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'It's About The Issues'

If the local daily newspapers have their way, two candidates running for political office in Arizona during this campaign are just made of their sexuality, which just isn't true.

Rumors abound that a story to run in one of the mainstream daily papers, profiling Ed Poelstra, running for the State Legislature and Jesse George, running for Pima County Treasurer, would only cover their sexuality, since they are both, openly Gay candidates seeking office.

Selling copies and boosting subscriptions is one thing, but newspapers should be focusing on the issues, informing the readers about their choices of candidates on the ballot for this election, instead of running pointless stories, for example, about candidates being cited for not having a dog license, which ran in the Wednesday, October 4 edition of the Arizona Daily Star.

There have been many Gay and Lesbian candidates who have run and have been elected to political office across the country and Arizona has been no exception.

Currently, Arizona has a Gay Member of the U.S. House of Representatives, Jim Kolbe, R-Tucson. Two openly Gay individuals serve in the Arizona Legislature: Representatives Ken Cheuvront, D-Phoenix and Steve May, R-Phoenix. Neil Giuliano is the openly Gay Mayor of Tempe.

Despite this modest record of success, the daily newspapers would have you believe that an openly Gay or Lesbian candidate for political office is something out of the ordinary, which is far from the truth. Good, bad or indifferent, homosexuals have run for office and will do so in the state and this year is no exception with Poelstra's and George's bid for office.

With the influx of open Gay and Lesbian candidates for political office, one's sexuality cannot be sole factor for a voter to make up their minds. Candidates views on the issues of concern must be taken into consideration before one goes to the polls and vote.

Both George and Poelstra want to hear from voters, both Gay and straight, with question about their stands on issues. They don't, and won't take anything for granted during this campaign and neither should the voting electorate. Jesse George's campaign for County Treasurer can be reached at (520) 743-4320. Ed Poelstra's House campaign can be reached at (520) 292-2514.

These individuals are made of more than just their sexuality and the voting electorate has a month to decide whether they should entrust them with the office's they are seeking during this election campaign.

'Nothing Can Be Taken For Granted'

Tucson's Mayor and Council, Monday, September 25, voted to cut off direct city funding of non profit agencies that discriminate and to halt monies to funding that wouldn't uphold the city's 23-year-old anti discrimination ordinance.

With the Mayor and Council's vote, a 7-0 margin, the first non profit organization to have funding halted will be the local chapter of the Boy Scouts of America (BSA), because they won't allow Gays to serve as troop leaders or be members of the organization. Tucson's seven-member governmental body made the right decision on this matter, showing all that discrimination is not tolerated in the Old Pueblo.

Before the meeting, each Councilmember, and the Mayor, received hundreds of hate-filled, homophobic E-mails, phone calls and letters from individuals urging them to not cut the funding. Only a scattering of people bothered to contact the Council, stating their support of the action proposed from the Tucson Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual and Transgendered (GLBT) Commission.

An elected official usually makes decisions based on their judgement on the issue of concern but opinions, of the people affected by an issue, can also come into play as well. What if the Mayor and Council had taken those calls, E-mails and letters from opponents, and the lack of response from supporters, on whether to discontinue direct city funding to non profit agencies which discriminate?

Tucson's GLBT community has accomplished a lot getting local governmental bodies to pass or remove laws on issues of concern. With that success, unfortunately, things start being taken for granted and with the recent issue pertaining to the Boy Scouts, our community is guilty as charged, partying and dancing, impersonating activists, basking in, and taking credit for the achieved successes for which they didn't do anything to help the cause.

With October upon us, and the subsequent Pride events scheduled for the month in Tucson, the GLBT community must get through the inevitable "After-Glow," and work to help the community, present and future. If not, local governmental bodies may rethink their positions on the gains made by Tucson's GLBT community. Nothing lasts forever, including laws and ordinances.

Funeral Held For Roanoke Bar Shooting Victim

ROANOKE, VA (NP) - Danny Overstreet may have become famous for his tragic death in the mass shooting at a Virginia Gay bar, but he will be remembered for his laughter.

More than 800 people turned out September 27 for the funeral of slain Gay Danny Overstreet, killed in a mass shooting in Roanoke, Virginia's Gay-friendly bar the Back Street Cafe on September 22 in which six others were injured. Many at the funeral had never known Overstreet or even his name before the incident, but felt a need to show their solidarity with his family and community in a stand against hate violence. Those who did know Overstreet recalled him as a happy, laughing, entertainingly comical fellow who was also a source of support in time of need. Many in attendance wore white armbands signifying innocence.

Peripatetic anti Gay picketer Fred "God Hates Fags" Phelps and his Topeka, Kansas clan did not attend despite their enthusiastic claims earlier in the week that they were "packing their bags." Even if they had come, they would have been blocked from mourners by a human shield of members of the newly-formed Hate Free Roanoke Task Force who stood outside Oakley's Funeral Home in Vinton, Virginia. Phelps' daughter Shirley Phelps-Roper gave the excuse his Westboro Baptist Church has so often given for the Phelpses' increasingly frequent failure to show up after announcing their visits: lack of trust that police would provide adequate protection for the picketers. In fact there were reportedly 36 to 50 law enforcement officers from four different departments outside the funeral home waiting for the Phelpses to arrive, and many who had come to honor Overstreet were well-prepared to avoid engagement with the Phelpses and ensure there would be no violence. As Vinton Police Chief Herb Cooley remarked sourly to the Roanoke Times, Phelps "did what he expected to do – disrupt the community. He got his media attention and didn't have to spend the money."

There were really three groups at the memorial, aside from police. The inside of the funeral home chapel was packed with Overstreet's family, friends and co-workers. The overflow crowd and the Hate Free Roanoke Task Force stood in the funeral home parking lot, several hundred strong. Across the street was another crowd of dozens of non-participants, many sympathetic, some merely curious, and at least one grumpy about the public cost of the police providing security.

There was also a car that drove by with a banner heralding the suspect now in custody for the shooting that read, "Ronnie Gay for Pres." Police say Ronald Edward

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Key Senator Swayed By Roanoke

WASHINGTON, DC (NP) - The horror of the mass shooting in his home state is causing a powerful Republican to rethink his opposition to federal hate crimes legislation.

In the wake of the mass shooting at Roanoke's Gay-friendly Back Street Cafe, Virginia's Republican U.S. Senator John Warner appears to have softened in his long-standing opposition to federal hate crimes legislation including sexual orientation as a basis for victim selection. As head of the Senate Armed Services Committee and a member of the House-Senate conference committee on the defense appropriations bill to which the Senate added the hate crimes measure as a rider, Warner is in a unique position to make or break the measure in the brief time remaining before Congress adjourns. Both activists and President Bill Clinton (D) have made the hate crimes bill a top priority.

Warner told the Roanoke Times on September 26 that, "I have to tell you frankly, the horror of this crime has to influence my judgment when this thing [hate crimes amendment] is brought back up on the floor of the Senate. I don't think many people understood hate crime laws until this horrible crime occurred."

But while this is a hopeful sign for the future, Warner's statement gives no indication that he will actually allow the rider to remain on the defense bill, and other Republican leaders have made it clear that they do not want the hate crimes measure passed in this fashion. Previously Warner expressed concerns that the rider might damage the defense bill itself, even though the hate crimes language was added by a healthy 57 - 42 margin in the Senate and the House recently easily passed by 232 - 192 a non-binding "instruction" to its representatives on the conference committee to retain that language. And in the words of Leadership Conference on Civil Rights executive director Wade Henderson, "The fate of the hate crimes law hangs in his hands."

On September 27, Warner told the Washington Post that, "Anyone with a responsibility as I have, as a legislator, to look at future hate crimes legislation, would have to be influenced and take into account the horrors inflicted by this terrible crime. ... [But] I cannot put at risk all the needs of the U.S. military for a piece of legislation

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UPDATE

'Urbania' Opens At Catalina Theater Oct. 13

TUCSON - Urbania is opening at the Catalina Theater in Tucson on October 13. Urbania is one of the most honored and critically acclaimed films of the year. It was the winner of this year's Philadelphia Gay and Lesbian Film Festival as well as LA Outfest, the San Francisco Lesbian and Gay Film Fest.

In addition, Dan Futterman won the Best Actor award for his performance at the Seattle Film Festival. Also, Urbania was an official selection at both the Sundance Film Festival and the Toronto International Film festival.

Welcome to Urbania, where your life can change in a second. In this award winning and critically acclaimed Sundance hit, Charlie (Dan Futterman in one of the year's best performances) a young gay man, has experienced a trauma, but he's doing his best to regain control of his life. When he notices a mysterious stranger at a distance, Charlie comes to believe he's found the key to his recovery. As he travels the city in an effort to encounter the stranger again, he meets old friends (Matt Keeslar, Alan Cumming) and new acquaintances (Josh Hamilton, Barbara Sukowa and Lothaire Bluteau) all with their own tale to tell and their own eerie connections to Charlie. When he finally comes into contact with the stranger, what we think is a sly romance turns intriguingly darker as we discover that Charlie and the stranger have met before, but under much less pleasant circumstances. Urbania, one of the year's most original films most weaves urban myths into a compelling story of love and loss that manages to be both darkly funny and moving.

The Critics Agree! Urbania is one of the year's best!

NY Times, Stephen Holden - "One way of looking at Jon Shear's harrowing and indelible film Urbania is to think of it as Sex and The City turned inside out! Dan Futterman delivers a remarkably subtle and shaded portrait!"

LA Times, Kevin Thomas - "Stunning. A powerful experience" A daring and unnerving evocation of contemporary big-city life. "Urbania" represents a formidable directorial debut for Jon Shear."

SF Chronicle, Mick LaSalle - ***** (5 stars) "Rarely does a movie come along that captures an aspect of everyday consciousness that has not yet made it onto film. When such a film shows up, it's a breakthrough for the art! Such is the case with "Urbania", the first feature of director Jon Shear!"

Chicago Tribune, John Petrakis - 3 1/2 Stars "Imaginative scripts with tight dialogue and surprise endings are hard to come by which makes Jon Shear's Urbania such a welcome addition to the fall cinema schedule. Urbania is one of those small films that will, one hopes, find a larger audience through word of mouth."

Chicago Sun Times, Jae-Ha Kim - 3 STARS "Urbania is a superbly crafted film that will leave moviegoers both unsettled and captivated by the time the closing credits roll. Light years ahead of the typical Hollywood film."

David Ansen, Newsweek "Edgy! Powerfull! A hypnotic example of true independent filmmaking!"

Water of Life MCC Celebrates Anniversary

TUCSON - Water of Life Metropolitan Community Church (MCC) will celebrate the founding of the Universal Fellowship of Metropolitan Community Churches (UFMCC), Sunday, October 8.

The service of celebration will include a special message by the Pastor Rev. Joyce Cook, and unique worship songs written by members of MCC congregations that bring a powerful message of spiritual hope and life to our community. The celebration service will include a Celebration of the Psalms, and the Communion consecration will be sung.

The Universal Fellowship of Metropolitan Community Churches (UFMCC) was founded on October 6, 1968 as the first major Christian church with an affirming ministry and outreach to and in the gay and lesbian, bi-sexual and transgendered communities. Included in the unique ministry of the UFMCC is the affirmation that all people are children of God. Founded on scriptural principals, the church believes in Christian salvation, the development of Christian community, and MCC congregations are actively involved in social and justice issues from a truly Christian perspective.

The movement of Metropolitan Community Churches began in the Los Angeles area and quickly spread to major cities in California. By 1970 MCC congregations were being established in major cities across the USA, including Chicago, Atlanta, Miami, Dallas, New York and Phoenix. Water of Life MCC was established in December of 1970 as one the early congregations of the Universal Fellowship of Metropolitan Community Churches. The UFMCC message of spiritually based hope, equality and justice for all led to mushrooming growth, and new congregations in Toronto Ontario and London England soon expanded UFMCC beyond the US borders. Today, the UFMCC numbers more than three hundred congregations throughout North America, and in Mexico, Central and South America, Europe, Australia, New Zealand, the Philippines, and Africa including MCC congregations in Nigeria, the Republic of South Africa, and Zimbabwe, and new congregation currently forming in Lusaka Zambia.

Pastor Rev. Joyce Cook is inviting everyone to come and find spiritual nourishment and hope at Water of Life MCC in the celebration service! Water of Life MCC is located at 3269 N. Mountain Ave., just north of Fort Lowell Road, and offers two worship services each Sunday, at 9:15 a.m. and at 11:15 a.m. For further information, phone the church office at (520) 292-9151 or you may contact the Pastor at WOLMCC@aol.com.

AHRF Starts National Search For Executive Director

PHOENIX - Following the unprecedented success of the AHRF (Arizona Human Rights Fund) Leadership Campaign - Capital Fund Drive, the organization has formerly initiated a national hiring search for an executive director

AHRF is the political advocacy organization of the Arizona Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual and Transgendered Community. The Mission of AHRF is to influence the political process to secure equal rights by fighting prejudice and discrimination against all people, regardless of sexual orientation and/or gender identity/expression. The objectives of AHRF are achieved through: membership recruitment; lobbying of state, county and city governmental bodies; public comment/media representation on issues affecting the GLBT Community; coalition building; and the production of educational newsletters, community forums, action alerts, and carefully researched voter guides.

The Arizona Human Rights Fund has been in existence for eight years and has been run by a volunteer board of directors and a 1.5 FTE administrative/grassroots organizing staff. A major funding drive, enhanced by a large matching grant from a prominent community couple, both of whom are dedicated AHRF members, has now provided the financial stability required for the hiring of a professional, full time executive director. The person hired to this vital position will be charged with directing the organization into the new millenium and fully engaging the Arizona GLBT Community in the fight for equal rights through the development of a statewide chapter structure, vigorous resource procurement and the enhancement of AHRF public awareness programs. Salary range: $50-$75,000 - inclusive of benefits.

The AHRF headquarters is located in Phoenix, Arizona. Resumes should be mailed or faxed to: AHRF - P.O. Box 25044, Phoenix, AZ, 85002-5044. Fax: (602) 650-0901. E-mail: AHRF@swlink.net. Web page: www.ahrf.org. Application deadline is October 30, 2000. For further information, including a comprehensive job description, contact AHRF staff member Kirk Baxter, (602) 650-0900.

AIDSWALK Oct. 22

TUCSON - AIDSWALK 2000, a benefit walk for the Southern Arizona AIDS Foundation (SAAF) will take place Sunday, October 22, at Rillito Downs, with registration beginning at 7:00 a.m. and the walk commencing at 9:00 a.m.

SAAF encourages everyone in the community to join 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. The Names Project AIDS Quilt will be on display including 24 panels, some from the Tucson area.

Call 791-9255 (WALK) or visit the Web site at www.AIDSWALKtucson.com for more information or to register and receive a walker packet.

Wingspan Seeks Executive Director

TUCSON - Wingspan is seeking a qualified individual for the following position:

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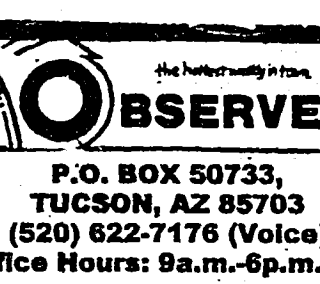

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Army Rejects Damages Claim In Winchell Murder

WASHINGTON, DC - The United States Army has rejected a $1.8 million wrongful death claim filed against it by the mother of Pfc. Barry Winchell, the 21-year-old soldier who was murdered in his barracks in July 1999.

In April of 2000, Winchell's mother filed a wrongful death suit against the Army citing evidence from the murder trials to claim that Army officials not only failed to stop daily anti-Gay harassment of Winchell, but that supervising sergeants were themselves participants.

The complaint notes the Army ignored a supervisor's written complaint about Winchell's harassment and that death threats against him had been made.

"There is no legal basis to support payment of the claim," the Associated Press quotes Col. John H. Belser, chief of the Army's Tort Claims Division. Attorney Adam Pachter vowed an appeal to Army Secretary Louis Caldera.

Kutteles contends that an anti-Gay atmosphere at Fort Campbell played a decisive role in the murder of her son. Soldiers testified during the trial of Winchell's killers that he had been harassed for months before he was beaten to death while sleeping in his cot. "The Army knew about the harassment but did nothing to stop it," she said.

"I'm very upset and very disappointed and also angry that they don't care enough about his death to even consider the merits of the claim," the news agency quotes her as saying.

The claim was filed under the Military Claims Act, which is an administrative procedure that allows people to seek reimbursement from the military for wrongful injury or death.

The Army issued a statement in response that the Federal Tort Claims Act, which allows for damages petitioning in civilian courts, is the only way that Kutteles can file her claim. But the Army also made it clear that such an effort would fail.

The letter cited a recent Supreme Court ruling that limits the kinds of claims that can be brought against the military. "We consider it to be a procedural dodge to avoid the real issues in this case," said Kutteles' attorney.

The Army's investigation of circumstances surrounding the beating death of Winchell concluded last April that no climate of homophobia existed at Fort Campbell prior to the murder, a contention that provoked outrage among rights advocates.

The report notes that while some members of Winchell's unit harbored anti Gay attitudes, no officers at the base should be held accountable for those biases. The report concluded the 101st Airborne division did not and does not suffer from an "unacceptable degree" of homophobia.

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Olympics Final Score

SYDNEY, Australia (NP) - The handball honeys were the only openly Gay or Lesbian athletes to go home with medals, but honesty brings more satisfaction than gold or silver.

Gay U.S. diver David Pichler placed ninth in the men's individual 10m platform on September 30, far behind the dominant Chinese Tian Liang and Hu Jia who finished one-two with defending champ Russian Dmitry Sautin taking the bronze. Pichler had remarked earlier on the remarkable consistency of the Chinese divers, but it was a quality he couldn't manage himself, moving up to sixth after two rounds, then dropping down to tenth, and pulling himself back up to ninth on his last two dives. His fellow American and synchro diving partner Mark Ruiz placed sixth, the rank Pichler won in 1996 in Atlanta.

While U.S. divers overall had their worst Olympics in 88 years -- with Laura Wilkinson's unexpected women's platform gold the team's only medal -- coach Jay Lerew was pleased that his team managed to place two people in almost every final. Pichler wasn't doing any such sugar-coating; he said, "My first dive was pretty good, but not great and I just started to struggle from there." The last U.S. diver to win individual gold on the platform was Gay Greg Louganis in 1988.

Those registered partners of women's handball, Danish star Camilla Andersen and Mia Hundvin of Norway, didn't face off in the finals but they did both take home medals -- another gold for defending Olympic champs Denmark and a bronze for world champ Norway. Andersen scored seven times in Denmark's 31 - 27 win in the final over Hungary, a hard-fought seesaw battle that Hungary at one time led by six points. Andersen goals put Denmark back in the lead three times in the last seven minutes and added another point for insurance before teammates widened the margin.

It was Hungary that had beaten Norway in the semi-finals in Norway's only defeat of the entire Olympics -- Norway even beat Denmark in the first round of competition, in what Andersen called "the worst game of her life" because of nerves about competing with Hundvin in front of the world press; Hundvin didn't do much better. Norway had quite a struggle to take the bronze away from South Korea, lagging behind the Koreans at halftime but fighting back for a 22 - 21 victory, and it was Hundvin who scored the winning point.

Andersen and Hundvin are featured in the October 2 edition of Sports Illustrated ("In Love and War"), with sympathetic depictions of their struggles with celebrity and with the unique challenge of competing against one's spouse.

Yes, right along with supermodel Elle MacPherson and Paul "Crocodile Dundee" Hogan in the so-called "Parade of Icons," those controversial drag queens vamped sixty strong down the track behind a bus representing Australia's second-highest grossing film of all time, The Adventures of Priscilla, Queen of the Desert (1994). Some were garbed in actual costumes worn in the film. Appropriately enough, they were ushered by Kylie Minogue's cover of ABBA's Dancing Queen. There were only three cross-dressers in the film, but just about everything in the closing ceremony was considerably larger than life. Some of their names: Chelsea Bun, Mitzi Macintosh, Cindy Patell, and Trudi Valentine.

It seemed that for every Aussie who felt drag queens did not represent the nation's manly image, there was at least one who believed drag queens could not be omitted from a Sydney event -- after all, the city's clubs feature five drag shows each and every night. But as U.S. National Public Radio remarked, there are no current plans for drag queens at the 2002 Winter Games in Salt Lake City, Utah.

Non-Gay U.S. swimmer Amy Van Dyken put on just about the worst display of bad sportsmanship in the entire Olympics, apparently dying of envy as the Netherlands' Inge de Bruijn snapped up four medals; she even insinuated to reporters that de Bruijn was doping. Bad enough that 1996 gold medallist Van Dyken spit in de Bruijn's lane before the 50m freestyle preliminary and failed afterward to congratulate de Bruijn for the world record she set there, but Van Dyken had to stomp off remarking that she too could swim that fast if she "was a man."

OK, so only the handball honeys took home medals from the tiny contingent of open Gays and Lesbians among the thousands of Olympic athletes. Cheers to them for risking lost sponsorships and other troubles to be honest about who they are. And as Lesbian tennis great Martina Navratilova once said, "The quality of a champion isn't in the winning, it's in the trying." Or as Australian marksman (non-Gay as far as we know) Russell Mark, who took a first in Atlanta and a second in Sydney, said, "I can honestly tell you that a silver medal gets you as many free beers as a gold medal does." And as Sydney celebrated the close of the 2000 Olympics, you could probably get a free beer just for showing up.

Invisible Theatre Adds Performances For 'When Pigs Fly'

TUCSON - Due to audience demand, the Invisible Theatre is pleased to announce that six additional performances of Howard Crabtree's "When Pigs Fly," will be presented, October 10 - 15.

Show times are as follows: Tuesday, October 10, 7:30 p.m., Wednesday, October 11, 7:30 p.m., Thursday, October 12, 7:30 p.m., Friday, October 13, 8:00 p.m., Saturday, October 14, 8:00 p.m., Sunday, October 15, 2:00 p.m.

"When Pigs Fly" is an outrageously costumed and irreverently satirical musical extravaganza. Winner of both the Drama Desk and Outer Critics Circle awards for Best Off-Broadway Musical Revue, "When Pigs Fly" is a tribute to those courageous enough to be themselves.

Tickets for "When Pigs Fly" can be reserved by calling the Invisible Theatre, (520) 882-9721, Tuesday through Friday from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., or stop by the office at 1400 N. First Avenue.

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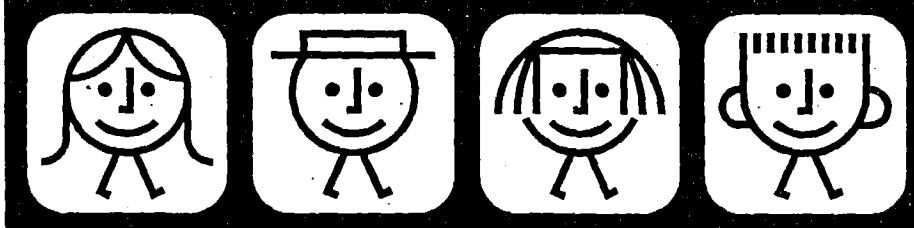

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THROUGH OCTOBER 15

Invisible Theatre opens the fall season with Howard Crabtree's "When Pigs Fly". The theater is located at 1400 N. First Ave. This side-splitting, outrageously camp, very gay and witty, topical musical revue/play was conceived by Howard Crabtree and Mark Waldrop, directed by Susan Claassen with musical direction by Khris Dodge, Choreography by Mickey Nugent and costume design by Maryann Tombino, won both the Drama Desk and Outer Critics Circle awards for Best Off-Broadway Musical Revue. It tells the story of Howard, the mad genius costume designer, and his quest to overcome adversity by doing the show he has always dreamed of doing. Though the spirit is gay, in both senses of the word, 'When Pigs Fly' is totally accessible to everyone who dares to follow their dreams into a "hog heaven" of fabulous divine inspiration! 882-9721.

OCTOBER 6-7-8

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OCTOBER 7

Jazz trumpet virtuoso Nicholas Payton salutes the life and legacy of Louis Armstrong in concert at UA Centennial Hall. Payton, who turns 27 this year, has frequently been compared to the young Louis Armstrong, whose 100th birthday is being celebrated in 2000. A free "Arts Encounter" discussion of Luis Armstrong's life and music will be offered 45 minutes before the performance in Room 102 of the Center for English Language (CESL) at 1100 E. North Campus Drive, just north of Centennial Hall. 621-3341.

OCTOBER 12

Cellist Yo-Yo Ma is not only one of the greatest classical musicians of our time, he is also one of its most adventurous ambassadors. Performing at UA Centennial Hall, at 7:30, Yo-Yo Ma will be featuring the music of his first and most lasting musical influence, the genius of Johann Sebastian Bach. "The Music Of Bach" includes three of the composer's sublime Suites for Unaccompanied Cello, which have fascinated Ma since he first discovered them as a child. 621-3364.

OCTOBER 13-14-15

'Evita' the 20th Anniversary Edition will play at TCC Music Hall. This musical won Best Musical and was the winner of 7 Tony Awards. 321-1000.

OCTOBER 17

Ratan Thiyam's Chorus Repertory Theatre "The Final Beatitude" in its first tour of the United Sates. Pulsing with sight, rhythm and sound, the work by India's acclaimed director is a saga of war and peace under Second Century emperor Ashoka. As one of only eight destinations in the troupe's U.,S. Premiere, UA Presents the University of Arizona's performing arts series at Centennial Hall for one performance only. 7:30 p.m. Tickets range from $16 to $28 with discounts available for students, subscribes and UA faculty and staff. Performed by a cast of 27 in the Manipuri language with English subtitles the story depicts the tale of Ashoka's conversion to nonviolence and Buddhism when faced with the horror of destruction wrought by war.621-3341 for more information.

OCTOBER 20

Legendary composer Philip Glass and Kronos Quartet perform masterful new score for 2931 film classic 'Dracula' at Centennial Hall at 8:00 p.m. Asked by Universal Pictures to produce such a work to herald the 70th anniversary of Tod Browning's classic, Glass has reinvigorated the archetypal tale of terror with the perfect musical accompaniment. Music critics and skeptical film buffs alike are spellbound by the contemporary composer's brilliant and daring creation. 621-3341.

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DEAR FRIENDS:

On behalf of all of us at TIHAN, I want to convey our thanks to the community and to our friends at Tucson's GLBT bars. Last Sunday night at the Fourth Annual Turnabout benefit show for TIHAN, staff from these bars joined together to put on a show for the community that raised a record-setting amount of money to support our programs.

The grand total of $11,000 raised far exceeded even the ambitious goal set by the producers. All that money members of our Tucson community contributed will benefit HIV/AIDS direct services and education programs in Tucson, and we are grateful!

The show itself was amazing, and those who weren't present missed out on one of the most hilarious events of the year. The 300+ persons packed into the Ramada Hotel witnessed some of our favorite bar staff doing a "turnabout" with men performing as women, and women as men. It was a case of some of our favorite familiar Tucson faces looking like we've never seen you quite like this before!

TIHAN and those we serve owe a huge debt of gratitude to all those who made this benefit such a success:

First, to the producers --Tim Barth, Marc Brunelle, and Scott Seitzberg: You did it! It was just a few months ago that you proposed taking this event to an even bigger level, and I have to admit I was a little nervous about it all coming together in such a short time period. But I should have known! With committed leaders like you, it was going to be a smashing success, and you ensured that it was! All your hard work paid off, and will continue to pay off through the services that you helped fund through your work.

Second, the GLBT bars in Tucson: I am grateful for your willingness to work together and "share" some of your fabulous staff to put on this show. To Ain't Nobody's Bizness, IBT's, Stonewall, Venture-N, and Woody's: thank you for supporting us and really giving back so generously to the community that supports you. It was just a joy to see the GLBT bars coming together in support of a great event and a great cause.

Third, the cast of stars who treated us to performances we will never forget: emcees Kenneth Blake (Miss Western States America 2001) and comedian extra ordinaire Rodney Shanks, Ajia Simone, Caren Detore (Ric), David Z (Angelica West), Harold Lackey (Lotta Goodhead), Jef Moores (Loosey Bowels), Lori Lee (JJ), Marc Brunelle (Marci Phillips), P.W. Walker (Veronica Lake), Ray Gregg (Gracie Way), Roland Bayne II (Taylor Park), Scott Seitzberg (Alina Backer), Thom Medina (Selina), Tim Barth (Vanna), and Tom Novakowski (Miss T. Comfort). Your performances as nuns on the run, rock stars, Charlie Daniels, Liza Minnelli, Tina Turner, Winona, and even more of our favorite stars were fabulously creative and fun. And the costumes: oh my! And the audience's generous tips proved their love for you and your high energy performances! Without your willingness to go in drag, and to coax the money from your friends and customers, this show would never have succeeded. Congratulations, and thank you!

Of course, there must have been a fabulous stage crew and support team to help you all look so beautiful and make the show go so smoothly. The great folks behind-the-scenes who donated their time and talents must be mentioned with gratitude: Aviva Diamond, Bart S., Billy Dee, Bob P., Brian F., Bruce C., Bruce L, Bunny FuFu, Carla A. , Charles S., Chuck B., Cynthia T., Dale A., Dale W., David C., Dick P., Ed F., Elektra Bleu, James K., Jeremy G., Jimmy D., Kanella's, Kory O., Kristin, Mark L., Natalie P., Ricardo N., and Stan P. Whether your contributions were make-up, costumes, hair, music, lighting, stage design, security, raffle coordination, or the many other roles you played, your part was critical to the overall success of the show. And I want to highlight the tireless efforts of David Zinke and Jon Opalewski who worked hard for months to pull this all together. Great job!

Turnabout for TIHAN 2000 was amazing in many respects. It was staged and directed so well, it truly was a "pageant" in the very best sense of the term. And building upon success from previous years, this year Turnabout took a big jump into a true community event. As someone mentioned to me when they heard how much you raised, this has crossed that $10,000 threshold, and is now a major Tucson fund raising event!

To the many businesses who contributed, thank you for your support: Tucson office of Travelbridge, La Cocina Restaurant, Lightning Lighting, Copier Brothers, Dale Warshaw, Fineline, InnSuites San Diego, Westward Look Resort, Joe Huys Massage, Knute Lockwood, Muchas Cosas, Naughty N Nice Natural Soaps, Old Town Pot Shop, Parties Plus, Miss Gay Arizona US of A Pageant, Wild Birds Unlimited, Z Audio Productions, Ace Hardware, Arizona Flower Market, AutoNation Mitsubishi, Borders Books Music and Café, Robb & Co. Hair Styling, Ramada Inn, Mr. Clutch, Tolteca Tlacuilo, Venture-N, Winger's Diner, Woody's, Pronto Restoration, A & V Auto Repair, B & K Transmission Centers, Lee Myles Transmissions, David H. Cohn, Cost Less Auto Parts, Ray Scott's Automotive, Atlas Transmission, and Transmissions Unlimited. We also extend our thanks to KGUN-9 for covering this show, and to Bob and Gary and The Observer for helping make the public aware of this benefit (and congratulations on your nomination for Wingspan's Godat Award for a lifetime of outstanding contributions to Tucson's GLBT community!). And, a huge thanks to IBT's for sending us over the $10,000 goal with your very generous $500 matching pledge!

Finally, I want to acknowledge the TIHAN Board of Directors for providing the buffet, and additional volunteers David N., Bill K., Ralph G., Jim G. Jim W., Rae C., Rhoda G., Janet S., Janet B., Steve Z., Craig and Carlos, Dave F., and TIHAN administrative assistant Jim Valiton. Thanks a million!

I hope I've remembered everyone who made Turnabout 2000 such a success, both in terms of FUN (loads of it!) and money (loads of it, too!). Each year, this show gets bigger and even more grand, and all of us in the GLBT community benefit from the additional education, awareness, and services made possible as a result of this event.

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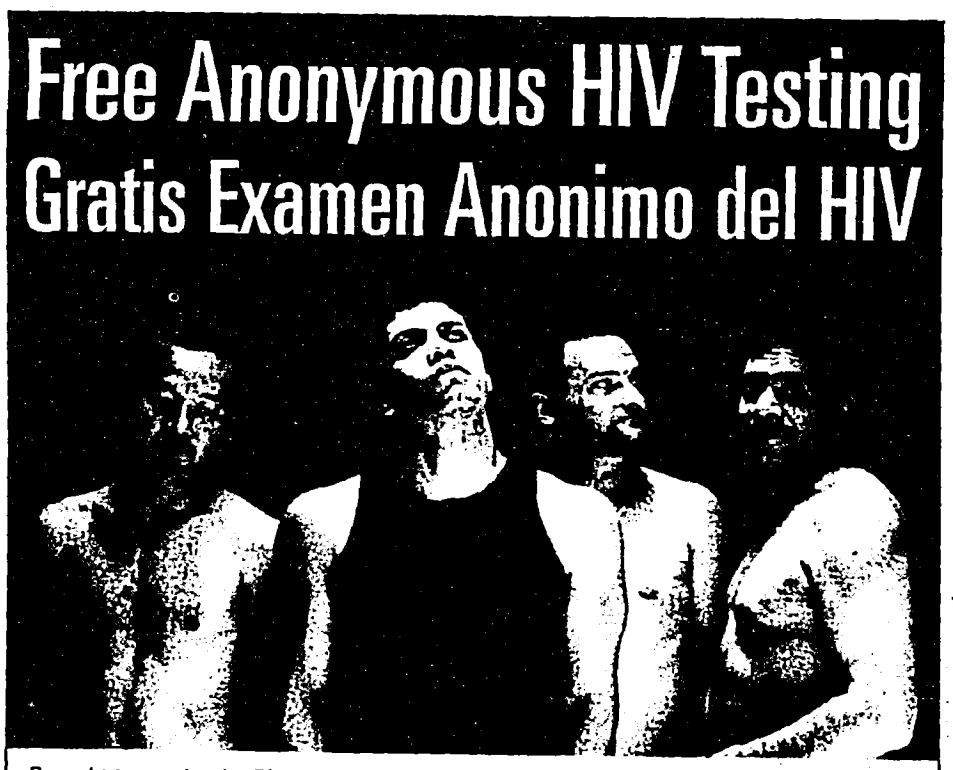

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HOROSCOPES

BY C. LICHTENSTEIN

Although every month should contain National Coming Out celebrations, it is only in October that we mark an official day. That being the case, let's not waste any time dallying in our rancid closets. There are five retrograde planets careening through the cosmos this month, so as we remove our chains, let's be sure to smash 'em to smithereens.

ARIES
MARCH 21 - APRIL 20

The planets provide all queer Rams with Outer directed energy this October. The secret to your success lies in stern old retro Saturn which seems to diminish your self confidence but in fact, provides you with incredible strength and fortitude. Don't let naysayers get you down; get Out there and show the world what pride is all about. Try showing it in black leather chaps.

TAURUS
APRIL 21 - MAY 21

There is a feisty tiger in your tank this October when both aggressive Mars and volcanic Pluto stoke the flames of romance and passion in your chart. Some proud Bulls may charge through china shops in their lusty quest for fulfillment and the need to make up for lost time. Good thing too, cousin; sometimes you have to break a few plates to get yourself served.

GEMINI
MAY 22 - JUNE 21

Geminis yearn for connection and are one of the most sociable signs of the zodiac. Now in October, queer Twins seek soulmates with a vengeance and strive for transforming connections. Venus provides the extra spark after the 20th if you've found the right match. First impressions go only so far; retro Saturn and Jupiter promise center stage but deliver the rear balcony.

CANCER
JUNE 22 - JULY 23

October allows a breath of fresh air to waft through your relationship with your family and it's about time! Use this planetary transit to your greatest advantage friend; proudly say what needs to be said and do what needs to be done. Retro Saturn causes a few contretemps between friends but it's just the way the planets remind you that even your pals need attention now and then.

LEO
JULY 24 - AUGUST 23

Happy surprises are in store for proud Leos who recognize the value of a strong and committed partnership. That means of course that you cannot always have your way or be the center of attention all the time, try though you will. Career plans do not go as smooth as expected as retro Saturn provides a little lesson in every professional misstep. Retro Jupiter promises a doozy!

VIRGO
AUGUST 24 - SEPTEMBER 23

Any restrictions placed on your ability to come out to family shatters with a vengeance in open and out October. Both Pluto and Mars demand a revolution in no uncertain terms. Good; I hate oppressive power structures. Queer Virgos often try to please everyone else and in the process, compromise themselves. Turn over a new leaf cousin; there's a gem underneath.

LIBRA
SEPTEMBER 24 - OCTOBER 23

Retro Saturn and Jupiter provide a few lessons in the importance of careful planning and, when that fails, maintaining a great sense of humor. Make a fairly compelling case for whatever you want this month when Mars and Pluto crown you the great Gay orator and seer. Hey, why not make the case for all of us? Take it to the streets and storm the barricades. Watch that first step! Oops!

SCORPIO
OCTOBER 24 - NOVEMBER 22

Gay Scorps are tickled pink this October as the sun moves into their sign on the 24th. Not only does retro Jupiter turn up the heat on any jolly Gay time, but Uranus and Neptune offer some much needed surprises at home. All this retrograde energy concentrates in your most personal areas -self, sex, family - so speak softly and carry a big stick. Hey, watch where you point that stick, bub!

SAGITTARIUS
NOVEMBER 23 - DECEMBER 22

While it's hard to drum up any enthusiasm for an old favorite sideline, rainbow Archers can implement new plans and dreams this all out October. Maybe you're too fixated on what's old and stale. Maybe it's time to break Out and try something new. Use that fabulously big mouth of yours to talk to all and sundry and gather fresh ideas. Speaking of fresh, change your socks.

CAPRICORN
DECEMBER 23 - JANUARY 20

Queer Goats get back to the basics this October when Pluto and Venus demand that you give back to our community in both time and energy. Karma is calling, compadre! One good turn deserves another; retrograde Neptune and Uranus go direct mid-month, delivering a well endowed benefactor to your doorstep. Be sure to keep your eye on the bottom line as you grab for assets. Ahem!

AQUARIUS
JANUARY 21 - FEBRUARY 19

You may not mean what you say, but you're charming as heck anyway. Aqueerians must capitalize on their personality this October when chance meetings with strangers provide happy, expansive and surprising results. And don't forget your compadres; Pluto continues to transform and affirm platonic social outlets. Everyone into the social swirl! Swimsuits optional!

PISCES
FEBRUARY 20 - MARCH 20

Retrograde Saturn and Jupiter in league with aggressive Mars gives all rainbow Fish a good reason for substantial changes around the house. A new broom sweeps clean, cousin so wield it with zest. Meantime, Pluto tears down and then rebuilds long term career goals. Go for the top of the heap and remember to institute partnership benefits after you throw the bastards out.

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POLITICS 2000

by Mark R. Kerr

'Truth Or Consequences'

Colette Barajas, former candidate for the Democratic nomination to the Arizona House of Representatives from District 13, was indicted by a State Grand Jury on Wednesday, September 20, for allegedly forging 19 signatures of Clean Elections contributors on documents submitted to the Secretary of State's office.

The Clean Elections Act requires candidates who want to qualify for publicly funded campaigns to gather a specific number of $5 contributions of registered voters, of the same political party as the candidate and who live in the political district for which the candidate is running. Barajas needed 200 valid contributors in Legislative District 13.

Barajas had ended her campaign on Tuesday, September 5, one week before the primary election, citing personal reasons. On Friday, September 8, Arizona Attorney General Janet Napolitano's office announced that criminal charges were being filed.

Assistant Arizona Attorney General Michael Cudahy, according to documents obtained by the Observer, convened the State Grand Jury, and the 20-count, felony indictment of Barajas, was handed down Wednesday, September 20, by the Jury, which read:

Count 1 (Fraudulent Schemes and Practices. A.R.S. 13-2311 - class 5 felony): Between in or about May 2000 and July 2000, in Maricopa County, Arizona. Colette Ann Barajas, in a matter relating to the business conducted by a department or agency of this state or a political subdivision thereof, pursuant to a scheme or artifice to defraud or deceive, knowingly falsified, concealed or covered up a material fact by a trick, scheme or device or made or used a false writing or document knowing such writing or document contained a false, fictitious or fraudulent statement or entry, said conduct by defendant Colette Ann Barajas occurring in connection with her submission of falsified Citizens Clean Elections Fund Contributor Form (candidate Arizona House of Representatives, District 13) documents to the office of the Arizona Secretary of State; All in violation of A.R. S. 13-2311, 38-502(6), 13-701, 13-702, 13-702.01 and 13-801.

Counts 2-20 (Forgery. A.R.S. 13-2002 - class 4 felony): On or about July 26, 2000, in Maricopa County, Arizona, Colette Ann Barajas, with an intent to defraud, falsely made, completed or altered a written instrument, knowingly possessed a forged instrument, or offered or presented a forged instrument or one which contained false information, said conduct by Colette Ann Barajas occurring in connection with 19 separate "Citizens Clean Elections Fund Contributor Form" (candidate Arizona House of Representatives, District 13) documents (Exhibits 2 through 19 in 47 S.G.J. 136) filed by the defendant at the office of the Arizona Secretary of State; Each count in violation of A.R.S. 13-2001, 13-2002, 13-701, 13-702, 13-702.01 and 13-801.

According to Pati Urias, Public Information Office for the Arizona Attorney General's Office, an arraignment hearing was to have taken place, Friday, September 29. Urias said Barajas' attorney told the court, at the hearing, that she was out of the country. On Saturday, September 30, the former candidate was present to receive an award from Wingspan at their annual fund-raising dinner. Barajas will be arraigned Friday, October 6, in Phoenix. If convicted, Barajas could face up to 3.75 years in prison, and could lose her real estate brokers license since Arizona law prohibits a convicted felon from holding a license. She is a co-owner of Centra Realty, located in Tucson. ...

In their September 28 issue, ECHO magazine, a Phoenix-based Gay and Lesbian publication, erroneously reported (on page 51) that the Arizona Human Rights Fund (AHRF) "released its voter guide for the November 7 general election. Recommendations for the state's House of Representatives and Senate races are included below. All information in this guide was provided by AHRF and was not authorized by any candidate or candidate's campaign committee."

AHRF Board Member and Chair of the Community Action Network (C.A.N.), Ron Passarelli, said that was not the case since AHRF did not provide the selections shown on the ECHO report, nor was AHRF consulted on the selections printed, which had 16 discrepancies from the official AHRF recommendations.

Passarelli said he had provided a copy of the working list of all Primary Election nominees with the spread sheet headings as used by ECHO magazine. This material was given to ECHO Editor, Liz Massey, who had requested a copy of the working list from Passarelli after the Primary Election, held Tuesday, September 12. Massey was informed by Passarelli that the work sheet would be used by AHRF C.A.N. during its meeting, held September 20, to decide recommendations for the General Election, to be held Tuesday, November 7.

Neither AHRF, according to Passarelli, nor any of its officers, participated in the selection presented by ECHO magazine as the AHRF endorsements. He added that AHRF has asked ECHO magazine for a retraction and an apology for the misrepresentation. ...

In a political commercial, broadcast on KTKT, 990 AM on the radio, Friday, September 29, for state Representative Kathleen Dunbar, R-District 13, who is running for the open state Senate seat, it stated, "Kathleen Dunbar worked with Bob Walkup to make Rio Nuevo a reality."

This wasn't the case for the Rio Nuevo project and Dunbar's involvement. Tucson's City Council, on Monday, July 12, 1999, approved a motion to proceed with the Rio Nuevo development plan, to present it to the voters at the November general election. Under the law, approved by the Legislature, cities were allowed to finance public-private redevelopment projects, such as Rio Nuevo, with the new state sales taxes generated by businesses within the district, if approved by the voters.

Dunbar was present for the vote, and accused the council of "stealing money from the state," and the proposal violated the spirit of the Legislature's intent when it agreed to let state tax money be used to stimulate private investment and not "strip off funds" from existing shopping centers. Dunbar said the approval of the proposal would "sour relations with the Legislature,

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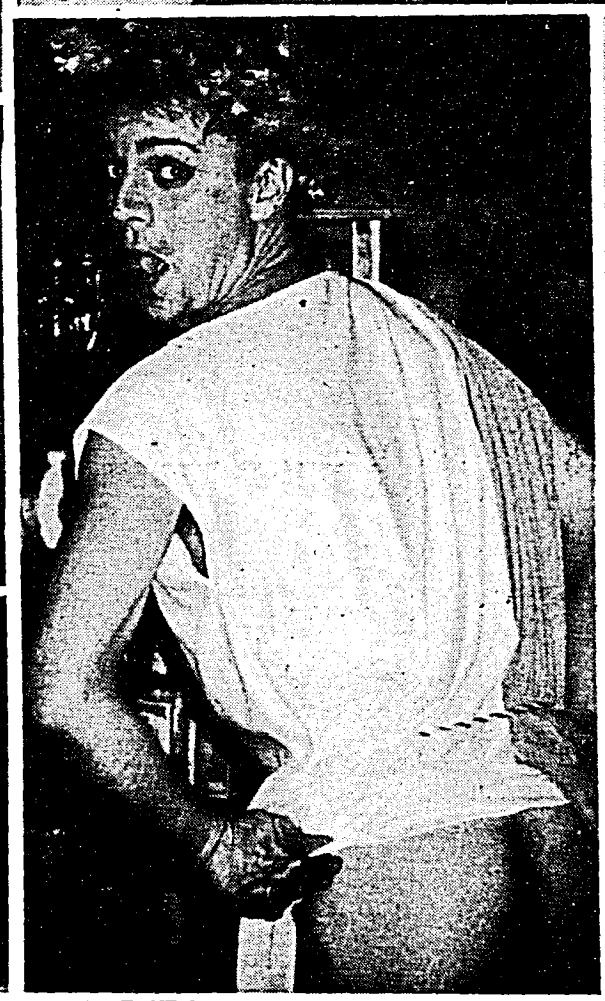

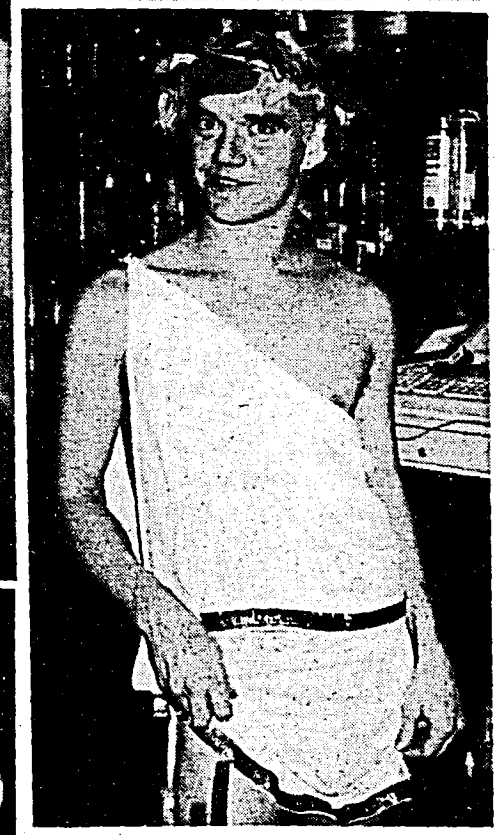

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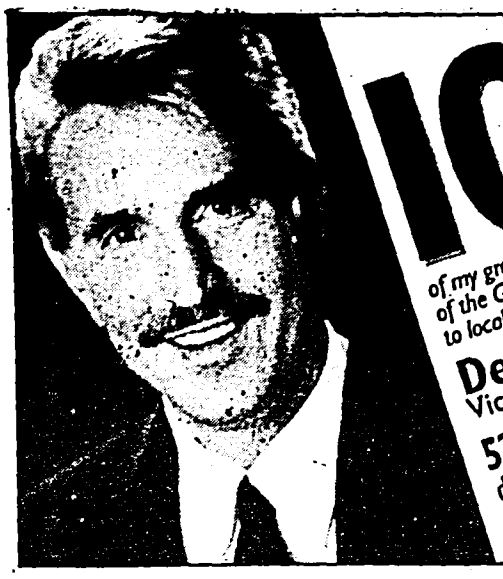

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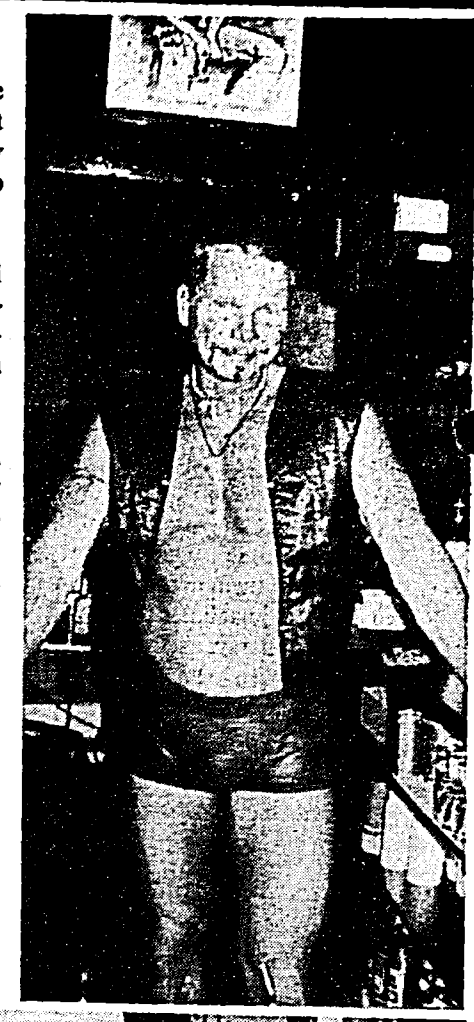
TKO UPDATE

Friday, September 1st, Empire Leather/Levi and their guest Tucson Knight Owls motored to Palm Springs where they hosted a charitable beer bust for Kids Camp 2000.

The popular men's bar, The Tool Shed, provided each participant in attendance, a weekend of fun, food and brotherhood. Labor Day weekend is always hot in Palm Springs and this one was no different.

Empire provided a fantastic lunch for everyone at the Tool Shed Saturday afternoon. Doc Hayes timed his one-hundred-sixty-second birthday with the event, and the celebration was replete with bonfire confection and a spanking ceremony. The afternoon was a "hit," though unfortunately, Doc wasn't.

Club jumping, fine dining, and a train ride to the top of the mountain were some of the activities enjoyed. The Mr. Nude Palm Springs contest was a "must see" Sunday evening. Congratulations to all the viewers. Everyone enjoyed a fabulous weekend and a big thank you goes out to the staff of the Tool Shed and the Tucson ex-patriots, who met us there.



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THE BOOK REPORT

In honor of National Teen Read Week (October 15-23) and Outoberfest (October 14), this column looks at resources for Gay or questioning teens. Youth, curious about their sexuality, often begin their search for identity in libraries and bookstores. Quality fiction and non-fiction containing positive images and reliable information can help begin their navigation.

M. E. Kerr's Deliver Us from Evie (HarperCollins, 1994) loosens rigid gender roles and allows Evie to be a 'stereotypical' lesbian, instead of seeming to be indistinguishable from her straight classmates. Evie projects her masculine side by refusing to blend in. Diana Wieler's Bad Boy (Delacorte, 1992) explores the appearance issue from a macho angle. Two boys, one Gay and one straight, aggressively lash out at those around them to project an over-inflated image of "manliness." Wieler does not allow her characters to be caricatures or saints, only individuals struggling with their identities.

Three-dimensional characters are taken to another level in all of Francesca Lia Block's books: Weezie Bat (Harper & Row, 1989), Witch Baby (HarperCollins, 1991), Cherokee Bat and the Goat Guys (HarperCollins, 1992), and other sequels. Gay and Lesbian teen characters are treated less as a central theme than as a matter of course. They blend in naturally with the milieu of straight characters. Far too complex to be categorized, Block's teens are not limited to any sexual stereotype.

Non-fiction books are also available to address the angst of teenage sexuality. Two Teenagers in Twenty: Writings by Gay and Lesbian Youth (Alyson Publications, 1994) recounts not only the struggles of growing up Gay, but also provides practical advice. Education as the means of navigating unknown territory is a constant theme, and coming from peers, may help teens take control of their identities.

[Reviewed by Jimmie Bevill, Tucson-Pima Public Library (TPPL) outreach librarian. TPPL provides, through literature, viable resources for teens, gay and straight, struggling with their sexuality. Visit you neighborhood library, or www.lib.ci.tucson.az.us to find these books and more. And stop by the library booth at Outoberfest. You'll find books, bookmarks, and this year's puppet show "Q-Trek: Queers in Space.]

A View From The Rock

A Commentary From Cornerstone Fellowship

This weekly article is written by members of Cornerstone Fellowship Church. It usually contains an anecdote from someone's life and incorporates the importance of God's involvement in his/her life. But this week's article is different. I thought it would be a good time to talk briefly about our church and offer you an invitation.

Cornerstone Fellowship is a non-denominational Christian church. We are referred to as a Bible-based church as well. We believe the bible to be God's word and teach from it through our weekly Bible studies at church and of course through the Sunday sermons. In the bible, a particular verse is held very near and dear to the hearts of our members. It is found in the book of John, chapter 3, verse 16. 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." The word "whoever" indicates that God's love and offer of salvation is for everyone, period.

Many people in our community have been told that God cannot love them or that they are destined for Hell unless they turn from homosexuality. Although reconciling one's homosexuality and Christianity is a very personal thing between an individual and God, we do believe that the word "whoever" includes Gays, Lesbians, Transgenders, and well, everyone! It is our relationship with Jesus Christ and not the description of who we love, that matters most. Unfortunately many of you will never hear the good news of Jesus because you've ben told in the past that you can't attend a Bible-based church.

We believe that God has blessed his little church for over 14 years now because we are spreading His Gospel to our community.

The members and friends of Cornerstone Fellowship invite you to come see what the church is all about. We invite you to inquire about the church either by calling, making an appointment with the pastor, or by stopping by our booth at the Outoberfest on Saturday October 14. As well, don't miss the presentation by our Tambourine Drill Team during the picnic...it will be a show to see.

We hope and pray that not one of you will miss out on the love that Jesus has to offer nor the fellowship with other believers that is waiting for you at Cornerstone Fellowship! See you at the picnic.

Cornerstone Fellowship Church, 2902 N. Geronimo (2 blocks north of Glenn and 2 blocks west of 1st Ave.) Phone: (520) 622-4626 Bible Studies: Sundays 9:00 a.m., and Wednesdays 6:00 p.m. Worship Service: Sundays 10:30 a.m.

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With love and gratitude,
Scott Blades
Executive Director,
Tucson Interfaith HIV/AIDS
Network (TIHAN)

EDITOR:

Recently I visited your city and had a good experience at IBT'S and NOBODY'S BIZ. Unfortunately, what transpired at the VENTURE-N was unsettling to say the least.

After being served two beers, my male companion was told upon ordering a third, "She is cut-off." When he asked why, the bartender replied," We don't serve women after 10." This conversation was repeated when I attempted to order for myself. I am aware of the right to refuse service, which should require a valid reason. I asked the men around us, with whom we had been conversing, if I was bothering anyone to which they all said no.

Discrimination is unacceptable and certainly a shame when coming from within. We must support each other and the VENTURE-N is a setting a poor example for the Gay community not to mention equal rights which we strive for everyday.

Name Withheld By Request

DEAR OBSERVER:

A woman in Tucson won INTERNATIONAL DEAF LEATHER in San Francisco during Folsom Street Fair. We're very proud that she is from our home state.

Her name is Carla, her stage name is BLACK C. She recently moved to Tucson from Baltimore.

Yours in boyhood &
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Boy Richie
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EDITOR:

In light of the recent shooting at a Gay establishment in Virginia, it is apparent that swift, decisive action must be taken to counteract hate crimes committed against Gays and Lesbians. Now more than ever, Congressional leaders need to take responsible action and keep the Hate Crimes Prevention Act (HCPA) in this bill. The HCPA has garnered support from the House and the Senate, President Bill Clinton and Vice President Al Gore, as well as from a majority of Americans.

Through the concerted efforts of the Congressional Democratic leadership, this legislation to extend existing hate crimes laws to cover gender, sexual orientation and disability was approved by both the House and the Senate. It is now time for the Republican leadership and conferees to listen to the American public and include this much-needed hate crimes language in the conference report, or bring up HCPA as a free standing bill."

Joe Andrew
Democratic National
Committee Chair,
Washington, DC

DEAR EDITOR:

I would like to thank Dave Huff and the staff of IBT's for another successful IBT's barbecue and Bunny Fufu, Faith Michaels, Samantha White, Domino Blush, Janee Star and Ajia Simone for a fabulous show on Sunday, October 1, which helped raised $350, for the Gay Men's Health Project/Condom Brigade.

As you know Condom Brigade is a grass roots program that puts condoms and lube in all the Tucson area Gay bars and is made possible by contributions from the Tucson community at large. So far this year, the Condom Brigade has distributed 16,368 condom packets and 5,200 loose condoms, which shows there is a continuing need for this program in Tucson.

Without the special help of Dave Huff and the many female impersonators who have helped over the last year, the Condom Brigade would not be possible. Again thanks for helping make the Condom Brigade happen. Without all your help this program would surely fall apart.

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- Engaging in unprotected vaginal, oral or anal sex with an infected partner transmits Hepatitis B. You can also become infected by using items like razors or toothbrushes or by sharing needles such as tattooing, steroid shots or piercing.
- Hepatitis B can also have serious medical effects on the liver.

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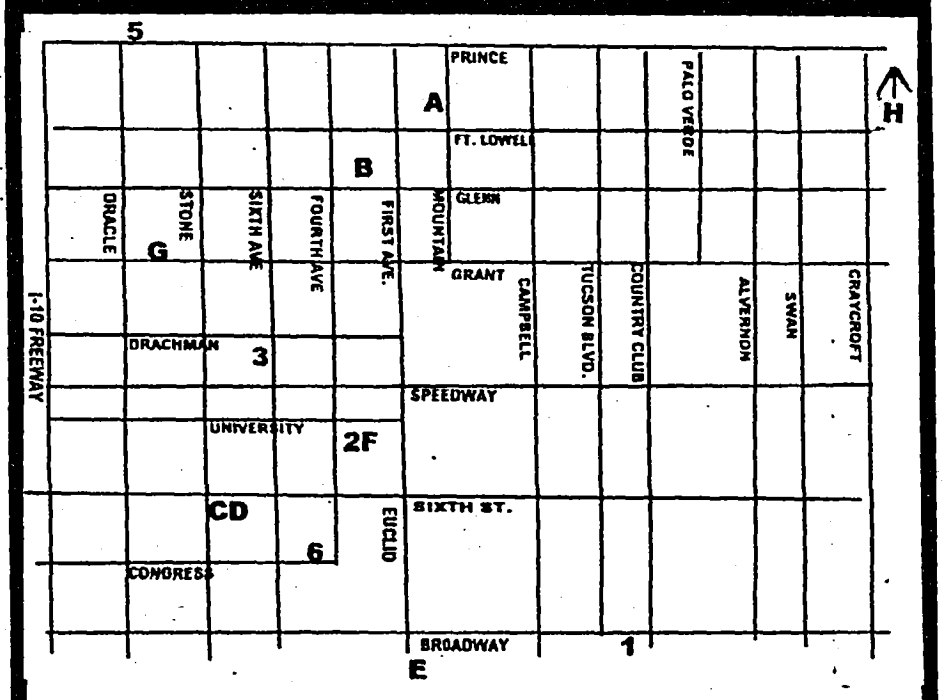

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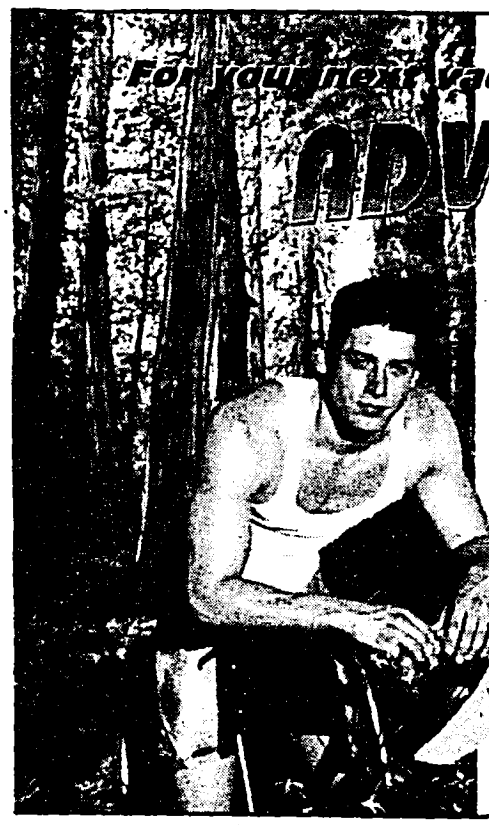

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Funeral Held For Roanoke Bar Shooting Victim

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Gay has confessed to the crime. Ronald Gay was indicted on 13 counts in connection with the shootings September 22 at a Gay bar in Roanoke, Va. One man, Danny Lee Overstreet, was killed in the attack at the Backstreet Cafe, and six other people were wounded. Gay has already been charged with murder. On Monday he was indicted on six counts of aggravated malicious wounding, six counts of subsequent use of a firearm, and one count of shooting within an occupied building. Gay could face life in prison on the murder charge and a minimum of 20 years for each count of the aggravated malicious wounding charges. Gay is being held without bail.

Overstreet was eulogized by his niece Misty, who said, "He was full of life. His very character poured with animation. To every situation, he could bring life. Whenever he walked into a room, he brought life. You've heard of God's chosen ones. He was a chosen one. He was the laughing man. He hated to see sadness. ... Danny was there for all of us, and he still is there for all of us."

Presiding at the open-casket funeral was Reverend Catherine Houchins of the local predominantly Gay/Lesbian/Bisexual/Transgender Metropolitan Community Church of the Blue Ridge, who carried out the theme of Overstreet's oft-noted laugh. She said, "It's now our job to carry that laughter, to carry that joy, to carry that hope. ... Continue to block the hate of the world with love. Continue Danny's laughter."

Danny Overstreet was much loved not just despite but because he embodied many elements of the stereotypical effeminate Gay man. At times he performed as a drag character "Iwanna," and in his work in customer service for Verizon his voice on the phone was often mistaken for a woman's. His cubicle at work was pink. He was a trained beautician who advised women he worked with about their hairstyles. He cooked well, he adored his poodle, he maintained his home to a high standard, he had a close and loving relationship with his mother. But what many remarked on was how comfortable he was with who he was, and what a happy man he was; the photos displayed at the service showed him smiling and, of course, laughing. A gentle man and always a comedian, he sought to lift others' spirits as well, and was the life of every party. Kathy Caldwell, in one of her first ventures out in public since a bullet at the Back Street Cafe nearly severed her finger, said of Overstreet, "Gay as well as straight, there are people happy just to be happy."

As the service inside the chapel broke up, Bishop Anthony Hash of Christ the Good Shepherd American Catholic Church started up another memorial with the crowd in the parking lot, praying for "the courage to stand up against hate" as well as the recovery of those damaged by the shooting. The crowd became a circle and began to sing together, including We Shall Overcome and Give Peace a Chance.

Vigils have been held outside the Back Street Cafe each night since the shooting, but on September 28 vigils are also planned for a half-dozen other Virginia cities, for Washington, DC, and in Colorado and Michigan. The San Francisco Board of Supervisors has passed a memorial resolution for Overstreet.

[Ed. note: Victim support fund checks can be sent to Christ the Good Shepherd American Catholic Church, P.O. Box 3359, Roanoke 24015, with checks made out to the church but designated for the Hate Free Roanoke Task Force

Politics

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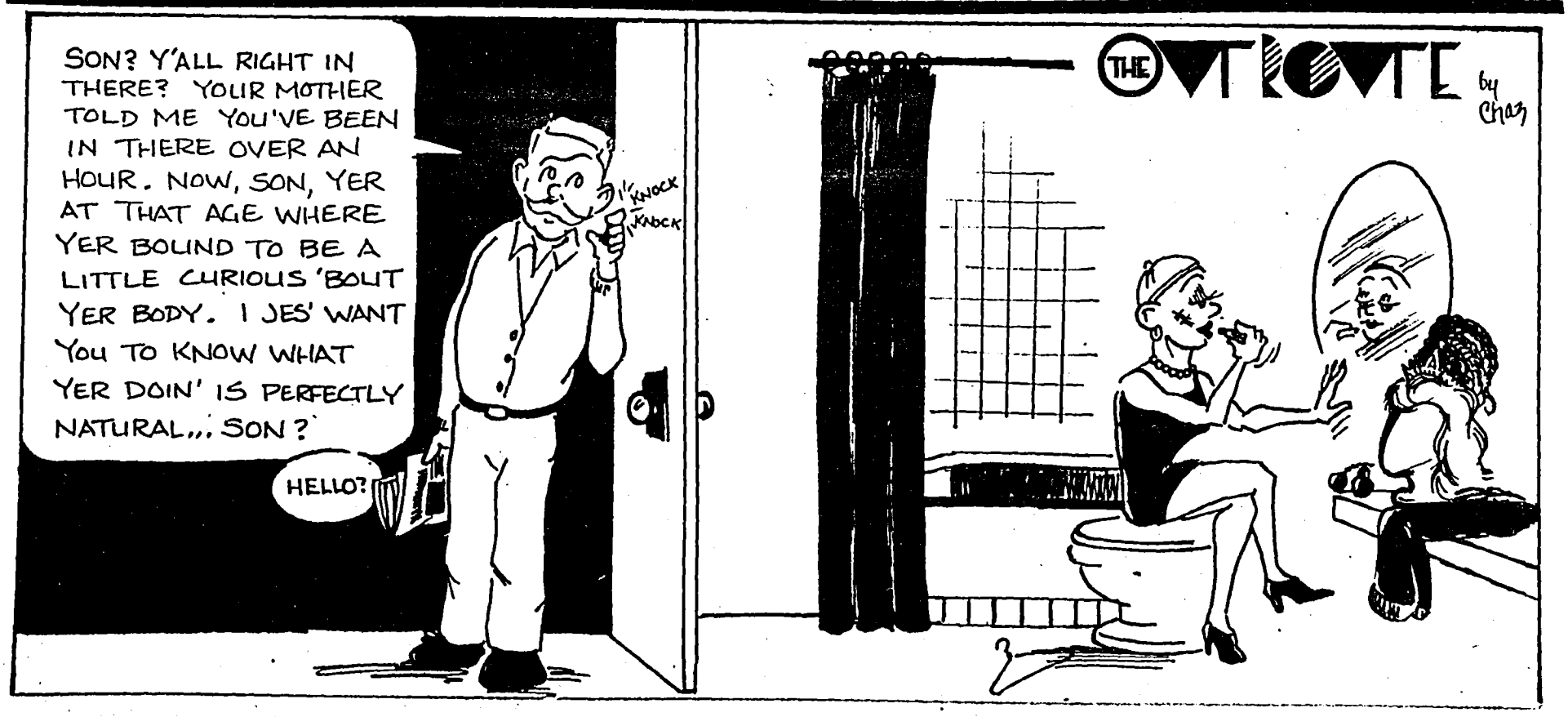
making it harder for the city to score wins next year."

Councilmember Janet Marcus, D-Ward 2, said the city can't let $60 million in state funds slip away just because of a "threat we'll be punished by the Legislature. We are always shortchanged by the Legislature." She added she wasn't comfortable who's supposed to represent Tucson making such a threat. It didn't help either when Dunbar repeatedly referred to Rio Nuevo as "just dirt," not displaying a little more understanding about the cultural significance of the historically rich parcel.

As mentioned, during this time, July 12, 1999, Bob Walkup, was just a former executive with Raytheon and the presumptive Republican nominee for Mayor of Tucson, since he was the only GOP candidate. In September, Walkup was nominated for Mayor in the GOP primary election and ran against the Democratic candidate, Ward 6 Councilmember, Molly McKasson, and whom he defeated in the November general election. Voters approved the Rio Nuevo ballot proposal at the same general election. ...

So it goes.



Key Senator Swayed By Roanoke

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that is not germane to U.S. military operations."

Since the Roanoke shooting, which left one dead and six injured, allegedly at the hands of a man who announced beforehand that he was going to "waste some faggots", the National Gay and Lesbian Task Force (NGLTF) has used the incident in lobbying Warner on the hate crimes measure. On September 25, it delivered a petition signed by 140 Roanoke residents telling Warner that he "has the ability and therefore responsibility to ensure that the existing federal hate crimes law is expanded to cover crimes based on actual or perceived sexual orientation, gender or disability." Calling on him "to send a clear and unequivocal message that hate violence has no place in today's society," the letter continued, "Senator Warner, we trust that as a fellow Virginian you are as devastated as we by the senseless brutality of this crime in our home state. But we al ls! o know that sometimes local communities need federal help to deal with hate violence. And we know that if even one senseless act of violence can be prevented by the message that a federal bill can send, the legislation will be well worth it."

NGLTF also asked Warner to meet with the sister and niece of Danny Overstreet, the Gay man killed in the shooting. His sister Carol Overstreet feels compelled by his death to political activism to try to stop hate violence. A Warner spokesperson has said the Senator is willing to meet with Carol and Misty Overstreet, Danny's 17-year-old niece who movingly eulogized Danny at his funeral September 27.

At the same time, the Human Rights Campaign launched a $75,000 multi-media campaign for enactment of the hate crimes measure, specifically targeting seven of its leading Republican opponents. Warner is named in a radio commercial that will run in Virginia, although not in Roanoke. It refers to the shooting there and to the bipartisan support for the hate crimes measure, and warns, "But time is running out because of election year politics. Our Senator John Warner, a strong and respected leader in the United States Senate, can make all the difference." Others targeted for ads include House Speaker Dennis Hastert of Illinois; Representative James E. Rogan of Glendale, California; Senate Majority Leader Trent Lott of Mississippi; Senator Rod Grams of Minnesota; Senator Spencer Abraham of Michigan; Senator Slade Gorton of Washington; Senator Rick Santorum of Pennsylvania; and also Republican Presidential nominee Texas Governor George W. Bush.

Warner had a very friendly meeting in late June with the Gay and Lesbian Log Cabin Republicans of Northern Virginia, in which he explained that his opposition to the hate crimes measure rested on its status as a rider to the defense bill. He took that occasion to say that the Republican Party should be more welcoming of Gays and Lesbians, declaring, "Wake up, Republican Party!" He attributed his own understanding of Gays and Lesbians to writers, directors and others he met in the film industry during his marriage to Elizabeth Taylor, calling them "some of the most brilliant, accomplished people I'd ever known."

President Clinton renewed his own calls for enactment of the hate crimes measure in a speech to the Democratic National Committee Gay and Lesbian Caucus at a fund-raising luncheon in Dallas, Texas on September 27. He said, "There has been a sea-change movement. More and more people are identifying with our common humanity. Increasingly, society is moving to higher and higher levels of destiny and justice. We've got the votes. It's just a question of whether the leadership of the Republican Party in Congress stays to the right of the country on this issue." He told reporters, "This is not complicated. The Republican majority does not want a bill that explicitly provides hate crimes protections for Gay Americans, and I think they think it will split their [socially conservative] base or something. I just hope and pray we can do it [enact the measure]." Clinton cited polls showing that more than two-thirds of the public support hate crimes legislation.

Clinton raised the issue repeatedly during his three-stop sweep through Texas, for two obvious reasons: one of the nation's highest-profile hate crimes occurred there when white supremacists dragged African-American James Byrd, Junior to death behind their truck in 1998, and the legislature in the state run by Governor Bush failed to enact a hate crimes measure with explicit protected categories including sexual orientation. (Texas' existing "generic" hate crimes law has proven all but impossible to prosecute.) Bush was able to stand aside from the issue while the state legislature considered it, but it's widely believed that Texas Republican lawmakers killed the bill to save him from having to either sign or veto a measure including sexual orientation. Bush has stated repeatedly that he does not support hate crimes laws because "all crimes are hate crimes." Supporters of such legislation believe that unlike other crimes, hate crimes are intended to intimidate entire communities.

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Non-Bar Calendar
Groups / Clubs / Organizations

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[ED NOTE: ALL ARTS LISTINGS OF MAINSTREAM THEATER AND ARTISTIC EVENTS OF INTEREST TO OUR COMMUNITY SEE 'THE ARTS' SECTION ELSEWHERE IN THIS ISSUE].

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WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 4

Prime Timers Luncheon at Shogun Japanese Restaurant, 5036 N. Oracle Road (NE corner of Oracle & River Road) Phone Silvan at 747-5669 for more information.

Men's Social Network (Gay men of all ages; guests always welcome). 7:00 p.m. The Investment Club (Tucson Stockmen) meets the first Wednesday of each month. There are new openings in the Stockmen, so please call for more information. For reservations and directions, please call Carl at 331-4238.

It's coffee at Coffee Etc. (2830 N. Campbell Ave.) Come join Bears of the Old Pueblo for coffee, meet and greet. 7-9 p.m. All are welcome..

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 7

Bears Dinner out and Tucson's Club Crawl. Group meets at 6:00 p.m. for dinner at the Grill and then heads out to check out the bands. Call the Bear line at 327-1620 or visit at www.botop.com for more details.

Men's Social Network (Gay men of all ages; guests always welcome). 7:00 p.m. Join us for our monthly Potluck & Social Gathering as we sit down to eat with some of the nicest gay guys in town (like you!). It's a nice, safe place to meet 80 guys all at once! Tonight's theme is a luau! The Potluck is held at the Casas Adobe Congregational Church at 6801 N. Oracle. Please call Jerry at 690-9565 for directions and any questions you may have.

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 8

Men's Social Network (Gay men of all ages; guests always welcome). 1:00 p.m. Lloyd hosts a Sunday Brunch at the Tanque Verde Guest Ranch.

MONDAY, OCTOBER 9

1. Men's Social Network (Gay men of all ages; guests always welcome). 6:30 p.m. Tom leads the Triangle Tribe-a support group with MSN which is designed to teach openness and communication. For reservations and directions, please call Tom at 318-1650.

2. Men's Social Network (Gay men of all ages; guests always welcome). 7:00 p.m. Join Perry as he hosts Bridge Night. Beginners and seasoned players are welcomed. For reservations and directions, please call Perry at 321-4387.

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 10

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

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 11

It's coffee at Coffee Etc. (2830 N. Campbell Ave.) Come join Bears of the Old Pueblo for coffee, meet and greet. 7-9 p.m. All are welcome.

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 13

7:30 p.m. Bears monthly general meeting. Call 327-1620 for details or check out www.botop.com

Men's Social Network (Gay men of all ages; guests always welcome). 7:00 p.m. Join Bill for the MSN Premiere of "Rites of Passage", a gay thriller about a gay young man who is at an isolated cabin with his brother and father when two escaped convicts appear. For reservations and directions, please call Bill at 546-7539.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 14 -OUToberFEST

Prime Timers Breakfast at 9:30 a.m. Mimi's Cafe, 4420 N. Oracle Road (corner Oracle and Wetmore Inside Tucson Mall) Parking lot next to Olive Garden. Phone Sylvan for more info, 747-5669.

Men's Social Network (Gay men of all ages; guests always welcome). 10:00 a.m. Join the men of MSN at Reid Park for a outing at the annual Outoberfest. We'll have a booth set up for information, and we invite you to join us to see what MSN is all about.

Come by the Bears of the Old Pueblo booth at Outoberfest at Reid Park and meet some of the guys and enjoy the sights and sounds of Tucson's largest pride event. Call 327-1620 for details or check out www.botop.com

MONDAY, OCTOBER 16

Men's Social Network (Gay men of all ages; guests always welcome). 6:30 p.m. Tom leads the Triangle Tribe-a support group with MSN which is designed to teach openness and communication. For reservations and directions, please call Tom at 318-1650.

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 18

It's coffee at Coffee Etc. (2830 N. Campbell Ave.) Come join Bears of the Old Pueblo for coffee, meet and greet. 7-9 p.m. All are welcome.

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 20

Men's Social Network (Gay men of all ages; guests always welcome). 7:00 p.m. Join us for our monthly Pizza Party held at Jerry & Les' home. It's a chance to meet 60-75 new faces. Simply bring $4.00 and join in for a fun evening of food and good conversation. Salad and dessert are also served. Vegetarian pizza offered as well. For reservations and directions, please call Jerry or Les at 690-9565. Please note: reservations should be made by Thursday, October 19 at noon so we can order the proper number of pizzas (but we do order a couple of extra pizzas just in case this isn't read until the day of the event).

Bar Calendar
Of Upcoming Events

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 4

IBT'S - The Girlie Show at 9:00 p.m. featuring Ajia Simone, Bunny FuFu, Deora Le Blanc, Faith Michaels and Samantha White.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 7

VENTURE-N - Tucson Knight Owls (TKO) benefit car wash starts at 10:00 a.m. With Beer Bust beginning at 3:00 p.m. with Big Ed's Meat Ball Subs!

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 8

IBT'S - IBT'S - Party line-up includes Jeff's Bloody Mary 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 the UofA Pride Alliance. Then at 9:30 p.m. 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 PFLAG. Then at 9:30 p.m. there's a big Wet Shorts Contest! Sign up 9:00 p.m. $100 First Prize.

VENTURE-N - Tucson Knight Owls continue their weekend here with a Pancake Breakfast at 10:00 a.m. $2.50 and then Boss Burgers at 5:00 p.m. Be there!

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 11

IBT'S - 'Puttin' On The Lips' Lipsync Contest featuring Ajia Simone and Mr. Kenneth Blake. Special guest Janee Starr. $50 first place prize.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 14 - OUToberFEST

Reid Park OutoberFEST 10:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.. Admission $5.00 See the TLGA ad in this issue for full information and list of entertainers. Don't miss this once-a-year blowout for and by the Gay and Lesbian community of Tucson.

AIN'T NOBODY'S BIZ - Pride Picnic Party (inside and out) all day and night, $1.00 Bud and Bud Light drafts all day. Dance music with DJ Hill 6:00 p.m. to close. No cover. No lines. Shot and drink specials every 1/2 hour.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 21

VENTURE-N - 3:00 to 7:00 p.m. Bears of the Old pueblo Beer Bust and Chili Feed. Come on down and enjoy $1.00 bowls of their famous chili and $1.50 pitchers of soda and draft beer while benefitting the community.

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 22

VENTURE-N - Bears of the old Pueblo will be serving Boss Burgers from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. on the patio. $2.00. Great fresh grilled hamburgers and great company. Proceeds benefit one of our community charities.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 28

IBT'S - Annual Black and White Halloween Costume Ball and Contest. Watch for details.

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 31

IBT'S - Halloween Costume Party and Contest. Watch for the ad.

The Bears dine out at India Oven, 227 N. Campbell. This monthly event is open to all. Call 327-1620 for details or check out www.botop.com

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 21

Prime Timers luncheon at Tosh's Hacienda, 14 Camino Otero, Tubac, AZ. Car pool to Nogales following luncheon. Call Sylvan 747-5669 for more information.

Men's Social Network (Gay men of all ages; guests always welcome). 7:00 p.m. Join Jerry and Les as they host Game Night-an evening devoted to board and card games. You're encouraged to bring your favorite game for others to enjoy as well. For reservations and directions, please call Les or Jerry at 690-9565.

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 22

Save this date! Southern Arizona AIDS Foundation AIDSWALK 2000. Live music, food and fun. Call 791-WALK (9255) for more info or check out www.aidswalktucson.com

Men's Social Network (Gay men of all ages; guests always welcome). 10:00 a.m. The men of MSN will participate in the annual AIDSWalk. If you'd like to join us, or just donate money for this good cause, please call Jeff at 731-2988.

3:00 p.m. Bears of the Old Pueblo Fiesta 2001 Planning Committee Meeting. Come be a part of the premiere Bear event in the country. Call 327-1620 for details or check out www.botop.com. Find out how you can help make Fiesta 2001 the best ever.

MONDAY, OCTOBER 23

1. Men's Social Network (Gay men of all ages; guests always welcome). 6:30 p.m. Tom leads the Triangle Tribe-a support group with MSN which is designed to teach openness and communication. For reservations and directions, please call Tom at 318-1650.

2. Men's Social Network (Gay men of all ages; guests always welcome). 7:00 p.m. Join Perry as he hosts Bridge Night. Beginners and seasoned players are welcomed. For reservations and directions, please call Perry at 321-4387.

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 25

1. Men's Social Network (Gay men of all ages; guests always welcome). 7:00 p.m. Help us in getting out he newsletter for the coming month. It's quick and simple, and you get to know the guys you're working with! We also have door prizes and dessert. For reservations and directions, please call Jerry or Les at 690-9565.

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.

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 5-9pm. $2.50 burger or chicken; $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. $1.50 Wells 8-midnight, 25¢ cups of draft 8 to closing.

IBT's - Open 10am. Martini Monday all day all call martinis's $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.

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 - AOL employees.

Tuesday

AIN'T NOBODY'S BIZNESS - Happy Hour Two-For-One 2-7pm. Pool tourney 7:30pm. $3 entry, pot matched. $1.50 longnecks for pool players. $2 Long Islands all nite. Dance to music w/DJ S. Country music 9 to close

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.

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. Skyy's the limit $2.25.

Wednesday

AIN'T NOBODY'S BIZNESS - Happy Hour Two-For-One 2-7pm. $1.50 pitchers 9-close. 80s Retro & house music with DJ Sarafina.

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.

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

WOODY'S - Open Noon. Happy Hour 3-7pm. Pick-up Volleyball games start 7pm. Spaghetti & meatballs 6-9pm $2.50. Patio bar open.

Thursday

AIN'T NOBODY'S BIZNESS - Happy Hour 2-7pm, 2for1. 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.

VENTURE-N - Open 6am. Patio open 5pm. Day prices for men in leather 7pm to close. Pool Tournament 7pm-ish. $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. Patio Bar Open.

Friday

AIN'T NOBODY'S BIZNESS - Happy Hour Two-For-One 2-7. 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.

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 NOBODYS BIZNESS - 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.

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, potato & roll $4.50. Patio Bar Open.

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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 WORLDWIDE 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 529-9344, leave name and phone number.

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

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

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

WINGSPAN - Tucson's Gay, Lesbian & Bisexual Community Center, 300 E. 6th St., offers support groups / info line / social events / library / meeting space. Volunteer Opportunities. Board meetings every 2nd Thursday (open to all), 6:00 p.m. Information 624-1779.

SUPPORT GROUP: Gays, Lesbians and Bisexuals meet weekly for open discussions in a loving, supportive atmosphere. Meetings Thursdays from 7:30 to 9:30 pm at St. Francis in the Foothills Church, Swan and River Road. Room 43. Call the church at Davey at 886-1208 or Brian at 882-4726 for information.

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.

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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.

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

SAA (Sex Addicts Anonymous) has 5 meetings a week in Tucson. People who wish to stop their compulsive sexual behavior, please call (520)570-1225 for current information.

LUTHERANS CONCERNED -- Tucson chapter for Gay/Lesbian Lutherans meets 4th Sunday, 6:30 p.m. each month at Santa Cruz Lutheran Church, 6809 S. Cardinal Ave. For information visit www.lctucson.org 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)

REVEILLE 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. 617-3100 for more info.

RAINBOW SUPPORT GROUP. For Lesbian, Bisexual and Transsexual/Transgender women with disabilities (including invisible disabilities). Meets last Tuesday of every month from 6:00 until 7:30 p.m. Call DIRECT 624-6452 or Wingspan 624-1779 for more info or directions. Completely accessible and a chemical free zone. (No perfume or scents please!) Women of all ages and disabilities are invited.

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MEN'S SOCIAL NETWORK: Social organization for men of all ages. Building an extended Gay family in Tucson. Monthly social potluck gatherings the first Saturday of each month and almost weekly social activities. Call Jerry at 690-9585 for information and a newsletter. Check the Non-Bar Calendar in the Observer.

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

CARE TEAMS ARE AVAILABLE to offer support to people living with HIV/AIDS. The Tucson Interfaith HIV/AIDS Network offers trained, compassionate and committed volunteers to provide services including friendly visits, light housekeeping, assistance with meals, shopping, errands, transportation and companionship for medical appointments, and respite care for primary care givers. No judgement or proselytizing - we are here to be of service. For information call Scott at 299-6647.

FOR INFORMATION ABOUT SPORTS TEAMS and updates on Gay Games 2002, contract 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 615-6436 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. SAGAEmail@aol.com http://members.aol.com/sagaemail

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

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

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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)

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

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.

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 325-6876 or 327-4293.

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BEARS OF THE OLD PUEBLO -- a social club for bears and bigger, more robust men (and of course, those who prefer their company). For more info, Call the Bears Hotline (520)327-1820 or write P.O. Box 43910, Tucson, AZ 85733-3910, or come to our general meetings the second Friday of every month. Location listed on our hotline.

LAMBDA CAR CLUB, a social organization of Gays and Lesbians who share interest, information and fellowship involving all cars and trucks. New Southern Arizona Region now in Tucson. Call the HOTline for info at 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 893, Phoenix, AZ 85001 or call Eddy Walters, (602)371-1102

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

T-SQUARES Lesbian and Gay square dance club meets every Tuesday from 6:30-9:00 p.m. at Cornerstone Fellowship Social Hall, 2902 N. Geronimo (near 1st Ave. and Laguna). Open to All. Call 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 6:30 to 9:30pm at Armory Park Senior Center, 220 S. 6th 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, 3259 N. Mountain. All alcoholics welcome.

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 (evelten@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).

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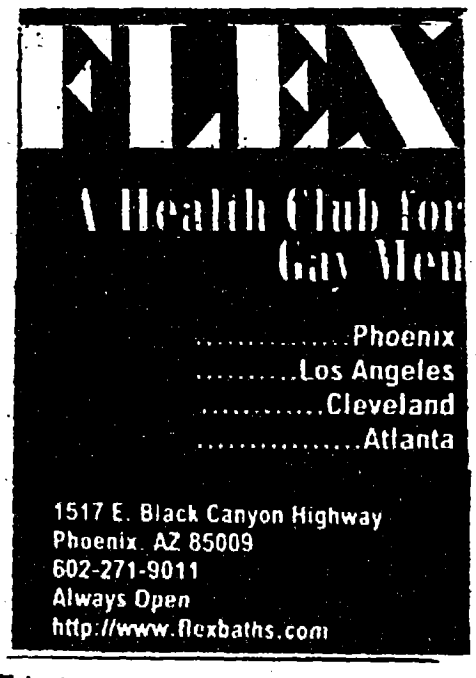

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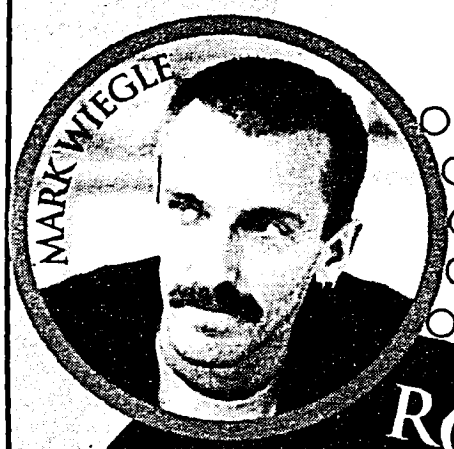

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