

Feds Enter W.VA. Murder Case

GRANT TOWN, WVA (NP) - Activists accompanied the family of the black Gay man murdered in West Virginia to the Justice Department and to the streets demanding answers.

A meeting of civil rights leaders and the victim's family members with top Department of Justice officials on July 20 has resulted in the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) and U.S. Attorney undertaking a preliminary investigation into the July 4 West Virginia murder of African-American Gay "JR" Warren. The FBI had already been monitoring the case by invitation of Marion County sheriffs.

Later that day a memorial vigil in Washington, DC urging enactment of the Hate Crimes Prevention Act (HCPA) drew a diverse crowd of about 100.

The Victim: Warren, 26, was unemployed and lived with his parents in Grant Town, West Virginia, population 742. He was the object of widespread affection because of his sunny personality and eagerness to help others. Hundreds turned out for his funeral, and by some accounts nearly 1,000 attended a memorial vigil for him in nearby Fairmount. In addition to being black and Gay, Warren had both mental and physical disabilities — a developmental disability and a malformed hand — and according to the Washington Post had been hospitalized several times in the months before his death for anxiety attacks and seizures. Although this has not drawn much attention compared to Warren's race and sexual orientation, HCPA would make disability a protected category under federal hate crimes law, as well as sexual orienta-

tion and gender. Current federal hate crimes law, which applies only to a very narrow range of offenses interfering with civil rights, protects only color, national origin, race, and religion.

The Murder: Late July 3, Warren, a non-driver who was given to walking all over at all hours, went to a vacant house two Caucasian 17-year-olds were repairing. According to a 15-year-old witness-accessory, the 17-year-olds allegedly beat and kicked him to death early July 4. The open casket funeral revealed Warren's face had been left nearly unrecognizable. To cover up their crime, the alleged perpetrators with the help of the witness cleaned up the scene and burned and buried what they'd been wearing. They loaded Warren's body into a car, drove about a mile out of town, and ran over the body several times to make the death look like a hit-and-run. Heavy fog that morning helped to make it a believable scenario.

The Aftermath: The body was soon discovered by a newspaper carrier, and at first sheriffs indeed took the incident as a hit-and-run. But the witness confessed first to his mother and then to sheriffs, who went on to arrest the suspects at a Fourth of July event. Sheriffs say the 17-year-olds confessed, but because they are minors almost nothing about the official proceedings can be made public. It is established that they have been charged with first-degree murder and that a judge has found probable cause to pursue those charges. If they are convicted as minors, they will be free when they reach 21. If they are con-

CONTINUED ON PAGE TWELVE

Bill Filed To Pull BSA's Federal Charter

WASHINGTON, DC (NP) - Seven U.S. representatives want to strip the symbolic honor from the Boy Scouts to send a real message about intolerance.

"We're here today to send a message to the Boy Scouts and to all Americans: the Congress of the United States does not support intolerance," Congresswoman Lynn Woolsey (D-CA) said July 19 at a news conference in Washington, DC announcing her introduction of a bill to revoke the Boy Scouts of America's (BSA) Congressional charter. Some 90 charitable, educational and patriotic groups hold such charters, which are solely a symbolic honor; the Scouts have had theirs since 1916.

Woolsey's move to revoke the charter is in response to the Scouts' successful U.S. Supreme Court appeal, allowing them to continue their policy of excluding Gays even in states that prohibit such

discrimination. Ousted Gay Eagle Scout and assistant troop leader James Dale's case had actually used the charter as one sign that BSA is not purely a private organization. It's a brave act for any politician to take on the 6.2-million-member organization, which has been as much a sacred cow as the flag, motherhood and the proverbial apple pie.

Woolsey said, "To me, there is nothing charitable and there is nothing patriotic about intolerance, and it's not a value that we want our children to be learning. Revoking the charter does not cut off funding for the Boy Scouts and does not change their tax status. What revoking the charter does is send a clear message that Congress does not support intolerance. We're not saying that the Boy Scouts are bad. Be very clear about that. We are not saying that the Boy Scouts are bad. What

CONTINUED ON PAGE TWELVE

Pentagon Plans To Halt Abuse

WASHINGTON, DC (NP) - A policy to stop anti Gay and Lesbian harassment in the military promises command accountability, but there still won't be any coming from Ft. Campbell.

Top Defense Department officials on July 21 officially released both the Inspector General's report on the base where an anti-Gay murder took place and a task force's recommendations for preventing anti-Gay harassment in the future. On the same day, the recommendations were approved by Secretary of Defense William Cohen and directives sent out to implement them, although there is no formal timeline.

The Fort Campbell Assessment: Army Chief of Staff General Eric Shinseki presented to reporters the report assessing the "command climate" at Fort Campbell, Kentucky, where on July 5, 1999 Private Calvin Glover bludgeoned Private First Class Barry Winchell to death with a baseball bat as he slept, after Winchell had experienced some four months of near-daily harassment by a number of co-workers. Denying that the report was a cover-up, as Winchell's mother Pat Kutteles had charged, Shinseki insisted, "I would tell you if this were a cover-up, I wouldn't be standing here today. ... with respect to Mrs. Kutteles' statement, I will tell you that the Army sympathizes with her, we take full responsibility with what happened to Private Winchell. But frankly, the cover-up [characterization] of this is incorrect. And I would tell you that whatever else Private Winchell may have been, he was one of us. He was a soldier in uniform and a good soldier. My understanding is, the month of July a year ago, he was being considered for Soldier of the Month and was being prepared by his non-commissioned officer leadership to stand that selection process. And when it was time to take him home, those two non-commissioned officers were also those who escorted him [his remains] home to Kansas. And there was a soldier formation serving at this funeral."

As revealed in a leak earlier in the week, the Army Inspector General's report concludes that all officers on the base "responded appropriately" and calls the overall command climate at Fort Campbell "positive." The preparation of the report included interviews or surveys with some 2,000 Fort Campbell personnel including half of Winchell's unit, as well as members of the surrounding community. In some cases, investigators went through the daily routines with enlisted men on the base.

There were definitely problems in Winchell's unit. The report points the finger squarely at a first sergeant, not identified in the report but named by reporters as Roger Seacrest, who was described by some personnel as the most abusive man they'd ever worked for. At the next level

there was a staffing shortage, with only one first lieutenant where there should have been five. Winchell had complained to his captain when the sergeant called him "faggot." The captain counseled with Seacrest regarding his management style, and was held blameless in the report. Seacrest was moved to a different base to a position in which he is not in charge of other personnel, but Defense Department spokespersons were unable to immediately answer reporters' questions as to whether he had been charged with any wrongdoing.

Winchell's D Company was described as demoralized, with mention made of drinking by underage personnel. Glover, 18, was certainly given to alcohol abuse and was heavily under the influence when he assaulted Winchell. Morale in D Company reportedly "soared" once Seacrest was removed. Shinseki referred to "isolated instances of reported harassment." [Ed. note: The Servicemembers Legal Defense Network has reported that during its own investigation at Fort Campbell, more than twenty soldiers there asked their assistance with harassment they'd witnessed or experienced.]

An Anti-Harassment Action Plan: In the wake of Winchell's death, the Department of Defense Inspector General carried out a major survey at military installations around the world that revealed a level of anti-Gay abuse and supervisory indifference to it that shocked the Pentagon. That report led Secretary Cohen to convene the top-level all-service task force that met for four months to develop the "Anti-Harassment Action Plan," which was presented by the group's chair Undersecretary of the Air Force Carol DiBattiste. "The military must function with honor and discipline at all times, and that includes treatment of homosexuals," she said.

One thing the task force realized was that the current policy never said anything explicit against anti-Gay verbal abuse or abusive gestures, which were the most common abuses identified by the Inspector General's survey. This led the task force to develop what she called an "overarching principle," phrased nicely by Shinseki for his service branch as "Harassment of any kind violates individual dignity and tears at the fabric of ... trust and the cohesion of our Army. It will not be tolerated for any reason." They also noted that elements of a policy against harassment of all kinds were scattered through various documents and called for them all to be assembled in one place.

While training had been instituted previously, the task force called for training to be more tailored to each rank in terms of its content; assessed to ensure that it communicated the military's rejection of

CONTINUED ON PAGE SIX

UPDATE

Gay West IV The Results Are In!

TUCSON - Once again, Tucson wrapped up Gay Pride Week at Old Tucson Studios for a festive celebration at Gay West IV. The day was beautiful, the Gay flags were raised, the park filled up and the Pride even began with 2,189 in attendance.

Eleven non profit organizations sold tickets for Gay West IV, not only to promote the event, but to raise money for their organizations by selling 1,036 tickets. Other monies raised by this annual fund raiser were generated by Internet sales, gate sales, raffles, the dunk tank and sponsorships. This year's sponsors were: Centra Realty, IBT's, Budweiser, Advanced Solution Providers, TB Rich Design, Water of Life MCC, Rubyfruit Journal and Godat/Jonczyk Design.

A total of \$16,298 was raised and expenses were \$2,534, leaving a balance of \$13,764. The amount being distributed to the community is \$12,000, (up from \$10,000 last year), leaving a balance of \$1,764, which is being retained as startup costs for next year's event.

Here is how the proceeds were distributed to our eleven non profit organizations based on their ticket sales:

Arizona AIDS Policy Alliance (AZAPA), \$393.82; Desert Voices, \$440.15; Lesbian Health and Cancer Project, \$185.33; PFLAG, \$139; Reveille, \$764.48; Southern Arizona AIDS Foundation (SAAF), \$347.49; Tucson Interfaith HIV/AIDS Network (TIHAN), \$706.56; Tucson Lesbian and Gay Alliance (TLGA), \$1,471.04; Wingspan, \$5,316.60; Wingspan Domestic Violence Project, \$544.40; Water of Life MCC, \$1,691.12.

The Gay West IV Committee thanks all of the above mentioned supporters as well as every individual who attended to make this another successful event. See you next year on June 23, 2001. Mark your calendars!

SAAF Seeks Massage Therapists

TUCSON - The Southern Arizona AIDS Foundation (SAAF) is in need of massage therapists and body workers to volunteer their services to SAAF's wellness clinics.

SAAF provides a professional space for you to work in and all the supplies, including: tables, linens, lotions and music.

If you are a massage therapist or body worker, and are interested in helping people with HIV/AIDS, or have questions regarding the clinics, please contact Curt Beall, coordinator, (520) 877-9161, for more information.

'Cabaret' Coming To UA Centennial Hall Sept. 19

TUCSON - SFX Theatrical Group, in association with Eric and Scott Nederlander & Jujamcyn Productions, has announced that Miss America 1998, Kate Shindle has assumed the legendary role of the nightclub singer Sally Bowles in the acclaimed national touring production of the Roundabout Theatre Company production of Cabaret.

Shindle succeeded actress Lea Thompson in the role and will perform the role during Cabaret's run at the UA Centennial Hall in Tucson, starting September 19. Cabaret is the first event in the UA 2000/01 Broadway Series. The former Miss America has performed in productions of Into the Woods, City of Angels, Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat, Anything Goes and Children of Eden.

Subscriptions to UA presents 2000/2001 season, including "Wild Card" packages of five events or more, are currently on sale. Tickets may be purchased at the Centennial Hall Box Office, located on the University of Arizona Campus, 1020 E. University Blvd., just east of Park Avenue. Box office hours are Monday through Friday, 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., (also Saturday, from noon to 5:00 p.m., beginning August 21). There is free 15-minute parking for patrons in front of Centennial Hall. Tickets can also be ordered by phone or with a major credit card (520) 621-3341, or by faxing orders to (520) 621-8991. Full price tickets can also be ordered online at the Web site: <http://uapresents.arizona.edu>, through tickets.com.

Barney Frank In Phoenix Sept. 8

PHOENIX - On Tuesday, September 8, the Arizona Stonewall Democrats and the Arizona Human Rights Fund will host a joint fund raiser, "Pride and Politics: An evening with the Honorable Barney Frank."

Frank has served in the U.S. House since 1980, and has been described as "one of the intellectual and political leaders of the Democratic Party in the House." During his tenure, Frank has lent his voice to a range of causes from gun control to the medical use of marijuana to Gay marriage. The Massachusetts Member of Congress is not only a champion for Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual and Transgender rights, but for civil rights anywhere they may be threatened.

A reception at a Paradise Valley residence will take place at 6:00 p.m., with an intimate dinner to honor Frank follows at 8:30 p.m. at Coup Des Tartes, 4626 N. 16th Street, Phoenix. Tickets are \$50 for the reception and \$250 for the dinner, with the proceeds going to the state's Gay and Lesbian rights group and Arizona's Gay and Lesbian Democratic organization. For more information, call (602) 864-6092.

Stop 'Dr.' Laura Tucson Update

TUCSON - The Stop Dr. Laura Tucson rally committee held another fund raiser at the Stonewall and proceeds from this and other fund raisers, according to the rally committee, will go to the purchase of poster boards, placards, photocopying of handbills, sound equipment and for airfare to get the national speakers to the rally, Sunday, August 20, 1:00 to 3:00 p.m. at KGUN 9, 7280 E. Rosewood.

One of the national figures who will be present and speaking is Robin Tyler, the head of the national coalition to Stop Dr. Laura. Tyler is a well known producer, putting together the various marches on Washington D.C., and is producing this year's National Stonewall Democratic Foundation Convention, August 10-12 in Palm Springs. Andy Thayer, a coalition organizer from Chicago will attend and speak, as well as local speakers and special guests, including Rabbi Joseph Weizenbaum of Temple Ner Tamid and Rev. Joyce Cook of Water of Life MCC.

The rally committee announced the dates and locations for more fund raisers: Venture-N Beer Bust, July 29, 3:00 to 7:00 p.m.; IBT's Beer Bust and Barbecue, July 30, 4:30 to 9:00 p.m.; Woody's Pool Tournament, Beer Bust and Barbecue, August 5, 2:00 to 6:00 p.m.; Stonewall Barbecue, August 6, 4:00 to 9:00 p.m.

Organizers of the rally expressed their appreciation to the Stonewall for hosting the fund raiser, held July 21.

Make a difference, come out and support your community by helping fund or volunteering, by August 1, for the Tucson rally to Stop Dr. Laura. To volunteer, for more information, contact Andrea, (520) 519-6768 or leave a message for the rally committee at Wingspan, (520) 624-1779.

AIDSWalk 2000 Update

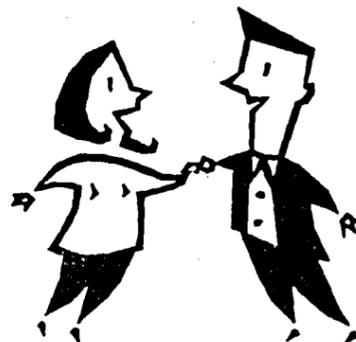
TUCSON - AIDSWALK 2000, a benefit walk for the Southern Arizona AIDS Foundation, (SAAF) takes place Sunday, October 22 at Rillito Downs. Registration begins at 7:00 a.m. and the walk begins at 9:00 a.m.

SAAF encourages everyone in the community to join us in this enjoyable and important event to help support people living with HIV/AIDS in Southern Arizona. AIDSWALK is the largest HIV/AIDS related fund raising event in Southern Arizona and proceeds benefit the client services and prevention efforts of SAAF.

This year's AIDSWALK will feature a redesigned walker route which will include a 4k in addition to the traditional 10k route. Live music and food will be provided afterward for everyone's enjoyment.

Call (520) 791-9255 for more information, or at the Web site: AIDSWALKTUCSON.com.

WALK IN WEDNESDAYS



VOLUNTEER WORK PARTIES!

EVERY WEDNESDAY EVENING
6 PM - 8 PM

SAAF
375 S. EUCLID

the hottest word in town.
OBSERVER

P.O. BOX 50733,
TUCSON, AZ 85703
(520) 622-7176 (Voice)
Office Hours: 9a.m.-6p.m.M-F
Office Closed Thursdays
Computer FAX (520)792-8382

Observer on the World Wide Web :
<http://www.tucsonobserver.com>
E-Mail: watcher@azatamet.com

EDITOR/PUBLISHER: Bob Ellis
ART & GRAPHICS: Gary Clark
COPY EDITOR: Mark Kerr
Special Events Photos: Bill Morrow
"The Out Route"- Charles Stern
Regular Columnists
ANDREW BROOKS
CORNERSTONE FELLOWSHIP
DR. ELEAZAR GARCIA
HOROSCOPE (CHARLENE LICHTENSTEIN)
LOUIS F. KAVAR, Ph.D
MARK R. KERR

National Advertising Sales:
RIVENDELL MARKETING, NYC
(908)754-4348

Publication of names or photos of any person or organization in the OBSERVER is not to be construed as indication of the sexual orientation of such person, organization or advertiser or any employees thereof.

Opinions that are expressed in Letters to the Editor or columns by contributors are not necessarily those of the OBSERVER, its staff or advertisers. OBSERVER assumes responsibility for its own editorial policy only.

Although OBSERVER has many fine advertisers, we do not accept responsibility for any claims made pertaining to their products and/or services.

Permission to reprint (except for separately copyrighted material) is granted when credit is given to the OBSERVER.

Informing the Community
The Observer



a Breed Apart in Real Estate

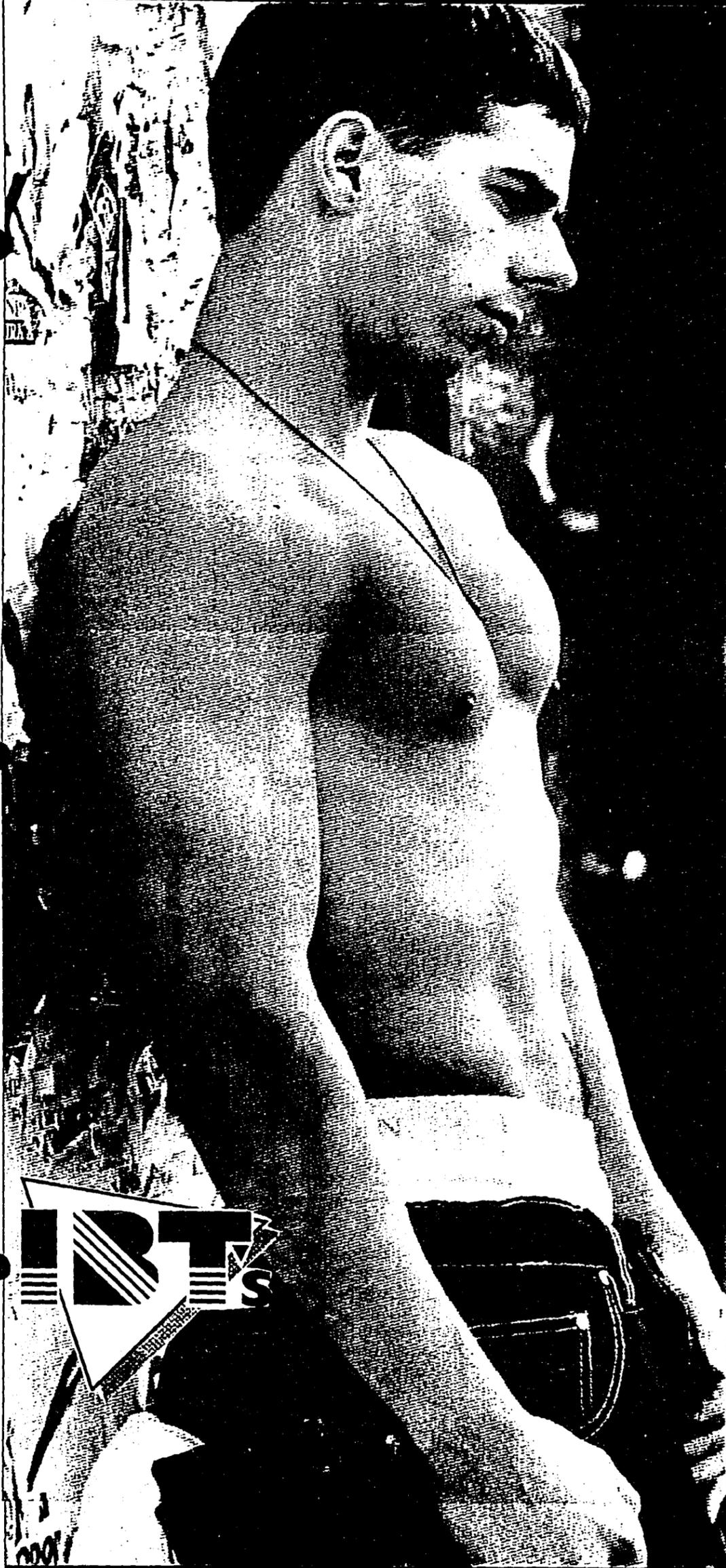
Suzanne "Zippy" Gross
Broker / Owner
Native Tucsonan

325-7629

Heart of Tucson Specialist

ASK ABOUT
1.9%
FINANCING
AutoNation
MITSUBISHI
FOR 60 MONTHS

Private Dancer



IBT's Exclusive Miss Gay
Western States America
Pre-Pageant Show

Friday, July 28th, 8:30 pm

Hosted by Lucinda Holliday

Featuring:

Naomi Knight Miss Gay Western States 2000

Elektra Bleu (1998), Truly Fabu (1997),

Special Guests:

Patti La Plae Safe Miss Gay America 1995

Catia Lee Love Miss Gay America 2000

IBT's Sunday July 30th
Party Line-up

11:00 am-6:00 pm

Jeff's Bloody Mary Recovery Bar

4:30-7:30 pm

Karaoke on the patio with Billy Dee

5:30-8:00 pm

Benefit Bar-B-Que/Beerbust
to benefit Wingspans'
Stop Dr. Laura Project

9:00 pm

Wet Shorts Contest
\$125 First Place

Puttin'-On-The-Lips
Amateur Contest

Wednesday, August 2nd, 9:00 pm

Hosted by: Phaedra and Ajia Simone

\$50 1st Prize

IBT's Male Box and
Underwear Nite

Thursday, August 3rd, 9:00 pm

Hosted by the Gay Mens Health Project
Happy Hour prices for those in their underwear

Coming Events

IBT's 8th Anniversary Party
Sunday, September 3rd

Monday Morning Madness
Monday, September 4th

616 N. 4th Ave. > Tucson, AZ 85705 > 882-3053 > Website: IBTS.NET

Eleven Emmy Awards For Will & Grace

HOLLYWOOD, CA (NP) - NBC's Gay sophomore pulled down more Academy nominations than any other comedy, and many other faves are on the short list, too.

edy Series nod to Tracy Lilienthal — and to prove it all four leads were nominated in their respective categories.

The 52nd annual Emmy Award nominations were announced July 20 by the Academy of Television Arts & Sciences and NBC's Gay sophomore sitcom Will & Grace was recognized in a whopping 11 categories — the most of any comedy. (No wonder NBC is moving the show to its "Must See TV" Thursdays!) Cross-dressing British comic Eddie Izzard was named in three categories as was HBO's Lesbian trilogy If These Walls Could Talk 2, but not for Ellen or Anne.

Eric McCormack, the non-Gay Canadian who plays Gay title character attorney Will Truman, is up for Lead Actor in a Comedy Series, but don't bet the farm on his winning — it's hard to imagine the Academy won't want to give one last trophy to Spin City's beloved Michael J. Fox, who was forced to retire by an unusual early onset of Parkinson's disease. Also in the running are Ray Romano of Everybody Loves Raymond and multiple Emmy winners Kelsey Grammer of Frasier and John Lithgow of Third Rock from the Sun.

The Academy appears to have heard the grumbling (from TV Guide among others) about how it's usually taken years for shows to crack the lineup of nominees and then the same ones are nominated repeatedly; president James B. Chabin said, "You may see programs win that traditionally have been seen as too avant garde or too edgy for the Academy. What we're trying to do is throw the doors open and bring in a new generation." The awards will be presented September 10, hosted by comic Garry Shandling and broadcast and Webcast live by ABC, which is hoping to improve on last year's depressed ratings.

Co-star Debra Messing, who plays Will's ditzzy friend interior designer Grace Adler, vies for Lead Actress in a Comedy Series against Sex and the City's Sarah Jessica Parker, Jane Kaczmarek of FOX newcomer Malcolm in the Middle, Patricia Heaton of Everybody Loves Raymond, and past Emmy winner Jenna Elfman of Dharma and Greg.

Sean B. Hayes, who plays Will's tres fey Gay best friend Jack McFarland — a.k.a. "Just Jack!" — has a good chance at Supporting Actor in a Comedy Series against Peter Boyle and the mournful Brad Garrett of Everybody Loves Raymond, Ally McBeal's Peter MacNicol, and multiple Emmy winner and friend of the community David Hyde Pierce of Frasier.

Drama leaders were NBC freshman The West Wing (which in one episode featured a Matthew Shepard-inspired anti-Gay hate crime and the effort to enact a hate crimes bill) and HBO favorite The Sopranos with 18 nominations each. Among the movies and specials, RKO281 led with 13 nominations, while Annie took 12 and Introducing Dorothy Dandridge took 11.

Megan Mullally, who plays Grace's employee, the wealthy and unrepentantly cynical dipsomaniac Karen Walker, faces off for Supporting Actress in a Comedy Series against Kim Cattrall of Sex and the City, friend of the community Doris Roberts of Everybody Loves Raymond, and both Jennifer Aniston and last year's winner Lisa Kudrow of Friends.

By networks, NBC had 97 nods, HBO 86, ABC 64, CBS 41, and FOX 26.

Will & Grace is nominated for Outstanding Comedy Series, up against HBO's Sex and the City, CBS' Everybody Loves Raymond, and Emmy regulars NBC's Frasier and Friends. (Ally McBeal has clearly passed her peak: last year's winner is a finalist in only three categories this year.) Yet surprisingly, Will & Grace was shut out of the Writing for a Comedy Series category. The legendary James Burrows is nominated for Directing for a Comedy Series for the "Homo for the Holidays" episode of Will & Grace. Will & Grace also brought an Outstanding Casting for a Com-

Debbie Reynolds as Grace's mother Bobbie is up for Guest Actress in a Comedy Series.

Will & Grace is also a finalist for Art Direction for a Multi-Camera Series (Glenda Rovello and Melinda Ritz for the "Ben? Her?" episode), Cinematography for a Multi-Camera Series (Tony Askins for the "Acting Out" episode), and Multi-Camera Picture Editing for a Series (Peter Chakos for the "Ben? Her? episode").

CONTINUED ON PAGE THIRTEEN

NOBODY'S BUSINESS

WITH DJ HILL

Friday, July 14 & 28
From 9pm - 1am
(No Cover)

\$1.50 TAP BEER SPECIALS • \$1 HOT SEX

Drink Specials Every 1/2hr

2000 EAST BROADWAY, R352

DR. LAURA SEZ: "I'm sorry, hear it one more time perfectly clearly: If you're gay or a lesbian, it's a biological error that inhibits you from relating normally to the opposite sex. The fact that you are intelligent, creative and valuable is all true. The error is in your inability to relate sexually intimately, in a loving way to a member of the opposite sex - it is a biological error."
Dr. Laura's Website December 8, 1998

F Saturday 5-9 pm Steak Fry with Filet Mignon
O Sunday 5-9 pm Sirloin Burger \$2.50/Hot Dog \$1.50
d Wednesday 6-9 pm Spaghetti, Salad, 7 Bread \$2.50

Volleyball Action
Wednesday's 7:00 pm
Sunday's 5:30 pm
Court open daily for practice



New Patio Bar
Now Open
Wednesday thru Sunday

Sunday's and Monday's
9:00 pm Karaoke with Billy Dee

Monday's are All American Nite
\$2.50 call 8:00 pm to close for employees of A.O.L., American Express and American Airlines

Trivia Tuesday's & Thursday's
8:00 pm Prizes for top NTN Score

Woody's

VIDEO - SPORTS - CRUISE BAR
3710 N. Oracle Rd 292-6702

AS I SEE IT..... BY CLARK

BUSCH'S REAL RUNNING MATE

POLITICS 2000
by Mark R. Kerr

'That's An Important Part Of The Story'

"A Quiet Victory for Phoenix Gays," blared the title of an article, written by reporter Pat Kossan, in the July 20 edition of the Arizona Republic, the Phoenix morning daily and-soon-to-be-another-Gannett-clone. According to the article, Phoenix's City Council voted to extend medical and dental benefits to the domestic partners of city employees, with little fanfare, or riotous action by unruly mobs in times past, during the more than four year battle on this issue. According to the article, Phoenix followed in Tempe and Tucson's footsteps in extending medical and dental benefits.

Didn't the Pima County Board of Supervisors vote to extend medical and dental benefits to the domestic partners (both unmarried heterosexual and same-sex) of county employees in 1997, becoming the first governmental body in the state to extend domestic partner benefits, and which was upheld in court after a year-long battle with the county attorney's office, who challenged the Board of Supervisors, stating the Board had exceeded their authority by this decision but the judge ruled otherwise? Of course they did, and which was pointed out, by this reporter, in an E-mail to Kossan regarding the story, who in turn, responded "that's an important part of the story, and thanked me for reading," more than probably the editor did, for one of the nation's largest newspaper's, on this piece.

What about the important part of a story? Newspapers, in some cases, will get the important part in a follow-up article as the story develops. Not so for the Arizona Daily Star, who, in their feature, entitled "Second Look," which ran in the Monday, July 24 edition, didn't get the important part of the story of the City of Tucson's Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual and Transgender (GLBT) Commission's vote recommending to the Mayor and Council to cut off city funding to non profit organizations which violate the city's anti discrimination ordinance and removing funding from agencies, (such as the United Way for example), who won't get written pledges from non profit organizations to uphold the anti discrimination ordinance.

This wasn't an important part of the story to Tucson's, new, improved and sparkling morning daily newspaper, who still reported only on one part of the motion, cutting off the funding to the Boy Scouts, despite the fact they had a reporter, Ernesto Portillo, present for the GLBT Commission meeting, receiving handouts and all.

We should expect and get more from the mainstream media, with their big staffs, modern technology and the mega-budgets, but we never get it, time and time again, and the next item on the ever growing list will be the presumptive Republican presidential nominee's, Dubya Bush's selection of former Defense Secretary, Dick Cheney for the vice presidential nod on the Republican ticket. The spin doctors will try to get out the message that Cheney is a man who is a "compassionate conservative." Cheney's his record as Defense Secretary, and as a Member of the U.S. House of Representatives from Wyoming, shows otherwise, especially for Gays, Lesbians and people living with HIV/AIDS.

For example, the soon-to-be Republican vice presidential standard bearer: opposed Clinton's "effort" to lift the ban of open Gays and Lesbians serving in the

military and voted against several key pieces of legislation, including: the Hate Crimes Statistics Act, the AIDS Federal Policy Act, mandatory HIV testing of prison inmates, the cutting of federal funding for HIV/AIDS research, voting to prevent the District of Columbia from allocating funds on HIV/AIDS in the nation's capital and an amendment to prevention "the promotion of homosexuality" within the Legal Services Department. Important parts of the story indeed, especially for his daughter, who recently worked for Coors, as the director of outreach to the Gay and Lesbian Community for the brewing giant.

Instead, the week-long infomercial with Bush and Dick will begin next in the City of Brotherly Love. An event, of sorts, may be missed by the mainstream muck-rakers, U.S. Representative Jim Kolbe, R-Arizona, will be addressing the Republican convention during prime time, Tuesday, August 1, a first for an openly Gay Republican elected official. Odds are it will probably be, since the Arizona Congressman has three minutes to talk on the subject of Trade. In 1996, a little-known Log Cabin Republican (the Gay and Lesbian GOP group) member from California, Steve Fong, gave a low-profile, one-minute speech amid little fanfare. But some socially conservative Republicans, who are opposed to Gay rights and have warned Bush about reaching out to the Gay community, are unhappy with the prospect of having Kolbe speak. One leading conservative Republican told reporters he was "flabbergasted" by the decision, and called it a "shock." "It is not going to be a happy time," said the Republican. "I think it is a really bad decision." Don't the GOP has to come up with reasons for people to watch, especially with their "Big Tent" theory and all?

During the Philadelphia infomercial, a reception/fund raiser will be held to honor openly Gay GOP elected officials, convention delegates and alternates and is hosted by the Log Cabin Republicans and the Gay and Lesbian Victory Fund. Congressman Kolbe will be the featured speaker at the reception, entitled, "Making History." One of the Gay GOP elected officials to be honored, is Arizona Representative Steve May, of Phoenix.

May, just getting back from commanding a training mission for the Army Reserve, is preparing for his next battle, over his more-than-year-long fight to stay in the reserves. The Phoenix representative was informed by the Army, during the training mission, that a hearing date for his involuntary separation hearing had been set for July 15, which fell in the midst of the training mission itself. May, a Lieutenant, requested another date, so that his "troops wouldn't be punished" during the mission, for which the Army rescheduled the hearing, for September 16 in Los Angeles. May and his attorney's have appealed to move the hearing to Phoenix and to open the proceedings to the public, an important part to this ongoing story. May has some relief coming, politically, since he doesn't face primary competition for the GOP nomination for the Arizona House from Legislative District 26.

With term limits in effect, many state representatives and senators are running for other offices, some for good intentions, others though, to pad their retirement. Tuesday, September 12, is the first

CONTINUED ON PAGE SIXTEEN

Stop "Dr." Laura!

Infamous for calling gays and lesbians biological errors, Laura Schlessinger has built her career by promoting homophobia and stereotypical gender roles for women and men. With the help of ABC and Paramount Schlessinger wants to broadcast her hate to a nationwide TV audience beginning this fall. ABC wouldn't allow bigots calling other oppressed groups "biological errors" to have a national TV broadcast. Why do they extend that courtesy to "Dr. Laura"? We call on ALL who oppose hate to join a day of protest to Stop Dr. Laura!

Tucson Rally!
Sunday, August 20th
@ 10:00 AM
1-3pm
7280 E. Rosewood

For local information call: Wingspan (520)624-1779 or Arizona (520)519-6768

For more information on national efforts to stop Dr. Laura visit StopDrLaura.com, the web site with over 14 million hits to date!



Community

Welcome home. This is it. Where our community stays online to get news, find information, seek entertainment and reach more people, all of the time. The Gay Network. www.gay.com



GAY.COM is a trademark of Online Publishers, Inc.

JACOBY & MEYERS
LAW OFFICES

JACOBY & MEYERS LAW OFFICES, L.L.P. • SHORE-DOBROWSKI & SHOWARD, P.C. • PARTNER

PERSONAL INJURY

- Auto Injury
- Premises Liability
- Medical Malpractice
- Products Liability

2343 E. Broadway, Suite 112
Tucson, AZ 85719

1-800-97-LEGAL
(520) 622-2350

SARAH J. SHOWARD
ATTORNEY-AT-LAW

El Torero
RESTAURANT

MICHAEL & BRADFORD HULTQUIST
MEXICAN SCANDINAVIANS
Proprietors

WE SERVE WONDERFUL MEXICAN FOOD
SELECTED WINES & BEER
OPEN 11 A.M. TO MIDNIGHT - CLOSED TUESDAYS

231 E. 26th St., Tucson, AZ
622-9534

Arizona's Most Trusted Name in Viatical Services ...

"Dedicated to helping you sell your life insurance for the highest cash amount"
— Laura Clarkson BAMS
Executive Director

- Representing only YOU, not the funding company or investor!
- Bidding at least three funding companies to create the highest cash settlement to YOU!
- Local servicing ... accountable only to YOU!
- We are a NO-FEE seller's advocate making sure YOU receive the maximum possible benefit from your policy.

(800) 863-3104 (602) 956-3770
www.livingsettlements.com
Arizona Licensed Life Insurance Agent #64729
INDIVIDUAL • GROUP • VGLI SPECIALIST

LIVING SETTLEMENTS, INC.
The Arizona Viatical Company

AGGRESSIVE CRIMINAL DEFENSE

- ◆ Sex Cases, including Park and Public Restrooms
- ◆ Drunk Driving ◆ Drugs ◆ Felonies ◆ Misdemeanors

MATILDE ELENA SLATE
ABOGADA BILINGÜE

JOHNSON & SLATE
ATTORNEYS AT LAW

317 S. CONVENT AVE.
TUCSON, ARIZONA 85701

(520) 882-0330

YOUR RIGHTS. KNOW THEM. PROTECT THEM.

Pentagon Plans To Halt Abuse

CONTINUED FROM PAGE ONE

anti-Gay behavior, and assessed annually for its effectiveness in transmitting understanding of "Don't Ask, Don't Tell," achieving appropriate behavior between personnel, and creating a positive command climate. Some of this assessment is to be carried out by Inspectors General as part of routine evaluations.

mendations, if implemented, would be a very good start."

However the press corps did not make it easy for the brass, pushing them on how the "Action Plan" could promise accountability while the Fort Campbell assessment seemed to require none. Even more unnerving was the Pentagon's all-but-explicit admission that when it came down to what went on between two or three individuals, there was little or nothing that could be done to prevent another incident like the Winchell murder.

It was further recommended that training emphasize routes for reporting harassment, so that it could be identified and dealt with sooner, with a clear distinction made between reporting anti-Gay abuse and a victim "telling" that s/he is Gay or Lesbian. Undersecretary of Defense for Personnel and Readiness Bernard Rostker emphasized in his introduction at the news conference that, "The question, 'Are you homosexual?' is never in order. Ever. The day of the witch hunt, the days of stakeouts, are over." New procedures announced in August were described as "checks and balances" to prevent harassment reports from launching investigations of victims. [Ed. note: Despite those "checks and balances," in the Fort Campbell inquiry the Inspector General explicitly stated that he was required to turn in servicemembers who were discovered to be Gay in the course of investigating harassment against them.]

One journalist, noting that a new report on how to fix "Don't Ask, Don't Tell" had become an annual affair, compared the situation at Fort Campbell to the sex harassment scandal at Aberdeen, and observed that there "heads rolled" when at Fort Campbell they did not.

Reporters had also clearly been paying attention to SLDN, which had reported Gays and Lesbians at Fort Campbell fearing to speak up during the investigation lest it lead to their own dismissal.

"Is there an internal contradiction," one reporter asked, "that you're concerned about that you're sending a message of 'treat these people with respect,' people who may be perceived to be Gay, people who may be Gay, treat all people with respect — but these are the very same people that, if we find out they're Gay, we'll take them out of the service?"

The recommendations call for the one thing that really hasn't happened in the seven years of "Don't Ask, Don't Tell": holding command responsible for fostering mutual respect and for violations of the policy. Supervisors at all levels will be expected to take appropriate action against harassment.

DiBattiste said of the program of training, enforcement and measurement, "We think we've got it right this time."

The Reception: Representative Martin Meehan, (D-MA), one of thirty Congressmembers to sign a June 7 letter to Secretary Cohen demanding accountability in the Winchell case and regarding several other Gay and Lesbian issues, was dubious of the Fort Campbell findings. He told the Associated Press that, "Giving Fort Campbell a relatively clean bill of health doesn't square with recent reports of prevalent anti-Gay harassment throughout the services."

The Servicemembers Legal Defense Network (SLDN), founded to assist the victims of the 1993 so-called "Don't Ask, Don't Tell," generally praised the "Anti-Harassment Action Plan." Co-director C. Dixon Osburn said, "We think these are some very strong steps forward to stop the rampant harassment that we're seeing in the field." Co-director Michelle Benecke called the recommendations "thoughtful and considered" and said, "Today's recom-

LAW OFFICE of
Carol L. Lohmann

Workers' Compensation

Social Security Disability

(520) 628-7700
Fax (520) 628-7711
185 South Main Avenue
Tucson, Arizona 85721

Have You Heard About Our Discounts?

- Auto and Home Premium Advantage
- New Home
- Good Student
- Multiple Vehicles
- Defensive Driving
- Auto Airbags
- 50+ Premium Plan
- Windshield Repair Waiver
- Accident Free
- And More!

AMERICAN FAMILY INSURANCE
AUTO HOME BUSINESS HEALTH LIFE

All Your Protection Under One Roof
www.amfam.com



KEVIN MCMULLEN
(520) 546-3700

What can be more convenient than having all your protection under one roof? Having it available with a wide range of money-saving discounts.

Call today to see if you qualify for one or more of our discounts, or to schedule a free, no-obligation Personal Insurance Review.

f have
fun

dance your

ass off

puppets in

the tuff hutt

erotic groove sweat drink specials fri 9pm

311 e congress @ hotel congress 622 8848

l fighters . designers . nudists . waltrons . hotties . photographers . nurses . hyglentists . cowgirls . relief plitche
nomers . herbalists . conservationists . fire fighters . pediatricians . veterinarians . dykes . service men . meter m
ion mogouls . astrologers . fags . rugby players . scalliwags . activists . luscious lesbians . conspiritors . delegat
navigators . trust fund babies . samplers . styllists . borrowers . mothers . co-signers . scientologists . wrestelers
ymen . slaves . consumers . underwear freaks . cowboys . nibblers . sexy men . puppets . tourists . troublemake

Newman & Schoenfeld, P.C.

Attorneys At Law

- Wills • Trusts • Probate
- Business • Corporate
- Bankruptcy
- Real Estate
- Domestic Partner Agreements

(520) 325-2053

DOUGLAS J. NEWMAN • LAURA G. SCHOENFELD
3131 N. Country Club, Suite 203, Tucson, AZ 85716 • Fax 325-2274



10%
of my gross income generated by members & friends of the Gay & Lesbian Community will be donated to local AIDS service organizations.

Dean Groth, CRS, GRI
Vice President
520-918-5159 • 800-279-2211
dgroth@longrealty.com



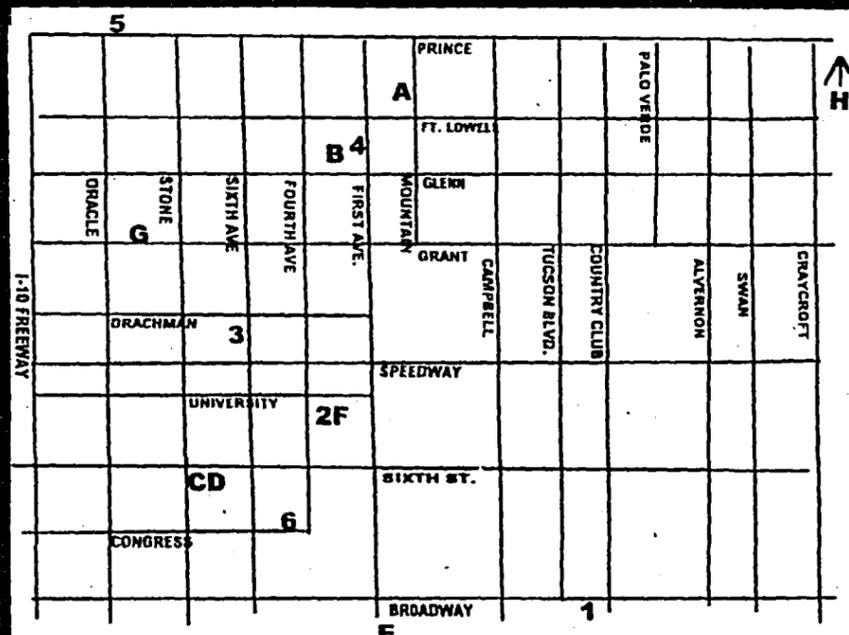
PAT HUGHES, Ph.D. / LIFE COACH
Over 20 years professional experience in LISTENING, ENCOURAGING, FACILITATING CHANGE RESPECTFULLY

CALL: (520) 795-2872

EXPERIENCE PERSONAL GROWTH WITHOUT THE STIGMA OF A MENTAL DIAGNOSIS.



TUCSON DIRECTORY



5
A PRINCE
B4 FT. LOWELL
G ORACLE STONE SIXTH AVE FOURTH AVE FIRST AVE MOUNTAIN GLEN GRANT CAMPBELL TUCSON BLVD. COUNTRY CLUB ALYMERON SWAN CRAVROFT
DRACHMAN 3
UNIVERSITY 2F
CD SIXTH ST. 6
CONGRESS
E BROADWAY 1

1. AIN'T NOBODY'S BIZ - 2900 E. Broadway 318-4838
2. IBT'S - 616 N. 4th Ave. 882-3053
3. VENTURE-N - 1239 N. 6th Ave. 882-8224
4. STONEWALL - 2921 N. 1st Ave. 624-8905
5. WOODY'S - 3710 N. Oracle Road, 292-8702
6. CLUB CONGRESS - 311 E. Congress 628-8848

A. METROPOLITAN COMMUNITY CHURCH 3269 N. Mountain - 292-9151
B. CORNERSTONE FELLOWSHIP 2902 N. Geronimo - 622-4628
C. DESERT PRIDE - Gifts, Videos, etc. 300 - 6th St. - 388-9829
D. WINGSPAN - 300 E. 6th St. - 624-1779
E. S.A.A.F. - 375 S. Euclid Ave. - 628-7223
F. RAINBOW PLANET COFFEE HOUSE 608 N. 4th Ave. - 620-1770
G. SOMETHING 4-U - Gifts, Crystals, etc. 250 W. Grand Rd. - 620-6485
H. TUCSON TRUNK - Gifts, Cards, etc. 5805 E. River Road. - 529-8308

CHECK THE BAR CALENDAR FOR DAILY SPECIALS
TAKE YOUR I.D. TO THE BARS
It's The Law!



The Sun changes signs this week, moving into exuberant Leo, while retrograde Mercury redirects, clearing up communication. These planets now open up the floodgates on our dreams, hopes and desires. Whoosh!! Full steam ahead comrades, and I don't mean hot air!

ARIES
MARCH 21 - APRIL 20
Randy Gay Rams can't contain themselves when Sun enters feisty Leo. You are bursting with inspiration, spit and fire. Let it Out! You are also the life of the party, commanding everyone's full attention and taking control of the festivities. Lucky us. It's a good thing that Mercury goes direct now. At least your orders are accurately received, even if they are ultimately ignored.

TAURUS
APRIL 21 - MAY 21
Concentrate on home projects when the sun travels into energetic Leo. Proud Bulls love to entertain and this is one of the best times to plan intimate soirees and delightful dinners with assorted companions. Another benefit of this solar placement is your ability to discuss prickly issues with parents. Your confidence soars! Mercury direct provides the oomph and tri-oomph.

GEMINI
MAY 22 - JUNE 21
Chatty rainbow Twins can take full advantage of the Sun in magnanimous Leo to get their point across in a charming and convincing manner. Press your point every chance you get, cousin. It can't hurt that retrograding Mercury also goes direct this week and helps clear up any confusion over finances. Ask the right fiscal questions now and bolster your bottom line.

CANCER
JUNE 22 - JULY 23
Don't despair that the Sun is leaving your own sign and treading into Leo, pink Crab. This simply means that the spotlight may be off you but your ability to reap the monetary rewards of such attention are now heightened. Make good use of directing Mercury in your own sign, by the way to create your own buzz. It pays to advertise, cousin. Quickly cash in!

LEO
JULY 24 - AUGUST 23
Mercury goes direct enabling you to see hidden things clearly as the sun moves into your own sign and magnifies your best attributes. Happy Birthday, proud Leo! You are at the top of the heap for the next 32 days so make good use of this charismatic energy to launch new projects, meet new people and create a new, lavender you. At very least, become a legend in your own mind.

VIRGO
AUGUST 24 - SEPTEMBER 23
The Sun in independent Leo has all queer Virgins marching to the tune of a different drummer. You become inflamed with the need to make a difference in our community. Get Out there and get involved; the sun guarantees that you can make a difference now. Fortunately, as chatty Mercury goes direct, you can even enlist the help of a few compadres in your good Gay efforts.

LIBRA
SEPTEMBER 24 - OCTOBER 23
Charming Gay Libras happily turn their attention from careers to social activities when the sun enters Leo. Enjoy being the leader of the pride parade, but don't rest on your professional laurels, cousin. Now, as Mercury goes direct, you are offered the rare opportunity to clear up any workplace misunderstandings. Perhaps there are some things that should be left unexplained ...

SCORPIO
OCTOBER 24 - NOVEMBER 22
Both the Sun in Leo and direct Mercury set a fire under you and bring you to the boiling point. Queer Scorps are agitating to demonstrate their talents and make their mark on the world. It is an excellent time to plan your next big move, whether it's in your career, with any travel plans or in any personal mission. There are no small ideas, only small people. Sigh; sad but true.

SAGITTARIUS
NOVEMBER 23 - DECEMBER 22
Proud Archers are ready to pack up and escape their mundane surroundings when the sun traipses into feisty Leo. Heck, why not? Happily, when Mercury goes direct, you will be able to say the right things to convince even the most domesticated lover to travel to the ends of the earth with you, at least for the next few weeks. Remember to pack extra cash and go all Out.

CAPRICORN
DECEMBER 23 - JANUARY 20
Feeling too hot to handle? Blame it on the sun in Leo which stirs your embers and inflames your passionate desires. Whew! Pink Goats are hot to trot and need some direction. Thankfully Mercury goes direct and offers some guidance. Use this time to bolster current relationships or to forge new ones. Single Caps are overflowing with sexuality. What a nice change of pace.

AQUARIUS
JANUARY 21 - FEBRUARY 19
Aqueerians are apt to drift from regimented regimes as the Sun ambles into Leo. Whatever is expected of you gets pushed to the bottom of the "To Do" list. You are more interested in relaxing and putzing around with partners. It's okay to have fun but don't let projects stagnate either. Direct Mercury clears the way for you to accomplish tasks. Cross one or two things off your list.

PISCES
FEBRUARY 20 - MARCH 20
As the Sun enters Leo, rainbow Fish become more interested in applying themselves on the job. It's a good time to clear off your desk and find shortcuts to inefficient ongoing projects. You are in luck; Mercury goes direct and supplies expansive thought and great creativity to any task at hand. It is time to view everyday life from an entirely different angle, compadre!

(c) 2000 LICHTENSTEIN, All Rights Reserved. For entertainment purposes only.



'DR.' LAURA SEZ: "Unless I have hallucinated, I have never made any anti-gay commentary, I have made anti-gay-activist-agenda commentaries."

SATURDAY, JULY 29TH

PRE-JUDGING 4:30PM

PAGEANT 7:00PM

CATIA LEE LOVE
MISS GAY AMERICA 2000



NAOMI KNIGHT
MISS GAY WESTERN
STATES AMERICA 2000

BARBRA SEVILLE
MISS GAY ARIZONA
AMERICA 2000



PATTI LE PLAE SAFE
MISS GAY AMERICA 1995

PHAEDRA
MISS GAY ARIZONA
AMERICA 2001



**INNSUITES HOTELS
TUCSON SUITE
HOTEL & RESORT**

475 N. GRANADA
TUCSON AZ 85701
(520) 622-3000
(800) 446-6589

**SPECIAL ROOM RATES FOR
MENTIONING HOLLIDAY'S
HEADLINERS \$49/\$69/\$99**

**MISS GAY
WESTERN STATES
AMERICA 2001**

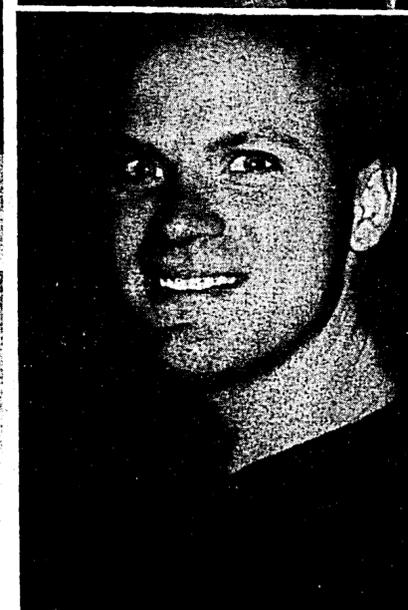
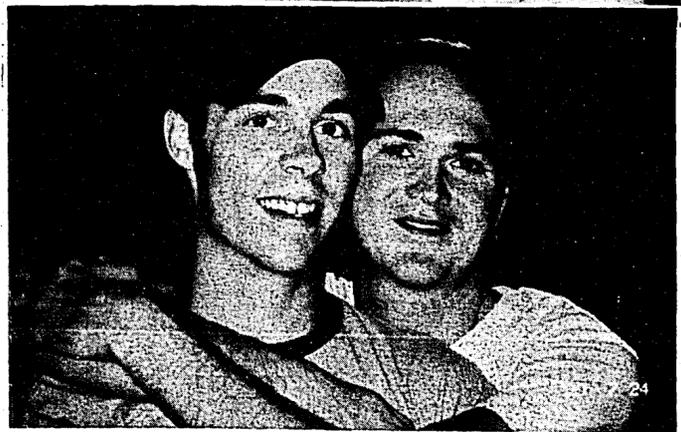
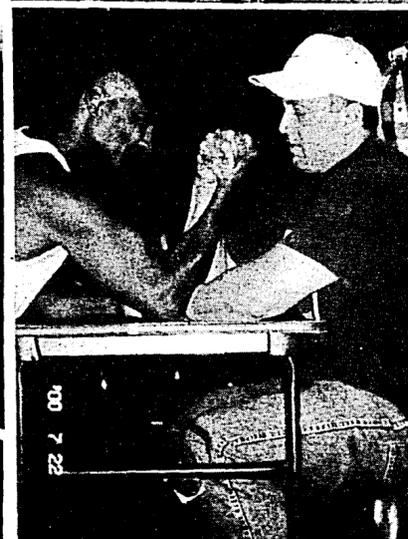
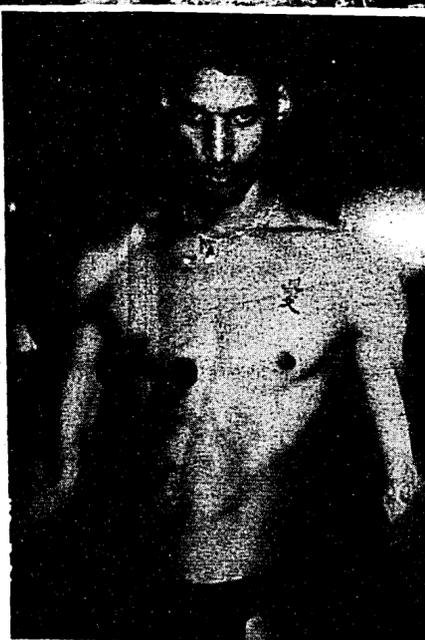
LIMITED VIP SEATING - \$25
THEATRE SEATING - ADVANCE - \$15
AT THE DOOR - \$20

**PAGEANT TICKETS OR INFORMATION ON
ADVERTISING IS AVAILABLE FROM:
LARRY MOORE OR LUCINDA HOLLIDAY
(520) 327-1576**



**TICKETS AVAILABLE IN PHOENIX FROM:
UNIQUE ON CENTRAL
4700 N CENTRAL AVE #105
(602) 279-9691; (800) 269-4840**

Twisted



VENTURE-N

TUCSON'S ONLY MEN'S BAR

Special Coming Events

July 29th, @ 3 - 7 PM
Beer Bust

Help STOP Dr Laura
Hosted By WINGSPAN



Aug 26th,
@ 8 PM

JUNGLE PARTY 2000

1239 N 6TH AVE, TUCSON AZ. 85705 - (520) 882-8224

Tuff Stuff, Inc. presents 2000 Southwest Drummer Regional Contest

hosted by padlock
Phoenix, Arizona
August 11, 12, 13

for more information:
Tuff Stuff Leatherware
602.254.9651

FRIDAY 9pm
meet -n- greet
basket auction

SATURDAY 9pm
contest

SUNDAY 1pm
victory brunch

SUNDAY 9pm
black & blue
black-out party

illustration and design:
Gryphon



Bill Filed To Pull BSA's Charter

CONTINUED FROM PAGE ONE

we're saying is that intolerance is bad.

"I was a Girl Scout. [Ed. note: The Girl Scouts of America is an entirely separate organization, have never had a policy excluding Lesbians, and now have a policy specifically prohibiting discrimination based on sexual orientation.] One of my sons was a Boy Scout. And that's why I believe from experience, and knowing that the Boy Scouts have some very valuable lessons for young people — that's why I want the Boy Scouts to be available to all boys.

"The U.S. Supreme Court decided that the Boy Scouts' First Amendment rights granted them the right to exclude Gays. We don't dispute that. This is not a question of whether Boy Scouts have a right to establish anti-Gay policy. It's a question about whether the Boy Scouts' anti-Gay policy is right.

"The fact is, the Boy Scouts' mission is to educate boys. It says under the federal charter, and in their mission, that their mission is to educate all boys. That doesn't mean that they discriminate by saying that they exclude girls. Discriminating against girls is not discriminating under their mission. That's not discrimination. That's fulfilling their mission. But excluding some boys because of their sexual orientation is discrimination, as differing from not including girls, because their mission is to teach boys."

Woolsey went on to recount how Eleanor Roosevelt (a Lesbian) resigned her membership in the Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR) in 1939 after the DAR barred Marian Anderson from singing at Constitution Hall because she was an African-American. Woolsey continued, "Ultimately, the DAR changed its policy of discrimination. When brave people step up and say intolerance is wrong, a difference can be made."

Here she described one such brave person, her constituent Steve Cozza, who at 12 founded Scouting For All, a group which has gathered 51,000 signatures on a petition seeking to change the Scouts' discriminatory policy. Cozza, now 15 and an Eagle Scout, is still at it, even though his father lost his troop leadership and another veteran Scout leader who helped him was dismissed from BSA as a result. Scouting For All is organizing a national day of protest for August 21, and has already heard from several hundred Eagle Scouts both Gay and non-Gay who have sent their badges back to BSA or their local troops in protest.

Woolsey has named her bill the Scouting For All Act after Cozza's project. She is joined by six Congressional co-sponsors so far.

Woolsey went on to introduce Graham Segroves of Knoxville, Tennessee, who became an Eagle Scout in 1991 and is a member of the Order of the Arrow; he now serves as public information associate for the National Gay and Lesbian Task Force (NGLTF). On NGLTF's behalf he thanked Woolsey "for acting boldly and justly." He described how the Boy Scouts helped him to develop a sense of right and wrong and an awareness of the environment. He left his troop to go to college and began his coming out process at 19.

Segroves said the Scouts' policy "hurts the thousands of boys and girls whose mothers and fathers and brothers and sisters are Gay, Lesbian, bisexual and transgendered and good people. And it damages the young people already involved

in Scouting who may one day follow their moral compasses to a personal discovery like mine and be afraid that they are inferior, that they are broken, that they are better off dead." Thanks to his "moral compass" developed in Scouting, Segroves said that he "can confidently say to the leaders of the Boy Scouts that they are wrong," that their moral compasses are broken.

"If the Boy Scouts want to inflict hurtful discrimination," Segroves declared, "they deserve no public affiliation. The National Gay and Lesbian Task Force has supported the call for President Clinton to resign his honorary ties with the Boy Scouts of America, and I support this effort to revoke the Congressional charter of that organization." (NGLTF legal intern and Eagle Scout Patrick Wojahn also spoke at the news conference.)

Led by Woolsey, eleven members of Congress — all Democrats — wrote to Clinton July 13 asking him to step down as BSA's honorary leader, his spokesperson said July 19 that he had not yet had a chance to review the letter because of the Middle East peace talks at Camp David. The other signatories were Lesbian Tammy Baldwin of Wisconsin, Gay Barney Frank and John Olver of Massachusetts, Cynthia McKinney of Georgia, Jerrold Nadler of New York, Janice Schakowsky of Illinois, and Californians Bob Filner, George Miller, Nancy Pelosi, and Barbara Lee.

Lee was next to speak at Woolsey's news conference. She said, "We, in this country at least, cannot afford to pick and choose who we discriminate against and who we do not discriminate against. That is just fundamentally wrong. This is an issue about civil rights. In no way should our government and should the people of this country condone a policy that allows for discrimination against anyone. Discrimination is wrong, intolerance is wrong. The moral values and the standards which we heard so eloquently stated this morning about the Boy Scouts, the role of the Boy Scouts, the work of the Boy Scouts, that's what this country is all about. You heard that members of the Boy Scouts learn fundamental values, learn what's right, what's wrong, how to treat people in this country. That's what this country is all about. So to have a policy that says it's OK to discriminate is just fundamentally outrageous.

"As an African-American woman," Lee continued, "it's intolerable to think that in the year 2000, in this new millennium, that such values still exist. ... It is so important that wherever we see discrimination raise its ugly head that we stop it and that we say no to this, because who knows who it will be against tomorrow."

Feds Enter W.VA. Murder Case

CONTINUED FROM PAGE ONE

victed as adults, they could receive life terms. County Prosecutor Richard Bunner will decide whether to try them as adults by August 3. He has not yet brought any charges against the 15-year-old witness, but has said he intends to do so.

No hate crime charges have been filed, and neither sheriffs nor Bunner believe this was a bias-motivated crime. Representatives of the Human Rights Campaign (HRC) and the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP) who investigated the situation are convinced that it was, as is Warren's mother. One local resident expressed the opinion of many when he said to reporters, "What else could it be?"

Currently neither West Virginia nor federal law treat homophobic attacks as hate crimes, but both cover racist crimes. A hate charge in West Virginia could mean an additional ten years behind bars. Sheriffs asked the FBI to monitor their work because of the federal agency's special expertise in hate crimes and civil rights violations. HRC's David Smith clarified for the Times West Virginian that, "I don't think it was a case of two 17-year-olds getting together" and saying, "let's go kill" a Gay black man. "But something happened that night to precipitate" the violence — and prejudice "very well may have been a part of it."

After the story broke and activists drew attention to the murder, national media descended on Grant Town in force and rumors began to fill the information void left by the legal shield for the underage suspects. Predictably, some sources told the Associated Press that Warren had had a sexual relationship with one or both of the suspects, although others denied this and Bunner said it was certainly not something he'd heard from investigators. As one newspaper put it, "Sources have told the Times West Virginian that there is no credible evidence that Warren had a sexual relationship with any of the teens."

The rumor has now been modified to have the alleged perpetrators believing that Warren had told or was going to tell others that he'd had sex with them even though he had not, but there is currently no way to know if this version is any more credible than the earlier story. Unless and until the suspects are tried as adults, the hard facts of the matter will remain unknown to the public.

The Meeting in Washington: U.S. Deputy Attorney General Eric Holder and Assistant Attorney General for Civil Rights Bill Lann Lee met July 20 with Arthur and Brenda Warren, "JR's" father and mother, staff of the Human Rights Campaign, the nation's largest Gay and Lesbian political organization; NAACP Washington bureau director Hilary Shelton; and Wade Henderson, executive director of the Leadership Conference on Civil Rights, a coalition of some 180 organizations.

Holder issued a statement afterwards calling it "an informative, disturbing and emotional meeting about a senseless and brutal killing. I am concerned about the circumstances surrounding this incident. We will continue to work cooperatively with local authorities in this matter to determine what, if any, additional federal action is warranted." He also wrote that, "The Department of Justice, Civil Rights Division, in coordination with the Federal Bureau of Investigation and the U.S. Attorney's Office in Wheeling, West Virginia has opened a preliminary investigation into

this incident."

FBI spokesperson Jeff Killen, based in Pittsburgh, has been working with the Marion County Sheriffs; he told the Associated Press that the preliminary investigation will "determine if the victim's federal civil rights were violated" and that it "is based upon additional information recently brought to the FBI's attention." He would not supply any details about that "additional information," saying only that, "We do not comment on ongoing investigations. We are not going to discuss the facts."

U.S. Attorney General Janet Reno also declined to comment to reporters.

HRC's political director Winnie Stachelberg welcomed the news saying, "We are extremely pleased that this case has been given the attention it deserves by federal law enforcement officials and we are more confident than ever that justice will prevail. It is crucial that Congress pass hate crime legislation so all cases can be investigated and processed fairly. The Warren case is a perfect example of why it is sometimes necessary to go to the top, to get to the bottom of a crime."

The NAACP's Shelton said in a statement, "This human tragedy illustrates the urgent need for Congress to pass the Hate Crimes Prevention Act before it recesses and set stronger penalties for persons who willfully injure anyone because of their perceived race, color, religion, gender, national origin or sexual orientation."

"Let It Be The Last Time": The candlelight vigil the evening of July 20 had dual goals of honoring Warren's memory and urging passage of the Hate Crimes Prevention Act, which has twice passed in the Senate but has never yet come to the House floor.

Brenda Warren told the crowd in Capitol Hill's Senate Park, "Hate kills. The injustice that my son suffered, no one — no one — should ever have to bear that. ... If nothing else, I just want to say, please, please, let it be the last time."

Washington, DC's non-voting Delegate to the House of Representatives, Democrat Eleanor Holmes Norton, said, "Surely action by the Congress is now morally compelled. We are determined that this young black Gay man will be remembered by more than a white cross in West Virginia. ... We will not rest until he is remembered forever in our laws." While African-Americans are the majority among Washington, DC residents, they make up only 3% of the West Virginia population and an estimated 6% of Grant Town's.

HCPA co-sponsor Senator Gordon Smith (R-OR) said, "When things like this happen on the Fourth of July, the federal government has a right to show up to defend an American citizen. On this issue, we cannot be divided."

WE'RE NUTS ABOUT BIRDS!



- Birdfeeders
- Seed
- Bird Baths
- Optics
- Nature Gifts

'Family' Owned & Operated

Tucson

5615 East River Road
299-9585

Green Valley

20 North La Canada
648-3839

Wild Birds Unlimited

www.wbutucson.com

Got A News Tip?

Call The

WEEKLY OBSERVER

(520) 622-7176

Or FAX Us At

(520) 792-8382

TUCSON RESOURCES -- TUCSON RESOURCES

Best Choice Realty Co.

Steve Melton
Owner/Broker

Office: (520) 670-9000
Pager: (520) 291-6500
Fax: (520) 670-9050



1523 E. Broadway Tucson, AZ 85719

Desert Pride

LOCATED AT 300 E. 6TH ST.
AT CORNER OF 5TH AVE.

NEXT TO WINGSPAN 388-9829
www.desertpride.com

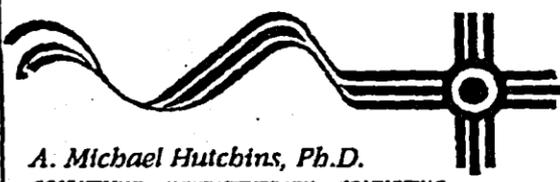
CARDS/POSTERS/PRIDE GIFTS
VIDEO & CD SALES & RENTALS
TEE SHIRTS
GIFTS FOR ALL OCCASIONS

Speedway Veterinary Hospital



Kayla R. Boyer, DVM
Small Animal Veterinarian

(520) 321-4235
3736 E. Speedway Blvd., Tucson, AZ 85716



A. Michael Hutchins, Ph.D.
COUNSELING • PSYCHOTHERAPY • CONSULTING

2450 E. SPEEDWAY, SUITE #2 TUCSON, ARIZONA 85719
(520) 327-4024



VANTAGE POINT COUNSELING
Susan Colosso, M.A.
Teri Nyssen, Psy.D.

DEEP PROCESS THERAPY
Individual, groups, anxiety,
depression, trauma survivors

520-319-8080
5301 E. Baker St., Tucson, AZ 85711



RE/MAX Premier Realty
Independently Owned and Operated

Bill Jones, CRS
"Selling Tucson Since 1985"

7090 North Oracle Road, Suite 160
Tucson, Arizona 85704
Direct Line: (520) 544-7438
Toll Free: (800) 777-6630
Fax: (520) 742-9570
E-Mail: BillJones@Realtor.com

Antigone Books

has tons of lesbian & gay
books • magazines • gifts • T-shirts • buttons
and generally fun stuff!

411 N. 4th Ave. **FOURTH AVENUE** 792-3715

HILLMAN JEWELERS II
...Expressions in Gold

ESTHERMARIE HILLMAN
(520) 882-4064 (Shop)
(520) 628-8725 (Office)

CUSTOM JEWELRY & REPAIR
By appointment only

For all your Jewelry needs.



PSYCHOTHERAPY FOR CHILDREN, FAMILIES & ADULTS

RICH MUSZYNSKI Ph.D.
LICENSED PSYCHOLOGIST

La Casita Counseling Center
4440 N. Campbell At River Rd.
P.O. Box 65840
Tucson, AZ 85728

Phone: 299-6424
Cell: 906-7048
Fax: 299-0712

BON VOYAGE TRAVEL

Carl Copeland
Travel Consultant

4361 E. Broadway Blvd.
Tucson, AZ 85711
Tel: 520/795-8400 Ext. 134
FAX: 520/795-5030

e-mail: ccopeland@bvtravel.com
web: http://www.uhbiz.com/newcentury

RSVP VACATIONS CLUB RSVP



TORTUGA ROJA
BED & BREAKFAST

2800 EAST RIVER ROAD • TUCSON, ARIZONA • 85718
(520) 577-6822 • 1-800-467-6822

AutoNation USA
Automotive Retail Group

Steve Barreto

3701 W. Orange Grove Road • Tucson, AZ 85741
Phone (520) 498-1100 ext. 175 • Fax (520) 498-1644

UNIQUE HOMES
"SIMPLY THE BEST"

799-8453

Featuring Marlette (Santa Fe Style)
& Redman Homes

Your LAND/HOME Specialist

PRESIDIO
HAIR SALON.

ED THIBEAULT

905 N ALYERSON, TUCSON AZ 85711
(520) 321-9020



David Carter
Vice President / Associate Broker

LONG REALTY

OFFICE (520) 299-2201
HOME OFFICE (520) 323-9890
TOLL FREE (800) 843-4291
E-MAIL dcartera2@aol.com
5683 N. SWAN • TUCSON, AZ 85718

"Serving our community since 1985"

Steve Wagner, CISW, MDiv.
Individual & Couple Psychotherapy



4224 E. Grant Road
Tucson, Arizona 85712
520-629-9166

Peg Kaufman, M.C.
Individual & Couple Therapy
20 years experience
Negotiable fees

3054 N. 1st Ave., #9
Tucson, AZ 85719

520-293-3289

Ronald Bogard
ATTORNEY AT LAW

Wills • Trusts • Estate Planning • Probate
Domestic Partnership Agreements
Real Estate • Personal Injury • Elder Law
Civil Litigation • Arbitration and Mediation

3131 N. Country Club, Ste. 204
Tucson, Arizona 85716

(520) 325-5522
Fax (520) 325-2242
Email: RonBogard@AOL.Com



DANNY CHONG
FULL BODY ORIENTAL MASSAGE
(EXPERIENCE THE DIFFERENCE)

By Appointment Only
10:00AM to 10:00PM

(520) 481-0803

FLEX
A Health Club for Gay Men

.....Phoenix
.....Los Angeles
.....Cleveland
.....Atlanta

1517 E. Black Canyon Highway
Phoenix, AZ 85009
602-271-9011
Always Open
http://www.flexbaths.com

Desert Vision by Louis F. Kavar, Ph.D.

**The Bible and Homosexuality
Responding to the Religious Right**

For the last several weeks, I've discussed several scriptures from the Judeo-Christian tradition and their relationship to Gay and Lesbian in society today. I began with a personal experience that angered me when two colleagues dismissed a well-researched and presented workshop on spiritual issues for Gay and Lesbian people on the grounds of personal prejudice. From that experience, I discussed some of the historic context, scholarship, and commentary on Biblical references often used as the basis to claim that a Gay or Lesbian orientation is immoral. I went on to present two relationships between people of the same gender that I believe can serve a Biblical role models for couples today. In weeks of writing, trying to present scholarly considerations in a simple and succinct way, I am left with the awareness that prejudice remains despite all of our best efforts.

What I have hoped to do is encourage and entice other Gay and Lesbian people to consider that the claims of those who use the Bible as a basis for discrimination are seriously taking the Biblical text out of context. Try as they might, I find that there is no Biblical basis to condemn Gay and Lesbian people, our orientation, our love-making, or relationships. There are Biblical prohibitions against engaging in sexual practices in the temples of fertility gods. There are prohibitions against adultery just as there are prohibitions against breaking any commitment pledge or vow to another person. There are prohibitions against taking advantage of foreigners. But there are no prohibitions related to sexual orientation.

I've heard some television evangelists claim that homosexuality is the worst sin in the Bible. I find that claim a strange one for a Christian to make. After all, Jesus never mentions anything about homosexuality. In fact, Jesus never talks about sex. However, the gospels are clear and unambiguous that the only people Jesus ever became angry with were religious leaders. In fact, Jesus clearly referred to religious leaders as a brood of vipers, blind guides, and hypocrites. It would seem to

me that many religious leaders of today are much like those of Jesus' day: they bind up heavy burdens for others to carry, while they themselves stand on the side-lines with a smug attitude of condemnation.

I believe that people must follow the spiritual path that is right for them. For many Gay and Lesbian people, that path may be Pagan, Buddhist, New Age, or Aboriginal Traditionalist. Many of us were raised in the Christian or Jewish tradition and some of us continue to make our home in these traditions. As a Christian, I know without any doubt that the hallmark of the Christian spiritual path is wholeness and liberation for the believer and for those the believer comes in contact. Jesus begins his public ministry by stating that he was sent to bring good news to the poor and release to those held captive. In any age, when Christianity does not bring good news that empowers release to those held captive and oppressed, it is failed to be true to the message of Jesus of Nazareth. It really is that simple.

Just as so-called Christians worked to preserve slavery, fought to prevent women from having the right to vote, decimated Native cultures, and brought destruction to the lives of many others out of ignorance and prejudice, so today so-called Christians continue to perpetrate violence on others in the form of prejudice, discrimination, and injustice. In doing so, they take the message of Jesus in vain.

In the end, we Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual, and Transgendered people must have the knowledge and wisdom to recognize prejudice for what it is even when it's wrapped in a religious shroud. For our own good and for the good of our planet, we must work to overcome prejudice and discrimination against all people. For, indeed, none of us are free until all people are free.

[Louis F. Kavar, Ph.D., is an ordained minister in the United Church of Christ, a counselor, hypnotherapist, 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

Our pastor preached a very moving sermon a few Sundays ago. It was on the topic of forgiveness. She shared a time in her life when she committed a sin as a teenager and spoke of the tremendous guilt she lived under for twenty-plus years. Then, during one of those times when she was overwhelmed with guilt and slipping into the abyss of depression, she called out, yet again, to God for forgiveness. Immediately, as if for the first time, she sensed in her spirit that she was forgiven. In fact, what God revealed to her was that he had forgiven her, the first time she had cried out for forgiveness twenty years prior! That revelation from God lines up perfectly with scripture for God tells us that when we confess our sins He forgives us and acts as if they never occurred.

The problem our pastor had and one that I am sure you and I deal with on a regular basis is that we don't forgive ourselves. Granted we often times have to live with some very difficult consequences because of something we have done, but we can still accept and hang onto the forgiveness that God offers us. When we say we

don't forgive ourselves then we should ask, "Do I believe that God has really forgiven me?" It almost seems as if we are calling God a liar which is a very arrogant place to be in our lives. Either we believe what Jesus had to tell us about forgiveness of our sins or we don't. There is no middle ground.

Another point she made was that we too must learn to forgive others. Really forgive. If we remember what others have done to hurt us, that is natural. But if we keep on using that hurt to get back at the person, then we have not truly forgiven. Some scripture seems to indicate that God cannot forgive us until we have offered forgiveness to others. As though that unforgiveness blocks the forgiveness we so desperately need from him. That's something to think about isn't it?

Let me pose this question. Why would any of us rather live with pain, resentment, and guilt when freedom, peace, and contentment are being offered?

Go to the Lord in prayer and ask

*Life-Enriching Counseling
Hypnotherapy and Art Therapy
Individuals and Couples*

DESERT VISION COUNSELING
290-1591

Louis F. Kavar, Ph.D. Free 30-minute consultation
Patricia Bergen, MA, MFA Sliding scale fees



3250 NORTH CAMPBELL
TUCSON, ARIZONA 85719
520-795-9880

We proudly carry these hair and skin care products

systeme
BIOLAGEBODY

Matrix
HAIR SKIN COSMETICS

MARK ANTHONY
Hair, Make-Up & Skin Care Specialist



Water of Life

Metropolitan Community Church

3269 N. Mountain Ave., Tucson, AZ 85719 (Just North of Ft. Lowell Road)
(520) 292-9151

e-mail WOLMCC@aol.com <http://members.tripod.com/~WaterofLifeMCC>

Rev. Joyce Cook, Pastor

Sunday Services 9:15 & 11:15 A.M.

Nothing is Impossible with God

Cornerstone Fellowship

2902 N. Geronimo

Phone: 622-4626

E-mail: ChristforAll@Juno.com

Service Times:

Sunday School - 9:00 am

Morning Worship Service - 10:30 am

Wednesday Night Bible Study - 6:00 pm

*"For God so loved the world that He gave his one and only Son,
that whoever believes in Him shall not perish but have eternal life."*

John 3:16

GOD IS LOVE

Come and learn about God's love for YOU at Cornerstone



KXCI
91.3 FM
REAL PEOPLE. REAL RADIO

**GAY & LESBIAN
RADIO PROGRAMMING**
EVERY WEDNESDAY

6:00 PM

THIS WAY OUT

6:30 PM

OUT LOUD

NOW BROADCASTING
WORLD WIDE

ON THE INTERNET AT
WWW.KXCI.ORG

him to reveal the ways you have not accepted his forgiveness. Ask him to show you that Jesus' death on the cross was the "payment" for your sins. Then ask him to

reveal all the people you have not extended forgiveness to. God and God alone can give peace, a peace that could be yours today.

GET READY FOR ACTION!

Meet hot guys in your area tonight!

Phoenix
602-252-4900

Tucson
520-791-7000

Use FREE Access Code 3250

Record Listen Respond to personal ads FREE!

Ahora en Español

THE CONFIDENTIAL CONNECTION
someone wants to meet you!

www.confidentialconnection.com

Try us online at www.dating.com

Robb Gonzales
General Manager

OLYMPIC GYM

2823 N. Stone Ave.
Tucson, AZ 85705

Tel: (520)623-1433
Fax: (520)623-1290

DESERT ROADRUNNER REALTY



PETER M. SITTIG, Realtor
Excellence in Service

2155 NORTH COUNTRY CLUB
TUCSON, ARIZONA 85716

CELL: (520) 240-2295
BUS: (520) 327-6621
FAX: (520) 327-4324
Residence: (520) 575-9560

THE WIZARD
Victor

Handyman, Odd Jobs, Water Coolers
Tile, Paint, Carpentry, Yard Work, Etc.

887-2519

Politics

CONTINUED FROM PAGE FIVE

date on the election calendar, when a few Arizonans will go to the polls to decide who will serve in too-many seats in the Arizona Legislature. At press time, six senate seats are uncontested with one seat, from District 6, having no candidates on the ballot and a furious write-in campaign being mounted, since no one, including former state House Majority Leader, Lori Daniels, R-Chandler, was able to get enough valid signatures to be on the ballot for the sure-thing primary election. Unlike Daniels, former state Senator, Sandra Kennedy, was placed back on the ballot by court order, for her bid for the Democratic nomination for the Arizona Corporation Commission (ACC), six year term. Kennedy will face Stephen Ahearn in the Democratic contest, with the winner facing state Senator Marc Spitzer, running unopposed in the GOP primary for the seat.

Primaries abound in the land of common sense, Pima County, for this year's election, especially for the Arizona House and Senate, with so many legislative seats opening up due to term limits.

Colette Barajas, a former tavern owner, activist and board member of the Arizona Human Rights Fund and Wingspan is running for the Democratic nomination for the District 13 House. Barajas is one of four individuals seeking the two open state House seats. In addition to Barajas, Gabrielle Giffords, of the El Campo Tire family, UA anthropology professor Ted Downing and clinical psychologist, Howard Shore are vying to take on the GOP slate of Jonathon Paton and Carol Summers in the general election.

In District 9, where the GOP has an 11-point edge in voter registration, Tim Bee, brother of current, and outgoing state Senator, Keith Bee, is running for the Republican nod to succeed his sibling. Tim is being challenged by state Representative Bill McGibbon, who is seeking a promotion to the upper chamber. James Jaster, Kathy Ramage-White and Matt Welch are seeking the Democratic nomination. With state Representative Lou Ann Preble, a Republican, retiring, five Republicans: Paralee Schneider, Marian McClure, Mike Jenkins, Randy Graf and Kerry Clawson, are seeking the nod for the state House. David Bradley, a Democrat, will face the top two from the GOP primary in the general election.

In District 10, state Senator Victor Soltero, ineligible to seek another two years due to term limits, is trying for a seat in the state House. Both Democratic incumbent state Representatives, Sally Ann Gonzales and Ramon Valadez are battling it out to

succeed Soltero. Six Democrats, including Soltero, are fighting for the nod for the state House from this overwhelmingly Democratic district: nurse Betty Liggins, school board member Linda Lopez, attorney Ralph Ellinwood, former gas station manager, Jesse Lugo and member of the Pima County Interfaith Council, Emmett Alvarez, a political newcomer.

In District 11, with all court challenges aside, incumbent Democratic state Representatives, Carmine Cardamone and Debora Norris face a primary contest from Olivia Cajero Bedford, daughter of former District 10 Representative, Carmen Cajero, Val Romero, who ran as an independent for Tucson Mayor and Louis Johnson.

In District 12, Republican state Senator Ann Day is seeking a seat on the Pima County Board of Supervisors, Toni Hellon, a former chair of the Pima County Republican Party and former state lawmaker, Scott Alexander, will face off for the GOP nod to succeed Day. For the state House, Pete Hershberger, incumbent Steve Huffman and Billie Jane Madden face off in the GOP primary.

So it goes for now kids!

SPORTS

SUMMER COYOTES LEAGUE STANDINGS

	Won	Lost	Pct
PrePatty	17.0	7.0	.708
Nice N Sleazy	16.0	8.0	.667
The Nut Sack	14.0	10.0	.583
V-N Men	14.0	10.0	.583
The Hoochies	14.0	10.0	.583
B.P.T.	13.0	11.0	.542
Gay Divorcees	12.0	12.0	.500
Wannabees	11.0	13.0	.458
Wonder Twins	10.0	14.0	.417
Presidio	9.0	15.0	.375
Killer PMS	8.0	16.0	.333

SEASON ACHIEVEMENTS

High Average - Keith D., 207; Heather H., 166; Nice N Sleazy, 521.

High Series Scratch - Heather H., 553; Keith D., 717; Nice N Sleazy, 1660.

High Game Scratch - Heather H., 208; Keith D., 279; Nice N Sleazy, 596.

High Series Handicap - Joe L., 722; Heather H., 655; The Nut Sack, 1940.

High Game Handicap - Susan H., 245; Keith D., 279; The Nut Sack, 696.



THE VTRUUTE by Chaz

I SAY, THAT DRIED UP "BYE BYE, MISS AMERICAN PIE" NEEDED MADONNA'S BREATH OF FRESH AIR.



Chaz



CONTINUED FROM PAGE THIRTEEN

fact is that it happens. What is new, and shocking, is that one of these clubs, "bare-back jack," is actually contained as a link to a website of one of the more popular leather bars in Phoenix. The thin rationalization that this bar uses is that it is a personal sexual choice, equivalent to "kinky" practices such as leather and watersports; true enough at first glance, but again, completely irrelevant.

We as a community must be united, unanimous, and vehement in condemnation, and send an absolute and unambiguous message that while certain misguided individuals may intentionally expose themselves to this deadly disease, the endorsement of an organization that lures weak-minded people into this practice will not be tolerated. The sole stated purpose of this organization is to promote, rationalize, and provide opportunities for the spread of AIDS among Gay men. While we cannot eliminate the group, any business that makes money from the Gay community has a responsibility to discourage irresponsible behavior that increases all of our risks. To promote, and provide access to this group is as unacceptable as it is incomprehensible. Too many of our friends have died, and are dying - the crisis is not over, AIDS is not curable, and people are still dying.

To briefly counter "individual choice," as a rationalization for promoting unsafe sex, please consider: The HIV virus mutates quickly - therefore the larger the viral reservoir, the greater the variation in

the viral population, making a vaccine more difficult, and a cure less certain. Therefore far from being a harmless personal choice of sexual play, this practice puts us all at greater risk, increases the death and suffering in a community that has suffered more than any other in this country - Accelerating to maximum speed on the freeway, putting on a blindfold and releasing the wheel may give some people a sexual thrill as well, but is that purely a personal choice, and could we tolerate an organization that lures teens into actually doing it?

I urge your readers to e-mail the Padlock bar with your opinion at DMIRAGES@aol.com to express your outrage, and please do not patronize this bar and put your friends and lovers at risk until this travesty has been corrected.

Thank you,
Gary Grodeman

* HUGS * COUNSELING *
 Relationship * Self-Esteem
 * Co-Dependency *
 * Stress Management *
 Addictions * Wellness
 * Same-Sex Issues *
 Henry C. Warner M.Ed., D.D.
 For Appointment Please Call
 884-1096

GET CONNECTED
 Most Features **FREE!**
 Tucson 520.791.2345
 Phoenix 602.993.4567
 Use FREE Code 2167
MEGA phone
 100% Local Voice Personals • Men Seeking Men • Women Seeking Women
 CALL OUR FRIENDLY CUSTOMER SERVICE 24 HRS FOR THE MEGAPHONE IN YOUR AREA, 800.289.1489. 18+ ONLY. ©2000 PG

'DR.' LAURA SEZ: "How many letters have I read on the air from gay men who acknowledge that a huge portion of the male homosexual populace is predatory on young boys?"
Reuters/Variety Feb. 13, 2000

When you want more.
Tucson's largest...
interactivemale
 WHERE THE MOST MEN MEET™
 Phoenix (602) 765-8888
 Call to Connect with Hot Local Guys! First time FREE! Use code #8087
 (602) 901-2100

No membership required. 24 hour customer service available at 1-800-503-0028. Browse at www.interactivemale.com

MAN SEX 1-900-786-5555
 \$1.99/min 18+

Non-Bar Calendar Groups | Clubs | Organizations

THURSDAY, JULY 27

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. Join us for the MSN Premiere of "Happy, Texas", about 2 escaped cons masquerading as Gay pageant directors in a small Texas town. A funny comedy, with heart. For reservations & directions, please call Les or Jerry at 690-9565.

SATURDAY, JULY 29

Bears of the Old Pueblo Lemmon Rock hike! Now here's an image - Bears in the woods! Bears and guests will meet at the McDonald's on the corner of Tanque Verde and Catalina Highway at 8:00 a.m. to car pool up Mount Lemmon. Bring your own water and picnic lunch. This is a hike of light to moderate difficulty with some of the best scenic views of the surrounding mountain ranges. This is a wilderness area so no pets on this trip please. (520)327-1620 or <http://www.botop.com>

Men's Social Network (Gay men of all ages; guests always welcome). 7:00 p.m. Join us for our Topic of Discussion as we look at "Friendship". Do you have enough friends? Do you make time for the ones you have. Want to learn how to make new friends? Come share your thoughts. For reservations and directions, please call Jerry at 690-9565.

SUNDAY, AUGUST 20

Stop 'Dr.' Laura Rally from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m. at KGUN-TV, 7280 E. Rosewood. For more information call Wingspan 624-1779 or Andrea at 519-6768. Nationally known speakers are scheduled to appear. Your input is needed! Volunteers are needed to help with putting on a successful event, making signs and posters, etc.etc.etc.

The men's massage group celebration meets today at 5:00 p.m. Call for more information. They meet every 3rd Sunday of each month. The group is ten years old. This is a great place to meet new friends, other men and relax through the medium of laymans massage. It is a fun and lively group of 8-10 men. Non-sexual. Call Marc well in advance to reserve a place at 881-4582. Centrally located. Small fee.

ASK ABOUT
1.9%
FINANCING
AutoNation USA
AutoNation
MITSUBISHI
FOR 60 MONTHS

CBA
COMMUNITY BUSINESS ASSOCIATION

The largest G&L business networking group in AZ, with monthly networking meetings, Out & About mixers, a membership directory and a quarterly newsletter. Get connected!
www.ns4b.com/cba Call 615-6436.

Tucson's Only Gay & Lesbian Business Networking Organization...

Bar Calendar Of Upcoming Events

WEDNESDAY, JULY 26

IBT'S - 9:00 P.M. 'The Grlie Show' hosted by Lucinda Holiday and featuring Ajia Simone, Faith Michaels and Janne Starr.

THURSDAY, JULY 27

IBT'S - 9:00 p.m. Male Box (and Underwear) Nite hosted by the Gay Men's Health Project. Happy Hour Prices for those in their underwear.

FRIDAY, JULY 28

IBT'S - 8:30 p.m. Miss Gay Western States-America Pre-Pageant Show featuring Naomi Knight (Miss Gay Western States 2000); Elektra Bleu (1998); Truly Fabu (1997); Patti Le Plae Safe (Miss Gay America 1995) and Catia Lee Love (Miss Gay America 2000). Hosted by Lucinda Holiday.

SATURDAY, JULY 29

VENTURE-N - The Tucson Stop Dr. Laura Committee is having a benefit Beer Bust from 3:00 to 7:00 p.m. here to raise funds to offset the costs of the Rally to be held on August 20. Be here and be there!

SUNDAY, JULY 30

IBT'S - Party line-up includes Jeff's Bloody Mary Recovery Bar from 11:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Karaoke with Billy Dee on the patio from 4:30 to 7:30 p.m., Benefit Bar-B-Que / Beer Bust from 5:30 to 8:00 p.m. This weeks proceeds go to Tucson's 'Stop Dr. Laura' Committee who are raising money to defray costs of the rally against Dr. Laura on Aug. 20. 9:30 p.m. Wet Shorts Contest. \$125 First Place.

MONDAY, JULY 31

STONEWALL welcomes the Sisters of Tucson. Opening today at 2:00 p.m. a separate bar for the ladies!

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 2

IBT'S - 9:00 p.m., 'Puttin' On The Lips' Amateur Contest. \$50 First Place. Hosted by Phaedra and Ajia Simone.

SUNDAY, AUGUST 6

STONEWALL - The Tucson Committee to Stop Dr. Laura will have a benefit Bar-B-Que here today. They need money for supplies to put on a huge rally in protest of KGUN-TV showing her television series. Help Stop Dr. Laura!

SATURDAY, AUGUST 26

VENTURE-N - Jungle Party 2000 begins at 8:00 p.m. this evening. Watch out for more details and make plans to attend!

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 3

IBT'S - It's IBT's 8th Anniversary Bash! Watch out!

PARKWAY INN

"BUILDING A REPUTATION"
Phoenix's FIRST Gay listed hotel
8617 N. Black Canyon Hwy.
Phoenix, AZ 85021

BILL & PAUL WANT YOU TO SLEEP IN OUR BEDS

We offer:
120 spacious rooms
Continental Breakfast
Heated Pool and Spa in a garden setting
Meeting facilities, with catering available
Call for reservations today!
(602) 995-9500

**DISCOUNT RATES YEAR ROUND
STARTING AT \$31.95
ONE TO FOUR PEOPLE PER ROOM
RESERVATION REQUESTED**

Daily Bar Calendar

Sunday

AIN'T NOBODY'S BIZ - Beer Bust 5-10, \$1.25 pitchers. Latin Music with DJ Hill 9-1. Shot specials all night.

IBT's - Open 11am-1am. Happy Hour 11-4pm, \$2.00 domestic beer and well. \$1.75 well & domestic beer 4-9pm. 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 - Open Noon. All well drinks \$1.75 til 8pm. Free Pool noon til 5pm. Dance Club opens 9pm with Mix Master David Z playing House & Hip Hop. New digital Karaoke surround sound system (in the bar) 9pm to close. Popcorn, steaming buns & hot weenies ... free.

VENTURE-N - Open 10am. Patio open noon. Patio Beer Bust 3-7pm 75¢ draft, \$2 pitchers. 301 Dart Tournament 5pm \$3 entry fee (pot matched). Boss Burgers 5-7pm Hides Leather Goods opens at 4pm.

WOODY'S - Open Noon. Happy Hour 3-7 pm. Volleyball 5:30 pm. B-B-Q 5:30-9pm. \$2.50 burger; \$1.50 Hot Dog. Karaoke with Billy Dee 9pm to close. Patio Bar Open.

Monday

AIN'T NOBODY'S BIZ - Happy Hour Two-For-One 2-7. Free pool 2-4. \$1.50 Wells 8-midnight, 25¢ cups of draft 8 to closing.

IBT's - Open 10am. Martini Monday all day all call martinis \$2.50. Happy Hour 10am-4pm, \$2.00 domestic beer and well. \$1.75 well and domestic beer 4-9pm. 9pm to closing, \$1.50 / 32oz pitchers. Karaoke Billy Dee 7:00-9:30pm Retro 80's dance 9:30pm to closing. All drink specials not available during special events.

STONEWALL - Open at noon. All well drinks \$1.75 till 8pm. Free pool all day and all night. Dance Club opens 9pm with DJ CrispX spinning Circuit Noize. Popcorn, steaming buns and hot weenies...free

VENTURE-N - Open 6am. Dart Tourney 8pm, pot matched. Patio opens 5pm

WOODY'S - Open Noon. Happy Hour 3-7pm. Karaoke w/Billy Dee 9pm to close. Special drink prices 8pm to close for American Airlines - American Express - ADL employees.

Tuesday

AIN'T NOBODY'S BUSINESS - Happy Hour Two-For-One 2-7pm. Pool touney 7:30pm. \$3 entry, pot matched. \$1.50 longnecks for pool players. \$2 Long Islands all nite. Dance to music w/DJs.

IBT's - Open 10am. Happy Hour 10am-4pm, \$2.00 domestic beer & well. \$1.75 well & domestic beer 4-9pm. 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-Nergy Dance. 9pm to closing.

STONEWALL - Open Noon. All well drinks \$1.75 til 8pm. Free pool all day and night. Dance Club opens 9pm. with DJ Eduardo featuring international music. Popcorn, steaming buns and hot weenies ... free.

VENTURE-N - Open 6am. Patio open 5pm.

WOODY'S - Open Noon. Happy Hour 3-7pm. Trivia Party 8pm-close. Top score on NTN per game wins special prizes. Sky's the limit \$2.25.

Wednesday

AIN'T NOBODY'S BUSINESS - Happy Hour Two-For-One 2-7pm. Free Pool 2-4. \$1.50 pitchers 9-close. 80s Retro DJ Sarafina. No cover.

IBT's - Open 10am to 1am. Happy Hour 10am to 4pm, \$2.00 domestic beer & well. \$1.75 well & domestic beer 4-9pm. \$1.75 Bud Products 9pm to close. All drink specials not available during special events.

STONEWALL - Open Noon. All well drinks \$1.75 til 8pm. Free pool noon til 5pm. New Digital Karaoke surround sound System (in the bar) 9pm to close. Dance Club opens at 9pm with DJ Eduardo. Popcorn, steaming buns and hot weenies ... Free.

VENTURE-N - Open 6am. Patio opens at 5pm.

WOODY'S - Open Noon. Happy Hour 3-7pm. Volleyball Court Open this evening. Spaghetti Feed 6-9pm \$2.50. Patio bar open.

Thursday

AIN'T NOBODY'S BUSINESS - Happy Hour 2-7pm, 2for1 Free pool 2-4. Karaoke with Liz 9pm to close. \$1.50 Tequila & 75¢ Watermelons.

IBT's - Open 10am to 1am. Happy Hour 10am-4pm \$2.00 domestic beer and well. \$1.75 Well & domestic 4-9. Underwear Nite. \$1.50 well and \$1.75 domestic beer to those in their underwear (pant check available). Hi energy dancing 9-close. All drink specials not available during special events.

STONEWALL - Open Noon. All well drinks \$1.75 til 8pm. Dance club opens at 9pm. Dance with DJ CrispX to Circuit Noize. Popcorn, steaming buns and hot weenies ... free.

VENTURE-N - Open 6am. Patio open 5pm. Day prices for men in leather 7pm to close. Pool Tournament 7pm-lah. \$3 entry. Hides Leather shop opens at 8pm

WOODY'S - Open Noon. Happy Hour 3-7pm. Trivia Thursday 8pm-close. Top score on NTN per game wins special prizes.. Volleyball Court is Open. See bartender. Palo Bar Open.

Friday

AIN'T NOBODY'S BUSINESS - 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

IBT's - Open 10am. Happy Hour 10am-4pm \$2.00 domestic beer and well. \$1.75 well & domestic beer 4-9. Live Jazz on the patio with the Susan & Tracey 5:30-8:30pm. Patio Bar 9-1. Dance Party 9 to 1. All drink specials not available during special events.

STONEWALL - Open Noon. All well drinks \$1.75 til 8pm. Free pool noon til 5pm. Dance Club open 9pm. Dance with DJ David Z. to High Energy Music. Popcorn, steaming buns and hot weenies ... free.

VENTURE-N - Open 6am. Snacks served at 5pm. Patio open 5pm. Hides Leather Store opens 8pm.

WOODY'S - Open Noon. Happy Hour 3-7pm. Martini Party - Well Martini's \$2.50 all day. Call Martinis \$3 from 4pm to close. Volleyball Court is Open. See bartender. Patio Bar Open.

Saturday

AIN'T NOBODY'S BUSINESS - Open at 2pm. Drink specials all day. Pool Tournament 6:30pm \$3 entry. Pot matched. \$2 pitchers for pool players. Dance music w/DJ Hill 9-close. Drink specials every half hour..

IBT's - Open 10am to 1am. Happy Hour 10am-4pm \$2.00 domestic beer and well. \$1.75 well & domestic beer 4-9pm. Patio bar 9-1. Dance 9-1. All drink specials not available during special events.

STONEWALL - Open Noon. All well drinks \$1.75 til 8pm. Free pool noon til 5pm. Dance Club opens at 9pm with DJ David Z. Popcorn, steaming buns and hot weenies ... free.

VENTURE-N - Open 6am. Patio Bar open at 3pm. Patio Beer Bust with 50¢ drafts, \$1.50 pitchers. Hides Leather Store opens at 8pm.

WOODY'S - Open Noon. Happy Hour 3-7pm. Volleyball Court is Open. See bartender. Steak Fry 5-9pm Filet Mignon, vegetables, salad, roll & potato \$4.50. Patio Bar Open.

tucsonobserver.com It's More Than You Think . .

Say You Saw It In The



FREE PRINTED WEEKLY . . . READ DAILY FREE

NOTICES

TUCSON CATHOLIC GAY & LESBIAN FAMILY MINISTRY. Currently meeting the 4th Monday of every month at SS 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 293-6624.

SAA (Sex Addicts Anonymous) meets once a week on Sundays. Gay men and women who wish to stop compulsive sexual behavior, please call (520)570-1225 for information.

LUTHERANS CONCERNED - Tucson chapter for Gay/Lesbian Lutherans meets 4th Sunday, 6:30 p.m. each month at Santa Cruz Lutheran Church, 8509 S. Cardinal Ave. For more information write: LC, 7014 E. Golf Links Road, PMB 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)

REVELLE GAY MEN'S CHORUS rehearses Tuesdays 7-10pm at MCC Church, 3269 N. Mountain. Have any history/experience singing? Join us!! Call 881-1369 to audition. 817-3100 for more info.

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 Non-Bar Calendar in the Observer.

SOFTBALL - For info on the Tucson Greater Softball Association T.G.S.A., please contact Mary 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, 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 299-6647.

FOR INFORMATION ABOUT SPORTS TEAMS and updates on Gay Games 2002, contact TEAM ARIZONA at their website: teamarizona.org

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.

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 Hollman 529-7542 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.

SOUTHERN ARIZONA GENDER ALLIANCE (SAGA). Meetings on the 1st Monday, 7pm. Dezert Girlz (MTF) Meets 2nd Monday at 7pm. Dezert Boyz meets 3rd Tuesday at 7pm. of every month. All meetings take place at Wingspan, 300 E. 6th St. Call 624-1779 for more info. SAGAE@mail@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.

DESERT DUNGEON TUCSON'S 100% CONSENSUAL, Pan-Fetish, Pan-Sexual, Informational, Educational, Safe Space for the B&D, S&M, D&S and TV community. Call us at (520)325-0131, or http://www.azds.net/dd

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 Mirto 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)745-9059 (Tucson) or Kim (602)534-6219 (Phoenix)

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

CLASSIFIED ADS ARE .25 PER WORD \$5.00 MINIMUM



CLASSIFIEDS



CLASSIFIED ADS MUST BE MAILED NO PHONE ADS

NOTICES

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.

TUCSON INTERFAITH HIV/AIDS NETWORK (TIHAN), a coalition of faith communities committed to a compassionate response to HIV/AIDS, provides HIV education in congregational settings, volunteer CareTeams to support HIV+ persons, a referral network of HIV-sensitive clergy, and interfaith services of healing and hope. For more information call 299-6647.

LESBIAN/GAY/BI-SEXUAL OVEREATERS ANONYMOUS. Saturdays 1 to 2pm 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 791-7676.

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 Betrano 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 Emmett 322-6057 (evetlen@ix.netcom.com)

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

OUTLOUD! Tucson's premiere 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).

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. Ellie 581-8850 or Ronn 968-2384.

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE GROUP - Outreach to Gay and Lesbian people in Arizona. Meets monthly. Write to P.O. Box 693, Phoenix, AZ 85001 or call Eddy Walters, (602)371-1102

CRONIES SOCIAL GROUP. A Social group for Gay men who enjoy the fellowship of their peers. Call Leo at 624-6768.

T-SQUARES Lesbian and Gay square dance club meets every Tuesday from 8:30-9:00 p.m. at Cornerstone Fellowship Social Hall, 2902 N. Geronimo (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.

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 8:30 to 9:30pm at Armory Park Senior Center, 220 S. 8th Ave. Call 791-9662.

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.

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 Thursday (open to all), 6:00 p.m. Information 624-1779.

NOTICES

SEXUALLY TRANSMITTED DISEASE CLINIC provided daily by the Pima County Health Department. Gay friendly. Confidential. Treatment and Medication too! Any questions? Call 624-8272

SOUTHERN ARIZONA AIDS FOUNDATION (SAAF), 375 S. EUCLID. Office Hours 8am to 5pm, Monday through Friday. Direct services and emotional support for persons with and affected by HIV. Anonymous HIV testing and support groups available. Prevention education programs. 628-SAAF (7223). World wide web: http://www.sAAF.org. VOLUNTEERS WELCOME.

LESBIAN SUPPORT GROUP. Involving discussion, support and activities. Designed to support each other. Meets 1st & 3rd Saturday of each month from 9:30 to 11am. Alternate Saturdays the group meets for social activities. For info call Dorian Easty, facilitator. 882-7723

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 Wingspan at 624-1779 about a new Al-Anon group being organized in Tucson.

YOUNG AND GAY? GLBT 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 4:30 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.

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 888-1208 or Brian at 882-4726 for information.

HIKE & BIKE DYKES. Meets 2nd Monday at 7pm. Call 327-7239 for info.

GREATER PHOENIX GAY & LESBIAN CHAMBER OF COMMERCE (GPGLCC) P.O. BOX 2097, Phoenix, AZ 85001-2097. E-mail: webmaster@gpglcc.org or call (602)225-8444.

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

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

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

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

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

I LOST 40 POUNDS in 2 months! Free Samples!! Call: 888-840-7071 835

PERSONALS

GOOD LOOKING, HIV+ WHITE MALE 36, looking for same. Send letter and photo. Paul, 10936, Hwy. 191, Safford, Arizona 85548. 836

INTERNET COMMUNICATIONS

HOT GAY WEBSITES!
www.gaysexlive.com Live XXX Models;
www.gay-chat.com Free Gay Chat
www.marinestuds.com Real Military!
www.latinstuds.com Hot Latin Hunks
www.studmail.com Free E-mail Account.
 (800)363-7863 Talk Live With Men 18+ 839

CYBER CRUISE - Meet Arizona Gay men and women as well as people all over the U.S. Gay owned. www.move.com 840

HOUSING/FOR RENT

FURNISHED ROOM FOR RENT. Country setting but close to town. \$325/mo. Covers all utilities except long distance phone calls. For more info call Charles or Brian at 743-1298. 836

HOUSING/FOR RENT

BARRIO HISTORICO - NEWLY RENOVATED DOWNTOWN APARTMENTS. Each apt. is different. Gated community. Very cute. Must see. \$375-\$425/mo. 1 small pet ok with deposit. Call 670-0271. 835.
VERY LARGE TWO BEDROOM, ONE BATH with two large fenced yards. Lots of shade trees. \$550/mo plus utilities. Grand and Avemnon area. 628-8725. Please leave message. Available July 1st. 835.

ROOMMATES

SEEKING LESBIAN OR GAY-FRIENDLY PROFESSIONAL ROOMMATE for fun, stable, professional Gay male in wonderful NW home. Quiet, established neighborhood with large lots. House recently fully remodeled. You will have your own bath, bedroom and study and full run of the rest of the house including the kitchen. Beautiful pool, walled patio, cable, gourmet kitchen, microwave, barbecue, W/D, 2 fireplaces, covered carport, lots of storage and closets. Living, dining and family rooms. Available immediately. House is partially furnished. You will need your own bedroom furniture, but we can accommodate other furniture in the house. Asking \$525/mo. + 1/2 utilities but this is negotiable. Call 299-0108. 836

AJO / LA CHOLLA seeks responsible housemate to share 5br/3ba with 2 individuals (m&f). Interests are sports, computers, movies. \$385/mo. 792-4726. 838

ROOMMATE WANTED TO SHARE large two bedroom. A/C. Available now. Speedway/Avemnon area. On three bus lines. \$285 + 1/2 utilities. Stan @ 327-6372 836

EMPLOYMENT

WANTED: ENERGETIC, ORGANIZED, MOTIVATED INDIVIDUAL with experience overseeing large events and coordinating diverse people towards a common goal to act as event coordinator for the largest Gay/Lesbian event in Arizona. Must have supervisory experience; prefer prior experience with volunteer organizations. Contract position beginning in fall of 2000. Send resume to ornie@gaypride.org or P.O. Box 16847, Phoenix, AZ 85011-6847

SERVICES

HOME LOANS - Honest, dependable & locally owned! We can help with all of your financing needs from 1st time homebuyers to 0 down to investor. We handle FHA, VA & Conventional loans! Buying made easy with our friendly, knowledgeable staff - weekly homebuyer classes available. Mention this ad and get a free pre-qualification/credit report!!! Call Rahbn at Pueblo Mortgage, 326-0700 or 990-0286 after 5:00p.m. 836

LET ME PAMPER YOU! With a Full Body Swedish massage in a quiet, relaxed atmosphere. \$35 for a full hour. Ralph, 883-7496. 855

FULL BODY SWEDISH MASSAGE FOR MEN: The treatment your body needs and deserves. Peaceful, private setting. Full hour \$35. Marvin 299-8651 836

FULL BODY ORIENTAL MASSAGE. Experience the difference. By Appointment only. 10:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m. Call Danny Chong 481-0803 836.

ODD JOBS - HANDYMAN. Coolers, electrical, plumbing, carpet, painting, etc. Call Victor, 887-2519. 837

TENSE? STRESSED OUT? Relax for an hour with a Full Body Rub by Frank. Private studio, off-street parking. 271-3660 days, evenings. 841

INTEGRITY IN TOUCH. Expand your body's capacity to feel. Through Chakra therapy, guided breath and full body Tantric massage, we'll explore the rich connection between body and spirit. Intuitive. Experienced. Greg Carmean, 481-3247. 836

ATTRACTIVE MAN offers very relaxing, sensual, one-hour massage at a very reasonable rate. Days, evenings, weekends. Michael 584-9243 839

MESSAGE FOR THE MALE BODY. Not just a rubdown, but thorough, unhurried, relaxing Swedish bodywork. I'm certified, professional, fit and friendly. In Casas Adobes. Mike 531-9844 835

ENJOY TRUE RELAXATION... & QUALITY professional massage, with tantric bodywork. 19 years experience; Unlike any massage. Feel great with strong/gentle hands. Workout special. Call Marc, 881-4582. 841

SACRED TOUCH, HEALING TOUCH: The healing touch of Lomilomi learned from a third generation Hawaiian master combined with the sacred touch of 'Eatalen' massage can be experienced today. Be massaged, soothed, and nurtured by strong, yet gentle hands. Deep tissue touch is available, always working to your comfort level. Days and evenings, sometimes at a moment's notice. Both in and outcalls available. Call Glen, CMT, at 907-2551 for the touch you so richly deserve. 834...

MESSAGE FOR MEN, Swedish full body, in my private in-home studio, experienced and professional. Full hour \$35.00. Rick 299-1792 836

FOOTHILLS MASSAGE. BEST IN TUCSON. New York trained. 10 years experience. Near Sunrise & Graycroft. In & Out calls. Greg Stickroth, 528-6077 840

ALTERATIONS AND REPAIRS
 Let me keep your clothes fitting properly and in good repair. Experienced - Economical - Prompt. Merle Hudson, 886-7284 in Tucson. 837

The New

STONEWALL

Tucson's Premier Gay Club!

Tucson's *hottest * newest * finest* GAY Dance Club
open nightly at 9 pm

TWO BARS IN ONE!

One bar for the men ... One bar for the women
Two separate bars ... one location

Special cocktail prices everyday from open til 8 pm.
Free Pool daily until 5 pm
Free Hot Dogs and Popcorn for your enjoyment ... EVERYDAY!

STONEWALL welcomes the Sisters of Tucson!
Opening Monday, July 31 at 2 pm
a separate bar for the ladies

Digital Surround Sound Karaoke
Best Karaoke in town!
every Sunday and Wednesday from 9 pm til close
If you're not singing with us ... you're not singing!

Join us Aug. 6 for our Benefit BBQ to Stop Dr. Laura

Appreciate the Finer Things ... You Deserve It!

2921 N. 1st Ave. ~ 624-8805
Lounge opens daily at noon

Celebration of Life

(every size, shape & color)