



House Judiciary Committee Hears Of Hate During Hearings

WASHINGTON, DC (NP) — The House Judiciary Committee held a hearing August 4 on Representative John Conyers', D-MI, HR 1082, a version of the Hate Crimes Prevention Act (HCPA) passed two weeks ago in the Senate as an amendment to the Commerce - State - Justice appropriations bill.

Among other provisions, the bill would for the first time allow federal authorities to respond to crimes motivated by bias against the victim's perceived sexual orientation, gender or disability, categories which are not recognized by more than half the states.

Committee Chair Henry Hyde, R-IL, called hate crimes "senseless acts of inhumanity," but has taken no position on the proposed legislation. He said he called the hearing to consider the effect of current laws, their possible overlap with the proposed legislation, and the right-wing contention that the measure would threaten First Amendment rights. The bill currently has 182 House co-sponsors, led by Conyers, Michael Forbes, D-NY, House Minority Leader Richard Gephardt, D-MO, Connie Morella, R-MD, and Wisconsin Lesbian Tammy Baldwin (D). No further action has been scheduled on the measure, and the Congress goes into recess after this week. The last Congress took no action whatever on HCPA, a cherished priority of President Bill Clinton.

Leading the testimony were victims of hate crimes and their families. Tony Orr of Tulsa, Oklahoma represented victims of anti-Gay attacks. He described an evening in September 1997 when he and his partner Tim Beauchamp were using an automatic teller machine and three men asked if they were "faggots." Orr told the committee, "The men then knocked me to the ground and began kicking me repeatedly in the head and stomach." When

Beauchamp sought to intervene, he suffered an even worse beating. The violence continued until passers-by called police on a cell phone. Orr suffered a concussion and required stitches to wounds in his head. Beauchamp suffered permanent nerve damage from a broken facial bone. The attackers told police they were "only rolling a couple of fags." Although they were arrested, thanks to a plea bargain they were punished with only 40 hours of community service, of which Orr remarked, "We do not believe that justice was served."

Orr elaborated at a press conference before the hearing, arranged by the national Gay and Lesbian political group the Human Rights Campaign (HRC). He said, "People like us in communities all across this country need some place to turn when justice is not served. We need to be able to appeal to a higher authority when localities and states do not — for whatever reason — fully investigate and prosecute a hate crime." Orr continued, "We were targeted because of who we are, not for any other reason. They were trying to send a message that 'our kind' are not welcome in Tulsa and deserve to be beaten or die. It is time to send a message that what is not welcome are hate crimes."

Representing the administration before the panel was Deputy U.S. Attorney General Eric Holden, Jr., who reviewed the sobering list of high-profile hate crimes perpetrated since he testified before the Senate Judiciary Committee in May, including the double murder of Happy Valley, California Gay couple Winfield Mowder and Gary Matson. He said that while any assault with intent to kill is "always worthy of prosecution," such an assault against a Gay person, for example, "I consider, quite frankly, more serious," because, "It's not only an attack on the individual. It is also an attack on the group that that person is a

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New Jersey Supreme Court Overturns Boy Scout Ban On Gays



TRENTON, NJ - James Dale, left, assistant scoutmaster was kicked out of the Boy Scouts nine years ago when Scout leaders found out he is Gay. With the help of Lambda senior staff attorney Evan Wolfson, right, Dale won his long-term lawsuit when the New Jersey Supreme Court ruled that under New Jersey's anti-discrimination law the Boy Scout's ban on homosexuals is illegal.

TRENTON, NJ (WS) — The New Jersey Supreme Court has ruled that the Boy Scouts of America's ban on Gay men is illegal under New Jersey's anti-discrimination law. The Boy Scouts vowed to appeal the court's ruling to the U.S. Supreme Court.

"The highly respected New Jersey Supreme Court handed down a win-win-win ruling: a victory for an outstanding Eagle Scout; a victory for Gay youth who should be included, not excluded, from scouting; and a victory for all members of scouting, who join because they value honesty, community service, self-reliance, and respect for others not discrimination," said Lambda Senior Staff Attorney Evan Wolfson, who argued the case in January.

The state high court, in a unanimous decision, sided with James Dale, a Matawan assistant scoutmaster who was kicked out of the Boy Scouts nine years ago when leaders discovered that he is Gay. Dale said the ruling showed that "justice will prevail."

The court ruled the Boy Scouts organization constitutes a "place of public accommodation" because of the organization's extensive partnerships with public entities and public service organizations. New Jersey law prohibits discrimination in "accommodations, advantages, facilities and privileges" because of sexual orientation.

The court flatly rejected the Boy Scouts' claim that striking down their ban on homosexuals was in violation of the group's First Amendment rights. "To recognize the Boy Scouts' First Amendment claim would be tantamount to tolerating the expulsion of an individual solely because of his status as a homosexual — an act of discrimination unprotected by the First Amendment freedom of speech."

The court also rejected "the notion that Dale's presence in the organization is symbolic of Boy Scouts' endorsement of homosexuality. . . Dale has never used his leadership position or membership to promote homosexuality, or any message incon-

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Pre-Trial Hearing On Wichell Murder Underway

FORT CAMPBELL, KY (SLPD) — Information and testimony delivered to a military panel investigating the murder of Fort Campbell Pfc. Barry Winchell has yet to uncover the circumstances leading to his death.

Important questions about the motives of his assailants remain unanswered, and the Army continues to refuse to disclose details about the case, sources say. Defense lawyer said any suggestion that Winchell's sexuality was a factor in the crime is "wrong," but declined further comment.

The military hearing was to determine whether there was enough evidence to initiate court-martial proceedings against the two men being held in connection with Winchell's death: Pvt. Calvin N. Glover,

18, of Oklahoma and Spec. Justin Fisher, 25, of Nebraska.

Chief Warrant Officer Alfred Brown testified that Winchell suffered massive head injuries when he was beaten with a blunt object after a party outside the barracks on July 5.

Pfc. Ryan Futch, who served in the unit with the three soldiers, guarded Glover after he was taken into custody. Futch testified that during that time, Glover told him he had hit Winchell several times with a baseball bat. Futch also testified he overheard Glover make disparaging remarks about blacks and Gay people to another prisoner.

Pfc. Arthur Hoffman, a member of
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UPDATE

Desperado Released



TUCSON, AZ - Desperado David Zinke was released from the MDA "Lock-Up" after raising \$1,200 "bail" for Jerry's Kids and the Muscular Dystrophy Association. Congratulations David.

Position Open At SAAF

TUCSON -- The Southern Arizona AIDS Foundation is seeking an individual for the following position:

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Poz Cafe Lunch And Social August 19

TUCSON -- People living with HIV are invited to Poz Cafe, serving a free lunch along with social and recreational activities, Thursday, August 19.

Poz Cafe is located at St. Francis in the Foothills UMC (corner of Swan and River Roads). Doors open at 11:30 A.M., with lunch served at noon, followed by social/recreational time until about 2:30 P.M.

Like all TIHAN programs, it's Gay-friendly, free of charge, and no proselytizing or evangelizing is permitted - the purpose is to enhance social opportunities and nutrition for adults living with HIV/AIDS.

Poz Cafe is not "health food," but it's healthy, with a balance between good nutrition and comfort foods. The menu will taste good, and be appealing, and of course, it will be made with lots of love from TIHAN's volunteers. This month's menu: your choice of chicken salad sandwiches or tuna salad sandwiches, with all the fixings, a variety of chips and dips, pickles, fruit salad, cookies, iced tea, and coffee - all served up by some of the most fabulous, caring volunteers around.

Reservations are requested so that we can have an idea of how much to cook. Each HIV+ person may have one guest accompany them if they choose. Each guest, partner, spouse, friend, volunteer will be reminded of confidentiality concerns.

The lunch, as mentioned earlier, is free, courtesy of generous grants from AGRA-Tucson, Casas Adobes Congregational Church, St. Francis in the Foothills United Methodist Church, Phyllis Kuchenbecker, and other caring individuals and congregations of TIHAN. Congregations supporting this month's meal: St. Pius X Catholic Church - a very supportive and loving congregation with a very supportive

ministry to Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual persons and their families.

With SAAF's generous support, transportation can be provided with advance notice. To make your reservation, or request more information, call the TIHAN office (520) 299-6647 by Monday, August 16 if possible.

Team Arizona Update

PHOENIX -- Team Arizona will be holding a meeting on the Pride Golf Tournament, Sunday, August 22, 4:00 P.M. at the Community Center to hammer out the final details about the event.

The Team Arizona Pride Golf Tournament will take place Saturday, September 18 at San Marcos Resort.

Team Arizona is now on the World Wide Web. The site is at: teamarizona.org.

1999 Wingspan Benefit Dinner September 18

TUCSON -- The 1999 Wingspan Benefit Dinner will be held Saturday, September 18, at the University Marriott.

This event is one of the premier events in the Tucson Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual and Transgendered (GLBT) community and attracts business, political and community leaders from all over Southern Arizona. Proceeds from the Dinner goes to Wingspan, a non-profit organization that provides a wide variety of services for the GLBT community.

At the second annual dinner, Kerry Lobel, executive director of the National Gay and Lesbian Task Force will be the keynote speaker. For more information, please call Wingspan, (520) 624-1779.

VaxGen To Host 'Party' At IBT's August 12

TUCSON -- For those interested in information on a possible investigational AIDS vaccine, VaxGen Inc., and the Arizona Clinical Research Center invites you to a party, Thursday, August 12, 7:00 to 9:00 P.M. at IBT's, 616 N. Fourth Avenue.

This event is to support the ongoing AIDS research. Drink specials and appetizers will be offered at the event.

For more information, call (520) 290-9896.

Ammiano Quits SF Mayor's Race

SAN FRANCISCO, CA (NP) -- Openly Gay President of the San Francisco Board of Supervisors Tom Ammiano announced on the eve of the filing deadline, that he will not be a candidate for mayor in November.

"The city is ready for a Gay mayor, but I'm not running," he said. Incumbent Mayor Willie Brown's response on learning the news was simply, "Hooray," as Ammiano's candidacy had threatened to drain some of the mayor's support from the left. Those San Francisco residents who had already begun to wear "Run, Tom, Run" buttons will have to save them for a future election.

"I regret the disappointment this will cause my supporters," said Ammiano. "I feel that my energies will be better spent on campaigning for important issues on the November ballot and taking the lead on district elections next year." He said, "I'd

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TLGA Receives Grant To Help LGBT Non-Profit Groups

The allocation committee of the Community Foundation of Southern Arizona has awarded the Tucson Lesbian Gay Alliance (TLGA) a "Gay/Lesbian Issues" grant from the Amazon Foundation for \$1,000.

This grant will be used by TLGA to give "scholarships" to Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgendered (LGBT) non profit groups and organizations in Tucson and Southern Arizona so that they can participate in OUToberFEST '99.

Applications of one page will be accepted and reviewed by TLGA at POB 40301, Tucson AZ, 85717-0301 from February 1, 1999 till September 1, 1999. Awards and fees and services will be separate. Fees will be awarded first from February 1 till September 1 and if funds are still available, services will be awarded.

"Scholarships" for 30% to 80% of groups costs will be awarded on a first-come, first-serve basis to qualified groups in accordance with these rules:

- 1) Groups must be non-profit in orientation.
- 2) Groups must serve the Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgendered communities in Tucson and/or Southern Arizona.
- 3) Groups must show financial need to receive "scholarships."

Valid application will include the following information:

- 1) The name, postal address and a contact phone number of the organization and person(s) applying for the scholarship.
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- 3) A simple budget from 1998 showing that financial help is necessary for the applicant to participate in OUToberFEST '99.
- 4) An itemized list of what the applicant would like from TLGA in their award separated into fees and services. Fees and services will be awarded separately. Fees include booth space rental fees and related insurance premiums. Services include electricity, tables and chairs.

Liability insurance is required for all exhibitors at OUToberFEST '99. Applicants who don't have insurance can purchase "Day of the Event Insurance," through Casswood Insurance Agency, Ltd. Thirty to eighty percent of the cost of this insurance can be awarded. Applications should include a request for aid in this area.

Booth and Insurance Fees: Non Profit Information booth, \$50; Non Profit Fund Raising only booth, \$75; Information Only booth (liability insurance fee), \$25; Fund Raising booth (liability insurance fee), \$50.

Service Fees: Tables, \$10 each; Chairs, \$2 each; Electricity (1 outlet 110v 15 amp), \$10.

Interested parties who need information and/or help decoding these requirements are invited to call TLGA, (520) 622-3200, leave a message for Tom Maza with your organization and contact persons name along with a return phone number and Tom will return your call.

Play safe and be Proud.

Ammiano Quits SF Mayor's Race

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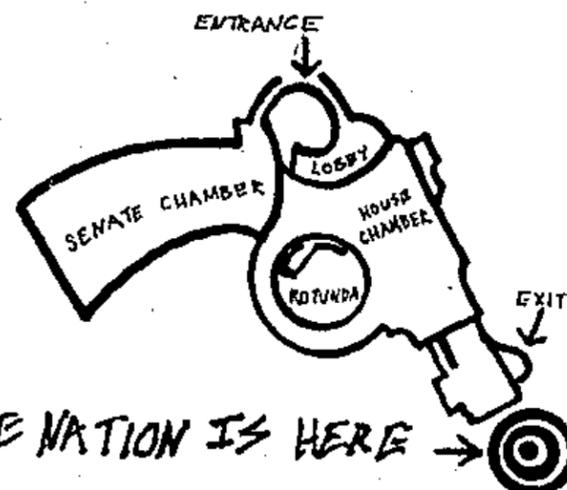
like to take on the task of getting six or seven votes that aren't rubber stamps [for Brown] on the Board of Supervisors."

There's no question that fund-raising contributed to Amuniano's decision. Brown already has nearly a million dollars in hand. Candidate Clint Reilly has already spent even more, destroying the result of a referendum that called for voluntary spending limits of \$600,000 for the mayoral campaign proper and \$400,000 for the almost-inevitable run-off election. Former Mayor Frank Jordan, announcing his candidacy shortly after Ammiano's withdrawal, said he'll abide by the spending limits.

Ammiano had already said his would have to be a low-budget, volunteer-labor-intensive campaign, and asserted as he withdrew that, "The thing that counts is what you can put together. Money isn't the only thing, but it speaks very loudly." He added that he could have presented a challenge to Brown.

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member of." He emphasized that, although HCPA would greatly expand the conditions under which federal authorities could intervene, they would do so only "in rare circumstances where state or local officials are unable or unwilling to bring appropriate criminal charges" - but that in those cases, "the United States must be able to bring federal civil rights charges."

The President issued a formal statement in advance of the hearing, which he said "must lead to the entire House's consideration and passage of strong, effective hate crimes legislation, and ultimately to enactment of a hate crimes law." He said that, "Effective legislation must accomplish three objectives. First, it must remove serious jurisdictional limitations, which require proof that victims were attacked because they were engaging in particular activities. Second, it must expand federal coverage for violent hate crimes based on sexual orientation, gender or disability. There is no question that innocent people have been targeted and attacked and in some cases even killed solely because of their sexual orientation, gender or disability. Such hate crimes must be covered by any legislation passed by the Congress. Third, it must recognize that state and local authorities should continue to prosecute the great majority of hate crimes, and that federal jurisdiction should be exercised only when it is necessary to achieve justice in a particular case. Any bill that does not include these three elements falls far short of what America needs in our battle against hate." He added that, "This should not be a partisan issue. It is a national concern requiring a national response, in the form of strong hate crimes legislation."

Among those testifying against HCPA was Daniel Troy, associate scholar at the conservative American Enterprise Institute, who voiced the slogan "All crimes are hate crimes" and charged that the measure "punishes thought in a manner at odds with the First Amendment." He said that HCPA "wrongly suggests that one person's life is worth more than another's," and added that, "If someone were to kill me for being a yuppie swine or a . . . Jew, I would be dead regardless." University of California at Berkeley law professor John Yoo agreed that free speech concerns could lead to the bill being struck down by the Supreme Court, while University of Pennsylvania law professor and self-professed liberal Democrat Heidi Hurd called HCPA an "extremely worrisome" attempt to "legislate virtue" by "political perfectionists who believe the power of the state should be used to improve people's thoughts and beliefs."

The anti-Gay Family Research Council (FRC) distributed a written statement at the hearing saying quite reasonably that, "All violent crime, whatever the motivation, is wrong and all victims should receive equal protection under the law." That's a departure from past FRC statements denouncing HCPA as a law creating federal "thought crimes" that would result in prosecution of clergy preaching the sinfulness of homosexuality. [Note: HCPA specifically applies only to acts of violence against persons.]

Opponents' assertions were countered in testimony by leaders of the National Coalition of Anti-Violence Programs (NCAVP), whose members respond to and collect data on homophobic attacks. NCAVP steering committee member and executive director of Michigan's Triangle Foundation Jeffrey Montgomery said, "Critics of hate crime legislation often

advance the deceptive argument that such laws would give 'special treatment or protection' to some victims because of their status. This argument demonstrates a profound failure to understand what bias crimes are and how hate-crime legislation works. The greatest failure to understand hate-crime laws lies in focusing on attributes of the victim rather the perpetrator, since it is the motive behind the criminal act that distinguishes and defines a hate-crime, not any characteristic of the victim. Taking the motive behind a crime into account when determining sentencing is a well-established facet of the criminal justice process."

Montgomery countered the "all crimes are hate crimes" argument by saying that, "Typical criminal motives are greed and financial gain, or jealousy or anger between people who know each other. In contrast, bias crimes are usually perpetrated against strangers and are committed for the sole purpose of victimizing the target, not any personal gain on the part of the attacker. Furthermore, crimes against Lesbians, Gay men and Transgender people are not only trivialized by the larger society, but also often viewed as 'just deserts' in some circles. Many bias criminals not only rationalize their crimes, but also go so far as to defend their actions as almost a 'civic duty.'"

NCAVP steering committee member and executive director of New York City Gay & Lesbian Anti-Violence Project Richard Haymes added, "Hate crimes also differ from other acts of violence because of the terrorist nature of the act itself. When bias criminals target an individual because they are perceived to be a member of a certain group, the attack has serious repercussions beyond the trauma to the individual and his or her loved ones. Acts of bias-related violence send a clear signal to that entire community or group - that is also what sets hate crimes apart from other criminal acts."

National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP) Washington bureau director Hilary Shelton said in an interview, "The inaction of Congress on an issue like this is as devastating as the acts themselves in many ways."

HRC took the occasion to launch a new publication developed in conjunction with the Southern Poverty Law Center, "A Decade of Violence: Hate Crimes Based on Sexual Orientation." HRC said that HCPA's backers include 22 state Attorneys-General, former Bush administration U.S. Attorney General Dick Thornburgh, the National Sheriff's Association, the Police Foundation, and the U.S. Conference of Mayors.

States' voluntary reports to the Federal Bureau of Investigation in 1997 showed an increase of anti-Gay hate crimes of 8% over the previous year, with those crimes representing 14% of all hate crimes reported - even though 29 states do not recognize such crimes in their laws and so don't necessarily record them systematically. Further analysis of those statistics by the Southern Poverty Law Center has shown that even though in raw numbers anti-Gay crimes rank #3 behind crimes motivated by bias based on race or religion, an individual Gay or Lesbian actually faces the highest risk of victimization.

NCAVP also reviewed the hate crimes data collected by its member groups in 16 geographic areas. Haymes said, **Continued on Page Sixteen**



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CBA COMMUNITY BUSINESS ASSOCIATION

TUCSON — The Community Business Association's (CBA) June "Out and About" was an indoor-outdoor event.

Outdoors, co-hosts Hanna Delosantos and Andrea Edwards, partners in Hanna's Landscaping of Tucson, treated guests to a tour of the gardens that they designed and installed for Dynaset, a local software development and consulting firm. Indoors, Dynaset partners Mae Krueger and Gerry Oldenski showed CBA members and guests how even the smallest businesses can benefit from advances in software and database technology.

Founded in 1995, Dynaset focuses on developing customized software business applications using Microsoft Access and Visual Basic programs, specializing in building databases. Clients include the University of Arizona, Carondelet Health Networks, the city and Pima County, along with small businesses throughout the Tucson area.

"We do sales contracts, order entry, inventory, and we have a small contact-management system that we customize, which has been popular with small-

er businesses," Oldenski says.

After spending several years working for some of the region's largest landscaping companies, Hanna Delosantos decided to strike out on her own three years ago, starting the business with her partner Andrea Edwards. The firm specializes in irrigation, yard maintenance, landscape lighting and yard improvements.

"Ever since we started the business, people just wanted to see us succeed, both inside and outside of the Gay community," Delosantos says.

Now in its third year, the Community Business Association is a dynamic group made up of more than 200 Gay and Lesbian professionals and business owners, making it the 15th largest Business/Trade Associations for the Tucson Area, according to Inside Tucson Business Magazine. It holds a breakfast meeting on the third Thursday of every month, with "Out and About" functions scheduled throughout the year to give members a more in-depth look at local businesses. For more information on the CBA, please call Greg Hollman at (520) 529-7532.

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"You want to know about hate speech? Read articles about me. Hate speech! That's why I'm always laughing into my shoes when GLAAD or some other organization has screaming fits because I doesn't believe in other than a man and a woman getting married. They go crazy and call me 'phobic' and 'hateful.' You want to see hateful? Read some of the letters their people send. You should know from hateful. Trust me."

Clearly, Schlessinger continues to misrepresent the letters our community sends her. GLAAD encourages you to continue sending Schlessinger respectful letters illustrating the falseness of her perceptions and the impact of her prejudice on real people. Your letters keep us on higher ground and help us change hearts and minds about Schlessinger's dangerous rhetoric.

Please send your letters to: Dr. Laura Schlessinger, c/o PREMIERE RADIO NETWORKS, 15260 Ventura Blvd., Suite 500, Sherman Oaks, CA 91403, fax: 818.461.5140, e-mail: webmaster@dlr.com. Please also send us a copy of your letter at: Dr. Laura Letters, c/o GLAAD, 8455 Beverly Blvd., Suite 305, Los Angeles, CA 90048, fax: 323.658.6776...

A Top 10 Lesbian: Top 10, the latest offering from America's Best Comics, an imprint of the DC Comics-owned WildStorm, features a Lesbian superhero by the name of Jack Phantom (a.k.a. Officer Jackie Kowalski).

The new book revolves around the lives of police officers in the 10th Precinct

of Neopolis, a town made up of superheroes and villains. In the introductory storyline, Robyn Slinger, a new recruit to the 10th Precinct, goes out for a beer with Jackie after her first day on the job. After Robyn tells Jackie about her harrowing first day, Jackie says of Robyn's teaming with an unfriendly officer named Smax, "I can't believe they put you with Smax... I mean, that guy is such a pig. It's ridiculous how women fall all over him. I'd avoid him like typhoid, even if I was straight." When Robyn tells her that there is somebody waiting for her at home, Jackie replies, "Can't blame a girl for trying."

While Gay characters are not new to DC Comics and its imprints, Top 10 is a rare book whose inclusiveness is aimed at younger male audiences who comic books usually do not offer positive exposure to our community.

Please thank America's Best Comics and Top 10's creators for their inclusion of the Jack Phantom/Jackie Kowalski character, and encourage them to develop her in upcoming storylines.

Contact: Mr. Jim Lee, Editorial Director, America's Best Comics, and Mr. Alan Moore & Mr. Gene Ha, Creators, Top 10, c/o America's Best Comics, 7910 Ivanhoe Ave., Suite 436, La Jolla, CA 92037; e-mail: top10@wildstorm.com.

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Safe Sex



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In a recent article in the afternoon daily fishwrap, that "paragon of virtue," House Speaker Jeff "Conflict of Interest" Groscoast, R-Facing an Ethics Investigation, says Tucson would suffer long-term pain if it dares to bend a state law to help finance the Rio Nuevo South project.

Oh yes, daddy! Hurt us! Beat us! Make us wear polyester!

Groscoast, still smarting over his pet project in "the Center of the Universe," the billion-dollar Rio Salado Fiasco, going down in flames, says Tucson's plan to finance Rio Nuevo would twist the Legislature's intent in passing law.

What about the people's intent, when they passed a referendum, expanding health care to the poor? For that matter, what about the people's intent, when they passed a referendum, raising the tax on tobacco to pay for health care for Arizonans who can't get health insurance? Just to name two recent examples where the Legislature twisted the intent of the people! But digressing ever so conveniently.

Groscoast blathered on, with the afternoon newspaper reporter lapping up the bile, like cheap booze served to Robert Downey Jr., as he violated his parole for the past two years.

If any sales taxes received from businesses outside the Rio Nuevo boundaries (expanded) are used to help finance the project, according to Jeffie it, "is an enhancement for Tucson at the expense of state dollars."

Really? Like the state tax revenue? Tucsonans pay up to four times more than citizens in the "Evil City to the North," and the "Center of the Universe," Maricopa County in taxes and get less than

POLITICS 1999
by Mark R. Kerr

"Get Her!"

Phoenix in state revenues! It should be an enhancement for them at the expense of Tucson dollars! Que lastimal

Groscoast stated that the Grand Inquisitors, or Legislators feel "betrayed" and are likely to strike back retaliate. "When the legislative decides to get punitive, that's not good."

- Pub-leeze!

When has the Phoenix-controlled Legislature ever had the interest of Tucsonans (Gays and Lesbians especially) in mind?

During the last session, Jeffie let Rep. Karen Johnson, R-Lily Whiteville, and her annual Gay and Lesbian bashing run rampant.

Remember HB 2523, 2524, the two bills that would have banned the extension of medical and dental benefits to the domestic partners of government employees, state through school districts. Why? Because the Tucson City Government and the Pima County Board of Supervisors (after a long court battle) extended benefits to the same-sex partners of their employees? Holy Sappho and Lambda!

Johnson also tried to ban Gay and Lesbian adoptions and us creative folk from being foster parents, despite the state having 6,000 kids in foster care with homes for only 4,000 of them.

He also let state Representative, Linda "Dallas" Gray, R-Glendale, have her "fun" too. Gray tried to get Gay and Lesbian support groups on public school campuses banned, despite losing \$410 million in federal funding to do so. To heck with the Federal Equal Access Act!

She wasn't done. Ms. Gray threatened to cut off funding for women studies at the University of Arizona (Tucson bashing again!), because she alleged that some students actually complained to her over the fact that they had to go to Antigone's, a feminist bookstore to get books for a class! Yikes!

Groscoast got into the act, when he flouted parliamentary procedure, and killed a bill, that included amendments to overturn the state's archaic laws, dealing with sodomy and cohabitation. With less than a quorum on the floor, about a half-dozen members of the House, according to eyewitnesses, a voice vote was called (by Groscoast) on the bill in question resulting in the defeat of the measure.

Democracy indeed! Jeffie knows about that! Take for the most recent, example:

During this past session, when he personally ram-rodged a bill through the Legislature that dealt with the prompt payment for services to subcontractors, despite being employed by the group, PIPE, who was pushing for, er lobbying, the

approval of the bill.

Conflict of interest? We don't need no stinking conflict of interest!

There are other matters, not just concerning us creative folk, where the Arizona Legislature doesn't have Tucson's interest in mind:

What about the incorporation bill that was ram-rodged through? The measure would allow areas to incorporate into cities, without getting permission from neighboring towns, within six miles of each other. This bill's target, Pima County.

Then there is CRAP, or CAP water, which the Arizona Legislature, led by Jeffie and the "Georgia Peach," Senate President Brenda Burns, would like to flush down our throats. More corroded pipes and destroyed plumbing for all!

Poor Jeffie! He feels for us. Right!

Groscoast said the city's action also could hurt Tucson lawmakers' ability to influence legislation. "I think the biggest downside is, this will hurt the effectiveness of those who fought hard to get this authorization," Jeffie said in the interview. Get her!

House Assistant Minority Leader, Herschella Horton, D-Tucson, said it best in the interview, "What they are doing now is coming up with yet another reason why Tucson and Pima County can get their fair share. Is it okay for Maricopa County but not for other cities?" Of course to them! Phoenix rules and the rest of the state drools!

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New Jersey Supreme Court Overturns Boy Scout Ban On Gays

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sistent with Boy Scouts' policies."

Dale, who is now 29, earned 30 merit badges and various other Scouting awards during his 12 years in the organization. He was expelled in 1990. A lower court judge ruled in the Scouts' favor in 1995, calling homosexuality "a serious moral wrong" and agreeing with the Boy Scouts that the group is a private organization and has a constitutional right to decide who can belong.

But in overturning that decision last year, an appeals court said Dale's "exemplary journey through the Boy Scouts of America ranks as testament enough that these stereotypical notions about homosexuals must be rejected."

George Davidson, an attorney representing the Boy Scouts, said this is the first time the group had lost such a case in a state's highest court. "To us, the silver lining is it gives Boy Scouts the first opportunity to go the U.S. Supreme Court and get a definitive ruling to put an end to these lawsuits," he said.

Dale said the decision by the Supreme Court of New Jersey was a reaffirmation of what scouting had taught him all his life. "Believe in the system," he said, "and justice will prevail."

"When I was growing up, I didn't know I was Gay, but the Boy Scouts made me feel good about who I was," Dale said. "Whether or not they know it, the Boy Scouts do wonderful things for Gay kids across the country."

NATIONAL IMPACT FROM JERSEY'S SCOUT DECISION SEEN

The New Jersey Supreme Court's ruling against the Boy Scouts of America organization could transform the rules governing Scout troops across the country.

"Realistically, I think it could have a huge impact here," said Gay civil rights advocate Gary Buseck. Although handed down in New Jersey, the court decision, he said, could have a broader effect because it comes from one of the most respected state courts in the country. "This is a terrific victory. The decision was unanimous, written by the chief justice. I think it actually means something," he said.

Since the Supreme Court refused to hear a California case in which the scouts' ban was upheld, the nation's highest court could now be asked to clarify its position. An attorney for the Boy Scouts, George Davidson, seemed to relish the opportunity.

New Jersey's decision, he said, gave the organization "the first opportunity to go to the US Supreme Court and get a

definitive ruling to put an end to these lawsuits."

The Boy Scouts organization argues its policy banning Gays is legal because it falls within its First Amendment rights. In 1995, a lower court agreed, ruling that the Boy Scouts, as a private organization, can set its own membership rules.

But an appeals court overturned that decision in 1998, and yesterday the highest court in New Jersey agreed that no organization as broadly-based and funded as the Boy Scouts could be anything but public. Over the past 80 years, 100 million Americans have participated in scouting.

An editorial published in USA Today was more blunt still about the BSA effort to define itself as a private organization. "The Scouts solicit and get generous public support in troop sponsorship, free space for their activities and cash contributions. And they attempt, non-selectively, to bring in almost every pre-teen in pants."

"In the absence of laws prohibiting anti-Gay discrimination, the Boy Scouts have been declared free to exercise their 'right' to bar Gay people, and kick out even decorated scouts like James Dale, the defendant in the New Jersey case, based solely on their sexual orientation. The policy has been upheld by high courts in California, Oregon, Kansas, and Connecticut.

"New Jersey drew the line. The ruling read: 'To recognize the Boy Scouts' First Amendment claim would be tantamount to tolerating the expulsion of an individual solely because of his status as a homosexual -- an act of discrimination unprotected by the First Amendment freedom of speech.'"

It seems only a matter of time before that judgement is weighed by the justices on the U.S. Supreme Court.

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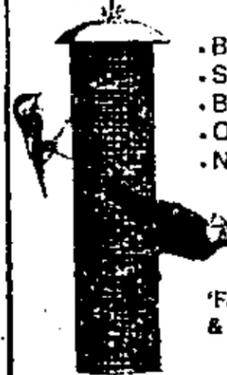
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NEWS FROM WATER OF LIFE MCC

Cookout And Concert At MCC August 14

TUCSON — Water of Life Metropolitan Community Church (MCC) announces a special evening of glorious music in their on-going Summer monthly Concert series, Saturday, August 14, at 7:30 P.M., featuring Carolyn Marshall of Marshall Grant Ministries Inc., Decatur Georgia.

Carolyn Marshall will also be featured in Water of Life MCC's regular Sunday morning Worship Services at 9:15 A.M. and 11:15 A.M. on August 15.

The evening begins with an old-fashioned Summer cookout on the church grounds at 6:00 P.M. The cookout will include hot dogs, hamburgers, salads and all the trimmings, all at no cost. Come and enjoy the free food!

Carolyn Marshall is a founding member of Christ Covenant Metropolitan Community Church (MCC) in Decatur Georgia. She has been in full time music ministry for the Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual, and Transgendered communities since 1995, having traveled to MCC's around the nation. Carolyn studied voice at Mercer University, Atlanta GA, and has had formal training in solo, small ensemble, and choral work. She has continued these pursuits in various churches and with the Atlanta Feminist Women's Chorus.

Marshall Grant Ministries, Inc. (MGMI) is a not-for-profit corporation,

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Water of Life MCC is a member congregation of the Universal Fellowship of Metropolitan Community Churches (UF-MCC), which while open to all people, primarily serves the Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual and Transgendered community and their families and friends. Founded in 1970, Water of Life MCC numbers among the early congregations of the UFMCC with almost twenty-nine years of continuous service in southern Arizona.

Food is free on Saturday, and there will be plenty of food. Everyone is invited to come and enjoy the old-fashioned cookout and the uplifting and inspiring concert. Sustenance for the body and sustenance for the soul! There is no admission fee. A love offering will be received to support the ongoing ministry work of Marshall Grant Ministries, Inc. Water of Life MCC is located at 3269 N. Mountain Ave., just north of Fort Lowell Road. For further information, please contact the local church office at (520) 292-9151 or e-mail WOLMCC@aol.com.

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A Commentary From Cornerstone Fellowship

Well, most of Tucson area kids are back in school now. It seems the school year begins earlier each year, but that's probably just because I'm a teacher! Actually there is an air of excitement with going back to school. It gives students and teachers alike the opportunity to reunite with old friends as well as meet new acquaintances.

When I think back to my school

days I remember the excitement in getting new teachers, new clothes, and yes, new information. Actually I loved to learn new things and was excited about studying subjects that were new to me.

I still enjoy learning and am very involved in the Bible studies at Cornerstone Fellowship. In our church we try to study the Bible in varying ways. We hold a Sunday morning Bible study (at 9:00 A.M.) which tends to be a bit less intense than our Wednesday night one. We study topics dealing with worshipping God, becoming stronger Christians, and how to get along with one another. On Wednesdays, we meet at 6:00 P.M. and study a variety of characters, topics or books of the Bible. It tends to be more in depth and is always fascinating to me. Its so amazing how we can read and study a particular passage of Scripture a number of times over the years and still emerge from a study with a greater understanding of it. I can't count how many times one of us has said, "You know, I've read that passage so many times and never saw that (particular truth)."

The Bible is truly a fascinating book complete with love, murder, intrigue, miracles, and so much more. It "reads" better than any novel because it's characters were actual people who interacted with God in many and sometimes unusual ways. The truths that are revealed about God, who He is, what He stands for, what He and He alone is capable of, are fascinating as well.

I would like to take this opportunity to invite each one of you to our church for a time of studying the Bible together. If you have any questions feel free to phone us. What better time is there to go back to school and study his word than now?

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BY C. LICHTENSTEIN

For those of us who are ready to dip a little toe in icy waters, a word of advice; the first two weeks of August will give you frostbite. Impactful planetary configurations forecasted by Nostradamus are cartwheeling through the cosmos now. Fatalistic quatrains dance in our heads. Don't confuse them with visions of sugar plums, kids!

ARIES

MARCH 21 - APRIL 20

This could be a time of great inspiration as the total solar eclipse sets your Gay muse on fire. However, proud Rams may discover that play time is rife with trade-offs now; party costs escalate, compadres have their own agenda and lovers are off on their own little sexcapade. Take it all in stride, cousin. Dramatic displays will backfire. Play with yourself until mid-month.

TAURUS

APRIL 21 - MAY 21

Pressures build up on family issues for the next several days. Gay Bulls are tempted to draw a line in the sand over idiotic family mandates and prejudices. Of course you are absolutely right, but making a scene now will not be in your best interest. Suffer the slings and arrows until the solar eclipse and the harsh energy it unleashes passes. Then show the world the true lavender you.

GEMINI

MAY 22 - JUNE 21

If it seems like you can't say anything right, blame it on the solar eclipse and keep your opinions to yourself for the next several days. Time is better spent listening, gathering facts and formulating philosophies rather than flapping the air. Discretion, pink Twin, is the key to inner peace and a successful outcome. There will be plenty of time to blast your manifesto next week.

CANCER

JUNE 22 - JULY 23

Pink Crabs are tempted to break the bank and spend, spend, spend their troubles away. However, the hazy solar eclipse sells you a pack of lies. The fact is, cousin, that money cannot buy happiness and peace of mind. Affirmation must come from a combination of personal values, supportive pals and expressive outlets. Hide your wallet and buy some time instead.

LEO

JULY 24 - AUGUST 23

The total solar eclipse in Leo hits you like a panzer tank. Everything that you solidly hold near and dear appears to shift and sink into the sand. This is a time of great uncertainty, queer Lion, so muster up your greatest dramatic display of confidence and ride the energy out. There will be plenty of time to change the support systems in your life after mid-month. Chill for now.

VIRGO

AUGUST 24 - SEPTEMBER 23

Your closet flies open as your deepest fears are exposed for the world to see. Queer Virgins are apt to panic but this blast out is needed and necessary. Don't boss the

course during the solar eclipse. Instead, like a true Virgo, sweep up the debris and keep things as tidy as possible as the tornado breezes through. Wow them with your new self confidence when the wind dies down.

LIBRA

SEPTEMBER 24 - OCTOBER 23

Gay Libras appear to have added pressure to their already pressurized lives during the solar eclipse. Friends appear to be expecting a lot of attention from you now, more than you are prepared to give. As the landscape shifts, some pals will go their own way and some relationships will be severed. Take it all in stride and replenish your social pool as the thirst takes you.

SCORPIO

OCTOBER 24 - NOVEMBER 22

Expect a misstep off the corporate ladder during the solar eclipse. Strategic Gay Scorps find their best laid plans scrambled. The sure thing is not so sure after all. Enemies may have their moment in the sun but don't retrench or advance your troops yet. Maintain your position as best as you can until the eclipse passes next week. Then toss the @\$% bastards out!

SAGITTARIUS

NOVEMBER 23 - DECEMBER 22

It may not be advisable to travel too far afield now. The solar eclipse can bring unexpected problems and headaches to any journey. However, the opportunity to relax and get away from it all is very tempting and must not be deferred. Call in sick and formulate your trip of a lifetime but wait until after the eclipse to actually take your show on the road. Send us a postcard.

CAPRICORN

DECEMBER 23 - JANUARY 20

Even conservative Gay Caps may feel like recklessly plunging into a mad love affair during the solar eclipse. Wrenching longing and obsessive thoughts seem to be par for the course now. Poor dear, try to wait until after the eclipse wanes before you commit your soul to another. It would be a shame to shack up with a frog when royalty is just around the corner.

AQUARIUS

JANUARY 21 - FEBRUARY 19

A new broom sweeps clean! At least that's what Aqueerians want to do with a certain relationship during the foggy solar eclipse. Even if things are not going the way you would want with partners, let these petty annoyances wash over you and not goad you into action, yet. After the eclipse you'll have a clearer idea of what you do and do not want. Then, cart out the vacuum.

PISCES

FEBRUARY 20 - MARCH 20

The solar eclipse will create tumult in your day to day job. Pink Fish are tempted to set fire to their cubicle and break a few pencils but this is not advisable. Wait, wait, wait until the eclipse passes before you call a general strike. Conditions may improve or you will have a clearer idea of what actions will have the most desired effect. Patience, in this case, can produce results.

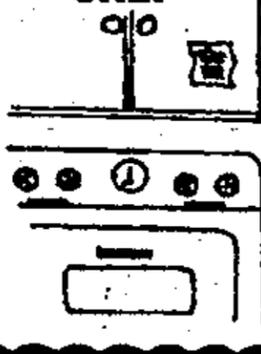
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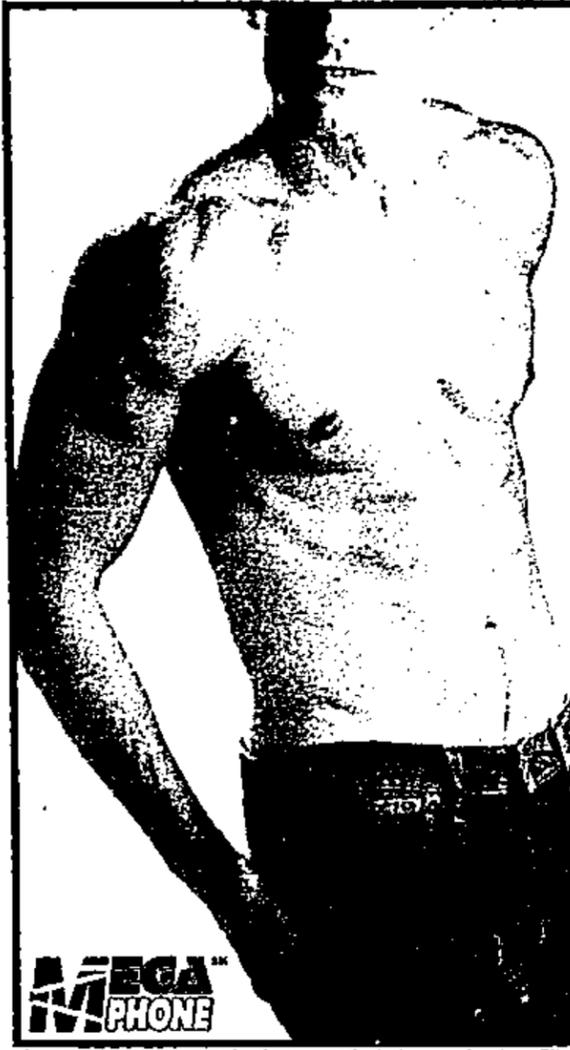
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GO IN GOOD HEALTH.
BY REV. ANDREW BROOKS

This time, I would like to talk about something I see that is all too common in the Gay world (and the straight world as well, for that matter!) and that is the obsession with physical perfection. We live in a culture that is daily saturated with messages of all kinds, and a dominant message is that we should have the "perfect body." Gay men, especially, often buy into this image. We feel the need to be thin, sculpted, and "toned", with a body that would rival that of a Greek God.

There is nothing wrong with physical fitness, and taking care of your body is important. If you want to work out at a local gym, go for it! But when we begin to obsess over it, it becomes a problem. Often, men who desire a perfect body, will project this desire onto the men that they date. He has to be gorgeous, thin, well-toned, well-hung (of course!) and have a nice car, lots of money, etc. But what does that say about us as people? A lot of the guys we reject as "average" or "plain" or "fat" or too "fem" are really nice people and deserving of our attention, too.

How often have you seen or heard the phrase in a Gay personal ad "no fats, no fems?" Think about that. It reduces a person down to one word, and dismisses them outright as immediately undesirable. A person is much more than a body type or a persona, and though it is true that we often desire a certain "type" sexually, we need to look a little deeper than that. Many Gay guys are "fems", and tend to act in very effeminate ways, and these are the Guys that are the brunt of all those jokes. If a man is naturally acting more on his feminine side, what's wrong with that? I know several "fem" Gay guys, and they are wonderful people. We should not shun others or lump them indiscriminately into a group and write them off.

It is important to deal with people as individuals. And the anti-fat prejudice among Gays is really very childish. I am a big man myself, and too often hear guys in the bar talking about so-and-so being "really fat, and ugly, etc." I wonder about that person they are talking about. There is so much more to a person than their body size! Maybe that person is funny, kind, or really creative and worth getting to know! But when we allow prejudice to color our thinking, we reject the possibility of getting to know a lot of potentially wonderful people along life's path.

That is why groups like Girth and Mirth and Bear groups exist, to allow people to congregate with others who will be more open, more accepting, and not criticize them or tear them down for bodily attributes. It would be a wonderful world if more Gays would drop the childish prejudices over "perfect bodies" and embrace more people, with an open, friendly attitude. Go on, make friends with someone who is not your 'type'. Why should our friends be the kind of people we find sexually desirable? How shallow is that?

I am sure those kinds of problems exist among Lesbians, also, and that is sad. I think a lot of us forget that every one of us needs to feel loved, be accepted, be treated with kindness, dignity, decency and respect, the same way we want to be treated. I think a healthy community is an open, caring community, and if we can start on a small scale, then we are making a step in the right direction. When we can look at others with love in our eyes, not condemnation, we have come a long way in our personal growth. It's something to think about. Goddess bless. Till next time, Go in Good Health.

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Wichell Murder
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Winchell's company and a good friend of the victim, described Glover as someone with a drinking problem who often tried to pick fights. Hoffman testified that on July 3 Winchell had gotten the better of Glover during a fight and that the beating that killed Winchell might have been revenge for that incident.

Pvt. Glover was charged with premeditated murder. Fisher, Winchell's roommate, has been charged as an accomplice. Prosecutors believe Fisher encouraged Glover to hit Winchell, acted as an accessory after the crime, lied under oath to Army investigators and obstructed the investigation.

Calpurnia Addams, a preoperative Transsexual and club performer who came forward after the murder to say she briefly dated the victim, said that the killing might have been motivated by jealousy. She implied that Fisher might have arranged to have his roommate killed in competition for her affection. "Fisher was attracted to me, according to Barry," Addams said.

Addams said Winchell never mentioned Glover to her and could not say how Glover fit into the picture. Several Fort Campbell soldiers have told the Servicemembers Legal Defense Network that they suspected a bias-related motive on Glover's part, but are reluctant to come forward out of fear they will jeopardize their careers or become targets themselves.

Dixon Osburn, co-executive direc-

tor for the network, said his group would continue to push the Army to investigate the possibility that prejudice was part of the murder. Osburn fears a repeat of the Navy's handling of the 1992 fatal beating of Gay Seaman Allen R. Schindler by a shipmate.

"In that case, the Navy tried to cover up the fact this was a murder motivated by anti-Gay bias," Osburn said. "Our concern is the Army is headed down the same path."

Hate During Hearings
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"Although there was a slight decline in violent incidents against the Gay community in 1998 over 1997, those reported incidents were more serious and extreme. Anti-Gay murders skyrocketed from 14 in 1997 to 33 in 1998, and we know for a fact that these numbers are low because of how few sites are collecting this data. The use of firearms grew 71%; bats, clubs and other blunt objects increased 47%; knives 13%; and ropes and restraints 133%. The only weapons category that declined was the use of thrown objects. What this indicates is that our assailants are more emboldened, and that their hateful thoughts quickly turn to hateful actions, and their hateful deeds too often result in serious physical harm or murder." NCAVP also reported that serious assaults in which the victim sustained major injuries increased 12% and the number of victims requiring inpatient hospitalization as a result of their injuries increased 108%.

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Entertainment Briefs...

"Lily Tomlin Live" in Prep: Would you believe it's been more than a dozen years since two-time Tony winner Lily Tomlin was live on stage searching for signs of "intelligent" life in the universe? Well, the drought's about to end, as she's putting together a new one-woman show both scripted and directed by her long-time collaborator Jane Wagner, "Lily Tomlin Live." The lucky launch site is Austin, Texas in late September and then she'll be touring the mid-size cities. In the meantime, you'll just have to keep watching her butch archaeologist in "Tea With Mussolini."

Mrs. Madrigal Sings in San Francisco: Armistead Maupin's fictional character Mrs. Madrigal, the transsexual landlady at the heart of Maupin's Tales of the City series, is now crossing over into opera. Anna Madrigal Remembers, a classical composition based on Tales and featuring new text by Maupin and music by the San Francisco Opera's composer in residence, Jake Heggie, was written for mezzo-soprano Frederica von Stade and the male a cappella choral ensemble Chanticleer. The piece received its world premiere in San Francisco this past week, with additional performances and a recording scheduled for later this year.

Some like it Hot Burns 40th Candle: Billy Wilder's Gay-loved—and Gay-tinged—classic comedy Some Like It Hot celebrates its 40th anniversary this week, and L.A.'s Nuart Theater is heralding the milestone by presenting a newly restored print of the film. Fans will get to see kooky millionaire Joe E. Brown hit on Jack Lemmon while Lemmon's in drag—and out...

Brits Go Postal over Freddie Mercury Stamp: Conservatives are harumphing over England's new Freddie Mercury commemorative stamp. London Daily Mail columnist Simon Heffer calls the stamp "vulgar" and says that it was Mercury's "degenerate lifestyle" that caused his death. (Mercury, lead singer of Queen, died of AIDS complications in 1991.) The stamp is part of a series celebrating great Brits of the millennium, like Winston Churchill and Princess Di. But Her Majesty is apparently happy to acknowledge a fellow monarch: "Every stamp is approved by the queen," the Royal Mail says, "including this one."

Elton to Dish on A&E: Elton John will reportedly open up on topics ranging from his acrimonious split from his longtime manager to his life since coming out in an A&E special airing August 15. The two-hour interview, conducted by venerable British chatmeister David Frost, is elaborately titled One-on-One With David Frost: Elton John—My Gift Is My Song...

Will & Grace Moves Again: NBC is putting Will & Grace into a tough new slot designed to weaken ABC's strong Tuesday lineup: The sit-lit now heads for Tuesdays at 9:00 P.M. (8:00 P.M. Arizona Time), opposite Dharma and Greg...

Hayek Hot to Play Kahlo, Bisexuality and All: A rumor in a New York gossip column is that Mexican firecracker Salma Hayek so badly wants to play Bisexual painter and Lesbian icon Frida Kahlo in the upcoming Miramax biopic that she's volunteered to do girl-girl love scenes...

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Non-Bar Calendar

Groups / Clubs / Organizations

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 11
Men's Social Network (Gay men of all ages; guests always welcome). 7:00 p.m. Join Bill for Dinner Out as we head to Teresa's Mosaic Cafe for some of the best in Mexican food. Please phone in your reservation to Bill as soon as possible so we can notify the restaurant of the number of men attending. For directions and reservations, please contact Bill at 546-7539.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 12
Men's Social Network (Gay men of all ages; guests always welcome). 7:00 p.m. Join Bill as he hosts the science fiction movie "Gattaca", starring Ethan Hawke and Uma Thurman. Seating is limited to 9 people. For reservations and directions, please call Bill at 297-3569.

FRIDAY, AUGUST 13
Men's Social Network (Gay men of all ages; guests always welcome). 7:00 p.m. Join Bruce for a showing of the French film, "Menage", starring Gerard Depardieu. Seating is limited to 12 people. For reservations and directions, please call Bruce at 743-3890.

SATURDAY, AUGUST 14
Men's Social Network (Gay men of all ages; guests always welcome). 7:00 p.m. Join us for our 3rd Annual Miniature Golf Tournament. It's a night of fun and laughs, and the 18th hole is dessert at our hosts' home. For reservations and directions, please call Dan or Richard (evening calls only, please) at 327-5755.

SUNDAY, AUGUST 15
1. Men's Social Network (Gay men of all ages; guests always welcome). 7:00 a.m. Join a birding and brunch expedition on Mt. Lemmon (road repair permitting). For details and directions, please call Gene at 625-8109.
2. Men's Social Network (Gay men of all ages; guests always welcome). 4:00 p.m. Join Art & Jeff for at their home in Vail for a video of the recent Desert Voice's 10 Year Anniversary Concert. Legacy. There'll also be a dessert potluck. For reservations and directions, please call Art or Jeff at 762-9135. Please note that space is limited.

3. 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.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 19
'Poz Cafe - providing a delicious free lunch, along with friendship, games and social activities. Open to all HIV+ adults and one guest (partner-family-friend or volunteer respecting confidentiality/privacy concerns. Doors open at 11:30 a.m. and lunch is served at noon. Activities last until 2:30 p.m. Located at St. Francis in the Foothills United Methodist Church, a Gay-friendly church at the corner of River and Swan. To reserve your space or request transportation, call the TIHAN office at 299-6647 by August 16.

FRIDAY, AUGUST 20
Men's Social Network (Gay men of all ages; guests always welcome). 7:00 p.m. Our monthly Pizza Party will take place at Bruce's home this month (in the Tucson Mountains). 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 Bruce at 743-3890. Please note: reservations should be made by Thursday, August 19 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, AUGUST 21
Men's Social Network (Gay men of all ages; guests always welcome). 7:00 p.m. Join Bill as he hosts Pinocle 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. This is also a themed potluck and tonight's theme is Awesome Aussie Night (Australian/Polynesian fare). For reservations and directions, please call Bill at 297-3569.

SUNDAY, AUGUST 22
1. Men's Social Network (Gay men of all ages; guests always welcome). 9:00 a.m. Will hosts a retreat at his cabin on Mt. Lemmon. Coffee and pastries will be served for breakfast; with lunch being a potluck. For directions, please call Will at 298-9454; after August 20, please call Will at the cabin at 576-1435.

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.

MONDAY, AUGUST 23
1. Men's Social Network (Gay men of all ages; guests always welcome). 7:00 p.m. A night is devoted to getting out the MSN newsletters. It's a fun way to help the organization and get to know the MSN guys. Dessert and door prizes are provided. For reservations and directions, please call Jerry at 690-9565.

2. Men's Social Network (Gay men of all ages; guests always welcome). 8:00 p.m. Retro TV features a showing of 2 camp classics: "Batman" featuring Julie Newmar as Catwoman, and "Wonder Woman". For reservations & directions, please call Les or Jerry at 690-9565.

TUESDAY, AUGUST 24
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 Michael at 326-3555.

Bar Calendar

Of Upcoming Events

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 11
IBT'S - 9:00 p.m. a benefit show for Phaedra who is a candidate for Miss Gay Arizona. The show will feature Lucinda Holiday, Mr. Kenneth Blake, Bunny FuFu and many more! Get here early!

STONEWALL/EAGLE - Purple Team Benefit Show 10:00 p.m.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 12
IBT'S - You are invited to a party sponsored by VaxGen, Inc. and the Arizona Clinical Research center (ACRC) from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. Anyone interested in information on a possible investigational AIDS vaccine should be here to support AIDS research and also enjoy drink specials and appetizers! For more information call 290-9896.

STONEWALL/EAGLE - LatinDance Party w/DJ Eduardo. Salud es Poder presents Fuerza Latina 2000 Travesti Show. 10:00 p.m.

SATURDAY, AUGUST 14
STONEWALL/EAGLE - Miss Kristin benefit for her run for Miss Gay Arizona. Showtime 10:00 p.m. starring Miss Kristin (current Miss Gay Cosmopolitan Arizona), Veronica Lake, Crystal Abrams, Faith Michaels and Deora LeBlanc.

SUNDAY, AUGUST 15
IBT'S - Sunday Benefit Bar-B-Que and Beer Bust from 5:30 to 8:00 p.m. for IBT's Arizona Angels Softball Team. Plus Karaoke on the patio from 4:30 to 7:30. Then at 9:00 p.m. a special benefit show for Toni Steel, candidate for Miss Gay Arizona/America, featuring Ciera Steele, Kenneth Blake, Deora Le Blanc and many more

STONEWALL/EAGLE - 'More Is More' or 'Amazons Anonymous' show with Misti Malone, Alofta Whoremooans, Adrienne Alexander. 10:00 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 18
IBT'S - 9:00 p.m. 'The Girlie Show' hosted Bb Lucinda Holiday featuring Miss Aja Simone, Miss Kristin and, from Phoenix, Miss Guera.

STONEWALL/EAGLE - A benefit show for the 'Purple Team' candidates for Queens of Pride (Mr. Kenneth Blake and Gilda Fatale) and a cast of surprises. 10:00 p.m.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 19
IBT'S - Special "Welcome Back Students Wet Shorts Contest" \$100 first place prize money! Sign Up at 9:00 p.m.

SUNDAY, AUGUST 22
STONEWALL/EAGLE - 'Goddess' presented by and starring Mr. Kenneth Blake. 10:00 p.m.

FRIDAY, AUGUST 27
STONEWALL/EAGLE - 'Muscles of Steel' erotic male dancers. 10:00 p.m. No cover.

SUNDAY, AUGUST 29
'Sabra' one-woman-orchestra. Showtime 9:30 p.m.

MONDAY, AUGUST 30
STONEWALL/EAGLE - Community Business Association "Out and About" night here from 6:30 to 7:00?

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 6
IBT'S - Labor Day "Monday Morning Madness!". 11:00 a.m. Prepare!

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 25
STONEWALL/EAGLE - 3rd Annual "Turnabout For TIHAN". Sponsor an employee, buy a raffle ticket and bring in your spare pennies for the T.I.H.A.N. Penny Pig.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 26
Tucson Prime Timers 12:30 p.m. luncheon at Capriccios, 4825 N. 1st Avenue (at River). Call 584-0280 for information.

FRIDAY, AUGUST 27
Men's Social Network (Gay men of all ages; guests always welcome). 7:00 p.m. Join John as he hosts Game Night. Whether it's card games or board games, you'll be able to find someone willing to have fun. For reservations and directions, please call John at 743-8138.

SATURDAY, AUGUST 28
Men's Social Network (Gay men of all ages; guests always welcome). 7:00 p.m. Join Bill for the MSN premiere of "Gods and Monsters". The film is about James Whale, the Gay director of "Frankenstein" and other classics, and a slice of his life in his later years. The movie stars Ian McKellan and Brendan Fraser. For reservations and directions, please call Bill at 546-7539.

SUNDAY, AUGUST 29
Tucson Prime Timers 4:00 p.m. Dinner Meeting. The Silver Saddle, 1-10 and 6th Avenue. Call 584-0280 for information.

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.

Daily Bar Calendar

Sunday
AINT NOBODY'S BIZ - Bear Bust 5-10, \$1.25 pitchers. Latin Music with DJ Hill 9-1. Shot specials all night.
HOURS - Open 1pm. \$2 Bloody Marys & \$1.50 Screwdrivers til 8pm. Country music & dancing.
IBT's - Open Noon to 1am. Happy Hour noon-8pm, \$1.75 domestic beer and \$1.50 Well. Benefit B-B-Q 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 & Sirloin Burger Bust 2-6pm. Karaoke 8pm-class hosted by Billy Dee. Fabulous shows every Sunday. Call for info 624-8805. Snack Bar open til 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
AINT NOBODY'S BIZ - Happy Hour Two-For-One 2-7. Free pool 2-4. \$1.50 Wells 8-midnight.
HOURS - Closed Mondays.
IBT's - Open noon. Martini 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 / 32oz 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.
STARS - Open at 3:00pm. Open piano tonight.
STONEWALL/EAGLE - Open 10am. Smirnoff Screws and Marys and Cooks Champagne Mimosas \$1.25. Monday nights with chuckles. Where Tucson's bartenders go to let their hair down. Free pool all day and night. Snack Bar open til midnight
VENTURE-N - Open 6am. Blue Monday! \$2 Well and Longnecks 6am-12:30pm Skyy shots \$2 (w/ juice \$2.25). Dart Tourney 6pm

Tuesday
AINT NOBODY'S BIZNESS - Happy Hour Two-For-One 2-7pm. Pool touney 7:30pm. \$3 entry, pot matched. \$1 longnecks for pool players. Funky disco w/DJ Starskee & DJ Butta Fly 9-1.
HOURS - Open 3pm. Happy Hour 3-8pm. \$1.50 well or domestic beer. Draft Beer 11:30-8-close. \$2 small/\$4 large pitchers. Karaoke Night 9pm.
IBT's - Open noon. Happy Hour Noon-8 pm, \$1.75 domestic beer & \$1.50 well. 9 pm 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-Energy Dance 9pm to closing.
STARS - Open at 3pm. Open piano tonight.
STONEWALL/EAGLE - Open 10am. Smirnoff Screws and Marys and Cooks Champagne Mimosas \$1.25. Snack Bar open daily til midnight. Happy Hour til 8pm. Eight Ball pool touney, warm-up 6pm, play begins 7pm. Dance Studio professional dance lessons with Ira & Becky. This session Country & Western 7pm
VENTURE-N - Open 6am. \$2 Well drinks and longnecks 6am-12:30pm; Makers Mark \$2 shot

Wednesday
AINT 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 9 pm to close. Dance with David Z. All drink specials not available during special events.
STARS - Open at 3pm. Piano by the very versatile Rosemary.
STONEWALL/EAGLE - Open 10am. Smirnoff Screws and Marys and Cooks Champagne Mimosas \$1.25. Snack Bar open daily til midnight. Happy Hour til 8pm. Karaoke Nite: 9 to close w/Billy Dee in the Eagle. Stonewall opens at 9pm. Hottest dance music in town.
VENTURE-N - Open 6am. Salsa Morning! \$2 Well & Longnecks 6am-12:30pm. Cuervo Gold \$2 and Cuervo 1500 \$2.25 Open to close.

Thursday
AINT NOBODY'S BIZNESS - Happy Hour 2-7pm, 2for1 Free pool 2-4. Karaoke with Melissa 9pm to close. W/creamy cowgirls & \$2.50 Tequila Rose.
HOURS - Open 3pm. Happy Hour 3-8pm \$1.50 well or domestic beer. . 75¢ Schnapps 6pm to close. \$2 Cuervo shots and country/western dance at 9pm
IBT's - Open noon to 1am. Happy Hour noon-8 pm \$1.75 domestic beer and \$1.50 well. Underwear Nite. \$1.50 Well and \$1.75 Domestic Beer to those in their underwear (pant check available). Hi energy dancing 9-close with DJ David Z. All drink specials not available during special events.
STARS - Open 3pm. Piano by the very versatile Rosemary.
STONEWALL/EAGLE - Open 10am. Smirnoff Screws and Marys and Cooks Champagne Mimosas \$1.25. Snack Bar open daily til midnight. Happy Hour til 8pm. Latin Dance Party w/Eduardo in the Stonewall 9pm to close. Biweekly Travesti Show 10:30pm.
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
AINT 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.
STARS - Open 3pm. Piano by the magnificent Mimi.
STONEWALL/EAGLE - Open 10am. Smirnoff Screws and Marys and Cooks Champagne Mimosas \$1.25. Snack Bar open daily til midnight. Happy Hour til 8pm. T.G.I.F. Free snacks 4:30-8pm The hottest dance music in town 9pm to close in the Stonewall.
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
AINT 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.
IBT's - Open Noon to 1am. Happy Hour noon to 8pm \$1.75 domestic beer and \$1.50 well. Dance 9 to 1 with DJ David Z. All drink specials not available during special events.
STARS - Open 3pm. Piano by the Incomperable Danielle
STONEWALL/EAGLE - Open noon. Daily drink specials. Beer Bust & Happy Hour til 7pm. Free Pool noon to 7pm. Stonewall opens 9pm. The hottest dance music in town. Snack Bar open til midnight
VENTURE-N - Open 6am. Patio Bar open at 3pm. Patio Beer Bust with 75¢ draft 3-7pm. Hides Leather Store opens at 6pm. Dart Tournament 9pm



NOTICES

SOUTHERN ARIZONA AIDS FOUNDATION (SAAF), 375 S. ELUCID. 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. Prerequisite education programs. 628-SAAF (7223). 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 328-3555 or e-mail mandmduzz@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 38264, Tucson, AZ 85740-0264. All replies confidential.

ARE YOU GAY OR LESBIAN and someone else's drinking is getting to you? Call information and Referral about Al-Anon 891-1794 in Tucson info about special groups for Gays and Lesbians.

YOUNG AND GAY? Lesbian and Gay youth 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 584-0260, 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 681-1794 - 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 8:30 - 9:00 pm. Licensed psychologist facilitator. Call 745-8977 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), 8:00 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 862-4726 for information.

LICHEN HIKING CLUB for women of all ages and backgrounds of life. Hike with other women. Listings in Rubyfruit Journal available at Ardignone 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.

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 Personnel Ads. Admires welcome too. Send stamp for information: Mavericks, Box 9543, Santa Fe, NM 87504.

ATTENTION ALL NUDDISTS - 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 618, Bisbee, AZ 85603 / (520)432-5591. Rap Group, Youth Group, Social and Political Events.

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)327-1820 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 886-5541

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, EB# 581-8850 or Room 968-2384.

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

CRONES SOCIAL GROUP. A Social group for Gay men who enjoy the fellowship of their peers. Call Leo at 624-8768.

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. Greenway (near 1st Ave. and Laguna). Open to All. Call Liz at 325-8466 or Rey at 748-5247.

LIGHTNING LIGHTING will provide lighting for AIDS and related benefits at no charge. For more info call Adrienne at 999-7299.

NAME MEN: Long-haired Gay male penpal network. Photo, 3 IRC's to join. Box 231, Station 8, Ottawa, CANADA, K1P6C4

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

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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 8:30 to 9:30pm at Army Park Senior Center, 220 S. 6th Ave. Call 781-9662.

Join the LESBIAN & GAY PUBLIC AWARENESS PROJECT. In Tucson Write Awareness Project, 3851 N. Campbell Ave. 85643, 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 690-9583 for information and a newsletter. Check the Non-Bw Calendar in the Observer.

SOFTBALL - For info on the Tucson Greater Softball Association T.G.S.A., please contact. Myr 770-9978 or Bertie 318-3415.

CARE TEAMS ARE AVAILABLE to offer support to people living with HIV/AIDS. The Tucson Interfaith HIV/AIDS Network offers trained, compassionate and committed volunteers to provide services including friendly visits, right 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 628-7223.

"EVOLVERE" a transgendered Support Group open to all T.V.'s, C.D.'s, T.G.'s & T.B.'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.

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 Holman 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. 684-7003.

TRAM, a coalition of churches and synagogues committed to providing a compassionate response to the HIV crisis, provides HIV education in congregational settings, volunteer CareTeams to support HIV+ persons, a referral network of HIV-sensitive clergy, and trifaith services of healing and hope. For more information call 299-8647.

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. Contact: 325-8676 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 Sacred Peter and Paul Catholic Church, 1436 N. Campbell across from University Hospital. For more info. Call Eddie Betrans 888-4595.

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 Emmet 322-8057 (evebend@ix.netcom.com)

AZdytas is a new email list for Lesbians living in Arizona. For information mail tyam@theriver.com and request guidelines.

OUTLOUD! Tucson's premiere Local Lesbian and Gay Radio Show, broadcast every Wednesday at 8:03 pm on 81.3 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 / ETCI 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 18th year! (2nd in Tucson).

SOUTHERN ARIZONA GENDER ALLIANCE (SAGA). Explore gender with us on the 1st Monday (Dress Grrb) and 3rd Wednesday (Dress Boy) of every month. SAGAE@mail.com http://members.aol.com/sagae@mail

NOTICES

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 602-278-4805.

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

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/Westchase/Wednesday/5088

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 615-1887.

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 Meta Stone, MSW, at 327-1171 (if unavailable leave message with phone number).

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)745-8059 (Tucson) or Kim (602)334-6219 (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, 689-4076 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 293-6524.

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 235-1693 after 5pm for more information.

LUTHERANS CONCERNED - FORMING CHAPTER FOR GAY/LESBIAN LUTHERANS. White LC, 7014 E. Golf Links Road, PHB 212, Tucson, AZ 85730

ABUSIVE RELATIONSHIPS: Confidential individual or group support for Gay, Bisexual or Trans men who are victims/survivors of domestic violence. For more information call 624-0348 (24-hour line)

GAY, LESBIAN, BISEXUAL AND TRANSGENDERED Young Adults Support Group for people ages 20 to 30 meets for sharing, support and information. Meetings are every Saturday from 11am to 12:30pm at Wingspan, 300 E. 6th St. Call 624-1779.

GAY VOLLEYBALL ON SATURDAYS & TUESDAYS. Competitive Play. Intermediate and advanced players only. Grass court on Northwest corner of Himmelfark Park. 5:30pm on Tuesdays, 4pm on Saturdays.

GAY SUICIDE PREVENTION. P.O. Box 64663, Tucson, AZ 85718-9998. Tele 520-577-3760. 1-888-774-9200, Fax 328-577-7443

PERSONALS

TWO 1-YEAR-OLD EGYPTIAN MAU CATS need a good home. They are brother and sister and we don't want them separated. If someone is interested in providing a good quality, loving home to two former show cats they can call 299-8586. 787

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ATTENTION - ATENCION - ATENCION Si eres hombre que tiene sexo con otros hombres y quieres ayudar a extender y apoyar los programas para Los Latinos, llama para una entrevista exclusivamente confidencial al 322-6226 y pregunta por Ernesto. 785

If you are a Latino man who is having sex with other men and you want to help us to support and expand our programs for Latinos, call for a confidential interview at 322-6226 and ask for Ernie. 783

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