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Thousands View Names Quilt In Phoenix



PHOENIX - Thousands of Arizonans visited the Phoenix Civic Plaza last weekend, Sept. 27-29 to view the "Common Threads" AIDS quilt that was on display. Friday saw the very moving unfolding ceremony of the quilt and the reading of the names of those whose panels were on display. A Candlelight march from the Plaza to St. Mary's Basilica was presented by the Interfaith AIDS Network.

On Saturday a "Walk for Life" to benefit six AIDS organizations was held. These organizations included the Shanti Foundation/Tucson, People with AIDS Coalition/Tucson (P.A.C.T.), Tucson AIDS Project (TAP), Arizona AIDS Project (AAP), Volunteers in Direct AID (VIDA), and Campa/Malta Center of Phoenix. The day was dedicated to AIDS Service Or-

ganizations and Caregivers. A special bus sponsored by Shanti/Tucson made the trip the Phoenix for the day and many other Tucsonans made the trip by car caravans. Pictures of some of the Tucsonans at the Quilt site may be seen on page nine.

Closing day was Sunday, a day that was dedicated to PWAs, family, friends and significant others. The 45-member Grand Canyon Men's Chorale performed at the closing ceremony, as names of the deceased were read and the new quilt panels were folded and readied for their journey to San Francisco. There they will be sewn together and later added to the larger quilt. Many Arizona "panels" were presented at the ceremony.

Some facts and figures concerning this massive operation might be of interest. As of January 1, 1991, persons viewing the Quilt have donated nearly 1 million dollars for direct services for people with AIDS. An estimated 2 million people have viewed the Quilt whose total weight is 29 tons. There are 13,500 3'x6' panels from all 50 United States and Puerto Rico as well as 25 foreign countries. The Quilt represents 13.8% of all U.S. AIDS deaths and 3.25% of AIDS deaths worldwide.

For those who may have missed this opportunity to view the Quilt, make sure you see it on its next time around. It is, without doubt, one of the most moving memorials ever conceived.

Wilson's Gay Rights Veto Angers Gay Activists as well as Republicans

SAN FRANCISCO, CA - Triumphant right-wing Republicans said California Pete Wilson's veto of a Gay anti-discrimination measure will not boost his standing among conservatives, and Gay GOP leaders charged that the governor had betrayed them. The bill would have outlawed job discrimination against homosexuals.

As a California poll showed that voters supported the vetoed Gay rights bill by 2 to 1, Wilson was assailed by critics on both sides of the emotional debate, who accused the governor of political expediency.

"Governor Wilson has sold out Gay and Lesbian Californians. By doing this he has buckled to pressure from the conservative, religious wing," said David Smith, Spokesman for Los Angeles's Gay and Lesbian Community Services.

"The moderates, who supported Assembly Bill 101, will remember Wilson as the governor who vetoed the bill," said Laurie McBride, executive director of a coalition of groups that backed the measure. "The conservatives will remember him as the governor who almost signed the bill."

In political terms, Wilson's decision on the bill came down to a choice between trying to pacify the right wing of his own party or to enhance his reputation as a progressive Republican who reaches out to minority groups.

By vetoing the bill, he departed from the course he took earlier in his political career, when he challenged mainstream positions of his own party by staking out a pro-choice stance on abortion and declaring early, consistent opposition to offshore oil drilling.

"There are two Republican parties in California," said Mervin Field, director of the California Poll. "Most Republicans wanted him to sign (the bill), and he didn't sign."

One day after Wilson killed the Gay rights bill, angry protests erupted in Los Angeles, where demonstrators shouted "Wilson is a liar! Equal rights now!" as they burst into the governor's downtown office. In San Francisco, a major demonstration protesting the veto was held in the Castro neighborhood.

Wilson, who earlier this year indicated that he would sign the bill, changed that view when the legislation reached his desk. Saying that Gays already enjoy sufficient legal protections and that the bill would lead to costly lawsuits for business, he surprised his staunchest supporters within the Gay community with his veto.

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'There Can Be No More Passing As Straight' Shepodd Says

TUCSON - "People are going to keep on opposing Lesbian and Gay causes, keep cutting funds for research in AIDS, the 'Gay disease', because we're still anatomically invisible," Lynn Shepodd said here last week.

Shepodd, executive director of National Coming Out Day, was the featured speaker at the September meeting of Old Pueblo Business and Professional Association at the Hotel Park Tucson.

"And as long as we are invisible, we are politically impotent," Shepodd said. "If we're not there to interact with the heterosexual world, we don't get anything."

Shepodd makes her home in Santa Fe, New Mexico. Coming Out Day is observed

next week on Oct. 11 - the anniversary of the 1987 March on Washington for Lesbian and Gay Rights that drew more than 600,000 people.

"America may never recover from the 1980s, from just saying no to social change," she said. "A whole generation was trained to learn about social change in a way that was distasteful."

Therefore, she said, social problems were largely ignored. Ironically, it was the onset of AIDS that began to illuminate the darkness, she said. Gay and Lesbian people rallied for those who were sick when no one else would.

"We worked miracles in the AIDS crisis," she said, "but our potential was

nowhere near tapped. To begin to reach that potential, she said, "there can be no more passing for straight."

"Despite any judgments we may make on our warriors -- ACT UP! and Queer Nation -- not being out at all does even greater damage in winning consideration for our needs," she said.

She asked her audience to commit to expanding their "circles of influence," the numbers of people to whom they are out of the closet. "Our being out and natural about it, impacts on how others will think about us, act towards us and vote on issues that affect us," she said.

Being out, Shepodd continued, "re-

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UPDATE

Walk for Life / Caminata Por La Vida

TUCSON - On Saturday, Oct. 12, the Fourth Annual A-Mountain Walk for Life/Caminata por la Vida will be held. It is a walk to show support for persons living with HIV and AIDS and in remembrance of those who are no longer with us. Net proceeds from the walk will be divided among the four AIDS service organizations: El Proyecto Arizona-Sonora (the sponsor of the Walk); PACT for Life; Shanti Foundation/Tucson and the Tucson AIDS Project.

Included in the walk will be people representing communities of Tucson, Southern Arizona and Sonora, Mexico who will gather to participate in the 2.3 mile walk and a candlelight procession. The walk will begin at 5:00 p.m. The walkers will gather at 20 de agosto Park - between Congress Street, Broadway and Church Avenue and then proceed to the top of A-Mountain. No registration fees are required.

Co-sponsors of the Walk include AIDS Education Projects/UofA; American Red Cross/Tucson Chapter; Chicanos por la Causa; Cochise County Health Department; CODAC Behavioral Health Services; El Proyecto Arizona-Sonora; El SIDA Nos Concierne a Todos; Information & Referral Services; KTZR 1450 Radio Pantera; PACT for Life; Pima County Health Department and the Tucson Minority Consortium.

For more information contact Enrique Gomez, Executive Director of El Proyecto Arizona-Sonora at 323-1303.

OPBPA Business Expo Oct. 18

TUCSON - On Friday, Oct. 18, from 7:30 until 9:30 p.m., the Old Pueblo Business and Professional Association (OPBPA) will present "Business Expo '91" at the Hotel Park Tucson.

Members and non-members can showcase their businesses and products at tables reserved for them by OPBPA. Each business will also have the chance to make a brief presentation to others in attendance.

A 3x6 foot table can be reserved free for members, \$10 for non-members, which will be applied toward an OPBPA membership. To make reservations, call Dean Groth, 326-1122 or Jim Foley, 791-9767.

400 AIDS Activists Demand More of Bush

WASHINGTON, DC (AP) - More than 400 AIDS activists, blowing whistles and shouting slogans marched to the White House on Monday, Sept. 30, demanding that President Bush do more to stop AIDS.

They were joined by Jeanne White, mother of Ryan White, an 18-year-old hemophiliac who became a spokesman for children with AIDS before he died in April 1990.

Dozens of demonstrators chained themselves to each other and to the White House fence. U.S. Park Police said about 100 people were arrested. The activists, organized by the AIDS Coalition to Unleash Power (ACT UP), burned an American flag before the march.

UofA Group to Host Coming Out Day Ball Oct. 11

TUCSON - LGBU, the University of Arizona group, Lesbians, Bisexuals, Gays United, in association with Arizona Student Union Association and BGALA will present the First Annual National Coming Out Day Ball on Friday, Oct. 11 in the Arizona Ballroom of the Student Union Building. There will be DJ dancing from 9:00 p.m. Dress formal or semi-formal. The Ball is free of charge and is open to the Gay and Lesbian community and their friends. Suggested parking is in the 2nd Street Garage, just North of the Student Union.

Tucson Police and Government Secrecy Examined in Forum

TUCSON - The Social Action Committee of the Unitarian Universalist Church of Tucson will sponsor a forum on police and government secrecy that is free and open to the public on Wednesday, Oct. 2 at 7:30 p.m. in the Holland Sanctuary at 4831 E. 22nd Street in Tucson.

Speaking on the panel will be The Rev. John Fife, pastor of the Southside Presbyterian Church whose sanctuary trial included testimony by government informers sent to spy on his church; Tom Beal, columnist for the Arizona Daily Star and critic of the Tucson Police rules that limit reporter access to police files; Cornelius Steelink, Board President of the ACLU of Southern Arizona; Paul Gaton of the Tucson Civilian Police Advisory Board and an as yet unnamed representative of the Tucson Police Department.

The Forum, chaired by Rev. Philip Zwiering of the Unitarian Universalist Church of Tucson, will focus on issues of secrecy in police and government operations. All are invited to attend.

Dahmer Given 60 Days to Respond to Civil Cases

MILWAUKEE, WI (AP) - A judge last week gave Jeffrey Dahmer, who is charged with killing 17 men and boys, 60 days to decide how he wants to answer civil cases filed against him by the families of three of his alleged victims.

Milwaukee County Circuit Judge Robert Landry also agreed to a motion filed by attorney Tom Jacobson to consolidate civil lawsuits by the families of three victims - Ernest Miller, Richard Guerrero and Curtis Straughter.

Defense attorney Gerald Boyle argued that filing answers to the civil suits could violate Dahmer's right to a fair trial. Information that comes to light in the civil cases could prejudice the criminal trial, he said.

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by Bart

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POLITICS '91 by Mark Kerr

NATIONAL NEWS

This past Monday in Lincoln, Nebraska, Senator Bob Kerry announced his candidacy for the 1992 Democratic Presidential nomination. Kerry, the former governor and first term Senator stated in his address that it was time for America to change managers. Kerry said in a press conference that he will hit the campaign trail later this week with stops in New Hampshire, Vermont, Pennsylvania and Illinois.

The Republican Governor of California, Pete Wilson, vetoed legislation that would have outlawed discrimination against Gays and Lesbians in the workplace. Protests throughout the state have been mounted, the biggest march was in West Hollywood. Wilson, was seen as a "moderate", favorable on issues concerning the Lesbian and Gay community. The legislature, controlled by the Democrats, will try to override Wilson's veto.

ARIZONA NEWS

The first "Town Hall" meeting for the Arizona Democratic Party State Platform occurred in Tucson this past Saturday. The Lesbian and Gay community scored a couple of victories, but almost lost a major plank in the platform. Members of the Lambda Democratic Caucus were present to safeguard the 9 planks that were put in in 1989.

The caucus has added 3 new planks into the proposed draft of the 1992-93 state platform. One plank deals with adding criminal penalties to the "Hate Crimes" bill that has been passed. The

second deals with mandatory HIV testing for health care workers. The third plank deals with the recognizing of "non-traditional families" and the calling for legislation giving them equal rights.

Where we almost lost was the "Domestic Partners" plank. One of the five committees called for the deletion of the plank, the committee that the Lambda members were on, called for it to stay and to be expanded to include leave benefits. The next step for the platform is for the Issue Committee Chairs to meet in Phoenix, after the other three "town halls", and go through the proposals and come up with a draft copy.

TUCSON NEWS

The City election is fast approaching and so is the deadline for voter registration. The deadline is Monday, Oct. 7. This Friday, Oct. 4th, the Lambda Democratic Caucus will be holding a voter registration drive in the bars. This will start at 9:00 p.m. and end approximately at 11:00 p.m. If you have not registered, do so. And on Tuesday, Nov. 6th, election day, go to the polls and vote.

If you want an open-minded, pro-Gay and Lesbian Mayor and council; if you want a "domestic partners" bill; if you want to end selective enforcement, then vote Democratic.

Vote for George Miller for Mayor, Janet Marcus, Bruce Wheeler and Roger Sedlmayr for the City Council. If you do not vote and they lose and we could be stuck with an extremist hypocritical

House Panel Criticizes Civil Rights Commission

WASHINGTON, DC (AP) - The U.S. Commission on Civil Rights received a slap on the wrist and a potential budget cut from the House on Monday. Even supporters offered faint praise and considerable criticism of the agency's conduct as the House approved a bill extending its life for two more years. That is less than the 10-year extension asked for by the Bush administration.

The bill authorizes a budget of \$6 million a year - \$1 million less than it is spending this year, and far short of the \$10 million a year the Bush administration wants. "We did examine the work of the Civil Rights Commission with great care, and were disappointed with the record of the past two years, said Rep. Don Edwards, D-Calif., chairman of the Judiciary subcommittee on civil and constitutional rights.

Republican mayor and homophobic City Council, and we all lose. The choice is yours.

END NOTES

In numbers we have strength - A sentence that defines success in politics and with elected officials. If people do not get involved, why should things change. If we want to end selective enforcement, get a "domestic partners bill", get rid of the sodomy statutes and change things for the better, you must get involved. A few people cannot change things, but large numbers will.

We need more phone calls to our mayor

Shepodd

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quires tapping in on our bigger self, inner selves. "We must tell the truth about ourselves and be proud of it, so that we may make the contributions to the world that we want to make," she said, "otherwise, we'll always be wimping out."

She urged her listeners to "give our Gay and Lesbian youth a chance to fully realize their futures by providing them with powerful role models to follow."

Wilson

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"We put 100 percent of our energy last year into the election of Pete Wilson," said Frank Ricchiazzi, executive director of the Gay Republican Log Cabin Clubs. "We are very, very upset. We're very numb right now."

Four states offer job protection for homosexuals - Connecticut, Hawaii, Massachusetts and Wisconsin.

and council regarding the travesty of selective enforcement by the police department. Keep calling because the police and the religious fanatics are mounting a phone call campaign as well, and we must counteract this. Here are

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The Bowling Beat

by Mark Rosenbaum

FALL IS HERE!!!

Hard to believe (with daytime high still in the 100s) but Fall really is here. With the passing of September, it's only 3 1/2 weeks until the Halloween Invitational Tournament. H.I.T.T. '91 will be held October 25, 26 and 27 with Golden Pin Lanes serving as host lanes.

The number of tournament applications received is far ahead of this same time last year (80 bowlers thus far) with bowlers already signed up from as far away as Houston. In fact, applications have been received from Houston, San Diego, LA, Las Vegas, and Phoenix, but believe it or not, we haven't received any from right here at home.

C'mon Old Pueblo bowlers, what are you waiting for? The tournament is a lot of fun and even new bowlers have a chance at winning. For you new bowlers out there, the tournament is handicapped (just like the leagues) so each bowler competes on a relatively equal basis.

In addition to the bowling events, there are several special, non-bowling event scheduled around town including a very special awards ceremony and dinner to be held in the Soundstage at Old Tucson. Even non-bowlers can join in the fun with a special non-bowler package which entitles you to participate in all the events except the actual rolling of the balls.

H.I.T.T. applications are available in the local nightspots, at IBTs/Tucson Desert Coyotes Wednesday night league bowling, or by calling me. Come join us for 'Halloween in the Old West.' We promise you a great weekend.

LEAGUE NEWS

The IBTs/Tucson Desert Coyotes league is off to a great start. There are 21 teams already signed up; that's over twice the size of last year's league.

Management at Golden Pins couldn't be happier and in fact last week bought a round of drinks for everyone on the league to show their appreciation and bid us 'Welcome.'

It's not too late to join in the fun! There are still a couple of teams with only two bowlers and Golden Pins has promised us additional lanes if we can

use them. The fee is \$7.00 per week, with practice starting at 9:00 pm and league play beginning at 9:10 pm. This is a mixed league (men & women) and as I mentioned earlier, handicap is added in.

I'm sorry to report that the Joshua Tree Monday night league has folded. The Joshua Tree has been a proud sponsor of this league for several years and they deserve a big 'Thanks' for supporting Gay bowling since it's infancy and helping it to grow into another viable, established activity for the Tucson Gay Community.

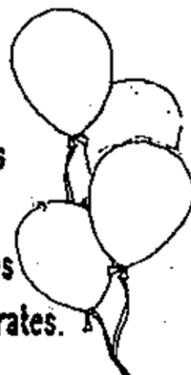
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As I See It...

by Clark



Boy Scouts Refuse To Reverse Ban On Homosexuals, Thrown Out Of SF Schools

DALLAS, TX (AP) - Boy Scouts of America is disappointed that the San Francisco schools have banned Scout meetings during school hours but said it will not reverse its policy barring homosexuals. "It is inappropriate to change those values, just to expand the ranks of the organization," said Blake Lewis, spokesman for the 81-year-old Irving, Texas-based group, which has 4.5 million members.

The San Francisco Board of Education voted 5-1 to bar a Boy Scout program that enrolled about 9,000 students, saying the organization discriminates against Gays. Several days earlier, a committee of the Oakland, Calif., board of education recommended Scouts be barred for the same reason. The full board has not voted yet.

The vote came after emotional and evenly divided testimony by parents, scoutmasters and Gay activists, many of whom said they are former Boy Scouts. "I'd like to have Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts and Brownie Scouts programs, but they can't foster discrimination," said board member Tom Amiano. "It's very harmful and parochial discrimination policy that

they have that I object to." Amiano was elected last year as the board's first openly Gay member.

Boy Scouts of America has said it excludes openly Gay males because they don't conform to its "traditional family values and orientations."

The Boy Scouts introduced "In School Scouting" to city schools 13 years ago. The program was designed to offer scouting opportunities to inner-city youth. The ban does not include after-school scouting programs. The in-classroom scouting programs were part of the regular school day. They included seminars on career opportunities and instruction for latchkey children on how to take care of themselves. Local Boy Scout officials said they would fill the void by expanding other programs.

"I tend to think the stand that you take against discrimination really reflects the kind of school district that you have," said Tom Amiano, the San Francisco board member who sponsored the ban.

4th Annual "Coming Out Day" Oct. 11

TUCSON - "There are more than 30 million Gay and Lesbian Americans, yet most people don't think they know anybody Gay. That's is mathematically impossible!" said Lynn Sheppard, Executive Director of the National Coming Out Campaign at a reception held in her honor at Tucson Old Pueblo Resort last Saturday, Sept. 21. "The campaign has expanded rapidly to include all of the United States, Canada, Great Britain, Switzerland. It has become what we always knew it would be 'International Coming Out Day'" added Sheppard.

Thousands of Lesbians and Gay men will be taking their next steps out of the closet on Friday, Oct. 11 by participating in Coming Out Day events from Alaska and Hawaii to Maine and Florida. Many will be affirming their Gay or Lesbian identities by telling their family members, friends, colleagues, employers or legislators.

In Tucson, The University of Arizona Lesbians/Bisexuals/Gays United group will hold a National Coming Out Day Ball beginning at 9:00 p.m. in the Arizona Ballroom in the Student Union. Dress is formal/semi-formal. DJ dancing until ????. Suggested parking is in the 2nd Street Garage north of the Student Union. There is a donation at the door.

"Telling the truth about yourself is a fundamental step in creating better relationships with your family and friends. If you are Gay or Lesbian, come out to someone you care about on Coming Out Day, Oct. 11," said Rob Eichberg, Ph.D. Co-founder of National Coming Out Day and author of "Coming Out" An Act Of Love".

Notices of events, large and small, are coming in right and left from places such as Houston, Kansas City, Denver, Philadelphia, Sacramento, and, of course, Los Angeles" said Peter Mackler, Los Angeles NCOO Coordinator.

"Scores of college campuses are alive with NCOO activity at this time of year. With the advent of a campaign that focuses on telling the truth about your life, Gay and Lesbian students are determined to make social change happen beginning with their own equality," Sheppard said.

National Coming Out Day is a non-profit campaign that encourages and supports Gay and Lesbian individuals and organizations to commit to the coming out process. For more information, or to contribute, call or write: National Coming Out Day, P.O. Box 8349, Santa Fe, NM 87501; phone (505)982-2558.

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Double Mischief

by Wendy Caster

In Search Of A Lesbian Agenda

The aftershocks of the National Lesbian Conference in Atlanta this spring may never die down. According to most reports, the NLC was disorganized, noisy, and filled with misunderstandings, but many women survived the messiness with compassion, patience, and the joy of being surrounded by dykes. Later analyses by men, who were not allowed into the conference, tended toward cool explanations of why everything the NLC did was wrong: specifically, the women focused more on "therapy" than efficiency (they even had a "nurturing committee"), and they did not make a National Lesbian Agenda.

A National Lesbian Agenda. What could that be? What should that be? Do we really need one?

Agendas are the stuff of political meetings, of attempted efficiency. The approach is simple: make a plan, carry it out. Sounds good, no? But whose plan? Hey, that's simple: a lesbian plan. Easy, right?

Obviously not. At the NLC, the women chose consensus as an approach rather than majority rule. This is a logical position for people who have spent their lives as part of minority groups, but it is a difficult approach. Nothing is harder than getting people to agree—even people who ostensibly have a lot in common.

But how much do lesbians really have in common? According to Off Our Backs, the NLC didn't let military lesbians speak, let alone reach a consensus on how to support them. How can we reconcile lesbians in the military with anti-military lesbians? SM lesbians with anti-SM lesbians? Lesbians who want to silence certain groups with those who believe everyone should have a voice? Lesbians who want to change the world with those who just want a place in the world?

We can't. But that's okay!

Instead of criticizing the NLC, perhaps we can learn from it. For instance: if the women at NLC spent more time "doing therapy" than "being political" (assuming that those are separate categories) perhaps that was what they needed/wanted! Why not? A "nurturing committee" sure sounds better to me than, say, a "war committee." The disastrous lack of planning teaches that more planning is needed next time. Fair enough. Even the fact that many women couldn't get along was educational: maybe they need to work on getting along.

What the male critics don't understand is that the traditional, male, product-oriented approach doesn't hold here. A National Lesbian Agenda would be just one agenda, and since lesbians are such a diverse group, they (and all

people, I suspect) need more. The answer is not to fit triangular and hexagonal and circular people into square holes. Also, there are times it is more efficient to work in small groups with other lesbians or in larger groups with nonlesbians.

Lesbians with a civil rights approach might make more progress working with gay men with the same approach. Lesbians who are interested in fighting racism might find more fulfillment working with other anti-racists. Lesbians in the military might profit from working with gay men in the military, just as antimilitary lesbians might ally with antimilitary gay men and straights. Lesbians who are mostly interested in feminist issues could work with other feminists. Separatist lesbians could stick with other separatists. And we could all continue to change the world as individuals, by writing letters, agitating for change at our jobs, monitoring the media, campaigning for candidates for public office, becoming candidates for public office, and, always, coming out. Why would we want to squish this wonderful diversity of power and approaches into one little agenda unit?

So why bother to have conferences at all? To share what we know. To recharge our batteries and have fun. To learn to get along with one another. To listen to one another—and that means everyone. Everyone. And to give us all the strength to come out, everywhere again and again, and change the world.

Meanwhile, each lesbian can have her own lesbian agenda, working alone, with other lesbians, or with nonlesbians, as she sees fit. Each lesbian has something to offer, from fighting racism to adding humor to making the military safe for lesbians to making the courts safe for lesbians to making the streets safe for lesbians to providing comfort to providing entertainment to, well, fill in your own blank.

One agenda could never hold us all.

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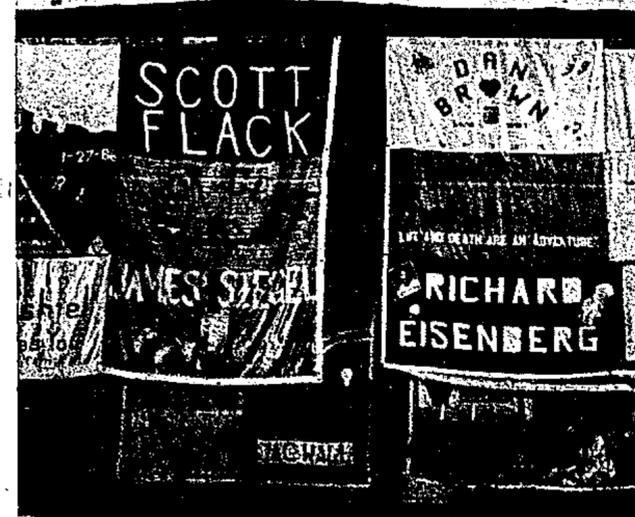
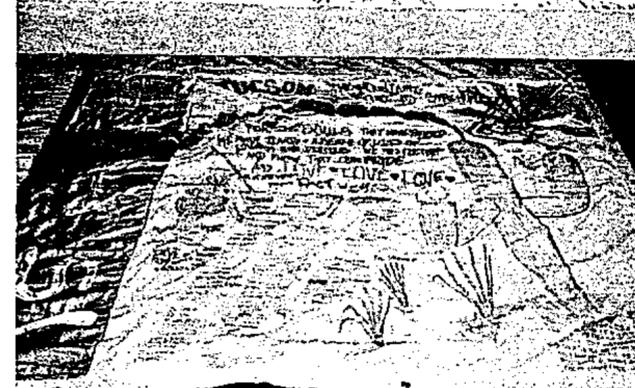
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CALENDAR of upcoming events

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 6

JOSIEVA TRIZ - Christina de Alexis will be presenting her "Anniversary Show" here beginning at 9:00 p.m. and the show will star the reigning Miss Gay Tucson, Tiffany St. Thomas and the ever popular, ever wonderful Mr. Dani Reid.

KUDOS - "Black Light Night Party"! Come out and party under the "Black Lights". Wear your fluorescents, neons, or bright white and get special prices on special drinks. Awesome dude!

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 8

FRENCH QUARTER - Movie night tonight will be "All About Eve" with Betta Davis. The original and the best.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 12

BOOTS - 31st, 31st, 31st, Big, Big First Anniversary Party here and it promises to be a really great one. The theme will be the 50s and 60s and performing will be Mr. Loren Johnson and Candy Plastique. Plus a whole lot more. Watch for more info and mark your calendars now!

THURS. FRI. SAT. & SUN. OCT. 24-25-26-27
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Non-Bar CALENDAR

(NOTE: If you have an event or special happening that you feel should be included in this Non-Bar Activities Calendar, please contact Mr. Ben Corbin prior to Monday of that Wednesday's paper for inclusion in that week's issue. After the first notice has appeared, it will appear weekly until that event has taken place. Mr. Corbin may be reached at 252-9151 in Tucson.)

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 5

CRONIES, a social group for men 40 and above hold their October meeting today. Call Nerle at 888-7264 for information and location.

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 6

Shanti Softball Sunday! 1:00 p.m. (ish) at the Southwest Ballfield in Hannel Park. Soda, Beer, Hot Dogs and lots of fun. Be there - everyone in town will be!!!

The Ad Hoc Committee for Justice in the Parks will hold a meeting beginning at 5:00 p.m. on the patio of the French Quarter. Plans for a City Council meeting will be discussed. Interested persons concerned with the police harassment in the parks are urged to attend.

MONDAY, OCTOBER 7

Desert Voices (formerly the Tucson Metropolitan Community Chorus) will begin their fall season this evening at 7:00 p.m. They will be performing in the Social Hall of the First Congregational United Church of Christ, 324 W. 2nd Ave (the corner of University and 2nd).

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 9

C.A.T. Committee will meet at 7:00 p.m. at MCC Church, 3269 N. Mountain Ave. All members are urged to attend this meeting as those members who have missed three meetings since January will be deleted as voting members of this year's committee.

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 11 (NATIONAL COMING OUT DAY)

Lesbians/Bisexuals/Gays United of the University of Arizona, in association with BGALA and ASUA will present the 1st Annual National Coming Out Day Ball in the Ariz on Ballrooms in the Student Union on the Gofa campus. 9:00 p.m. Free of Charge - open to the community. Dress formal/semi formal. Suggested parking: 2nd Street garage. Come out, come out wherever you are!!!

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 18

The Old Pueblo Business & Professional Association will hold a Business Expo at the Hotel Park Tucson, 5151 E. Grant Road beginning at 7:30 p.m. It's free to everyone. Members will set up tables describing their particular business. A wonderful way to get to know your Gay businessmen. Don't miss it.

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 20

1st Annual **TORCH** Awards to be presented by P.A.C.T. at the Ramada Inn Downtown. There will be entertainment, fellowship and awards given to recipients who have made a difference in Tucson for HIV/AIDS patients. There will be a \$12.00 charge per person to help offset the cost of this presentation. This is not a benefit. Hors d'Oeuvres will be served and there will be a no-host bar. The **TORCH** (Tucson Organizations Recognizing Community Help) Awards will be given each year to recognize those dedicated individuals who make a difference in our world here in Tucson and the world at large! Your presence is requested to join in honoring these heroic individuals! For tickets or further information call the P.A.C.T. for life office at 770-1710 or 322-9408 or see Harjo Leigh.

Wingspan, Tucson's Lesbian, Gay and Bisexual community center, is coming back out. They will have a community meeting/open forum from 6:00 to 8:00 to brainstorm new projects and ideas. The group would like to make Wingspan a center of activities for the whole community. The meeting will take place at 240 W. Court Ave. Call 624-1778 for directions or further information. Refreshments provided.

MONDAY, OCTOBER 28

Gofa Committee for Gay, Lesbian and Bisexual Faculty and Staff meets noon to 1:30 p.m. in the Student Union room 285.

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sunday

BACK POCKET/JOSIEVA TRIZ - Open Book. Steak Dinners 5-9 pm with hobby. Flesh for Fantasy - male and female strippers. Show starts at 11 pm.
FRENCH QUARTER - Open Book. Brunch served 12-3. Drink specials.
CRACKAY - All White Well \$1.25 drafts and \$1.50 aughtim.
BOOTS - Bloody Barry and Screws \$1.25 till 7 pm. Country Dance Music 7-1 and with your DJ Mark. Home Barista Specials 7-1.
LET'S - 1 for 1 Sappy Hour 4 to 8 p.m. on well and non-premium beer. 2 to 1 Trash Disco Night. Hot music from the 70s & 80s. Well drinks \$1.50.
KUDOS - Open noon. Drink specials.

monday

BACK POCKET/JOSIEVA TRIZ - Open Book. \$1.50 Domestic Beer till 8 pm. \$1.50 Draft with Schnapps 8 to close. Bobby Jr. DJ.
CLUB CONGRESS - 70's Disco with Super Star Lover. \$1. 9 pm to 1 am.
FRENCH QUARTER - Open 3 pm. Daily drink specials. Burgers, sandwiches or chicken-in-a-basket \$2.50 from 6 to 9 p.m.
CRACKAY - Sappy Hour prices open to close.
BOOTS - Open Book. Sappy Hours 3 to 7 pm - Well and Domestic Beer \$1.25.
LET'S - 4 to 8 Two for One. Easy listening music. Bring in your own tape for a drink special 3 pm to 1 am.
KUDOS - Open noon. Daily drink specials. Todd 6's at 9.

tuesday

BACK POCKET/JOSIEVA TRIZ - Open Book. \$1.50 well 3-8 pm. Drink Draft and Drows .50 draft 8 pm till close. Bobby Jr. DJ.
FRENCH QUARTER - Open 3 pm. Burgers, sandwiches or Chicken-In-A-Basket \$2.50 from 6 to 9 p.m. Movie hits with cocktail hour prices all night long.
CRACKAY - .50 Draft open to close.
BOOTS - Sappy Hours 3 to 7 pm Well or Domestic Beer \$1.25.
LET'S - 4 to 8 Two for One. Copper City Squares 7-9. Leather Hits with .75 draft beer and .50 off call liquor for anyone wearing leather 8 pm to close.
Country music and dancing with Gil Leon 9-1.
KUDOS - Open noon. Daily drink specials. W/DJ Clint at 9.

wednesday

BACK POCKET/JOSIEVA TRIZ - Open Book. Drink specials 3-8 pm. Flesh for Fantasy male and female strippers at 11 pm.
CLUB CONGRESS - Rock 'n Roll Boy Bar with DJ Sir Rodney Farrow. No charge.
FRENCH QUARTER - Open 3 pm. Daily drink specials. Burgers, sandwiches or chicken-in-a-basket \$2.50 from 6 to 9 p.m.
CRACKAY - Domestic Beer \$1.25/drafts - \$1.50 aites.
BOOTS - Draft Beer .50 Book to close. Sappy Hours 3 to 7 pm. Well or Domestic Beer \$1.25. Black & White Service Industries Flight Out. Bartenders, waiters and waitresses 1/2 price.
LET'S - 4-8 Two for One. Dance music 4-1. Double dose Schnapps for \$1.50. Check out blended drink special. Bowler's Special \$1 Well or non-premium beer.
KUDOS - Open noon. Daily drink specials. W/DJ Clint at 9pm.

thursday

BACK POCKET/JOSIEVA TRIZ - Open Book. Drink specials 3-8 pm. Drink Draft and Drows .50 draft 8 pm to close. Katerp Trup Night - Cash Prize. Bobby Jr. DJ.
FRENCH QUARTER - Open 3 pm. Daily drink specials. Burgers, sandwiches or chicken-in-a-basket \$2.50 from 6 to 9 p.m. Dart tournament \$2 entry 60/40 split.
CRACKAY - All Dark Well \$1.25 drafts / \$1.50 aites.
BOOTS - Draft Beer .50 Book to close. Sappy Hours 3 to 7 pm. Well or Domestic Beer \$1.25. Beethoven or Curran \$1.25 from 9 pm to 1 am. Country/Western dancing 9 to 1 with your DJ Mark.
LET'S - 4-8 Two for One. Country music and dancing with Gil Leon. Free dance lessons 6 p.m. Red and Red Lite \$1.50 from 8-1.
KUDOS - Daily drink specials. Dancing with your W/DJ Clint 9-1.

friday

BACK POCKET/JOSIEVA TRIZ - Open Book. Drink Specials 3-8 pm. Domestic Beer \$1.75, Schnapps .75 8-11 pm. Bobby Jr. DJ.
FRENCH QUARTER - Open 3 pm. Daily drink specials. Burgers, sandwiches, chicken-in-a-basket \$2.50 from 6 to 9 p.m.
CRACKAY - Drink Specials until closing.
BOOTS - Sappy Hours 3 to 7 pm. Well or Domestic Beer \$1.25. Dancing 9 pm - 1 am
LET'S - 4-8 Two for One / Not Basic 1 to close with Ray.
KUDOS - Daily drink specials. Free Hors d'Oeuvres 5:30. W/DJ Clint 9-1.

saturday

BACK POCKET/JOSIEVA TRIZ - Open Book. \$1.50 Domestic Beer and Black Board Specials 3-8 pm with hobby. Not dance music 9 to 1 with hobby Jr.
FRENCH QUARTER - Open Book. Daily drink specials. Burgers, sandwiches or chicken-in-a-basket \$2.50 from 6 to 9 p.m.
CRACKAY - Drink specials until closing.
BOOTS - Open Book. 7 pm to 1 am. DJ music 9 to 1. Last Saturday of each month is Country and Western dance music.
LET'S - 4 to 8. Not music 1 to close with Linda Hildale.
KUDOS - Open Book. Daily drink specials. Dance with W/DJ Clint 9-1

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THINK *Positive* PROJECT

By Natalie Perry

I recently experienced a situation that gave me a deeper understanding of the difficulty of wanting to do, needing to do, believing you are good enough to do something, that, just isn't easy to do!

I took a group of kids rollerskating. Now, rollerskating is an activity that, in spite of my innate athletic ability, never came easy for me. As a child and adolescent, I would go to skating parties and, I fell down alot just like everyone else--so it didn't matter. But, in time, everyone else seemed to get better at it, gliding around the rink. I, on the other hand, only got good enough to "fake" it and stay on my feet. I never really felt I knew what I was doing nor did I feel comfortable and tried to do what they did. But I never got it!

I had the knowledge of 'how to' and many models to follow. I had the confidence and belief that I could skate but, when it came down to actually skating--the behavior--I couldn't do it.

There's a word describing this phenomenon. It's called self-efficacy. It's one's ability to actually do a behavior that you have knowledge of and the belief that you can do. Self-esteem ties in closely with self-efficacy because confidence and self-love helps determine our ability to behave in certain ways.

The Think Positive Project has

produced quality materials providing progressive, sometimes even controversial, positive options about safer sex practices. So the information is available. In 1991 many gay/bi men convey a positive attitude and belief that safer sex behaviors can protect them from contracting the HIV virus. But it seems my dilemma with rollerskating rings familiar in conversations about safer sex practice safer sex behaviors falls short.

I understand the feelings of wanting to do something but not being good at it or not feeling comfortable with it. It's discouraging and frustrating and what I did was quit rollerskating and did other sports instead. Some men have chosen to quit having sex, too, but that is not a real option for most people. So, you must look at some other options. One option may be to attend one of our up-coming workshops on negotiating safer sex, building self-esteem, building relationships and how to date men. You'll be hearing more about them in the near future. Another option is to surround yourself with friends who do know how to practice safer sex.

I do have a deeper understanding now of the feelings around practicing safer sex, but the similarity between rollerskating and your safer sex behaviors stops with the feelings, because my inability to rollerskate cannot threaten my life. If it had, I'd have signed up for some lessons or practiced with an "expert" until I dropped.

Q: Advice From Your Counselor A.

STEVEN DIETZ..

Since I received no correspondence for the column this week, we've decided to try an experiment during the month of October involving our readers. Our "contest" involves writing single page (three or four paragraphs) about your reflections on the Tucson Gay Community. No formal requirements are made on content; your article can be drawn from your own human experience, suggestions for changes you feel are needed in the community, individuals or organizations you would like to praise for their contributions, or just a list of frustrations you feel, related to social involvement and sexual orientation.

In addition to printing the top five letters received, (with or without your name, as you request), a "mystery prize" and a restaurant gift certificate for two will be awarded, during the first week in November, to the writer who submits the most interesting and creative letter. Here's your opportunity to be an author, critic, or commentator.

Please type or write legibly, include your name and address, and mail your entry to: Steven Dietz; P.O. Box 40084; Tucson, Arizona 85717. Your entry must be received no later than October 31, 1991.

As always, your comments and questions for our "Advice Column" are welcome. All correspondence is kept strictly confidential, and letters used in the Observer will not carry the name of the correspondent. To receive a personal reply directly from Mr. Dietz, you must enclose a self-addressed, stamped envelope.

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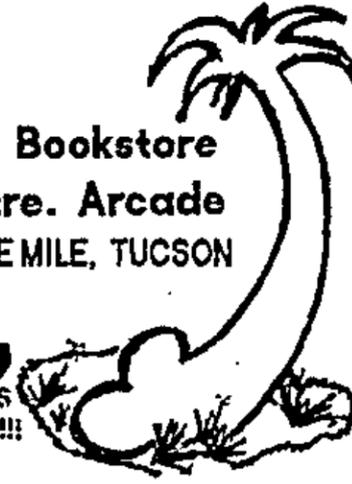
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News From MCC/Tucson

by Ben Cackis

This coming weekend is the annual "Three Days in October". This is our revival and spiritual renewal time. Rev. Charlotte Strayhorne will be here in Tucson preaching, singing and sharing with us. The schedule for the weekend will be as follows:

FRIDAY, October 4th
7:30 p.m.---Fellowship with Rev. Strayhorne
8:00 p.m.---Worship Service

SATURDAY, October 5th
9:00 a.m.---Workshop with Rev. Strayhorne
12:00 Noon---Potluck Lunch
1:00 p.m.---Workshop continued until 4:00 p.m.
7:00 p.m.---Spiritual Renewal Service

SUNDAY, October 6th
10:45 a.m.---Morning Worship Service
12:15 p.m.---Fellowship Hour and Birthday Party for October

Everyone is invited and welcomed to attend any or all of these services and workshops.

In our continued discussion of the Ten Commandments we will study the third and fourth commandments this week.

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A View From The Rock

A Commentary From Cornerstone Fellowship

The other day, as I was running an errand, I needed to get on the freeway. The entrance I used headed due West, but the sign clearly stated, "East to El Paso." After heading West, the on-ramp then turned and headed North--before merging with the freeway going South. I continued for several minutes before exiting, but even though the sign had indicated that this road went East to El Paso, as far as I traveled on the freeway, it never did turn East.

If I had not known better, it might have occurred to me that someone was playing a trick on the public in indicating that this road went to El Paso, when it appeared that it really did no such thing! Or perhaps I might have thought that the persons placing the signs were mistaken and had no idea of the correct way to get to El Paso. If I had wanted to go to El Paso, I might have decided that the road was marked incorrectly and tried to take another freeway. However, because I had confidence in those who designed and made the road, as well as those who had placed the signs. I knew that even though it did not seem like this would be the correct way to El Paso, it WAS.

Jesus said, "I am the Way and the Truth and the Life. No one comes to the Father except through Me" (John 14:6). Today =, there are many ways in which people try to get to God the Father, but Jesus said He is the only way. Even though it may not make human sense that there is only one way, just like it did not make sense to me that in order to go East to El Paso from where I was, I needed to go West...that IS what Scripture reveals.

Scripture tells us, also, "There is a way that seems right to a man, but in the end it leads to death" (Proverbs 14:12). Just like following my own "common sense" might have caused me to leave the freeway and try to get to El Paso

LORD THY GOD IN VAIN. We are taught that God is an all seeing and an all hearing God, even our thoughts are known by God. There are many ways a person can express themselves, but words is the most common means of communication. How we use words reflects not only our thoughts but how we respect the person to whom we are speaking. When we are speaking, God is very much within our conversation, we should respect God at all times.

REMEMBER THE SABBATH DAY, TO KEEP IT HOLY. Which is the Sabbath day? Exodus 20: 9, 10 and 11 following this commandment it is fully explained what is the Sabbath Day. It is the seventh day of the week. The Bible does not designate what the day is called. In our modern languages, Saturday is named after the planet Saturn, Sunday is named after our sun, Monday is named after our moon, the other four days are named after ancient gods. The early church used Sunday as the Sabbath because it was the day that Jesus Christ arose from the dead. The Bible does clearly state in several places that you shall work six days and give the seventh day to God.

Thought for the week: There is more hunger for love and appreciation in this world than for bread.

another way, so many today follow "their" ideas of how to get to God. If I had tried to get to El Paso another way, I never would have made it. There is no freeway to El Paso from Tucson except through Jesus, will never make it, no matter how hard they try or how much "common sense" they think they are using!

Which way are you going today--the way that leads to God the Father and Eternal life through Jesus--or your own way, which seems right to you, but "in the end...leads to death?"

Bit of the Old South

Well hello Tucson! History is in the making. Hopefully you all will be a part of it. I'm speaking of course of the first annual TORCH AWARDS (which stands for: Tucson Organizations Recognizing Community Help). All four of our local AIDS organizations will be getting together this following Friday to vote for the 12 awards to be given. This is the first unified effort of all four local agencies to duly recognize those deserving individuals in our beloved Old Pueblo. It will be held at the Ramada Inn Downtown on October 20th at 7:00 pm. Tickets will be available through all four agencies as well as our local bars. Price is \$12.00 which includes entertainment, hors d'oeuvres, and dancing. Lets show this state how together Tucson is in the area of cooperation! Looking forward to seeing you there. More to come next week, including an exclusive interview with Mr. Jin Toews.

Till Next Week: Sean 626-7815

WHORE-A-SCOPES

by BARTMAN

Aries

A tisket a tasket a green and yellow basket? Sounds like jaundice to me--be wary of a cowboy on a street corner--selling a four poster bed. A marriage made in hell this weekend?

Taurus

That "new" bar could use a good chef--why not go for it? Your current job has you fired one day and hired back the next. Sounds like the "other" bar you were at. Buy a new brand of breath mints

Gemini

A journey looks on the horizon. Possible family or social gathering. Get agreements in writing. Disclose a secret fantasy to your mate--Don't forget the gas mask.

Cancer

Trying new methods and procedures will demonstrate your open-mindedness playing doctor again on some unsuspecting soul? A family situation shows improvement. A gamble on Friday pays off.

Leo

New book just out--"Guess" What Happened to Frank. It comes in Both English and Spanish. What's left to do on Mt. Lemmon--all the fire's have been put out--How about Colossal Cave now?

Virgo

Be prepared to explain your financial situation. That scuzz bag you picked up in Eloy needs more than just a flea and tick dip. Next time try the Greyhound depot in Benson--much cleaner trade.

Libra

Exchange views freely with mate--and be sensitive to loved one's needs--no problem for you--your always sensitive and loving --Right? A new job offer this week.

Scorpio

Be a doer instead of a watcher--Looking under the stalls in the park Bathrooms won't get you anything. Romance merits top priority on Sat.

Sagittarius

If single; and of course you always are--reach out to a newcomer. Tucson welcome wagon needs all the help they can use. Have you found the blow up toy yet?

Capricorn

Keep those 900 calls to a minimum this week. Line up important projects such as--The breast implants and varicose vein removal. Be wary of a Popeye look-a-like that does tricks with his pipe.

Aquarius

So who are we seeing this week? Bet your roomies just loves babysitting the past few weeks. A close encounter with a man dresses as a banana gets your heart pounding again.

Pisces

Go all out to protect your ass(ets). Obtaining your hearts desire may be difficult now. Social gathering proves beneficial--Another circle jerk. Luck runs high--Sat.

OUT ON THE TOWN

Just what is S&M foreplay? Ask Cosmic Manna if she can remember where that rebuilt cherry was left. Someone is still probably looking for it.

Happy trails to whom? When was Howdy Doody time, or happy bootie time? The Blanche Times have never left. So what happens when the Plantation girls go roamin'? It depends on how far they go. Sometimes they go pretty far. Maybe not Cleveland but pretty far.

Leave it to Josefietta Johnston to pull one over on Granny, another Phoenix road run postponed. Whatever did happen to Granny's birthday present. It apparently arrived but was unwrapped by someone else. Does this have anything to do with strange unknown beings from outer space?

If Sybil could, she would. Did she? Christina did but it seems they all go into exile. The midwest seems to be a popular place now. So how does Vanoo like her new office, centrally located with low overhead.

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Coming Out, Indian Style

Down comes the Berlin Wall, out come the homosexuals--literally and figuratively.

Gone is the Cold War, and communism. Nuclear proliferation is gone, as is the stock "bad guy" in films. Peace is breaking out all over and everyone is happy (with the possible exception of those few involved in the failed Soviet coup...)

Gays and lesbians, like many other fringe groups, are experiencing freedoms the likes of which have not been seen this century. One corner of the world providing a surprising example of this is India.

In a country that passively condemns homosexuality (thanks to the organized religions, and the fact India was once a colony of England) homosexuality has been experiencing a growth of acceptance that rivals even America's fledgling maturity.

The history of India has never witnessed wholesale extermination or persecution of homosexuals as was seen in

America, Germany during World War II, England, etc. Many who have studied Indian culture point to the lack of any negative attitudes about homosexuality in India's religious documents for this lack of overt hostility toward homosexuals.

A much more interesting explanation can be found in the Hindu poem, the Mahabharata, in which male god Krishna dresses as a woman and gives himself to a famous warrior's son, who was about to go to war, as the son's first sexual experience. And as with every good tale comes an addition to the common language. In this case, the Indian version of our word "Gay": Khush, which means happy.

Of course, with openness and growing acceptance there are downsides, including an increase in the spread of AIDS throughout the country. Not that AIDS is unknown in India: prominent among heterosexuals is merely "something different" not "something wrong." I wonder when the United States will join the movement?

At Spes Non Fracta: See you next week!

Home On The Range With AGRA-Tucson

The Tucson satellite chapter of the Arizona Gay Rodeo Association is growing rapidly and currently has 43 members. AGRA-Tucson President Mike Butrynowicz says, "The Tucson satellite chapter will eventually become incorporated and an independent chapter of AGRA. Right now, Phoenix is very supportive of what we are trying to accomplish here and we are grateful."

AGRA board members from Phoenix, president Dan Iverson, recording secretary Ron Trusley, rodeo events director Joseph Rubio attended a special AGRA-Tucson membership mixer at the Old pueblo Bed and Breakfast on September 16th. Plans are underway to host a unit 1 and 2 rodeo in Tucson in April or May of 1992. Dan Iverson was pleased with the progress Tucson has made in securing a site for the rodeo. Once dates and a site is confirmed an announcement will be made by AGRA-Tucson.

It was announced during the mixer, on September 16th, that the Tucson Satellite chapter nominated two members of the community as candidates for Grand Marshal during the Roadrunner Regional Rodeo in Phoenix in January. Tucson member Frank Gallego nominated Natalie Perry of SHANTI for her dedicated work to the fight against AIDS. Member Jeff Parker nominated Bob Ellis of THE OBSERVER for his dedicated work to the Gay Community not only in publishing a weekly gay newspaper, but also for his commitment to the Gay Pride Picnic and fund raising activities for various nonprofit organizations. A Grand Marshal will be elected by all the members of the Arizona Gay Rodeo Association at a general membership meeting in Phoenix.

During the membership mixer, a special presentation was made to Art Lewis the new owner of the Graduate bar. The Graduate sponsored the buckle for bull riding-Women's Division which was not awarded because there were no qualifiers. The buckle was presented by AGRA-

Tucson back to Art Lewis in memory of Ron Templeton the former owner of the Graduate. The buckle was then presented back to AGRA-TUCSON as part of the club's permanent archives. Ron Templeton was a supporter of the Arizona Gay Rodeo Association and was its Grand Marshall in August during the unit rodeo in Phoenix.

Tucson cowboy, Jeff Schroeder, took second place in steer riding during the Unit Rodeo in August. His ride that scored a 64 put him in the prize money and earned him his first ribbon. Jeff's first rodeo was the Regional Rodeo in Phoenix last January and he has only competed in four rodeos in sterring riding. When asked what he might do with his prize money, he said, "To buy some new spurs." Congratulations Jeff!

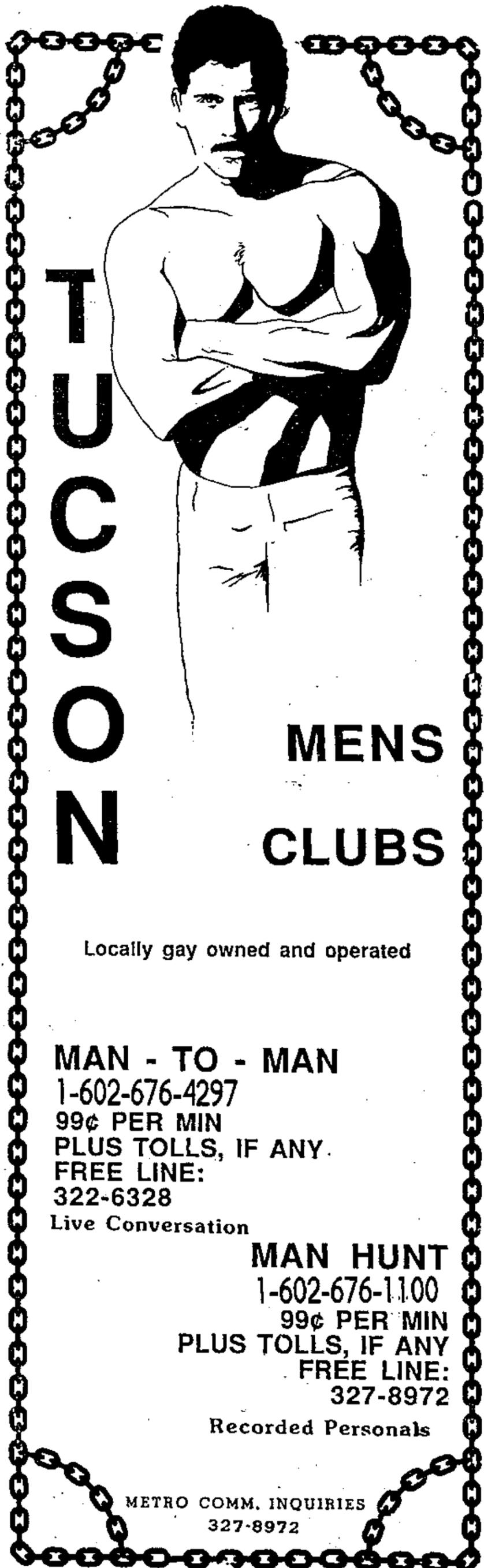
The next general membership meeting of AGRA-Tucson will be on October 20 at 4:00 pm at The Joshua Tree bar, 2921 N. First Ave. Anyone interested in becoming a member is urged to attend. Or for information you may write to : AGRA-Tucson; 7272 E. Broadway #412; Tucson, AZ 85710

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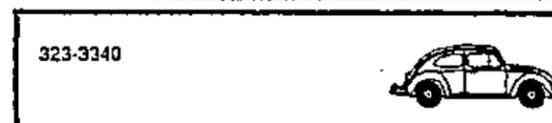
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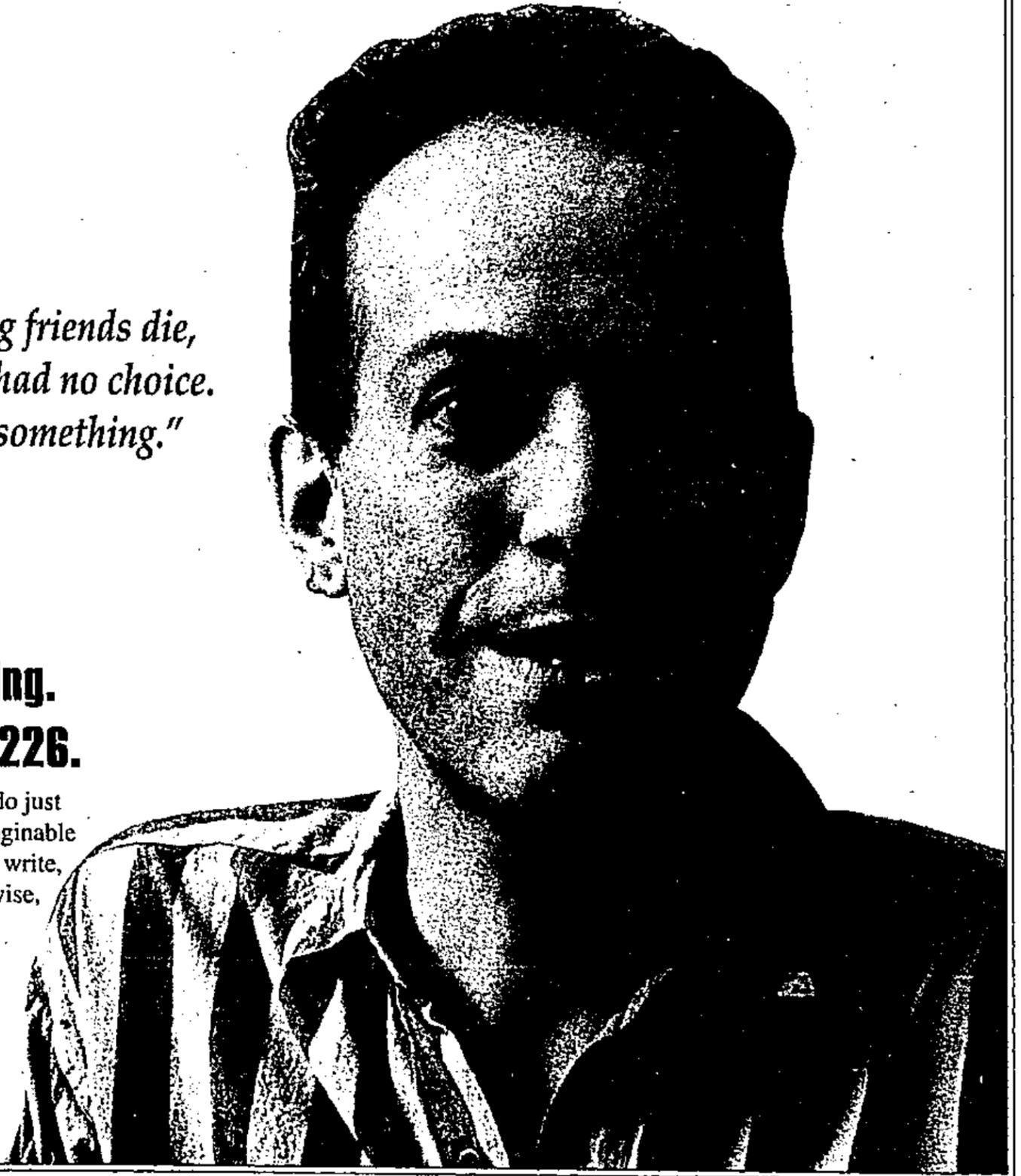
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