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Historic Marker

PHILADELPHIA - A group of Gay activists, who participated in the earliest public demonstrations demanding Gay equality were a part of history again July 1 when the state officially recognized the site of their annual marches, reported the Philadelphia Gay News (PGN).

Pennsylvania made history as the first state in the nation to recognize a Gay event with a historic marker.

The marker, placed at Sixth and Chestnut streets near Independence Hall, reads:

Gay Rights Demonstrations, July 4, 1965 - 1969.

Annual public demonstrations for Gay and Lesbian equality were held at Independence Hall. These peaceful protests and New York's Stonewall riots in 1969 & Pride Parade in 1970, transformed a small national campaign into a civil rights movement.

Pioneering Gay-rights activists, including Frank Kameny of Washington, D.C., and longtime partners Barbara Gittings and Kay Tobin Lahusen of Wilmington, Del., posed for photographs beside the blue-and-gold state historic marker that recognizes the site of the annual reminder marches, held on July 4 from 1965 to 1969.

Other march participants who attended the unveiling were Randy Wicker of New York City, William Kelley of Chicago and Ada Bello of Philadelphia.

These activists staged the marches for five consecutive years on Independence Day to remind the public Gays and Lesbians were not being granted all the liberties guaranteed to U.S. citizens under the constitution.

The Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission approved the marker in March, and unveiled it three days shy of the 40th anniversary of the first annual reminder picket.

In doing so, the state government acknowledged that Gay-rights activists who stood up against societal norms and bureaucratic policies have a place in state and national history.

They came out when it was dangerous to be openly Gay - risking their careers, their relationships and their place in society, because they believed it was not sick, perverse or immoral to be Gay.

Kameny noted during the ceremony that life has changed drastically for Gays and Lesbians in the past 40 years as a result of the civil rights movement that he and other early activists pioneered.

In 1965, when he and the late Gay activist Jack Nichols planned the first Gay protest at the White House, they didn't want any publicity because they feared the bureaucrats "would find some regulation or rule to invoke to thwart us," he said.

"Well, things have moved a very, very great deal, and here we are today with the mayor of the city of Philadelphia here, and the governor speaking to us, and happily we have moved from being, over the last 40 years ... we have moved from being crackpots, to being historical personages," Kameny said.

PGN Publisher Mark Segal, who spoke at the unveiling, said after years of protesting the government, there has been a "turnaround" as the government is now honoring the early Gay activists.

"Before those humble marches at Independence Mall, Gay people, Lesbian people, were never seen," Segal said. "There was nothing in the newspapers about us, nothing on the TV stations about us, nothing on the radio, and there was no, I repeat, no community, other than these people meeting in secret, afraid that the police would come barge in on their roofs and arrest them."

Street spoke candidly with the audience, saying he had come a long way in understanding and working with the Gay community, who once thought of him as "the enemy."

Other guest speakers included Richard Stengel, president and chief operating officer of the National Constitution Center, Ed Hanlon, staff member of state Sen. Vince Fumo, and Barbara Franco, executive director of the Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission, which approved the marker.

Hanlon noted that the work of the early Gay activists laid the groundwork, allowing him, as an openly Gay man, to work in government, which previously had unwritten rules like the military's current "don't ask, don't tell" anti-Gay policy.

Several of the pioneering activists present at the unveiling noted how fulfilling it is to know that their efforts have made life easier for other Gays and Lesbians.

"I think all of us marching wanted to make a better world for future generations of Gay people," Lahusen said.

And to do so, many of the activists, like Gittings, made great sacrifices, taking menial jobs and concentrating on activist work, which paid nothing, said Wicker.

Wicker said by installing the historic marker in Independence Mall the state is beginning to recognize the rich history of the Gay community.

"We all know that the Gay movement started in Germany in 1898 with Dr. Magnus Hirschfeld ... we have a long history, but it is not known," Wicker said. "It started long before Stonewall."

Kelley, who participated in the 1967 annual reminder march, said documenting and recognizing Gay history is important for future generations.

"I've always been a believer in learning from history, and that includes Gay people learning from history and Gay kids learning from history, including Gay history," Kelley said.

What lessons can be learned from the work of the Gay pioneers?

"I hope they will learn you can get results by persevering, because we don't have the same problems we had back then, not entirely, but we certainly have problems, sometimes new ones," Kelley said. "People need to learn you can address them successfully by being tenacious, persistent."

Oregon Senate Passes Civil Unions Bill

SALEM - The Oregon Senate on Friday (July 8) passed an omnibus LGBT civil rights bill that includes civil unions and the inclusion of Gays and Lesbians in Oregon's nondiscrimination act.

The bill would create a civil unions registry and grant same-sex couples many of the rights available to married couples including inheritance benefits, pensions, property rights when a partner dies, and the right to make medical decisions for a partner.

The bill, which has the support of Gov. Ted Kulongoski, also adds sexual orientation to a law that forbids discrimination in employment, housing and public accommodations based on race, color, religion and several other factors.

"The Senate's historic vote today reflects the values of an overwhelming majority of Oregonians who believe that discrimination against Gay and Lesbian people and their families is wrong," said Roey Thorpe, executive director of Basic Rights Oregon.

Two GOP senators joined 17 Democrats in passing the bill. But, one Republican who opposed the legislation the measure "another step down the road to Armageddon" and questioned whether pedophiles will want equal rights.

"This is dangerous ground, colleagues," he said. "This is a blatant attempt to overturn the will of the voters."

While the measure had little difficulty in the Democratically controlled Senate, getting it through the Republican controlled House will be another matter.

Speaker Karen Minnis (R_Wood Village) says she has no intention of allowing it to come to vote.

Minnis said that the civil unions section of the bill violates the state's constitutional amendment banning same-sex marriage.

The GOP stonewalling of the legislation has the support of the Oregon Catholic Conference and other religious groups.

Even though the bill was amended to carefully differentiate between civil unions and marriage opponents say it amounts to the same thing.

"Our argument is that they are amending every marriage statute," said Tim Nashif, political director for the Oregon Family Council.

The Human Rights Campaign Friday called on the House to approve the bill, noting that Nashif's position has hardened since the Family Council began pushing for the amendment which was approved by voters last November.

"Supporters of the amendment argued that the legislature should consider civil unions for same-sex couples," said HRC president Joe Solmonese. "It is time for them to make good on their word."

Last year some 3,000 same-sex couples were married in Multnomah County. In April the state's highest court ruled that the marriages null and void and indicated that in light of the marriage amendment the legislature could provide civil unions.

Spain Records First Same-Sex Marriage

MADRID, Spain - Two men who have been together for 30 years got married Monday (July 11) becoming the first couple to wed under Spain's new law allowing same-sex marriages, reported the Associated Press on the PlanetOut Network.

The ceremony took place in Tres Cantos, a town outside Madrid. The law took effect eight days ago, making Spain the third country in the world to grant full legal recognition to same-sex couples. The others are the Netherlands and Belgium. Similar legislation is pending in Canada.

Spanish television showed video of the couple - identified in news reports as Emilio Menendez and Carlos Baturin - smiling broadly and holding up wedding rings after the ceremony at the town hall in Tres Cantos.

Pedro Zerolo, the ruling Socialist Party's top official for social issues, attended.

The town council is run by the conservative Popular Party, which voted against the law when it went before Spain's Parliament on June 30.

The ceremony was presided over by a town councilor from the United Left party, which voted in favor. It was not immediately known if the conservative mayor refused to do so.

On the day Parliament voted, the Roman Catholic Church in Spain issued a veiled call for civil authorities who opposed Gay marriage to refuse to preside over same-sex weddings.

The law gives Gay couples the same rights as heterosexual ones. Besides getting married, they can adopt children and inherit each other's property.

Since the law took effect July 3, about 50 couples are believed to have filed papers seeking to get married.

The Justice Ministry estimates that about 10 percent of Spain's population of 43 million people is homosexual.

UPDATE

Wingspan In New Offices; Grand Opening August 6

By Mark R. Kerr

TUCSON (ON) - On Monday, July 11, a little more than a block and a couple of turns away, Wingspan began a new era in their spacious new offices, located at 425 E. 7th.

Tucson and Southern Arizona's GLBT Community Center has moved into their spacious new facility, a two story office building, that has three meeting rooms, an expanded library, a bigger cyber center for the six computers also with a printer and scanner. There are offices for the programs Wingspan offers, as well as for the staff who oversees them. Plus with their facilities, Wingspan has more convenient parking spaces.

Wingspan has expanded the Center in their new building they have expanded their hours, with the plan to be open seven days a week with extended evening hours.

With this expansion, the need for volunteers for Tucson's and Southern Arizona's LGBT Community Center is even greater than ever.

Volunteering at Wingspan is a great way to meet some of the most interesting people in the Old Pueblo and on Saturday, July 16, 10:30 a.m. - noon, at Wingspan, 425 E. 7th Street, a volunteer orientation will take place.

It will be a brief introduction to the new community center and the diverse volunteer opportunities available. Remember, Wingspan is very much a

volunteer-run organization and they could not possibly exist without the wonderful people who give their time to help out. If you plan to attend, or for more information, E-mail: ktankersley@wingspan.org.

Moving a Community Center in nine days is by far, no mean feat but the volunteers and staff have opened the doors but are still in the process of putting the final touches on the new space, so mark your calendars for August 6, the official grand opening of Wingspan, now located at 425 E. 7th St.

Rainbow Build Coalition Update

TUCSON (ON) - In the July 19 edition of The Advocate magazine, the Coalition's efforts in constructing the house for Habitat for Humanity, located at Balboa and Laguna Streets. . . .

Work has progressed on the house, with the wallboards going up and Ann Jones leading the wonderful volunteer work crews. The Coalition wants to express their gratitude to the volunteers as well as the individuals who have provided food and drinks for the effort.

As of June 30, over \$45,000 has been raised in the efforts. The Rainbow Build Coalition has committed to raise \$60,000 for the house, so there is less than \$20,000 to go in this important effort.

To donate, make checks payable to "Habitat for Humanity," and put in the memo line, "Rainbow Build." Checks should be mailed to Habitat for Humanity, 621 W. Lester Street, Tucson, AZ 85705. You may also call Habitat for Humanity, (520) 326-1217 to make a credit card donation.

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Got fed up yet? If you have, get involved with Arizona Together and fight the radical right with their Protect Marriage Arizona amendment, so that on election day in November 2006, the radical right will say of their effort, "got beat."

For more information, call Jess Knutson (520) 624-1779, ext 21, or E-mail: jknutson@wingspan.org. . . .

According to Arizona Together, there is no limit to the amount either an individual, business, corporation, etc., can give to fight the proposed Center for Arizona Policy's Protect Marriage Arizona amendment and the ongoing petition drive to get the measure on the November 2006 ballot.

Make checks payable to Arizona Together, and send them to AZTogether.com, 2303 N 44th St, #14-1548, Phoenix, AZ 85008. For more information, go online to: aztogether.com.

Online Observer Community Resources Link Page Launched

TUCSON (ON) - The online Observer, a list of community groups and links to their Web sites will be relaunched.

Presently on the new page there are now 25 listings and The Observer is very open to suggestions to add to this work in progress.

If you know of a group or Web site, please E-mail the Observer at: info@tucsonobserver.com, so that our community can be linked together via the Internet.



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What's Their Real Problem With Gay Marriage?

By Russell Shorto

(It's The Gay Part)..... PART 4

ANNAPOLIS - What would be the result of this experiment? The activists opposed to Gay marriage feel they know. We have, they say, pools of data to study in order to see the effects. Denmark and Sweden legalized same-sex civil unions in 1989 and 1994, respectively, and the Netherlands allowed civil unions in 1998 and then, in 2001, Gay marriage. Cindy Moles, a grandmother and homemaker in San Diego who is a Southern California area director for Concerned Women for America, gave me her analysis of the data from those countries: "Look at the Netherlands, where same-sex marriage is legal. Those marriages last an average of 1.5 years, and during that time there are an average of eight outside partners. That's not a solid foundation for our country."

Family.org, a Web site that is sponsored by Focus on the Family, cites these same figures in a Q.-and-A. section on Gay marriage, but it glosses over the fact that the study on which they were based looked not at Gay marriages but at Gay relationships and had nothing to do with the legalization of Gay marriage. Several anti-Gay-marriage activists drew my attention to a study showing that since Gay civil unions became legal in Denmark, Sweden and the Netherlands, the rate of out-of-wedlock births in those countries has increased. When I made the observation that, of all things to lay at the feet of homosexuals, the birth rate was surely not one of them, Laura Clark had an answer: "When marriage can mean anything, it means nothing. Why bother to get married at all?" And indeed, she is accurately reflecting the analysis of Stanley Kurtz, a research fellow at the Hoover Institution whose articles on the topic in The Weekly Standard make the rounds of the activists. Kurtz links rising rates of cohabitation and out-of-wedlock birth to the legalization of Gay unions. He follows a British demographer in studying cohabitation rates in three groups of European

countries: the Nordics, those roughly in the geographic middle and the southern tier.

"The Nordic countries are the leaders in cohabitation and out-of-wedlock births," he writes. "In the early 90's, Gay marriage came to the Nordic countries, where the out-of-wedlock birth-rate was already high. Ten years later, out-of-wedlock birth rates have risen significantly in the middle group of nations. Not coincidentally, nearly every country in that middle group has recently either legalized some form of Gay marriage or is seriously considering doing so. Only in the group with low out-of-wedlock birthrates has the Gay marriage movement achieved relatively little success." (This was written before Spain's Parliament passed a bill legalizing Gay marriage in April.) Kurtz's conclusion is that "instead of encouraging a society-wide return to marriage, Scandinavian Gay marriage has driven home the message that marriage itself is outdated and that virtually any family form, including out-of-wedlock parenthood, is acceptable."

Kurtz's use of data from these countries has been disputed by the Log Cabin Republicans and countered by a study by Prof. M.V. Lee Badgett of the University of Massachusetts at Amherst. Badgett argues that marriage, divorce and out-of-wedlock birth rates in Scandinavia, Europe as a whole and the United States have all changed in complex ways over the past three decades and "those changes have occurred in all countries, regardless of whether or not they adopted same-sex partnership laws, and these trends were under way well before the passage of laws that gave same-sex couples rights." There are also reports from the Netherlands that conclude that after the initial hoopla surrounding the legalization of Gay marriage, it settled into a humdrum nonissue, without much effect on Gays,

straights or family life. The results from these countries, then, are debatable, but Kurtz's papers continue to get wide circulation among religious conservatives, and for many, his theses have become facts. "You know the family has disappeared in those Scandinavian countries," Evalena Gray, the southern Maryland activist, told me.

"Polyamory" is a word I learned from the anti-Gay-marriage activists. It's a broad term that means having more than one sexual partner at a time, but the activists use it as a synonym for group marriage. Here again, they are following the lead of Stanley Kurtz; Laura Clark e-mailed me his article on the topic that appeared in The Weekly Standard. Kurtz writes of the rise of this "souped-up version of polygamy" that involves "a bewildering variety of sexual combinations. There are triads of one woman and two men; heterosexual group marriages; groups in which some or all members are Bisexual; Lesbian groups, and so forth." Kurtz maintains that "the modern polyamory movement took off in the mid-90's — partly because of the growth of the Internet (with its confidentiality) but also in parallel to, and inspired by, the rising Gay-marriage movement."

It is the conviction of the grassroots activists that Gay marriage will open the door to other novel unions. "I bet a dollar against a doughnut that if they get Gay marriage, one day a Bisexual is going to show up who says, 'I want to marry a man and a woman.'" Jim Gray, Evalena's husband, said. "It's going to open the door to polygamy."

Once the definition of marriage is altered, in this view, you will have this group of people declaring they want to marry that group; middle-aged men will exchange vows with children or with

Doberman pinschers. As the landscape of fear fills in, the picture comes into view. It is Hieronymus Bosch's "Garden of Earthly Delights," a phantasmagoria of sin and a complete breakdown of the social order. As Bryan Simonaire, Laura Clark's friend, put it: "Once you start this, you could have a 45-year-old man wanting to marry a 9-year-old boy. That could be O.K. in 20 years. That's what you get with relative moral truth. Whereas with absolute moral truth, what was O.K. 50 years ago will still be O.K. 20 years from now."

(This was reprinted from the June 19, 2005 edition of the New York Times Magazine.)

Uganda To Jail Same-Sex Couples Who Marry

KAMPALA - Uganda's parliament has passed tough new laws against Gays in the African nation. The new law makes it a criminal offense for same-sex couples to marry, 365Gay.com reported.

"Parliament has adopted a proposal to amend the Constitution so as to criminalize same-sex marriages," Bernard Eceru, a spokesperson for the government told the Ugandan Newspaper. Eceru said that 111 MPs voted in favor of the amendment, 17 against and three abstained. Specific jail terms for offenders were not included in the legislation but are to be laid out in revisions to the Ugandan penal code at a later date, Eceru told the paper.

Gay sex is already illegal in Uganda. Hundreds of Gays and Lesbians have fled the country. Many have sought refuge in the United Kingdom but have often been denied refugee status and returned home.

Uganda's Anglican Church is one of the leaders of the conservative movement in that faith that has been threatening a schism over the election of a Gay bishop in the United States.



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UPDATE

Priests Say They Were Forced Out Of Ministry; They Believe Bishop Ousted GLBT Supporters

PHOENIX - Five of the nine Catholic priests who signed the pro-Gay Phoenix Declaration no longer are on active duty in the Phoenix Diocese, reported the Arizona Republic.

Three of those who have left active duty say they were forced out by Bishop Thomas J. Olmsted. One other is seriously ill, and the fifth resigned on his own, in part because of philosophical differences with the bishop. They all signed a 2003 declaration endorsing civil rights for Gays and Lesbians that was endorsed by clergy members from several Christian denominations.

The ousted men are among at least 11 Catholic priests who have left active ministry since Olmsted became bishop in late 2003. Their departures further exacerbate a shortage of priests in the diocese, which has several parish vacancies.

The Rev. Fred Adamson, vicar general and second in command of the diocese, said the departures were not related to the Phoenix Declaration or any other single reason. "Each one of these is a different, individual case," he said.

But some church insiders believe the recent ousters are an indication that Olmsted is cracking down on liberal-minded priests, and possibly all of the Phoenix Declaration signers. Olmsted is known for his orthodox ways. He has put a stop to what he considers liturgical violations, has brought back Mass in Latin and has written three articles about church teachings against homosexuality.

"I believe he wants to purify the church," said the Rev. Ken Van de Ven, a declaration signer who was forced to resign as pastor of Glendale's St. James in March.

He said he believes the bishop is looking into the backgrounds of all liberal priests. "The diocese simply wants to get rid of us."

The Phoenix Declaration had 169 signers, including the nine Catholics, and was put out in January 2003 by an organization called No Longer Silent, which includes as members several Catholic priests and Protestant clergy.

The bishop at the time, Thomas J. O'Brien, took no position on the matter. But when Olmsted took over, he asked the priests who signed the document to remove their names in late April 2004, four months after he arrived.

He said he was concerned that the declaration was ambiguous in light of the "clear teaching" of the church that Gay sexual activity is sinful and that, to be good Catholics, Gay people must practice sexual abstinence.

The Rev. Andre Boulanger, the only one of the nine who is retired, refused to remove his name. He was prohibited from working publicly as a Catholic priest.

Next to go was the Rev. John Cunningham, who was suspended in April 2004 and fired from his job as pastor of St. Mary Magdalene in Gilbert nine months later. He has spent more than 30 years as a priest.

The diocese gave two reasons for Cunningham's situation: that he concelebrated a wedding Mass in April 2004 with a clergyman from another denomination, and that he commingled church and private funds. The priest denies the former and said he had no criminal intent in the latter.

The first is subject of an internal tribunal; the second is under investigation by the Maricopa County Sheriff's Office.

Cunningham recently filed a libel suit against two women at nearby St. Anne's Catholic Church who leveled the allegations about the wedding Mass. Neither the civil investigation of his finances nor a diocesan review of the Mass has been completed. Cunningham said the bishop has not replied to his request for a church trial on the Mass case.

"It appears this bishop is punishing some priests for conduct that his predecessor, Bishop O'Brien, felt did not warrant any remedial action," Cunningham said. "Expressions of independent thought or progressive writing seems to be a capital offense."

He said he never was sanctioned before and merely wants to return to his job as a priest.

Van de Ven's resignation, one he says was forced, came next.

Olmsted, in letters to St. James parishioners, said the priest's resignation followed receipt of "confidential information and an allegation of sexual harassment toward an adult."

"This was not done rashly," Adamson said.

Van de Ven denied the charges and said he has not been given a chance to defend himself. "We're guilty until proven innocent," said Van de Ven, a priest for 35 years. "The bishop has abrogated all my rights."

Another priest who signed the declaration, the Rev. Hugo Gonzalez, resigned voluntarily as pastor of St. Charles Borromeo in Peoria. Gonzalez, the last to remove his name from the declaration, declined to give any particular reason for his decision.

Instead, he said he had experienced a lack of "genuine concern" from the bishop.

"This concern translates into an inability to listen, to demonstrate compassion, and to welcome the disenfranchised with the very mercy and forgiveness found at the heart of the Gospel," he said.

The fifth signer who is no longer active is the Rev. Matthew Mampara, Cunningham's associate at St. Mary Magdalene. Mampara fell ill with a brain tumor in March 2004 and returned to his native India.

The other signers - the Revs. Vernon Meyer, Scott Brubaker, Ray Ritari and Chris Carpenter - remain in ministry.

"We don't feel that we former signers have been singled out for delayed punishment, but it is still unnerving to think about," Carpenter said.

Carpenter, pastor of Christ the King in Mesa, said it appears that support for the Phoenix Declaration was not enough, by itself, to earn a suspension.

"I've heard that the signers who are no longer active had other, more immediate or significant issues or concerns that led to their suspension or resignation," he said.

The Phoenix Declaration was drafted by a group of clergy, primarily from Protestant denominations.

It was published in January 2003. It reads, in part:

"We affirm that Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual and Transgendered (GLBT) persons are distinctive, holy and precious gifts to all who struggle to become the family of God."

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Report: Bush Judges Already Affecting GLBT Rights

WASHINGTON, D.C. - No need to wait until President Bush appoints a Supreme Court justice to see how he will make his mark on the federal judiciary, the Associated Press reported on 365Gay.com.

One level down, dozens of conservative appeals court judges appointed by Bush already are helping to shape the law in ways that ultimately could have as much, and in some ways even more, impact than the nine justices of the nation's highest court.

Since Bush's appellate judges have only gradually taken their seats on benches around the country, and the cases that they draw run the gamut, it's still early to chart their impact on specific issues. But already it is clear that these judges make up a solidly conservative crowd that tends to lean Bush's way on the big issues of the day.

So far, Bush's appointees to the appeals court are showing patterns very close to judges of his Republican predecessors in ideologically contested cases, according to law professor Cass Sunstein at the University of Chicago, where the Chicago Judges Project is tracking the federal judiciary.

"There's no discernible rightward shift by the Bush appointees compared to the Reagan and Bush I appointees," said Sunstein. Still, he rejected Bush's contention that the president looks solely for judges - and Supreme Court justices - who will strictly interpret the Constitution rather than parsing their views on hot issues such as abortion.

"There may be no litmus test, but the president will appoint someone who is in the conservative mold," said Sunstein. "When the president talks about strict construction, everyone knows what he's talking about."

Because appeals courts rule on thousands of cases each year, compared to only about 75 a year decided by the Supreme Court, the impact of Bush's appellate judges could be far-reaching.

"There's a tremendous amount of space for circuit judges to interpret Supreme Court decisions," said Frank Cross, a law professor at the University of Texas at Austin. For example, he said, they have considerable latitude in interpreting the Roe v. Wade decision that legalized abortion.

And according to NARAL Pro-Choice America, appeals court judges appointed by President Reagan and the two Bushes have been four times more likely to issue "anti-choice rulings" than judges appointed by other presidents.

On another matter, two of Bush's nominees to the D.C. Circuit are poised to have significant impact on a pair of cases involving challenges to the U.S. military's detention of foreign nationals at Guantanamo Bay, Cuba. Janice Rogers Brown and Thomas B. Griffith, both just placed on the bench last month, were picked at random to sit on a three-judge panel that will hear the cases this fall.

Overall, in his four-plus years in office, Bush has pushed a Republican-leaning federal judiciary farther to the right with more than 200 appointments to appellate and district courts.

His district court appointees have been "dramatically conservative but not off the board - not so bizarre that the other judges wouldn't know them or speak to them," said Robert A. Carp, a political scientist at the University of Houston who has studied the federal judiciary extensively. Bush's district appointees stand out as particularly conservative on civil liberties cases such as abortion, freedom of speech and Gay rights, Carp found.

On these matters, Bush's district judgeships were rated 28 percent liberal in Carp's study. That put them well to the right of jurists appointed by Presidents Nixon, at 38 percent, and Ford, at 40

percent, and slightly to the right of Reagan and the first President Bush, both of whom were rated 32 percent liberal.

By the end of his second term, Bush could eclipse Presidents Clinton and Reagan in the number of judges selected - and leave an ideological imprint on the courts for generations to come.

Since 1968, when Nixon was elected, Republican presidents have appointed 1,040 judges; Democrats have named 625. While many of the Bush appointees are replacing jurists named by previous Republican presidents, toward the end of his term Bush could have more opportunities to replace some of the Clinton judges, which would have even greater impact.

The cumulative effect, said political scientist Donald Songer of the University of South Carolina, is that "the last three Republican presidents' nominees control virtually the whole judiciary."

Interest groups on the left and right, predictably, have alternately cast Bush's judicial appointees as either ideological extremists or principled jurists untainted by politics.

People for the American Way, a liberal advocacy group, titled its 2004 study of Bush's judicial appointees "Confirmed Judges, Confirmed Fears." It concluded that Bush appointees already have moved to limit significantly congressional authority and protection of individual rights.

"For many, many of the nominees in the lower courts, the Bush administration has been decidedly pushing toward judges with a pretty firm right-wing ideology," said Elliot Mincberg, the group's legal director.

On the other end of the ideological spectrum, conservative groups have credited Bush for selecting judges who "adhere to an apolitical, non-results-oriented way of reading the law," in the words of Sean Rushton of the conservative Committee for Justice. Liberals, Rushton said, look at judges' rulings "through the lens of results rather than asking is it good law."

Wendy Long, counsel for the conservative Judicial Confirmation Network, said that when it comes to the courts, Bush "gets it" in a way that even his father and Reagan did not. His nominees "understand the problems with the way the Constitution has been interpreted and will go about fixing that in their own decisions," she said.

Priests Say They Were Forced Out

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Audrey Geraldine Lorde was born on February 18, 1934 in New York City. She decided to drop the "y" from the end of her name at a young age, setting a precedent in her life of self determination. She was the daughter of Caribbean immigrants who settled in Harlem. She graduated from Columbia University and Hunter College, where she later held the prestigious post of Thomas Hunter Chair of Literature. She was married for eight years in the 1960's, and had two children — Elizabeth and Jonathan.

Lorde was a self described "Black Lesbian, mother, warrior, poet". However, her life was one that could not be summed up in a phrase.

Lorde collected a host of awards and honors, including the Walt Whitman Citation of Merit, which conferred the mantle of New York State poet for 1991-93. In designating her New York State's Poet Laureate, the Governor, Mario Cuomo, said: "Her imagination is charged by a sharp sense of racial injustice and cruelty, of sexual prejudice . . . She cries out against it as the voice of indignant humanity. Audre Lorde is the voice of the eloquent outsider who speaks in a language that can reach and touch people everywhere."

Her first poem was published in Seventeen magazine while she was still in high school. The administration of the high school felt that her work was too romantic for publication in their literary journal. Lorde went on to publish over a dozen books on poetry, and six books of prose. Audre Lorde the Teacher and Activist

Lorde worked as a librarian while refining her talents as a writer. In 1968, she accepted a teaching position at Tougaloo College in Jackson, Mississippi where the violence that greeted the civil rights movement was close at hand every night. This period cemented the bond between her artistic talents and her dedication to the struggle against injustice.

Lorde went on to provide avenues of expression to future generations of writers by co-founding the Kitchen Table: Women of Color Press. She was at the center of the movement to preserve and celebrate African American culture at a time when the destruction of these institutions was on the rise. Her dedication reached around the world when she formed the Sisterhood in Support of Sisters in South Africa. She was one of the featured speakers at the first national march for Gay and Lesbian liberation in D.C. in 1979. In 1989, she helped organize disaster relief efforts for St. Croix in the wake of Hurricane Hugo.

Late in life, Audre Lorde was given the African name Gamba Adisa, meaning "Warrior: She Who Makes Her Meaning Clear". It is a name that applies to her whole life. Her struggle against oppression on many fronts was expressed with a force and clarity that made her a respected voice for women, African Americans, and the Gay and Lesbian

In Their Own Words

community.

Lorde's son Jonathan Rollins recalled the warrior spirit that his mother possessed by stating that not fighting was not an option — "We could lose. But we couldn't not fight."

Lorde bravely documented her 14-year battle against the cancer in "The Cancer Journals" and in her book of essays "A Burst of Light". In the latter she wrote: "The struggle with cancer now informs all my days, but it is only another face of that continuing battle for self-

determination and survival that black women fight daily, often in triumph." She struggled against disease and a medical establishment that was frequently indifferent to cultural differences and insensitive to women's health issues. She stood in defiance to societal rules that said that she should hide the fact that she had breast cancer.

Audre Lorde, died in St Croix, Virgin Islands, on November 17, 1992. Her spirit fights on.

In Lorde's own words:

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POLITICS 2005

by Mark R. Kerr

'PMA Protection Racket'

Business and the Republican Party have gone together, hand in hand since time infinitum, summed up with remarks then Republican President Calvin Coolidge delivered in Washington, D.C. on January 17, 1925, "After all, the chief business of the American people is business."

In Arizona though, the Center for Arizona Policy's (CAP) Lynden Munsil and Cathi Herrod, registered Republicans want to upset this long standing dynamic with the Protect Marriage Arizona (PMA), proposed state constitutional amendment by telling businesses in the state how to run their affairs in regard to governmental procurement.

Arizona's state government alone, according to an article in the July 1, 2005-edition of the Arizona Capitol Times, spends around \$4.5 billion. "Anything you could think of is bought somewhere by the state," said John Adler, head of Enterprise Procurement Services (EPS), the office that handles 75 per cent of the state's purchases in the article.

"Government contracts typically provide stability and confidence from lenders for loan considerations," said Dale Ussery, director of operations for G.D. Barri & Associates Inc., in the Arizona Capitol Times article. "Longer term government contracts provide steady income, smoothing out the peaks and valleys of seasonal income. Stability allows growth and expansion."

Lynden and Cathi's PMA would change all that since Herrod said it in an interview with Mary K. Reinhart of the East Valley Tribune, for a story, entitled "Same-sex Marriage Fight Looms," which ran in the June 18, 2005-edition, "If it gives a legal status to unmarried individuals, . . . it would not be allowed."

Currently, according to Adler, in an interview with this reporter, Arizona's procurement laws and codes do not address domestic relationship or owners, shareholders or employees of businesses bidding on state contracts and this office has no authority to investigate such relationships and laws require awarding of contracts to responsible bidders.

If the PMA is approved, the process for the state, as well as other governmental entities that use a procurement process in their operations, set down

in Arizona Revised Statutes (ARS) 41-2501 through 41-2673, and Arizona Administrative Code (AAC) R2-7-101 through R2-7-1009, would be affected by the PMA "Protection Racket" because Article 2 of Arizona's Constitution, entitled Declaration of Rights, Section 32 - Constitutional provisions mandatory, which reads: "The provisions of this Constitution are mandatory, unless by express words they are declared to be otherwise."

With the passage of the PMA, all that would have to take place is to have a question arise over the process, as it did for Arizona's low-income health care program in regard to Proposition 200, approved by voters in the November 2004 election. Under state law, if a state agency or elected official raises a question about a proposition or state constitutional amendment that has been approved by voters, Andrea Esquer, press secretary for Arizona Attorney General Terry Goddard, said in an interview with this reporter, then the Attorney General's office would issue an opinion, interpreting what the respective measure covers under state law (ARS 41-192 A-1).

In the language of the proposed PMA, stating that ". . . no legal status for unmarried persons shall be created or recognized by this state or its political subdivisions that is similar to that of marriage," the procurement process will change and private businesses that contract with the state would be barred from providing any benefits to unmarried couples. Sound farfetched? This is an ongoing effort after the passage of anti-Gay and Lesbian Proposition 2, which is similarly written as the PMA, by Michigan voters in November 2004.

Arizona, under Article 25 of the state Constitution is a right to work state, meaning that the work force in the Grand Canyon State has few rights and if the PMA gets on the ballot and wins approval, as shown in previous columns in this publication, laws protecting employment rights would be worthless.

Private businesses, if the PMA becomes a part of the state constitution, would have to face the choice of the employee getting the benefits or the procurement contract that may keep the "financial doors open." Which one do you think they would keep?

Ex-Cop Gets Life For Killing Gay Student

COLUMBIA - A former policeman in Columbia, Mo., was sentenced on Tuesday (July 5) to life in prison for killing a Gay college student with whom he was having an affair, the PlanetOut Network reported.

Steven Rios, a 28-year-old married father, also received an additional 10 years for armed criminal action for slashing the throat of his victim, Jesse Valencia.

Rios will not have an opportunity for parole, the Associated Press reported.

Valencia, 23, was found dead June 5, 2004, in a yard near his home. Prosecutors argued that Rios killed the University of Missouri-Columbia student because Valencia had threatened to reveal their affair to the police chief.

Rios first met Valencia in April 2004, when he arrested the student while investigating a loud party. The ex-cop testified that his affair with Valencia began that same night.

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NOTES FROM THE FOR-REAL SIDE

Independence

by Lee Thorn

Independence Day this year got me thinking about how long my country will survive and what kind of place it will be twenty years from now.

We're doing lots of things that only seem moderately alarming when considered singly, but when you look at them in combination you get a picture of a nation that might be attempting to commit suicide.

The acceptance that both major political parties have of illegal immigration, despite their declarations to the contrary, can easily be explained in partisan terms: Republicans seek to hold down labor costs, while Democrats hope to win future downtrodden voters. But what does unlimited illegal immigration do to the long-term character of a country? It looks like we're going to find out.

In the past immigrants were supposed to become citizens and be fully integrated into American culture. The present attitude toward illegal immigrants is that they're here to do work that Americans won't do. Although they're illegal, doing this work should give them some legal rights. It all sounds like we're setting up a system to two-tier citizenship without calling it "citizenship." Can that be ethical or even feasible for very long in a democracy?

Alongside the immigration mess we have the reduction of the middle class. Not so long ago the typical middle-class family had one breadwinner, one homemaker, health care, a pension to look forward to, and some spare cash. Now everybody works and worries about the lack of or cost of health care while pensions and spending green are of purely historical interest.

Add to all this the fact that we're exporting our manufacturing base to China. There are obviously lots of good reasons for individual companies to do this. As a nation, however, what happens when we're utterly dependent on China for manufactured goods and the Chinese, for one reason or another, get really, really mad at us?

We're exporting our backroom technological services to India. Must be good business for somebody. As a nation, how much do we want to rely on India? On the military side, we're fighting wars in two countries and our international military commitments, in political terms, are virtually limitless. And we're trying to pull this trick off with heavy and increasing reliance on reservists. The Pentagon used to talk about having the ability to fight simultaneous wars in two theatres. The problem is that we've got military commitments in dozens of theatres.

Then there's the growing wealth gap between the super rich and the rest of us. Where does that end?

The former CEO of Tyco was criticized for having a \$6,000 shower curtain. What struck me as more shocking was the video of the party he gave his wife that featured live humans in little clothing standing on pedestals in imitation of statues. The party entertainment amounted to turning humans into objects, a debase-ment both twisted and sinister.

Current popular culture adds another alarming dimension. I'm thinking of the very popular video games that glorify murdering innocent people in the goriest ways possible. I'm also thinking of the popular network TV shows that focus on people willingly participating in spectacular acts of public humiliation.

And let's not forget our educational system's recent embrace of standardized testing designed to record imaginary progress while it demonstrably reduces

both the breadth and the depth of the curriculum.

Do all these trends, taken together, suggest a country that might be saying to itself, "I've had a good run. Maybe it's time to call it a day?"

Of course countries don't talk to themselves or have minds of their own. One way of looking at a country, perhaps a somewhat poetic way, is as something that exists in the imaginations of people who are seeking a purpose that's greater than their own self-interest.

Taking this point of view, it seems to me that our imaginations may be running out of energy for the idea of a United States of America.

[Thorn welcomes comments, suggestion for future columns, and tips on local skulduggery that ought to be exposed. Write to Box 85571, Tucson, AZ 85754. E-mail: Doid3@aol.com.]

Gay London Returning to Normal

LONDON - Subway stations in the heavily Gay central London and Soho areas remained closed Friday (July 8) in the aftermath of Thursday's (July 7) terrorist attack, but life has slowly begun returning to normal.

"Me gran was in the blitz," said Bradley Newcomb on Oxford Street. "She used to say how people would climb out of the shelters after the attacks and go on. These bastards aren't gonna stop me either."

Yet, despite the determination of Newcomb, and countless others like him, there remained an eerie quiet throughout the day. Shops reopened but even clerks in stores spoke in softer more deliberate tones. People on the streets appeared more vigilant, taking note of people and things they would normally not notice.

There was a much heavier than normal police presence in the area Friday night. Slowly over the course of the day Gay bars and businesses reopened. The big clubs, each within steps of where the bomb blasts went off, were open, although early crowds appeared to be smaller than usual.

"Everyone is being very, very vigilante and looking around checking for any suspect packages," Gaydar Radio's Yannick Lawry reported from Old Compton Street.

The official death toll stands at 49, but authorities say it is likely to rise. An unknown number of bodies are trapped in a subway car deep underground at the Russell Square station.

More than 700 were injured in the attacks - the worst in the city since World War II. One hundred remained in hospital Friday night - 22 of them listed in serious condition.

The Queen Elizabeth, Prince Charles and other members of the Royal Family made separate visits to bombing victims at various hospitals in the capital.

The Queen expressed her admiration for all the Londoners who "are calmly determined to resume their normal lives."

Authorities have said the attacks had the signatures of the al_Qaida terror network and counterterrorism specialists said they were taking seriously an Internet claim of responsibility by a little known group calling itself The Secret Organization of al_Qaida in Europe.

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COMMENTARY . . .

Reasonable Rights

The passage of Gay marriage measures last week by Spain's parliament and Canada's House of Commons carries groundbreaking implications. Although Belgium and the Netherlands previously legalized Gay marriage, the populations and global influence of Canada and Spain are greater. The newer laws are also more progressive, giving Gay marriage the same full legal protection and adoption rights as traditional marriage.

The reasoning and demographics behind the two votes are just as significant.

In both nations, particularly in Roman Catholic Spain, religion plays an important part in citizens' lives. Yet lawmakers in Spain and Canada alike made their decisions on the grounds that civil rights — the rights granted by the state — should not be trampled by religious beliefs, though churches, of course, may carry on as they see fit regarding their recognition of marriages. That reasoning, vital to protecting the rights of small groups from the will of larger ones, is increasingly absent from U.S. debates and decisions on Gay marriage and other fraught issues, including abortion.

Canada's population is divided over Gay marriage, and its prime minister, Paul Martin, is a Roman Catholic who has stated his concerns on the issue. Yet Martin supported the measure for the right reasons. "In a nation of minorities," he said, "it is important that you don't cherry-pick rights. A right is a right."

In Spain, where 90% of the population is Roman Catholic, the church came out swinging against new rights for Gays, using the familiar line that Gay marriage imperils the traditional institution of marriage. This has always been a difficult argument to follow logically. Assuming that marriage is the binding of two people in a committed relationship, possibly to create a family, Gay marriage adds to the institution. Even granting most religions' insistence that the two people must be of different genders, Gay marriage does nothing to discourage or belittle heterosexual unions.

The church's public arguments in Spain were undermined by its insistent stances against birth control and the use of condoms to halt the spread of HIV. Given Spaniards' indifference to these church mandates regarding sexual behavior, Catholic leaders were unable to gain attention on the more divisive issue of Gay marriage.

Now church leaders hint that Spanish civil officials who oppose Gay marriage should refuse to conduct such ceremonies. Once again they misunderstand the nature of civil rights. The church retains every right to tell its priests what sort of marriages they can conduct. The state retains the right to tell its civil officials what marriages they must honor.

That Canada, and particularly Spain, can understand this division of rights so thoroughly should give pause to lawmakers in the United States.

[The above was an editorial from the Los Angeles Times, July 6 edition from which this was reprinted.]

Book Report

'TWO FOR ONE' - Review by Brianna Steiner

A new novel has just been published that adds a twist to the "chick-lit" category and offers readers a very modern take on romance in the twenty-first century.

Two For One—a novel about having choices, by Sean David Wright, starts off like any other cookie cutter romantic comedy: hip urban girl Danielle Edwards is going after the man of her dreams, her best friend and hotshot author Max Bland. But once she lands him and the pair move from Arizona to New York City the similarity between this delightful novel and others in its genre end for, you see, Danielle is Bisexual and although she loves Max dearly she realizes she cannot turn off that part of her which desires women. This problem is exacerbated when chance introduces her to Katie Shaw, a philanthropic Lesbian. The two women are instantly, magically drawn to each other but, of course, cannot act upon their feelings. That is, until Max makes Danielle an offer, one she initially rejects until he tells her:

"The notion that someone like you has to ignore a full fifty percent of her sexual cravings in order to 'fit it' with society's outdated and narrow-minded definition of what makes a couple is absurd. You have a right and an obligation to yourself to satisfy your sexual needs completely. And for you 'completely' means finding a female partner to go along with the male one you already have."

It is at this point where Two For One very subtly becomes not just a hilarious comedic novel but a hilarious comedic novel with a serious underlying theme. Mr. Wright must have realized that he had the opportunity to use his tale to shake things up in the romantic comedy world, which has been churning out a steady stream of Sex and the City clones by writers like Sophie Kinsella and Clare Naylor wherein smart, sassy women with Blahnik addictions pine for Prince Charming. But in Two For One Danielle

already has her Prince Charming; it's just that her libido wants a Princess Charming also. A left shoe to match the right, as it were.

Now, Mr. Wright could have very easily pandered to the lowest common denominator by filling his novel from this point forward with explicit accounts of sexual threesomes featuring Max as the lucky guy in the middle. But he doesn't, and it's a brilliant move. Danielle is able to enjoy her intimate relationship with Katie separately, without Max being involved at all, a plot device that not only makes the story credible but also demonstrates Wright's understanding that everyone who is Bisexual is not necessarily looking to score mini orgies in the bedroom each night.

And that's really point of Two For One; that in a world as diverse as our own certain allowances must be made for those of us whose sexuality falls under the heading of "alternative." In Max, Mr. Wright has created a character with the kind of liberalism and open-mindedness that prevent him from viewing Danielle as a misguided freak and allows him to allow her to get what she needs to be happy despite the fact that it will mean less of her for himself.

Two For One is wonderfully original escapism that is fun to read. Not only is it funny and well-constructed, it is thought-provoking and, at times, very sexy, with an ending that ties it all together neatly (literally!). I actually found myself dreading the moment I would finish the novel but only because it's rare for me to come across a story that twists the romantic comedy model in a way that speaks to my lifestyle with sensitivity, grace and humor.

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'Gay Chat' Mayor's E-Mails Show Extent Of His Homophobia

SPOKANE - The city of Spokane has made public a second batch of embattled Mayor Jim West's emails that were found on his city hall computer, 365Gay.com.

West is under investigation by both the city and the FBI for corruption and abuse of office after a series of newspaper articles alleged he had offered city jobs to young men he met in a Gay chat room in return for sex.

West has admitted being a frequent visitor to the chat room and accused the Spokesman Review newspaper of outing him but denies any wrongdoing, but has been keeping a low profile since the scandal broke.

The new emails released by the city are mostly exchanges between the conservative Republican Mayor and constituents. They show that while on the one hand he was secretly cruising for Gay sex he was publicly opposing Gay rights.

Some of the emails concerned a proposed Gay business section in Spokane. The LGBT community wanted to create a neighborhood of Gay-oriented homes, businesses and nightlife. West opposed the idea and made that clear in E-mails to citizens both Gay and straight who inquired.

When city council raised the issue of extending benefits to the partners of Gay and Lesbian city workers the mayor received a number of emails. He replied that he would veto the ordinance if it was passed. The measure was later passed by a margin large enough to block a veto.

One of the emails was to a person he met in the Gay chat room that he thought was young man. In reality it was a computer forensics expert hired by The Spokesman Review to pose as an 18_year_old and chat with the mayor on_line.

After several chat sessions West used city email to send that person, known

as 'moto_brock,' a message about his offer of a city internship asking "Still interested?"

A number of the emails encouraged West to stay in office despite the scandal. So far, the city has released just over 8,000 e-mails and is expected to eventually release another 4,000.

West's opposition to a Gay neighborhood and domestic partner benefits are not new. He voiced them in news conferences when the issues came up at Council meetings.

Before running for mayor West was the GOP majority leader in the state Senate.

After Gov. Booth Gardner signed a surprise executive order banning discrimination in state jobs based on sexual orientation, West and 14 other Republicans introduced a bill in January 1986 to bar Gays and Lesbians from working in schools, day_care centers and some state agencies. The bill, which called for firing state workers whose sexual identities became known, failed.

In 1986, West voted to bar the state from distributing pamphlets telling people how to protect themselves from AIDS during sex. West opposed Gay rights bills introduced in 1985 and 1987. In 1989, West opposed expanding a needle exchange program from Pierce County to the entire state. In 1990, West proposed that teen sex be criminalized. In 1998, West voted for the Defense of Marriage Act, which defines marriage as between a man and a woman. In 2003, West, as Senate majority leader, bottled up a Gay_rights bill in committee and it died.

As incoming mayor in November 2003, West opposed giving benefits to domestic partners of City Hall workers, citing cost. The Spokane City Council in April approved domestic partner benefits in a 5_2 vote, enough to withstand any mayoral veto.

Partnership Sets Up LGBT Archive

LOS ANGELES - The University of California at Los Angeles has teamed up with Outfest to create and preserve the world's largest publicly accessible archive of LGBT movies, the PlanetOut Network reported.

The project, dubbed the Outfest Legacy Project for LGBT Film Preservation, seeks to bridge a gap left by mainstream film preservationists who have overlooked LGBT content.

"The creation of the largest collection of media materials of this kind is important not only for scholars, researchers, filmmakers and historians worldwide, but also for the broader society," said Franklin Gilliam of UCLA Center for Community Partnerships, which funds the initiative.

Outfest, which hosts one of the most high_profile annual LGBT film festivals, will identify and prioritize preservation and restoration activities, as well as raise the necessary funds.

The UCLA Film and Television Archive, which is second only to the Library of Congress for collecting media materials, will perform the preservation and restoration work as well as handle storage.

LGBT independent films from

the 1970s, 1980s and 1990s are in jeopardy because of a perceived lack of commercial value by the industry.

"Whenever Outfest programs a revival screening, we brace ourselves for a print on its very last legs because there's no real money to be made from a new print, or the elements are lost, or the filmmaker has died," said Stephen Gutwillig, executive director of Outfest.

According to Outfest, some significant LGBT movies do not have a viable archive or exhibition print available. These works include Rob Epstein and Jeffrey Friedman's Academy Award-winning AIDS quilt documentary "Common Threads" (1989); Bill Sherwood's trailblazing AIDS-themed romantic comedy "Parting Glances" (1986), featuring Steve Buscemi's first starring role; and "Before Stonewall" (1984), John Scagliotti and Greta Schiller's landmark documentary chronicling the early history of the Gay and Lesbian civil rights movement.

"These films represent our community's cultural legacy, and we refuse to be complicit in the erasure of our own history. This is why the creation of the Outfest Legacy Project for LGBT Film Preservation is so crucial ... and so

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Conference Looks At LGBT Rights In Asia

BANGKOK - The first large-scale conference to address LGBT issues in Asia opened on Thursday (July 7) in Bangkok, Thailand, for three days of meetings, reported 365Gay.com.

According to conference organizers, the more than 160 delegates to the event hail from 24 countries, from Iran to Japan.

Attendees have described the conference as "historic," according to news reports.

The event is billed as the "first international conference of Asian queer studies," and attendees include human rights activists, artists, filmmakers and scholars.

Australian conference co-organizer Associate Professor Peter Jackson of the Australian National University in Canberra said, "This

conference is about supporting the growing international momentum for homosexual rights. By bringing together Asian and Western researchers and activists our aim is to work collaboratively to ensure dignity and equal opportunities for Asia's homosexual and Transgender peoples."

According to organizers, the topics for discussion include: social persecution and legal discrimination against sexual minorities in Asia; Gay, Lesbian and Transgender citizenship and rights; homosexuals and Transgender people in Asian cinema and literature; the globalization of homosexual cultures; Asian homosexual diasporas in the West; and the impact of HIV/AIDS on Asian same-sex communities.

The event was organized by the Australia-based AsiaPacifiQueer network and the Office of Human Rights Studies and Social Development at Thailand's Mahidol University.

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Japanese Researchers Claim HIV Drug Breakthrough

TOKYO - A team of Japanese researchers say they have developed a potent new drug that blocks HIV from entering human cells and causes almost no side effects, reported 365Gay.com.

The drug, named AK602, was unveiled at the International Congress on AIDS in Asia and the Pacific in Kobe on Tuesday (July 5) the Asahi Shimbun newspaper reported on Wednesday (July 6).

The scientists, from Kumamoto University say that the drug's main feature is that it shuts out the AIDS virus at the point when it tries to intrude into a human cell.

Current AIDS medicines often lose their effectiveness in a few days because the virus changes and develops a resistance to those drugs.

But the AK602 is different because it reacts to human cells instead of attacking the virus, Hiroaki Mitsuya the lead researcher in the study told the paper.

According to Mitsuya AK 602 sticks to a protein called CCR5 that acts

as an entrance for HIV into human cells. When the new drug becomes attached to the protein, Mitsuya says, it can prevent HIV from entering, and thus stop the virus from spreading.

The paper reports that the researchers conducted clinical tests on 40 AIDS patients in the United States.

When the patients took 600 milligrams of AK602 twice a day for 10 days, the number of HIV viruses dropped to about 1 percent on average.

Almost no side effects were reported, according to Mitsuya

AK602 does not cover the entire CCR5 protein, he said. It only shuts the specific area where HIV can enter, leaving open the sections necessary for normal bodily operations.

Half of the 40 patients tested had taken other anti-AIDS drugs before, Mitsuya told the Asahi Shimbun, but those medicines were no longer effective because the virus had already developed resistance.

Service Members Challenge 'Don't Ask, Don't Tell' Policy

WASHINGTON, D.C. - Prosecutors asked a federal judge on Friday to dismiss a challenge to the military's "don't ask, don't tell" policy on Gay service members, saying only Congress has the power to change the rule it enacted 12 years ago, the Associated Press reported on Advocate.com.

The lawyer for a dozen former service members who were dismissed from the military for being Gay said "don't ask, don't tell" violates their constitutional rights to privacy, free speech, and equal protection under the law. Established in 1993 under the Clinton administration, the policy prohibits the military from asking about the sexual orientation of service members but requires the discharge of those who acknowledge being Gay or engaging in homosexual activity.

The former service members sued the government, arguing that the policy is clearly discriminatory. On Friday, U.S. district judge George O'Toole heard

arguments in the Bush administration's motion to dismiss the lawsuit.

Assistant U.S. attorney Mark Quinlivan said "don't ask, don't tell" had been debated extensively in Congress, had bipartisan support, and was signed into law by President Clinton. He also said it had been proved that having openly Gay people serving in the military would hurt unit cohesion.

Attorney Stuart Delery, representing the former service members, said the court has the power to overrule Congress when a policy is clearly unconstitutional. "The courts have made clear that deference is not abdication," he said. "The fact that Congress said it is not the end of the matter." O'Toole did not immediately rule on the government's motion to dismiss.

"Don't ask, don't tell" has been upheld by appeals courts in several jurisdictions.

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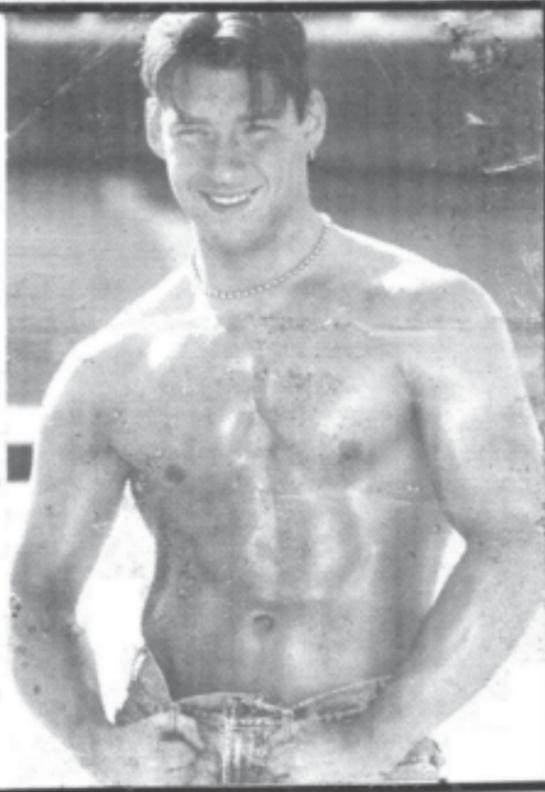
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Former McDonald's Mgr. Wins \$490,000 AIDS Discrimination Suit

CLEVELAND - A jury has awarded an Akron, Ohio man, forced from his job at McDonald's after the fast food giant learned he was HIV-positive, has been awarded \$490,000, reported 365Gay.com.

The jury ruled that Russell Rich, of Akron, Ohio, had been the victim of discrimination. It was the second victory against the company for Rich.

In 2001 he was awarded \$5 million but the verdict was overturned on appeal because the judge had given faulty instructions to the jury. The court ordered that a new trial be held.

Russell Rich alleged in the suit that he was forced to quit his job as a manager in 1997 when the company learned he was HIV-positive.

When Rich left McDonald's he also lost his health insurance. He says that he nearly died in 1999, becoming so sick

and depressed he attempted suicide.

Then his doctor advised him to get involved with a clinical trial for the drug Fuzeon, which Rich credits with saving his life. He has since become a spokesman for Roche Group, the drug's maker.

His AIDS medications, which cost tens of thousands of dollars a year, are being covered by the Ohio AIDS Drug Assistance Program.

Rich said he is pursuing the lawsuit because he thinks McDonald's, and not taxpayers, should be paying.

"I truly believe McDonald's hopes to outlive me," he told the Associated Press following the appeal court ruling. "They about did."

Nevertheless the case may not be over yet.

Nigerian Court Sentences Gay Man To Death By Stoning

LAGOS - A 50 year old man has been sentenced by a Nigerian court to death by stoning after he admitted in court he has had sex with men, 365Gay.com reported.

The man, whose name has not been made public, had been charged with sodomy and brought before a Sharia or Islamic court in northern Nigeria. Following a brief trial he was acquitted.

But, according to a UN report, the judge then asked the man if he had ever had sex with another man. When the man answered yes the judge convicted him of sodomy and sentenced him to death.

Philip Alston, the United Nations special rapporteur on arbitrary executions has called for an immediate review of the case by the Nigerian government.

"Sodomy cannot be considered one of the most serious crimes for which, under international law, the death penalty can be prescribed," said Alston in a statement after an official tour of Nigeria. "The punishment is wholly disproportionate."

Alston said he interviewed the man in prison during a fact-finding visit, but added that he had stumbled upon the man by chance while investigating death row in Kano prison.

Nigeria is Africa's most populous country, with 140 million inhabitants. It is split between Muslims in the North and Christians in the South.

Since 2000, 12 of Nigeria's northern states have adopted Sharia codes for their courtrooms. Under Islamic law, Gay sex is punishable by death.

Gay men are routinely rounded up in Nigeria, often only as a result of third party gossip.

Last November police arrested one man and an arrest warrant was issued for another after they were accused of having Gay sex.

The first is awaiting trial on a capital charge of sodomy in a Sharia court but the second escaped and is believed to have fled the country.

The charges were laid after neighbors alleged the men were Gay.

In December a Nigerian Gay man

who fled to the US from his homeland after a angry mob murdered his partner was granted asylum after being detained 11 months by immigration.

As an asylee, he is permitted to remain in the United States indefinitely and he can apply for legal permanent residence after one year.

However, his ordeal may not be over. The Department of Homeland Security has reserved the right to appeal in the case.

Rome Gays Demand Marriage Rights

ROME - More than 50,000 people lined the streets of Rome's historic city center for this weekend's (July 9-10) Gay Pride celebration, 365Gay.com reported.

Marchers called for equal rights for Gay and Lesbian couples, many of them carrying signs praising Spain for its decision to allow same-sex couples to marry.

Although Italy provides some rights to Gay couples the provisions are considered sparse by European standards and do not include adoption.

Italy's right of center government has committed itself to maintaining the status quo and has been critical of Spain's decision. On June 30, Spain's parliament passed legislation allowing Gays to marry over protests from the Vatican. Holland and Belgium also allow Gays to marry. Most other European Union nations have varying forms of civil unions and domestic partner registries.

Several men in cassocks and women in nun's habits marched in the parade but it was not clear if they were clergy or people dressed up as Roman Catholic priests and nuns.

One float was dedicated to same-sex marriage and featured dancing drag queens in wedding dresses.

Not everyone on the sidelines was supportive, however, the night before signs were posted along the parade route that read "Perverse!" and "No Thanks!"

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music blaring from sound trucks became silent and the march ground to a halt for a moment of silence dedicated to those who died in last week's terrorist attack in London.

Rome officials had asked Pride organizers to call off the parade as a sign of respect over the terrorist attacks, but ArciGay, Italy's leading LGBT civil rights group decided to go ahead with the parade

but to include a memorial for the victims of the bombings.

"We are here for freedom and against terrorism. Terrorism is the son of intolerance and discrimination," said ArciGay spokesperson Fabrizio Marrazzo of Gay rights group.

Many of the marchers wore black armbands as a sign of mourning.

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If you are running on all four engines, try to coast a bit this week. Energetic Mars trines retro Pluto. That means that seemingly inconsequential small actions can take us further than we ever thought possible, in an entirely different direction! But don't panic. Enjoy the ride and choose a scenic route.

ARIES (MAR. 21 - APR. 20)

Proud Rams seek a connection this week. There is something magnetic about you as the adoring crowds gravitate into your orbit. Don't be content to rotate in the same circles though. Your persona burns brightly in a global arena. Meet and greet the entire fleet. There is someone waiting for you who has a few tricks up their sleeves. Expect to get shocked, or is it buzzed?

TAURUS (APR. 21 - MAY 21)

Secret admirers do more than send you anonymous love notes. They quickly pounce! Suddenly everything that has been hidden is revealed... along with a few things that you would prefer to continue to keep under wraps. There is nothing to fear my dear queer Bull. Nothing should be hidden. Use the time to cash in on your considerable animal magnetism and let it all hang Out!

GEMINI (MAY 22 - JUNE 21)

Pink Twins are veritable social bees as Mars buzzes Pluto. Friends and friends of friends fly to your hive. Relationships that you make now have impact through the summer and beyond. You are the mover and shaker of any group. Cause a few earthquakes that change the landscape. Revealed are a few gems ready to be mined, er or something like that.

CANCER (JUNE 22 - JULY 23)

Conceptually, you have some pretty good long term plans. You know where you want to be professionally and have the energy to put your goals into action. In practice however, Gay Crabs are apt to overdo it this week. Retro Pluto wastes energy with unbridled efforts. Don't get caught up in the swirl of the nitty gritty. Relax and enjoy daydreaming of glory a little longer.

LEO (JULY 24 - AUG. 23)

Just when you thought things had quieted down, this is the week to make your mark on the world. Mars trines Pluto and pushes a small effort into a grand scale. Will you be able to adequately control your own press? There you are at every party, every A-list event and every hot to trot spot. Proud Lions actually run the risk of being horribly over exposed, uh, if you call that a risk.

VIRGO (AUG. 24 - SEPT. 23)

Domestic affairs will keep you busy this week as Mars trines Pluto. But this is not the time for major renovations or redecorations. It is a time to relax, recharge and attend to ... ahem... intimate projects. Queer Virgins will not only enjoy puttering around the house alone, they will also enjoy puttering around with a bit of company. Should we dust you for fingerprints?

LIBRA (SEPT. 24 - OCT. 23)

Don't be afraid to make demands from partners. Mars trines Pluto and provides you with more than the usual amount of diplomacy. You charmer you! Single Gay Libras not only manage to wend their way into any one-on-one liaison, they also can get their point across. This may be the week that you finally get what you wish. Oh be careful of what you wish!

SCORPIO (OCT. 24 - NOV. 22)

Proud Scorps feel their oats and think nothing of jumping into any detailed job task head first. But look before you leap. You may not only dive in at the shallow end, there is the risk of wasting and

dissipating your energies. You risk losing momentum on projects that look simple but require long term application. Climb every mountain but be sure to pack a good lunch.

SAGITTARIUS (NOV. 23 - DEC. 22)

Gay Archers are poised for a week full of fun and "Gaymes" as Mars trines Pluto. Opportunities abound to paint the town hot pink with your pride parade. You become the epicenter of excitement wherever you go. Remember, first impressions are memorable, cousin. (Perhaps too memorable right now.) How much is too, too much? Hey who cares?

CAPRICORN (DEC. 23 - JAN. 20)

It is time to make your household an entertainment empire. Inspiration strikes! Improve your surroundings to expand your social circle into a sphere. Increase the home bonhomie. Also be prepared to empty and dump the contents of your closet. Mars and Pluto won't tolerate any secrets, especially around relatives. Be an open book. Paperback or hard cover?

AQUARIUS (JAN. 21 - FEB. 19)

Honesty is the best policy, at least when Mars trines Pluto. Be outspoken and take command of the group dynamic. A Gay Duce is born. You manage to impress the masses and compel compadres and acquaintances to do your bidding. But is it all for altruistic motives or are you motivated by petty selfish motives? Come clean, Aqueerius. Rubadub.

PISCES (FEB. 20 - MAR. 20)

Don't let your over-riding greed and urgent need to succeed derail your carefully constructed corporate ascent. This is the time to survey the field, wait and re-evaluate. Guppies can over react when they really should relax and let things roll off their backs. There will be plenty of time to capitalize on your smarts later this summer. So for now, ride the waves.

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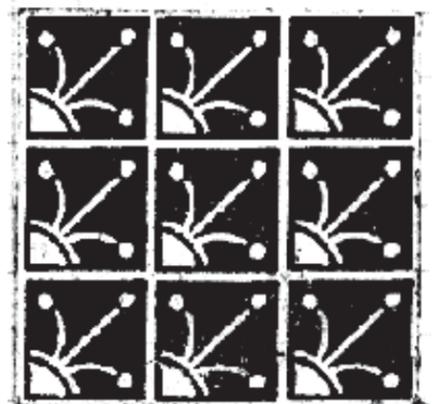
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welcome," Gutwillig added.

The first phase of the project includes transferring Outfest's existing library of preview tapes to the UCLA archive. Many of the films will be digitized so the public will have access to them.

The second phase will include establishing a collection of archive_quality 16_millimeter and 35_millimeter prints at the UCLA archive. The Legacy Project will also ask filmmakers, collectors and distributors for help.

"Having a centralized location for the study of these films at UCLA will foster the critical and historical study of LGBT struggles at a time when they have assumed an ever_larger role in American culture," said UCLA Film and Television Archive Director Timothy Kittleston.



NON-BAR CALENDAR

Wednesday, July 13

Men's Social Network (open to men of all ages; newcomers welcomed): 7:00 p.m. Join Jack for an evening of Canasta. If you don't know how to play, they'll teach you-and it's a very relaxed atmosphere. For directions and reservations, please call Jack at 887-3736.

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Friday, July 15

#1 Men's Social Network (open to men of all ages; newcomers welcomed): 7:00 p.m. Join Merlin and Lee for an evening of Charades. Come and put your acting/miming skills to the test. For directions and reservations, please call Lee and Merlin at 207-5336.

#2 Men's Social Network (open to men of all ages; newcomers welcomed): 7:00 p.m. Join Robert for Dinner out at Bumsted's on North 4th Avenue. Bumstead's offers a great variety of sandwiches, salads and hot foods. Their desserts are to die for! For reservations and directions, please call Robert at 400-1376. Please reserve your spot by Monday, July 11th.

Saturday, July 16

#1 Men's Social Network (open to men of all ages; newcomers welcomed) 7:30 am Join Jack & Mike and Ed & Marcus for a morning of Volleyball. This is played for fun, and you'll get to know some nice guys as you play. For details and directions, please call Mike/Jack at 881-5733 or Marcus/Ed at 407-5733.

#2 Men's Social Network (open to men of all ages; newcomers welcomed): 7:00 p.m. Steve hosts Pinochle Night. If you don't know how to play, but would like to learn, this is the place. For more information, please call Steve at 664-2076.

#1 Tucson Prime Timers Lunch/Business Meeting - Noon, Home Town Buffet, 5101 N. Oracle Rd.

#2 Tucson Prime Timers Food & Drinks - 5:00 p.m., Woody's, 3710 N. Oracle Rd.

Monday, July 18

Tucson Prime Timers Lunch - 12:30 p.m., The Wildcat House, 1800 N. Stone Ave.

Tuesday, July 19

#1 Men's Social Network (open to men of all ages; newcomers welcomed): 7:00 p.m. The Circle of Men is a support group that helps you deal with yourself and your relationships with others. For directions and reservations, please call Tom at 591-2828.

#2 Men's Social Network (open to men of all ages; newcomers welcomed): 7:00 p.m. Join Karol for an evening of Dinner and a Movie; "Fried Green Tomatoes" (the secret's in the sauce). For details and directions, please call Karol at 744-9017

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Friday, July 22

Men's Social Network (open to men of all ages; newcomers welcomed): 7:00 p.m.

Join Robert as he hosts Pizza and Game night. For just \$5.00, come and enjoy a night of Pizza, good conversation and your favorite board /card games. For reservations and directions, please call Robert at 400-1376. Please reserve your spot by noon on Thursday, July 21st.

Saturday, July 23

Men's Social Network (open to men of all ages; newcomers welcomed): 7:00 p.m. Marv hosts Pinochle Night. If you don't know how to play, but would like to learn, this is the place. For more information, please call Marv at 745-0304. Tucson Prime Timers Food & Drinks - 5:00 p.m., Woody's, 3710 N. Oracle Rd.

Monday, July 25

#1 Men's Social Network (open to men of all ages; newcomers welcomed): 7:00 p.m. Join us for the "putting out the Newsletter" Night. For reservations and directions, please call Arlan at 323-7414. #2 Men's Social Network (open to men of all ages; newcomers welcomed): 7:30 p.m. Join us for the MSN Premiere of "Prom Queen, The Marc Hall Story" (after Newsletter Night). For reservations and directions, please call Arlan at 323-7414.

Tucson Prime Timers Lunch - 12:30 p.m.,

The Wildcat House, 1800 N. Stone Ave.

Tuesday, July 26

#1 Men's Social Network (open to men of all ages; newcomers welcomed): 7:00 p.m. The Circle of Men is a support group that helps you deal with yourself and your relationships with others. For directions and reservations, please call Tom at 591-2828.

#2 Men's Social Network (open to men of all ages; newcomers welcomed): 7:00 p.m. Terry hosts Bridge Night. If you don't know how to play, they'll teach you-and it's a very relaxed atmosphere. For reservations and directions, please call Terry at 577-3545.

Wednesday, July 27

Men's Social Network (open to men of all ages; newcomers welcomed): 7:00 p.m. Join Richard & T. Jay for Canasta. If you don't know how to play, we'll be glad to teach you. For reservations and directions, please call T. Jay and Richard at 881-7919.

Thursday, July 28

Men's Social Network (open to men of all ages; newcomers welcomed): 7:00 p.m. Join the men of MSN for Coffee Night out at Rainbow Planet Coffee House. This is a chance to have a cup of coffee and chat

with the men of MSN. This is a No-host event, so please ask Barista to point you in our direction.

Saturday, July 30

Men's Social Network (open to men of all ages; newcomers welcomed): 7:00 p.m. Steve hosts Pinochle Night. If you don't know how to play, but would like to learn, this is the place. For more information, please call Steve at 664-2076.

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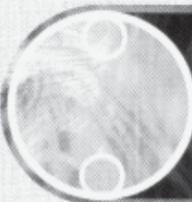
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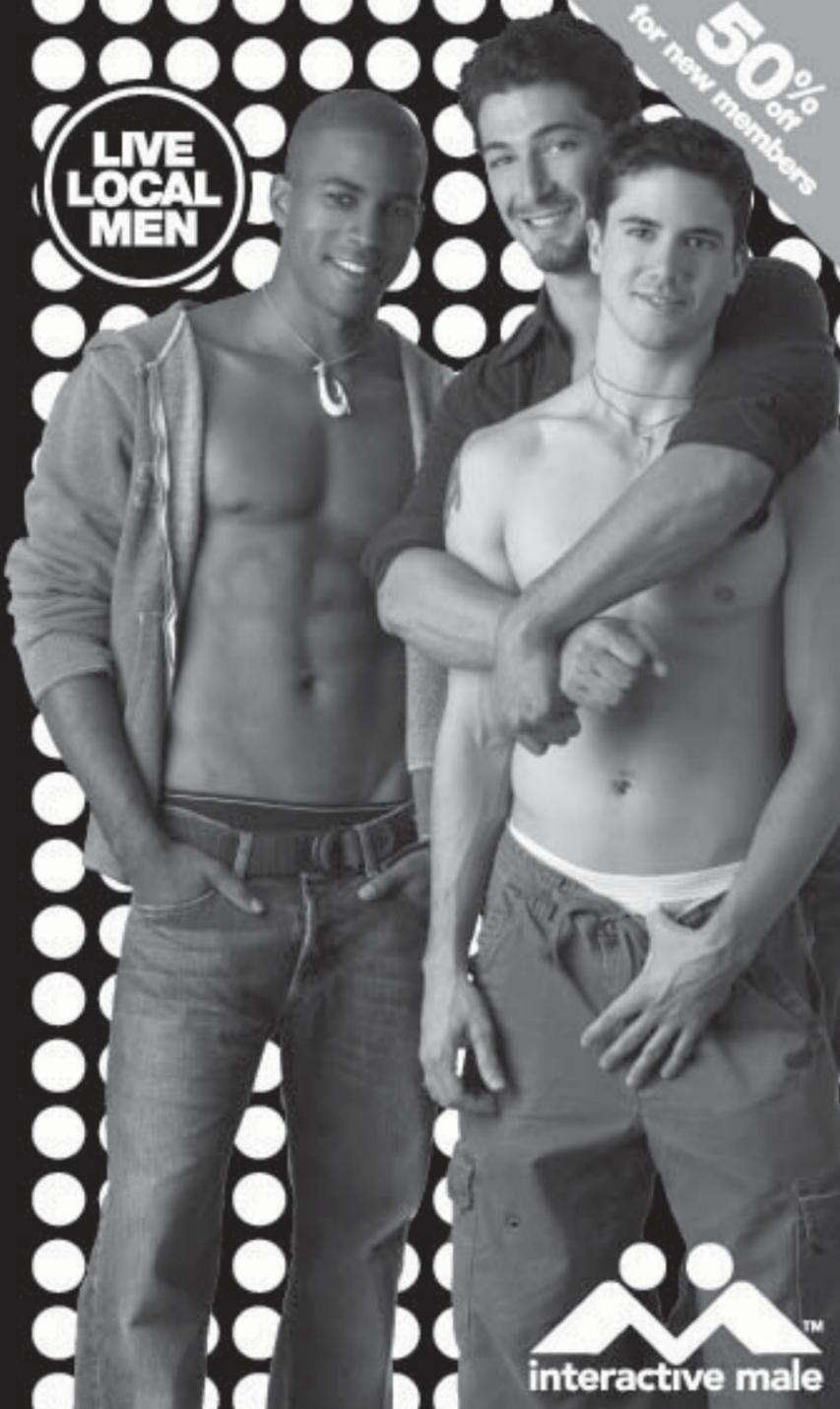
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DAILY BAR CALENDAR

sunday

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HOWL AT THE MOON - Open at 11:00 am. Chuckwagon Breakfast 11am - 1:30pm, - Scrambled eggs, hash brown, biscuit & sausage gravy and your choice of Bloody Mary, Screwdriver or Mimosa. Free Texas Hold'em Poker Tourney at 4 and 7pm. Sign-up begins one hour before playing time. No Cash - Play for Prizes and Points. Great chance to learn the hottest game around

IBT's - Open Noon. \$1.75 Bloodys, or mimosas. til 4pm. 4-7:30 Karaoke with Michael D. on the patio 5:30-7:30 Beer Bust. 2-4-1 drink specials and DJ Mike Lopez 10pm to close. (Some restrictions apply).

VENTURE-N - Open 10am. Patio open 3pm. \$1.75 Bloody Marys or Screws til 3pm Patio Beer Bust 3-7. Burger BBQ 5-7. Selection of burger meats to choose from. \$2 proceeds go to Pet Watch (helping HIV/AIDS clients with their veterinary bills).

WOODY'S - Open 11am. Brunch \$5, 11:30 - 2:30. Patio open 1pm-close. Yard games on the grass. Beer Bust 16oz \$1 2-7p. \$2.50 Sirloin Burger or Chicken w/sides 5-9pm. Karaoke with Michael D. 9pm-close. Drag Bingo every other Sunday 8-9

YARD DOG - Open Sundays 10am - 1am. Bloody Marys or Screwdrivers \$1.75 from 10am - 3pm.

monday

COLORS - Closed on Mondays.

HOWL AT THE MOON - Open at 3 pm. Happy Hour 3 - 8 pm, \$2 well, domestic longnecks & pints, \$3 sm pitchers, \$5 lg pitchers. Monday Munchies 3 - 8 pm with reduced prices on appetizers - best deal in town! Free Texas Hold-'Em Poker Tournaments at 6:00 pm and 9:00 pm. Sign-up begins one hour before playing time. No Cash - Play for Prizes and Points.

IBT's - Open Noon. Happy Hour Noon-8pm, DJ Mike Lopez 10pm-2am \$1.50 well vodka drinks, All drink specials not available during special events.

VENTURE-N - Open 8am. Patio 6pm. Free pool til 4pm. \$2.75 Skyy Martinis 4-8. Free Hot Dogs.

WOODY'S - Open 10am. w/Special Happy Hour prices til 2pm. Regular Happy Hour 2-8. Karaoke w/Michael D. 9-1

YARD DOG - Open daily 6am. 50¢ off any Scotch until 7pm. Beer Bust 3-7pm.

tuesday

COLORS - Open 4-11pm. Happy Hour 4-7 \$2 Skyy cocktails, \$3 Skyy Martinis, \$2 Domestic and half-price appetizers. 1st Tuesday of month "Dinner & Movie" sponsored by GMHP. All other Tuesdays "Dinner and a Concert" shown on 52" projection system. Full menus served until 10pm.

HOWL AT THE MOON - Open at 3 pm. Happy Hour 3 - 8 pm, \$2 well, domestic longnecks & pints, \$3 sm pitchers, \$5 lg pitchers. Tequila Tuesday: \$2.00 well margaritas, 50¢ off call tequilas. Karaoke with Debbie from 8 - midnight

IBT's - Open Noon. Happy Hour Noon-8pm, Tropical Tuesdays \$2.50 Tropical drinks and DJ Q playing Retro Music 70's, 80's and 90's 9pm-close.

VENTURE-N - Open 8am. Patio 6pm. Free Pool til 4pm.

WOODY'S - Open 10am w/Special Happy Hour til 2pm. Regular Happy Hour 2-8. 80s Nite 9-close. \$1 off to those wearing 80s concert t-shirt. (Excludes draught & schnapps).

YARD DOG - Open daily 6am. 50¢ off any Tequila until 7pm Beer Bust 3-7pm.

wednesday

COLORS - Open 4-11pm. Happy Hour 4-7pm, \$2 Skyy cocktails, \$3 Skyy Martinis, \$2 Domestic and half-price appetizers Full menu served 4-10pm. Nightly dinner specials.

HOWL AT THE MOON - Open at 3 pm. Happy Hour 3 - 8 pm, \$2 well, domestic longnecks & pints, \$3 sm pitchers, \$5 lg pitchers. Free Pool all day. Draught Beer Specials all day.

IBT's - Open Noon. Happy Hour Noon-8pm, 9pm "Diva-Licious" show w/ Bunny Fu Fu. HiNrgy dance with DJ Q.

VENTURE-N - Open 8am. Patio 6pm. Free Pool til 4pm. Draft Special 12-4pm. \$2.75 Cuervo Margaritas 4-8pm

WOODY'S - Open 10am w/Special Happy Hour til 2pm. Regular Happy Hour 2-8. Underwear- fetish-leather nite \$1 off for those wearing underwear-fetish or leather. (Excludes draught & schnapps) for all in leather or underwear.

YARD DOG - Open daily 6am. 50¢ off any Vodka until 7pm Beer Bust 3-7pm.

thursday

COLORS - Open 4-11pm. Happy Hour 4-7pm, \$2 Skyy cocktails, \$3 Skyy Martinis, \$2 Domestic and half-price appetizers. Full menu served 4-10pm. Nightly dinner specials.

HOWL AT THE MOON - Open at 3 pm. Happy Hour 3 - 8 pm, \$2 well, domestic longnecks & pints, \$3 sm pitchers, \$5 lg pitchers. \$2.00 Mexican Beers all day. Karaoke with Debbie from 8 to midnight.

IBT's - Open Noon. Happy Hour Noon-8pm, Boyz Nite Out with your Bartenders & GoGo Boys dancing in their undies and DJ Mike Lopez spinning Top 40 & All request \$1.75 Long Islands and \$1.50 Tequila shots 10pm-2am.

VENTURE-N - Open 8am. Patio open 6pm. Free Pool til 4pm. Pool Tourney 7pm. \$3 entry. Special prices for players. Steak Nite (4th Thursday of each month). Bring your own or get it here \$5.

WOODY'S - Open 10am w/Special Happy Hour til 2pm. Regular Happy Hour 2-8. Free Pool all day. NTN Game Nite w/prizes 9-close. \$1 Pabst Blue Ribbon. Patio bar open 8pm-close

YARD DOG - Open daily 6am. 50¢ off any Bourbon til 7pm. Beer Bust 3-7pm.

friday

COLORS - Open 4pm-2am. Happy Hour 4-7pm, \$2 Skyy cocktails, \$3 Skyy Martinis, \$2 Domestic and half-price appetizers. Full menu served 4-11pm. Nightly Dinner Specials. 6:30-9:30pm. "Hot Jazz, Cool Martinis" with Susan Artemis 10pm "Guys & Dolls" hosted by Lucinda Holliday. Reservations suggested.

Open 11am for lunch. Dinner 5-10pm. Happy Hour 4-7pm domestic beers or well cocktails \$2.25.

HOWL AT THE MOON - Open at 3 pm. Happy Hour 3 - 8 pm, \$2 well, domestic longnecks & pints, \$3 sm pitchers, \$5 lg pitchers. Line Dance Lessons 7:30 to 8:30 pm. DJ Pat plays your favorite country dance songs 8:30 to midnight then a mix of dance & country 'til close. Kitchen open 10 pm - 2 am for late night munchies.

IBT's - Open Noon. Happy Hour Noon-8pm., Hot Dance with DJ Mike Lopez 9pm-2am.

VENTURE-N - Open 8am. Patio open 6pm. Free Pool til 4pm. DJ 9pm to close.

WOODY'S - Open 10am. w/Special Happy Hour til 2pm. Regular Happy Hour 2-8. Patio Bar open 8-close. Party w/ DJ Jeff 9-close.

YARD DOG - Open daily 6am. 50¢ off any Gin until 7pm. Beer Bust 3-7pm. Kennel open 9pm.

saturday

COLORS - Open 4pm-2am, Happy Hour 4-7pm, \$2 Skyy cocktails, \$3 Skyy Martinis, \$2 Domestic and half-price appetizers Full menu served 4-11pm. Nightly dinner specials. Amber Norgarrd sings originals and cover tunes 6:30-9:30pm. Reservations suggested.

HOWL AT THE MOON - Open at 11:00 am. Chuckwagon Breakfast 11am-1:30pm, \$4.50. Happy Hour 3 - 8 pm, \$2 well, domestic longnecks & pints, \$3 sm pitchers, \$5 lg pitchers. \$4.00 Cheeseburger & Fries all day. DJ playing your favorite country songs 8:30 - midnight, then "anything goes" requests until close. Kitchen open 10 pm - 2 am for late night munchies.

IBT's - Open Noon. Happy Hour Noon-8pm, 5-8pm karaoke and Teryaki Kabobs on the patio. 8:30pm Show time w/ Ajia Simone or Janee Star. DJ Q spinning Club Music inside and Mike Lopez spinning on the patio 10pm to close..

VENTURE-N - Open 10am. Patio Bar open 3pm. Patio Beer Bust 3-7pm. DJ 9-1.

WOODY'S - Open 10am w/Special Happy Hour til 2pm. Regular Happy Hour 2-8. \$5 Steak or Fish w/all the trimmings 5-9. Patio Bar open 5-close. Live Jazz w/Arthur Miguazza on the patio 6-9. Party w/DJ Jeff 9-close.

YARD DOG - Open daily 6am. Beer Bust 3-7pm. 75¢ glass, \$2.25 pitcher. 50¢ off any Rum 1pm to 7pm. Beer Bust 3-7pm. Kennel Open 9pm.

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BAR CALENDAR Of Upcoming Events

WEDNESDAY, JULY 13

WOODY'S - Sarong/Underwear Party from 8pm until closing.

HOWL AT THE MOON - GLBT Chamber of Commerce is having an 'Out and About' here from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m

FRIDAY, JULY 15

WOODY'S - July Birthday? Celebrate here beginning at 9pm. Woody's brings the cake - balloons - champagne Toast. Register with your favorite bartender by July 13.

SATURDAY, JULY 16

HOWL AT THE MOON - 10:00 p.m. Latin Draag Show here this evening with Ellas de Noche and special guest DJ Michelle playing Cumbias, Corridas and Country from 8:30 to close.

IBT'S - Don't forget Karaoke on the Patio and Teriyaki Kabobs from 5-8 p.m. \$1.00 pints of Bud or Bud Light draft beer. Show Nite with Ajia Simone at 8:30 p.m. then dance all night with DJ Q on the inside dance floor or DJ Mike spinning on the Patio.,

SUNDAY, JULY 17

WOODY'S - Sunday Party Day begins at 11:30 p.m. with Leno's Eggceptional Brunch. The Patio Bar and Sports Court opens at 1 p.m. Beer Bust 2-7. DJ Jeff on the Patio at 4 p.m. Sirloin Burgers 5-9, Drag Bingo at 8 p.m. followed by Karaoke with Michael D. At 9 p.m. A full day indeed!

WEDNESDAY, JULY 20

WOODY'S - Gay Men's Health Project (GMHP) celebrates Underwear Night starting at 8:00 p.m.

THURSDAY, JULY 28

VENTURE-N - Steak Nite here from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. \$6.00. They say "You Cant Beat Our Meat" Try it out!

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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.

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 (TPT) activities. Meetings luncheons and dinners are held monthly. For dates, times and information call 529-2269, leave name and phone number. Tucsonpt@primetimersww.org

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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.

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

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

GET NAKED with TNTucson MEN! We're a social and recreational club. Have you ever longed to camp, swim, hike or play with others who enjoy the same, dropping all the masks and pretensions? We're for you! TNTucsonMEN@nethere.com, P.O. Box 12176, Tucson 85792 or call 514-9894

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

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)790-5775 or write P.O. Box 43910, Tucson, AZ 85733-3910 of visit our website at www.botop.com All are welcome to our general meetings/potlucks on the 2nd Friday of every month, at 3202 E. 1st St. (the "Ward 6" Office Bldg.) Just south of Speedway & East of Country Club. PotLuck Dinner begins at 6:30 and the monthly meeting follows at 7:15 p.m.

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.

COME EXPLORE YOUR SPIRITUALITY! St. Philip's in the Hills Episcopal Church offers a variety of Gay and Lesbian groups and services for the spiritually minded. Come meet the Family! For more information call Debbie 579-9827 or David 323-7943.

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, Bisexual, Transgender and Straight Chorus, has been singing songs of pride, hope and laughter for 16 seasons. Check out our website at www.desertvoices.org, or call (520)791-9662 for information about upcoming concerts or how to join.

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., Wingspan Annex, 739 N. 4th Ave. 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 690-9565 for information and a newsletter. Check the Non-Bar Calendar in the Observer.

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.

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.

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE GLBT, Tucson's Gay and Lesbian business networking group holds regular meetings the third Thursday of every month. Call 615-6436 for more info. www.tucsonglbtchamber.org

TUCSON PRIDE, INC. (Formerly Tucson Lesbian and Gay Alliance - TLGA) meets on the second Tuesday at 845 S. Craycroft Road at

6pm. Tucson Pride events: Pride Week, Gay West and OUToberFEST. Inquiries about support groups and individual needs should be directed to Wingspan and other local agencies listed here. For more information call 622-3200 or visit the TPI website at www.tucsonpride.com

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.

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 Anabeli at 325-0892

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 838-3975.

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 Sunday from 7-8 pm on 91.3 FM, Community Radio KXCI.

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). The Southwest's largest transgender and gender-variant advocacy organization. Speakers and panelists available. General meetings monthly on the 1st Mondays at 7pm; Dezert Girlz MTF Support) meets 2nd Mondays at 7pm; Dezert Boyz (FTM Support) meets 3rd Tuesdays at 7pm. Also serving partners, youth, intersex, service providers and allies. Call (520)867-0083 for more info.

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, whose focus is providing information and education for people interested in the BDSM lifestyle, meets monthly for group discussion and social events. Visit our web site <http://www.desertdominion.org> or call (520)792-6424

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.

SAA (Sex Addicts Anonymous) has 5 meetings a week in Tucson. People who wish to stop their compulsive sexual behavior, please call (520) 745-0775 for current information.

TUCSON GREATER SOFTBALL ASSOCIATION. Interested? Call Kelly Quinn, (520)906-0669 and or Mona Garcia 256-8728.

LUTHERANS CONCERNED — Tucson chapter for Gay/Lesbian Lutherans meets 3rd 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.

"OUT ON THE TRAILS - EQUESTRIAN FUN!"

Rider Club forming. Looking for women and men to ride together on the trails of Southern Arizona. Must have own horse, truck and trailer. For more info write: "Out On The Trails" P.O. Box 44045, Tucson, AZ 85733-4045

LIKE TO READ?

The Guys' Book Club (TGBC) invites new members to join us. The group meets once a month, on the 3rd Monday, at 6:30 p.m. Reading selections include Gay-themed novels, bios and other nonfiction. For location or more info, email Bryan at Bryansct@aol.com

THE MAN TO MAN Social/erotic education club is the tantric men's group that offers passionate friendships, fun activities and real Tantric sex education. Marc 881-4582

GLBT Buddhist meditation group meets Sundays from 9:30 - 11:00 a.m. at the Wingspan annex space, 739 N. 4th Ave. Please be willing to sit for two twenty minute sessions in silence. All are welcome.

LGBT SUPPORT GROUP FOR VICTIM/SURVIVORS OF DOMESTIC VIOLENCE, Sexual Assault, Hate Crimes, Bias Acts, Harassment. Call Lori at Wingspan, 624-1779, ext. 20. Services are free.

NEW TUCSON SOBRIETY SUPPORT GROUP. Secular Organizations for Sobriety - Sundays 8:00 - 9:30 p.m. at 739 N. 4th Avenue. Contacts Rick R. 520-792-2604 or Gary S. 520-323-1969. More information at www.secularhumanism.org/sos/ This group is an alternative to 12-step programs.

MEN'S KINK DISCUSSION GROUP (Open to all who identify as male and are 18 or older) meets 2nd Tuesday of the month, 7:00 p.m. at Desert Dominion, 3843 E. 37th Street, Tucson, AZ. (Get Map at www.desertdominion.org) For those who are kinky or just curious. No fee, contributions are appreciated, but not required.

SUN WORSHIPERS OF TUCSON (SWOT) is a local men's nudist organization for men of all ages. Events feature swimming, hot tubbing and socializing in a relaxed, private setting. Check out our website at <http://groups.yahoo.com/group/swot>. Bi-weekly daytime meetings, Saturdays at 10am and Sundays at 2pm. Contact John at 327-3135 for more info and upcoming dates.

DESERT PRIDE - Your store for Gay Pride and more!

611 N. Fourth Avenue, Tucson, AZ 85705 (Across from IBT's, Next to Magpies. Come See Us!) (520)388-9829

