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Allen Ginsberg Dies At 70; Poet Of Beat Generation

NEW YORK, NY (AP) - Allen Ginsberg, the counterculture guru who shattered conventions as poet laureate of the Beat Generation and influenced the next four decades of art, music and politics, died this past Saturday at 70.

The bearded, balding Ginsberg died in his Lower East Side apartment surrounded by eight "close friends and old lovers," said his friend and archivist, Bill Morgan. The poet was diagnosed eight days ago with terminal liver cancer and he suffered a fatal heart attack, Morgan said.

"He made us see that poets were pop stats," said Lenny Kaye, guitarist with the Patti Smith Group and a recent Ginsberg collaborator. "He had a sense of liberation - sexual liberation, philosophical liberation."

Ginsberg whose blend of drug-inspired visions, hedonistic sex and gut-wrenching autobiography emerged in the 1950's, spent several days in a hospice after his diagnosis. Ginsberg then suffered a stroke, fell into a coma and never regained consciousness.

He had returned to his apartment a day earlier after expressing a desire to die at home.

After returning home, he wrote about a dozen short poems, one titled "On Fame and Death," and "wore himself out talking to friends," Morgan said.

David Cope, a friend and fellow poet, received a phone call. So did Lawrence Ferlinghetti, who was charged with obscenity after his City Lights Books published Ginsberg's "Howl and Other Poems" in 1956.

Ginsberg's influence was almost inestimable. His extraordinary list of acolytes ran the gamut from Abbie Hoffman to Smashing Pumpkins singer Billy Corgan and Czech President Vaclav Havel to punk poet Patti Smith, Yoko Ono to Bob Dylan.

In the conservative, McCarthy-era 1950's, when TV's married couples slept in separate beds, Ginsberg wrote "Howl," a profane, graphic poem that dealt with his own homosexuality and communist upbringing.

"I saw the best minds of my generation destroyed by madness, starving hysterical naked," the poem began.

"Howl" then careened wildly through scores of surreal images: "a lost battalion of platonic conversationalists jumping down the stoops off fire escapes," people who "walked all night with their shoes full of blood on the snow-bank docks waiting for a door in the East River to open a room full of steam and opium."

Ginsberg's poetry placed spontaneity over metered verse, frank language over flowery words. His work was often confessional, discussing his homosexuality, his mother's death, his relationships.

"Kaddish," one of his most famous works, was an Oedipal poem dealing with his mother's life and death in a mental hospital. It was written in his Manhattan apartment, stream of consciousness-style, fueled by a combination of amphetamines and morphine.

His first exposure to the nascent counterculture came when he was a 17-year-old Columbia University freshman. There he met fellow future beatniks Jack Kerouac, William S. Burroughs and Neal Cassady. The group, disillusioned by conventional society, created their own subculture of drugs and hedonism.

Ginsberg was an early proponent of Gay and Lesbian rights, one of many causes the poet embraced. In 1960, he went on television to call for the decriminalization of marijuana. He was arrested in 1967 for protesting against the Vietnam War in New York and was tear-gassed a year later when protesting at the Democratic National Convention in Chicago.

He contended that FBI director J. Edgar Hoover had placed him on a "dangerous security list" in 1965, a distinction that led to airport strip searches for several years whenever he returned to the United States.

Last year, he was one of the plaintiffs in a U.S. Supreme Court case aimed at knocking down federal regulations on the hours that "indecent programming" could be broadcast on television and radio.

Irwin Allen Ginsberg was born June 3, 1926 in Newark, New Jersey, the second son of poet Louis Ginsberg and his wife, Naomi. The family moved to Paterson, New Jersey when Ginsberg was a youngster.

A seminal event in Ginsberg's life came in 1948: his vision of poet William Blake while he was lying on he couch of his East Harlem apartment. Ginsberg said he had a "hallucination in 3-D" of Blake reading his poem "Ah Sunflower."

Ginsberg's first taste of notoriety came after the publication of "Howl" in 1956. Copies of the book were seized by San Francisco police and U.S. Customs officials and Ferlinghetti was charged with publishing an obscene book.

Ferlinghetti was acquitted in 1957 but the case generated enormous publicity for Ginsberg and his work. Ginsberg was

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Clinton Names New AIDS Office Director

by Mark R. Kerr

WASHINGTON, D.C. (OBS) - President Clinton, on Monday, named Sandra Thurman as the new director of the Office of National AIDS Policy, which coordinates federal policy and programs to combat the disease.

Thurman becomes the fourth director of AIDS policy. She replaced Patsy Fleming, who did not return for Clinton's second term. Clinton's first adviser, Kristine Gebbie, resigned in July 1994. Eric Goosby had been serving as interim director before Thurman's appointment.

Thurman, who previously worked on Clinton's two presidential campaigns, was the executive director of AID Atlanta, which provides health and support services to people with HIV and AIDS, from 1988 to 1993. Thurman had spent the past four years with The Task Force for Child Survival and Development at Atlanta's Carter Center, focusing on child immunization and the eradication of polio.

In a brief televised ceremony at the White House, Clinton praised Sandra Thurman for her work on AIDS, particularly her work with AID Atlanta, which tripled in size during her tenure.

"Her experience in running a large, community-based organization makes her especially well-equipped to build the partnerships we need throughout our country, where beating the AIDS epidemic will take this kind of teamwork," Clinton said.

During the ceremony, Clinton reiterated his commitment to halt the spread of AIDS and assured Thurman that the Office of National AIDS Policy would have the resources it needs to help "succeed in this all-important task." The President added, "My door is open to her. I've worked with her, and I can attest that she tells it like it is. She speaks the truth unvarnished. She won't hold back in this office."

Thurman pledged to improve housing, Medicaid and welfare services for AIDS patients and to "counteract the devastating effects that homophobia and racism continue to have on this epidemic."

"The president has given me his personal commitment, and in turn, I offer the community my commitment to the efforts to develop vaccines, find a cure, and stop the transmission of HIV," Thurman went on to say. "This is not an epidemic of a few; this is an epidemic of us all."

Reaction of the new appointment from national AIDS advocacy groups was mixed:

The Human Rights Campaign (HRC) called Thurman, "a solid choice to take the Office of National AIDS Policy to the next level." Elizabeth Birch, HRC's executive director, praised Thurman, in a written statement, saying: "She brings the right mix of leadership, political skills and commitment to the fight against HIV and AIDS."

AIDS Action, a national coalition of 1,400 community based AIDS group said that Sandy Thurman's appointment is an important first step toward winning the fight against AIDS. In a written statement, Daniel Zingale, executive director of the coalition said, "We hope that this first step is followed by a significant investment in staff and budget resources

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SF May Revise Partners Law To Exclude Non-Gay Couples

SAN FRANCISCO, CA (SFE) - Under heavy pressure from corporate San Francisco, the Board of Supervisors is set to consider changing its new domestic partners law to allow employers to exclude unmarried straight couples.

The ground-breaking law, adopted last year and scheduled to take effect June 1, requires companies and agencies doing business with the city to provide the same benefits to workers with registered domestic partners - Gay or straight - as they do to married employees.

The law applies now only to workers who register their domestic partnerships with a government agency. The proposal, expected to be approved this week, led by Supervisors Leslie Katz and Tom Ammiano would let contractors set up their own registries.

The proposal would allow those company registries to apply only to same-sex couples. The companies would have the option - but not be required - to provide the registry for heterosexual couples.

The option to exclude straight, unmarried couples from the benefits would be temporary. Supervisors are considering a three-year limit before the benefits must be offered to all domestic partners.

The Committee on Jobs, a lobbying arm for corporate San Francisco, has been pushing hard to allow businesses to cut out unmarried straight couples.

The business bottom line: mon-

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UPDATE

Roxanna Returns For Reveille Fundraiser

TUCSON - Doing stand-up while sitting down takes special talent, especially if you sing and play the piano like Roxanna Ward.

Delivering all this and more, Ward's engaging blend of music and comedy caused one listener to remark: "It's as if Bette Midler and Steve Allen had a love child!" Roxanna makes a special return visit to Tucson Tuesday, April 22, to headline a Gay Comedy Spectacular at Laff's Comedy Club, 2900 East Broadway, benefitting Reveille Gay Men's Chorus (RGMC) and other non-profit and social organizations.

Roxanna appeared with RGMC last year and brought down the house with her unique comedy style and musical talents. For more information and ticket outlets, call RGMC at (520) 617-3100, or reservations can be made by calling Laff's at 32-FUNNY.

Songfest Night At MCC

TUCSON - Saturday, April 19, 7:30 P.M., Water of Life Metropolitan Community Church (MCC), Tucson, will host a community-wide religious-sacred gospel music night.

All musicians are invited to participate in this musical extravaganza. Vocals (choral, ensemble, solo, etc.) and instrumentals, as well as congregational selections are anticipated for this program.

If you and/or your group would like to participate, please contact the Music Committee to let us know your musical selections so that we may add you to the evening and put the program together. Call the Music Committee at the church office at 292-9151, or contact the Chair of the Music Committee Dave Hensley, 745-9059.

Ellen Comes 'Out' In 'Time'

HOLLYWOOD, CA (WS) - Time Magazine scooped the G/L publications and finally got Ellen DeGeneres to come clean -- and out.

The April 7 edition features an interview with DeGeneres saying -- without references to being left-handed or Lebanese -- that yes, she is a Lesbian.

"When I decided to have my character on the show come out, I knew I was going to have to come out too," DeGeneres tells time. She said she had tried to keep her personal life separate from her professional life, and fought hard to keep one from spilling into the other.

"Now I feel completely comfortable with myself and I don't have to be fearful about something damaging my career . . . I'm in control of it -- sort of," DeGeneres said. "No one can hurt me now."

Local Activist's Estate Leaves $230,000 To Gay Causes

TUCSON - The estate of Terry H. Lea, a long time Tucson Gay activist, has made the following donations in accordance with Mr. Lea's will:

$92,000	Gay Scholarships
$46,000	Lambda Legal Defense
$46,000	Human Rights Campaign
$23,000	NGLTF
$23,000	Project Inform

Mr. Lea's generosity sets an example for all Gay men, and reminds us to consider Gay charities in our estate plans.

Cornerstone Fellowship Anniversary Celebration

TUCSON - Cornerstone Fellowship will be holding their "Anniversary Celebration," April 18-20, to commemorate another year of serving the spiritual needs of the community. Here is schedule of events:

Friday, April 18, 7:00 P.M., a message will be delivered from Evelyn Schave, followed by refreshments in the social hall.

Saturday, April 18, 9:00 A.M. to 1:00 P.M. a seminar by Dennis Schave, "Our Place in Christ." At the 7:00 P.M. church service, a message will be delivered by Evelyn Schave with refreshments following.

Sunday, April 20, 9:00 A.M. - Bible study. After the Evelyn Schave will deliver the message, a barbecue will follow in the social hall.

Team Arizona To Meet April 12

TUCSON - Team Arizona will be holding a general membership meeting in Tucson, Saturday, April 12.

The meeting will take place, for all who are interested at Girlfriends Coffee House, 3540 North Oracle Road, (520) 293-9356.

Team Arizona plans to discuss the latest information available on The 1998 Amsterdam Gay Games. Also, planning will go forward for fund raising. Everyone is encouraged to attend with your questions, concerns and comments.

ASO Benefit Concert Series Begins April 18

by Ken Leist

TUCSON - Classical guitarist Roberto Capocchi will return to St. Andrew's Episcopal Church stage, Friday, April 18, 7:30 P.M., as the featured performer in the kickoff concert of a four-concert series. The concert is the first in a series to benefit the Southern Arizona AIDS Foundation. Tickets are $15, or as low as $10 per concert in a series package. A dessert reception will follow the concert in the church hall.

The Southern Arizona AIDS Foundation is a local non-profit organization that raises funds for People With AIDS Coalition of Tucson, Shanti Foundation, and the Tucson AIDS Projects. Each of these organiztions provide services for people living with HIV/AIDS.

The acoustical concert series will bring a variety of local musicians center stage to support people living with HIV/AIDS. With a classical guitar, vocal duos, and string and brass instruments, the series is likely to appeal to the musical interests of everyone. St. Andrew's Episcopal Church, 545 South Fifth Avenue will play host to the entire series. For more information or tickets, call Ken at PACT, 770-1710.

Homosexuality & The Bible Series At MCC

TUCSON - Joyce Cook announces a three-part sermon series entitled, "We Are A People," regarding homosexuality and the Bible at Water of Life Metropolitan Community Church (MCC), Tucson. She will begin the sermon series at the regular 10:45 A.M. Sunday worship service, April 13, 20 and 27.

The sermon series focus come from I Peter 2:9. As the church's spiritual leader, Joyce will explore and expound on the many scriptural references that support and affirm Lesbians and Gay men, and delineate the unique scriptural calling for the homosexual community; scriptures that support and affirm the dignity and pride of Gay men and Lesbians.

Water of Life Metropolitan Community church is located at 3269 North Mountain Avenue in Tucson. (Between Fort Lowell and Prince Roads)

Southern Arizona AIDS Foundation Upcoming Fundraising Events

- **Classical Concert #1:** Acoustical guitar concert featuring Roberto Capocchi. Friday, April 18th at St. Andrew's Episcopal Church, 7:30 PM
- **Laff's Comedy Benefit:** Local professional comedians and ASO clients share the lighter side of living with HIV. Tuesday, April 29th. Laff's Comedy Cafe.
- **10th Annual Reno Gannon Memorial Jell-O Wrestling Extravaganza** A zany afternoon of slipping and sliding in America's favorite dessert. Sunday, May 18th at the Graduate

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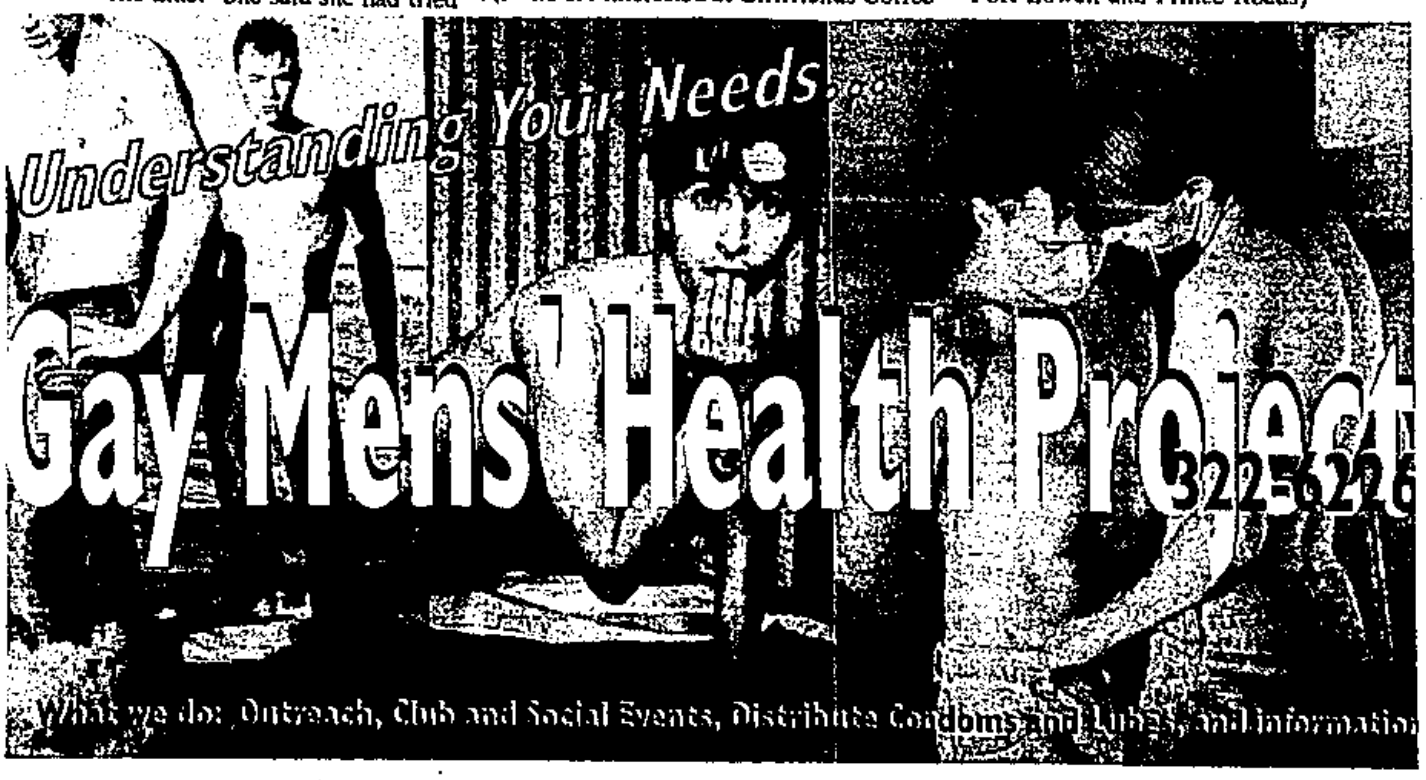

TUCSON GREATER SOFTBALL ASSOCIATION

Tucson Ain't Nobody's Bizness Wins Phoenix Cactus Cup Tourney

There was only one game on the TGSA schedule this past weekend, April 5-6, as four member teams made the trek, to Phoenix to compete in the Fourth Annual Cactus Cup Tournament.

The local game was an exhibition featuring the Lavender Laces (Women's Division) and Best Choice Reality Co. (an all women's team competing in the Open Division). The Lavender Laces came out on top, 15-3.

In Cactus Cup play, The Biz-Tucson captured the Women's Division with a 15-8. The Biz rallied for 9 runs in the bottom of the sixth inning and held on for the win.

Other Tucson teams in the Women's Division were the Hill Foot Gems, which were a not so surprising #2 seed. Gems Coach, L.A., was almost apologetic when asked about her team's seeding, "We had a good draw in the round-robin phase of the tourney and did not have to face any of the top teams." I have seen these women play, and they are not top notch, gaining confidence as a team with each passing week."

Team Tucson came within a whisker of the championship game, losing to Scooters/Denver, 5-4, and settled for third place.

In the Open 'A' Division, the Los Angeles Stray Cats continued its amazing streak of tournaments championships (it averages 8-10 tournaments a year and has not lost since 1994) by defeating Boston Fritz, 14-5.

In Open 'B' play, the Washington D.C. Metz (cleverly outfitted in black and gold, like bees, hence the 'Z' in the name) handily defeated a tired and beat up Phoenix Obelisk team, 7-1 to take first place.

Tucson's Arizona Aces sponsored by the Graduate, completed in this division and lost both its games to the D.C. Metz and the Portland Storm. Hopefully, the team learned that it must be fully prepared and ready to do battle at this tough level of competition.

In the open 'C' championship, Charlie's/Denver defeated the Los Angeles Athletic Club twice, 16-8 & 14-8 to win the title.

Other cities represented included: Seattle, Portland, Long Beach, Los Angeles, San Diego, San Francisco, Chicago, New York and Philadelphia.

Make your plans now to attend next year's tournament, it promises to be better and bigger than this year's 49 teams.

Thanks to the fans who made the trip to Phoenix to support their favorite players/teams.

For more info on TGSA, please contact league commissioner, Mary O., 770-9979.

APRIL 13 SCHEDULE

WOMEN'S DIVISION

4:00 P.M. Team Tucson vs. Hill Foot Gems.
5:00 P.M. Lavender Laces vs. Girls' Night Out.
6:00 P.M. Venture-N vs. Best Choice Realty.

Bye week: Women's - The Biz. Open - Arizona Aces and IBT's Twisters.

All games at Freedom Park (29th Street, between Swan and Craycroft).

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TUCSON - If anyone receives e-mail entitled "PENPAL GREETINGS," please delete it without reading it!

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Beam Me Up: Whatever the cause or circumstances, the untimely loss of human life is always tragic. But certain facts surrounding the recent bizarre tragedy in Rancho Santa Fe, Ca., makes you wonder just what in the heck otherwise intelligent people will ultimately believe in and do.

Just how far across the cosmos did these people think they were going to get with a $5 bill and a roll of quarters in their pocket? It might get you to Las Vegas on a Southwest Airlines travel special but I think the fare to Sirius will set you back considerably more unless you've accumulated an incredible amount of frequent astral travel miles.

I suppose a roll of quarters would come in handy if you were traveling light and had to stop at a laundromat somewhere along the way. Or perhaps there are slot machines in heaven. Who knows? At least it's comforting to know our currency is universally accepted no matter where in the universe you travel.

Zero Tolerance: I thought that I had heard it all when the first grader was suspended from school on grounds of sexual harassment last year after giving a peck on the cheek to a little girl in his class. Some weeks later two 14 year-old girls were suspended and ordered to attend drug awareness classes because one had given a Midol tablet to the other..

There was quite a media fuss made over these cases because of the extreme lengths to which officials went in enforcing so-called "zero tolerance" rules, and because of their ridiculous and inflexible stance in these particular cases. One would think that in light of the public scrutiny and general condemnation of the response by these administrators others would employ a little more wise consideration in any similar future cases.

Not so. Last week a 13 year-old boy in Portland was suspended for violating his school's alcohol policy after he was spotted taking a swig of Scope mouthwash while standing in plain view at his locker after lunch. Mind you, he wasn't serving it up with tonic and a lime squeeze. Nor was he pounding down shots of the stuff out behind the gymnasium. "The lunch kind of tasted bad", he said. "I didn't have any place to spit". Turns out that Scope does indeed contain a measure of alcohol and therefore the heavy hand of justice came down upon his head.

Meanwhile, three weeks ago in Bremerton, Wash., a group of middle-school students were suspended for three weeks and ordered to attend drug awareness classes and attend counseling for passing around and tasting Alka Seltzer tablets on campus. Ah yes, I remember those crazy Alka Seltzer parties we used to have back in the 70's. Two licks and you were on your way to enlightenment.

All kidding aside, a kid can now be busted, publicly humiliated, suspended, ordered to drug-awareness classes and counseling for licking an Alka-Seltzer tablet.

I'm all for zero-tolerance with respect to sexual harassment (and let's please add harassment against students of ALL sexual orientations), and the presence of liquor and drugs in our schools, along with guns, knives, or weapons of any kind. Now how about including the fear of unreasonable and heavy handed punishment to the list.

Are we teaching our children that it's an "either/or" world out there and any deviation, no matter how insignificant or unintended, from the norm is not only intolerable but demands swift and severe punishment and suppression it? Does this not also send a clear message that there is no room for careful consideration of fact and intent? Hasn't that sort of thinking been the touchstone for the intolerance, closed mindedness, and the ethnic, racial, gender and sexual bigotry which we, as a society, have been fighting to overcome for so many decades now?

I'm sorry, this is more than I can handle. I'm going to go lick an Alka-Seltzer and wash it down with a slug from the old bottle of Scope.

And then it was now.....

> "If a man does not keep pace with his companions, perhaps it is because he hears a different drummer. Let him step to the music which he hears, however measured or far away"
> Henry David Thoreau

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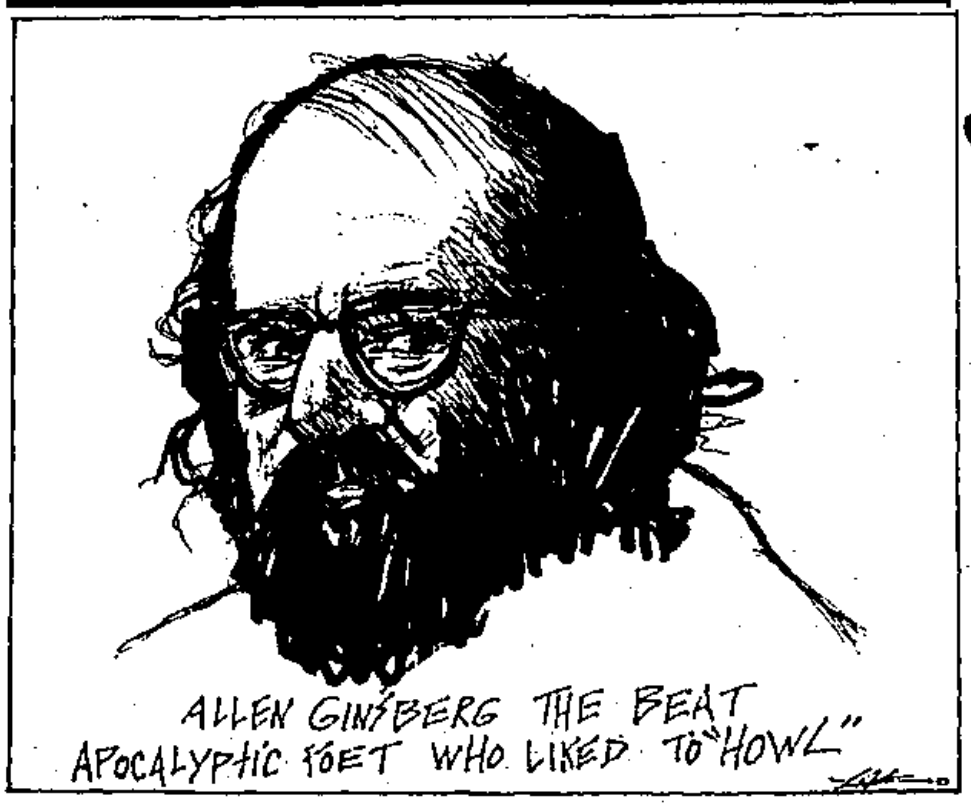

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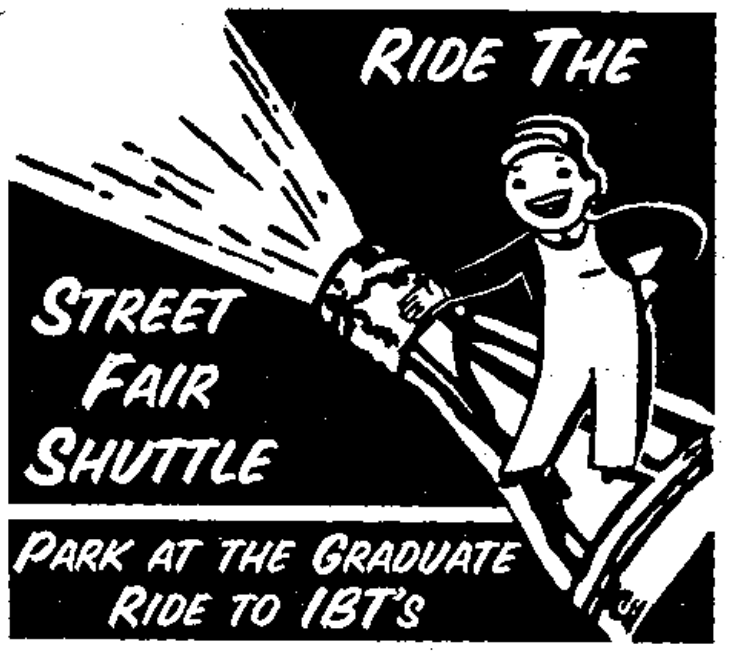

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By MARK R. KIRK

"Persistent As Hell!"

The above-mentioned quote is a description of and by state Rep. Robin Shaw, R-Phoenix. It describes her efforts to get a statewide hate-crimes ordinance with some teeth passed.

Rep. Shaw is the prime sponsor of the latest attempt to pass a statewide hate-crimes ordinance. Shaw's measure would allow a judge to impose harsher penalties in felony cases if the victim was targeted because of race, religion, color, gender, sexual orientation or national origin or ancestry.

The bill, then H.B. 2182, had made it through two key House Committees, [amended for conservative and Fife's support]. The amendment was a clause barring someone from using the law to file a civil discrimination suit linked to sexual orientation. This was to appease conservative lawmakers and Fiferama.

The bill then made it through the House Rules Committee and was then squashed by the House Speaker, Rep. Don Aldridge, R-Lake Havasu City, who wasn't happy the bill made it that far.

Did this setback daunt the bill's sponsor and our heroine, state Rep. Robin Shaw, R-Phoenix? Can we say, "persistent as Hell!"

Rep. Shaw pulled a parliamentary maneuver, gutting two bills, S.B. 1047 and H.B. 2067 and placing the exact same-language from H.B. 2182. Can we say "strike-everything amendments!"

Both bills had been approved by the respective House and Senate committees and are now before the Rules committee's in each body awaiting consideration, and gathering dust.

Rep. Shaw said, in an interview with this reporter, that House Speaker Aldridge told her that the proposed hate-crimes ordinance "was dead because he's will not bring the bill to the floor for a vote."

Even with that major hurdle, Rep. Shaw would continue the fight for passage of the proposed ordinance. But how? With a rarely used procedure, Rep. Shaw said, called a "discharge petition."

For those not playing the home game, a discharge petition is a mechanism whereby 3/5 of the entire membership of the House sign a petition in support of circumventing leadership and bring a measure to the floor for a vote, immediately discharging it from any further committee consideration.

Rep. Shaw said that she got a total of 37 signatures from other members of the state House on her discharge petition. Shaw stated that she filed her discharge petition on, the Aggravating Circumstances (Hate Crimes) Bill, S.B. 1047, with the Chief Clerk's office at 5:00 P.M. last Thursday. Which means?

According to Shaw, Speaker Aldridge must put the bill on the third-reading calendar for the full House by Thursday, April 10. If S.B. 1047 is heard and approved, it will go back to the Senate for concurrence and a final vote.

Shaw added that the Chief Clerk is required by House rules to see that the bill comes to the floor for a vote within one week. Shaw says the bill must be posted by 5:00 P.M. today, under House rules.

With all that, rumors are a-buzz at the state capitol that Speaker Aldridge will challenge the discharge petition on S.B. 1047 on technicality regarding the petition. Rep. Shaw said she had filed two pieces of paper, instead of a petition.

Shaw said the Speaker's challenge would fail, according to "the Speaker's own rules." According to Shaw, the Speaker "hasn't done anything yet, but she will be persistent on the measure."

With all that, Rep. Shaw is optimistic on the proposed hate-crimes ordinance. At this point, Shaw says, the main focus for the hate-crimes bill is "to get it to the floor to be heard!"

Will the bill be heard? Will Speaker Aldridge follow "his own" rules? Will S.B. 1047 pass? Read about it next week in the column, the only paper to report on it from start-to-finish! . . .

Shortly you'll have to return those dirty "video-tapes" earlier and we'll have a definition for "simulated sex-acts." S.B. 1408, that also would restrict the hours sexually-oriented businesses can be open has been "fast-tracked."

"Fast-tracked" is where a bill is sent to the floor for a final-vote, bypassing the Rules and COW Committees.

The bill, that soured through the state Senate was before the House Government Operations Committee. The chair of the committee is state Rep. Joe Hart, R-Phoenix. A spokesperson for Rep. Hart said the bill had been withdrawn from the committee and "fast-tracked." Soon you'll have to return those videos much earlier. . . .

What would a column be without some "stupidity" from the Arizona Legislature. Two measures to quickly report on.

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Secrets. . . by Frank Terrero

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After dinner Josh phoned Frances and they agreed to meet after school on Monday to talk about their situation.

They really didn't know each other and wanted to spend some time figuring out what they were going to do. In the meantime she said, "You know you boys have to be safe! Whatever you do, you have to be safe. They are doing testing at Wingspan on Saturday morning. You might want to go there and get a test together," she explained.

"Why would I need a test?" he asked. "I haven't done anything. Don't you need to do something before you would need a test?"

"Well you can tell that me and to your friend, whatever his name is, but how do we know your telling the truth. For all we know you could be the biggest slut around. So, to make things clear, just get him to get tested with you."

His name is Matthew and I am not a slut. But, I will talk to him tonight and maybe we will go."

"O.K. I will see you on Monday, after school. Let's meet in front of the library, O.K.?" "All right. In front of the library. Talk to you later. Bye." "Bye," she said and she hung up.

Josh sat on the floor of his room and thought about testing. "If I ask him to get tested doesn't that mean I want to have sex with him? Then, I may be a slut or at least he'll think I am. Should I ask him to just go with me so I don't have to go alone? That might work."

Josh went to the kitchen to get himself a coke. He fumbled through the refrigerator which had leftovers from Sunday, some old chicken, a couple of packages of cheese wrapped in plastic. On the top shelf, in the back, he found one last can. It was really cold. He popped the top, and chugged as much as he could. He loved the burn on the back of his throat. Then his stomach would swell for a couple of minutes and out would come the big burp, "Urrp!"

"Josh, that is disgusting! Why do men do that? I don't understand why you guys have to be so gross!" his mother exclaimed as she padded through the kitchen on her way to the family room. The TV was on and everyone was sitting around watching some bad show. Josh smiled to himself and hurried back to his room to call Matthew. He decided he would ask him to go with him because, in reality, he did want to have sex, eventually.

"Hi, Matthew?" "Hi, Josh! I thought it would be you. I have been waiting by the phone for about ten minutes. I wanted to be the only one to talk to you tonight. How's it goin?

"O.K. I talked to Frances, the girl from the coffee shop, a little while ago. She was cool. I think she is Gay too."

"You mean she's a Lesbian," corrected Matthew.

"Yeah, whatever you want to call her. We decided to meet on Monday after school and talk. I think she wants to be my friend. So that's cool."

"Great. Do you think you want to be her friend? I mean, is she okay and all?"

"I don't really know. She did ask about something that I though was important though. She said that I should get tested for HIV," said Josh.

"Why?" asked Matthew, suspiciously, "I thought you said that you haven't been with anyone before? What could you have? I think it is kinda stupid," he blurted out.

"I mean, shouldn't you wait until you have something to test for? Anyway, who are you planning on sleeping with anyway?" he asked teasingly. I thought you didn't have a boyfriend and all.

"Well, I don't," explained Josh, "But she said that if I do it now I can always be sure that I am clean. Anyway, if it is too dumb I just won't bother. It does sound kind of stupid. I mean if I don't have a boyfriend and all," he said hopefully.

"Well do it if you want. I'll even go with you if you want. I know that they do it at Wingspan sometimes. So maybe we ought to go there. I know that Wingspan is doing it on Fridays. Should we go? I will even take a test if it would make you feel better," Matthew said, again with a playfulness in his voice.

"All right, I will go, but only if you do," said Josh. He sat on the floor smiling to himself. Perfect, this was absolutely perfect.

SPORTS

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	Won	Lost
Rubber Queens Return	7	1
Triple T & Me	6	2
Garfield & Girls	6	2
Tres Amigos	5	3
Stoned Rollers	5	3
Thirteen	5	3
Straight Shooters	4	4
Two	4	4
Smokin Bears	3	5
R.E.D.	3	5
Erratica	3	5
Hung Hoes	2	6
Three's Company	2	6

Lambda Lizards Bowling League Spring Standings

	Won	Lost
Tastee Buns	7	1
Lesberados	6	2
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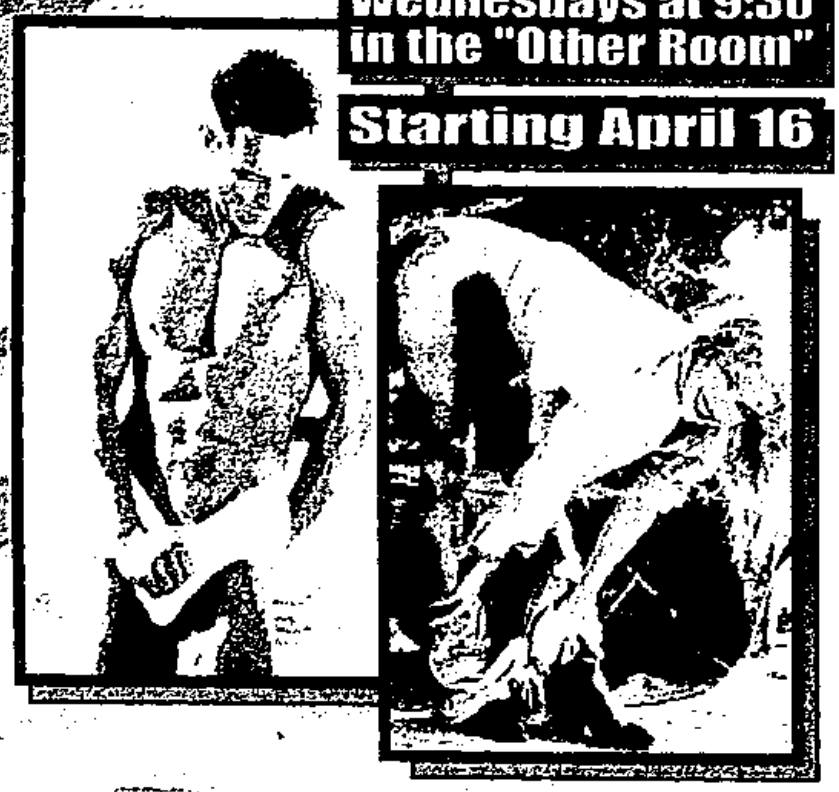
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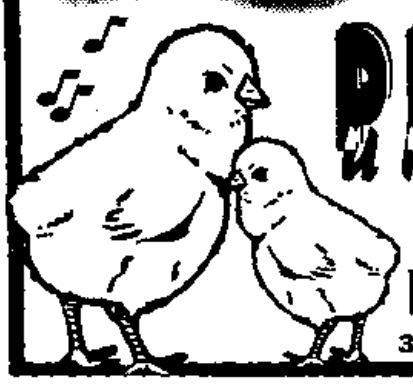

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Columna Abierta . . . .

by Dr. Eleazar Garcia

¿Qué tal? Esperando que esten disfrutando otra vez estos días soleados y con buen clima; porque cuando menos pensamos se nos viene otra onda fría y a sacar las ropas para el invierno una vez mas; así es que hay que disfrutarlos y aprovecharlos cuando se presenten...

En esta ocación estamos un poco de prisa al escribir esta Columna Abierta ya que estamos "empacando" para irnos a la V Conferencia Anual de Promotores que nuestro centro hermano patrocina: WAHEC, y se espera una asistencia de más de 300 participantes de toda la Unión Americana y del norte de México, en años pasados hemos podido conocer y convivir con finas personas y muy dedicadas a su labor, que esperamos poder saludarles desde mañana, ya que los días contemplados para que se lleve a cabo tal evento son del día 9 al 11 de este mes de abril, y será en el Yuma City and Convention Center, y con una agenda muy interesante de la cual les traeré detalles para la próxima semana así como lo mas sobresaliente... así será...

Y para seguir con los grande eventos, nos ha llegado la invitación al tercer entrenamiento para educadores comunitarios en salud en el oeste (WRICHE) que se llevará a cabo en la Península de Monterrey en California del día 13 al 16 de julio de 1997, si necesita información adicional por favor comunicarse con David Couch al (415) 929-9100 y sobre todo que hay disponibilidad de becas la cual es hasta el día 12 de mayo para obtenerlas...

Y ahora nuestro consejo en relación a la sexualidad. Si tiene una relación amorosa rutinaria y necesita explorar nuevos puntos excitantes, a continuación le daré un "mapa" de las zonas erógenas a veces olvidadas. El problema es que tenemos la tendencia a darle a nuestro cuerpo pocas oportunidades de expansión. La forma del cuerpo humano está cargada de zonas erógenas que van más allá del pene o del clítoris. Y a menos que uno las estimule todas, está desperdiciando la oportunidad de renovar la relación. Como un buen concertista de piano, para dar una buena "tocatta", debe usar todas las teclas. Lo bueno de prolongar las sesiones de caricias es que pueden conducir a una mayor intimidad sexual y de otro tipo. "Todos somos diferentes. No hay dos personas que se puedan excitar si los toca exactamente en el mismo lugar", dicen los expertos. Y eso es lo divertido, descubrir qué es lo que excita realmente a su pareja y aprender cosas sobre ella, y sobre usted mismo, que no sabía. Así es que la próxima vez que su pareja estire la mano en dirección a su bragueta, dígale que lo tome con calma, llévela a la cama sin prisa y sorpréndala con una larga noche de mutua exploración antes del coito. Elija un momento en que no se sienta tenso ni distraído y evite que sea muy tarde en la noche, cuando el nivel de la testosterona del hombre disminuye en un 25%. Deje correr libremente la imaginación. No se sienta limitado al dormitorio. Use la ducha, una tina de agua tibia o la mesa de la cocina. Ponga música romántica. Prenda velas con escencias. Algunas personas reaccionan ante las texturas, otras al sonido y olores. El objetivo es excitar los sentidos, todos ellos. Cuando usted tenga una erección, no se sienta obligado al coito de inmediato. Los sexólogos recomiendan las siguientes zonas erógenas para hombres y mujeres.

Sienes: acaricie las sienes de su pareja y verá que las venas se hinchan por la tensión y el estrés. Use el dedo del medio y el índice para estimular las sienes con suaves movimientos circulares. Orejas... El clisé de soplar en el oído de su pareja es...cierto. El estímulo de una lengua desesperada o de un dedo que la toca suavemente puede llevar a algunos hombres al orgasmo. Investigadores le llaman "fenómeno auricologenital reflex" y remontan sus orígenes a un nervio en el canal auditivo. Boca... Recorra la orilla de los labios de su pareja y ella sentirá que la caricia se vuelve erótica cuando llegue al extremo de la boca donde es mucho más sensible; alterne besos fuertes con algunos profundos contactos con la lengua, o suaves besos con la boca abierta, que puede combinar con suaves y jeguetonas succiones o fricciones. Cuello y espina dorsal... Use el cuello como trampolín para explorar los hombros y la clavícula. Dé rápidos y juguetones mordiscones en la sensible clavícula. Suba y baje por la espalda de su pareja, soplando y haciéndole cosquillas en el recorrido. Axilas... Aquí es la mayor consentración de extremos nerviosos, y esta parte del cuerpo hace que sean éstas zonas de gran potencial erótico. Tetillas..Algunos hombres por el temor a "ser como las mujeres" no han dado importancia al potencial sensual de sus tetillas y a la zona que las rodea. Ombligo... Quizá por la asociación sexual con la penetración, besar el ombligo provoca sensaciones de cosquilleo y erotismo. Vientre... Situado a exactos ocho centímetros debajo del ombligo, guarda la fuerza vital, estimule esta zona con toques lentos y hacia arriba. Perineo... Es la región carnosa entre el escroto y el ano. Haga que su pareja le alce los testículos con una mano y que use el índece de la otra para acariciarle "ahí debajo" con profundos y circulares toques. El flujo del placer se debe a la cercanía de la próstata, ubicada justo dentro de la cavidad pélvica. Cuando le acarician el perineo, se estimula la glándula. Interior de los muslos... Debido a la proximidad con los genitales esta de llena extremos nerviosos. Rodillas... La carne tierna que hay detras de las rodillas es excelente para un cosquilleo y una excitación. Dedos (de las manos y de los pies). Tómelos en sus labios, chúpelos, y no se olvide de usar la lengua para estimular los espacios entre ellos, sin saltarse ninguno... Le invito a que practique estos consejos y me haga llegar sus comentarios y experiencias; recordandole desde luego, que hay que practicar sexo seguro y la recomendación del uso del condón....

Por hoy es todo, los espero la siguiente semana, D.M

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EDITOR:

Thanks to the Dazzling "Divas," Lucinda Holliday, Gilda Fatale, Felice Reynard and Sandy . . . and to David Z. and Roland Baines (Mr. Gay Pride) for putting together a fabulous show at The Graduate, March 16, raising $731.00 for the MPS Society.

Special thanks to Frank and Dave for always saying yes! To David Locke for helping with the raffle, and to "Moose" for donating a "Men of Moose."

Thanks to all the AGRA members that took the time to show and support us during their busiest time of the year.

See you all at the roast at the end of July!

Love, Beth

TO THE MANAGEMENT OF STONEWALL/EAGLE REGARDING YOUR AD CONCERNING LATINO NIGHT CANCELLATION:

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Wisdom Heart (Name Withheld by request)

DEAR EDITOR:

I would like to congratulate AGRA-Tucson for a successful weekend filled with Gay western lifestyle, the 1997 Saguaro Regional Rodeo.

The weekend started with a private party at Stonewall/Eagle on Thursday night to welcome to town Royalty, Contestants, Officials, Volunteers, AGRA members, and invited guest/. Wow, what a party over 400 people attended. The party was honored with Jim and Elaine Cooper as party ambassadors.

A show for all to enjoy hosted by DeShannon of Denver and Kurt, Mr. AGRA out of Phoenix. The show also included: Adrian, Miss AGRA; T.J., Ms. AGRA, Tori, Miss IGRA; Sherry Ms. IGRA; Jacqueline De Savoi, Miss AGRA '92; Sheba, IGRA royalty out of California, and Billy D. Thanks so much for volunteering!

The party would not have been a success without the financial support of many people: Bob Janssen, Art Lewis, Jeff Meyers, Stonewall/Eagle, and members of the AGRA-Tucson board as individuals, and DeShannon. Thanks so very much!

I would like to thank The Observer - Gary and Bob for all the support that you guys have given to AGRA-Tucson and the western lifestyle in the Tucson community.

If you are not a AGRA member just see what you could have been a part of. The weekend continued with a dance on Friday night at the Quality Inn and Rodeo on Saturday and Sunday at the Pro Tucson Rodeo Grounds - what a party - and Ray, Barney, Terry, Dave and Dan will that room ever be the same! POP!

Congratulations AGRA-Tucson! Job well done!

Tommy Ragan

OUToberFest by Tucson Lesbian/Gay Alliance

1997 T-Shirt Design Contest

by Erli Galindo

It's that time again for our annual t-shirt design contest. This year's theme is "Equality through Visibility." The lucky winner will receive $75. The winning design will become this year's OUToberFest logo and will be displayed on t-shirts, hats, posters, etc.

Rules for the contest are as follows:

All entries must be received by the Tucson Lesbian/Gay Alliance (TLGA) by April 21, 1997; theme: "Equality through Visibility;" six-color limit; TLGA and OUToberFest 18, 1997 should be on the design somewhere.

Please mail your entries to TLGA, P.O. Box 40301, Tucson, Arizona, 85717. If you have any questions, please call the TLGA hotline, 622-3200.

If you would like your design returned, please enclose a self-addressed stamped envelope or package. The winning entry will become the sole property of TLGA. TLGA reserves the right to alter the design as needed for printing purposes.

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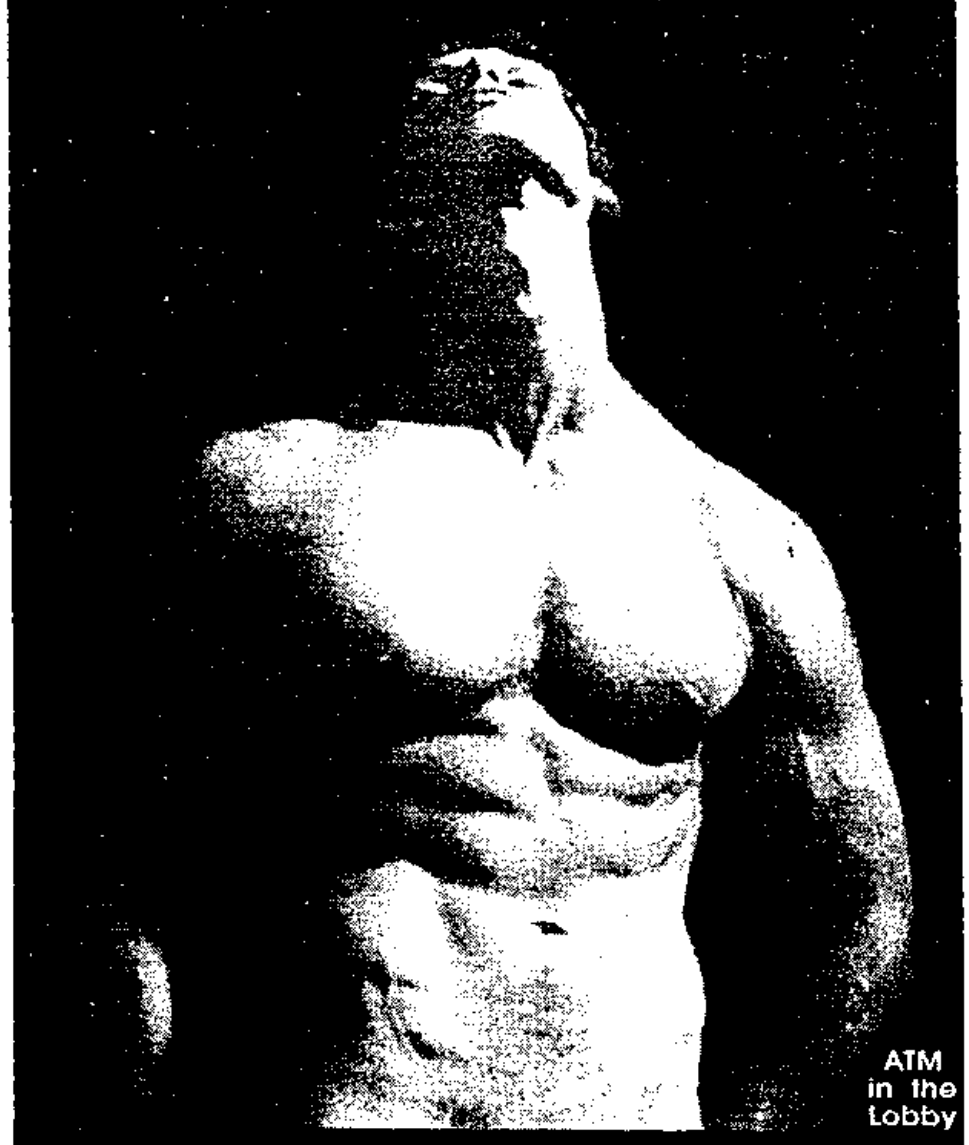

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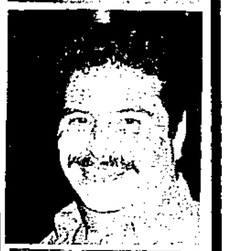

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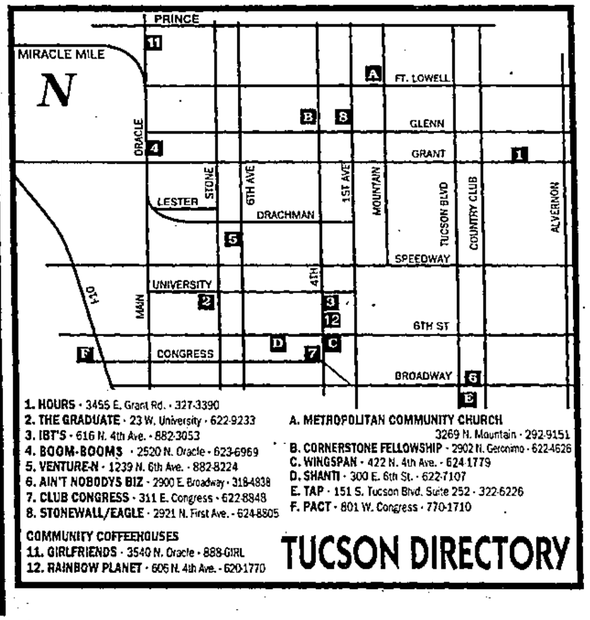

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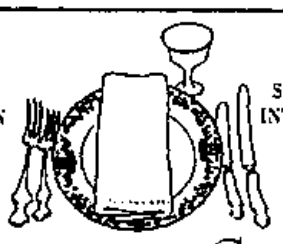
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NEWS FROM P.A.C.T.

by Frank E.G. Gallego

This is the last part of a letter sent by Marylee M. Pangman, People With AIDS Coalition of Tucson Executive Director:

The PACT for Life Board of Directors has gone through enormous transition. Of the 15 current board members, almost two-thirds have joined the board in the last ten months. In light of the changing face of AIDS and funding, the board recognizes that we must move into a position of planning for change instead of reacting to change.

In order to bridge the next changes in regards to funding and the collaboration, I will be staying on for up to four months at a reduced work schedule. In the meantime, a board sub-committee will commence immediately to make recommendations regarding the replacement of the Executive Director.

In closing, I want to assure you that the provision of quality services to our clients is the primary focus of all of our efforts. A redistribution of job responsibilities among the remaining staff members is taking place so that services will continue to be provided in a timely and high quality manner, even in the face of all these changes.

If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to call the PACT staff or your case manager. We appreciate your continuing support as we work through these challenges. . . .

The Shanti Foundation, PACT for LIFE, and the Tucson AIDS Project will host the annual Volunteer Recognition Awards Ceremony, Tuesday, April 15. . .

Come share a true stand-up evening of comedy where amateur comedians living with HIV/AIDS share their humorous insight with the help of the Pros. Mark your calendars to join us at Laff's Comedy Cafe, 2900 East Broadway, int he Broadway Village, Tuesday, April 29. Doors open at 6:15 P.M. and show starts at 7:00 P.M. Tickets are $20 for priority seating, $10 for standard seating available at TAP (322-6226), Shanti (622-7107), PACT (770-1710). All proceeds benefits all three ASO's. The name of the show is "Hope, Healing and High Jinks." . . .

I leave you with this in mind, "There are no speed limits on the road to excellence." - David W. Johnson

A View From The Rock

A Commentary From Cornerstone Fellowship

Some time ago the morning paper ran a series of comments the snowbirds had about Tucson. Many of them were amazed at the number of streets under construction here. Most of us can relate to that. In fact, for the past two years I have had portions of my drive to work under construction!

I had been avoiding a particularly bad construction are, but one morning. I decided to go that way. What a mistake! The formerly 35 mph zone is now a 25 mph zone that is strictly enforced by a radar gun! I was going 37 mph and received a $90 ticket! (In a construction zone the fine is doubled.) Yes, I was breaking the law and "earned" the ticket. Hundreds of time before then I'd driven the same way and exceeded the limit, so the odds weren't in my favor. I paid for my sins. Unfortunately, when you pay for a traffic sin you aren't totally forgiven! Motor Vehicle keeps a record of it for three years, and you'd better be careful! If you get too many tickets you might lose your license.

I'm thankful God isn't like that. In my life I've done many things there were sins far greater than speeding. (Since this isn't the Enquirer I won't share them with you!) The Bible tells us that " . . . all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God." (Romans 3:23) Whether you are the Pope, my perfect Christian grandmother, Billy Graham, or the nice person who helps everybody, you're a sinner. It's not hard to sin. When you gossip, that's a sin, as is lying to someone, cheating on your spouse, or stealing toilet paper from the bar. All of these things separate us from God. You see, God loves us and wants to be close to us. But God is holy and cannot tolerate sin in his presence, and we human have messed up our opportunity to have a relationship with God by sinning. That's why God sent Jesus to earth. Before Jesus came, people had to perform special religious rituals and sacrifices to be forgiven. Jesus' death on the cross was the final sacrifice needed for our sins.

Once we realize that and accept it and make Jesus our Savior, all our sins are forgiven and forgotten. We're told in Psalms 103:12, "as far as the east is from the west, so far has he (God) removed our transgressions (sins) from us." That means they're gone! He's not like the Motor Vehicle Department which keeps a record of our traffic sins. Unfortunately, once you become a Christian you'll still sin, but you can be forgiven instantaneously with just a simple prayer.

How can this affect you and your life? Well, all the guilt you feel for things you've done can be gone immediately. And you have the Holy Spirit helping you make right decisions so you won't sin as much. You'd have a new joy and peace in your heart. It can happen to you just that quickly. It happened to me. God loves us as he created us and wants us to love him. What do you have to lose? The Bible is full of accounts of men and women who accepted God's love for them and put Jesus first in their lives. And Cornerstone is full of people who have done this! Find a Christian to talk with about God. If you don't think you know any, come to Cornerstone. We'd love to help you learn about this new hope and joy you can have in Jesus Christ.

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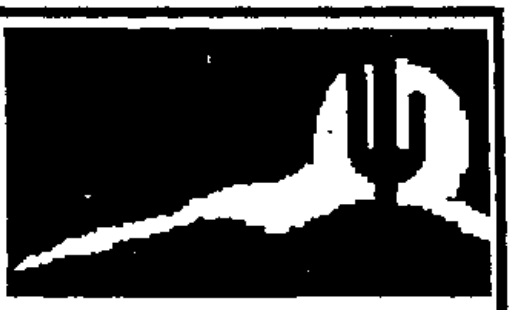

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CALENDAR of upcoming events

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 9

IBT'S -Murder Mystery Night! "The Case Of The Missing Diamond" or "Who Has Softballs?" This week's prize is a mini-stereo CD tape deck with am/fm.

STONEWALL/EAGLE - "Ladies By Choice" show with Kenneth Blake, Crystal Abrams, Sandy, Truly Faboo and Felice Renard. Showtime 9:30 p.m.

THURSDAY, APRIL 10

IBT'S - Underwear night 9:00 p.m. to closing. Special prices for those in their underwear.

FRI-SAT-SUN, APRIL 11-12-13

IBT'S - 24th annual 4th Avenue Spring Street Fair. Free shuttle service from Graduate parking lot. Showtime Saturday 3:00 p.m. Sunday, 3:00 p.m. & 9:30 p.m. $1.00 cover on 3:00 p.m. shows only. Shows will feature Miss Gay Arizona, Gilda Fatalé; Miss Gay Tucson Felice Renard; Devina; Ajia Simone; Celia Putty; Barbara Seville and Christina De Alexis. And - Cruise, Cruise, Cruise the Avenue. Remember there is a free shuttle service from the Graduate parking lot to IBT's. It will run Friday 4 p.m. to 1 a.m.; Saturday: 1 p.m. to 1 a.m. and Sunday from noon to 7 p.m.

SATURDAY, APRIL 12

GRADUATE - TKO Beer Bust and Party from 2:00 to 6:00 p.m. Plus regular pool tourney which begins at 2:00 p.m.

STONEWALL/EAGLE - Bare Chest Contest in the eagle 11:00 p.m. Hot Go-Go Boys in the Stonewall from 10:00 p.m. to midnight.

VENTURE-N - Bears of the Old Pueblo Beer Bust and Chili Feed, 3:00 to 7:00 p.m. on the back patio bar. Join the Bears for 50¢ beer, soda, chili and $1.50 pitchers. All tips are donated to local charities, so come on out for a great time, meet the Bears and support our community.

SUNDAY, APRIL 13

BOOM BOOMS - Spring Cotillion. Southern hospitality at its best. Join Rhett and Scarlet for a down-home celebration. Chicken Fried Steak Dinner with all the fixin's, $4.00. Free photograph of yourself and your beau as "Scarlett & Rhett".

TUESDAY, APRIL 15

BOOM BOOM'S - Tax Relief Party. Cuervo shots and Margaritas $1.75. Free buffet at 6:00 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 16

BOOM BOOM'S - "Babes and Jocks" cabaret strip show in the "other Room" with your M.C. Pam Kelso and Nancy Nuñez as your bartender.

IBT'S - 9:00 p.m., Miss Gay Tucson Contestant Show hosted by Lucinda Holliday and featuring Miss Gay Tucson, Felice Renard with Mr. Kenneth Blake, Crystal Abrams, Truly Fabu, Sandi and Shandriana.

SUNDAY, APRIL 20

AIN'T NOBODY'S BIZ - Avatar is back for a second time this month. If you missed them on the 6th, then you have to be at the Biz this Sunday,. Come hear Tucson's best Latin band. As always come early as this band packs the house. 9:00 p.m. to 1:00 a.m. Cover

BOOM BOOM'S - Spring Cotillion. Southern hospitality at its best. Join Rhett and Scarlet for a down home celebration. Chicken fried steak dinner with all the fixin's $4.00. Free photograph of yourself and your beau as "Scarlet and Rhett".

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 23

AIN'T NOBODY'S BIZ - Back by popular demand, Nancy and Rose Mary. These ladies packed the Biz last time, so come early! Show starts at 6:30 and ends at 9:00 p.m. Cover $3.00.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 30

AIN'T NOBODY'S BIZ - The Biz is proud to "Out" Ellen! That's right, it's a coming out party for Ellen!! Come watch the show and enjoy great drink specials and give-aways. Shown on 3 TVS with sound. No cover. Dancing after the show.

BOOM BOOM'S - "Ellen" The Party! Watch the special episode of Ellen at Boom Boom's. Every time the words "Lesbian", "Gay", "Out", or "Closet" are mentioned, get 25¢ shots of schnapps for the next 5 minutes.

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Non-Bar CALENDAR

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 9

Men's Social Network (Gay men of all ages; guests always welcome). 7:00 p.m. A Free Form Discussion night. There is no set topic, so the conversation can go anywhere. Join us for a night of socializing and good discussions. For directions and reservations, please call Jerry at 690-9565.

THURSDAY, APRIL 10

Men's Social Network (Gay men of all ages; guests always welcome). 8:00 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 (C. W.) at 290-4266 or Donn at 325-4257 for details and directions.

FRIDAY, APRIL 11

Bears of the Old Pueblo (Bearish men and admirers, guests always welcome). 7:30 p.m. general meeting and potluck. Bring along something to eat or drink at meet the bears. Call Steve at 292-1171 for directions and information.

Men's Social Network (Gay men of all ages; guests always welcome). 7:00 p.m. The Book Club will be discussing Sea of Tranquility, by Paul Russell. 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, APRIL 12

Team Arizona will hold a Membership Meeting at 1:00 p.m. at Girlfriends Coffee House and Book Store, 3540 N. Oracle, Ste. 126. For more information call 293-9356.

Men's Social Network (Gay men of all ages; guests always welcome). 7:00 p.m. A video feast of "camp classics." The main feature will be "The valley of the Dolls" which will be followed by a couple of short featurettes. Dare to be bad! For reservations and directions, please call Jeffrey at 791-9674.

SUNDAY, APRIL 13

1. Men's Social Network (Gay men of all ages; guests always welcome). 4-6 p.m. The Triangle Tribe-it's an awareness group which 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.

2. Men's Social Network (Gay men of all ages; guests always welcome). 7:00 p.m. Join MSN for a Music Night as Dave hosts an evening devote to music performances. For reservations and directions, call Dave at 318-0540.

Girlfriends Coffee House and Bookstore will present California rock singer/song writer Laura Bowly who will be singing songs from here latest CD "Lovin' By The Rules". 4:00 p.m. Tickets $7.00 advance or $9.00 at the door. "Laura Bowly is a supremely gifted artist, blessed with a gorgeous voice and insights beyond her years. She is truly a song-crafter," Billy Block, Western Bear Entertainment.

MONDAY, APRIL 14

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

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 16

Men's Social Network (Gay men of all ages; guests always welcome). 1:00 p.m. Have lunch with guys, as John hosts a Lunch Out at El Torero. Please call John at 615-1366 so he can tell the restaurant how many to expect for lunch.

THURSDAY, APRIL 17

Men's Social Network (Gay men of all ages; guests always welcome). 7:00 p.m. Our reservations for Dinner Out will be at Cocina, located downtown at the corner of Telles & Court. Good food and a wonderful atmosphere as we eat on the beautiful patio. Please call Bill by 4/15 at 615-0979 for reservations and directions.

FRIDAY, APRIL 18

Bears of the Old Pueblo (Bearish men and admirers, guests always welcome) 7:00 p.m., dine out with the Bears. This month the group will meet outside the Golden Corral at 1st Ave. And Wetmore. A great way to meet the fellows in the club and share a good meal.

7:00 p.m., Antigone Books, 411 n. 4th Ave. will present Tucson lawyer Pam Liberty, of liberty and O'Neill Attorneys, who will speak about simple wills, living wills (health care directives), and powers of attorney. Are you comfortable that your property will go to the right person when you die? Do you know who will make medical decisions for you if you're unable to make them for yourself? These questions can be particularly important for Lesbians and Gay men because their relationships are not legally recognized and can be ignored all to easily in times of crisis. 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). 7:00 p.m. Join us for a showing of Part I "Tales Of The City." This mini-series was originally shown on PBS several years ago. Watch the adventures of Mrs. Madrigal, Mary Ann & Mouse one more time-with a group of gay guys who get all the lines! For reservations and directions, please call Les or Jerry at 690-9565. Parts 2 & 3 to be shown over the next two succeeding nights.

Cornerstone fellowship celebrates its anniversary this weekend by presenting Evelyn Schave who will speak to the congregation beginning at 7:00 p.m. followed by refreshment in the social hall.

SATURDAY, APRIL 19

Cornerstone Fellowship anniversary celebration will present a seminar "Our Place In Christ" by Dennis Schave from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. followed by a church service at 7:00 p.m. with the message by Evelyn Schave. Refreshments will be served afterward.

Men's Social Network (Gay men of all ages; guests always welcome). 7:00 p.m. Join us for a showing of Part II of "Tales Of The City." This mini-series was originally shown on PBS several years ago. Watch the adventures of Mrs. Madrigal, Mary Ann & Mouse one more time-with a group of gay guys who get all the lines! For reservations and directions, please call Les or Jerry at 690-9565. Part 3 to be shown the next night.

Metropolitan Community Church (MCC) will host a community-wide religious-sacred-gospel music night. All musicians are invited to participate in this musical extravaganza. 7:30 p.m. For more information call 292-9151.

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.

BOOM-BOOMS - Open at Noon. Happy Hour 4-8pm. $1.25 small pitchers of draft all day, all night. 8-8-Q at 3pm. Karaoke 6-10pm. Dance party 10-close.

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

HOURS - Bloody Marys and Screws $1.25 til 7 pm. Pool Tournament 3pm. Country/Western dance instruction 6-8 pm. Country Dance Music 8 to 1.

IBT's - Open Noon to 1 am. Happy Hour noon-8pm, $1.75 domestic beer and $1.50 Well. Benefit 8-8-Q and Beer Bust for community organizations 4:30-7:00pm. Hi energy dancing 9pm to close.

STONEWALL/EAGLE - Happy Hour Noon-7pm. Pool tournament 2pm. Steak Fry/ Beer Bust 2-6pm $4.75. Stonewall opens at 9pm with High Energy Dance Music.

VENTURE-N - Open 10 a.m. Backside Beer Bust 3-8pm 50¢ draft. 301 Dart Tournament 5pm $3 entry fee. Beer 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. Trash Disco with Michael 9pm to close. $1.75 white wine 8pm to close.

BOOM-BOOMS - Closed Mondays. See you out at the other bars.

GRADUATE - Open 9am. Happy Hour 4-8pm all well $1.50 Draft $1.75 Domestic.

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 noon-8pm, $1.75 domestic beer and $1.50 well. 8pm to midnight, $1.50 32oz pitchers. Retro 80s Dance 9pm-1am.

STONEWALL/EAGLE - Happy Hour noon to 7pm. Party with Stephan. Free pool 7 to close. 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 long necks. Free pool 2-4. Pool Tournament 7 pm. Pot matched. $1 domestic long necks 9pm to close.

BOOM-BOOMS - Happy Hour 4-8 daily. $1.50 domestic bottle beer 9-close.

GRADUATE - Open 9am. Happy Hour 4-8pm all well $1.50, Domestic $1.75

HOURS - Happy Hour 12 to 7pm Well or Domestic Beer $1.25. Schnapps 75¢ 7pm to close. Karaoke 9pm.

IBT's - Open noon. Happy Hour Noon-8 pm, $1.75 domestic beer & $1.50 well. 9 pm to close 2for1 well/ Miller Lite. High Energy Dance with David Z.

STONEWALL/EAGLE - Happy Hour Noon to 7pm. Stonewall opens at 9pm with Latin Music Party.

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

Wednesday

AIN'T NOBODY'S BIZNESS - Happy Hour 2-7. 2for1 well or domestic beer. Free pool 2-4. $1.25 pitchers from 8 to midnight. Hot dance music all request. 9pm to close.

BOOM-BOOMS- Boot Scootin' Country/Western Dance 9pm. 2-4-1 Well 9-close.

GRADUATE - Open 9am. Happy Hour 4-8pm all well $1.50; Domestic $1.75. 9 Ball Single Elimination Pool Tourney. 7pm, Pot matched.

HOURS - Happy Hour 12 to 7pm, Well or Domestic Beer $1.25. 50¢ off all call drinks 7 to close. Feb. 19 New Pool Tournament Begins 6pm

IBT's - Open Noon to 1am. Happy Hour Noon to 8pm, $1.75 domestic beer & $1.50 well. Mystery Night. $1.75 Bud Product Special 9 pm to close. Dance with David Z.

STONEWALL/EAGLE - Happy Hour Noon to 7pm. Karaoke 9pm, Stonewall opens at 9pm. Corona and Cuervo Gold $1.75

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.

BOOM-BOOMS - 2 for 1 well 9pm to close. Top Pop Dance Party 9-close.

GRADUATE - Open 9am. Happy Hour 4-8pm all Well $1.50, Domestic $1.75. 301 Dart Tournament 7:30pm. Double Elimination. Pot Matched

HOURS - Happy Hour 12 to 7pm, Well or Domestic Beer $1.25. Corona $2.00 9pm to 1am. Country/Western dancing 8 to 1.

IBT's - Open noon to 1am. Happy Hour noon-8 pm $1.75 domestic beer and $1.50 well. Underwear Nite. $1.50 Well and $1.75 Domestic Beer to those in their underwear. Hi energy dancing 9-close with DJ David Z.

STONEWALL/EAGLE - Happy Hour noon-7pm. Party with Peter in the Eagle. 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 5pm-close. Tuff Stuff Too! open 8:30pm

Friday

AIN'T NOBODY'S BIZNESS - Happy Hour 2-7, 2for1 well or domestic beer. Free pool 2-4. Complimentary Hors d'oeuvres. Michael spins hi energy dance music 8:30 to close. Drink specials every ½ hour.

BOOM-BOOMS - Happy Hour 4-9 Country Western in the 'Other Room'. at 9pm. Dance Party with Raymond in the main bar at 9.

GRADUATE - Open 9am. Happy Hour 4-8pm, all well $1.50/ domestic $1.75.

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

IBT's - Open noon. Happy Hour Noon-8pm $1.75 domestic beer and $1.50 well. .. Patio Bar with Loosey 9-1. Dance Party 9 to 1 with DJ David Z.

STONEWALL/EAGLE - Happy Hour noon-7pm; Hot Hors d'oeuvres 6pm. Stonewall opens 9pm. Wear Stonewall T-Shirt and get happy hour prices all evening. Hot Go-Go Boys 10pm to midnight.

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 - Pot matched, 1st: 70%, 2nd: 20%, 3rd: 10%. Michael spins hi energy dance music from 8:30pm to 1am. Drink specials every ½ hour.

BOOM-BOOMS - Dance to the latest club mixes in the main bar at 9. Boot Scootin' Country/Western dance in the 'Other Room'.

GRADUATE - Open 9am. Happy Hour 4-8pm, all well drinks $1.50/domestic $1.75. 8 Ball Pool Tournament 2pm, Double Elimination, 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 $1.75 domestic beer and $1.50 well. Patio Bar with Loosey 9-1. Dance 9 to 1 with DJ David Z.

STONEWALL/EAGLE - Happy Hour Noon to 7pm Free pool all day. Stonewall opens 9pm with High Energy Dance Music. Hot Go-Go Boys 10pm to Midnight.

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.

HOME ON THE RANGE WITH AGRA-TUCSON

by Anida Cowboy

Thank You To All Saguaro Regional Rodeo Volunteers

Well ladies and gents, the Saguaro Regional Rodeo has come and gone! Those of you who made it out, were able to enjoy some great rodeoing from our Gay community, lots of sunshine, great parties at the host hotel, lots of handsome cowboys and beautiful cowgirls. What a fantastic weekend!

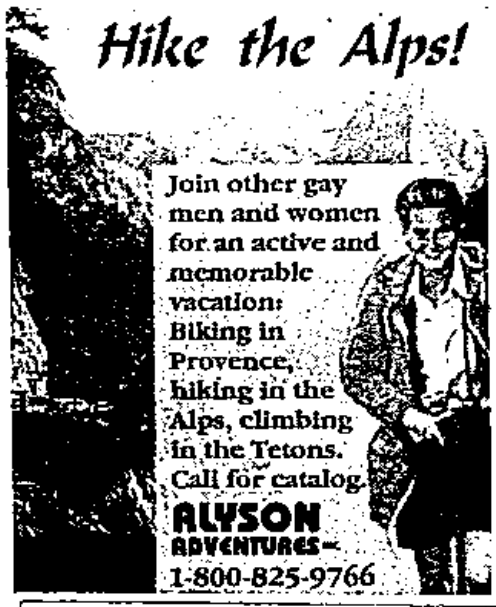
I would like to take this opportunity and apologize to our weekly readers for the lack of our article in The Observer for the past two weeks. Seems our regular writer had made arrangements for a guest writer to handle things while he was away on vacation, but the ball was dropped. So here I am. I'll be trying to catch everyone up on the goings on the upcoming events in AGRA.

First off, unofficially, this year's rodeo was a success. Not all the figures are in but things look really great and look even better for next year. Stay tuned for all the details on the financial details. Secondly, we could not have done this without all the wonderful volunteers that pitched in and helped make us a success. Stay tuned for the volunteer appreciation party. As soon as Volunteer Coordinator, Scott Weidemoyer is back from his extended vacation he will be in touch will all volunteers or if you have not heard from him, keep an eye out on the AGRA article in this publication. Details coming soon.

There are so many people to thank for our success this year. Everyone from our vendors, advertisers, volunteers, staff members, judges, announcers, members, and board members who went beyond the call of duty and gave their all when others lacked. All in all it was definitely a fun filled weekend with some outstanding memories of friends new and old, local and visitors (especially Raul's friends from Idaho).

For those of you who are still in rodeo mode, the GSGRA-Los Angeles chapter is hosting their rodeo this coming weekend, April 11-13. I hear they put on quite a show.

That is all I have for now until next when your regular writer will be back in full force. Remember to have fun and play safe.



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ARIZONA

DO IT NOW I'm looking to meet new guy's out there. If your interested leave a message. (Bullhead City) ¤13936

SHY BUT CURIOUS I'm a curious guy. I've never done this before. I live South of Chandler. Please call me and let's get together soon. (Chandler) ¤7881

YOUNG AND LONELY I'm 22 years old and I live in Flagstaff. I would like to meet guys in my area. (Flagstaff) ¤15172

YOU WILL ENJOY YOURSELF I'm 32 years old, Brown hair, Green eyes, 175lbs, 6ft, very smooth body, very versatile. I'm looking for men my age or younger. (Flagstaff) ¤13562

OUTDOORSY NAU GUY I enjoy hiking, camping, and the outdoors. I'm 25 years old, 5'9, 180lbs, Brown hair, Green eyes, NAU student, goatee, mustache. I'm looking for an outgoing guy and a possible relationship. Someone call me. (Flagstaff) ¤12695

CAN YOU RELATE? I'm a student at NAU looking for friends to hang out and have coffee and study with. I'm 26 years old and I live in Flagstaff. Call me. Lets hang out. (Flagstaff) ¤11615

TRAIN THIS BOY I'm 26 years old, 6ft, 175lbs, light Brown hair, Hazel eyes, real good shape. I'm looking for fun and friends. I would like to meet a hot top to train me in S&M, B&D, and more. (Flagstaff) ¤11301

NORTHERN EXPOSURE I would like you to call me. I want to talk to a man 40 to 50. I think we could work out quite well together. (Gerome) ¤13944

MISSING LINK SOUGHT I'm 5'6, Brown hair, Brown eyes, mustache, goatee, smooth body, 28" waist. I'm looking for muscular and extra hairy men. I like music, hiking, biking, etc. (Green Valley) ¤11639

KINGMAN KORNER I'm 5'4, 160lbs, and am looking for a guy to meet and hang out with. Leave me a message. (Kingman) ¤15680

YOUNG BUCK I'm 22 years old, 5'11, Brown hair, Blue eyes, 165lbs, very active. I seek men around my age. (Lake Havasu) ¤13648

SANE SLEAZE I'm looking for safe, sane fun with dominant, aggressive tops, over 40. I'm a good looking, well hung, eager bottom, 5'10, 170lbs, with Brown hair and eyes. If you're into leather, bondage, and light S&M, I can work with that. (Phoenix) ¤17389

AFRO ACTION I'm looking for hot, horny, Black men who want to have sexual good times. I'm an attractive, Gay, White male, 5'9, with Brown hair and eyes. (Phoenix) ¤30502

IN THE LINE OF DUTY If you're in the east valley, have over 8 inches, and like to get serviced, call me right away. (Phoenix) ¤17464

PERFECT FIT If you're a good looking, White male who likes Hispanic men, I can light your fire. I'm 19, very attractive, and well endowed. Try it on for size. (Phoenix) ¤16808

AU NATURAL We are two men in our 40's. We are hot and versatile. We like to play and watch video's. (Tucson) ¤13203

TOP OF THE LINE MODEL This very attractive, 18 year old, model, of Puerto Rican and African American ancestry, has a hot, beautiful bod. I want to meet other young, attractive, dudes who know how to get down and dirty. (Phoenix) ¤16601

IN THE ACT This very good looking, 25 year old, Black male, 6'3, 190lbs, prefers being on the bottom. Wait'll you catch my act. (Phoenix) ¤15701

GUYS JUST WANT TO HAVE FUN I'm 190lbs, 6 ft. tall, and I'm hot and horny. I just want to meet guys. Call me. (Prescott) ¤17300

PARTY ANIMAL I'm 5'11, 190lbs, hairy, B 1/2". I'm looking for other guys to have fun with. If you like to have fun and party call me. (Prescott) ¤2245

MYSTERY DATE I'm 5'9, 170lbs. I would like to meet and get together with guy's in my area. Please leave a message in my box. (Quartzite) ¤12170

SCOTTSDALE HOT MALE I'm looking for some wild times. This good looking, bottom, 5'11, 175lbs, with Brown hair and eyes, is a helluva host. I'll make you comfortable. (Scottsdale) ¤17138

SMOOTH OPERATOR I'm a White male, 5'11, 165lbs, well endowed, and very good looking. I'm looking for a bottom Latino male under the age of 25. Smooth young bodies are a plus! (Scottsdale) ¤45874

IS YOUR MOUTH WATERING? This sexy, 33 year old, Italian, Bi, White male just moved to the area and wants to play with hot men. I'm 5'9, 175lbs, very muscular and good looking, with dark Brown hair, dark Brown eyes, and a goatee. If you're in great shape, very good looking, and as horny as I am, we should definitely talk, and more. (Tucson) ¤16773

MASSAGE BRAT I'm 34 years old, 5'10, 190lbs, dark, work out 4 times a week, clean shaven. I'm looking for Hispanic or Black men. I give great oral and great massages. Please be masculine, buff, and well endowed. (Tucson) ¤16359

YOUNG AND SLIM I'm 21 years old, Green eyes, Black hair, slim build. I'm looking for guys to hang out with. (Tucson) ¤8755

LET'S START A FIRE I'm a hot looking guy looking for other hot guys 18 to 28 who are in shape, slender, toned, good looking, and like to have fun. I'm 30 years old and very attractive. (Tucson) ¤11640

HAIRY MEN WANTED I would like to meet some guys for occasional good times. I'm in my late 50's, 5'11, 195lbs. I like to give good massages too. Please leave a message. (Tucson) ¤11539

DARK BEAR CUBS I'm 35 years old, 5'10, 285lbs., teddy bear type, light Brown hair and Blue eyes, versatile, looking for guys my age or younger. I like other bear cub types, especially Hispanics and Native Americans. (Tucson) ¤16250

DOWN TO EARTH I'm 34, 5'10, Brown hair, Blue eyes, mustache and a goutee, likes animals, the outdoors, moonlight nights for walking, dancing, hiking, fishing, or going to the movies or dinner. I'm looking for someone who is time considerate, likes things I like to do, Hispanic, someone who is looking for love, not material things. You be 5'8, dark hair, dark eyes, kind and considerate. (Tucson) ¤16028

TALK ABOUT IT I'm 41 years old. I'm lonely and bored. I'm looking for men to have a good time with. Call me, let's chat. (Yuma) ¤15717

MEET YOUR MATCH I'm a 21 year old Gay cross dresser, 6'2, 198lbs, 7", Blond hair, Aqua eyes. I'm looking to meet other gay males, bottoms or tops, to get on. I will do anything you want, no questions asked. ¤19808

HEY, BAD BOYS I'm a 24 year old, Gay, White male, with long Blond hair, Blue eyes, 6'1, 160lbs, straight acting, energetic, party boy. I like music, leather jackets and strong personalities. I'm searching for a bad boy with similar age and appearance. Long haired musicians are a plus. ¤18664

LET'S GET A ROOM FOR THE NIGHT I want to get all dressed up, get a room, and give you a hot oil rub. If this sounds good to you please call. ¤17502

HANGING LOOSE I'm 5'6, Blond hair, Green eyes, with a medium build. I'm looking for men to hang out with. ¤17073

I WOULD ENJOY BEING WITH YOU I'm an African American male, 5'6, well built, 8 1/2". I like to enjoy myself and party. I'm a top who is willing to do anything. ¤12776

ARIZONA

SOMETHING WILD I'm bored with Married life and would like to experience something new and outrageously wild with one or more females. This will be my first experience so I'm giving the reins of control over to you. Please show me how good it can be. (Phoenix) ¤13521

BI FEMALE WANTED I'm 23 years old and I'm interested in a young female to experiment with me and my husband. If you are interested please leave a message (Phoenix) ¤8913

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Go In Good Health

by Rev. Andrew Brooks

First up in my continuing A-Z discussion of herbs is Catnip, a wonderful herb.

First of all, it's not just for cats! Catnip has a sedative effect on humans, it helps you to sleep. Never drink catnip and then expect to go out on the road, it will have a strong (and sometimes fast) sedative action. Catnip has healing power for the stomach, I cured three bleeding ulcers with catnip tea. The standard medications for upset stomach can have side effects, and for those who prefer "modern medicine," those drugs can do bad things! You can become dependent on them, and many drugs can eat holes in the lining of the stomach, doing damage. That is why it is best take with milk to coat the stomach. Catnip is also used to calm upset stomach and gastritis. Take it at bedtime.

Cayenne, when raw, does not upset the stomach, and is a powerful healer. So when you are eating that hot spicy Mexican food with Cayenne, you are ingesting a healing herb. Cayenne is good for the first stages of a cold when skin and mucous are hot and dry, and it also improves blood circulation. It helps you to utilize other herbs better, stimulates you digestion and appetite, and is often found in asthma formulas. Cayenne is also known as Capsicum, and some labels list it under this name. It also stops bleeding from ulcers. It is goof for the kidneys, lungs, spleen, pancreas, heart and stomach.

[Remember, the herb Cayenne is put in capsules raw, not cooked. It helps with nausea, rheumatism, arthritis, and pleurisy, according to Prescription for Nutritional Healing. I have taken it in a liquid herbal formula called Cyclone Cider; it is very stimulating, gives you energy, but the taste is less than pleasant. Cyclone Cider also contains Garlic, Horseradish root, Ginger, Onion, Parsley and Vitamin C.]

The herb Celandine is good for chronic liver disease, and jaundice, it is an overall liver tonic and cleanser. It is also used for skin eruptions.

Chamomile is a well-known herb tea, very calming both to the gastrointestinal and the nervous systems. It is sold all over town, and many people drink it at bedtime. For those with children, it is good for colic and teething. Many elderly people will find it of benefit as it improves appetite, digestion, and sleep. Chamomile is said to help relieve the bladder, colds, asthma, colitis, diverticulosis, fever, headaches, hemorrhoids, muscles cramps and pain. According to Prescription for Nutritional Healing it should not be used for long periods of time. (Occasional use is fine.)

Chickweed is a popular herb, said to aid in weight loss. What it does is act as a mild diuretic for water retention (diuretics increase frequency of urination, so be aware of this when you take this herb, but is good to remove excess water from your body) and it also reduces mucus build-up in the lungs. It is also used top treat gastrointestinal disorders and constipation. It is a good source of Vitamin C, and is said to help with inflammation and blood disorders.

More herbs next time, including the infamous Damiana, a reputed male aphrodisiac, and what it actually does for you. Till then, "Go in Good Health!"

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BEAR SCRATCHINGS

by Kevin Jackson

Time and time again I've been asked by friends and acquaintances in the community, "What is a beat anyhow?" Just as frequently I hear the comment, "I like bears but I don't think I'm (fill in the blank: hairy, tall, butch, brawny . . .) enough to be a bear or join your group." Seems there's some confusion out there as to just what our group is all about and what we look for in members.

This misunderstanding doesn't come as a surprise really. When you think of a bear after all, a lot of the adjectives that describe the animal spring to mind. So just what makes someone a "bear?" While it's true many of us have brawny, larger builds, facial and body hair and find these features mutually attractive, it's not merely physical attributes that make someone a bear. Being a bear is more a matter of attitude, a coupling of an easy-going nature, self-assured masculinity, and comfort with one's sexuality followed by the secondary physical characteristics that would lend to someone being described as bearish. A good rule of thumb is: "cuddly demeanor followed by a cuddly body!"

Our group is made up of a wide range of men with varying ages, professions, heights, weights, personalities, and interests. The two things we have in common though are an open, caring nature, and our sexuality. You're always guaranteed a warm hug at our events and the affection is contagious! Speaking personally, this extended family of mind has some of the warmest, most giving people I've been blessed to know and I'm honored to be a member and officer.

The club is organized around providing social opportunities for its members as well as support for our community through fund raising and participation with our brothers and sisters. There really is something for everyone and we encourage all our members to contribute ideas while planning activities. We strive to take full advantage of all the wonderful recreational opportunities that living in Tucson and southern Arizona provides. Last year we had several camping trips and excursion throughout Arizona, New Mexico and Colorado. We participated with our brothers the Phoenix Bears and the Bears San Diego as well as hosted Arizona's first international bear gathering "La Fiesta De Los Osos," which was a huge success and one we intend to make a Tucson tradition.

Does this sound like something that appeals to you? Have you ever picked up a copy of "American Bear" or "Bear" magazine and found yourself saying "Woof" Well buddy, you just might be a bear too! I would recommend attending one of our events and meeting some of the guys and see if you find us the sort of company you like to keep. We have our general meeting and potluck, Friday, April 11, 7:30 P.M., hosted by our president

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HOROSCOPES

BY C. LICHTENSTEIN

Neptune, the planet of illusion, confusion and delusion is sitting in Capricorn until early 1998. Capricorn is a sign that is not always comfortable in its own skin which can make Neptune a bit of a wild eyed renegade. Read ahead to see where you may feel compelled to greet the world in your dirty T-shirt and tutu.

ARIES
MARCH 21 - APRIL 20

Gay Rams may be feeling a little stymied in their career. Blame it on evanescent Neptune which can fog up an otherwise clear path to the corporate star-chamber. The point is that you are not thinking strategically, cousin. You're allowing this planetary sod full reign over your common sense and discipline. The secret is to use Neptune creatively and with over the corporate bastards.

TAURUS
APRIL 21 - MAY 21

Neptune in Capricorn enables you to plan some of the most exotic, creative and spiritual vacations of your life. Be aware though that Neptune can also create unusual travel problems. But proud Bulls are careful planners and the worst screw ups should not be too bad. How about a vacation that's made all the more spiritual and creative with the addition of an exotic companion?

GEMINI
MAY 22 - JUNE 21

Queer Twins may find their sexual soulmates during Neptune in Capricorn. This could only occur however if you are acutely aware of who you are and will accept nothing less than total, open equality and affirmation. Otherwise, Neptune may tempt you to place romance above common sense; you could wind up with a closeted Pat Robertson. Lock the door!

CANCER
JUNE 22 - JULY 23

Are partners there for you or do they seem to disappear when things get tough? Blame Neptune in Capricorn if you must but also take into consideration the signals that you are giving in the relationship. Pink Crabs can be very mothering to smothering in any one to one affair. Maybe it's time to take a more creative approach to win faint hearts over to your side.

LEO
JULY 24 - AUGUST 23

So many twists and turns have been happening on the job that some Gay Lions must surely be convinced that they are going insane. It's not you proud Leo, it's just crazy Neptune in Cap stirring the work environment and shifting the speed on the treadmill. Retirement is tempting but you don't have enough money yet. So keep that snout on the grindstone and keep sharpening.

VIRGO
AUGUST 24 - SEPTEMBER 23

Pink Virgins can have far too much of a good thing when Neptune traverses Capricorn. Excess in any form of fun, drink or drug is totally inadvisable now when you cannot recognize when enough is enough. There is nothing sadder than an otherwise buttoned up Virgo wasting it all and dripping slowly into the sewer of life. Moderation dear queer friend is the secret to happiness.

LIBRA
SEPTEMBER 24 - OCTOBER 23

Neptune in Capricorn is liberating for Gay Libras who may be teetering on the threshold of their closets. Neptune may not provide the most practical or polished debut into Gay society, but it sure as heck offers spiritual courage to do what is necessary to make your life affirmed and happy. Form is all very nice, but I'll take substance any day of the week.

SCORPIO
OCTOBER 24 - NOVEMBER 22

What is queer Scorp doing sounding like a prophet? It's spiritual Neptune turning up the volume in communications. Use other worldly eloquence to subtly press for equal rights and our freedom to be. Be imaginative and crafty; they try to take no prisoners and neither should we. Will Ralph Reed come out? Who knows what can happen when strategic Scorp gets going.

SAGITTARIUS
NOVEMBER 23 - DECEMBER 22

Gay Archers may be tempted to purchase, sight unseen, retirement swamp land overlooking the highway. With nebulous Neptune in Capricorn, you may be quick on the monetary overdraw based on the scantiest of consumer information. Hang on tight to your dough cousin. You have worked far too long and far too hard to allow that "Neptunian Yutz" to clean you out.

CAPRICORN
DECEMBER 23 - JANUARY 20

Gay Caps retro back to the "1960's." Neptune in your own sign gives you that far out look complete with groovy accessories. Barring a dressing down from Mr. Blackwell, you'll appear to others to be one of those mystical types that channel spirits over morning coffee. This is fine if you work for the local psychic but not so good if you are thinking of running for President.

AQUARIUS
JANUARY 21 - FEBRUARY 19

If your closet door mysterious opens, thank spiritual Neptune in Capricorn for the liberation. Aqueerians clear the cosmic debris from their minds and embrace an affirming destiny. That's the good part. The other side of foggy Neptune cautions against impractical dreams and wasteful energies. Spread the spirituality around; volunteer for a great Gay cause and uplift, darling!

PISCES
FEBRUARY 20 - MARCH 20

Friends; can't live with them, can't live without them. Queer Fish must grapple with the twists and turns of social circles as Neptune traverses Capricorn. Be patient with pals as well as with yourself since Neptune fogs the senses. It's not your fault if your strive to connect to the odd balls of the world and it is not their fault if they prove to be unreliable or squirrely.

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Politics

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1996 Presidential election, due to increased turnout by Hispanic and Native American voters. The Republican-dominated legislature believed it was fraud that won the election. Their solution, H.B. 2207.

This bill would require that all registered voters show proof-of-citizenship when registering to vote, since according to the bill's sponsor, Rep. Jeff Groscost, R-Above Human, there is wide-spread fraud on the voter registration rolls. Can we say violation of the "Voting Right's Act."

Voting Right's Act? We don't need no Voting Right's Act! Republicans have ram-rodded this travesty through, despite Democratic efforts to kill the bill. The bill is before the state Senate, and passage is expected.

Will the Fifester sign this bill. Probably when he's in the pokey! . . . .

The Arizona State Legislator is a part-time position, as dictated by the state constitution. Per the state constitution, the Legislature is in session from January through April of each year. Legislators are compensated, per the state constitution, $15,000 a year, plus $35 - $60 daily for expenses plus mileage. This means they are paid from $18,500 minimum to over $30,000 a year for the part-time job.

But this isn't enough to some very-deprived, rich Maricopa legislators who view and perform this important job as a hobby. They are trying to get a pay-raise, sidestepping the state constitution that warrants a vote by the people on any proposed pay-raise. Democracy?

This jerk-water measure to take more money out of our pockets has failed twice. But last week, the proposal was approved by a House committee, [which not given], with a unanimous vote. This proposal would raise the per-diem to all legislators to $100 a day for expenses, or $10,000 per session, $20,000 for the two-year term for a part-time job.

The Legislative session, according to capitol sources is to end somewhere from April 18 to April 22. We'll be counting the days when our fears will be ended . . . for at least this year. . . .

So it goes for now kids!

Bear Scratchings

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Steve Finch, (call 292-1171 for directions and information) and our Beer Bust/Chili feed on Saturday, April 12 3:00 - 7:00 P.M. at the Venture-N's Back Patio Bar. All tips at the Beer Bust go to local charities so come on out, have a good time and support the community.

We've also got a dining out night planned for Friday, April 18 at Golden Corral at First Avenue and Wetmore, we'll meet outside at 7:00 P.M. For an evening of good food and great comraderie. We've also got our first camp-out of the year planned for the weekend of April 25-27 at Patagonia Lake. Last year we had about 15 bears and buddies enjoy a weekend in the great outdoors and are looking forward to more of the same this time! Call 888-4751, Kevin, for more information.

If you'd like more information on the club you can call the Bears Information Hotline and get a current listing of events for the month and leave a message for one of the officers or you can write to us or visit our web page listed below. We'd be glad to send along a complimentary copy of our newsletter or answer any questions you might have about the club. Stay tuned, there's always more to come! Hugs and snuzzles!

Note new address, email and phone number! Bears of the Old Pueblo, POB 43910, Tucson, AZ 85733-3910. Phone: (520) 327-1620 (24 hrs/7days). WWW: http://www.csn.net/~jls2/bop. Email: botop@bearhug.bearclan.com.

Court Upholds Firing Of S. F. Rev. Lumpkin For Bigoted Remarks

SAN FRANCISCO, CA (UPI) - A federal appeals court has upheld the firing of Rev. Eugene Lumpkin Jr. from the San Francisco Human Rights Commission for endorsing Biblical passages he said advocated death for Gay people.

The 9th Circuit Court of Appeals rejected Rev. Lumpkin's argument that his dismissal from the commission in 1993 was a violation of his rights to free speech and religious expression.

The Rev. Lumpkin was removed from his seat by then-Mayor Frank Jordan for what the Mayor called the antithesis between public statements advocating violence against Gay people and Lumpkin's role as a member of the city's Human Rights Commission.

Judge William Norris said that neither the First Amendment nor the Religious Freedom Restoration Act compelled the city to keep a person whose public comments were not just contrary to his position on the Human Rights Commission, they were at war with it.

Judge Norris wrote, "When Rev. Lumpkin speaks as a private citizen, he has every right to preach that homosexuality is a sin . . . but the First Amendment does not assure him job security when he preaches homophobia while serving as a city official.".

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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 298-8454.

LESBIAN AND GAY AL-ANON - 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 Roon 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

COOKIES SOCIAL GROUP. A Social group for Gay men who enjoy the fellowship of their peers. Call Merle at 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)792-9115.

LIGHTNING LIGHTING will provide lighting for AIDS and related benefits at no charge. For more info call Adrienne at 629-7298.

MALE MEN: Long-haired Gay male penpal network. Photo, 3 IRC's to join. Box 231, Station B, Ottawa, CANADA, K1P5C4

GAY & LESBIAN SPIRITUALITY GROUP of St. Philips in the Hills Episcopal Church meets first and third Mondays. Call David, 323-7943 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 6162. For information call 791-9662.

Join the LESBIAN & GAY PUBLIC AWARENESS PROJECT. *In Tucson we're Awareness Project*, 3589 N. Campbell Ave. #365, Tucson, AZ 85719.

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

MEN'S SOCIAL NETWORK: Social organization for men of all ages. Building an extended Gay family in Tucson. Monthly social potluck gatherings the first Saturday of each month and almost weekly social activities. Call Jerry at 690-8565 for information and a newsletter.558

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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 299-9063.

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.

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

THE JOHN HANTEN MEMORIAL GROUP, a Catholic support group for Gays and Lesbians, meets on the 2nd Monday of each month at Saints Peter and Paul Catholic Church, 1948 E. Lee St. at 7:30 p.m. For more information call the parish office at 327-8015 or Jane Peirl at 326-8577.

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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People with AIDS Coalition of Tucson (PACT For Life), 801 W. Congress. Office hours M/W/F 8am to 5pm, Tu 8am -7pm. Th. Noon - 8pm. Anonymous HIV testing and support groups available. Call 770-1710 for more information.

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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 575-8560 or write P.O. Box 36264, Tucson, AZ 85740-6264. All replies confidential.

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 into about special groups for Gays and Lesbians.

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

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.

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GAY OR BI-SEXUAL MEN in relationships with women. Need friends you can talk to? Weekly support group meets Wednesdays 6:30 - 8:00 pm. Licensed psychologist facilitator. Call 745-6877 in Tucson for more information. 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.

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SUPPORT GROUP: Gays, Lesbians and Bisexuals meet weekly for open discussions in a loving, supportive atmosphere. Meetings Thursdays from 7:30 to 8:30 pm at St. Francis in the Foothills Church, Swan and River Road. Room 32. Call the church at 299-9083 for information.

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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 1:00 pm at St. Francis in The Foothills for anyone who likes to play and have a blast call Davey 886-1208 for more info.

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.

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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 797-3115 for more information and a membership bio.

LESBIAN/GAY/BI OVEREATERS ANONYMOUS. Saturdays noon-1pm in UMC Dining Room "F". 325-6678 or 870-1954.

ANONYMOUS HIV COUNSELING AND TESTING is available through the Pima County Health Department at sites throughout Tucson, Very Gay Friendly. For more information or to make an appointment call 791-7579.

CATHOLIC GAY/LESBIAN SUPPORT GROUP meets every 3rd Monday at St. Pius X Catholic Church, 1500 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.

COCAINE ANONYMOUS
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NORTHWEST CATHOLIC GAY/LESBIAN SUPPORT GROUP meets every 4th Monday at St. Odilia's Catholic Church, 7570 N. Paseo Del Norte in the Parish Hall Conference Room (Bldg. North of the Church) at 7:30 p.m. For more info call Mary 297-9602 or St. Joan 742-8900.

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Ms. Thurman will need."

However, the AIDS Coalition to Unleash Power, (ACT-UP), said in interviews that Clinton should have selected someone with greater name recognition and that Thurman is the fourth in a series of "ineffective, no-name bureaucrats" in the job. According to ACT-UP Washington spokesperson, Steve Michael, who said in interviews, "I want some real in that job. It's absolutely impossible she will evolve to that. This person is going to fail like the last one did. There is no reason for us to work with her."

Local reaction to the appointment was swift, but cautious:

Craig Snow, executive director of the Tucson AIDS Project (TAP) felt that Clinton "picked someone who'll do a good job." Snow added that he, "hopes she [Thurman] will be a good advocate for not just for national programs and organizations but as an advocate for the local AIDS service organizations to get the funds to pay for the increases in the cost for medications and for more client services programs."

David Hoover, the program manager for the Pima County Health Department's STD/HIV program said of the appointment, "Ms. Thurman has the experience running a community based organization, AID Atlanta. With her experience and access in national Democratic party politics, hopefully she will be a strong voice for more HIV/AIDS funding for programs and research."

Cicely d'Autremont, housing director at the People With AIDS Coalition of Tucson said, "President Clinton appointed someone with a background in HIV/AIDS to the post. It would have been nicer that if the president had appointed someone who was HIV+ or living with AIDS.

Thurman will replace Eric Gosby, the interim director since 1994, who succeeded Patsy Fleming and Kristine Gebbie.

Partners Law

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ey. The fewer people eligible for benefits, generally the lower the cost.

"There is the cost consideration," said Joyce Newstat of the Committee on Jobs. "And there's also the policy perspective. Straight people have the opportunity to get married."

Supervisor Katz agrees.

"If I want to get spousal benefits and I was straight, we could get married. If I wanted to get spousal benefits with my partner, I couldn't get married," said Katz, a Lesbian. "I think it's more important to help the people who don't have the legal ability to marry."

Ammiano takes a different view.

"I don't want to exclude people from our domestic partners law," he said. "It was not intended to make domestic partners a second-class marriage, but an alternative marriage."

Ginsberg

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suddenly in demand.

As he grew older, Ginsberg became a guru to the counterculture movement. He coined the term "flower power" in the mid-60's. And he eventually became more accepted by the mainstream.

His National Book Award came in 1973 for "The Fall of America: Poems of These States, 1965-1971." He was a finalist for a Pulitzer Prize in poetry in 1995 for his book, "Cosmopolitan Greetings: Poems 1986-1992."

Ginsberg remained vital and active well into his 60's, performing in Manhattan nightclubs and doing poetry readings.

The funeral will be private. He is survived by his stepmother, Edith Ginsberg of Paterson, New Jersey; his brother Eugene, and several nieces and nephews.

Lesbian Parents Raising Healthy Children Study Shows

WASHINGTON, D.C. (AP) - Supporting arguments made for years by Gay parents and child welfare advocates, three separate studies conducted in the United States, Britain, and the Netherlands indicate children born to Lesbian through artificial insemination are emotionally health and well-adjusted.

Charlotte Patterson of the University of Virginia, told reporters, "When you look at these kids with standard psychological assessments, you can't tell who has a Lesbian parent and who has a heterosexual parent. That's really the main finding from these studies.

The studies, presented at a national meeting of the Society for Research on Child Development, found no significant difference in the healthy development of children conceived at fertility clinics by Lesbian parents and those born from natural conception by straight parents.

None of the studies focused on child development above the age of 9, so there was no indication from this batch of research whether being raised by Gay parents had any impact on sexual orientation.

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