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Democrats Take Control Of U.S. House; Senate Takeover Possible; G/L Civil Union/ Marriage Bans Pass

By Mark R. Kerr

WASHINGTON, D.C. (ON) - Democrats easily clinched a majority of House seats in Tuesday's (Nov. 7) U.S. House of Representative elections, overturning the GOP majority that had been in place for a dozen years.

As returns continued to come in, the only suspense was just how many seats the Democrats would clear above the 15 they needed to win the majority.

"What people are saying is we need a change. Washington just isn't getting it anymore," Illinois Rep. Rahm Emanuel, the chairman of the Democratic Congressional Campaign Committee, said in a television interview.

The list of House Republican incumbents who were defeated was growing by the proverbial minute as the votes were tabulated in U.S. House races across the county.

Arizona will send four Democrats to the U.S. House in the 110th Congress.

Former state Senator Gabrielle Giffords defeated the Republican candidate, former state Representative Randy Graf in the Congressional District 8 contest. Giffords is the first Democrat to represent the eastside district in more than 20 years.

In Congressional District 5, former state Senator and Tempe Mayor, Democrat Harry Mitchell defeated the Republican incumbent, J.D. Hayworth.

Congressmen Raul Grijalva and Ed Pastor easily won their general election contests.

In the Senate, Democrats have picked up three of the six seats they need to take control. Two of the three contests in Missouri and Montana, as of press time, were still to be decided. Missouri state Auditor, Democrat Claire McKaskill was leading incumbent Republican Senator, Jim Talent and Democrat Jim Webb, took a slim, late lead over Republican incumbent Senator, George Allen in Virginia.

Sen. Rick Santorum of Pennsylvania, the number three Republican in the Senate, as the Whip, and one of its most conservative members, lost his seat after two terms to Bob Casey Jr., the state treasurer.

Republican Sen. Mike Dewine of Ohio lost to Democrat Sherrod Brown, a congressman strongly opposed to free-trade agreements.

Sen. Lincoln Chafee, the most liberal Republican in the Senate, lost to Democrat Sheldon Whitehouse.

Democratic candidate Ben Cardin of Maryland and appointed U.S. Senator Robert Menedez held on to the two Democratic Senate seats that were seen as vulnerable.

In Arizona, Republican Senator Jon Kyl held off a late challenge by the Democratic candidate, Jim Pederson.

Despite polls showing a chance of defeating proposed amendments banning same-sex marriage in Virginia and Wisconsin, voters approved measures barring same-sex marriage but civil unions and possibly domestic partner benefits for unmarried straight and Gay couples. Voters in Idaho, Colorado, South Carolina and Tennessee approved measures barring only same-sex marriage.

Governor Napolitano, Attorney General Goddard Re-Elected. Proposition 107 Losing

By Mark R. Kerr

of Democrat, Jason Williams.

PHOENIX (ON) Arizona Governor, Democrat Janet Napolitano easily won a second term defeating Len Munsil, the Republican candidate, by twenty eight percent in the general election.

With more than 96% of the vote counted, as of press time, Democratic Attorney General Terry Goddard won a second term, handily defeating Republican Bill Montgomery by nineteen percent.

Jan Brewer, the Republican Secretary of State was reelected by a sixteen percent margin over Israel Torres, her Democratic challenger.

State Senator Dean Martin was elected state Treasurer, defeating the Democratic candidate Rano Singh by more than ten percent.

Republican state School Superintendent Tom Horne won a second term, narrowly defeating the challenge

Incumbent Arizona Corporation Commissioner (ACC), Republican Kris Mayes, as well as Republican former state Representative Gary Pierce won terms serving on the ACC Board.

Arizona could become the first state ever to defeat a constitutional ban on same-sex marriage, civil unions and domestic partnerships by popular vote, as returns showed the proposal losing.

With nearly all precincts reporting, Proposition 107 was losing, 52 percent to 48 percent but there are ballots still to be tabulated, as of press time which could change the outcome.

Many contested races for seats in Arizona's House of Representatives and Senate were too close to call as of press time.

Complete results in next week's Observer.

Halloween Horror: 10 Shot In S.F.'s Castro; Mayor Considers Shutting Down Event

SAN FRANCISCO - Gunfire broke out between two groups at a massive Halloween street party in San Francisco's Castro district, wounding at least 10 people, including innocent bystanders, police said Wednesday (Nov. 1), reported the Associated Press on 365Gay.com. The shooting began around 10:40 p.m. Tuesday (Oct. 31) as authorities were dispersing thousands of revelers under a curfew aimed at controlling the traditionally raucous party.

Two people were detained for questioning, but no one had been arrested early Wednesday, police Capt. Al Casciato said. He said two groups of people had gotten into an altercation when the shooting began. Two people were taken to a hospital with life-threatening injuries, including one with a gunshot wound to the head, Gittens said. Five others were found at the scene with non-life-threatening injuries, and two more possible victims were identified later, Gittens said. "We've had a couple of people going into hospitals on their own, and we need to verify whether they were victims of that shooting," he said. At least some of the victims were innocent bystanders, according to witnesses.

The once-spontaneous and unsanctioned party was taken over by

the city four years ago after police recorded five stabbings and a number of assaults in a crowd of 500,000. Officials and members of the district's Gay community said the party began attracting Gay-bashers along with colorful costumed characters, and many Gay men and Lesbians stopped coming. On Tuesday night, city officials had ramped up police presence by 25 percent, reduced the number of entertainment stages from three to one and cut off the festivities at 11 pm amid concerns of more violence. "We had the sheriff's department screening people for weapons and alcohol. Obviously you have a major event - a lot of different spots" to patrol, Gittens said. "I can't explain how this happened. Unfortunately it did happen, and we are investigating to find out who is the cause of the shooting."

Ted Morales said he was working as a volunteer security guard for the event when he "heard someone empty their gun" in the crowd. "When the shooting happened, people just dove to the ground like a wall of water," said Morales, who did not see what led up to the shooting. A woman standing near him was grazed in the neck by a bullet, he said. Sophia Vlahiotis, who owns Capri Ristorante Pizza just yards from the scene, was outside selling pizzas when a crowd of people fleeing the bullets began running in her direction. "They pushed the table over, the oven

fell and then I realised it was gunshots," she said. "They were trying to get into the restaurant, there were so many people." Vlahiotis, who did not see what led up to the shooting, said this year may be her last participating in the Halloween party. "I'm still shaking," she said. "I don't know if I want to do this again. It's not worth my life."

San Francisco Mayor Gavin Newsom said he is considering canceling the annual Halloween festivities. "Thank God no one was killed," Newsom said Wednesday (Nov.1). "That probably would have ended the event immediately, and that does not mean we will not consider shutting this event down in the future."

Herb Cohn of the Castro Community Benefit District told the Examiner he'd rather see measures taken to return the party to local control before resorting to closing it. "It saddened me to see a very fun neighborhood event turn into what amounts to a trashing of a neighborhood by mostly people who don't live in the neighborhood," Cohn said.

Newsom and police and fire officials met Wednesday to discuss whether the party should continue and how to make it safer if it does, the Chronicle reported. Little was decided beyond the creation of a study group.

UPDATE

Autographed Lance Armstrong Poster In TIHAN Auction

TUCSON - The Tucson Interfaith HIV/AIDS Network (TIHAN) will be auctioning an autographed Lance Armstrong poster. The poster is currently on display at Arizona Cyclist Bike Shop in the St. Philips Plaza on Campbell and River.

Dr. Kevin Carmichael, one of Tucson's top HIV doctors and brother of Chris Carmichael Armstrong's coach, facilitated the donation. "My brother and I are very happy to be in a position to support TIHAN which provides a valuable service to the Tucson community, particularly in a time where money for HIV services has been effectively decreasing at a rate of about 15-20% annually. Fortunately through the efforts TIHAN and other organizations the impact of these dramatics cuts has been to some degree ameliorated," Dr. Carmichael said.

Proceeds raised will benefit AIDS awareness and support services for TIHAN. Opening bids begin at \$1,000 and are being accepting from now until 2:00pm on Nov. 17. The winner will be announced at the El Tour de Tucson on Nov. 18. Send bids by E-mail to Scott Blades, Executive Director of TIHAN, at scott@tihan.org. The poster is currently on display at Arizona Cyclist Bike Shop in the St. Philips Plaza on Campbell and River in Tucson.

Desert Voices Keeping The Home Fires Burning Nov. 11-12

TUCSON - Desert Voices, Tucson's premier LGBT chorus, now in their 18th season, will feature the music of WWII, beginning with their Veteran's Day weekend concert, "Keep The Home Fires Burning," Nov. 11, 7:30 p.m., and Nov. 12, 2 p.m., at the Proscenium Theatre on the Pima West campus.

Desert Voices' 18th season's three shows will also feature the Andrews Sisters, Carmen Miranda, Frank Sinatra and the "Desertaires" as well as individual chorus members' instrumental talents. The Veteran's Day weekend show, "Keep The Home Fires Burning," will be followed by the annual Silent Auction & Cabaret on Feb. 17, 2007, "Stage Door Canteen," and completed April 21-22, 2007, with "Coming Out Under Fire." Individual and season tickets may be purchased at any time.

This season, under the direction of Artistic Director Chris Tackett, Desert Voices will invoke the classic sounds of the era with fantastic vocal jazz arrangements created by Chris of In the Mood, Don't Get Around

Much Anymore, and Begin the Beguine. The Andrews Sisters, Carmen Miranda, Frank Sinatra and the Desertaires will also be featured.

For more information, go online to desertvoices.org.

SAAF Update

by Anne Maley, Executive Director

TUCSON - Save the Date for the 18th Annual Jérôme Beillard Festival for Life.

Enjoy an "Evening in Paradise" and show your compassion for people living with and affected by HIV/AIDS at the 18th Annual Jérôme Beillard Festival for Life. This live and silent auction will be held on Sunday, November 19 from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. at The University of Arizona Student Union Grand Ballroom and is presented by Long Realty Cares Foundation and the Southern Arizona AIDS Foundation (SAAF).

You'll feel as though you have escaped to an exotic tropical island for the evening as you enjoy the music of steel drum band Jovert, and the sounds of marimba and guitar from Duo Sonido, while sampling luscious hors d'oeuvres and sipping a cool beverage from the no-host bar.

Festival for Life is known for its impressive selection of fine artwork, unique gifts and experiences, along with plenty of holiday items and gifts.

This year's auction includes some outstanding travel opportunities, including a cruise for two on Norwegian Cruise Lines, a Hawaiian vacation for two including air travel from US Airways, a week's stay at the Queen's Surf Resort and a rental car courtesy of Gari-Sue Greene from All About Travel. Other items donated include season tickets to all Chicago White Sox and Arizona Diamondbacks Spring Training games, a Laura Gibson necklace from Marshall's Jewelers, and artwork by Molly Phoenix Glassworks, Paula Wittner, Gail Marcus-Orlen, Deezie Manning-Catron, David Adix, Diana Madaras and many other local, nationally acclaimed artists.

The Jérôme Beillard Festival for Life is Southern Arizona AIDS Foundation's second-largest community fundraising event. This event was started in 1988 by Robert Markley (Markley Salon, Tucson) and Jérôme Beillard, who was the Executive Director of People With AIDS Coalition of Tucson (PACT) - one of the organizations that later merged to become SAAF. In 1995, just before his death, the PACT Board voted to name the event in honor of Jérôme Beillard and his contributions to the community.

Tickets are \$60 in advance and \$75 at the door, and are available by calling the Southern Arizona AIDS Foundation at (520) 628-7223. For more information, check out the website at FestivalForLife.org.

Homosexuality Becomes Issue In Navajo Campaign

ALBUQUERQUE, New Mexico - The Navajo nation will elect a new president on Tuesday (Nov. 7) and the argument of nurture versus nature has become an issue in the campaign. Two candidates are seeking the presidency: Joe Shirley who is hoping for re-election and Linda Lovejoy the first woman to run for the presidency.

At a forum in Albuquerque Lovejoy called homosexuality a birth defect. "Some of our children are born with physical impairments, and it's not the baby's fault. ... That person is special, that individual is special," she said at the forum. "I feel the same way about sexual orientation: everyone is special." Later, when pressed by a local television station she suggested sexuality was a matter of choice. "I respect everyone and that's their choice, that's their lifestyle they choose," she said.

Lovejoy has refused to answer questions about same-sex marriage. Incumbent Joe Shirley last year vetoed a bill passed by the tribal council that would ban Gay marriage. The veto was overridden by the council. At the time Shirley said that the ban went against the Navajos' tradition of acceptance. The Navajo Nation, which has more than 180,000 residents, spans parts of Arizona, New Mexico and Utah. Same-sex marriages are not allowed in any of those states. Lovejoy is accusing Shirley of being behind the campaign Gay flap calling it "dirty politics."

Lesbian Looks - Loving Annabelle, Nov. 10

TUCSON - Loving Annabelle (Katherine Brooks 2005 USA 80 min), is the next film to be featured in the UA LGBT Studies Lesbian Looks Series, Nov. 10, 7 to 9 p.m., Loft Cinema, 3233 E. Speedway.

A modern homage to the 1931 classic, Mädchen in Uniform, Loving Annabelle is a smart and sultry film about a boarding school student who finally meets her match...or does she? The wild daughter of a senator, Annabelle comes to a very strict Catholic boarding school as the last stop in a run of exclusive private schools that have expelled her. Intelligent, beautiful and bored, Annabelle immediately impresses both her classmates and her English teacher, Simone, when she correctly interprets the heavily sexual meaning of an e.e. cummings poem. When student and teacher are the only two left on campus during spring break, the temptation is nearly overwhelming.

For more information, contact Beverly Seckinger, E-mail: bsecking@u.arizona.edu.

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First HIV Gene Therapy Test Is Encouraging

PHILADELPHIA - The first test of a potential new gene therapy for HIV – the virus that causes AIDS – was encouraging enough for researchers to launch a more extensive trial, reported the Associated Press on 365Gay.com.

“The goal of this phase I trial was safety and feasibility, and the results established that,” said lead researcher Dr. Carl June. “But the results also hint at something much more.”

In addition to showing that the treatment was possible and didn't endanger the patients, the amount of virus in the subjects remained steady or decreased during the study, which involved just five people with chronic HIV infection. One patient had a sustained decrease in the amount of virus, and immune cells and strength of the immune system increased in four patients during the nine-month study.

However, “just because this has produced encouraging results in one or two patients doesn't mean it will work for everyone. We have much more work to do,” said co-author Dr. Bruce Levine.

June and Levine are researchers at the University of Pennsylvania's Abramson Family Cancer Research Institute. Their findings are reported in the online edition of Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences. The study team included researchers from the VIRxSYS Corp. of Gaithersburg, Md., which is involved in developing the new treatment and helped fund the study. Other funding came from the National Institutes of Allergy and

Infectious Disease and the Abramson institute.

The researchers removed immune cells from the patients and introduced a virus called a lentivirus into the cells. This change prevents HIV from reproducing and, in the laboratory, has the ability to fight HIV in cells that have not been treated, June explained in a telephone interview. The idea, he said, was that unlike most HIV medications that have to be taken daily or several times a day, this treatment can be done once and will keep fighting the infection. This was the first human test to see if it could be done safely, he said. It was done on patients whose HIV infections have resisted treatment.

Now, the team has launched a phase II test that will involve more patients, including some whose HIV is controlled by drugs. In this test the patients will get more than one transfusion of the treated cells. Those on standard drug treatment, following the new therapy, will be asked to interrupt their drugs to see if the infection returns.

“This paper should make quite some noise,” commented Dr. Martin Haas, a professor at the University of California San Diego School of Medicine. “I think this is very important work and they have doggedly continued it,” said Haas, who was not part of the research team. “I think they have really significant prospects to develop this into serious anti-HIV approaches for those patients in whom HIV cannot be kept under control by chemical means.”

What If You Suddenly Got \$100,000?

NEW YORK CITY - According to a recent nationwide online survey, Gay, Lesbian and Bisexual adults may differ from heterosexuals when considering their personal financial needs – especially decisions on investing, spending and working with financial institutions, reported 365Gay.com. For example, when U.S. adults are asked how they likely would use some or part of \$100,000 they earned due to investing, approximately eight out of 10 (82%) Gays and 73 percent of heterosexuals say they would reinvest the money into tax-free accounts.

Similarly, eight out of ten (80%) Gays say they would reinvest the \$100,000 in checking, savings or money market accounts (vs. 68% of non-Gays). Not surprisingly, given the higher incidence of children in non-Gay households, heterosexual adults (68%) are more likely than Gays (24%) to say that they would put money aside for children or grandchildren. In addition, if reaping windfall earnings such as \$100,000, over half of GLB respondents (55%) say they would be somewhat or very likely to treat themselves to “a luxury item” such as jewelry, clothes or a car, compared to 44 percent of heterosexual adults.

The new survey also asked both GLB and non-Gay respondents whether they agree or disagree with a number of statements about their financial health and the financial institutions that serve them. Trusting and welcoming institutions remain a far higher priority to GLB adults than to non-Gay respondents. Seven out of ten (71%) GLB adults and 59 percent of non-Gay respondents say, “It is important to me to know that a financial institution does not discriminate.” Only three out of ten (30%) Gays also say

they “trust financial institutions to respect customers like me” (vs. 36% of non-Gays). And GLB respondents (34%) say they are dissatisfied with the assistance provided by their financial institutions (vs. 24% of heterosexuals).

These are a few highlights of a nationwide survey of 2,322 U.S. adults, of whom seven percent (158) identified themselves as Gay, Lesbian or Bisexual. The survey was conducted online between May 4 and 10, 2005 by Harris Interactive in conjunction with Witeck-Combs Communications, Inc., a strategic public relations and marketing communications firm with special expertise in the Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual and Transgender market. Perhaps underscoring how Gays believe trust plays a role in choosing a financial vendor, if there is little difference on price, quality and function of a product or a service, Gays (48%) would prefer to bundle their financial services and products from one financial institution or broker/representative while one in four (25%) Gay adults say they prefer different financial institutions for each financial product (such as insurance, investing, general banking, etc.)

“Managing, protecting and growing financial assets are important to everyone. It is growing clearer however that Gays and Lesbians share these concerns but have different attitudes toward investing and toward forming trusted relationships with financial institutions,” said Jake Stafford, senior communications strategist at Witeck-Combs Communications. “These data provide many insights financial institutions may use to successfully reach out to their current and prospective Gay customers in a direct manner that meets their needs as individuals and families.”

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Cruel And Unusual Special Screening As Part Of Trans Awareness Week Nov. 13

TUCSON - As part of the upcoming Tucson Transgender Awareness Week, the Southern Arizona Gender Alliance (SAGA) invites you to the first southwest screening of "Cruel and Unusual", a new, award-winning film by Janet Baus, Dan Hunt, and Reid Williams, Monday (Nov. 13), 7:30 p.m., at the Loft Cinema, 3233 E. Speedway.

and justice through braids of poignantly graphic stories, vibrant landscape portraits and stark prison footage.

Following the film, transgender attorney and activist Dean Spade, founder of New York City's Sylvia Rivera Law Project, will provide remarks and answer questions from the audience.

Cruel and Unusual is an unflinching documentary on the lives of transgender women in men's prisons. Shot over three years, this high-definition documentary film challenges the viewer's basic ideas about gender

Admission to the film is \$5. For more information about the film, go online to cruelandunusualfilm.com. For more information about Transgender Awareness Week, go online to sagatucson.org/transgender-awareness-week.

Martina Navratilova Lashes Out Against 'Gay Sheep' Experiments

PORTLAND, Oregon - Lesbian tennis star Martina Navratilova and People for the Ethical Treatment of Animals are condemning hormone-altering experiments on "Gay sheep" at Oregon State University and Oregon Health and Science University, reported advocate.com. The experiment, funded by taxpayers through 2008, seeks to manipulate sheep's sexual orientation and make them heterosexual.



Navratilova

the project "homophobic and cruel." She asked both presidents to end the research and redirect tax dollars to fund "a Gay and Lesbian community center to foster dialogue and acceptance for people of all sexual preferences."

The experiment, headed by OHSU's Charles Rosselli and OSU's Frederick Stormshak, involves drug-ging pregnant sheep to prevent the actions of hormones in their fetuses' brains and cutting open the brains of rams they call "male-oriented." This is to find the hormonal mechanisms behind homosexual tendencies so that they can be changed by an estrogen device. According to the project's grant applications, the experimenters plan to extrapolate the test results to humans.

In letters sent to the presidents of both universities, Navratilova called

Sex Scandals Not Unusual For Prominent Christian Leaders

WASHINGTON, D.C. - A look at a few of the major U.S. religious figures who lost their positions following allegations of sexual misconduct, 365Gay.com reported.

James Bakker - Bakker left his PTL Ministries empire in 1987 after admitting an extramarital affair with Jessica Hahn, a former church secretary. He served five years in federal prison on fraud and conspiracy charges for illegally soliciting millions of dollars from followers.

Jimmy Swaggart - Resigned from the Assemblies of God in 1988 after a fellow preacher released photos of Swaggart with a prostitute. In 1991, he was stopped for a traffic violation while driving in a red-light district in California with a woman who said she was a prostitute.

The Rev. Henry J. Lyons - Lyons was forced out as leader of the National Baptist Convention USA after his then-wife set fire to a waterfront mansion he secretly owned with his mistress. He was convicted in 1999 of swindling millions of dollars from companies that wanted to do business with members of the denomination and was sentenced to five years in prison.

Archbishop Eugene Marino - The Roman Catholic prelate from Atlanta resigned in 1990 after a two-year affair with a woman half his age. The woman claimed Marino performed a marriage ceremony for them in which the two exchanged rings.

The Rev. Terry Hornbuckle - The founder of the Agape Christian Fellowship in Arlington, Texas, was sentenced in August to 15 years in prison for sexually assaulting two women churchgoers and a third woman. Two of the victims said the minister had drugged them.

The Rev. Ted Haggard - The founder of New Life Church in Colorado resigned as pastor and as president of the National Association of Evangelicals after a Gay prostitute claimed the two had drug-fueled sex regularly over three years. Haggard admitted he bought methamphetamine from the man and received a massage from him but denied that he used the drug and that the two had sex.

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Radio Host Fired Over 'Fat' Lesbian Remark

BOSTON, Massachusetts - A radio talk show host was fired Friday (Nov. 3) after he made a derogatory comment about the weight and sexuality of the Green-Rainbow party candidate running for Massachusetts governor, reported the Associated Press on the PlanetOut Network. WRKO-AM pulled host John DePetro from the air after he made the comments Thursday (Nov. 2). It announced Friday that he had been fired.



Radio Talk Show Host John De Petro

"In the context of what he said and the tone with which he said it, the comments were completely inappropriate, derogatory and will not be tolerated," said Jason Wolfe, vice president of AM programming and operations for station owner Entercom Boston. DePetro did not immediately return an e-mailed request for comment, however, he told the Boston Globe in a story posted Friday on its Web site that he was "stunned" that he had been fired. He said he had called the candidate, Grace Ross, to apologize for calling her a "fat Lesbian."

The host, who calls himself the "Independent Man," said he made the remark because he was exasperated that Ross and independent candidate Christy Mihos were eating up time during a debate earlier in the week that included Republican candidate Kerry Healey and Democrat Deval Patrick. He said it was then that he told listeners he wished someone would "tell the fat Lesbian to shut up." "I just think both her and Christy have served their purpose and I had a problem with them still thrusting themselves into the debate," he told the Globe. "I think I

vocalized what a lot of people were thinking - will you just shut up and let them go at it. I added a little more."

Ross, who is openly Gay, laughed when she heard about it but said the comment was offensive. "Big, fat? I guess that's supposed to be his way of saying he doesn't like somebody," she said. After hearing DePetro had been fired, she said: "I think that the comment was offensive in general, so I hope that many people in the state were offended by it and will help set a standard of what political debate is supposed to be about."

DePetro had also been reprimanded by station management in July for using a slur often aimed at homosexuals in reference to Matt Amorello, the former chairman of the Massachusetts Turnpike Authority. Wolfe said that after DePetro was suspended in that case, the host was warned that "any further comments of this kind would be dealt with in a severe way." "I have no doubt that terminating John's employment was the right action to take," he said.

Baptists Warn Wal-Mart To Drop LGBT Ties

CAPE GIRARDEAU, Missouri - The Missouri Baptist Convention has issued a stern warning to Wal-Mart - drop your ties with an LGBT business group for face a boycott, reported 365Gay.com. The message was approved at the the group's annual convention after a heated debate in which many delegates demanded an immediate boycott.

There are 600,000 Southern Baptists in Missouri. Leaders of the national Southern Baptist Convention said the Missouri Baptists were the first to threaten Wal-Mart. Wal-Mart earlier this year expanded its LGBT diversity program in a deal with the National Gay and Lesbian Chamber of Commerce. Since then it has faced growing

opposition from conservative Christian groups.

A small Tennessee church became the first to officially boycott the retailer. Trinity Family Church's 150 members voted to take their business elsewhere. The church said that in addition to supporting the Gay chamber of commerce the company supports same-sex marriage. A proposed state constitutional ban on Gay marriage is on the November ballot in Tennessee. Operation Rescue/Operation Save America announced that it is mounting a boycott against the giant retailer. Last month the American Family Association told its members to avoid shopping at Wal-Mart but stopped short of calling for a full boycott.

Neil Patrick Harris Says He Is Gay

LOS ANGELES, California - Neil Patrick Harris is Gay and wants to quell any rumors to the contrary. "(I) am quite proud to say that I am a very content Gay man living my life to the fullest," Harris tells People magazine's Web site.

The 33-year-old actor said he was motivated to disclose his sexuality because of recent "speculation and interest in my private life and relationships."

Harris stars on the CBS comedy "How I Met Your Mother." He started on TV as a teen, playing the namesake doctor on the series "Doogie Howser, M.D."



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Four Convicted In Attack On Gays

ST. MAARTEN - Four French nationals were convicted Thursday (Nov. 2) of beating two Gay American tourists in this Dutch Caribbean island and given prison sentences of six months to six years, reported the Associated Press on 365Gay.com. The tire iron attack seriously damaged the brain of one of the victims, an employee of the CBS News show "48 Hours."

Three citizens of the island's French half—Glen Cockly, Micheline Delaney and Allan Daniel — and a man from the nearby French Caribbean island of Guadeloupe, Michel Javois, were found guilty of public violence and grievous bodily harm by Judge Jan Bosch. Bosch determined that Javois, nicknamed "Duracell," was the one who assaulted Ryan Smith and Richard Jefferson — who at the time were employees of CBS News in New York — with a tire iron as they left a bar with friends on April 6 while vacationing in St. Maarten. Smith

suffered brain damage and was unable to speak properly for months. Jefferson's skull was cracked by a blow from tire iron.

Javois, who led the others in the attack, received a six-year prison sentence, while Cockly and Daniel got three-year terms. "They received the lesser amount because they kicked and threw punches but did not use the tire iron in the attack," said Public Prosecutor Taco Stein. Delaney, who was accused of kicking one of the victims while he was on the ground, will spend six months incarcerated. Stein said she tried to stop the attack and had expressed remorse. Jefferson, who returned to the island to give authorities his account of the attack, had described the attack as a hate crime. He was not in St. Maarten for the trial and declined to comment when reached by telephone. "Being Gay was not the issue here," Stein said. "But meaningless violence to annoy other people. These suspects were out there to cause trouble."

ESPN Commentator Benched For 'Gay' Remark

BRISTOL, Connecticut - ESPN has pulled one of its college football announcers off the air, at least temporarily, for inappropriately using the word "Gay," reported the Des Moines Register on advocate.com. Color commentator Brian Kinchen used the adjective to describe the way receivers make catches during a telecast, and his future at the network is now in question.

The verbal snafu occurred during the Northern Illinois-Iowa game when Kinchen, who ended his NFL career in 2000 as a tight end for the New England Patriots, said receivers' hands are "tender" and "caress" the ball when catching it, adding, "That's kind of Gay, but hey. . ." After an internal review, ESPN decided the remark was inappropriate and pulled Kinchen from his regularly scheduled game. His future at the network is still under review, the Register said.

In a statement, Kinchen



Football Announcer Brian Kinchen

apologized for what he said. "They were completely inappropriate and not at all a reflection of who I am or the way I perform my work," he said. "I have learned from my mistake and look forward to continuing my broadcasting career."

Appeal By Gay Man's Killer Turned Down

MADISON, Wisconsin - The Wisconsin Court of Appeals has upheld the conviction of Gary Hirte for the "thrill killing" of a man in 2003, reported 365Gay.com. Hirte was sentenced to life in prison in 2005 for the killing of Glen Kopitske following a sensational trial in which the defense tried to use the so-called "Gay panic" defense.

During the trial Hirte's attorney said he was so overcome with guilt and shame after having Gay sex that he became enraged and then killed the man. Lawyer Gerald Boyle told the court that Hirte was tormented about his sexuality and confused about what was going on inside of him. According to Boyle, Hirte had "homosexual urges" that intensified after he drank alcohol, as he did the night of the murder. He said Hirte had been drinking at home and went to a boat landing and sat on the hood of his car. Kopitske

approached and invited Hirte to his house. The men had oral sex and Hirte left and returned to his car. A few hours later he drove off in what Boyle described as an "unbelievable rage", got a shotgun and knife, returned to the house and killed Kopitske. Kopitske was found slain execution-style in his rural home in July, 2003.

Boyle said that Hirte was legally insane at the time of the murder and should not be held accountable. The prosecution had a different version of the events leading up to Kopitske's murder. They said that Gary Hirte planned the murder and did it to see how it would feel. The jury discounted the "Gay rage" claim and found Hirte, who was 19 at the time, legally sane. If the jury had found Hirte insane he would have been sent to a mental institution, where he could petition every six months for release. The Court of Appeals ruling means he will serve his full sentence in prison.

COMMENTARY . . .

A Global Overview Of LGBT Rights

After the New Jersey court ruling on gay marriage, this question has come again to the political fore in the U.S. There, an increasingly successful Gay rights movement battles a Republican political-religious alliance in an epic conflict. Around the world Gays are viscosly persecuted. It is critical that opposition to same-sex marriage does not add fuel to the fire which leads to the arrest, torture and death of homosexuals around the world.

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Let's take a look around the globe to see where Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender (LGBT) rights stand. Europe has far exceeded any other region of the world in its support for the human rights of Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender people. This support extends to same-sex relationships in that nearly every Western European country has some policy addressing the rights of Lesbian and Gay couples. The Netherlands, Belgium and Spain offer full marriage. The Scandinavian countries spear-headed the movement in the late 1980's and early 1990's with full domestic partnership recognition, which the United Kingdom and France have essentially extended as well. Slovakia, the Czech

Republic, Hungary, Portugal, and Croatia are among the other European countries that have extended certain limited policies to same-sex couples.

Outside of Europe, Canada allows Gay marriage, Uruguay recently extended full domestic partner benefits, the South African Constitutional Court issued a New Jersey-style decision a year ago, Israel and New Zealand have taken some steps forward, and a debate on the issue is active in Taiwan. Local laws on domestic partnership have been passed in Brazil, Argentina, and in virtually every major city in the United States.

At the same time, political leaders across the globe are using same-sex marriage to fight back against the small gains of Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender (LGBT) people. Political leaders in South Africa, Zimbabwe, and the United States have seized on the issue to promote public fear of the "homosexual agenda." In Africa, leaders call on citizens to resist "Western decadence" and "un-African practices." In Nigeria, where LGBT people face abuse, a bill to imprison anyone who engages in or performs a same-sex marriage has been introduced. That same bill further targets LGBT by prohibiting the registration of Gay organizations

and any public expression of an amorous relationship between two women or two men. The police in the United Arab Emirates raided a private party of Gay men. The police claimed the men, presumed to be Gay, were performing marriage rituals. In Tanzania and Uganda, laws were recently passed to criminalize same-sex marriage. Federal bans against same-sex marriage have been enacted in Australia, Honduras, Vietnam and the Philippines, and violent reactions to Gay pride demonstrators led the Latvian Parliament earlier this year to vote to amend the constitution to ban same-sex marriage.

With the exception of Australia, governments have not called for same-sex marriage. Rather, the issue is used to halt the growing effort of LGBT fighting human rights violations around the world. Governments exploit fear and issue distracting calls to resist the imposition of Western sexual mores to deny the human rights of LGBT and perpetuate abuse of them.

The fact is that torture, abuse, and even death are still real issues for LGBT in so many parts of the world. Police abuse against Gays occurs regularly in Nepal, Venezuela, India, Peru, and Uganda.

Laws allowing executions of Gay people exist in Iran, Nigeria and elsewhere. Arbitrary arrests occur from Cameroon to Russia and Poland. Regular homophobic violence erupts in Jamaica.

It is critical that the concerns raised about same-sex marriages not be used as an excuse for stigmatizing LGBT people and permitting the violation of their human rights throughout the world.

(Paula Ettelbrick is the Executive Director of International Gay and Lesbian Human Rights Commission and a Professor at NYU Law School and this is reprinted from the Nov. 2 edition.)

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A Post Election Primer, Episode One

Since this publication goes to press on Tuesdays (which happens to be election night for the 2006 general election for this edition), hitting "the streets" on Wednesdays or Thursdays for the print edition, and online by Thursdays of the respective week, complete election results for Arizona will be in the upcoming edition of The Observer.

"As of press time," a phrase used by this and other weekly publications do not mean that there will be no political news of note. That is far from the case in the Grand Canyon State since the election process takes more than just the "proverbial Tuesday."

Polls on election day (Tuesday, Nov. 7) in Arizona were open from 6:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. Eligible individuals who choose not to cast an early ballot could do so or voters who hadn't gotten their early ballot initially to their County Recorder's office by the Friday prior (Nov. 3) could either turn in their ballot there or surrender the non used, early ballot and cast a vote at the polls.

Registered voters who had requested an early ballot and hadn't returned their ballot prior were able to turn it in at their local County Recorder's office on election day as well.

So after all this and the polls closing at 7:00 p.m., the ballots were tallied (in the following order):

Early ballots that were turned in by registered voters, by the Friday

prior to election day (Nov. 7);

Those cast by eligible voters at the polls on election day;

Early ballots returned after Friday (Nov. 3) up through 7:00 p.m. on election day (Nov. 7); and,

Provisional ballots after verification of eligibility of the voter.

State law, (A.R.S. 16-579 A) says that a provisional ballot is issued if the voter does not provide proper identification showing proof of residence and registration.

Under the law, the poll worker lets the voter know (verbally and with instructions) that they must provide identification to their county recorder or to an official, deemed acceptable by the county recorder, by 5:00 p.m. on the fifth business day after the election, Tuesday, Nov. 14 to do so.

After the ballots have been tabulated (pending a recount free election), the respective county's Board of Supervisors will then review the election canvass (tabulation) and approve it, with all that taking place (either by Nov. 20 or 21) upon the day they meet.

By the fourth Monday, (Nov. 27), Arizona's Secretary of State verifies the state canvass - those approved tabulations from the state's 15 counties and thus the final result.

Texas Tries To Shake It's Anti-GLBT Image

DALLAS - The Old West is old news, reported the Associated Press on 365Gay.com. That's the word from Dallas tourism officials attempting to lure Gay and Lesbian visitors with a message that the city is a great place for them to spend their time and money.

"Big D" is a diverse metropolitan area that "has left behind stereotypes of big-haired women and rowdy cowboys - that is, unless you count sassy drag queens and strapping Gay rodeo champs," according to a Web site operated by the Dallas Convention & Visitors Bureau. "Our Secret is Out" proclaims the site, which features images of same-sex couples enjoying the local sights. "It's not about being politically correct, it's about being economically correct," said Phillip Jones, president and CEO of the tourism bureau. He said Gay travelers spend an average of \$100 more per day than other travelers and plan four to six trips a year.

The city's appeals won over the Washington-based Family Pride Coalition. The Gay family advocacy group conducted its national conference in Dallas last month after the bureau made a presentation at the organization's D.C. office. Though some members were initially reluctant to bring their meeting to Texas - where a Gay-marriage ban passed with 76 percent support last year - Dallas was chosen over Minneapolis and Chicago, said the group's Executive Director Jennifer Chrisler. "There's a very large and vibrant Gay parenting community in Dallas and an even larger Gay and Lesbian community in Texas - that coupled with the fact that Texas is a place where there is still a lot of work to be done to educate people about Gays and Lesbians and what their lives are like, what their families are like," she said. "It really made Dallas the right choice at the right time."

With about 250 people attending, Jones said winning the Family Pride conference was the bureau's biggest success so far. The weekend drew rave reviews. "I think it was an extraordinarily positive experience in that most of the participants found Dallas to be a warm, receptive inviting place for them," Chrisler said.

About 20 Gay-oriented meetings have come to the city since the promotion began two years ago, Jones said. About six events are scheduled over the next year, including a Gay rodeo. The tourism bureau put up the Web site this year, listing more than 20 Gay-friendly hotels, shopping areas, tourist attractions and night clubs. "We've come a

long way since the days of the saloon," the site says. "Everyone should experience the queer life and rich history of this 'Texas-sized' city." The effort may already be paying dividends. A survey conducted this year by San Francisco-based Community Marketing Inc. lists Dallas tied with San Diego as the seventh top business destination for Gay travelers. "I believe it's grown from no image to a positive image just in the last year to two years, and it's definitely been because of the efforts of the Convention & Visitors Bureau, their members and partners," said Tom Nibbio, world membership and development manager at the Fort Lauderdale, Fla.-based International Gay and Lesbian Travel Association.

Jones took over as head of the Dallas Convention and Visitors Bureau in late 2003 and began conducting market research to replace a stale perception of the city rooted in the 1980s television show "Dallas." "One of the things that most surprised me about Dallas was the incredible diversity," Jones said. "We have 120,000 GLBT (Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual, Transgender) households in the Dallas area." The bureau spends \$50,000 a year of its \$14 million budget to attract Gay tourists. He acknowledges that the effort will not make the city competitive with places like San Francisco or Las Vegas. "In Texas and the Southwest, Dallas has sort of taken the lead. We're not going to be a national destination," Jones said. "If you're looking for your first visit to a Gay-friendly destination, it's not going to be Dallas. ... We're trying to position Dallas as an appealing destination for GLBT travelers."

Not everyone who has seen the Web site approves. "I was quite surprised that they were reaching out in such a way," said Cathie Adams, president of the conservative, Dallas-based Texas Eagle Forum. Adams said she doesn't believe the appeals pay off and could send potential new residents to surrounding suburbs. "To promote same-sex activities that would be offensive to the majority of families is not profitable, economically or socially," she said. "If you are wanting families to move into the city of Dallas, are you going to show them such a promotion? I doubt it. Those families would go to Collin County."

Jones said it is unlikely that most people will ever view their targeted appeals, unless they are members of the Gay community. "We'd be foolish not to position Dallas as a destination for this market, which spends a lot of money on travel," he said.

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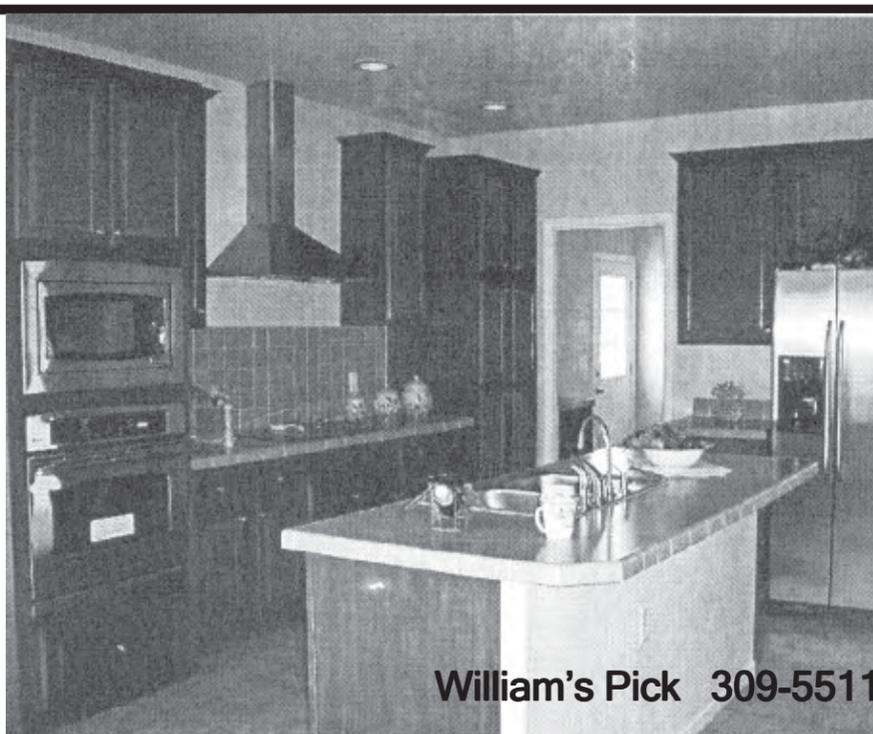
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COMMENTARY . . . by Deb Price

New Jersey Lawmakers Must Choose Gay Marriage

Because I was out of town, Joyce found herself standing in line one Saturday morning, waiting to sign me up for another year of music lessons. She began inquiring about the merits of 45 versus 30-minute lessons. "What instrument does your child play?" one man asked. "My wife plays piano," Joyce replied. Without missing a beat, the man continued, "Well, with cello, 45-minute sessions are worth the extra money."

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The language of marriage is universally understood and, as Joyce and I have discovered since marrying in Canada three years ago, widely respected, regardless of whether the spouses are mixed-sex or same-sex. And no matter how many rights are stitched on to some other separate-but-supposedly-equal legal status for Gay couples, nothing can ever match the special emotional and social importance of actual marriage.

That's why New Jersey Chief Justice Deborah Poritz and two other Republican-appointed justices want their state to open marriage to Gay couples. Although the entire seven-member court agreed in its Oct. 25 decision that Gay couples deserve access to all the rights of marriage, four justices ruled that the state legislature now has an option: Allow Gays to marry or create a parallel institution with a different name, like "civil unions."

Wisely, Poritz wasn't satisfied: "We must not underestimate the power of language. Labels set people apart as surely as the physical separation on a bus or in school facilities. Labels are used to perpetuate prejudice about differences. Ultimately, the message (of restricting the name "marriage" to male-female unions) is that what same-sex couples have is not as important or as significant."

The New Jersey legislature now has six months to choose between equality and inequality. And it's worth remembering that when the U.S. Supreme Court struck down interracial bans in 1967 – back when

interracial marriage was far less accepted than Gay marriage is today – the justices didn't duck their duty by creating some separate legal status for marriage-minded mixed-race couples.

Almost the instant New Jersey's top court ruled, lawmakers began dividing into those saying civil unions will be enough and those introducing an equal marriage bill. New Jersey Gov. Jon Corzine, though favoring civil unions, says he would not veto actual marriage for Gay couples.

The struggle will take place down Interstate 95 from Massachusetts, where more than 8,100 Gay couples have wed in the past two years. New Jersey voters favor Gay marriage, by 56 percent to 39 percent, a Zogby International poll found in February. A Rutgers-Eagleton poll in June found a 50-to-44 percent split in favor – a wonderful shift from just three years earlier, when opposition was ahead, 50 to 43 percent.

"This is New Jersey – we know how to fight. We've turned legislators around before," says Steven Goldstein, the scrappy chair of Garden State Equality.

Immediately after the new ruling, the Gay group began airing a pro-marriage TV ad, sent a letter to legislators from 268 African American, Latino, religious, union and other community leaders urging them to pass full marriage and plans to have Gay couples meet with their legislators in all 40 districts.

Marriage, at its best, is a harmonious duet that strengthens the couple and society. Marriage by any other name isn't marriage – and isn't in tune with our great nation's best interests.

(Deb Price is a columnist for the Detroit News, from which this op-ed was reprinted from their Oct. 30 edition.)

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Ousted Evangelist Confesses To Movie; 'Apology Is H

COLORADO SPRINGS, Colo- rado - Less than 24 hours after he was fired from the pulpit of the evangelical megachurch he founded, the Rev. Ted Haggard confessed to his followers Sunday (Nov. 5) that he was guilty of sexual immorality, reported the Associated Press on advocate.com. In a letter that was read to the congregation of the New Life Church in Colorado Springs, Colo., by another clergyman, Haggard apologized for his acts and requested forgiveness.

"I am so sorry for the circumstances that have caused shame and embarrassment for all of you," he said, adding that he had confused the situation by giving inconsistent remarks to reporters denying the scandal. "The fact is I am guilty of sexual immorality. And I take responsibility for the entire problem. I am a deceiver and a liar. There's a part of my life that is so repulsive and dark that I have been warring against it for all of my adult life," he said.

Haggard resigned as president of the National Association of Evangelicals, where he held sway in Washington and condemned homosexuality, after a man claimed to have had drug-fueled homosexual trysts with him. Haggard also placed himself on administrative leave from the New Life Church, which has 14,000 members, but its independent Overseer Board fired him on Saturday (Nov. 4).

In his letter, Haggard said "the accusations made against me are not all true but enough of them are that I was appropriately removed from his church leadership position." He did not give details on which accusations were true. The letter was read to the church by the Rev. Larry Stockstill, senior pastor of Bethany World Prayer Center in Baker, La., and a member of the board that fired Haggard. Before the letter was read, members of the congregation sang and cheered during their Sunday, singing refrain after refrain of "I will bless the lord at all times."

Youngsters were sent out of the room before elders began speaking about the church crisis. "Worshippers are always challenged by crisis. And when tragedy and crisis strikes it is at that moment that you truly decide if you are a worshipper of the most high god. And today as the worship pastor of this church I am very proud of you," said the Rev. Ross Parsley, who has replaced Haggard. "I am so grateful for the government system in

place here at this church. ... The speed with which things were dealt with this week has been a testimony to the godliness, to the integrity and authority of the overseers of the board of this church," he said.

Haggard had acknowledged on Friday (Nov. 3) that he paid Mike Jones of Denver for a massage and for methamphetamine, but said he did not have sex with him and did not take the drug. The Overseer Board, made up clergy from various churches, used stronger language. "Our investigation and Pastor Haggard's public statements have proven without a doubt that he has committed sexually immoral conduct," the board said in a statement. The NEA, representing 30 million evangelicals, named the Rev. Leith Anderson, senior pastor of Wooddale Church in Eden Prairie, Minn., as its interim president.

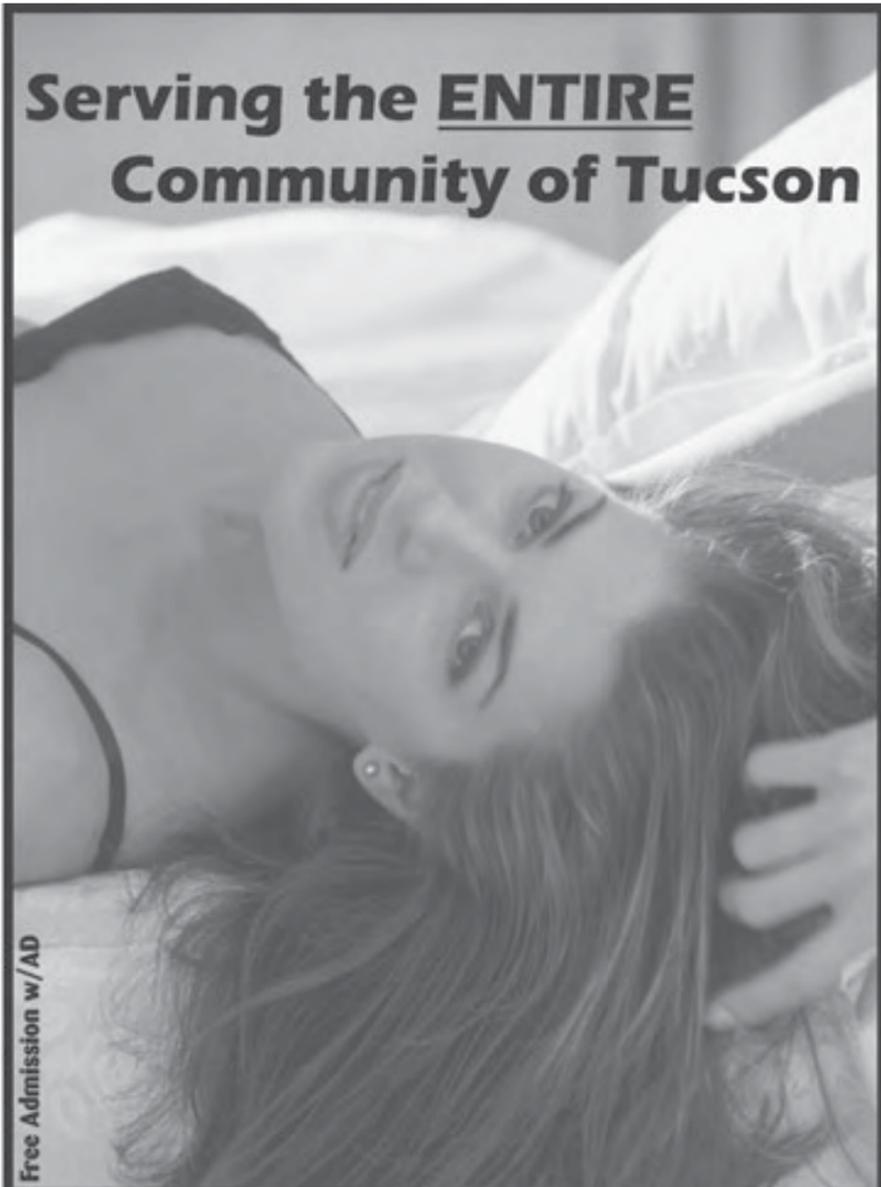
Jones said news of Haggard's dismissal saddened him. "I feel really bad for his wife and family and his congregation. I know it's a sad day for them, too," Jones said. "I just hope the family has peace and can come to terms with things. I hope they can continue with a happy life."

Haggard's situation is a disappointment to Christian conservatives, whom President Bush and other Republicans are courting heavily in the run-up to Tuesday's election. Many were already disheartened with the president and the Republican-controlled Congress over their failure to deliver big gains on social issues even before the congressional page scandal involving former Rep. Mark Foley. Haggard, who had been president of the evangelical association since 2003, has participated in conference calls with White House staffers and lobbied Congress last year on Supreme Court nominees. Haggard founded New Life in the mid-1980s and held its first services in the basement of his Colorado Springs home.

Jones, who said he is Gay, said he was upset when he discovered who Haggard was and found out that New Life had publicly opposed same-sex marriage, a key issue in Colorado, with a pair of issues on Colorado's general election ballot. ...

In other news, Haggard can still be seen at the height of his powers - preaching to thousands and condemning homosexuality - in the documentary "Jesus Camp." In one scene of the film, which follows a

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'Sexual Immorality'; Slams Gays In 'Hollow' Says Hustler

group of children as they develop evangelical Christian beliefs, directors Heidi Ewing and Rachel Grady visit Haggard's 14,000-member New Life Church in Colorado Springs, Colo. He tells the vast audience, "We don't have to debate about what we should think about homosexual activity. It's written in the Bible."

Then Haggard looks into the camera and says kiddingly: "I think I know what you did last night," drawing laughs from the crowd. "If you send me a thousand dollars, I won't tell your wife." Later, another joke for the filmmakers: "If you use any of this, I'll sue you."

"Jesus Camp" is playing in several cities and expands to more on Friday and throughout the year. Ewing and Grady said that when they shot footage for the film at the New Life Church in October 2005, they were struck by how enraptured Haggard's followers looked. "Pastor Ted, they were so proud of him. They thought he was hip, young, he didn't have that stodgy James Dobson feel," Ewing said referring to the Focus on the Family founder. "They all really adored him, that's the first thing I thought - those people, those faces, they hung and took notes on every word he said - I can't imagine what those people must be feeling."

Haggard has disputed the way he's portrayed in "Jesus Camp," saying on his Web site (in a posting that since has been removed) that the filmmakers shot for hours at his church and only used the parts in which he was playing with negative stereotypes. "You can expect to learn as much about the Catholic Church from 'Nacho Libre' as you can learn about evangelicalism from 'Jesus Camp,'" he wrote. Ewing and Grady say Haggard is the only one who has complained about the way he was depicted in the film. ...

Mike Jones, the Gay prostitute who brought down Ted Haggard with allegations the two had a three-year homosexual affair, said in an interview that he feels the minister still hasn't been completely honest. "He's still lying to himself," Jones said of Haggard, who was fired by church overseers Saturday (Nov. 4) for "sexually immoral" conduct. "If he's not truly honest with himself, he'll never be over it." Jones said in an interview that he believes Haggard has "more demons and dirt" he needs to clean out.

Jones said he had sex monthly with Haggard for three years, ending in August. From those sexual encounters, Jones said he believes Haggard is a homosexual, despite having a wife and five children. "Ted, you need to be honest with yourself," Jones said over the air. "If you're a Gay man, you're a Gay man." Haggard and his family have left town and were unable to be reached for comment. Jones said he has received two death threats since identifying Haggard on Thursday (Nov. 2). "I have not jumped up and down," Jones said. "I have not partied. This is not a fun time."

Despite the negative reactions, Jones said he also has received support from all over the world, including messages from Sweden, Australia and Great Britain. Jones, who said he works part-time as a model and a fitness consultant, said he is broke now and needs a job. He said he stopped working as a male escort about six months ago. Jones also expressed a desire to clear up reports that he is a drug dealer, even though he admits working as a go-between to obtain methamphetamine for Haggard. He has not been contacted yet by Denver police about his escort services or the drug sales. "I've never been a drug dealer so they won't find anything or drugs in my house," he said. "I have nothing to hide."

The former escort predicted Haggard would disappear for a while, then emerge as a man who has been "cured" of homosexuality. Jones also believes Haggard will use the opportunity, write a book and make millions. Jones' suggested title: "Hypocrisy in America." Jones said he would visit the New Life Church if he was invited. "I'd love to go down and sit in on services and see how I'm received," he said. "I would like them to see that I am a human being. What I feel sorry for is they still believe in him." ...

Focus on the Family founder James Dobson will be one of the people overseeing counseling for the Rev. Ted Haggard. Dobson will join pastor Jack Hayford of The Church on the Way in Van Nuys, Calif. and the pastor Tommy Barnett of First Assembly of God in Phoenix in overseeing Haggard, according to a letter from Haggard read at New Life services on Sunday (Nov. 5). "Those men will perform a thorough analysis of my mental, spiritual, emotional, and physical life. They will guide me through a program with the goal of healing and restoration for my life, my marriage, and my family," Haggard wrote.



Ted Haggard



Haggard with President George Bush

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NOTES FROM THE FOR-REAL SIDE

Whoops !!!

by Lee Thorn

The front-page lead in the ARIZONA DAILY STAR of Nov. 1 was headlined, "Error means service cuts, likely tax hikes in Pima." Error? "Error" is when you make a right turn a block before you intended to. I would call losing twenty-four million dollars, which loss is the subject of our story, something more like "catastrophic misfeasance." Maybe that's why I've never been offered a job as a headline writer. "Error" takes up less space than "catastrophic misfeasance" would.

Here's the deal: The Arizona Court of Appeals just ruled that Qwest Communications should get a \$24 million tax refund because the Arizona Department of Revenue overvalued Qwest's property from 2002 to 2006. The STAR story focuses on the enormous impact the "error" will have on our community. "Pima County Administrator Chuck Huckelberry said the county may have to leave more than 230 vacant positions unfilled — including corrections officers, 911 dispatchers, civil engineers and public health nurses — and make further cuts in every department." It goes on to say that, although schools won't cut services, taxes will have to be raised in future years to offset the effects of this "error."

I have some questions about this "error" that the STAR doesn't raise. If the issue of overvaluation first arose in 2002, shouldn't some government official have met with some Qwest official in 2002 and worked out an agreement? Who should that government official have been? Who was driving the boat when it went aground? Why did this have to go to court, with all the costs and dangers that attend that route, instead of having been resolved with little cost or danger through negotiation? Who needs to be fired from the Department of Revenue so that this \$24-million "error" with its enormous negative impact won't be repeated?

The STAR piece raises some interesting side issues. I call them "side issues" because the mystery issue that's never raised — that of responsibility — seems so painfully central. One side issue is that the Department of Revenue sets the value of telecommunications properties us-

ing "a formula developed by the industry that factors in cost plus depreciation..."

How very accommodating of the Department. I wonder why the taxing entity that values my income properties has never asked me to provide it with a formula for determining my liability. Another curiosity — Qwest says that cables installed more than 70 years ago are obsolete, even if it still uses those lines. I don't dispute the possibility of being able to use something even though it's obsolete, but I wonder why 70 is the magic number of obsolescence. What happens to cables at 70 that hasn't happened at 69? Or, to put it another way, how did they arrive at that nice round number?

Another morsel — "Qwest...claims the proliferation of broadband and wireless services has reduced the value of its infrastructure, which the state contends is irrelevant." Wait a second. I thought that the industry was providing the formula for determining value. If that's the case, where does the state come off saying that one of the elements of the formula is irrelevant?

The attorney general has written a letter about all this in which he says something patently ridiculous. It doesn't amount to a row of beans, but I'm easily amused by official silliness. "The Department believes the market value of a telephone pole is the same for a company that is profitable as for one that is not profitable." If the attorney general really believes that the value of physical property is unaffected by the profitability of an enterprise that owns it, he must have been snoozing all through Economics 101.

The Department of Revenue will "be hiring an expert to assess Qwest's claims." Now that sounds like a wonderful idea, almost as good as having an expert on staff, but not nearly as good as having dug up an expert way back in 2002.

As any lawyer worth his salt will tell you, it's almost always better for both parties to work things out without going to court. The big question in this case, the question the STAR doesn't bother with, is why the government went to court and who made that dumb decision.

Maybe Qwest, for the purposes of good public relations, should consider unilaterally invoking something like the mercy rule that they have in little league, the rule that mitigates the humiliation (and in this case the damages) for government plaintiffs and defendants who are hopelessly overmatched.

(Thorn welcomes comments, suggestions 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.)



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Do you really think that any wilde action can be easily tamed? Forgetaboutit. This week Sun, Venus and Jupiter rubadub and joyously set us off course right into rush hour traffic. Keep steering and try not to skid.

ARIES (MAR. 21 - APR. 20)

Any hot love affair begins to burn and singe when Venus, Jupiter and Sun conjunct. Nothing is light and flirtatious. A light snack can become a meal complete with indigestion. Gay Rams often like a bit of excitement in their conquests but how much excitement can you really handle? It depends on how much meat you have simmering on the grill at one time.

TAURUS (APR. 21 - MAY 21)

It won't take much to get under your skin this week and there will be many folks who manage to do so. Can you shut yourself off from all of the static? Not likely, queer Bull. You can either waste your time obsessing over a certain you-know-who or let all the nonsense go. Let's resolve to evolve. Why not seek a more intelligent design to your relationships?

GEMINI (MAY 22 - JUNE 21)

No matter how hard you work, the work keeps piling up. Talk about a rat on a treadmill! You can either continue to expend loads of energy at the expense of your health or you can stop the train and get off. My advice, pink Twin, is to carve out a bit of quiet time for yourself this week. Relax, recharge, loaf, take up space, become a paper weight.

CANCER (JUNE 22 - JULY 23)

Tumult follows you wherever you go and good thing too. You have been leading too sedate a life pink Crab. Did I say sedate? I meant downright boring. Now not only does the rowdy fun find you, it becomes relentless, pounding and over powering. Dive into the action and enjoy. Hey, who spiked the punch? And why are the cups so darn small??

LEO (JULY 24 - AUG. 23)

Turn your attention to any home related project. Proud Lions may decide to totally change their surroundings ... with mixed success. Take it slowly and enjoy every step. Why not simply plan on a few delightful soirees instead of earth shaking movements? There will be plenty of time to enjoy the movement of the earth during the dessert course. Ahem.

VIRGO (AUG. 24 - SEPT. 23)

Even though you pride yourself on your reticence, there will be times (as in right now) when the polite way just won't cut it. Sun, Venus and Jupiter give you the gift of diplomatic gab. Queer Virgins are very astute and have some great ideas and pithy opinions that need free reign. Let it all hang out, cousin. Avoid drafts and large blasts of hot air.

LIBRA (SEPT. 24 - OCT. 23)

Money will become more of an issue when Sun, Venus and Jupiter mix it up. Proud Libras can be footloose and fancy free with their dough but why squander it all on loose and fancy pastimes that have no long term gain? Enjoy within your budget if possible and try to rein in some of your expenses for that proverbial rainy day. Do I feel a drop? Or is it a drip?

SCORPIO (OCT. 24 - NOV. 22)

Gay Scorps know how to move it but will others get out of the way? There will be times this week when others get a bit too close and cloying. You may feel restricted, judged and censored. How much so depends on how carefully you cultivate your public image. The secret of your success will be in your ability to forgo convention and just be yourself warts and all. Oh dear.

SAGITTARIUS (NOV. 23 - DEC. 22)

There are many things going on behind the scenes. Thank goodness you have a basic intuition that enables you to get a quick read on any type of situation. And yet, as Sun, Venus and Jupiter make mischief, Gay Archers find that their sixth sense works overtime. Don't let the forces shake your confidence. Rub a few crystal balls and see what the future brings. Oh baby!

CAPRICORN (DEC. 23 - JAN. 20)

Your social life becomes manic as Sun, Venus and Jupiter stir things up. What a nice change of pace! Don't sit back and watch the world go by. Pink Caps need to get out of their closets and mingle with the crowds. Expect the unexpected and even seek it out. You never know who you can meet and greet and who knows who and what. New Years Eve is not that far off.

AQUARIUS (JAN. 21 - FEB. 19)

Your career gets a jump start. Not only are you able to impress the powers-that-be, you can become a bit of a powerhouse yourself ... if that is what you really want. Aqueerians do not always want to live in the status quo. Sometimes they prefer to upend convention. If that is your cup of tea, give revolution a whirl. But be sure to add plenty of honey when you stir it up.

PISCES (FEB. 20 - MAR. 20)

Even though you are usually very happy to stay close to home, this week brings adventure in faraway places. Guppies get itchy feet that need to be scratched. Plan a jaunt that expands your horizons and brings you into contact with exotic stimuli. If money and time are tight, expand in more inventive ways. Don't forget to include a lusty, trusty companion in your travels.

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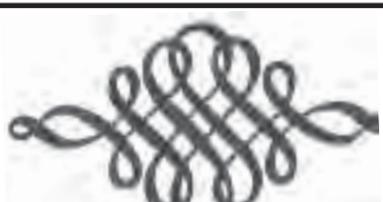
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Wednesday, November 8th

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Thursday, November 9th

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Friday, November 10th

Men's Social Network Open to men of all ages, newcomers welcomed: 7:00 p.m. Lloyd hosts a word for word fun evening of Scrabble. If you don't know how to play, we'll be glad to teach you. For reservations and directions, please call Lloyd at 792-8537. If you're loquacious, erudite, or a wordsmith; this man's game just may be a triple word score for you!

Saturday, November 11th

Men's Social Network Open to men of all ages, newcomers welcomed: 7:00p.m. Shuffle over for Floating Pinochle every Saturday of the month except for first Saturday MSN Monthly Pot Luck. Call your host Marvin at 745-0304. New recruits are always welcome and beginners are tutored to develop their gay Hollywood movie serial killer instincts!

Sunday, November 12th

Men's Social Network Open to men of all ages, newcomers welcomed: 6:00p.m. Thom hosts Dinner Out at one of Tucson's Ultra-Fabulous Buffets. Price is usually under \$10 bucks. For reservations and directions, please contact Thom at 623-2941, or e-mail thomsepals@hotmail.com by the Event Sunday at Noon to facilitate reservations.

Tuesday, November 14th

Men's Social Network Open to men of all ages, newcomers welcomed: 7:00p.m. A "whistful" evening of Bridge with host Jim at 790-8735. Please plan and call ahead for an evening of fun, and challenge your skills or learn new ones. And when your Bridge partner excuses himself to go to the bathroom, at least then you will know what he has in his hand!

Wednesday, November 15th

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#3 Men's Social Network Open to men of all ages, newcomers welcomed: Today is the day for that all so important phone call to Bruce! Please call now to reserve your place for tomorrow night's Friday Night Pizza Night. Buzz Bruce at 743-3890.

Friday, November 17th

Men's Social Network Open to men of all ages, newcomers welcomed: 7:00p.m. Pizza Night Tonight! Did you call last night to make your reservation? Great! Call Bruce for information and to give your life direction...743-3890. Enjoy!

Saturday, November 18th

#1 Men's Social Network Open to men of all ages, newcomers welcomed: 8:30a.m. Join Robert for a morning of Volleyball. This is played for fun, and you'll get to know some nice guys as you play. Two great ways to work on your game! For details and directions please call Robert at 400-1376.

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Sunday, November 19

3-5 p.m. The original Men's Massage Group is a great way to meet men and have clean, safe erotic fun. Give and receive and non-professional massage for fun and relaxation. November is a big month. Sign up right away. Call Marc in advance at 881-4582 for information and to sign up in advance. This group has been attended by men all over Arizona for 15 years. Fee. Space is limited.

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Monday, November 20th

#1Men's Social Network Open to men of all ages, newcomers welcomed: 7:00p.m. Newsletter and Movie Night! Once a month, the men of MSN get together to help get their newsletter in the mail. Requiring very little effort, this

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is a great way of socializing, and also a great way to find out all the dirt for next month's Calendar a whole 3 days earlier than the average MSN member. The movie, shown after the newsletter is put to bed for this month, is: "Girls Will Be Girls". Arlan is hosting this event, and you can contact him at 323-7414 for info and directions.

#2Please R.S.V.P. NOW for MSN Thanksgiving Celebration with the Sunrise Scientists. Call Tom at 744-9036.

Tuesday, November 21st

Men's Social Network Open to men of all ages, newcomers welcomed: 7:00pm Hand & Foot Please be handy and call Karol at 744-9017 so we can plan our teams of four. Call now and put your best foot forward!

Wednesday, November 22nd

Men's Social Network Open to men of all ages, newcomers welcomed: 7:00pm Canasta! Hosted by Merlin and Lee at 207-5336.

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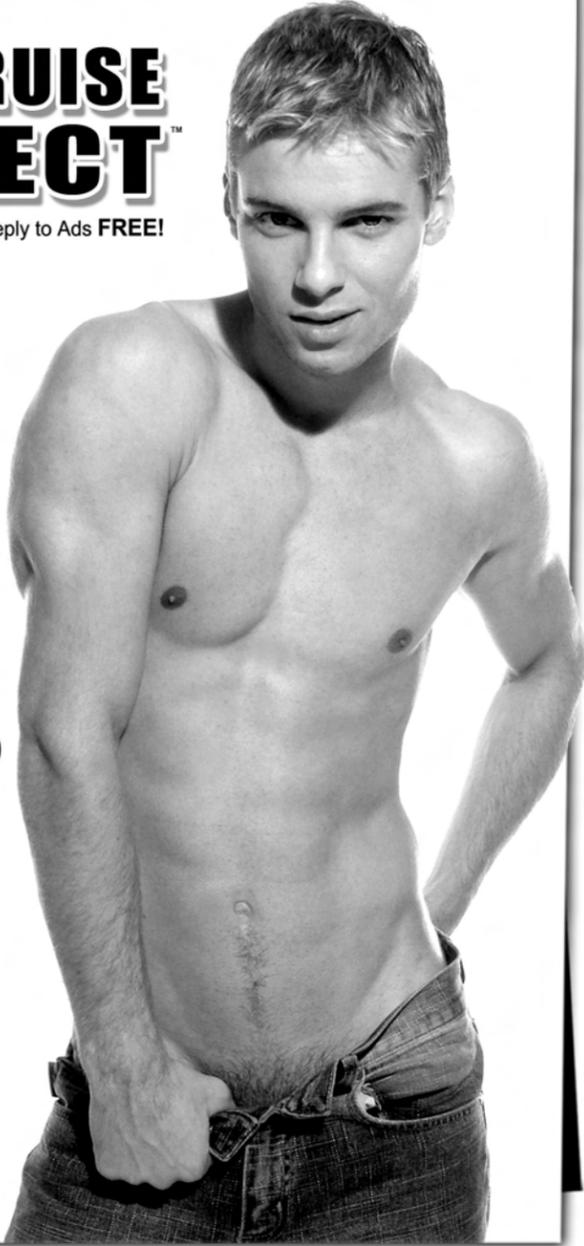
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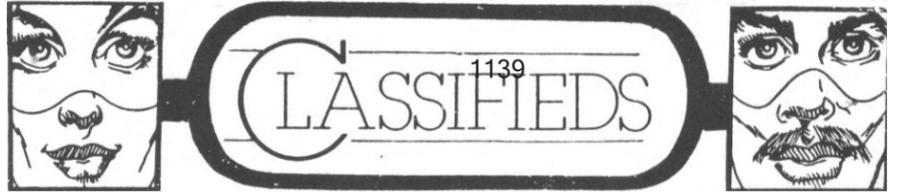
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DAILY BAR CALENDAR

SUNDAY

COLORS - Open 11m - 11pm Champagne Brunch 11am - 2pm with choice of complimentary mimosa, Bloody Mary or Screwdriver. Happy Hour 4-7pm \$3 Skyy Cocktails, \$2.50 Domestic and well. Full menu served 2-10pm. Nightly dinner specials. Live music performed by Dickie Steed during Brunch (11:30-2:30)

HOWL AT THE MOON - Open at 10am. \$2.50 Smirnoff Vodkas all day. We've got the NFL Sunday Ticket. Watch your favorite NFL team here. \$1 Jumbo Dogs, \$2 Chili Dogs. Free Texas Hold-'Em Poker Tournaments at 4:00, and 7:00 pm. Play for points and prizes - no cash involved.

IBT's -Troy's Recovery Bar noon-4pm. 4-7:30 Karaoke on the patio. Benefit B-B-Q for the Pride Parade 5:30-7:30 and dance with DJ Mike Lopez 9pm to close.

VENTURE-N - Open 10am. Patio open 3pm. \$2.00 Bloody Marys or Screws til 3pm Patio Beer Bust 3-7. Burger BBQ 5-7. Selection of burger meats to choose from. \$3 proceeds go to Pet Watch (helping HIV/AIDS clients with their veterinary bills).

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

YARD DOG - Open 10am - 2am. Patio Bar opens at 7pm.

MONDAY

COLORS - Closed on Mondays.

HOWL AT THE MOON - Open at 3 pm. Happy Hour 3 - 8 pm, \$2.50 well, domestic longnecks & pints. Kitchen open 4 - 9 pm. Watch Monday Night Football here! \$1 Jumbo Dogs, \$2 Chili Dogs. Domestic Draft Beer at happy hour prices all night.

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

VENTURE-N - Open 9am. Patio 6pm. Free pool til 4pm. \$2.75 Skyy Martinis 4-8pm..

WOODY'S - Open 10am. w/Special Happy Hour til 2pm \$1.50 well or domestic longnecks. Regular Happy Hour 2-8. Karaoke w/Michael D. 9-1

YARD DOG - Open daily 8am. 50¢ off any Top Shelf Rum until 8pm. Beer Bust 4-8pm. Patio Bar opens 7pm

TUESDAY

COLORS - Open 4-11pm. Happy Hour 4-7 \$3 Skyy cocktails, \$2.50 Domestic and well. Game Night with Dan 5-7pm and nightly dinner specials.

HOWL AT THE MOON - Open at 3 pm. Happy Hour 3 - 8 pm, \$2.50 well, domestic longnecks & pints. Kitchen open 4-9pm. Free Texas Hold-Em Poker for women only at 6:30 p.m. Play for points and prizes - no cash involved. Great way to learn the game or sharpen your skills.

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

VENTURE-N - Open 9am. Patio 7pm. Free Pool til 4pm. Spaghetti Nite (2nd Tuesday every month \$2.00).

WOODY'S - Open 10am w/Special Happy Hour til 2pm \$1.50 well or domestic longneck. 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 8am.50¢ off any Top Shelf Tequila until 8pm Beer Bust 4-8pm. Patio Bar Opens 7pm.

WEDNESDAY

COLORS - Open 4-11pm. Happy Hour 4-7pm, \$3 Skyy cocktails, \$2.50 Domestic and well. Full menu served 4-10pm. Nightly dinner specials.

HOWL AT THE MOON - Open at 3 pm. Happy Hour 3 - 8 pm, \$2.50 well, domestic longnecks & pints, Kitchen open 4 - 9 pm. Free Pool All Night. Free Texas Hold-'Em Poker Tournament at 6:30 pm for Women Only and open tournaments at 7 and 10. Play for points & prizes - no cash involved.

IBT's - Open Noon. Happy Hour Noon-8pm, "Diva-Licious" show 9pm w/ Bunny Fu Fu& Friends. After show dance with DJ Q til 2am,

VENTURE-N - Open 9am. Patio 7pm. Free Pool til 4pm. \$2.75 Cuervo Margaritas 4-8pm

WOODY'S - Open 10am w/Special Happy Hour til 2pm \$1.50 well or domestic longnecks. 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 8am.50¢ off any Top Shelf Vodka until 8pm Beer Bust 4-8pm. Patio Bar Opens 7pm.



THURSDAY

COLORS - Open 4-11pm. Happy Hour 4-7pm,\$3 Skyy cocktails, \$2.50 Domestic and Well. Full menu served 4-10pm. Nightly dinner specials.

HOWL AT THE MOON - Open at 3 pm. Happy Hour 3 - 8 pm, \$2.50 well, domestic longnecks & pints. Kitchen open 4 - 9 pm. Karaoke with Rosemary at 8:30pm

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 9am. Patio open 7pm. Free Pool til 4pm. Pool Tourney 7pm. \$3 entry. Special prices for players. Steak Nite (3rd Thursday during summer). Bring your own or get it here \$6.00.

WOODY'S - Open 10am w/Special Happy Hour til 2pm \$1.50 well or domestic longnecks. 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 8am.50¢ off any Top Shelf Bourbon til 8pm. Beer Bust 4-8pm. Patio Bar 7pm.

FRIDAY

COLORS - Open 4pm-1am. Happy Hour 4-7pm, \$3 Skyy cocktails, \$2.50 Domestic and Well. Full menu served 4-11pm. Nightly Dinner Specials. 6:30-9:30pm. "Hot Jazz, Cool Martinis" with Susan Artemis and Craig Faltin. 10pm "Guys & Dolls" hosted by Lucinda Holliday. 21 and over.

HOWL AT THE MOON - Open at 3 pm. Happy Hour 3 - 8 pm, \$2.50 well, domestic longnecks & pints. Kitchen open 4 - 9 pm. Free Two-Step lessons with Amanda every other Friday. Call 293-7339 for schedule. DJ Pat plays your favorite country dance songs 8:30 to close. Kitchen open 9 pm - midnight serving late night munchies menu.

IBT's - Open Noon. Happy Hour Noon-8pm, 9pm Hot Dance with DJ Mike Lopez outside on the patio and DJ Raynman spinning club music inside.9pm-2am.

VENTURE-N - Open 9am. Patio open 7pm. Free Pool til 4pm.

WOODY'S - Open 10am.w/Special Happy Hour til-2pm \$1.50 well or domestic longnecks. Regular Happy Hour 2-8. Patio Bar open 8-close. Party w/DJ Jeff 9-close.

YARD DOG - Open daily 8am.50¢ off any Top Shelf Gin until 8pm. Beer Bust 4-8pm. Patio Bar Opens 7pm

SATURDAY

COLORS - Open 4pm-1am, Happy Hour 4-7pm, \$3 Skyy cocktails, \$2.50 Domestic and Well Full menu served 4-11pm. Nightly dinner specials. Hot new jazz duo "Sunnyatta" performs 7:00-10:00pm.

HOWL AT THE MOON - Open at 11:00 am. Happy Hour 11 am - 8 pm, \$2.50 well, domestic longnecks & pints. Kitchen open 11am -9pm. \$2.50 Capt. Morgan or Malibu. Cheeseburger & Fries Special for \$4.50 all day. Best burgers around. Johnny D playing dance mix or check our ad for special events. Kitchen open 9pm to midnight serving late night munchies menu.

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 9am. Patio Bar open 3pm. Patio Beer Bust 3-7pm.

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

YARD DOG - Open daily 8am. Beer Bust 4-8pm. \$1.25 glass, \$2.25 pitcher. Patio Bar Opens 7pm.

Arts and Entertainment

November 9-10-11-12

Invisible Theater presents "Let It Be Art!" at it's theatre, 1400 N. First Avenue (At Drachman). "Let It Be Art!" Harold Clurman's Life of Passion, starring Ronald rand, is a dramatic journey of humor, boldness and fervor, of the man heralded as "the elder statesman of the American Theatre". His ardor for the theater and his contribution to the craft of acting remains an inspiration for actors, directors and theatre lovers. An experience you won't want to miss. Tickets \$25 per person. Call 882-9721 for reservations and information

Now Playing thru November 11

Arizona Theatre Company presents August Wilson's "Jitney" the winner of New York Drama Critic's Award for Best Play. Overflowing with passion, poetry and unforgettable characters, August Wilson's plays are important reflections of our American history. ATC Box Office 520-622-2823.

Now Playing thru November 12

Live Theatre Workshop "Caught In The Net" - Two teens discover both their fathers are taxi drivers, they want to meet in person. Little do they know they both have the same father. 7:30 p.m. Thursdays - Saturdays; 3:00 p.m. Sundays. 5317 E. Speedway Blvd. Tickets \$14 - \$17. 327-4242.

Arts and Entertainment

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Now playing thru December 3

Arizona Repertory Theatre production of "How To Succeed In Business Without Really Trying". Marroney Theatre, 1025 N. Olive Road. Showtime 7:30 p.m. Nov. 8-11, 16-17, 30. Dec/ 1-2. 1:30 p.m. Nov. 11-12, 19, Dec. 2-3. \$20.00 discounts available. 621-1162.

Now Playing thru December 17

Live Theatre Workshop - All Together Theatre's production of Christopher Johnson and Michael Matinez's "The Pirate Queen Of The Caribbean" continues every Sunday at 1:00 p.m. through December 17. \$5.00- \$8.00. Call 327-0160 for reservations.

January 2 - 7

A Nederland Presentation: Broadway In Tucson "All Shook Up". 1-866-821-2929 or online broadwayintucson.com

January 23 - 28

A Nederland Presentation: Broadway In Tucson "Altar Boyz". 1-866-821-2929 or online broadwayintucson.com

March 20 - 25

A Nederland Presentation: Broadway In Tucson "Rent". 1-866-821-2929 or online broadwayintucson.com

BAR CALENDAR Of Upcoming Events

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 10

IBT'S - "Midnight Sun" Party, 10:00 p.m. to closing. Prizes and Give-aways.

WOODY'S - Wine Tasting Party. Make Your Reservation Now! Also It's the November Birthday Party. If your Birthday is in November, sign up now.

YARD DOG - "Sonny Jones" and band on the patio at 9:00p.m

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 11

WOODY'S - UA Football Party at 1:30 p.m. with free hot dogs and popcorn. Camouflage Party Starts at 9:00 p.m.

YARD DOG - "Phoenix Eagle" Bartender Exchange

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 18

HOWL AT THE MOON - Celebrity Impersonator Show direct from Desert Diamond Casino one show only at 10:00 p.m. Incredible talent, hilarious show. Lucinda Holliday host. \$5.00 Cover

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 23 - Thanksgiving

HOWL AT THE MOON - Opens today at 5:00 p.m..

VENTURE-N - Opens today at 9:00 p.m. Thanksgiving Pot Luck at 2:00 p.m.

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 25

HOWL AT THE MOON - Drag Show performance show with coronation of NCC/USofA Miss Newcomer. Show starts at 9:00p.m. \$2.00 Cover.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 1

IBT'S - Third Annual "Party Monster Ball". 10:00 p.m. to closing. Prizes, give-aways and costume contest.

HOWL AT THE MOON - First day of a three-Day celebration of their anniversary. Come on by and howl.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 2

HOWL AT THE MOON - TMI (Too much Information) band is playing classic rock, blues and more. 9:00 p.m.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 9

HOWL AT THE MOON - AGRA Roadrunner promotional Party. Dust off your boots.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 16

HOWL AT THE MOON - Special show with Kenneth Blake and friends.

NOTICES - COMMUNITY - NOTICES

"CELEBRACION" Out & About The group is planning to go out for Thanksgiving brunch. Our plans are not yet complete, but if you would like some more information about this, please contact us at out-about@comcast.net, or leave a message at 520-615-9237. We will contact you, as soon as possible. Come and join us it will be fun.

HALLELUJAH RECOVERY DRUG & ALCOHOL 12-STEP. Every Thursday 5:30-6:30pm at Cornerstone Fellowship, 2902 N. Geronimo. 622-4626.

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

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

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 360-3795 or write P.O. Box 36264, Tucson, AZ 85740-6264. All replies confidential.

GLBT-friendly AL-ANON group meets Saturdays at 11am at Unitarian Universalist Church, 4831 E. 22nd Street, Tucson.

YOUNG AND GAY?

GLBT Youth 23 and under, meet every Saturday in Tucson for sharing, support and information. Meetings are held at 425 E. 7th 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 298-6727, leave name and phone number. Tucsonpt@primetimersww.org

TUCSON GAY INFORMATION AND REFERRAL

For Information on human service organizations, health and mental health services, financial and government assistance, emergency services such as food and shelter, education, etc. Call Information and Referral 881-1794 - 8 am - 5 pm M-F.

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

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

WINGSPAN - Tucson's Gay, Lesbian & Bisexual Community Center, 425 E. 7th 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

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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, dances Tuesdays. from 6:30-9 p.m. at Cornerstone Fellowship Social Hall, 2902 N. Geronimo (Northwest of 1st Ave. and Glenn). No experience, no partner required! For more info contact David at 325-6739, or visit www.azgaydance.org

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, 425 E. 7th Street. 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, contact TEAM ARIZONA at their website: teamarizona.org

ARE YOU GAY OR BISEXUAL AND UNDER 21 YEARS OF AGE? The Gay Young Men's Project is now looking for volunteers for the project. We need people who want to help create a positive social change for young Gay men as well as reduce the risk for HIV infection. For more information please call 628-7223.

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 Wednesday at 845 S. Craycroft Road at 6pm. Tucson Pride events: Pride Week, Gay West and

Pride Weekend. 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.

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 / MOVIES / ETC! Nonsmoking Lesbian Network meets every month. If you'd like to meet women 50+ (flexible) and socialize in a smoke-free environment, please call or email: 888-8010 'til 9pm, or joycesmth1@aol.com. The group dines OUT! and attends shows, movies, comedy events, etc. Now in our 23rd year, 7th in Tucson.

SOUTHERN ARIZONA GENDER ALLIANCE (SAGA). The Southwest's largest transgender and gender-diversity 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)624-1779 x26 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, 425 E.7th Street. 743-4800.

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.

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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

LGBT Buddhist Meditation Group. Join us for two 20 minute silent sitting meditations, and reading from Buddhist Spiritual text and discussion. Bring a friend and a pillow or cushion. Takes place every Sunday from 10-11:30AM at Wingspan, 425 E. 7th St. Donations accepted. Contact Maurice Grossman for more info. 323-2293.

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.

MEN'S HIKING CLUB - A peer-run MEN's outdoor club for hiking, biking, camping, boating etc, is now up and running in the Tucson area. To join, go to SAGE-Tucson-subscribe @yahoogroups.com. See you on the trails.

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. (Map available at www.desertdominion.org) For those who are kinky or just curious. No fee, contributions are appreciated, but not required.

The new MAN TO MAN INTENTIONAL COMMUNITY is meeting about honoring the spiritual side of ourselves. It is the men's social/erotic group that offers passionate friendships, fun activities, and real tantric sex education. Call Marc 881-4582 in advance Check it out. We meet the 1st and 3rd Wednesdays, 7-9pm. Potluck dinner. Donation.

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Alaska Seeks To Delay Court-Ordered Partner Benefits

JUNEAU, Alaska - The state of Alaska is asking the state's highest court to review an order requiring changes in its proposal to provide same-sex benefits for domestic partners of state employees and retirees, reported the Associated Press on 365Gay.com. The Superior Court has issued an order directing the state to rewrite the regulations.

Alaska Attorney General David Marquez on Wednesday (Nov. 1) defended the state's proposed regulations, describing the court order as "inappropriate." "The adopted regulations are neither unfair nor constitutionally infirm," Marquez said. The state is asking that the Superior Court order be stayed until it can be reviewed by the Alaska Supreme Court. The court ruling by Judge Stephanie Joannides comes on the heels of Gov. Frank Murkowski's decision on Friday (Nov. 3) to call a special session of the Legislature to determine how the state of Alaska should implement the same-sex benefits. The 30-day session is scheduled to start Nov. 13.

Scott Nordstrand, commissioner of the Department of Administration, said at a news conference that he requested Murkowski call a special session because Lt. Gov. Loren Leman questioned his authority to implement the regulations. The state is facing a Jan. 1, 2007, deadline to provide the benefits. Nordstrand said he wanted to make sure the regulations that are adopted can withstand any legal challenge.

In her ruling, Joannides ordered the state to revise the draft

regulations to remove a relationship exclusivity requirement and shorten from 12 months to six months the requirement that same-sex couples be in a long-term relationship. The judge also ordered that one of the required criteria for benefits be reinserted. It would allow same sex domestic partners who are jointly responsible for a child to use that as a qualifying criteria for benefits. Joannides also said the state must allow the same-sex partners of state employees to take personal leave if medically disabled or if the employee dies. The judge also ordered the state to direct death benefits to the same-sex partner if the employee failed to designate anyone to receive the payment. "Although the Alaska Supreme Court assumed the state has a legitimate interest in restricting benefits to individuals in truly close relationships, it mandated that the state's restrictions treat those similarly situated in a similar manner. Requiring same-sex couples to meet criteria that many married couples do not have to meet does not comply with this mandate," the judge wrote.

The issue goes back to 1999 when the American Civil Liberties Union and nine couples filed a lawsuit challenging the lack of benefits for same-sex couples employed by the state and the municipality of Anchorage. About a year ago, the state Supreme Court ordered the state of Alaska to extend benefits to same-sex couples, finding that denying them violated the state's guarantee of equal protection for all Alaskans. That's because the state constitution restricts marriage to between a man

and a woman. In June, the court ordered the state and the municipality of Anchorage to provide the benefits. It set the January deadline for having the benefits in place and sent the lawsuit back to a lower court for implementation. Last month, Joannides sided with the ACLU in finding that the regulations proposed by the state were too restrictive. The judge also found that the types of benefits to be offered to same-sex couples were too narrow. The state responded by paring some of the requirements to get benefits. Critics, however, said the new proposal was still too onerous, especially when all

that was required of heterosexual couples to get benefits was a marriage license. The state's health and retirement benefits plan covers approximately 5,000 people at a cost of \$340 million, Nordstrand said. The cost of extending benefits to same-sex partners won't be known until the regulations are finalized, he said.

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