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Hair:	**Dark Brown**
Eyes:	**Brown**
Race:	**White**
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Andrew Phillip Cunanan

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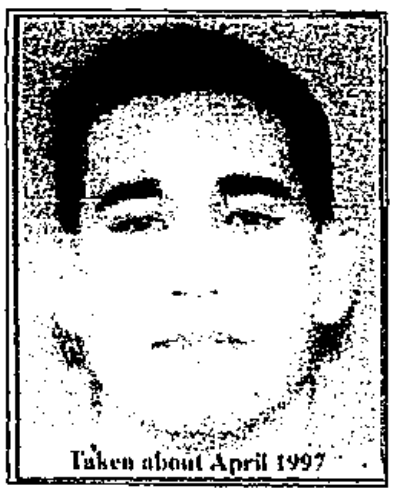

Taken about April 1997

MIAMI BEACH, FL (NP) - One week since the Versace slaying, and the painstaking process of one clue, one tip at a time inches along – with the inevitable jeers and cheers from the public.

It's been a week now since openly Gay alleged multiple murderer Andrew Cunanan supposedly shot openly Gay fashion designer Gianni Versace in broad daylight on a busy street in Miami Beach, Florida, and more than two months that Cunanan's been on the FBI's Ten Most Wanted Fugitives list as a suspect in four other murders, but despite hundreds of law enforcement officers on the case and thousands of tips phoned in by the public (1-888-324-9800), he remains at large.

The nationwide manhunt remains focussed on south Florida – and will remain so until there's evidence that Cunanan is elsewhere – because authorities believe he has no vehicle and public transportation is being tightly monitored. The investigation continues to fill in more details of the fugitive's activities leading up to the Versace murder.

WARNING TO ACQUAINTANCES

The latest word is that the FBI is reviewing interviews with people who had contact with Cunanan to determine whether the motive behind his alleged "killing spree" is revenge. They are reportedly investigating a list of wealthy Gays and art patrons, as well as various casual friends, in an effort to figure out who his next targets might be. The agency plans to warn any such acquaintances they believe to be in danger.

BULLETS CONNECT MURDER

Apparently ballistics tests on the bullets that killed Versace have been completed. Local Miami newspapers have reported a "definite" match with those used in the second and fourth killings attributed to Cunanan, his former lover David Madson in Minnesota and non-Gay cemetery caretaker William Reese in New

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Old Tucson Disburses 'Gay West' Funds

by Bruce Corey

TUCSON - Gay West, which was held at Old Tucson Studios on June 28, was a fund raising event for nine non-profit organizations that support the Gay community.

1,816 people attended, and total funds raised were $6,015. The nine groups sold advance tickets to the event, and a portion of the proceeds from all ticket sales were donated back to those organizations. The total donation that each receive was proportionate to the number of tickets that they sold. A summary of the fund raising results is listed below:

Old Tucson Studios Donation	**$6,015.00**
Community Income/Expenses	
Sponsorship	100.00
Raffle	124.00
Entertainer Tips	33.00
Saddle City Band	(675.00)
Wet Dog Promotions	(325.00)
Net Income(Expenses)	**(743.00)**
Net Distribution	**$5,272.00**
Distribution:	
AGRA	1,282.38
Desert Voices	229.82
P-FLAG	105.72
Reveille	114.91
SAAF	124.10
Team Arizona	376.90
TIHAN	220.62
TLGA	799.76
Wingspan	2,017.79
Totals	5,272.00

The community income included a $100 sponsorship from Rose Realty, $124 in revenue from a raffle, and the entertainers donated their tips back to the community. Thank you to all for your generosity!

The community expenses were for the band and the DJ both, both of which discounted their normal fees. This entertainment was booked to add value to the event, and it played an important role in the success of Gay West. Other entertainment was either donated, or traded for admission, and included Desert Voices, Panoramic Productions and several others. Again, thanks to all of you for your community spirit generosity. Your performances were all superb!

Thanks to everyone involved in producing Gay West. Your efforts made a huge difference. A special thanks goes to Theresa Barnabei of TLGA, and Patricia Terry of AGRA, who formed the nucleus of the organizing committee, and worked very hard on this project from day one.

Mostly, thanks goes to all who attended Gay West! Your support raised a significant amount of money for our community services, and organizations that do a lot of good work! And to those of you who didn't attend but wish you had, you will get another chance next year!

Your comments are always welcome, and they can be left on the TLGA OUTline, 622-3200.

PFLAG President Meets With Clinton

WASHINGTON, D.C. - Parents, Families and Friends of Lesbians and Gays (P-FLAG) President brought the views of nearly 70,000 PFLAG households from across the country to President Bill Clinton during a White House meeting held Tuesday.

"We are mothers, fathers, sisters, brothers, aunts, uncles, cousins, neighbors and friends who want to live in a society where everyone is valued," said McDonald, a community educator who lives in Tulsa, Oklahoma.

"We are seeking to create a 'safe space' for everyone, and especially in our schools and community. I hope that Clinton and his Administration will join us in this work," she said.

PFLAG President McDonald met with Clinton in a private meeting alongside a dozen Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual and Transgender community activists.

PFLAG, a national family organization currently serving more than 400 communities, has been headed by McDonald since October 1996. She coordinated the group's public educational program, Project Open Mind, during its initial launch in Tulsa, and is the founder of the city's PFLAG chapter.

McDonald is an education consultant, having previously worked in the Tulsa Public Schools developing and coordinating the School Volunteer Program and Partnerships in Education with Basins and Industry. Her many honors include being named Tulsa Woman of the Year and Administrator of the Year by Tulsa Classroom Teachers.

Leaders of PFLAG, which was created almost 20 years ago out of a mother's pain and anger as she watched her Gay son be beaten on a television newscast, pledged this past spring at the historic President's Summit for America's Future to provide "safe places" for 10,000 more Gay, Lesbian and Bisexual youth and their families by the year 2002.

This is in light of the fact that every day 13 Americans between the ages of 15 and 24 commit suicide, and it is estimated that perhaps 30% of these young people are Gay and Lesbian.

UPDATE

Gay Comedy Jam To Hit Tucson Aug. 5

TUCSON - The Gay Comedy Jam: Freedom Tour starring Scott Kennedy and Kevin Maye comes to Tucson's Laff's Comedy Club for one night only; Tuesday, August 5.

Scott Kennedy and Kevin Maye are two of the hottest stand-up comedians working at comedy clubs and colleges across the country. They have headlined most major comedy clubs in the U.S. from Seattle to Miami including: The Improvs, Laff Stops, Punchlines, Funny Bones, Comedy Works, and Las Vegas showrooms. They have also opened in concert with superstars such as: Garth Brooks, The Temptations, The Four Tops, David Sanborn and Judy Tenuta.

The Gay Comedy Jam: Freedom Tour is sponsored by *The Advocate Magazine*, the national Gay and Lesbian news source. The tour began in 1994 and sold-out in almost every major market. 1995 brought more tour dates that included international dates as well as many more college performances. 1997 is shaping up to be the most successful year yet. In 1996 the Hollywood Reporter named Scott and Kevin " . . . the most successful Gay comics to ever tour nationally."

Kevin Maye says: "I know that 25 years ago to have an openly Gay performer at a 'mainstream' venue was unheard of, today we are selling out shows all over the nation!"

The Gay Comedy Jam is gaining national attention as it tours world wide as the "first Gay show of its kind." The show is structured for a Gay audience but even widely enjoyed by the non-Gay crowd as well. Scott Kennedy says: "We were both accomplished comedians before we came 'out' professionally." "Funny is funny, whether it is Gay or straight, people laugh."

The show is also a fund raiser for Wingspan. Ticket prices are $12 in advance and $15 the day of show plus tax. For information or to charge tickets by phone, call (520) 323-1381.

TIHAN Fund Raiser Saturday, Aug. 9

TUCSON - The Gaslight Theatre is hosting a special performance of "Miss Small Town Rock 'n' Roll" on Saturday, August 9, 7:00 P.M.

Proceeds from this show benefits the programs and services of the Tucson Interfaith HIV/AIDS Network (TIHAN), a not-for-profit, volunteer-based organization committed to preventing the spread of HIV infection and providing compassionate care for those infected and affected by HIV and AIDS.

This Gaslight production, a take-off on those great Elvis Presley movies, is getting excellent reviews, and it's sure to be a full house. This benefit promises a wonderful opportunity to come together for great music, laughter, and fun, while showing compassion by supporting a great charity.

Tickets are $15 per person, and may be ordered by calling Sarah, 721-4800. Because there is reserved seating, please order now, and let us know of any seating preference or special needs.

To maximize the fun, TIHAN will also be having a costume contest: dress in your favorite early 60's clothing, poodle skirts, leather jackets, saddle shoes, bee-hives, etc.

TIHAN is also conducting a raffle in conjunction with the show. The Grand Prize is a trip for two to San Diego (airfare and hotel for three days/nights), courtesy of Full Spectrum Travel and St. Francis United Methodist Church. Tickets are three for $5, and winners need not be present to win.

The raffle features over thirty additional prizes, including gifts from Markley on Fourth, Willy's the Total Salon, Armando, Cele Peterson, Reveille, Desert Voices, Maya Palace, Cafe Terra Cotta, Kingfisher Bar & Grill, the Flying V at Loews Ventana Canyon, Cafe Sweetwater, Tucson Trunk, Made of Mud Ceramics Studio and Expresso Bar, and many more generous and compassionate companies. Raffle tickets are available by calling, 299-6647.

Team Arizona To Participate In Aquatics Championships Oct. 16-20

TUCSON - Team Arizona members will be participating in the Tenth Annual International Gay & Lesbian Aquatics (IGLA) Championships, October 16-20, in San Diego, California.

IGLA is expecting over 1,000 swimmers, divers, and water polo players to compete this fall. Registration and entry fees will vary. Registration Forms will be available at the Team Arizona meeting at Girlfriend's Coffeehouse, 3540 N. Oracle in Tucson, Saturday, August 2, 1:30 P.M.

The entry deadline is firmly set for August 29. For more information contact Edna in Tucson, (520) 293-9356 or the IGLA internet site: http://www.-qspec.com.

Wingspan Calling For Artists For OUToberfest Juried Art Auction

TUCSON - The third annual OUToberFEST Juried Art Exhibition will be held the month of October and Wingspan is searching for Lesbian and Gay artists.

Artists will submit three works to the new Wingspan Community Center, 300 East Sixth Street, and fill out an entry form. Please submit your art on or before September 24. The Wingspan volunteer will assist you with the entry.

All of your works will be hung and a Jury, yet to be selected, will judge the exhibition on October 3. Ribbons will be awarded to the Best of Show, First Place, Second Place, Third Place and two Honorable Mentions.

Wingspan has a much larger gallery space in the new facility and we hope we will have a much larger group of artists. If you know an artist, please inform them about this annual exhibition. Let's make this a bigger and better OUTOberFEST exhibit.

For more information, contact Wingspan Curator, Bob MacMahon, 624-1779.

'Festival For Life' Seeks Committee Chairs

TUCSON - The Southern Arizona AIDS Foundation seeks volunteers to sit on the planning committee for the Ninth Annual Jerome Beillard Festival For Life.

This year's Festival will be held, November 22, at the University Park Marriott.

Working committee members are needed to help plan this spectacular fund raising event that features a live and silent auction of premiere holiday items: decorated Christmas trees, wreaths, menorahs, gift baskets, celebrity memorabilia and other fabulous gift items.

Proceeds from the event support direct client services and prevention education. This is a great opportunity to participate in a long standing event that has proven to be a successful fund raiser, as well as fun social event.

The committee meets the last Tuesday of each month at 5:30 P.M. at the SAAF office, 151 S. Tucson Blvd., Suite 272. For more information, please contact George Vissichelli, event chair, 792-4450 or Tim Janes, 322-6226.

MPS Roast and Toast of Lucinda Holliday

Sunday, July 27, 1997
5:00 PM- 10:00 PM
Holiday Inn City Center 181 W. Broadway
Donation: $20.00

Please join us as we Roast and Toast the "Queen of Comedy", Miss Lucinda Holliday. She's done just about everything a sensible person would NEVER do, worn everything a tasteful person would NEVER wear and said everything an intelligent person would NEVER say.

It's time to dredge it all up! Come be a part of it!

We hope she can DRAG out one of her Ms. Congeniality awards because she's going to need it when the Roast begins. There's plenty of fuel for this girl's fire!

Thanks for supporting Woody and MPS, we all really appreciate it. See you at the "Roast and Toast of Lucy", it'll be a blast !

Sincerely,

Beth, Natalie, Erin, Matthew and of course, Woody

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HOME ON THE RANGE WITH AGRA-TUCSON

by Scott Weidamoyer

Another great event down and plenty more to come! Last week AGRA-Tucson celebrated its Sixth Anniversary with our Board and General Membership meeting and a night of entertainment and dancing at HOURS. Thanks again Lee and your staff for all of your support over the past 6 years and here's to many more to come. We had a great evening and I need to take a minute to congratulate, thank and clarify a few things.

First off, congratulations to George K. for his winning entry for the 1998 Saguaro Regional Rodeo Poster. Look for the unveiling of the poster at an upcoming event. Congratulations to Pat T. for pulling off yet another great fund raising event this past weekend. Girl, you never cease to amaze me, I wasn't sure where you were getting all of your energy from until this past weekend when I saw the Energizer Battery sticking out of the back of your shirt. On to the Thank You's!

Special thanks to our own little powerhouse, Diane R., for another great show this weekend. To the entertainers that performed: Billy D., Vangie C., Holly, and Celeste, great job with the live vocals! There is so much great talent in this town it is amazing. I want to send a special thank you to Mr. Eryc Benjamin, a contestant for Mr. AGRA. Eryc holds a membership in Phoenix and on Sunday also became a Tucson Member. Eryc has made trips to Tucson for every event held in Tucson, (Gay West, July 4 Bash and the Anniversary Party), thanks Eryc for all of you support and welcome to the Tucson Chapter. Finally, to the "ladies" who brought the night together for us, Ms. Felice Renard, who never fails at putting on a great show, and Ms. Victoria du Puis, who changes costume and character like I change, err, uh, never mind! Victoria and Felice, thank you for all of your support! You are both always a big hit with the community.

On clarification . . . A few weeks ago I wrote that J. Lloyd is Tucson's contestant for Mr. AGRA. Clarification is that J. Lloyd is running as a contestant for Mr. AGRA and is from Tucson. We do not support any specific contestant for the Royalty Contest. I wish all contestants the best of luck in the quest for the titles of Mr., Miss and Ms. AGRA for 1998. J. Lloyd was not able to make the festivities this past weekend due to a family emergency. J. Lloyd, although greatly missed this weekend, my thoughts and prayers along with those of AGRA are with you at this time. We look forward for the next event to see your starry eyes and great smile.

I would like to continue explaining some of the history of AGRA and IGRA. I feel the more the Tucson Community knows about the organization, the more interest we can generate within the community. AGRA raised money all year long to generate funds to host the rodeo each year. With the rodeo, encouragement of honesty, good sportsmanship, and fair play has been the hallmark of AGRA and IGRA as it has sought to enrich and educate the Gay and Lesbian Community. The sometimes rough and rugged sport of Rodeo offers an appeal to the thousands of members of the rodeo associations. Through structured regional education programs and competition, our men and women have improved their skills, and have learned good sportsmanship. The men and women of the Association have and encourage others to have and encourage others to have and maintain a health respect for the well treatment of our animals that also participate in rodeo activities and are a critical part of this heritage.

The preparation and physical training for each rodeo that our men and women are involved in help to heighten our awareness of Gay Rodeo's responsibilities to the Gay and Lesbian Community. IGRA and its regional associations have committed themselves to the raising of funds from their activities to distribute back into the community for charitable use. Over $1.5 million dollars, as reported by our Member Associations, has been raised and distributed to charitable organization who care for and seek cures for those with the HIV disease as well as other health and social ills within our society as a whole.

Hope you have a great week! As always, remember to keep your pride and play safe in the saddle!

[AGRA-Tucson, POB 40894, Tucson, AZ 85717-0894. Phone: (520) 323-0805.]

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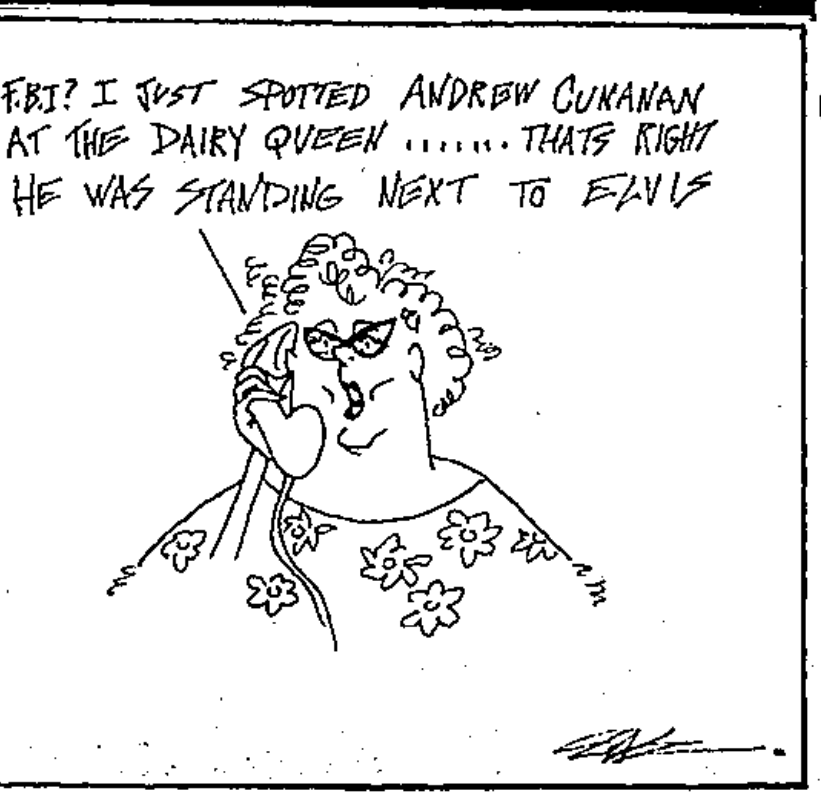

Pima County Domestic Partners Benefit Battle Heating Up
Lambda Legal To Intervene In Case

by Mark R. Kerr
Observer Political Reporter

TUCSON (ON) - The expected court fight to extend medical and dental benefits for the "domestic partners" of homosexual and unmarried heterosexual Pima County employees is heating up.

Grace McIlvain, the attorney representing the Pima County Board of Supervisors said she filed an answer to the County Attorney's complaint over the Board's extension of benefits. McIlvain stated she filed the brief, Monday, July 20.

As previously reported first in The Observer, the Pima County Attorney's Civil Division had filed suit, July 2, to overturn the Board of Supervisor's vote, on March 25, to extend medical and dental benefits to the "domestic partners," of homosexual and unmarried heterosexual county employees.

The suit, filed by county attorney Chris Roads of the Civil Division, contends that the Board's action was "an illegal expenditure," and should be voided.

McIlvain's reply to the suit was to agree or disagree with the accusations in the County Attorney's lawsuit. The reply was filed two days before the deadline, July 22. The Board had twenty days to respond after the filing date, July 2.

McIlvain stated, since the complaint has been answered, she anticipates the County Attorney's office to file a "motion for summary judgment."

When reached for comment, a spokesperson for the County Attorney's Civil Division said they will file the motion approximately one week after receiving McIlvain's answer. As of press time, the Civil Division had not received the Board's legal brief.

McIlvain met with county employees who led the effort to extend benefits last week to discuss the case. One of the employees present was Damien McNeal.

After the meeting, McNeal decided to formally ask the Lambda Legal Defense & Education Fund (LLDEF) to intervene and represent him and other employees affected by the pending lawsuit.

According to McNeal he will the point person in the county employee's suit. "We hope to get a cross section of county employees, both Gay and straight, to show how this will affect them if the benefits are not extended," McNeal said.

LLDEF attorney in Los Angeles, John Davidson, said that LLDEF has agreed in principal to intervene and that the final details, strategy and potential local counsel are still being worked out.

With the initial briefs filed, the next phase of the case will be oral arguments before a judge. Pima County Judge Bernado Velasco will preside over the pending lawsuit.

Will there be a trial? Not likely, according to Grace McIlvain. She said that since this an issue of law, a trial won't happen, only arguments will take place. Trials, according to McIlvain, occur when issues of fact are at stake.

"A Roast And Toast Of Lucinda Holliday"
Annual MPS Benefit Sunday, July 27

by Mark R. Kerr

TUCSON (ON) - The Tucson Gay and Lesbian community is one big "family," who come together to help all of members of the "family."

This Sunday, July 27, Gay and Lesbian Tucsonans will be asked again to help one of it's most special members of the family, Woody Duffy, and to help special children like Woody who are afflicted with MPS.

"A Roast & Toast of Lucinda Holliday," is a benefit fund raiser for the National MPS Society. The "Roast" of the incomparable Lucinda Holliday takes place, Sunday, July 27, starting at 5:00 P.M., at the Holiday Inn-City Center, 181 W. Broadway.

Woody, the son of Beth Tullis-Perry and Natalie Perry has Hurler/Scheie Syndrome, a rare genetic disease that usually kills children between 14 and 18 years of age. Lacking an enzyme that breaks down mucopolysaccharides, the long chains of sugar molecules that help build connective tissues, his body is slowly shutting down.

His mother Beth knows there is neither a treatment nor a cure for his disorder. She knows time is running out, but she's not willing to give him up without a fight.

Thus the annual benefit. Proceeds from the roast, which Natalie and Beth hope will raise several thousand dollars to help continue the society's membership directory; it's annual magazine, a quarterly newsletter; and, its educational and research efforts.

Woody, the "smallest member of our family with the biggest heart" said in an interview about the benefit, "It's not just me. It's for other people too. There's a lot more people worse off than me."

"A Roast & Toast of Lucinda Holliday," a benefit for the National MPS Society takes place this Sunday, July 27, starting at 5:00 P.M. with hors d'oeuvres. At 6:00 P.M., Lucinda will be put "On the Barbie!"

The Mistress of Ceremonies will be the world famous comedienne, Gilda Fatale. According to Beth Tullis-Perry, the Roasters will be:

Celia Putty, Gary Clark, the new Miss Gay Arizona - Virginia Sacrifice, Scott Hawkins, Alotta Whoremones, Felice Renard, Paul Moore and Aja Simone.

Also present for the MPS benefit, will be the President of the National MPS Society, Marie Capobianco.

Beth added that her son Woody will be presenting a "Special Friend of the Year" award.

Event organizers wouldn't confirm or deny the rumor that Miss Holliday, one of the premiere female-illusionists in Tucson and Arizona, would be

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By MARK R. KERR

"Parody Tomorrow, Travesty Tonight!"

The fight to extend medical benefits for the "domestic partners" of heterosexual and homosexual Pima County employees is heating up for a legal battle.

According to Damien McNeal, one of the county employees spearheading the effort, the committee met with the Pima County Board of Supervisor's attorney, Grace McIlvain, to discuss the pending litigation. McIlvain said she's filed the response to the County Attorney's lawsuit, Monday, July 20.

After the meeting, McNeal stated he decided to ask the Lambda Legal Defense & Education Fund (LLDEF) to intervene and represent him and other employees affected. LLDEF attorney in Los Angeles, John Davidson, said that the final details and potential local counsel are still being worked out.

Also of note, the County Attorney who filed the case, Civil Attorney Chris Roads is expected to file for a summary judgment. According to a spokesperson for the County Attorney, they will file their motion one week after receiving the Board's reply to the lawsuit. . . .

Monday, July 20, was the day most bills from the past session of the Inquisition, err Arizona State Legislature, became law. Uh-oh!

One good piece of state legislation was among the many. SB 1047, the hate crimes bill, is now law statewide, thanks to efforts and the "hellish persistence" of St. Rep. Robin Shaw, R-Phoenix. Bravo!

The law allows judges can impose harsher sentence on criminals who target victims because of their race, color, religion, national origin, sexual orientation, gender or disability. Hope this helps and is enforced. . . .

The First Act curtain of the Whitewash bank-fraud trial came down after nine weeks when federal prosecutors rested their case. Whitewash's mouthpieces started their defense, (Act Two), which is to last three weeks. Their strategy? Blame someone else, but we digress!

In the nine week run, federal prosecutors have portrayed Whitewash as: a man who worked overtime to hide his business failures, (The Many!); turned to Mommy Frick for moolah when he got into trouble, (A lot!); used his political office for personal goals, (Doesn't everyone!); showed the Fifester's skills in the arts of secrecy and intrigue, (He would've made Donald Trump proud!).

The feds continued their painting of the Fifester, showing him to be a free spender who took lots of moolah from late Mommy Frick, that his household expenses came to twice his income, including all the Fifester's financial statements. Prosecutors finished their art work by showing Whitewash as a bragging power broker, who claimed he could put the arm on other civil and political leaders any time he felt the need. (A lot!)

The defense has three weeks to change this federal "picture." Though the artwork by federal prosecutors, looks like "The Picture of Dorian Gray." It can never change! . . .

A luxury lap-top update. Last week, this column had an item on SB 1074, the pork-barrel Republican legislation that was to give all 90 members of the Legislature a lap-top computer, at a cost of $13-$15k per laptop. The bill was pared down, as a "pilot program," so that only 15 lucky legislators would get a lap-top, costing $240k, (same average cost).

SB 1074 was approved by the State House, 47-11, and the State Senate, 16-12. Wanna know who our Southern Arizona Legislators voted for this boondoggle? In the House, Reps. Carmine Cardamone and Brian Fagan voted no. In the Senate, Sens. Gus Arzberger, Keith Bee, Victor Soltero, Elaine Richardson and Ruth Solomon voted no. Bravo!

On the other hand, a bipartisan effort supported the pork: Reps. Griffin, Newman, Preble, McGibbon, Valadez, Gonzales, Norris, Schottel, Hershberger, Nichols, Pickens, Horton, and, Sens. Day and Cunningham voted yes. Why? . . .

To charter on not to charter? Is that the question? In a little over two weeks, August 5, an underwhelming number Pima County voters will go to the polls and decide whether Pima County government should be a charter, able to make laws, etc.

This attempt at home rule goes back to 1992. Proposition 105, approved by voters statewide, gave the counties of Maricopa and Pima the option to draw up charters for their county governments. Before this, county government was just an offshoot of the Arizona Legislature, unable to enact laws, forced to ask the State Legislature to do so. Frightening thought!

Maricopa County drew up their charter first for consideration. The document Maricopa's charter committee came up with was so convoluted, that members of the charter committee campaigned against it! Charter government was not to be, it was trounced at the polls, (November 1996).

The Pima County charter committee finished their document earlier this year, and the date was set for the vote, August 5. Is charter government good for Tucson and Pima County? More next week. . . .

Arizona Congressman Matt Salmon, R-Phoenix, was identified as one of the House conspirators who attempted a coup d'etat, last week, of U.S. House Speaker, Newtie Gingrich. Salmon stated Newtie is caving in to Clinton and had to go, on the ABC news program, "This Week," this past Sunday. Whoopee!

Sound "waffliciously" familiar? When the 105th Congress convened in January during Newtie's continuing ethics problems, Salmon said, on the national media circuit, Newtie should go and wouldn't vote for him for Speaker. When the vote came, Salmon went with Newt! Did the national news media know-it-all's do their homework? Are "Salmon waffles" a delicacy? Can we say not! . . .

The City of Tucson is holding Council elections for three seats up this year. The candidates have filed their petitions and the litigation usually follows,

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UPDATE

Researchers Make AIDS Infection Discovery

LONDON, U.K. (RNS) - Scientists said they have found two new receptors that the HIV virus uses to hook onto and infect cells.

Naming them Bonzo and BOB (Brother of Bonzo), the researchers said they were used by both the human immunodeficiency virus (HIV) and the version seen in monkeys, SIV.

Writing in the science journal Nature, Dan Littman and colleagues at the Howard Hughes Medical Institute at New York University said their findings cast more light on how HIV adapts and evolves.

They were looking for receptors that SIV uses. Finding Bonzo and BOB, they determined that they could also be used by the two strains that cause humans AIDS, HIV-1 and the less virulent HIV-2.

For a virus to infect a cell, it first has to hook on and gain entry. It does this by using receptors that are designed for use by other molecules in the body.

HIV attacks immune system cells and Littman's paper brings to six the number of receptors the virus can use. All the HIV receptors are meant for use by chemokines -- signalling chemicals that are part of the body's immune response.

Littman's group found BOB in colon cells, and both BOB and Bonzo in lymph tissue, and said this could mean they are important in viral transmission.

Ghalib Alkhatib and colleagues at the National Institutes of Health also reported discovering the Bonzo receptor, which they called STRL33.

The discovery of the new receptors could explain how some people who have a genetic mutation that makes them resistant to HIV nonetheless sometimes get infected.

The genetic mutation means they do not have a CCR5 receptor -- the main one used by HIV. But it could be that, in these people, some strains of HIV can use the alternative receptors.

Robin Weiss and Paul Clapham of Britain's Institute of Cancer Research said it was likely more receptors used by HIV would be found.

"All HIV-1 strains so far tested use the CCR5 or CXCR4 co-receptors, or both, and therefore these two are likely to be crucial to HIV infection," Weiss and Clapham wrote. "Many HIV -1 strains, however, are able to use other co-receptors -- including CCR3, CCR2b and three of the four newly identified ones, as well as CCR5 or CXCR4." The findings also had implications for drug development, they said.

"The discovery of co-receptors has brought hope that new drugs can be developed that block HIV-1 entry into cells," they said.

It had been found that chemokines could be used to block the receptors, although this did not yet prevent infection.

And if drugs target just one or two of the receptors, HIV strains could evolve that use the other ones, they added.

White House Spokesman Criticized By Servicemens Group

WASHINGTON, DC - The Servicemembers Legal Defense Network has requested a meeting with White House Press Secretary Mike McCurry regarding recent comments he made defending the Clinton Administration's policy governing Lesbian and Gay service in the military.

On July 1, U.S. Judge Eugene Nickerson of the Eastern District of New York rejected as unconstitutional both the content and speech portions of the 1993 "don't ask, don't tell, don't pursue" law. He said special rules applying only to Gay troops violate the Constitution's equal protection guarantee and serve no purpose other than to placate the fears of some heterosexuals in the military.

Attorney General Janet Reno later was quoted as saying the Justice Department would appeal the decision. She offered no further comment. White House spokesman Mike McCurry said at a White House press briefing, "We continue to believe the policy is a good one, it is being implemented effectively by the Department of Defense."

The SLDN accused the White House of mischaracterizing the military's anti-Gay policy and of encouraging the Defense Department panel currently investigating violations of "don't ask, don't tell" regulations to turn a "blind eye" to continued command abuses.

In a statement, SLDN co-executive directors Michelle Benecke and Dixon Osburn said, "This is a puzzling assessment in light of the overwhelming evidence indicating that military officials have violated the policy with impunity and that discharges under the policy have increased to the highest level since 1991 and the highest rate since 1987."

Reminding McCurry that Secretary of Defense William Perry has established a panel to review abuses of "don't ask, don't tell" regulations, Benecke and Osburn said, "We are concerned that your comments send the wrong message to the panel . . . At the very least, your comments raise serious concern about whether the Administration intends to conduct a good faith review of the implementation of this policy."

New Benefits Law In Hawaii Gets Lukewarm Response

HONOLULU, HI (HSB) - A recent poll of Hawaii residents reveals a curious ambivalence to the new law allowing same sex partners to register for many of the same benefits married couples enjoy.

The reciprocal beneficiaries law, which went into effect July 8, provides Gay and Lesbian couples some 60 state-mandated benefits, including medical insurance, property rights and survivorship rights such as inheritance and workmen's compensation.

"I don't even know what they are," Gene Erger, a retired island resident told reporters. "I don't even remember reading about them."

Conducted by Mason-Dixon Political Media Research, Inc., the poll surveyed 421 Hawaii residents June 6-10. The poll has a margin of error of plus or minus 5 percentage points.

41.8 percent of residents polled approved of the legislative package; 46.8 percent disapproved; a little more than 17 percent said they or someone they knew would register under the new benefits law.

Dan Foley, the attorney representing the three same-sex couples who sued for the right to marry, told reporters that given the margin of error, the poll shows people are about evenly divided with no strong opinions on the issue.

Residents were also asked their opinion on a constitutional amendment banning same sex marriage. Of those polled, only 56 percent said they would approve such an amendment. A federal court ruled last week that a new vote must be called on the issue because of controversy over how the last vote's blank ballots were tallied.

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Columna Abierta . . . .

by Dr. Eleazar Cordo

¿Qué Tal?, se les saluda como cada semana, deseandoles que esten gozando de las lluvias que ya nos estaban haciendo falta para "amortigüar" un poco las temperaturas que, algunas de ellas han roto records en grados con tres digitos... Hay que disfrutarlas, y recordar que el agua es vida!... A continuación voy a dar cabida a un tema que compartí con ustedes en el mes de junio del año pasado, pero he tenido algunas preguntas en relación a la cirugía estética y aquí pueden estar las respuestas.

Pasar por el quirófano para remodelar una parte del cuerpo ha dejado de ser un sufrimiento gracias a la cirugía mínimamente invasiva, que apenas deja cicatrices. La preocupación para mejorar la imagen corporal no es ni mucho menos una moda actual. Hace 2,000 años, la amputación de alguna parte del cuerpo constituía un castigo común en la India y, con frecuencia, era la nariz lo que se le cortaba al ladrón para llamar así la atención. Y era tal la afluencia de pacientes desnarigados, que los cirujanos indios se convirtieron en unos auténticos maestros en el arte de la rinoplastía o reparación de la nariz. "No cabe duda que en los últimos tiempos la imagen personal ha adquirido una importancia capital. De algún modo, la cirugía estética sigue los parámetros que marca la moda imperante", dice Adolfo G. Montoya, cirujano de Madrid, España. En este sentido las operaciones estéticas han dejado de ser exclusivas de las mujeres. Solo en Estados Unidos, 44,000 hombres se remodelan cada año los párpados, el cuello, y el abdomen movidos por razones exclusivamente estéticas.

Pese a que no hay estadísticas, se estima que cada uno de cada 100 mil hombres resulta ser un transexual masculino y que, de cada 250 mil mujeres, una es transexual femenino. El doctor Abdulhamid Hedo Toledo es cirujano plástico certificado. Desde hace 15 años hace cambio de sexo mediante una técnica que él mismo ha desarrollado y que permite al transexual masculino conservar su sensibilidad. Tiene 50 cirugías de este tipo en su haber.

¿Qué es un transexual? El transexual masculino es una persona que desea vivir como mujer, es decir, que piensa que tiene la capacidad física e intelectual para vivir como mujer. Ellos dicen que: "los traicionó la naturaleza" pues se consideran mujeres atrapadas en el cuerpo del sexo opuesto.

¿Les resuelve la cirugía el problema de la identificación sexual? Definitivamente. La cirugía viene a darles lo que les falta, lo que no les puede dar ni un tratamiento psiquiatrico ni psicológico ni uno hormonal. Su única solución es convertirse en mujeres ya que piensan, actúan y sienten como tales.

¿Todos los que piden un cambio de sexo pueden someterse a la operación? No. Se han rechazado a muchos porque los candidatos deben de reunir determinados requisitos, entre ellos que parezcan mujeres y que hayan vivido durante años como ellas.

¿Cómo aborda estos casos?, ¿Busca asesoría psicológica? Los pacientes llegan a mí con sus estudios psicológicos listos y con la indicación de que se sometan a la intervención.

¿En qué consiste la cirugía? Consiste en remover los cuerpos cavernosos y preservar el pedículo (estructura vascular y nerviosa que llega hasta el glande) del pene. Con esto se asegura que la neovagina tenga circulación y sensibilidad. Otro paso importante es la extirpación de los testículos. La uretra tiene que ser recortada para que la nueva mujer orine sentada. Al final, se hace la modelación de lo que va ser los labios de la vulva y el clítoris resecando parte del tejido que sobra del escroto. El cambio completo de sexo requiere de tres horas de quirófano. Diez días después se da de alta al paciente y se le retira la sonda que le ha ayudado a la micción. Es muy conveniente que en el lugar de la neovagina utilize un tubo de plástico revestido por un preservativo durante 4 ó 6 meses para evitar que cierre con la cicatrización.

¿Ha trabajado con transexuales femeninos? Actualmente tengo un caso, pero estamos apenas comenzando. Ya le he quitado las mamas. Previa remoción de la matriz y los ovarios, se le hara el tubo del miembro con el tejido de la parte interna de las piernas que se rellenará con una prótesis de plástico.

Si necesita ayuda ó si va a someterse a una cirugía estética y necesita asesoría o quiere saber si el médico que lo atiende esta certificado por el Consejo Mexicano de Cirugía Plástica, Estética y Reconstructiva, el doctor José Escamilla Olivera, presidnete de ese organismo ofrece los siguientes teléfonos 264-70-99 y 564-89-48 de la ciudad de México. Además le anexo las siguientes 10 preguntas para su médico para saber si está en buenas manos.

1.- ¿En qué consiste la operación?. 2.- ¿Que tipo de anestesia está previsto utilizar?. 3.- ¿Qué dolores voy a tener?. 4.- ¿Cuáles son las posibles complicaciones?. 5.- ¿Está preparada la clínica para los casos de emergencias?. 6.- ¿Tengo que dejar de tomar algún medicamento?. 7.- ¿Cómo puedo prepararme mejor para la operación?. 8.- ¿En cuánto tiempo voy a rehabilitarme?. 9.- ¿Cuánto cuesta la intervención, incluyendo anestesia, estancia y postoperatorio?. 10.- ¿Pertenece el médico a algún colegio profesional de cirujanos plásticos y cuál es su forma de trabajo?... Le recuerdo que la clave está en encontrar al médico adecuado, e informarse correctamente y en no dejarse llevar por dudosos reclamos publicitarios. Si se siguen estos consejos, nadie debe tener reparos en recuperar el aspecto bello al que legítimamentee todos tenemos derecho.

Dentro de los anuncios de Salud es Poder, Ernie estará en la ciudad de Atlanta desde el viernes 25 de julio al jueves 31, por motivos de entrenamiento para un mejor desarrollo de sus actividades; le acompañarán Alan y Joseph; les deseamos un feliz y placentero viaje!...

Y se les recuerda que las Noches Latinas de los viernes son en el Boom Booms, esperando que se logre cambiarse para los días sabados, ya les estaremos anunciando los cambios... Se le invita al Show que está coordinado Veronica Ríos, para el domingo 27 a las 9:00 p.m. en el Stonewall por su despedida de esta ciudad, ya que cambiará su residencia a la ciudad de Acapulco; y dentro del elenco artístico estará: Jorge de Hollywood, Valeoro, Cristina de Alexis, Brissa, Rosa Rivera, Vanilla Star, y la presentación estelar de Condessa!!! entre otras, no deje de apoyar a Veronica en este beneficio...

NEWS FROM SAAF

SOUTHERN ARIZONA AIDS FOUNDATION

by Sharon Kutzschbach, VP Program Evaluation

Do you have some time and energy you'd like to put to good use? What are your interests and skills? Do you want to work closely with a client? Are you able to motivate people to participate in events? Do you have computer skills? The Southern Arizona AIDS Foundation needs you! Volunteers are needed in every area.

Volunteer Resources recruits, trains, and places volunteers with SAAF according to the skill, ability, and departmental need. Ongoing training is provided along with monitoring and assessment of volunteers. Currently the Volunteer Resource Department manages over 40 trainings per year- oversees 400 active volunteers; provides volunteer support for every department in the agency, and is responsible for Volunteer Recognition as well as additional events designed to maintain volunteer morale. During 1997, this department will recruit, train and place an estimated 200 new volunteers.

New volunteers attend a Volunteer Orientation from 6:00 to 9:30 pm on the third Thursday of each month. They receive information on confidentiality, HIV/AIDS 101,policies and procedures. An overview of the agency is provided with a list of further trainings. This allows the volunteer to receive the appropriate training for the area in which they are interested. Volunteers interested in the Buddy Program will receive another 27 hours of emotional support client services training. Speaker's Bureau / AIDS Educator volunteers undergo 16 hours of training on human sexuality, beliefs and attitudes. The new Office /Reception training will begin August 5 and is a 3 hour program. A typical volunteer will undergo about 50 hours of training during the time they actively volunteer with SAAF.

Training Dates for fiscal 1997-1998 are as follows:

Volunteer Orientation (6:00 to 9-30 pm)
August 21
September 18
October 16
November 20
December 18
January 15

Emotional Support / Client Services Training (Friday 6:30 to 9:00 pm, Saturday and Sunday 9:00 am to 5:00 pm)
October 17, 18, 19 & 25
January 16, 17, 18 & 24

Office Support Training (10:00 am to 1:30 pm) August 5 & November 4

Prevention, Education / Outreach Training (Saturday & Sunday 8:30 am to 5:00 pm)
September 27 & 28 - December 6 & 7,

A new Development Training for volunteers is planned. Watch for dates to be announced in the future. (Use these dates for planning, but remember that they are subject to change. Confirm the date when you enroll for training.) With only 2.5 FTE employees, the Volunteer Resource Department: Manages the Speaker's Bureau and Information Booths Coordinates all Volunteer Trainings Develop Curricula and Specialty Trainings Act as Volunteer Coach to develop volunteers Manage System Flow, Procedures and Volunteer as a Resource (including the Volunteer Data Base) Provide the link between volunteers and program staff Maintain statistics and submit reports Supervise Volunteer Training Committees Act as a Volunteer Advocate Provide long range Volunteer Resource planning Recruit volunteers through community networking Provide volunteer retention by identifying and correcting problem areas Administrative duties within the Volunteer Resource Department including, but not limited to forms, protocol and public relations

The wonderful people in Volunteer Resources handle all the details so that when a speaker is needed, or someone to pass out information at an event, the appropriate volunteer is there.

It's not too early to be thinking about the 1997 AIDSWalk! AIDSWalk '97 is Sunday, October 26 at Rillito Downs. AIDSWalk is one of our major sources of community fundraising, and allows outreach to the broader Tucson Community. The event promotes education and awareness of the HIV/AIDS epidemic, as well as showing support for those affected. Walker registration packets will be available early in August. Sign up early and get a jump start raising your money. There are wonderful prizes for participants, and all the money raised is used to help those in Southern Arizona living with or affected by HIV/AIDS, as well as for prevention services.

Volunteers are needed in many areas, including logistics, work on the day of the event, and recruiting walkers. Do you belong to a group that could form a team and walk together? Can you organize a team at work? Do you know people who could organize teams? Have an "in" with the editor/publisher of a newsletter? Have some artistic ability? Call Matt Palmer at 322-9191 to volunteer.

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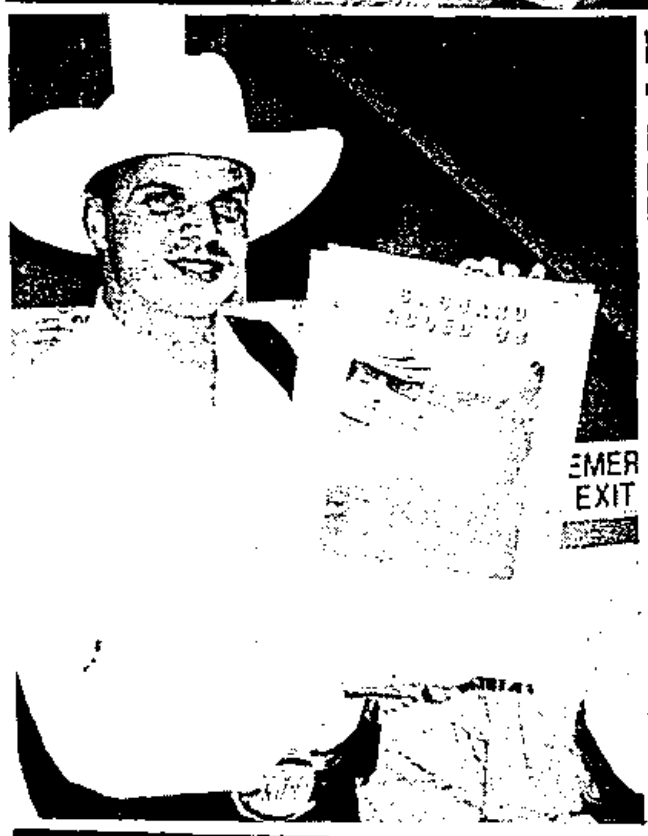

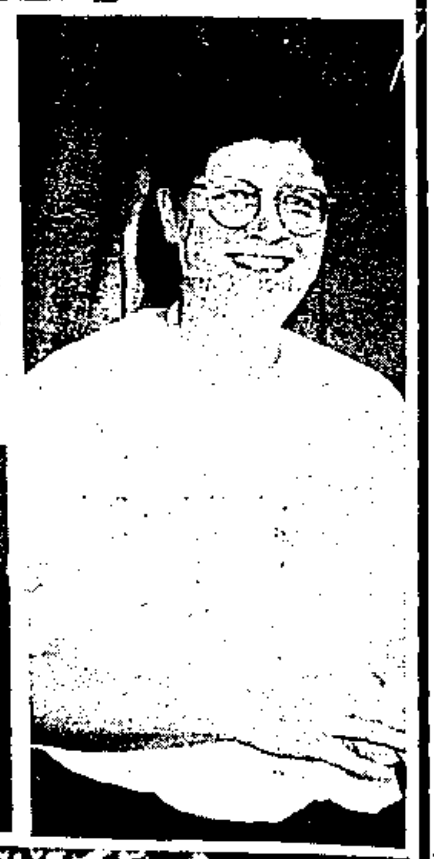

Alleged Spree Killer Andrew Cunanan Still At Large Continued from Page One

Jersey. The connection had already been suggested by the unusual .40 caliber size.

CUNANAN CLEARED OF ALFONSO MURDER

Authorities have finally determined that Cunanan is not a suspect in the strangling murder of openly Gay physician Silvio Alfonso, found July 17 in his home about a dozen miles from where Versace was shot to death.

Their on-again, off-again suspicions of Cunanan in the Alfonso case ended July 19 when police announced they considered the case closed following the arrest of Yosvany Hernandez. Hernandez was wearing Alfonso's watch and bracelet when captured. He's described as bearing "a passing resemblance" to Cunanan.

CUNANAN'S FAMILY

Full-scale national media coverage has gone far in unearthing almost everyone with a connection to Cunanan. The intense media assault on his mother has reportedly forced her to move.

His father, Modesto Cunanan, who fled to his native Philippines to escape charges of crooked business dealings and hasn't seen Andrew since 1988, denies both that his son is a murderer and that he is a Gay gigolo.

"My son is not like that. He is not a high-class male prostitute [as his mother had told the media]. He had a Catholic upbringing. He was an altar boy," Modesto Cunanan said.

In fact, Cunanan reportedly had read the entire Bible by age 6 and did missionary service in Puerto Rico, according to Eureka, IL police chief Al Misener.

There's another family of Andrew Cunanan as well; his former roommate told the FOX TV show "America's Most Wanted" that Cunanan has a pre-school-age daughter and a very wealthy ex-wife.

ROMANCE AND MURDER

Cunanan's alleged second victim, David Madson (shot to death in Minnesota, his body discovered by a lake May 3), is now being described by Cunanan's San Diego acquaintances as not only a former lover but "the love of his life," someone he wanted to marry and had bought a ring for, only to be rejected. A friend believes the killings of Madson and victim #1 Jeff Trail (bludgeoned to death in Minneapolis, his body found April 29 in Madson's apartment) were the result of Cunanan's jealous rage at a relationship between the two victims.

However, one of Trail's sisters says that Cunanan and Trail were best friends, and that even though there was no romance between them, "Andrew wanted to be like Jeff. If Jeff got a haircut, he got the same haircut. If Jeff grew a goatee and mustache, he grew a goatee and mustache. If Jeff bought a hat, he bought a hat."

GAY GIGOLO

The most recent of the older Gay men to bankroll Cunanan on an on-going basis has been identified as San Diego area businessman Norman Blachford. Before their break-up, Blachford reportedly gave Cunanan a $2,500 per month allowance, an Infiniti J30 car, and use of his own credit cards.

DRUGS

Unnamed friends have said that when Cunanan was between benefactors, he sold drugs, usually mood-altering prescription pills.

HIV

Although it's been theorized since the earliest murders were attributed to Cunanan that he might be acting out of vengeance against those who could have infected him with HIV, the basis for that notion has now been made public. Mike Dudley, a counselor for the San Diego area HIV/AIDS agency David's Place, has revealed his description of a counseling session with Cunanan about two months before the first of the murders attributed to him.

Even though Cunanan had done some occasional volunteer work for a year and a half with the now-defunct San Diego AIDS Foundation's "Project Lifeguard" prevention/education program, he began the session by asking what Dudley calls "pretty basic questions about HIV transmission."

Dudley advised Cunanan that his activities "were sort of in the gray area and he should take greater precautions." Then, Dudley says, "He became agitated, and he got up and kicked the wall and said, 'If I find out who did this to me, I'm gonna get them'" -- but Cunanan never told Dudley whether or not he is HIV+.

Apparently some other California friends of Cunanan's had previously advised the Minneapolis Police Department and the San Diego Police Department that Cunanan had tested positive for HIV shortly before leaving San Diego for Minneapolis in late April.

AIDS Action Council spokesperson Jose Zuniga said, "It really is irresponsible for the media to focus on his alleged HIV infection. Whether that has anything to do with it is frankly irrelevant. It's a heinous crime." According to a prominent Washington D.C. newspaper, which also concluded that, "so far there is little reason to believe that his medical condition or even his sexual orientation is particularly relevant."

The Versace investigation has succeeded in tracing many of Cunanan's movements in the period leading up to the July 15 shooting -- but not much since. The reason may be that they've been looking for a man while Cunanan may be dressing as a woman.

"Investigators are exploring the possibility that Andrew Cunanan may be dressing as a female," Miami Beach police spokesperson Al Boza announced in a statement late July 19. "He may have shaved all of his body hair to enhance this appearance." The statement included FBI remarks that Cunanan has "very white teeth and an easy smile" and "may have effeminate mannerisms."

Before the shooting, Cunanan apparently stayed for as long as two months (through July 12) at the Normandy Plaza Hotel, checking in using an alias, a U.S. driver's license and a French passport, and always wearing sunglasses. The hotel is about four miles from Versace's home. Cunanan left behind haircutting equipment, fashion magazines and an unpaid bill. He's believed during this period to have been a regular visitor at the Pleasure Emporium, where he bought Gay erotic publications and other items.

On July 7, he used his own name and gave a thumbprint and his hotel address as he pawned a gold coin believed to have been stolen from his third alleged victim, Chicago real estate mogul Lee Miglin (stabbed to death May 4). When Cash on the Beach pawnshop clerk Vivian Oliva offered $190 for the coin, she says Cunanan told her, "C'mon, I worked so hard for this."

Oliva, following Florida's standard procedures, mailed the receipt from the transaction to the Miami Beach Police, but it's not known what became of it.

More details have been made public connecting the red pickup truck, which the gunman ran to immediately after shooting Versace, to both Cunanan and victim Miglin. It contained a passport in Cunanan's own name and a blank Bank of America check imprinted with his name, plus glasses, a wallet and some clothes belonging to Miglin, although the Miglin items have been neither confirmed nor denied by Miami law enforcement officials.

INVESTIGATION CRITICIZED

There's been increasing criticism of law enforcement efforts in the case. One focus has been the news that Cunanan left his name, local hotel address and thumbprint in the course of pawning a coin stolen from his alleged third victim, non-Gay Chicago real estate tycoon Lee Miglin, and that a record of that July 7 transaction, sent to police as a matter of routine, went unnoticed. Police have now explained that pawn receipts are manually entered into a database, creating some delay.

A number of local residents believe that if there had earlier been something more on the scale of the current effort to notify the public, particularly the Gay community -- following sightings reported to the FBI and local police weeks before -- Cunanan might have been apprehended before Versace was killed. Some are even more distressed that law enforcement chose to wait nearly 12 hours after the shooting before releasing Cunanan's name as the sole suspect.

The FBI is offering a $10,000 for information leading to the apprehension of Cunanan. According to the FBI, Cunanan may wear prescription eyeglasses. He allegedly has ties to the Gay community. Cunanan has been known to significantly change his appearance.

If you have any information concerning this case, take no action yourself, call the FBI Hotline at 1-888-324-9800.

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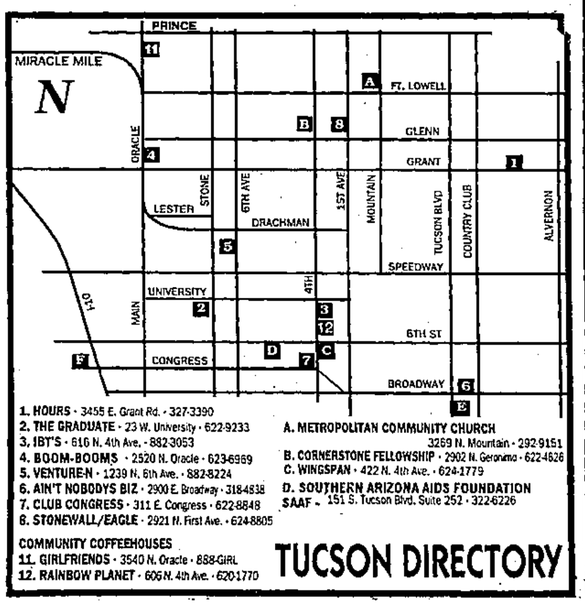

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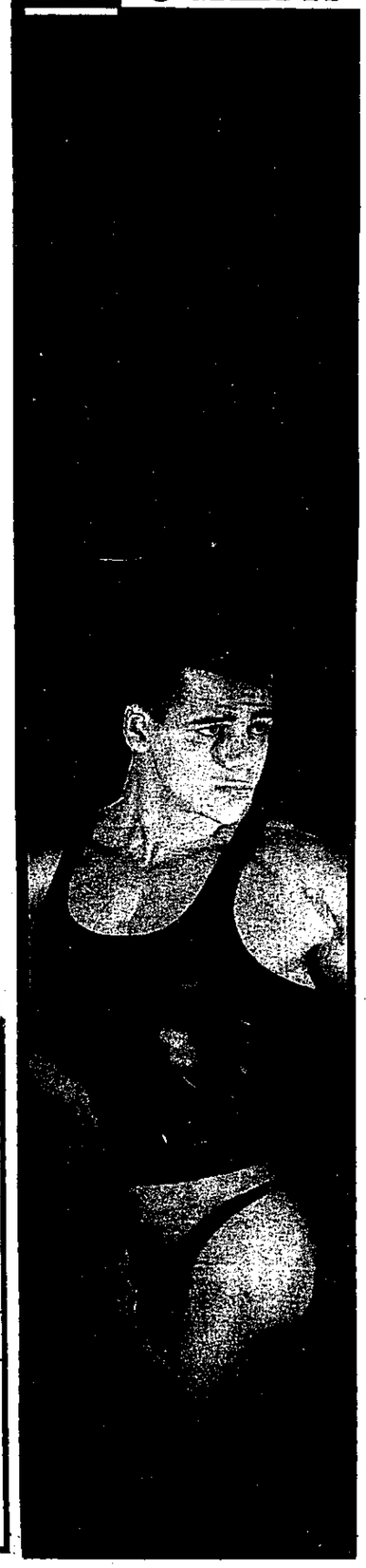

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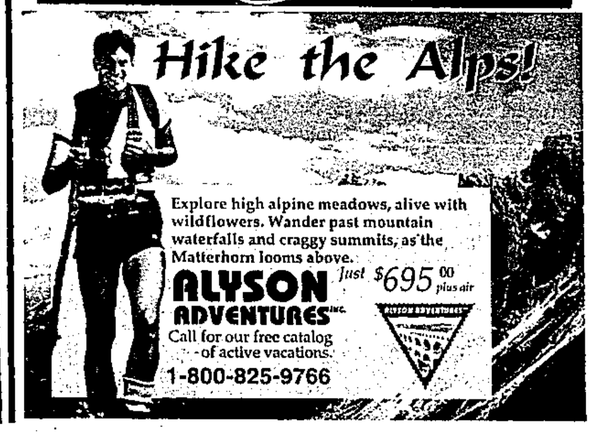

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IT'S NEWS TO ME . . BY STEVE RISLEY

You Just Knew It Was Coming, Didn't You: Beginning late last Saturday night the wire service of the Associated Press (AP) began reporting that alleged murderer Andrew Cunanan, wanted for a string of killings that includes designer Gianni Versace, may be moving about in drag. Law enforcement officials in south Florida arrived at this conclusion after searching a hotel room once occupied by the fugitive and finding "hair cutting equipment, hair dye and magazines".

In a later report Sunday night AP said that police were further substantiating the cross-dressing theory saying they now had evidence that Cunanan may have shaved his chest. Of course, we all know that these things are a dead give away.

So far there have been no confirmed police reports that Cunanan collected Judy Garland recordings.

Calling the Kettle Black: Close on the heals of the Southern Baptist's recent declaration of a boycott against all things Disney claiming that the entertainment giant is too Gay friendly and therefore anti-"family values", comes reports that Rev. Henry J. Lyons, president of the National Baptist Convention USA, may have a few moral skeletons in his closet.

His wife of 25 years found the deed to a $700,000 luxury home in his briefcase with the names of the good reverend and another woman on it. Suspecting that her husband was having an affair, Mrs. Lyons is alleged to have gone to the home, ransacked the contents and set the place on fire. She was arrested on criminal charges.

The president of the convention's education unit, Rev. Samuel Austin, explained that Rev. Lyons was not paid a salary and was simply reimbursed for living expenses, travel costs, and clothing. He was unable to explain how Rev. Lyons had managed to acquire two luxury homes, a number of high priced cars including a Rolls Royce and two Mercedes Benz, a 23 foot boat, and one million dollars worth of real estate.

Contacted at a hotel in Nigeria during a trip to Africa, the Rev. Lyons', also pastor of the Bethel Metropolitan Church in St. Petersburg, Fla., would only say, "Oh, it's been a rough day." Indeed.

Meanwhile: On Saturday the Episcopal Church, at it's triennial General Convention, rejected by an extremely narrow margin a proposal to sanctify same-sex marriages. Among lay members the vote was a tie at 56 all, while Episcopal clergyman voted 57 to 56 to defeat it.

Later this week the Convention will vote on the question of whether or not to ordain sexually active homosexuals. In defiance of the church's hierarchy and rules, some 40 Episcopal dioceses have already ordained them.

Over the past 30 years the Episcopalian Church has reported a troubling 30 per cent drop in membership.

And then it was now.....

Harvard Approves Gay Unions In Its Chapel

BOSTON, MA (BG) - The Memorial Church at Harvard University, arguably the nation's most prestigious institution of higher learning, has consented to allow Gay and Lesbian couples the right to officiate their commitment ceremonies in its chapel.

The move was greeted ecstatically by Gay and Lesbian advocates across the country. "It sets a wonderful precedent," said Mark O'Brien of the Pride Interfaith Coalition. "I hope that Harvard will lead the way."

The Rev. Thomas Mikelson, chairman of the Harvard board of ministry, is quoted as saying the decision to allow commitment ceremonies was one of fairness not of theology.

Religious scholars and Gay rights supporters are quoted as saying Harvard may be the only large university in the country to formally endorse Gay and Lesbian marriage-like ceremonies in its campus chapel.

According to newspaper reports, the controversy over Gay unions has consumed university campuses across the country. University anti discrimination ordinances, which prohibit any policy unfairly discriminating on the basis of sexual orientation, are fueling the fight to pry open chapel doors long closed to Gay couples.

In June, leaders of the United Methodist Church in northern Georgia criticized Emory University's president, Dr. William M. Chase, for apologizing to a Gay couple denied the use of a university chapel for a commitment ceremony. Delegates to the North Georgia United Methodists annual meeting demanded Dr. Chase withdraw his apology, saying the University is duty-bound to abide by church teachings.

A Gay wedding ban at Duke's campus church in 1995 sparked a tumultuous year of vocal conflicts between campus religious leaders and Lesbian and Gay Duke students. Duke has so far refused to lift its ban.

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VOLLEYBALL CHALLENGE

The Arizona Aces softball team is sponsoring a volleyball challenge this Sunday, July 27. The challenge will take place at DeAnza Park (Stone & Speedway), beginning at 3:00 P.M.

Registration is $50 per team; each team is limited to a roster of 7. Only four roster players will be on the court at one time. Single or double elimination format depends on the total number of teams entered. Individuals not on a team but wishing to participate will be placed on a team on a first come, first served basis the day of the event and should arrive at the park by 2:00 P.M.

Food and drink will be available for purchase at the park.

CARWASH

The Aces are also planning a car wash for Sunday, August 3, 12:00 - 5:00 P.M. at Boom-Boom's, 2520 North Oracle.

The team is asking for a $3 donation per car for the exterior wash. Advance tickets are available from team members. Please note that the printed tickets have August 4 on them, the event will definitely take place on Sunday, August 3.

For more information on these two events, please contact Greg F., 326-2053.

Both events are fund raising efforts by the team to help defray costs when the Aces travel to San Diego as the Tucson Greater Softball Association (TGSA) Open Division representative to the Gay Softball World Series (GSWS), August 12-16.

Other Tucson Representatives to the GSWS are Ain't Nobody's Bizness and the Hill Foot Gems, competing in the Women's Competitive & Women's Recreational Divisions, respectively.

Since it's humble beginnings in 1977, as a challenge between San Francisco (the first champion) and New York City, the GSWS has grown to nearly 80 teams in five divisions (based on skill level) from throughout the U.S. and Canada. Atlanta will host the 1998 GSWS.

For more information on TGSA, please contact Commissioner, Mary O., 770-9979. Also, look for future Observer articles regarding the TGSA Fall-Ball League scheduled to start in mid-September and run through mid-November. New players, to the league and to softball, are always welcome and encouraged.

Fall-Ball is designed to keep current TGSA members active and as a way to encourage persons who may not have played in a while or ever to give the sport a try. Fall-Ball is less structured and less competitive than the TGSA Spring League which determines the TGSA representatives to the GSWS. There are no awards or league banquets for Fall-Ball, just come out and have fun.

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A View From The Rock

A Commentary From Cornerstone Fellowship

Have you ever noticed that things are never as easy as they seem?

When I was in high school I decided that I wanted to be an opera singer. Since I knew that opera singers were required to sing in many languages, and the only language I had even a passing acquaintance with besides English was Spanish, I thought I should get started learning another one. I purchased a set of "How to Speak French" records and began my quest. At that time there was a school of thought which believed that it was possible to learn things while you were asleep, so I determined to do my French studying that way, in my sleep! Every night before I went to bed I put a French record on my record player before going to sleep, confident that when I awoke the next morning I would have learned all the French contained on that record! Would you like to guess what happened? Nothing, absolutely nothing! What a disappointment, especially since I believed all the so-called "experts" who were stating that this was the educational wave of the future-that some day all learning would be done this way!

Most of you at one time or another have purchased something "with some assembly required," perhaps a bookcase, or maybe a bicycle. All these items come with directions which assure the purchaser that in just ten easy steps the item will be completely assembled, not! Maybe ten thousand easy steps, after it has been put together incorrectly and the taken apart and reassembled two or three times!

As I remember such experiences, I wonder if perhaps this is the reason some people don't become Christians, it sounds too easy! Nothing else in life is as easy as it sounds, so becoming a Christian can't be that simple, can it? There must be more involved than just acknowledging that you are a sinner and that Christ took the punishment for your sins, and then asking him to come into your life and be your savior. Isn't it necessary to do something, like not going to the bars for six months, or giving a thousand dollars to some charity (or maybe a church?) or reading the Bible all the way through?

There is a story in the New Testament of a man who was in charge of a prison where some Christians were being held. Before the Christians had been put there they had been beaten, and perhaps this man was one of those who took part in the beating. While these Christians were in prison, "Suddenly there was such a violent earthquake that the foundations of the prison were shaken. At once all the prison doors flew open, and everybody's chains came loose." Because the jailer was in charge of the prisoners and would himself be put to death if any of them escaped, he was ready to kill himself when one of the Christians shouted, "Don't harm yourself! We are all here!" When the jailer saw that it was true, he asked the Christians, "Sirs, what must I do to be saved?" Now listen to what he was told: "Believe in the Lord Jesus, and you will be saved." (Acts 16:26-31)

That jailer was told everything that was necessary for him to become a Christian, and all that was required was that he believe in Jesus! God does not change his requirements for salvation, so what that jailer was told almost two thousand years ago, God is telling you today: If you want to become a Christian and have the joy of knowing your sins are forgiven right now, if you want to have someone with you always to guide you and help you and comfort you, and if you want to be certain that when you die you will spend eternity in a place more beautiful that you could possible imagine, "believe in the Lord Jesus, and you will be saved."

"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"
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GRAND CANYON SWEET Very good looking, versatile, White male, 5'5, 155lbs, is willing to travel to meet other hot guys. (Grand Canyon) ▫2974

KING-MAN CAPERS Interested in going out for a good time? This young, attractive, White male, wants to oblige you. Let's go. (Kingman) ▫3384

THE SKI BOAT APPROACH I'm a 23 year old, White male who has never been with a man before. A good way for us to get to know each other might be for us to go out on my old ski boat for a day of fun in the sun. (Kingman) ▫34442

PUMP IT UP Curious about vacuum pumping? This very well endowed, horny, Bi, White male, pumper, 46, is a top who likes mutual oral, videos, long stroke sessions, and using the pump. I'm clean shaven and lots of fun. Your age and race aren't important to me. (Page) ▫3719

IT'S ENORMOUS If you're a hungry, horny, bottom, into size, I'm your man. I'm an extremely well endowed, Single, White male, 46. I'm looking for insatiable bottoms into hot, kinky fun. I'm a vacuum pumper so it gets huge. I also like couples, and more. (Page) ▫34241

MIDDLE OF NOWHERE I'm 49 years old, but am told I look 38, and sometimes I act about 28. I live in the middle of nowhere, on the edge of Arizona. I'm versatile but prefer to be the bottom. I'm looking to meet men in the area. I live alone with my two dogs. (Parker) ▫3344

GET DOWN Brand new in town. This young stud is wants to meet other hot guys who are interested in getting together, getting it on, and getting off. (Phoenix) ▫4288

THERE'S PLENTY OF TIME I'm just looking for some nice, good looking, guys to hang out with. Let's make friends, have some fun, and take it from there. (Phoenix) ▫4182

VERY STRONG LIBIDO I need a hot bottom, 25 to 46, to service me orally. You must be able to eat eight and be available during the day. I'm a good looking, 19 year old, White male, 6ft, 165lbs, with plenty to chew on. I have a very strong libido so I need constant attention. (Phoenix) ▫4188

MY FIRST TIME I want to share my first male to male experience with a hot, sexy, shapely, very passionate, well endowed, dark skinned, Transsexual, Transvestite, or male. You must be out, enjoy foreplay, and be willing to play with my sensitive nipples while showing me how to please you. I'm an attractive, healthy, Married, White male, 49, 6ft, 190lbs. (Phoenix) ▫4219

SERVICE FOR BEACH GODS Sexy, smooth, attractive, White male, bottom, 19, seeks athletic, muscular, 18 to 20 year old, White males, with Blond hair and Blue eyes, who need to be serviced. Use me. (Phoenix) ▫4239

BUTTON FLY GUY I want to meet a top, who wears 501s or Silver Tab jeans, and who likes to be orally serviced. (Phoenix) ▫4083

VISIT THE MOUNTAINS I like Phoenix and have met some friends at the bars there but I'm looking for romance with someone who's willing to spend some time with me here in beautiful Prescott. I'm a handsome, masculine, Divorced, White male, 42, into hiking, water-skiing on the Colorado, and enjoying the outdoors. I have a nice, modest, place and lots of enthusiasm for life. (Prescott) ▫2688

MOUNTAIN MATE I'm a good natured, fun loving, White male and I'm looking for a friend. (Prescott) ▫2307

YOUNG AND CAREFREE This 18 year old, college student likes hiking, biking, rollerblading, playing sports, swimming, and going out partying with my friends. Let's hook up. (Scottsdale) ▫3947

LIGHT BROWN EYES I'd like to meet, and make friends with, nice guys, over 21, in the area. I'm a good looking, 21 year old, Hispanic male, 5'11, 170lbs, with light Brown hair and eyes, and a nice build. (Sedona) ▫2104

I LOVE LEATHER Single, White male, 28, likes to have good times and is into the leather scene. (Tucson) ▫4232

TALL ORDER I'm 6'4, masculine, sexy, and I like to play. Call for details. (Tucson) ▫4023

WHAT'S UP, DOC? Good looking, 30 year old, Hispanic male, wants to hook up with other hot guys and see what's up. (Tucson) ▫3877

LOOKS AND LIKES I like all guys who are nice looking and friendly. Fit the bill? Call. (Tucson) ▫3523

ALL KINDS OF STUFF Smooth, well endowed, White male, 22, 6ft, 180lbs, with short hair and a goatee, is into all kinds of stuff. (Tucson) ▫3536

I'LL CLIMB ABOARD Sexy, Hispanic male, 38, 5'6, 160lbs, seeks White guys, a little older than me, who like to be on the bottom. I love to be on top. (Tucson) ▫2945

TIGHT IN TUCSON I just moved here and want to meet someone to have fun with. I'm 6'1, with Blond hair, Brown eyes, and a tight, swimmer's build. (Tucson) ▫2215

CLUBS ARE WILD I'd like to get together with friends and enjoy life. I'm a nice guy, and rather a homebody. I don't enjoy the club scene very much. I prefer quiet times. If you feel the same way, and are between 25 and 40, let's get to know each other. (Tucson) ▫1339

BIG BANG THEORY I love to meet other good looking, White males, who are versatile bottoms, who like to get wild. I'm an attractive, extremely well endowed, very horny, White male, 37, 5'10, 170lbs. Let's party. (Yuma) ▫24276

MAN OF THE HOUR Me and my girlfriend want to party with another guy. She wants to watch you and I go at it. I'm a good looking, muscular, White male, 33, 6'2, 240lbs, with Blond hair and Blue eyes. She's a knockout Brunette. We love to party but this will be our first time with another man. (Yuma) ▫34818

ALL DRESSED UP I like to get dressed up all pretty for men. Let's get together real soon. ▫3936

THE LATEST THING Active, fit, 23 year old, White male, into the outdoors, hiking, soccer, swimming, and other sports, likes meeting new people and trying new things. ▫3607

HOMEBOY HAVEN This clean shaven, worked out, 35 year old, White male, 5'10, 190lbs, seeks homeboys and gang bangers, especially Black and Latino men, 18 to 19, for hot, sweaty, sessions. Let me take care of you. I give a great massage, and several other things. ▫3081

ROCK HARD WORKER I want to get acquainted with other Gay males, and see what happens. I'm an attractive, 26 year old, Gay, Hispanic male, student. I'm masculine, honest, and employed. I love good conversations, great times, and getting to know new people. ▫2763

PARTY MIX I'm looking for possable Transvestites and Transsexuals and very well hung males. What a nice mix we'll make. ▫2185

SLOW STARTER I'm looking for friends in northeastern Arizona. I'm a Native American male, interested in the outdoors and travel. Let's start slow and see where it goes. ▫1027

EVERYTHING'S BIG Maybe I like things big because I just moved here from Texas. I'd like to meet a guy, over 5'8, for friendship and good times. ▫34814

FRIENDS AND MORE I'd like to meet nice guys, 18 to 28, for friendships or a relationship, whichever happens. I'm an 18 year old, White male, 6ft, 200lbs, with Black hair and dark Brown eyes. ▫34399

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AND THE BAND PLAYED ON During the day, I'm an X-ray technician but in the evenings, I'm a disc jockey at a local club. Obviously, I love music, as well as movies, sports, books, concerts, dinners, and any fun we can dream up. I'd love to meet some new people. (Glendale) ▫1906

FROM THE BOTTOM UP This Bi, Hispanic female, 5'4, 115lbs, with dark hair and eyes, wants to hang out, talk, and have good times with an open minded womyn who is clean and safe, sexually. (Phoenix) ▫3080

BREAK THE ICE I want to talk to womyn in the area. I'm a 23 year old, White female, 5'5, 120lbs, with Brown hair and Hazel eyes. Let's talk on the phone or, maybe, get together for coffee. (Phoenix) ▫34799

ANGEL ON THE HORIZON I'm looking for love and someone to share my dreams with. This White female, 21, seeks an angel for a real relationship and true friendship with other womyn. I'm most interested in bonding emotionally at first. The rest will follow. (Tucson) ▫3598

LOVE LIFE WITH ME This incurable romantic doesn't want to be cured. I love life and deserve someone who will appreciate me. I'm a young looking, 40 year old, White female, with 2 daughters, one of whom has Cerebral Palsy, so I have a lot on my plate. I'm an active Virgo who enjoys dancing, camping, fishing, and much more. (Tucson) ▫2327

HIT IT OFF I've been here for a year so I'm settled but now I'm ready to meet more friends. I like interesting, exciting people who like to do fun stuff. I'm a social drinker and occasional smoker. Shall we hook up and see if we hit it off? (Tucson) ▫1723

TUCSON TWOSOME I'd like to get to know another Lesbian with the hope that a special bond will develop between us. I'm a 20 year old, White female, 5'2, 110lbs, with a fun loving personality. I'm outgoing, athletic, love to dance, and enjoy all music. (Tucson) ▫1496

POSITIVE THINKER Twenty four year old, college student, into movies, music, and kids, wants to talk to, and get to know, positive thinking, fun loving, womyn. ▫2849

LUXURIOUS PACE This mature, business oriented, 20 year old, female enjoys dancing, being wined and dined, and massage, both giving and receiving. I seek a friend I can call my very own. I'm willing to take it very slow. ▫33575

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You Have The Right. . .

by Sharon Kutzschbach

Q. Is there any way to keep my job while serving a jail sentence?

A. The Judge has the authority to re lease you for periods of actual employment (or school or treatment) and the necessary travel time. That means that you may qualify for release from the jail during your normal working hours, not to exceed 12 hours per day and five days per week. At the time of sentencing, the Judge may indicate on your sentencing minute entry (the paper you take with you to the jail) that you are "work release eligible."

You must be employed in Pima County by a bono fide employer (someone with a business license). "Side jobs" around the neighborhood do not count as employment. On the other hand, you may be self employed if you have a business license and suitable location for your business. During the time you are released you may go only to work and back. Should you need to go to court or to a doctor's appointment, you must get permission before the date of your appointment.

If you are interested in work release, try to set your time to report to the jail ten days to two weeks after sentencing. This allows time to provide all the proof of eligibility you will need to have your work release approved. If your status is not approved before you enter the jail, you will not be released for work until you have been approved. A little planning in advance can keep you from missing several days work.

(When choosing a report date, remember to allow for any mandatory consecutive time requirements, such as 48 hours for a second DUI.)

Immediately after sentencing you should go to the Mission Road Facility of the Pima County Adult Detention Center (1801 S Mission Rd, 740-2801) to obtain a Work Release Packet. Before you are to report to the jail make certain that you have read and that you understand all the rules and regulations concerning work release. You will be held accountable for any violation, so make absolutely certain you do understand the rules. For instance, bringing contraband into the jail will result in being removed from Work Release Status (you will not be allowed to go out to work). No problem, fight? Did you stop to consider that since the jail is a non-smoking facility a cigarette lighter or pack of matches in your pocket when you Come in from work is contraband? Believe it. Know the rules and take care to obey them. If you don't understand something, ask.

The packet you will receive has an "Inmate Acknowledgment of Receipt" which basically states that you have received a copy of the Handbook, have read all the rules and understand them, have had the procedures for receiving medical or dental care and counseling. When you sign this, you will not be able to claim later that you didn't understand something. Don't sign it until you do understand. (The copy I received was apparently a tenth copy of a fourth generation copy - totally illegible. If that happens to you, request a clear copy.)

The next sheet is a "Notice of Intent to Prosecute". It informs you that if you fail to return from work release you will be charged with Escape in the Second Degree, a class five felony. They are serious about that. There is no work release from the Department of Corrections, so don't even think about walking away.

Fill out the Personal Data Sheet. The next two pages are Rules of Conduct. (I know that's what they are because the Correctional Officer told me so. My copy is so bad that I couldn't even guess what it was.) Whether or not you read these rules, you will be required to obey them. Ignorance is no excuse. Understand the conditions before you get to the jail, or you could lose your ability to go out to work (and possibly your job), because you broke a rule you didn't know about.

The next page explains the items you are allowed to bring in to the jail. Check carefully when you pack to make certain that your hygiene items do not contain alcohol.

The Resident Release Program form contains further information about the program and the rules and regulations. By signing it you agree to abide by all the conditions of the program.

The Employer/Educator Agreement Letter must be completed by your employer (or school). It will include your work schedule, location of employment, rate of pay, scheduled pay periods, and agreement to allow Corrections Specialists to verify that you are at work during scheduled shifts. (There is no way to keep your employer from knowing that you are sentenced to jail. You do not necessarily have to discuss the reason for your sentence, but most employers appreciate being told the charge. Otherwise they may imagine the worst, and it may affect your relationship with your boss. However, there is no reason at all to discuss this with your co-workers.)

The Transportation Data Sheet contains the information about your vehicle, your driver's license and liability insurance. All transportation must be approved in advance. It is best to consider two methods of getting to and from work and have both approved in case something happens. (My co-worker will drive me to and from work, or I can take the bus.) If you are taking the bus, call SunTran to verify which bus you will need to take, any connections, where and when you catch the bus. Don't rely on your trusty bus schedule - it may be out of date, and being a little late can be a major problem on work release.

The county is authorized by statute to recover from inmates the actual costs of administering the work release program. Fees are calculated on the hour-

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Go In Good Health

by Rev. Andrew Brooks

In my continuing research on Health and Healing, I came across a nice book filled with a lot of useful information. It's called Foods That Heal by Dr. Bernard Jensen, and I'd like to share some the information with you. I will list some common foods below, and their healing effects.

Almonds are a good food for the muscles, brain, and nerves. It is said to be the best kind of nut to eat. They are rick in Manganese and Phosphorus.

Apples, familiar from the old saying "eat an apple a day, keep the doctor away" are good for the kidneys and urinary tract. They are rich Potassium, Sodium, and Magnesium.

Apricots are good for anemia, constipation, and catarrh. They are rich in Potassium, Sodium, and Magnesium.

Artichokes are a good source of minerals and a general body builder. I have used artichoke pasta as a good base for a healthy spaghetti dinner. They are rick in Iodine, Potassium, Iron and Silicon.

Avocados are good for colitis and ulcers. They are slightly laxative and a good mineralizer for the body. They are rich in Chlorine, Phosphorus, and Sulfur.

Bananas are good for gaining weight, and for natural bulk for irritated bowels, useful for colitis, ulcers, or diarrhea. They are an excellent source of Potassium, and also contain Calcium and Chlorine.

Beef, which is always popular in the American diet, is a good brain and nerve food, and fights anemia. Beef is rich in Phosphorus, Potassium, and Chlorine.

Blackberries are good as a blood builder, and are good for dysentery and diarrhea, and for anemia. They are rich in Potassium, Magnesium, Iodine and Iron.

Broccoli is a good blood mineralizer. It is a good source of potassium. It is best steamed.

Carrots have long been known to be good for the eyes. They are also good for the hair and nails. They are rich in Potassium, Sulfur, and Silicon.

Chicken is a good source of protein, and of Phosphorus, Potassium, and Chlorine. Chicken is a good meat source for those who want to avoid red meat.

Dandelion, which is also used as a salad green, is good to cleanse the liver and gall bladder, and is good for the kidneys. It is rich in Potassium, Calcium, Manganese, and Chlorine.

Grapefruit is good for fevers, weight reduction, blood cooling, and is rich in Calcium, Sodium, and Potassium.

Halibut, a commonly eaten fish, is a good source of complete protein, and is a good source of Phosphorus, Potassium, and Chlorine.

Lemons are good for fevers, and also for liver disorders. They are also good blood coolers (useful for fevers), and for weight reduction. They are rich in Calcium, Magnesium, and Potassium.

Okra is a good food to use for stomach ulcers, and an irritated intestinal tract, useful for all stomach disorders. They are rich in Sodium and Chlorine.

Peaches are good for use as a bowel regulator, and also as a body mineralizer and blood builder. They are a good source of Calcium, Phosphorus, and Potassium.

Raspberries are good as a blood mineralizer, they neutralize acidity, and are good for anemia. They are rich in Sodium and Iron.

There are many more foods that I could not list, but suffice it to say there are many good, healthful foods in existence, and they have wonderful healing effects. I suggest that you do some reading, and learn more. It is nice to know that other than all the foods we constantly hear about that are bad for us, that there are many more that are very good us. That's definitely good news. Till next time, Go In Good Health!

[Andrew Brooks is an herbalist and holistic counselor. He can be reached at 326-0841.]

Never explain - your friends do not need it, and your enemies will not believe it anyway.

Big Price For Slanderer Fleiss

LOS ANGELES, CA (NP) - The infamous Hollywood madam tried to sting the cops who stung her call girl business, but her broadcast remarks calling them "homosexuals and sexual deviants" will cost her $340,000 -- now that "does" sting!

Former Hollywood "madam to the stars" Heidi Fleiss will have to pay dearly for calling two law enforcement officers and the father of one of them "homosexuals and sexual deviants" on a radio talk show. Superior Court Judge Arnold Gold ordered Fleiss to give $250,000 to former Olympic diver Samuel Lee and $45,000 each to his son, Beverly Hills police Officer Samuel Lee II, and Los Angeles police Officer Patricia Corso. Gold rendered his ruling in the slander suit.

Corso and the younger Lee were involved in the sting operation that uncovered Fleiss' high-class call girl business. During a February 1996 appearance on KROQ-Los Angeles' "Love Line" show, Fleiss made her accusations against the officers, and went on to allege that Lee's father, an Olympic gold medal winner and long-time Olympic swimming coach, "was thrown off the Olympic diving team for fooling around with little boys."

Lee, Sr., who is also a retired doctor, told the court that a colleague of his later said to him, "No wonder your protege [openly Gay and HIV+ Olympic diving ace] Greg Louganis has AIDS. You were coaching him as a kid."

Fleiss, who represented herself in the case, is serving a 37-month federal prison sentence for tax evasion and money laundering and a concurrent 18-month state sentence for attempted pandering. Judge Gold had ruled earlier that since Fleiss had "taken no steps whatsoever to contact the court" in the matter, the trial could proceed without her presence.

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Shootin' Around Town
by Wayne Steele

TUCSON - Here are the results of the most recent pool tournaments held in the Old Pueblo:

Ain't Nobody's Biz, July 15. Host/Hostess: Rejeanne. First Place - Bunky, $36. Second Place - Dianne, $15. Third Place - Martha, $9. Ten players, pot total, $60.

Stonewall/Eagle, July 20. Host/Hostess: David Zinke. First Place - Richard NB, $25. Second Place - Leslie AW, $15. Third Place - Larry LL, $10. Nine players, pot total, $50.

The Graduate, Hours and the Venture-N did not hold pool tournaments this past week.

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Episcopalians Won't Wed Gays And Lesbians

PHILADELPHIA, PA (NP) U.S. Episcopalians have counted their blessing votes and come up short for same-gender couples, but more debate is in store as the issue of ordination reaches the floor.

While Kansas' professional homophobe Fred Phelps and ACT UP (the AIDS Coalition to Unleash Power) clashed outside, the 72nd General Convention of the Episcopal Church USA barely defeated a proposal to establish "a rite or rites for the blessing of committed relationships between persons of the same sex."

In the House of Deputies, 57 votes were needed from both the clerical and the lay delegations for passage, but only 56 of each supported the measure. Speaking for the Gay and Lesbian Episcopal group Integrity, Rev. Michael Hopkins saw the close vote as a hopeful sign for the future, as it ensures the issue will again be considered at the next General Convention in the year 2000, and the 15 lay and 20 clerical delegations that were divided on the issue (whose votes count as nays) can be lobbied in the meantime.

In fact, several similar proposals may yet be considered at this General Convention, which is meeting in Philadelphia. The defeated so-called "Gay wedding" measure was proposed by the hosting Diocese of Philadelphia and supported by several others, and included a reassuring affirmation of "the sacredness of Christian marriage between one man and one woman." It originally called for the development of a rite to be added to the Book of Occasional Services, but that element was replaced by an amendment that called for appending a "summary of the church's reasoning" to the rites.

Several clergy spoke strongly in support of the blessing of same-gender relationships, largely because of the demand from both Gay and Lesbian couples and from their congregations more generally. Many of those opposed said they needed more time for study and discussion of the question, but a few claimed it would radically alter, or even seem to reject entirely, church teachings on marriage.

A Convention subcommittee on sexuality had voted to recommend passage of the blessing measure by 37-5, including all 7 bishops sitting on the committee. At least three similar measures are still in the procedural pipeline. A separate proposal to extend spousal health benefits to the domestic partners of church employees, which had been approved by the House of Deputies and then passed the House of Bishops by a 93 - 90 margin, now becomes church law. Inclusion of domestic partners in the church's pension program, however, will not be considered by the House of Deputies until after the question of ordination of Gays and Lesbians has been decided.

Phelps and about a dozen of his clan/congregation members from the Westboro Baptist Church in Topeka marched outside the Philadelphia Convention Center with posters reading "[Gay-friendly Bishop John] Spong's Fag Jesus," "God's Hate is Great," "Thank God for AIDS," and their trademark "God Hates Fags." Phelps told local reporters, "We're just preaching to those Episcopalians because of the systematic takeover by active; militant homosexuals." A few members of ACT UP, some with "Dyke" or "Fag" written on their foreheads, tried to break up the Phelps group and squirted intervening police with waterguns, but there were no arrests. The ACT UP members chanted "Shame! Shame!" at the Phelps contingent.

MPS Roast

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accompanied by a fire-extinguisher for the Roast.

Rumors are flying that Lucinda may bring one of her "congeniality awards," approximately two dozen, before she scored on the "Tiara Brigade," to bedazzled attendees of the benefit. Event organizers would not confirm or deny this new rumor surrounding the irrepressible Lucinda.

Tickets cost $20 per person. For more information or reservations call 747-7426.

If a person can't attend the MPS benefit, and still wants to donate monies to this worthy cause, they still can. According to Beth Tullis-Perry, people can send donations to: The MPS Society, 17 Kraemer Street, Hicksville, New York 11801.

Sunday, July 27, our "family" will come together to roast and toast a person who is the definition of a community activist. Surprises galore, good times and laughs. All to help our smallest "family" member, Woody, whose has the biggest heart, and other people living with Hurler/Scheie syndrome, to find a cure for this disease.

Politics

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and this year is no exception, but with one small twist. Demitri Downing, a 24-year-old law student, has filed suit against the City Clerk, Kathy Detrick, challenging her decision that Downing's not a qualified candidate to run for the Council seat in Ward 3 as a "donkey."

La Detrick's response, read the City Charter. The charter states candidates must be a "qualified" elector, registered to vote in the city, three years prior to the primary election for the municipal seat they're running for. Downing was registered in the city, September 1994. Oops!

Downing's response, the charter is too restrictive, and is suing to be a candidate, get matching funds, and court costs! The case will be heard, July 28, in City Court. Can we say advantage to La Detrick and we may see a person, a former candidate, holding up a sign, "Poor, Starving Law Student, Will Work For Tuition." . . .

So it goes for now kids!

Right

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ly wage of the releasee. Wages of $4.25 - $5.00 per hour fee is $8.50 per day; $5.01 - $6.50 per hour fee is $1 1.00 per day; $6.51 or more per hour, fee is $14.50 per day. These fees must be paid in advance. If you feel you can not afford to pay these fees, AT THE TIME OF SENTENCING ask the Judge to consider waiving the fees. Be prepared to show exactly what expenses you have that would keep you from being able to pay. If the Judge agrees with you, you may be ordered to serve your time "Work Release Eligible - Hardship." That means that you do not have to pay the fees.

Plan ahead, don't sign anything you don't understand, obey the rules.

(Sharon Kutzschbach is an attorney with the City Public Defender's Office and a member of the State Bar Task Force on Homophobia in the Bench, Bar, and Justice System. Questions for future columns may be addressed to her at PO Box 77362, Tucson AZ 85704. Questions of general interest will be answered in The Observer. No personal responses may be given.)

Delaware Governor Signs Hate Crimes Law

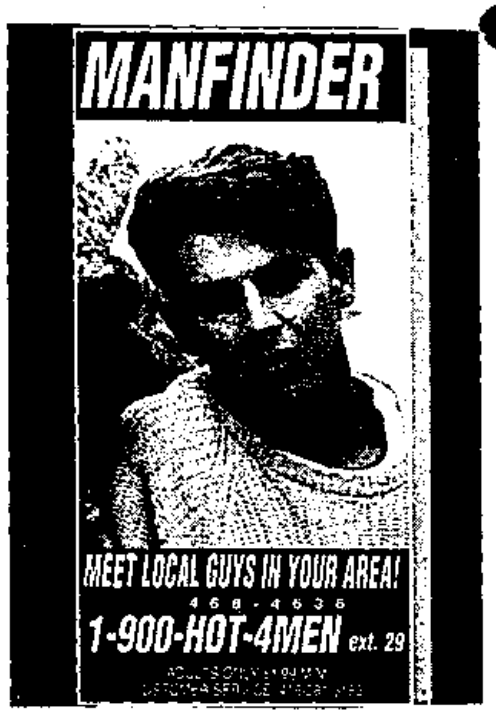
REHOBOTH BEACH, DE (WS) - Delaware Governor Thomas Carper signed into law a new and stronger version of a state hate crimes bill.

Gov. Carper chose Rehoboth Beach in which to officiate the law since the community suffers a high number of the Gay related bias attacks. The beach community is a well-known destination for Gay and Lesbian travelers throughout the region.

"I think the law will have an impact," Meredith Hunter president of Parents, Families and Friends of Lesbians and Gays in Sussex County told reporters. "But the irony of signing this law is that it should never have been necessary in a free society."

Eleanor Binder, also with P-FLAG, said that people who feel the bill is unnecessary misunderstood the measure of protection provided under the old law.

"People don't think it is necessary. They think Gays and Lesbians are protected under civil rights and they're not," Binder told reporters. "People have no conception or perception of what Gay people live with on a daily basis."



HOROSCOPES

BY C. LICHTENSTEIN

Perhaps one of the nicest things about beating your head against the wall is that it feels so good when you stop. Start feeling good this week, kids, when lucky Jupiter "sextiles" stern old Saturn. Suddenly, you come through the pain and experience the enlightenment; The monkey on your back retires to Palm Springs and opens a banana stand. Relax and collect the rent.

ARIES
MARCH 21 - APRIL 20

Your quest for individuality has been at odds with your feeling of "belonging." Suffer no more dear queer Ram; Suddenly, philosophy that you have personally incorporated into your life finds interested adherents. Jupiter and Saturn produce the mob for your rule. However, declaring yourself ruler of the Pride Republic and planning a pilgrimage to Mars are not desirable outcomes.

TAURUS
APRIL 21 - MAY 21

The ying has been fighting with the yang; That which balances your life and gives it spiritual meaning has been perverted by career demands and kiss ups. If you've felt compromised and cheap, don't panic; Jupiter and Saturn help our personal best triumph over corrupting evil. The corporate mandate is thwarted. Plan a takeover and turn the boardroom into a tea room.

GEMINI
MAY 22 - JUNE 21

In reality, we all live in provincial villages but Gay Twins are the ones who feel trapped by it right now. Release and rejoice cousin; Jupiter and Saturn help expand your vision beyond your own little clique and help you make a more global mark on our community. Maybe that means attending or participating in the Gay Games in Amsterdam next year. Flex those pecks.

CANCER
JUNE 22 - JULY 23

Be proud of who you are; It's the mandate of Jupiter sextile Saturn. Pink Crabs must not be at the mercy of the straight and narrow world for personal identity. Jupiter unleashes a sexual torrent that cannot be denied (by you or anyone else.) Compromise isn't in the cards, honey. Walk in the sun with your head held high. Wear sunglasses to avoid the glare.

LEO
JULY 24 - AUGUST 23

Proud Lions hate to wear collars and leashes. If you've been feeling restricted by relationships, maybe the Jupiter and Saturn sextile will give you mental room to roam. It will be possible to alleviate the sense of suffocation with a few well placed words. Depending upon the words, this can mean a happier balance within the partnership or total freedom. Your choice.

VIRGO
AUGUST 24 - SEPTEMBER 23

Energy has been at an all time high premium; do you use it up at work, at the health club or with lovers? Wouldn't it just be nice to simply have more oomph instead of parceling out the meager portion you can currently muster? Fret no longer proud Virgo; Saturn sextile Jupiter expands the capacity of your motor and increases your speed and efficiency. Now try for a new chassis.

LIBRA
SEPTEMBER 24 - OCTOBER 23

Partners might have been putting a damper on your good times. Is it the quest for a perfect person or the reality that we are all human that has led you to a jaded assessment of relationships? Hang up that Garbo routine and allow the Jupiter/Saturn aspect to liven up one to one relationships. We should "vant to be alone" on bad hair days.

SCORPIO
OCTOBER 24 - NOVEMBER 22

Home has been a delightful refuge from work but now during the Jupiter and Saturn sextile, both aspects of your life fall into harmony. Strategic Gay Scorps the job and apply these lessons in any family squabble or home based project. Or conversely, bring he affirmation of your home-life into the workplace.

SAGITTARIUS
NOVEMBER 23 - DECEMBER 22

Poor proud Archers have been victims of "creative blockage." Ideas won't come and you may have been feeling like an old piece of dried toast. Thankfully you can wallow in butter during the Jupiter Saturn sextile. Creative ideas flow freely; why not use this magnificent energy to push our political agenda one giant step forward? Speak Out while the speaking Out has impact.

CAPRICORN
DECEMBER 23 - JANUARY 20

There is no need to worry about overhead. The sextile between Saturn and Jupiter temporary alleviates any monetary concerns involving your home or rent. Maybe the secret is to ask for help. Queer Goats would rather walk on hot coals than admit need but before your singe your favorite shoes, try approaching family or close personal friends.

AQUARIUS
JANUARY 21 - FEBRUARY 19

Communications may have gone awry but now, with the fabulous aspect between Saturn and Jupiter, you are spokesperson extraordinaire. Aqueerians now sound intelligent, measure and wise beyond their years. In addition, they make an impressive first impression. Know what I think? Why not get Out there and show the world what you can do? Meet and greet and all that jazz.

PISCES
FEBRUARY 20 - MARCH 20

Intuitive pink Fish can put their talents to work monetarily when Jupiter sextiles Saturn. They say that the stock market is hot and, if you do your homework, the planets give you an added psychic advantage to pick the big winners. Of course, it can also mean that one good turn deserves another; giving your all to a great Gay cause can have great Gay personal gain.

For entertainment purposes only. For best results, read both your Sun sign and Ascendant. For a free calculation of your ascendant, send birth date, time, place, name of this publication and s.a.s.e to: Lichtenstein, POB 1726, Old Chelsea Station, NY 10011.

CALENDAR of upcoming events

WEDNESDAY, JULY 23
IBT'S - "The Girlie Show" starring Celia Putty, Felice Renard, Ajia Simone and Victoria Du Puis. 9:00 p.m.

SATURDAY, JULY 26
BOOM BOOM'S - John Green's Annual "Summer Heat White Party" promoting Hot & Healthy. Give-aways, hors d"Oeuvres and entertainment. Wear white! 9:00 p.m. in the main bar. Then at 10:00 p.m. it's the tacky swag lamp contest! $100- Grand Prize! Become a permanent part of the decor at BOOM BOOM's. See this week's ad for more details.

SATURDAY & SUNDAY, JULY 26 & 27
BOOM BOOM'S - Club 2520 The "Country" Reunion! Join the old gang for an old-fashioned Hoe Down. Check upcoming ads for more details.

SUNDAY, JULY 27
AIN'T NOBODY'S BIZNESS - Avatar is back from vacation!! Come hear Tucson's hottest Latin band. 9:00 to close.

IBT'S - After the Roast party here at10:00 p.m. Join Lucinda and all the gang as the roast continues !!!

STONEWALL / EAGLE - Tardeada 4:00 - 9:00 p.m. and benefit drag show 'Fiesta Del Verano Y Canival' for Salud es Poder featuring Veronica Rios and ten (count 'em 10) guest stars at 10:00 p.m.

MONDAY, JULY 28
AIN'T NOBODY'S BIZ - Mile High Drag Show with Lucinda Holliday, Miss Gay Tucson Kenneth Blake, Miss Gay Tucson 1996 Felice Renard. Cover.

TUESDAY, JULY 29
AIN'T NOBODY'S BIZ - Country music returns to the Biz! K.C's Mixx 8:00 to 10:00 p.m. Cover. DJ music follows. $1.00 domestic long necks 9:00 p.m. to close.

WEDNESDAY, JULY 30
IBT'S - Special Male Box Nite and Wet Shoerts Contest 9:30 p.m. $100 cash prize for the winner!

THURS. JULY 31
IBT'S - Anniversary party weekend starts tonight and runs through Sunday, Aug.3rd! Tonight the party begins with "Cruise Night". 9:00 p.m. to closing. Register to win a free RSVP Gay Cruise to the Mexican Riviera! A $2,600 value!! (Sponsored by Arizona Travel and IBT's) Drink specials and prizes and give-aways.

SATURDAY, AUGUST 2
VENTURE-N - Desert Leathermen's 'Wet & Wild' party with celebrity guests in the dunk tank. Come on out and get wet!

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 13
STONEWALL / EAGLE - The return of Hollywood Creations - an all-male dance revue. 10:00 p.m. $1.00 Cover.

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 7
STONEWALL / EAGLE - Miss Carousel Pageant will be held here beginning at 7:00 p.m. Call Misti Malone for more information and an entry form. Digital Pager (520)566-5185.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 13
STONEWALL / EAGLE - Miss Gay Hispanidad '97 Pageant at 7:00 p.m.

I'm never going to have sex again.

If you're not quite ready to make that statement, then come to Wingspan for **free, anonymous, open, walk-in HIV testing.** On the 2nd and 4th Friday every month.

Friday **July 11** 1-4 PM, at 422 N. 4th Ave.,
Friday **July 25**, Friday **August 8**, and
Friday **August 22** 4-7 PM, at 300 E. 6th St.
Call if you'd like more information: **624-1779**

WING-SPAN

Non-Bar CALENDAR

WEDNESDAY, JULY 23
Men's Social Network (Gay men of all ages; guests always welcome). 7:00 p.m. A Discussion Group will read a section from the recent bestseller "Conversations With God", then discuss the reading. For reservations and directions, please call Justin or Gary at 792-4224.

THURSDAY, JULY 24
Cronie's Social Club Mid-month Dinner at Cattletown, 3141 E. Drexel Rd. Call Bill at 297-3794 to be counted.

Men's Social Network (Gay men of all ages; guests always welcome). 1:00 p.m. Have lunch with the guys, as Jerry hosts a Lunch Out at La Indita on 4th Avenue. Please call Jerry at 298-7415 for reservations and to let him tell the restaurant how many to expect for lunch.

FRIDAY, JULY 25
Men's Social Network (Gay men of all ages; guests always welcome). 7:00 p.m. Our monthly Pizza Party will take place at Les & Jerry's house. Simply bring $4.00 and join in for a fun evening of food and good conversation. Salad and dessert are also served. Vegetarian pizza offered as well. For directions and reservations, call Jerry at 690-9565.

SATURDAY, JULY 26
Men's Social Network (Gay men of all ages; guests always welcome). 7:00 p.m. Join us for a Favorite Film showing of "Dirty Rotten Scoundrels." This delicious comedy about con men makes for a very funny evening. For directions and reservations, please call Les at 690-9565.

SUNDAY, JULY 27
Men's Social Network (Gay men of all ages; guests always welcome). 4-6 p.m. The Triangle Tribe, an awareness group meets to learn and use communication and relationship skills toward developing feelings of trust, love, acceptance and brotherhood. Call Tom at 318-1650 for reservations and directions.

The Roast and Toast of Lucinda Holliday at the Holiday Inn, City Center, 181 W. Broadway, a benefit for the National MPS Society. The fun begins at 5:00 p.m. $20 donation. For more information call 747-7426.

WEDNESDAY, JULY 30
Men's Social Network (Gay men of all ages; guests always welcome). 7:00 p.m. A Discussion Group will read a section from the recent bestseller "Conversations With God", then discuss the reading. For reservations and directions, please call Justin or Gary at 792-4224.

THURSDAY, JULY 31
Men's Social Network (Gay men of all ages; guests always welcome). 7:00 p.m. Join MSN for a fun night of roller skating on "Adult Night." The cost will be $5.50 for rental of traditional skates, or $8.50 for in-line skates. Call C. W. at 326-5439 or Donn at 325-4257 for details and directions.

SATURDAY, AUGUST 2
Team Arizona meeting to be held at 1:30 p.m. at Girlfriends Coffee House, 3540 N. Oracle Rd. Suite 126. For more information call 888-GIRL or Edna Spring at 293-9356.

SUNDAY, AUGUST 3
A final fund raiser for Hillfoot Gems to go to the National Championships in San Diego. Pool Party at 544 S. 6th. $2.00 to get in. Food and Drinks for sale and there will be raffles plus give aways. Don't miss the fun and help this team to go to the championships, and bring the trophy to Tucson.

TUESDAY, AUGUST 5
A Benefit for Wingspan, "The Gay Comedy Jam" at Laffs Comedy Cafe, 2900 E. Broadway. Gay stand-up comics performing Gay Stand-upComedy. Starring Scott Kennedy and Kevin Maye, nationally recognized Gay headliners as featured in the Advocate and HBO's Comedy Channel. Tickets $12 in advance or $15 on the day of the show. The fun begins at 8:00 p.m. and a portion of the proceeds benefit Tucson Gay Community Center, Wingspan.

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 6
Tucson Prime Timers invites Gay men over 30 to their monthly Wednesday dinner at Chad's Steak House on Ft. Lowell near the corner of Swan at 6:30 p.m. Please RSVP 887-7493.

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 3
Tucson Prime Timers invites Gay men over 30 to their monthly Wednesday dinner at Chad's Steak House on Ft. Lowell near the corner of Swan at 6:30 p.m. Please RSVP 887-7493.

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 21
Tucson Prime Timers (Gay and Bi-Sexual men over 30) will have their regular monthly meeting from 4:00 to 6:00 p.m. at Wingspan, 300 E. 6th Street. Following the meeting, members will go to a social dinner. Members of At-Ease-Again and Cronies Social Club are welcome as are all mature Gay men. Become a part of Prime Timers, the largest Gay Social Club in the world.

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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 4pm. Karaoke with Nancy 7-11pm. Blues and Jazz music 11-Close.

GRADUATE - Happy Hour 4-8 pm all well $1.25 Draft 75¢ Schnapps 75¢. Drink Specials do not apply during special events.

HOURS - Bloody Marys and Screws $1.50 til 7 pm. Pool Tournament 4pm. 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 B-B-Q and Beer Bust for community organizations 4:30-7:00pm. Hi energy dancing 9pm to close. All drink specials not available during special events.

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

VENTURE-N - Open 10 a.m. Backside Beer Bust 3-8pm 50¢ draft. 301 Dart Tournament 5pm $3 entry fee. Beef 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. $1.75 white well 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. Drink specials do not apply during special events.

HOURS - Open Noon. Happy Hour 12 to 7pm - Well and Domestic Beer $1.50. 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. All drink specials not available during special events.

STONEWALL/EAGLE - Happy Hour noon to 7pm, Party with Stephan. Free pool 7 to close.

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

Tuesday
AIN'T NOBODY'S BIZNESS - Happy Hour 2-7 pm 2for1 well and domestic long necks. 2-7 p.m. Boys Night Out 9pm to closing. $1.00 longneck Hot dance music.

BOOM -BOOMS - Happy Hour 4-8 daily. Dart Tourney 8:30. Special prices for all tourney players. $1.50 domestic bottle beer & $1 Cocksuckers 8-close.

GRADUATE - Open 9am. Happy Hour 4-8pm all well $1.50, Domestic $1.75. Drink specials do not apply during special events.

HOURS - Happy Hour 12 to 7pm Well or Domestic Beer $1.50. 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. All drink specials not available during special events.

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. $1.25 pitchers from 9 to midnight. Alternative music w/Stephanie 9pm to close.

BOOM-BOOMS- Happy Hour 4-8pm. Karaoke with Christopher 9pm - 1am $1.50 Well & $2.25 Call 8pm to close.

GRADUATE - Open 9am. Happy Hour 4-8pm all well $1.50; Domestic $1.75. 9 Ball Single Elimination Pool Tourney. 7pm, Pot matched. Drink specials do not apply during special events.

HOURS - Happy Hour 12 to 7pm, Well or Domestic Beer $1.50. 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. All drink specials not available during special events.

STONEWALL/EAGLE - Happy Hour Noon to 7pm. College Logo Nite w/Darren 9pm. Karaoke 9pm, Stonewall opens 9pm. Corona & Cuervo Gold $1.75

VENTURE-N - Open 6am Draft Beer 75¢ 6am-8pm. Cuervo Gold $2 all daylnight. 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 - $1.50 well & $2.25 call 8pm to close. Hi NRG Dance Music at 9 with Raymond. Pool Tourney at 7pm with Dee. Pot matched.

GRADUATE - Open 9am. Happy Hour 4-8pm all Well $1.50, Domestic $1.75. 301 Dart Tournament 7:30pm. Double Elimination. Pot Matched. Drink specials do not apply during special events.

HOURS - Happy Hour 12 to 7pm, Well or Domestic Beer $1.50. 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 (pant check available). Hi energy dancing 9-close with DJ David Z. All drink specials not available during special events.

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 4-8pm. Latino Dance Music in the "Other Room" at 9pm. Dance Party with Raymond in the main bar at 9. Country/Western dance music in the "Other" Room.

GRADUATE - Open 9am. Happy Hour 4-8pm, all well $1.50/ domestic $1.75. Drink specials do not apply during special events.

HOURS - Happy Hour 12-7pm well or domestic beer $1.50. 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. All drink specials not available during special events.

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 - Happy Hour 4-8pm. Dance to the latest club mixes in the main bar

GRADUATE - Open 9am. Happy Hour 4-8pm, all well drinks $1.50/domestic $1.75. 8 Ball Pool Tournament 2pm, Double Elimination, pot matched. Drink specials do not apply during special events.

HOURS - Open Noon. Strawberry & Banana Daiquiris, Pina 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 9-1. Dance 9 to 1 with DJ David Z. All drink specials not available during special events.

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.

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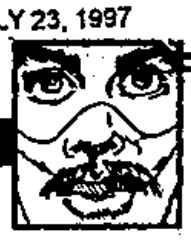

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NOTICES

SOUTHERN ARIZONA AIDS FOUNDATION (SAAF), 151 S. Tucson Blvd., Suite 211 (The Broadmoor Building). Office Hours 8am to 5pm, Monday through Friday. Direct services and emotional support for persons with and affected by HIV. Anonymous HIV testing and support groups available. Prevention education programs. 322-6226. AIDS Hotline: 326-AIDS. VOLUNTEERS WELCOME.

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

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

ARE YOU GAY OR LESBIAN and someone else's drinking is getting to you. Call Information and Referral about Al-Anon 881-1704 in Tucson info about special groups for Gays and Lesbians.

YOUNG AND GAY?
Lesbian and Gay youths 23 and under, meet every Saturday in Tucson for sharing, support and information. Meetings are held at 422 N. 4th Avenue from 3 to 5 pm. You are not alone. For more info call Wingspan, 624-1779.

The TUCSON Chapter of PRIME TIMERS INTERNATIONAL invites Gay or Bisexual men over 30 years old to join and share Prime Timers fellowship. We welcome mature men who are or wish to be involved in Gay community activities, issues and organizations. Call 887-7493 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 GAY INFORMATION AND REFERRAL
For information on human service organizations, health and mental health services, financial and government assistance, emergency services such as food and shelter, education, etc. Call Information and Referral 881-1704 - 8 am - 5 pm Mon. - Fri.

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

GAY OR BI-SEXUAL MEN in relationships with women. Need friends you can talk to? Weekly support group meets Wednesdays 6:30 - 8:00 pm. Licensed psychologist facilitator. Call 745-6977 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.

SUPPORT GROUP: Gays, Lesbians and Bisexuals meet weekly for open discussions in a loving, supportive atmosphere. Meetings Thursdays from 7:30 to 9:30 pm at St. Francis in the Foothills Church, Swan and River Road. Room 32. Call the church at 299-9063 for information.

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

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

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

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

RECREATIONAL VOLLEYBALL every Sunday at 4:00 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, Tucson, AZ 85717.

SOURCES UNLIMITED, a Lesbian & Gay referral service. Business and individual listings are free of charge. All information available to anyone just simply by asking. 322-5655. Leave message.

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

ATTENTION ALL NUDISTS - Tucson Tanners is a nudist group open to all — Nude activities scheduled both indoor and outdoors. Not "Gay Only", but Gays are welcome and invited to join. For further information send SASE to: Tucson Tanners, P.O. Box 84-G, Cortaro, AZ 85652.

"EVOLVERE" a transgendered Support Group open to all T.V.'s, C.D.'s, T.G.'s & T.S.'s. Dedicated to all our brothers and sisters. Offering our help and support in every way we can. Meetings held on 4th Saturday of each month at 2 p.m. Call 884-0541.

SCUBA DIVING CLUB. For information call digital pager 291-9602.

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

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

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

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, 1946 E. Lee St. at 7:30 p.m. For more information call the parish office at 327-6015 or Jane Perri 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.

LEARN TO BE A LISTENING FRIEND. Unique Hospital Volunteer Program teaches listening skills to Volunteers who provide a safe/compassionate environment to at-risk patients. Training every 6 weeks. 694-7063.

TIHAN, a coalition of churches and synagogues committed to providing a compassionate response to the HIV crisis, provides HIV education in congregational settings, volunteer CareTeams to support HIV+ persons, a referral network of HIV-sensitive clergy, and interfaith services of healing and hope. For more information call 299-6647.

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 797-3118 for more information and a membership bio.

LESBIAN/GAY/BI OVEREATERS ANONYMOUS. Saturdays noon-1pm in UMC Dining Room "F". 325-6676 or 670-1954.

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 791-7678.

NOTICES

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

COCHISE COUNTY LESBIANS AND GAYS. P.O. Box 818, Bisbee, AZ 85603 / (602)432-5591. Rap Group, Youth Group, Social and Political Events.

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

BEARS OF THE OLD PUEBLO -- a social club for bears and bigger, more robust men (and of course, those who prefer their company). For more info, Call the Bears Hotline (520)327-1620 or write P.O. Box 43910, Tucson, AZ 85733-3910, or come to our general meetings the second Friday of every month. Location listed on our hotline.

TUCSON ROOMMATE LOCATOR SERVICE Men and women welcome. Pager 388-6843.

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

LESBIAN AND GAY 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 Ronn 968-2384.

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

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

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)762-9135.

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

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

GAY & LESBIAN SPIRITUALITY GROUP of St. Phillips 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 #162. For information call 791-9662.

Join the LESBIAN & GAY PUBLIC AWARENESS PROJECT. In Tucson write Awareness Project, 3661 N. Campbell Ave. #385, 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 690-9585 for information and a newsletter. Check the Non-Bar Calendar in the Observer.

SOFTBALL - For info on the Tucson Greater Softball Association T.G.S.A., please contact. Mary 770-9979 or Bertie 318-3415.

CARE TEAMS ARE AVAILABLE to offer support to people living with HIV/AIDS. The Tucson Interfaith HIV/AIDS Network offers trained, compassionate and committed volunteers to provide services including friendly visits, light housekeeping, assistance with meals, shopping, errands, transportation and companionship for medical appointments, and respite care for primary care givers. No judgement or proselytizing - we are here to be of service. For information call Scott at 299-9063.

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.

CATHOLIC GAY/LESBIAN SUPPORT GROUP meets every 3rd Monday at St. Pius X Catholic Church, 1900 N. Camino Pio Decimo in the Kino Room at 7:00 p.m. For more info call Ernie 721-2003 or Anna Marie at the Parish office 885-3573.

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IRS Admits Wrong In G/L Youth Case

GREENSBORO, NC - Mark the date -- this may never happen again: the Internal Revenue Service says it was wrong and Lambda was right about the inappropriate questions it posed to a LesBiGay youth group seeking tax-exempt status.

Faster than you can say "discrimination," the U.S. Internal Revenue Service (IRS) has responded to a letter from the Lambda Legal Defense and Education Fund regarding the federal agency's questioning of the Greensboro, North Carolina-based Gay and Lesbian Adolescent Support System (GLASS).

Lambda demanded justification for a request to "describe in detail the procedures and safeguards in place to assure that counsellors [sic] and participants do not encourage or facilitate homosexual practices or encourage the development of homosexual attitudes and propensities by minor individuals attending your programs." That was the IRS' initial response to GLASS' application for 501(c) 3 tax-exempt status, but upon further reflection -- aided by Lambda's inquiry -- the IRS (believe it or not) has determined it was wrong.

In a letter dated July 9, just seven days after Lambda staff attorney David Buckel's letter was sent the IRS replied, "We agree with Mr. Buckel that the methodology used to communicate a viewpoint or position to others should be the focus rather than the viewpoint itself," and promised to take a "fresh look" at the case. Applicants' points of view (unless they are "inflammatory," as in current controversies over white supremacist groups) are by law not supposed to figure into tax-exempt status determinations.

GLASS founder and president Gary Palmer, who was so intimated by the IRS request that he had waited since September before contacting Lambda, was gratified by the latest development. "I was not expecting anything this rapid," he said. "To me it's incredible." Buckel was also pleased, saying, "Such a swift response by a bureaucracy that size makes us think they're taking discrimination very seriously."

However, Lambda isn't leaving it at that. The fact that the query was even made, and that the GLASS application was mysteriously transferred from the IRS office in Atlanta to its Washington headquarters, has raised even more questions for the Lesbian and Gay legal group. They're continuing to investigate the case, and have brought a private law firm on board to conduct a Freedom of Information Act review of IRS policies as regards LesBiGay organizations in general, bent on determining whether the agency has "a larger problem."

"There may not be. It may very well be we just had a few renegade tax agents," Buckel said. "But we've seen enough to be worried."

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