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## Immigration reform bill introduced

WASHINGTON, DC - The immigration Exclusion and Deportation Amendments Act of 1989, which would end discrimination against Gays and Lesbians seeking to immigrate into or visit the U.S., was introduced into the House of Representatives on March 7 by Congressman Barney Frank (D-Mass).

The bill, designated H.R. 1280, would remove the current "sexual deviation" exclusion used to block Gays and Lesbians from entering the U.S. The bill affects tourists, resident aliens or immigrants who wish to become citizens.

"It's time the Statue of Liberty started openly greeting more of those wearing the pink triangle," said Robert Bray, Human Rights Campaign Fund (HRCF) communications director. "For too long many Gays and Lesbians have been denied entry into our country, while America has been denied the skills, talents and energies of Gays and Lesbians from around the world."

Under current immigration law, the "sexual deviation" exclusion may be used to deny visas or deport any foreign Gay man or Lesbian. However, in 1979, the Public Health Service (PHS) declined to certify visa applications as homosexual on medical grounds.

Nonetheless, the U.S. Supreme Court has ruled the "sexual deviant" exclusion is meant for Lesbians and Gays. Under former President Reagan, the Justice Department instructed the PHS to enforce the "sexual deviant" exclusion.

Although the exclusion of Gays and Lesbians is rarely enforced — many prominent, open homosexuals have been allowed into the country — the law is still on the books and is used to reject, unfairly question or deport some individuals.

"Customs officials can and have made inappropriate and intrusive inquiries of tourists and immigrants," explains Steve Smith, HRCF lobbyist. "More seriously, the law has resulted in separated families, ruined careers and political persecution."

The bill also repeals or revises many other grounds for exclusion. Most of these, dating to the McCarthy era, bar immigrants — including communists and anarchists — on political and ideological grounds. The current law, for example, excludes anyone whom the State Department believes is "prejudicial to the public interest."

The bill would not change the current exclusion of people with AIDS and HIV infection, but it would grant the Department of Health and Human Services authority to waive the exclusion of persons with communicable diseases. HRCF lobbyists said they would seek to broaden the waiver provision.

"At a minimum, persons with communicable diseases should be admitted on the same terms as people with other disorders," said HRCF's Smith. "If you can show

that you are not 'dangerous', you should be able to come into the country. There certainly is no basis to think that immigrants are bringing AIDS to the U.S., which still has the world's highest number of reported cases."



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Congressman Frank has been joined by 45 original bill co-sponsors. Rep. Morris Udall of Arizona is one of the original 45 co-sponsors. The bill has been referred to the House Judiciary Committee, where it is expected to be referred to the Subcommittee on Immigration — chaired by Rep. Bruce Morrison (D-Conn). Morrison is an original co-sponsor of the Immigration Bill and co-sponsor of the Gay and Lesbian Civil Rights Bill.

HRCF's field Division urges Gay men and Lesbians to contact their congresspersons to thank them for co-sponsoring the bill or encourage them to sign on. Concerned individuals may write the Representatives at the U.S. House of Representatives, Washington, DC 20515. If you don't know your congressperson, contact the OBSERVER.

Gays and Lesbians may also send Congress a message by enrolling in the HRCF pre-authorized 'Speak Out' mail program. (OBSERVER, March 8).

## Observer/P.A.C.T. benefit March 25

TUCSON - Ever since it was announced that the OBSERVER/Community Benefit has been moved to the larger and more comfortable Sahara Motor Inn, the Desert Leathermen, sponsors of the annual benefit have been busy getting all the arrangements finished and promise that all will be ready for the big event on Saturday, March 25.

This is the fourth year for DL's benefit and each year the Observer splits the proceeds from the benefit with another worthy local organization. This year the co-beneficiary will be the People with AIDS Coalition-Tucson (P.A.C.T.). This benefit has proven to be one of the most successful of the year and is attended by a large segment of the Tucson community.

As in the past, there will be a dinner in conjunction with the evening. This year, it will be a catered buffet featuring a full dinner with entree, vegetables, salad, etc.

The room at the Sahara where the benefit will be held is by every standard a much better room to hold such an event in that in past years. There is comfortable seating, a built-in full service bar, an unobstructed, raised stage area, all in all, an attractively decorated air-conditioned room ready to please and entertain you.

Entertainment for the evening will include Mr. Loren

Johnson and Mr. Doug Cooper and there promises to be several other surprise guests also. Watch for more details next week.

Doors for the evenings event and the bar will open at 5:30 p.m. In addition to the entertainment, there will be raffles and drawings held throughout the evening for some very valuable prizes and there will be an auction of some really nice items. Some of the prizes already include television sets, ten-speed bicycle, artwork, plus some items of interesting memorabilia. See next week for some more information on these items. Persons wishing to contribute to these items are encouraged to call the Desert Leathermen in care of IBT's and a member will be back in touch with you.

as usual the Desert Leathermen promise a well stocked bar with liquor and beer donated by the local Gay bars.; Announced prices will be met with joy by everyone: Well drinks \$1.25; Canned Beer \$1.00; soda .50. There will be a good selection of non-alcoholic beverages on hand. ID will be required for those purchasing alcoholic beverages.

Tickets for the affair will be \$10 for those eating dinner or \$4.00 for general admission. Tickets are on sale at all local Gay bars. All net proceeds from the evenings event will benefit two worthy recipients.

## Jeff Levi to quit NGLTF August 1

WASHINGTON, DC - National Gay & Lesbian Task Force (NGLTF) Executive Director Jeffrey Levi announced that he will leave the organization effective August 1, 1989 after six years of service with the nation's preeminent Gay and Lesbian civil rights organization. Levi plans to stay actively involved in the Gay and Lesbian rights movement and said his departure reflects a strong desire to work full time on the development and formulation of national AIDS policy.

Levi said, "My tenure at NGLTF has been the most exciting and stimulating work experience of my life. I am very proud of the organization, its staff, its board and its large and loyal membership. But I want very much to devote all my time to policy issues, particularly the complex and long-term policy issues raised by the AIDS crisis. This decision reflects a personal career choice to fully devote my energies to programmatic concerns rather than dividing my time between program and the administrative and fiscal responsibilities of an executive director."

Levi joined NGLTF in 1983 as the Director of the Washington office. When NGLTF consolidated its offices to Washington, D.C., in 1986, Levi was named Executive Director. Levi directed the emergence of NGLTF as the most productive and responsible arm of the national Gay and Lesbian movement.

During his tenure, NGLTF doubled its lobbying staff, dramati-

cally expanded its grassroots organizing department, and strengthened its ties to local and state-based Gay and Lesbian organizations. Organizationally, Levi managed the growth of NGLTF from a staff of five and a memberships of 5,000 to its current staff of ten and national membership of over 15,000. Levi led the Task Force in erasing a long-term \$90,000 debt, and leaves the organization in the strongest financial condition of its 15-year history.

Levi's reasoned and articulate voice firmly established him as the leading media spokesperson on the full-range of political issues facing the Gay and Lesbian civil rights movement. His ground-breaking appearances on network news and shows like "Good Morning America", "Nightline", and "This Week With David Brinkley" brought persuasive arguments for Gay and Lesbian civil rights home to millions. His reputation as a fair and tough critic of federal policies and as a thoughtful commentator on the future of Gay and Lesbian rights established him as the most frequently called source for commentary on breaking AIDS-related and Gay stories.

Levi's skill at crafting persuasive arguments to counter anti-Gay amendments to AIDS and other bills is widely credited as critical to the ultimate defeat of Senator Jesse Helms' (R-NC) anti-Gay education amendment in mid-1988. Helms was successful in

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# UPDATE

**WINGSPAN GRAND OPENING MARCH 25**  
TUCSON - Wingspan: A Lesbian and Gay Community Center, will host a Grand Opening on Saturday, March 25 from 4 until 9 p.m. at their new downtown offices at 240 N. Court Avenue (one block west of Church Street).

With these new offices, Wingspan will serve as a referral and hotline service, house a library of books and periodicals, sponsor support group and special events and promote good public relations with the media and the general community.

Everyone is welcome to join the excitement as the Community Center introduces you to their services. Live music and refreshments will be provided. \$1.00 raffle tickets can be purchased for complimentary lunches, theatre tickets, haircuts, massages, etc.

You may wish to ask about volunteer opportunities with the Center, operating the hotline service, serving on the speakers bureau or working on a standing committee. Wingspan is also seeking help on finding office supplies or adding to their library. If you have items to donate, call 862-4009 or 323-6603.

Don't miss the opening of your community center - one giant step for Tucson. Now is the perfect time to get involved!

## TLGA ANNOUNCES LESBIAN/GAY LOGO CONTEST

TUCSON - The Tucson Lesbian/Gay Alliance (TLGA) is seeking talented artists in the community to compete for the honor of designing this year's logo for both the Pride Week T-shirts and Buttons. The artist may use the same design for both items or make a different one for each.

The logo design must incorporate this year's theme of "Stonewall 20: A Generation of Pride". The logo must also include the Tucson city name and dates of June 24 - July 1, 1989.

TLGA is encouraging creativity and originality for this year's design. The winner will be announced in the OBSERVER and will also be honored at the Pride Week Picnic.

Deadline for submission of designs is April 9, 1989. Designs may be mailed to TLGA & OBSERVER, P.O. Box 50733, Tucson, AZ 85703. They may also be hand delivered to any of the upcoming TLGA meetings at the Joshua Tree. Dates for these meetings appear in the calendar section of OBSERVER, the final meeting date for submission of artwork will be Sunday, April 9 at 3:00 p.m. Good Luck.

**12TH ANNUAL LESBIAN/GAY PRIDE WEEK**  
JUNE 25 THROUGH JULY 1  
TUCSON - The 12th annual Tucson Lesbian/Gay Pride Week will take place Sunday, June 25 and run through Saturday, July 1. This year's celebration is also the 20th anniversary of Pride across the nation - 20 years since the Stonewall riots in New York.

The theme for this year is "Stonewall 20: A Generation of Pride". The annual picnic will again kick off Pride Week '89 in Himmel Park from noon until dusk on the 25th. Thus far, the Alliance has set up six committees to manage the weeks activities.

Again this year TLGA is meeting with Mayor Tom Volgy to request a city-wide proclamation for Lesbian/Gay Pride Week. Volgy issued such a proclamation last year. Arizona Governor Rose Mofford is also being invited to attend the Picnic which last year drew a record 3,500 persons to the Park.

The next meeting of TLGA is this coming Sunday, March 19 at the Joshua Tree. All those with ideas and/or willing to serve on committees are urged to attend.

**PARTNERS POSTPONES 'CHICAGO' SHOW**  
TUCSON - Partners of Tucson at their meeting on March 5, elected to postpone their version of "Chicago", due to the many activities in the community. Partners decided not to cancel the production but to postpone it until their next anniversary party in January 1990.

It is hoped that this will not be too great of a disappointment to those looking forward to the show, but the club wants to present a better production at a later time.

**GLASNOST COMES OUT OF THE CLOSET**  
MOSCOW, RUSSIA (BAR) - The Soviet Union may be about to repeal its prohibition against Gay sex this year. According to the Soviet television show "Good Evening, Moscow", the USSR's Communist Party assembly currently in session is planning to discuss a revision of the country's criminal code that would drop the ban on consensual Gay sex.

Currently, same-gender sexual acts are punishable by up to five years in jail.

"A crime is an act which constitutes a threat to society. If two adult persons satisfy their sexual needs by free will the way they want, they will not harm society," Alexej Ignatov, a professor at the Moscow Institute of State and Law, told the Danish newspaper "Information". He called the current Soviet law "completely wrong."

**INITIAL PLANS SET FOR FIESTA DE MAYO AND PRIDE WEEK 1989**  
TUCSON - On Sunday, March 12, representatives from the Tucson Lesbian/Gay Alliance (TLGA) met with volunteers and candidates for Queen and King of Fiesta de Mayo '89 and approved the initial plans and contest rules for the annual celebration which is also the major fund raising event for Lesbian/Gay Pride Week activities. Fiesta de Mayo will take place over three days and nights, starting Friday night May 5 and end Sunday, May 7. All activities will take place at Joshua Tree.

Friday night, the actual date of Cinco de Mayo kicks off the Fiesta. The candidates will be introduced, a special show has been planned, food, game booths will be open, and Mexican drinks will be featured.

The Fiesta will continue Saturday and Sunday afternoons and nights with all the booths open and entertainment yet to be announced.

There are three couples already registered to run for King and Queen. They are: Gabriella and Mayda sponsored by Colette's; Kip and Gary sponsored by the Graduate and IBTs; and Shanise and Leo, sponsored by the Rainbow Room.

The rules allow for one more candidate couple to enter. The deadline for entering is Sunday, March 26 at 3:00 p.m. To enter, please contact the Joshua Tree/Back Pocket.

The following are the rules approved by TLGA and agreed to by all candidates:

1. Candidates compete for the Queen and King crowns by getting votes. One dollar equals one vote.
2. Once a candidate enters the contest and then later decides to withdraw, that decision will be considered final only when told directly to one of the co-chair persons of TLGA. At that point all monies raised will then be turned over to TLGA. The candidate cannot re-enter.
3. Each candidate couple must establish a committee of no less than two, one of whom will keep track of monies raised and will be a witness to the final count.
4. Any disputes/arguments between candidates are not to involve TLGA or the Joshua Tree and will not be arbitrated by same.
5. The candidates can get votes by sponsoring fund raising events that represent TLGA and the community in a positive way and does not embarrass anyone.
6. The deadline for all votes to be in is 11:00 p.m. on Sunday, May 7. IOU's are not acceptable and will not be counted as votes. Checks must be made out to the candidate and cashed before the final count if at all possible.

## CENTRAL ARIZONA MOTOR COUNCIL FORMS IN PHOENIX

PHOENIX - The Central Arizona Motor Council (CAMC) has been formed as a result of organizational meetings held in January and February. CAMC is a social and fraternal organization of Gay men interested in outdoor activities involving motorcycles, trucks and antique/special interest cars.

The group, which consists of over 20 members, is using the Bum Steer in Phoenix as its current headquarters. For more information about the Central Arizona Motor Council contact Gatley at 494-0439 in Phoenix.

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# Editor's Comments . . .

community than the regular and ever-present danger of isolated incidents which can include both verbal and physical abuse of our brothers and sisters on a daily basis.

are aware, or they should be aware and be careful leaving establishments at night alone in dark areas or being intoxicated either by alcohol or that possible trick for the night. There is a danger - always.

Members of this community

In that past few weeks some items have been accumulating on my desk that have been unable to be taken care of, so I am using this opportunity to get these few items cleared up.

parks, mainly Reid and Himmel, but reports of arrests in other parks has been noted.

## Scorn no bar to Gays' achievements

First of all, in the OBSERVER of February 8, an issue dedicated to education of National Condom Week, there appeared a full page advertisement paid for by Proyecto S.I.D.A. Arizona-Sonora, an agency that is dedicated to educating and informing the latin population of Southern Arizona and Northern Mexico concerning the AIDS crisis.

Some of these reports state that the vice is using enticement in its arrests. This is clearly against the law and it is doubtful that they are enticing people to break the law, but it is possible to use methods that might border on enticement. It would behoove any and all persons who use the city's parks to beware of and cease illegal activity especially during this time of increased police vigilance.

NEW CANAAN, CT - "Gay men and women throughout recent history have had to develop their Gay sensibilities without social or cultural support," says Thomas Cowan, author of "Gay Men and Women Who Enriched the World", a new book due in stores April 1.

been to conceal our Gay identification, it is significant that such distinctive talents as Herman Melville, Walt Whitman, Gertrude Stein, T.E. Lawrence, Oscar Wilde, Noel Coward and Tennessee Williams rose to greatness.

"All too often," Cowan adds, "Gays have met with hostility and contempt as they sought to express

"If some readers, both straight and Gay, are surprised to find some of the names in this book, it is because few people take the time to read history and biography."

This unsung small group of dedicated volunteers has been working diligently with the mainly Mexican population in our area and the advertisement was the culmination of a long-range plan. In over 4000 issues of the OBSERVER that went out in Southern Arizona, the group attached a condom to give the ad the needed impact of the importance of safer sex protections. The Phoenix edition of that issue of OBSERVER did not receive the condoms since the area covered by Proyecto is Southern Arizona.

Next, we received several complaints awhile back after a security person was attacked by a group of 'skinheads' on 4th Avenue. This wicked attack by four youths was a senseless and brutal affair, but it was an isolated one. The former Pink Cadillac Club which attracted that type of clientele had been closed because of boisterous activity and this group of four teens was the dregs left from that crowd.



THOMAS COWAN

Because of the sensational coverage in the straight media quick action was evoked from the police department and in less than a month these four youths were arrested and charged. Their case in court is pending.

their creativity and employ their skills. In contrast, ancient societies wisely made a place for us and Gays were honored and attracted to careers in religion, teaching, healing, social work and the arts.

Cowan's work, examining the lives of 40 personalities from Alexander the Great and Plato to Michael Bennett, is published by William Mulvey, Inc., at \$17.95.

OBSERVER wishes to congratulate Enrique and all of the dedicated individuals of Proyecto Arizona-Sonora for their dedication and commitment.

When there is clear danger to members of our Gay and Lesbian community and the OBSERVER can act as a source of information and counteract that danger, OBSERVER has not hesitated in informing the community. In the case of the 'skinheads' it was felt that the case was well in hand and the future held no more danger to the

"In the modern world," he continues, "where the trend has



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# WHAT'S UP DOG?



If you missed TKO's Beer Bust last Saturday, you missed a special show put on by one of those guest bartenders from Durango in Phoenix - Doug. Of course the show was promoted earlier by Annie who was running around with a pair of scissors, looking for some small portion of clothing to cut off of a person. At this point, Doug went to the back room and removed his. He felt it was better to be safe than sorry. He later modeled them while they were being auctioned off. The one who purchased them was allowed to remove them while Doug stood on the bar. For someone who used Polygrip, Roger sure was able to work those teeth removing Doug's shorts.

IBTS, you'll find Partners having their monthly Beer Bust from 2 to 6 p.m. Their game for Saturday will be a Dart Game, staged by Larry so even I will have to be there to see this one. Of course those expensive gifts raffled off throughout the day will also be on hand. Purchasing them this time will be Gary L. I cannot wait to see his choices of gifts.

Don't forget coming up March 26th will be this years Desert Leathermen - OBSERVER/Community Benefit. This event will be at the Sahara Motor Inn, within walking distance from the Graduate on Stone. Tickets for the evening should be out shortly, so watch for them.

Then on Sunday, it was time for TALL's Beer Bust and Dinner. As always, Glen brought in a few items to be raffled off - one of which was the largest vibrator I've ever seen. Also on hand was a beautiful framed picture by T. Barr that DL will be raffling off at the Observer Benefit. TALL's meal for the day was "IP Stew". After the Beer Bust we found SOS with their monthly Casino Night.

Also, on or about March 20, rules and applications for this year's TKO Closet Ball should be out. Everything will be dropped off at the bars for your convenience so keep an eye out for them. Unless something drastic happens between now and the date of the Closet Ball, this years ball will be held at IBTS. As time draws closer I'll be passing on more info for you. Previous Closet Ball non-winners are eligible to enter again this year.

But, during all of this, we were glued to the TV screen watching the UofA Wildcats walk all over Stanford. Just another day on the court by the #1 team in the nation - demonstrating why we are number 1. Now we start on the road to the final four.

I guess that's going to be it for this week. Have a beautiful week but don't get yourself sunburned at the Pass. Congratulations goes out to the newly elected officers of SOS. We in Tucson may see a few changes because Roger is now president.

This coming Saturday at

## A REMARKABLE PEOPLE

by Curt Stubbs - Tucson

Adultery. Womanizing. Man-hungry. These are all words that cause breeders to run madly in circles and chew their own legs off. John Tower found that out. He was accused of womanizing and of having had a drinking problem in the past. He pledged not to drink while in office. Shows what he thinks is important. But, he was rejected by the Senate nonetheless.

True, a Lesbian or Gay man, like a non-Gay person, would still be subject to graft, malfeasance and alcoholism, but at least she or he could not be sleeping around on her or his little lady or little man. For now a Dyke on Defense or a Defense Queen will do. We'll look into a homosexual president later.

Now to change the tone . . .

Gary Hart also ran afoul of this breeder's soft spot. He may or may not have had carnal knowledge of Donna Rice and/or others. But he was asked point blank about adultery. Oops there goes another presidential campaign.

I am compiling an anthology of poetry about AIDS as a long-term fundraiser for the PWA Coalition-Tucson. We're looking for poems that, while they may be about our loss and our fear, are really about our courage, strength and love. The message is hope, the medium is poetry.

Let's get it right down to it, let's talk about saving the American public lots of tax money and time. Implicit in words like adultery, womanizing and man-hungry are terms like monogamy, fidelity, and "cleaving only unto". These words are all in a relationship as tight as the marital relationship they're supposed to define. In other words they go together like Shanti volunteers and condoms.

Poems may be submitted to me c/o the P.A.C.T. Office, 151 S. Tucson Blvd., Suite 282, Tucson, AZ 85716, or you can call me at home evenings at 628-1838. Deadline for submissions is March 30, 1990, but it would be very helpful to me for non-"name" poets in particular, to get work in as early as possible. Submissions are being sought nationwide, with personal solicitations of some of our foremost Lesbian and Gay poets.

And, of course, said marital relationships are the sole and singular property of breeders. Unless some Lesbian or Gay man should choose to forsake their proud, Gay life to marry and face the risk of adultery, womanizing, or being man-hungry, we are all forgiven marriage or even the idea of any relationship much less a closed one.

Therefore, with all these pitfalls, in the way of breeders holding public office, it may be time for another alternative, one in which the candidate cannot be accused of cheapening the primary relationship and thus the family, because said primary relationship is denied its importance anyway. Perhaps what the American public needs in this day and age is a homosexual for Secretary of Defense.

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# Levi quits NGLTF



Jeff Levi

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attaching restrictive amendments to two AIDS funding and authorization bills in 1987 and early 1988, but suffered a defeat during the passage of Senator Edward Kennedy's (D-MA) AIDS Research and Information Act when the Senate adopted an amendment ameliorating the impact of the earlier Helms language.

Praise for Levi's contributions was expressed by a number of persons who have worked closely with him through the years. Congressman Barney Frank (D-MA) observed, "Jeff Levi has done a superb job on behalf of Lesbians and Gay men in his work at NGLTF, and we will miss him a great deal. In fact, all Americans who believe in the ideals of our Constitution owe him a lot, because he has worked creatively and energetically for six years to make those ideas a reality. Personally, as a Member of the House, I very much benefitted from his advice and analysis on a wide range of issues, and I look forward to continuing to benefit from his strong commitment and excellent judgement."

Congressman Gerry Studds (D-MA) joined in Frank's praise of Levi, noting, "Jeff Levi's accomplishments as Executive Director of NGLTF have been vitally impor-

tant to our community. I know his extraordinary energy and commitment will prove equally valuable in his new exclusive focus on AIDS."

In 1986, Levi began organizing a coalition of national organizations whose constituencies were affected by the AIDS health crisis. This group, called National Organizations Responding to AIDS (NORA), now convened by the AIDS Action Council and numbering more than 100 organizations, is the leading independent policy voice in Washington on AIDS issues.

"The strength of the Task Force lies in its staff and in the organization's commitment to community organizing. Our lobbying work could not succeed without the organizing work we carry on in partnership with local activists. The dedication and passion of the NGLTF staff will remain well beyond my departure. Their talent insures that the Gay and Lesbian movement is in very capable hands," observed Levi.

Persons interested in applying for the position of NGLTF Executive Director may write to the Executive Director Search Committee, NGLTF, 1517 U Street NW, Washington DC 20009.

## Arizona Representatives rank 46th

BOSTON, MA - The Arizona congressional delegation ranks forty-sixth of all fifty state delegations on votes supporting Gay interests. Arizona senators and representatives voted with the National Gay and Lesbian Task Force position 48% of the time.

Those figures appear in the forthcoming "Alyson Almanac," a reference book for the Gay and Lesbian community, which will include a complete breakdown for all 50 states and all 535 U.S. senators and representative. The ratings are based on tallies by the NGLTF for the 1987-88 session.

The top-ranked state was Massachusetts, whose delegation includes the country's only two openly-Gay congressmen, with a 94%

rating. Washington state, at 91%, was second. The worst ratings went to New Hampshire (33%), Idaho (31%), and Wyoming (23%).

All 50 states listed in order of their pro-Gay voting records appear below. They show what percentage of the votes cast by senators and representatives from each state were the "correct" vote, as defined by the National Gay and Lesbian Task Force.

This gives a general sense of which states have the best political climate for Gay people and Gay activism by looking at the overall voting record of their congressional delegation. These figures are taken from "The Alyson Almanac".

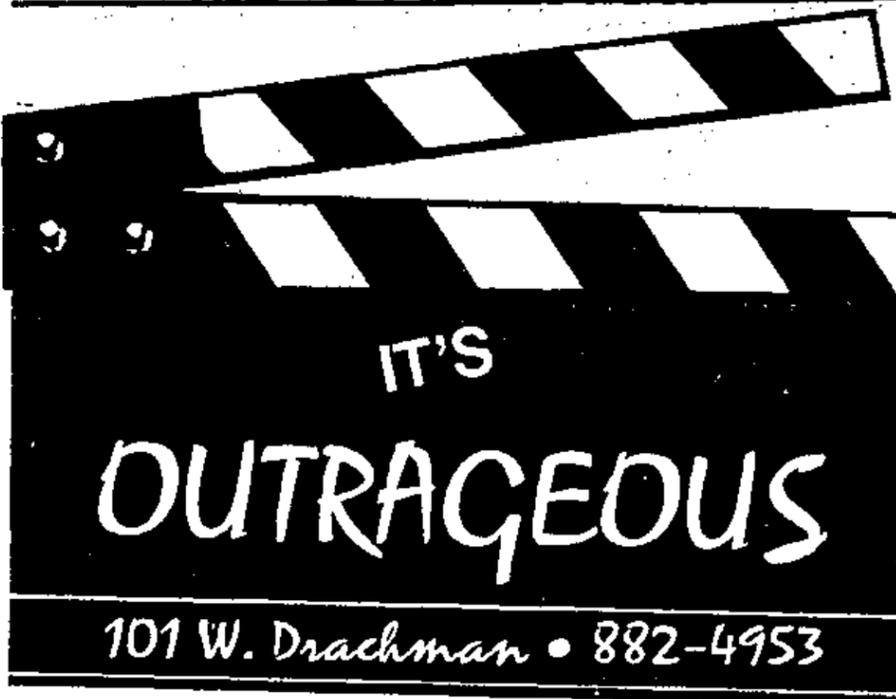
1. Massachusetts	94.29	18. California	72.73	35. Virginia	60.45
2. Washington	91.22	19. Maine	71.67	36. Alabama	60.15
3. Connecticut	88.80	20. Illinois	71.01	37. Louisiana	58.70
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13. Tennessee	74.07	30. Missouri	63.19	47. Utah	37.50
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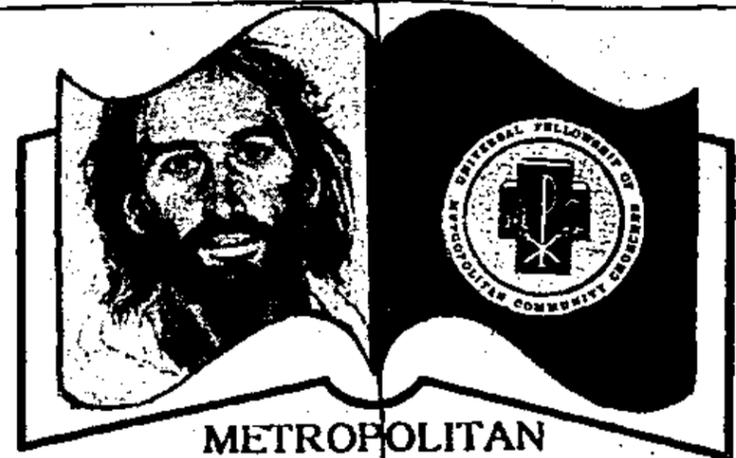
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**A COMMENTARY BY  
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**1989: THE YEAR FOR EQUALITY?**

The fight for civil rights for various groups is nothing new to this country, or to history. In fact, groups within the ancient Greek world attempted through laws or violence to obtain the freedom that had been denied them.

In the United States of America, these battles have taken the face of women's suffrage, civil rights for blacks, the on-going struggles of the disabled and -of course- the fight for civil rights of Gays and Lesbians. 1989, however, seems to be the year when all roads are pointing to equality for Gays and Lesbians.

To begin, a bill was introduced into the U.S. House of Representatives. Called H.R. 655 The Civil Rights Amendment Act of 1989 (OBSERVER, Feb. 8), this bill would allow protection against discrimination on the basis of "affectional or sexual orientation" in the areas of employment, housing and credit, government-assisted opportunities and public accommodations.

This bill is nothing new to the members of the House. In fact, it has been introduced—in one form or another—since the mid-1970s. It has never passed, but support for the bill has grown through the years.

To become law, any bill must be approved by the House, the Senate, and signed into law by the President. Now would be a good time to contact your Senators and Representatives and make sure they know that you want this bill to become law. Unless they know you support their actions, they might not be encouraged to support this bill.

Next: the American Bar Association last month approved a resolution to support and encourage federal, state and local governments in creating legislation that would prohibit discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation in various areas, similar to the bill described above.

The fight for civil rights is nothing new to the ABA, either. In fact, the ABA can boast a long and glorious record of supporting equality based on race, religion, national origin, gender and handicap. To this illustrious list is now added sexual orientation.

In itself, this resolution means nothing more than this national organization supports equality with regards sexual orientation (which, this resolution concisely points out, can mean heterosexual as well as homosexual).

The ABA is not alone in its condemnation of discrimination based on sexual orientation: it joins many groups including the National Council of Churches, the American Psychiatric Association, the American Association for the Advancement of Science, the American Federation of Teachers and other groups—many of them religious in origin.

We might not be there —yet, but if we all urge support of these advances, equality might soon be ours.

A ROUND OF APPLAUSE goes to the "L.A. Law" which aired Feb. 23 and dealt with an Olympic gold-medalist who had signed a lucrative endorsement contract and then decided to "come out of the closet".

The writers avoided the easy solution of letting this young man

win his case, complete with moralizing speeches about how everyone should be equal. Instead, they allowed for a complex, tricky and completely believable series of events in which the young man LOST his case—but proved that a Gay man can be moral, ethical, and as good a role-model as anyone. Is there any wonder "L.A. Law" is so popular.

THE SECRET'S OUT if you have been wondering where THE CLUB is relocating in Phoenix, it will be near 7th Avenue and Camelback, on the Northeast corner. It won't be open for awhile, what with the renovating going on, but it promises to be an even better club than before!

At Spes Non Fracta: See you next week!

**News from MCC Tucson**

Next week, March 21, will be the first day of Spring. But, with the weather as it has been this past week, who cares. Summer is here in Tucson.

This coming Sunday, March 19, will be celebrated as Palm Sunday. This is a special day in the Christian religious calendar. This Sunday observes Jesus' triumphal entry into Jerusalem as narrated in Matthew 21:1-11, Mark 11:1-11, Luke 19:28-44, and John 12:12-19. There are many events concerning Jesus' ministry in the four Gospels, but this one event is clearly written in all four books. This event is prophesied in Zechariah 9:9. There are only slight differences in the four Gospels. But, when have four different people writing about the same event ever agreed upon every detail?

Jesus comes as close to pomp and circumstance as He can during this entry, but He is on a donkey, not a horse; He is in traveling clothes, not rich attire. Palm Sunday begins Holy Week. This week is celebrated not only by Christians because this is also the time for the ancient feast of the Passover for the Jews. Jesus further humbles Himself by washing his disciples feet at this feast. It is also at this same meal that Jesus begins the institution of Communion.

Maudy Thursday, March 23, will be celebrated at MCC/Tucson with communion and a footwashing service. Good Friday, March 24, the church will be open from 12:00 noon until 5:00 p.m. for prayer and meditation and then a worship service will be held during the evening.

Thought for the Week: If there is any sin more deadly than envy, it is being pleased at being envied.



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Sunday, April 2  
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## Gay & Lesbian Alliance Against Defamation Bulletin

[ED NOTE: GLAAD has issued a bi-monthly bulletin alerting the Gay communities of certain people or organizations who have defamed Gays and Lesbians in various forms of the media or, by the same token advising about those people or organizations who have taken positive stands on Gay and Lesbian issues. In its very 'descriptive' Bulletin, GLAAD encourages everyone to write their concern and anger or, as indicated, your thanks and gratitude for various reasons listed below. If the language depicted here offends anyone, that is all the more reason to act and act now!]

**DEAD FAG HUMOR (1)**  
Warner Brother's Records has released an album by comedian Sam Kinison titled "Have You Seen Me Lately?" which is sure to delight the most choosy homophobe. Here's a sample of Kinison's wit:

**ON AIDS**  
"Safe Sex! God damn these fucking bastards. Get off of our back. Because a few fags fuck some monkey — they got so bored because their own assholes weren't enough they had to go in the fucking jungle, grab some fucking monkey and fuck him in the ass and bring us back the black plague of the fucking 80s. Thanks guys, because of this shit they want us to wear fucking rubbers ... these pricks."

**ON GAYS**  
"They don't look like they're having that much fun to me. Especially now. But you never see these Gay guys going [in a painful mocking voice] 'Oh, no, I don't miss pussy that much ... this is almost as much fun.'"

**ON LESBIANS**  
"Most Lesbians are like, 'Hi there, my name is Dallas. I own

my own security business.' Fucking big bitches, man, have an ass bigger than yours."

Warner Bros. has put warning stickers on the albums and tapes saying the opinions expressed do not reflect its views, and has agreed to include an AIDS information insert in albums and tapes released after the initial distribution (a small percentage at best).

This is not a sufficient response to this level of dehumanizing defamation. Remember, most Gay bashing attacks are committed by teenage males (like, say, Kinison's audience of mainly angry, frustrated, rocked-out teens).

Let Warner Bros. know that they've attacked you, and that you do not intend to buy albums from a company that makes money by degrading the Gay and Lesbian popula-

tion.  
Affirm your dignity by writing Mo Ostin, Chairman, Warner Brothers Records, 3300 Warner Boulevard, Burbank, CA 91510, or call (818)846-9090.

**DEAD FAG HUMOR (2)**  
Would Home Box Office broadcast a comic who told white teenagers to go out and beat up blacks? The recent HBO Comedy Hour: "Take No Prisoners — Robert Townsend" offered an example of such incitement — except the target was Gay men. Comedian Damon Wayans finds humor in Gay bashing, saying "Fags ain't fighting back." He added that he's attacked Gays, saying "I used to do it. Every guy's done it." He then demonstrated his idea of an anti-Gay attack, hitting himself and acting like he enjoyed being hit, then wobbling

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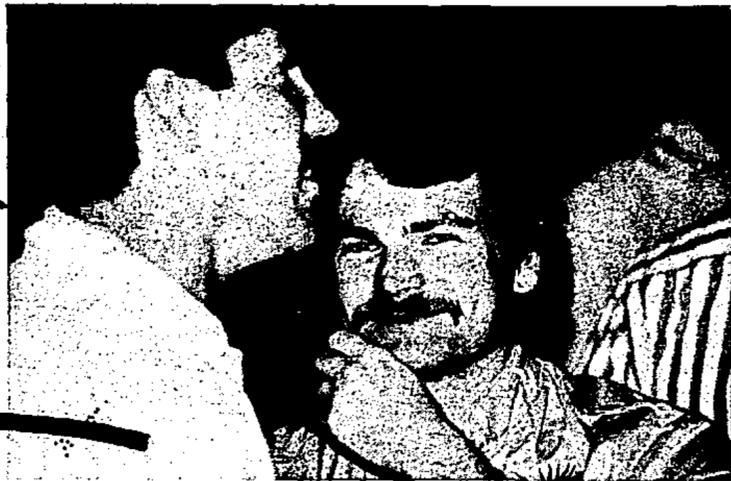
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# CALENDAR

*of upcoming events*

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 15

**COLETTE'S WEST** - It's the monthly Country and Western Nights again and Loren Johnson will be in the spotlight for this one. A wonderful talent.

FRIDAY, MARCH 17

**COLETTE'S WEST** - Big, BIG St. Patrick's Day Party planned with all the trimmings..... Be here!

**IBT's** - Wear some green for St. Paddy's drink specials

**JOSHUA TREE** - Celebrate a 3-day St. Paddy's weekend with 50 cent Spearmint Schnapps or Midori drinks for \$1.75 or Heineken Beer for \$1.50 all weekend long!

**RAINBOW ROOM** - Celebrate St. Patrick's Day here with all Well or Domestic beer for \$1 per drink!

SATURDAY, MARCH 18

**IBT's** - Partners' Beer Bust and Dart Tournament 2 to 6 p.m. Join the fun and win extra prizes.

**JOSHUA TREE** - Special drinks prices in celebration of St. Patrick's Day. See the menu above.

SUNDAY, MARCH 19

**COLETTE'S WEST** - Movie at 7 p.m. is "2 In 20" Part One of movie-length Lesbian soap opera, then popular entertainer Lisa O'Leary will be playing and singing for the Sunday evening crowd.

**IBT's** - "Hog Heaven" presents pig races every 1/2 hour to get .50 off your lunch by Ruben. Country music by Big Mike. Line dance lessons by Kip and Gary during the afternoon.

**JOSHUA TREE** - Three day St. Patrick's weekend winds up with special St. Paddy's show on the indoor stage with a list of your favorite entertainers. Watch for details, and plan on being here.

MONDAY, MARCH 20

**IBT's** - Monday Movie Classic at 5:30 p.m. Today, "What Ever Happened To Baby Jane?" plus snacks and entertainment.

TUESDAY, MARCH 21

**COLETTE'S WEST** - Singer/songwriter/musician Arne English holds forth here with an evening of your favorite songs.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 22

**COLETTE'S WEST** - Benefit Show for Fiesta de Mayo candidates Mayda Bravo for King and Gabriella La Vanity for Queen. Show stars Gabriella La Vanity, Varonica Lake, Jackie E and special guest, Fiesta de Mayo Queen 1988 Janet Higgins.

FRIDAY, MARCH 24

**GRADUATE** - Loren Johnson appears here beginning around 8:30 in a pre-Observer/Community Benefit appearance.

SATURDAY, MARCH 25

**SAHARA HOTEL** - OBSERVER/Community Benefit Dinner and entertainment. See non-Bar Calendar for full details but be sure to attend. See advertisement this issue.

SUNDAY, MARCH 26 (EASTER SUNDAY)

**COLETTE'S WEST** - 7:00 p.m. movie for today will be Part Two of the movie-length Lesbian soap opera "2 In 20".

**GRADUATE** - Annual Easter Bonnet Contest and Easter Basket Contest plus a show hosted by Aviva Diamond plus a great cast. Prize money for the contest is \$100 - \$50 - \$25. Lots of fun. SOS co-sponsoring.

**JOSHUA TREE** - Benefit show for Fiesta de Mayo candidates Mayda Brava and Gabriella La Vanity. Also in the show are Varonica Lake, Diana Collins with special guest appearance by Minerva, Cinco de Mayo Queen '87.

MONDAY, MARCH 27

**COLETTE'S WEST** - Patti McCulla will be entertaining the troops here with her own unique style of music.

SATURDAY, APRIL 1

**COLETTE'S WEST** - April Fool's Show starring Bonnie Bitch and her puppets and a wonderful magician who is traveling with her across the country. It starts at 8:00 p.m. and there is a \$2 Cover and well worth it!

**RAINBOW ROOM** - Grand Opening Celebration begins here today (no foolin') with a Variety Show hosted by Loren Johnson.

SUNDAY, APRIL 2

**JOSHUA TREE** - 10:00 p.m. (on the outdoor stage - weather permitting) "Impersonations" by Jody Nouveau, Varonica Lake, Diana Collins, Erica Q. plus other surprise guests. The cast will do impersonations of Madonna, Cher, Ann Margaret, Diana Ross, Joan Rivers, Judy Garland among others plus a "live" Church Lady! No cover. Inclement weather, the show moves inside.

**RAINBOW ROOM** - Continuing the weekend of Grand Opening Celebration, there will be some surprise shows to be announced. Watch for details.

SUNDAY, APRIL 30

**COLETTE'S WEST** - The annual Luau is here again. Authentic in every way including the roast pig in the ground. A tradition here so mark your calendars now.

# Non-Bar CALENDAR

(NOTE: IF YOU HAVE AN EVENT OR SPECIAL HAPPENING THAT YOU FEEL SHOULD BE INCLUDED IN THIS NON-BAR ACTIVITY CALENDAR, PLEASE CONTACT BEN CORBIN PRIOR TO MONDAY OF THAT WEDNESDAY'S PAPER FOR INCLUSION IN THAT WEEK'S ISSUE. AFTER FIRST NOTICE HAS APPEARED IT WILL APPEAR WEEKLY UNTIL THE EVENT HAS TAKEN PLACE. MR. CORBIN MAY BE REACHED AT 297-1909 OR 622-4536).

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 15 - General Meeting for all members of the CAT Committee. The meeting will again be held at Joshua Tree and will start at 7 p.m. The Election Sub-Committee will give a full report of their recommendations for the casting of ballots for the coming year award winners. It is important that all CAT Committee members attend this meeting.

THURSDAY, FRIDAY, SATURDAY, SUNDAY, MARCH 16-19; 23-25 - The Tony Award-winning "Torch Song Trilogy" will be performed by a.k.a. Theatre, 125 E. Congress. All performances begin at 8 p.m. Tickets are \$7 (no discounts). For reservations call 623-7852.

THURSDAY, MARCH 16 - Old Pueblo Business and Professional Association monthly meeting, Plaza Hotel, Tucson. "Tucson First" is the topic of a presentation by Susan Dubow, wife of Tucson Mayor Tom Volgy. 7 p.m., no-host beverages; 7:30 p.m. general meeting. Free to O.P. members and first-time guests, \$5 for repeat guests at the door. Information: 297-3794.

Mark Vigorito with his flute will entertain from 8 to 10 p.m. at Boomers Cafe Espresso.

FRIDAY, MARCH 17 - Moonshadow, with her acoustic guitar will perform from 8 to 11 p.m. at Boomers Cafe Espresso.

SATURDAY, MARCH 18 - Mark Vigorito will perform from 7 to 9 p.m. and Cynthia Stacey will perform women's music with her acoustic guitar from 9 to midnight at Boomers Cafe Espresso

SUNDAY, MARCH 19 - Tucson Lesbian and Gay Alliance (TLGA) holds second meeting to lay plans for this year's Lesbian and Gay Pride Week activities as well as fund raising events to produce it. Meeting begins at 3 p.m. at Joshua Tree. All are welcome to help with this important week of celebration.

Young Men's Massage Group meets from 6 until 8:30 p.m. This group will be open only to men under 40. Facilities limit this meeting to 12 people and reservations are required. Call 881-4582 for reservations and information. Minimal fee.

OUTLOUD, newly formed group of Lesbian, Gay and Bisexual graduate students at the UofA presents a cross-cultural poetry and fiction reading to benefit Tucson AIDS Project. Presentation begins at 8:00 p.m. at ORTSpace Theatre, 330 E. 7th St, between 4th and 5th Ave. \$5 donation at door requested but any donation more or less will be appreciated for TAP. For more information call Chaney 624-9552 or Robert 624-9498.

SUNDAY, APRIL 2 - General Men's Massage Group meets from 6 to 8:30 p.m. Facilities limit this meeting to 12 people. Call 881-4582 for information and reservations. This is a meeting in a safe and enjoyable atmosphere for men to relate to each other through touch. There is a minimal fee.

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# Tucson CALENDAR

sunday

**BACK POCKET/JOSHUA TREE** - Noon to 7 pm Draft Beer .50 per glass; Bloody Marys \$1.25. Steak Dinner 4 pm to 7:77 \$4.00. DJ from 9 pm until 1 am, Linda Fisdale.

**COLETTE'S WEST** - "Wine Down Nite" .75 wine 8 pm to Midnight. Movie Nite on the big screen at 7 pm.

**GRADUATE** - Bottle Beer (non-premium) \$1.25 plus other drink specials.

**IT'S 'BOUT TIME** - Sunday Lunch 1 to 4 p.m. Noon to 8:00 p.m. check the light board for Sunday specials. 8 pm to midnight Bud and Bud Light \$1.25 - Dance 8 pm.

**OUTRAGEOUS** - Game Room opens 7 pm. .75 Schnapps all nite.

**RAINBOW ROOM** - Open at noon. Buffet 1 to 6 with DJ. **RUMORHAZZIT 2222** - Noon to 6 pm. Screwdrivers and Bloody Marys \$1.25 plus Schnapps .50 a shot and Peter Dogs with all the trimmings for .25 each. VJ/DJ Dwayne 9 to 1.

monday

**BACK POCKET/JOSHUA TREE** - Noon to 1 am Miller bottle or Schnapps .75 5-8 pm non-Premium Beer \$1.25, Well Drinks \$1.50 + Monday Bowler's Specials. DJ 9 to 1 Dave Pierson. **COLETTE'S WEST** - Daily sandwich special. .50 hot dogs and .25 draft. All white Well .89 from 8 pm to Midnight.

**GRADUATE** - Happy Hour prices opening until closing.

**IT'S 'BOUT TIME** - Noon to 4 pm, Well drinks \$1 (w/ juice \$1.25), Longnecks \$1.50, Draft .75; 4 to 8 pm all Well .75 (w/ juice \$1), Long Necks \$1.25; 8 pm to close: Miller and Miller Lite \$1.25

**OUTRAGEOUS** - Denise serves \$1 Coronas and \$2 shots of Cuervo!

**RAINBOW ROOM** (formerly Rita's) - Open Noon to 1 am. Happy Hour noon to 8pm: Two for 1 drinks.

**RUMORHAZZIT 2222** - Open noon to 1 am. 4-7 p.m. 2 for 1 well/beer. Monday Night Football on big screen, .50 draft beer and sandwiches. Pool Tournament at 7 p.m.

tuesday

**BACK POCKET/JOSHUA TREE** - 5-8 pm non-premium beer \$1.25, Well drinks \$1.50. Corona Beer or Well Tequila \$1.50 from 8 pm to 1 am. + 'Stop Light' specials. Bobby Jr. DJ's at 9.

**COLETTE'S WEST** - Check for daily sandwich special. Longneck Bottle Beer Special: \$1.00 from 8:00 until midnight. DJ from 8 to midnight.

**GRADUATE** - Dark Well Drinks \$1.50 till closing.

**IT'S 'BOUT TIME** - Noon to 4 pm Well drinks \$1.00 (w/ juice \$1.25), Longnecks \$1.50, .75 draft; 4 to 8 pm all well .75 (w/ juice \$1) Long Necks \$1.25; 8 pm to midnight Schnapps .50 per shot.

**OUTRAGEOUS** - Movie Night. Darry hosts \$1.25 well from 7 to 1. Movie begins at 9 p.m.

**RAINBOW ROOM** (formerly Rita's) - Open Noon to 1 am. Happy Hour noon to 8pm: Two for One drinks.

**RUMORHAZZIT** - Open Noon to 1 am. 2 for 1 well/ beer 4-7 pm. VJ/DJ 9-1 with Dwayne.

wednesday

**BACK POCKET/JOSHUA TREE** - 5-8 pm non-premium beer \$1.25, Well drinks \$1.50. Draft Beer Bust .50 per glass plus \$1.00 Schnapps from 8 pm to close! DJ Bobby Jr. 9pm.

**COLETTE'S WEST** - Daily sandwich special. Schnapps .75 8 pm to Midnight. Pool Tournament 8:00 p.m.

**GRADUATE** - .50 draft or .75 schnapps open to close plus other drink specials.

**IT'S 'BOUT TIME** - Noon to 4 p.m. Well drinks \$1.00 (w/ juice \$1.25) Longnecks \$1.50 & .75 draft. 4 to 8 pm All Well .75 (w/ juice \$1), Longnecks \$1.25. 8 pm to midnight Beer Bust .50/glass - Schnapps .50/shot.

**OUTRAGEOUS** - Game Room opens at 7 pm. Pitchers of Miller or Miller Lite \$3.00.

**RAINBOW ROOM** (formerly Rita's) - Open Noon to 1 am. Happy Hour noon to 8 pm: Two for One drinks.

**RUMORHAZZIT** - Open Noon to 1 am. 4-7 p.m. 2 for 1 well/beer. Bud Can Beer Nite - .50 per can, plus .50 schnapps from 7 pm until close. VJ/DJ Ruben.

thursday

**BACK POCKET/JOSHUA TREE** - 5-8 pm non-premium beer \$1.25, Well drinks \$1.50, 8 to close Well Drinks \$1.50, DJ 9 to 1 Dave Pierson.

**COLETTE'S WEST** - "Sudersize!" .40 draft beer from 8 pm to Midnight.

**GRADUATE** - All White Well \$1.50 open to close.

**IT'S 'BOUT TIME** - Noon to 4 pm Well Drinks \$1.00 (w/ juice \$1.25). Longnecks \$1.50. Draft .75. 4 - 8 pm all Well .75 (w/ juice \$1.25), Long Necks \$1.25; 8 pm to midnight, Well Drinks .75 (w/ juice \$1.00). DJ 9 to 1.

**OUTRAGEOUS** - .25 draft all night. Gavin opens the doors at 7 p.m.

**RAINBOW ROOM** (formerly Rita's) - Open Noon to 1 am. Happy Hour noon to 8 pm: Two for One drinks.

**RUMORHAZZIT** - Open Noon to 1 am. 2 for 1 well / beer 4-7 p.m. Regger 8 pm to 12 am .50 per glass, munchies. Video/disco dancing with Ruben 9-1.

friday

**BACK POCKET/JOSHUA TREE** - 5-8 pm non-premium beer \$1.25, Well drinks \$1.50. DJ 9 to 1 am, Bobby Jr.

**COLETTE'S WEST** - International Happy Hour plus Party Nite - Hourly Drink Specials 8 p.m. to Midnight.

**GRADUATE** - Drink specials until closing.

**IT'S 'BOUT TIME** - Noon to 4 pm, Well Drinks \$1.00 (w/ juice \$1.25), Longnecks \$1.50, draft beer .75; 4 to 8 pm, All well .75 (w/ juice \$1), Long Necks \$1.25; 8 pm to Close: Just Be Here!

**OUTRAGEOUS** - Game Room opens at 7 pm. Dancing 9-1. Check for These Night events. Teen Club opens at 8 pm.

**RAINBOW ROOM** (formerly Rita's) - Open Noon to 1 am. Happy Hour noon to 8 pm: Two for One drinks.

**RUMORHAZZIT** - 2 for 1 beer/well 4-7 p.m., Munchies. Progressive Friday - all well drinks .75 from 7 to 9 and go up a quarter each hour til closing. DJ/VJ Ruben 9 to 1.

saturday

**BACK POCKET/JOSHUA TREE** - Happy Bout 5-8 pm \$1.25, non-Premium Beer and \$1.50 Well Drinks. DJ 9-1 Bobby Jr.

**COLETTE'S WEST** - Hourly Drink Specials 8 to Midnight.

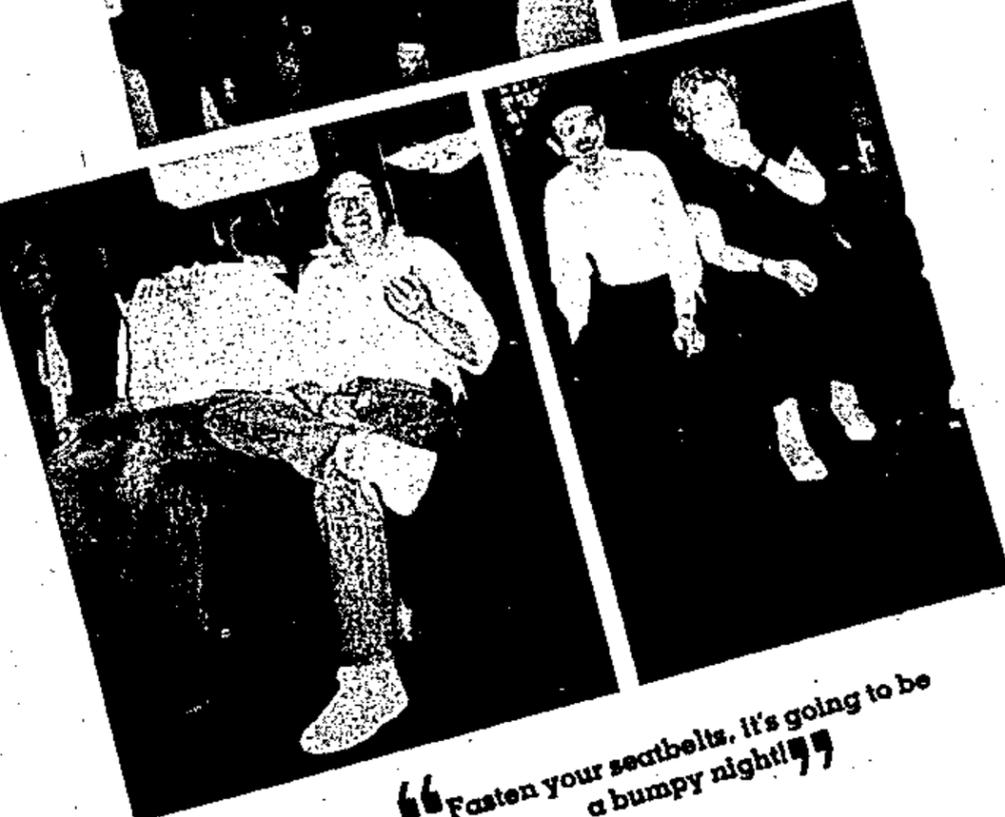
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Two pussies and two days later still no Tina and Puchi. Was that cat condo confusion at the north forty fancy feline with its new tenants? What do Bob and Earl have to say about that?

Is Cybil staying single or is she slowing scoping the scene for some hot ball action. Someone will surely see Sunday.

Things can't get hot enough to do any cooking at the Ponderosa unless Butch gets butch but better beware before the BandAid bills begin to build.

What happened to the Kelley Girls on Wheels, always prepared? Were those boots made for walking or do the thumb and dialing finger

work better?

Sister Mary Virgetta was caught jumping the fence last week. Was that for new college material or getting in some extra circular activities? Sister Bootie's been basking in the sun on the beaches of Jade's sunny homeland but not a card to be found anywhere on the mainland.

Since it is now summer, does Miss Mae need to go shopping for shorts or is there a fine fantasy frantically waiting to be found and fondled. Will the two little ex-country bitches, now city, remain dark or does bleach run in the family - only time will tell, or was that Miss Clairol?

When will that cute cowboy cruise the canyon again and will Josefinetta Johnston just happen to come along? Seems there's less of Helen to be seen these days and looking better.

Til next time, forever yours  
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## GLAAD: GAY & LESBIAN ALLIANCE AGAINST DEFAMATION, INC.

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feily across the stage, rolling his eyes and limping his wrists.

HBO responded to GLAAD's complaint by saying it is not their policy to alter or edit material, and noting some Gay positive programming that HBO has shown. That's beside the point. HBO has never and would never, air a show in which a comedian urged violence against any other minority. We also haven't forgotten that last year they aired a virulently homophobic Sam Kinison routine (is there any other kind) for HBO -- "On Location".

Let HBO know that you don't find Wayans' humor amusing, and you don't want his upcoming special to repeat calls for violence against Gays! Encourage them to showcase openly Gay and Lesbian comedians (such as Terry Sweeney and Sara Cytron). Remind them that Gays are a large part of their audience and will not continue to support HBO if this type of programming persists.

And call on HBO to meet with Gay and Lesbian leaders so they may better understand why this kind of programming is unacceptable. Write to Michael Fuchs, CEO, Home Box Office, 1100 Ave. of the Americas, New York, NY 10036.

### LET THE SUNSHINE IN

Despite all the negative media images of Gays and Lesbians, a few sunny spots have appeared on the home screen..

ABC's "Heartbeat", which returned in January, boasts TV's only Lesbian characters -- nurse practitioner Marilyn McGrath and her lover, Patty. Their relationship is warm and winning. ABC's "Hooperman" also is back for a second season, and officer Rick Sillard remains one of the most positive and permanent Gay characters ever on prime time network TV. Write: ABC, 1330 Sixth Ave., New York, NY 10019.

CBS' daytime soap "As The World Turns" not only continues to incorporate a positive Gay character named Hank Elliot, but may be on the verge of expanding his role. Write CBS, 51 W. 52nd St., New York, NY 10019.

On Cable, Showtime's longest running situation comedy "Brothers" reached its fifth birthday and passed its 100th show in December. Two Gay characters, youngest brother Cliff Waters and

friend Donald Maltby, share the family's joys and sorrows. Write Showtime Network, 1633 Broadway, New York, NY 10019.

Support for such portrayals from Gays and Lesbians, our families, and our friends must exceed opposition by the fundamentalist right and others. We need these representations of Gays as part of mainstream America to foster a climate in which all networks (including NBC, with no regular Gay or Lesbian characters) will feel free to air Gay-positive programming. That's why it's so important that you write the networks or your local affiliates and voice your approval for these programs and their characters.

[GLAAD would appreciate receiving copies of your letters. Send them to GLAAD, 99 Hudson St., 14th Floor, New York, NY 10013. (212) 966-1700. The only way to destroy homophobia is to confront it].

### DESERT AND MOUNTAIN STATES

LESBIAN & GAY CONFERENCE SET  
PHOENIX - The Desert and Mountain States Lesbian and Gay Conference will meet in Salt Lake City, Utah on May 12-13-14 for its annual conference.

This year's theme is "Forging Our Destiny". The focus of the Conference will be ways that Gay and Lesbian people can empower themselves and the movement. The Conference theme speakers will be Carmen Vasquez, Executive Director of the Lesbian and Gay Health Center of San Francisco, and Rob Eikeberg, Co-chair of National Coming Out Day.

The Conference tracks include AIDS, Rural Community Issues, The Environment, Politics and Health.

The Conference Planning Committee is requesting that anyone who would like to facilitate a workshop or wants more information about the Conference contact Martha Jones, 224-1956 or Paul Bayfield 248-8418 Phoenix.

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## Hate Crimes Bill introduced

WASHINGTON, DC - When a group of teenagers in San Francisco dragged David Johnson from his car in a supermarket parking lot, they did so solely because he was a homosexual. They called him a "diseased faggot", beat him with their skateboards, broke his jaw and three ribs, gashed his head and bruised his kidneys.

David Johnson is just one of the thousands of victims of the anti-Gay violence that has been growing at an alarming rate during the past several years. On February 22, legislation was introduced in the U.S. Congress that takes the first step in ending the national epidemic of hatred and "crimes of bias".

The Hate Crimes Statistics Act of 1988 (H.R. 947) was introduced in the House of Representatives by Co-sponsors John Conyers (D-MI), Barbara Kennelly (D-CT) and Hamilton Fish (R-NY). The bill is expected to be introduced in the Senate in the near future by Paul Simon (D-IL) and Orrin Hatch (R-UT).

The Hate Crimes Statistics Act requires the Justice Department to collect comprehensive national data on crimes of prejudice committed because of race, religion, sexual orientation and ethnicity.

"It is time for the federal government to fully accept its responsibility to protect all Americans from acts of violence and intimidation," said Vic Basile, Executive Director of the Human Rights Campaign Fund, a national political and lobbying organization representing the Gay and Lesbian community in Washington, DC.

"From verbal harassment to physical assault, violence against Lesbians and Gay men is born of irrational fear and hatred of such individuals," added Basile. "AIDS hysteria and the 'Wrath of God' beliefs of conservative religious groups have no doubt helped spur much of the ever-increasing violence against our community."

Incidents of hate crimes against Gays and Lesbians have risen dramatically during the 1980s. Recent attacks on homosexuals and other minorities by "skin-heads" and other gangs have received national attention. Groups that monitor acts of violence and intimidation against homosexuals agree that 80 percent of "Gay bashing" cases may go unreported.

Random surveys by the National Gay and Lesbian Task Force reflect the alarming frequency of verbal/physical abuse aimed at the Gay community:

1985 - 2,042 reported cases  
1986 - 4,946 reported cases  
1987 - 7,008 reported cases

Additional surveys by federal, state and local organizations indicate the problem of anti-Gay violence may be far worse than suspected. An October 1987 report on hate violence solicited by the Department of Justice stated that "homosexuals are probably the most frequent victims [of hate crimes]."

Last year, the Hate Crimes Bill passed by an overwhelming vote of 383 to 29 in the House of Representatives, after members rejected attempts to remove Gays and Lesbians from the bill. This was the first piece of pro-Gay related legislation passed in the history of the U.S. Congress.

However, the act was killed in the Senate after threats by Jesse Helms (R-NC) to gut the bill with anti-Gay amendments.

The new bill will be considered first in the Judiciary Committees of both the House and Senate. Activists are predicting a floor vote within the next few months.

"We look forward to passage of the Hate Crimes Statistics Act and the eventual resolution of what must be recognized as a major threat to all Americans," said Basile. "We can begin to counter hatred by first counting the crimes."

Lesbians and Gay men are urged to contact their congresspersons to encourage them to co-sponsor the H.R. 947).

Gays and Lesbians can send Congress a message by calling the toll-free mailgram Action Hotline, 1-800-257-4900, operator 9188. Ask for the Hate Crimes messages. The operator will read prepared mailgrams, such as: "Violence based on bigotry and prejudice must be stopped. Urge your co-sponsorship of H.R. 947, Hate Crimes Bill, to address problem. Also urge opposition to amendments deleting sexual orientation. Such amendments imply violence against some is tolerable. Await word."

Mailgrams cost \$4.50 each to send, billed to your phone. The Hotline is sponsored by the Human Rights Campaign Fund's Field Division. If callers don't know their congresspersons, the operator does.

### PHOTOGRAPHS SOUGHT FOR LESBIAN RESOURCE BOOK

NEW YORK, NY - Ginny Vida, editor of "Our Right to Love: A Lesbian Resource Book," is inviting Lesbian photographers to submit photos of Lesbians for possible inclusion in the revised edition of "Our Right to Love" to be published by E.P. Dutton. Photos are due by May 15, 1989. Preferred size is 8x10 or 5x7.

Photographs depicting affection, friendship, outdoor scenes, indoor scenes, Lesbians at play, Lesbians at work (professional, white collar, blue collar, entrepreneurs), individual portraits, Lesbians engaged in sports or other activities, Black, White, Asian American, Latina and Native American Lesbians, younger, middle-aged and older Lesbians, couples and small groups are especially needed. Lesbians who are movement leaders are also desirable subjects for photos. Nude or erotic photos will not be used.

Photos of prominent non-Gay supporters of Lesbian/Gay rights are also being solicited for publication. Photographs of such persons, e.g., public officials, entertainers, authors or other celebrities, will appear in a section of the book entitled, "Some Help From Our Friends."

Photographers will receive \$35 for each photo published in the revised edition, payable upon publication. Photos must be black-and-white, professional quality (glossy preferred) and all persons pictured must sign a photo release which the editor will provide. Photographers will be credited in the book.

Photos will be returned to photographers upon request. High quality xerox copies of photos may be submitted for initial consideration only.

"Our Right to Love" is an anthology of Lesbian writing that includes more than 40 essays, dozens of personal testimonies, and more than 100 photographs of Lesbians plus some Lesbian rights supporters. The original edition was published in 1978 by Prentice Hall.

Submit photos to: Ginny Vida, Editor, "Our Right to Love", 45 Plaza St., #1-G, Brooklyn, NY 11217. Do not send negatives.



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**ANYONE INTERESTED IN JOINING A SUPPORT GROUP** for Parents and Friends of Lesbians and Gays in Tucson please contact Herb at 327-8519, Joan at 790-7526 or Sean, P.O. Box 26394, Tucson, AZ 85726. All information is strictly confidential.

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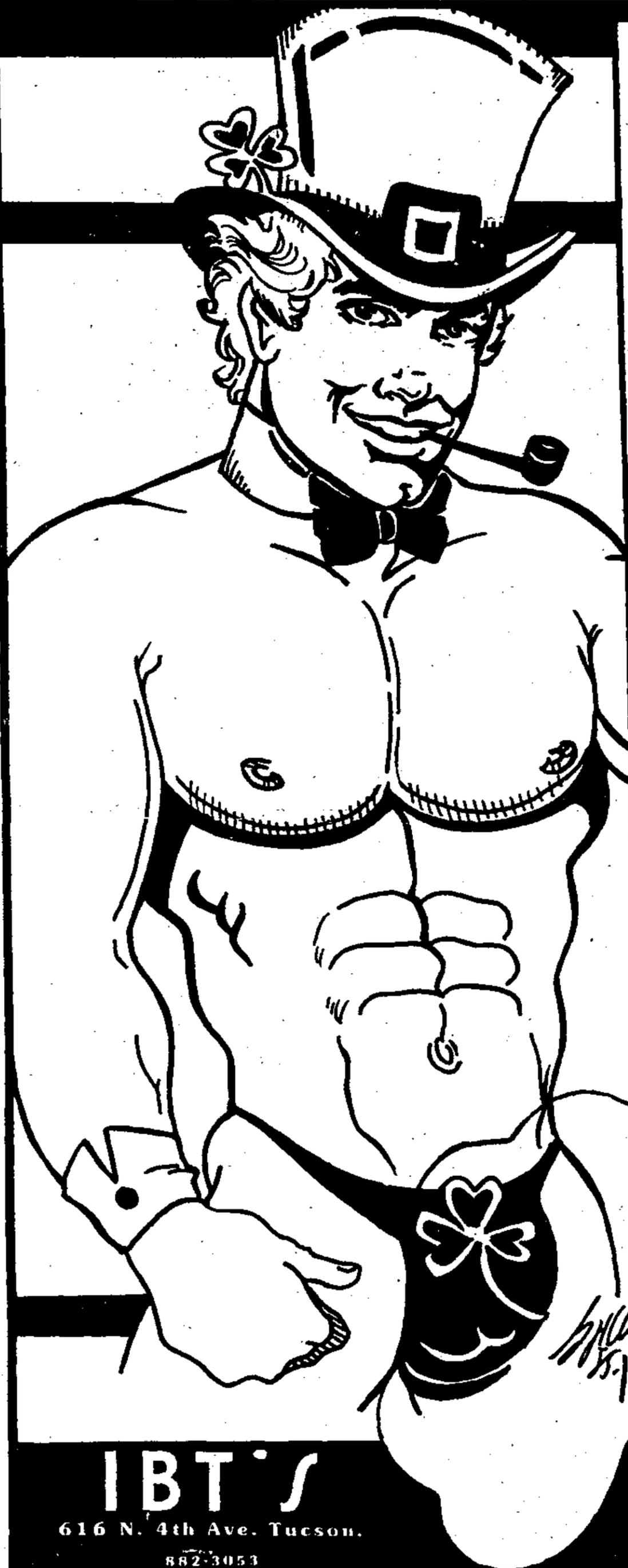
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