

Same Sex Marriages On Hold State Appeals; Mass. Governor Will Recognize Gay Marriages; Other Challenges Loom

by Mark R. Kerr
Observer Political Reporter

HONOLULU, HI (OBS) - Gay and Lesbian couples planning a pilgrimage to the Aloha State for their nuptials, put on a hold on those plans for now.

One day after ruling that Hawaii must allow same-sex marriages, Circuit Judge Kevin Chang put his ruling on hold while the state appeals his decision.

The stay by Judge Chang will remain in effect until the Hawaii Supreme Court rules.

This means same-sex couples can't marry in Hawaii, for at least one year, perhaps not at all.

State Attorneys, in their arguments for a stay, said "Hawaii would throw thousands of Gay couples into a legal maze if they were permitted to marry now, then were forced to annul their unions if the state Supreme Court overturns the ruling."

Deputy Attorney General Rick Eichor added that allowing couples to marry immediately would undermine the state's case. He added that the three same-sex couples who had sued would not suffer any real harm if their right to marry were delayed.

The attorney representing the couples, Dan Foley, said that he found the state's argument "incredible." Foley said his clients already suffered from the delays in the case.

Judge Chang agreed with the state and issued his stay of his decision.

Reaction from the plaintiffs was swift: "We kind of expected it, but we're not happy with it," said Joseph Melillo in an interview. Melillo and his partner, Pat Lagon, along with two Lesbian couples had sued the state for the right to marry.

Last Tuesday, Judge Chang, in his ruling, said the state failed to show any compelling interest in denying Gay and Lesbian couples the right to marry. He ordered the state to begin issuing them marriage licenses. Hawaii was the first state in the U.S. to recognize same-sex marriages.

Hawaii's state legislature failed to act on the issue before the court decision was rendered. Conservatives placed an initiative on the ballot calling for a Constitutional Convention to rewrite the state constitution so that male/female couples can marry.

A dispute over the election results is brewing. State unions have sued, challenging the validity of the November

general election initiative for the proposed constitutional convention. The case will be heard in Hawaii's Supreme Court.

The Constitutional Convention, also known as ConCon, is the attempt to rewrite the state constitution so that only male/female couples can marry. If this goes through, the new constitution would invalidate any ruling by the state Supreme Court granting Gay couples the right to be married.

The plaintiffs in the case, the Hawaii AFL-CIO, are accusing election officials with improperly counting ballots. The lawsuit contends, the "yes" votes in favor of ConCon represent only 44 percent of the voting population. Hawaii's constitution says at least 50 percent of voters approve such a measure for a constitutional convention. The suit also alleges that 45,000 "spoiled" ballots should not have been discarded. The state has ten days to respond to the lawsuit by the state unions.

The same-sex marriage lawsuit prompted federal action. Republicans in Congress, as reported [Observer 646], tried to use the issue in the 1996 campaign. The GOP drafted and rammed through both houses the "Defense of Marriage Act." Democrats, fearing election ramifications, did not fight the bill and it was sent to President Clinton's desk. Clinton signed the measure in a midnight ceremony.

Sixteen other states, including Arizona, adopted legislation denying recognition of same-sex marriages.

Eichor said he will file an appeal within a month. The state's appeal will send the case to the Hawaii Supreme Court.

The Hawaii Supreme Court had ruled in 1993 that denial of marriage license to same-sex couples amounted to gender discrimination under the state's Equal Rights Amendment in the state constitution. If the state Supreme Court upholds their 1993 decision, the legal battle in Hawaii will be over and Gay marriage will be legal in the Aloha State.

If the state does lose in the state Supreme Court, noted Tucson defense attorney, E. Emma Keller said their avenue is to appeal to the U.S. Supreme Court for review of the decision.

With all that, if the Hawaii Supreme Court upholds Gay marriage, the Bay State would recognize same-sex marriages from the Aloha State.

Massachusetts Governor William Weld, (R), said in an interview that "Massachusetts will recognize those bonds as

Shanti Raffle Raises Bucks For Food Pantry



TUCSON - For a second year, a hand-made afghan was raffled off with proceeds going to the Shanti Food Pantry. Cal Kallstrom who spent nearly four months making the intricate quilt is shown above with Shanti Executive Director Anne Maley. \$1,000 was raised. See story below.

by Mark R. Kerr

TUCSON (OBS) - A beautiful afghan quilt helped stock the food cup-boards during the holiday season.

The second annual Shanti Foundation of Tucson Afghan Raffle, raised \$1,000, which will go to help purchase food for Shanti's Food Pantry Program.

The Food Pantry Program, according to Shanti's executive director, Anne Maley, helps 65 to 75 clients a month with food, toiletries and cleaning products. Maley went on to say this is one of the key fund raisers for the Pantry Program.

The beautiful afghan quilt was designed and created by local artist, Call Kallstrom. The drawing for this work took place at Shanti's office and the winner was Alan Telles. Telles, according to

Maley, will pick up the afghan quilt this week.

Maley said that this year's drawing raised \$200 more than last year's raffle. "I'm thrilled we raised more, by \$200, than last year. I personally appreciate the community's support to keep the Food Pantry Program going."

Maley praised the work of Rob Miller, Glen V. and Cal for their efforts in this year's efforts. Anne again thanked the community for their continued support of Shanti. She added that she wanted to offer her congratulations to Mr. Telles, the winner of the afghan quilt.

After the drawing, Maley stressed that the Food Pantry can't run on raffles alone. She urged the community to help the program with donations of food, toiletries and cleaning products. "Every little bit helps," Maley said.

Gay Chorus Sings At Cardinal Berardin's Wake

by Wendy Johnson

CHICAGO, IL (WB) - The Windy City Chorus performed at the wake Cardinal Joseph Louis Bernardin, the Roman Catholic Archbishop of Chicago - fulfilling a request made by Bernardin shortly before his death.

The performance at Chicago's Holy Name Cathedral marked the first time in recent history that a Gay group has been invited by the church to appear at an event on church property, said Marianne

Duddy, president of the national Gay Catholic group, Dignity U.S.A.

Three weeks before his death, Bernardin, the nation's top-ranking Roman Catholic cardinal requested that the chorus perform at his wake, said Duddy. Bernardin, 68 died of pancreatic cancer at his Chicago residence.

"It was a conscious act of the cardinal to do outreach to the Gay community," said Duddy. "This was a magnifi-

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TAP Holiday Project

TUCSON - Santa and his elves are calling on you once again to help out with the Tucson AIDS Project (TAP).

Every year, Santa and his helpers deliver gifts and food to clients and many of their family members. Santa can only do this with your help - as a volunteer or with your donations.

There are many ways that you can help. We're looking for people to make calls for donations and to pick up donations. Do you like to bake? How about baking some bread or cookies? We need help wrapping gifts and filling baskets. Perhaps you know of someone or a group of people who would like to sponsor a family or donate an item from our wish list.

If you are interested call Myra at TAP, 322-6226.

Volunteers Sought For Alternative Medicine Study

BOTHELL, WA - Volunteers are being sought by the Bastyr University AIDS Research Center to participate in the first comprehensive nationwide study on the use of alternative and complimentary medicine to treat HIV and AIDS patients.

The landmark survey, funded by the National Institutes of Health Office of Alternative Medicine, seeks to gather information from 1,500 - 2,000 subjects from across the nation about their use of alternative treatments and therapies in order to learn which, if any, may slow disease progression, improve quality of life, or lead to a cure for HIV and AIDS.

The three-year study is attempting to find out how health outcomes differ in persons using alternative medicine, conventional medicine, or a combination of the two.

Participants must be HIV-positive, at least 18 years old and currently using alternative treatments as part or all of their treatment program. All patients information will be held in the strictest confidence and all participants will be compensated for their time.

Persons interested in participating in the study should contact the Bastyr University AIDS Research Center (800) 475-0135. Participants will complete a questionnaire every six months to track their health status. Specific treatments will not be prescribed or recommended.

Monastery Scandal Rocks Greece

ATHENS, Greece (AP) - Three monks and one priest were ordered to face trial before a religious court for allegedly participating in sex games, cross-dressing beauty pageants, and Gay sex orgies.

The news of the trial has caused a national scandal surrounding the revered Greek Orthodox. Record audiences are tuning in nationwide to hear the four clergymen accuse one another of numerous acts of "sexual perversity and corruption" that took place in their remote monastery on the Aegean island of Kithira.

Bishop Iakovos have suspended the clergymen from their religious duties. Iakovos has ordered them to appear before a church tribunal for "breaching a series of religious canons," and "the nude televised scandalizing of the flock."

Policeman Says He's Focus Of Anti-Gay Witch Hunt

PORTLAND, OR (WS) - Attorneys acting on behalf of Portland Police Capt. Mike Garvey told the city they intend to file a lawsuit alleging the Police Bureau violated Garvey's civil rights by discriminating against him because he is Gay.

Garvey is the subject of an internal investigation based on charges he has hired prostitutes.

Garvey, a former central precinct commander, said when other police officers have been accused of hiring prostitutes, the resulting investigations were quiet, internal matters handled without fanfare. In contrast, Garvey was put before (and subsequently cleared by) a grand jury. The difference, his attorney's claim, is that the prostitutes Garvey is accused of hiring are male.

The lawsuit will also charge the Portland Police Bureau intentionally leaked incriminating information about Garvey to the press. Garvey has been on paid administrative leave since early June after various news accounts reported that the police had begun a criminal investigation into the allegations.

Garvey's prosecution and continuing investigation "are a direct result of discriminatory motive and agenda against Mr. Garvey by Chief Moose and the Portland Police Bureau, because he is a homosexual male," quoting from the notice given the city.

Desert Voices Holiday Concert Dec. 13 & 14

TUCSON - On December 13 and 14, Desert Voices will present their eighth annual holiday concert, entitled "The Child Within."

The forty-five member chorus will present holiday music we learned as children, including selections from Rudolph, The Grinch and Charlie Brown Nutcracker Suite" will be featured as a choral work.

An evening highlight will include the premiere of the chorus' second commission, Miracle, by Chicago composer Eric Lane Barnes.

The concerts will be held at the Proscenium Theatre, Pima Center for the Performing Arts, 8 P.M. each evening. For more information or tickets, call the chorus hotline, 791-9662.

Federal Judge Hears 'Don't Ask' for Third Time

NEW YORK, NY (AFT) - Judge Eugene Nickerson of the U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of New York will get a third chance to decide whether the military's ban on Gay service-members is discriminatory.

The case was brought by six Gay service-members in 1994 who sued the government because they claim the Defense Department's "don't ask, don't tell, don't pursue" policy illegally restricts their rights to free speech and association.

Twice before, Judge Nickerson ruled in their favor.

After both rulings, the U.S. Court of Appeals for the 2nd Circuit ordered Nickerson to reconsider certain aspects of the case. This is Nickerson's third time reviewing the Clinton administration's policy on Gays in the military, which is again to be tried on constitutional grounds.

The 2nd Court of Appeals had ruled in January that the judge must determine whether the military's ban on homosexual acts is constitutional. During arguments, lawyers for the six told the court the ban on Gay sexual activity violates "equal protection by imposing its special set of behavioral rules exclusively upon Gay men and Lesbians."

The government responded by saying the Gay ban "is a well-supported, rational conclusion, informed by the experience and considered judgment of military leaders." It continued, "Because the prohibition against homosexual acts in the military rationally advances goals that Congress found are essential to military readiness, it is not ground on prejudice," wrote Justice Department attorneys.

Lawyers for the Lambda Legal Defense and Education Fund and the American Civil Liberties Union countered, "Neither Congress nor the government has ever attempted to explain how any of a service-member's legitimate expectations of privacy might be affected by private, off-duty, off-base, consensual sexual intimacy."

Nickerson is expected to render his decision in early 1997.

The Shanti Foundation would like to thank the Community with all our heart!



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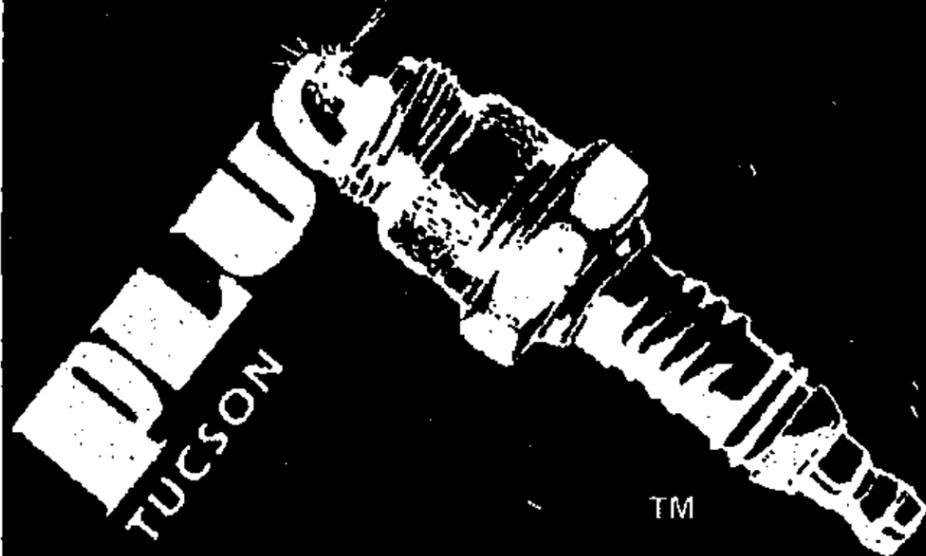
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Some Holiday Thoughts

This time of year is interesting and fun. Thinking about presents to buy those you love, watching Christmas movies on TV, perhaps thinking about your spirituality. It seems almost every culture celebrates the time around the winter solstice (roughly December 21). In ancient Rome, this was the Saturnalia celebration, a time of revelry and freedom and sensual pleasure. The Christian church adapted this holiday to its beliefs, and it became Christmas. Nobody knows when Jesus was born. December 25th was chosen simply as a way to have continuity with the pagan holiday. It is connected with the idea of the "rebirth of the sun" that takes place at the winter solstice. The days have been getting shorter and shorter since June 21, as if the sun has been getting weaker and weaker. Starting about December 21, the days will be getting longer and longer, that is, the sun will start to come back. The sun will be "reborn." Christians modified that into the idea that God's Son is reborn every December 25th.

Christmas is a time of gift-giving and gift-receiving. We usually think of going to the mall and buying gifts for those we love, but there are other options. You can give gifts that aren't bought at stores. For example, you can use your talent to create personalized gifts for people. If you sing, make a tape of yourself singing a couple of songs. If you like to write poems, write one for each person you are really close to. You can give a gift like this in addition to a store-bought gift, or in place of one. Offer to babysit for that young straight couple you know, who never have time to get out of the house. (You might throw in a gift certificate to the movies, so they can have a night out for the two of them.) Bake a Christmas treat. Make a hand-made gift certificate good for a couple of hours' worth of your talents, whatever they are: to work on a friend's car for him, to work in his yard, to give a massage. Everybody has some talent that is worth something to others. Gifts like this can be more personal than store-bought gifts, and therefore more meaningful, too. The most basic gift doesn't cost money at all: letting someone know you love them and care about them. Include this gift with every material gift you give this year.

This can be a hard time of year, especially for people who aren't in relationships. But even for those who are coupled up, there is often some depression intermixed with the fun and activities. As Gay people, it's a bit harder. All the Christmas movies and other media images seem to be about straight couples and families, and if you're a single Gay man, it's easy to feel left out. Remember that you are special and loveable as your Gay self, even if you aren't in a relationship right now. If you are in a relationship, give thanks to the universe for your partner and take special care of each other during the holidays, for the holidays are stressful, even when they are good.

Take control of your holiday experience. Sit down and ask yourself what YOU would like to get out your holiday. Do you want to get closer to nature? Then plan a hike, either alone or with a friend. Do you want to catch up on some reading? Schedule some time to do that. Would you like to re-connect with your religion? Churches, including

the Gay-friendly churches in town, are very welcoming this time of year. Do you need to catch up with old friends, or make a new start with your family? Think of what you really need for your own balancing and grounding, and give that to yourself as a Christmas gift.

If you attend family of origin gatherings, and your family is not accepting of your Gayness, there are ways to make it less agonizing. Arrange to have phone or in-person contact with a supportive friend before and after the family gathering. You can wear a Gay T-shirt under your outer shirt, or carry a rainbow keychain, or your boyfriend's picture in your pocket: anything to remind you of your Gay identity. Try not to overuse food, alcohol, or other drugs as ways to cope with sadness or nervousness or loneliness. If you attend heterosexual gatherings, you could balance these out by attending Gay gatherings as well. For example, if you go to church with your family on Christmas, you could also attend services at one of the Gay or Gay-friendly churches (for example, Metropolitan Community Church, Cornerstone Fellowship, St. Philip's Episcopal, St. Francis in the Foothills, all in the phone book). If you go to Christmas dinner with your blood family, also invite some queer friends over to your place afterwards. In other words, take as much power as you can over your holiday experience. Of course, for those of us who have completely accepting families, all this advice is moot, but most of us have to cope with some form of homophobia over the holidays.

Have a great holiday season with those you care about most! And whether Christmas is easy or hard for you, be proud of who you are.

[Robert Feldhaus, Ph.D. is a counselor and educator for the Gay community. If you'd like to talk to Robert, please call 623-1732 or email him at: bobby@azstarnet.com.]

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'Jenny Jones' Killer Sentenced To 25 - 50 Years

PONTIAC, MI (WS) - Jonathan Schmitz, who killed a Gay admirer, Scott Amedure, who had revealed his crush and hugged him during a taping of the "Jenny Jones Show" was sentenced to 25-50 years in prison.

Schmitz, 26, faced up to life in prison for the March 1995 shooting death of Amedure.

Judge Francis O'Brien also sentenced Schmitz to two additional years in prison for use of a firearm in the commission of a felony. The judge said he considered Schmitz's alcoholism, depression and a thyroid condition into account, but said, "You still have to be accountable to society." Schmitz will be eligible for parole in 20 years.

Defense attorney James Burdick said that Schmitz deserved the most lenient possible sentence "given all the circumstances in this case" and that and that

Schmitz had "revealed his extreme remorse and contrition."

In a rambling statement he was sentenced, Schmitz told the judge: "I'd like to say the word 'sorry.'" Expressing his remorse, Schmitz made an odd rhyming plea, "It is squeezing my heart, it has constriction on my soul. Set me free by taking it or leave me in this hole. . ."

His father, Allyn Schmitz, begged for leniency: "The show's Gay secret admirer threw my son into a pit of depression. My boy is not a danger to the public."

But the victim's mother, Patricia Graves, said Schmitz "deserves to pay for that for the rest of his life." Graves later told reporters through tears, "[Schmitz's] actions not only destroyed my family, but his own family. When I look at the defendant, I see a monster," she said.

Unsafe Sex Rampant In Miami, Report Warns

NEW YORK, NY (AP) - A new report shows unsafe sex and the risk of HIV transmission is rampant in the Miami resort of South Beach, a popular Gay male tourist destination.

The findings are based on surveys conducted by Dr. William Darrow and his research team and were released at the annual meeting of the American Public Health Association in New York.

Darrow says that the Gay men who vacation in South Beach are relatively affluent and have by now certainly been exposed to accurate information about the transmission of the disease.

Darrow told the APHA audience, "recent studies have shown that if you

provide Gay and Bisexual men with accurate information on safe sex and give them motivation they will protect themselves. That's not true in South Beach."

Darrow surveyed 87 Gay and Bisexual residents of South Beach between 18 and 29 years old and another 70 who were 30 and older. The infection rate among men age 30 and older in South Beach was two out of five. Nearly three-fourths of the South Beach men in both age groups had participated in unprotected anal sex in the last year, the survey found.

Gary Knight, who fights in the area to raise HIV awareness among the streaming patrons of the frenetic club and bar scene with literature and warnings, said, "After hearing the survey's numbers, I kind of felt like falling on my sword."

Gay Chorus

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cent gesture to let it be known that he acknowledged the presence of Gay and Lesbian people within the church community."

Shortly before the service, the all-male chorus filled into the cathedral and began performing a half-hour later from behind a sign that prominently displayed its name, said Bill Young, director of the 18-year-old chorus.

"The response was incredible," Young said of the thousands who attend the wake to view the archbishop's remains. "Many people looked at our sign, saw that we were a Gay chorus, and then sat down to hear us sing."

Rich Garcia, executive director of the Illinois Federation for Human Rights, said the performance of the Gay chorus, "sends a very strong message to Catholics and the city in particular that Gay people should participate in the church community and be treated with respect."

"The inclusion of a chorus for the Gay community demonstrates that Cardinal Bernardin was pastor of all," he added.

The popular Bernardin was known as a conciliator within the church. Throughout his 14-year leadership of the archdi-

ocese, he held an "interesting" track record on Gay issues, said Duddy.

"He's made very positive statements about the need for support for Gay and Lesbian youth," she said. But Bernardin and Dignity did not always get along.

Bernardin, for example, founded a "competing" ministry in the late 1980's after Dignity began vocalizing its belief that Gay people can be sexually active and live according to the church's values, said Duddy. According to Duddy, Bernardin's ministry was in keeping with the church's position on homosexuality which is that Gay people must remain celibate.

In all, however, the archbishop remained a vocal advocate for the respectful treatment of Gay people within the church, she said.

"The church hierarchy has really tried to draw a pretty tight circle on what's okay and not okay to do," Duddy said. "By giving the Windy City Chorus such a prominent role in his wake, Cardinal Bernardin was saying for the last time that we need to draw a wider circle."

[Wendy Johnson is a reporter for the Washington Blade, from which this article is reprinted.]

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by Anida Cowboy

First, I would like to extend a warm, fuzzy Happy Holidays to AGRA-Tucson membership and the Gay Country Western Tucson Community!

This past weekend was a landmark success for AGRA as myself and Addison went forth to seek positive energy and communication between both Tucson and Phoenix chapters. I would like to thank John King (Charlie's), Phoenix Board and General Membership for making the weekend one to remember. Memo: Find out the details at the general membership meeting at the Venture-N, Sunday, December 15 (This month Blanche!) Hello!

So on that note leads me to a list of events for the next few weeks:

Saturday, December 14 is the State Dinner in Phoenix. I do hope you all RSVP'ed! Please make note, bylaw changes were approved in Phoenix and you should be present to vote at the Tucson chapter meeting concerning bylaw changes, Sunday, December 15, (Work with me, Christmas Jamboree! Ya know, the Venture!) If you haven't received your copies from state, please call the AGRA Hotline.

Winterhaven Hayride is Saturday night, December 21. A pre and post party will be held at The Plug and I heard Santa's coming! Call now, we are limited to 100 butts on the parade of wagons, \$10 and all board members have 10 tickets each! (Hey, call a Board member near you!)

Did ya get your Christmas Card! If not, let us know. Last minute gifts call the hotline, 323-0805 for your entertainment books, there fabulous!

Nominations for Board positions will open in January, so start checking your list, and checking it twice and find out who's been naughty and nice. I wish all AGRA-Tucson the best of it all this holiday season and remember "Miracles Do Happen."

On a personal note: All I want for Christmas is 225 bottles of shampoo to assist the Desert Leatherman to supply 225 baskets to PWA's for the holidays! Lee at Hours is offering drink specials for shampoo all weekend. Thanks Lee, I just ask for one bottle but hey, it works, you're the best.

Well there you have it! Play safe and lets rodeo!

The Shanti Corner

While you are out and about at the local bars you may notice a few gift wrapped boxes. Shanti is placing these boxes in the bars to gather donations for special holiday boxes for people living with HIV/AIDS.

Our clients appreciate the extra items this time of year and you can help by donating any type of non-perishable food item - or you may want to donate things like soap, toothpaste, shaving materials or cleaning supplies. Thank you for your donations!

Shanti also has a holiday wish list itself. Our office is in need of a few important items.

- *Plain paper fax machine
- *Desk
- *Large filing cabinet
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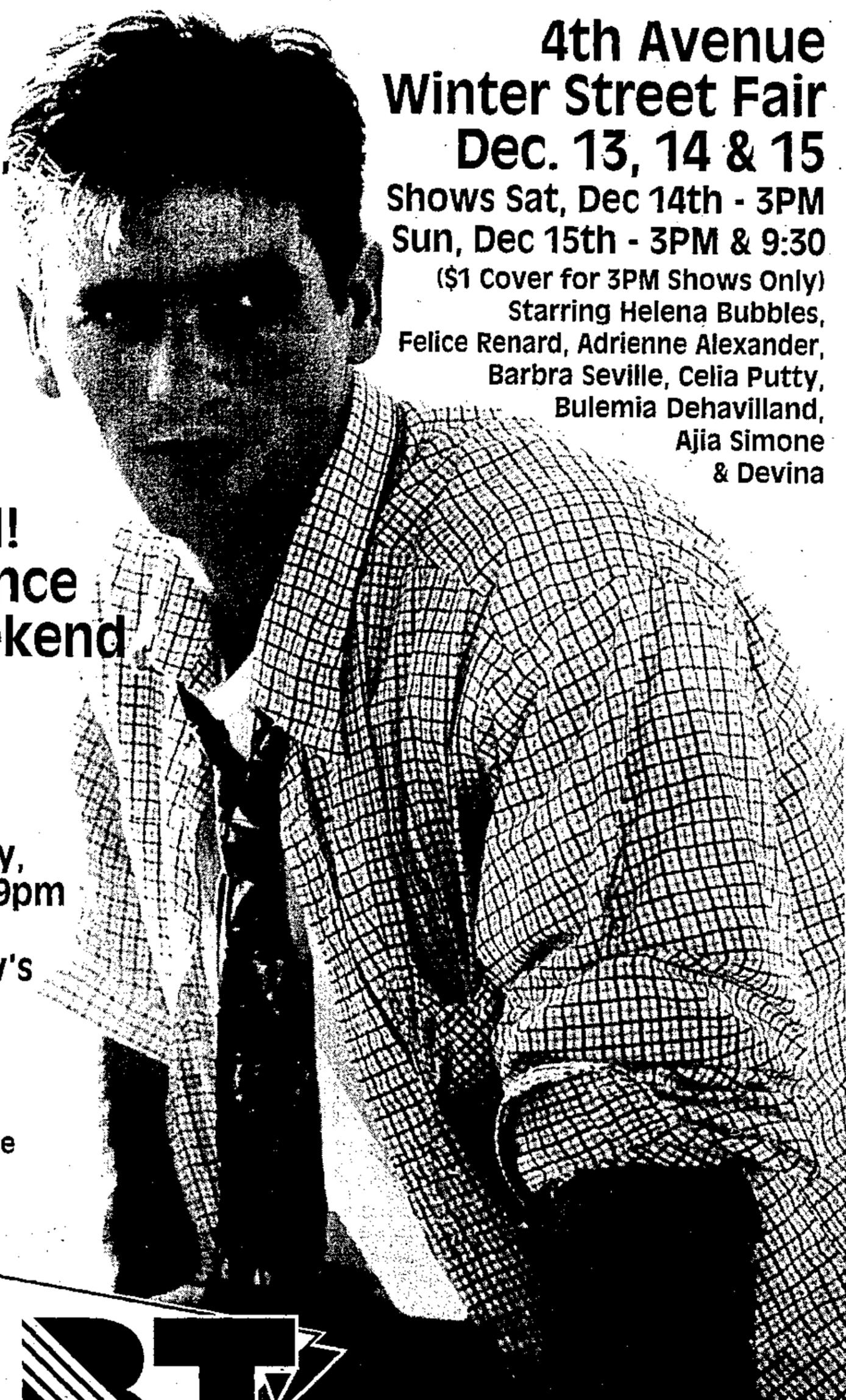
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Santa Claus has been sighted lurking around the Internet. Complete with email and everything!

In fact, there are several web pages which claim to have direct email connections to the man himself. I am a true believer. There are two spiritual entities in my life and Santa Claus (St. Nick) is one of them. The other is the Virgin de Guadalupe. I guess that's from growing up in the border region of this state. I am extremely happy to say that both of them have web sites.

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The Guadalupe one is out of Mexico and is in Spanish but the pictures are worth it even if you don't know the language. Santa has sites in several languages being the worldly fellow he is. Get out there and do some searches on "Christmas," "Santa Claus," "Guadalupe" and see what neat things you'll find. It's a fun way to entertain visiting rug-rats and grownups under the influence of holiday cheer.

As for Christmas gifts . . . this year I bet my pony on Web TV. It's really happening! All those folks who have been missing out because they (1) Don't like computers (2) Can't afford a computer (3) Watch TV all the time . . . they now can plant a little box on their trusty television set, plug in a phone-line and surf the web with their remote! Hon-

Several companies have come out with this product "in time for Christmas" and it will change the world. All of us who have struggled to figure out the best way to market our wares online will really see a change as the folks who buy from the Home Shopping Networks can order off the Internet with the same ease. For the information junkies, it is a way to traverse the great beyond and give information to a whole new group of folks. Web TV is an actual brand, Pippin is another . . . there's even a plug-in unit to add to the kids game machines which transforms it into a surfing madhouse for the wild bunch. All this costs between \$250 and \$400.

It's faster than my computer, doesn't require typing in those long Web addresses, doesn't even pretend to do word processing or family finances . . . it's just for surfing!

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 by Rev. Andrew Brooks

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Unfortunately, prostate troubles can flare up, including prostatitis, a swelling up of the prostate. It can cause a feeling like a full balloon up the anus, difficult and frequent urination and unwanted sexual arousal. A sensitive doctor must be told you are Gay when these symptoms occur, as the can be aggravated by anal sex.

There are some powerful and proven remedies to help these problems, and from my own personal experience, they do work!

Saw Palmetto is excellent, as is grape seed extract, sometimes sold as pycnogenol. Also often combined in men's herbal formulas, available locally at the Drug Emporium and Smith's, are herbs like Sarsaparilla and Damiana. These are healing, toning herbs.

Some formulas will have more ingredients than others. The one I took, purchased at the Drug Emporium, was a lovely formula. Damiana, reputed to be an herbal aphrodisiac, tones the male system, improving sexual functioning, and can increase the sex drive if it is too low. Sometimes we also find pine bark mixed in with male formulas, such as the grape seed combination.

Pine bark is derived from the bark of a type of pine tree, and has excellent healing powers for a number of ailments. The nice thing about herbs is that most gradually and gently, to improve health. Older men would be wise to supplement their health regimen with herbs to help improve the prostate.

As-always, I am happy to discuss these and other health issues. Your calls help me decide what to write about next. Until next time, "Go in Good Health!"

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Columna Abierta.

by Dr. Eleazar García

¿Cómo la está pasando apreciable lector?, espero que ya esté listo para las fiestas de Navidad y del Año Nuevo; y sobre todo le recuerdo que hay que ser moderados al momento de celebrar, sobre todo si acompaña bebidas alcohólicas dentro de estas fiestas donde hay ciertos "pretextos" para brindar, que desde luego no es malo si se hace con moderación y respeto... Y desde hoy le deseo felicidades y mucho amor durante la Navidad y que perdure en el '97.

Se le recuerda que el libro del señor Guillermo Núñez Noriega; "Sexo entre varones", poder y resistencia en el campo sexual, se agotó en su primera edición, pero será publicado por la UNAM y el Colegio de Sonora para mediados del año entrante. Esta obra es un trabajo realizado como tesis para la licenciatura del señor Núñez Noriega durante la maestría de humanidades en la Universidad Estatal de Arizona (ASU), donde trabajó con el Dr. David W. Foster quién es uno de los investigadores más importantes sobre temas gay/lésbicos en la literatura Latinoamericana. El libro fue presentado por Carlos Monsiváis y fue producido de una investigación etnográfica en la ciudad capital de Hermosillo Sonora. Usted puede solicitar la mencionada obra en la biblioteca central de la Universidad de Arizona o puede obtenerlo en el Colegio de Sonora en Hermosillo Sonora; no deje de leer éste trabajo y le invito a que me de sus comentarios...

El Tucson Aids Project (TAP), SHANTI Y PACT estará celebrando su convivio de Navidad el día 17 de diciembre de las 5:00 p.m. a las 7:00 p.m. en el local del Old Pueblo Club y la invitación es para clientes y amigos de éstas tres organizaciones; si necesita más información al respecto, por favor comunicarse con Marco Martínez al 322-6226...

El pasado sábado 7 del mes en curso, se me dió la oportunidad de ir a Agua Prieta, Sonora a colaborar con el CBET'S 81 de aquella ciudad, en un taller sobre salud en el adolescente, donde me dió mucho gusto y placer saludar viejos amigos y camaradas que sin sentir el paso del tiempo son padres de algunos de los estudiantes que acuden a dicho plantel educativo; y dentro de otras cosas, como resultado del mencionado taller vino a causar cierta polémica; como es usual, el tema sobre la homosexualidad y específicamente que si es cuestión genética o de elección personal?. Tema del que quiero escribir a continuación... Casi todos nos identificamos sensiblemente con la palabra tolerancia cuando se habla de razas, etnias, pobreza... Pero, ¿somos realmente tolerantes? Aceptamos de forma natural muchas de las diferencias evidentes entre la gran diversidad de seres humanos (rasgos, creencias religiosas...), pero allí quedan olvidadas las otras grandes distinciones sociales que no pueden fotografiarse porque se llevan dentro o porque la sociedad siempre se ha encargado de esconderlas. La libre elección sexual, o en el caso más polémico, la homosexualidad, es una de ellas. La cuestión que se aborda aquí se la han preguntado cristianos y paganos durante años, pero se sigue sin disponer de una base científica (y queda por discutir si es necesaria), para su resolución. Esta diversidad de gustos se fundamenta en algunos casos en la posibilidad de que todos tengamos una base sexual más ambigua, y que dependa de la predisposición ambiental (social,

educativa) el que se decante hacia una relación convencional entre hombre-mujer o que la curiosidad por lo desconocido o incluso una amistad mal (o bien) interpretada nos adentre en una relación íntima con alguien del mismo sexo. Ya durante la Roma Imperial, Adriano relata en sus memorias la relación íntima con su pupilo Antínoo como algo natural y de lo que se siente orgulloso en todo momento. Otro factor sería la necesidad humana de buscar una relación sexual plena (aunque en ocasiones sea sólo sensual), que por mala suerte o por no darle tiempo al tiempo no se ha descubierto todavía con el sexo contrario. Esto explicaría de alguna manera la casualidad de que tantos famosos de Hollywood (hombres y mujeres) hayan desvelado una tendencia homosexual después de cientos de relaciones insatisfactorias, aburridas o de fracasos matrimoniales. Por otro lado, el neurobiólogo estadounidense Dr. Simon Levay rechaza la idea de esta bisexualidad humana y afirma que la causa es sólo física y claramente relaciona con la estructura del hipotálamo, donde se sitúa la glándula hipófisis que regula la conducta sexual y las sensaciones como el hambre y la sed. El Dr. Dean Hammer, científico, ha centrado sus estudios en el origen genético de esta elección sexual, a pesar de que él mismo afirma no creer en la existencia de un "gen de la homosexualidad". Con esta afirmación contradictoria, las razones de esta búsqueda no quedan claras; quizá son simplemente las ansias de conocer más y más, o una necesidad personal de reconocimiento científico... Lo que es peligroso es que si se descubre un gen que determine los gustos sexuales entre hombres y mujeres, se exploren sus características en el feto para saber la futura tendencia sexual del niño. La consecuencia social plantea cuestiones éticas, y podría tratarse como si fuera una enfermedad congénita. Parece más realista y humana la idea de que la homosexualidad no es ninguna anomalía ni, menos aún, una minusvalía. ¿Cuál es su opinión estimado lector?.

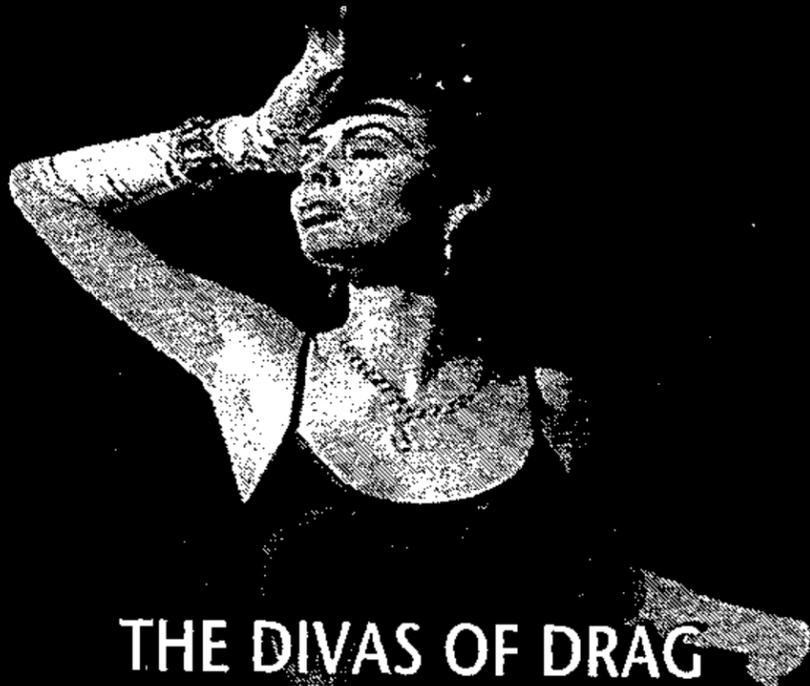
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DEAR EDITOR:
 We would like to give a big thank you to everyone that helped make the Fourth Gaylywed Game a huge success.

The couple that raised the most money was Aviva & Jeff, followed by Dave & Frank, Rick & Frank and Jim & John. Jim & John won first place in point score.

All four couples did an outstanding job in raising money for Shanti as well as insuring the night was a lot of fun for everyone there.

Gilda did a great job hosting the show as well as coming up with the questions that put the couples in battle. Helena Bubbles did a really good job co-hosting.

We would also like to extend a special thanks to you, the community for being there and your ongoing support. A total of \$3,042 was raised that evening. Added to the previous three Gaylywed Games, \$9,245 has been donated to help people in need. We thank you all!

Steve & Roland

[The following letter came from the Observer online, from our feedback form.]

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UPDATE

Gay Game Programmer Fired For Altering Software Program

SAN FRANCISCO, CA - A Gay programmer who worked on a computer game featuring plenty of female "bimbo" characters snuck in a few male "studs" without his boss's knowledge. He was fired for his initiative.

Jacques Sevrin, worked at Maxis Inc., which also produces the popular SimCity 2000 game. He slipped the unauthorized images into the new action game, SimCopter, in which players fly rescue missions through a complex 3-D city peopled with tiny characters.

"The artist that was working on it make them these standard female computer-game bimbo, really skimpy shorts, big breasts - what you'd expect," Sevrin said.

The male figures were all "really dumpy, little squat middle-aged types," he said, so he threw in some hunks in swim suits.

The game was released on November 20 and 50,000 copies were shipped before the company discovered the additions. Sevrin was fired the next day for "adding the unauthorized content," said company spokesman Patrick Buechner.

The popular SimCity games aren't about sex or violence, but about creating, Buechner said.

Sevrin disagreed, saying images of scantily clad women are considered just part of the background and therefore not objectionable, but hunky men are.

"There's nothing overtly sexual or obscene about them," Sevrin said of his additions. "These boys in swim trunks just walk around - very rarely, I might add - except on certain days of the year." Those dates include Friday the 13th and Sevrin's birthday, September 30, as well as August 22, his ex-boyfriend's birthday.

"On those days, all kinds of things happen. There will be boys kissing, there will be a greater number of bimbos, there will be Elvis impersonators. It's really hilarious," he said.

Maxis was not amused.

Buechner said the company was working on a "patch" that would remove Sevrin's hunks from the game's background. He said Maxis hoped to have the patch available on the company's Web site by next week.

"People can also call our customer support and we'll mail them a disk with the patch on it," Buechner said from Maxis' offices in Walnut Creek.

Hidden jokes are so common in computer programs that they have a name, Easter eggs. Computer game players prize them and tell each other how to find them on Internet discussion groups.

But Sevrin's additions went completely by even hard-core devotees of the game, such as 12th grader, Matt Barbato, who maintains a SimCopter fan page, said WiredNews, an online news service that first reported Sevrin's firing.

Prime Time TVs 'ER' To Focus On HIV+ Health Care Worker

SAN FRANCISCO, CA - In the midst of continuing controversy surrounding health care workers infected with HIV, NBC's ER will focus major attention on the issue in two upcoming programs, December 12-19.

This year, the top-rated show became the first TV program with a regularly featured major character who is an HIV-positive health care worker. The show's writers developed this story-line through consultation with the Gay and Lesbian Medical Association (GLMA), which runs the Medical Expertise Retention Program, the only national resource for HIV-positive health care providers.

GLMA will be available to provide background information and expertise to journalists, health professionals and others who wish to learn more about the issues affecting infected health care providers.

ER drew on GLMA's expertise by flying Executive Director Benjamin Schatz, JD, to Los Angeles to meet with ER writers and producers. Schatz says he was impressed with how seriously they took the subject and with how well they listened to the stories he shared about HIV-positive health care workers. ER Co-producer Neal Baer, MD, later wrote to Schatz, "I know that your experiences and anecdotes changed some minds that day about how to write fairly and honestly about HIV-positive health care workers."

ly formulated national policy, HIV-positive health care workers continue to face the threat of public condemnation, job loss, debilitating litigation, and professional and public ostracism," says Schatz.

In the show, the writers use the character of Jeanie Boulet, an infected physician's assistant (played by Gloria Reuben), to illustrate the myriad ways in which HIV is handled in the hospital setting, how a health professional might cope with this diagnosis, and how others react to an HIV-positive medical colleague.

GLMA President Jocelyn White, MD, adds that, "GLMA is eager to see this issue addressed in the media in a responsible and compassionate manner. We commend ER for bring attention to the issue of HIV-positive health care workers and for their sensitive and informed portrayal of Jeanie who, like many HIV-positive people, has remained healthy to date."



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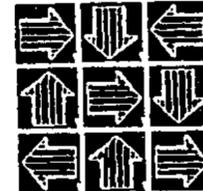
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Venturing Out by Sasha Alyson

The Year's Top Travel Destinations

What were the most popular gay travel destinations of 1996? We recently posed that question to thirty travel agents who belong to the International Gay Travel Association.

In the mainland U.S., Miami and Key West continued to be meccas for both Gay men and women. Further up the coast, Provincetown once again saw record crowds. Memorial Day weekend in P-Town and the women's week in October have become especially popular with Lesbian visitors. Out west, Palm Springs and San Francisco maintain their popularity.

Overseas destinations in the top ten included Australia, where Mardi Gras in Sydney has become the world's largest Gay party. Many agents cited Mardi Gras as the perfect escape for Gay Americans. Said one, "It offers a warm weather winter escape in a friendly, Westernized country with no language barriers, great restaurants, and decent hotels. It also has some of the best-looking men on the planet!"

Hawaii also placed high on the list. One agent noted that her male clients usually head for the beaches and nightlife of Honolulu, whereas her female customers travel to less-crowded islands for hiking, cycling, and camping. Gay travel to the islands can be expected to skyrocket in 1997 if the Hawaii Supreme Court upholds the Gay marriage initiative.

London maintained its popularity with Gay theater-goers, museum aficionados, Anglophiles, and first-time international travelers. Across the Channel, France was the favorite spot in continental Europe.

The biggest surprise of the survey was the popularity of Puerto Vallarta, which seems poised to become the next Gay hot spot.

"Puerto Vallarta has become my number one destination for Gay travelers," said Jeff Binninger of All Points Travel in Chicago. "I've sent hordes of people there who love it. It's close to the U.S., Gay friendly, has a Gay beach, good shopping, and several bars, clubs, and B&Bs. It's also a very cost-effective vacation."

Steve Gleba, of Travel Now in Philadelphia concurs. "In the off-season, I've sent people to Puerto Vallarta for an entire week for \$800, including air."

Internationally, Asia and South America received few mentions, while Africa seems to be attracting more Gay tourists, especially for safaris in Kenya and Tanzania.

"Africa will definitely grow as a destination for us in 1997," said Wendy Simon of Pacific Harbor Travel in Santa Cruz, California. "Our women customers have really enjoyed the safaris they've gone on in Kenya."

South Africa was also named by a number of agents as a potential future draw, based on its combination of game parks, beaches, tourist facilities, and Gay social opportunities. South Africa was the first country to have a clause in its constitution banning discrimination based on sexual orientation, a point emphasized by All Points's Binninger.

"I think that pleases many Gay travelers," he says. "Calls are coming in,

and the country has gotten some good press, so it'll be a popular destination in the future."

In the South Pacific, Fiji was the growing new location, primarily due to the Gay Man Friday resort and reasonable airfares from the U.S. West Coast.

Destinations cited as more popular with women than men include New Mexico and Arizona, Palm Springs during the Dinah Shore Golf Tournament, and Hawaii.

After a few years of controversy, Costa Rica is returning to favor. The Central American country is noted for its eco-tours and outdoor activities such as rafting, hiking, climbing, and just lying on the beach. It is also more Gay-friendly than most of its neighbors.

Although Amsterdam has always been a top choice of Gay travelers, the city will boom in the next year and a half, as it prepares to host the 1998 Gay Games, the first held outside of North America.

Asked which destinations have leveled off or become less popular in recent years, the Caribbean was mentioned most frequently. With the exception of Puerto Rico, many agents described the Caribbean as a less-than-welcoming destination for Gay visitors.

Although this September's Twelve Gods Party in Mykonos attracted some new Gay traffic, other travelers to Greece have been discouraged by high airfares, long travel times, and rising prices. Also suffering a decline is Rio, where the high crime rate and stiff competition from the Sydney Mardi Gras have conspired to make Carnival less popular than in the past.

To wrap-up, the most popular Gay travel destinations for 1996, according to agents we polled, were (in alphabetical order): Australia, France, Hawaii, Key West, London, Miami, Palm Springs, Provincetown, Puerto Vallarta, and San Francisco.

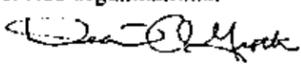
According to these agents, locations that should see significant numbers of new Gay tourists in 1997 include Amsterdam, Fiji, Hawaii, Italy, Prague, Puerto Vallarta and South Africa.

Send questions or comments about Gay travel to Sasha Alyson, Alyson Adventures, P.O. Box 180179, Boston, MA 02118.



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NEWS FROM P.A.C.T.

by Frank E.G. Gallego

The Eighth Annual Jerome Beilard Festival For LIFE held last Sunday was a grand success. Many thanks are extended to everyone who attended and everyone who helped with this event. . . .

Please note PACT's new business hours: Monday, Wednesday, Friday - 8:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M.; Tuesdays - 8:00 A.M. to 7:00 P.M.; Thursdays - 12 noon to 8:00 P.M. For additional information call 770-1710. . . .

The final installment of The Portland Project of The Portland Project and The Tucson Men's Study: The Future.

Study coordinators will continue to extract information gathered over the last five years from surveys distributed among Gay and Bisexual men in the two cities.

This wealth of information will help to better understand the makeup of the Gay communities in each city and needs with respect to HIV. This will also shed light on the needs of Gay communities in other American cities. It is expected that papers will continue to be written and published based on these data set for many years to come. Survey participants' responses have greatly helped uncover new lessons about how to keep Gay/Bisexual men safe and healthy.

Many individuals, including Ron Stall, Jay Paul, Rafael Diaz and Samuel Jinich have been working with others in putting together a nationwide survey of Gay men which will begin this Fall, funded by the National Institute of Mental Health. This survey, called the Gay Urban Men's Study, will be the largest study conducted to date of Gay and Bisexual men in the United States. A total of 5,500 telephone interviews with Gay and Bisexual men will be conducted in ten cities across the U.S.

Questions will cover sexual behavior, safer sex practices, patterns of HIV testing, and access to health care. This study will also focus on participants' overall mental health, levels of substance use and abuse, experiences of AIDS related loss and caregiving, family background, sexual development, the process of "coming out" and experiences with anti-Gay discrimination and violence.

Survey coordinators wish to thank all respondents, the staff and volunteers at CAP in Portland and PACT in Tucson. For additional information or questions about the study may be directed to Ron Stall, (415) 597-9155.

I leave you with this in mind, "What good is love without understanding?" - Julie Anne Bovasso

A View From The Rock

A Commentary From Cornerstone Fellowship

"I can't be out of money! I still have some checks in my checkbook!" That joke from a few years back has a modern counterpart: "I can't be out of money! My debit card is still being accepted at all the stores!" These days, with the acceptance of debit cards at almost every retail business, it is very easy to quickly spend much more than was intended. At least when something is paid for by check, it is necessary to expend a little energy writing the check, which helps a person have some idea of just how much money has been spent. With the use of a debit card, all a person has to do is sign the debit slip, very often without consciously looking to see what the total bill is. And the Christmas season, with its constant emphasis on spend, spend, spend, encourages overspending.

We all acknowledge that there is a limit to our monetary resources. We probably all try to stay within those limits, even if we don't always succeed. How thankful we should be, however, that there is no limit to God's resources! Christmas is the time when we remember Jesus coming to earth as a tiny, helpless baby. But we must never forget the reason he came. He came, not just to live a sinless life, but to die for the sins of all humanity, so that we could be provided with the most important thing any of us need, forgiveness. God's forgiveness is always available to those who ask for it. It isn't like our checking accounts, where there is a limited amount going in, so there can be only a limited amount spent! No, God's resource of forgiveness is always available to anyone who seeks it. Psalm 86:5 reminds us, "For thou, Lord, are good, and ready to forgive . . ." To me this is a picture not

of forgiveness grudgingly given, but of someone in eager anticipation waiting to be given the opportunity to forgive!

Have you made use of God's unlimited resource of forgiveness? The first way we receive God's forgiveness is by acknowledging the truth that we are not perfect, that we can never be perfect no matter how hard we try or how many things we do to try to achieve that goal. In God's eyes, not being perfect is called "sin," and nothing which has sin can dwell within him. Once we have recognized the truth of our own sin, we admit that truth to God and ask Jesus to become our savior. Does this mean that we never have to use God's forgiveness again? Or, to put the question a different way, once a person becomes a Christian, does that person ever sin again? The book of I John, written to Christians, has the answer. "If we claim to be without sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us." (1) (1:9) Yes, Christians need to avail themselves of God's forgiveness on a daily basis! I John goes on to say, "If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just and will forgive our sins . . ." (1:10) Once again, we have the promise that God's resource of forgiveness is always available. Any time we realize that we have sinned and need forgiveness, we can use the "debit card" issue to us when we accepted Jesus as savior and receive God's forgiveness.

As I go about Christmas shopping this year, I am going to make a determined effort not to spend beyond my monetary resources. But more importantly, I intend to utilize God's unlimited resource of forgiveness as often as I/we need it! How about you?

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HOROSCOPES

BY C. LICHTENSTEIN

The stars send us an early holiday gift. This week expansive Jupiter tickles zesty Mars and delightful Venus. Our ardor could net us big dividends if we play the market correctly. Frankly friends, I've always found it preferable to buy low and sell high.

ARIES

MARCH 21 - APRIL 20

Queer Rams find that the beneficial aspects between Jupiter, Venus and Mars can launch a career into the stratosphere. If you've been putting in the time and effort into your professional dream, be prepared to have that dream come true. Of course this transit can also mean that a honed bod can catch the eye of the boss as easily as a honed mind. What type of retirement plan did you have in mind?

TAURUS

APRIL 21 - MAY 21

If you hanker to express yourself creatively, I suggest you dive into it now in a wild artistic frenzy. What delightful pastimes can lead you to new, exotic and possibly international adventures? I don't know but you may want to ask Jupiter, Venus and Mars who are, even now, buying your ticket. It could be a trip to the moon on gossamer wings (and ain't it always just one of those things?)

GEMINI

MAY 22 - JUNE 21

Proud Twins may yearn to feather their nest as Jupiter, Mars and Venus kiss their personal life. Home, work and deep interpersonal interactions blend to a melodious harmony. Belt it Out baby and tend to any irritative issues in these areas now when your charm alone seems to quell restive waters. If you are not proudly out to your parents, this is a good time to open up that closet!

CANCER

JUNE 22 - JULY 23

Queer Crabs wax eloquent when Jupiter, Venus and Mars buddy up this week. Any one to one relationship, either for business or pleasure, reaps the benefit of your astute insights. But honey, words alone won't get the job done. It's also time to roll up your sleeves and get physical. Happily, all efforts go to a good cause (your happiness), so get off your duff and get a little dirty.

LEO

JULY 24 - AUGUST 23

Extravagant Gay Lions will either break the bank or have it crash on their paws. What matter these wounds? Jupiter, Mars and Venus have a way of making your life a little easier not matter how irresponsibly you behave. Family relationships go a bit more smoothly now and even the day-to-day job gives you the recognition and payback you deserve. So what type of reward do you actually deserve?

VIRGO

AUGUST 24 - SEPTEMBER 23

Stand back world, proud Virgins are divas for a day! Mars, Venus and Jupiter form an unbeatable triumvirate which grants you unparalleled popularity and charm. Milk it for what it's worth dear, queer Virgo and cram that foot into the slipper if you can. This fabulousness will fade with the dawn and you'll be back to tending the pumpkin patch in your rags before you can bat an eye.

LIBRA

SEPTEMBER 24 - OCTOBER 23

It takes more than pure moxie to make the world a little louder and prouder, queer Libra. The Jupiter, Mars and Venus partnership enhances your ability to make good deeds pay off figuratively and literally, so put your money where your mouth is or seek contributions to our cause.

Harmony even reigns at home. Does this mean that you have reconciled with your family?

SCORPIO

OCTOBER 24 - NOVEMBER 22

Resolve any disputes you have with friends or social acquaintances during the Jupiter, Venus and Mars transit. You can turn even your most underhanded, specious motives into something unequivocally divine. In fact, you won't settle for less than mutual honesty and harmony, even if you have to discuss it to the "nth" degree. Is this the Gay Machiavelli we have all come to know?

SAGITTARIUS

NOVEMBER 23 - DECEMBER 22

Even if the career has been getting you down, proud Sags can professionally rise and rejoice with the Jupiter, Venus and Mars aspect. Hidden enemies are flushed out, efforts are recognized and value by those in authority and you may get a little extra dough for your sweat. Not bad!

CAPRICORN

DECEMBER 23 - JANUARY 20

Gay Goats take the legal profession by storm with the Jupiter, Venus and Mars transit. Disputes can be resolved to your benefit as you win friends and influence people to act on your behalf. Even the most afflicted Caps make spectacular first impressions. Dress the part and take it to the stage. It's an excellent time to plan (and execute) the perfect vacation. Do I see Key West on the itinerary?

AQUARIUS

JANUARY 21 - FEBRUARY 19

Aqueerians rev up their internal resources to achieve personal harmony and professional stability. Volunteer for a good Gay cause and see how much you can achieve for the benefit of our community. Jupiter, Venus and Mars form an unbeatable offensive line that is poised to score (and since

PISCES

FEBRUARY 20 - MARCH 20

Partnerships find a way of bridging your more global ideas with the concerns of local social groups and organizations. Seek advice and guidance. Queer Fish should use the Jupiter, Venus and Mars transit to harness various commitments and adapt them to bona-fide Gay concerns. Also use this time to improve relationships or seek one that is right for you. The planets don't lie.

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POLITICS 1996

By MARK R. KORN

"Bingo-Board Orgasms Just Don't Give Relief!"

Aloha-I do! Not quite yet! Let the court battle begin!

One day after making his historic decision to allow same-sex marriages in Hawaii, Circuit Judge Kevin Chang has granted a stay on his ruling. [See an accompanying story.]

As expected, the state of Hawaii appealed the ruling and requested an injunction to prevent same-sex couples from obtaining marriage licenses for now. According to Deputy Attorney General, Rick Eichor, "If thousands of same-sex couples get married, the state Supreme Court won't hear the case." Now there's a thought!

With the state appealing the case, the injunction in place, guess where the case now goes to? If you said the Hawaii Supreme Court, you've been playing the home version of the game! It was the state Supreme Court who started all this!

Back in 1993, the case of the three Gay and Lesbians couples was before the state Supreme Court. The Court ruled that denial of marriage to same-sex couples amounted to gender discrimination under the state constitution's Equal Rights Amendment. Hey, precedent! Advantage to us! . . .

If the Hawaii Supreme Court upholds same-sex marriage, the Bay State would recognize the marriages. What? . . .

Yes, Massachusetts would! "The state would recognize those bonds as legal and that the state would grant Gay and Lesbian couples all the benefits and burdens of marriage afforded under state law," according to Gov. William Weld, who said this during an interview with a local paper. Wow!

In that same interview, Gov. Weld said; the Defense of Marriage Act is clearly unconstitutional and that his obligation as governor is to "uphold the spirit and letter of the U.S. Constitution, not to adhere to the will of Congress." You go! First Hawaii, next Massachusetts, would California be next? Well? . . .

It seems a temper-tantrum can take you places legally in California.

Former Member of Congress, Rep. B-1 Bob Dornan, R-Loserville, as reported, without a shred of evidence filed for a recount in his race with Congresswoman-elect Loretta Sanchez. According to the Orange County Registrar's office, the recount started this week and is expected to uphold the 984-vote victory for Sanchez. Oh Bob, you lost, lost, lost! . . .

The presidential campaign for 2000 started last week in the new bastion of Democratic strength, Pima County in Arizona. Huh!

Vice President Al Gore was in Tucson to speak before a meeting of various State Democratic Chairs. With chants of "Gore in 2000," the vice-president delivered his thanks to Pima County Democrats who put Arizona in the Democratic column, the first time since 1948. "He likes you! He really likes you!" That Sally Field reference yet again, cripes!

Gore also talked about famous Vice Presidents and their reelections. Reaction to the address was positive. Those present were impressed with the Vice President, but were surprised about one aspect about Gore, his height. Some commented that the Vice President seemed shorter in person.

It said that television adds weight to a person, but adds height as well? You learn something new every day! . . .

Despite filing for bankruptcy and twenty-three indictments, you can still get to an ATM, located all over Arizona! Wasn't that a commercial for Southwest Savings?

Our "hero," the severely indicted and financial bankrupt, as well as politically, J. Fife Whitewash, R-Leavenworth, got his hands on some moolah and donated to three campaigns.

According to the finance reports, the Gov gave \$2,500 to his feel-good juvenile justice reform farce, Proposition 102. Whitewash also gave \$150 to incumbent Member of Congress and blowhard, Rep. J.D. Hayworth., R-Rinky Dink. The Fifester gave \$50 to Republican State House candidate, Jerry Harris, who tried to knock off the head of the "Sue Nation," St. Rep. Susan Gerard, R-Phoenix. . . .

In the state capital this past week, the democratic process took place, much to the embarrassment of some elected officials.

The severely indicted Gov., J. Fife Whitewash III, R-Florence, signed all five ballot propositions approved by the voters in the November general election. One of the five was Proposition 200; the Drug Medicalization Act.

I just bet our "esteemed" Senator Jon Kyl, R-Dictatorville, got his bloomers in a wedgie over that, which "deceived the voters," according to Kyl. Get her! . . .

Last week the question was posed, "Will we be able to 'dim all the lights' as we used to 'reach out and touch someone?'" Not according to Chuckie Bayless, Tucson Electric Power's (TEP) head honcho.

Bayless, at the ACC electric companies deregulation hearings held in the Old Pueblo said TEP would formally appeal the Corporation Commission proposals for deregulation. This means another two year delay, and with the GOP taking control of the Board, remember:

"A kiss on the hand is quite continental. But profits are a girl's best friend!" . . .

Lastly, another lesson on not putting your money where you mouth is. Campaign finance reports for Pima County elections were due this past week and a fund raising record was set for a candidate, who lost. The candidate was the developer's Diva, "Miss Vicki" Cox-Golder, Republican candidate for the Pima County Board of Soups from District 3.

"Miss Vicki" raised more than \$231,000. Of which, \$153,000 came

from fund raising efforts from her campaign. The state Republican Party pumped in \$65,550 as an independent committee. Finance reform, we don't need no stinking finance reform! Realtors dumped in \$13,503 as yet another independent committee.

The result, "Miss Vicki" received a paltry 32 percent of the votes cast. She was trounced by the Democratic candidate, Sharon Bronson, who garnered 52 percent of the vote. Incumbent Supe, "Mr. Ed" Moore (f) received a paltry 16 percent. Money just doesn't make the world go around like it used to! . . .

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[Remember that alcohol can affect your judgement, mood, behavior, thinking, and ability to drive before your BAC reaches 0.10%.]

The second way you can be guilty of DUI is to be under the influence of any intoxicating liquor and "impaired to the slightest degree." This means that you do not have to have a BAC of 0.10% or more to be found guilty of DUI in Arizona.

Consequently, if your BAC is measured at 0.10% or greater, you will probably receive two separate DUI citations, one for having a BAC greater than 0.10% and another for being impaired to the slightest degree.

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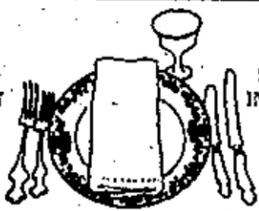
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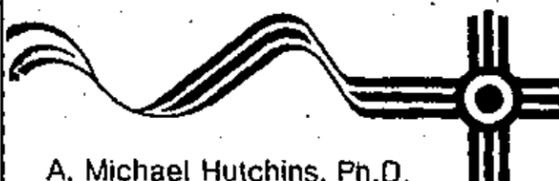


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Dear Doctor X,

I like to go home with couples. I seldom go home with a single guy. My friends say that I am afraid of intimacy. They also say that I am a home wrecker. I don't know if they are right or not, what do you think?

Signed, Double Dater

Dear DD,

The issue here is not what your friends think. What do you think? Are you a home wrecker; have you literally destroyed relationships by going home with couples? I doubt it. If by chance a couple split after having sex with you I would say the symptoms for break-up were there before you arrived. If one of the people left the other to be with you, then you have to consider your part. There are many couples that take home a third person; I don't think this is unhealthy if they have ground rules. As for intimacy, let me say that you are entitled to be afraid of it; most of us are. Relationships are scary. Maybe you just don't want to be coupled right now in this part of your life. It is also possible that you like all the attention that comes with being the guest in a couples bed. I know when I have been in this scenario in the past it was exciting and erotic, not to mention fulfilling, hot and full of variety. Ask yourself the questions you asked me and really try to feel the truth deep inside. If your friends are off base and you are okay with the situation than tell them thanks for the concern and move on!

Dr. X,

I am only seventeen and I am slipping into the bars. I have a fake ID and I have been to two bars in the last month. I get nervous that I will be found out. I want to be with Gay men. I am very horny and I like to seduce older guys between twenty-five and forty. They go for me because I look so young. The sex is so much hotter with adult men. What should I do?

Signed, Minorly Concerned

Dear MC,

I am very concerned that you are in a high risk place. If you are under the legal age to be in a Gay bar then you risk getting arrested. You also risk having the bar shut down by the city. The fake ID is not a very responsible thing to have. I have many liberal ideas and think it is okay to bend rules when it is harmless but you are putting many people in jeopardy. If you are sleeping with men over eighteen and more like twenty-five to forty, you put them at risk of being arrested for having sex with a minor. You may think that your actions are basically harmless, but you are putting many people in a place of unknowingly breaking laws that could get them fined or imprisoned. How would you feel if you were thirty and a cute young guy seduced you and you ended up

doing time? HELLO! I know you are anxious to get out with the legal adults but if you are seventeen you have to wait a few more years. The Line is your main alternative right now for clubs and that may feel limiting. Please call my friend Arthur at the Gay Young Men's Project (known as the GYM project) at 322-6226. He can get you connected with other guys your age and help you build a safer social environment. Please keep in mind that you may get in over your head with older guys. They may seem like putty in your hand but you may end up in a dangerous situation. Good luck and be patient.

Doctor X,

Since last year this time I have been sick a lot. I do not have HIV/AIDS but I am a sickly kind of guy. I have lost weight and I am constantly being bugged by my friends about their concern that I do have HIV. When I go out I think that other people may be judging me the same way. What can I do?

Signed, Jim

Dear Jim,

I hope this problem will resolve itself as you get well. If you have been ill for a year I would recommend that you seek a thorough consultation from a qualified physician. I would also suggest that you have a visit with a counselor. It is not good to be sick constantly. Are you really making the effort to take care of yourself? Is your stress or work level exhausting you? Are you unhappy in your life and sabotaging your health? If you just have a crummy immune system and this is you life then you will have to learn to ignore the looks or criticism. I think that you also bring home a very real problem in the community. Why do we label people with AIDS if they are less than peachy and strong in appearance? We have become so used to watching people die from AIDS that we just slap a death certificate on anyone who looks a little thin or pale. We forget that people get flues and colds, or lose weight from stress, or lose their hair prematurely for hereditary reasons, or are just thin because of their metabolism. We see sickness and we think death. I would have to meet you to get a real perspective on how ill you look. Maybe you could use some help. But if you are working hard at it then just give it some time and ask your friends to help instead of criticize. For the community at large, the message is simple; think about your judgments of any kind and try to be a little more compassionate. Everyone is different, both physically and mentally but we all have gifts to bring to the table. Keep this in mind over the upcoming Holidays! Until next week, LATER!

Dr. X is an advice column from the Gay Men's Health Project. To ask Dr. X, FAX questions and comments to 622-1554.

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Lisa Thiel will be appearing at Girlfriends Coffee House and Bookstore on Sunday, December 15, for a "Sunday Afternoon Delight" at 4 P.M.

Originally a Holistic Healing professional, Lisa began creating her music as an expression of her process of personal growth and healing. As a result, her music is an authentic reflection of her journey to self-discovery and spiritual transformation.

Lisa self-produced her first tape, Songs Of The Spirit in 1994. Since that time she has produced other recordings of spiritually oriented music inspired by many traditions, such as: Prayers For The Planet, Songs Of Transformation, Rising Of The Phoenix, Lady Of The Lake, Sisters Of The Dream, Song For My Ancestors and Journey To The Goddess.

Tickets are \$7 in advance, \$9 at the door. For more information call 888-GIRL.

Gay Marriages

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legal and that his state will grant all the benefits and burdens of marriage afforded under Massachusetts Law."

In the interview with local reporters, Governor Weld said the federal Defense of Marriage Act, is clearly unconsti-

tutional, and said his obligation as governor is to uphold the spirit and letter of the U.S. Constitution, not to adhere to the will of Congress.

Weld added that the state should recognize Gay marriages performed elsewhere, he said he was not advocating a new state law legalizing Gay unions in the Bay State. "I'm not sure public opinion is ready for that, quite frankly," Weld said in an interview to local reporters.

Keller praised the Massachusetts Governor for his stand on same-sex marriages. "The Defense of Marriage Act is absurd! Heterosexuals run out and pass such legislation," she went on to say about DOMA.

Keller commented that conservatives are being silly about this because they criticize us for not committing to a relationship. "We're showing them that we can commit and outlast them in a relationship," she said.

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BEAR SCRATCHINGS

by Kevin Jackson

Seasons Greetings! As another calendar page is turned, we pause to take stock of the events of the passing year and say our thank-you's for the friends, family and blessing in our lives. With the Bears it's no different, we'd like to say a hearty thank you to all of you in the community for your support and participation during this last year.

As I type this, it is 80 degrees and I'm at my computer with the window open in short sleeves and shorts . . . ah, winter in Arizona! This has been quite a year for The Bears of the Old Pueblo and it's not over yet! We've seen an increase in the membership roster, great turnouts for activities and participation with other groups all over the west for events we've held. The real news though is that we are going to kick off 1997 in a big way by hosting Tucson's first national bear gathering!

From Friday, January 17 through Sunday, January 19. The Bears of the Old Pueblo will be hosts to it's first annual "La Fiesta de Los Osos!". This weekend is planned to take advantage of our wonderful weather and provide a mid-winter reprieve for hibernating bears and their buddies. The response to our little event has been fantastic. Via the internet's Bears Mailing List and advertisements in "Bear" and "American Bear" magazines we've received about 60 registrants to date from over a dozen states, Canada and Japan! Turnout has been so good that we are extending the registration deadline to December 31.

Events during the weekend include a welcome dinner, excursions to local points of interest such as the Desert Museum, Bio-Sphere 2, Mission San Xavier del Bac, Bear's Beer Bust at the Venture-N, the Fiesta Banquet, a Dim Sum lunch and Bears at Bert Burgers BBQ. In addition, our home bar, the Venture-N is holding a Mr. Venture-N Bear contest hosted by Lurch, the president of Bears of San Francisco on Saturday, January 18, which should prove to be a very woofy time!

Registration for this weekend event includes admission to the banquet, welcome dinner, breakfasts, transportation to excursions, a Fiesta T-shirt, drink specials at the Venture-N and plus a chance to win prizes and socialize with gregarious growlers from the world over! For more information and registration forms gives us a call on the Bears Hotline listed below or visit our website!

Bears Events for December: Saturday, December 14, 3:00 - 7:00 P.M., Bears Beer Bust at the Venture-N. 50 cent beer, soda and chili! We're collecting teddy bears and toys for Casa De Los Niños, so drop by with a donation. Also, that evening, 8:00 P.M., we will have our annual Holiday Potluck Party and white elephant gift exchange. Call the infoline for directions.

Sunday, December 15. The Bears Do Fourth Avenue! We're meeting at noon at University and Fourth Avenue to do the Fourth Avenue Street Fair. Plan

on an afternoon of food, fun, music and shopping!

Saturday, December 21. Sabino/Bear Canyon Hike. Meet at the new Sabino Canyon visitors center, 9:00 A.M., and bring a picnic lunch.

If you'd like more information on the club you can call the Bears Information Hotline and get a current listing of events for the month and leave a message for one of the officers or you can write to us, or visit our WWW page at the addresses listed below. Stay tuned, there's always more to come!

Bears of the Old Pueblo, 1830 E. Broadway, #124-403, Tucson, AZ 85719. Bears Hotline: (520) 733-9409 (24 hrs/7 days) Web: <http://www.csn.net/~jls2/bop>.

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STONEWALL/EAGLE - Ladies by Choice starring Kenneth Blake.

FRI., SAT., SUN., DECEMBER 13-14-15

IBTS - 27th Annual 4th Avenue Street Fair. Shows on Saturday and Sunday and Sunday night. Shuttle service from the Graduate noon to 1:00 a.m.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 14

IBTS - Celebrate the 4th Avenue Street Fair by stopping by IBTS. Cruise the Avenue, enjoy the show and dance till 1:00 a.m. Showtime 3:00 p.m. and stars Helena Bubbles, Felice Renard, Adrienne Alexander, Barbra Seville, Celia Puffy, Bulemia DeHavilland, Ajia Simone and Davina. \$1.00 cover for the 3:00 p.m. show only. Shuttle service from the Graduate noon to 1:00 a.m.

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 15

AIN'T NOBODY'S BIZ - The Biz-y Bodies Christmas Show 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. Drink specials. You've waited and you've asked for them... so here they are! These ladies always put on a great show, so be sure to mark your calendar! Cover \$3.00.

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STONEWALL/EAGLE - 9:30 p.m., 'The Divas of Drag' starring Tiffany St. Thomas, Christina de Alexis and Kristin.

VENTURE-N - An extra special Sunday Brunch here featuring the Great Chef of the West, Ray Gregg, as seen on PBS Television. This Sunday brunch will include: Seafood Strudles; Poached Salmon; Smothered Steak; Egg Casserole and more.

MONDAY, DECEMBER 16

AIN'T NOBODY'S BIZ - The Biz would like to invite everyone to come celebrate Christmas. It is their 3rd annual Christmas Bash! The party starts at 9:00 p.m. with drink specials all night. Karaoke 9:00 p.m. to 1:00 a.m. No Cover.

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 18

IBTS - The Girls Show's Special Christmas Pageant. 9:00 p.m. (Bring a non-perishable food item for Shanti's Food Pantry).

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 21

GRADUATE - TKO Beer Bust 2:00 to 6:00 p.m. Also later, it's the Grad Girls Christmas Show. Mark your calendars and watch for more details.

PLUG - Rare Breed will bring their own special brand of Cumbia and Norteña music at Nochas Latinas Nite in the Alternator Room. 9:00 p.m. to 1:00 a.m. \$3.00 at the door. Alternator Room opens at 8:00 p.m.

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 22

AIN'T NOBODY'S BIZ - Back by an overwhelming demand - Avatar!! This band is a must hear and see band! Don't miss out on this fun and fabulous sound. \$1.25 pitchers until 10:00 p.m. Band starts at 9:00 p.m. and plays until closing. Come early and be ready to dance all night! Cover.

PLUG - Annual Tucson Knight Out (TKO) Christmas Benefit and Beer Bust, dart tourney, 50/50 raffle. 5:00 to 8:00 p.m. All proceeds go to P.A.C.T. Desert Coyotes and Tucson Lambda Lizards bowling league will hold their annual Christmas Awards Ceremony from 4:00 to 7:00 p.m.

STONEWALL / EAGLE - 'The Divas of Drag' Christmas celebration 9:30 p.m. Show features Adrienne Alexander, Tiffany St. Thomas, Jacqueline de Savel and Keyna.

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 25

HOURS - Opens at 6:00 p.m. Today to allow their employees to spend Christmas day with their significant others, etc.

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 31

AIN'T NOBODY'S BIZ - The Biz invites you to ring out the old and ring in 1997. Come and party at the Biz. Music starts at 7:00 p.m. and the music won't stop until 1:00 a.m. There will be party favors and free champagne at midnight. Also shot and drink specials every half hour. Mark your calendars.

HOURS - New Years Eve bash at Hours - Party favors, champagne, hors d'oeuvres, dance to a mix of country and party music. No cover.

Informing The Community



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Non-Bar CALENDAR

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 11

Girlfriends presents Jess Hawk Oakenstar 7:00 to 10:00 p.m.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 12

Crowds Social Club Christmas Dinner at Ramada Inn. Call Richard at 578-0840 for more details and RSVP.

Girlfriends Card and Game Night. 7:00 p.m.

Men's Social Network (Gay men of all ages; guests always welcome). 7:00 p.m.ish. An Alternative Movie Out at the Loft Cinema. At press time, the movie title and starting time were not known. For details, directions and starting time, please call Chris at 887-3478 after December 6.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 13

Desert Voices in concert at Pima Community College's Proscenium Theatre. 8:00 p.m. Come hear 'Rudolph', the 'Grinch', 'White Christmas' and the 'Nutcracker' as you've never heard them before. Plus the chorus will premiere a new work based on a Native American writer theme 'Miracle' by Eric Lane Barnes. Get in the mood for the holidays. Tickets are available at Antigone Books, Tucson Trunk and PCC West Box Office or call Desert Voices, 791-9662.

Men's Social Network (Gay men of all ages; guests always welcome). 7:00 p.m. The Book Club will be discussing Best American Gay Fiction 1996, edited by Brian Boudrey. Half the book will be covered this month, and the remainder at January's session. Even if you don't read the book, we encourage all book lovers to attend. For reservations and directions, call Steve at 388-4849.

Girlfriends presents "Lesbian Kissing Night". Calendar signing by photographers and models. 7:30 p.m.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 14

Cornerstone Fellowship invites you to their annual Christmas Variety Show beginning at 7:00 p.m., 2902 N. Geronimo Blvd. Call 622-4628 for more information.

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SUNDAY, DECEMBER 15

Girlfriends presents a "Sunday Afternoon Delight" with Lisa Thiel 4:00 to 6:00 p.m. \$7/\$9 at the door.

Last Mens Massage Group of 1996, 4:00 p.m. Wonderful way to meet other men in a safe and fun way. The group lasts for two hours and there is a small fee. Call no later than Saturday to sign up or inquire. You'll have a great time. Call Marc 881-4522.

Tucson Prime Timers (Gay and Bisexual men over 30) will have their regular monthly meeting 4:00 to 6:00 p.m. at Richard D's home. Call 292-8411 for directions. (This change of venue is due to the 4th Ave. Street Fair which is at the same time). Become a part of International Prime Timers, the largest Gay Social Club in the world!

1. Men's Social Network (Gay men of all ages; guests always welcome). 4-6 p.m. The Triangle Tribe, an awareness group meets to learn and use communication and relationship skills toward developing feelings of trust, love, acceptance and brotherhood. Call Tom at 318-1650 for reservations and directions.

2. Men's Social Network (Gay men of all ages; guests always welcome). 6:00 p.m. A holiday part for MSN and interested non-members. The hosts, Eric and Mark, ask that you bring a dessert or appetizer to share with others. For details, directions and your reservation, please call Mark or Eric at 780-3317.

MONDAY, DECEMBER 16

LTV Production Meeting at Girlfriends 7:00 p.m. Followed by the LTV show. Then Girlfriends Movie Night at 7:30. \$2.00 Cover for the movie.

The Pride Law Center operates tonight from 7-9 p.m. The Center has been established to provide Gay, Lesbian and Transgendered people a safe place to discuss legal matters and receive legal advice. The Pride Center is staffed by volunteer attorneys licensed to practice in the state of Arizona. The clinic will operate for a 2 hour period one evening per month on a walk-in, first-come, first-served basis. The clinic will only provide legal advice to you. The clinic will be held at Wingspan, 422 N. 4th Ave from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. Each evening will be staffed by one volunteer attorney and two law students. All information will be kept strictly confidential. Please be sure to bring all relevant documents.

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 17

Men's Social Network (Gay men of all ages; guests always welcome). 7:00 p.m. Join MSN for a fun night of surfing the Internet. Limited to six participants. Learn what on line with Len. Call Chris at 887-3478 for details and directions.

Girlfriends Awareness Workshop 7:30 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 18

Girlfriends presents Jess Hawk Oakenstar 8:00 to 10:00 p.m. \$2 Cover.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 19

Men's Social Network (Gay men of all ages; guests always welcome). 8:00 p.m. Join MSN for a fun night of roller skating on "Adult Night." The cost will be \$5 for rental of traditional skates, or \$8 for in-line skates. Call Chris at 290-4286 or Donn at 325-4257 for details and directions.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 20

Men's Social Network (Gay men of all ages; guests always welcome). 7:00 p.m. Our monthly Pizza Party will take place at Lee & Jerry's house. Simply bring \$4.00 and join in for a fun evening of food and good conversation. Salad and dessert are also served. Vegetarian pizza offered as well. For directions and reservations, call Bill or Steve at 647-3436.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 21

The Tucson Arts District Partnership 'Downtown Saturday Night'. Check out downtown Tucson with lots of people. It's fun.

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Sunday

AIN'T NOBODY'S BIZ - Beer Bust 5-10, \$1.25 pitchers. Salsa Sunday! Great music, better dancing and it all begins at 8pm.

GRADUATE - Happy Hour 4-8 pm all well \$1.25 Draft 75¢ Schnapps 75¢ HOURS - Bloody Marys and Sours \$1.25 til 7 pm. Country/Western dance instruction 8-9 pm. Country Dance Music 8 to 1.

IBTS - Open Noon to 1 am. Happy Hour 4-8 pm, \$1.50 domestic beer and well. Seneña 8-9 and 8oz Bust for community organizations 5-7:50pm. Hi energy dancing 9pm to close.

PLUG - Open Noon. 25¢ Beer Bust and afternoon dance 3-8. STONEWALL/EAGLE - Happy Hour Noon-8pm. Pool tournament 2pm. Bar-B-Q and Beer Bust. Stonewall opens at 9pm with High Energy Music.

VENTURE-N - Open 10 a.m. Backside Beer Bust 3-8pm 50¢ draft. 301 Dart Tournament 5pm \$3 entry fee. Surf Burgers 5-7, Tuff Stuff Tool 4-11pm.

Monday

AIN'T NOBODY'S BIZ - Happy Hour 2-7 2for1 well and domestic beer. Free pool 2-4. Karaoke 9 to 1 am.

GRADUATE - Open 9am. Happy Hour 4-8pm all well \$1.25 Draft 75¢ Schnapps 75¢ Bring in your VHS movie and they'll play it. (No porno please!).

HOURS - Open Noon. Happy Hour 12 to 7pm - Well and Domestic Beer \$1.25. 50¢ Draft Beer 7 to close.

IBTS - Open noon. Happy Hour 4-8pm, \$1.50 domestic beer and well. Open to midnight, \$1.50 32oz pitchers. Retro 80s with DJ Jonathan 9pm-1am.

PLUG - Open 3pm. Happy Hour 3 to 8pm. \$1 schnapps all the time. Carry movies with Moon 8pm. Dart Tournament 8:30pm. \$1.00 Well all day and all night.

STONEWALL/EAGLE - Happy Hour noon to 8pm. Party with Stephan. Longneck Specials all day & nite. Stonewall opens 9pm HI-ENERGY Dance Music.

VENTURE-N - Open 6am. Draft Beer 75¢ 6am - 8pm. Happy Hour Prices 8am - 8pm.

Tuesday

AIN'T NOBODY'S BIZNESS - Happy Hour 2-7 2for1 well and domestic beer. Free pool 2-4. New Pool Tournament 7 pm. 2for1 on all wine, well and long necks from 9 to close.

GRADUATE - Open 9am. Happy Hour 4-8pm all well \$1.25, Draft 75¢ Schnapps 75¢

HOURS - Happy Hour 12 to 7pm Well or Domestic Beer \$1.25. Schnapps 75¢ 7pm to close

IBTS - Open noon. Happy Hour 4-8 pm, \$1.50 domestic beer & well. 9 pm to close Tattoo Tuesday. \$1.25 well and \$1.50 domestic beer for those showing their tattoos. Prizes and surprises.

PLUG - Open 3pm. Happy Hour 3 to 8pm. \$1.00 Bud and Bud Light longnecks all day and all night.

STONEWALL/EAGLE - Happy Hour Noon to 8pm. Stonewall opens at 9pm with Latin Music Party.

VENTURE-N - Open 6am to 1am. Draft Beer 75¢ 6am - 8pm. Happy Hour prices 8am - 8pm.

Wednesday

AIN'T NOBODY'S BIZNESS - Happy Hour 2-7. 2for1 well or domestic beer. Free pool 2-4. \$1.25 pitchers from 8 to midnight. Tucson's hottest country music from 8:30 to close.

GRADUATE - Open 9am. Happy Hour 4-8pm all well \$1.25 Draft 75¢ Schnapps 75¢. 301 Dart Tourney 7:30 p.m. Singlas \$3 entry. Pot matched. Double elimination.

HOURS - Happy Hour 12 to 7pm, Well or Domestic Beer \$1.25. 50¢ off all call drinks 7 to close.

IBTS - Open Noon to 1am. Happy Hour 4 to 8pm, \$1.50 domestic beer & well. Shows alternating Wednesdays with Male Box Nite. \$1.50 Bud Product Special 9 pm to close. (Specials do not apply during shows)

PLUG - Open 3pm. Happy Hour 3 to 8pm. 2 for 1 Well 9pm - 1am. Quarter Dance at 9pm.

STONEWALL/EAGLE - Happy Hour Noon to 8pm. Stonewall opens at 9pm. Corona and Cerveza Gold \$1.50

VENTURE-N - Open 6am Draft Beer 75¢ 6am-8pm. Cerveza Gold \$2 all day/night. Happy Hour Prices 6am-8pm. Backside open 5pm-close. Tuff Stuff Tool open 8:30pm.

Thursday

AIN'T NOBODY'S BIZNESS - Happy Hour 2-7, 2for1 well or domestic beer. Free pool 2-4. Karaoke 8pm to close.

GRADUATE - Open 9am. Happy Hour 4-8pm all well \$1.25 Draft 75¢ Schnapps 75¢

HOURS - Happy Hour 12 to 7pm, Well or Domestic Beer \$1.25. Heineken or Corona \$2.00 9pm to 1am. Country/Western dancing 8 to 1.

IBTS - Open noon to 1am. Happy Hour 4-8 pm \$1.50 domestic beer and well. Underwear Nite 10 to 1 - win a pair of Calvin Klein underwear. \$1.25 Well and \$1.50 Domestic Beer to those in their underwear. Hi energy dancing 9-close.

PLUG - Open 3pm. Happy Hour 3 to 8pm. \$1.50 Skyy vodka cocktails with "The Smad" 9pm - 1am. Live DJ at 9pm.

STONEWALL/EAGLE - Happy Hour noon-8pm. Peter specials all night long. Stonewall opens 9pm with hot male strippers from Phoenix.

VENTURE-N - Open 6am Draft Beer 75¢ 6am-8pm. Pool Tournament 7pm \$3 entry fee. Happy Hour prices for Men in Leather 8pm to close. Backside open 5pm-close. Tuff Stuff Tool open 8:30pm.

Friday

AIN'T NOBODY'S BIZNESS - Happy Hour 2-7, 2for1 well or domestic beer. Free pool 2-4. Complimentary Hors D'Oeuvres. Hot dance music with Alex 8:30. Shot specials every 1/2 hour.

GRADUATE - Open 9am. Happy Hour 4-8pm, all well \$1.25 draft 75¢ Schnapps 75¢

HOURS - Happy Hour 12-7pm well or domestic beer \$1.25. Country Western Music 8-1am.

IBTS - Open noon. Happy Hour 4-8pm \$1.50 domestic beer and well. .. Fabio Bar with Looney 9-1. Dance Party 9 to 1 with DJ David Z.

PLUG - Happy Hour 3 to 8pm. \$1 schnapps all the time. Hi-Energy Dance music at 9pm.

STONEWALL/EAGLE - Happy Hour noon-8pm; Hot Hors d'Oeuvres 6pm. Stonewall opens 9pm. Wear Stonewall T-Shirt and get happy hour prices all evening

VENTURE-N - Open 6am. Draft Beer 75¢ Bar 6am-8pm. Happy Hour Prices 6am-8pm. Backside open 5pm-close. Tuff Stuff Tool opens at 8:30 pm.

Saturday

AIN'T NOBODY'S BIZNESS - Pot matched, 1st: 70%, 2nd: 20%, 3rd: 10%. Hot dance music with Alex 8:30pm to 1am. Drink specials every 1/2 hour.

GRADUATE - Open 9am. Happy Hour 4-8pm, all well drinks \$1.25 draft 75¢ Schnapps 75¢. Pool Tournament 2pm, \$3 entry fee, pot matched.

HOURS - Open Noon. Strawberry & Banana Daiquiris, Pina Colodas \$3. Country/Western Music 8-1.

IBTS - Open Noon to 1am. Happy Hour noon to 8pm \$1.50 domestic beer and \$1.25 well. Fabio Bar with Looney 9-1. Dance 9 to 1 with DJ David Z.

PLUG - Open Noon. Happy Hour till 8pm. Free Pool till 8pm. Hot Dance Party at 9pm.

STONEWALL/EAGLE - Happy Hour Noon to 8pm Free pool Saturday afternoon. Stonewall opens 9pm with High Energy Music.

VENTURE-N - Open 6am. Bitches & Angels vs \$1 Bloody Marys 6am-noon. Happy Hour Prices 6am-8pm. Backside open 5pm-close. Tuff Stuff Tool Open at 8:30pm.



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NOTICES

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SUPPORT GROUP FOR MEN IN SAME SEX RELATIONSHIPS who have ever been physically, verbally or sexually abused. Is now forming. Call Randy Oberholt, Ph.D. at 570-0027 for more

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TUCSON ROOMMATE LOCATOR SERVICE Men and women welcome. Office 574-2272.

LAMBDA CAR CLUB, A social organization of Gays and Lesbians who share interest, information and fellowship involving collectible vehicles. Call 298-9454.

LESBIAN AND GAY ALANON - Affected by someone's drinking? Meeting every Tuesday 8:45 to 9:45 p.m. at Lambda Center, 2940 E. Thomas, Phoenix. Ellie 561-8850 or Ronn 868-2384.

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE GROUP - Outreach to Gay and Lesbian people in Arizona. Meets monthly. Write to P.O. Box 893, Phoenix, AZ 85001 or call Eddy Walters, (602)371-1102

CHRONES SOCIAL GROUP. A social group for Gay men who enjoy the fellowship of their peers. Call Marie at 883-7294.

T-SQUARES Lesbian and Gay square dance club meets every Tuesday from 8:30-9:00 p.m. at Coronado Fellowship Social Hall, 2902 N. Coronado (near 1st Ave. and Laguna). Open to All. Call Jeff or Ari (520)762-8135.

LIGHTNING LIGHTING will provide lighting for AIDS and related benefits at no charge. For more info call Adrienne at 689-7288.

MAKE MEN: Long-haired Gay male penpal network. Photo, 3 IRC's to join. Box 231, Station 9, Ottawa, CANADA, K1P6C4

GAY & LESBIAN SPIRITUALITY GROUP of St. Phillips in the Ninth Episcopal Church meets first and third Mondays. Call David, 323-7843 for more information.

'AT EASE AGAIN', a men's discussion group meets at Wingspan at 7 p.m. every Tuesday, 422 N. 4th Ave.

LESBIAN/GAY WRITERS: Workshop at 7:00 p.m. third Wednesday of every month. Read and critique current projects. Network and support. For info call 325-4737.

DESERT VOICES, Tucson's Gay & Lesbian Chorus rehearses Monday evenings at 7 pm at UofA School of Music Rm 9182. For information call 791-9862.

Join the LESBIAN & GAY PUBLIC AWARENESS PROJECT. In Tucson write Awareness Project, 2861 N. Campbell Ave. #365, Tucson, AZ 85719.

AA Meeting with HIV/AIDS focus, Wednesdays, 7:30 p.m., MCC Church, 3268 N. Mountain. All alcoholics welcome.

MEN'S SOCIAL NETWORK: Social organization for men of all ages. Building an extended Gay family in Tucson. Monthly social/political gatherings the first Saturday of each month and almost weekly social activities. Call Jerry at 890-9565 for information and a newsletter. 558

SOFTBALL - For info on the Tucson Greater Softball Association T.G.S.A., please contact. Mary 770-9979 or Bertie 318-3415.

CARE TEAMS ARE AVAILABLE to offer support to people living with HIV/AIDS. The Tucson Inpatient HIV/AIDS Network offers trained, compassionate and committed volunteers to provide services including friendly visits, light housekeeping, assistance with meals, shopping, errands, transportation and companionship for medical appointments, and respite care for primary care givers. No judgement or proselytizing - we are here to be of service. For information call Scott at 299-9063.

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ARE YOU GAY OR BISEXUAL AND UNDER 21 YEARS OF AGE? The Gay Young Men's Project is now looking for volunteers for the project. We need people who want to help create a positive social change for young Gay men as well as reduce the risk for HIV infection. For more information please call the Tucson AIDS Project at 322-8228.

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GAY VOLLEYBALL ON SATURDAYS. Competitive play. BB or better players only. Grass court Northwest corner Kimmel Park 5:00 p.m. Check it out!

THE MEN'S MASSAGE GROUP meets the 3rd Sunday of each month. It is a good way to meet other men of all ages, safety, and with the art of nurturing touch. There is a fee. You must sign up in advance to participate. Call Marc at 861-4592 for more information or sign up.

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CATHOLIC GAY/LESBIAN SUPPORT GROUP meets every 3rd Monday at St. Pius X Catholic Church, 1800 N. Camino Pio Decimo in the Kino Room at 7:00 p.m. For more info call Ernie 721-2003 or Anna Marie at the Parish office 885-3573.

COMMUNITY BUSINESS ASSOCIATION (CBA), Tucson's Gay and Lesbian business networking group holds regular meetings the third Thursday of every month. Call Greg Hollman 577-8333 for more info.

TUCSON LESBIAN/GAY ALLIANCE (TLGA) meets every third Thursday at Wingspan, 422 N. 4th Avenue at 7pm.

LEARN TO BE A LISTENING FRIEND. Unique Hospital Volunteer Program teaches listening skills to Volunteers who provide a safe/compassionate environment to at-risk patients. Training every 2 weeks. 884-7003.

TINAH, a coalition of churches and synagogues committed to providing a compassionate response to the HIV crisis, provides HIV education in congregational settings, volunteer CareTeams to support HIV+ persons, a referral network of HIV+ health care, and interfaith services of healing and hope. For more information call 299-8647.

THIRTYsomething Society - an exclusive society for single Gay and Bi men in or near their thirties. A social society that offers monthly activities including a monthly outing away from Tucson. Call 787-3116 for more information and a membership bio.

LESBIAN/GAY/BIS OVEREATERS ANONYMOUS. Saturdays noon-1pm in UMC Dining Room "F". 325-8478 or 870-1954.

FRONT BUNKERS OF TUCSON meet for fun runs Tuesdays at 8 p.m. Group meets in front of the Himmel Park Library (East side), and Sundays at various times and places. For more information call Mitch at 320-3555

People with AIDS Coalition of Tucson (PACT ForLife), 805 W. Congress. Office hours MWF 9am to 5pm, Tu 8am-7pm. Th. Noon-7pm. Anonymous HIV testing and support groups available. Call 770-1710 for more information.

SHANTI FOUNDATION OF TUCSON Help us help others in giving emotional support to persons with HIV and AIDS and their families, friends. Contact us Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. to 6 p.m., 300 E. 6th Street, 822-7107. VOLUNTEERS WELCOME.

P.F.L.A.G. - Parents and Friends of Lesbians and Gays - is a support group available to anyone who has a son, daughter or friend who is Gay. Call 575-8880 or write P.O. Box 36264, Tucson, AZ 85740-8264. All replies confidential.

LIVING WATERS FAMILY CENTER now meeting in the front building of MCC Church, 3268 N. Mountain. Worship services on Mondays at 8:00 p.m. Counseling provided for couples and individuals. For more information call 798-7286.

ARE YOU GAY OR LESBIAN and someone else's drinking is getting to you. Call information and referral about Al-Anon 881-1784 in Tucson info about special groups for Gays and Lesbians

AIDS HOTLINE - 328-AIDS. Hours M-F, 9:00 am to 10:00 pm. Information, counseling, HIV-related services, Tucson.

NOTICES

YOUNG AND GAY? Lesbian and Gay youths 23 and under, meet every Saturday in Tucson for sharing, support and information. Meetings are held at 422 N. 4th Avenue from 3 to 5 pm. You are not alone. For more info call Wingspan, 824-1778.

The TUCSON Chapter of PRIME TIMERS INTERNATIONAL invites Gay or Bisexual men over 30 years old to join and share Prime Timers Fellowship. We welcome mature men who are or wish to be involved in Gay community activities, issues and organizations. Call 867-7493 and leave your name and phone number. Monthly meetings are held on the 2nd Sunday, 4-8 p.m. at Wingspan, 422 N. 4th Ave.

TUCSON AIDS PROJECT (TAP), 151 S. Tucson Blvd., Suite 252 (The Broadmoor Center Bldg.). Direct services for persons with and affected by HIV/AIDS. Prevention education programs. Business hours, M-F, 9-5. 322-6228. AIDS Hotline: 328-AIDS.

TUCSON GAY INFORMATION AND REFERRAL For information on human service organizations, health and mental health services, financial and government assistance, emergency services such as food and shelter, education, etc. Call information and referral 881-1794 - 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. Mon. - Fri.

GAY OR BI-SEXUAL MEN in relationships with women. Need friends you can talk to? Weekly support group meets Tuesdays 8:30 - 9:00 pm. Licensed psychologist facilitator. Call 745-9877 Tucson. Strictly confidential.

WINGSPAN - Tucson's Gay, Lesbian & Bisexual Community Center, 422 N. 4th Ave., offers support groups / info line / social events / library / meeting space. Volunteer Opportunities. Board meetings every 2nd Sunday (open to all), 8:00 p.m. Information 824-1778.

SUPPORT GROUP: Gays, Lesbians and Bisexuals meet weekly for open discussions in a loving, supportive atmosphere. Meetings Thursdays from 7:30 to 8:30 pm at St. Francis in the foothills Church, Swan and River Road, Room 32. Call the church at 299-8063 for information.

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CAMELBACK BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATION (CBPA) OF PHOENIX For information and membership write: CBPA at P.O. Box 2097, Phoenix, AZ 85001.

LESBIAN SUPPORT GROUP addressing a full spectrum of issues, problems and situations. Meetings 2nd & 4th Wednesday 7 to 8:30 p.m. at Wingspan, 422 N. 4th Ave. 824-1778.

L.D.S., EX-L.O.S., GAY LESBIAN, BISEXUAL SUPPORT GROUP. Meetings 2nd & 4th Wednesdays, 7pm. 320-1319 for information.

RECREATIONAL VOLLEYBALL every Sunday at 2pm at St. Francis in the foothills for anyone who likes to play and have a blast call Davey 884-1206 for more info.

ARIZONANORA PROYECTO, S.I.D.A. - AIDS INFO LINE 892-3933. Also seeking volunteers who are bilingual (Spanish/English) and are interested in presenting information about AIDS to Spanish groups in Arizona and Sonora, Mexico. Early Intervention Center, 801 West Congress, Tucson, AZ 85745. 770-1314.

ARIZONA GAY RODEO ASSOCIATION (AGRA) TUCSON CHAPTER. Interested? Call 323-0805 or write AGRA/Tucson, P.O. Box 40894, Tucson, AZ 85717.

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

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