

Suspect Arrested in Penny Murder

SAN DIEGO, CA - The prime suspect in the death of Lance Penny, has been arrested after turning up at the county's psychiatric ward, police announced last week.

John Andrews, 49, who was taken into custody Friday, Oct. 25 at San Diego Psychiatric Hospital, is charged in a warrant with the slaying of Penny, 29.

Andrews went to the hospital "due to his feelings of depression," said police homicide Lt. Dan Berglund. Hospital staff members there recognized him as a murder suspect and contacted police, Berglund said.

Penny was found strangled - his body was partially hanging out of a sports car on Sept. 19. Officers responding to the call said Andrews, who lives nearby and was wandering about in his front yard, told them he met Penny and another man in a bar the night before and that they came home with him.

According to the North Park Review, it appeared that Penny had his wrists bound, and there were indications that he had been strangled after hours of torment, then dragged from the house through the yard and left to hang out of the car.

Andrews who was incoherent and apparently under the influence of alcohol or drugs, was taken to University of California/San Diego Medical Center where he was treated and released that day, police said.

Andrews initial hearing on the charges will be held on Dec. 10.

Before moving to San Diego, Lance had

developed a foundation in the Gay and Lesbian community in Tucson. He was a gentleman of many talents, some of which began to surface in 1986 when he proved himself as a graphic artist for the OBSERVER. He proved he was productive, positive, imaginative, and always rallied when faced with deadlines. He never missed an issue and his work was documented through some 200 issues.

For four years, Lance was recognized as a supportive community member through his dedication and creativity with the Metropolitan Community Church/Tucson. He was also a member of MCC/San Diego. His most rewarding employment in Tucson centered around the Joshua Tree/Back Pocket. Lance's experience seemed to blossom during his bartender days at JT's. It was there he promoted and organized fundraisers for the Shanti Foundation... all of which were successful.

He had accomplished many of his goals yet he yearned for a modeling career. He moved to San Diego in June of this year. He worked as a bartender at the Redwing Bar and Grill and with his striking appearance and appeal, he paved the way for several auditions for commercials and magazine advertisements.

Lance was interred in the family plot in Owego, New York. A memorial, perennial garden is being designed by the Special Education Consortium at the Samaritan Counseling Center in nearby Endicott, N.Y. in front of the building where his mother works, and where Lance had donated time to take severely handicapped students horseback riding. Students, faculty and some parents are involved in the memorial garden.

75% Of Those With AIDS Virus Worldwide Are Heterosexual

GENEVA - About 75 percent of people with the AIDS virus worldwide were infected through heterosexual sex, but it still accounts for a small fraction of cases in North America and Europe, the World Health Organization said last Monday. The Geneva-based agency said up to 5,000 people are infected each day and predicted the number of HIV cases may rise four-fold by the end of the decade.

Awareness about heterosexual transmission of the AIDS virus was heightened after basketball star Magic Johnson announced that he was HIV positive and told Sports Illustrated magazine that he had sexual encounters with many women before he married recently.

In the United States, 3 percent of men and 34 percent of women contracted the virus from a persons of the opposite sex, according to the federal Centers for Disease Control in Atlanta.

"The major point is that we're not going to have a vaccine today and we're not going to have a vaccine tomorrow," said Dr. Michael Merson, head of the U.N. health agency's AIDS program. "We have to do everything we can to inform the public now of the risks and the need for safer sex," Merson said. Merson estimated that 8 to 10 million adults carry the human immunodeficiency virus that leads to AIDS.

The world health agency said heterosexual intercourse was "overwhelmingly" responsible for the spread of HIV in sub-Saharan Africa, where an estimated 6 million people carry HIV and 900,000 babies have been infected by their mothers.

In Asia and Latin America, the virus is also spread mainly through

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City Council To Vote On Criminal Code Amendments

TUCSON - Members of the Tucson City Council will meet in a study session on next Monday, Nov. 18 at noon to study amendments to the city code 11-28. These amendments were proposed because of the rash of arrests of Gay men in city parks in the past two years. The law, originally set up to stop prostitution on Tucson streets, has since been used against Gay men in city parks and adult book stores. More than 300 Gay men have been arrested for various offenses in city parks during the past two years. Many arrests were made after the victims had made sexual remarks to vice squad officers without any other infractions taking place.

The Tucson Lesbian/Gay Alliance (TLGA) and the Lambda Democratic Caucus formed an Ad Hoc Committee for Justice and Safety in the Parks and have been meeting regularly in attempts to solve the problem. The Ad Hoc Committee is a coalition of various groups in Tucson including the Parents and Friends of Lesbians and Gays (PFLAG) and the American Civil Liberties Union among others as well as several attorneys and other concerned individuals.

Members of the Committee have been meeting with Council members keeping them informed as to their activities and making suggestions to change the city code.

Now that elections are over, the council is ready to take action on the proposed code changes. The City Attorney's office has submitted their amendments to the code and the Ad Hoc Commit-

tee has submitted theirs. The council members are still being briefed by the Ad Hoc Committee.

Last week, the Tucson Police Advisory Committee met and unanimously adopted the Committee's plans and suggestions for future police activities in the parks as well as adopting educational and sensitivity programs to be initiated in the department regarding homosexuality. Although the Advisory Board has no power to implement the plans, it is hoped that by their action the City Council will move to implement them through the City Manager's office.

The Monday study session will take place at Noon next Monday, November 18 in the Turquoise Ballroom in the Tucson Convention Center. The proposed amendments to the city code are scheduled first on the agenda. The Council will then hold a regular meeting in council chambers beginning at 2:00 p.m. to vote on the proposed changes. The actual time for the discussion and vote by the Council is not known at press time.

Posters and flyers will be circulated throughout the community when the Council Chamber agenda is known. Everyone who is concerned with the Council's actions is requested to be present at both the study session at noon and at the council meeting later in the day. The council needs your show of support in order to pass the recommended changes to the city code. It is important that we have a large group in attendance. Check for actual time of the vote and be there.

Miss Gay Latina 1991-92



TUCSON - Club Hispano de Tucson held their annual Miss Gay Latina Pageant at the Joshua Tree last Sunday, Nov. 10. Five contestants vied for the title in a spirited contest. Pictured above is the first place winner, Teresa, flanked on

the left by Miss Gay Tucson 1991-92, Tiffany St. Thomas and on the right by Miss Gay Tucson 1988-89, Christina de Alexis. First runner-up in the pageant was Sasha. Congratulations to the winners and all the contestants.

UPDATE

Gay Sex Manual Too Hot

BOSTON, MA - A new Gay sex manual, which combines a strong AIDS-prevention emphasis with sex-positive text and illustrations, won't be available as soon as planned, because printers around the country are refusing to handle the job.

"Gay Sex: A Manual for Men Who Love Men," by Jack Hart, has been rejected by over a dozen commercial printers, according to publisher Sasha Alyson. "The major objection is to the illustrations," said Alyson. These illustrations, he explained, are explicit, but no more so than what appears in such mainstream books as "The Joy of Sex".

"What we're learning," noted Alyson, "is that often the printers themselves have no problem with the book, but they're afraid of getting trouble from local communities. Many large printers locate a plant in small towns. They get a tax break in return for hiring local workers. But there's often a tacit understanding that they won't print material that would offend the community. Although a book like "Gay Sex" is not pornography under any legal definition, these printers take no chances where their tax breaks are concerned."

Anti-Gay Rights Priest Arrested On Sex Charge

TAMPA, FL (AP) - A Roman Catholic priest who recently opposed a local homosexual-rights law was arrested on charges that he sought sex from a male undercover police officer.

Monsignor Normal Balthazar, 51, was among six people arrested in an undercover operation by police Wednesday night, Oct. 27. He was released on \$250 bail several hours later.

He had been an active community leader on many social issues, including organizing petition drives against Tampa's and Hillsborough County's newly enacted human rights ordinances that extended anti-discrimination protection to homosexuals.

Balthazar has been temporarily removed as pastor of Christ the King Church, a 2,700-family parish.

He has not decided how to plead to the misdemeanor charge of soliciting of a lewd act, his lawyer said.

Military and Police Club Invites New Members

OKLAHOMA CITY, OK - The Military and Police Club (MPC) was founded in early 1988 and is still headed by the founder who is a former Vietnam Combat Marine. MPC was originally established as a nationwide correspondence/contact club for former and current duty military and police personnel.

In early 1990 the club expanded the membership to include firemen, emergency medical techs, paramedics, and all areas of law enforcement including correction officers and licensed security officers. In mid-1991, MPC took a giant step forward to unite brothers-in-service around the world, accepting qualified international members who have also served their country or community. Current plans now on the drawing board include establishing MPC Chapters in several key foreign countries, an International-BBS for MPC with members only access, and a Mr. MPC Calendar.

Approximately half of the members are on active duty around the country, or on foreign bases. Several members recently served in the Gulf war. MPC is a club of Honor. Several members have received our nation's highest honors including the Navy Cross, Bronze and or Silver Star and the Purple Heart.

Club officers assisting the Commandant in running the club include a club Chaplain who served in Vietnam, a Military Chief of Staff, a Club Chief of Police, Club Artist and Administrative and General Council Officers. Club officers stand ready to help each member if ever needed.

The club maintains a low profile and is non-political with the mission to be a very discreet organization to help those who serve, or did serve, find each other. Members are only identified by individual code numbers and no names or personal information is ever released. Members receive newsletters and updates of new members to contact through letter forwarding procedures. The club is very security conscious and each member is required to supply proof of service before being accepted as a member, no exceptions.

If you qualify for membership by having served or are currently serving in one of the above mentioned areas, you are encouraged to apply for membership. If you do not qualify, but have a friend who may qualify, please tell them about MPC.

For more information and application, send name and statement of age with a double stamped self addressed envelope to MPC-P, POB 76024, Oklahoma City, OK 73147. MPC does not discriminate regarding race. Membership consists of Gay and Bisexual males, but Lesbians would not be rejected if qualified and want to become a member.

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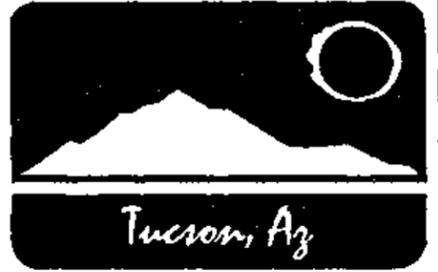
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St. Paul, San Francisco uphold Gay Rights Laws

by Lee Mitgang
SAN FRANCISCO, CA (AP) - Voters in St. Paul, Minn., and San Francisco rallied to the defense of Gay rights on Election Day. In Washington state, residents split on a measure to protect abortion rights even if the U.S. Supreme Court overturns its landmark Roe vs. Wade decision.

While efforts to repeal Gay rights ordinances were beaten back in St. Paul and San Francisco - two cities that are known for their tolerance of homosexuals, measures to ensure Gay rights failed in two smaller communities.

Nearly 60 percent of San Francisco voters rejected a measure that would have repealed its year-old "domestic Partners" ordinance conferring protections and benefits to live-in partners of city employees. St. Paul rebuffed an attempt to repeal its ordinance protecting rights for Gay people in housing, jobs and education.

But in Concord, Calif., a campaign by Christian fundamentalists apparently led to a 50.2 percent vote in favor of stripping the words "sexual orientation" from the city's anti-discrimination law. And 63 percent of voters in the Detroit suburb of Ferndale rejected a measure extending civil rights to homosexuals.

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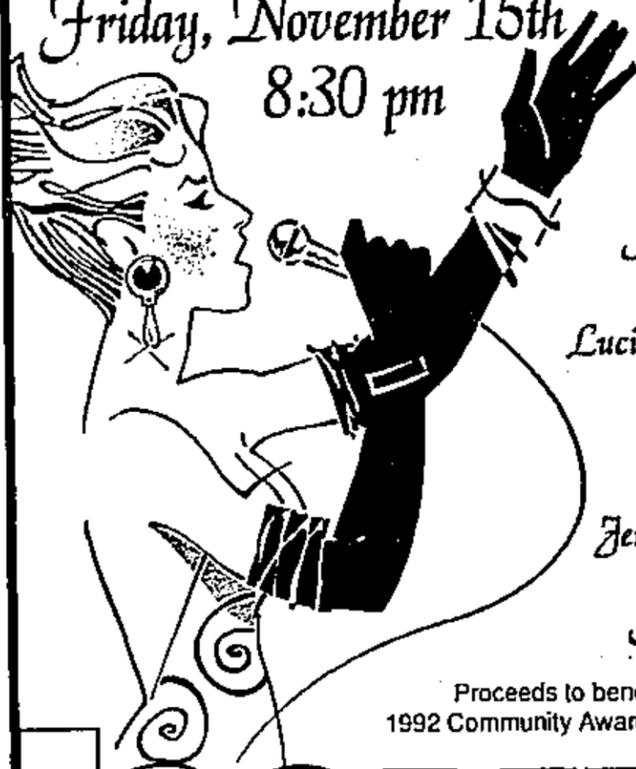
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What's Up Doc???



Starting this week's column, I write to the members of Desert Leathersmen. It seems a paragraph I wrote concerning this year's Arizona Fellowship somehow had a few of my words changed. Just for the record, I've given Candy (DL's Road Captain) a copy of the wording I used, along with the paragraph in question.

I possibly should have worded it as follows: Joining this year's hosting club the Desert Leathersmen, will be Copperstate Leathersmen, who will be a co-host along with TKO, TALL, SOS and Partners. Maybe my wording would have come across better if I would have stated: This year's main star for the Arizona Fellowship will be the Desert Leathersmen, with a supporting cast consisting of Copperstate Leathersmen, TKO, TALL, SOS and Partners.

Hopefully this will clear up anyone's mistaken impression, or misquote in my column and we can go on with this year's Arizona Fellowship Run.

Just as a reminder to all Arizona Fellowship Committee members, there will be a meeting tomorrow, Nov. 14, at the MCC Church. All local participants should be on hand with the necessary information such as your clubs available housing list, the list of items for the Committee's Progressive Scavenger hunt game, and anything concerning your game, that is if instructions for your game needs to be placed in the run packet.

This meeting, along with the one mentioned in the next paragraph, starts at 7:00 p.m.

Another meeting, going on tonight, at the MCC Church, is the CAT Committee Meeting. For you members who, for one reason or another have been absent lately, this is a very important meeting and your attendance is needed.

For any bar owner or manager that still has not returned my letter requesting a list of your bar employees, please bring that along with you. I need to start getting this year's nomination ballot put together so that it can be checked, proof read and then run off for final distribution.

The winner in TKO's dessert cook-off contest held last Saturday during their Beer Bust, was Ed N. His entry was, as he called it, An "Aviva Diamond" cake. Next time I come up with an idea such as this one, the cook-off contest, I'll be more careful how I request desserts, or whatever I choose for the in-club contest. Anyway, the cake was delicious and his prize for all the work was a Scratch Ticket. See, TKO awards their members with big prizes when it comes to the different in-club contests. A great big THANK YOU is sent out to Fern

and Brenda, who were the judges for this contest.

Speaking of Beer Busts, on Nov. 17, Tucson's chapter of the AGRA (Arizona Gay Rodeo Association) will be holding a Beer Bust at the Graduate. If this local chapter has luck similar to the H.I.T.F. bowling tournament, in two years Tucson will again be place the on the map for all the cowboys and cowgirls around the Southwestern United States, and we (Tucson) will be hosting a local rodeo, with contestants coming here from all around Arizona and other parts of the Southwest. Good luck to those members of Tucson's local chapter and I look forward to the first Gay rodeo to be held here in the Old Pueblo next May.

The long-awaited "Turnabout Show" at the Graduate is finally being staged this coming Saturday, Nov. 16. For you out there that have expressed an interest in being in this always-fun show, contact either Aviva or Kenny at the Graduate. They will need to know, prior to Saturday evening, just who wishes to be in this show, so that some type of schedule of performers can be written up. I'm sure the bar may need your music early, if not, that can also be answered when talking to one of the above.

You remember seeing a map on walls at some of the different buildings around, showing directions for emergency exits. Well, maybe one needs to be placed in the French Quarter. This map does not need to show directions to exits, but to the bathrooms. It seems that the other night over at the French Quarter, TALL was having a meeting and their Run Captain, Stan, got lost going to the men's room. Something else to remember, Stan is also the person who puts together those endurance run sheets in the different run packets (one coming up during the Arizona Fellowship run). Myself, not having a car presently, I'll not be too concerned about the directions to travel, but will be concerned with some of the different items I'm supposed to be looking for along the way. But, for you who will be driving, check the route directions out carefully.

I guess that's it for this week. It was a fun weekend and every weekend from now on will also be fun. The biggest weekend of course will be this year's Arizona Fellowship Run V, Nov. 28-Dec. 1.

For you Wildcat football fans, hang in there, the basketball season is just around the corner and there will be something for us to root for, for a change. Of course, in defense of the football program this year, with all of the injuries, what did anyone expect. Hopefully, we will bet USC this Saturday and then ASU later on.

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Double Mischief

by Wendy Caster

My Friends Are Magic, Too

Magic Johnson's announcement that he is HIV-positive began a new era in America's response to AIDS. Now people understand that "nice people can be HIV-positive, too."

No shit.

It's *deja vu*. Years ago, not long after my friend Manny died, Rock Hudson died, and I raged as the world judged Hudson more important than Manny -- in fact, more important than Manny and thousands of other Gay men put together. But, I reminded myself, at least this is a breakthrough -- things will have to change.

Now, not long after my friend Dennis found out he is HIV-positive, Magic Johnson found out he is HIV-positive, too. And I wonder how much has really changed. Yes, AIDS is covered more on TV. Yes, there is more funding for research. But, once again, the famous guy is seen as worth more than my friend -- and millions of Gay men and IV drug users and women of color put together.

Every TV station is focusing on Magic and HIV; I don't think so much attention was paid to HIV-positive people in all the last year. Magic's fans say they are sad that such a terrible thing is happening to such a nice guy -- and wonder if maybe it could happen to them, too. And people's bigotry sometimes slips out, like the man who said, hey, Magic is a hero, and if he got this through any of that bisexuality stuff, I'll lie down on the tracks in front of a train.

And there it is: we now have a *butch* hero facing HIV. Not one of those sissy boys like Liberace or one of those actors (I mean, we all know about actors, don't we?) like Hudson or one of those dancers (they're all nelly anyway, aren't they?) like Michael Bennett. This is a *real* man. This is a *real* tragedy.

Yes, this is a real tragedy, but it is so large and pervasive and deep that it's hard to comprehend its enormity. There is the tragedy of the particular man Magic, by all reports a truly good guy, being HIV-positive. There is the tragedy of all the people who have already died and all the people who will die. But perhaps the worst tragedy is that people's attitudes have caused as many deaths as the virus itself. The virus murders people, but the CDC murders people too, and so to the media -- and so do people's prejudices.

A straight friend once asked me if lesbians could get AIDS. You see, this

guy she knew was dating a woman who identified herself as a lesbian -- and who had worked as a prostitute on an army base in Europe. I sarcastically told her not to worry -- when the virus saw that it was about to enter a lesbian body, it would say "oh no!" and turn back. But the situation wasn't funny; it was clear that my straight friends weren't getting the message.

And how could they? Government medical agencies define "high-risk groups" rather than "high-risk behaviors", as though a Gay male virgin is at more risk than a sexually active straight woman. This categorization easily leads to a false belief that AIDS is a disease of *other* people -- those Gays and drug abusers.

And, since many people believe that Gays and drug abusers are bad, they end up with an equation: if $A = C$ and $B = C$ then $A = B$. Or, if Gay men are bad and Gay men get AIDS, then only bad people get AIDS. This equation leads people to three conclusions: (1) everyone who gets AIDS is bad; (2) since only bad people get AIDS, curing it is not important; and (3) since they themselves are not bad, they will not get AIDS.

Sheer insanity, of course, but why should people know any better? For years, the media ignored AIDS or focused on children with AIDS, whom they called the "innocent victims". For years, America's "leaders" didn't even say the word AIDS. Millions of people are dangerously ignorant because the media and government, so caught up in pointing fingers and making categories, forgot their basic jobs of informing and protecting people.

Then Mr. Hero Butch Magic Johnson announces he is HIV-positive, and suddenly the media notice that "nice people can get AIDS". Wow. And suddenly they notice AIDS is a tragedy. And suddenly they find a way to tell straight people they're at risk. And suddenly it all seems so important. And millions will die because their "suddenly" took ten long years to occur.

Of course, Magic Johnson *is* a hero, and bless him for his dignity and openness and determination to make change. And bless all the people who have offered him their support.

Yet I can't help but wonder one little thing: Would they be so supportive if he had just announced he was Gay?
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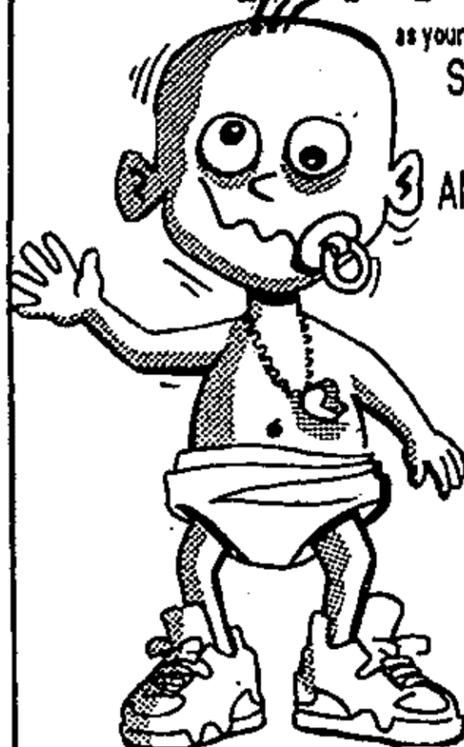
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I still have a lot of independence which becomes very important to you. To be able to have some control over your life gives you a more positive attitude.

But first I want to thank the community for the Humanitarian Award at the recent Torch Awards. I was in a state of shock as it was a big surprise and I am very proud of it and also proud to have the plaque presented to me by Bob Ellis who has worked so hard for the Gay community for many years.

Then, one needs to get papers, insurance, final arrangements, see that friends get things you want them to have, and make sure you have living will and medical power of attorney so you aren't hooked up to life-sustaining machines - so you can die naturally.

I work with AIDS to be of some help to those people who need a good friend who loves them no matter what or how they become ill with this dreadful disease. Thanks again Tucson for telling me I am helping out some.

You also need good support help, and one can find these support groups through Shanti Foundation, P.A.C.T., TAP and El Proyecto. These groups are free and the groups can really be of great help. You can also get a personal counselor/advocate through these groups too - someone you can trust to be there for you right up to the end.

Recently, I was on a trip to see friends in Iowa when I blacked out and had to be rushed to intensive care at a hospital in Davenport, Iowa, to stabilize me so I could get back to my own doctor here in Tucson. It seems the tumor is healthy and growing, so that caused all the problems.

I'm not afraid of dying as I had a near-death experience in 1987 and find that death is more like a new birth into eternal life and not something to fear.

Now, one question I'm often asked is what was your reaction to being told you had 3 to 6 months with no treatment or a year to 18 months with a small tube in the bile duct (This was put in down thorough the throat - no surgery).

One should keep busy to one's own limits as this gives you goals to work for and achieve and something to do with your time. I do my best to still work and counsel people with AIDS and those living with HIV. I can still give them a listening ear or a shoulder to cry on. One finds that to be able to cry can relieve you of stress, frustration and pent-up emotions that need to be released. So don't be afraid to cry when you feel like it - it will make you feel better afterward.

It came as a shock as I thought I might have gall stones. But I chose no surgery, no chemo, no radiation - just the tube in the bile duct. I believe in "quality of life" and would prefer life be shorter than to become an invalid or vegetable for months.

Remember, you have your own choices to make and it is your right to make your own choices.

So, I really don't know how long I will be around. I've had to give up my apartment and live with friends now, but

Until next time... Love you...
Chuck

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DEAR COMMUNITY:
Once again the support of the Tucson community has proven invaluable at the Nov. 3rd Benefit sponsored by S.O.S. for Shanti. A total of \$539.00 was raised.

OPEN LETTER TO THE COMMUNITY:
To the community of Tucson, S.O.S. would like to thank you for your support at our calendar premiere.

The first annual Community Calendar Autograph Party was a tremendous success both of S.O.S. and the Shanti Foundation.

A special thank you to our sponsors, models and volunteers. Diane and Annie of Graphically Inclined, Love ya. Moose, you're the best. The staff of Hours as always is there to lend a helping hand. To Bob Ellis and Gary Clark, your efforts are priceless. My dearest friends, the members of S.O.S., much love and happiness.

The Community Calendar was a brilliant idea and I congratulate you and thank all the members of S.O.S. for their hard work and generosity. You executed the entire project with obvious commitment and, as S.O.S. always does, with that special touch of class. Thanks.

Don't forget the S.O.S. 1992 calendars are still available for sale. look for them at your local establishments and upcoming events. May 1992 be the best yet. Sincerely

Many thanks to Aviva, Candy, Tiffany and Big Mike for your contribution of talent, tips and the love you always exude in your performances. We love you right back.

David Osollo
President, S.O.S.

I'd also like to take this opportunity to than Pat, Evette, Mariena and all the other Shanti volunteers who gave so unconditionally in service to others.

Weather Or Not
by Bart
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Several calls and letters this week spoke of the uncertainty and anxiety that begins to build at this time for year for people who dread the approach of the holiday season. Such feelings aren't limited just to those who are single and live alone. Tight schedules, erratic work hours, unrealistic family expectations, thin budgets, and anticipation of confrontation with relatives can take the joy out of any personal holiday experience.

There are steps you can take, however, that will minimize the emotional drain and anxiety.

1. Choose your own holiday timing and experiences. Prepare a two-month calendar and keep it handy for those unexpected phone calls and invitations you don't want to forget. Mark the dates you need to reserve for personal "time out" and guard them diligently. If your calendar is too bare, don't be shy! Tell people you're looking for holiday activities you can share.

2. If you enjoy social get-together, or entertaining, don't sit and wait for invitations, or for others to plan your time for you. If possible, have a dinner, party or open house for your own friends and family when the time is best for you, and ask others to help. (Pot luck dinners, especially designed around

a unique theme, are easier on the paycheck, and can be great fun).

3. Tight budgets need not limit enjoyable experiences. The holidays, like no other time of year, offer a wide variety of free concerts and special cultural events. Don't sit at home! New friends and experiences don't just happen - fond memories, like lasting relationships, must be created by taking positive action.

4. Recognize your own limits, and learn to say 'no' with a smile. Preoccupation with details can expose the less beautiful side of anyone's personality. If too many responsibilities and activities crowd out time for proper rest and relaxation, the holidays will be a blur of exhaustion. Thank people for remembering you, wish them good cheer, and perhaps next year your schedule will allow you to attend their 'save-the-Alaskan-lizard' fund-raiser.

5. Give them your own sense of caring. We all know someone who is likely to be alone for the holidays. A phone call can provide an incredible boost for someone who needs to know that others are thinking of them. As trite as it sounds when we're down, love is the only resource that must be given away to increase our supply.

A Commentary By

Christopher Geoffrey McPherson

December 1, 1991

A couple years ago there started what has become an annual tradition: an international observance of World AIDS Day.

Paintings and others works of art in museums were draped with black, last year, television stations observed a moment of "dead air" during which nothing was broadcast. With each year, more and more organizations are becoming involved in this important grass roots effort.

Sunday, Dec. 1, is the next World AIDS Day. It's there this year is, "Share The Challenge".

Although organizations are asked to take part in this event, each of us can help simply by making a few phone calls.

Last year, I telephoned the local television and radio stations and asked if they planned on taking part in this moment of silence; and museums to see if they were going to drape works of art in black. I was surprised when the replies

were the same from every call: they knew nothing about World AIDS Day.

Well, I vowed this year would be different -- and this is my plan.

I am encouraging all of my readers to call television and radio stations, and museums in their area. Tell them about World AIDS Day, and ask them to consider taking part in this international observance of the AIDS crisis. Speak directly to station managers, or museum directors. If each station and museum receives a dozen phone calls perhaps they will all take part.

"Share the Challenge" by encouraging ALL media to honor the dead and the living, and all of us, by taking part in this important event.

For more information contact: Visual AIDS -- (212)206-6758 or write Visual AIDS, 131 West 24th Street / 3rd Floor, New York, NY 10011.

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POLITICS '91 by Mark Kerr

THE BIG STORY

The big story of last week was the general election in the City of Tucson which took place Tuesday, Nov. 5. Up for consideration on this year's ballot was the office of Mayor and three city council seats - Wards 1 - 2 and 4. There were also 6 propositions on the ballot for the electorate to consider as well.

MAYOR'S RACE

A race which turned out to be closer than expected. Former Ward 3 councilman, Democrat George Miller defeated the Republican nominee, former television anchorman, George Borozon. There was another candidate running, Libertarian Party nominee Gay Lynn Goetzke, who pulled a very respectable showing. Here is the breakdown:

(D) GEORGE MILLER	35,962	47.78%
(R) GEORGE BOROZON	28,775	38.23%
(L) GAY LYNN GOETZKE	8,712	10.86%
OVER VOTE	98	.13%
UNDER VOTE	2,258	3.00%

(NOTE: Over vote means that a person cast a vote for more than one candidate. Under Vote means that a person did not cast a vote for Mayor, but cast a vote in the council races).

Miller carried the predominantly Democratic Wards, 1-3-5 & 6. He narrowly lost Wards 2 & 4 in ch the Republicans have a voter registration edge. Most political analysts attribute the high vote for the Libertarian candidate due to voter dissatisfaction with the "major" party nominees.

WARD 1

It was Bruce Wheeler stomping all over his Republican opponent. Wheeler had a goal in the spring of this year, when he announced his re-election bid. He wanted to be the top vote getter and after the last vote was counted, he was. Here is the breakdown of the results in Ward 1:

(D) BRUCE WHEELER	42,057	55.88%
(R) MIKE PRICE	27,850	37.04%
OVER VOTES	50	.07%
UNDER VOTES	5,308	7.03%

Bruce swept all six wards, he won over 80% of the precincts. With this victory, Bruce has set himself up for the '95 campaign as a possible mayoral candidate. With his third defeat, twice previously for the State House of Representatives, Mike Price is now seen as a perennial also ran.

WARD 2

The closest contest of the election, the incumbent, Democrat Janet Marcus was seeking to become the first woman to be re-elected to the city council. The Republicans put up their most credible candidate, businessman Paul Marsh to run against her. The race was not decided until midnight, when Janet was able to hold on to a 1,351 lead. Earlier in the evening, Marcus had a 4,000 vote lead and as soon as the eastside returns came in, Marsh ate away at the lead, but could not overcome her advantage of winning the predominantly Democratic Wards 1-3-5 & 6. Here is the breakdown of the results of the Ward 2 race:

(D) JANET MARCUS	35,981	47.81%
(R) PAUL MARSH	34,630	46.01%
OVER VOTES	78	.10%
UNDER VOTES	4,576	6.08%

As mentioned above, Marcus carried Wards 1-3-5 & 6. Marsh carried Wards 2 & 4. He concentrated his efforts there, but he fell short since the voter turnout was at 32%. Janet made history by becoming the first woman to be elected to a full four-year term and also the first woman to serve a full four-year term.

WARD 4

This race pitted Democrat-turned-Republican Ray Clark versus the Democratic incumbent, Roger Sedlmayr. Sedlmayr was the top money-raiser of all council candidates with over \$50,000 raised. His astute fundraising paid off with electoral success. Here is the breakdown of

the vote in the Ward 4 race:

(D) ROGER SEDLMAYR	41,071	54.57%
(R) RAY CLARK	28,685	38.11%
OVER VOTES	32	.06%
UNDER VOTES	5,467	7.26%

Sedlmayr swept all six wards. He was the top vote getter in the predominantly Republican Ward 2. Clark was severely hampered by a lack of fundraising. He managed to raise just a little over \$2,000 for his campaign. Sedlmayr's victory could be short lived. During the general election, questions arose about his residency and his voter registration. This past Tuesday, Nov. 11, the Council officially canvassed the results. A person has five days to file a court challenge of the results. It is expected that neighborhood activists will file a challenge. Sedlmayr has been quoted as being ready to fight any challenge to his residency. So, the Ward 4 race might not be over just yet.

THE BALLOT PROPOSITIONS

There were no surprises when it came to the propositions the voters considered. Prop. 100, which would have given the Mayor and Council more authority over the appointive heads of the department lost by a 15,000 margin. Prop. 101, which would have created a strong Mayor-Council form of government, lost by a 2 to 1 margin. Props. 102-103-104, which were "housecleaning" proposals dealing with the investment of city funds, creating a procurement department and requiring candidates to return 100% of unused city matching fund contributions all passed by substantial margins. Prop. 200, an initiative written by the Tucson Business Coalition, which would have changed the form of city government, lost by a 2 to 1 margin. Here is the breakdown:

PROPOSITION 100		
YES	28,379	37.71%
NO	43,164	57.35%
OVER VOTES	128	.17%
UNDER VOTES	3,594	4.78%

PROPOSITION 101		
YES	21,425	28.47%
NO	46,959	62.39%
OVER VOTES	83	.11%
UNDER VOTES	6,798	9.03%

PROPOSITION 102		
YES	39,676	52.72%
NO	30,964	41.14%
OVER VOTES	178	.24%
UNDER VOTES	4,447	5.91%

PROPOSITION 103		
YES	44,728	59.43%
NO	24,530	32.59%
OVER VOTES	77	.10%
UNDER VOTES	5,930	7.88%

PROPOSITION 104		
YES	54,865	72.90%
NO	15,892	21.11%
OVER VOTES	87	.12%
UNDER VOTES	4,421	5.87%

PROPOSITION 200		
YES	22,764	30.25%
NO	47,635	63.29%
OVER VOTES	90	.12%
UNDER VOTES	4,776	6.35%

With these results, the citizens of Tucson stated that they do not want a change in the form of city government.

What do these results mean? With George Miller finishing fourth among the Democratic candidates, he will have to forge an alliance with Bruce Wheeler, the strongest of the candidates and a future mayoral candidate, possibly 1995. Also, the council has heard from the voters and the voters do not want "crusades", they want a mayor and council to come up with a plan to revive Tucson's moribund economy.

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It's a Beer Bust at the Graduate this Sunday, Nov. 17, to benefit AGRA-Tucson. The general membership meeting will start at 1:00 p.m. with the Beer Bust to start at 2:00 p.m.

AGRA-Tucson would like to Thank Art Lewis of the Graduate for all of his support. Art not only made a contribution to AGRA, but also invited us to do a Halloween fundraiser in his bar. Thanks, Art!

Growing bigger and stronger everyday, AGRA - Tucson has 51 members. Our goal is to reach the Century mark by the Road Runner Regional Rodeo in Phoenix, January 17-19.

A site for the Saguaro Unit Rodeo has not yet been found. The only sites currently available for May 9 and 10, 1992 are the Pima County Fair Grounds and Old Tucson Studios. As part of a site selection, AGRA members were hosted by Old Tucson during the UofA College Rodeo on Nov. 2. The Director of sales at Old Tucson said, "Old Tucson wants to work with AGRA in holding a successful Saguaro Rodeo."

POSTER CONTEST

You can win \$100.00 by designing the poster for the 2nd Annual Saguaro Unit Rodeo, May 8-10, 1992. The contest has been extended to December 14, 1991. The guidelines are as follows:

- ** Design must include a Saguaro cactus.
- ** Size is 17" x 22"
- ** The only written words to appear in the design are "1992 Saguaro Unit Rodeo". Any additional verbiage will cause disqualification.
- ** Design must have a blank area for rodeo information.
- ** Design may be black and white or color.
- ** If color is used, original artwork or photography must be submitted.
- ** Winning design becomes sole property of AGRA.
- ** Designer's name and address must appear in upper left back corner.
- ** Deadline for entries is December 14, 1991.

The winning design will be announced at the AGRA-Tucson general membership meeting on Sunday, Dec. 15 at the Old Pueblo Bed and Breakfast Resort. The design will be displayed throughout the Southwest through the various Rodeo Associations. Submit your entry to AGRA-Tucson, 7272 East Broadway #412, Tucson, AZ 85710.

The next general membership meeting of AGRA-Tucson will be on Nov. 17 at 1:00 p.m. at the Graduate Bar, 23 W. University. Anyone interested in becoming a member is urged to attend. For more information you may write to: AGRA-Tucson, 7272 E. Broadway #412, Tucson, AZ 85710.

Bit Of The Old South

by Sean Thomas

It is a sad testament to society that over 100,000 people pass on as a result of HIV and it takes only one star athlete to make America notice. A lot of love and admiration goes out to Magic Johnson. It takes a lot of courage to stand up and declare your status and face society.

Comments like he "was" a great person, leader or athlete make me pissed. The man is not dead. And where has the conscience of society been for the past ten years? Obviously not on their shoulders. This whole thing is like a double-edged sword. If a lot of awareness and positive action results from Johnson's statement, great!

Each person who lives every day with HIV shows courage and deserves as much respect and admiration as any media figure. They don't receive personal phone calls from the President of the United States or are placed on a pedestal of national compassion and admiration. Mr. Johnson may well be a hero by his actions and courage, but he is just a new addition to an ever-growing list of living and fallen men, women and children who have earned the classification of "hero".

This is not the disease of one man in America, but the battle of millions from around the world. There are brave people winning battles daily against HIV, it's the war that we haven't been victorious in yet! Each day people are breaking new ground and obtaining goals never before thought possible. Living quality lives with the HIV virus is a reality.

This whole epidemic should be the responsibility of society as a whole to deal with. A war cannot be won by idle bystanders. We are all in this together

and must focus as one. The day is not far off until everyone will be directly affected. Why should we wait until a brother, cousin, lover, friend or acquaintance is infected to decide it's time.

Society, what makes you think you are so immune from the effects of this epidemic. Someone said to me once that the only way President Bush would do anything is if one of his kids got infected. Is that what it takes? Why wait until then? Prevent it from happening and give respect and love to those who bravely live with HIV.

Only time will show the benefits of Mr. Johnson's disclosure. The man has my respect as do thousands of other heroes - here in our own Old Pueblo.

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ATLANTA, GA - Age, race, whether an individual received AIDS via blood transfusion, and, to a lesser extent, sex and sexual orientation all influence survival for AIDS patients, according to two University of California statisticians who presented their work at the Joint Statistical Meetings in Atlanta. Chui Yu Liu, Faculty Statistical Specialist, University of California, San Francisco, and Chin Long Chiang, Professor Emeritus, Biostatistics, School of Public Health, University of California at Berkeley, detailed their finds on "Estimation of the Lifetime for AIDS Patients Since Seroconversion":

GENERAL PATTERN

The researchers looked at the Centers for Disease Control (CDC) data on 88,559 AIDS cases recorded over the 5-year period from January 1984 to December 1988. The probability of dying in the first three months after initial diagnosis of AIDS is the highest in almost all cases. That probability decreases in the second and third quarters, then rises to reach a second peak at the beginning of the second year. After that, it declines gradually but steadily and becomes less significant.

Generally, the first two years after onset of AIDS are the most critical period for patients; more than two-thirds of AIDS patients die during this period. An encouraging sign in the mortality pattern is that the probability of dying decreases consistently after the second year, suggesting, say the researchers, that AIDS patients' biological reaction becomes more effective in combating HIV infection after the second year.

RACE

A male homosexual AIDS patient is expected to live, on average, 13.7 months after diagnosis of AIDS. For white male homosexual patients, the average survival time is about 14.3 months, and it is less than 12 months for Black or Hispanic patients. The survival time for Hispanic patients is slightly longer than for Blacks.

AGE

Age is a factor in the survival of AIDS patients. This is especially true for patients over 50 years of age. For white male homosexuals, patients in the 30-39 age group have the highest longevity with an average survival time of about 15.3 months. The average decreases to about 14.0 months for patients in the 40-49 age group and to about 11.1 months for patients of 50 years or older. The median survival time (the 50th percentile) also decreases with a patient's age. It is 16.3 months for the 30-39 age group, decreases to 14.0 months for those 40-49, and to 10 months for patients of

50 years or older.

SEX AND SEXUAL ORIENTATION

The survival of AIDS patients also varies with sex and sexual orientation, but the findings are not as one may have anticipated. Generally, male patients live longer than female patients. The average survival time is over 13 months for male patients as compared with about 11.4 months for females. Homosexual males, on average, seem to have a longer survival time than bisexual males.

BLOOD TRANSFUSION RECIPIENTS

Blood transfusion recipients have a much shorter incubation period and a shorter survival time than patients in other categories. The median of incubation period estimated from homosexual and bisexual males is 9.5 years (the mean is 12.5 years), whereas the media for blood transfusion recipients is only 6.4 years (the mean is 7.4 years). A comparable difference exists also in median lifetime since seroconversion between the two groups of patients. The median lifetime since seroconversion for homosexual and bisexual males is 12.6 years and only 7.6 years for the blood transfusion recipients. This difference does not seem to be due only to the age difference in patients. For example, for the same age group (50+), the median survival time is found to be 14.1 months among homosexual and bisexual males, and only 6 months among blood transfusion recipients. It is likely then that a person who contracted AIDS through blood transfusion is subject to a higher risk of dying than one who got the disease through sexual contact.

[ED NOTE: The Joint Statistical Meetings, sponsored by the American Statistical Association, the Biometric Society (ENAR and WJAR), and the Institute of Mathematical Statistics features 1,200 scientific papers and brings together more than 3,000 statisticians and other scientists.]

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heterosexual practices, said the agency, citing a 40-fold increase in reported cases in Central America since 1988.

Several theories have been put forth for why the disease has spread primarily among heterosexuals in some areas of the world, but less so in Europe and the United States.

The first outbreaks of the disease in the West were among Gay men and intravenous drug users, and it is believed fewer women in these countries were exposed in the period before widespread awareness of the disease. This in turn would lead to slower spread through heterosexual relations.

Low circumcision rates and high rates of venereal disease - both of which can facilitate HIV's spread - have also been presented as possible explanations for the quick spread among heterosexuals in Africa.

But the world health agency and other agencies say statistics indicate a rises in heterosexual cases in the United States and Europe.

About 100,000 HIV infections have been reported in the United States since 1985 because of heterosexual sex. From this figure, there were 3,100 AIDS cases that were reported last year, compared with 250 such cases reported in 1985.

THE BASIC MESSAGE

- ▼ Learn your options and line up your support.
- ▼ Get tested, anonymously.
- ▼ If positive, consider anti-viral treatment and get a full immune health workup.
- ▼ Monitor T4 cells quarterly, charting the trend.
- ▼ If the trend of T4 cells is downward or falls consistently below 500, consider both anti-viral and immune boosting therapy.
- ▼ If the trend of T4 cells falls below 300, use prophylactic (preventative) treatment against pneumocystis.

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CALENDAR

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FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 15

NOTES - Community Awards of Tucson (CAW) Benefit show begins at 8:30 p.m. sharp! It's another great Margo Leigh Production starring Lucinda Holliday, Mr. Dan Reid, Joe Wallen, John Barnes, Jerry and Friends, Dennis Sips, and more to be announced next week. A big cast and a big show for a big cause.

IBT'S - Big night here when Viola Wills comes to town with her live vocals of her hit recordings on National Records. Showtime is 10 p.m. and there is no cover.

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 16

GRADUATE - It's time for the Grad's annual Turnabout Show which will feature some of the greatest acts you ever saw. Hostess for the evening is Aviva Diamond and it all begins at 8:30 . . . ish.

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 17

GRADUATE - The Tucson Chapter of the Arizona Gay Rodeo Association (AGRA) will hold a benefit Beer Bust here from 2 to 6 p.m. Everyone is welcome to join in with the cowboys and get some good cold beer at a good price and have some fun in the process.

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 20

FRENCH QUARTER - The Think Positive Project and the French Quarter will present another of that racy game "Win, Lose or Draw" here beginning at 7:00 p.m. It is a lot of fun and there are prizes too! Happy Hour prices will be in effect until the end of the game. Your hostess for the evening will be Divine! She's back and bigger than ever!

JOSEUA TREE - A new all-sale dance revue here called "Tush" and it features dancers who hail from Dallas, New York City, Chicago and even one from South Dakota! Come on by and view the hot, hard and sexy bodies of these men - Tucson's very own hottest tushes.

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 24

IBT'S - Las Vegas star performer Barry Conyers and the Counterfeiters will be appearing here one night only. Barry will, of course, feature his family of "Larger Than Life Puppets". Also appearing will be two other Las Vegas favorites, Randy Roberts of "Boylesque" and "LaCage" fame, and Lee Vinson of "Boy Oh Boy" and "La Cage" fame. The show begins at 10:00 p.m. sharp and there is a \$1 cover charge - a terrific show at a minimal charge. Don't you dare miss it.

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CALENDAR

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 13

CAY Committee (Community Awards of Tucson) will hold their monthly meeting at 7:00 p.m. at MCC, 3269 N. Mountain. Everyone is welcome. The Community Awards of Tucson are what you make them. Get involved.

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 14

Cronies, a social club for men 40+ will hold its mid-month dinner tonight. Call Merle at 481-7264 for more information.

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 15

FACT for Life/MCC-Tucson Spaghetti Dinner will start at 7:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall at MCC/Tucson, 3269 North Mountain. A suggested donation of \$4.00 will be accepted at the door. This will be a benefit for FACT for Life and MCC/Tucson.

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 17

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

The Men's Massage Group will meet at 1:30 p.m. and then the Ecstatic Loving Workshop will follow at 3:30 p.m. The afternoon will close with a meeting of the Tucson Jacks at 5:30 p.m. Call Marc in advance at 881-4582 for reservations for any or all of these events.

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 23

Arizona Head Injury Foundation will hold a Turkey Shoot Bowl at Lucky Strike Bowl at 4015 E. Speedway. Registration at 11 a.m. with the first round getting underway at noon and the second round begins at 2:30 p.m. The cost is \$5 for head injury survivors and \$15 for supporters and professionals. Contact Wayne Steele at 791-7570. AHIF is a non-profit organization dedicated to improving the quality of life for head injury survivors and their families. Proceeds from this activity are to benefit the Arizona Head Injury Foundation.

Popular vocalist Holly Near will be in concert this evening at the Leo Rich Little Theatre in the Tucson Convention Center. For more information call 623-1688.

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 25

Uofa Committee for Gay, Lesbian & Bisexual Faculty and Staff will meet from noon to 1:30 p.m. in Student Union Room 283. Professor Bruce Fowler facilitates this brown bag luncheon meeting, and it is open to Uofa staff and faculty who are concerned about Gay, Lesbian and Bisexual issues.

Tucson

CALENDAR

sunday

BACK POCKET/JOSEUA TREE - Open Book. Volleyball begins at 1:00 p.m. Steak Dinners 5-8 pm \$4.00. Flesh for Fantasy - male and female strippers. 11 p.m.
FRENCH QUARTER - Open Book. Brunch served 12-3. Drink specials.
GRADUATE - All White Well \$1.25 daytime and \$1.50 nighttime.
NOTES - Open at 11 a.m. for NFL football. Bloody Marys and Screw \$1.25 till 7 p.m.
COUNTRY DANCE MUSIC 8 to 1 and with your DJ Jason.
IBT'S - 2 for 1 Happy Hour 8 to 8 p.m. on well and non-premium beer. 6 to 1 Fresh Disco Night. Hot music from the 70s & 80s.
KNOX - Open at noon. Drink specials.

monday

BACK POCKET/JOSEUA TREE - Open Book. \$1.50 Domestic Beer till 8 pm. \$1.50 draft with Schnapps 8 to close. Bobby D's.
CLUB CONGRESS - 70's Disco with Super Star Lover. \$1. 9 pm to 1 am.
FRENCH QUARTER - Open 3 pm. Daily drink specials.
GRADUATE - Happy Hour prices open to close.
NOTES - Open Book. Happy Hours 3 to 7 pm - Well and Domestic Beer \$1.25.
IBT'S - 4 to 8 Two for One. Easy listening music. Relax in your own tape for a drink special 8 pm to 1 am.
KNOX - Open noon. Daily drink specials. DJ/DJ at 9.

tuesday

BACK POCKET/JOSEUA TREE - Open Book. \$1.50 well 3-8 pm. Drink Draft and Drown .50 draft 8 pm till close. Open Volleyball games begin at 7 p.m. Bobby Jr. DJ's.
FRENCH QUARTER - Open 3 pm. Nova Nite with cocktail hour prices all night long.
GRADUATE - Draft Beer Special. Small Pitchers \$1.50, Large Pitchers \$1.00
NOTES - Happy Hours 3 to 7 pm Well or Domestic Beer \$1.25.
IBT'S - 4 to 8 Two for One. Copper City Squares 7-9. Leather Nite 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.
KNOX - Open noon. Daily drink specials. DJ/DJ 9-1 with Clint.

wednesday

BACK POCKET/JOSEUA TREE - 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.
GRADUATE - Domestic Beer \$1.25/days - \$1.50 nites.
NOTES - Draft Beer .50 7 p.m. to close. Happy Hours 3 to 7 pm Well or Domestic Beer \$1.25. Black & White Service Industries Night Out. Bartenders, waiters and waitresses 1/2 price.
IBT'S - 4-8 Two for One. Dance music 8-1. Double dose Schnapps for \$1.50. Check out blended drink special. Bowler's Special \$1 Well or non-Premium Beer.
KNOX - Open noon. Daily drink specials. DJ/DJ Clint at 9pm.

thursday

BACK POCKET/JOSEUA TREE - Open Book. Drink Specials 3-8 pm. Drink Draft and Drown .50 draft 8 pm to close. Leather Strip Night - Cash Prize. Bobby Jr. DJ's.
FRENCH QUARTER - Open 3 pm. Daily drink specials. Dart Tournament \$2 entry 60/10 split.
GRADUATE - Top Shelf Call \$2.00 in the daytime and \$2.50 at night.
NOTES - Draft Beer .50 7 p.m. to close. Happy Hours 3 to 7 pm, Well or Domestic Beer \$1.25. Beethoven or Corona \$1.25 from 9 pm to 1 am. Country/Western dancing 9 to 1 with your DJ Jason.
IBT'S - 4-8 Two for One. Country music and dancing with Gil Leon. Free dance lessons 8 p.m. Dad and Dad Lite \$1.50 from 8-1.
KNOX - Daily drink specials. Dancing with your DJ/DJ Clint 9-1.

friday

BACK POCKET/JOSEUA TREE - Open Book. Drink Specials 3-8 pm. Domestic Beer \$1.75, Schnapps .75 8-11 pm. Bobby Jr. DJ's.
FRENCH QUARTER - Open 3 pm. Daily drink specials. Free Hot Hrs d'Ouvres 5:30pm
GRADUATE - Drink Specials until closing.
NOTES - Happy Hours 3 to 7pm, Well or Domestic Beer \$1.25. Dancing 9 pm - 1 am with Jason.
IBT'S - 4-8 Two for One / Hot Basic 8 to close with Ray.
KNOX - Daily drink specials. Free Hrs d'Ouvres 5:30. DJ/DJ Clint 9-1.

saturday

BACK POCKET/JOSEUA TREE - Open Book. \$1.50 Domestic Beer and Black Board Specials 3-8. Hot dance music 9 to 1 with Bobby Jr.
FRENCH QUARTER - Open Book. Daily drink specials.
GRADUATE - Drink specials until closing.
NOTES - Open Book. 7 pm to 1 am. DJ music 9 to 1. Last Saturday of each month is Country and Western dance music.
IBT'S - 4 to 8. Hot music 8 to close with Linda Fisdale.
KNOX - Open Book. Daily drink specials. Dance with DJ/DJ Clint 9-1

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A Passage From The Diary Of A Political Campaign Manager

by Mark Kerr

The election held last November 5th had a personal impact and effect on this reporter. Yours truly ran Janet Marcus' campaign. I came on board on Oct. 5 and jump-started the campaign. Here are a few notes from my "diary" on election night:

7:30 p.m. - I arrived at the City Clerk's office. The numbers in the precincts we targeted looked good. I am optimistic.

8:06 p.m. - The absentee votes have come in. Janet is down by 800 votes! Damn, the Republicans did one hell of a job with their absentee ballot program.

8:43 p.m. - 62 precincts are in from wards 1, 3, 5 and 6 and Janet has over a 4,000 lead.

9:00 p.m. - 45 more precincts are in, Janet's lead has shrunk by 900. I am worried.

9:15 p.m. - 20 precincts in and Janet lost 1,200 votes. I am worried, really! I am going to the Viscount Hotel to be with Janet.

As I drive from downtown to Broadway and Swan, Janet loses another 900 votes on her lead.

10:00 p.m. - I storm into the Viscount

and find out about the 900 vote loss. God, what a night. I go to Janet and tell her to hold on, this will be a close one.

10:30 p.m. I am relieved that since 21 precincts have come in, Janet's lead has held at around 1,350. I hope we can hold on.

11:30 p.m. - The longest hour of my life. Only six precincts are reported. Janet loses eighty votes. What is the City Clerk's problem.

11:36 p.m. - 18 precincts in, Janet gains 300 votes. It looks good. George Miller is going up to the podium to claim victory. Wonderful! Oh crap, he's calling up Bruce Wheeler, Roger Sedlmayr and Janet! We are not ready to claim victory!

11:54 p.m. - The last precincts come in. It is official, we won by 1,351 votes! I am glad finally to win a damn campaign! Janet and I talk briefly about getting the U-Haul for the John C. Scott Farewell Party.

What does this election mean for the Gay and Lesbian community? A lot. We can now push for an end to selective enforcement in the parks, a "Hate Crimes" law and a "Domestic Partners" bill. We have come a long way and we have succeeded.

League America Inaugurates National Movement

LOS ANGELES, CA - Following a year of organization, League America, (Lesbians and Gays United for Equality) inaugurated its national union of Lesbian and Gay events making Gay Pride and Independence Day. founded on July 4, 1990 in Provincetown, Massachusetts as a national movement dedicated to achieving minority status for Lesbians and Gays, League America has since organized into a popular social and political front to promote civil rights and individual self-esteem.

In its statement of purpose, the movement acknowledges: "Current law and custom refuse to recognize Gays and Lesbians as equal participants in American society, endowed with the same rights and liberties of all Americans. Believing democracy's promise of individual freedom and social equality and working to gain full recognition for Gays and Lesbians, League America answers America's need to hear all its voices."

Since its founding, chapters of League America have been organized nationwide based on the movement's statements of purpose and principles. Chapters are all community-based, and each local chapter creates its own agenda. There are no dues to belong; members are encouraged to participate through social, political and personal action. League America embraces no avenue of action over another and encourages each chapter to advance the interests of liberty in its own way - ignoring no challenge to discrimination and remaining faithful to equality.

Actions taken by any chapter are guided by a statement of principles that include:

** We are a movement dedicated to full acceptance of Lesbians and Gays by our society.

** We are a unified, popular front welcoming and supporting all Lesbians and Gays.

** We celebrate who we are by taking pride in our lives as Gay and Lesbian Americans.

** We believe the past is not our potential.

The men and women of League America will create individual chapter actions on key issues that lead to public consciousness-raising through media activities, developing the movement as a manifestation of people being Gay, and creating a national process for achieving civil rights and ways of empowerment.

League America meetings in most communities are held monthly and include opportunities for networking, group discussions and consensus building on a variety of topics that affect the community. Issues are designed to allow for dialogue among men and women on a range of topics including: "Passing as Straight," "Names Attributed to Gays," "Political Action," and "Helping Each Other to Succeed," among others.

Individuals or organizations interested in creating League America chapters in any community are encouraged to develop a chapter organizing committee of no fewer than ten men and women. If you have inquiries about League America or would like chapter enlistment materials, please include the names of your organizing committee members and write to: League America, 9000 Sunset Blvd., Suite 700, West Hollywood, CA 90069.

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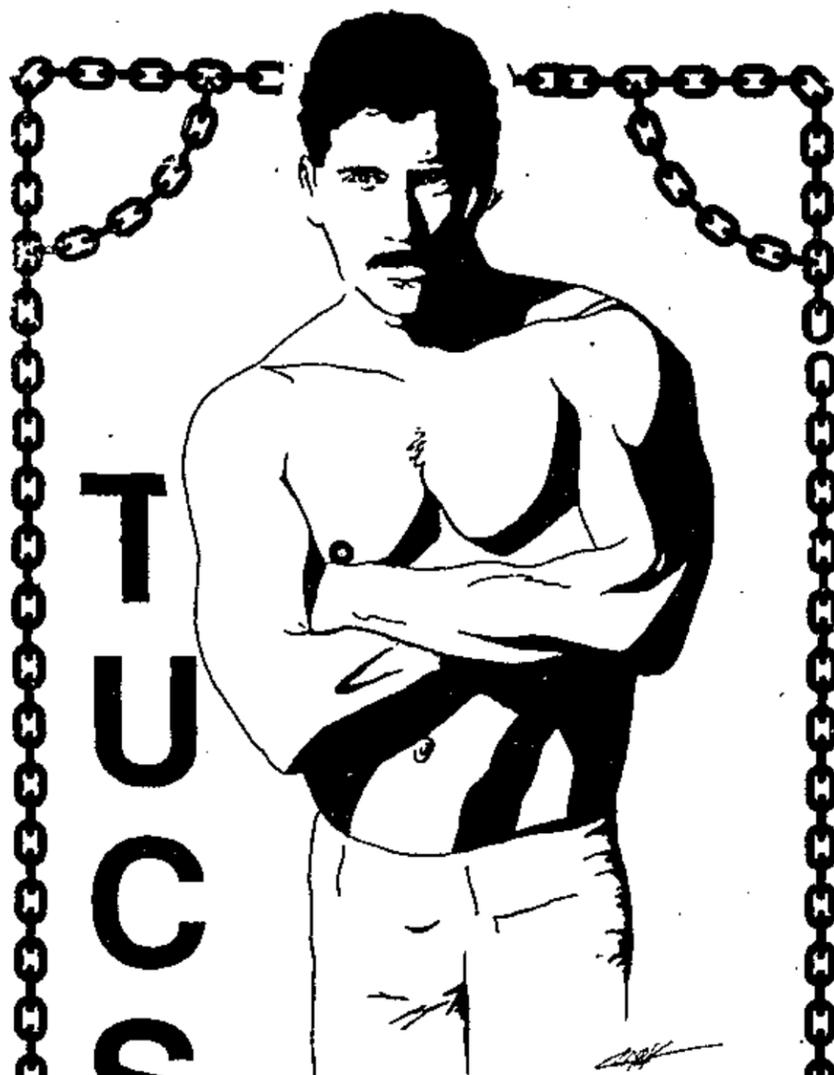
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TAURUS

Burger King's started a new treat "Breakfast Buddy". Sounds like your usual 5 a.m. routine anyway. Of course your Buddys involve more than a sausage patty. Your honesty of late helps a little, but would someone really buy a set of used tires from you?

GEMINI

Postpone a romantic rendezvous. A candlelight dinner at Jack in the Box is a little dull. Now I-10 Bookstore, that would be fun. A glory hole for two! Higher ups are dazzled by your job performance this week.

CANCER

You come prepared - everyone should carry a condom (just in case you get real lucky), but carrying a moist towelette is going a bit far. A lucky weekend coming up. Splurge on a lottery ticket.

LEO

The helicopter at Reddington is looking for you. Stop hiding in the rocks. A rather large hulk Hogan-type wants to show you the ropes. Don't be coy - you know you want that new job as Park Ranger at Kitt Peak.

VIRGO

When you're in the bar, try shifting into cruise control instead of standing with your beer looking in the mirror. We know you're the best "thing" in the bar, but a lonely cowboy enters your life this week. Check under the hat and in the pants first though!

LIBRA

Hold a Bake Sale. You need every dime you can get. Your gambling fever has you in trouble again. Being of sound body, not mind, look for other ways of making money. The streets? I don't think so.

SCORPIO

Feeling a little blue this week? How about a little weenie? (Of course for the ladies in my viewing audience - a little toy). Get a job with Snap-on Tools, or is it strap-on? Isn't that what Tom's doing now?

SAGITTARIUS

Are we still playing Candid Camera with our tricks? Hiding a video cam in the closet with the door cracked open is a brilliant idea - you're such a sleaze. Sounds like something B.D.R. would do. A new affair starts Sunday.

CAPRICORN

Guard your chickens - Jerry's coming back to town. So you've even started a new club - C.H.A. (Chicken Hawks of America). By the way, I'm not talking about Myron's Jerry. She's just into fisting puppets. Travel is likely this weekend - again.

AQUARIUS

How's your hyperglycemia doing? Isn't that an acne problem? You need to relax. You are feeling very sluttie. A trip is just the ticket. How about a weekend in Winslow? You will "meat" a man in black leather Saturday night.

PISCES

Be more aware of who's who in the bar scene. Just think, you too can be a local V.I.P. after just 100 classroom hours at one of our local pubs. (The Bartman has 10,000 hours already! I'm beyond V.I.P.). A long-lost friend shows up Sunday.

As I See It

by Clark

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Call 321-1143. 24-Hour Hotline. Call for info about Gay and Lesbian meetings in Tucson.

GAY OR BI-SEXUAL MEN in relationships with women. Need friends you can talk to? Weekly support group meets Tuesdays 4:30 - 7:30 pm. Certified psychologist facilitator. Call 314-0174 Tucson. Strictly confidential.

AIDS HOTLINE - 326-1125. Hours 8-7, 9:00 am to 10:00 pm. Information, counseling, HIV-related services, Tucson.

WISAPAR - Tucson's Lesbian & Gay Community Center offers support groups - library - monthly newsletter. Volunteer opportunities. Information 621-1778 Tucson.

GAY SUPPORT GROUP: Lesbians and Gay men meet weekly for open discussions in a loving, supportive atmosphere. Meetings Thursdays from 7:30 to 9:30 pm at St. Francis in the foothills church, Swan and River Road. Call the church at 299-9061 for information.

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LESBIANS CONNECTION (Formerly L&G) is a Lesbian singles social group. Call 327-2942 to hear about our next events. Join in the fun.

DOFA FACULTY AND STAFF for Gay, Lesbian and Bisexual Equity meets on the fourth Monday of each month for a Brown Bag Lunch from noon to 1:30 p.m. in the Student Union, Room 281 or 285. Open to DoFA faculty and staff concerned about Gay, Lesbian and Bisexual issues.

ARIZONA-SPANISH PROJECT, S.I.D.A. - AIDS INFO LINE 812-3911. Also seeking volunteers who are bilingual (Spanish/English) and are interested in presenting information about AIDS to Spanish speakers in Arizona and Sonora, Mexico. 621-9194

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ARIZONA GAY BODIED ASSOCIATION (AGBA) TUCSON CHAPTER. Interested? Call 794-3528 or write AGBA/Tucson, 7272 E. Broadway #112, Tucson, AZ 85710.

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AMERICAN GAY & LESBIAN ATHEISTS advocating state/church separation. Monthly meetings and support for the non-religious. Write: 3003 N. Central Ave., Suite 121, Box 211, Phoenix, AZ 85012-2903. "Educating Our Community Since 1981".

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

The Men's Massage Group, Tucson Jacks and a Safe Sex Workshop, all will be held on Nov. 17 from 1:30 to 6 p.m., including a pot-lock dinner. Call 881-4542 to sign up.

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P.A.C.T. - People with AIDS Coalition of Tucson, 2579 E. 1st Avenue. Office hours 10 to 5, X-F; Wednesdays 7 pm. Call 322-9408 for info.

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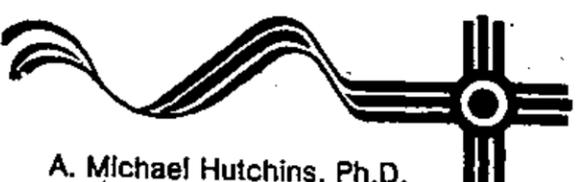
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News From MCC/Tucson

by Ben Cochran

This past weekend, ten members and friends of MCC/Tucson were in Albuquerque at the Fall District Conference of U.F.M.C.C. It was a time for learning, for a spiritual uplifting and a time for sharing. The theme for this Conference was "Building Up One Another" taken from I Thessalonians 5:11. The Southwest District of U.F.M.C.C. consists of all the churches in Southern California, Southern Nevada, New Mexico and Arizona.

The Conference started with a worship service Friday morning and ended with a worship service Sunday morning. During the Conference there were many workshops and, of course, the business meeting which lasted nearly all day Saturday.

One of the highlights was the Saturday evening worship service with the Rev. Elder Troy D. Perry bringing the message. Several members of MCC/Tucson took an active part in the worship services with Rev. Eduard Perry giving the Community Prayer at the Friday evening service, Bert Hoop giving the Invocation at the Saturday evening service and Lee Cain being interpreter for the hearing impaired during several services. It is always a joy to be among the leaders of U.F.M.C.C. during a Conference.

a spaghetti dinner will be served at MCC/Tucson, 3269 North Mountain Avenue. The meal will be served beginning at 7:00 p.m. and will consist of spaghetti with meat or vegetarian sauce, salad, garlic bread and dessert. There will be a suggested donation of \$4.00 at the door. The proceeds from the fundraiser will be shared equally between P.A.C.T. and MCC/Tucson.

Another No-Bost Bingo Party will be held on Saturday, Nov. 23 starting at 7:00 p.m. Bring an article for a prize not exceeding \$4.00 and play Bingo all evening at no other cost. A Pot-Luck Snack will be served during the games, so also bring a "Kunchie" to share.

MCC/Tucson will be giving their annual Thanksgiving Dinner on Thanksgiving Day, Thursday, Nov. 28. The meal will be served starting at 1:00 p.m. Preceding the Thanksgiving Dinner, a special Thanksgiving service will be held at 11:00 a.m. Everyone is invited to join with us as we give thanks for all that we have and all that we have received. It is not necessary to attend the worship service to join with us in this holiday feast.

Thought for the Week: A critic once said about a new novel, "The covers were too far apart".

This coming Friday evening, Nov. 15,

A View From The Rock

A Commentary From Cornerstone Fellowship

I watched a tragedy unfold on television recently. You probably saw it too. One after another, men and women stood in the rubble of their homes in Oakland, California, and mourned the loss of a lifetime. Homes, furniture, cars, clothing and especially "mentos" which couldn't be replaced, had all been destroyed in the horrible conflagration which swept through the community. Fourteen "known dead", and at least six missing. Then, one woman came out from the ashes of her life... and was holding a small kitten that had somehow survived the ordeal.

In the middle of my compassion for them, I suddenly had something to rejoice over! This small, innocent life had been spared --miraculously! Now I find myself reflecting on how this affects me, personally. I see my own life reflected in this scenario.

I spent most of my adult life accumulating, gathering in, piling up. One day, in 1974, I went through my own holocaust, as I had to escape from a fire in which there was no way out. But someone higher, bigger than I, who cared for me, delivered me -- miraculously -- just like that little kitten.

The Someone who loved me enough to die for me, so that I would be spared, was the One Living God. I wasn't innocent, like the kitten, but deserved my death; yet I was given my chance to live. I realized how much I owed Him, yet I could never repay the debt I had. Then He told me I didn't have to repay. Jesus Christ had died on a Cross in my place, and my new life is a "gift". How awesome such a thought is! The Creator of the whole Universe, the God who is always in charge, loved me that much.

A new discovery came with the gift of life. All the earthly, physical things

I held so important... suddenly became worthless. My treasures are now collected in a place where nothing can destroy them. Now I "look to the hills (heavens), from whence cometh my help..." Now my pleasure is not in what "things" I can accumulate, but in "people" in whom I can share the good news of this new life! No fire, no power, can take that away from me - now, or for all Eternity.

Did you know that you, too can have a new life, new happiness, fulfillment? The same God, through the sacrifice of His Son, Jesus Christ, has room in His heart for YOU! It is a gift. You cannot "earn" it, "pay" for it, or "work" for it. Just realize in your heart that you really want it, and God's will that any should perish, but that ALL, through Jesus Christ, should have life. He died for YOU, that YOU can have new life... and have it now, and have it more abundantly.

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