50¢ 6am - 8pm. Happy Hour Prices 6am - 8pm. Backside open 5pm - 1pm.

tuesday

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

CLUB 2520 - Open 3pm. Happy Hour 3-8pm. $1.50 Well and Domestic Beer 8 to close. C/W dancing and Cumbia/Salsa Mania & progressive dance music 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, $1.50 domestic beer & well. 9 pm to close Tattoo Tuesday. $1.25 well and $1.50 domestic beer for those showing their tattoo. Prizes and surprises.

STONEWALL/EAGLE - Happy Hour Noon to 7pm. Spaghetti Feed $1 donation for Shanti. Bad ass $1. Stonewall opens at 9pm with HI-NRG dance music. VENTURE-N - Open 6am to 1am. Draft Beer 50¢ 6am - 8pm. Happy Hour prices 6am - 8pm. Backside open 5pm - 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. Happy Hour 3-8pm. 50¢ off well and domestic 8pm to close. Line Dance Lessons 8 to 10 pm

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

HOURS - Happy Hour 12 to 7pm, Well or Domestic Beer $1.25. 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, $1.50 domestic beer & well. Shows alternating Wednesdays with Male Strip Nite. $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. Coronas 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 Tool open 8:30pm.

thursday

AIN'T NOBODY'S BIZNESS - Happy Hour 2-7, 2for1 well or domestic beer. Free pool 2-4. Karaoke 8pm to close.2

CLUB 2520 - Open 3pm. Happy Hour 3-8pm. Men's Nite - 50¢ draft beer and 50¢ shots of Schnapps 9pm to 1am. Dart Tourney 8pm $2, bar matches 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 $1.50 domestic beer and well. Underwear Nite 10 to 1 - win a pair of Calvin Klein underwear. $1.25 Well and $1.50 Domestic Beer to those in their underwear. Hi energy dancing 9pm-close with DJ Clint Austin.

STONEWALL/EAGLE - Happy Hour 10am-8pm. Peter specials all night long. Stonewall opens 9pm with hot male strippers from Phoenix.

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 Tool 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 Happy Hour 3 to 10 pm. C/W dancing and Progressive Dance Music 8pm to close.

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

HOURS - Happy Hour 12-7pm well or domestic beer $1.25. Dance Music 8pm to 1am.

IBT's - Open noon. Happy Hour 4-8pm $1.50 domestic beer and well. . GoGo dancers 10pm. Patio Bar with Looney 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. Backside open 5pm-close. Tuff Stuff Tool opens at 8:30 pm.

saturday

AIN'T NOBODYS BIZNESS - Pool Tournament 5 pm. Pot matched, 1st: 70%, 2nd: 20%, 3rd: 10%

CLUB 2520 - Open Noon. C/W dancing and Progressive Dance Music begins at 9pm.

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. Dance Music 8-1.

IBT's - Open 11am to 1am. Happy Hour noon to 8pm $1.50 domestic beer and $1.25 well. Patio Bar with Looney 9-1. Dance 9 to 1 with DJ David Z.

STONEWALL/EAGLE - Noon to 7pm Free pool Saturday afternoon. 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 Tool Opens at 8:30pm.

NEWS FROM P.A.C.T.

by Frank E.G. Gallego

JEROME BEILLARD
12-18-53 - 10-18-95

The Board, staff, volunteers and clients of People With AIDS Coalition of Tucson, invite you to join us in a community celebration of the vision and spirit that was Jerome. This will be a time of sharing and remembrance.

We will be gathering in the Gold Room at the Quality Hotel (formerly the Ramada Inn), 475 North Grande Avenue, Friday, November 3, from 4:00 P.M. to 7:00 P.M.

The annual TORCH (Tucson Organizations Recognizing Community Help) Awards will take place Monday, November 6, 6:00 P.M. at the Southwest Center for Music, 2175 North 6th Avenue. 350 tickets have been printed and very few are available. Call PACT, Shanti or TAP offices for tickets.

1995 TORCH Nominees

Community Leader Award: Scott Blades, Tommy Ragan, Mark Muchmore.

Self Empowerment Award: Tommy Ragan, Mark Muchmore, Annie Richie.

Health Provider of the Year: Diana Logan, Neil Ampel, Billie Holbrook.

Prevention Education Award: Desert Leathermen, Diana Dexter, Jane Mohler.

Political Advocacy Award: David Hoover, Herschella Horton, Mark Muchmore.

Volunteer of the Year Award: Eric Wilson, Jacques Paillet, Robert Castrillo.

Media Service Award: Eric Wilson, Bob Ellis, Tony DiNinno.

Humanitarian Awards: Harold Lackey, Jason Vogler, Lori Allen, Pam Shack, Tommy Ragan, Scott Blades, Desert Institute, Glenn Vogt and Robert Miller, Susan Gregory, Carondelet Hospice AIDS Team.

I leave you with this in mind, "Kindness is more important than wisdom, and the recognition of this is the beginning of wisdom." - Theodore Isaac Rubin, M.D.

LEATHER BITS by Desert Leathermen

Many is the cold winter night I've spent on the Venture-N patio huddled close to the dancing flames of the fire pit for a bit of warmth. All the while admiring the circle of men highlighted by the glow. There's something almost primal about it. And the mere thought brings a smile to my face and a stirring to my loins.

But what's this, the fire pit appears to be self destructing brick by brick before our very eyes! Well, it's true the current fire pit is being dismantled, but according to Jim Dondson, owner of the Venture-N, it is "destined to rise from the ashes again." Jim points out that he inherited the gas fire pit as it is when he bought the bar. "It's simply too big, too expensive to run, and does little to heat the entire patio area," says Jim. The gas fire pit was augmented with wood and logs in the past, but Jim contends it was messy and difficult to control that way.

So what could possibly replace that Venture-N institution we've grown to love? "Not just another fire pit", assures Jim, "but a masterpiece combining both fire and water." That's right, fire for the cold months, a foundation for the hot months, and a combination of the two for that oh-so-dramatic effect. Several gas heaters will be strategically placed around the patio to make the entire area more inhabitable during those cold desert winter nights.

"I'm surprised at the number of comments and questions I've fielded since the fire pit started coming down," muses Jim. "It's nice to know that it's that much of a focal point and is that important to so many people."

We'll be watching anxiously, Jim. Oh, by the way, I'm told that the rumor about Candas' flushed tampons being the cause of VN's plumbing problems last week is simply not true!

Well, turkey month is upon us once again which mean's it time to gear up for the ninth annual Fellowship Run. This four day begins Thursday, November 23, (Thanksgiving night) with a traditional turkey dinner. Friday and Saturday will be filled with cocktail parties, games, three meals each day, and the chance to hook up with a ton of hunky men from in and out of town. The weekend wraps up with a send off brunch and awards ceremonies on Sunday. And all this fun can be had for a mere $25! Ask any member of Desert Leathermen, TALL, TKO or Partners for more information or an application, or just show up at the Venture-N or the Graduate on Thanksgiving between 2 and 5 P.M. for registration. Remember, you don't have to belong to any club to attend the Fellowship Run, just $25 and a party hearty attitude.

Speaking of party, it's time for another DL Beer and Soda Bust (first Saturday of every month). This Saturday, November 4 from 3-7 P.M., the good times will be rolling on the Backside patio bar at the Venture-N with the DL gang, cheap beer and soda and yummy eats.

Also mark November 19 on your calendar when Desert Leathermen will be hosting a Beer Bust at the Stonewall/Eagle from 3-7 P.M. All proceeds will benefit DL's Condom Fund. See you there!

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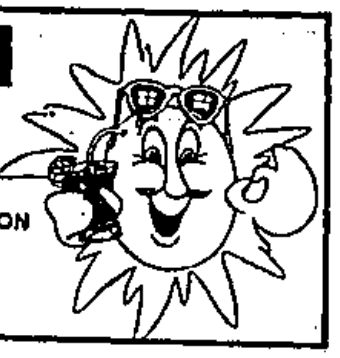

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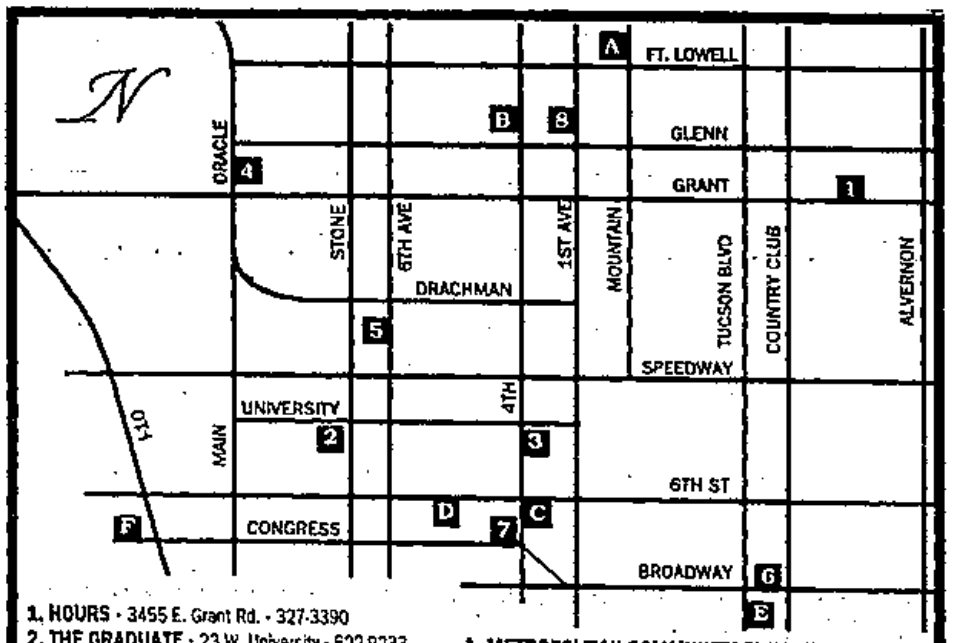

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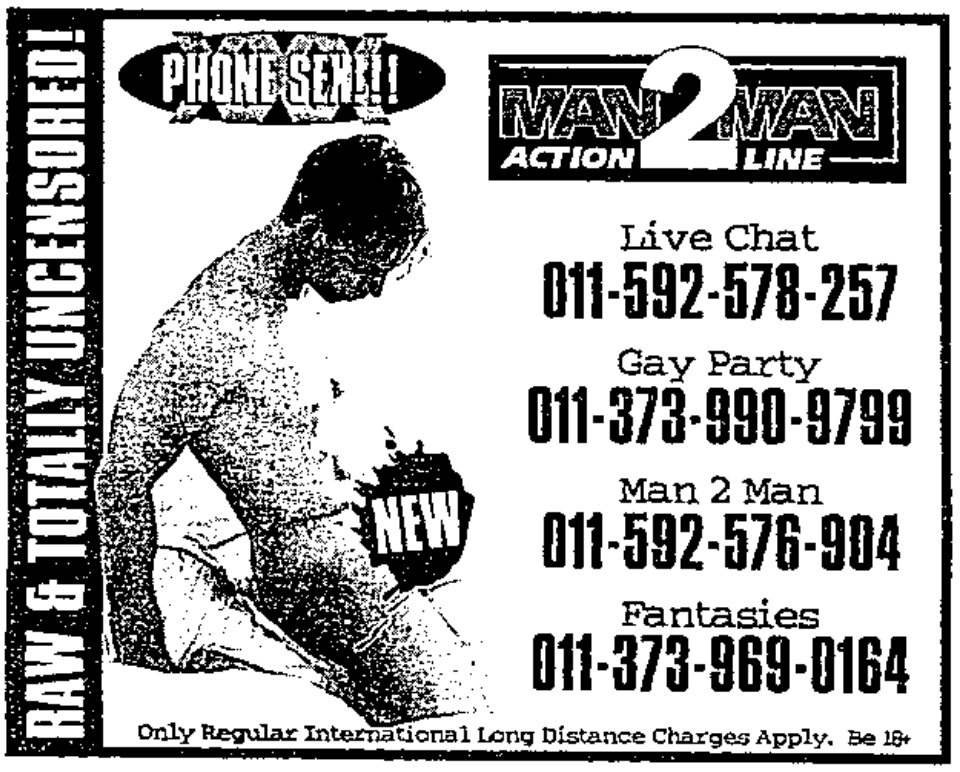

THE WHOLE MAN

Gay Media

BY DR. BOB

Being a philosopher-artist by nature, I see things a bit differently from the way you're supposed to. For one thing, I don't value things according to the culture's norms. I don't watch TV and I hardly ever shop, so I barely qualify for being an American at all. It's interesting since I stopped watching TV a few years ago. My mind feels so clean, my perception seems so fresh! Watching TV for hours each day means submitting yourself to the psychological machinations of all kinds of unscrupulous people who want your money and your mind. A whole ethos of buying to make yourself happy is the essence of TV, since it is controlled by advertisers. That's why commercial TV is largely soulless, and why submitting yourself to large amounts of TV watching is the Los Angelization of the mind.

Gay media is also trying to sell you something, a different set of values, based on the goodness of homoeroticism. There are Gay newspapers like the one you're reading, national Gay magazines, Gay books, porn and personals, newsletters, 'zines, the various drag and strip shows, Gay theatre, and even Gay cable TV shows. Our media look like cottage industry compared to the mainstream media monsters, such as Time-Life or Paramount. And they are. We have only a fraction of the mind-making power of the straight media. And yet we are to be congratulated for struggling to create our little corner of the media world. For me, reading a book like Signorile's "Queer in America" is a great experience. To have a competent queer talking to me through a "real" book, talking about our issues from our perspective, is so totally refreshing. And I have the same experience when I see a drag show, read the Advocate or the Observer, or read the personals. In these venues, I'm hearing and reading words and images created by other queers, for other queers, expressing our perspective, creating our culture as we go along. How different that is from hearing about Gays through the eyes of others, like Jesse Helms, Bill Clinton, or the monotone inanities of the psychologists and the ministers.

And here we come to the root of the issue: the person controlling any medium, whether a TV station, a newspaper, or a travelling show, gets to set the perspective. Setting the perspective is the key to controlling any cultural space. Ultimately, it's mind-making. Who gets to define the rules, the basic assumptions with which we come at reality, in order to talk about it and depict it? In the case of TV, as I said before, it's the advertisers. Everything on TV, therefore, revolves around a consumerist take on life (which I only realized when I stopped watching it). Similarly, the Christian Science Monitor is reflective of Christian Science assumptions, on down the line with every form of media: it's always from a particular point of view, the point of view of those who finance that particular media outlet. So how you choose your media has a lot to do with how you think and experience the world.

It's only in Gay media that we Gay men and Lesbians can express ourselves from our point of view, in a self-respecting way, without worrying about offending others. In other words, in Gay media, we set the perspective. If we only listen to how other people define us, we get a distorted view. Straight people, no matter how liberal, don't live life from a Gay point of view, so they can't really know it from the inside. Only we can do that, by communicating with each other about our Gay lives. I'm a great believer in our queer grassroots culture. It's a way for us to not only inform each other, but amuse, entertain, provoke, and inspire each other. To be out of the closet has to mean more, ultimately, than just telling others we are Gay. It has to mean believing, and acting like we believe, that our gayness is a wonderful mystery to be explored, that the community of Gay men could be (if it were not for homophobia) like a community of princes, a real source of love for ourselves and the surrounding straight world. To a large extent, we already do this. We, despite our scapegoat status, provide a lot of love and humor and comfort and beauty to the straight community. Along the way, we certainly manage to enjoy some of these gifts among ourselves. We are beautiful as we are, and that's the starting point to creating cultural expression: believing in ourselves, imperfect as we are. Then, giving what we have to give, and being open to what our Gay brothers have to offer.

That's why I write this column, imperfect as it is. I'm adding my voice, in a small way, to the other queer voices talking about our experience. I'm a reflective kind of soul, and I try to live my Gay life as consciously as possible. My psychology and massage training and experience shape my take on Gay life. So I offer my reflections about psychology, body-mind wholeness, eroticism, spirituality, and the combination thereof, to all of you. I'd like to especially encourage feedback letters. I've tried to be provocative, so where's your response?! I'd love to run a column of other people's feedback letters, so why not jot me a line? Contribute to queer culture today!

[Robert Feldhaus, Ph.D. is a counselor and bodyworker for the Gay community. He offers groups and individual sessions. For more information, call 623-1732. Write to Dr. Bob c/o the Observer.]

SPORTS

DESERT COYOTES
BOWLING LEAGUE
WED., 9:00 P.M.

	WON	LOST	PINS
Rubber Queens	20.5	3.5	10755
Pin Me Down	17.0	7.0	8648
Tres Amigos	16.0	8.0	10763
Two Tall/Wide	14.0	10.0	10282
HITT'ers	14.0	10.0	10228
Noizy Poizons	13.5	10.5	10344
Twelve	12.0	12.0	10152
Triple T	11.0	13.0	10498
Bakers Dozen	10.0	14.0	10203
2 Peas & A Pod	10.0	14.0	10151
Stray Cats	9.0	15.0	9906
Seaweeds	8.0	16.0	8486
Double Stuff	6.0	18.0	9858
Bee Bytes	5.0	19.0	8335

High Average - Regina P., 138; Jeff T., 192.

High Game Scratch - April D., 200; Jeff T 279; Triple T., 658.

High Game HDCP - April D., 259; Mark K., 298; Triple T 733.

High Series Scratch - April D., 510; Mark K., 702; Rubber Queens 1708.

High Series HDCP - April D., 687; Mark K., 762; Tres Amigos, 1949.

LAMBDA LIZARDS
BOWLING LEAGUE
FRIDAY, 6:15 P.M.

	WON	LOST	PINS
Looney Tunes	19.0	9.0	20035
Ooh Sh*t!	17.0	11.0	19744
Pigs R Us	15.0	13.0	19792
Too Much	13.0	15.0	19844
PACT Rats	9.0	19.0	16288
High Rollers	8.0	20.0	19400

High Average - Jackie M., 155; Jack S., 186.

High Game Scratch - Jackie M., 199; Max V., 235; Too Much, 815.

High Game HDCP - Hilda C., 248; Max V., 275; Looney Tunes, 1045.

High Series Scratch - Jackie M., 514; Jack S., 616; Too Much, 2371.

High Series HDCP - Hilda C., 648; Ed C., 660; Looney Tunes 2963.

SHOOTIN AROUND TOWN
by Wayne Steele

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BY C. LICHTENSTEIN

If our rainbow contains shades of umber, chalk it up to autumn and the arrival of November. Feel the power of the Sun in Scorpio to get things headed in the left direction election time. No cowards here; get Out and vote next week! Our reward will be the Sun in zestful Sagittarius by the end of the month. All signs undergo a modification of personal mission as the planets heat up new areas of our lives. Read ahead to see how each sign adjusts to the next wave in the coming month:

ARIES
MARCH 21 - APRIL 20

Feisty proud Rams may get itchy feet this November as the urge to travel and explore new and exotic vistas become almost overwhelming. Think globally and dip your cup into new interesting wells. It will be intoxicating, to say the least! Take your pick, international travel, a new course of study or even an exotic meal with a fabulously foreign stranger. Happy, hunting!

TAURUS
APRIL 21 - MAY 21

If your cockles feel a little warmer than usual, blame it on the planetary dance through Scorpio into Sagittarius. Gay Bulls experience a sexual (re)awakening this November. I advise you to pursue happiness with your eyes wide open. Don't allow the fog of passion to cloud your better judgement. The only lesson I want you to learn is how to increase your love making.

GEMINI
MAY 22 - JUNE 21

Pink Twins must take a cold, clear and sensible look at relationships. Are you searching for that perfect partnership that always seems to be slightly beyond your reach? Take a look at how you approach relationships; respect, integrity, balance and yes, maybe a little bit of humdrum regularity should all be part of the package. If it sounds all too boring, listen more closely and try it again.

CANCER
JUNE 22 - JULY 23

It may not sound like heaven on earth, but work and any detail oriented, labor intensive activities will go especially well. Go with the job flow, dear Crab, and don't be afraid to tackle just about any project; it will go better than expected and you will flourish. Work includes diet and exercise; you have the energy and incentive to get into shape in time for the holidays.

LEO
JULY 24 - AUGUST 23

Queer Lions let the world know they are loud and proud. Roar with good cheer this November when many, many planets heat up fun, frolic and creativity. Try your hand at some especially artistic outlets and see what you can do when you are astrologically inspired. At the same time, you may be tempted to try some limited gambling. Don't bet the bank and don't be greedy!

VIRGO
AUGUST 24 - SEPTEMBER 23

The chickens are coming home to roost so drag out the frying pan. It would be unfair for you to have to continue to hide who you are from family members, but you won't regret going a little out of your way to be nice when you emerge from the familial closet. Ultimately, try your best and give your folks the benefit of the doubt, it will make your home life happier and more secure.

LIBRA
SEPTEMBER 24 - OCTOBER 23

Gay Libras are usually fairly diplomatic folk, but now you find that your communications pack a punch. Plan what you intend to say and say it loudly and proudly with no holds barred. Then step back and watch the nuclear reaction! Write a scathing letter, make a lurid phone call, make an active difference! The planets have spoken.

SCORPIO
OCTOBER 24 - NOVEMBER 22

The plotting and planning aspects of your ruthless and passionate sign may have led you astray financially. It's sort of like not seeing the forests for all the tress. If you now seem more preoccupied with financial considerations, it is not a bad thing. If you have been a bit of a spend thrift, you may be forced to make concessions. Take you pick from all the trimmings.

SAGITTARIUS
NOVEMBER 22 - DECEMBER 22

There are many planets in your own sign this month so stand up, assume center stage and enjoy leading the pride parade! It's the best time to get Out there, meet as many new people as possible and begin new projects. Interview, mingle, make yourself available sweetheart. New Year's eve is not that far off! Let me know how it goes and who goes with it.

CAPRICORN
DECEMBER 23 - JANUARY 20

Practical Caps feel rather intuitive and psychic but don't panic. It's a planetary scheme to liberate your lifestyle and be all you can be for the rainbow cause. Volunteer for a worthy Gay charity or donate time for a political group that pushes our agenda. You can change the course of events or chalk up a few karmic brownie points for a political group that pushes our agenda. You can change the course of events or chalk up a few karmic brownie points for future endeavors.

AQUARIUS
JANUARY 21 - FEBRUARY 19

Where are your friends when you need them? Happily right at hand this month. You enjoy their company and will feel in sync with the group dynamic. Party hearty or get serious. Muster support for a group project. Aqueerians are the most humanitarian of signs and you can enlist the help of others in your quest for good deeds and excellent times.

PISCES
FEBRUARY 20 - MARCH 20

The planets demand that you begin to concentrate on your career, pink Pisces. Transforming professional changes may be frightening but are often a good and necessary thing. Go with the flow and see where the fates lead you in your future success. Maintain a high confidence, you'll have to show the bastards what you are made of and I want you to win them over!

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ARE YOU GAY OR LESBIAN and someone else's drinking is getting to you. Call information and Referral about Al-Anon 881-1794 in Tucson info about special groups for Gays and Lesbians.

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.

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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.

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ARE YOU GAY OR BISEXUAL AND UNDER 21 YEARS OF AGE? The Gay Young Men's Project is now looking for volunteers for the project. We need people who want to help create a positive social change for young Gay men as well as reduce the risk for HIV infection. For more information please call the Tucson AIDS Project at 322-6226.

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Bowling

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winners will be part of the money going to the local ASO's and the Desert Leathermen Condom Fund.

Later Saturday evening, bowlers were treated to dinner at the Venture-N by Bert and enjoyed the chicken, sausages, and hamburgers that were offered at reasonable prices.

The Costume Ball and Halloween Carnival took place in the ballroom of the host hotel. The event was open to bowlers, their guests, and the community of Tucson. Winners split $500 in prize money, (raised by the HITT Committee). Winners of the Costume Ball were a showgirl, billed as "Shena"; "Naughty and Nice", dressed in black; Joe Carun was a third place overall and voted "Best Bowler Costume" as "Room Service".

Competition resumed Sunday morning at 9:00 A.M., with the Team event and marked the completion of the bowling schedule. The awards banquet was held under the trees on the lawn at the Ramada In University and was preceded by a social with hors d'oeuvres and Native American dancing, singing, and narration by Michael Spottedwolf and his friends. Trophies, (Kachina and Dream Catchers) and the announced cash awards were presented for the various categories.

SINGLES - First Place - Dan Legg, Phoenix, AZ 750, $300.00. DOUBLES - First Place - Val Sanders & Ted Armstrong, Phoenix, AZ, 1442, $600.00. TEAM - First Place - Brian Bell, Chris Munoz, James Pressley, Edmond Leung, Hollywood and L.A., California, 2745, $1,200.00.

All cash prizes were made completely from fund raising by the HITT '95 Committee and the prize fund for the Singles, Doubles and Team events was supplemented by approximately $1,000 from the HITT '95 Committee.

Tucsonans fared well at the tournament. Tournament Secretary, Randy Patch cashed in the Singles Event with a 688 score, seventh place, winning $60. Jack Stockslager finished 15th in singles, narrowly missing cashing by one pin. Jack Stockslager and Dick Beth finished 18th in doubles. The team of Jackie Merkle, Randy Patch, Cookie Martinez and Michelle Hill finished 13th in team.

Sunday evening, the inaugural Miss HITT contest was held in the ballroom if the Ramada Inn University. The event was a fund raiser for the Tucson ASO's and condom funds.

Rhonda, Alotta Hormones, Poka-hot-ass, and Dennis Vacca along with MC Mike "Versatile" Mahynske as Tina Turner, Roseanne and Catwoman $373 from tips and door donations. Dennis Vacca from Sherman Oaks warmed up the crowd with his stand up act. Alotta Hormones was crowned the winner, with Poka-hot-ass and Rhonda finishing as first and second runners up. Following the show, the cast was seen about town still raising money for the organizations.

All in all, the weekend was a big success. Out-of-towners were well received and shown warm Tucson hospitality. Large crowds of bowlers were in the bars and at the Desert Diamond Casino throughout tournament weekend. Good bowling scores were achieved and Golden Pin Lanes did an excellent job.

More than $8,000.00 was given out in prize funds and various awards throughout the weekend.

The winning ticket for the 50/50 drawing, worth $500 was held by Larry Devera who donated the money back to the tournament. Larry's donation will go directly to the monies to be presented to the ASO's and the condom fund.

Election

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Pima College. The Republican nominee is Bill King.

Shirley Scott, backed by The Observer, is a strong supporter of issues of concern to the community. Scott supports CDBG funding for the ASO's and Gay and Lesbian organizations; supports adopting a Domestic Partners Ordinance with benefits to Gay and Lesbian city employees; indicated support for Council action on H.B. 2085. Scott would go to Gay and Lesbian events without hesitation and supports the Anti-Discrimination ordinance, and the Anti-Hate Crimes Ordinance.

PROPOSITIONS

On the Tucson general election ballot, there are four propositions for city voters to consider.

Proposition 100 would give the mayor and council a 50 percent pay raise. The mayor would get a raise to $36,000 annually, up from the current salary of $24,000. Council members would get a raise to $18,000 annually, up from the current salary of $12,000.

Proposition 200, the most controversial of the ballot propositions would prohibit Tucson Water from using CAP Water as drinking water for a period of five years; thereafter permitting delivery if specified water quality standards are met.

Propositions 400 and 401 would grant telecommunications franchises to two Pima County communications services so that the two firms would be able to add "more lanes on the information superhighway."

City Vote is a non-binding presidential preference primary, whose goals is to have the candidates focus on issues of importance to urban voters. There are 21 candidates listed.

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$ Do You Want CHRISTMAS Cash Just for Dancing and Having Fun? $

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 19, 1995 - 2 p.m.

IN A 2-HOUR DANCE-A-THON

Bear Down Field on the U of A Campus

Dancers vote for your favorite charity. Non-participants can vote also by sending only $5.00 to Professional Dance Masters, 3661 N. Campbell Ave., #307, Tucson, AZ 85719. Vote for Tucson AIDS Project. Other choices include Casa de los Ninos, and Easter Seals. TICKETS ARE SOLD AT: UofA Park Mall, M-F, 11am-1pm (look for Dance-A-Thon Booth); Carl's Jr. 1001 N. Park Ave.; Yokohoma Rice Bowl, 850 E. Speedway; The Dance Connection or send check, money order or cashiers check to Professional Dance Masters at the address above..

NO PARTNER NEEDED - DANCE TO THE BEAT OF THE LATEST JAMS. Dance alone (all for one and one for all). Bring Friends, the more entries the bigger the cash-give-away.
The last 50 dancers dancing will win lots of cash - there will be

one 1st place winner
one 2nd place winner
one 3rd place winner
one 4th place winner
one 5th place winner
one 6th place winner

The rest of the cash prize money will be split between the 7th thru the 50th place winners..

$5,000.00 IS THE MINIMUM OF THE CASH PRIZES TO BE DIVIDED UP BETWEEN THE LAST 50 DANCERS. $1,000.00 IS THE MINIMUM FOR FIRST PLACE.

EARLY FEE ONLY: $25 PER PERSON IF PRE-PAID BY NOV. 1 - 15
Late entry fee Nov. 16th through 19th = $30.

DANCE TO HELP RAISE MONEY FOR YOUR FAVORITE CHARITY. In order to have this special event, a minimum number of entries is mandatory. Please read all entry rules carefully. Donation to be made to top charity selected.

HAVE FUN

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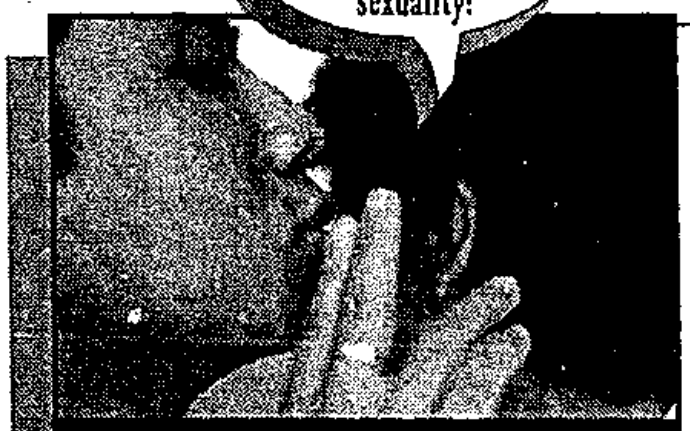
VOTING FOR CHARITY
All participants must vote for their favorite charity. At the end of this event the two CHARITIES with the highest votes, will split a CASH DONATION FROM THIS EVENT.

The Dance Connexion

THE DANCE CONNEXION
5536 East Grant Road, Tucson, AZ 85712
(520) 751-4555

For more information call Arthur at 322-6226

Have you ever talked about religion and sexuality?



Have you ever wanted to talk about religion and your sexuality? Here is an opportunity to do just that! St. Francis in the Foothills and the GYM Project have come together to provide a safe and exciting space for young people to have that opportunity.

GYM

When: Introductory discussion and registration (not a requirement to attend the weekend):
Friday, November 10, 1995
Weekend workshop will be:
Saturday and Sunday, November 18 & 19, 1995.

Where: Arizona Polarity Institute
3208 N. Tucson Blvd., Ste. B. (NE Corner of Tucson Blvd. and Ft. Lowell).

Time: 11/10/1995--5:30pm-6:30pm
11/18 & 19/1995--10:00am-5:00pm

Here's an Answer...Pass it on