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1996 Saguaro Regional Rodeo This Weekend

by Raul Almeraz
& Shelley O'Brien

TUCSON - Things are in order and ready to go for the 1996 Saguaro Regional Rodeo. Literally the only things still left to do is set up the rodeo grounds and wait for delivery.

Many activities are planned for this rodeo weekend. Walk-in volunteer sign up can still be done Friday, March 15, beginning at 6 P.M. at the Quality Inn Downtown.

To give everyone a rundown of the rodeo weekend agenda, here the highlights:

Volunteer and contestant registration will begin at 6 P.M. at the host hotel.

Friday kicks off the weekend with the Miller Country Jamboree at the Quality Inn Downtown.

On Saturday, Saguaro Dancefest '96 will begin at 8 P.M. with both AGRA and IGRA Royalty performing for your enjoyment. The Dancefest will take place at the Quality Inn Downtown, and go until 1 A.M.

There will be lots of dancing on a giant dance floor, great music for everyone's tastes, and don't forget to bring your wallets for all the great vendors from all around the country bringing in their wares.

The gates at the rodeo grounds will open officially for business, Saturday, 9 A.M. to kick off the rodeo weekend. Grand entry will be scheduled at 12 noon sharp.

Back at the hotel that evening, the partying and fun will begin at 8 P.M. and continue till 1 A.M. Don't miss out on meeting some great people from all over the country.

The Grand Entry at the rodeo will be held on Saturday and Sunday. At the Saturday Grand Entry, the Grand Marshall, Art Lewis, will be presented with his sash and reign as Grand Marshall for the remainder of the weekend.

The Sunday Grand Entry at the rodeo will be feature National Anthems and the Riderless Horse. Persons or groups interested in participating in grand entry should sign up no later than 10 A.M., with Pam Kelso at the rodeo grounds.

Sunday will continue with the rodeo arena gates opening at 9 A.M. and continuing till afternoon. The awards presentations will begin at 8 P.M. and the final night of dancing and entertainment will end at 1 A.M.

The Director of the 1996 Saguaro Regional Rodeo is Shelley O'Brien. Shelley said of the effort, "We are all proud of the support that we have been getting from current AGRA members and other members of the community with their willingness to volunteer for the weekend. Without the support of all the volunteers this truly would not be possible."

Tickets are on sale. $10 per day in advance or $12 at the gate. Your ticket for that day at the rodeo will also get you into the dance at the hotel. For more information call the AGRA Hotline, 323-0805.

New Executive Director For PACT

TUCSON - Marylee Pangman, newly on the scene from New York State, started at People with AIDS Coalition of Tucson (PACT) on March 4, 1996.

Marylee comes from over 16 years of not for profit experience in New York, mostly in the YWCA. "My partner and I knew we wanted to leave the Northeast and the climate. We toured around the country and the very first time we flew into Tucson, I knew this was it. As for being offered the position with PACT, after interviewing with several not for profit agencies, I knew this was the place for me", said Pangman.

Marylee began her tenure in the note for profit arena in the swimming pool of the YWCA. With a background in physical education and health education, she left the public school sector when jobs were at high risk and student motivation was low.

"I felt I wanted to make more of a difference in people's lives. When students do not want to be in class, I had very little impact in the limited 30 minutes a week that I interacted with them," she added.

Marylee quickly moved up within the ranks of the YWCA to Program Director, Associate Executive Director, and finally Executive Director in different associations.

During this time she also completed her Master's Degree in Human Service Management. "The program was based on humanistic philosophy and be-

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New Bar Gets 'Plugged" In Tucson

TUCSON - The Grand Ole Opry it ain't, hip and upscale it is.

The Plug, located at 2520 North Oracle, opened their doors for business to our community this past week. The bar had a terrific opening turnout to see Tucson's newest watering hole.

Pictured above is Plug owner Brian Kruger. The bar was formerly known as Club 2520, and the location is the only similarity between the two night spots.

The anticipated game room was not open during the first weekend, but it is expected to open before the official grand opening, which is expected to take place over the Easter holiday weekend.

There are some familiar faces behind the bar as well as some new ones.

Congratulations on an excellent remodeling job, and welcome to the Tucson night scene.

Hate Crimes Passes House Judiciary; But Time Is Running Out; "Just Say No Homos" Dies

by Mark R. Kerr
Observer Political Reporter

PHOENIX - S.B. 1078, the statewide hate crimes ordinance with full criminal penalties, continues to surprise pundits, but time is against the measure.

The hate crimes bill, sponsored by Tucson Senator Patti Noland (R), was heard this past week by the House Judiciary Committee, making it farther than any hate crimes proposal has ever made.

The Judiciary Committee took very little time in considering S.B. 1078. Only three persons testified in regards to the bill, all three in favor. Those testifying, all in favor, of note were Maricopa County Attorney, Jerry Landau, and State Senator Patti Noland.

After the three persons had testified, the vote was taken, with the result, seven in favor, four against. Tucson State Representative Elaine Richardson (D), who sits on the committee reacted swiftly.

"It surprise me too, the lack of negative testimony and the respective vote. I was very thrilled," Richardson said to this reporter.

Richardson commented, "Those who voted against the bill stated afterwards that it was 'sexual orientation'. Those oppose considered it a moral issue, and the Legislature should not condone it."

One of those who voted against the measure was Phoenix Representative, Robert Updike, of central Phoenix. Updike's district has a large Gay and Lesbian population, plus 22 Gay and Lesbian bars and two restaurants.

Updike stated the reason he voted against the measure was that a local Phoenix Gay and Lesbian newspaper had written derogatory comments about Updike, a Mormon. Quoting Updike, "The Gay newspapers bashed him."

The bill now goes to the States

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UPDATE

Community Business Association Formed Meeting March 21

TUCSON - Brad Sensenbach and Greg Hollman found it difficult to connect to the Gay and Lesbian business community when they moved to Tucson four years ago.

Sensenbach and Hollman began to network on their own. Every person that they spoke agreed that Tucson needed a Gay and Lesbian business networking group. After a year of talking about it, they created the Community Business Association.

Its mission is to supply a forum to the Lesbian and Gay business community for the purpose of networking to create increased visibility and strengthen business relationships.

Members of the Gay and Lesbian business community have estimated there are more than 200 Gay and Lesbian owned and operated companies in Tucson.

"There are a lot of Gay businessmen and Lesbian business-women in Tucson doing big business, but people don't realize it," Sensenbach said in an interview. "When you go into a card shop, or sit down to eat at a restaurant or go to a bank to get a loan, you may be doing business with a person who is Gay or Lesbian."

"Not only is it often invisible to the straight community, it is often invisible to us in the Gay and Lesbian community as well," Sensenbach said in an interview.

About 35 people attended the organization's first monthly breakfast meeting held in February.

The Community Business Association will meet every third Thursday of the month. The March meeting will take place on March 21, 7:30 A.M. at the Eclectic Cafe.

Memberships are $20.00 annually. Guests may attend, with a max of two meetings, at a cost of $5 per each meeting. For more information about the Association, call Greg Hollman at 577-8333.

TLGA To Be In St. Patrick's Day Parade

TUCSON - The Tucson Lesbian/Gay Alliance (TLGA) has been invited to participate in this year's St. Patrick's Day Parade.

The parade will begin at 11:00 A.M. on March 17, 1996. TLGA requests that the community joins in to help make our presence in Tucson known and to support the Irish.

Feel free to walk with TLGA in the parade by meeting no later than 10:00 A.M. in the staging area at 17th Street and Arizona, which is between Fifth and Sixth Avenues on 17th Street.

We will be entry #358. If you prefer not to be in the parade. TLGA looks forward to seeing you on the sidelines in support as we pass by!

For more information, call the OUTline at (520) 622-3200.

Tucson Gay Mentor Project Forming

TUCSON - The AIDS Prevention Collaboration has recently received funding to develop a Gay mentor project in Tucson.

This exciting program is one of only a handful in the entire country! The project is presently seeking volunteers as mentors and mentees.

Mentees are Gay/Bisexual young adult males age 16-25. Mentees will have the opportunity to spend time with an adult who acts as a friend, supporter and resource person.

Mentors are adult Gay/Bisexual males who enjoy spending time with young people who can provide leadership and model positive qualities of life. Mentors will complete a detailed screening process, and orientation and training.

Mentors and mentees will be matched and have the opportunity to spend quality time together weekly. Monthly informational meetings will also take place.

For further information, or to volunteer for the project, contact Keith at 770-1710.

Wingspan Benefit Is 'Censored' At The Invisible Theater

by Bruce Corey

TUCSON - The Invisible Theater will hold a benefit performance for Wingspan on Sunday, March 24. The play, Censored - The Story of Kathe Kollwitz, is a world premiere presentation written by Alvin J. Schnupp.

This evocative drama is a portrait of Kathe Kollwitz, a world renowned German artist and human rights activist. The play, set in 1936, centers on the Nazi ordered destruction of her art work, an underground artist's attempt to save it, and the Gay son of the German official who labeled the art degenerate and ordered it's destruction.

Public forums that include lectures, seminars and public discussion will be held at various times during the play's run. The facilitators of the forums will be distinguished lecturers and administrators who will examine the play from different perspectives.

This world premiere is presented as part of The Invisible Theater's Women's History Month. Wingspan is happy to offer the community the opportunity to see this important drama.

This benefit performance for Wingspan is on Sunday, March 24, at 2 P.M., at the Invisible Theater, 1400 North First Avenue. Tickets are priced at $12 each, $10 for current Wingspan members. To get your tickets, call or stop by Wingspan, 422 North Fourth Avenue, 624-1779. Visa/MC accepted.

PACT

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coming a change agent. This meshed well with my style of working with people at the grassroots level and my desire to make a difference," she said.

Marylee's skills are many including communication, human resources, grants writing, and building collaborations. Along with her management experience and administrative skills, she sees the challenges facing PACT as opportunities.

Marylee is empathetic to the healing process that needs to go on with the loss of Jerome Beillard, the previous Executive Director.

Said Marylee, "What is also on everyone's mind now is the reduced funds through Ryan White. Now is the time to explore not so much of what services we provide to our clients and the community but how we get our job done. With the strong resources available to us through staff, volunteers, and our supporters we have options. It is a matter of everyone coming together and planning for today, tomorrow and the future."

"The collaborative effort that currently exists between PACT, TAP, and Shanti is terrific. I am thrilled that I will be a part of this endeavor and look forward to working with everyone on how we can serve the clients better. I believe in collaborations whole heartedly. Through these partnerships, we are able to wisely use our resources and seek excellence in all that we do", she commented.

If you have not yet had an opportunity to meet Marylee, stop by PACT. Quoting Marylee, "My door is open to everyone in our community."

Surfing with Cyber-Queers

by Anne C. Schmitt

A short note this week. I got stuck with jury duty, so lots of things had to slide.

The stats are in... and they are great! In the three weeks online, we have grown by leaps and bounds. The first week we pulled in a little over 300 hits on the Electronic Observer. The second week we passed at a thousand and the third week (when we had just nailed down our web address) we pulled over 2,000 visits to the Electronic Observer!

And this is just a tiny glimpse of what there is yet to come. These were numbers before we got listed with some search engines and some of those don't have us active yet because of their own backlog. So, the majority of these numbers are local or via information passed from here to there. That alone makes it worth it. Now the fun begins.

And appropriately enough, the"Visit Us In Tucson" page is going up this week. This is where we, as a community, can promote Tucson and Southern Arizona as a Gay resort. Just think of what we have to offer...

I got some e-mail that a few folks are having problems with graphics on their AOL Web Browser. The problem is that AOL has the worst browser in existence. Try the 'no pictures' option... I hear they will be adding Netscape and another browser from Microsoft, in the very near future... then you will be able to get everything just fine.

Until next week... see ya in my Cyber Dreams.

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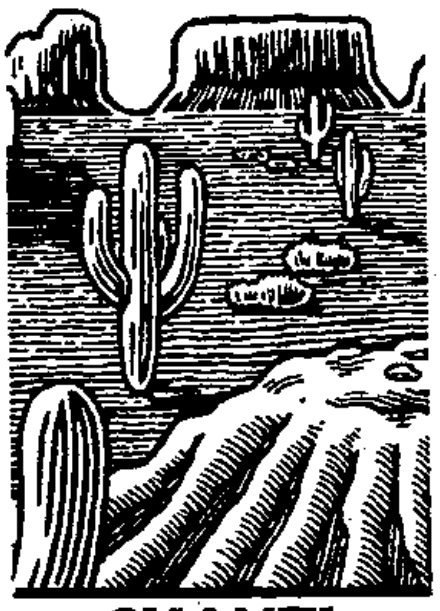

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Navy Fights To Keep Gay Sailor by Stephen Chrysler

SAN DIEGO, CA - A three year struggle by a Gay sailor seeking to lead a normal life ended early this year with the man happy to be discharged in a bizarre story that began with a national TV appearance in 1993 and involved the Navy trying to keep an acknowledged homosexual in the closet and serving the Navy against his will.

Dr. Lieutenant Rochat gets a "Navy illegal" hug from his lover.
PHOTO: Chrysler/CHRLABS

Dr. Lieutenant John Rochat, who now does AIDS clinical research at the University of Southern California campus Hospital, appeared on the national news television show, 48 HOURS, on April 4, 1993, while he was still serving in the U.S. Navy. At that time, Rochat was also co-chair of a large Gay athletic organization call Frontrunners and explained that he granted the television interview about Gay lifestyles thinking that President Clinton would soon be successful removing the ban against Gays in the military.

After the show aired, he slowly began to experience on the job harassment from more and more people at the massive Balboa Naval Hospital where he worked as knowledge of his homosexuality spread. Further, when the ban wasn't lifted and "don't ask, don't tell" was announced, he began fearing for his job. Years passed, the harassment grew, but the Navy pretended not to know that Dr. Lt. Rochat was Gay.

"HOWEVER, WHEN IT COMES TO CANNON FIRE GAY BODIES SEEM TO DO."

Bridget Wilson, an attorney that specializes in Military law, handles many Gay and Lesbian problems with the military. She spoke of the "Helpful Homo Exception", an unwritten military code that doesn't see homosexuality as a threat as long as the Gay person is needed by the military. If the homosexual is in an easy to replace position, they have been discharged as quickly as in 48 hours from being found out.

On the other hand, she has seen doctors held in the military even though they have formally admitted being Gay. She also spoke of a young man in the process of being kicked out of the military against his will, suddenly having his discharge stopped and being ordered to the Gulf War because of his unique knowledge of middle eastern languages. According to Wilson his orders to war also stated that, if he survived the war, his discharge would continue when he returned.

"However, when it comes to cannon fire, Gay bodies seem to do," said Wilson, who explained that besides physicians, and others with special skills, Gays also seem okay to the military in times of war. Other military people who had admitted homosexuality before the gulf war were surprised that they were ordered to the Gulf war, even though they were "inactive" and awaiting discharge for being Gay.

On June 1, 1995, over two years after coming out as Gay on network television, Rochat finally sent in a formal statement of his homosexuality and a long sincere explanation to Rear Admiral Nelson, Commander of the Balboa Naval Medical Center.

Part of that letter reads, "I am asked regularly about my sexual orientation in various ways. Some probably do not recognize they are doing this, but many certainly do. I am asked why I am single, 'who the lucky girl is,' and whether I plan to get married. I am asked to join colleagues at heterosexual bars that I feel uncomfortable in, and then questioned why I decline some of these invitations, as evidence that I am not a 'team player.'

"I have been repeatedly berated by previous department heads for not attending such functions as the Department Christmas party, where everyone brings their significant other. These issues force me to hide a fundamental part of my identity, or even lie, which is something I am no longer willing to do and something I was taught that officers are supposed to be above.

"Additionally, I regularly face situations where individuals openly trivialize and outright derogate homosexuals, and I am constrained in how I can respond by the current Department of Defense policy on homosexual conduct. If I am to respond to the derogatory comments, I want people to know that they are talking about me and that I take personal offense at the stereotypes and disrespect."

Rochat had already found a new position outside the military, and his lover, also a physician, fully supported him in ending the charade and leaving the military. The June 1 letter had been painfully written over the previous two months with the aid of Dixon Osborne at the Servicemen's Legal Defense Network in Washington, D.C. What happened next

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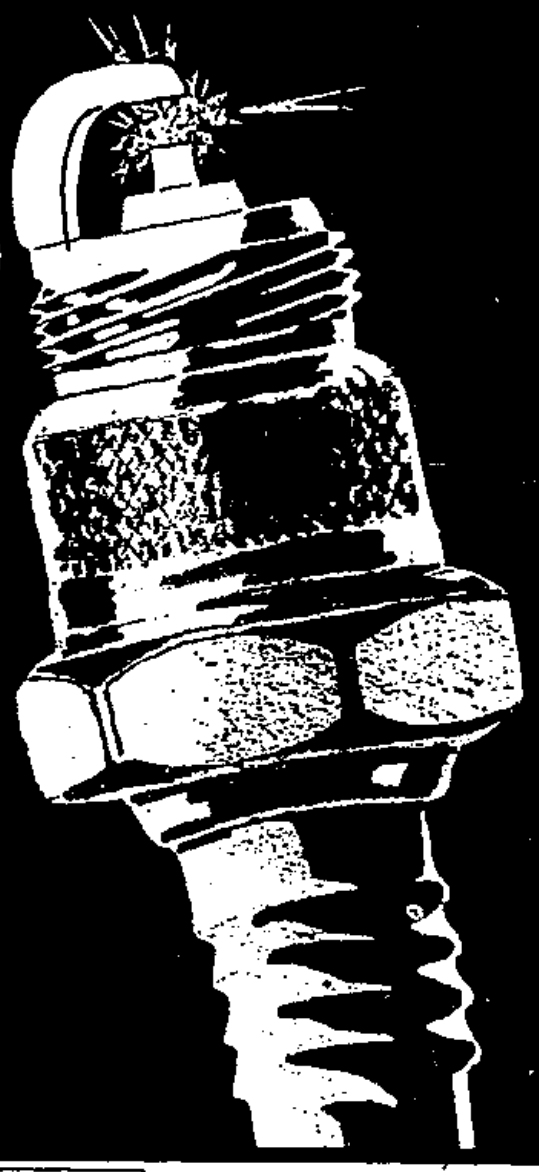

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POLITICS 1996

By MARK R. KERR

"Big Hair And More Shoulder Pads"

"As Arizona goes, so goes the nation" is a statement, Republican elected officials, who spent $4 million of your tax dollars on AZSHAM, the presidential primary where only rich Republicans could vote, and the rest of us sat on the sidelines.

Yes, the winner was the choice of the underwhelming electorate, Liz Taylor's friend, multi-zillionaire, Stevie Forbes. Forbes had back to back victories, winning Delaware days earlier. Feel the big "Mo"!

Well, the rest of the nation didn't buy the bull of the above mentioned statement. Kansas Senator Bob "Older than dirt!" Dole won the next ten straight primaries, piling up the delegates.

After all this, former Tennessee Governor's Lamar "Alexander's Rag Time Band" quit, citing bad record sales. Joining Alexander on the sideline were "charismatic" Indiana Senator Dick Lugar, and "articulate" businessman Morry Taylor.

Little Stevie and the evil Pat "God, Guns, and Heterosexuality!" Buchanan have stated there in it for the long haul. Buchanan ended Dole's streak when he got the "Mo", Missouri caucuses.

But Super Tuesday just about finished the story! The "older than dirt" Kansas Senator, Bob Dole won all of the primaries and caucuses, picking up most of the 362 delegates....

This past week, Arizona Democrats held their presidential caucuses, at a cost of under $10,000. To no ones surprise, President Bill Clinton was the winner of the contest with over 96 percent of the vote.

An underwhelming turnout of less than two percent of Arizona Democrats went to the 83 polling places across the state to vote. Clinton will get all 59 of Arizona's delegates at the national convention, which will take place in Chicago....

The fight to overturn the mandated discrimination against military service members who test positive for HIV continues. According to David Smith of the Human Rights Campaign, H.R. 2959 continues to pick up more support in the House of Representatives.

Over 133 Representatives have signed on to the bill as of press time. To note, Arizona Congressman Ed Pastor (D-CD 2), has now signed on as a co-sponsor. The companion measure in the Senate will be officially introduced tomorrow, by the sponsors, Senators Cohen of Maine, and Kennedy of Massachusetts....

The Employment Non-Discrimination Act (ENDA) still has life in it. According to David Smith of the Human Rights Campaign, ENDA is just one vote shy of making it out of the Senator Labor Relations Committee. PFLAG is planning a rally in the nation's capitol and to lobby senators to support S.1863....

In Arizona, two pieces of legislation of concern to the Gay and Lesbian community made news this past week. [See accompanying story.] S.B. 1078, the statewide hate crimes ordinance with full criminal penalties was heard by the House Judiciary Committee and was approved by a vote of 7 to 4.

The bill now faces its biggest hurdle yet, it now goes to the House States Rights and Mandates Committee, chaired by Mesa Republican, Jeff Groscost. Groscost stated in an interview this past week that the bill made not be heard. Thus severely damaging its chances for success.

We need to call Rep. Groscost, and urge him to hear the bill. Even if the bill does not have the votes, it should be heard, because the bill has come so far, due primarily to Tucson Senator, Patti Noland (R). Call 1-800-352-8404, ask for Rep. Groscost's office, and leave a message urging him to hear S.B. 1078.

If that does not happen, capitol sources state that attempts will be made to keep the bill alive through parliamentary procedures, to get S.B. 1078 to the governor's desk.

H.B. 2202, the "Just Say No Homos" bill, the Religious Right's attempt to misinform school children about sex, AIDS, sexuality, and contraceptives died this past Monday. The bill was heard by the Senate Education Committee and was voted down by a six to two margin. Chalk one up for moderation, of sorts....

Rumors had been swirling around the state capitol that Tucson Gay Republican, Ron St. John's plans to run for the State House of Representatives were dead, and he was not going to be a candidate. But in an interview, St. John told this reporter that, "Rumors of the demise of my candidacy are greatly unfounded!" St. John plans to kick off his bid in April...

What would a column be without some news about our old "Alcalde de Tucson"! Mayor George Miller has been on a tear recently; forcing Ward 6 Council Member Molly McKasson out of the offices they shared on the ninth floor of City Hall; forcing the City Council to support a proposed downtown baseball stadium, despite county government supporting a site by Kino Hospital. The old man has been on a tear!

But wait! Mayor Miller latest coup was to have the Mayor's office remodeled. But Miller's project has been halted by the City's Development Services Corporation, due to the fact Miller had not secured the proper permits before construction could commence. You make the regulations and paperwork, you have to do them! It seems that the City's Facilities Design Department blithely approved Miller's request, without doing their job. Yes the mayor is human too, and has to follow cumbersome rules. Pity!

And speaking of cross! The Pima County Board of Supervisors are not to happy with the "Old Alcalde" and his maneuvers for a downtown baseball stadium.

In fact, this could work wonders of Pima County Gays and Lesbians in the tune of a domestic partner's ordinance and domestic partner's coverage for county employees. According to Supervisor Dan Eckstrom, the proposals are in the discussion stage. More in future editions....

This reporter was accosted by that same haughty employee, probably a temp and a member of the Celeste Gonzales Fan Club, from KGUN-TV. "Bang, bang!", over an item in last week's column. The

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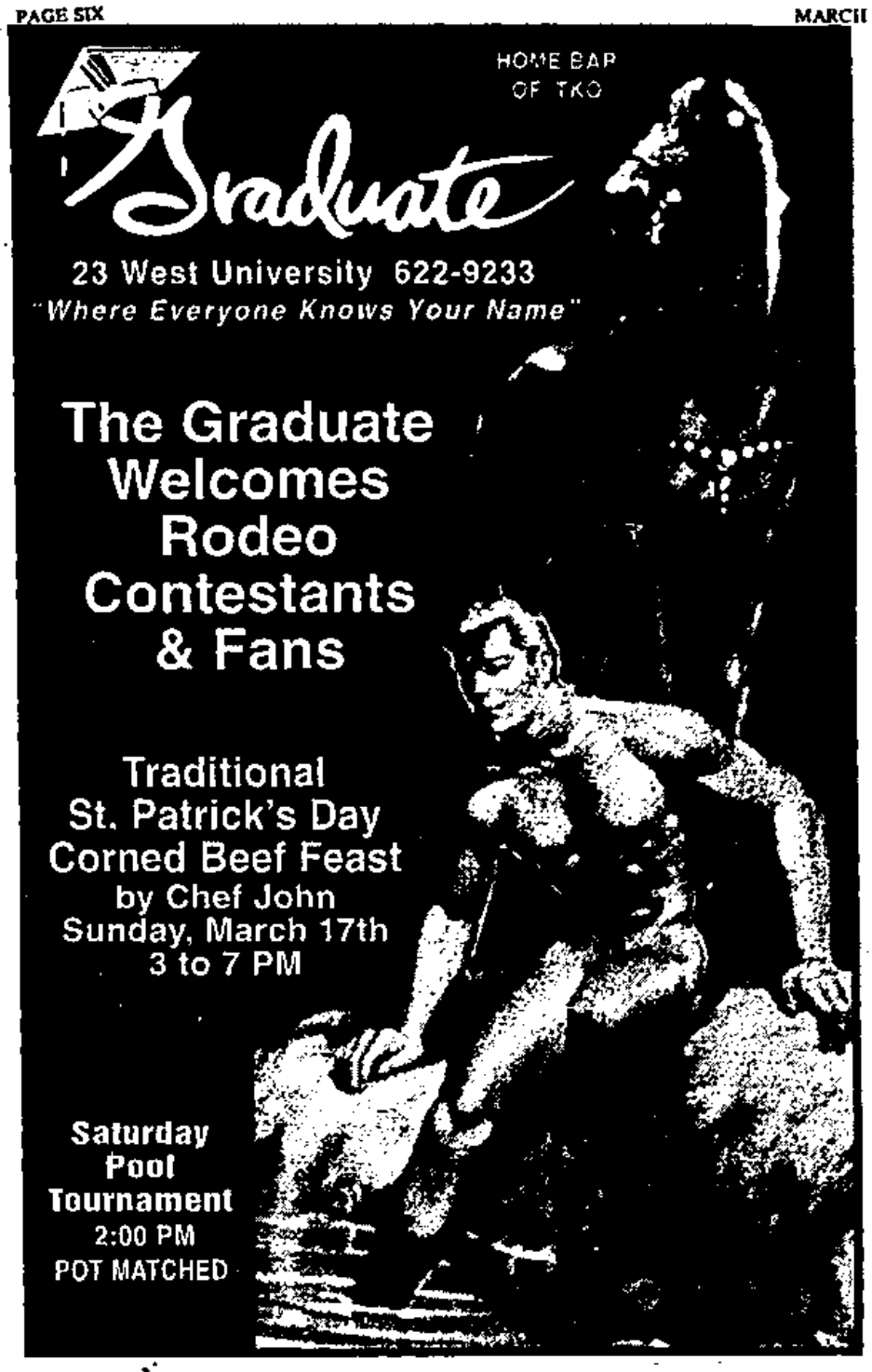

HOME ON THE RANGE WITH AGRA-TUCSON

by Raul Almeraz

Hee Haw! It's rodeo time in the Old Pueblo! Hope everyone is ready to rodeo because its going to be a great time. Lots to see and do and plenty of Cowboys and Cowgirls for everyone to see and do.

First off, lets promo this baby! The Saguaro Regional Rodeo is this upcoming weekend. Friday kicks off the weekend with the Miller Country Jamboree at the Quality Inn Downtown.

Saturday starts slack events at 9 A.M. till the afternoon. In the evening, Saguaro Dancefest '96 also at the hotel and on till 1 A.M.

Sunday will be the final day of competition beginning at 9 A.M. continuing till the afternoon as well. Sunday evening is everyone's last chance to party at the Saguaro Barn Dance back at the hotel. The presentation of awards will begin at approximately 8 P.M. at the hotel ballroom. We ask that all buckle sponsors be on hand if at all possible so you may present your buckle to the winning contestant.

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It's still not late too late to volunteer. If you are interested in volunteering please contact volunteer coordinator Cindy Chamberlain through the AGRA office of through her pager and leave her a voice mail at number, 629-6869 and she will return your call. If you are interested in volunteering for the AGRA table please leave me a voice mail message on my pager as well and I will return your call as soon as I can. My pager number is 512-9696.

As many of you know, AGRA - Tucson Board of Directors met with the AGRA-Phoenix board and the AGRA - State board for a five hour meeting to straighten some loose ends, (No pun intended!) Everyone will be receiving the updates and details of the meeting at a later date. Once the meeting was finally over, we did get the chance to party and promote Saguaro Regional Rodeo. Everyone is buzzing with the thought of rodeo for this weekend.

As usual, Raul goes to Phoenix for the weekend and there I was just minding my own business and suddenly I'm in the middle of rumors. The first with a former IGRA royalty, and the other with some handsome, muscular hunk. I miss all the action. As for our President, never a bride, always a bridesmaid.

Until next time, everyone play and rodeo safe. See everyone out at the rodeo!

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person was offended that I had said they had been guilty of bad coverage in regards to AZSHAM.

But I ask them, "Did they put up disclaimers or do local interruptions during ABC's national coverage of the returns? Did they cut off the ABC News program 'Nightline', or have someone go on from KGUN and say this was not the case?"

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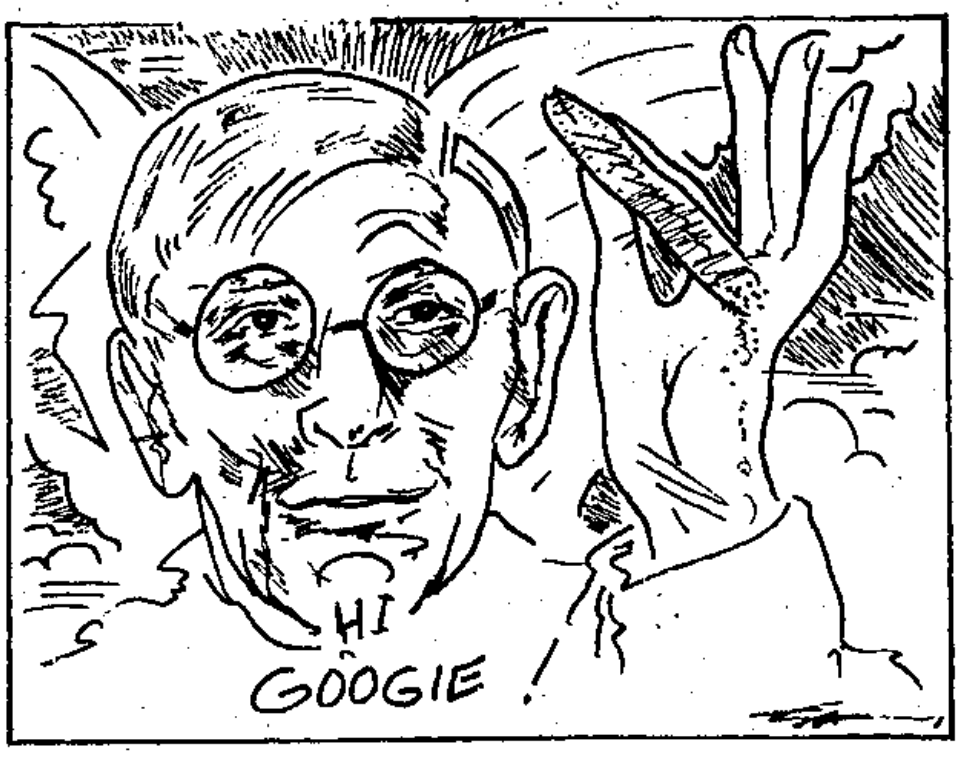

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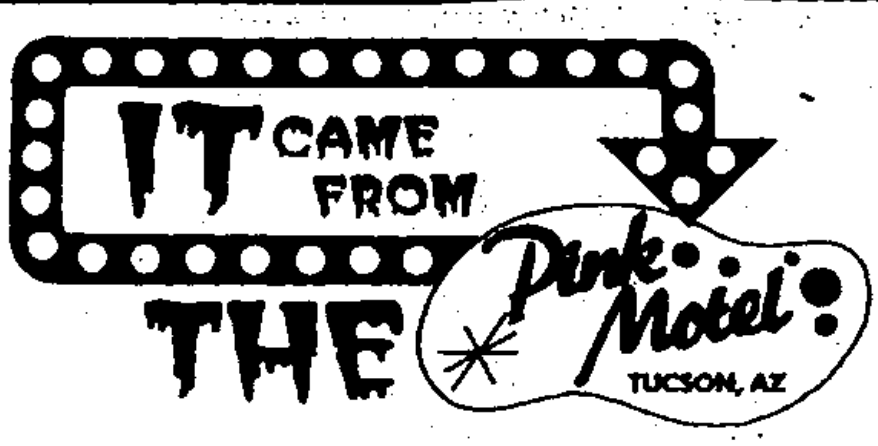

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Los diferentes virus atacan diferentes tipos de células. El virus de la Inmunodeficiencia humana (VIH) ataca los globulos blancos, específicamente el tipo denominado célula CD4 ó célula T4. A medida que las células CD4 mueren, el sistema inmune se debilita y el cuerpo queda expuesto a una gran variedad de infecciones. Entre estas infecciones se incluyen las provocadas por bacterias, hongos y protozoos, que con frecüencia se encuentran en el cuerpo pero no causan problemas en personas con un sistema inmune sano y normal. Mientras que una persona sana tiene normalmente más de 500 células CD4 por milímetro cúbico de sangre (rango promedio: 800-1,200 células CD4/mm3), la infección provocada por el VIH genera disminución gradual en la cantidad de estas células durante unos años, lo cual puede llevar al desarrollo del Síndrome de Inmunodeficiencia Adquirida (SIDA).

Contra la mayoría de los virus, el sistema inmune produce substancias llamadas anticuerpos. Estos anticuerpos están diseñados para destruir ese virus en particular. Sin embargo, el sistema inmune no puede combatir con éxito el VIH dado que este virus ataca el sistema mismo.

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Creo que está contestada tu pregunta mi camarada; si todavia hay alguna duda, no dejes de hacerla a cualquier de las personas que aparecen al final de la COLUMNA ABIERTA O.K.?

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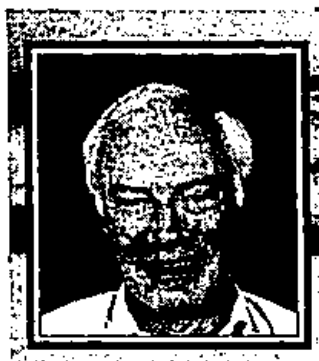

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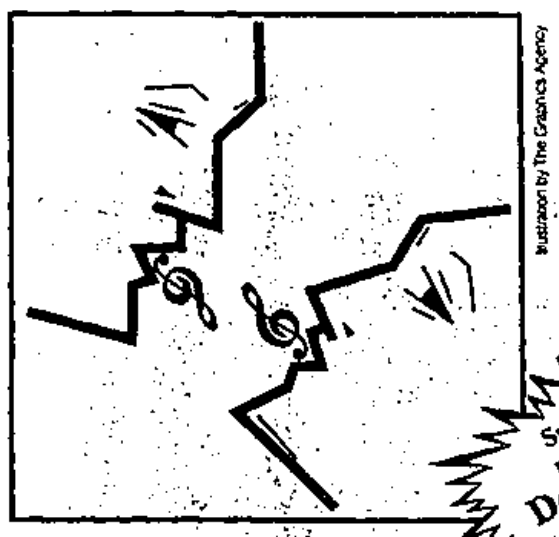

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DEAR READERS:

We would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone who attended the "Gaylywed Game" show, that took place at IBT's.

We would also like to give a special thanks to the contestants for whom, between collecting donations, and the auctions which brought in $2,179 for the Shanti Food Pantry! Annie Schmitt/Jaime Ball, Larry Moore/David Lefton, Alex Sierra/Scott Sayer, and Ernie Gutierrez/Richard Nicholas.

A special last minute thanks goes out to Chris and Tom for filling an unexpected void! Also, we would like to thank everyone who helped make this a successful and entertaining event: Sid, Joey, Shaffer, Chris and Scott. Thank you guys!

A very, very special thank you goes out to Miss Gilda Fatale for hosting the show and for coming up with those most impossible questions! Thank you very much, Gilda!

Last but not least, thank you Dave & Frank for allowing us the use of IBT's!

Thank you Tucson for your ongoing support!

Steve & Roland

EDITOR:

Not long before the turn of the New Year, a grand old bar changed hands, and the place "where everyone knows your name" just ain't the same. Just ask the regulars that aren't there. We were told they wouldn't change the bar too much. But this, like the promise of a politicians was written on the wind. Little by little, the changes came: an increase in drink prices, new bartenders, and of course, a different clientele.

This quiet neighborhood bar which was like a "home" to many people is fast becoming a bar which isn't quite so friendly, mostly towards women. I believe I speak from experience. But this isn't the only reason I believe this. I have heard that a lot of "regulars" have been "asked to leave" or have not returned of their own accord for various reasons.

At this point, it all boils down to the clientele. But tell me, where is the logic in splitting an established clientele from one bar with a "new" bar that came with its own clientele at the time of purchase? Discrimination can be very expensive. Especially in a community where there is no room for discrimination, like the Lesbian and Gay community everywhere. There is enough separation between "our family" and the straight world. Why do this to ourselves? Gay life is difficult at best. The bars that are "mixed" in Tucson, have a patronage which seems harmonious. Do we now sit quietly and let a few tyrannical bar owners whose business practices include discrimination tell us who can be friends on the basis of gender?

You know, I wouldn't be so pissed of if the hired help hadn't gotten so physical with my lover. Maybe he had to do it because she's so butch.

One last though. If this happened in a "straight" establishment towards a Gay person, there would be cries of civil rights violations. Just something to ponder.

Name withheld by request.

[ED NOTE: Because the above letter is anonymous, Observer felt only fair to allow the owner the accused establishsment a chance to offer a rebuttal].

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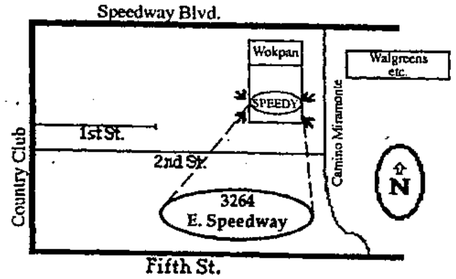

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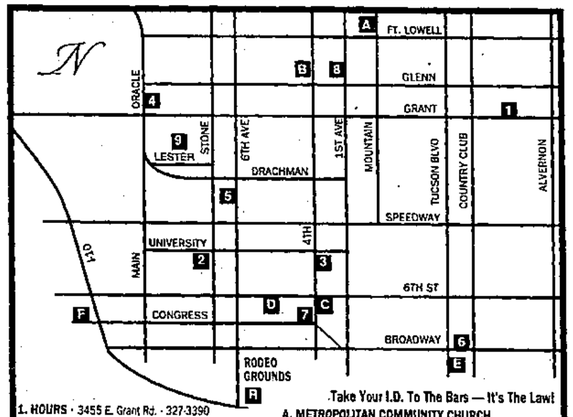

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BY DR. BOB

Can Gay Dreams Come True?

What do we Gay men need right now? What is missing, what needs to be improved in our lives together? Where is the direction of our growth as a community and as people? The funny thing is that, if you listen to us talk at parties, bars, or at friends' houses, you would think that nothing is missing in our lives. Everything's great! We talk about clothes, bodies, hair, entertainment, sex...Gay life's a beach! Personal growth? The only personal growth I need is watching my muscles grow at the gym. Learning how to build community? Honey, the parks and the bars are all the community I need! Having feelings of sadness? I know a doctor who will give you Prozac without any questions. Gay men never seem to admit that there could ever be anything we need to learn, anything that could be improved. Is this because everything's perfect, or because we don't have enough hope or self-confidence to even try to change?

From the tone of our conversations, you would never guess, for example, that there is a killer plague wiping us out. You would never guess, from hearing us talk, that so many of us have seen lovers or friends suffer and die in their twenties, thirties, forties. You would never guess, because we don't talk about it. You would never guess that one out of five of us go home, take our medications, look in the mirror and wonder how much longer we have to live, not having a soul we can talk to about it. Gay men don't want to hear about AIDS. That's why AIDS is spreading so fast: men won't talk about it so as to keep it in our awareness. We think we're safer by ignoring it. Guess again! Not to mention the suffering that HIV-positive men go through when people treat their condition as shameful, unable to be mentioned.

What if we had a place to go to where it was OK to be less than gym-perfect, less than hair-perfect, where you could actually talk about what's important to you, talk about what you think about as you're falling asleep at night? A place where you could actually reach out to your fellow Gay brothers and talk to them as if they were, like you, worthy human beings? Worthy human beings who might be really cute, really sexy, but worthy human beings all the same? Like straight men who have a hard time respecting women, we have a hard time regarding the objects of our sexual desire as worthwhile human beings. There's people, on the one hand, and sex objects, on the other. This is really sick in my book. It reflects that we have a low opinion of our sex drives, unable to fathom that sexual desire may be a wholesome thing, and that desiring someone is actually the same thing as respecting them, unless you think of sexuality as just selfishly plugging a hole and ramming away until you shoot. Desire and love are the same energy for men who are whole within themselves. Sexual shame is for men who don't yet realize this, and feel their sex drive is dirty. For some of us, that's what makes sex sexy: the fact that it's forbidden. But, thinking in evolutionary terms, sex was around, and sex was sexy, long before it was forbidden.

What if there were places where we could be totally ourselves as Gay men, including our sexual desires and activities, but also feel good about ourselves as spiritual beings? Places where we could have intellectual conversations when we wanted to? Places where we all held each other accountable for having honest relationships with each other, where lying and betrayal were discouraged by the community consensus? Where we looked out for each other instead of sacrificing each other? Where we would be open to learning skills that enhanced our closeness, our happiness, and our spiritual growth? Where we could work on developing our sexual skill and our sexual wisdom in the most positive ways? Where we could feel support when we were low, and feel generous when we had something to give? Where we could even hope for growth as people as time passes?

Allow yourself to develop this fantasy, because that's where new realities begin: as fantasies. Modern psychology has tools for enhancing personal happiness and our relationships. It would be nice if the Gay community could begin to make use of these tools. Some of us are in therapy, of course, but rarely is it therapy that really is full-bloodedly Gay, that envisions Gay erotic spiritual community. Rarely is it therapy that aggressively aims at actual release from dysfunctional patterns in a short amount of time. Most therapy (and religion) is invested in keeping you sick, since that's how the therapist (priest) makes money.

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[Robert Feldhaus, Ph.D. is a Gay healer and visionary leader here in Tucson. If you would like to talk with Dr. Bob, please call him at 623-1732.]

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I leave you with this in mind: "When I was born, I was so surprised, I didn't talk for a year and a half!" - Gracie Allen

A View From The Rock

A Commentary From Cornerstone Fellowship

"There is no God." If you saw this statement in a book, what kind of book do you think it would be? One on evolution? Perhaps a treatise by a philosophy professor? Maybe a book authored by a well known atheist? It may surprise you to know that this statement is found in the Bible, not once, but two times in the Old Testament book of Psalms, chapter 14 verse 1 and chapter 53 verse 1. Does this statement mean that all the Christian beliefs about God and his son, Jesus Christ are in error and are completely opposed to what the Bible really teaches? Absolutely not! What it does demonstrate is that a person can prove almost anything by pulling a small part of one verse out of the contest in which it was written and quoting it as "what the Bible says". You see, if you read the complete verse, of which I quoted just a small part above, you would discover it reads, "The fool says in his heart, 'There is no God.' They are corrupt, their deeds are vile; there is no one who does good." (Psalm 14:1 and 53.1) That makes quite a difference, doesn't it? In fact, you could say that the entire verse means something completely different from the small part which was quoted at the beginning of this column!

There are many people today who make a practice of quoting small segments of the Bible to prove their point, whatever that point be. The first group of people which come to mind are those who "prove" from Scripture that God hates those in the Lesbian and Gay community and has condemned us to hell. As has been shown in previous columns, this belief is exposed as completely false when all the Scriptures regarding homosexuality are closely examined. (If you missed part or all of the series on the Bible and homosexuality or would like a complete copy of it, you are welcome to call Cornerstone Fellowship at 622-4626 and leave your name and address on the answering machine, along with a request for the booklet, "From Darkness into Light: What the Bible Really Says About Homosexuality. A copy of this free 24 page booklet will be sent to you.)

But there are many others, both individuals as well as groups, who use the Bible as their source for believing many different ideas. When they are challenged, these people point to a single verse or small portion of Scripture which they claim "proves" their point.

The first four words of the Bible are "In the beginning God..." Since God was "in the beginning" then only God can know what complete truth is. He could have chosen to keep all knowledge to himself, leaving humanity to flounder around as best we could, not knowing anything of value. But he chose to give us his written word, so that we could know him and his great love for us. However, he didn't give us just a few words, or a few chapters, or even a few books. He gave us his complete word which is made of 66 books in the Old and New Testaments. Not all of it is easy to understand, but many times as one part of the Bible is read, it sheds light on something in another part. The important thing is to remember is that it is all important. We should never be satisfied to read just a verse, or a chapter, about any one subject. If we want to know the entire truth about a subject, we need to read everything God has to say about it. We shouldn't trust what a TV preacher, or our friend, or even a column such as this, has to say about any subject unless it agrees with what we read in Scripture.

Do you want to know what the Bible really says? Read it for yourself!

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SPORTS

History Made In City Tourney; Bowler Shoots 800 Series; Lambda Lizards Still Need Two

TUCSON - Who would have thought a historical first in the Tucson City Bowling Tournament would come from one of the Gay and Lesbian leagues in the Old Pueblo.

But it has! Ann Richardson, who bowls in the Lambda Lizards league, that bowls on Fridays at Golden Pin Lanes, became the first woman to win a singles event in the 52 year history of the Tucson City Tournament. Ann, with a 173 average, won the Division B Scratch Singles, with scores of 244-217-207, a total of 668. Tournament Secretary Bernie Weber confirmed this last week.

When asked, Ann stated that it was a personal best. Ann finished in the top ten in the overall singles competition with her score of 668, plus a handicap of 136 pins for a total of 804. Ann had led in the overall singles standings, but it took a couple of 300 games and a 790 scratch series plus handicap to edge her out.

Observer reporter, and avid bowler Mark Kerr commented on Ann's feat. "It was fabulous! We bowled on the same team for the tourney, and she was in a zone. It is great that it was Ann who was the first woman to win at the City Tournament. It was a honor to bowl with her, and I hope to bowl with her again in the upcoming state tournament, which takes place in Tucson. Ann is one heck of a tournament bowler!"

In the Desert Coyotes bowling league, Tucson's Gay and Lesbian Wednesday league, Jeff Thompson achieved something many bowlers dream of. Jeff bowled a tremendous 800 series, 817 to be exact.

Jeff also came close to bowling back to back 300 games. In his second game, he strung the first nine, but was robbed in the tenth frame, when he left the ten pin. He finished with 279. In the third game, he strung the first ten, but on the eleventh ball, he left the ten pin again, finishing with 289. Congratulations Jeff on the great bowling.

The Lambda Lizards, Tucson's Gay and Lesbian Friday night bowling league just has two openings left. The cost to bowl is only $9. The league starts at 6:30 P.M. For more information call 798-1549.

Shootin Around Town

by Wayne Steele

TUCSON - Here are the listings of the Pool Tournaments and their winners and standings:

Ain't Nobody's Biz #1, 3/5/96. First place - Janet, $32.00. Second place - Kim, $13.00. Third place - Chris, $ 9.00.

The Graduate, 3/9/96. First Place - Larry LL. Second Place - Ruth EL. Third Place - Mike WC.

Stonewall / Eagle, 3/10/96. Pot - $ 100.00. First Place - Cynthia MD, $50.00. Second Place - Kaye SF, $30.00. Third Place - Richard NB, $20.00.

Hate Crimes Passes House Judiciary

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Rights and Mandates Committee, chaired by Mesa Republican, Jeff Groscost. Normally, a bill after its second read, through the respective committee, goes to the Rules Committee. House Speaker Mark Killian assigned it to two committees, an unprecedented move, in an attempt to thwart the measure.

Also going against the bill is time. Next week is the deadline for respective committees to hear legislation. The meeting of the States Rights Committee scheduled for this week was canceled. The reason given was the wrangling over the proposed state budget for the upcoming fiscal year.

Tucson State Representative Marion Pickens (D), a strong proponent of the bill, commented on the situation of S.B. 1078, "This is a clear attempt to kill the measure. S.B. 1078 should be brought to the floor, the Committee of the Whole to discuss the merits of the proposed hate crimes ordinance."

The Senate Education Committee, this past Monday, said no to "Just Say No Homos".

H.B 2202, the Religious Rights attempt to misinform school children about sex, sexuality, AIDS, contraceptives, and force feed abstinence was defeated, by a vote of six to two before the Education Committee.

Opponents of the proposal said it went to far in cementing guidelines that deal with sex education programs. "H.B. 2202 was going to be a gag rule for sexuality educators," said Renee Guillory, a spokesperson for Arizona Right to Choose, in an interview. The Senate Education Committee agreed.

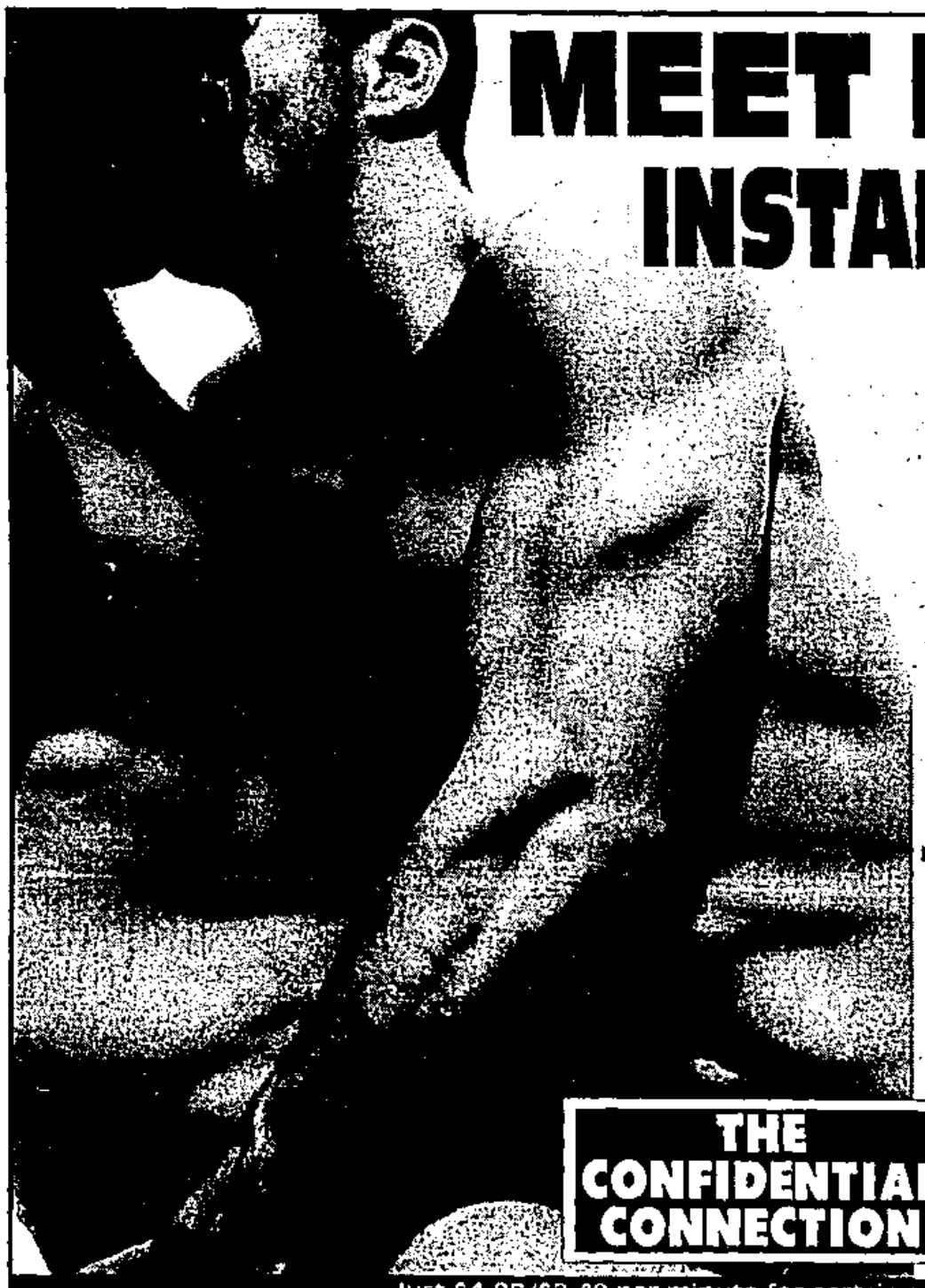
Despite the bills failure, the sponsor, Rep. Mark Anderson, said in an interview, he's confident abstinence based programs will gain in popularity.

Sandra Bernhard And Fem To Fem In Palm Springs March 30 For Dinah Shore Tourney

INDIO, CA - Risque singer and comedienne Sandra Bernhard will bring her mix of boldness, honesty and vulnerability to an outdoor musical concert at 8 P.M., March 30 at Fantasy Springs Casino near Palm Springs, California, the weekend of the Dinah Shore women's golf tournament.

Bernhard, probably best known for her portrayal of Lesbian character, Nancy, on the hit ABC-TV sitcom "Roseanne", will perform with her band, The Strap-Ons, as she moves from rock to dance to soulful balladry. Bernhard continues to evolve as an anti-icon for whom free expression, artistically, spiritually, sexually, is everything.

Advance tickets are $25



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CALENDAR of upcoming events

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 13
IBT'S - Special fundraiser show to benefit Helena Bubbles run for Miss Gay Tucson Showtime 9:00 p m

FRI-SAT-SUN, MARCH 15-16-17
STONEWALL/EAGLE - Three-Day Rodeo Party Tons'O Surprises Stonewall hi-NRG music and in the Eagle Country dancing with a DJ

SATURDAY, MARCH 16
STONEWALL/EAGLE - Cowboy Bare Chest Contest 11:00 p m Sifn up early First prize $75 (Just for fun!!)

SUNDAY, MARCH 17
AIN'T NOBODY'S BIZNESS - The bar drinkers holiday - St Patrick's Day Green beer and great prices

GRADUATE - Happy St Patrick's Day! Traditional Corned Beef feast by chef John 3:00 to 7:00 p m

IBT'S - St Patrick's Day Party Killian Red Special Sunday Only! $1 00(while supplies last) Corned Beef and Cabbage 5:00 to 8:00 p m Then at 9:00 p m ,it's the "Wheel of Bad Drag" hosted by Lucinda Holliday - Tucson's Queen of Comemdy! Your chance to set drag back a century "Talent not required"!

STONEWALL/EAGLE - Celebrate St Patrick's Day here beginnning at 3:00 pm Corned Beef with all the trimmings Special beer prices

FRI-SAT-SUN, MARCH 22-23-24
IBT'S - 4th Avenue Street Fair Mark your calendars Shows Sat 3:00 p m and Sunday at 3:00 p m and 9:00 p m

MONDAY, MARCH 26
IBT'S - 4th Annual Academy Awards Party Ballots available Nominate your friends

FRIDAY, MARCH 29
AIN'T NOBODY'S BIZNESS - The best of the Biz-y Bodies with special guest Melinda Brown Watch for details

FRIDAY, APRIL 19
AIN'T NOBODY'S BIZNESS - Back by popular demand, acclaimed comedienne Michele Balan 8:00 p m Tickets $5 in advance, $7 at the door Don't miss this event

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Non-Bar CALENDAR

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 13
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MSN Dinner Out 7:00 p m at Blue Mountain Cafe, 1802 W Grant Call Steve, 795-6718 for reservations There may be limited reservations Guests always welcome

THURSDAY, MARCH 14
"GTV" - all-live Gay cablecast program #12 of this season begins at 8:00 p m on Tucson Cablevision channel 64 (or for cable Ready TV's try channel 56) If you would like to participate in the audience be at the studio at 124 E Broadway by 7:45 p m

MSN Discussion Nite 7:00 p m Toby leads the discussion about AIDS preventing hygiene Call Toby at 884-1137 for reservations and directions Guests always welcome

FRI., SAT., SUN.,MARCH 15-16-17
Annual Saguaro Regional Rodeo hosted by the Tucson Chapter of the Arizona Gay Rodeo Association (AGRA) at the Tucson Rodeo Grounds, 6th Ave And Irvington For ticket information call 323-0805 Be sure to attend the rodeo events on Saturday and Sunday Gates open at 9:00 a m Saturday and Sunday Saguaro Regional Rodel Dances Friday, Saturday and Sunday from 8:00 p m until 1:00 a m at the Quality Inn downtown Balalroom Sunday night are the awards presentations

FRIDAY, MARCH 15
MSN Pizza Party 7:00 p m at Jerry And Les' home Bring $2 00 to help purchase pizza's and enjoy an evening of conversation over pizza Call Jerry 690-9565

SATURDAY, MARCH 16
Rainbow Families, Tucson's Gay, Lesbian and Bisexual parents network, holds a support and discussion group every third Saturday of the month Meet today at 4:00 p m at St Francis in the Foothills Church, at River and Swan, Room 31 All Gay, Lesbian and Bisexual parents, partners, and family members ate welcome Call Craig at 318-9348 for more information

Tucson Gay/Lesbian Hiking Club will hold a pleasant exploratory hike along Cochise Trail in the Dagoon Mountains with lots of history It's a moderate 6 mile r/t hike with an elevation gain of 1,100 ft Depart at 6:30 a m Call Dave, 318-0540 for info

Men's Social Network (MSN) 11:00 a m ,MSN day at the Gay rodeo Call Rudy at 797-6648 for information.

SUNDAY, MARCH 17
Tucson Prime Timers (Gay and Bisexual men over 30) will have their regular monthly meeting at Wingspan 422 N 4th Ave From 4-6 p m Following the meeting, the group adjourns to Caruso's for a social dinner Members of Cronies and At-Ease-Again are welcome as are all mature Gay men Become a member of International Prime Timers, the largest Gay social club in the world

10:00 a m to 4:00 p m Tantric Massage Workshop Learn how to give and receive a complete Tantric massage For more information call Dr Bob, 623-1732

THURSDAY, MARCH 21
Cronies Social Club Mid-Month dinner 6:30 p m Mandarin Restaurant Call Richard for RSVP 578-0840

SATURDAY, MARCH 23
Desert Voices, "Arizona's Premiere Gay and Lesbian Chorus will be in concert at Pima Community College West Campus Center for the Arts Proscenium Theatre 8:00 p m Special guests, recording artists Derivative Duo General Admission $10 Box Seats $12 Students/Seniors $7 Tickets at Antigone Books, Tucson Trunk and PCC West Campus Box Office Or call 791-9662

SUNDAY, MARCH 24
Free talk on Tantric Eroticism by Dr Bob Call 623-1732

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 27
Cronies Social Club Movie Night at Leo's Enjoy his "Classic Oldies" Call 624-6768 to RSVP

THURSDAY, MARCH 28
"GTV" - all-live Gay cablecast program #13 of this season begins at 8:00 p m on Tucson Cablevision channel 64 (or for cable Ready TV's try channel 56) If you would like to participate in the audience be at the studio at 124 E Broadway by 7:45 p m

Tucson CALENDAR

sunday
AIN'T NOBODY'S BIZ - Beer Bust 5-10, $1.25 pitchers. Salsa Sunday! Great music, better dancing and it all begins at 6pm.

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 5-7:30p/m. Hi energy dancing 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 3-6pm 50¢ draft. 301 Dart Tournament 5pm $3 entry fee. Bert Burgers 5-7, Tuff Stuff Too! 4-11pm.

monday
AIN'T NOBODY'S BIZ - Happy Hour 2-7 2for1 well and domestic beer. Free pool 2-4. Karaoke 8 to 11 p.m.

GRADUATE - Open 9am. Happy Hour 4-6pm 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 4-6pm, $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. Spaghetti Feed 6-8pm. Stonewall opens 9pm HI-NRG Dance Music. Party with Stephen.

VENTURE-N - Open 6am. Draft Beer 75¢ 6am - 8pm. Happy Hour Prices 6am - 8pm.

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! Non-Premium Beer $1.50 8pm to 1am.

GRADUATE - Open 9am. Happy Hour 4-6pm 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. Stonewall opens at 9pm with Latin Music Party.

VENTURE-N - Open 6am to 1am. Draft Beer 75¢ 6am - 8pm. Happy Hour prices 6am - 8pm.

wednesday
AIN'T NOBODY'S BIZNESS - Happy Hour 2-7. 2for1 well or domestic beer. Free pool 2-4. Tex Mex music and dancing. Beer Bust 7-11 pm, $1.25 Pitchers, 75¢ Glass.

GRADUATE - Open 9am. 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 Sex Nite. $1.50 Bud Product Special 8 pm to close. (Specials do not apply during shows)

STONEWALL/EAGLE - Happy Hour Noon to 7pm. Stonewall opens at 9pm. Corona and Cuervo Gold $1.50

VENTURE-N - Open 6am Draft Beer 75¢ 6am-8pm. Cuervo Gold $2 all daynight. Happy Hour Prices 6am-6pm. Backside open 5pm-close. Tuff Stuff Too! open 6:30pm.

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

GRADUATE - Open 9am. 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 8pm 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.

STONEWALL/EAGLE - Happy Hour 12pm-7pm. Peter specials all night long. Stonewall opens 6pm with hot male strippers from Phoenix.

VENTURE-N - Open 6am Draft Beer 75¢ 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 6:30pm

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

GRADUATE - Open 9am. Happy Hour 4-6pm, all well $1.25 draft 75¢ Schnapps 75¢

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

IBT's - Open noon. Happy Hour 4-8pm $1.50 domestic beer and well. .. Patio Bar with Loosey 9-1. Dance Party 9 to 1 with DJ David Z.

STONEWALL/EAGLE - Happy Hour noon-7pm; Hot Hors d'Oeuvres 5pm. Stonewall opens 9pm. Wear Stonewall T-Shirt and get happy hour prices all evening long.

VENTURE-N - Open 6am. Draft Beer 75¢ Bar 6am-8pm. Happy Hour Prices 6am-8pm. Backside open 5pm-close. Tuff Stuff Too! opens at 6:30 pm.

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

GRADUATE - Open 9am. Happy Hour 4-6pm, 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 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 Loosey 9-1. Dance Party with DJ David Z.

STONEWALL/EAGLE - Happy Hour 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 Too! Opens at 6:30pm.

FRIDAY, MARCH 29
Reveille, Tucsons first and only Gay men's choral organization concert tonight, ¡Viva La Diva! at the Berger Performing Arts Center on the ASDB campus, 1200 W Speedway A wide variety of music of the divas, from the opera "Carmen" to Judy Garland and Barbra Streisand Plus special guest Diva from Laguna Beach, California, Roxanna Ward This concert will have the audience calling for more! Tickets $10 in advance or $12 at the door Call 795-7156 for reservations and information

SATURDAY & SUNDAY, MARCH 30-31
Tucson Gay/Lesbian Hiking Club will host a car camping trip to southwest Arizona to Palm Canyon in KofA Wilderness area It's an easy hike with varies miles and limited elevation gain Call Dave at 318-0540 for more info

The Cruisin' Couple

by Doc and Ben

I'm Back! Are We All Happy Now?

I'm on the prowl and searching. When I removed myself from the TUB the other day, I realized I need an attitude adjustment. So, look out all you day and afternoon bartenders, with pen in hand, I'm on my way.

On one of my stops in the early part of the day at the Graduate, insults were flying - and at me of all people. Big mouths will always return to haunt the speaker. Now, Bob C., with all those nasty comments directed at one as innocent as myself, just where do you think you're coming from?

One as aged as you, longer than a good bottle of wine, should be careful talking or throwing barbs at anyone. Hell, he probably planted the seeds for the grapes for the Last Supper wine.

Of course, on the sidelines, adding his two cents, was Robert. He did his best to add his own comments, trying I guess for a laugh or two. Well Robert, my advice to you is you sit and slide on your cue stick, your safer.

Yes, even Neil was jumping on the band wagon with his antiquated humor. Hell Neil, we all know you held the tablets for Moses, and Moses was the chicken by MANY years.

Since I'm catching some of those over at the Graduate, why not continue. When it comes to Neil, Dave calls him the "Night Crawler."

And speaking of Dave of IBT's west, it has been reported to me that he is into inverted belly buttons. What's the matter, equipment too small for other areas?

While there, there were two straight guys installing a new ice machine. One of them, while drilling a hole for wiring asked, "How far do I go down do I have to go?" Boy did the bar get quiet at that point.

Up the road we find the "Mother-in-Law of Catalina". Yes Wayne, you may try to hide but it just is not going to work.

Also on the same day, DL was serving hot dogs during their beer bust. Bill W. was back there dishing them out, drooling over each one of them. I guess he is not a Size Queen, or not getting any at home.

Finally from the Venture-N also, did you notice the add Hank ran in a publication lately? He stated he was looking for a few 50 year old virgins to join him in the mornings. Well, I found out just how Hank spells Virgin - Voluptuous, Infamous, Regular, Guy, In, Need. He must be tired of those Pancake Houses.

FROM THE SPY NETWORK: Bob was accused of using "Oil of Old Lady." Cookie man Glenn wants everyone to know his name is Glenn. Any other version will just exit you from his cookie deliveries. Dennis B. was quoted saying to Harold, "What do you mean inviting the hired help into the house?" During TKO's beer bust, Stan introduced Ben as "Watch Your Crotch - Ben".

Just trying to be nice - I will not even pass on the Canadian style pinning Ben did up in Phoenix.

Well, I guess that will be it for this time. Watch out for the next issue in two weeks, some more interesting tid bits just may appear, even one on you.

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HOROSCOPES

BY C. LICHTENSTEIN

The Sun moves from mystical Pisces into pioneering Aries this week heralding in a month a long period of highly directed energy. Strike when the iron is hot kids; Aries takes no prisoners and neither should you! Read ahead to see how you can move forward on your best laid plans:

ARIES
MARCH 21 - APRIL 20

The feisty Sun in your own sign gives you oats aplenty. (Feel this, Rambo!) It's time to get Out there and show the immediate world what you can do; begin new projects and meet as many new people as possible. Strut your stuff in a big way. If that doesn't get the old juices going, "enhance" your appearance with a total makeover. You may be loud, but that doesn't mean your clothing needs to be.

TAURUS
APRIL 21 - MAY 21

Prepare for an inspirational surge with the Sun in fiery Aries. All proud Bulls can benefit from various forms of relaxation whether it's yoga, meditation or even a religious retreat. If you're too rarin' to go to mellow out, try rolling your sleeves and volunteering for one of our community charities. It will amaze you what can be accomplished for the tribe during this feisty solar transit.

GEMINI
MAY 22 - JUNE 21

Social circles become an important life component with the Sun in Aries. Pink Twins will either commandeer the group dynamic or be swept up by it. In either situation, make sure you pack a compass so as to not lose your personal way. You shine around others and feel "in your element" -wherever you hang your hat. Fabulous, unless your hat is hanging in Buchanan for President headquarters.

CANCER
JUNE 22 - JULY 23

Gay Crabs focus more intently on career matters when the Sun enters Aries. The time has come for you to forcefully set standards for future success. Your opinions reach those in power and set the stage for advancement. The only problem I see is a lack of self confidence, but if you rely on your innate wisdom and past experience, there is little to worry about. Forge ahead; damn the torpedoes!

LEO
JULY 24 - AUGUST 23

Proud, regal Lions benefit greatly from an exotic holiday when the Sun glides into Aries. Expand your horizons and see the world from new, exciting angles. You never know what can happen and, more importantly, who you can meet! If your budget is tight, try exploring some new vista closer to home or even seeing a foreign movie. The most important thing is to get out of your usual skin.

VIRGO
AUGUST 24 - SEPTEMBER 23

The Sun in Aries turns a warm spotlight on areas of your life that you don't usually explore. Deep psychological issues may reach a point of illuminations and healing now if you are prepared to unearth the dilemma and disperse it. Lucky queer Virgins also get much more zest out of sex with this feisty Sun placement. Enjoy the sheer freedom that comes with merging and purging. Be proud of who you are and who you love.

LIBRA
SEPTEMBER 24 - OCTOBER 23

Libras live for partnerships and strive for harmony. Now, with the Sun in Aries, you may just get the balance you need in any relationships. Whether seeking one or securing one, be prepared to hear both sides of an issue and compromise for the betterment of the commitment. Pink Libras need not only to talk the talk but also walk the walk.

SCORPIO
OCTOBER 24 - NOVEMBER 22

Put more oomph into your day to day job and you won't be sorry! The magnificent Sun in Aries pushes detailed an onerous projects on and off your plate with ease and aplomb. Tackle the worse stuff now while the energy is hot. Queer Scorps can also show 'em how it's done at the health club where you have boundless energy and grace. Think swimsuit season and don't look back!

SAGITTARIUS
NOVEMBER 23 - DECEMBER 22

Randy pink Sags are feistier than usual with the fabulous Sun in Aries. Maybe it's time to dust off that old sequined frock and find a party to crash. The Sun opens up new, fun vistas for all enterprising and creative Archers; pick up a palette or a musical instrument and seek inspiration. You may even try to bank on that inherent Sagittarian luck. Just don't bet over your head.

CAPRICORN
DECEMBER 23 - JANUARY 20

Turn your attention home when the Sun enters Aries. Are you surroundings as comfortable as possible? Let's revamp, redecorate or remove anything that is not in harmony with your sensibilities. Proud Caps can also open up lines of communication with recalcitrant family members. Tell them you like who you are and will not change your lifestyle, but also try to forgive and forget.

AQUARIUS
JANUARY 21 - FEBRUARY 19

Even loud and proud Aqueerians can turn up the volume a bit when the Sun enters rambunctious and rowdy Aries. Communications pack a wonderful punch so do what you must to further our agenda during this empowering planetary transit. Write a searing letter to Congress, get yourself heard on television or take it to the streets. It's now more than ever.

PISCES
FEBRUARY 20 - MARCH 20

How fast can you count your pennies? Pink Fish are more involved in finances and items of value with the Sun in Aries. That which you value undergoes a reassessment, which is not a bad thing. You've labored too long under the fallacy that the grass is greener on the other side of the fence. In fact, you have much to recommend you in your current situation. Be proud of yourself.

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FACT - People with AIDS Coalition of Tucson, 801 W. Congress. Office hours 8 to 5 M-F (6-7 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 575-8650 or write P.O. Box 36264, Tucson, AZ 85740-6264. All replies confidential.

LIVING WATERS FAMILY CENTER now meeting in the front building of [redacted] Church, 3269 N. Mountain. Worship services on Mondays at 5:00 [redacted] 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 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.

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

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

TUCSON AIDS PROJECT (TAP), 151 S. Tucson Blvd., Suite 252 (The Broadmoor Center Bldg.). Direct services for persons with and affected by HIV/AIDS Prevention education programs. Business hours, M-F, 8-5. 322-6228. AIDS Hotline: 326-AIDS.

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GAY OR BI-SEXUAL MEN in relationships with women. Need friends you can talk to? Weekly support group meets Tuesdays 6:30 - 8:00 pm. Licensed psychologist facilitator. Call 745-8977 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.

SUPPORT GROUP: Gays, Lesbians and Bisexuals meet weekly for open [redacted] sessions in a loving, supportive atmosphere. Meetings Thursdays from [redacted] to 9:30 pm at St. Francis in the Foothills Church, Swan and River Road, Room 32. Call the church at 299-8063 for information.

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L.B.S., EX-L.B.S., GAY LESBIAN, BISEXUAL SUPPORT GROUP. Meeting and activities. Call 791-7946 for information.

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

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

SOURCES UNLIMITED, a Lesbian & Gay referral service. Business and individual listings are free of charge. All information available to anyone just simply by asking. 322-5855. 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", [redacted]ays are welcome and invited to join. For further information send [redacted]to: Tucson Tanners, P.O. Box 84-G, Cortaro, AZ 85652.

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GAY & LESBIAN THERAPY GROUP. This ongoing therapy group, facilitated by a licensed psychologist, provides a safe place to work on enhancing intimacy and self-esteem. Group can provide the sense of family that is often so hard to find. Membership will be limited to 7-8 people. Tuesdays, 7:00 - 8:30 p.m. Call Randy Oberhoff, Ph.D. 579-0027

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, #65, 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.

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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

CRONIES SOCIAL GROUP. A Social group for Gay men who enjoy the fellowship of their peers. Call Merle at 888-7264? Call CRONIES 888-7264.

T-SQUARES Lesbian and Gay square dance club meets every Tuesday from 6:30-9:00 p.m. at Cornerstone Fellowship Social Hall, 2902 N. Geronimo (near 1st Ave. and Laguna). Open to All. Call Jeff or Art (520)792-9135.

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

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

GAY & LESBIAN SPIRITUALITY GROUP meets at St. Philips 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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DESERT VOICES, Tucson's Gay & Lesbian Chorus rehearses Monday evenings at 7 pm at UofA School of Music Rm #102. For information call 791-9662.

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.

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 690-8565 for information and a newsletter.558

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THE MEN'S MASSAGE GROUP meets the 3rd Sunday of each month. It is a good way to meet other men of all ages, safely, and with the art of nurturing touch. There is a fee. You must sign up in advance to participate. Call Marc at 881-4582 for more information or sign up.

CATHOLIC GAY/LESBIAN SUPPORT GROUP meets every 3rd Monday at St. Pius X Catholic Church, 1900 N. Camino Pio Decimo in the Kino Room at 7:00 p.m. For more info call Ernie721-2003 or Anna Marie at the Parish office 885-3573.

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Navy Fights

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surprised them both. The military still didn't want him to leave.

He received the forms to confirm his admission of homosexuality and desire to resign on August 11. Those forms had a 10 day wait maximum reply time, but were dated July 28. His right to confirm his claim expired before he had even received it. Rattled but encouraged by his lover, he started the process anew. This time the Navy used a new strategy. The U.S. Navy offered Rochat a promotion to Lt. Commander if he would deny being Gay.

In a letter dated October 23, 1995, the chief of Naval Personnel notified Rochat that he had been selected for and approved for a promotion to Lieutenant commander, but that they were withholding his official frocking until a "favorable resolution" of his case and asked him to now submit a statement denying his homosexuality.

A MORAL DELINQUENT

Rochat reports being flattered, amused, shocked, and angered by the letter. He responded by writing Vice Admiral Frank L. Bowman, Chief of Naval Personnel, Washington D.C., on November 26, 1995, a letter that continued to profess his homosexuality and expounded:

"If I (as a Gay man) am not consider fit for full duty, then my patients have the right to know why you consider it to alright that they are receiving substandard care. My co-workers should know why you consider our working conditions satisfactory with someone you consider a moral delinquent. My Branch Clinic Head, the Commander, Naval Medical Center, San Diego, and the United States Congress should also know why you allow me, a self-acknowledged homosexual, to continue to be a detriment to 'good order and discipline' among the rank. If all of that is not true, then an acknowledgement of that is all I ask."

His letter containing the implied threat have hit home in Washington. On December 5, orders were drafted allowing Rochat to be honorably discharged as an admitted homosexual on December 31, 1995. On January 1, 1996, Rochat reentered the civilian world. Red-tape details about being discharged to "inactive" status frightened him to keep quiet about his story. He was afraid of criminal charges for physical contact with his lover.

Wilson explain, "A homosexual act according to military regulations is any physical contact, no matter how slight, whether actively or passively undertaken that is either intended for sexual gratification, actively or passively undertaken that is either intended for sexual gratification, or a reasonable person would think is intended for such."

It is a criminal offense to do any such homosexual act while still in the U.S. Navy, even if in "inactive" status. The photos taken of Rochat in uniform and hugging his lover could be used as evidence of criminal behavior, because the Navy code claims that even just holding hands with someone of the same sex, can by punishable by prison time. On February 22, it was finally confirmed that Rochat was completely free of the Navy and not just "inactive".

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As difficult as Rochat's struggle was, many Gay sailors do much worse. Wilson spoke of a Gay sonar technician who, after 13 years of proud service, was thrown out for being Gay. "There are few jobs for sonar techs in the civilian world and fewer still for those with homosexuality listed on their discharge papers." The man went from a $40,000 a year career with full benefits two a lowly paid, all-night convenience store clerk with no benefits after the humiliation of being thrown out for being a "moral delinquent".

STOMPED TO DEATH

Other Gay service people have had it worse still. Wilson also spoke of the rise in the New Gay Terrorism, where a suspected homosexual is beaten or threatened with murder as a way to get rid of someone by forcing them to admit homosexuality. Homosexual service people have been murdered by being stomped to death, and a variety of other horrific ways.

Many fit young men who "fell overboard" at night and were never seen again are suspected of having been murdered for being Gay or rumored to be Gay. Rochat also spoke of many suspected circumstances occurring regularly and that aircraft carriers routinely return to port in San Diego with a few men "missing".

While other key personnel have to fight their way out of the Navy, most military service people found to be Gay are quickly removed. "Clinton's new policy has done little to help make things better for Gays," Wilson said, "basically, people who are suspected of being Gay are still being thrown out, sometimes as quickly as 48 hours." She stated that most often it takes the military six to twelve weeks to discharge a homosexual.

SON OF A CHURCH OF CHRIST MINISTER

Rochat is the son of a Church of Christ minister. His father was a prominent figure in the Gay critical fundamentalist church. Rochat lived in Houston, Texas, before attending the University of Mississippi Medical School in Jackson. His coming out story is long and difficult and didn't start until "around 1991." Rochat said, "Maybe some would call me a late bloomer, but I bloomed fast when I did. Rochat explained his first boyfriend was the civilian son of Ronald Morse, a then active duty two star Admiral. The couple was completely "out" to the Admiral, who seemed to have no problem with Gays, Rochat said.

Lawyer's Family Files 'Philadelphia' Law Suit

NEW YORK, NY - Relatives of a lawyer who was fired after contracting AIDS will try to prove to a jury this week that his story was stolen by the creators of the 1994 film, "Philadelphia."

The trial has begun in U.S. District Court on the $10 million lawsuit filed by the family of Geoffrey Francis Bower. Tom Hanks won the 1993 Oscar for best actor for his portrayal of the fired lawyer.