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Action Alert: Vote Tuesday, Nov. 5. Here's Why. . .

Still wondering why your vote matters?

Remember this: In September, for the first time in history, the U.S. Senate voted on a civil rights bill to include Lesbians and Gay people in basic protection from job discrimination. The Employment Non-Discrimination Act (ENDA) failed to pass by only one vote. The final tally was 49-50, with one pro-ENDA senator absent due to a family emergency. Had there been a tie, Vice President Gore was prepared to cast the deciding vote for ENDA (the VP gets to do that).

The closeness of the vote means that if we each do our part to make sure that fair-minded people represent us in Congress and the White House, we can secure basic equal rights in the workplace within the next two years. When we do that, it will no longer be legal under federal law for us to be fired from our jobs merely because somebody knows (or thinks) we're Gay.

While Bob Dole is beholden to anti-Gay extremist and opposes ENDA, President Clinton (despite our disappointments) has a solid record of accomplishment toward fairness for Lesbian and Gay Americans. He ended discrimination in most federal employment and in the issuing of security clearances; increased funding for AIDS and women's health issues; and became the first president ever to endorse a civil rights bill that includes Lesbian and Gay Americans.

Don't forget: the next president may get to replace as many as three of the nine justices of the U.S. Supreme Court - where many issues of anti-Gay discrimination will ultimately be decided. That's more than the margin of victory we earned in the Court's landmark 6-3 decision overturning Colorado's anti-Gay ballot measure.

Clearly, our votes matter. Who works for us in Washington, affects us back home. By voting for fair-minded candidates, we can go a long way to end job discrimination, fight AIDS, defeat anti-Gay extremism and advance Lesbian health issues.

Finally, we must remember, no matter what the public opinion polls may say when these words are printed, the fact remains as always that the only polls that matter are the ones we all need to go on Election Day.

You've Got the Power: Vote Tuesday, November 5.

Ban On Anonymous HIV Tests Harmful, Study Says

WASHINGTON, D.C. (AP) - A North Carolina effort to end anonymous AIDS testing may be detrimental. A study found that more people were tested in counties that offered tests without reporting names to state health officials.

North Carolina health officials disagreed with the finds, reported in the American Journal of Public Health. State officials said people with HIV get better health care when the state knows who they are.

At issue is anonymous testing, under which patients are identified only by a number, versus confidential testing. Confidential testing is where the state records names on a list that, by law, is kept private. State workers use the names to track down people that patient may have infected and contact patients themselves to offer health services.

Twenty-six states require reporting of names of HIV-infected people. North Carolina offers both types, but the state Health Department wants to end all anonymous testing. A lawsuit attempting to block that move is pending in state Supreme Court.

AIDS activists insist some anonymous must be offered for people who fear being identified. They cite a Florida health worker who was fired this month for allegedly using the state's HIV list to screen potential dates.

North Carolina provided a laboratory to study the issues when, between September 1991 and January 1993, it ended anonymous testing in all but 18 counties. Those 18 counties offered a choice of both tests.

Testing increased statewide as AIDS awareness grew during that period, reported Irva Hertz-Picciotto of the University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill. But counties that retained anonymous testing saw a 64 percent jump while those that banned anonymous tests saw just a 44 percent increase, her study found.

Also, counties that ended anonymous testing saw a 12.4 percent drop in

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Observer Recommendations For The 1996 General Elections

TUCSON - Tuesday, November 5 is the day. Arizonans and people across the country will go to the polls and vote for candidates for offices ranging from dog-catcher to President of the United States.

The ballot in Arizona for the general election will be a long one. In addition to the Presidential contest: U.S. House of Representatives, Corporation Commission, Ballot Propositions, State Legislature and County Board of Supervisors are just some of the many races to be considered.

It's hard to keep track of them all, but the Observer has compiled a list of recommendations for the upcoming election. Some of the races are uncontested. The following is the list of recommendations for the contested campaigns:

PRESIDENT
Bill Clinton (D)

U.S. HOUSE (CD 2)
Ed Pastor (D)

U.S. HOUSE (CD 5)
Jim Kolbe (R)

AZ CORPORATION COMMISSION
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STATE LEGISLATURE

DISTRICT 8 HOUSE
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Aida Estellean Wick (D)

DISTRICT 10 HOUSE
Ramon Valadez (D)
Sally Ann Gonzales (D)

DISTRICT 11 HOUSE
Carmine Cardamone (D)
Debra Norris (D)

DISTRICT 11 SENATE
*Elaine Richardson (D)
*Endorsed

DISTRICT 12 HOUSE
Mark Osterloh (D)

DISTRICT 13 HOUSE
Andy Nichols (D)
Brian Fagin (D)

DISTRICT 13 SENATE
George Cunningham (D)

DISTRICT 14 HOUSE
Herschella Horton (D)
Marion Pickens (D)

DISTRICT 14 SENATE
Ruth Solomon (D)

BALLOT PROPOSITIONS

Proposition 100 NO
Proposition 101 YES
Proposition 102 NO
Proposition 200 YES
Proposition 201 YES
Proposition 203 YES
Proposition 300 NO
Proposition 400 YES

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UPDATE

Shanti Foundation's Paper Prayers

TUCSON - The Shanti Foundation will hold the Fourth Annual PAPER PRAYERS benefit people living with HIV/AIDS, Sunday, November 10, 3:00 - 5:00 P.M. at Cafe Magritte.

Admission is a $10 donation at the door. Champagne and light refreshments will be served.

Paper Prayers are 4x12 inch strips of art created by local artists, students, volunteers and clients that offer prayers of hope and good health to members of our community who live with HIV/AIDS. Hundreds of unframed Paper Prayers will be available for a donation of $10 each. In addition, nearly 50 Paper Prayers, created by local artists will be framed and sold by silent auction.

Fine hors d'oeuvres will be served from the Epic Cafe, Delectable's, Cucina Contenta (Daniel's), the Natural Choice, Penelope's, Apples & Sourdough and B&B Cafe. Complimentary champagne and a cash bar will also be available.

The Shanti Foundation is a community based not-for-profit organization that provides services to people in Tucson affected by HIV/AIDS. These services include emotional support, grief counseling, emergency financial assistance, buddy program, food pantry, transportation, volunteer training, education, information and referral.

For more information call 622-7107.

Appeals Court Sides With Gay Man In Custody Fight

RALEIGH, NC (AP) - The North Carolina Court of Appeals returned custody of two young boys to their Gay father. The court's ruling that there was no evidence he exposed them to "improper influences by living with his male lover."

The unanimous appeals court ruling overturns a lower court decision that transferred custody of the children back to their mother.

Appeals Court Judge Edward Greene, writing for the three-judge panel, found, "nothing more than the opinions of the trial court that the conduct of the defendant necessarily exposes the children to improper influences . . . or likely will have a deleterious effect on the children."

Greene said Frederick Smith's live-in relationship with Tim Tipton was not a "substantial change in circumstances," which is a minimum requirement for changing a custody order.

Judge Greene said the North Carolina case differs from a Virginia case in which a Lesbian couple was denied custody, because Smith's children show no outward appearance of maladjustment.

"I'm on cloud nine right now," Smith said in a telephone interview after the ruling. He also said he had hoped his case would not get much attention. "Most people don't realize I'm Gay," Smith said. "I'm worried about the repercussions for the kids at school and me at work."

Gay Couples, Gay Marriages On 'Turning Point' Nov. 7

NEW YORK, NY - Good Morning America newsanchor Elizabeth Vargas hosts an upbeat report on same-sex couples seeking to formalize their relationships.

Instead of focusing on politics, Vargas sets out to "let the audience meet these people one-on-one" in interviews with intendeds and their families.

Some may be surprised by how traditional the couples are, as they cope not only with the usual pre-wedding jitters, but also with the challenges of dealing with those who disapprove of their sexuality.

In Tucson, Turning Point airs Thursdays at 9:00 P.M., on KGUN-TV Channel 9.

Survey Says Gays Can Be Good Parents

NEW YORK, NY - Nearly 6 in 10 Americans think Gays can be just as good at parenting as heterosexuals, but almost oppose adoption by Gay couples, according to a Newsweek poll.

The poll of 929 adults appears in the November 4 issue of the magazine.

The majority, 57 percent, said Gays can be equally good parents as heterosexuals. Thirty-one percent believed they can't, and 12 percent said they were uncertain.

When asked whether there should be adoption rights for Gay spouses, 47 percent said no and 36 percent were in favor; 17 percent were undecided.

Newsweek said the opposition was down from previous surveys: 65 percent opposed Gay adoption rights in 1994, and 52 percent were against it in May.

The most recent survey, conducted by phone, October 17-18, had a margin of error of plus or minus four percentage points.

After Winning Battle With Religious Right, Texas Weekly Folds

AUSTIN, TX (AP) - The Texas Triangle, a weekly Lesbian and Gay newspaper that had served Austin and Houston for the past four years, is ceasing publication with its October 10 issue.

The newspaper said it was simply unable to cover a 33 percent increase in printing costs.

Back in January, the weekly attracted national attention when conservative broadcaster and political activist Wyatt Roberts began targeting Texas Triangle advertisers in an effort to shut the paper down. "I want people to know where they're spending their money," said Roberts, head of the American Family Association of Texas.

Instead of deserting the paper, advertisers rallied and weekly's circulation mushroomed. Mainstream advertisers placed ads in the Triangle for the first time in a show of solidarity. Editor/Publisher Kay Longcope said at the time, "It's clear that we're not going to tolerate intolerance. One thing we all know is that Texans do not like to be told what to do."

Longcope told reporters after the announcement, "Given the number of phone calls and expressed regrets, a huge void will be left in the Texas Gay community."

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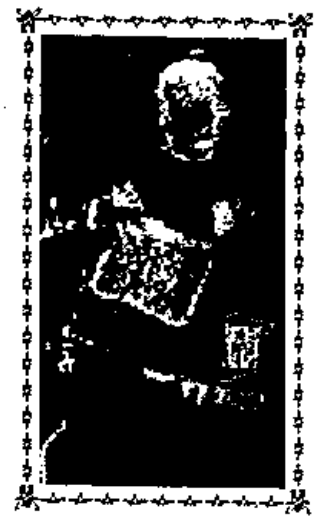

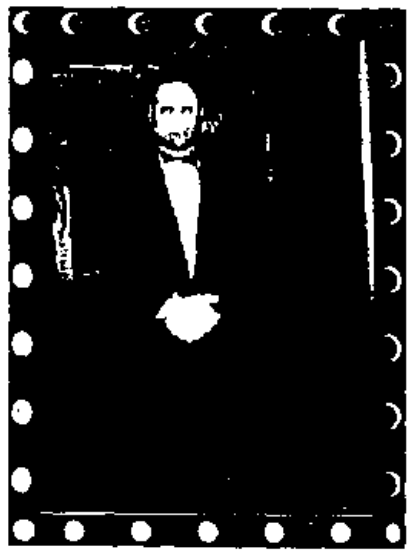

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HITT '96 A Hit With G/L Bowlers

by Mark R. Kerr

TUCSON - The seventh annual Halloween Invitational Tournament Tucson, the Old Pueblo's Gay & Lesbian bowling tournament concluded this past Sunday. Bowlers from across the country had a "haunting good time" in Tucson during the competition and the other fun events scheduled during the weekend.

The tournament weekend, October 25, started off with a fun, Moonlight No-Tap bowling tourney at Golden Pin Lanes. Bowlers also took in the Late Night Casino at Desert Diamond, one of the corporate sponsor's of HITT.

Actual competition began Saturday, October 26, with the singles and doubles events at Golden Pin Lanes. After the days competition, bowlers were invited to participate in the annual Pumpkin Carving Contest at the Quality Hotel Suites. The winner was Joe Caron of Las Vegas.

The Venture-N offered a nice dinner to bowlers Saturday evening. Two costume contests were scheduled at IBT's and the Plug. The winner's (Plug and HITT) were Mike Bosley & Robin Brunner for Jack and Jackie O'Lantern. To top off the evening, more Late Night at Desert Diamond Casino.

Sunday marked the last day of bowling competition with the team event and the scratch masters at Golden Pin Lanes. The Stonewall/Eagle had a burger cookout and there was a dart tourney at the Graduate. The bowling banquet was held at the Copper Ballroom at the Quality Hotel Suites. The awards were handed out after the dinner. For the first time in a long while, Tucson bowlers scored at the HITT tourney. The following is the list of winners:

[Includes Handicap] SINGLES: 1. Bill Close - Tucson, 748. 2. Ken Cantrell - Phoenix, 739. DOUBLES: 1. Dan "BG" Diffie & Debra Knight - Phoenix, 1450. 2. Mike Roach & Doug Ferguson - Anaheim Hills, CA, 1380. TEAM: 1. Rick Potter, Emmanuel Valdez, Harrison Powers, Rob Hisay - Phoenix, 2672. 2. Hilda Carpena, Michelle Hill - Tucson, Lou McMurray, Jeff Heiden - Santa Ana, CA, 2664. ALL EVENTS: Male-Bill Close - Tucson, 2157. Female-Debra Knight - Prescott, 1997.

SCRATCH GAME: Female-Sue Markovich - Glendale, 211. Male- Richard "Ursula" Bessette - San Diego, CA, 265. HDCP GAME: Female-Kim Hatch - Tempe, 260. Male-Ken Cantrell - Phoenix, 288. SCRATCH SERIES: Female-Susan Bigelow - Phoenix, 577. Male-Jeff Heiden - Santa Ana, CA, 701. HDCP SERIES: Female-Michelle Hill - Tucson, 716. Male-Dan "BG" Diffie, Phoenix, 758. SCRATCH ALL EVENTS: Female-Ginger Clay - Glendale, 1657. Male-Patrick "Ariel" Shipley - San Diego, CA, 2007. BARE BONES BOWLER: Male-Mark Kerr, Tucson. Female-Sandy Young, Phoenix.

SCRATCH MASTERS: Division A - 1. Jeff Heiden - Santa Ana, CA. Division B - 1. Lou McMurray - Santa Ana, CA. Division C - 1. Joe Caron - Las Vegas, NV. Division D - 1. Doug Ferguson - Phoenix.

The Miss HITT contest took place after the awards banquet. Participants regaled the audience with various acts. The winner of Miss HITT '96 was Tucson's own Randy Patch. Patch's performance as the "Anti-Reba" bedazzled the judges.

HITT '96 is a memory now, but a good memory for those who had a "haunting good time."

Tests Harmful

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testing of homosexual men and a 3.1 percent drop in testing of intravenous drug users, two high-risk groups, she reported.

Of the 71,434 people who visited an HIV testing center during that period, 238 changed their minds about getting the test after the process was explained. Three times as many declined the test in counties that barred anonymous testing, Hertz-Picciotto reported.

"The data suggest there's a detrimental effect" to banning anonymous HIV tests, Hertz-Picciotto said.

Recommendations

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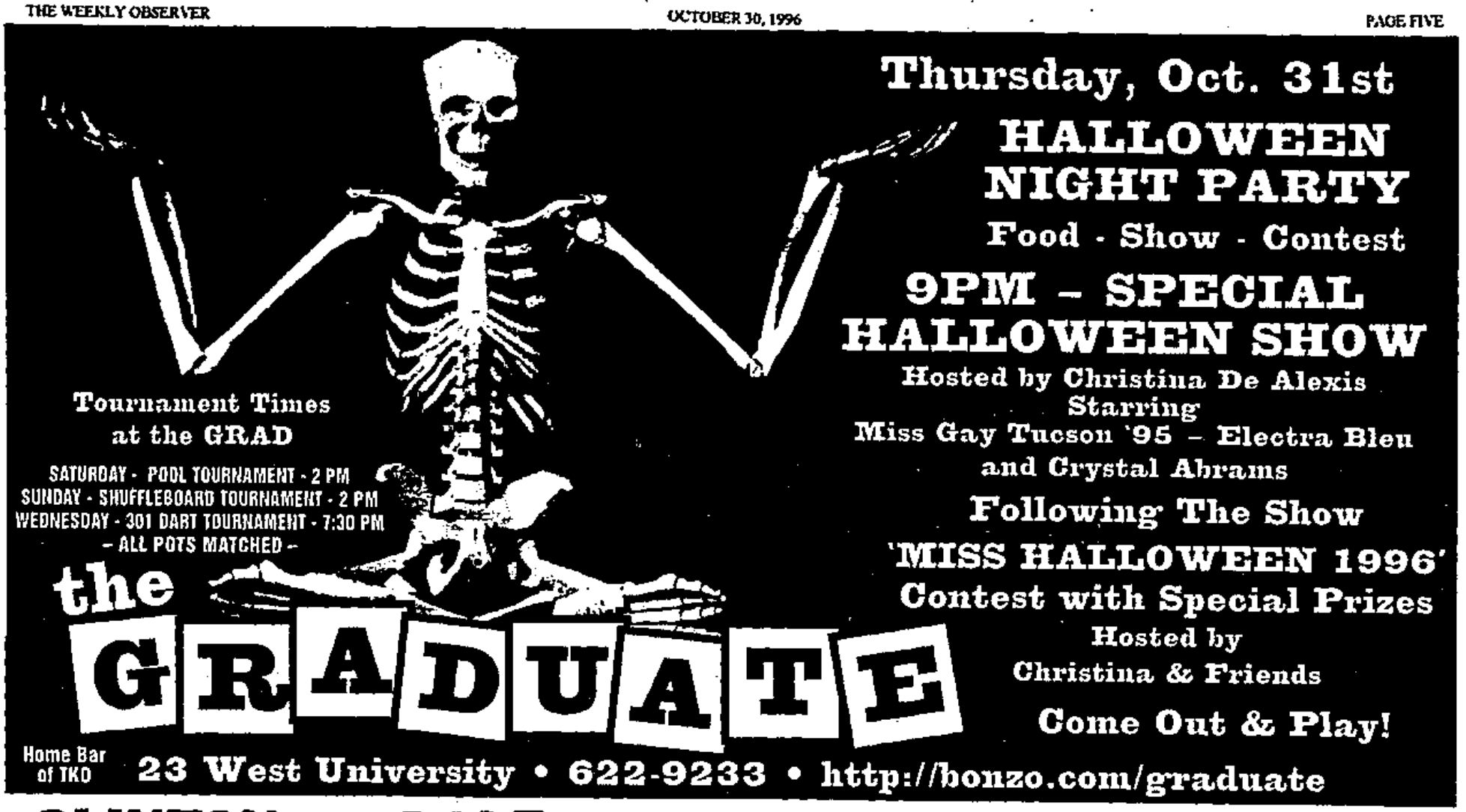

CLINTON vs. DOLE: A Study in Contrasts on Lesbian and Gay Issues

WASHINGTON, D.C. - The outcome of this year's presidential contest will determine whether Gay and Lesbians continue to make progress toward an equal place in society or are shoved backwards. Who sits in the Oval Office makes a critical difference in our lives, as it already has under President Clinton.

The Human Rights Campaign has examined the records of Clinton and Bob Dole and found stark contrasts between the two candidates. Here are some of the highlights of how the two candidates compare, based on their own words and deeds.

SUPREME COURT and other Appointments

Clinton: Appointed the first open Lesbian federal judge. Appointed more than 100 openly Gay and Lesbian individuals, including first confirmed by U.S. Senate, Roberta Achtenberg, as an assistant housing secretary. Appointed Justices Ruth Bader Ginsburg and Stephen to the U.S. Supreme Court, both of whom provided crucial votes against Colorado's anti-Gay Amendment 2.

Dole: "Clinton's judges are precisely the ones who are dismantling those guard-rails that protect society from the predatory, the violent, the anti-social elements in our midst." - Chicago Tribune, 4/4/96. Voted against confirming Roberta Achtenberg.

CIVIL RIGHTS

Clinton: Endorsed the Employment Non-Discrimination Act. Implemented non-discrimination policies covering sexual orientation in all non-military Cabinet-level agencies and departments. Lifted the ban on openly Gay people obtaining security clearances to deal with secret federal documents.

Dole: "I oppose the special interest Gay agenda that runs from Gays in the military and reaches as far as to suggest special status for sexual orientation under federal civil rights statutes." - Washington Times. Signed HRC non-discrimination policy covering his Senate offices.

GAYS IN THE MILITARY

Clinton: Promised but failed to lift the ban. Offered "Don't Ask, Don't Tell" Policy. Said in 6/25/96 Advocate interview, "It's fair to say that I have thought a lot about this and that and there are some things I think I should have done differently. I believe now that we need to build a broader consensus on this important issue before moving forward. Sometimes change comes best through incremental steps."

Dole: Voted against lifting the ban. Said in 3/21/95 Alvernon Report, "I oppose lifting the ban on Gays in the military. I haven't moved one inch on the issue."

GAY MARRIAGE

Clinton: Agreed to sign the so-called "Defense of Marriage Act." "I have no intention of being a party to letting this legislation moving through Congress become an excuse for diverting and dividing the American people and getting into a round of Gay-bashing. I am bitterly opposed to that. I will not participate in it." - 6/7/96.

Dole: Original co-sponsor of "Defense of Marriage Act." Endorsed anti-Gay marriage resolution promoted at a rally of religious political extremists during the Iowa presidential caucuses. "In fact, the anti-Gay marriage Resolution does not go far enough." - 2/8/96 letter to the National Campaign to Protect Marriage.

AIDS

Clinton: Increased public health spending for HIV/AIDS programs by 40% since taking office. Increased spending 108% increase for Ryan White CARE programs, a 26% rise in funding for AIDS-related research, and a 33% expansion of prevention program funding since taking office.

Dole: Co-sponsored Ryan White CARE Act. Voted for Sen. Jesse Helms amendments to the Ryan White CARE Act, to cut off all funding to Gay community health organizations and to freeze Ryan White spending at 1995 levels despite rapidly growing case loads. (S.641 Amends. 1854 & 1855.)

MEDICAID

Clinton: Protected Medicaid as a federal entitlement. Dole: "We'll end Medicaid as an entitlement program." - Associated Press, 9/14/95.

YOUTH

Clinton: Initiated research on suicide and sexual orientation to identify Gays in scientific knowledge on Lesbian, Gay and Bisexual youth suicides.

Dole: Voted for a Helms amendment to cut off federal funds to local

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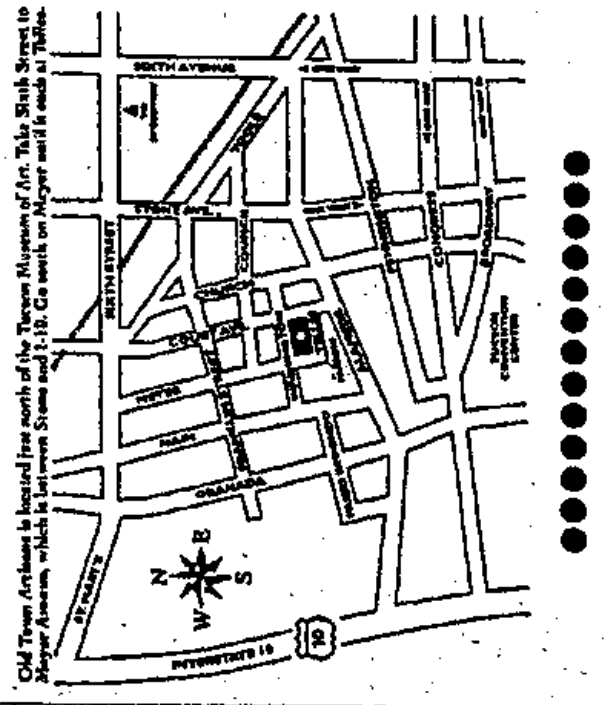

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1996 Mr. Gay Latino Contest Held

Mr. Gay Latino '96 Norberto Valdez

TUCSON - On Sunday, October 20, a packed house at the Stonewall/Eagle witnessed the Mr. Gay Latino 1996 Contest.

After interviews and presentations in various outfits, the judges announced that Norberto Valdez was the winner.

The other five contestants made the judges job a tough one. The five were Rogelio Perez, Martin Baltierrez, Juan Chavaria, Frankie Jasso Jr., and Tino Ochoa.

Congratulations to Norberto Valdez and all the contestants for a very entertaining contest.

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ASK DR. X. . . .

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Ask Dr. X
An advice column for Gay and Bisexual men from the Gay Men's Health Project.

Dear X,

With Halloween coming this week I am sadly reminded of my love life; trick or treat. When I go home with a guy I am seldom clear as to whether I am taking home a trick or if he is going to be more. I'll think that some sparks are flying and then he just wants to hit the road with no attachment afterwards. I have fun in bed but then I feel hurt when they go and never call me. I find it even more hurtful when a guy snubs me in the bar the next time he sees me. Why am I such a bad judgeof other peoples intentions, and how can I turn a trick into a long lasting treat?

Signed, Ghost of a Chance.

Dear GC,

I think your biggest problem is confusing love and sex. If you are a sensitive type they may be the same thing for you, unfortunately for most men they are separate. If they happen simultaneously most guys figure "cool, bonus points" but if they don't it is no great loss; the sex will suffice. You may think that when you have a little sexual chemistry with a guy and the animal magnetism thing happens that you are feeling more than just hot. I don't think so. I am a strong believer in love at first sight but it doesn't occur every time you get horny. Unfortunately being in heat and being in love both causes tingling in the extremities. Back to the trick or treat issue; get clear about the difference with the guy before you leave the bar. This is not an easy process. I always talk about communication. In this situation it is hard to come out and say, "I am feeling more for you then just dog sex . . . I think I love you!" It sounds really dumb and frankly who is ready for that? So you start small. The guys you clearly want to hump will know without a ton of clarity. You can say something like, "You really turn me on and I want to romp but I'm not really in a place to get involved right now." It is aloof and a little rude and if they want more they will bow out. Which brings me back to you. Maybe people are giving you these messages and you have the blinders on. Listen to what people say, they may be giving you signals. If you think you are going to like a guy more than a one-nighter don't hit him with a Romeo and Juliet speech, just say "I'd like to go home with you but I'd rather make a date so we can get to know each other." Yes, pass up immediate gratification and ask him for a date. If he doesn't want more he'll say he can't do the date. If he can't do the date let go. Don't have casual sex with him anyway. He is the one that leaves you feeling bad afterwards and it isn't his fault. Getting the picture? Clarity is important. know what you are getting into - a bed or a relationship! And when you do get the guy home remember to talk about the other thing most men avoid, sexual boundaries and that acceptable level of risk thing I'm always preaching about. I hope I have covered your problem. To sum up, don't confuse sex with love, don't be too eager for romance, start with a date if you want more so the communication is clear, if you can't love'm and leave'm then avoid one-nighters, and talk about your boundaries before the sheets start flying! Good luck and let us know if you get the hang of it.

Dear Doctor X,

My mother is always on me about finding a nice guy and settling down. She is only fifty-six and the way she wants me coupled you would think she was going to die tomorrow! I live here in Tucson and she lives in New York. Every visit or phone call she is working me to death about marrying some nice guy and buying a home. I am only twenty-eight and I don't want to be in a long term relationship right now. I am enjoying being Gay and screwing around. She asks me if I go out and then she gets judgmental and overly persistent for details, and then she will say something like, "Stop being a gigilo and settle down." I need some advice on how to back her off until I am ready to be a one man kind of guy. And you would think finding this guy was like going to the grocery store! Help.

Signed, Mama's Boy

Dear MB,

Before I address your letter I want to point out that you broke three of Dr. X's Lifetime Survival Rules for Gay Men. The first is never reveal your age. The second is never reveal your mother's age; and the third is never admit you are a mama's boy! Most Gay men are ruled partially by mommy dearest. We can't help it. Some primal dynamic occurs when dad says, "I want this sick faggot out of my house!" And mom is there to reply "If you ever want sex again you won't treat my baby like that you brut". The plan is cast in stone and you are girlfriends for life. So you don't want to hurt her. I think you should look at the bigger picture. Maybe she is concerned that if you date around you will get AIDS. This is the worst fear of the parents of all Gay men. And rightly so! She may think that if you find a guy and set up house that bad things won't be able to get you, and she wants you to be happy. Go figure. She thinks she won't have to worry anymore. Tell her that she will always worry about you and just resign herself to it and work out a plastic surgery schedule to deal with the lines it causes. Also tell her that you love her and that you are glad she wants you to be happy. And then tell her that in your own way you are happy right now and she will be the first on the wedding list when the time comes, if the time comes. You gotta love a mom that is supporting of your lifestyle and cares about you that much, but you also don't have to feel guilty that you aren't in a relationship! The bottom line is that you are not a gigilo and it is fine to want your freedom right now. When you decide you have had enough, if you do, you'll find someone and make mom happy, for five minutes. So be clear with her about your stance and about your sexual behavior. If you are being safe and staying informed you are good to go. Know your limits and set some for your mother. Just remember how lucky you are to have a cool mom and don't hurt her when you set her straight. Good luck.

Doctor X,

I think I missed the boat on AIDS education. You always sound as if you think we all know a bulk of info about HIV and AIDS. I know that you should use a condom for anal sex to prevent passing HIV to a partner or to keep from getting it, but beyond that I have allot of gray areas. I am not stupid but I would

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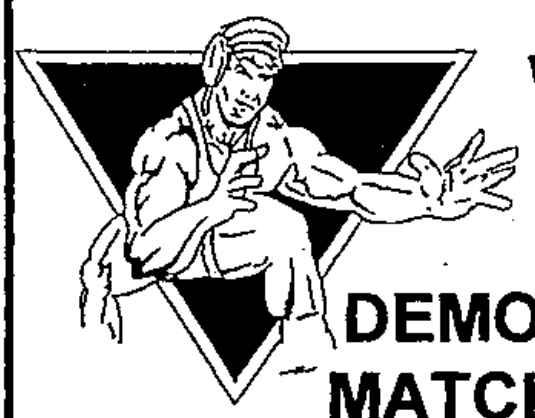

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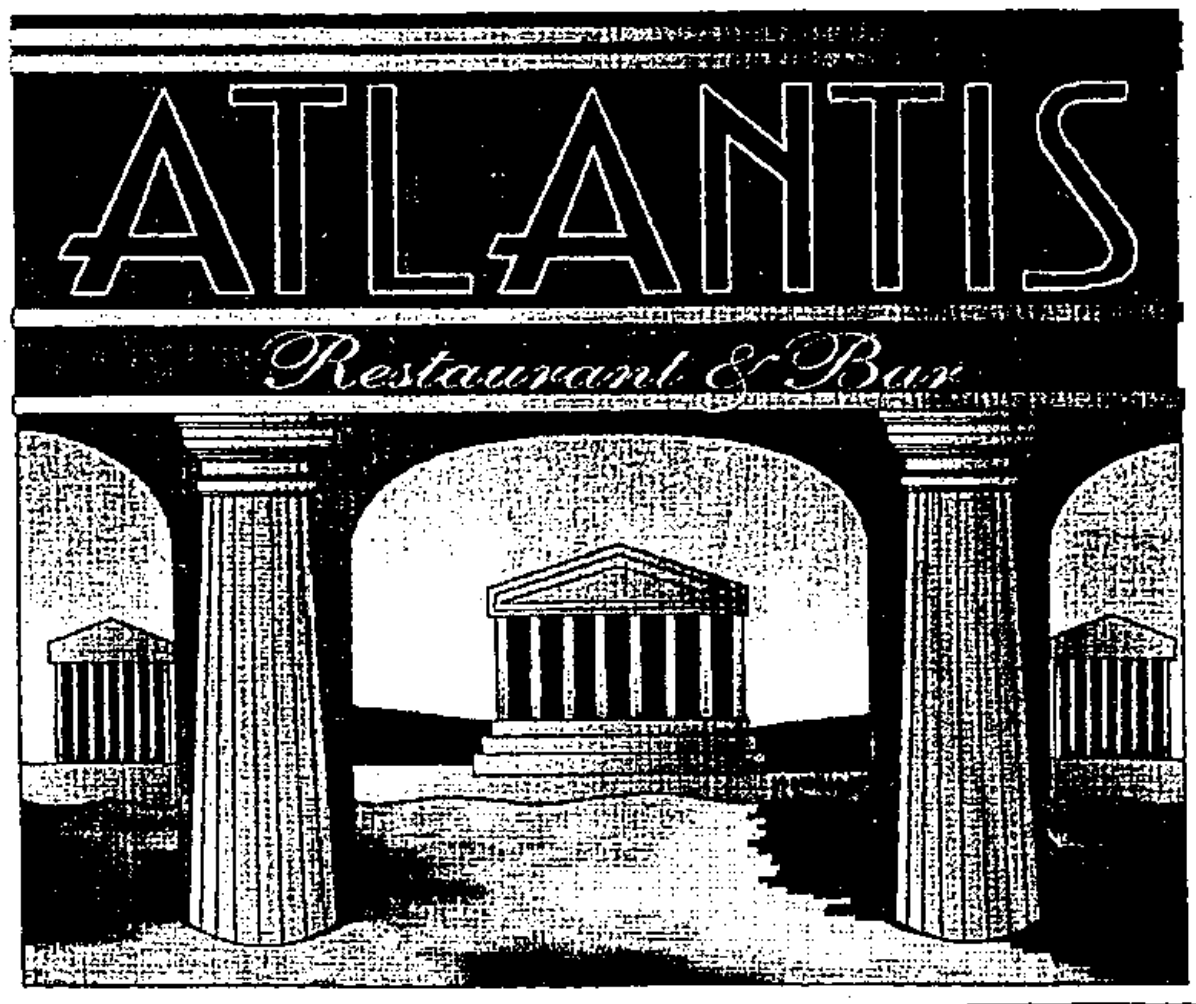

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It's News To Me. . . . . by Steve Risley

No Vacancy: I've been enjoying the company of several good friends from out of town as guests at Chateau Chaque recently. They timed their visit to coincide with OUToberFEST '96 and, of course, the not to be missed annual fall sale at Table Talk. They all departed for home loaded down with the necessities of life - commemorative T-shirts and Atlas pasta machines.

But now it's quiet around the manse once again and for the first time in a week the dog has emerged from under the bed where he's been seeking temporary asylum from all the uproar by staying with his friends, the dust bunnies - Phyllis and Ed, and their vast extended family.

Baby Makes Three: The attendance figure for OUToberFEST '96 has been pegged at 7,000 which doesn't include a record 1,374 dogs persistently underfoot and doing what dogs who can't hold it any longer must do.

Since this unfortunate trend seems to be getting out of hand and threatens to supplant the real reason for this annual gathering and celebration maybe next year we should just hold a pet show instead. Prizes could be awarded to the Hunkiest Labrador in Leather, the Prettiest Tabby in Taffeta, and the Hamster with the Biggest Hair.

Anticipating a talent contest, I've been trying to teach my snake, Squeeze, how to twirl a flaming baton but he's having a little trouble getting the hang of it. So far he's broken two tablelamps, set the sofa on fire and sprained everything from the 87th vertebra on back.

Let it Snow, Let it Snow, Let it Snow: For one who was born and raised in the Mid-West, last Sunday morning's sighting of all that beautiful snow on the mountains surrounding the City brought back happy memories of the wintertime fun I used to enjoy as a kid back in small-town Illinois.

I kept a hopeful watch all day for any sign of accumulating frozen precipitation in my front yard but the gravel angel out there just doesn't look the same as the real thing and I think I've ruined the runners on my sled.

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A Word From Your Pima County AIDS Program

by DAVID HOOVER, PCHD AIDS Program Manager

What is Proposition 203, and why should Gay and Lesbian people support it?

Proposition 203 is the "Healthy Arizona Initiative." It would provide health care for low-income working people, especially people with chronic-medical conditions.

Currently, if a person with a family of four makes over $2.68 an hour, $5,574.40 annual, they make to much to qualify for AHCCS, the state Medicaid program. If Proposition 203 passes, Arizona would meet federal guidelines for health care to low-income people with chronic conditions. This would make us eligible for federal dollars to pay for more health care.

As unbelievable as it sounds, Arizona can do this without raising taxes. That is because when a state fully funds Medicaid, it becomes eligible for federal dollars - federal dollars that Arizona has been losing.

Proposition 203 has probably got such widespread support because it calls for no new taxes, while improving health care. Republicans, such as Senator Ann Day, and Democrats, such as Eddie Basha, are in favor of it. There has been no organized opposition.

Why should the Gay and Lesbian community care about the passage of Proposition 203?

First of all, over half of Arizonans living with AIDS depend on AHCCS for their medical care. Under the current system, they need to be in abject poverty before they can qualify for AHCCS.

Second, if more people with HIV disease were on AHCCS, we could spend Ryan White dollars on broader services. We could spend this money, for example, on dental care or mental health services.

Third, Lesbians and Gay men who are "out" tend to have lower paying jobs which often do not provide health insurance. Under Proposition 203 more Lesbians and Gay men would have access to health care.

The passage of Proposition 203 will be a giant leap forward towards a healthier Arizona. A "yes" will make it easier for people with HIV and members of the Gay and Lesbian community to gain health care.

The Gay Men's Health Crisis has a slogan: "Vote as if your life depended on it." It does.

[David Hoover is Program Manager for HIV/STD for Pima County Health Department, 150 West Congress Street, Tucson, Arizona 85701.]

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POLITICS 1996

By MARK R. KEMP

"He's The Perfect Weight, Two-Pounds Above Organ Failure!"

After two long years, closing notices will be finally be posted on the 1996 Campaign, and not a moment too soon!

Next Tuesday, November 5, voters from across the country will go to the polls to select candidates for various offices from dog-catcher to President of the United States.

In Arizona, and in Pima County, home of smooth-running elections, voters will go to the polls to select their choice for political offices from Constable to Congress, as well as President. Voters in the Grand Canyon State also have ballot propositions to consider as well.

At the top of the ballot is the Presidential contest. Can President Bill Clinton win re-election, and possibly win Arizona (not done by a Democrat since 1948)? Will Bob Dole stage a comeback of Trumanesque proportions?

To note: Clinton's record on G/L is good, but with disappointments (DOMA and the military).

Before you vote, consider the following: The next president will appoint at least three new Justices to the U.S. Supreme Court and numerous federal judges.

Where have we scored our victories? In the judicial branch of government. In four years, Clinton will be back in Hope, Arkansas playing golf and eating Big Macs. In four, and many more years, the judges and Justices Clinton appointed will still be on the bench. A plus for us!

The races for U.S. Senate, and the House of Representatives have some battles.

In Arizona, only U.S. House seats are up this year. In CD-2, incumbent Democrat Ed Pastor is facing a challenge from St. Sen Jim Buster, the GOP candidate.

In CD-6, ultra-conservative Rep. J.D. Hayworth (R) is facing a formidable challenge from Democrat Steve Owens.

What about openly-Gay Congressmen Jim Kolbe (R-CD 5)? Since the Democrats gave up on the seat in 1984, he faced no formidable competition.

The only statewide race is for the Arizona Corporation Commission seat being vacated by Democrat Marcia Weeks.

For the Democrats, Tempe Consumer Advocate Barbara Sherman. Jim Irvin is the Republican candidate. Irvin's claim to fame is that he ran for Secretary of State in 1994 and lost to Jane Dee Hull, after seeking $300,000 of his money into the race.

There are seven ballot propositions dealing with expanding AHCCS roles to Indian gaming for consideration. In Pima County, there is Proposition 400, which deals with charter government.

In the State Legislature, home of State-DOMA, "Dildo Bills," and the "Alamo for Freon," all seats are up for grabs so to speak. Though in Baja Arizona, there are three contested Senate seats, and all but one Legislative District is contested for the State House.

A race to note, the District 11 State Senate race, which has one of best-friends in State Government involved in a contested general election.

St. Rep Elaine Richardson (D) is running for the State Senate. Elaine is an elected official who had the courage to stick with us, even when it wasn't politically expedient.

Elaine Richardson fought for more state funding for HIV/AIDS. Richardson has constantly fought for a statewide hate-crimes bill.

Elaine was one of only five Representatives who had the courage and conviction to vote against the State Defense of Marriage Act. A fact, her Republican opponent, a member of the radical-religious-right is using to promote his campaign of hate.

It was Elaine Richardson who gave the keynote speech at OUToberFEST about human rights.

If you're fortunate enough to live in District 11, a reason to go to the polls is Elaine Richardson. She's been there for us, now it's time to go to the polls for her!

In Pima County, were smooth-running elections are a novelty, everything from Constable to the Charter Committee to Supervisor is up for consideration this year.

A county race to note, Pima County Attorney and Democratic candidate Barbara LaWall.

The opportunity to make history is in this race. Pima County has had only one women County Attorney, Rose Silver, and she was appointed to the post.

Barbara LaWall has a solid record as Deputy County Attorney and would be do a terrific job. Consider this as well, Barbara wants our support, and campaigned for it.

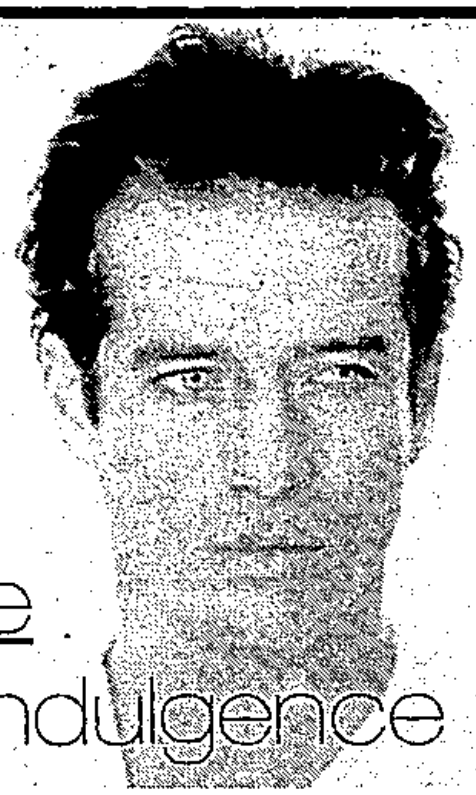
Barbara LaWall was publicly grateful for her narrow primary win, thanking the G/L community and this publication for their support. LaWall was at OUToberFEST, speaking with the community about the issues.

When asked by this reporter at OUToberFEST for a comment, she said, "Political speeches are over. It's time to have fun!" A candidate who's human, what a concept!. LaWall plans to attend next year's OUToberFEST to have fun, something she did while campaigning. LaWall should be the next County Attorney, whose door will be open to us.

The Observer has compiled a list of recommendations for the general election. There will be one endorsement, Elaine Richardson, since she's been there for us.

If you've already made up your mind, good for you! If not, look at the recommendations, go to the polls and vote, our lives depend upon it!

So it goes for now kids!



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Congratulations to all the contestants and the judges and staff ofV-N for another excellent extravaganza.

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Double Mischief
by Wendy Caster

Sad Songs For The One Who Leaves

When my ex-lover Susan left her girlfriend Rickey after three passionate and tumultuous years together, she found that their friends sympathized with Rickey while telling her, "Well, you're the one who left." Susan summed up this lopsided situation by saying, "The problem is, no one writes sad songs for the person who leaves."

I heard Susan's comment as a great country-and-western song: "No one writes sad songs for the person who leaves. Friends don't understand that she also grieves. They think that they're wily, but they haven't a clue. That although she's packing, she's heartbroken too. She's heartbroken too, ooo ooo, ooo ooo. She's heartbroken too, ooo ooo, ooo ooo."

Okay, my song-writing skills are weak. Neither Joni Mitchell nor k.d. lang is shivering with fear of competing with me. But this song is still needed, years after Susan and Rickey split.

How do I know? When Liz and I broke up, I was the one who left.

Most of our friends understood that, although I was the first to say out loud that our seven-year relationship was over, it was a mutual decision. But I still have to educate two very close buddies – two savvy, sympathetic women – that my pain counted, even though I'm the one who boarded the plane and flew away.

"Educate" is actually too mild a word; I practically debate these friends to convince them that I too had a broken hear and deserved (and dearly wanted) sympathy. And as I argued, I discovered exactly what a breakup means, even to the one who leaves.

The word "breakup" is perfect. When a couple splits–particularly a long-term, live-together couple–they break up their home; they break up their attachment; they break up their hearts; and they break up their dreams. The broken dreams are perhaps the saddest loss to deal with.

Relationships often die slowly, eroding argument by argument, misunderstanding by misunderstanding, word by word. The thing that keeps couples together during this process is the shared dream of what life could be like if they just stopped fighting, listened better, compromised, had more sex, had less sex, or whatever.

The dreams that Liz and I shared remained vibrant till the end of our relationship since we never stopped loving and liking each other. Also, many of our problems seemed outside of us, as we struggled with career decisions and the loss of friends. If we could just have a few months of peace and quiet, we believed, our dreams could still come true.

But we finally had to admit that we were dreaming different dreams.

Liz is still in my head and heart. I mentally share with her the sights and sounds of my new life. "We could go to a museum together." I find myself thinking, "If only–." Or, "Maybe we should have moved to city X. If only–." And I know that Liz has her own "If only's–" too, even though she has a new girlfriend.

And because Liz loves coffee, when I see a Starbucks, I sometimes get teary-eyed.

The biggest thing that gets destroyed in a breakup is the entire existence you have been living for years. In my case, as Liz-&-Wendy changed to Liz and Wendy. I lost my habit of sleeping with my arms around a beautiful, sexy, and familiar body. I lost my home (I told friends, "I don't why I have to move out. The condo is still meeting my needs.") I lost my three step-cats (who don't miss me at all). I lost my parking space, my neighbors, my telephone number, and my address (after two months in New York, I still find myself sometimes writing "San Diego").

I lost my self-definition as someone who was coupled. I lost my preexisting plans for all holidays. I lost knowing where my next sex was coming from. I lost the delicious smugness of the Lesbian in the long-term relationship who gives people advice on their love lives (whether or not they asked for it).

I lost being the most important person in someone's life.

I lost Liz.

I don't regret my seven years with Liz. I will always cherish them as one of the highlights of my life. I also don't regret that Liz and I broke up; it was time to move on. But losing a love I truly believed would last forever is painful and scary, and when that smart country-and-western singer comes out with a collection called "Sad Songs for the One Who Leaves," I'll buy the first copy.

From The POOP SHEET
by Ace Lundon

Well kiss ma' grits and butter ma' buns! You're surprised that non-Gays have a hard time understanding Gays and Lesbians?!

You've got to be kidding! If you're a Gay, Lesbian or Bisexual person, can you honestly imagine what it would be like for you to be straight?! I can't. I've even been a married man in a heterosexual relationship!

Honestly now, as a Gay person, do you look at some one the opposite sex and drool or get a twitch in the groin like straight people do? Come on, now, be honest. It is no different from that for a straight person also; wondering how in the word would we do our drool and twitch. It makes no more sense to them as it does to us, wondering how they feel!

Oh sure, we can imitate their actions and make it look like we're really hot to trot, if necessary, but you and me both know it is an act. We all may have done it at some point in our progress out of our closets. We've also seen straights try and "act" Gay, but they don't for the same reason as we "act" straight.

They would have the same feelings of repugnancy about "making it" with a Gay as we have about "making it" with a straight. We really do need to have compassion for one another as straights and Gays, as we're really both in the same boat of non understanding.

Having spent nearly three decades in the Entertainment Industry. I could never imagine what Gay and Lesbian actors must have gone through in straight love scenes! It's only been recently where straights have done Gay love scenes and I would imagine the feelings must have been mutual. For any of these scenes to come across as real, only means they are "pros" and do use every tool at their disposal as actors. Talk about Academy Award nominations!

Bisexuals might have a decided advantage in such instances. Don't tell me there are such animals as "Bisexuals," I know too many who are, and I do know that I do not fit into their category, nor does any straight person I know.

Gays and Lesbians however might be the most accomplished actors in life since we've had since we've had to learn to live in a straight, often hostile, world, and we couldn't reveal our true inner feelings. Many of us have had to learn how to construct elaborate facades for years and have married members of the

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"I'm not a straight man, but I play one on television."

Dan Butler, Bulldog on NBC's hit series, Frasier.

Many gay and lesbian people like Dan Butler thought acting straight was better than being open and honest. They hoped that others did not know, or that they feared friends and family would not accept them. After coming out, the love and support many receive tells them one thing -- that being themselves is the best act to follow.

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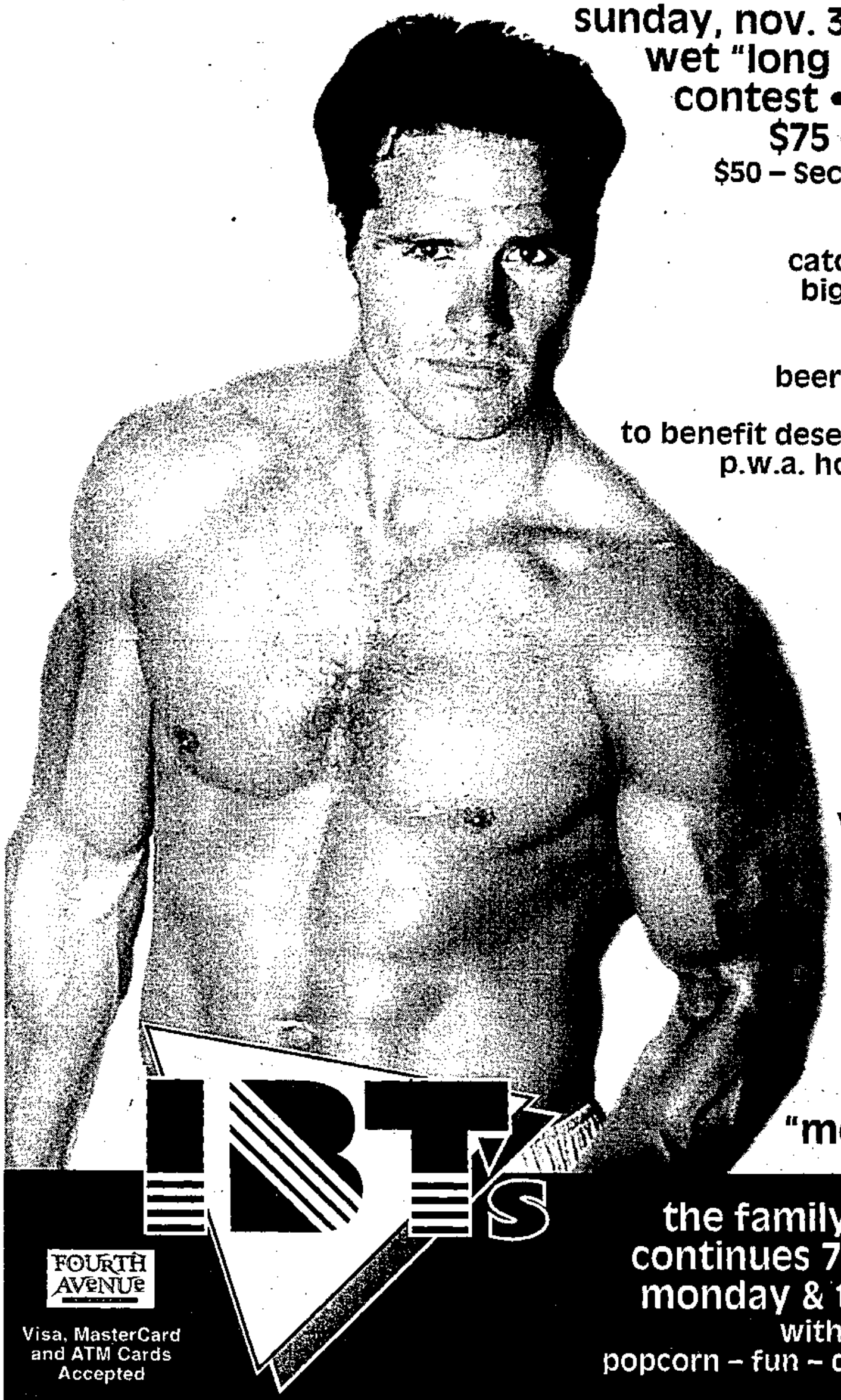

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THE WHOLE MAN
BY DR. BOB

Another Counselor's View

This week, we have input from another Gay counselor, R. A. "Mitch" Mitchell in Flagstaff, Arizona. He wrote to the Observer, responding to my column about finding a counselor, which ran a few weeks ago. I offered him the opportunity to write a guest column, and here it is. My own comments follow at the end:

Dr. Bob made two distinct comments in a recent issue of The Observer regarding aspects of counseling: 1) all therapies were the same in the sense that they were 'talk' orientated, and 2) that psychology is not scientific, that practitioners do pretty much what they want. As a Gay counselor, I have worked with straight and Gay clients as a substance abuse and mental health counselor. Most of my experience has been on the East Coast, from where I originate. I wish to take this opportunity to express a different point of view in regards to these two comments.

Dialogue is very healthy and there is more than one way to look at any issue. Dr. Bob has been gracious enough to allow me this opportuntiy to share my viewpoint and I am grateful to him and to you, his readers, for this opportunity. I don't agree that all therapies are similarly 'talk' therapies. There is a distinct difference amongst the disciplines of therapy. For example, a Rogerian therapist focuses on empathy and the complete acceptance of the individual. Rogerian counselors also rely upon the client to direct the course of treatment. Some clients have a definite agenda that they want to address; this approach may be beneficial. The Gestalt therapist relies on the 'here and now', discouraging the client from addressing feelings as they happened outside of therapy; rather, expressing those reactionary feelings as they are experienced now, in the session. A Gestaltt therapist will also become more involved in the dialogue by bringing in their own experiences. A Freudian approach relies heavily upon the power of the unconscious, believing that many of our thoughts and actions have come from inner motives that we have blocked from our awareness. Because of the unconsciousness approach, there is emphasis on bringing the past into the present. Logotherapy relies upon the 'whys' of your behavior and feelings and works toward achieving a 'meaning in your life'. These, of course, are very brief definitions of just a few of the approaches that are out there. Talk is the means by which they are accomplished, just as in your daily activities. As the content and direction of; your conversations with co-workers, and family and friends are different, so are the methods of counseling.

Psychology is a science. The methodologies described here are based upon research and the consistency of effect that they have had on clients with their presenting problem(s). The techniques used by counselors have been critiqued, studied, and researched for their effectiveness. The methodologies are also based on a counselors' perspective as to the root of ones' issues. Can a client be best served by just any one of these methods? I say no; everyone is unique, deserving of respect and a tried intervention that has been proven by science to be effective. Counselors have the ethical responsibility to listen to your presenting problem, ask questions to clarify any concerns and develop rapport, and to determine the effective technique proven to address the issues you present. If the counselor doesn't come across as someone who could work with you and your personality, ask for a referral. Counselors' have the ethical responsibility to refer when not qualified to be of assistance. Be careful, because many counselors feel that their methods are the most appropriate for you. This is the business part of them talking. This is where consumer intelligence and discretion come into play. The consumer expends tremendous energy and resources in treatment, disclosing most inner thoughts and feelings with another person. As you should have respect for the work that counselors do, be sure that the counselor you select has the same kind of respect for you.

Comments and questions are welcomed. Thank you for considering my point of view.

Dr. Bob replies: Thank you for your thoughts, Mitch. I certainly agree with much of what you said, and your concern for client welfare is admirable! However, I feel I have to clarify my own position on one thing, since I think you are misquoting me. You said that I said all therapies are the same. Here are a couple of quotes from my original column: "there are as many different styles of therapy as there are therapists." "There are literally hundreds of different schools of thought about how to do therapy." In your column here, you point out a few of the main ones. (I can direct any interested readers to further reading if anyone's

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NEWS FROM P.A.C.T.

by Frank E.G. Gallego

[Part Six of The Portland Project and The Tucson Men's Study.]

SEX IN BATHHOUSES AND PUBLIC PLACES

At the International Conference on AIDS in Vancouver, Dr. Thomas Coates gave a talk entitled "Gay men who have sex in saunas and public places are more likely to have unprotected anal intercourse."

The title gives away the main finding: men reporting any sex in PSEs or bathhouses/sex clubs were four times as likely as other men in the study to report anal sex without a condom with a non-monogamous partner. It is not known, however, where the unsafe sex occurred.

Who are these men? Dr. Coates found that in Portland, 23% of men reported meeting sex partners at sex clubs, bathhouses or PSEs in the month before the 1992 survey. In Tucson, 16% of men reported meeting sex partners at sex clubs, bathhouses or PSEs in the same period. Men going to these places were more likely to be older, white, to not have a primary partner, and to use alcohol or drugs before having sex. It did not matter what the HIV status of study participants was HIV+ men were likely as HIV- men to report sex in these settings.

A separate study was carried out in San Francisco to look at the same questions. In that study, there were two sources of information: A) men entering sex clubs were asked to fill out short surveys, and B) monitors secretly observed what sexual activities were occurring in there. They counted the number of times they observed various sexual acts, including anal sex without condoms, and kept track of information.

Very few instances of anal sex were observed during the time they were there, and most anal sex involved the use of a condom. It appears that sex clubs with rules prohibiting unprotected anal sex (and with some system of monitoring their patrons' behavior) have very few instances of unprotected anal sex. However, information gathered on the surveys indicated that many of these men were having unprotected anal sex at home.

Given the findings in the San Francisco study and the answers given by study participants, it appears that men who go to sex clubs and PSEs are more likely to report having anal sex without condoms, but they may simply be high-risk at home rather than in these other settings.

Earlier surveys could only tell that if men who went to bathhouses and PSEs were being risky, but not where that risky behavior took place, more information was asked of participants in the last survey to find out where risky behavior was being demonstrated. Information gathered will be instrumental in planning AIDS prevention strategies in these places and to learn if: 1) Does it work to have rules that enforce condom use at bathhouses and sex clubs? 2) Are interventions needed at bathhouses and public sex environments to help patrons use condoms when having anal sex at home?

A View From The Rock

A Commentary From Cornerstone Fellowship

Over the weekend I attended the U of A football game with some friends. Because I have season tickets I felt I had to attend, even though the weather was not as warm as I would have like it to be. In fact, it was downright cold! But my friends kept encouraging me with the though that in other parts of the country all the football games are played in cold weather, and at least the rain stopped before the game begin! And it wasn't showing!

Our seats are located in the top tier, where the wind blows the fiercest. Since we felt that there would not be a sell-out crowd, we decided to try sitting in the section protected by the overhang, away from the wind. After all, if the people who had purchased these seats showed up, we could always move! We sat on the last row of that section, just down from the walkway, and for the first quarter of the game we enjoyed those seats. We were still rather chilly, but at least we were somewhat protected from the gusting wind. Just when I had finally relaxed and thought that the rightful owners had decided to stay home, someone tapped on my shoulder and said, "Are these seats number 7 and 8? Those are our seats!" Two of us had to get up and move. However, instead of climbing the rest of the way up the stadium to sit in our wind-swept seats, we decided to descend further in the protected section, another ten or twelve rows or so down, where there were still some empty seats. And what a pleasant surprise! While I cannot truthfully say we ever became warm as we watched the game, we were less cold than we had been when we were sitting on the outer limit of this section. What could have been a very discouraging event, being forced to move from the seats we occupied for the first quarter of the game, actually was a blessing in disguise! We never would have thought to move to the "warmer" part of the stadium if we hadn't been required to do so!

Has there been something in your life recently which hasn't turned out the way you thought it should or would? Have you suffered a disappointment of some sort? Perhaps you were not selected for the new position you thought you deserved. Maybe someone you used to be close friends with has become cool toward you, doesn't seem to have time to spend with you like before. Or possibly you weren't able to afford to make some purchase you has counted on. Have you considered the possibility that there is something better in your future than those things which have disappointed or discouraged you?

In the first book of the Bible, the story of Joseph and his brothers is told. Joseph's brothers were jealous of him and sold him into slavery. He ended up in Egypt, where some time later he became a powerful ruler, second only to Pharaoh. When a famine struck not only Egypt, but also the land where Joseph's family lived, Joseph was able to save his whole family. (See Genesis 37, 39-49) What was Joseph's attitude towards his brothers who had treated him so badly? He told them, "You intended to harm me, but God intended it for good to accomplish what is now being done, the saving of many lives." (50:20)

Do I think that God arranged it so that we would have to move to warmer sears in the stadium? Probably not, but I do believe that many times what we perceive as "bad" things happening to us could actually turn out to be blessings, if we would only trust God and look for them!

Try it! The next time you experience something unpleasant, ask God to show you the good that can come from it. You may be surprised!

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HOROSCOPES

BY. C. LICHTENSTEIN

If life seems a little more conquerable, give a great thank you to Saturn and Pluto. These two movers and shakers trine to make all of you best efforts victorious. Strike while the planets are hot kids. This type of magic doesn't come around too often.

ARIES
MARCH 21 - APRIL 20

Even the proudest of Rambos may have felt the tinge of self doubt with dour Saturn casting an unflattering light on your self image. Hunker in the shadows no more, cousin. Pluto trine Saturn pumps up your self confidence, hands you a personal victory or three and brings the adoring world to your door in a big way. Thank goodness, Gay Rams would never let all this adulation go to their heads.

TAURUS
APRIL 21 - MAY 21

The most interesting aspect of the Pluto/Saturn trine is how you'll be able to blend the mystical, higher karma of service and devotion with down to earth sexual interaction. Maybe it means that you'll meet that perfect lover through volunteer work. Maybe it means that physical connection is sparked with a soulful connection. Maybe it means that you'll be the one wearing the saddle or leash.

GEMINI
MAY 22 - JUNE 21

Many Gay Twins have trouble concentrating on just one person, especially when you have so many fabulous friends who are willing to help you fill the time with delightful diversions. Happily, the Saturn/Pluto trine helps you balance the needs of partners with the call of friendships. In fact, don't be surprised if one helps spur the other. Play it to the limit. Balance, darling, is after all, everything.

CANCER
JUNE 22 - JULY 23

If pink Crabs have been feeling like a pair of ragged claws toiling at the grindstone for little recognition and reward, worry no more. Now, with the Saturn/Pluto trine, any effort on the job will have lasting impact in your long term career. You haven't wasted your time and struggled for nothing dear. It is time to reap the rewards of hard work. Be kind to all of us serfs when you reach the top.

LEO
JULY 24 - AUGUST 23

The Saturn/Pluto trine offers dramatically proud Lions the opportunity to gain the global recognition that they (think) they deserve. Anything having to do with creative pursuits and fun-filled pastimes has a way of changing/strengthening your basic philosophy of life. Grab all the colors of the rainbow and take the muse farther than you ever thought possible. As you agent, I'll take the usual 15%.

VIRGO
AUGUST 24 - SEPTEMBER 23

Even the most affirmed Virgins might have been feeling a tad repressed recently with stern, old Saturn casting a cold pall on your hottest urges. Worry no more sweetheart; the Pluto/Saturn trine has lovers knocking down the door. Feel strong in your sexuality and don't let relatives rain on your pride parade. You'll be surprised at how compelling you can be and well others respond.

LIBRA
SEPTEMBER 24 - OCTOBER 23

Gay Scales always strive for balance and harmony. Unfortunately, balance was probably one of the most difficult positions for you to achieve in relationships. Tip no more; the Saturn/Pluto trine enables you and your partner to see a level eye to eye. All it will take is open communication and a bit of patience. So much has been swept under the rug, that the rug is three feet off the ground.

SCORPIO
OCTOBER 24 - NOVEMBER 22

Even the most menial task will have a profitable payoff when Saturn trines Pluto. Queer Scorps should use their considerable strategic insights to plot and plan a financial attack from the deep trenches of a foot soldier. I also advise a clear, sensible look at exercise and diet. Long term profitability is in the stars now and you want to be able to celebrate in those tight leather chaps.

SAGITTARIUS
NOVEMBER 23 - DECEMBER 22

Pastimes or side businesses may be the yellow brick road leading to Oz. Queer Sags should pursue any creative enterprise with mucho gusto during the Saturn/Pluto trine. I can almost guarantee that it can lead to a new circle of influential acquaintances, momentous beginnings and a new Gay you. Drop those drab togs darling; your entrance needs to be flashy and fabulous.

CAPRICORN
DECEMBER 23 - JANUARY 20

Gay Goats may feel like the sanitation workers of the zodiac, as they haul all that psychic garbage out of their closets and dump it where it belongs. Liberation abounds! Even nasty, home related projects will have closure and success during the Saturn/Pluto trine. All your struggles have not been in vain, dear queer Cap. Prepare for a true sense of affirmation and personal satisfaction.

AQUARIUS
JANUARY 21 - FEBRUARY 19

The Saturn/Pluto trine has an interesting effect on Aqueerians and their long term goals. Prepare for an abrupt change in you life's patterns and a transformation of all you hold hear and dear. New friends beat a path to your door, but avoid the lunatics, you are far too susceptible to powerfully delivered messages, no matter how crazy. No, no, no, the Christian Coalition is not for you!

PISCES
FEBRUARY 20 - MARCH 20

Pink Fish may feel swimmingly at home in their chosen career path, but the Pluto/Saturn trine has a way of changing all best laid plains for the better. This is a crucial time friend; the planets prepare to pour the concrete foundation for your professional mansion. Make sure it has the best location with the best view. Examine your value system to be the true, lavender you.

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Viewpoint

By James Ru

DEAR OBSERVER:

The Lesbian and Gay picnic was held once again in Tucson. I don't mean to sound ungrateful to those who helped arrange the whole affair. Their intentions were good and they worked hard, I'm sure. However, it was a sad and pitiful sight.

You had to find your way around a tall chain link fence to find the entrance. Perhaps next year they can add barbed wire and search lights to complete the effect. There were even guards at the gate. I can only wonder what these security measures were designed to protect. Is he Gay enough? Is he acting too Gay?

Once you entered, you were immediately overcome by the smoke of a barbecue. Clouds of this stench wrapped the smell of burning meat around the picnic. We were so overcome by smoke that we had to run through this are to breathe. Even beyond the barbecue area, the smell remained with us, carried on the wind and stuck to our clothes.

The next eyesore was the 50 foot tall inflated beer can. It was partially deflated and tilted slightly. It look like it had too much to drink. This towered over the picnic. It was the only thing you could see from the road as you drove by. Perhaps it was placed there as an appropriate symbol of a community that has a double than average alcoholism rate. But, do we really want that as our picnic insignia? I can just hear the passers-by, "Hey look at the big beer can. The queers must be having a picnic."

Then we moved along to what must have been the rodeo display. It was a tired stereotype of "the Ol' West." Thy were playing country music with heterosexist lyrics. Two guys danced around the haybales and the fake saguaros. I guess there are still a few queers who think it's okay to electrocute, tackle and rope cows in the name of fun. A few probably haven't heard that cowboys rarely exist anymore and that cattle are managed by corporate lackeys in four-wheel drive vehicles.

I suppose no one had told these rodeo buffs that cattle are a major cause of environmental destruction in the Tucson area. Probably no one has mentioned to them that city boys who dress up in tight jeans, big belts, and expensive hats look like Cowboy Ken. Perhaps they are friends of Jim Kolbe and no one has told them that it's okay to be Gay, without putting on a front of conservative macho ideals. (The big beer can and the rodeo were right next to each other. It was almost amusing in a B-movie sort of way.)

We moved along past that bizarre scene. Next we saw, t-shirts, t-shirts, bumperstickers, t-shirts, t-shirts and bumperstickers, t-shirts and bumperstickers, just t-shirts, more t-shirts, then some bumperstickers, and then a social cause. Then more t-shirts, t-shirts, t-shirts and bumperstickers and then a social cause. Then more bumperstickers, and t-shirts . . . well you get the idea.

As we walked along, we noticed lots of people sitting in the grass drinking beer. Very few were talking to one another. If someone were to paint this scene, or photograph it, what would they call it? "A Celebration of Queer Community Spirit" doesn't come to mind. "People Drinking Bee in a Smoky Cage" might work.

We made our way back toward the entrance to leave, when I heard someone on stage giving an award. It was being presented to someone who is always getting these awards, by someone who is either getting or giving them. There are Tucson's inbred, self-appointed leaders. They love to pat each other on the back. You know who you are. Every year, you get up on the picnic stage and give each other awards for being in control. How nice for you, for us, for everyone.

And so we left. I can't say I felt any pride. I certainly didn't feel out, wrapped in that fence, I felt a little nauseous from the dead animals being burned into barbecue smoke. And I did feel like people were trying to sell me things. Is that good?

And just when you think it can't get any more pathetic, someone always goes the extra distance here in Tucson. Someone told me that later on that day, a parade was formed and marched around the enclosed picnic area. This was the Tucson Lesbian and Gay Parade. I'll let you decide which of these messages was being sent:

1. We feel out, proud and free, as long as we're kept in our cage. 2. We feel out, proud and free, as long as no one can see what we're doing. 3. We had too much beer and we don't know what the hell is happening. 4. All of the above.

The spirit of Tucson's queer community has been take over by storm troopers of the Republican party, bar flies, and the most timid closet cases imaginable. Send help!

For a Queer Planet,
James Ru

Custody Ruling Challenged In Illinois Appeals Court

CHICAGO, IL - The Lambda Legal Defense and Education Fund is appealing a lower court ruling which robbed a Lesbian mother custody of her two children.

A Tazewell Country Circuit court judge ruled Rebecca Schroeder's children should live with their father, Stuart Schroeder, because of the possible ridicule and "social condemnation" they may face over their mother's Lesbian relationship.

"Parenthood is not a popularity contest," said Patricia M. Logue, managing attorney for Lambda's Midwest Regional Office, in a prepared statement. Logue is arguing the mother's appeal.

Noting that the lower court's ruling has dangerous ramifications for any Gay or socially unpopular parents Logue said, "Everyone in this case agreed that these children have been thriving for years in the care of their mother. They should not be uprooted based on hypothetical fears."

A three-judge state appellate panel is expected to rule in the case by the end of the year.

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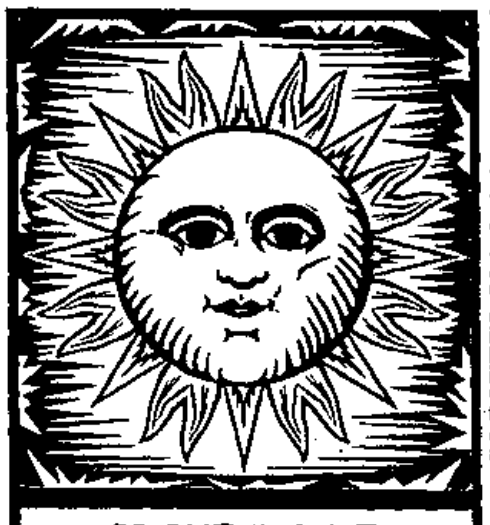

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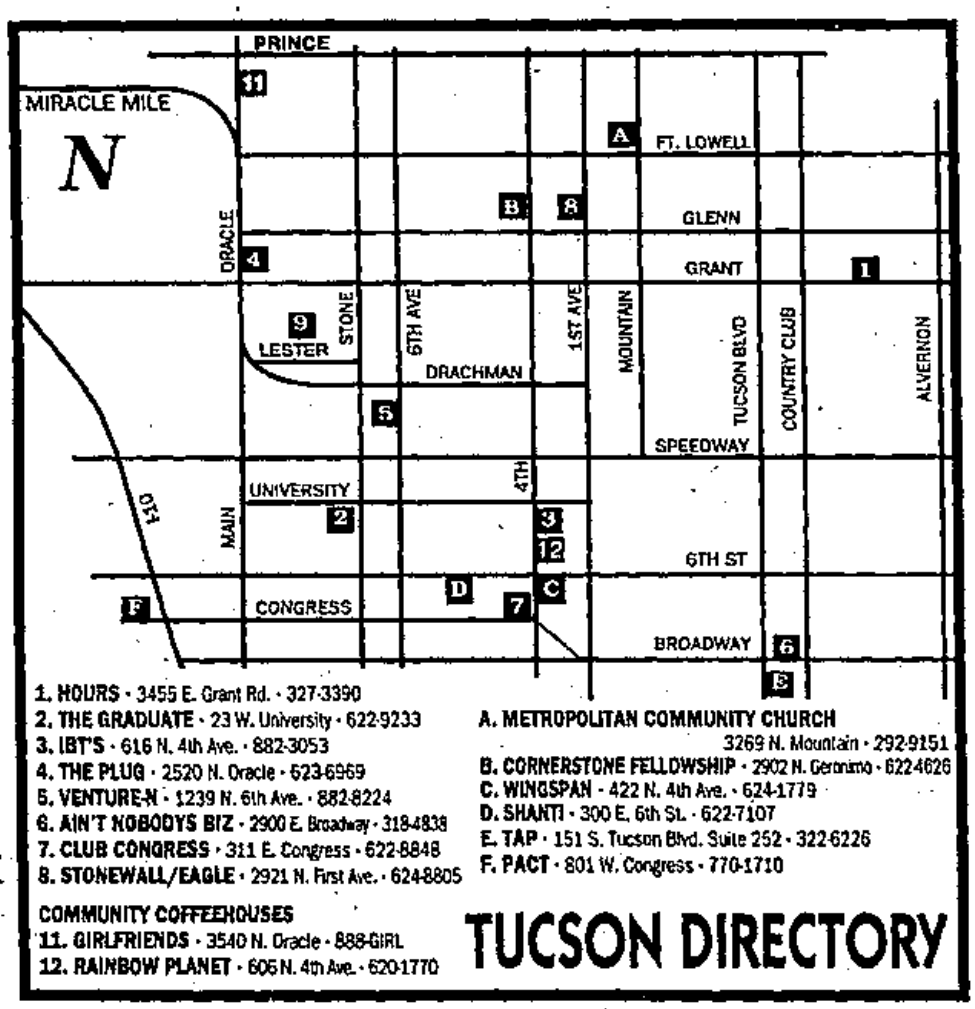

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DEAR FRIENDS:

As an active member of our community I am constantly exposed to the different problems facing people in our community living with the AIDS virus. The one problem that continues to stand out is poverty and hunger. It is because of the hunger, I have chosen the Joshua Tree Feeding Program and PACT food bank as my charities for 1997.

One of the greatest hardships facing people with AIDS is proper nutrition. Without a balanced diet, the medications they take cannot be as effective. Both Joshua Tree and PACT feed hundreds of people weekly. During these weekly meals they are able to interact with other people. For some it is the only contract they have with other people. All of us know the importance of social interactions.

These organizations are 501-3C charities and your contributions are tax deductible. 100% of the money you give will go to directly to aiding those who need it. None of the money will go to the administration of the program.

It is my goal to raise $10,000.00 to be used to provide food for the holidays. So please share this letter with friends and those you may know that would like to help.

Joshua Tree serves the Phoenix area while PACT provides for the Southern Arizona area. If you are not able to give a donation then please offer to help at a local AIDS charity!

Please make out your tax deductible contribution to either Joshua Tree of PACT.

In the memo section, please write "Kenny Polin's Food Drive," that way they will know which area your contribution should go. Mail to: Kenny's Food Drive For AIDS, 9005 South 19th Avenue, Phoenix, AZ 85041. For more information on how you can help, please write to the same address.

Thank you so very much!

Ken Poplin
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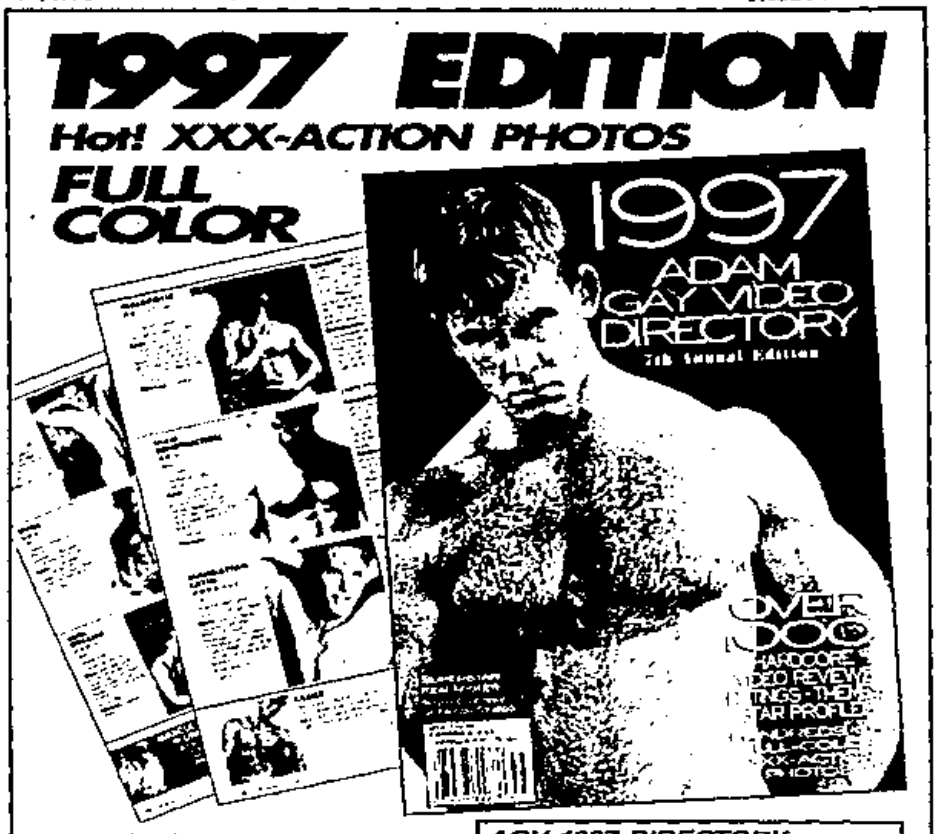

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The Shanti Corner

So, your significant other is always complaining that you never go out? Well, here's your chance to solve that problem, save money, and make a donation to Shanti all at the same time. Just in time for the holidays, we are selling Entertainment Books. Each book costs $35 and $7 goes directly to Shanti. We have a sample book in the office -- once you see all the deals it's going to be hard to resist not buying one. You'll save lots of money at some of your favorite places and restaurants around town. But what's even more cool, you'll be helping someone with HIV/AIDS with your purchase.

As you may know, Shanti offers a food pantry program. What you may not know is we also stock the pantry with personal items for our clients. We are always very grateful to receive your food donations. However, we would be equally grateful to receive donations of laundry/dish detergent, shampoo, soap, toilet paper and other cleaning and personal supplies. These things come in very handy and Shanti's clients are always very appreciative when we can offer these items.

Thanks to everyone for joining us at the OUToberFEST. We had a great time seeing all of you. Your support means so much to Shanti and its clients. And yes, we still have some sterling silver, ribbon rings available. If you weren't able to purchase one that day, please stop by the office.

On a political note... Please don't forget to vote next week! Some of you may think the elections are already decided -- but remember that old, premature headline, "Dewey Defeats Truman!" This is a good reminder that your vote does count.

Ask Dr. X

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like to know more. I am only in my twenties and I haven't had friends that died. I never got HIV info in school. I am kind of embarrassed to say to my friends that I don't know much about getting HIV and what is safe. If you could give me a few rules I would be appreciative.

Signed, Negative and Clueless

Dear Negative,

Important words to close with. You can't be too clueless if you know your sero-status. If you are getting tested regularly and know your status you are taking a big responsibility towards HIV. I don't criticize people that choose to be "Untested" if they can really say they have never been in a risky scenario. But if you aren't sure about the rules; we say guidelines, getting tested is a good place to start. Not only can you find out where you stand but it is a great opportunity to ask a counselor that is trained in HIV and STD's some scary questions in a safe setting. The Pima County Health Department has several testing sites and you can always call your friends at the AIDS Prevention Collaboration (GMHP, GYM, Gay Mentor Project and Salud es Poder) to get testing site info or have us set up an appointment to go with you. You can stop by any AIDS service organization like PACT, TAP or Shanti and get more info. You can also call the GMHP office at Shanti to set up a time to meet with us and ask away. We can do it over lunch! I am really glad you brought this up. I think you are not alone and I hope others will have the courage to say they are unclear and ask questions. Knowledge really is power. Make phone calls, ask around, come in for the brochures sweetie! We are glad to help you, and you can spread the info to your friends who may be too shy to ask. Later!

Dr. X wants to hear from you! FAX your questions to me on 622-1554.

From The POOP SHEET

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opposite sex just to solidify our facade. Talk about acting abilities, and if you haven't been there, you have no idea!

Loving a non-Gay wife or husband in a straight facade is not a lie however. We are very capable of loving! Being "in love" with a non-Gay may be an impossibility as that is totally a horse of a different color, if it be a horse at all! I personally believe it is only possible--"in love," that is--for straights with straight and Gays with Gays and Lesbians with Lesbians.

I could be incorrect, but I can't really imagine falling "in love" with a straight woman. I loved dearly my wife, but I knew what I felt for her was not "in love" even at the time we married, only love. Never knew what "in love" was all about until Patrick, and we spent the rest of our lives together. That "in love" thing is a "sticking love" for straights and Gays.

Falling "in love" may involve lust and attraction to a type, but it goes to our souls--way beyond attraction of type or list. "Love," in its varieties, may be describable. I'm not sure that "in love" can be adequately described, although writers have tried.

Gays and non-Gays can share in this "in love" experience, yet non-Gays may still have difficulty in understanding how this could exist between people of the same sex. Gays, however, do seem to be capable of understanding how straight couples can feel when "in love." This may be a possibility, because as young Gays growing up, we witnessed, at least I hope we did, our parents in such a relationship. If Gays have had a hard time comprehending this, it also may be because they never saw it at home.

As difficult as understanding one another may be, may we never stop trying as a community of straight and Gay citizens to do so through the sharing of our thoughts and feelings with one another.

And that's the straight poop as I see it from my bridge!

Shanti's 'Plus' Weekend Seminar Nov. 15-17

TUCSON - Shanti's Positive Living for Us (PLUS) will take place the weekend of November 15-17.

PLUS is a free weekend seminar that empowers you to take charge of your life. If you have HIV/AIDS or are a caregiver, Shanti invites you to participate.

The Seminar will cover: Building a support network. Treatment options using drugs and complimentary therapies. Sexuality and HIV. Nutrition. Insurance, public benefits and legal issues. Substance abuse and HIV (including treatment options). Women's issues.

To register, or for more information, contact Shanti Foundation, 300 E. Sixth St., Tucson, AZ 85705. (520) 622-7107.

CLINTON

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schools with programs aimed at preventing anti-Gay violence. HIV transmission and Gay teen suicide.

LESBIAN HEALTH

Clinton: Invited openly Lesbian health advocates to policy formulation meetings for the first time in history. Expanded National Institutes of Health research for Lesbians and Bisexual women by including Lesbians in current studies and questions on sexual orientation in women's health research.

Dole: Nothing on record.

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SPORTS

Desert Coyotes Bowling League Fall/Winter Standings

	Won	Lost	Pins
Twisted Nipples	16.0	8.0	10718
Ten	16.0	8.0	10564
Five	15.0	9.0	10802
My 2 Dads	15.0	9.0	10760
Smokin Bears	15.0	9.0	10727
Tres Amigos	14.0	10.0	10785
Hooga-Booga!	14.0	10.0	10740
Meat N'Heat	13.5	10.5	10788
3 Jokers	12.0	12.0	10637
Nine	9.0	15.0	10640
Bea Bytes	8.0	16.0	10341
Triple T & Me	7.0	17.0	10632
Show Me Yours	7.0	17.0	10426
Thirteen	6.5	17.5	10300

Lambda Lizards Bowling League Fall/Winter Standings

	Won	Lost	Pins
Tastee Buns	16.0	8.0	17723
Faerie Tails	13.0	11.0	17629
Desert Divas	13.0	11.0	17575
Pink Flamingos	12.0	12.0	17358
Four Swigs...	9.0	15.0	17179
Lesberados	9.0	15.0	17026

Dr. Bob

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curiosity is sparked.) My point is that, if there are so many different competing theories about how to do therapy, how can therapy be scientific? There is very little that most psychologists would agree on, and consensus among scientists is a bare minimum requirement for something to be a scientific fact. I was trained as a behavioral scientist, and what I most learned from the Ph.D. process was the limitations of psychological research. In my opinion, therapy methods do not really have the kind of solid scientific backing you are claiming for them. Therefore, it is all-important for the client to use his own judgment and intuition to choose a counselor he feels has integrity, compassion, and knowledge. Thanks again for taking the trouble to write, Mitch. I hope others will also write me and give me the opportunity to print their thoughts.

[Robert Feldhaus, Ph.D. is a counselor and educator for the Gay community in Tucson. He welcomes feedback, and can be reached at (520) 623-1732 or email: bobby@azstarnet.com.]

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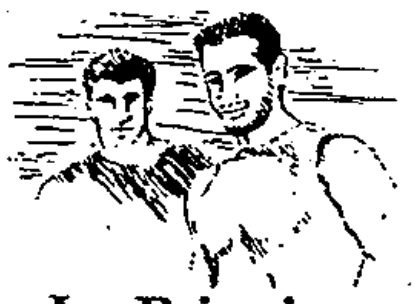

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CALENDAR of upcoming events

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 30

IBT'S - "The Ghoulie Show" 9:00 p.m. 9:00 p.m. Hosted by Helena Bubbles and featuring Miss Gay Tucson, Felice Renard, Ajia Simone, Bulemia De Havilland and special guest Vampira.

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 31

AIN'T NOBODY'S BIZNESS - Halloween Costume Party here with drink specials every half hour. Judging starts at 10:00 p.m. with a $100 first Place Prize and $50 for second place.

GRADUATE - Halloween Night Party. Food, Show, Contest. Special Halloween Show 9:00 p.m. hosted by Christina De Alexis and starring Miss Gay Tucson '95 Electra Bleu and Crystal Abrams. Following the show - Miss Halloween 1996 Costume Contest with special prizes. Hosted by Christina de Alexis.

HOURS - Halloween Hoedown. And Costume Contest. Cash prizes, fun and dancing. $75 for first place, $50 for 2nd and $25 for 3rd. Drink specials too!

IBT'S - Celebrate Halloween at the 4th Annual Black and White Ball extravaganza. 8:00 p.m. Costume Contest registration at 9:30 p.m. Winners announced at 11:00 p.m. $150 first Place; $75 Second and $25 Third. Don't miss this wonderful event.

PLUG - Halloween Ball II. Cash prizes. Guest performance by Miss Adrienne Alexander. 3 bars, 2 dance floors and one hot time!

STONEWALL/EAGLE - Halloween costume contest and hot male halloween strippers. Contest judging following the show. Cash prizes.

VENTURE-N - Halloween Party with prizes for best costume. Judging at 11:30 p.m.

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 3

IBT'S - Sunday benefit bar-b-que 4:30 to 7:00 p.m. to benefit Desert Leathermen's PWA Holiday packages. Wet "Long Underwear Contest 9:30 p.m. $75 First Place; $50 Second and $25 Third place. "X-File" Sunday - Catch the X-Files on the big screen 8:00 p.m.

STONEWALL/EAGLE - Big show tonight. "The Divas Of Drag" starring Tiffany St. Thomas and Adrienne Alexander.

MONDAY & TUESDAY, NOV. 4 & 5

IBT'S - The Family Room continues 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. with popcorn, fun and drink specials.

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 6

IBT'S - 9:00 p.m. Male Box Nite. Play ost office at IBT's and get lucky - meet the men of 85705.

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 24

IBT'S - 8:00 p.m. IBT's presents "The Gaylie Wed Game". The final preliminary to the Tournament of Champions. Hosted by Miss Gay Arizona, Gilda Fatalé with Helena Bubbles and featuring some of Tucson's most infamous couples. All proceeds to benefit the Shanti Food Pantry.

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Non-Bar CALENDAR

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 31

Men's Social Network (Gay men of all ages; guests always welcome). 8:00 p.m. Spend Halloween floating across the floor as MSN goes out for a fun night of roller skating on "Adult Night." The cost will be $5 for rental of traditional skates, or $8 for in-line skates. Call Chris at 290-4266 or Donn at 325-4257 for details and directions.

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 1

Men's Social Network (Gay men of all ages; guests always welcome). 7:00 p.m. Card Game Night will be held at Martin and Bob's house (U of A area). A variety of card games are always available for play. Please call Martin at 623-1732 to reserve your space and obtain directions.

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 2

Tucson Arts District Downtown Saturday Night 7:00 to 10:00 p.m. Tucson's Community Cultural Event is held the 1st and 3rd Saturday of every month, drawing thousands to the Arts District. Galleries and shops stay open into the evening, cafes and clubs overflow with laughter, downtown streets and alleyes come alive with music and performances.

Men's Social Network (Gay men of all ages; guests always welcome). 7:00 p.m. Our monthly Potluck and Social Gathering will be held. You're invited to come and share your favorite dish with the 100 men who come to our monthly gathering. It is held at the Scottish Rite Hall at 33 Ochoa Street. Call Jerry at 690-9565 for more details and directions.

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 3

Don't miss an intimate Afternoon Delight with Lucie Blue Tremblay in concet here at 4:00 p.m. Tickets are $16 and $18 at the door.

7:00 p.m., Antigone Books will present Margarita Kay, author of "Healing with Plants in the American and Mexican West". She will share her knowledge of local medicinals. Discover the properties of many readily available local plants, as well as a few more obscure ones. A brief question and answer period will follow and refreshments will be served.

Men's Social Network (Gay men of all ages; guests always welcome). 4-6 p.m. The Triangle Tribe, an awareness group meets to learn and use communication and relationship skills toward developing feelings of trust, love, acceptance and brotherhood. Call Tom at 318-1650 for reservations and directions.

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 4

The Pride Law Center operates tonight from 7-9 p.m. The Center has been established to provide Gay, Lesbian and Transgendered people a safe place to discuss legal matters and receive legal advice. The Pride Center is staffed by volunteer attorneys licensed to practice in the state of Arizona. The clinic will operate for a 2 hour period one evening per month on a walk-in, first-come, first-served basis. The clinic will only provide legal advice to you. The clinic will be held at Wingspan, 422 N. 4th Ave from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. Each evening will be staffed by one volunteer attorney and two law students. All information will be kept strictly confidential. Please be sure to bring all relevant documents with you for review by the attorney. The clinic anticipates being able to service 4-6 clients per evening. For more information only (NOT legal advice) call 325-4087.

Men's Social Network (Gay men of all ages; guests always welcome). 7:00 p.m. Intermediate bridge night. Bridge for men who may want to refresh their bridge skills; table talk playing. Call Perry at 321-4387.

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 5

There is an awareness workshop at Girlfriends Coffee House and Bookstore at 7:00 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 6

Tucson Prime Timers invites Gay men over 30 to their monthly Wednesday dinner at Athens On fourth Ave. At 6:30 p.m. Parking is available behind the restaurant off 6th Street.

Live entertainment with Girlfriends resident musician Jess Hawk Oakenstar from 8:00 to 10:00 p.m.

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 7

The next Gays and Lesbians United (GLU) supper will be on Thursday, Nov. 7 at5:30 p.m. The memeting will be hosted by Tucson AIDS Project at 1512 S. Tucson Blvd. All Gay, Lesbian and HIV groups are invitged to come to this information sharing supper. For more information or to R.S.V.P. call David at 323-7943.

Men's Social Network (Gay men of all ages; guests always welcome). 6:00 p.m. Join MSN for a fun night of roller skating on "Adult Night." The cost will be $5 for rental of traditional skates, or $8 for in-line skates. Call Chris at 290-4266 or Donn at 325-4257 for details and directions.

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 8

Men's Social Network (Gay men of all ages; guests always welcome). 7:00 p.m. The Book Club will be discussing James Kirkwood's P.S. Your Cat is Dead. Even if you don't read the book, we encourage all book lovers to attend. For reservations and directions, call Jerry at 690-9565.

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 9

1. Men's Social Network (Gay men of all ages; guests always welcome). There will be a Tohono Chul Nature Walk at 9:30 a.m. A retired botany professor will guide us through a tour of the native plants found in this area of Arizona. You will also have the option of staying on after the tour for lunch at the Tea Room. For details and reservations, call Will at 299-9454.

2. Men's Social Network (Gay men of all ages; guests always welcome). Our movie offering for the evening is the rude and funny "Eating Raoul," a biting satire about what people will do to achieve their ambitions. The movie begins at 7:00 p.m. For directions and reservations, please contact Les at 690-9565.

Scorpio Birthday Party at Girlfriends. Everyone Invited. Free cake. 8:00 p.m..

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 10

Jam/Open Mike Night. Join in the fun with the local musicians from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. at Girlfriends Coffee House and Bookstore.

Men's Social Network (Gay men of all ages; guests always welcome). 6:00 p.m. Ice Cream Sunday is a chance to get together and dish-ice cream, that is. We ask that you bring a pint or quart of your favorite ice cream to share with others. For reservations and directions, call Ray at 797-6648.

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 8pm.

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 Noon to 1 am. Happy Hour 4-8 pm, $1.50 domestic beer and well. Benefit 8-8-Q and Beer Bust for community organizations 5-7:30pm. Hi energy dancing 9pm to close.

PLUG - Open Noon. 25¢ Beer Bust and afternoon dance 3-8.

STONEWALL/EAGLE - Happy Hour Noon-8pm. Pool tournament 2pm. 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. 301 Dart Tournament 5pm $3 entry fee. Bar 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. Karoke 9 to 1 am.

GRADUATE - Open 9am. 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.

PLUG - Open 3pm. Happy Hour 3 to 8pm. $1 schnapps all the time. Campy movies with Moose 8pm. Dart Tournament 8:30pm. $1.00 Well all day and all night.

STONEWALL/EAGLE - Happy Hour noon to 8pm. Party with Stephan. Longneck Specials all day & nite. Stonewall opens 9pm Hi-NRG Dance Music.

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 Biki 2for1 on all wine, well and long necks from 9 to close.

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. 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.

PLUG - Open 3pm. Happy Hour 3 to 8pm. $1.00 Bud and Bud Light longnecks all day and all night.

STONEWALL/EAGLE - Happy Hour Noon to 8pm. 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. Music from 70s & 80s from 9to1. Beer Bust 8pm to close - $1.25 pitchers.

GRADUATE - Open 9am. Happy Hour 4-8pm all well $1.25 Draft 75¢ Schnapps 75¢. 301 Dart Tourney 7:30 p.m. Singles $3 entry. Pot matched. Double elimination.

HOURS - Happy Hour 12 to 7pm, Well or Domestic Beer $1.25. 50¢ off all call drinks 7 to close.

IBT's - Open Noon to 1am. Happy Hour 4 to 8pm, $1.50 domestic beer & well. Shows alternating Wednesdays with Male Box Nite. $1.50 Bud Product Special 9 pm to close. (Specials do not apply during shows)

PLUG - Open 3pm. Happy Hour 3 to 8pm. 2 for 1 Well 9pm - 1am. Queer Dance at 9pm.

STONEWALL/EAGLE - Happy Hour Noon to 8pm. Stonewall opens at 9pm. Corona and Cuervo Gold $1.50

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

Thursday

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

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 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 9-close.

PLUG - Open 3pm. Happy Hour 3 to 8pm. $1.50 Skyy vodka cocktails with "The Smed" 9pm - 1am. Live DJ at 9pm.

STONEWALL/EAGLE - Happy Hour noon-8pm. Peter specials all night long. Stonewall opens 9pm 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 8:30pm

Friday

AIN'T NOBODY'S BIZNESS - Happy Hour 2-7, 2for1 well or domestic beer. Free pool 2-4. Complimentary Hors O'Deuvres. Hot dance music with Alex 9-1. Shot specials every 1/2 hour.

GRADUATE - Open 9am. Happy Hour 4-8pm, 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.

PLUG - Happy Hour 3 to 8pm. $1 schnapps all the time. Hi-Energy Dance music at 9pm.

STONEWALL/EAGLE - Happy Hour noon-8pm; Hot Hors d'Oeuvres 8pm. Stonewall opens 9pm. Wear Stonewall T-Shirt and get happy hour prices all evening

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

Saturday

AIN'T NOBODYS BIZNESS - Pool Tournament 5 pm. Pot matched, 1st: 70%, 2nd: 20%, 3rd: 10%. Hot dance music with Alex 9-1. Drink specials every 1/2 hour.

GRADUATE - Open 9am. 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, Piña Coladas $3. Country/Western Music 8-1.

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

PLUG - Open Noon. Happy Hour till 8pm. Free Pool till 8pm. Hot Dance Party at 9pm.

STONEWALL/EAGLE - Happy Hour Noon to 8pm 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 8:30pm.

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NOTICES

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

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

SHANTI FOUNDATION OF TUCSON
Help us help others in giving emotional support to persons with HIV and AIDS and their families, friends. Contact us Monday through Friday, 9 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 575-8600 or write P.O. Box 38264, Tucson, AZ 85740-8264. All replies confidential.

LIVING WATERS FAMILY CENTER now meeting in the front building of MCC Church, 3269 N. Mountain. Worship services on Mondays at 5:00 p.m. Counseling provided for couples and individuals. For more information call 795-7268.

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.

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 887-7483 and leave your name and phone number. Monthly meetings are held on the 3rd Sunday, 4-6 p.m. at Wingspan, 422 N. 4th Ave.

TUCSON AIDS PROJECT (TAP), 151 S. Tucson Blvd., Suite 252 (The Broadmoor Center Bldg.). Direct services for persons with and affected by HIV/AIDS. Prevention education programs. Business hours, M-F, 8-5. 322-6226. AIDS Hotline: 326-AIDS.

TUCSON GAY INFORMATION AND REFERRAL
For information on human service organizations, health and mental health services, financial and government assistance, emergency services such as food and shelter, education, etc. Call Information and Referral 881-1794 - 8 a.m. - 5 p.m. Mon. - Fri.

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

GAY OR BI-SEXUAL MEN in relationships with women. Need friends you can talk to? Weekly support group meets Tuesdays 6:30 - 8:00 pm. Licensed psychologist facilitator. Call 745-6977 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 discussions in a loving, supportive atmosphere. Meetings Thursdays from 7:30 to 9:30 pm at St. Francis in the Foothills Church, Swan and River Road. Room 32. Call the church at 299-9063 for information.

LICHEN HIKING CLUB for women of all ages and backgrounds of life. Hike with other women. Listings in Rubyfruit Journal available at Antigone Books, 411 N. 4th Ave.

CAMELBACK BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATION (CBPA) OF PHOENIX For information and membership write: CBPA at P.O. Box 2097, Phoenix, AZ 85001.

LESBIAN SUPPORT GROUP addressing a full spectrum of issues, problems and situations. Meetings 2nd & 4th Wednesday 7 to 8:30 p.m. at Wingspan, 422 N. 4th Ave. 624-1779.

L.D.S., EX-L.D.S., GAY LESBIAN, BISEXUAL SUPPORT GROUP. Meetings 2nd & 4th Wednesdays. 7pm. 320-1319 for information.

RECREATIONAL VOLLEYBALL every Sunday at 2pm at St. Francis in The Foothills for anyone who likes to play and have a blast call Davey 886-1208 for more info.

ARIZONA/SONORA PROYECTO, S.I.D.A. - AIDS INFO LINE 882-3833. 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. 322-5655. Leave message.

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

ATTENTION ALL NUDISTS - Tucson Tanners is a nudist group open to all -- Nude activities scheduled both indoor and outdoors. Not "Gay Only", but Gays are welcome and invited to join. For further information send SASE to: Tucson Tanners, P.O. Box 94-G, Cortaro, AZ 85652.

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SUPPORT GROUP FOR MEN IN SAME SEX RELATIONSHIPS who have ever been physically, verbally or sexually abused, is now forming. Call Randy Oberhoff, Ph.D. at 570-0027 for more

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. Call the Bears Hotline (520)733-9409, write 1830 E. Broadway #124-403, Tucson, AZ 85719, or come to our general meetings the second Friday of every month. Location listed on our hotline.

TUCSON ROOMMATE LOCATOR SERVICE Men and women welcome. Office 574-2272.

"LAMBDA CAR CLUB, A social organization of Gays and Lesbians who share interest, information and fellowship involving collectible vehicles. Call 298-9454.

LESBIAN AND GAY ALANON - Affected by someone's drinking? Meeting every Tuesday 8:45 to 9:45 p.m. at Lambda Center, 2940 E. Thomas, Phoenix. Ellie 581-8850 or Ronn 968-2384.

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE GROUP - Outreach to Gay and Lesbian people in Arizona. Meets monthly. Write to P.O. Box 893, Phoenix, AZ 85001 or call Eddy Walters, (602)371-1102

CRONIES SOCIAL GROUP. A Social group for Gay men who enjoy the fellowship of their peers. Call Merle at 888-7264.7 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

LIGHTNING LIGHTING will provide lighting for AIDS and related benefits at no charge. For more info call Adrienne at 889-7298.

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 at St. Phillips in the Hills Episcopal Church meets first and third Mondays. Call David, 323-7843 for more information.

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

LESBIAN/GAY WRITERS: Workshop at 7:00 p.m. third Wednesday of every month. Read and critique current projects. Network and support. For info call 325-4737.

DESERT VOICES, Tucson's Gay & Lesbian Chorus rehearses Monday evenings at 7 pm at UofA School of Music Rm #192. For information call 791-9662.

Join the LESBIAN & GAY PUBLIC AWARENESS PROJECT. In Tucson write Awareness Project, 3661 N. Campbell Ave. #345, Tucson, AZ 85719.

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

NOTICES

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 890-8565 for information and a newsletter.558

SOFTBALL - For info on the Tucson Greater Softball Association T.G.S.A., please contact Mary O. 770-0879 or Bertie L. 318-3415.

CARE TEAMS ARE AVAILABLE to offer support to people living with HIV/AIDS. The Tucson Interfaith HIV/AIDS Network offers trained, compassionate and committed volunteers to provide services including friendly visits, light housekeeping, assistance with meals, shopping, errands, transportation and companionship for medical appointments, and respite care for primary care givers. No judgement or proselytizing - we are here to be of service. For information call Scott at 299-6063.

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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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BISEXUAL INFORMATION/SUPPORT GROUP for women and men. Meetings 1st & 3rd Wednesdays at 7:00 p.m. at Wingspan. 320-1319.

GAY VOLLEYBALL ON SATURDAYS. Competitive play. BB or better players only. Grass court Northwest corner Himmel Park 5:00 p.m. Check it out!

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.

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CATHOLIC GAY/LESBIAN SUPPORT GROUP meets every 3rd Monday at St. Pius X Catholic Church, 1800 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.

COMMUNITY BUSINESS ASSOCIATION (CBA), Tucson's Gay and Lesbian business networking group holds regular meetings the third Thursday of every month. Call Greg Hollman 577-8333 for more info.

TUCSON LESBIAN/GAY ALLIANCE (TLGA) meets every third Thursday at Wingspan, 422 N. 4th Avenue at 7pm.

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THIRTYsomething Society - an exclusive society for single Gay and Bi men in or near their thirties. A social society that offers monthly activities including a monthly outing away from Tucson. Call 797-3119 for more information and a membership bio.

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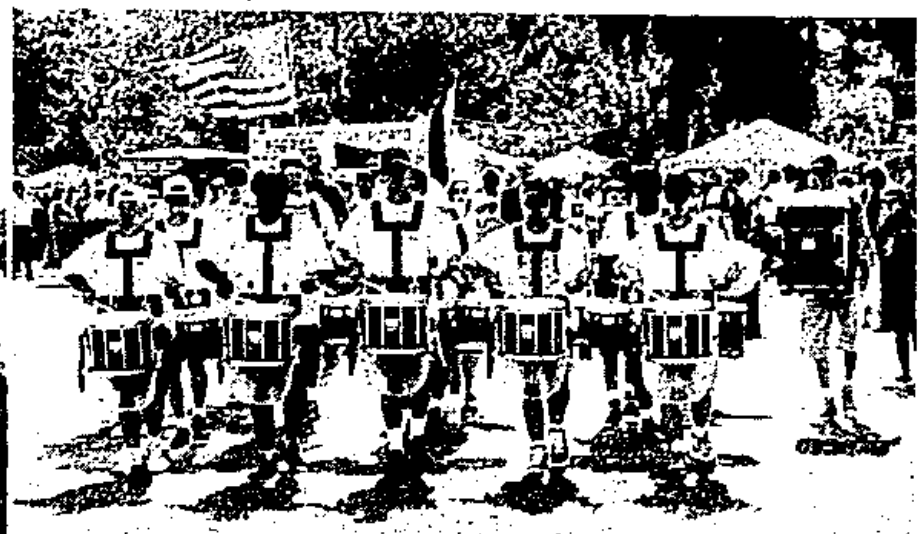

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