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Gov. Hull Offers Stop-Gap Funding For ADAP

by Mark R. Kerr

TUCSON (ON) — Arizona's Governor, Jane Hull (R), has directed her staff to find \$600,000 in funding from the state's tobacco-tax fund to rescue the state's nearly bankrupt AIDS Drug Assistance Program (ADAP).

"It's not permanent funding. It's not ongoing. It's one time," Hull's spokesperson, Francie Noyes, said in an interview.

As first reported in The Observer, the Arizona ADAP program was facing nearly a one million dollar shortfall in funding for the current fiscal year (ending March 31).

The Arizona Department of Health Services (ADHS) said that the expanded number of clients and the use of protease inhibitors, in combination with other anti-HIV drugs, costing as much as \$15,000 annually, caused the funding crisis.

If the governor had not acted, ADHS stated that they would have to cut off life-saving care and medications to Arizonans living with HIV/AIDS.

In fact, the state health agency had put a cap on enrollment, to 445 persons a month who could utilize the agency. With the governor's action, the cap has been lifted.

What of the nearly \$400,000 remaining of the shortfall. Pharmaceutical manufacturers will be asked to supply the state with life-saving medications.

The governor's action must be reviewed and approved by the Joint Legislative Tobacco Tax Health Care Fund Oversight Committee.

The committee consist of the following legislators:

Senators - Russell Bowers, Ann Day, Randall Gnant, George Cunningham, and Gus Arzberger. Representatives - Susan Gerard, Karen Johnson, Dr. Andy Nichols, Jim Weiers, Lori Daniels and Herschella Horton.

Sen. Bowers and Rep. Gerard are the co-chairs.

According to Rep. Susan Gerard, R-Phoenix, the governor has to call the committee back to meet, which the governor did Tuesday afternoon. The meeting is expected to take place within the first two weeks in October.

What are the chances for passage? Gerard said "it's a mere formality, but the committee is mandated to review the governor's action."

David Hoover, Board President of the Arizona AIDS Policy Alliance, said the state AIDS community united to work to get the governor to act to end the funding crisis. Hoover said the governor's office had reported they had received calls from all over the state.

"It's one battle we've won, but more needs to be done," Hoover added.

What about the future? According to Rep. Gerard, she has had discussions with House Majority Leader, Rep. Lori Daniels, R-Phoenix, and that a proposed allocation, \$1 million dollars will be placed in the State Budget in consideration for FY 1998/99.

"The state must allocate a minimum of \$3 million for ADAP starting in July, or we have really accomplished nothing," Jason Vogler, member of the Pima County Ryan White CARE Consortium commented.

Anne Maley, executive director of the Southern Arizona AIDS Foundation expressed her appreciation for Governor's Hull's "example" for \$600,000 in funding.

Maley added, "I hope our legislators will emulate our new Governor's example and recognize the necessity to release some of the state's half-billion dollar surplus for HIV/AIDS funding."

Countdown To OUToberFEST

Can you believe just a little over three-weeks ago until OUToberFest '97! The second largest Pride event in Arizona!

Set your calendars for Saturday, October 18, 10:00 A.M. to 6:00 P.M., at the southwest corner of Reid Park at Country Club and 22nd Street.

There will be three stages: Boom-Boom's Hi NRG tent, TLGA entertainment stage, and AGRA World providing a country western dance and entertainment area.

Free entrance to OUToberFest, and free soda. Beer will cost a whole dollar each, with a portion of the proceeds to benefit local Tucson organizations. A special meeting, open to the public, will be held after the picnic to decide where those proceeds go.

The Cut-a-Thon will be back with proceeds going to SAAF. So let your hair grow until then. The festive midday rally and walk through the park will be returning this year, coordinated by Reveille or the TLGA OUTline if you would like to be a part of the walk. More entertainment news and details to follow in next weeks

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Desert Voices Jazz Ensemble To Perform With Orts Theatre Dance Company



TUCSON - "Una Vox", Desert Voices select ensemble is being featured by Orts Theatre of Dance in their upcoming presentation of "Airborne, meister eckhard". This is the story of a medieval mystic brought to life through dance. Orts is a flying trapeze dance theatre. Una Vox will provide the music for the program through medieval chants sung in jazz arrangements. Una Vox also plays a role in the production by becoming Beghards and Baguines of the story.

This is an important undertaking by Una Vox as they are playing their first major role in a production outside the normal Desert Voices venue. All shows will be at Pima Community College Proscenium Theatre. Tickets are \$8.00 and are available at Antigone's and Bentleys. Children under 16 years of age are free. Shows are Thursday, Oct. 2 at 10:30 and 8:00 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 4 at 2:00 and 8:00 p.m. and Sunday, Oct. 5 at 2:00 p.m. Call Orts Theatre of Dance at 624-3789 for more information.

SEC Empowers Shareholders

WASHINGTON, DC (NP) — It may sound arcane on the surface, but the Securities and Exchange Commission's proposal for a change in the rules governing shareholders' rights regarding company policy is the climax of one of the biggest LesBiGay job discrimination cases of the decade.

The Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) has taken a significant step towards empowering those who hold stock in companies to demand consideration of social policy questions, reversing a chain of decisions that began with protests against one of the most blatant instances of anti-Gay discrimination of recent times, the notorious Cracker Barrel Restaurants firings.

By a unanimous vote, the Commission has recommended adoption of a policy which will make it easier for issues proposed by shareholders on a broader range of topics to be voted on, although more stringent rules are applied each time a matter is brought up for reconsideration.

The SEC has opened the matter for public comment for the next 60 days. Exiting Commissioner Steven Wallman believes the original issue should never have required this long a time or this general a reconsideration to be rectified.

Even many of those matters which do not currently qualify as "relevant" — which include employment discrimination against Gays and Lesbians — could be raised once by holders of 3% of a company's stock. However, once defeated, a reconsideration requires 5% of

shareholders' support, and once defeated a second time, it may take up to 30% shareholder support to be brought up for a third vote.

In 1991, the Tennessee-based Cracker Barrel Old Country Stores, Inc., a successful chain of "family" restaurants that at the time was one of the fastest-growing businesses in the U.S., fired a number of its employees for no reason other than a company policy against employing those "whose sexual preferences fail to demonstrate normal heterosexual values which have been the foundation of families in our society."

There was no legal recourse for those workers, who to this day have never been rehired or compensated in any way, even though the policy itself was officially scrapped.

A number of protest actions ensued, which went beyond the usual demonstrations and boycotts, all the way to attempts to influence company policy through shareholder activism. That effort came both from individual activists who bought as little as one share each in the company as their ticket to attend the annual shareholder meetings from which they were otherwise barred, and from the huge New York City Employees' Retirement System which held a significant percentage of Cracker Barrel stock.

These shareholders proposed a vote to require the company to adopt a non-discrimination policy, an approach

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UPDATE

Local Gay/Lesbian Bars Win Recognition From Straight Press

by Mark R. Kerr

TUCSON (ON) — IBT's and Ain't Nobody's Business were picked as "Best Gay" and "Best Lesbian" bars in the "Best of Tucson 1997."

This annual survey, in its ninth year, was done by the Tucson Weekly.

Ain't Nobody's Bizness was the "readers' pick" for Best Lesbian Bar. The Biz, according to the Weekly, is "still slick and new looking — all in salmon and seafoam, Nagel-esque prints and neon-accented Marilyn Monroe . . ."

The runner-up in the category was Hours, a "two-steppin', line-dancin, good time," according to the Best of Tucson survey.

IBT's was the "readers' pick" for "Best Gay Bar." IBT's, according to the Weekly, ". . . draws an eclectic mix of Gay and straight clientele who just can't get enough of that funky techno dance thang. But make no mistake: if you're young, attractive and Gay, this is the pace to see and be seen."

Hours was the runner-up in this category as well. According to the Weekly, ". . . It has a nice balance of women and men, and no snooty attitudes."

A "Real Scream," according to the survey, was Boom-Boom's. The Weekly described the club as, "a great, overstuffed sofa, comfy chairs, a long coffee table, and a good number of

cheesy, retro lamps asserted a cozy, stylish lounge-feel. . ."

The Graduate was declared "A Real Scream," for the "Best Neighborhood Bar." The Weekly says the bar has ". . . a friendly, Gay positive atmosphere found within the club." The regular crowd at The Graduate, according to the survey is, "mostly men, but women are made to feel equally welcome — in fact, they get more respect here than in most bars around town."

Wingspan OUToberFEST Juried Art Exhibition Oct. 3 Deadline For Artists Nears

TUCSON — Wingspan Gallery is making preparations for the Third Annual OUToberFEST Juried Art Show.

The deadline for submitting art work has been extended until 7:00 P.M., September 29. The show will be hung September 30, and juried Friday, October 3, 7:00 P.M.

The jury will consist of: Clara Barksdale, owner of the Barksdale Gallery at Fourth Avenue and Sixth Street; Alta Fly, a photographer and; Jerry Sampson, artist.

Ribbons will be awarded for Best in Show, First, Second, Third Place and two Honorable Mentions.

A reception for the artists will be held Saturday, October 4, 7:00 to 9:00 P.M. There will be light refreshments will be served and the public is invited and welcome. The gallery is located in Wingspan, the Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transsexual Community Center, 300 East Sixth Street. For more information, call 624-1779.

Artists there is still time to get your works together and present them to this exhibit. You may submit three of your works and they will all be hung and juried with the ribbons being awarded. You may pick up the required forms at Wingspan in advanced or you may complete the forms when you bring in your art by the deadline.

Take your art down off your walls, dust them off and enter them in this exhibit. Let's make this the best OUToberFEST art exhibit ever.

Queer Thang Sept. 25

TUCSON — The University of Arizona Committee on Lesbian/Gay/Bisexual Studies will be hosting a back-to-school reception/meeting in the lobby of the Hotel Congress, Thursday, September 25.

The reception will take place between 6:00 and 8:00 P.M. and will feature a cash bar. All interested members of the U of A and Tucson communities are welcome to attend.

Peggy Compolo At Cornerstone Fellowship Sunday, Oct. 5

TUCSON — Cornerstone Fellowship welcomes Peggy Compolo, who will speak, Sunday, October 5.

Compolo is a writer and editor. Peggy has worked in real estate and public relations, and actively supports the ministry and work of her husband, Dr. Tony Compolo.

Peggy Compolo is a working member of Evangelicals Concerned, and serves on the Council of the Association of Welcoming and Affirming Baptists and the Board of Directors of the Philadelphia Baptist Association.

Her testimony chronicles her reconciliation of homosexuality and Christianity. She will be sharing this testimony alone with a message of forgiveness and healing of emotional and spiritual wounds.

Please plan to come and celebrate the Lord's Day with us on Sunday, October 5, 10:30 A.M., at 2902 North Geronimo. For more information call 622-4626.

SAAF Seeks Peer Counseling Coordinator

TUCSON — The Southern Arizona AIDS Foundation (SAAF) has a position opening for a Peer Counseling Coordinator.

Peer Counseling Coordinator: Experienced social worker/counselor sought to coordinate HIV+ peer counseling program. Requires familiarity with HIV/AIDS issues and experience coordinating volunteers; HIV+ strongly encouraged to apply; 10 hours/week, \$5,800/year, no benefits.

To apply, pick up job description and application instructions, M-F, 8:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M., 151 South Tucson Boulevard, Suite 211, or call 322-6226 to have them faxed to you. Open until filled. AA/EOE

Desert Coyotes Looking For Bowlers

TUCSON — The Desert Coyotes Bowling League are seeking bowlers.

The league bowls Wednesday's, 9:00 P.M., at Golden Pin Lanes, 1010 West Miracle Mile. Teams consist of trios, with open rosters (Men, Women, Mixed).

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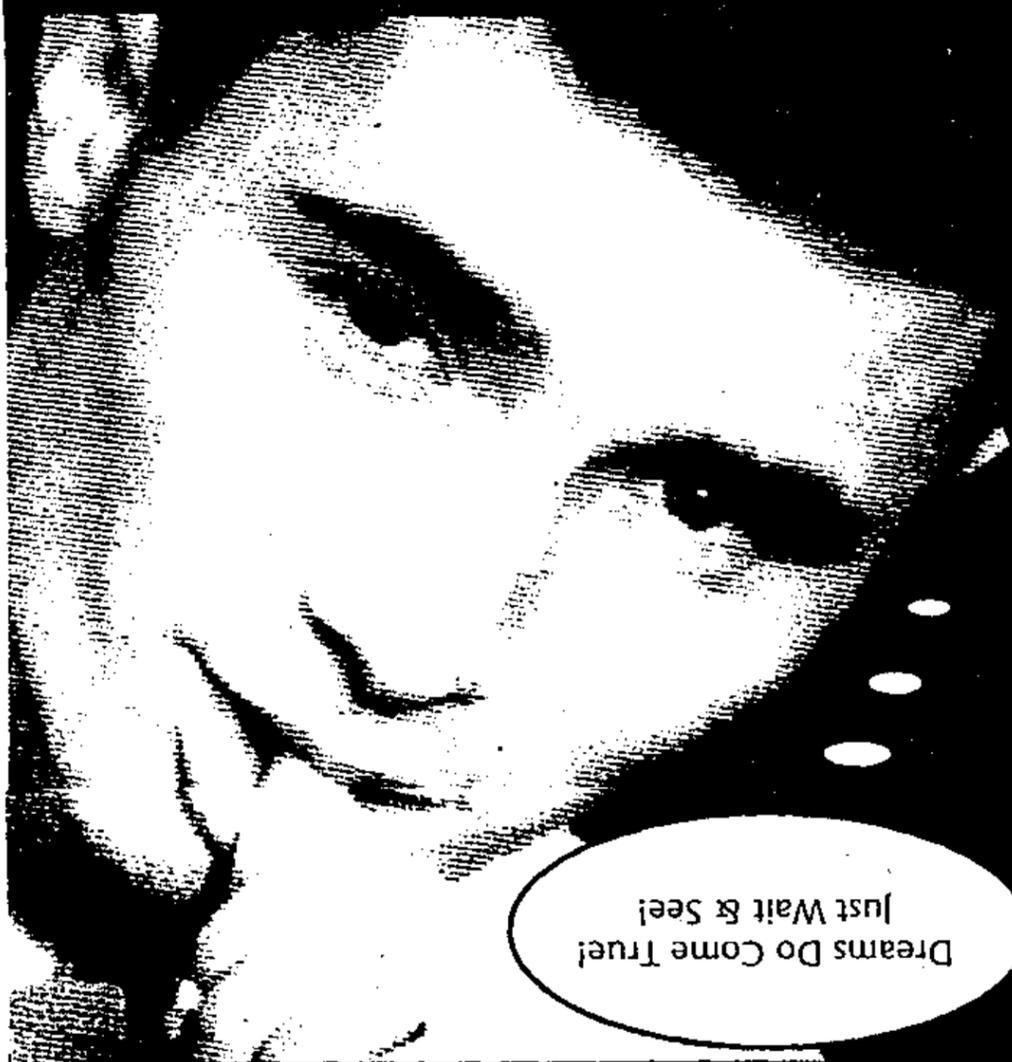
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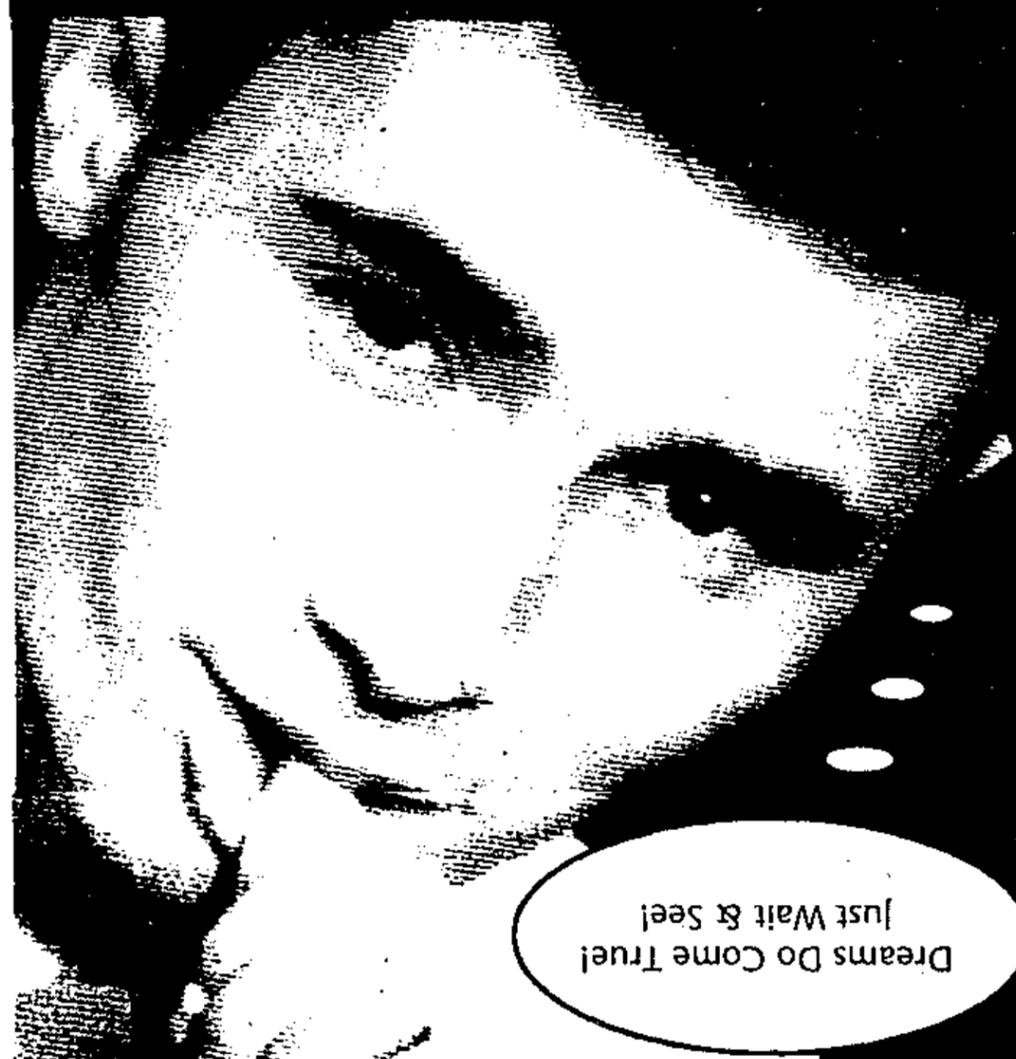
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Something in the Water?: The city council of San Antonio, Texas, under pressure from local Christian and right-wing groups, voted on September 11 to stop all funding to San Antonio's Lesbian & Gay Film Festival and its fiscal sponsor, the Esperanza Center. Mayor Howard Peak stated, "They seem to go way beyond what people want their money spent on. That group flaunts what it does, it is an in-your-face organization. They are doing this to themselves."

However, funding for The Alamo City Men's Chorale, a Gay men's chorus, was continued because, as one city council member put it, "everyone knows they're gay but its not brought up. Those boy's just stand up there and sing".

I swear, I don't make this stuff up.

Gore Goes on Record: At the National Gay and Lesbian Task Force's annual awards ceremony last week V. Pres. Al Gore pledged his commitment "to work as hard as I can" to stop anti-Gay hate crimes, find a cure for AIDS and end workplace discrimination. "It is time for all Americans to recognize that the issues that face gays and lesbians in this country are not narrow, special interests, they are matters of basic human and civil rights".

He went on, "Please be assured, you certainly have my commitment to work as hard as I can until the day we do reach those goals." Gore's remarks, enthusiastically received by the 200 people attending the ceremony, parrot those his boss made while campaigning for the Gay vote during his two runs for the presidency. But as we've all seen, talk is cheap. The Clinton administration's "commitment" quickly petered out, and the entire matter of equality and fairness for Lesbians and Gays in this country was basically pushed to the back burner.

Other than talk, we've yet to see any concrete move or effort by Gore to demonstrate his willingness to back up his words with any effective action resulting in meaningful change. He also carries a substantial amount of baggage from his days as a conservative Tennessee senator during a period when his wife, Tipper, was a highly visible and vocal standard bearer for the "family values" movement.

After the Clinton administration's failure to deliver on the campaign promises that won the support of the Gay community in the last two national elections Gore is going to have to do more than just say the right words. As the saying goes, "Once burnt, twice shy". Al Gore should not consider that the support and vote of the Gay community is automatically in the bag and the Gay community is going to have to make certain that this time he knows it.

Gov. Hull Responds: A week ago indigent AIDS patients in Arizona faced the prospect of having their supply of life extending drugs cut off on November 1 due to a \$1 million shortfall in the Arizona Dept. of Health's budget. The outcry from patients, health department officials, care providers, AIDS services organizations and concerned Arizonans over that looming crisis did not fall on deaf ears. Gov. Hull responded quickly and announced this past week that \$600,000 from the tobacco tax fund would be diverted to pay for drugs, that suppliers

would be asked to kick in \$300,000 in donated medication, and the balance of the shortfall would be made up in some other unspecified fashion.

Although these very welcome measures will ensure a continued supply of medications through the end of the fiscal year next March 1 for those without health insurance or the money to cover the estimated \$15,000 in annual drug costs per person, the future after next March 1 is very uncertain. State legislators continue to under fund AIDS health care programs and, as importantly, AIDS prevention programs.

Statistics recently released by the Center for Disease Control show that although the rate of overall deaths from AIDS and HIV in the U.S. is declining, the rate of new HIV infections among Hispanic and other minority groups is growing due to a lack of effective prevention education programs specifically designed for, and effectively aimed at, those groups.

Compounding the problem locally, Arizona (which a proportionally large Hispanic population) continues to lag far behind the rest of the country in funding HIV/AIDS prevention programs. One has to wonder when state legislators are going to remember the old saying that "an ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure". More importantly, one has to wonder when state legislators are going to start showing a little more responsibility and concern for ALL citizens of the state regardless of their minority or socio-economic status.

And then it was now.....

(Steve Risley's internet website may be accessed at <http://www.geocities.com/WestHollywood/Heights/7423>)

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POLITICS
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"I Was Horrified, But Compelled To Read"

"B-I Bob" bombed? Banished? Booted? Gasp! Could it be true? If you answered yes, pass go and kick the homophobe out of the nation's capital.

is merely collecting information, which it plans to "screen for accuracy." HRC will not offer legal advice or any kind of assistance.

The former Rep. (and I emphasize former!) is still contesting his re-election defeat in 1996, nearly one-year after the fact! "B-I Bob" just can't get over the fact he lost to a Democrat, a Latina, and a woman! Oh-no!

People who want their stories included can contact HRC, (202) 628-4160, ext. 4000, or write to: HRC, Documenting Discrimination Project, 1101 14th Street, NW, Suite 200, Washington, DC 20005.

This didn't stop "B-I" though. Retired members can still go on the floor, but they can't lobby on measures in which they are personally involved. A big no-no!

In 41 states, people can lose their jobs because of their sexual orientation -- even perceived orientation. Gays, Lesbians, Bisexuals, and even heteros need ENDA now. . . .

Decorum and rules never stood in the way for "B-I!"

Two items to report on about the Arizona AIDS Drug Assistance Program funding crisis: First, the state's new governor, Jane Hull, should be thanked for her actions in directing her staff to find \$600,000 in funding for ADAP.

It was alleged that Dornan had, on several occasions, discussed the House investigation of the election of his loss in 1996. "B-I" got into a "pissin contest" with Rep. Bob Menendez, D-New Jersey, about this. Heated insults flew between the two. Cat-fight!

It's a first step in the state's owning up to its part in caring for Arizonans living with HIV/AIDS. If you wish to express your thanks, you can call the governor's office, toll-free, (800) 253-0883.

"When the rules of the House are broken it is not just personal, it affects the whole institution," Menendez said before the vote taken on the resolution. You go Bob!

Second, the mainstream media failed once again in reporting this story. The "usual suspects," television and newspapers made this out to be a done deal . . . when in actuality, it wasn't. The check is not in the mail!

Dornan adamantly denied ever doing so. Right, was it the wealthy Gays and Lesbians?! Rampant illegal immigrants?! The liberal media?! Moon-men?!

The governor's action must be reviewed by the Joint Legislative Tobacco Tax Health Care Fund Oversight Committee and approved. The Committee consists of 12 members, six from the State House and six from the Senate.

"B-I" went too far, according to friends of the phobe. "Having witnessed the questionable behavior of my good friend (bleh) . . . I think Mr. Dornan should be removed from the chamber," said Rep. Gerald Solomon, R-New York, chair of the Rules Committee. Oops!

The governor must then call the committee into session to review the actions and vote on the proposal. The committee hearings are to be held the first two weeks in October.

The damage was done, the House voted, 289-65 to revoke "B-I Bob's" floor privileges for the rest of this Congress or until an investigation into his re-election defeat is resolved.

What are the chances of passage? In most cases, according to St. Rep. Susan Gerard, R-Phoenix, its a mere formality. But, with funding for HIV/AIDS, who knows?

Arizona's delegation voted as follows: YES - Hayworth, Kolbe and Pastor. NO - Shadegg and Stump. Not Voting - Salmon.

According to capitol sources, passage is expected. Give the new governor what she and frankly, the state wants, overdue funding for HIV/AIDS health care.

Just like Jason of "Friday the 13th" slasher movie series, "B-I" will be back, somehow and someday! . . .

This is Arizona though. When the State Legislature has counter-acted what the people have wanted in the past? Remember Proposition 203 in 1996, funding for HIV/AIDS programs? This is a very, very conservative bunch.

The Employment Non-Discrimination Act (ENDA) of 1997 has made some progress in Congress, albeit little.

Remember that over-used catch phrase from Jerry McGuire? The state needs to do that for this reporter. . . .

Hearings on the bills, S.869 and H.R. 1858 are scheduled to be heard later this year, according to the Human Rights Campaign (HRC). The proposed federal legislation has 35 sponsors in the Senate, and 152 in the House.

In an effort to shed light on the issue of job discrimination, HRC is looking for people who have been denied job opportunities, fired or otherwise discriminated against in the work place because of their sexual orientation.

Tomorrow, Thursday, September 25, marks the sixth month anniversary of the Pima County Domestic Partners legal cat-fight. This was to have been settled in August, according to David Dingeldine of the County Attorney's Civil Division, who filed the suit.

HRC plans to present these stories during the hearings scheduled later this year.

Does the Pima County Attorney's office have a case? Will we ever find out?

In issuing the call, Kevin Layton, HRC's legislative counsel, said the group

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New AIDS Cases In U.S. Fell Six Percent In 1996

ATLANTA (AP) - New cases of AIDS in the United States fell 6 percent last year, the first drop since the epidemic began in the early 1980s. The government credits powerful new drugs.

The same period also showed a drop in AIDS deaths, a trend reported by the government earlier this year. Deaths from the disease fell 23 percent, from an estimated 50,140 in 1995 to about 38,780 in 1996, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention said.

In 1996, an estimated 56,730 people were diagnosed with AIDS, down from 60,620 new cases in 1995, the Centers for Disease Control said.

The CDC said powerful drugs such as protease inhibitors are apparently preventing infection with the AIDS virus from progressing to full-blown AIDS, especially in patients who start taking the medication early.

Some figures remain troubling: AIDS cases diagnosed in 1996 rose 19 percent among heterosexual black men and 12 percent among heterosexual black women.

"We know that the Gay community has had a relatively thorough saturation of candid information on HIV prevention," said Daniel Zingale, executive director of AIDS Action, an advocacy

group. "Women and people of color are not getting the same level of unvarnished HIV information."

New cases of AIDS dropped 13 percent among whites and 5 percent among Hispanics.

In the 1980s and part of the 1990s, AIDS spread among women primarily through the sharing of needles. By 1993, sex with infected men overtook drug use as the leading cause of infection among women.

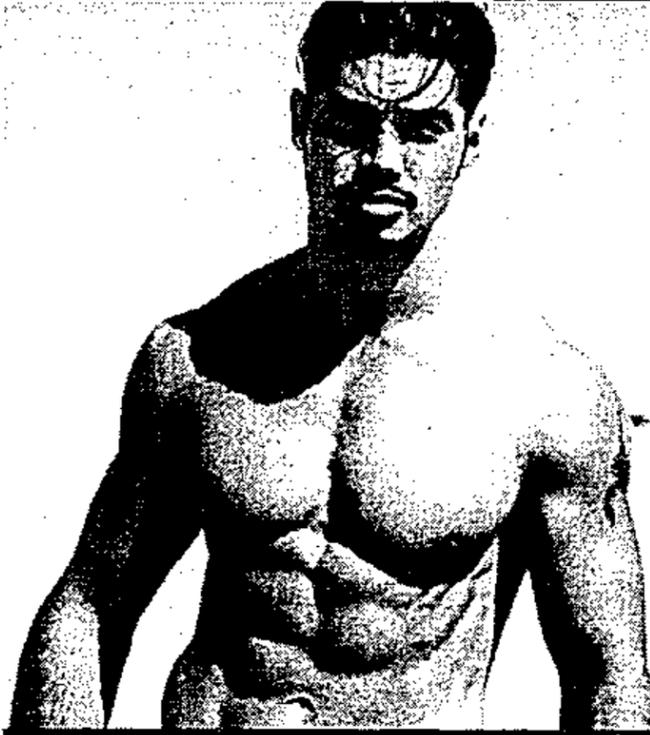
The Centers for Disease Control does not have information on the rate of HIV infection, which would give a far

better idea of how successful the fight against AIDS has been.

The latest figures available, from 1987 to 1992, show there were about 40,000 to 80,000 new HIV infections a year. All states report AIDS cases and deaths to the Centers for Disease Control, but only 30 states count HIV infection, too.

AIDS cases fell 12 percent in the West, 10 percent in the Midwest, 8 percent in the Northeast and 1 percent in the South.

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column.

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Shaundriana, currently leading the contest for Miss Gay Pride, will be there with a great show and supported by a host of other great entertainment. See the IBT's ad in this paper for the lineup. TLGA would like to extend a thank you to Stonewall and AGRA for letting us have a table at Chili Verde Days to promote this year's Pride Picnic.

We really need volunteers for the big day, and just an hour-or-two will make all the difference. This event is for Tucson, by Tucson's Gay and Lesbian Community. Categories are set up and break down, gate check, soda servers, and security.

If you can help, visit us on our monthly meeting, (Second Tuesday of the month, October 14, 7:00 P.M. at Wingspan on Sixth Street. Or if you can not make the meeting, just call us on the OUTline, 622-3200, and get involved.

If you would like to be a vendor and have not received your packet, please call TLGA, 622-3200, and we will send you one right away. Deadline is October 14.

Death Sentence Upheld For Texas Gay Bashing

SAN ANTONIO, TX (WS) -- The Texas Court of Criminal Appeals has upheld the conviction and death sentence of Henry Earl Dunn, Jr. and Donald Loren Aldrich in the brutal kidnapping and murder of Nicolas West.

Dunn and Aldrich had said the 1993 crime resulted in part from their hatred of homosexuals.

West, the 23 year old son of a Baptist minister, was abducted by Dunn and Aldrich while he visited a park in the East Texas town of Tyler. The pair then took him to a clay pit outside of the town where they tortured him and ultimately shot him over 25 times.

Jury Will Decide Oregon Killers Fate

PORTLAND, OR (WS) -- A man who admitted killing two Oregon women because they were Lesbians must face a jury that will decide whether he'll get life in prison or the death penalty.

A judge has denied Robert Acremant's request for a life prison sentence without parole. A penalty phase trial started this week.

Acremant pleaded guilty to aggravated murder in the deaths of Roxanne Ellis and Michelle Abdill in December 1995. He first said he killed the couple in a robbery but later said he targeted them because they were Lesbians.



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'In & Out' Opens At #1

HOLLYWOOD, CA (NP) -- "In and Out" was definitely "In" with movie-goers.

"In and Out" opened in general release this past weekend to lead all other films in both total earnings (\$15.3-million) and earnings per-screen (averaging \$7,681 over 1,992 screens), lending credence to predictions that it will be one of the season's top grossers.

"In and Out" director Frank ("Dirty Rotten Scoundrels") Oz told reporters, "A Gay film with a major-studio budget [\$35 million] is still a plenty dangerous thing to do. I mean, there's a big kissing scene with Kevin [Kline] and Tom [Selleck], I don't know how people in the South are going to take to that, or in the North or the West, either, for that matter."

Robert Bucksbaum, publisher of the film industry newsletter Reel Source said, "I think it's broadened a lot of people's opinions on these topics. Maybe five years ago you wouldn't see a film like this."

The opening had a lot going for it: near-unanimous and widespread critical praise, the star power of Selleck, Kline and a powerful supporting cast, and a lively TV promo to the music of the Village People's "Macho Man" that remained entertaining long after viewers had memorized it.

The Story: Howard Brackett (Kline) is a high school English teacher in the farming town of Greenleaf, Indiana (often described as "Capra-esque," with locations shot in Long Island, New York)

whose former student (a Brad Pitt-esque sub-genius ostensibly more modelled on Johnny Depp, played by Matt Dillon) "outs" him while accepting an Oscar for a war film with a Gay-friendly message called "Serve and Protect."

It's news to Brackett that he's Gay; in fact, he's days away from marrying Emily Montgomery (Joan Cusack in her biggest role yet), a fellow teacher he's chasteily courted for three years.

As the whole town considers Brackett's sexual orientation, so must he, including notably trying to learn to butch up his act using a "Be a Man" self-improvement video (echoing those enchanting moments from "Birdcage" and its mother, "La Cage aux Folles").

Meanwhile, tabloid TV reporter Peter Malloy (Selleck) is nosing around for maximum coverage, and ultimately brings Brackett literally face-to-face with the truth in that famous kiss.

Somehow it all ends -- there's fairly general agreement that the close isn't as strong as what comes earlier -- bringing everyone involved to understanding, tolerance and acceptance. As the "New York Times" Janet Maslin notes, it ends without ever suggesting "that being Gay and being married might not be mutually exclusive."

Other cast of note include Debbie Reynolds, Wilfred Brimley, Shalom Harlow as the Dillon character's girlfriend, and Bob Newhart in his first film appearance in 16 years as Brackett's very nervous principal.

California Bar: Wed, Don't Castrate

SAN DIEGO, CA (NP) -- California's lawyers passed resolutions to support same-gender marriage and to seek the repeal of a castration law for sex offenders that's seriously biased against homosexual activity -- in some cases even when it's consensual.

As delegates from local legal organizations gathered in San Diego for the annual meeting of the State Bar of California, they approved two resolutions supporting legal same-gender marriages and another seeking repeal of a state law providing for so-called chemical castration for numerous sex crimes.

The bar association's Board of Governors will later make the final decisions as to which legislative recommendations it will lobby for in the capitol.

Although Democrats in the California legislature have repeatedly beaten back proposals to deny legal same-gender marriages another state may someday perform, state law does already restrict marriage to one man and one woman. The conference called for repeal of that law.

The timing may be right, for although Governor Pete Wilson has consistently vetoed bills with even token recognition of domestic partnerships, someone else will be sitting in the statehouse in 1999.

The second marriage-related resolution urges California's federal delegation to seek repeal of DOMA, the so-called Defense of Marriage Act of 1996.

The more publicized effect of that law is to allow states to ignore another state's legal recognition of Gay and Lesbian marriages or marriage-like relationships, although it's not at all clear that it

could withstand a legal test against the clause of the national Constitution that requires each state to extend "full faith and credit" to the legal actions of another state.

The less publicized but more damaging effect of DOMA is to deny all federal government bodies any chance to recognize couples other than legally married heterosexual ones for any purpose.

The delegates also called for repeal of a state law requiring either surgical castration or so-called chemical castration of those released on parole after a second conviction for any one of a number of sex crimes, some of which involve consensual acts. Judges can at their dis-

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The surprise conversion of Neon Moon, 5150 East Speedway, into a Gay nightspot is a welcome addition -- filling a void on Tucson's eastside. It's an upscale but cozy neighborhood place. There's a variety of jukebox music, an ample dance floor, and -- if you can manage pool cues, felt and mathematical geometry and physics -- a billiards section.

The drink prices are reasonable; the staff courteous and friendly. I had a delightful chat with an off-duty bartender, Tammy, who bubbles with conversation and some insights into life's mysteries. I hope she won't mind me tattling: she's taking academic courses in psychology.

The night my drag girl friends -- the "Bimbo's 4" -- visited this place, there was no DJ music but there is a booth for it. Maybe a jukebox isn't a bad idea. I had no trouble talking with Charlene, Zoe and Amber. For serious or frivolous conversation with friends or significant others, Neon Moon is a nice hideaway.

I would be derelict if I didn't mention the new early shift bartender: Stan. You know him. He rides this shiny bike and has a James Dean style motorcycle jacket. I remember: Stan did a superb job orchestrating the recorded pieces for drag shows at The Graduate. Best: you'll love his smile.

Is a smile a moral issue? My friends, I think we do a lot better than the straight world in being cordial. I mention morality for a reason.

The Maricopa conservatives in the Legislature have been historically opposed to releasing state funds for HIV/AIDS services. Rep. Herschella Horton, D-Tucson, will introduce legislation in 1998 to change this.

Am I stupid? I thought, public health is everybody's problem. I can find no distinction between HIV/AIDS, cholera, malaria, Yellow Fever, tuberculosis, genital herpes (a particular problem in the straight world), muscular dystrophy, multiple sclerosis and cancer.

Okay, Maricopa people. If you can't figure this out, I will. Dead taxpayers don't contribute to the Gross State Product. No sensible religion, certainly not the one of Mother Teresa, or a political party would accept the idea that our planet should become as barren as the red planet Mars simply because we didn't care enough. You and I, and the kids who arrive later, will be here -- as MTV once put it -- the Sun burns out.

I am pleased by Gov. Jane Dee Hull's release of \$600,000 in state tobacco tax funds to fund the shortfall in Arizona HIV/AIDS services; it's a start.

I guess I need to tell you: I'm a JFK liberal Democrat; we believed we could change the world. I still do; maybe, one of the few. It's fascinating to me that radio talk shows and newspaper columnists in the late 1990s divert us from our primary task: creating a better society. Is there something idiotic about helping America's poor and needy? About protecting the democracy of Thomas Jefferson and so many others? About believing the U.S. Constitution applies to everybody?

Enough politics. Mark Kerr will tell you the latest. I need to talk about more amusing things: Brian's offer --

apparently refused. It was a great idea: underwear night at Boon-Boom's party lounge. This has nothing to do with eroticism; it's quite practical. If you spend the better part of three-to-four hours on a high-energy disco dance floor, you'll drip with sweat. The choice is this: being sedate, or being comfortable. Zoe and I did this; we stripped down to our thongs and bra tops. A little flesh under the flickering lights of the dance floor is hardly a moral issue.

Much more important: are you a good person? Do you keep your commitments? Do you vote? Are you a good neighbor and citizen? If you're rearing children -- adopted or not -- are you a good parent? We adults have responsibilities. Oh well, I hope the next time Brian schedules one of these things, you'll take time out for Dillard's, Macy's or Robinsons-May. They've got cute boxers or others you guys could wear. I know that drag girls have no shame: we're beyond that. We want to entertain you: and you to love us. Brian! An idea. Give us a contest with some cash prizes!

Few have asked me. Certainly not the straight guy in my apartment parking lot 9/21 -- who said, "Girl, come back here!" after I'd left Boom-Boom's and gone shopping at Albertson's for groceries. I want to you to respect yourself. The most important thing in life you can do for yourselves is to find someone you can trust: I love flirting, it's fun; costs you nothing; but faithfulness, Gay or straight, is the best thing you can do: I wish I had someone. Maybe I'm not qualified to speak. My time is past. Yours is not.

I am not your Barbie; I am your conscience. May I tell you why? The very first things I did upon arriving home early Sunday was to strip off those go-go boots and mini-skirt, replacing them with denim shorts and girl flats.

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SEC Empowers Shareholders Continued from Page One

which had previously succeeded with Johnson & Johnson and other corporations.

The rules of the day required that companies include shareholder proposals relating to employment policy in the proxy statements sent out to all shareholders before the annual meeting, which relatively few shareholders ever actually attend. Instead of doing so, Cracker Barrel asked the advice of SEC staff as to possible consequences if they did not publish the sexual orientation anti-discrimination proposal, and was advised that no action would be taken against them.

That suited Cracker Barrel just fine, and when activists appealed to the SEC, the Commission upheld the staff with a new policy under which civil rights proposals need no longer be included in proxy statements.

That such a so-called "no action" letter from SEC staff could serve to change Commission policy led to a series of legal actions of its own, as the shareholders sued the SEC for failing to follow appropriate procedures, winning at the trial level but losing on appeal. It was a watershed moment that served to chill the kind of shareholder activism which had been so successful in pulling business investment out of then-apartheid South Africa, as just one example.

The SEC continued to further restrict what kinds of shareholder proposals companies were required to publish, leaving employment discrimination against Gays and Lesbians off the list as being the sort of "ordinary business" that didn't merit shareholder consideration. Shareholders continued to file anti-discrimination proposals for companies, but most companies could and did, for all intents and purposes, simply ignore them.

In 1996, growing numbers of increasingly angry people finally forced the SEC to reconsider its position through the National Securities Markets Improve-

ment Act of 1996, setting a deadline of October 11, 1997 for the SEC to report back to the Congress.

Commissioner Steven Wallman was never happy with the SEC's role in the Cracker Barrel controversy, and reliably opposed the series of decisions which stemmed from it. After voting in support of the current proposal, he said, "I must express my dismay at the failure of the Commission to reverse Cracker Barrel. I believe the proposal may not have sufficient benefits for the shareholder community that outweigh the detriments to that community and therefore may not be sufficiently balanced."

In fact, he believes that Cracker Barrel should be reversed as a separate issue from the more general review. "I care about Cracker Barrel because I believe it to be bad public policy, it sends the wrong message as to what the Commission believes is important. I fail to understand why its reversal can only be considered as part of any broader reform."

Wallman's term expired June 5, although he can retain his seat through the end of 1998, and while he had been committed to seeing the changes introduced - which appears unlikely to occur in time to alter proxy statements for 1998 - he has also said that he would leave when a replacement was named. It may be no coincidence that it was the very day of the vote that President Clinton officially made two nominations to the SEC (which has been operating with one of its five positions empty since mid-1994): Clinton Senate liaison Paul Carey and Senate Banking Committee securities counsel Laura Unger. Both require Senate confirmation.

Public comment (which should reference File No. S7-25-97) may be submitted to Chairman Arthur Levitt, Securities and Exchange Commission, Judiciary Plaza, 450 5th Street, NW, Washington, DC 20549; phone (202) 942-4150.

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It has occurred to me that Jesus treats us in a similar manner. When we mess up (sin) in our lives, there is nothing we can do to fix it, but "if we confess our sins, he is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness." (1 John 1:9) In other words, Jesus closes the file and doesn't

save our sins! In fact, "As far as the east is from the west, so far has he removed our transgressions from us." (Psalm 103:12) Jesus is only "delete" key!

Are there things in your life that you want to "close" and not "save?" Do you want to begin again on your existing file (a relationship with Jesus that you have walked away from when it seemed that it had been ruined). Or maybe you would like to pen a new file (begin a new relationship with Jesus by accepting him as your Savior) with a clean page. Wherever you are, Jesus will meet you there. He loves you just where you are, but he doesn't want to leave you there alone. He wants to bring you close to where he is!



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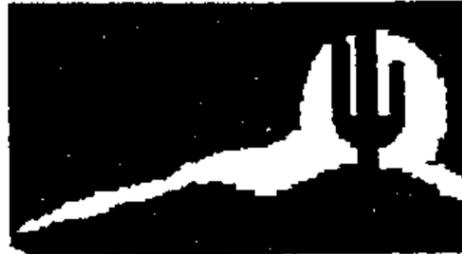
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by Dr. Eleazar Garcia

¿Qué tal? Se les saluda con muchas ganas de que todo "les este saliendo" como ustedes desean, y desde luego se les desea mucho éxito en todo lo que esten desarrollando, recuerden que "lo que se haga, hay que hacerlo bien" y siempre tratar de ser el mejor... Y siempre hay que pensar positivamente...

Según José Flores, director de la colección Salud Integrada, dice: "Muchas personas, ante una enfermedad grave, empiezan a tomar conciencia de que deben hacer algo, de que los primeros responsables de su mal son ellos mismos, de que la mejor manera de curarse es buscar un sentido trascendente a sus vidas, una energía vital interior". Y algunos médicos opinan que esa búsqueda la ofrece la fe. Esta opinión no responde a ningún dogma, sino al análisis de los centenares de estudios realizados sobre la conexión entre la espiritualidad y la salud. En 1995, un experimento realizado en el Dartmouth-Hitchcock Medical Center de los Estados Unidos, demostró una relación directa entre el grado de religiosidad de 232 pacientes de cirugía coronaria y sus posibilidades de recuperación. Los agnósticos presentaron una tasa de mortalidad tres veces superior a los creyentes. En el mismo sentido, otro reciente trabajo ha demostrado que los individuos que asisten regularmente a misa tienen la presión arterial más equilibrada y que, incluso, presentan la mitad de riesgo de padecer enfermedades coronarias.

En 1996, un informe del Centro Nacional del Envejecimiento estadounidense entre 4,000 ancianos encontró que aquellos que asisten a misa sufren menos depresiones y están más sanos que los que no lo hacen o reciben los sacramentos en casa. Otros trabajos han relacionado la oración con el alivio de ciertos males, como el asma, la ansiedad e incluso algunas enfermedades del sistema inmunológico. No hay duda la fe puede ser una fuente de fuerza vital. El polémico médico de Harvard; Herbert Benson, investigador sobre la conexión entre el cuerpo y la mente; dice: "nuestro código genético está construido para que creamos en algo superior a nosotros. La evolución nos ha equipado así de un mecanismo de defensa con el que hacer frente a una característica exclusiva de los seres humanos; la angustia por nuestra propia mortalidad; La oración actúa bajo los mismos fundamentos bioquímicos que la relajación: afecta a las hormonas del estrés y otras sustancias que reducen la presión sanguínea y equilibran el ritmo cardíaco y respiratorio"... Lo cierto es que la fe funciona como un impulso vital, como una energía de efectos a veces espectaculares, pero nada sobrenaturales. Pero, mientras la ciencia no demuestre lo contrario, creer en una energía vital sobrenatural, en milagros y nuevas eras seguirá siendo un acto de fe al que todos,

eso sí, tenemos derecho...

Para complementar lo anterior; No hay ninguna duda de que una de las fuentes más activas de energía vital es el buen humor y, en particular, su manifestación más evidente: la risa. Estos son algunos datos:

● Carcajearse pone en funcionamiento algunos mecanismos del placer, como la secreción de dopamina, serotonina y noradrenalina...

● Se ha demostrado que la risa estimula la circulación sanguínea, la respiración y la oxigenación del cuerpo.

● Las personas que más se ríen generan mayor cantidad de sustancias impulsoras de nuestra respuesta inmunológica, como las inmunoglobulinas A.

● Los niños aprenden más y a mayor velocidad si se les educa en un ambiente distendido que favorezca la risa y la comunicación...

Un mensaje para los padres e hijos: "Por severo que sea un padre juzgando a su hijo, nunca es tan severo como un hijo juzgando a su padre". Enrique J. Poncela (1901-1952)

Por hoy es todo, le esperamos la próxima semana, D. M.

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

September is Hispanic Heritage Month

September 25 Noche Latina moves from Tuesday to Thursdays Stonewall 9 p.m. to 1 a.m.

September 27 Noche Latina Grand Opening Stonewall 9 p.m. to 1 a.m.

Birthday Celebration for Scott. Party given by Karina Montenegro. Proceeds benefit Salud es Poder. 8525 E. Fairmount. Party begins at 9 p.m.

October 3 Noche Latina featuring variety show at 10:30 p.m. Boom Boom's Dance Club 9 p.m. to 1 a.m.

October 12 Second Annual Mr Gay Latino - Tucson 1997 Pageant 8 p.m. Dance party from 10:30 to 1 a.m. Boom Boom's Dance Club 7 pm. to 1 a.m.

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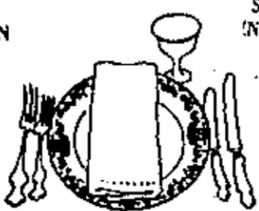
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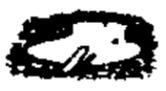
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HOME ON THE RANGE WITH AGRA-TUCSON
by Scott Weidamoyer

Hey Tucson! What a weekend!

I would like to thank all of you who helped us make this year's Chili Verde Days weekend a great success.

Special thanks goes out to Jeff and the staff of the Stonewall/Eagle for helping the weekend go so smoothly. Y'all are great!

To all of those who volunteered, and attended, thank you as well. For those who missed us this year, we had great entertainment and I would like to publicly thank the following people:

To Felice Renard: thank you for helping us all weekend you are the greatest, not to mention great looking as well. Your support on and off the stage is greatly appreciated.

To our live vocalists: Billy D., Eryk Benjamin, Holly, Vangie and all of the others that sang for us thank you as well. It is nice to know that the Good Lord above blessed some of us with a live, vocal talent.

To all of our other impersonators/entertainers: Victoria DuPuis, you skinny little bitch. Selena, where did you put it all? You go honey! Regina Reed, all that and a bag o'chips girl!

I may have left a few of you out, and I apologize, but to you all, I can't thank you enough. On a personal note, I would like to thank Misty Malone for making me look beautiful on Sunday night. Thank you for your time and effort on such short notice. I owe you one!

A reminder . . . the rodeo we put on is for the benefit of the community! All profits AGRA-Tucson make at the rodeo is donated back to the community non-profit organizations! Therefore we need your support! We are truly a good cause for the community.

It has been a very busy week with the PR Committee, we have all of the finishing touches on the 1998 Saguaro Regional Rodeo Poster and it looks great! Thanks to Raul for all of his help and input on the poster as well as spending the entire day with me on Saturday cutting, pasting and copying. Rulie, you are the best! Thanks again! The tri-fold is also complete and ready to go to print.

We have the caravans ready, and we are getting packed . . . there will be very good representation in San Diego this week as GSGRA San Diego hosts their rodeo. So I should have a lot of great gossip for next week. Stay tuned.

Here are a few upcoming rodeos that you may be interested in taking part in:

- San Diego, CA - September 25-28. Atlantic Stampede - Washington, DC - October 3-5. IGRA Finals Rodeo - Phoenix - October 23-26. Texas Gay Rodeo - Houston, TX - November 6-9. Road Runner Regional Rodeo - Phoenix - January 16-18, 1998.

Until next week, keep your pride and always play safe in the saddle.

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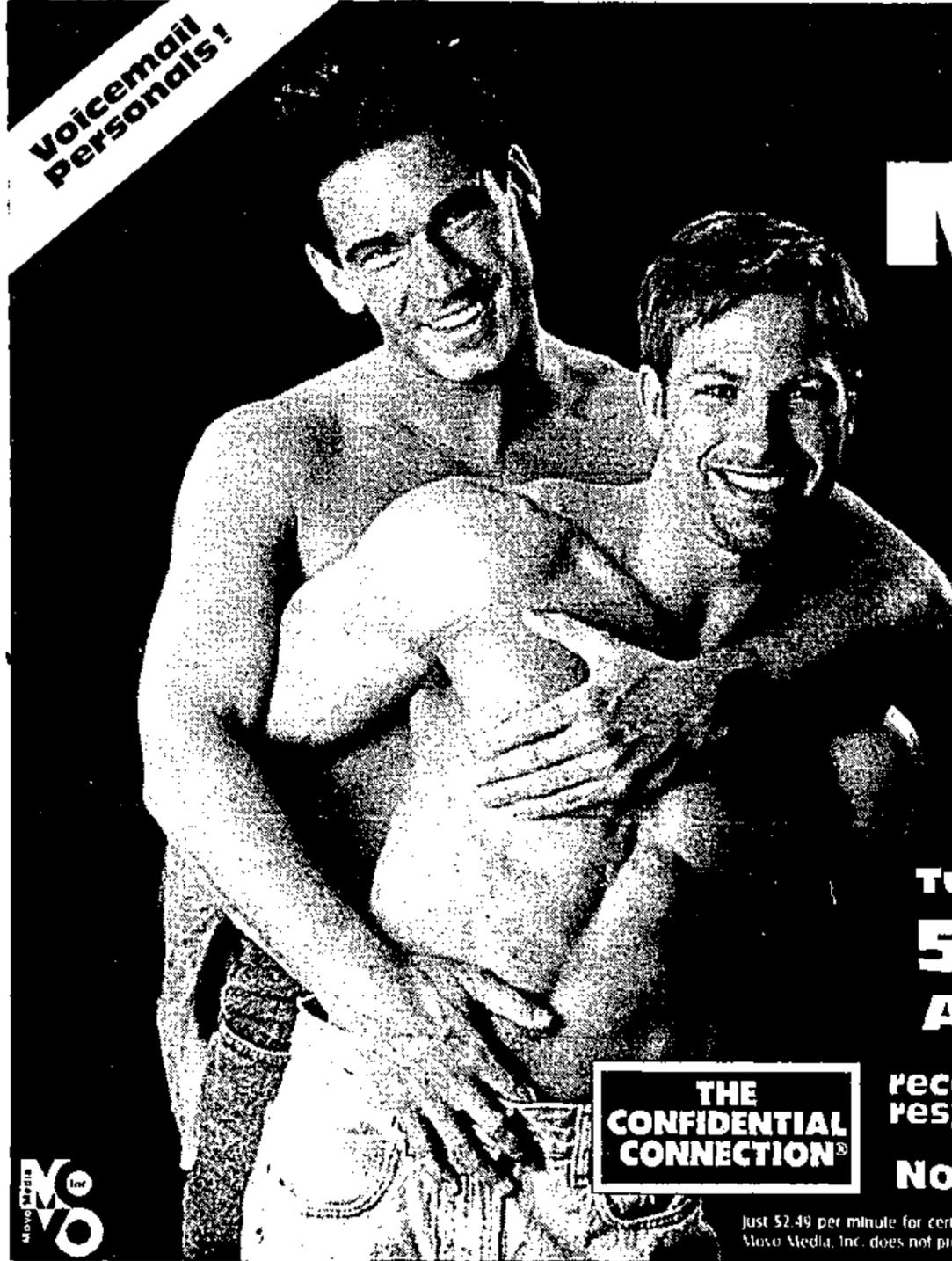


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cretion make the same requirements of first-time offenders.

The law its legislative sponsor Bill Hoge (R-Pasadena) called the toughest anti-crime measure in the country" sailed through the legislature in 1996 -- with openly Lesbian Democratic Assembly members Sheila Kuehl and Carole Migden almost its only outspoken opponents there.

-- and was signed by Republican Governor Pete Wilson a year ago.

It's one of the more horrific excesses of the worldwide anti-molestation hysteria: as Bill Andriette of "The Guide" magazine pointed out, the bill makes it possible (for a first offense) or even mandatory (for a second offense) to impose the castration penalties on a 13-year-old male who has consensual oral sex with a 12-year-old male.

By contrast, the homophobic bias in the bill is such that adult men who have vaginal sex with females under the age of 13 are not subject to the castration penalties.

The California Psychiatric Association opposed the law for lack of evidence that castration would actually diminish the likelihood of sex crime recidivism. The so-called chemical castration is usually performed with Depo Provera -- in 50 times the dosage used for female birth control which had already raised widespread concerns about myriad side-effects and possible contributions to cancer -- although the Food and Drug Administration has not approved the drug's use for this purpose.

Both the Michigan and Montana state Supreme Courts have already rejected mandated use of Depo Provera as constitutionally cruel and unusual punishment.

Politics

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Judge Bernado Velasco is still waiting. Grace McIlvain, the Board of Supervisors attorney defending their vote, is still waiting. Pima County employees who signed up for medical and dental benefits for their "domestic partners" and their children, are still waiting.

We are all still waiting! . . .

So it goes for now kids!

Scientists Defend Ethics Of AIDS Research

WESTPORT, CT (RNS) -- Several top U.S. AIDS experts have refuted a recent editorial in the New England Journal of Medicine that condemned U.S. research on pregnant women with HIV conducted in developing countries.

The Journal's editorial compared the trials, which are designed to uncover less costly alternatives to AZT to treat women in poorer nations, to the Tuskegee syphilis study.

National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases Director Anthony Fauci stated: "To even in the same paragraph bring up Tuskegee is beyond my comprehension." In addition, NIH's William Paul—who said he feels "passionate" about the subject—is concerned that the rising debate could halt the trials and deny lifesaving treatment to numerous women and children.

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| Erratica II | 4.0 | 4.0 |
| Tres Amigos | 3.5 | 4.5 |
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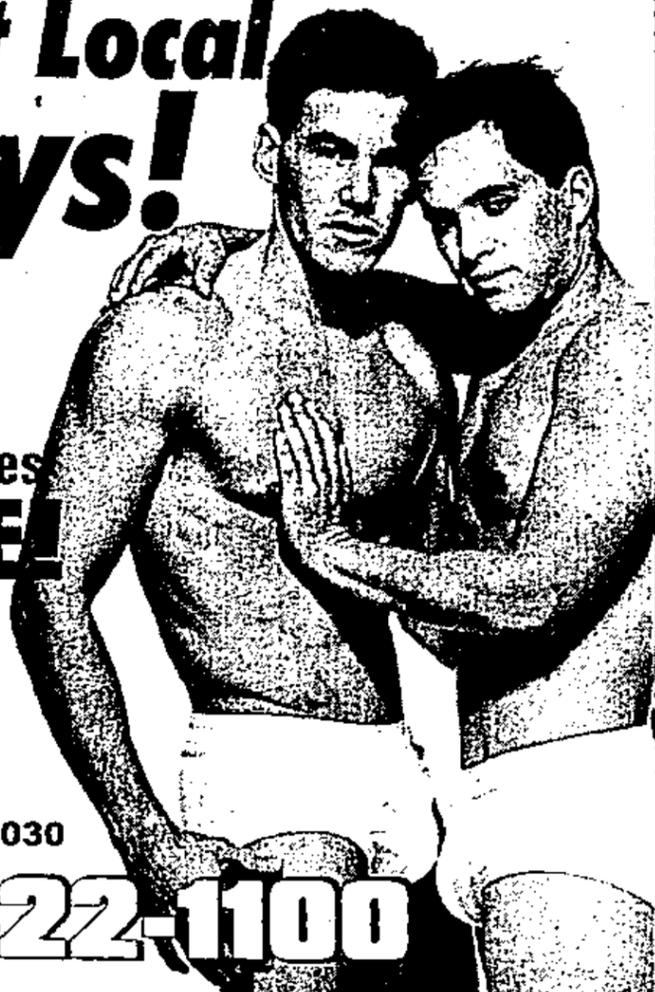
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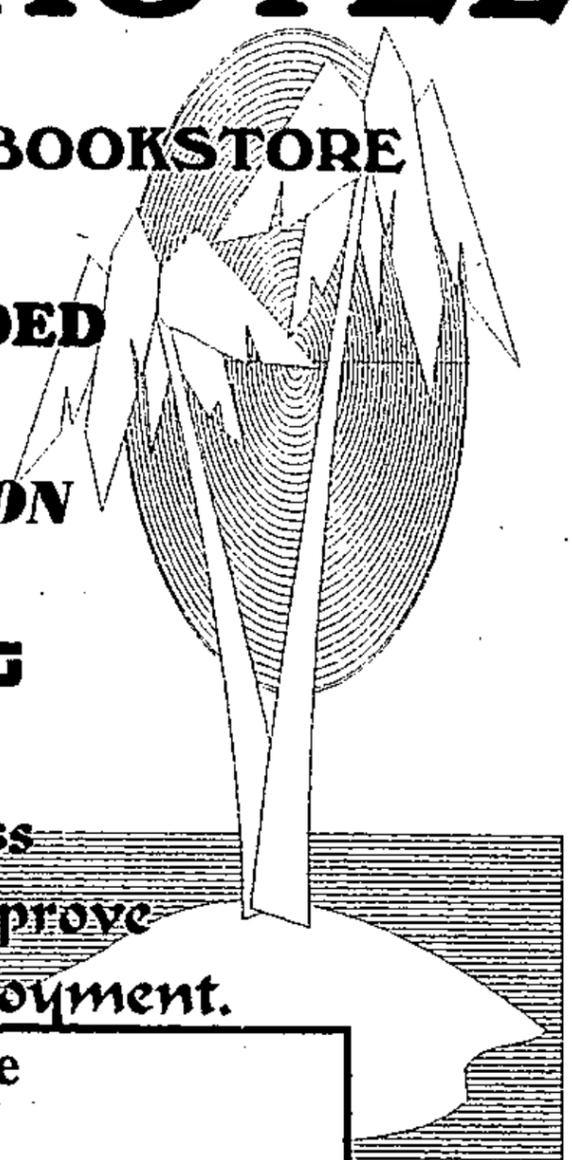
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This week, the Sun moves from Virgo, the sign of charitable service and quiet devotion, to Libra, the sign of diplomacy and balance. Let's take a serious look at where we are going in this life and how we can make the most of our personal role in the world.

ARIES

MARCH 21 - APRIL 20

Gay Rams are advised to review and revise their one-on-one relationships when the Sun moves from Virgo to Libra. Connection, compromise and understanding are the keystones of successful partnerships but the dominance of the Aries personality sometimes overshadows these attributes. Preemptive royalty is no longer in fashion, dear. Create a true democracy.

TAURUS

APRIL 21 - MAY 21

You can run but you can't hide, proud Bull. The Sun moves from Virgo to Libra and accentuates active involvement in labor intensive activities. This solar transit creates a sense of duty and a yearning to be of service to the ill, the less fortunate and the vulnerable. There is no emotional tie to this however; the fact is there is work to be done and you are the one to do it.

GEMINI

MAY 22 - JUNE 21

Creativity and abundance highlight the energy of the Sun in your chart. Proud Twins must use this time to put a new twist on the old theme of personal versus public enrichment. Auctioning off beautiful clothes for charity is a good example of the possibilities of this Sun transit, but even us commonfolk in our K-mart togs can do our bit. Use your imagination.

CANCER

JUNE 22 - JULY 23

Cancer is the sign of home, nurture and safety. Now, with the Sun moving from Virgo to Libra, the solar energy heating up your sense of self accentuates these birth-based issues. It is time to put aside day-to-day static and listen to your inner dictates. There are those that cannot avoid the media glare, but you can bloom in the privacy of your world.

LEO

JULY 24 - AUGUST 23

Sun in Libra holds a certain sway over the fiercely independent Gay Lion. It's power radiates and undulates in all aspects of your communications whether verbal, written or demonstrated. It is said that actions speak louder and prouder than words, but this transit strengthens all ways and means. Use this energy to melt hard hearts and expand Gay outreach and opinion.

VIRGO

AUGUST 24 - SEPTEMBER 23

Having all the money in the world does not guarantee happiness or fulfillment. It doesn't even guarantee personal safety. . . The Sun moves into Libra and demands accountability and balance in the lives of Gay Virgos. Put your money and possessions to better use than defining your place in high society. The bottom line is that enrichment begins deep in the soul, not the wallet.

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LIBRA

SEPTEMBER 24 - OCTOBER 23

As the Sun moves into your own sign, use the entire 32-day transit period to review the tenor of your place in the world. Everything you do and say has greater impact because the Sun pushes you into the spotlight and demands a picture perfect performance. Don't panic cousin; displaying vulnerabilities can be ennobling as long as you take an active role in conquering them.

SCORPIO

OCTOBER 24 - NOVEMBER 22

The Sun moves from Virgo to Libra and accentuates selfless service to those less fortunate, especially the ill and infirmed. This energy goes beyond writing a check to a worthy AIDS organization or hospice; it demands physical action and hands-on intervention. Tap into the strength of this Sun placement by making a discernable difference in our community.

SAGITTARIUS

NOVEMBER 23 - DECEMBER 22

Friendly Gay Archers can benefit from the movement of the Sun from Virgo to Libra. This transit highlights your ability to reach out to all stratum of society and create a sense of affirmation and enrichment. If you do one thing in this transit, smash the barriers of societal ignorance with a strong but compassionate public display. The title of "Queen of Hearts" is taken. Go for "Queen of Clubs."

CAPRICORN

DECEMBER 23 - JANUARY 20

Sun in Libra highlights your interactions with those with a higher authority and sovereignty. Gay Goats can use this intense solar transit to mold the power structure and make it more relevant and less threatening in their lives. Who knows? After the hail storm, you may find yourself on top of the heap and calling the shots. Ain't life ironic, kids?

AQUARIUS
 JANUARY 21 - FEBRUARY 19
 Aquerians feel the impact of Sun in Libra when they decide to tackle a global issue or travel to a new, exotic destination. Your voice is carried to the far reaches of the earth so make yourself loudly and proudly heard while the strong solar energy provides the microphone. You are the humanitarian of the zodiac; make the best of the next 32 days by fulfilling your destiny.

PISCES

FEBRUARY 20 - MARCH 20

Sun in Libra illuminates the dark corners of the soul and demands that you clean out the cobwebs of your closet. How can we meaningfully interact with others if we ignore our own complexities and motivations? Thankfully, the Sun is a strong moral force in this illuminating pursuit; you have four weeks to savor the full intensity. Show them what you're made of.

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THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 18

IBT'S - "Cruise in your Underwear" Nite. Sign up to win a cruise on RSVP's March '98 cruise on the Mexican Riviera. The fun starts at 9:00 p.m. Special drink prices for those in their underwear.

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 19

STONEWALL/EAGLE - Kick-off for Chili Verde Day hosted by AGRA.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 20

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SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 28

IBT'S - Sunday benefit All-You-Can-Eat Bar-B-Que 4:30 to 7:00 p.m. to benefit Tucson Lesbian/Gay Alliance followed by the TLGA Show to benefit the "OUToberFEST Picnic". Starring Shaundria, Felice Renard, Christina de Alexis, Lani, Vanilla Starr, Tatiana Ladanova with the live vocals of Lani and Rotand. 9:00 p.m.

STONEWALL/EAGLE - Tumabout! Come see your favorite bartenders explore their feminine side. All proceeds to benefit THAN. Show starts at 9:00 p.m. sharp!

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 1

IBT'S - 9:00 p.m. The Girlie Show hosted by Larry Moore and featuring Celia Putty, Truly Fabu, Regina Reed and Tatiana Ladanova.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 4

NEON MOON - Grand opening celebration for Tucson's newest night spot. Party with Star Traxx hosted by Larry Moore and starring Kenneth Blake, Felice Renard, Ajia Simona, Truly Fabu and Kirko-Rama. Free hot dogs and happy hour prices until closing. Stop by and check out Tucson's only Gay eastside watering hole.

FRI-SAT-SUN, OCTOBER 10-11-12

HOURS - It's the 7th Anniversary for HOURS Make it on over and join in on the celebration.

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 10

HOURS - 6:00 p.m. "Promo Night" with all of HOURS' vendors participating all night long. Drink specials, give-aways, etc.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 11

HOURS - The anniversary party continues. Come dance the night away at the big party.

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 12

HOURS - Finishing off the big anniversary weekend with some country dance instructions, dancing, pool tournaments and fun.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 18

BOOM BOOMS - 1st annual "HI N-R-G" Dance Pavilion during the Gay Pride Picnic "OUToberFEST '97". The latest club mixes by DJ Raymond, entertainment by The Playgirtz and free give-aways. See you there.

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Non-Bar CALENDAR

NOW PLAYING

Panoramic Productions, Tucson's newest non-profit theater company presents "Baby Love" by Paul S. MacWhorter. It's a story of Laura Denning who decides to have a baby through artificial insemination at the urging of her lesbian roommate Veronica. After several 'interviews' Aaron shows up and Laura rents her attic room and proceeds to seduce him for his 'donation'. Sept. 25-27. Oct. 2-4 at 7:30 p.m. at the Tucson Center for Performing Arts, 408 S. 6th Ave. Tickets are \$10 general seating at the door or in advance at Antigone Books.

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 24

1. Men's Social Network (Gay men of all ages; guests always welcome). 1:00 p.m. Our monthly Lunch Out takes us to the Blue Willow. This popular spot is gay friendly and has good food. For reservations and directions, please call John at 615-1366 by Monday, September 22.

2. 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 782-4224.

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 25

Men's Social Network (Gay men of all ages; guests always welcome). 7:00 p.m.ish The Movie Out for the month will (hopefully) be "In and Out." This movie stars Kevin Kline and is about a teacher who is outed by a former student while receiving an award. If this movie is not in Tucson yet, we will choose a different one. For movie time and theater location, please call Lex at 690-9565 after September 19.

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 26

Book reading at Antigone Books, 411 N. 4th Ave by Tucson author Patricia Lucas from her new book "Desperada-Desperada". This humorous tale is set in fictional twin cities on the Mexican/U.S. border where a group of eccentric women wrestle with corrupt politicians to take back control of their tricultural area. A brief question and answer period will follow and refreshments will be served.

Cronies Social Club Movie Night. This classic oldie is "Roxie Hart" a 1942 Ginger Rogers spoof of 1920s Chicago journalism. Call Lex at 624-6768 for RSVP and directions.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 27

Man's Social Network (Gay men of all ages; guests always welcome). 6:30 p.m. A video double feature offers two very different, but touching films. The first movie is "Any Mother's Son," the recent Lifetime Channel movie about a mother's coming to terms with the death of her gay son who was killed by his own navy shipmates. The second feature of the evening (shown at 8:30) is the delightful comedy-drama "Muriel's Wedding." Ugly duckling Muriel dreams of married life, but can't seem to pull hers together. What's a poor girl to do? For reservations and directions to one or both movies, please call Lex at 690-9565.

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 28

1. Men's Social Network (Gay men of all ages; guests always welcome). 10:00 a.m. Join us for a gay family outing as we visit the Reid Park Zoo. The zoo is compact and filled with good displays, so come with a bunch of gay guys to check out the animals. For reservations and details, please call Doug at 616-7158.

2. Men's Social Network (Gay men of all ages; guests always welcome). 12:30 p.m. After the zoo outing, a bunch of the guys will head over to El Torero for lunch. If you'd like to join us, please call Doug for reservations at 616-7158.

3. 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.

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 5

Guest speaker Peggy Campolo, to visit Cornerstone Fellowship. Come worship and hear the testimony of this very special woman of God.

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 8

Karen Ann Edwards of "High Praise Ministry" in concert at Cornerstone Fellowship. Join the congregation for an evening of praise and fellowship with one another.



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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. \$1.25 small pitchers of Bud or Miller. Happy Hour 4-8. DJ at 9. Bump & grind dance music 11-1 & \$1.75 pints of Fosters.

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 8-8-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.

NEON MOON - Open 2pm. Party with Stan mixing your favorite drinks. STONEWALL/EAGLE - Open noon. Beer Bust 2-7pm \$1 Pitchers, 50¢ a glass. Free hamburgers 4-7 Pool Tourney with Zipperman. Karaoke Night, drink specials to singers.

VENTURE-N - Open 10 a.m. Backside Beer Bust 3-6pm 50¢ draft. 301 Dart Tournament 5pm \$3 entry fee. Bert Burgers 5-7, Tuff Stuff Tool 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 - Open 4pm. Happy Hour 4-8pm. \$1 pints of domestic 8-close. Dance party after football.

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 8pm-1am. All drink specials not available during special events.

NEON MOON - Open 4pm. Happy hour 4-7. Check for drink specials. STONEWALL/EAGLE - Open 2pm. 2-4-1 Well & Domestic 2-6pm. 50¢ draft 6-9pm. Service Industry Nite: 1/2 price drinks for those in service industry. Monday Night Football and Ooc's Dart's at 8:30. Free pool all day.

VENTURE-N - 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 5pm 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 domestics \$1 Cocksucker 9-close. DJ at 9.

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 8pm.

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. NEON MOON - happy Hour 4-7pm. Karaoke with Sissy D.

STONEWALL/EAGLE - Open 2pm. Happy Hour til 8pm. 2-4-1 Well & Domestic 2-6pm. 50¢ draft 6-9. Salsa Nite: \$1.75 Corona, \$1.75 Tequila Gold.

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-1.

BOOM-BOOMS - Happy Hour 4-8pm. Hi-NRG dance music with Raymond at 9. \$1.50 White Well 9pm to close.

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

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.

NEON MOON - Happy Hour 4-7. Retro Dance Music all evening. STONEWALL/EAGLE - Open 2pm. Happy Hour til 8pm. 2-4-1 Well & Domestic 2-6pm. 50¢ Draft 6-9pm. Karaoke Nite: Drink Specials to singers.

VENTURE-N - Open 6am Draft Beer 75¢ 6am-8pm. Cuevo Gold \$2 all daylong. Happy Hour Prices 6am-8pm. Backside open 5pm-close. Tuff Stuff Tool open 8:30pm.

Thursday

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

BOOM-BOOMS - Playgirtz Cabaret Show at 9:30 in the "Other" Room \$1.50 Dark Well 9pm to close. HI NRG Dance Music at 9 with Raymond.

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-8pm \$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.

NEON MOON - Open 4pm. Happy Hour 4-7pm. Drink specials all night STONEWALL/EAGLE - Open 2pm. Happy Hour til 8pm. 2-4-1 Well & Domestic 2-6pm. 50¢ draft 6-9pm. Naughty Bodies Male Dance Revue 10:30pm.

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 Tool open 8:30pm

Friday

AIN'T NOBODY'S BIZNESS - Happy Hour 2-7, 2for1 well or domestic beer. Free pool 2-4. Complimentary Hors d'Oeuvres. Michael spins hi energy dance music 8:30 to close. Drink specials every 1/2 hour.

BOOM-BOOMS - Happy Hour 4-8pm. Latin Dance Party in the "Other" Room at 9pm. Dance Party with Raymond in the main bar at 9.

GRADUATE - Open 9am. Happy Hour 4-8pm, all well \$1.50 domestic \$1.75. 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 9-1. Dance Party 9 to 1 with DJ David Z. All drink specials not available during special events.

NEON MOON - Open 2pm. Happy Hour 4-7. Hot dance music. STONEWALL/EAGLE - Open 2pm. Happy Hour til 8pm. 2-4-1 Domestic and Well 2-6pm. Hora d'Oeuvres 5pm. Beer Bust 6-9pm \$1 pitchers 50¢ glass, 2-4-1 Well & Domestic 9-11pm. Wear a Stonewall/Eagle T-shirt and 1/2 price all night.

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

Saturday

AIN'T NOBODY'S BIZNESS - Pool Tourney. Pot matched, 1st: 70%, 2nd: 20%, 3rd: 10%. Michael spins hi energy dance music from 8:30pm to 1am. Drink specials every 1/2 hour.

BOOM-BOOMS - Happy Hour 4-8pm. Country/Western Danced in the "Other" room at 9:30 with lessons starting at 8pm. Dance to the latest club mixes in the main bar 9pm to close.

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 Daquiris, 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.

NEON MOON - Open 2pm. Happy Hour 4-7. Hot dance music. STONEWALL/EAGLE - Open noon. Happy Hour til 8pm. Hora d'Oeuvres 4pm. Free Pool all day. Student nite: Students drink 1/2 price all nite long.

VENTURE-N - Open 6am. 8 Nites & Bagels w/1 Bloody Marys 6am-noon. Happy Hour Prices 6am-8pm. Backside open 5pm-close. Tuff Stuff Tool Opens at 8:30pm.

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SOUTHERN ARIZONA AIDS FOUNDATION (SAAF), 151 S. Tucson Blvd., Suite 211 (The Broadmeor 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.

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.

FRONT RUNNERS OF TUCSON meet for fun runs Tuesdays at 8 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

DESERT VOICES, Tucson's Gay & Lesbian Chorus rehearses Monday evenings from 8:30 to 9:30pm at Armory Park Senior Center, 220 S. 6th Ave. Call 791-0662.

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 573-8600 or write P.O. Box 36264, Tucson, AZ 85740-6264. All replies confidential.

Join the LESBIAN & GAY PUBLIC AWARENESS PROJECT. In Tucson write Awareness Project, 3681 N. Campbell Ave. #365, Tucson, AZ 85719.

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

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

YOUNG AND GAY

Lesbian and Gay youth 21 and under, meet every Saturday in Tucson for sharing, support and information. Meetings are held at 300 E. 6th Street from 3 to 5 pm. You are not alone. For more info call Wingspan, 624-1779.

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 690-9565 for information and a newsletter. Check the Mon-Bar Calendar in the Observer.

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, 300 E. 6th St.

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

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

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.

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

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 322-6226.

GAY DR 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.

"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.

WINGSPIRIT - 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.

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

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.

BISEXUAL INFORMATION/SUPPORT GROUP for women and men. Meetings 1st & 3rd Wednesdays at 7:00 p.m. at Wingspan, 300 E. 6th St. 624-1779.

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

GAY VOLLEYBALL ON SATURDAYS. Competitive play. BB or better players only. Grass court Northwest corner Himmel Park 10:00 a.m. Check it out!

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

THE MEN'S MESSAGE 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.

LESBIAN SUPPORT GROUP addressing a full spectrum of issues, problems and situations. Meetings 2nd & 4th Wednesday 7 to 8:30 p.m. at Wingspan, 300 E. 6th St. 624-1779.

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, 1046 E. Lee St. at 7:30 p.m. For more information call the parish office at 327-6015 or Jane Parr at 326-8577.

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

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

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.

TUCSON LESBIAN/GAY ALLIANCE (TLGA) meets every third Thursday at Wingspan, 300 E. 6th Street at 7pm.

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

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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.

TITHAN, a coalition of churches and synagogues committed to providing a compassionate response to the HIV crisis, provides HIV education in congregational settings, volunteer Care Teams to support HIV+ persons, a referral network of HIV-sensitive clergy, and interfaith services of healing and hope. For more information call 299-6847.

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

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 party away from Tucson. Call 797-3118 for more information and a membership bio.

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, Cortez, AZ 85652.

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COCHISE COUNTY LESBIANS AND GAYS. P.O. Box 818, Bisbee, AZ 85803 / (602)432-5591. Rap Group, Youth Group, Social and Political Events.

CATHOLIC GAY/LESBIAN SUPPORT GROUP meets every 3rd Monday at St. Pius X Catholic Church, 1800 N. Camino Pio Decimo in the Kino Room at 7:00 p.m. For more info call Ernie 721-2003 or Anna Marie at the Parish office 885-3573.

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

COCAINE ANONYMOUS "The Fruits of Sobriety" particularly for Gays and Lesbians (but everyone is welcome) meets every Tuesday night at 7:30 p.m. at the MCC Church, 3269 N. Mountain. Hotline: (320)326-2211

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.

NORTHWEST CATHOLIC GAY/LESBIAN SUPPORT GROUP meets every 4th Monday at St. Odilia's Catholic Church, 7570 N. Paseo Del Norte in the Parish Hall Conference Room (Bldg. North of the Church) at 7:30 p.m. For more info call Mary 287-9602 or Sr. Joan 742-8900.

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

SMART (Self Management And Recovery Training) a free non-12-step self-help alternative for people working to overcome addictive and other emotional problems meets in Tucson Monday thru Thursdays at different locations. For more information about SMART, contact Brenda at 884-9920, Ext.448 or Emmett 322-8057 (evett@ix.netcom.com)

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

FACE TO FACE - HIV+Social Organization. Meet new friends. Call Dale at 320-9106 for information.

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. Etk 581-8850 or Room 968-2384.

PERSONALS

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

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

HUNG TOPS & HOT BOTTOMS. Come play on Tucson's Voice Personals! (520) 622-1700 FREE code 3032. 690

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. Geranium (near 1st Ave. and Laguna). Open to All. Call Jeff or Art (520)782-9133.

CYBER CRUISE - Meet Arizona Gay men and women as well as people all over the U.S. Gay site: www.moves.com 689

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ATTENTION - ATTENTION - ATTENTION Si eres hombre que tiene sexo con otros hombres y quieres ayudarnos a extender y apoyar los programas para Los Latinos, Reunite para una entrevista exclusivamente confidencial al 322-6226 y pregunta por Ernesto. 690

MALE MEN: Long-haired Gay male personal network. Photo, 3 IRC's to join. Box 231, Station B, Ottawa, CANADA, K1P8C4

GAY & LESBIAN SPIRITUALITY GROUP of St. Phillips in the Pima Episcopal Church meets first and third Mondays. Call David, 323-7843 for more information.

"AT EASE AGAIN", a men's discussion group meets at Wingspan at 7 p.m. every Tuesday. 600 E. 6th St.

If you are a Latino man who is having sex with other men and you want to help us to support and expand our programs for Latinos, call for a confidential interview at 322-6226 and ask for Ernie. 680

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