



## Christian Coalition Denied Tax Exempt Status

WASHINGTON, DC (SPT) — The Internal Revenue Service has ruled that the Christian Coalition is not entitled to tax-exempt status, forcing the once-vaunted political powerhouse to split into two entities and be "dramatically reshaped," officials close to the group said.

The move was hailed by a stream of progressive American civil rights organizations that have long accused the group as nothing more than a booster for conservatives in the Republican Party.

"It's about time," said the Rev. Barry W. Lynn, executive director of Americans United for the Separation of Church and State. "The Christian Coalition is a hardball political machine that has been masquerading as a tax-exempt group. The IRS has finally pulled off the mask."

The IRS first denied tax-exempt status to the group last year in a ruling kept under wraps pending final appeal. The Christian Coalition was notified recently, however, it would lose its appeal, prompting frantic reorganization.

Christian Coalition spokesman Mike Russell would not confirm the IRS ruling, but said the group had planned to split into two entities "for some time." From the ashes of the old Coalition will emerge Christian Coalition International, a group devoted exclusively to partisan political activity, and the Christian Coalition of America.

"The new Christian Coalition International will operate much like a for-profit corporation, allowed to engage in partisan activity, endorse candidates and give candidate contributions," Russell said. He added the new entity will likely form a political action committee and open overseas chapters.

"The Christian Coalition of America will continue to be a force in American politics and will remain a prominent fixture on the political landscape as the nation's number one pro-family, pro-life organization," Christian Coalition founder and president Pat Robertson said in a written statement.

Despite the face-saving rhetoric, the IRS decision is a major blow to what was once the most feared political lobbying group in the country. The announcement continued a slide begun in 1996, following President Clinton's re-election. Since then the Coalition has experienced a dramatic fall-off in its ability to raise money and influence national policy.

The IRS decision ends months of internal debate at the organization. Robertson has been urged since last year to form a for-profit political organization but he refused. Leading advisers in the organization feared a negative ruling from the IRS would damage the group's reputation among social conservatives who expect the coalition to abide by the law.

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## Federal Judge Okays G/L Only DP Benefits

NEW YORK, NY (NP) — Employers do not illegally discriminate on the basis of gender when they exclude unmarried heterosexual partners from spousal benefit plans open to same-gender couples, a federal judge ruled in Manhattan.

U.S. District Court Judge Robert Patterson, Jr found that phone giant Bell Atlantic's policy did not violate Title VII of the Civil Rights Act's prohibition against discrimination "on the basis of sex," because males and females who are "similarly situated" are treated the same, and only heterosexual couples have the option of marrying in order to qualify.

An appeal is likely on what is believed to be only the second federal court ruling on this issue.

Patterson wrote, "A woman with a female domestic partner is differently situated from [the male] plaintiff in material respects because under current law, she, unlike plaintiff, is unable to marry her partner." The ruling continued, "This difference in the ability to marry, which does not bear on the quality or stability of the relationship, is material in the context

of a compensation plan which grants benefits to employees' chosen partners. NYNEX's policy of distinguishing between unmarried opposite-sex couples and unmarried same-sex couples reflects and remedies differences between these persons which are material in this particular context, and does not discriminate between similarly situated men and women."

Veteran NYNEX cable splicer Paul Foray filed his \$485,000 lawsuit against NYNEX' parent Bell Atlantic in May 1998, seeking for his female domestic partner, Jeanine Muntzner, the "eligible dependent" benefits of medical, dental and vision care that NYNEX extended to its employees' same-gender domestic partners in 1996. Foray and Muntzner met the criteria established for Gay and Lesbian domestic partners to qualify.

Among the attorneys representing Foray was Los Angeles lawyer Thomas F. Coleman, executive director of the American Association for Single People, who said the decision was an insult to unmarried workers across the U.S. and declared he would file an appeal.

## President Issues First Ever G/L Pride Month Proclamation



File Photo By Ira Schwarz - Reuters

By Mark R. Kerr

Historic Places.

WASHINGTON, DC (ON) — President Bill Clinton, on June 11, issued the United States' first ever official proclamation of Gay and Lesbian Pride Month.

During previous Pride celebrations in his tenure as President, Clinton had previously issued informal greetings. The following is the proclamation from The White House, Office of the Press Secretary.

### GAY AND LESBIAN PRIDE MONTH, 1999

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### A PROCLAMATION

"Thirty years ago this month, at the Stonewall Inn in New York City, a courageous group of citizens resisted harassment and mistreatment, setting in motion a chain of events that would become known as the Stonewall Uprising and the birth of the modern Gay and Lesbian civil rights movement. Gays and Lesbians, their families and friends, celebrate the anniversary of Stonewall every June in America as Gay and Lesbian Pride Month; and, earlier this month, the National Park Service added the Stonewall Inn, as well as the nearby park and neighborhood streets surrounding it, to the National Register of

"I am proud of the measures my Administration has taken to end discrimination against Gays and Lesbians and ensure that they have the same rights guaranteed to their fellow Americans. Last year, I signed an Executive order that amends Federal equal employment opportunity policy to prohibit discrimination in the Federal civilian work force based on sexual orientation. We have also banned discrimination based on sexual orientation in the granting of security clearances. As a result of these and other policies, Gay and Lesbian Americans serve openly and proudly throughout the Federal Government. My Administration is also working with congressional leaders to pass the Employment Non-Discrimination Act, which would prohibit most private employers from firing workers solely because of their sexual orientation.

"America's diversity is our greatest strength. But, while we have come a long way on our journey toward tolerance, understanding, and mutual respect, we still have a long way to go in our efforts to end discrimination. During the past year, people across our country have been shaken by violent acts that struck at the heart of what it means to be an American and at the values that have always defined us as a Nation. In 1997, the most recent year for which we have statistics, there were more than 8,000 reported hate crimes in our country - almost one an hour. Now is the

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# UPDATE

## Gay Vet Appointed To Tucson Veteran's Affairs Committee

TUCSON (ON) — Miguel Guzman, organizer of the Tucson Chapter of the Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual Veterans of America (GLBVA), has been appointed to the City of Tucson Veterans Affairs Committee.

This committee meets monthly and advises the Mayor and Council concerning matters of interest to veterans and member organizations.

By no means Guzman's appointment was an easy feat. Many committee members expressed reservations about the appointment, questioning whether Gay and Lesbian veterans needing their own group.

Guzman, a former Specialist-5 in the Army, stated it wasn't the Gay and Lesbian veterans who believed they were different, it was the federal government who branded them different. Guzman received a unanimous recommendation and was approved by the Mayor and Council.

What does Guzman, a national representative for the American Federation of Government Employees, expect to accomplish? "Through participation in the committee and involvement in community events, it will show that Gay, Lesbian and Bisexual veterans are not different, just soldiers who serve and have served their country," he said.

Indeed, in addition to running the Tucson Gay, Lesbian and Bisexual veteran's group, which meets on the fourth Monday of every month, Guzman was recent voted in as First Vice Commander of the American Legion Post 36 in Tucson. He was also asked to serve in their honor guard, which Guzman accepted.

For more information about the Tucson GLBVA, call (520) 889-4076.

## Rev. Rick Schisler Returns To MCC/Tucson

TUCSON — The Rev. Rick Schisler of Phoenix returns to Tucson as the special guest speaker at Water of Life Metropolitan Community Church (MCC), Sunday, June 20, speaking at both the 9:15 A.M. and 11:15 A.M. worship services that day.

Rev. Schisler, Pastor of Gentle Shepherd MCC in Phoenix, was the guest of Water of Life MCC earlier this year. Both Schisler and his partner, Victor Ramirez, received an enthusiastic reception from the congregation, and those present were enlightened and entertained with an insightful sermon on the search for a meaningful relationship.

A schooled individual, Schisler earned his Bachelor's degree in Education from Arkansas State and his Master's Degree, in Divinity, from the Memphis Theological Seminary. He was ordained and served as Pastor in United Methodist congregations in Arkansas for seven years. Following disclosure of sexuality, he was relieved of his duties and spent several years as a High School teacher. Schisler's work, his pastorate in MCC, started in El Paso in 1993. In 1997, he and his partner Ramirez relocated to Phoenix, where he serves as the Associate Pastor of Gentle Shepherd MCC. Both are active in the Phoenix community.

Water of Life MCC is located at 3269 North Mountain Avenue, between Fort Lowell and Prince Roads. Founded in December 1970, it is one of the oldest congregations of the UFMCC. For more information, please contact the church office (520) 292-9151 or E-mail: wolmcc@aol.com.

## Stonewall Day On KXCI Radio June 23

TUCSON — KXCI 91.3 FM is gearing for Stonewall Day with a full day of Gay and Lesbian radio program on Wednesday, June 23, starting at 10:00 A.M.

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tioned phone number.

Tune in all day Wednesday, June 23. It's all for you! Tune in as well to "This Way Out" at 6:00 P.M., and "OUT-Loud" at 6:30 P.M. "This Way Out" is a nationally syndicated program and "OUT-Loud" is the locally produced Gay and Lesbian radio program.

## Desert Voices Welcomes Former Singers For Legacy Concert This Weekend

TUCSON — For ten years, Desert Voices has entertained, educated and enlightened the Tucson community through excellence in musical expression.

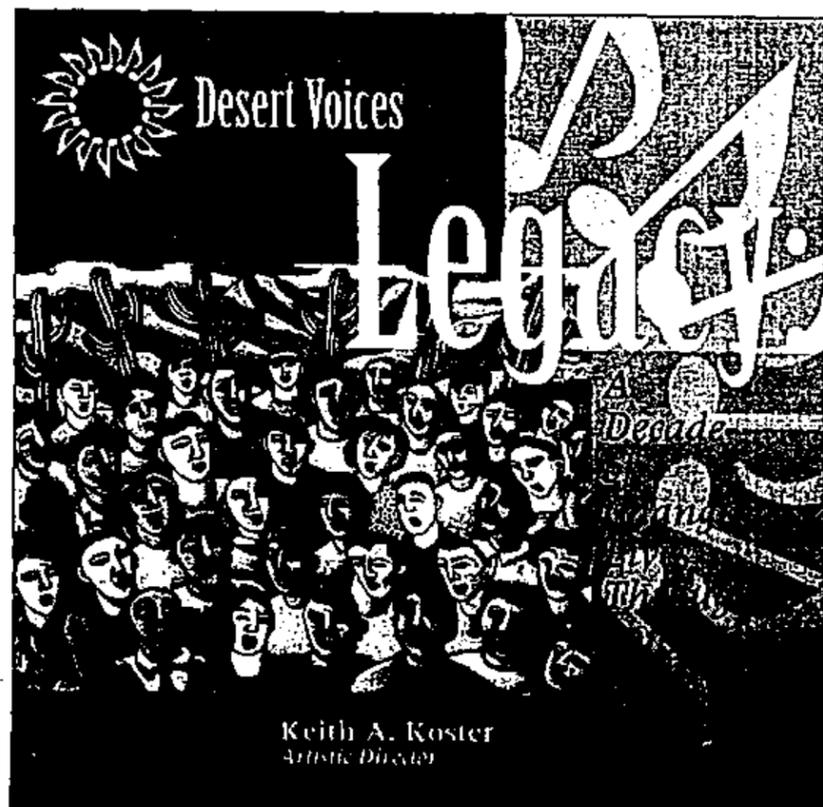
Started in 1989 with only 12 singers, Desert Voices, originally known as Tucson Metropolitan Community Chorus, has grown to its present size of more than 40 singers. Over the course of ten years, over 250 singers have joined this collective voice to advance the Desert Voices mission of promoting a positive and ongoing Gay and Lesbian presence in Tucson.

This Friday and Saturday evening, June 18-19, Desert Voices is proud to welcome 30 former singers in celebration of their tenth anniversary season and release of their first CD, "Legacy: A Decade of Changing Lives Through Song." Returning singers are coming from all over the United States, including: Tanya Lundy (now residing in Los Angeles), Darren Connell (Portland, Oregon), Amy Chapman Smith, Darryl Lundeen (New Hampshire), Tony Stroh (Detroit) and Terry Lond. John Huffstatler (Dallas) and Wanda Peterson (Los Angeles), who were original members of Desert Voices, will also be returning.

Sheryl Miller, who has been working with Desert Voices for two years as their production manager, states: "The energy of this show is incredible. Seeing the love and pride on the part of the singers, staff, board and Desert Voices community has been overwhelming. I am so proud to be part of this production."

Local celebrity Martie van der Voort, and former Queer Voice Project Coordinator, Arthur Padilla, will be emceeing the concert. "Martie and Arthur have been so supportive over the years. It's a true pleasure and honor to have them joining us for this concert," states Keith Koster, Artistic Director.

"Legacy" will be presented on  
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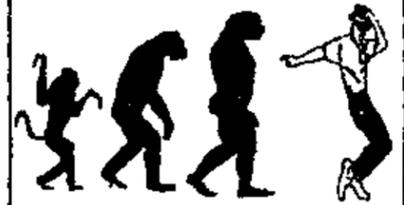
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**Tucsonans Spend Evening With Chastity Bono**



TUCSON - Observer reporter Mark Kerr shown with Chastity Bono at the Leo Rich Theatre where Bono appeared before a crowd of over 400 last Thursday, June 10.

By Mark R. Kerr

TUCSON (ON) — More than 400 persons attended an "Evening With Chastity Bono," at the Leo Rich Theatre this past Thursday.

Bono's appearance was sponsored by the Tucson Pima Public Library, in honor of National Gay and Lesbian Book Month, and the University of Arizona. In her talk, she talked about the coming out process, covered by her book "Family Outing," and the media's portrayal of Gays and Lesbians.

Bono reviewed the events of her life as a Lesbian, which began with an epiphany in a movie theater and culminated with her 1995 appearance on the cover of The Advocate, a magazine focused on the Gay community.

"I was 13 when I saw two women kissing on screen in the movie 'Personal Best'" Bono said. "I don't think anybody saw it, but a lightning bolt went through the theater. It took a movie to help me realize what I was."

Chastity didn't share her revelation with her parents, Sonny and Cher, she said her friends welcomed her discovery. As a student at the New York School for the Performing Arts, Bono had the advantage of being schooled in an exceptionally tolerant environment.

"I had the kind of high school experience most Gays and Lesbians my age didn't have," Bono said. "Being the token dyke in an open and experimental high school worked for my benefit."

She came to the decision to come out to her father after graduation. Chastity felt keeping her sexuality a secret was only driving a wedge between them, she said. "I was sick of changing pronouns" Bono said. "So I started asking a lot of questions, like, 'Is there anything I could do that would make you not love me anymore?' That along with the copy of 'Rubyfruit Jungle' on my night stand prompted him to come to me."

Bono credited her father with being very supportive. Cher, however, "exploded" when she first heard her daughter was Gay. A couple of days later Cher regained her composure, eventually telling Chastity that she was upset over being the last person in the family to find out. In the question and answer period that followed, Bono admitted that she didn't handle the situation with her mother well.

Chastity began quickly moving out of the closet when the tabloids beat her to the punch. The tabloid "The Star" outed

Bono in December 1990, driving her to throw away her collection of T-shirts with rainbows and pink triangles. "That brought my coming out to a screeching halt," Bono said. "I went back into the closet and not only closed the door, but put several extra locks on it." She stayed in the closet for the next five years.

In 1995, she agreed to come out publicly on the cover and in a compelling story in The Advocate. Bono had since dedicated herself to working for Gay rights; she has served as the entertainment and media director for the Gay and Lesbian Association Against Discrimination and wrote a number of articles on the Gay experience.

"My idea of being out is you don't censor yourself," Bono said. "You don't change your pronouns. If people at work have pictures of their spouses on their desks, there's no reason Gay people shouldn't. There isn't anything that would make me go back in the closet."

Chastity said the media's portrayal of Gays and Lesbians is much improved, with television shows, such as "Will and Grace," movies such as the recent hit, "As Good As It Gets" and the positive coverage given to such Gay and Lesbian celebrities as: Elton John, Greg Louganis, k.d. lang and Melissa Etheridge. Bono is currently working on a documentary film, based on the book with the Academy Award winning director, Barbara Koppell.

A question posed to Bono, inadvertently helped her to bring home her message that you must accept yourself as you are before you can start the coming out process.

When asked about whether she has had any bad experiences at speaking engagements. Bono told the audience about her run-in with the homophobic Rev. Fred Phelps, and his flock in Topeka, Kansas (Phelps home town) during a talk at a social services conference.

Chastity was speaking and saw the assembled protest. She was familiar with Phelps, who had picketed her father's funeral. Bono took one of her book's, signed it with an inscription, and took it out to Phelps, who stuttered when face-to-face with Chastity.

Phelps asked if she had signed the book. Chastity said she had. He opened the book and read the inscription, "Dear Fred: May God take the hatred from your heart. Chastity Bono."

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# Group Names 100 Greatest Gay & Lesbian Novels

NEW YORK, NY—The Publishing Triangle, an organization of Gays in publishing, has compiled the 100 greatest Gay novels of all time, with Thomas Mann's *Death in Venice* coming in at the top of the list.

The short novel about a writer's infatuation with a teenager was followed by James Baldwin's *Giovanni's Room*, the story of an American expatriate's struggle with his sexual identity, and *Our Lady of the Flowers*, Jean Genet's literary fantasy about a male prostitute in the Parisian underworld.

Two other French novels finished fourth and fifth: Marcel Proust's *Remembrance of Things Past* and Andre Gide's *The Immoralist*.

Titles could make the list if the author was Gay, if the book had Gay subject matter, or apparently, if the text was simply open to Gay interpretation. The judges disagreed, for instance, over the inclusion of Herman Melville's *Moby-Dick*.

"Each of these books contributes to the understanding of the outsider mentality," said novelist Dorothy Allison, whose book *Bastard Out of Carolina* made the list.

"*Moby-Dick* is very much about the survival of the different. And that's pretty much the situation for Gay and Lesbian people."

"You could say that about a leper colony, too," responded novelist and fellow judge M. E. Kerr. "You have to consider the writer's intention. If you're supposed to choose a Gay novel, I should think that it's not just because it has a group of men or women interacting."

The 100 greatest Gay and Lesbian

novels of all time, as voted by judges for the Publishing Triangle.

1. *Death in Venice*, Thomas Mann. 2. *Giovanni's Room*, James Baldwin. 3. *Our Lady of the Flowers*, Jean Genet. 4. *Remembrance of Things Past*, Marcel Proust. 5. *The Immoralist*, Andre Gide. 6. *Orlando*, Virginia Woolf. 7. *The Well of Loneliness*, Radclyffe Hall. 8. *Kiss of the Spider Woman*, Manuel Puig. 9. *The Memoirs of Hadrian*, Marguerite Yourcenar. 10. *Zami*, Audre Lorde. 11. *The Picture of Dorian Gray*, Oscar Wilde. 12. *Nightwood*, Djuna Barnes. 13. *Billy Budd*, Herman Melville. 14. *A Boy's Own Story*, Edmund White. 15. *Dancer From the Dance*, Andrew Holleran.

16. *Maurice*, E.M. Forster. 17. *The City and the Pillar*, Gore Vidal. 18. *Rubyfruit Jungle*, Rita Mae Brown. 19. *Brideshed Revisited*, Evelyn Waugh. 20. *Confessions of a Mask*, Yukio Mishima. 21. *The Member of the Wedding*, Carson McCullers. 22. *City of Night*, John Rechy. 23. *Myra Breckinridge*, Gore Vidal. 24. *Patience and Sarah*, Isabel Miller. 25. *The Autobiography of Alice B. Toklas*, Gertrude Stein. 26. *Other Voices, Other Rooms*, Truman Capote. 27. *The Bostonians*, Henry James. 28. *Two Serious Ladies*, Jane Bowles. 29. *Bastard Out of Carolina*, Dorothy Allison. 30. *The Heart Is a Lonely Hunter*, Carson McCullers. 31. *Mrs. Dalloway*, Virginia Woolf. 32. *The Persian Boy*, Mary Renault.

33. *A Single Man*, Christopher Isherwood. 34. *The Swimming Pool Library*, Alan Hollinghurst. 35. *Olivia*, Dorothy Bussy. 36. *The Price of Salt*, Patricia Highsmith. 37. *Aquamarine*, Carol Anshaw. 38. *Another Country*, James Baldwin. 39. *Cheri*, Colette. 40. *The Turn of the Screw*, Henry James. 41. *The Color*

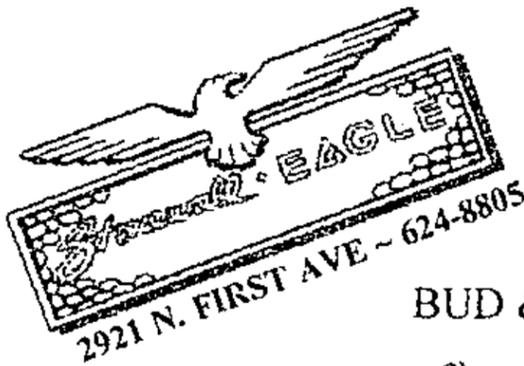
*Purple*, Alice Walker. 42. *Women in Love*, D.H. Lawrence. 43. *Little Women*, Louisa May Alcott. 44. *The Friendly Young Ladies*, Mary Renault. 45. *Young Torless*, Robert Musil. 46. *Eustace Chisholm and the Works*, James Purdy. 47. *The Story of Harold*, Terry Andrews. 48. *The Gallery*, John Horne Burns.

49. *Sister Gin*, June Arnold. 50. *Ready to Catch Him Should He Fall*, Neil Bartlett. 51. *Father of Frankenstein*, Christopher Bram. 52. *Naked Lunch*, William S. Burroughs. 53. *The Berlin Stories*, Christopher Isherwood. 54. *The Young and Evil*, Charles Henri Ford and Parker Tyler. 55. *Oranges Are Not the Only Fruit*, Jeanette Winterson. 56. *A Visitation of Spirits*, Randall Kenan. 57. *Three Lives*, Gertrude Stein. 58. *Concerning the Eccentricities of Cardinal Pirelli*, Ronald Firbank. 59. *Rat Bohemia*, Sarah Schulman. 60. *Pale Fire*, Vladimir Nabokov. 61. *The Counterfeiters*, Andre Gide. 62. *The Passion*, Jeanette Winterson. 63. *Lover*, Bertha Harris. 64. *Moby-Dick*, Herman Melville.

65. *La Batarde*, Violette Leduc. 66. *Death Comes for the Archbishop*, Willa Cather. 67. *To Kill a Mockingbird*, Harper Lee. 68. *The Satyricon*, Petronius. 69. *The Alexandria Quartet*, Lawrence Durrell. 70. *Special Friendships*, Roger Peyrefitte. 71. *The Changeings*, Jo Sinclair. 72. *Paradiso*, Jose Lezama Lima. 73. *Sheep*, Irving Rosenthal. 74. *Les Guerilleres*, Monique Wittig. 75. *The Child Manuela (Mädchen in Uniform)*, Christa Winsloe. 76. *An Arrow's Flight*, Mark Merlis. 77. *The Gaudy Image*, William Talsman. 78. *The Exquisite Corpse*, Alfred Chester. 79. *Was*, Geoff Ryman. 80. *Therese and Isabelle*, Violette Leduc. 81. *Gemini*, Michael Tournier. 82. *The Beautiful Room is Empty*, Edmund White. 83. *The Children's Crusade*, Rebecca Brown. 84. *The Story of*

the Night, Colm Toibin.

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## CELEBRATE GAY PRIDE

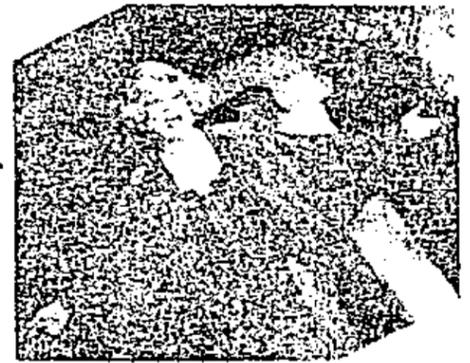
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# President Issues First Ever G/L Pride Month Proclamation

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time for us to take strong and decisive action to end all hate crimes, and I reaffirm my pledge to work with the Congress to pass the Hate Crimes Prevention Act.

"But we cannot achieve true tolerance merely through legislation; we must change hearts and minds as well. Our greatest hope for a just society is to teach our children to respect one another, to appreciate our differences, and to recognize the fundamental values that we hold in common. As part of our efforts to achieve this goal, earlier this spring, I announced that the Departments of Justice and Education will work in partnership with educational and other private sector organizations to reach out to students and teach them that our diversity is a gift. In addition, the Department of Education has issued landmark guidance that explains Federal standards against sexual harassment and prohibits sexual harassment of all students regardless of their sexual orientation; and I have ordered the Education Department's civil rights office to step up its enforcement of anti-discrimination and harassment rules. That effort has resulted in a groundbreaking guide that provides practical guidance to school administrators and teachers for developing a comprehensive approach to protecting all students, including Gays and Lesbians, from harassment and violence.

"Since our earliest days as a Nation, Americans have strived to make real the ideals of equality and freedom so eloquently expressed in our Declaration of

Independence and Constitution. We now have a rare opportunity to enter a new century and a new millennium as one country, living those principles, recognizing our common values, and building on our shared strengths.

**"NOW, THEREFORE, I, WILLIAM J. CLINTON,** President of the United States of America, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and laws of the United States, do hereby proclaim June 1999 as Gay and Lesbian Pride Month. I encourage all Americans to observe this month with appropriate programs, ceremonies, and activities that celebrate our diversity, and to remember throughout the year the Gay and Lesbian Americans whose many and varied contributions have enriched our national life.

**"IN WITNESS WHEREOF,** I have hereunto set my hand this eleventh day of June, in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and ninety-nine, and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred and twenty-third. [Signed] WILLIAM J. CLINTON"

Local reaction to the first-ever presidential proclamation was mixed.

"Clinton has taken incremental steps to get Gays and Lesbians a little further down the road for equal treatment in their lives. This proclamation is another step," said Ron Passarelli of the Arizona Human Rights Fund, the state's Gay and Lesbian rights group. "President Clinton is a strong friend of our community, taking the venom from our enemies and we should applaud him for this."

Ron Bogard, a Tucson attorney, stated, "the Clinton administration has been responsive to many Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual and Transgender (GLBT) issues, and this proclamation is a further example of it." A co-chair of the Tucson Mayor's Task Force on GLBT issues Legal Subcommittee, Bogard added that "Clinton though let down the community with his 'don't ask, don't tell' policy concerning Gays and Lesbians serving in the military."

A Tucson AIDS activist, Jason Vogler, had questions about Clinton's stands on Gay and Lesbians serving in the military and allowing Gays and Lesbian the right to marry and the same privileges as heterosexual couples. "The President should put his money where his mouth is," Vogler went on to say.



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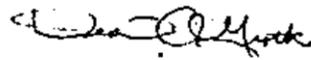
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## POLITICS 1999

by Mark R. Kerr

### Spam! Spam! Spam! Spam!

Just after the "recess" appointment of James Hormel, as the ambassador to Luxembourg, Senator James Inhofe, R-OK, had threatened to block all future Clinton nominations, an action which Senate Majority Leader Trent Lott has agreed to support, along with many Senate Republicans. It has come to light that several of the Senator's aides were discovered to have downloaded pornography off the Internet, a violation of federal sexual harassment policy, and a waste of taxpayers dollars, but digressing as usual.

The computer pornography was discovered during a routine systems check. According to sources on Capitol Hill, so much pornography had been downloaded, all the computers in Inhofe's office had crashed. Holy megabytes Batman!

"In deference to legitimate privacy concerns, our office plans no further comment," Inhofe spokesman Gary Hoitsma said in an interview. Oh really? What about James Hormel privacy and his private life, which Inhofe has raked over the coals for the past two years, as the nomination languished in the Senate, with a majority favoring appointment?

"Inhofe opposed the nomination of James Hormel because he advocated a certain lifestyle. In light of the recent events involving Senator Inhofe's staff, we would like to know what type of lifestyle does Inhofe advocates," said Wayne Besen of the Human Rights Campaign.

This attention to privacy is inconsistent and many would say, hypocritical. Senator Inhofe spent the last 10 days slamming Hormel, the nation's first openly Gay ambassador, calling him a "Gay activist who puts his agenda ahead of the agenda of America." Temper, temper!

Speaking of, if the editorial pages of the nation's newspapers are any guides, the reaction to the Oklahoma Republican's temper tantrum over the appointment of a Gay man as ambassador to Luxembourg have been overwhelmingly negative.

The Washington Post calls Sen. Inhofe's decision "a clumsy move, made all the more so by the fact that the senator's principal objection to the nomination was that Mr. Hormel happens to be Gay."

On the editorial page of the San Francisco Examiner, they wrote: "Conversely, the sad resistance of some Republicans in the Senate showed their continuing bigotry and small-mindedness . . . Trent Lott is free to practice his prejudices in the living room of his home, but not in the U.S. Senate."

"The full Senate should reject Sen. Inhofe's ploy and make the point that other senators know the difference between politics and bigotry," the editorial board of the Miami Herald writes.

The Chicago Tribune calls upon Senate Majority Leader Trent Lott, R-MS and other Republicans "to short-circuit this ill-conceived campaign: Hormel's sexual orientation should not have interfered with his confirmation in the first place, much less other government business now."

The New York Post, owned by the Australian media magnate Rupert Murdoch, generally not known for its liberal, Gay-supportive or pro-Clinton views, calls the fuss over Hormel "a stupid and mis-

guided battle."

As reported last week, in an exclusive interview with the Luxembourg Ambassador to the U.S., Arlette Convenius, the government of the Grand Duchy fully supports James Hormel to be the next U.S. ambassador. According to the following, recent editorial in the Luxembourg News, (English language edition), the press does as well:

### MAKING A SONG AND DANCE ABOUT AN AMBASSADORIAL APPOINTMENT

Even if he didn't realize it, President Clinton's appointment of James Hormel as US Ambassador to Luxembourg was beautifully timed. It comes before the 30th anniversary of the Stonewall Riots and just as Luxembourg's week-long AIDS awareness campaign comes to an end (Hormel is an active campaigner in California). What's more, the Kosovo crisis has kept the furore over the appointment to a minimum on the domestic front, while here in Luxembourg the election campaign - as undramatic as it is - has also snuffed out any major fuss. The appointment is to be welcomed, and is a victory over those bigots who judge a person's suitability for a job first by their gender, sexuality, creed or color rather than their ability.

Nevertheless, there is still some compromise in Hormel taking up the position. His statement that his partner will not be living with him at the Ambassador's residence is a blow to local campaigners for equal rights for same sex couples and, cynics would say, smacks of some deal done to appease the Luxembourg authorities.

But, when Hormel presents his credentials to the Grand Duke or his Lieutenant Representative, you can be sure the attention of the world's media will be turned on the tiny Grand Duchy once more. Clinton's move is not without some sort of precedence - Perla Mesta's appointment in 1949 also received a fair amount of flak. They eventually made a musical about her term as First Minister to Luxembourg. Don't expect Hormel's sojourn to the subject of a stage show, no matter how much of a song and dance right-wing reactionaries may be making about it.

With all that, the swearing in ceremonies for James Hormel is expected to occur this week. . . .

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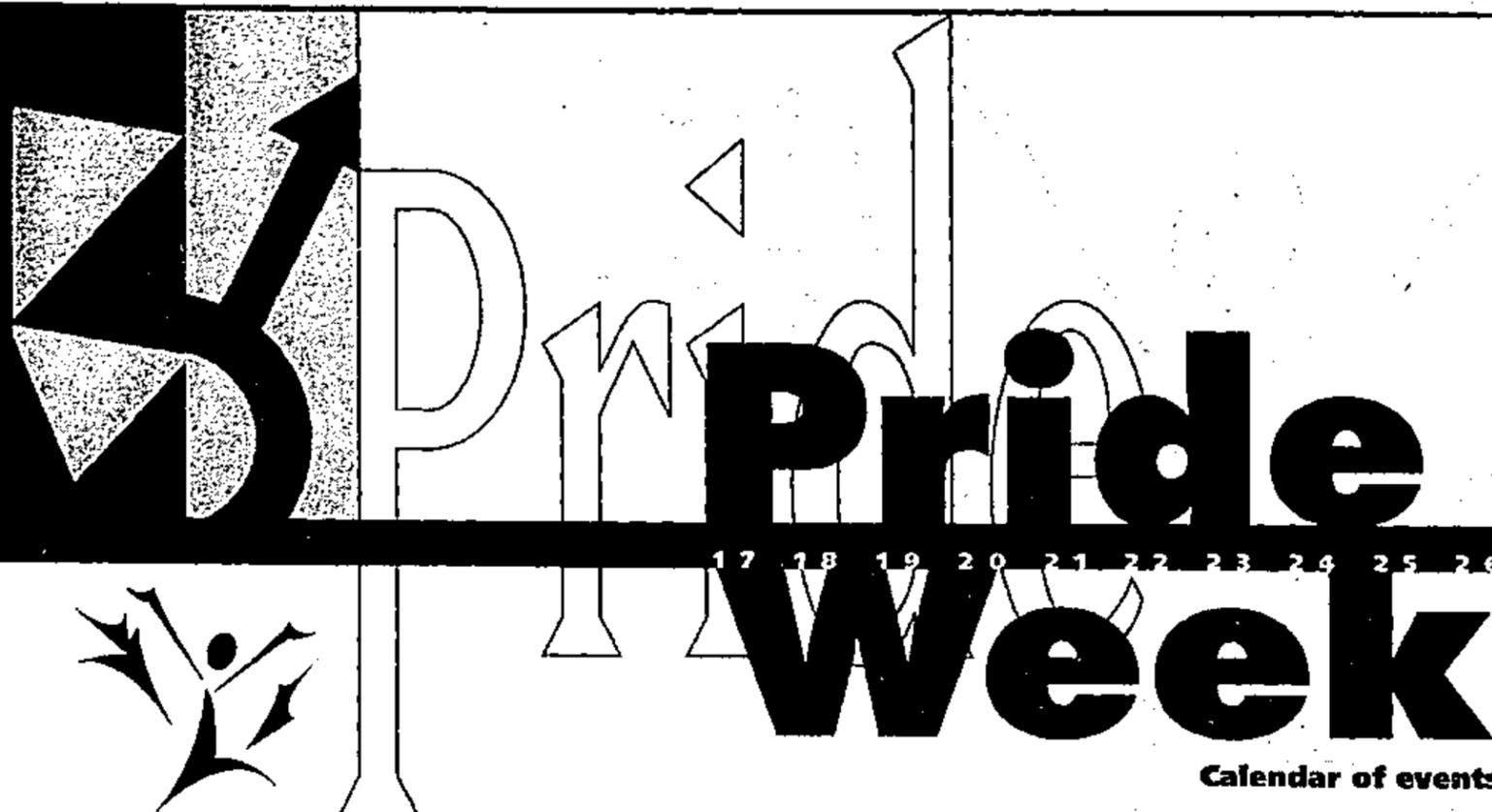
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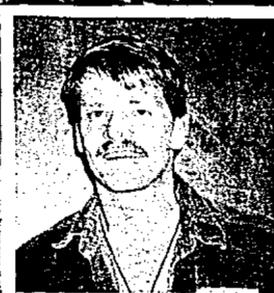
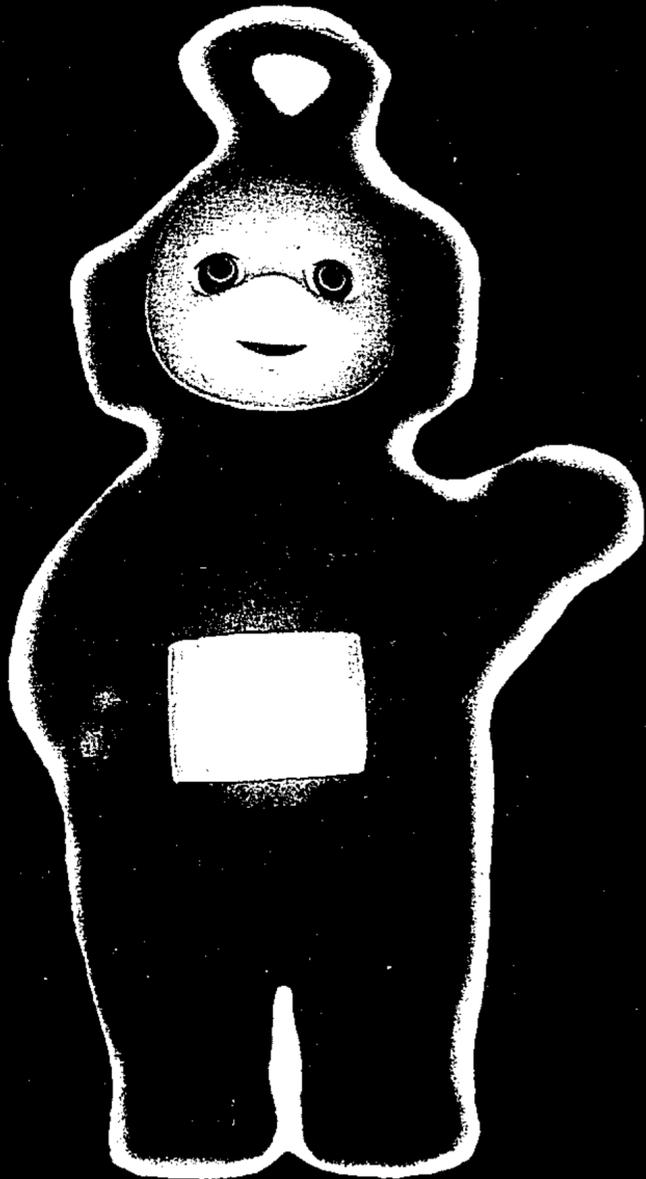
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## 'The Cemetery Club' Opens June 24

TUCSON — The City Players Theatre Company will open its new, experimental Studio Theatre, Thursday, June 24, with Ivan Menchell's brilliant comedy, "The Cemetery Club."

The intimate, 26-seat, performance space is located at 37 West 33<sup>rd</sup> Street (just west of 6<sup>th</sup> Avenue) and will provide a comfortable, cool and quiet new home for the company and its audience.

"The Cemetery Club" is the comic story of three Jewish widows in New York City, who visit their husbands' graves once a month and, like the "Golden Girls," just want to have fun. The production features City Players veterans Colleen Kelleher and Bella Vivante, along with Ina Gillers-Shivack, Jonathan Lawson and "Peaches" Guisinger, and will be designed and directed by City Players' Artistic Director, John R. Gunn.

The production will preview Thursday and Friday evening, June 24-25, 8:00 P.M., and begin its regular run Saturday, June 26, 8:00 P.M. as well, through July 18.

Performances are Fridays and Saturdays, 8:00 P.M., Sundays, 3:00 P.M., and Monday's at 7:30 P.M. Summer ticket prices are \$11 for adults, \$10 for Seniors and Students. Advance ticket and credit card sales are available at both Keuken Dutch Restaurant locations, and at the Emerald City Grill on 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue.

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## Get To Know Panoramic Productions

TUCSON — Panoramic Productions is a non-profit, performing arts company right here in Tucson.

You may have last saw their very professional, high-quality run of the Tony Award winning play - Love! Valour! Compassion! by Terrance McNally. Panoramic Productions expressed their thanks to those who came out to see the production. The turnout guaranteed them the financial means to continue to bring affordable performing arts to the Tucson community.

Although several members of Panoramic's Board of Directors are Gay and Lesbian, the theatrical group seeks to present theatrical work which holds a broad range of appeal. Panoramic Productions is a voluntary group of hardworking individuals. But they can't do it alone, and are asking for the community's help. The Board needs a Secretary and a Treasurer. No financial commitment is necessary, just a willingness to keep affairs organized on paper. Panoramic is looking for an individual with good accounting and tax preparation skills. It is currently a non-paid position, and in a year they will have secured

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# HOROSCOPES

BY C. LICHTENSTEIN

Festive Jupiter changes signs this week, moving from aggressive Aries to sensual Taurus. What a stroke of luck for the next twelve months! However, with Jupiter's excessiveness, take care that this warm and fuzzy stroke doesn't slap your bottom. Hmm, on second thought, some people like it that way.

## ARIES

MARCH 21 - APRIL 20

Although lucky Jupiter is leaving your sign this week, rejoice at the financial upsurge this planet can now provide you for the next year or so. Proud Rams buy and sell with the best of 'em when the bulls and bears heed your command. But there is a lesson to be learned from this as well, cousin; generosity is the key to happiness. Therefore, please make mine hard... cash.

## TAURUS

APRIL 21 - MAY 21

Jupiter enters your own sign now and for the next year or so you can charm the masses and get your face Out in front. However, with this randy planet's propensity to expand, this also means that you risk expanding your, ahem, physical attributes as well as your social standing. You can either haul it to the gym and muscle it up or advertise that there is just more of you to love.

## GEMINI

MAY 22 - JUNE 21

If there's something stinking in your closet, relax and rejoice; exuberant Jupiter in honest Taurus pries the door open and cleans it Out. What a refreshing blast of prideful air! Gay Twins learn a few lessons in the next year about truth, honesty and the disadvantages of closeted life. Make up for lost time; you've nothing to lose but your straight jacket and that qiana shirt from 1984.

## CANCER

JUNE 22 - JULY 23

Rowdy Jupiter in sociabull (sic) Taurus heats up your social scene and brings friends out of the woodwork. Celebrate your Pride with hundreds of your nearest and queerest compadres at your favorite watering hole. However, with Jupiter's excessiveness, remember to enlist a decorated soldier to escort you home after a night of rowdiness. Give me 25 push-ups, privates!

## LEO

JULY 24 - AUGUST 23

Gay Lions can affix their shark fins and navigate the corporate waters with the best of them when lucky Jupiter glides into logical Taurus. Just when you were ready to throw in the towel, you begin to see a little payoff for all your hard work. Since your career will go a little smoother, why not toss off the towel around lovers. This way, you'll have something to show for it.

## VIRGO

AUGUST 24 - SEPTEMBER 23

Do you suddenly hanker to see the world? Pack your bags when jolly Jupiter enters fun-loving Taurus. For the next year or so, expect global adventures with exotic strangers. For those proud Virgins who allow their minds to wander as well, use this time to expand your knowledge with classes and lectures. Maybe you'll have to stay after school for a private lesson. Bad Virgo!

## LIBRA

SEPTEMBER 24 - OCTOBER 23

Count your prideful blessings when lusty Jupiter steps into sexy Taurus this week. Proud Libras can feast at the all-you-can-eat sexual open buffet so pack your spices and tie on your bib. Can it be possible to have too much of a good thing? Bite your tongue, cousin! Whatever your appetite demands, it can be satisfied. Avoid undercooked pork, though.

## SCORPIO

OCTOBER 24 - NOVEMBER 22

Partnerships and the subtle art of balance and sharing become more important to you when generous Jupiter enters equally generous Taurus. Pink Scorps recognize that they cannot continue to go through life alone and either make it their business to bolster and strengthen current relationships or seek a suitable soulmate. You have a year to strike a match. Do I smell fire?

## SAGITTARIUS

NOVEMBER 23 - DECEMBER 22

While it may not sound especially exciting, proud Archers can make substantial headway in any job, detailed task or health regime in the next year. Chalk up this healthy response to energetic Jupiter in robust Taurus. You accomplish the impossible with relatively little effort and experience lasting impact for any genuine push. Make your mark indelible, not water soluble.

## CAPRICORN

DECEMBER 23 - JANUARY 20

Jupiter in Taurus brings otherwise conservative Gay Caps to the brink of excess in any festive outlet. Tap your Gay muse or plan a plethora of parties. Sometimes it's refreshing to go off the deep end, cousin, but this year will also bring a realization of the limits of your consumption. Remember, your 26th beer generally has no extra zip and is primarily water.

## AQUARIUS

JANUARY 21 - FEBRUARY 19

Aquarians connect with family and build bridges to greater understanding when expressive Jupiter catapults into practical Taurus. It is possible to bring two warring sides to the peace table now, but don't compromise your pride to reach an agreement. At best, this will be a time of healing and reconciliation. At worst, agree to disagree and exchange monthly phone calls.

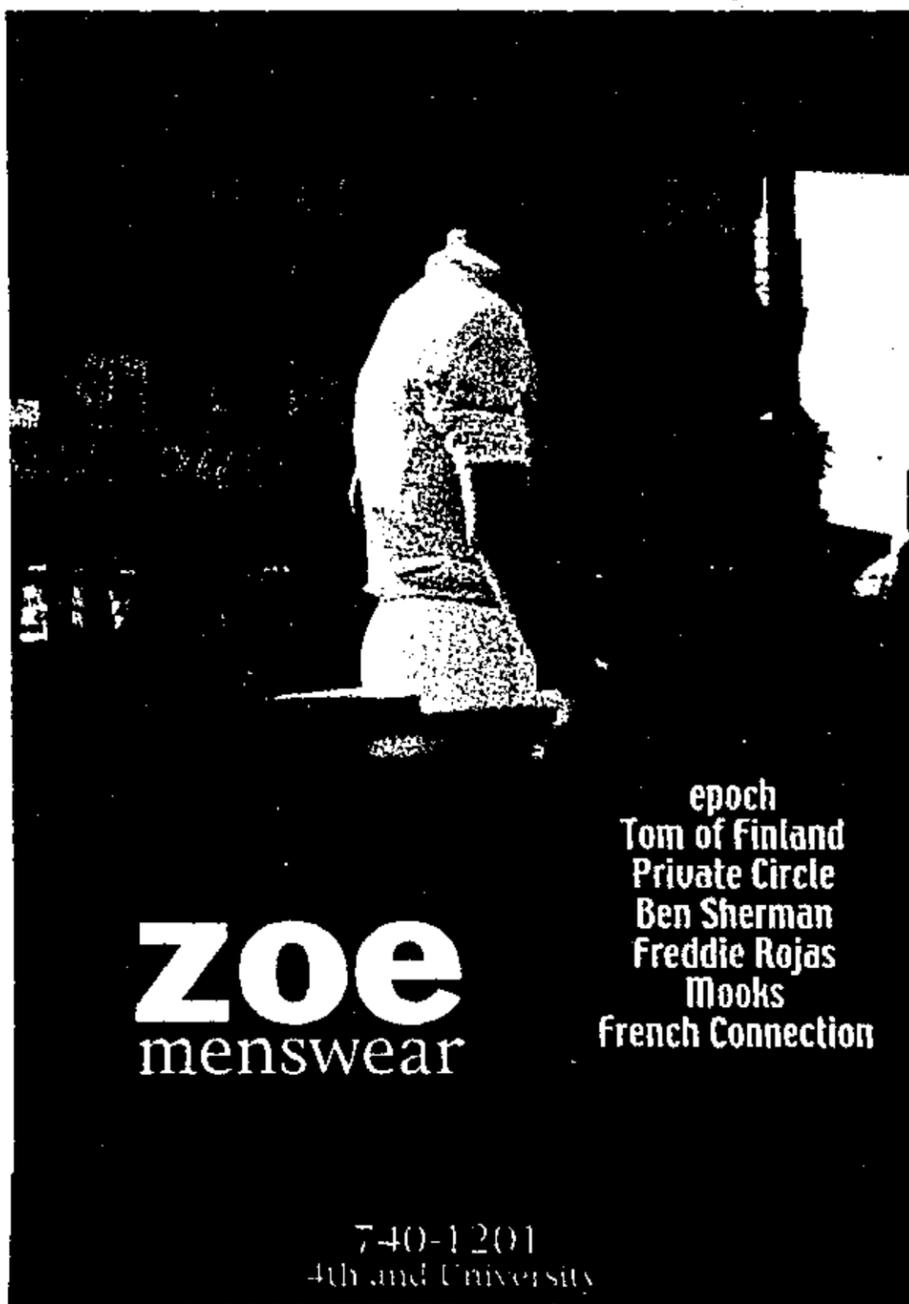
## PISCES

FEBRUARY 20 - MARCH 20

Chatty pink Fish are all mouth with loud Jupiter in directioned Taurus. Express yourself proud and queer. Your opinions are well received and have great Gay impact. As long as you're scoring points, why not marshal your forces for your local Pride committee? It's amazing what a few choice words can do in the right letter or in a willing ear. Breathing heavily may help too.

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**Man About Town** by Jerry Diaz

**Man About Town Here:** Hoping your week as pleasurable as mine. My event calendar was not as extreme as I normally make it, but as far as weekends go, it was the stuff that songs are written for.

That does not mean that I was without observation here in town (sorry, there is more to this) and of course I shall give point on what was witnessed.

A very special person told me this week: "the world would be a better place if we just did a lot more kissing." That would probably get a vote from all parties who hear that term, but that observation goes deeper than just the words.

As adults, we are prone to accelerate just about all the processes in our lives. We rush through school, race to work, cut all corners to save time, and attempt any easier mode for task completion. Unfortunately, that same ideology rolls over when it comes to our relationships and love.

Remember when we were younger and there was actual "courting" in regards to those we found special? As we grow older, a lot of us throw away the notion that love takes time! We will meet someone, and in the back of our minds, already have a picture of blissful ecstasy. Some would have that picture in a romantic mode, while some were purely of a physical nature. A good kiss can cure a lot of the woes both internally and externally. While some will perceive it as a prelude to more physical exercise, I am simply speaking of just the kiss.

In the time it will take you to get to that lip encounter, you should seriously consider all the questions that might come up later regarding the person whose lips are going to meet with yours. Sure, there is such a thing as instant passion, but we as humans have the ability (we really do, trust me) to compromise bodily urges for mental

stimulation. The kiss is a happy medium, and is a good barometer in recognizing a person both inside and out.

To take my point to a visual example, think of the one couple you know who have been together the longest time. Notice that a lot of their communication involves a simple kiss. We know they are passionate in their own private way, but that kiss between them is the most romantic, yet erotic. Simple yet complex. Plain yet beautiful action two people can produce.

It may sound preachy, what I say, but I will give you one last example to solidify my text. Take anyone you know who is either living in loneliness or suffering from some bodily ailment contract via personal contact. If they are willing to share their tale, you will see that a lot of them can contribute their misfortunes to impatient anticipation via passionate extremes.

It is fun to play, but of course play safe. That includes taking the time to play right. Start off with the kiss, but make that kiss a long enough one to learn, grow and experience feelings within it for future reference.

As always, feel free to comment (just don't yell, please) and let me know what you think. Goodness knows I can always use material for next week. On a happier note (here's the pun part of my story), congratulations go out to our newest establishment STARS! Success and longevity are wished by all as well as myself.

I will leave you this week with yet another quote. It was taught to me by my high school shop teacher (imagine me with power tools). It simple but true: "If you can't find the time to do it right. How will you find the time to do it over?"

Best of week to you Tucson!

**THE GLAAD BULLETIN**  
GAY & LESBIAN ALLIANCE AGAINST DEFAMATION, INC.

**Greg Congdon: a Leader for Our Times:** In a May 31 article distributed by Knight-Ridder, Wilkes-Barre (Penn.) Times Leader staff writer Bob Nocek profiled a self-identified "Gay jock teen" in Pennsylvania.

The piece begins: "His parents had finally gone to sleep, and now it was time for Greg Congdon to die... For the second time in barely more than a month, Greg Congdon, 17 years old, wanted to end his life." But rather than focusing exclusively on Congdon's suicide attempts, Nocek uses them as a springboard for discussing Congdon's difficult path to fulfillment, raising awareness along the way of the plight of Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender youth. For example, Nocek writes that despite confusion and depression surrounding the early realization of his sexual orientation, "[o]nline, Greg found countless teens in the same situation: small-town kids who knew they were Gay and isolated by it."

In fact, it was one of his online friends who called an ambulance upon learning that Congdon had first attempted suicide. After that attempt, Greg admitted to the emergency room doctor that he was Gay, and subsequently told his parents, who were supportive, but things at school were more difficult. Nocek tells us that the night he returned from the hospital, a friend called Greg, asking if he had attempted suicide and if he was Gay. "Greg was

stunned. His secret was out. His worst fear had been realized. The friend told Greg that a football teammate had said these things. The teammate had learned them from his mother, a nurse at Troy Community Hospital, where Greg had been taken after his suicide attempt. Where he had told the truth."

As the harassment at his school escalated, Greg again tried to kill himself. After this second attempt, Nocek tells us that "doctors brought him papers like Philadelphia Gay News and magazines like XY, a monthly for Gay teens that frequently deals with coming-out issues. Reading these helped him feel less isolated." Greg and his family decided he should be taken out of school when he continued to face harassment, but he has since earned his GED and is on his way to college. The Congdons are now suing the hospital and his teammate's mother for invasion of privacy.

Nocek further reports that Congdon has been featured in XY in recent months, as well as on an ESPN special on Lesbian and Gay athletes. Nocek closes the piece with a quote from an online posting from Greg, noting that, "he is upbeat [now]. He talks not of hiding and denial. His words are reassuring. 'To all jock Gay teens you are not alone. I am writing this because I always felt that I didn't belong on the team because of me being Gay... TO

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**Cool Fun During The Summer Begins June 16**

TUCSON — Temperatures in the Old Pueblo are over the century mark resulting in the ice breaking on the Santa Cruz and KVOA TV-4's studios floating away. Even with all that hilarity, you are wondering about having some fun during the summer. The answer: Tucson's Desert Coyotes Gay and Lesbian Bowling League, which is starting their Summer season Wednesday, June 16.

The league will bowl Wednesdays at Golden Pin Lanes, 1010 West Miracle. During the first night, June 16, there will be an organizational meeting at 7:00 P.M., to fill out the team rosters, consisting of three persons per team. Bowling will then start at 8:00 P.M. and for the following Wednesdays. Skills is not important, having fun is the only requirement.

For more information, call (520) 628-7834.

**Body Positive To Host New Educational Health Fair June 24**

PHOENIX — Phoenix Body Positive is sponsoring Health & You!, a new and innovative national health fair targeting HIV and other chronic illnesses, Thursday, June 24, 5:30 P.M., at the Cullen Auditorium at St. Joseph Hospital, 350 W. Thomas Road. This event is free to the public.

"Though current innovative treatments, HIV has become a disease that, for some people, is highly manageable," said Mark Hoffman, Health Education and Support Coordinator for Phoenix Body Positive. "Health & You! is a free event that will teach patients how to make their specific treatments more successful by combining nutrition and exercise."

The fair provides patients with the latest information about current HIV treatments and about how those with HIV or other illnesses can combine current medical treatments with proper nutrition and exercise to improve their quality of life.

Health & You! brings together a panel of leading medical experts, including a dietitian, physical trainer and physician experienced in cutting-edge HIV treatments. Massages, acupuncture and exercise training will be available to attendees. Local gyms have donated memberships to be given away in a drawing. A light dinner will also be provided.

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**Columna Abierta** by Dr. Eleazar Garcia

¿Qué tal? Saludandole como siempre apreciable lector, deseandole lo mejor de lo mejor. Y hay que aguantar esta sequía que más bien está causando muchas preocupaciones a nuestros vecinos de los Estados de Sonora, Chihuahua y Sinaloa, donde ya algunos ejidatarios no hayan a quién recurrir para encontrar posible solución. De verdad que es serio este problema como otros, sin olvidar la ola de violencia que está "en boca de todos" pero creo que "el comentar" sin tratar de hacer nada no es la solución; ya hablaremos más del tema en futuras *Columna Abierta*.

Estuve atendiendo una invitación de la Sra. Maria Castillo coordinadora del grupo *Padres Anónimos*, de Nogales AZ. Donde tuvimos una charla muy emocionante e interesante con los padres que atendieron a una de las pláticas semanales donde se platica, se informa, se comparte inquietudes, etc., Con un grupo; de verdad, muy interesados en rescatar se puede decir, los valores de la familia entre otros objetivos que tiene el mencionado grupo; y una de las inquietudes, entre otras no menos importantes, es en relación a la educación sexual, si es recomendada o no, y si de verdad es necesario hablarle a los hijos sobre temas relacionados a ésta. En realidad la gente quiere saber todo y que se le hable con naturalidad. Ya está harta de que le estemos asustando. Además sabe mucho. El 95% de la población sabe que hay que usar condón, como se transmite el SIDA, pero no sabe cómo convertir esta información en acción. Falta la parte de motivación de actitudes, y creo que ahí tenemos una función bien importante.

Otra de las preguntas que se "pusieron sobre la mesa": ¿Cuál es la edad promedio en que el *mexicano* inicia su vida sexual? Según algunos investigadores; en los hombres alrededor de los quince años, en las mujeres alrededor de los 16.5, por lo que es muy importante dar este tipo de información antes, pues es mucho más fácil ir formando conductas que cambiarlas. La mayoría de los adolescentes piensan: "bueno, si ya me funcionó sin condón, por qué voy a empezar a usarlo". Ellos no ven a nadie embarazada a los 15 minutos, no ven a alguien con SIDA u otra enfermedad por contagio sexual a los 15 minutos. Si

desde antes el condón formara parte de su vida, sería mucho más fácil mantener el patrón que cambiarlo. Otra inquietud: Hay un temor de ciertas organizaciones de padres de familias, en el sentido de que si se les habla de sexo a sus hijos adolescentes, estos incrementarán o iniciarán más prematuramente su vida sexual. Los estudios que se han llevado a cabo muestran que la educación sexual no tiene ningún efecto sobre la iniciación de la relación sexual ni sobre la continuación de las mismas. Las personas que tenían relaciones sexuales siguen teniéndolas, y las que no las tenían siguen sin tenerlas. En lo único que sí influye es que cuando las tienen aumenta de manera significativa el que las tengan de manera protegida. Hay grupos que se oponen a que el condón se incorpore o incluso de hable de él al interior de la familia y proponen otras alternativas de sexualidad. Lo que el mexicano pide es que se le planteen todas las alternativas y que creamos en él. No podemos estarlos metiendo en la vida de cada persona. Hay que proporcionar toda la información y que cada quien elija. *Abstinencia*, es una opción, que se presenta, ya que la gente verá si recurre a ella o no, pero no tenemos el derecho de decir que esa es la respuesta para todos. Seamos claros pues; hay que entender que la educación sexual debe ser a nivel formal e informal. Formal a través de las escuelas e informal a través de los medios de comunicación y sobre todo *a través de la familia*.

En relación al uso del condón femenino; ¿qué es la recomendación que se da? Es la primera vez que a la mujer se le da la posibilidad de tener un método que ella controla en relación con la prevención de enfermedades sexualmente transmitidas (ETS), incluyendo al SIDA. Se necesita capacitar a la mujer para que pueda aceptar esta responsabilidad. En general vivimos en una sociedad donde se premia el silencio y el no expresar lo que las personas sienten, pues se cree que es signo de mala educación. Desde pequeños, los individuos se les hace creer que el hijo o la hija modelo debe ser obediente, lo que implica no protestar, no decir lo que desea, incomoda o molesta. Este modelo de personas es precisamente lo que a la postre a ocasionado, en lo que respecta al SIDA, Embarazos no deseados, y las estadísticas aumentadas sobre las ETS. A las mujeres se les ha socializado a no externar sus pensamientos e ideas. En el plano sexual soportan una relación (aun en contra de su voluntad), porque existe un mito muy extendido: el débito conyugal o acceder como sinónimo de prueba de amor.

Por hoy es todo hasta la próxima semana D.M.

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Now, Wingspan is accepting nominations for this year's Award Recipient, to be honored at Wingspan's Second Annual Benefit Dinner, on Saturday, September 18 at the Marriott University Park Hotel.

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To help you formulate your nomination, you might like to consider the following questions:

- 1: How has this individual made an outstanding contribution - what needs have been met?
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## GO IN GOOD HEALTH... BY REV. ANDREW BROOKS

This time, I want to talk about the importance of balance. We have a fast-paced society, and we often get caught up in a whirlwind existence that drains our energies. Our jobs, our weekend all night dancing and cruising at the bar, the early morning rush, the evening traffic, it all adds up. We often push ourselves so hard and so fast that even when we do have lovers, how much quality time do we have for a balance of pleasure and necessary chores? For those who can juggle a busy schedule and the domestic routine and keep up a wild, romantic, passionate love life with our partners, more power to you! But for some, those fires have cooled off.

It is a common saying among Gays that we are less concerned with physical monogamy than "emotional monogamy." What that really means is that we think it's okay to sleep around on our lovers as long as we stay in love with them. We love our partner, but need a variety of new men in our sexual arenas. Why? Too often we either have a jealous, obsessive lover who wants to lock you in his Golden Tower like the fabled Rapunzel, or we have one lover with a high sex drive and another who has cooled off. Why? It boils down to a need for balance.

Why would your lover be obsessively jealous and worry that you are going to grab every cute butt you see or sneak off in the night for wild, illicit sex unless there is an imbalance somewhere within that person. Unless you have a history of getting caught in the adult bookstores when the husband is away, then there is a problem with trust and communication going on. Now, some of us are wounded from earlier relationships, but just because our ex-lover, Mr. A, (to give him a name) ran off while you were away and played around with every man he could find, does not mean after that relationship ended the new boyfriend is going to be the same way. If however, you keep attracting men who abuse and use your love, then wipe their feet on your back and run off with someone else, you need to make changes.

Find your inner balance. Do you truly love yourself? Or do you run off, out of desperate loneliness to find someone, anyone to fill that aching void? If you feel incomplete and lost, you will most likely attract someone who is also not balanced in some way. If you hate yourself and obsessively go to bed with men to make sex a substitute for love, you will often get horny users who will bed you and run away, never to be seen again. Hiding in someone else's love for you, allowing their love to fill in the void left because you do not love yourself means that you will obsess over them, and feel insecure. When they are away from you, you will need them back as soon as possible to feel okay again. It is easy to become addicted to love. It feels good when someone loves us. You may even love them just as much as they do, or try to, but if you do not love yourself also, the equation is incomplete.

What you will do is love them and throw all your attention on them so you are not alone with those doubts that come to complicated your mind. You will try very hard to lose yourself in their embrace and the fears and doubts will flee, for a while. But in those quiet moments, those self-doubts and negative self-image will rise like a ghost to haunt you and wreck your inner harmony. Rather than fleeing from the phantom of your low self-esteem, light a candle of faith and love and face your shadows. When you run from them, they look big and scary, like the proverbial thing

under the bed that scares little kids. But when you face your fears, you can conquer them. You find your own power, and realize that you are a worthy human being. If you can't find the sexiness in yourself, how can others?

You might just be lucky enough to have the kind of body that attracts lots of men, or women as the case may be. Lesbians too, have suffered deep emotional woes. Gay men don't hold the patent on emotional drama. But if you don't love yourself, you will find ways to sabotage your happiness. If you do love yourself, that is a good thing. Loving yourself is not being vain and thinking you have the cutest body in the world or that you are better than those "other" queers. It does mean that you need to flaunt it or use your looks to steal lovers from others. What it means is that you can instead, feel confident and happy enough single or with someone to truly enjoy your life. You can get out and find your place in the world, and enjoy yourself, whether you are with someone or not. You can be balanced and harmonious with yourself, the good, bad and the ugly stuff too! You can change what you don't like, and accentuate the good things. Then your life can be a richer, more enjoyable one, and your relationships can be deeper and more meaningful.

It's something to think about. Goddess bless. Till next time, Go in Good Health.

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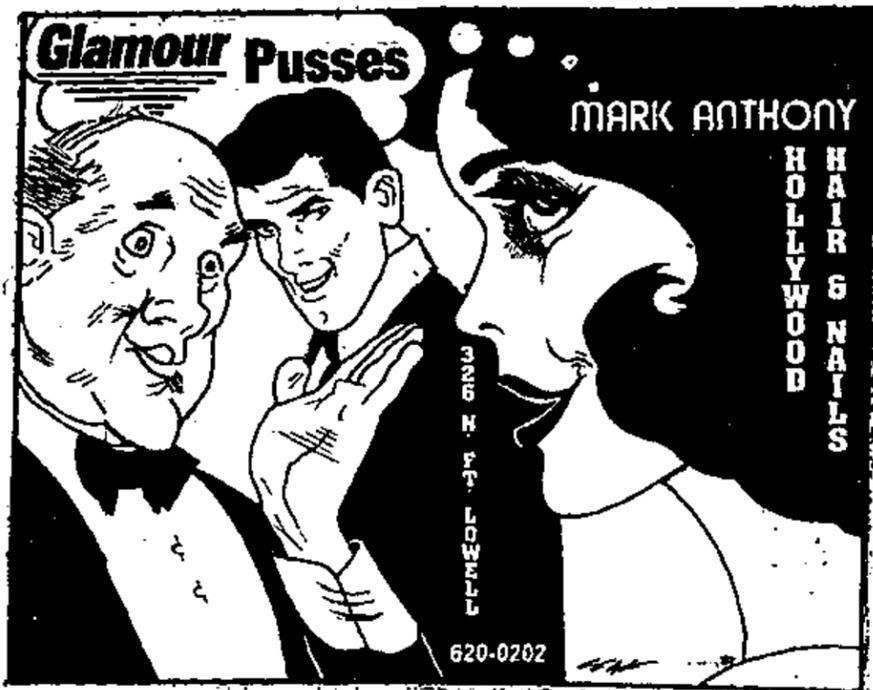
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**Desert Vision** by Rev. Louis F. Kavar, PhD

**Desert Spirituality:  
Learning From The Dry Heat**

By moving to the Desert Southwest, it was my hope to renew parts of me that seemed to have been lost over the last twelve years of busyness. During that time, I was administrator of an international development program; clinical director of a counseling program; and founder and pastor of a new church in Miami's South Beach neighborhood. My life was much too full for my own good.

In the year and a half I have lived in Tucson, I've had the opportunity to pray, reflect, grapple with emotions, and write. The often stark beauty of the Sonoran landscape and the dry heat of our climate have challenged me to dig deep into myself and find wellsprings of refreshment. The process has brought with it deep healing and intriguing challenges.

Living in desert country has taught me important lessons. First, while the land is rugged and harsh, it is also very delicate. The balance of nature is finely tuned and easily upset. The delicate balance sustains life. The balance takes on unique beauty in the desert. The parched, dry land, with only a little rain, is quickly transformed into rich green life accented with colorful blossoms. So it is with us: there is a delicate balance that sustains our lives and can be easily upset. The balance includes the rough, rugged aspects of our lives. The rough, rugged parts are as much a part of the beauty of life as the peaceful and happy times. When our lives are parched, they are transformed to the new life of green and lush blooms when watered with support and tenderness from others. That is essential to sustaining our well-being.

Yet, it is not just what we receive from others that sustains us. Our rootedness in the depths of our being keep us on course. This is the second lesson of the desert. As I drive through the desert, I am struck how lush trees grow in dry river beds

and arroyo's. Their roots have broken down into underground water that gives them life. Yes, there's plenty of water in this desert. The rivers run very deep, refreshing the heart of life. So it is for us. When we allow ourselves to be deeply rooted, we encounter the Source of Life within us. The Source will sustain us through the heat of the day, providing the refreshment we need even during the harshest times of our lives.

It's not only the deep running waters that bring us with clarity to the Source. The bright sun and the dry heat bleach those dead parts of life bare and enable us to appreciate the skeleton on which life took shape. That's the third lesson I've learned in the desert. The sun and the dry heat, from which we wisely shield ourselves with cotton clothes, hats, and sun screen, will burn through to expose the frame-work that holds life together. As any student of anatomy knows, the life of the organism is integrated and brought to unity by its skeletal frame. Skeletons are usually hidden from view, sometimes in deep, dark closets. But the bright sun and dry heat of the desert strip bare the skeleton, allowing us to see what's really there. That's true for a dead carcass and true for the dead parts of our lives. The sun and dry heat will lay bare those joints and structures that hold us together so that we can better understand what is important for our lives.

These lessons are part of the unique spirituality of the desert. Yet, the desert, in its vastness and great diversity, has many lessons to teach. The question for us is always, "What am I open to learn?"

[The Rev. Louis F. Kavar, Ph.D., is a counselor and spiritual director in private practice in Tucson. He can be contacted at 290-1591 or by e-mail at LouKavar@aol.com.]

**A View From The Rock**

*A Commentary From Cornerstone Fellowship*

I spent the last weekend in Flagstaff, Arizona. At about 7000 feet in elevation, it was a nice change from the desert heat. Even though it has been quite dry up there all Winter and Spring, it is still so very, very green.

Some friends of mine have built a custom home just a few minutes from downtown yet situated in the woods. They own five acres of beautiful land filled with huge pine trees. The house is quite magnificent. Wood beam ceilings, wood floors, fireplaces, custom kitchen and the description could go on and on. The house is huge and decorated with many of my favorite things - Native American artwork.

Despite the beauty of the house and its surrounding land, and despite the large salaries my two friends earn each

year, I was not envious at all. You see, they may have seemed to "have it all" by the world's standards but in reality are quite poor, spiritually poor. They have jumped around in their beliefs over the years, trying various religions, only to end up in a spiritual place that is quite empty. They, nor their daughter know Jesus Christ. And without him in their lives, no amount of money, possessions or even good deeds will bring them true happiness.

I love my friends and want them to be happy, content and satisfied. However, they could lose that beautiful house tomorrow, or lose their jobs, or have their health deteriorate rapidly, or any number of other things. And away will slip their happiness. But I know from the Bible that the only way to true joy is through a relationship with Jesus. Jesus said, "I am the way, the truth and the light. No one comes to the Father except through me," (John 14:6). I have given my life to Christ and know this to be true. I have an inner joy which comes from deep within my being and remains despite my circumstances. It's there when I'm doing well and enjoying life and it's still there when I'm sad, hurt and disenchanted with people. Jesus is the only way to true happiness. I hope and pray that my friends will learn that before its too late.

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## The GLAAD Bulletin Continued from Page Fifteen

ALL TEENS, you must find someone you can talk to. Help is everywhere nowadays. . .

Nocek raises such contemporary and compelling issues as school safety, rural isolation, youth suicide, the online community, the institution of homophobia in sports, the importance of privacy and self-disclosure, and the resource provided by Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender media to members of the community. Throughout the piece, he is sensitive, compassionate and professional in his writing, painting a clear portrait of a young man who has come into his own and who has become an exemplary role model for his peers.

Please thank Bob Nocek and the Wilkes-Barre Times Leader for this poignant, timely and informative look at a remarkable Gay teen. Contact: Bob Nocek,

The Times Leader, 15 North Main Street, Wilkes-Barre, PA 18711, e-mail: bobn@leader.net.

[The GLAAD Bulletin is the activation tool for the Gay and Lesbian Alliance Against Defamation.]

### Christian Coalition Continued from Page One

Americans United (AU) has for the past several years submitted voluminous evidence to the IRS testifying to the Coalition's partisan nature. Most notably, AU gave the IRS a tape of a September 1997 closed-door speech in which Robertson outlined his partisan political goals and strategies.

In a speech to Coalition state lieutenants, Robertson urged the group to emulate political machines such as Tammany Hall, took credit for the Republican takeover of Congress in 1994 and outlined plans to elect a Republican to the presidency in 2000.

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nothing was going to be done that because TPD "was really busy." When I asked when and how the case would be handled, I was informed that it would be referred to detectives on Monday morning. When I called the TPD detective's department Friday, June 11 to check the case's status, I was informed that it had not yet been assigned.

I have a great concern that such a terrible hate crime was committed. Hate crimes do not happen just in other cities. They do happen here in Tucson, Arizona, and they happen to people like you, me and people we care about. The greater horror of this violent event is that responsibility falls both on the violence of the assailant and the neglect of the police officer who left the scene when the victim was clearly being threatened and in danger. I am also greatly concerned that apparently nothing has been done by the authorities in response to this horrendous hate crime.

Eric Cuestas-Thompson MSW

TUCSON -- Borderlands Theater will present the comedy, "Men on the Verge of a His-Panic Breakdown," by Guillermo Reyes, July 7-18, at the Pima Community College Center for the Arts, Black Box Theatre, 2202 West Anklam Road.

"Men . . ." consists of five monologues, which playwright Reyes introduces the audience to several characters ranging from the madly-over-the-top to delicately tuned -including a Cuban restaurateur in the Phoenix, a giddy Valley boy, and a drag queen Flamenco star suffering from AIDS. The play is a hilarious and witty portrayal of the thrills and kinks of being a Hispanic immigrant wrestling with L.A. riots, sugar daddies, Hollywood stereotypes and sexual identities.

Tickets prices are: Previews - \$9 general, \$8 for students with I.D. Opening Night: Celebracion - \$15 (includes post-performance reception), \$12 general, \$8 student rush (15 minutes prior to curtain). Wednesdays, Thursdays and Sundays - \$11 general, \$9 seniors and \$8 for students. Fridays and Saturdays - \$12 general and \$8 student rush. Tickets can be purchased at Antigone Books, 411 North Fourth Avenue and PCC Center for the Arts Box Office, 2202 West Anklam Road.

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# Sun Microsystems A Shining Star

By Gip Plaster

PALO ALTO, CA (GFN) — In many of the industries gfn.com has examined, there is no shining star that fully recognizes its Gay and Lesbian employees. In the computer industry, there are many stars that shine with varying degrees of brightness, but only one sun.

Sun Microsystems (Nasdaq: SUNW) is shining as brightly as its name suggests, offering full benefits and rights to its Gay and Lesbian employees. "Sun's corporate values really do embrace diversity," Vicky Yee, the company's corporate diversity manager, said in an interview.

The company, founded in 1982, is Fortune 500 company that makes its mark in the high-end computer field -- or so-called "enterprise network computing." With \$9.8 billion in sales in 1998, it operates in 150 countries.

Sun makes many things, but most relate to computer networking. It is a leader in UNIX-based workstations. It also sells servers and storage devices, among other things. Most of its customers are telecommunications companies and number-crunching financial companies, as well as educational and manufacturing operations.

While it is also the largest company that makes computers using its own chips and operating systems, it is best known today for technology developed in 1995 that sounds to those who are not computer literate like just another cup of coffee -- Java. The idea behind the Java language is simple: it is the first universal software designed to allow programs and routines to be created that run on any kind of computer without modification. The language was created especially for the Internet and corporate intranets, an Internet that is only accessible to those linked into a particular company's network. Neither the processor nor the operating system matter: Java is designed to work on them all.

"Sun positioned itself years ago for the enterprise market to transition to Internet-based computing, and that's what's taking place in the market today," says Kurt King, an analyst for NationsBanc Montgomery Securities.

"Through creating the Java language, through supporting an operating system for small handhelds, through large mainframes, Sun creates technologies that allow something other than plain old Windows-based computing."

King says the company offers ideal solutions for those who want to run their businesses off the Internet. "Even if it isn't a stellar [financial] performer near-term, it has made all the right moves for the long term," he says.

"I think the company has just been a remarkable company. They had a vision that investors rejected for a long time, namely that Microsoft isn't going to rule the world," King says. "But investors don't reject that idea now."

Sun's nondiscrimination policy prohibits discrimination based on sexual orientation. Gay and Lesbian issues are discussed in company diversity training, too. Domestic partner benefits are also offered, raising Sun's marks for Gay-friendliness markedly. To round out a perfect score on our usual scale, Sun also has a company-recognized Gay and Lesbian employee group. It's called Gays, Lesbians and Friends -- or GLAF.

Warren Jay Eggy, a GLAF member, says the group works in several ways throughout the company. It communicates mostly through a 200-member email distribution list. In addition to an employee group at the Palo Alto facility, groups also exist at their Colorado and Massachusetts facilities.

Eggy says the company is as fair to its Gay and Lesbian employees as it appears. "It's extremely Gay-friendly," he says. "For the most part here in the Bay area, being Gay is not an issue." No major incidents involving harassment against Gay employees have come to the attention of the group either.

The company sponsored a recent Gay and Lesbian Alliance Against Defamation (GLAAD) awards dinner in Los Angeles and has for three years been a sponsor of the San Francisco Gay and Lesbian International Film Festival. Sun also sponsors and participates in other Gay pride related events.

"Sun is proud to be a Gay friendly company," Yee says. "We do not believe that one's sexual orientation should be a factor in employment or in their success." Ultimately, King says that being Gay-friendly probably does significantly impact the company financially. "I don't think it's that big of a deal," he said. But he admits that "cutting edge companies like Sun need to be able to hire the best people," and that having progressive policies helps them do that. He adds that Sun provides good opportunities for people who "may not be cut from the mainstream cloth."

King's praise of Sun from a financial perspective seems as unequivocal as Eggy's praise of the company for its policies toward employees. "Sun is one of the most attractive large cap technology opportunities we see out there today," he said.

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# Non-Bar Calendar

Groups / Clubs / Organizations

## THURSDAY, JUNE 17

**Pax Cafe** - providing a delicious and nutritious lunch, friendship and social activities every third Thursday of the month for all HIV+ Adults and one guest (partner, family, friend or volunteer respecting confidentiality/privacy concerns). Pax Cafe is made possible by THAM, Tucson Interfaith HIV/AIDS Network, and by many compassionate congregations and individuals. Doors open at 11:30, Lunch at 12:00, activities until 2:00 p.m. at St. Francis United Methodist Church, corner of River and Swan. Reserve your space by calling the THAM office 299-6647 by June 15.

Tucson Prime Timers Luncheon, 12:30 p.m., Capriccio's Restaurant, River and First. Contact 584-0280 for information.

## FRIDAY, JUNE 18

Cronies Social Club 16th-Month Dinner, 7:00 p.m. Emerald City, 509 N. 4th Avenue.

**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 home. 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 reservations and directions, please call Jerry at 690-9565. Please note: reservations should be made by Thursday, June 17 at noon so we can order the proper number of pizzas (but we do order a couple of extra pizzas just in case this isn't read until the day of the event).

## SATURDAY, JUNE 19

1. **Men's Social Network** (Gay men of all ages; guests always welcome). 7:00 p.m. Join Bill as he hosts a new event for MS N-Pinocchio Night. If you're a fan of the game, this is the place to go. If you don't know how to play, but want to learn, we'll help you out. For reservations and directions, please call Bill at 297-3569.

2. **Men's Social Network** (Gay men of all ages; guests always welcome). TBA Jorge leads of group to the Circus! The Ringling Bros. Barnum & Bailey Circus is in town, and Jorge encourages you to run off and join them tonight. At press time, the show times were not known, so please call Jorge at 887-4055 for details.

3. **Men's Social Network** (Gay men of all ages; guests always welcome). 8:00 p.m. Desert Voices' 10th Anniversary Concert, Legacy, is performed at the Temple of Music and Art. For tickets, please call Davey at 886-1208. Tickets are \$10 in advance, \$15 at the door.

## SUNDAY, JUNE 20

1. **Men's Social Network** (Gay men of all ages; guests always welcome). 2:00 p.m. An ice cream social is planned at Frank's house on the northwest side of town. Just bring a pint/quart/half-gallon of your favorite ice cream (or sherbet or yogurt) to share with others. Bring your swim suit along if you'd like to swim as well. For reservations and directions, please call Frank at 579-9984.

2. **Men's Social Network** (Gay men of all ages; guests always welcome). 5-7 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. For reservations and directions, please call Tom at 318-1650.

## TUESDAY, JUNE 22

**Gay Men's Discussion Group** 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. at the Emerald City Grill, 509 N. 4th Avenue. The group meets in a casual social setting to give Gay men the opportunity to discuss what's on their minds. Soft drinks will be provided. For more information, call Mike Henry at the Gay Men's Health Project, 322-6226.

**Men's Social Network** (Gay men of all ages; guests always welcome). 7:00 p.m. Bridge night. Bridge for men who want to refresh their bridge skills (or just have fun); table talk playing. For reservations and directions, please call John at 743-8138.

## SATURDAY, JUNE 26

Tucson Prime Timers annual meeting and outing, 4:00 p.m. Call 584-0280 for information and directions.

**Gay West III** at Old Tucson Studios. Gates open at 6:00 p.m. A Gay community fund raising event. Celebrate Gay and Lesbian Pride with all of the fun, games, rides, food, entertainment and excitement of Old Tucson Studios, plus special performances featuring Desert Voices, Reveille Gay Men's Chorus, a variety show hosted by Lucinda Holliday and a live performance by Gospel singer Delores Berry. Plus live music and dancing. Country & Western dance under the stars with the sounds of Diamond Fire. Rare Breed brings the hot sound of Tex-Mex to Gay West for the first time plus high NRG dance in the Grand Palace. Tickets are \$10.00 in advance, \$12.00 at the gate. Tickets are available at various places throughout the city. Call 883-0100 for information.

## WEDNESDAY, JUNE 30

Cronies Social Club lunch at 12:00 noon. Eclectic Cafe, 7053 Tanque Verde Road. After lunch the group will tour two cactus green houses nearby.

# Bar Calendar

Of Upcoming Events

## WEDNESDAY, JUNE 16

**IBT'S** - The Girlie Show with Lucinda Holliday, Adrienne Alexander, Ajia Simone and Bunny FuFu.

**STONEWALL/EAGLE** - Latin Dance Party with DJ Eduardo. Salud es Poder presents Fuerza Latina 2000 (Travesti Show) 10:00 p.m.

## THURSDAY, JUNE 17

**STONEWALL/EAGLE** - Latin Dance Party with DJ Eduardo. Salud es Poder presents Fuerza Latina 2000 (Travesti Show) Special Guest Crystal Abrams 10:00 p.m.

## FRIDAY, SATURDAY, SUNDAY, JUNE 18-19-20

**IBT'S** - It's IBT's Pride Weekend Beach Party! Shows, contests, prizes, fun. Drink specials all weekend.

## FRIDAY, JUNE 18

**IBT'S** - Pride Weekend begins today with Swim Suit Day. \$1.50 well, \$1.75 domestic for those in swim suits. 10:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m. Best swim suit contest 9:00 p.m. \$50 first place. Live Jazz on the Patio will run from 8:00 p.m. until 9:00 p.m. from now on every Friday.

**STARS** - Pride Night here all evening.

## SATURDAY, JUNE 19

**IBT'S** - Pride Weekend continues with a big Tan Line Contest 9:00 p.m. \$50 first place, \$25 second and \$15 third. Door prizes to the first 75 customers at 9:00 p.m.

**STONEWALL/EAGLE** - Bud and Bud Light promotion 8:00 p.m. Games, Prizes, Fun. The Rainbow Revue featuring Tommie & The Marlettas. 10:00 p.m.

## SUNDAY, JUNE 20

**IBT'S** - The Budweiser Crowd. Games, Prizes, Surprises. 7:30 to 8:30 p.m. 9:00 p.m. IBT's Purple Team fundraiser featuring the Purple Team: Gilda Fatale and Mr. Kenneth Blake with Kristin and Adrienne Alexander ALSO, a snake in the grass Hula Skirt Hula Hoop Contest. \$25 first place at 8:30 p.m. and during the show a special Wet Shorts Contest with \$100 first place prize. ALSO this Sunday's Benefit Bar-8-Que/Beer Bust will go to Reveille Gay Men's Chorus 5:30 to 8:00 p.m.

**STONEWALL/EAGLE** - Live Band in Concert. Blues/Jazz. Lori Davidson & The Intruders. 10:00 p.m. No Cover.

## MONDAY, JUNE 21

**AIN'T NOBODY'S BIZ** - Employee Auction to benefit Gay Pride! 8x employees will be auctioned off beginning at 8:00 p.m. and all proceeds will benefit Tucson Gay Pride in October. Don't miss this event.

## WEDNESDAY, JUNE 23

**IBT'S** - The Girlie Show hosted by Ajia Simone and featuring Mr. Kenneth Blake, Tori Steele and Ciera Steele.

**STONEWALL/EAGLE** - Classic Rock 'n Roll with DJ Darrin 9:00 p.m. to closing.

## THURSDAY, JUNE 24

**IBT'S** - 8:00 p.m. The return of the outrageous and hilarious De La Mor. Special show start time. Arrive early. Limited seating. (Rudy will not appear on the 17th as was advertised in last week's issue of Observer).

**VENTURE-N** - Leather Pride Nite.

## FRIDAY, JUNE 25

**STONEWALL/EAGLE** - Muscles of Steel erotic male dancers 10:00 p.m. No Cover.

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# Daily Bar Calendar

## Sunday

**AIN'T NOBODY'S BIZ** - Beer Bust 5-10, \$1.25 pitchers. Latin Music with DJ Hill 9-1. Show specials all night.  
**HOURS** - Open 1pm. \$2 Bloody Marys & \$1.50 Screwdrivers till 8pm. Country music & dancing.

**IBT's** - Open Noon to 1am. Happy Hour noon-8pm, \$1.75 domestic beer and \$1.50 well. Benefit 8-9 and Beer Bust for community organizations 4:30-7pm. Karaoke with Billy Dee on the patio 4:30-7:30. Hi energy dancing 9pm to close. All drink specials not available during special events.

**STONEWALL/EAGLE** - Open Noon. Pool Tournament & Sliced Burger Bust 2-6pm. Karaoke 9pm-close hosted by Billy Dee. Fabulous shows every Sunday. Call for info 624-6805. Snack Bar open till midnight

**VENTURE-N** - Open 10am. Patio open 3pm. Patio Beer Bust 3-7pm 75¢ draft. 301 Dart Tournament 5pm \$3 entry fee (pot matched). Boss Burgers 5-7pm Hides Leather Goods opens at 4pm.

## Monday

**AIN'T NOBODY'S BIZ** - Happy Hour Two-For-One 2-7. Free pool 2-4. \$1.50 Well 8-midnight.

**HOURS** - Closed Mondays.  
**IBT's** - Open noon. Martin Monday all day all call martinis \$2.50. Happy Hour noon-8pm, \$1.75 domestic beer and \$1.50 well. 9pm to closing, \$1.50 / \$2oz pitchers. Karaoke on the patio with Billy Dee 7:30-10:30pm. Remixed 80's 9pm to closing. All drink specials not available during special events.

**STONEWALL/EAGLE** - Open 10am Daily Drink Specials. Happy Hour till 8pm. Party with Chuck in the evening. Free pool all day and night. Snack Bar open till midnight

**VENTURE-N** - Open 6am. Blue Monday! \$2 Well and Longnecks 6am-12:30pm Sky shot \$2 (w/ juice \$2.25). Dart Tournament 8pm

## Tuesday

**AIN'T NOBODY'S BIZNESS** - Happy Hour Two-For-One 2-7pm. Pool Journey 7:30pm. \$3 entry, pot matched. \$1 longnecks for pool players. Funky disco w/DJ Starline & DJ Kutta Fly 9-1.

**HOURS** - Open 3pm. Happy Hour 3-8pm. \$1.50 well or domestic beer. Draft Beer 8-10pm. \$2 small/\$4 large pitchers, Karaoke Night 9pm.

**IBT's** - Open noon. Happy Hour Noon-8pm, \$1.75 domestic beer & \$1.50 well. 9pm to close \$1.75 well. Wear an IBT's t-shirt get happy hour prices 9 to close, or buy an IBT's t-shirt for \$5 and get a complimentary drink. House Hi-Nergy Dance 9pm to closing.

**STONEWALL/EAGLE** - Open 10am Daily Drink Specials. Happy Hour till 8pm. Eight Ball pool journey, warm-up 6pm, play begins 7pm. Latin Dance Party w/ DJ Eduardo 9pm - 1am. Snack Bar open till midnight

**VENTURE-N** - Open 6am. \$2 Well drinks and longnecks 6am-12:30pm; Makers Mark \$2 shot

## Wednesday

**AIN'T NOBODY'S BIZNESS** - Happy Hour Two-For-One 2-7pm. Free pool 2-4. \$1.50 Longnecks 8-midnight. Dance music with DJ Stephanie 9pm-1am.

**HOURS** - Open 3pm. Happy Hour 3-8pm \$1.50 well or domestic beer. Import Night \$2.25 8pm-1am

**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 9pm to close. Dance with David Z. All drink specials not available during special events.

**STONEWALL/EAGLE** - Open 10am Daily Drink Specials. Happy Hour till 8pm. Karaoke Nite: 9 to close w/Billy Dee in the Eagle. Stonewall opens at 8pm. Hottest dance music in town. Snack bar open till midnight

**VENTURE-N** - Open 6am. Salsa Morning! \$2 Well & Longnecks 6am-12:30pm. Cerveza Gold \$2 and Cerveza 1800 \$2.25 Open to close.

## Thursday

**AIN'T NOBODY'S BIZNESS** - Happy Hour 2-7pm, 2-for-1 Free pool 2-4. Karaoke with Melissa 3pm to close. W/Carry cowgirls & \$2.50 Tequila Rose.

**HOURS** - Open 3pm. Happy Hour 3-8pm \$1.50 well or domestic beer. 75¢ Schnappa 9pm to close. \$2 Cerveza shots and countrywestern dance at 9pm

**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.

**STONEWALL/EAGLE** - Open 10am Daily Drink Specials. Happy Hour till 8pm. Latin Dance Party w/Eduardo in the Stonewall 9pm to close. Biweekly Travesti Show 10:30pm. Snack Bar open till midnight

**VENTURE-N** - Open 6am \$2 Well Drinks & Longnecks 6am-12:30pm. Patio Bar open 8pm. Fosters Bottles \$1.75 from 9pm-midnight. Day prices for men in leather 7pm to close. Pool Tournament 7pm-ish. \$3 entry (Pot Matched). Hides Leather shop opens at 8pm

## Friday

**AIN'T NOBODY'S BIZNESS** - Happy Hour Two-For-One 2-7. Free pool 2-4. Free food at 5:30pm. Dance music 9-1 w/ DJ Hill. Drink specials every 1/2 hour

**HOURS** - Open 3pm. Happy Hour 3-8pm \$1.50 well and domestic beer. Country Western Music and Dancing 9pm to 1am.

**IBT's** - Open noon. Happy Hour Noon-8pm \$1.75 domestic beer and \$1.50 well. Live Jazz on the patio with the Susan & Tracey 5:30-8:30pm. Patio Bar 9-1. Dance Party 9 to 1 with DJ David Z. All drink specials not available during special events.

**STONEWALL/EAGLE** - Open 10am Daily Drink Specials. Happy Hour till 8pm. T.G.I.F. Free snacks 4:30-8pm The hottest dance music in town 9pm to close in the Stonewall. Snack Bar open till midnight

**VENTURE-N** - Open 6am. \$2 Well & Longnecks 6am-12:30pm Snacks served at 5pm. Patio Bar open 5pm. Hides Leather Store opens at 8pm.

## Saturday

**AIN'T NOBODY'S BIZNESS** - Open at 2pm. Drink specials all day. Pool Tournament 5:30pm \$3 entry. Pot matched. Dance music w/DJ Hill 9-close. Drink specials every half hour.

**HOURS** - Open 1pm. Small Pitchers \$2 & FREE pool 2-5. Country Western Music all night.

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**SOUTHWEST ARIZONA AIDS FOUNDATION (SAAF)**, 151 S. Tucson Blvd., Suite 211 (The Breadmae Building). Office Hours 9am 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. World wide web: <http://www.saaaf.org>. VOLUNTEERS WELCOME.

**FRONT RUNNERS OF TUCSON** meet every Sunday morning and some weeknights for fun runs. For more information call Mitch at 326-3555 or e-mail [mandantua@worldnet.att.net](mailto:mandantua@worldnet.att.net)

**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 881-1794 in Tucson info about special groups for Gays and Lesbians.

YOUNG AND GAY?

Lesbian and Gay youths 23 and under, meet every Saturday in Tucson for sharing, support and information. Meetings are held at 300 E. 6th Street 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 and their admirers to join and share Prime Timers fellowship. We welcome mature men (and admirers) who wish to become involved with planned and future Prime Timers activities. Meetings luncheons and dinners are held monthly. For dates, times and information call 584-0280, leave name and phone number.

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.

**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, 300 E. 6th St., 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 43. Call the church at Davey at 886-1208 or Brian at 882-4726 for information.

**LICHEN HODING CLUB** for women of all ages and backgrounds of life. Hike with other women. Listings in Rubydral 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, 300 E. 6th St. 624-1779.

**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 HUDISTS** - 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.

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**COCHISE COUNTY LESBIANS AND GAYS**. P.O. Box 918, Bisbee, AZ 85603 / (520)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.

**LAMBDA CAR CLUB**, a social organization of Gays and Lesbians who share interest, information and fellowship involving all cars and trucks. New Southern Arizona Region now in Tucson. Call the HOTline for info at 888-5541

**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. Eline 581-8850 or Ronn 968-2384.

**CHRISTIAN SCIENCE GROUP** - Outreach to Gay and Lesbian people in Arizona. Meets monthly. Write to P.O. Box 895, Phoenix, AZ 85001 or call Eddy Walkers, (602)371-1102

**CROMES 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. Garmon (near 1st Ave. and Laguna). Open to All. Call Liz at 325-9466 or Ray at 749-5247.

**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 731, 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.

**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 from 6:30 to 9:30pm at Armory Park Senior Center, 220 S. 6th Ave. Call 731-9662.

Join the **LESBIAN & GAY PUBLIC AWARENESS PROJECT**. In Tucson write Awareness Project, 3661 N. Campbell Ave. #365, Tucson, AZ 85719.

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

**MEN'S SOCIAL NETWORK**: Social organization for men of all ages. Building an extended Gay family in Tucson. Monthly social potluck gatherings the first Saturday of each month and almost weekly social activities. Call Jerry at 690-9565 for information and a newsletter. Check the Men-Bar Calendar in the Observer.

**SOFTBALL** - For info on the Tucson Greater Softball Association T.G.S.A., please contact: Mary 770-9979 or Barbie 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 322-6226.

**"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. Call Wingspan 624-1779 for more info.

**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, 300 E. 6th St. 624-1779.

**GAY VOLLEYBALL ON TUESDAYS AND SATURDAYS**. Competitive but fun play. Intermediate or better players only. Grass court Northwest corner Himmel Park from 5:30 - sundown Tuesdays; 4pm - sundown Saturdays.

**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.

**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.

**TUCSON LESBIAN/GAY ALLIANCE (TLGA)** meets on the second Tuesday at Wingspan, 300 E. 6th Street at 7pm. For more information call 622-3200.

**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 Care Teams to support HIV+ persons, a referral network of HIV-sensitive clergy, and interfaith services of healing and hope. For more information call 299-6647.

**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 797-3116 for more information and a membership bio.

**LESBIAN/GAY/BI-SEXUAL OVEREATERS ANONYMOUS**. Saturdays noon-1pm new location Wingspan, 300 E. 6th St. Contacts: 325-6676 or 327-4293.

**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 791-7876.

**GRACE GROUP - CATHOLIC GAY/LESBIAN SUPPORT GROUP** meets every 2nd Monday at 7:30 p.m. in the Madonna Hall at Saints Peter and Paul Catholic Church, 1436 N. Campbell across from University Hospital. For more info. Call Eddie Estano 888-4595 or Cheri Jacobs 323-9066.

**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 ([evlren@ix.netcom.com](mailto:evlren@ix.netcom.com))

**AZdykes** is a new email list for Lesbians living in Arizona. For information mail [tyan@theriver.com](mailto:tyan@theriver.com) and request guidelines.

**OUTLOUD!** Tucson's premier Local Lesbian and Gay Radio Show, broadcast every Wednesday at 6:03 pm on 91.3 FM, Community Radio KXCI. The show "This Way Out", a nationally syndicated Lesbian and Gay radio show is aired at 5:30 pm every Wednesday.

**THEATER/DINNER/ETC!** Non-Smoking Lesbian Network meets every 3rd Saturday night of each month. If you'd like to meet women 35+ (flexible) and socialize in a smoke-free environment 888-8010 before 10:00 p.m. The group dines out and attends shows or movies. Now in their 16th year! (2nd in Tucson).

**SOUTHERN ARIZONA GENDER ALLIANCE (SAGA)**. Explore gender with us on the 1st Monday (Desert Girls) and 3rd Wednesday (Desert Boys) of every month. SAGAEmail@aol.com <http://members.aol.com/sagaemail>

**EDUCATIONAL SUPPORT GROUP FOR ALTERNATIVE LIFESTYLES**. Not a dating club. Discreet. Meetings every Monday evening. Call for more info. APEX (Arizona Power Exchange) 602-415-1123. 24-hr multi-choice message including information, calendar and location.

**ARIZONA AIDS POLICY ALLIANCE (AZAPA)** seeks to educate legislators and citizens about sound AIDS policy. For more information write AZAPA, 6523 N. 14th St., #112, Phoenix, AZ 85014 or call 602-279-4805.

**GAY NORMON, EX-NORMON**. New support and discussion group. For information call 529-4580

**ABUSIVE RELATIONSHIPS**. Individual or group support for Gay, Bisexual and Trans men who are victims/survivors in same-sex relationships. Group meets Tuesdays 7 to 8:30pm at a confidential location. For information or appointment call 218-2827. Wingspan Domestic Violence Project.

**TUCSON'S 100% CONSENSUAL, Pan-Fetish, Pan-Sexual, Informational Safe Space** for the B&D, S&M, D&S and TV community. Call us at (520)617-4661, e-mail us at [http://www.geocities.com/VictHollywood/Heights/5086](mailto:http://www.geocities.com/VictHollywood/Heights/5086)

**LOG CABIN REPUBLICANS OF SOUTHERN ARIZONA**. Local chapter of the nation's largest Gay and Lesbian Republican organization. Meets the first Tuesday evening of each month. For information, call Patrick at 815-1887.

**SEXUAL ASSAULT SURVIVORS**. Starting this February, the Tucson Rape Crisis Center will be providing free confidential group services for Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender survivors of all manner of sexual assault. Interested persons please call Mirie Stone, MSW, at 327-1171 (if unavailable leave message with phone number).

**GAY CRISIS LINE** now in operation. For crisis call (520)577-3780 or 1-888-774-9200. Crisis mailing address: P.O. Box 126, Tucson, AZ 85705. Also donations urgently needed. Mail to same address.

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**AAPSP - ARIZONA ASSOCIATION OF PUBLIC SAFETY PROFESSIONALS** - a confidential organization committed to providing support and networking for all Gay, Lesbian and Bisexual public safety professionals in Arizona. Membership open to Law Enforcement Officers, Firefighters, Probation, Parole and Corrections Officers and civilians working within these agencies. Website: AAPSP.org or e-mail: AAPSP@aol.com or call Dave (520)745-9058 (Tucson) or Kim (802)534-8219 (Phoenix)

**GLSEN** - Gay, Lesbian and Straight Education Network meets first Thursday of every month at 4:30pm at Wingspan, 300 E. 6th Street. 743-4800.

**GAY, LESBIAN & BISEXUAL VETERANS** meet at Wingspan every fourth Monday at 7:00 p.m. All are welcome. For more info call Miguel Guzman, 689-4078 or pager 448-5123.

**TUCSON CATHOLIC GAY & LESBIAN FAMILY MINISTRY**. Currently meeting the 4th Monday of every month at St Peter & Paul Church, Madonna Hall 7:30 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. Fr. Fiedler in attendance every meeting and willing to speak one on one. Reaching out to Parents and Families. For more info call Doc or Barbara 293-6824.

**WOMEN'S OUT OF THE CLOSET GROUP**. Welcome to women in all stages of the coming-out process. We are here to support the Lesbians, Bisexuals and straight women of all races, religions and ages. Meeting times are the 2nd and 4th Sunday of every month, 1:30 - 3:30pm at Wingspan at 300 E. 6th St. 624-1779. Call Wendy Bailey at 235-1893 after 5pm for more information.

**LUTHERANS CONCERNED - FORMING CHAPTER FOR GAY/LESBIAN LUTHERANS**. Write LC, 7014 E. GoN Links Road, PMB 212, Tucson, AZ 85730

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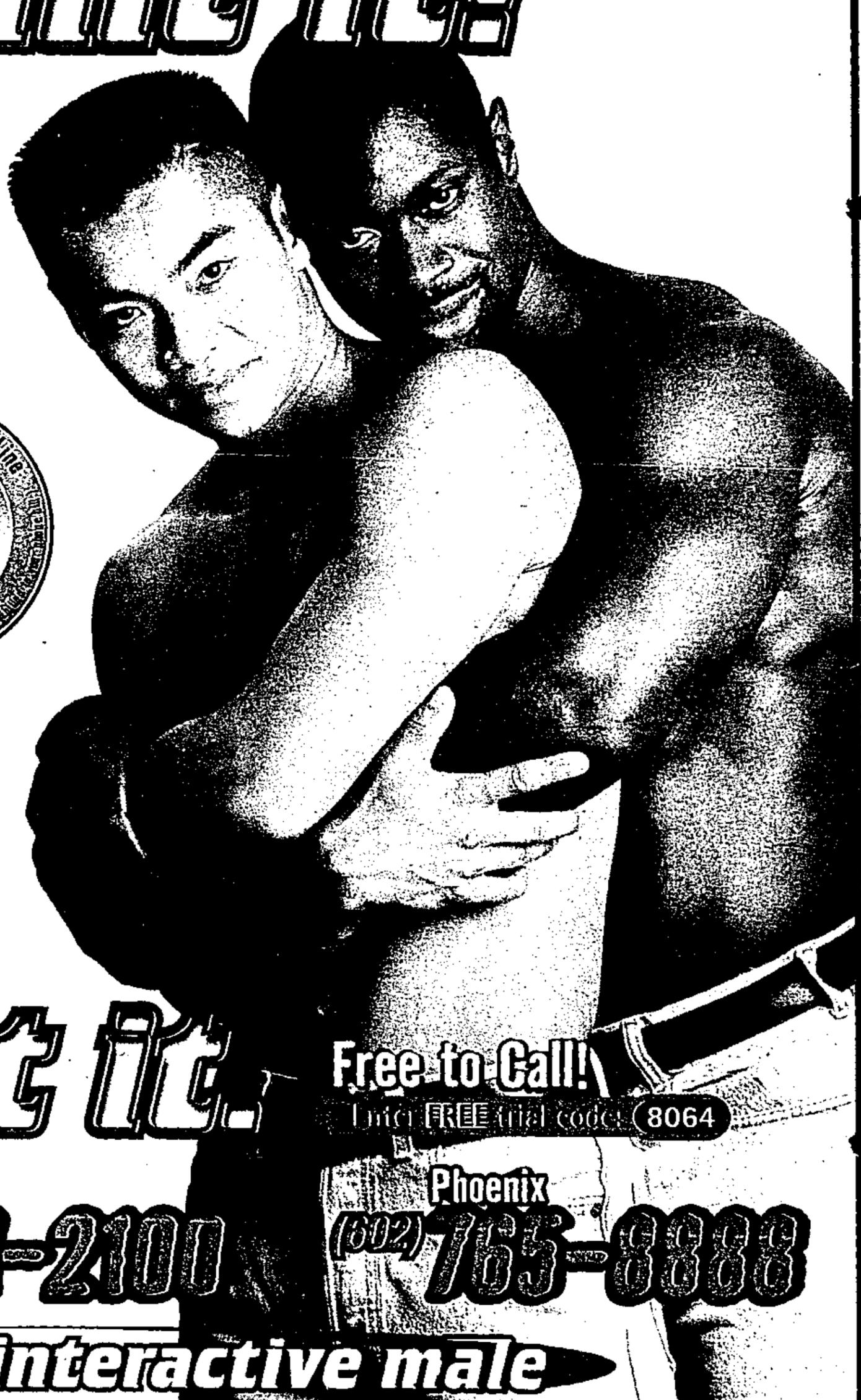
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