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G/L Muslims Wary, Targets Of Harassment

NEW YORK, NY - Since the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks on New York and Washington, people all over the country who look Middle Eastern and South Asian, whatever their religion or nation of origin, have been singled out for harassment, threats and assaults.

In Arizona, a gunman calling himself a "patriot" drove into a Chevron station and shot to death the Sikh owner. Mosques have been fired upon. Arab-owned businesses have been burned. A young Indian Catholic and his friend were beaten.

Gay Americans are all too familiar with the impact of hate crimes on their communities. Now Gay Muslims and Gay Arab Americans face an additional threat from racist violence, and as the New York Blade reported this week, Gay Arabs and Muslims have been in the forefront of a nationwide campaign to quash the backlash.

Gay Muslims said they fear what happened last week could trigger the same sort of actions that they faced in April 1993, shortly after Timothy McVeigh and accomplices destroyed a government building in Oklahoma City. Early reports wrongly speculated the attack was hatched by Islamic extremists.

The Islamic Society of North America issued a statement signed by nearly a dozen Muslim groups asking that their communities be treated fairly. "American Muslims experienced violent attacks and verbal harassment in the aftermath of the Oklahoma City bombing when our fellow citizens rushed to judgment about the perpetrators of the crime."

"We urge our fellow Americans not to be quick to stereotype Muslims, who are also suffering at this traumatic time. We, like all Americans, want to feel secure and want to see the perpetrators brought to justice."

The Blade also quotes a statement from the American-Arab Anti-Discrimination Committee in Washington condemning the attacks. "Arab Americans, like all Americans, are shocked and angered by such brutality," the group said in a written statement. The group urged all Americans, and especially the media, to "proceed with caution and resist rushes to judgment."

Faisal Alam, founder and director of the international group for Gay Muslims called Al-Fatiha, said the attacks were an outrage, and he urged Gay people "not to be quick to stereotype Arabs or Muslims."

"We must not allow our fears and anger to overcome us," he continued. "Religion has long been used as a tool of oppression against many communities, including LGBT people. But no religion at its core advocates violence or terrorism, including Islam."

Al-Fatiha has asked the group's chapters worldwide to hold special prayer sessions to mourn the thousand presumed dead in the attacks.

In the U.S., the group has chapters in the District of Columbia, New York City, Atlanta, Los Angeles, San Diego and San Francisco.

"If any group of people could understand that you can be misrepresented in the media, it has to be Gays and Lesbians," said New York resident Mubarak Dahir. "Please do not make assumptions or accept easy definitions and stereotypes that you will definitely be reading in the newspaper in the days to come."

War Concerns May Impact Trial

CAIRO, Egypt - International Gay rights activists are concerned the war on terrorism will have a negative impact on the trial of 52 men accused of homosexuality in Egypt.

The International Gay and Lesbian Human Rights Commission (IGLHRC) said it expects the men will now receive the harshest sentences permitted under the law, reported 365Gay.com.

"The 'war on terrorism' is seen in parts of the Middle East as an attack on Islam. The government of Egypt, trying to appease the religious right's opposition to Egypt's participation in such a 'war,' is ready to sacrifice the rights of its own homosexual population," said Surina Khan, IGLHRC's Executive Director.

Khan said the decrease in media attention to the situation in Egypt and the relaxing of international pressure will allow the government of Egypt to continue to punish the Cairo-52 unchallenged.

One of the detained has already received the maximum penalty allowed by law. A teenager, tried in a juvenile court because of his age, was sentenced Sept. 18 to three years in prison, to be followed by three years of probation. Lawyers and trial observers expect the other detainees to get heavy sentences as well. Some of the imprisoned men have told reporters and families that they have been continuously tortured in jail.

"We are concerned that the United States will forsake human rights consideration as it tries to forge its worldwide coali-

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Civil Liberties Defense Group Formed

WASHINGTON, DC - The American Civil Liberties Union has joined forces with the National Gay and Lesbian Task Force (NGLTF), People for the American Way and 126 other organizations to form the "In Defense of Freedom" coalition, the Washington Post reports.

Calling the September 11 attacks not only an attack on the freedom and equality that are the hallmarks of American democracy, the coalition aims to "defend the liberty enshrined in our Constitution and the tolerance embodied in our national character."

"Terror, by its very nature," said the ACLU in a statement, 'is intended not only to destroy, but also to intimidate a people, forcing them to take actions that are not in their best interest. We must not be intimidated. We must not let terrorism win."

Pledging absolute support for efforts to bring the group or groups responsible to justice, the coalition also urged a reconciliation between security and what it called the demands of liberty.

A joint statement issued by the "In Defense of Freedom" coalition calls for all government security proposals to be weighed "calmly and deliberately," and be based on "the principles of a democratic society, accountable government and international law." It asks the government to "resist the temptation to enact proposals in the mistaken belief that anything that may be called 'anti-terrorist' will necessarily provide greater security."

An ACLU statement is already taking aim at Attorney General John Ashcroft's proposals for a major change to U.S. Immigration policy. Ashcroft has proposed greater government latitude in detaining and deporting immigrants believed to be engaged in terrorist activity or who "may endanger the national security." The ACLU says that without a legal hearing, there would be no way to scrutinize such decisions or examine the criteria on which they were based.

While it says such actions may be justified in times of national emergency, the coalition warns such reforms may become permanent.

"As we respond to this national crisis - and respond we must - we must not take for granted our basic freedoms, including the steadfast commitment to civil liberties and tolerance of others. Nor should we be willing to sacrifice these fundamental values, nor look the other way as they are undermined."

NGLTF leader Lorri L. Jean warned that Bush and Congress were "on the verge of hastily enacting sweeping and unprecedented proposals to extend the reach of law enforcement.

"Compromising the civil liberties that are the basis of our free society will only compound the tragedy ... ," Jean declared. "We call for a more considered approach, including appropriate public debate and scrutiny, to ensure that the legislation does not weaken the fabric of our long-standing personal freedoms."

Gay U.S. Ambassador Sworn In

WASHINGTON, DC - With little fanfare and not even the barest hint of conservative opposition, the second openly Gay U.S. ambassador in history was sworn in on Wednesday, September 19, the Washington Post reports.

Secretary of State Colin Powell presided over the swearing-in of Michael Guest, the new U.S. ambassador to Romania, at an invitation-only ceremony in Washington. Guest is a professional foreign service officer who won easy confirmation from the Senate last month.

This stands in sharp contrast to America's only other openly Gay ambassador, James Hormel who was nominated by President Clinton to be the chief envoy to Luxembourg in October 1997.

Though Hormel won the quick approval of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, conservatives succeeded in blocking his confirmation. Then-Senate Majority Leader Trent Lott of Mississippi refused to move the nomination on to the floor for a vote though the candidate had broad backing in the Senate.

In June 1999, Clinton installed Hormel to the post while Congress was on summer recess, bringing more angry cries from Republican conservatives.

The nomination of Guest, however, caused barely a ripple in Washington. Democratic Rep. Barney Frank of Massachusetts, commenting on the lack of controversy, said, "I'm very pleasantly surprised. I think it's a real mark of progress."

Frank noted that unlike Hormel, Guest has been a senior foreign service member for many years and is well known in the capital. He is a former principal deputy assistant secretary in the Bureau of Legislative Affairs and also served as deputy chief of mission in Prague from 1996 to 1999.

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UPDATE

TLGA Update: OUToberFEST and A Proclamation

TUCSON - The Tucson Lesbian Gay Alliance (TLGA) is proud to announce "Out in the Desert" as the theme for OUToberFEST 2001. It's just eighteen days till OUToberFEST 2001 "Pride in the Desert," taking place Saturday, October 13, DeMeester Band Shell, Reid Park, Tucson, 10:00 am till 8:00 p.m.

OUToberFEST is ten hour extravaganza celebrating everything about the Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual and Transgendered Community . Where else, locally, can you chill with 9,000 of your brothers and sisters, dance, see old friends and meet new ones, apply for a job as a police officer, find a Gay investment broker, watch all the entertainment and find that charming item you so desperately needed, all on your way over to your favorite spiritual group's booth to arrange your spring wedding, all while munching on your food of your choice.

TLGA is also proud to announce that Tucson Mayor Bob Walkup has issued a proclamation for the event, which reads:

WHEREAS, Tucson recognizes the diversity of this community and the need to support the freedoms of such diverse groups as the Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, and Transgender community; and

WHEREAS, Tucson encourages its citizens to full participation without prejudice in all aspects of our society;

WHEREAS, members of the LGBT community take the responsibility of educating the general public concerning the historical, emotional, social, political, and economic aspects of homosexuality through the staging of the annual LGBT Pride Festival; and

WHEREAS, this festival is open to the general public so that they may take the responsibility to learn about the people of the LGBT community to dispel fears and prejudices born out of stereotypes and misunderstandings; and

WHEREAS, it is recognized that it is a basic human right to live free from discrimination based on sexual orientation and it is a basic right to be "OUT in the desert".

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Bob Walkup, Mayor of the City of Tucson, Arizona, in the spirit of celebrating Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, and Transgender Pride, do hereby proclaim October 13, 2001, to be OUToberFEST 2001: OUT in the Desert Day in this community, and encourage all of our citizens to support the freedom and pride shared by all.

TLGA needs the community coming forward on this day and giving a few hours of his or her time volunteering. You'll be amazed at how easy it is to do such a very important job, and if you really like helping create a stronger community, consider becoming a full time Board member with TLGA, any one can do it, and TLGA will mentor those who would like to learn about any position in particular.

For general information about the event, TLGA, or volunteering call the OUTline at (520) 622-3200, It's a message line, so leave a clear, detailed message and the appropriate person will return your call. Volunteers can e-mail the volunteer coordinator at tlgavolunteer@aol.com. Vendor applicants can e-mail the vendor coordinator at tlga2001vendors@aol.com. Sponsors can email the sponsorship coordinator at TLGASponsor@aol.com.

T-Square Dance Classes Starting

TUCSON - T-Squares, Tucson's Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual, Transgendered square dance group, open to all, is starting its fall beginner's dance season Tuesdays, Sept. 25, Oct. 2 and/or Oct. 9, from 6:30 to 8:00 p.m., at Cornerstone Fellowship Social Hall, 2909 N. Geronimo, (one block north of Glenn, two blocks west of First Ave).

On-going dances will continue every Tuesday. Wear comfortable clothes. No partner needed. Come check it out.

For more information call Michael, (520) 884-8320 or Carol (520) 749-1617.

AHRF Event October 5

TEMPE - Join the Arizona Human Rights Fund for a GLBT Political Coffeehouse Friday, October 5, 7:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. at The Muse Coffeehouse, 1032 E Terrace, Tempe.

Learn how bills become laws and how you can influence the legislative process in Arizona. Meet people in the GLBT community who have the same concerns you do. Find out what the Arizona Human Rights Fund is all about!

For more information call (602) 650-0900.

Diane Schuur Concert Rescheduled For Oct. 20

TUCSON - The Saturday, September 15, performance of jazz vocalist Diane Schuur at the TCC Music Hall has been rescheduled for 8:00 p.m., Saturday, October 20 because of flight cancellations resulting from the tragic terrorist attacks on the twin World Trade Center towers and the Pentagon.

Joel Meister, president of Reveille Gay Men's Chorus, which is sponsoring the event, said the rescheduling was necessary because of the uncertainty over rearranging Schuur's airline accommodations in time to make the originally planned date.

Schuur, a two-time Grammy award winner and one-time Tucsonan, will perform with her jazz ensemble, Reveille Gay Men's Chorus and Tucson Jazz Society Orchestra at "Crescendo," an evening of jazz, a one-night only performance. Tickets at $25, $35 and $47.50 are available at the TCC box office or from Ticketmaster, (520) 321-1000.

Those holding tickets for the originally scheduled performance must return them to where they were purchased for refund or exchange. Special supporter "Encore" tickets at $100 each offer premiere seating and a special reception with Diane Schuur after the performance, including libations and hors d'oeuvres, plus entertainment by Tucson's top jazz musicians. For additional information, call (520) 577-5525.

LGBT Film History Project

TUCSON - A student film being produced on LGBT History in Tucson.

If you have any information, or would like to be interviewed, please call Sabin Calvert, (520) 620-6221, or e-mail at sabin1@hotmail.com.

Information is especially needed on Casa Nuestra, life in the 70's and before, Richard Heakin, bar life, South Tucson, being Trans, as well as anything else you feel.

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OUTWest 2001 Opens October 18

Film Fest Schedule:
Part One - Of Interest to Women

First off, October 18, 6:15 p.m., Opening Night, "Hellava Gayla" which takes place at the Historic Rialto Theatre, 318 E. Congress. Music will be provided by the all women band, "Betty Diamond" (Bev Seckinger, Mitzi Cowell, Rebecca Horton, Gillean Delear) and Hors d'oeuvres will be provided by Kingfisher, Barrio, Presidio Grill, Fioritos and Dakota Cafe.

The program will start at 7:15 p.m., with Animation. We witness creative genius with a full slate of International Animated shorts. Included are the further adventures of "Rick and Steve: The Happiest Gay Couple in the World", Star Trek Disco Generation, La Difference, Star Trek Generation Spice, Crash Skid Love, and Viens Mallika. After Intermission the screening of "Sporty Girls" (Drama Queen) a filmed cabaret performance of Lesbian comedian Georgia Ragsdale. Directed by Kelli Herd ("In the Water"). Georgia has performed on major standup comedy stages and show across the country. She has also been seen on Ellen, was a featured lead in the film "Never Met Picasso", and has been the recipient of back to back development deals for a Norman Lear sitcom. Hailing from Texas, Georgia's career has taken off - with her smile, humor and use of wacky body language - it no wonder. Then, live on stage, the star of the film, Ms. Ragsdale for a live performance. This nationally celebrated, high energy performer brings to life experiences both men and women can relate to. Opening Night is sponsored by Speedway Veterinary Hospital Inc. and the Rainbow Planet Coffeehouse.

The feature film "Julie Johnson" with Lili Taylor and Courtney Love, will be shown Friday, October 19 at 7:00 p.m. (box office opens at 6:00 p.m.). It will screen at the Crossroads Festival Theatre/Grand Cinemas, 4811 E. Grant Rd (Swan and Grant).

This is a Arizona Premier directed by Bob Gosse. Lili Taylor plays a Hoboken housewife who leaves her domineering husband, goes back to school - only to discover, in the tradition of "Good Will Hunting", that she is a brilliant physics genius, and that she's in love with her best friend Claire. "Taylor is riveting and Courtney Love gives the best performance of her career as Claire[".

On October 20, there is a full day of film work with special interest to women. (The Screening Room, 127 E. Congress) The 3:00 p.m. program is, GLBT Issues in Our Schools: "Youth OUT Loud". This program is sponsored by GLSEN (Gay, Lesbian, & Straight Education Network) A current and timely film which gives insight to queer youth and their educators. Dialogue by the instructors who are in the trenches dealing with the homophobia and abuse of GLBT students. The Tucson's chapter of GLSEN who will host a forum after the screening.

At 5:00 p.m., on Saturday, a very important film program: Sobrevivencia Latina/Latin Survival. There will be three

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Straight Down The Aisle: Confessions of Lesbian Bridesmaids", part of the Film Festival short film program". Mixed Bag: Family Fun. 7:00 p.m. October

website: ibts.net

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HOT SUNDAY PARTY LINE-UP SEPTEMBER 30th
11am - 6 pm - Jeff's Bloody Mary/Recovery Bar
4:30 pm - 7:30 pm - Karaoke on the patio with Billy Dee
5:30 - 8 pm - Benefit Bar-B-Que/Beerbust for Desert Voices
8:30 pm - Special Benefit Show for IBT's Arizona Angels Softball Team
starring: Ajia Simone, Deora Le Blanc, Foxxy, Stella Virgin, and Tori Steele

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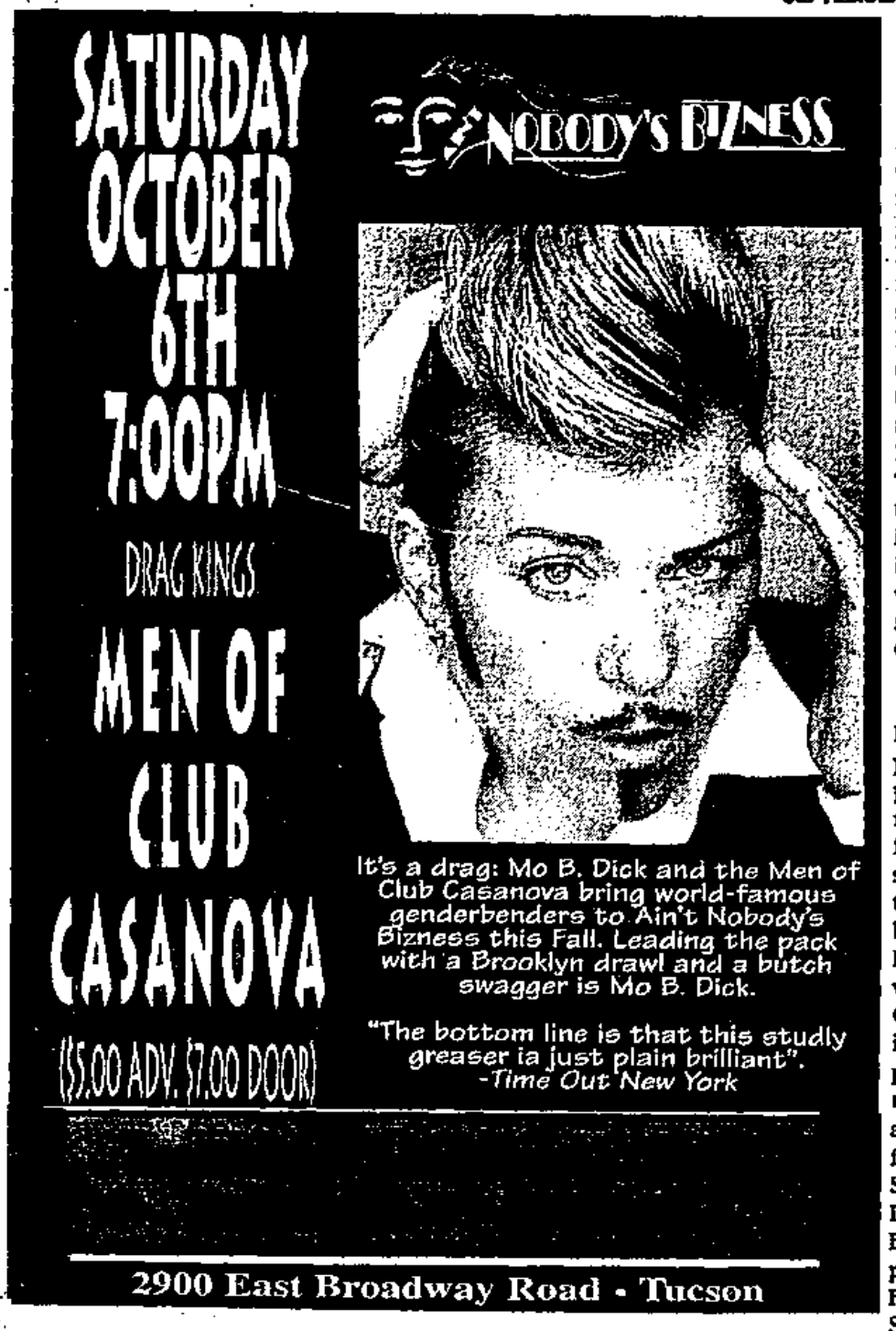

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Subtitled (Eng/Spanish) films. "De Colores", (Audience Award for Outstanding Documentary OUTFest 2001) is a ground breaking film that deals with the homophobia, guilt and machismo problems in Latin communities, reflecting the strong influences of religion and family. "Violencia Domestica" deals with the issues of domestic violence among Lesbians within the Latin community. Their stories unfold as we see the effect, and what choices they have for assistance within that community. "Gladys: A Cuban Mother", shot clandestinely in Havana, deals with a mother coming out to her son (the film maker) explaining the importance of her relationships with women in her life. This program is sponsored by Wingspan Domestic Violence Center and Salud Es Poder.

At 7:00 p.m, also at The Screening Room (127 E. Congress) will be the film program, "Mixed Bag: Family Fun." A program of short films with interest to all members of the community. Included are film works like "Crip Shots" telling the stories of physically challenged artists through various mediums, stories we don't hear enough of. Also included are: "My Life in Dance", the connection of dance with Gay culture- "Bare" Australian tale of Gay/Lesbian neighbors - "DIVA BS," a irreverent look at how Gay folk put female performers on "Diva Status" and how it relates to our lives- "Lady Godiva" dark addiction - "Wilma's Sacrifice" an escape from Eden- "Home" we all left our hearts in SF, especially with that rent- "Straight Down The Aisle: Confessions of Lesbian Bridesmaids" it tells it like it is. This program is sponsored by Lesbian Looks Film and Video Series and U/A LGBT Studies Committee.

Of Interest to women continues, Sunday, October 21, 2001 at The Screening Room, 127 E. Congress. At 3:00 p.m. the AIDS Feature: "Undetectable" Our annual tribute to the AIDSWALK by screening a film free to it's participants. This year's film "Undetectable" is an insight into the lives of 6 people, three men and three women, over a four year period, who are dealing with the effect of the "cocktail" and the quality of life it allows. Program sponsor is the Pacific AIDS Education and Training Center.

A very special film program at 5:00 p.m. " Q- Music Makers: Then and Now" which is sponsored by the Tucson Jazz Society. Two great films. "Tiny and Ruby: Hell Divin' Women" profiles the legendary jazz trumpeter Ernestine "Tiny" Davis and her life partner of over 40 years, drummer Ruby Lucas. Tiny (known as the Queen of Jazz) counterpart to Louis Armstrong, tells of the All Women Jazz Bands (International Sweethearts of Rhythm) that traveled around the country during the 40's. She recounts their musical legend and impact. Tiny also spins tales of backstage antics, dealings with segregation, the life on the road, all filled with laughter, pathos and great music. "El Rey de Rock and Roll"- Encore from the AZ International Fest. His real name is Robert Lopez. On stage, he wears an open shirt, gold chains, tight pants that flare out at the bottom - a pencil thin mustache, glossy black pompadour, and come hither eyes, He may not have the exact Elvis look, but definitely the heart. To his fans across Mexico and in Europe he is El Vez, the Mexican Elvis. Queer - El Vez also tackles many issues regarding Mexican social and political consciousness in addition to safe sex, homophobia, and racism with "more costume changes in an hour show than Diana Ross"

At 7:00 p.m., our Arizona Independent Filmmaker showcase with the Feature "An Intimate Friendship" Based on Angela Evers Hughey (Writer/Director/Producer) award winning play entitled "An Intimate Friendship" in 1994, this film was shot entirely in the Valley of the Sun. "An Intimate Friendship" follows protagonist Faygan as she comes to grips with the revelation of her best friend Danielle's involvement with a woman. Faygan's choices, as well as those of Danielle's sister Kelly, as they deal with the acceptance of Danielle, form the heart of the plot. Encounter and intimacy leads Faygan to make a decision which transforms all of their lives forever. Produced by "Filling the Gap Productions" of Phoenix, Arizona , which is a dynamic and progressive team dedicated to creating and producing independent films, satires and programs that will "fill the gap" between alternative and traditional lifestyles.

The Festival offers three types of tickets. Producer Passes ($40) allowing entry to all films screening and festivities. Opening Night ($15) allowing admittance to the October 18 Gala of comedy and fantasy. Starting October 1, both will be available at Wingspan, 300 N. 6th Street (M-F 11:00 a.m.- 7:00 p.m.) The Rainbow Planet Coffeehouse, 606 N. 4th Ave, and Antigone Books, 411 N. 4th Ave. This year tickets for the individual films and film programs ($6) can be purchased in advance. They will be available at Opening Night and at all festival venue Box Offices. Seating is limited-purchase early

Tiny and Ruby

"Tiny and Ruby: Hell Divin' Women", part of the "Q-Music Makers: Then and Now" Sunday, October 21, 5:00 p.m. OUTWest 2001 Film Festival.. See accompanying story.

"Around the world, innocent men and women live in fear of persecution at the hands of their governments on the basis of their real or perceived sexual identity." "In Afghanistan, men convicted of sodomy are buried alive. In Pakistan, homosexuals are flogged. In Iran, Gay men are summarily executed..... We cannot stand idly by as foreign governments condone or commit such acts of state-sanctioned persecution." - Amnesty International USA

LETTERS

AN OPEN LETTER TO A GENEROUS COMMUNITY:

During the past few weeks, we have witnessed heroes stepping forward in a time of crisis. The tragedy that struck our nation has brought forth a new sense of commitment and compassion, and I have been awed by the hordes of people coming forth to volunteer their services in support of our nation, and our people.

I have been reminded—again—just how wonderful people are. And how tough times bring out the best in people. I should know this already, because I work in the world of HIV/AIDS, a tragedy that has existed for two decades now, and I have seen brave and compassionate people step forward to help out with everything from caring for friends with AIDS to lobbying legislators for funding. And last week, I witnessed again people coming together for the cause—this time raising money for services for people living with HIV and AIDS.

A group of community leaders in Tucson gathered the troops and, in the tradition of Bob Hope and the USO shows, put on a great benefit show for TIHAN, providing some much-needed comic relief and entertainment to distract us and lift our spirits during that difficult week. And what a show it was!

So, on behalf of all of us at TIHAN, I want to convey our thanks to these fine folks who produced such a great show, and turned our tears to laughter. And I should not fail to mention that they raised more than $13,300 for programs and services provided by TIHAN!

Hundreds of us came out to the InnSuites Hotel for the Fifth Annual Turnabout benefit show for TIHAN as staff from Tucson's LGBT bars joined together to put on a benefit show produced by Tim Barth, Marc Brunelle, and Scott Seitzberg, and directed by Paragon Productions.

The evening was dedicated to the memory of our beloved friend Chuck Brady, and it was a fitting tribute! Outrageous costumes, fabulous food, spectacular performances, stunning stage and effects, and hilarious creations of every sort in the universe.

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: Congratulations! You continue to amaze me with your ability to pull together such a great team of volunteers, and build this event into something even bigger every year! I hope you can rest now, knowing that you did very well.

Second, to the Directors, Emcees, and Stage Manager--Paragon Productions, Kenneth Blake, Rodney Shanks, and David Zinke: Fantastic job! Each of you in your key roles contributed tremendously to the overall success of this event, and I hope that you are hearing as many compliments as I have heard about your work on Turnabout.

Third, to 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. IBT's, Venture-N, Woody's, and The Yard Dog: thank you for supporting us and really giving back so generously to the community that supports you. (Note to Ain't Nobody's Biz: We missed you this year, and hope for your return involvement next year!)

Fourth , the inter-galactic cast of stars who treated us to performances we will never forget: Hostess Ardalia of Draconia (Mr. Kenneth Blake), Host Johnny Sprocket (Rodney Shanks), Gracie Ray, Ambassador to Pluto (Ray Gregg) along with the Wizard of Astro and The Plutonians (Bob, Merlin, Mark, Bart, and Andrew), The Aberration from the Planet Folicle (Dave Huff and Frank Schepis), Marci Moon...Beam (Marc Brunelle) and Alien (Mark), Vanna (Tim Barth), Star Gazer (Rick Corley), Miss T. Comfort, the Last Queen from Earth (Tom Novakowski), Fobia de Arachnia (Scott Seitzberg), Huker Royale (Rueben Moreno), Cylena, Top Entertainer from the Planet Visena (David Z.), and Eva Destruction (Jimmy Owens). Your creativity in costume and musical selection
was fabulous, and each one of you added a whole new dimension to the overall show. You were amazing, as proven by the audience's roar of applause and generous tipping! Without your willingness to go in drag, and to coax the money from your friends and customers, this show would never have succeeded. Thank you!

Fifth, I want to thank the acclaimed Kenny Kerr of "Boy-Lesque" fame, who traveled all the way from Las Vegas on short notice to star in and support this benefit show. Kenny, your performances were stunning, and I thank you for sharing your musical talents with us.

Sixth, to the incredible support team of volunteers, helping with every minute detail from makeup to lighting to food to ushering to raffle to money to security and more! Jimmy, David, MaryAnn, Mike Pollack and Friends in the Alien Band, Jon, Dale, James, Stan, Charles, Natalie, John, Rueben, Cherwee, Jimmy, Jason, Mike R, Daniel, Larry, David, Peter, Lloyd, Terry, Jef, Irene, Jim V, Aviva Diamond, Penny Peters, Rayanman, Billy, Lois, Cynthia, Deora LeBlanc, Knute, Diane, Michael, Kristin, Allison, Robert, Cadie, Steve, Craig, and Myron: Your

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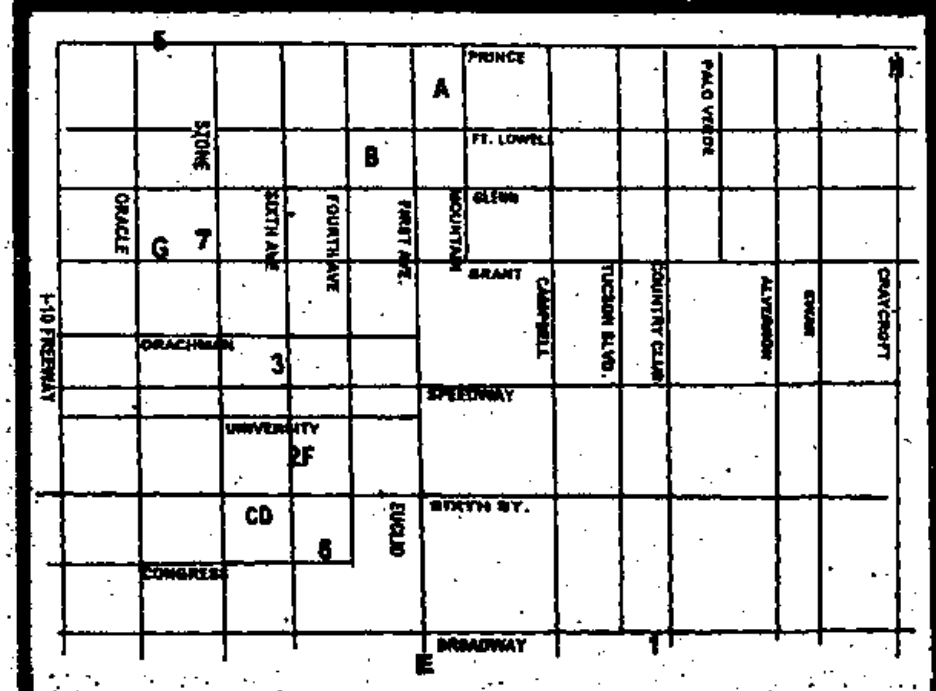

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POLITICS 2001

by Mark R. Kerr

Hate Crimes

Following meetings with community, religious, minority leaders and law enforcement officials in Arizona, Attorney General Janet Napolitano, during a Tucson press conference, Friday, September 21, urged citizens who may be targets, (race, creed, color, national origin and sexual orientation), of hate crimes, including cross-burning, physical assaults and property destruction and epithets, to call the state hotline and report them by calling (877) 491-5740 in Tucson, (877) 491-5742 in the Phoenix area.

Hate speech itself isn't a crime. Napolitano said someone whose language is becoming increasingly vituperative ma be prone to act out and such reports could allow the office to monitor the events, and help determine which areas of a town may need heavier patrols, and law enforcement officials may even be called out to deal with the individual, within the bounds of the law.

Law enforcement officials, (state, county and local), stated they would do whatever it can to protect communities that may be harassed or threatened. This is in lieu of the September 11 terrorist attacks on the World Trade Center towers in New York City, the Pentagon in Washington D.C., and the plane crash in Western Pennsylvania.

Napolitano met with community, religious, minority leaders and law enforcement officials in Tucson on Friday, September 21 and Wednesday, September 19 in Phoenix, to discuss their concerns and issues about criminal activity that may be directed at people, especially those of Middle Eastern descent during this time after the September 11 attacks. There have been several such hate crimes incidents in Arizona, and one case in Maricopa County has officials prosecuting a Mesa man who allegedly shot and killed a Sikh man because of the color of his skin.

As a result of these meetings, the Attorney General's office has reinstituted a Law Enforcement Hate Crimes Task Force, and created a Community Rapid Response Team, and a list-serve E-mail tree that will help get information out to affected communities.

During the press conference, Deputy County Attorney, Mary Judge Ryan, said the Pima County prosecutor's office wants to take a hard line on hate crimes, but nothing can be done if the crimes aren't reported.

"We must not allow hate to consume us," Napolitano said at the press conference. "America must stand united to fight crime directed at people because of the clothes they wear, the color of their skin, their sexual orientation, or the religion they choose to practice."

Hate crimes, under Arizona statute, may include threatening phone calls; defacing or destroying personal property or buildings; hate mail, bomb threats, assault; arson; vandalism; cross-burning or destruction of religion symbols.

Under Arizona law, a hate crime is not an offense, but if it is determined that a particular crime was motivated by bias, against a religion, race, nationality or the person's sexual orientation, a judge must impose the harshest sentence for that crime.

As the Tucson Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual and Transgender community learned in June of this year with the conviction of a Tucson Fire Fighter, for assaulting a Gay man, Arizona's hate crime's law, which has been on the books since 1997, covers only felony cases but that may change when the Arizona Legislature reconvenes for its regular session in January 2002.

When asked by this reporter about the current law, Napolitano said that her office will be drafting legislation to expand the current statute to cover misdemeanor offenses.

'Maginot Deja Vu'

[Author's note: This piece was written before the recent disasters in New York and Washington.]

The debate over the strategic missile defense, also known as Star Wars, the idea that we might be able to shoot down a small number of missiles from a rogue state, has focused primarily on whether it could work, whether we could actually hit the missiles, and how much it would cost. Those issues have proved to be so absorbing that the ultimate issue, that of whether that ability would do any good, has been largely ignored.

What would happen to the argument if we assumed that it would work and that we could afford it? What, for example, would happen in Iraq? Imagine the Defense Minister of that country running into the office of Saddam Hussein and saying, "Boss, the United States has just deployed a missile defense shield that's 100% effective. There is no way that we can lob a missile into the U.S.!"

Hussein would undoubtedly ask, "Have we still got our undercover guys in Canada?"

"Yes, sir."

"Have they still got their vans with the heavy-duty suspension systems?"

"Yes, sir."

"Then what's the problem?"

"No problem, sir. Just thought you'd want to know."

"Get out of here."

"Yes, sir."

The United States of America happens to have thousands of miles of virtually unguarded borders and thousands of miles of virtually unguarded coasts. Building an air defense without a sea and land defense is like having one door of a three-door house locked against burglars and the other two propped open. Could you do that at your house? Sure. Would you do that at your house?

The most popular answer to this argument is that you have to work on all three threats, bombs by land, sea and air. We can't manage to keep tons of drugs from coming over our borders but we're going to suddenly by able to interdict a bomb the size of a suitcase? Right.

And the last gasp position of the Star Wars folks, after you've demonstrated the utter futility of their argument, is, "Well, we've got to do something!" True enough, but we don't have to do the very stupidest thing we can think of.

We can do intelligence gathering and devise operations to hamper proliferation. We can create political and diplomatic disincentives to discourage proliferation. We can create incentives as well: At the projected cost of the missile shield, we could promise to send every man, woman and child in North Korea to Disneyland for a week in exchange for their promise not to make nuclear bombs.

But let's face it; people like hardware. They feel reassured by hardware. Take the infamous Maginot Line. You could go right up to it and give it a kick. You knew you were getting something solid for your money.

And people tend to respond to what they can see. If Hussein has agents in Canada who own vans with heavy-duty suspension systems, we can't see them. For all we know it's never occurred to him to put agents in Canada and equip them with such vans. But we can see that he's trying to build long-range missiles. Now, overlooking the obvious disadvantages that arise from the fact that we're going to know where a missile came from and we might feel inclined to retaliate, and overlooking the fact that there'd be no way in hell to know where the van came from once it leveled New york city, why is Hussein trying to build long-range missiles if he doesn't intend to use them?

Might economics be a consideration? If he can build an offensive weapon for x amount of dollars that forces us to build a defensive system that costs 100,000 times x, hasn't he at the very least pulled off a pretty cute trick, whether he intends to fire the missile or not?

When we consider that some very bright people are in favor of Star Wars, we're forced to acknowledge that there are more ways than one to measure the success of a defense system. For some interests it may be a success if the system deters aggression. For some success may be knocking down 80% of incoming missiles. And for some, whether it deters anything or knocks anything down, it's a 100% success as soon as the government checks clear and the money is safely in their corporate coffers.

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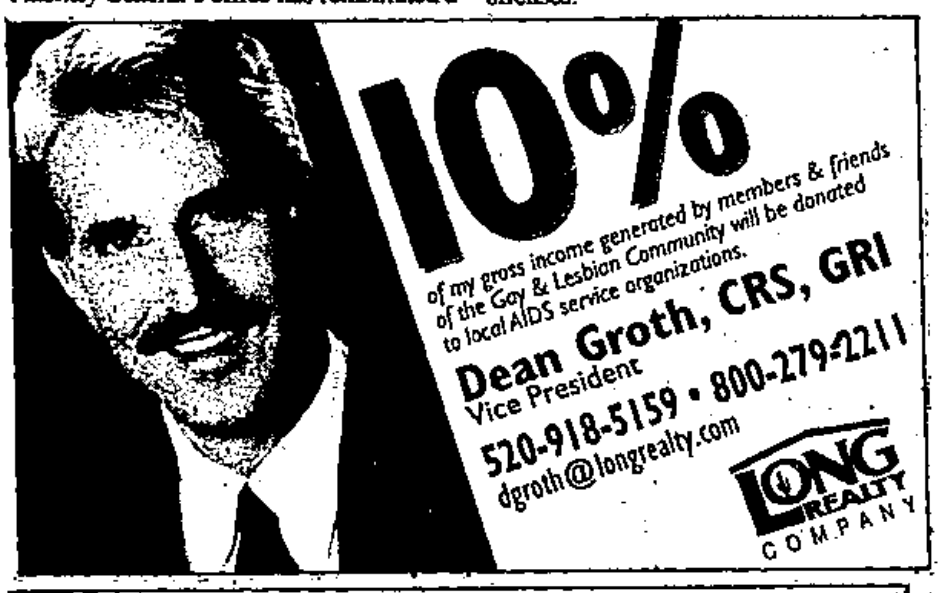

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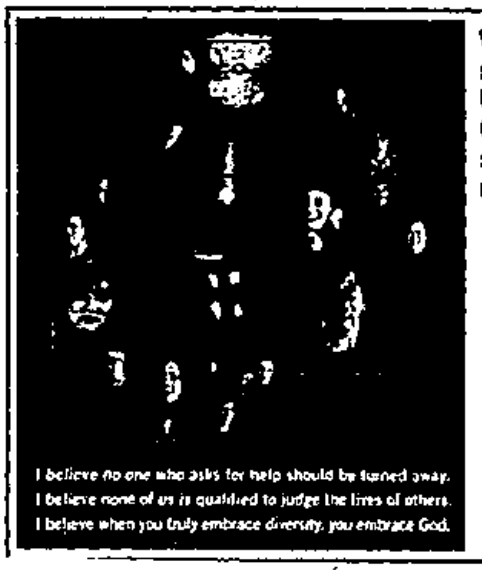

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War Concerns

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tion," said Scott Long, IGLHRC's program director. "If this happens, the U.S. government will have not only abandoned the Cairo-52 to an unfair and lengthy prison stay, but it will also betray the very values it has sworn to defend."

"Many news agencies are focusing most of their attention on the dreadful Sept. 11 attack and its after-effects, leaving little room for anything else," stated Sydney Levy, IGLHRC's communications director. "The Egyptian government is using this moment to seal the fate of the Cairo-52, knowing that its actions will go unchallenged by the world's public opinion."

The 52 Egyptian men were arrested in May at a Cairo discotheque believed to be a gathering place for homosexuals. They were charged with "obscene behavior" and "contempt of religion." International human rights organizations have expressed concern that the men were arrested solely because of their homosexuality, that some of them have been submitted to beatings and other forms of torture while in detention, and that their case is being tried in an Emergency State Security Court whose rulings cannot be appealed.

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The magnificent Sun boldly steps out of conservative Virgo into libertine Libra this week heralding in a thirty day period of grace, glory and panache. Should you or shouldn't you? Oh what the heck, go, go, go for it, comrade. And the sooner the better!

ARIES
MARCH 21 - APRIL 20

A light has been switched on in any relationship matters. Thank the Sun in charming Libra for the opportunity to set things queer with partners. Proud Rams shouldn't feel as if they have to put on an act. Be yourself cousin, ratty wool coat and all, and everything will fit into place. However, if that places happens to be Gary Condit's bedroom, I'd reevaluate the situation.

TAURUS
APRIL 21 - MAY 21

There is more than enough action on the job now that you won't be bored. Gay Bulls are advised to make hay while the Sun shines in helpful Libra. Any onerous, detailed task goes decidedly well and that even goes for new exercise and diet regimes. It's obviously no time to be lazy so stop smelling the flowers and get those sizzling gams into action. Do I smell BBQ?

GEMINI
MAY 22 - JUNE 21

Queer Twins are energized by Sun in sociable Libra so get Out there and show 'em why Geminis are the most charming folks in the zodiac. You feel more expressive so dip into your creative well to see what surges forward. (Chances are you may gush with aptitude.) Thinking of writing the quintessential Gay breakthrough novel? Start pecking at the keyboard... or something.

CANCER
JUNE 22 - JULY 23

Sun in diplomatic Libra throws a warming spotlight on home, hearth and family issues. Tackle the tough stuff now when the planets are on your side. Pink Crabs bask in the shine and can effectively tie up a few loose ends with family members. If the ends are frayed and untieable, go on undeterred. Compromise ain't in the stars cousin and you have to live your proud life.

LEO
JULY 24 - AUGUST 23

Do I hear an affirming roar? It must be proud Leo when the Sun enters diplomatic Libra. Manifest a Gay manifesto and start a revolution. Take it to the streets or gather a few kindred souls together for a delightful chatfest. Whatever you decide to do, don't lose the energy once the Sun moves on. Plan a course of action that will take us through the rest of the year in style.

VIRGO
AUGUST 24 - SEPTEMBER 23

Conservative to the point of pernicious pink Virgins should muster their monetary moxie during the Libra Sun. Financial issues can be handled more effectively and the ability to make profitable decisions is sharper. Perhaps it's just a matter of seeking the right advisor or asking the right questions. Whatever the heck it is, do it now while the planetary energy is profitable.

LIBRA
SEPTEMBER 24 - OCTOBER 23

Beat the birthday drum this month bubbele. Gather up your rosebuds while the Sun is in your own sign and get Out there and strut your stuff. Start new fires, begin new projects, plant seeds of ideas and meet new folks. It's that time of year to make an excellent first impression and become the center of the universe. Let the lesser planets orbit around you for a change.

SCORPIO
OCTOBER 24 - NOVEMBER 22

Forgive the fates if they have been handing you a bad vibe or two. Sun in Libra now casts a warm light on any intuitive or self sacrificing endeavor. That doesn't mean that you immediately levitate to a higher personal plane, but it does mean that good Gay deeds now reap good Gay karma. And we can always use a bit of good Gay karma, can't we?

SAGITTARIUS
NOVEMBER 23 - DECEMBER 22

Queer Archers don't have to play alone when the Sun enters amiable Libra. Friends come Out in force so crank up the music and rock and roll. If you have a hankering to become social director, assume the position now. There's a superb opportunity to make amends for all the gaffs you made last week. Become a diplomat. Who said the planets don't have a sense of humor?

CAPRICORN
DECEMBER 23 - JANUARY 20

Sun in charming Libra makes even the most underachieving Gay Goat sit up and take notice. Give your career the attention it needs and deserves now when it seems like you can say and do nothing wrong. Score a few points now in preparation for your grand ascent to the first class cabin, but please remember to think kindly of those of us still riding in steerage.

AQUARIUS
JANUARY 21 - FEBRUARY 19

Aqueerians are tempted to take a flight of fancy or maybe just a plain old plane flight when the aspiring Sun enters lofty Libra. Expand your horizons through travel, a fabulous course of study or with some wildly exotic strangers. Whatever you decide to do, be sure that it brings you greater clarity of thought and purpose. Don't waste this enlightening opportunity on dreck.

PISCES
FEBRUARY 20 - MARCH 20

Whoever turned up the heat on the sexual stewpot must have been inspired by the hot Sun in flirtatious Libra. What self respecting Guppie can resist the lure? Personal psychological enlightenment is also possible with this planetary placement so if your sex life is over cooked, all is not lost. Whatever (or whoever) comes, make it worthwhile and affirming.

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Dear Dr. X:

I consider myself to be attractive but I have had a hard time getting laid. It seems to me like when I meet a cute guy and we seem to connect; it takes everything I have to get him out of the bar before closing. Why do guys do this? It makes me feel like they're waiting for someone better.

Sincerely,
TJ

Dear TJ:

I hate it when that happens but I think you hit the nail on the head. Some guys will stall you waiting for someone better to come along.

This is so unhealthy for everyone involved. I don't know why we do it. Part of it is the gamble of sticking with what we have and feeling like we missed our Mr. Right who magically came through the door the very minute we left. Again communication is important. If you let the person know you want to make love to them and it's not about wedding bells they may change their tune. They can fool around with you and then look for their "Be All End All" another night.

The other piece could be about a look of desperation. Maybe you should recoil and hang back from trying to make a kill. Some times being aloof is the best aphrodisiac. Yet another aspect is our ability to leave the bar before it closes. Try watching for those guys that leave earlier. They are the ones you may wish to pursue since they are secure enough to trust that they are not missing a thing by leaving early.

Dear Dr. X:

I've had it with nellie queens. Every time I go to the bar I see these little straw sipping queens flitting about acting like girls and it makes me sick to my stomach. Why can't men act like men, even if they are Gay?

Signed,
Tough Guy

Dear Tough Guy:

First off what definition of "men acting like men" are you using? There is definitely more than one version. Second, I am glad to see you are so opened minded. I do not know the exact anthropological term for men acting "Nellie" but I am sure it is a natural affectation of behavior for men transitioning into their identity as Gay and exploring their feminine side.

Men and women have both a feminine and masculine side and some of us do like to explore both of those sides. I'm sorry if this offends you but it is a very real part of Gay life, along with drag queens, leather men, bears, club kids, Transgender people and your average Joe. I am unclear what this triggers in you but I would guess it might be that old nemesis "internalized homophobia."

Try wearing lipstick around the house or wearing women's underwear in public under your jeans. Maybe you could put on a cocktail dress and swish around your living room. When you see how good it feels and that we can all have fun with ourselves without being pigeon holed into gender rolls and identities you might find a new ability to cope with these things. Nellie queens may look fem but they can be real bad asses underneath. In some other cultures men are softer and more fem then American men: allow for that. One more thing, nellie queens may think your butch attitude is just as silly.

[Have a question for Dr. X? Contact him at GMHPoutreach@SAAF.Org or www.gmhp.org or SAAF, 375 S. Euclid, Tucson, AZ 85719, Attn: Dr. X.]

Gay U.S. Ambassador

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Taking a break from the terrorist crisis, Secretary Powell presided over the ceremony and publicly acknowledged Guest's partner of six years, Alex Nevarez, who will accompany Guest to the ambassador's residence in Bucharest.

David Smith of the Human Rights Campaign, called Powell's acknowledgment of Nevarez, a "small gesture that spoke volumes."

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Non-Bar Calendar

Groups / Clubs / Organizations

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 28

Men's Social Network (open to men of all ages; newcomers welcomed): 7:00 p.m. Chris hosts Penny Ante Poker Night. Come play the game and have some fun with the guys of MSN. For reservations and directions, please call Chris at 327-7030.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 13

OUTcberFEST 2001 takes place from 10:00 a.m. until 8:00 .m. at Reid Park in Tucson sponsored by the Tucson Lesbian-Gay Alliance (TLGA). Mark this date and watch for more information as the date gets closer. Attended by thousands and thousands. Be There!

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 18

Opening night for OUTwest, the 7th annual Lesbian and Gay Film Festival presented by Wingspan. "A Hellava Gayla" will be held at the historic Rialto Theater, 301 Congress St. The Box Office will open at 6:00 p.m. and he doors open at 6:15. The musical stylings of the all-women band "Betty Diamond" will again grace the evenings's celebration. There will be a cash bar and hors d'oeuvres will be provided courtesy of Kingfisher, Barrio, Presidio Grill, Fioritos and Dakota Cafe.. The schedule of films will start at 7:00 p.m. And will be in two acts. Act one is full of laughter and creative genius with a full slate of international animations. Act Two starting at approximately 8:30 will be he feature film, "Sporty Girls" a fast paced cabaret performance by comedian Georgia Ragsdale. For more information call Wingspan, 624-1779.

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 19

Tucson's Lesbian and Gay Film Festival, sponsored by Wingspan - OUTWest 2001, will be the Arizona premiere of the feature "Julie Johnson:, (USA2000). 7:00 p.m. The brilliant Lili Taylor (I Shot Andy Warhol, The Addiction, Gaudi Afternoon) and the unforgettable Courtney Love (People vs. Larry Flint) team up to give the best performances of their careers in this Lesbian theme picture.. Crossroads Festival Theater (aka Grand Cinemas), 4811 E. Grant road (Grant and Swan roads) will be the new Host. Films for the festival will be screened in Theatre One of the six theatre complex, with a seating capacity of 244. At 9:30 will be the Southern Arizona premiere of "Big Eden", the story of a successful New York artist who has to return home to his rural Montana roots. Once home he finds he must come to terms with an old unrequited love, and spurs of a new interest by an unassuming Native American. For more information call Wingspen, 624-1779.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 20

Join Desert voices chorus and New York cabaret artist Delan McBryde for a festive evening of song, dance and shopping. Recently selected as OUT Magazine musician of the year, McBryde gained much of his musical presence through Sons and Lovers, a five-man a capella group from New York who sang inclusive music Flirtations-style. Delan's repertoire consists mainly of pop standards from "Make Your Own Kind of Music" to"My heart Belongs To Daddy". Desert Voices will perform their part of the show with upbeat and Prideful selections of familiar tunes form the 60s and 70s. PLUS there will be the Voices 4th Annual Silent Auction, a major fundraising event for Desert Voices. It all takes place at Nations Hall, 517 N. 5th Avenue (corner of East 6th Street and North Fifth.) 6:30 p.m. Silent Auction and 8:00 p.m. Concert time.

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BAR CALENDAR

OF UPCOMING EVENTS

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 26

IBT'S -9:00 p.m. "The Girlie Show" hosted by Lucinda Holliday and starring Phaedra, Angela Dodd and Samantha White.

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 30

IBT'S - Party line-up includes Jeff's Bloody Mary Recovery Bar from 11:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Karaoke with Billy Dee on the patio from 4:30 to 7:30 p.m., Benefit Bar-B-Que / Beer Bust from 5:30 to 8:00 p.m. This weeks proceeds go to Desert Voices. Then at 8:30 p.m. a special fund raising show for the Arizona Angeles Softball Team starring Ajia Simone, Deora Le Blanc, Foxxy, Stella Virgin and Tori Steele.

WOODY'S - Special Beer Bust and Bar-B-Que as a fundraiser for the Arizona Ace's softball team from 5:00 to 9:00 p.m. plus pick up volleyball with the hot guys from the Ace's!

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 3

IBT'S - 9:00 p.m. it's the "Girlie Show" hosted by Lucinda Holliday and starring Janee Starr, Samantha White and Ivanna Bump.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 6

AINT NOBODY'S BIZ- Drag Kings! 'Men' of Club Casanova in New York come to town for an evening of fun. It's a drag: Mo B. Dick and the "Men of Casanova" bring world-famous genderbenders to the stage here. Leading the pack with a Brooklyn drawl and a butch swagger is Mo B. Dick. Time Out Magazine in New York says, "The bottom line is that this studly grease is just plain brilliant". You won't want to miss these drag kings. Cover $5.00 in advance or $7.00 at the door and worth every penny! Get here early!

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 31

IBT'S -The annual Halloween Black and White Ball. Don't miss this great event. Mark your calendars and find a costume! More details later.

SPORTS

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Bernadette's Peter	12.0	2.0
Mamas Boys	12.0	2.0
Gay Divorcees	9.0	5.0
Free Your Balls	9.0	5.0
Sleaze Bearz	8.0	6.0
2 PP's & A HooHoo	7.0	7.0
Playa's Play	7.0	7.0
One Is-Two Ain't	7.0	7.0
Gutter Snipes	5.0	9.0
Team Seven	5.0	9.0
Hardwhere?	5.0	9.0
Big Ballers	4.0	10.0
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Team Eight	4.0	10.0

SEASON ACHIEVEMENTS

High Average: Jeff T., 230; Heather H., 171; Bernadette's Peter, 550.

High Series Scratch: Jeff T., 702; Heather H., 536; Bernadette's Peter, 1678.

High Game Scratch: Heather H., 195; Jeff T., 279; Bernadette's Peter, 605.

High Series Handicap: Heather H., 689; Dave F., 799; 2 PP's & A HooHoo, 2102.

High Game Handicap: 2 PP's & A HooHoo, 739; Julie T./Heather H., 246; Jeff T., 279.

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Daily Bar Calendar

NOTE: Bar owners or managers are responsible for keeping this standard listing up to date. Check with the bartender to be sure the specials listed are actually available.

Sunday

AINT NOBODY'S BIZ - Beer Bust 5-10, $1.25 pitchers. Latin Music with DJ Hill 9-1. Shot specials all night.

IBT's - 9am-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 3pm. Daily special til 7pm. Patio Beer bust 3-7. Burger Bar-B-Que 5-7. (Donation only).

WOODY'S - Open Noon. Dart tournament 3pm. Happy Hour 3-7pm. Patio Bar open 5-close. Pick-up Volleyball games 5-7. $2.50 sirloin burger or chicken 5-9pm. Karaoke with Billy Dee 9pm to close.

YARD DOG - Open Sundays 10am - 1am. Bloody marys or Screwdrivers $1.75 from 10am - 1pm. 50¢ off any Rum 1pm-7pm. Kennel open daily at 5pm.

Monday

AINT NOBODY'S BIZ - Happy Hour Two-For-One 2-7. $1.50 Wells 8-midnight, 25¢ cups of draft 8 to closing.

IBT's - 9am-4pm, $2.00 domestic beer and well. Happy Hour $1.75 well and domestic beer 4-7pm. 7-9pm $1.50 well and domestic. 9pm to close, 'Undie Mundie' Hapy Hour prices forthose in their undies. Plus, small pitchers Bud/Bud Light $1.50. DJ Raynman plays house music 9pm to close. All drink specials not available during special events.

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

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.

YARD DOG - Open daily 6am. 50¢ off any Scotch until 7pm Kennel open daily at 5pm.

Tuesday

AINT NOBODYS BIZNESS - Happy Hour Two-For-One 2-7pm. Pool tourney 7:30pm. $3 entry, pot matched. $1.50 longnecks for pool players. $2 Pitchers all nite. Country music with DVJ S. 8:30 to closing.

IBT's - 9am-4pm, $2.00 domestic beer & well. Happy Hour$1.75 well & domestic beer 4-9pm. Tee's & Tattoo Nite, wear an IBT's T-shirt or IBT tattoo 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. Daily specials til 7pm.

WOODY'S - Open Noon. Happy Hour 3-7pm. 7pm Dart Tournament with Doc. Pot matched. Trivia Party 8pm-close. Top score on NTN per game wins special prizes. Skyy's the limit $2.25.

YARD DOG - Open daily 6am.50¢ off any Tequila until 7pm Kennel open daily at 5pm.

Wednesday

AINT NOBODY'S BIZNESS - Happy Hour 2-4-1 from 2-7. Dance Music with DVJ S. 9pm-close. $2 Long Island and $1 Puckers all night.

IBT's - 9am to 4pm, $2.00 domestic beer & well. Happy Hour$1.75 well & domestic beer 4-7pm. $1.50 well & domestic 4-9pm All drink specials not available during special events.

VENTURE-N - Open 6am. Patio opens at 5pm. Daily specials til 7pm.

WOODY'S - Open Noon. Happy Hour 3-7pm. Shirtless Volleyball games start 7pm. $1.50 well drinnks for shirtless players and spectators. Patio bar open 7pm-Midnight..

YARD DOG - Open daily 6am.50¢ off any Vodka until 7pm Kennel open daily at 5pm.

Thursday

AINT NOBODYS BIZNESS -Karaoke w/Stephanie 9-close. $2 Kamikazees and $1 Hot Sex..

IBT's - 9am-4pm $2.00 domestic beer and well. Happy Hour$1.75 Well & domestic 4-9. $1.50 well and domestic 7-9pm. Hi energy dancing 9-close. All drink specials not available during special events.

VENTURE-N - Open 6am. Patio open 5pm. Dail special til 7pm. Pool Tournament 7pm. 3 entry. (Special prices for players).

WOODY'S - Open Noon. Happy Hour 3-7pm. Trivia Thursday 8pm-close plus 50¢ off all Big Ass drinks. . Top score on NTN per game wins special prizes. Volleyball Court is Open. See bartender. Patio Bar Open 7pm to midnight..

YARD DOG - Open daily 6am.50¢ off any Bourbon til 7pm Kennel open daily at 5pm.

Friday

AINT NOBODYS 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 - 9am-4pm $2.00 domestic beer and well. $1.75 well & domestic beer 4-9. Live Jazz on the patio with the Susan & Tracey 6-9pm. Patio Bar 5-1pm. Dance Party 9 to 1. All drink specials not available during special events.

VENTURE-N - Open 6am. Patio open 5pm. Daily special til 7pm. Happy Hour Buffet 5-7pm.

WOODY'S - Open Noon. Happy Hour 3-7pm. Martini Party - Well Martini's $2.00 all day. Call Martinis $3 from 4pm to close. Volleyball Court is Open. Patio Bar Open 7pm - midnight.

YARD DOG - Open daily 6am.50¢ off any Gin until 7pm. Kennel open daily at 5pm.

Saturday

AINT NOBODY'S BIZNESS - Open at 2pm. Pool Tournament 6:30pm $3 entry. Pot matched. $2 pitchers for pool players. Dance music w/DJ Hill 9-close. Drink specials every 1/2 hour.

IBT's - 9am-4pm $2.00 domestic beer and well. Happy Hour $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. Daily special til 7pm. Patio Beer Bust 3-7pm.

WOODY'S - Open Noon. Happy Hour 3-7pm. Pool Tourney 2pm. Patio Bar & Volleyball Court open 5:30 - close. Steak Fry 5-9pm Filet Mignon, vegetables, salad, potato & roll $4.50.

YARD DOG - Open daily 6am. Beer Bust 3-7pm. 75¢ glass, $2.25 pitcher. 50¢ off any Rum 1pm to 7pm. Kennel open 5pm

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NOTICES

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

LESBIAN/GAY/BI-SEXUAL OVEREATERS ANONYMOUS. Saturdays 1 to 2pm new location Wingspan, 300 E. 6th St. Contacts 325-6676 or 327-4293.

ANONYMOUS HIV COUNSELING AND TESTING is available through the Pima County Health Department at sites throughout Tucson. Very Gay Friendly. For more information or to make an appointment call 791-7676.

GRACE GROUP - CATHOLIC GAY/LESBIAN SUPPORT GROUP meets every 2nd and 4th 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 Ernie Sleight 721-2003.

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 Jennifer at 792-4607, Ext.398

AZdykes is a new email list for Lesbians living in Arizona. For information mail lyan@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).

SOUTHERN ARIZONA GENDER ALLIANCE (SAGA). Meetings on the 1st Monday, 7pm. Desert Girlz (MTF) Meets 2nd Monday at 7pm. Desert 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.

DESERT DOMINION TUCSON'S 100% CONSENSUAL, Pan-Fetish, Pan-Sexual, Informational, Educational. Safe Space for the B&D, S&M, D&S and TV community. For more info call (520)792-6424 or http://www.desertdominion.org

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 Mirta 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 293-8624.

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 617-3100 for more info.

TGNetArizona: The central source for news and information for, by and about the TS, TG, and Gender-variant communities of Arizona. Website URL: http://www.tgnetarizona.org - e-mail address: algoodrum@uswest.net or:

SENIORRAP, a discussion group for older LGBTs, meets from 7 to 9 pm on the last Sunday of every month at Wingspan, 300 E. 6th St.

NOTICES

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

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

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

P.F.L.A.G. - Parents and Friends of Lesbians and Gays - is a support group available to anyone who has a son, daughter or friend who is Gay. Call 575-8660 or write P.O. Box 36264; Tucson, AZ 85740-6264. All replies confidential.

TUCSON GLBT AL-ANON GROUP meets Wednesdays at 7:00 p.m. at Wingspan, 300 E. 6th Street. Call 624-1779 for more information.

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.

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 299-6547.

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 861-4582 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 615-8436 for more info.

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

LEARN TO BE A LISTENING FRIEND Unique Hospital Volunteer Program teaches listening skills to Volunteers who provide a safe/compassionate environment to at-risk patients. Training every 8 weeks. 694-7063.

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 868-5541

LESBIAN AND GAY AL-ANON - Affected by someone's drinking? Meeting every Tuesday 6:45 to 8:45 p.m. at Lambda Center, 2940 E. Thomas, Phoenix. Ellie 561-8850 or Ronn 968-2364.

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.

NOTICES

TUCSON GREATER SOFTBALL ASSOCIATION
http://www.tgsasoftball.org

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. Philips 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 791-9682.

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

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

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

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.

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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. For more information call the church at 299-9063 and ask for a contact person.

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