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## Miss Gay Tucson '98: Victoria DuPuis UN Reports High HIV Infection Rates In Young



Shown above in the center is Victoria DuPuis, just after being crowned Miss Gay Tucson-America 1998-99. On the left is Miss Gay Arizona, Virginia Sacrifice and at the right is Mr. Kenneth Blake, Miss Gay Tucson-America 1997.

NEW YORK, NY (RHIS) - A United Nations (UN) report released shows that worldwide, five young people between the ages of 10 and 24 are infected with HIV every minute.

This adds up to over 7,000 young people becoming infected each day, representing more than half of all new HIV infections, according to a statement from the Joint UN Programme on HIV/AIDS (UNAIDS). In response to these "alarming" figures, UNAIDS has begun a new, year-long initiative to promote HIV prevention and care in young people.

To mark the launch of this campaign, a report entitled "Force for Change: World AIDS Campaign with Young People," was released at a meeting in Moscow, along with another report containing new statistics on the HIV/AIDS epidemic in Eastern Europe.

The announcement was made in Moscow to focus attention on the significant increase in HIV among young people in Eastern Europe, which threatens to become one of the next epicenters of HIV infection. According to UNAIDS, since 1995, HIV infection rates in Eastern Europe have risen at least six-fold across the entire region, and as much as 70-fold in the worst affected areas.

Dr. Peter Piot, Executive Director of UNAIDS, Dr. G.O. Onishenko, First Deputy Minister of Health of the Russian Federation, Dr. Gianni Murzi, UNICEF representative in Moscow, and others attended the meeting, which was held in Russia to focus attention on the dramatic increase in HIV infections in Eastern Europe. Other campaign sponsors include UNICEF, UNESCO, WHO and the World Bank in partnership with the International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies, Rotary International, and others.

This conference actually has a double message, Piot told reporters in a

teleconference from Moscow. "On the one hand, with the World AIDS Campaign we want to draw attention to the fact that so many young people are becoming infected. And on the other hand, (we want to stress) that the new frontier of the AIDS epidemic is really in Eastern Europe." There has been an "...astronomical growth in HIV infection rates in this area over the last two to three years," he explained.

Among the key findings of (the report are:

- ▼ More than half of all new HIV infections acquired after infancy occur among young people.
- ▼ Of the 30 million persons living with HIV, at least a third are young people.
- ▼ Every day, 7000 young people worldwide acquire the virus. This translates into five young people every minute, or 2.6 million infections each year.
- ▼ By the year 2000, there will be over 40 million orphans under the age of 15 in the 23 countries most affected by HIV. Most of these children will have lost their parents to AIDS.
- ▼ 1.7 million young people are infected with HIV every year in Africa. 700,000 in Asia and the Pacific.

According to UNAIDS figures, there were 30,000 cases of HIV infection in all of Eastern Europe in 1994. By the end of 1997, the figure was 190,000, a sixfold increase. Former Soviet block countries have been hardest hit. For example, the Ukraine, which has the highest HIV rates, now has almost four times as many cases of HIV infection as found in all of Eastern Europe just three years ago.

The first goal of the World AIDS Campaign "...is to draw attention to the fact that this is a problem (and) that young  
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TUCSON (ON) - - The thirteenth annual Miss Gay Tucson Pageant was held this past Sunday at the Holiday Inn - Palo Verde.

More than 500 people were in attendance, featuring guest appearances by Miss Gay Arizona-America, Virginia Sacrifice, and Miss Gay America - 1995, Patti Le Plac Sage.

The contestants for this year's pageant were: Regina Reed, Sabrina Crawford, Truly Fabu and Victoria DuPuis.

In an incredibly close pageant, Victoria DuPuis was crowned Miss Gay

Tucson - America 1998. Regina Reed was First Alternate. Truly Fabu was named Second Alternate. Victoria DuPuis won the talent portion of the pageant as well as Miss Congeniality.

The audience had a very entertaining evening. Virginia Sacrifice showed the audience her interpretation of the mega-hit, and Academy Award winning movie, "Titanic." Miss Gay Tucson - America 1997, Mr. Kenneth Blake, wowed the audience, proving just how beautiful a female impersonator can be.

A pageant just wouldn't be a pageant.  
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Pandemonium broke out in the audience and on stage as Victoria DuPuis was chosen winner of the Miss Gay Tucson-America pageant at the Holiday Inn last Sunday, April 26. Performers and contestants are shown on stage at the moment of the announcement. See story above.

# UPDATE

## Play Ball

TUCSON -- The Tucson Greater Softball Association (TGSA) is looking for men and women to play in its upcoming Spring/Summer League.

TGSA has reserved Ourey Park, Field #2, (I-10 at Sixth Street) for the next two Saturdays, May 2 & 9, noon - 2:00 P.M. to help you brush up on your skills. TGSA hopes to have enough people to play at least one game. Your ability level is secondary to your desire to want to play.

League play is scheduled to begin May 17. The season will run for four weeks (to beat the heat), with three games to be played each week. No games will be scheduled on Memorial day weekend. There will also be a double elimination tournament after the regular season is completed. The tourney winner will get a chance to represent TGSA at the Gay Softball World Series in Atlanta, Georgia, scheduled for this August.

For more information, please contact Robert S., 296-2738 or page Jim T., 930-4060 (voice or digital pager).

## TIHAN Fundraiser May 23

TUCSON -- The Tucson Interfaith HIV/AIDS Network (TIHAN) is sponsoring a fund-raising performance of "Pageant," a new musical comedy at the Invisible Theater, Saturday, May 23, 8:00 P.M.

"Glamouress Cosmetic Beauty Company is sponsoring a Beauty Pageant that promises never to be a 'drag!'"

A reception for you and the "contestants" follows the show. Tickets are \$15. For tickets, call 299-6647 or send a check directly to TIHAN, 4625 East River Road, Tucson, AZ 85718.

## SAAF Seeks Cook For Hot Meals Program

TUCSON -- The Southern Arizona AIDS Foundation (SAAF) has the following position open:

Cook for Food for Life hot meal program. Requires experience in bulk food preparation, volunteer coordination; good interpersonal and organizational skills.

Up to \$8.25/hour, 25 hours a week, partial benefits. To apply, pick up job description and application instructions, M-F, 8:00 A.M. - 5:00 P.M., at 151 South Tucson Blvd., #211, or call (520) 322-6226 to have them faxed. Open until filled. AA/EOE

## Reconciling Celebration Meeting At St. Francis May 7

TUCSON -- St. Francis in the Foothills United Methodist Church will be celebrating ten years of being a Reconciling Church (opens the doors to all people) Sunday, June 7, 9:00 and 11:00 A.M.

St. Francis will be having a planning meeting Thursday, May 7, 6:00 P.M., Room 43 at St. Francis in the Foothills, 4625 East River Road. They are looking for ideas and suggestion to celebrate and recognize this important event in the Tucson LesBiGay community.

Desert Voices, also celebrating 10 years in our community, will be singing with us at the June 7 celebrations. If you have any ideas or would like to participate but cannot come to the May 7 meeting, call Davey, 886-1208. We welcome and encourage your input.

As part of the continuing reconciling process, St. Francis offers the Thursday Night Support Group (Room 43, 7:30 - 9:00 P.M.) and Recreational Volleyball at the St. Francis sand court, 3:00 - 5:00 P.M. every Saturday.

## Eating Disorders Community Discussion & Screening May 12

TUCSON -- Do you think you may have an eating disorder -- anorexia, bulimia or binge eating?

Consult at no charge with licensed psychologists from the Arizona Psychological Association and the Southern Arizona Psychological Association, May 12, 7:00 - 9:00 P.M., at Borders Books & Music, 4235 North Oracle Road.

Those who are worried about their eating patterns may answer a brief screening questionnaire and have the results interpreted by one of the psychologists who will be available that evening.

Appropriate books and referral sources will also be available.

## MCC Yard Sale May 2

TUCSON -- Because of the rain this past Sunday, the MCC Water of Life Yard Sale will take place Saturday, May 2, 8:00 A.M. - 4:00 P.M.

There will also be choir robes for sale that will not be out on display.

## Desert Voices Rummage Sale A Success

TUCSON -- Desert Voices (DV) second annual Rummage Sale was a huge success!

Arizona's only Lesbian and Gay chorus is grateful to the many households who donated items to the event.

A very special thanks goes to Hours for allowing us to use their space and advertising in the Observer, and to U-Haul for assisting us with storage space. Special thanks to General Manager Kevin Johnson, Mae Kreuger and Lou Ann Borelli for chairing the event and for the volunteers who helped with the setup and worked throughout the day. To Paul Kristof, Jerry Samson and Chris Hackett for doing pickups and Hal Cinadre, for being a great salesperson.

Situated next to the "Junk for Jesus" billboard, the chorus sold household items, furniture, books, music, clothing and toys. The remainder of the clothes were donated to Primavera, and the few items that remained were donated to Goodwill. Desert Voices is grateful to the many community members who came out to shop and support the chorus in their annual benefit, surpassing the goal by raising more than \$2,000!

Desert Voices is currently preparing for their annual Pride Concert, Southwest Fest to be held at the Temple of Music and Art, June 19-20. The second annual Freedom Ring Dance follows the closing concert, June 20.

Tickets are on sale now for the concerts and dance. Call 791-9662 for more information.

## SAAF Peer Counseling Opportunity

TUCSON -- Looking for an opportunity to feel useful again? Volunteer at the Southern Arizona AIDS Foundation (SAAF) as a part of the important Peer Counseling Team!

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**ABC Confirms 'Ellen' Is Over**

HOLLYWOOD, CA (NP) -- The adventure that began with, "Yep, I'm Gay," ends with "Nope, you're a ratings loser" -- maybe Two Girls, a Horse and Some Wine Coolers ain't such a bad idea!

What can you say about a sitcom that died? Well, the American Broadcasting Company (ABC) isn't really saying anything, except to confirm reports that it officially notified the producers of "Ellen," the first U.S. TV series with an openly Lesbian (or Gay) lead character, that the show won't be renewed for a sixth season. With fading ratings, journalists had been actively questioning "Ellen's" renewal since mid-January, openly Lesbian star Ellen DeGeneres was convinced it was all over by February 20, and the network's recent decision to shelve what would have been the two penultimate episodes looked a lot like the kiss of death, but ABC had continued to insist that it would not be making a decision until May when the fall schedule would be set.

All told, it's taken the network about half as long to inch towards the execution as it did to waffle its way towards the airing of the famous coming-out episode of 51 weeks before. The star-studded hour-long May 13 season closer will be the series finale as well.

The Numbers: You may recall that last season had also ended with a cliff-hanger as to whether "Ellen" would be back after the three Lesbian-themed episodes that closed 1996 - 1997, and without the unprecedented media hype over the coming out of "Ellen" and DeGeneres the answer then could well have been "no."

Looking even further back, pre-Lesbian "Ellen" went into the 1996 - 1997 season as only a modest success, ranking #43 out of 101 primetime network series in 1995 - 1996, and was soon booted out of its 8 PM timeslot by CBS' rescheduling of "The Nanny" as much as by any concerns of impending "adult" content. Despite ratings slipping substantially throughout the current season, "Ellen" still ended February ranked at #41 for the season (network ratings in general have been sliding).

But over the last six weeks ABC

discovered that "Two Guys, A Girl and a Pizza Place" made the happy Wednesday night marriage with its top-rated series, "The Drew Carey Show," that "Ellen" just wasn't cut out for, keeping more of the male "Drew" viewers who didn't stick around for "Ellen." The network simply isn't going out of its way to find a new neighborhood for the average of more than 10 million viewers who continued to visit weekly with the Lesbian next door.

DeGeneres: Apparently having regained her sense of humor since the bitterness of February, DeGeneres told "Daily Variety" after officially getting the axe, "I loved doing the show every week. This was an important chapter of my life, and although I'm disappointed the show was cancelled, I look forward to moving beyond the stereotype. Look for me in my new sitcom, "Two Girls, a Horse and Some Wine Coolers."

DeGeneres was enjoying a visit to England this week, accompanied by her activist mother, Betty DeGeneres, and her film star partner, Anne Heche, so much so that she said she was looking at apartments there. Her visit was prompted by a theme night of coming out programs on Britain's Channel 4, which coincide with the British broadcast of the award-winning coming out "Puppy Episode" of "Ellen" and include a salute to DeGeneres with openly Lesbian British TV actress Sandi Toksvig.

A word to DeGeneres: maybe now's a good time to write that book with the full story of "Ellen's" coming out, the one you were offered a 7-figure advance for, but decided it would be "exploitation" to pursue in 1997.

Producer Angry: "Ellen's" executive producer and head writer Tim Doyle is fiercely angry about the situation.

"I think we put on a really good show. There was a segment of the audience that definitely ran away from the show because of the Gay material, but creatively it was a better show than ever. ABC acted like it was ashamed or uncomfortable. It's tough to get the public on board when the network is not committed. ABC could have turned around and made 'Ellen' into a

cultural phenomenon, but instead, they justified people's bigotry," he told "Variety."

Lost Episodes: Doyle confirms earlier rumors that the two episodes ABC has no plans to air include discussion of a wedding and a "real" kiss between character Ellen Morgan and her heartthrob, played by Lisa Darr. "There's a piece of TV the American public is being protected from," he said. Presumably the shows will turn up eventually as LIFETIME cable reruns the "Ellen" series in the coming season.

GLAAD Sad: GLAAD, the Gay and Lesbian Alliance Against Defamation, has devoted tremendous energy to "Ellen" for almost two years, from encouraging the coming out to celebrating it to lobbying to keep the show on the air.

GLAAD Executive Director Joan Garry said, "We're all disappointed ABC made a decision based on ratings. We really wish that they had seriously considered the impact of Ellen's work and looked at it from a broader perspective. The show may have been cancelled, but I think she gave a gift to Gay and straight Americans and that's a legacy that the cancellation cannot take from her."

**Rival AIDS  
Researchers  
Share Award**

NEW YORK, NY (WS) -- Two researchers whose battle against a common foe turned them into bitter rivals will share a stage when they are honored for their work in AIDS research.

Dr. Robert Gallo of the University of Maryland and Dr. Luc Montagnier of the Pasteur Institute in Paris and Queens College in New York turned against each other in a dispute over who discovered the virus that causes the disease. The two researchers are scheduled to accept the tenth annual Warren Alpert Foundation Award.

The award honors scientists for treating diseases and saving lives. "We'd like to lay some of those ghosts to rest," said John Mekalanos, chairman of microbiology at Harvard University. "I think the consensus of the scientific community is that these two individuals have to be honored together."

The dispute over who discovered the human immunodeficiency virus, or HIV, reached such a level in 1987 that President Ronald Reagan and Prime Minister Jacques Chirac of France penned an agreement dividing millions of dollars in royalties from the AIDS blood test based on the two researchers' findings. Four years ago, however, the U.S. government acknowledged that the French deserved a greater share of the royalties.

The admission solidified the French position that Montagnier had isolated the virus in 1983, a year before Gallo. Gallo's contribution--as recognized by his being chosen to share the award--was to find a way to grow large quantities of the elusive virus. This led to the virus's being identified as the culprit in the collapse of the immune system.

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Randy May bursts proudly Out with spit and fire in its soul. Maybe that's because there are so many planets careening through pioneering Aries and sensuous Taurus. Follow some sound New York advice and "don't take nuttin' from nobody." Let's examine May this week knowing that this is the month to throw caution to the wind... as well as a few choice articles of clothing.

**ARIES**

MARCH 21 - APRIL 20

Both astute Mercury and lovely Venus pass through your own sign this May, you charmer you. This is no time to sit back and play the wallflower, Gay Ram; you've got oodles of time, energy and money to wine, dine and just be divine. Sun and Mars in Taurus loosen up your purse strings and make you feel downright charitable. Well, let's not go that far.

**TAURUS**

APRIL 21 - MAY 21

Happy birthday queer Bull. Both the happy Sun and zesty Mars are in your sign which means one thing; new beginnings. Toss of the old and stale in your life (no names please...) and shed your worn out skin for a new lavender you. (Who is that looker?) On May 4, when Venus moves into Aries, prepare to telepathically connect to people. Mind control the religious right.

**GEMINI**

MAY 22 - JUNE 21

How generous are you proud Twin? The acid test comes in May when both the Sun and Mars encourage you to go one step further for a great Gay cause. Reincarnate as Mother Theresa but bag the sari. Do yourself a favor as well this month by cheerfully dumping the contents of your dank closet before May 25. Mars says it's never too late for a little spring cleaning.

**CANCER**

JUNE 22 - JULY 23

Gay Crabs are social directors of the pride fest as pals look to you for a good time. Festive Sun and Mars leave their mark on any social calendar if you bossa nova before May 25. After that, you might as well hang up your dancing shoes as you grow more introspective. What exactly do you want to be when you grow up? Expect surprising answers cousin.

**LEO**

JULY 24 - AUGUST 23

If your career track becomes a little less congested this May, thank enterprising Mars and the courageous Sun for the leg up. But gather your corporate rosebuds while you may proud Lion; After May 22, the thrill of the hunt is gone and after May 25, your energies will be more focused on having a great Gay time. Just as well; they say it's lonely at the top.

**VIRGO**

AUGUST 24 - SEPTEMBER 23

Take some summer courses and learn a

thing or two this May. Queer Virgins are ready and raring to expand their wordly knowledge for most of the month. Explore all corners before May 25. After that, you'll be back on Earth and forced to concentrate on more practical matters such as how to curry favor with bosses and other assorted corporate skanks.

**LIBRA**

SEPTEMBER 24 - OCTOBER 23

If you feel a refreshing breeze in your pants, thank gusty Sun and Mars for the surge. Gay Libras begin the month on a lusty sexual rampage, shifting to merely heavy

flirting after May 30 when Venus enters Taurus and lightens your load. Probe all secret places before May 25 and all corners of the world after that. Who said life is boring?

**SCORPIO**

OCTOBER 24 - NOVEMBER 22

The focus is on relationships this May when both the Sun and Mars turn up the heat. Proud Scorps give the appearance of being very independent souls but in fact they secretly ache for connection. It's there for the asking until May 25 cousin. After that, wanderlust gets the better of you. Ah, but two can travel as cheaply as one as long as you share the same bunk.

**SAGITTARIUS**

NOVEMBER 23 - DECEMBER 22

Since it seems a little harder than usual to let loose and have fun, smart Gay Sags are best served by concentrating on work or on toning that bod for swimsuit season for most of the month. The serviceable Sun and energetic Mars encourage you to roll up your sleeves and accomplish the impossible before May 25. After that, all bets are off; let it all hang out.

**CAPRICORN**

DECEMBER 23 - JANUARY 20

Even intensely directioned Gay Goats are encouraged to relax this May when the Sun and Mars tickle your fancy. It is the time of year to be creative and tap into your Gay muse. Either that or party hearty; your choice. Enjoy every pleasant zetz until May 25. After that, you return to your naturally serious ways and become a worker ant extra ordinaire.

**AQUARIUS**

JANUARY 21 - FEBRUARY 19

Focus your attention on home related projects this May when feisty Mars and the inspirational Sun warm up the hearth. Do what needs to be done Aqueerius and don't look back. Put your personal life in order before May 25. You'll be too busy hauling your ashes all around town after that to engage in quiet contemplation. You lucky thing you!

**PISCES**

FEBRUARY 20 - MARCH 20

There seems to be so much to say and only until May 25 of the month to deliver it properly, pink Fish. Prepare your pride treatise and deliver it with gusto while the passion and thoughts flow. But wait, there's more! Intellectual Mercury moves from Aries to Taurus on May 16 and enters the communications fray. That means you must think globally and act locally.

For entertainment purposes only. For best results, read both your Sun sign and Ascendant. For a free calculation of your ascendant, send birth date, time, place, name of this publication and s.a.s.c. to: Lichtenstein, POB 1726, Old Chelsea Station, NY 10011.



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"Have a nice day," a statement with no real intention or meaning for that matter. Sound familiar?

Is ENDA not Dead-ENDA? Del. Eleanor Holmes Norton, D-D.C., told a gathering of G/L Democrats in Washington (Where boxers make a good ankle-warmer!) that she will push for a House of Representatives vote on ENDA (the Employment Non-Discrimination Act). Oh goodie!

For those who haven't been playing the home game, ENDA (the 1997-98 version) would prohibit discrimination based on sexual orientation relating to hiring, firing, compensation or promotion decisions in the workplace in both private sector and government employment. It would extend Federal job protection to Gay and Lesbians who work in places without state or local anti-bias laws. Let the rejoicing begin! Puh-teeze!

Del. Norton, in her speech, said that she is growing tired of House Republican leaders (So are we!) determined to prevent the bill from making it to the floor of the House and she may add ENDA as an amendment to a larger bill in order to force a vote. Really?

Interesting that the bill, with more than 160 cosponsors, has been languishing in the House since March of last year is now being championed by a Congressional Delegate, who couldn't vote for the bill if it made it to the House floor! Cosponsoring is so-cheap!

What happened to those moderate Republican cosponsors, like Rep. Chris Shays, R-CT, and Rep. Jim Kolbe, R-Tucson, who said last year they would spear-

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**"Have A Nice Day!"**

head the effort for passage over the House hurdles?

Speaking of which . . . Del. Norton would have to try to convince, persuade the chair of the of the House Subcommittee on Civil Service, the ultra-conservative Rep. John Mica, R-FL, to hold a hearing on the bill. Right, one of Newt Gingrich's "Salamanders" will do that!

If that doesn't work, an amendment, which she must get the approval of the same committee. Sure! The last option is to convince the House Rules Committee, also dominated by Newt's "Salamanders," to allow the amendment to get to the floor.

Try ENDA! ENDA gathers up the dust better than Pledge or Endust!

Even SPAM has a shelf-life! Another effort to resurrect the very stalled, dead nomination of openly-Gay Hormel Heir, James Hormel, to be the next ambassador to the strategically-important-principality of Luxembourg has started.

Whoopie! But don't "Call Him Madam" yet! As if we were!

According to alleged news reports, the White House and the State Department are targeting moderate Republican senators to help get the 60 votes needed to break the Senate deadlock over the nomination. Gee,

if the White House had campaigned in 1996 for congressional candidates they wouldn't be in this mess on this and other matters!

Majority Leader, Sen. Trent Lott . . . and his hair, R-MS, continues to refuse to bring the nomination to the floor for a vote. Too much time because Hormel's opponents, a whopping total of four, would mount a filibuster, Mr. "Good Hair Day" commented. Did we really expect Congress to do anything but talk?

Wake me up before you blow-blow! The Arizona Legislature declared it a no-no! They're at it again! What a shocker!

With the brouhaha over school finance over with . . . until the court rules the plan which nobody supported unconstitutional for the moment, the Inquisition, err Legislature is considering legislation in day 108, as of press time, of their 100-day session. Timing is everything!

SB 1261, which will make being tested for HIV in Arizona hazardous to your health sailed through the State House by a vote of 46-13. Support?! Attempts were made by Rep. Herschella Horton, D-Tucson, to attach an amendment restoring full informed counseling and written permission forms to SB 1261. Did it succeed?

It failed. Sen. Tom Patterson, R-

Phoenix, the bill's sponsor, threatened to kill several important pieces of legislation in the Senate if the bill was altered. He won. One person can intimidate 59 others. Go figure.

Speaking of the "Dr. Kevorkian" of the legislature, his "Good Samaritan Act," SB 1037 got the big okay by the House, 41-14 as well.

SB 1037 would force the Arizona Department of Health Services to release confidential medical information to "good Samaritans" who fear they were exposed to a communicable disease at an accident scene. HIV is the only disease defined in SB 1037. Opposition was quickly muted on SB 1037. Tommy's temper-tantrums worked yet again! So be careful kids!

Faster than you could say "over-the-shoulder-bolder-holder" and "stiffie," SB 1162, which gives new meaning to "cover-up," "orifices" "members" and "engorged areas" was approved by the full House by a "Size-Queen" margin, 41-14. Rumor has it, that when Gov. Hull signs the bill. Arizona's license plate's slogan will change from "The Grand Canyon State (A no-no! An engorged orifice!) to "The place with the really big hole in the ground."

Remember the "feel good felony" bill dealing with HIV, HB 2396? It's back! The measure, would make knowingly passing the HIV virus to someone, after which they have tested positive and after receiving half-hearted counseling (SB 1261 - soon to be law!), a Class-3 Felony.

HB 2396 was thought to be dead in the water was resurrected by the State  
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## University of Arizona Law Student Wins IBT's Scholarship Award



Scholarship winner Doug Weler, center, accepts his \$800 scholarship check from IBT owners Frank Schepis (l) and Dave Huff (r).

TUCSON - Each year IBT awards a scholarship to a deserving Pima College or University of Arizona Student. This year's scholarship was a check for \$800 awarded to second year UofA law student Doug Weler.

Doug has participated in the Lesbian and Gay Rights Advocates at the UofA Law School. That group holds discussion meetings to educate each other about issues such as Gay marriage, the legal rights of Gays and Lesbians and other pertinent issues of interest to Gay and bisexual men and women.

LAGRA holds fund raisers in the form of bake sales at the Law School. The group uses the money for a variety of things including contributions to the law

school library to enable them to subscribe to Gay and Lesbian periodicals.

Weler is also involved in the Pride Law Center. This center provides free legal advice to the Gay/Lesbian/Bisexual community. He assists the center by setting up appointments and taking notes for the attorneys during the sessions.

Last year Doug was involved in Lawyers for Literacy. This organization consists of lawyers and law students. They spend one hour every week tutoring elementary school children. This year he is involved in Lesbian and Gay rights Advocates of the UofA Law School.

Congratulations to Doug Weler, a truly deserving student.

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### Desert Coyotes Final League Standings

	W-L	Overall
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Erratica II*	20-8	56.5-55.5
Gay Caballeros*	20-8	67.0-45.0
Triple T**	16-12	72.0-40.0
Helen	16-12	52.0-60.0
Six	15-13	62.5-49.5
Triple Dickys	15-13	63.0-49.0
The D's*	13-15	60.0-52.0
Buddies	13-15	55.0-57.0
Prickly Pears	12-16	52.0-60.0
Weeblovs	11-17	41.0-71.0
Smokin Bears	10-18	56.5-55.5
3-Hole Hookers	8-20	46.0-66.0
Ft Lng Ht Dgs	7-21	53.0-59.0

\*Qualified for roll-offs  
\*\*League Champions

### Lambda Lizards League Standings Second Half

	W-L	Overall
Miracles...	30-14	50.0-54.0
The Denim Men	26-18	58.0-46.0
Gays & Dolls	17-27	48.0-56.0
We Suck Good*	15-29	52.0-52.0

\*First Half Winner

### Desert Coyotes Summer League June 3

TUCSON -- The Desert Coyotes, who just wrapped up their fall season are getting ready to start their summer league extravaganza, June 3.

Looking for something cool to do on Wednesday during the hot Tucson summer? Come bowl with the Desert Coyotes! The league bowls at Golden Pin Lanes, 1010 West Miracle Mile, but with a change for the summer. Instead of their 9:00 P.M. start time, the Desert Coyotes will start one-hour earlier, 8:00 P.M., with the same format, trios.

The Desert Coyotes will also keep the same bowling format - standard three games. If you've bowled before, come on down. If you haven't and want to learn, come on down. The only thing you need to be able to do is to have fun!

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# UPDATE

## Gay Men's Performance Workshops

TUCSON - - The Gay Men's Performance Workshops that Tim Miller started while he was in residence in Tucson last February performing his show, "Shirts & Skin" have been continuing after his departure.

The next workshop will take place May 7, 7:00 - 9:00 P.M. at Wingspan, and future workshops will continue to be held on the first and third Thursdays of every month.

Several of the men who have participated in the workshops, and who have some experience in similar performance and creative areas, have committed

to organizing and co-facilitating these workshops. They are an ongoing, evolving gathering of Gay men of all ages and backgrounds, intended to find different creative ways to tell our stories, explore our creative energies, and enter the worlds of each other's lives, myths, and images in a supportive atmosphere.

The workshops are free, and all Queer men are welcome at any of them. No experience is necessary! Bring your hearts, brains, body and wear comfortable clothes you can move in.

For more information, call (520) 881-3293.

## 11<sup>th</sup> Annual Jell-O Wrestling And Auction

TUCSON - The Eleventh Annual Reno Gannon Jell-O Wrestling Extravaganza, scheduled for Sunday, May 17 is setting up nicely.

The wrestlers are out and about, firming up sponsors. Gilda and Lucinda are starting to mold their outfits and routine. The raffle itself has a new layer, the Raffle Grand Prize - two round trip tickets from Tucson to the San Francisco Bar Area - now includes two night lodging at

the Best Western Americana Hotel in San Francisco (Some restrictions apply).

Raffle tickets are available at the Rainbow Planet CoffeeHouse, the Graduate, IBT's, Stonewall/Eagle, and the Southern Arizona AIDS Foundation.

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## 15<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Of AIDS Candlelight Memorial May 17 In Tucson

TUCSON - - On May 17, Tucson will join over 400 cities in 60 countries in observing the International AIDS Candlelight Memorial and Mobilization, the world's largest grassroots AIDS event.

The annual event commemorates the lives lost to AIDS, demonstrates support for people living with HIV/AIDS and mobilizes community-based response to the HIV pandemic.

The theme of this year's event is "Rekindle the flame; renew the fight for a global end to AIDS." This theme urges all people to commit or recommit themselves to the ongoing struggle against AIDS.

The event is coordinated internationally by Mobilization Against AIDS. This year's local organizations are:

Wingspan, Tucson Interfaith HIV/AIDS Network (TIHAN), Desert

Voices, Southern Arizona AIDS Foundation (SAAF), Men's Social Network, AIDS Prevention Collaboration, Tucson Lesbian/Gay Alliance (TLGA) and the Pima County Health Department HIV Program.

The evening will provide opportunities for Tucsonans to learn about HIV/AIDS services offered locally, and about volunteer opportunities.

"These organizations have all been touched in some way by AIDS, and have all responded in some way to help those affected by AIDS," said Mark Schaye, local event coordinator. "This event is an important demonstration of how deeply AIDS affects the Tucson community."

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## Fineline Bar License Move Rejected By City Council. State Liquor Board Must Now Rule



Fineline/Outrageous bar owner Dick Plowman pictured on closing night of his clubs. See story below.

TUCSON - The Fineline has been at 101 W. Drachman for nearly 18 years. Originally opening as a Gay establishment the club evolved into an alternative night club catering to Gays and Straights. In addition, it has a large youth clientele in a separate part of the building for dancing and serving non-alcoholic beverages for 19 and 20 year-old people.

Pima College has purchased the building housing the non-alcoholic Fineline and Outrageous bar which serve alcoholic beverages to those over 21 years of age clubs. This has forced club owner Dick Plowman to seek a new location for the clubs.

Plowman found the old Club 2520 on Oracle Road was able to handle both operations and sought City Council approval for the moving of his licence to 2520 N. Oracle.

However, neighborhood advocates petitioned the council to reject Plowman's request. And, at a meeting this past Monday evening, the council decided against the license move.

The meeting was attended by nearly 200 people from both sides of the argument. Neither the planning Department nor the police department objected to Plowman's application.

Plowman has operated without liquor violations or causing other law enforcement problems at the 101 Drachman address for the nearly 18 years it was open. He has a large security force

on hand at all times to enforce the strict house rules.

Councilman Jerry Anderson said that Plowman's reputation and the support he received from his patrons at the council meeting was very good, but the neighborhood has too many problems already without adding to them.

The Arizona State Liquor Board, which has the final say in the dispute has not yet ruled. They usually rely on the council decision but have been known to overrule that body and issue licenses. Only time will tell whether the Fineline will reopen on Oracle Road.

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*News from MCC Tucson*

**Pastor Cook Now Full Time**

TUCSON - Water of Life Metropolitan Community Church (MCC) announced that Pastor Joyce Cook has relocated to Tucson and is fulfilling church pastoral duties full-time.

In addition to her pastoral responsibilities, Pastor Cook is available for community events and activities and for pastoral and spiritual counseling.

Joyce Cook has served as the pastoral leader of Water of Life MCC since February 1, 1997, while continuing her employment as a substance abuse counselor in Phoenix. In December 1997, the congregation called her as permanent Pastor and made the commitment to move her to Tucson as the full-time pastor. Pastor Cook was officially installed as Pastor, January 11, 1998.

Pastor Cook completed her clergy internship at MCC-Las Vegas. Since 1991, she had been active at Gentle Shepherd MCC in Phoenix, and she is currently completing her theological studies for ordination in the Universal Fellowship of Metropolitan Community Churches.

Cook obtained her Bachelor of Social Work from Arizona State University, and has completed the requirements for Certification in Chemical Dependency at the University of Miami (FL).

Water of Life MCC is a member congregation of the Universal Fellowship of Metropolitan Community Churches (UFMCC), founded in 1968. Water of Life MCC, which while open to all people, primarily serves the Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual and Transgendered community and their families and friends. Founded in 1970, Water of Life MCC numbers among the early congregations of the UFMCC with more than twenty-seven years of continuous service in the Tucson area.

All are invited to come and meet Pastor Cook at Water of Life MCC. Worship services are Sundays, 10:45 A.M. Pastoral and spiritual counseling is available by appointment by phoning the church office. Water of Life MCC is located at 3269 North Mountain Avenue. For more information, call the church office, (520) 292-9151.

**A View From The Rock**

A Commentary From Cornerstone Fellowship

Last week I received a large official looking document in the mail. It said I was selected to be one of the finalists for the Publishing Clearinghouse sweepstakes. If I carefully followed all the directions I might be chosen again to reach the next level. Wow! How would I spend a million dollars? What's the catch? My spouse received the same documents in the mail, and maybe you did too. That's the catch! These too-good-to-be-true offers are often just that, with a hidden catch. I'm on one of "those" mailing lists, so I get all types of "supposed" winner's documents in the mail. Many of them require a purchase to remain in their contest! That's their catch when you read the fine print on the back of winner's letter. Things aren't always what they seem to be.

When I was in college I became involved in a business for a short while. That too wasn't what it seemed to be. We were taught how to invite friends into our homes to learn about an "opportunity." That's what we were to call it. Then we'd do some demonstrations of the company's cleaning chemicals and products and convince our friends to also sign up to sell it. The more friends you signed up the more money you'd be making. That was a short-lived business for me. Not a single friend signed up, and I saw the catch there finally. Even the friend who initially signed me up

left the business after reaching a high level in the pyramid. Once again, there was a catch to that "get rich quick" offer!

Some people view Christianity with the same wariness that they give the sweepstakes offers. "It's too good to be true, it's for others, not for me, no one could believe a story like the Bible, why would Jesus die for me; only old people need it; it requires too much commitment, etc., etc., etc." I thought of some of those reasons before I became a Christian myself. I knew there had to be catch to it.

At first I'd heard that if you became a Christian you'd become kind of weird. I knew some Christians, and they were different. And those of us who weren't Christians would laugh at them. What did they do for fun? They weren't getting drunk or stoned like us, they didn't sleep around like us. They didn't tell the same kinds of jokes. They were different. What I didn't understand that Christians are called to live a life that is different. Oh sure, none of us reach that all of the time, but we're supposed to.

What's the catch then about Christianity? There is a catch! You see, you're not a Christian simply because you're not a Hindu or a Muslim. You're not a Christian simply because your parents were. You're not a Christian just because you attend a church somewhere. You're not a Christian because you are a good person. So what makes a person a Christian? The Bible gives a clear definition of what a Christian believes: "... that Christ died for our sins ... that he was buried ... that he was raised on the third day, " according to the Scriptures. (1 Corinthians 15:3-5) If you believe that Jesus died to pay for your sins, and have asked him to forgive you and be your savior, then you are a Christian. Does it sound too simple? It is simple. The only catch is, it is not forced on us. We have to do our part and accept it.

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Antes que nada quiero compartir con usted apreciable lector la nueva publicación que ha hecho el Dr. Robert Gallo y un grupo de investigadores del Instituto de Virología Humana y de la Universidad de Maryland ya que han descubierto una nueva vía de ataque del VIH al sistema inmunológico, según un estudio publicado en la revista Proceeding of the National Academy of Sciences. El VIH infecta y destruye los linfocitos CD4+, los cuales tienen en su superficie moléculas CD4 a las que se adhiere el virus para entrar en ellas e infectarlas. El nuevo estudio revela que también hay CD4 en la superficie de otras células del sistema inmunológico, como los linfocitos CD8+ (citotóxicos-supresores), capaces de destruir los linfocitos infectados por el VIH y limitar la replicación viral. Se ha constatado además que los CD8+ que exponen en su superficie los marcadores CD4 se convierten en vulnerables a la infección por VIH. Hasta ahora, la disminución y el mal funcionamiento de los linfocitos CD8+ en pacientes con SIDA se explicaba por mecanismos como el de apoptosis o suicidio celular.

Dentro de las noticias al día sobre SIDA: Una enfermera alemana se contagió con el VIH tras someterse a una inseminación artificial, que el espermatozoide del donante no había sido suficientemente analizado, según The Lancet. El semen del donante había resultado negativo en el momento de la donación. Sin embargo, tres meses después, cuando la inseminación de la receptora ya se había producido, un control posterior demostró que el donante era portador del VIH. Un test exhaustivo determinó que el tipo viral del donante y el de la receptora eran idénticos. La enfermera cayó enferma tres meses después de la inseminación. <Todos los países exigen que el espermatozoide sea sometido a una cuarentena al menos durante tres meses antes de ser utilizado, excepto Alemania>, manifestó el Dr. B. Matz, del Instituto de Microbiología de la Universidad de Bonn, que recomendó recurrir a bancos de semen congelado, y no fresco, para evitar accidentes.

Sobre los nuevos medicamentos... Los pacientes cuyos virus se han vuelto resistentes al tratamiento antirretroviral convencional (terapia triple) podrían optar a un nuevo tratamiento con el fármaco experimental ZIAGEN (Abacavir). El programa, desarrollado por Glaxo Wellcome, comenzó a inscribir pacientes desde marzo y está destinado a pacientes mayores de 13 años. El Dr. Lynn Smiley, vicepresidente de investigaciones de la compañía, manifestó que el mismo es necesario para aquellos pacientes que no están obteniendo resultados con la terapia antirretroviral. El programa estimulará a los participantes a combinar Ziagen con otras terapias a las que aún no han estado expuestos. El Dr. Gabriel Torres codirector del Centro de VIII Bentley-Salick Health Care PC, declaró que el Ziagen puede ser una buena opción para aquellos en los que las terapias existentes han fracasado. Los médicos interesados en inscribir a pacientes con VIH en el programa deben llamar al 1-800-501-4672 para obtener instrucciones específicas sobre el mismo.

En las informaciones que tiene **Salud es Poder**. Enric está haciendo la invitación para celebrar las Fiestas del Cinco de Mayo en el Stonewall desde el día 3, 4 y 5 con un gran show a cargo desde luego de **Fuerza Latina** con sus nuevos integrantes y sus nuevas personificaciones! Además el día 17 de mayo será la iniciación de las Noches Latinas en el BIZ con otra gran presentación de Fuerza Latina, y sí, hay buena respuesta de todos ustedes se mantendrán estas presentaciones mensualmente!!!

Es necesario agradecerle públicamente a los hermanos Salcedo, José y Fernando, de Puerto Peñasco Sonora, por su gentileza y gran apoyo al proyecto Salud es Poder y a los integrantes, ya que han prestado su residencia de "Las Conchas" para que allí se llevara a cabo el retiro de entrenamiento y reclutamiento para el mencionado proyecto el pasado mes de marzo con buenos resultados desde luego, y así mismo empezar a unir esfuerzos con los amigos de aquella población en lo que a prevención e información en relación al VIH/SIDA respecta. Además se invita a los integrantes de la comunidad latina a la 3ra. sesión de los entrenamientos especialmente para las personas que prefieren comunicarse en español; Si necesita información adicional, comunicarse con Enric o con Jorge...

Por hoy es todo, le esperamos la próxima semana, D. M.

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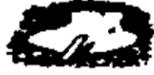
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## NJ Letter Carriers Win Family Leave Thanks To Precedent

JACKSON, NJ -- Dona and Tre are a couple living in Jackson, New Jersey. They are both letter carriers at the Toms River Post Office.

Tre has worked there for more than nine years. Dona has worked for the Postal Service for four-and-a-half years and she's been at the Tom's River Post Office for three-and-a-half years.

The two women have been together for two-and-a-half years. They're out to family, friends and co-workers.

On April 4, 1997, Tre got sick during work. She was in terrible pain and needed to go to the emergency room during work hours. Management didn't allow Dona to take Tre to the hospital; in fact they even gave Dona an extra hour-and-a-half work off the route Tre had been scheduled to carry that day.

It turned out that Tre had kidney stones and was going to be in a lot of pain until they passed. She was in too much pain to do anything including driving and she needed to get to her doctor on April 6, 1997. That's the day Dona requested family leave, sick leave for dependent care. The supervisor denied her request stating that the couple was not married under federal law and didn't qualify. Dona requested the leave several times and was repeatedly denied.

The couple's co-workers were very supportive of them during their quest to be recognized for family leave under the Family Leave and Medical Act of 1993 (FMLA). They had a union ceremony in November 1997 and they had to produce the certificate of Holy Union for management, to prove that they are "married."

Tre is a shop steward, so the couple asked the union, the National Association of Letter Carriers (NALC), for help with their fight. Tre did all the paperwork, but she couldn't represent herself so the couple asked the president and vice-president of the NALC local to present all the information to management.

Ultimately, they ended up resolving the situation without much help from the union.

In April of 1998, Dona and Tre received information from a Utah couple, Kathy Worthington and Sara Hamblin, who had been through a similar battle with the Postal Service in May of 1997. The Salt Lake Tribune had done a front page article on the case. The case was precedent setting because Worthington was granted leave to care for Sara, who has metastatic breast cancer.

The New Jersey women showed the Salt Lake Tribune article to local management and they let the managers know that they would get a lawyer and take it to court if their request was not granted. Upon seeing the article, management said "no ifs, ands, or buts, you will be given leave under FMLA."

Later, Dona wrote to Kathy and Sara and said, "Thank you for all the information you sent us. It made life very easy for us. It was when they saw the newspaper article about the two of you that they decided to pay and keep things quiet in order to avoid a lawsuit that they would surely have lost because of all that the two of you did."

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# Pentagon Presses Law Schools On Recruiting Ban

NEW YORK, NY (WS) — Citing campus ordinances which banned discrimination based on sexual orientation, most colleges and universities nationwide for years prohibited any official military presence on their grounds. All that began to change in the wake of a 1995 law passed by Congress that barred Pentagon contracts with any college or university that forbade campus recruiting by the military.

The law was given longer and sharper teeth in September, 1996, when Congress voted to deny money from the Departments of Education, Energy, Health and Human Services, and a host of other federal agencies, to any school that banned Armed Forces recruiting and the Reserve Officers Training Corps because of anti-Gay discrimination.

The Chronicle of Higher Education reports that like most public and private universities before them, most law schools are buckling under the new rules rather than risk the loss of tens of millions in federal aid.

But at least one institution — the New York University School of Law — has told the Defense Department that as long as it discriminates against Gay men and Lesbians, military representatives will be unwelcome.

John Sexton, dean of the New York law school, admitted to the Chronicle that his institution risked losing some federal support. He did not say how much. "On issues like this," he said, however, "the amount of money you would lose shouldn't make a difference. You don't make decisions of principle based upon the price tag," he said.

The tougher 1996 law clashed with a longstanding requirement of the Association of American Law Schools that its 162 members prohibit employers who discriminate on the basis of sexual orientation. But because of the new law's financial threat, the law-school association made an exception to its membership rules.

The association now says that schools can let the military interview on their grounds and remain members as long as they also try to reduce the negative impact on Gay and Lesbian students and workers.

The Chronicle reports the recent crackdown on law schools stems from a February meeting at the Pentagon, called by William J. Carr, head of officer recruiting for the Defense Department. Carr said he wanted to make sure that recruiters trying to sign up lawyers for the services knew that they were covered under the law. Representatives from each service were told they should check out schools they think have been treating the military more harshly than other employers, Carr said.

About 40 law schools were so identified. One of them, The College of Law at Willamette University, was notified it risked losing as much as \$100,000 in

student aid for law students there, while the entire university — which also had barred military recruiters in the past — risked losing more than \$900,000, according to Robert M. Ackerman, the law dean. The military is now allowed to recruit on the campus.

Ackerman said Willamette's Board of Trustees recently appointed a panel to recommend how to handle the issue in the future, including consideration of the feasibility of a court challenge of the law's constitutionality. Other deans have expressed interest in joining Willamette if such a challenge to the law was made, Ackerman added.

Ackerman said he was disappointed that some larger and wealthier institutions "have just rolled over and played dead and let Big Brother walk over them" on the issue.

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# Non-Bar Calendar

Groups / Clubs / Organizations

## FRIDAY, MAY 1

Because of the rain last weekend, the White Elephant and Yard Sale at MCC Church, 3269 N. Mountain, has been moved to today from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. 292-9151 for more information or donations.

7:00 p.m., at Antigona Books there will be a slide presentation and talk by Barbara Seyda and Diana Herrera, as well as some of the five local families included in their gorgeous new book, "Women in Love: Portraits of Lesbian Mothers and their Families" (Bulfinch Press, \$29.95). Seyda and Herrera have created a spectacular visual tribute to the 5 to 10 million lesbian mothers and grandmothers in the U.S. today. This incredible collection of photographs and interviews is the first of its kind, and explores concepts of family, partnership, conception, racial issues and personal and community growth.

Men's Social Network (Gay men of all ages; guests always welcome). 7:00 p.m. Our Topic of Discussion for May will be "Friends & Lovers." Is it possible to have both? Think about it and join us for a night of lively conversation. For reservations and directions, please call Jerry at 690-9565.

## SATURDAY, MAY 2

1. Men's Social Network (Gay men of all ages; guests always welcome). 7:00 p.m. Join us for our monthly potluck as we sit down to eat with some of the nicest gay guys in town (like you!). You're invited to come and share your favorite dish with the nearly 100 men who come to our monthly gathering. Join us at 3809 E. 2nd Street at St. Mark's Presbyterian Church. For directions and any questions you may have, please call Jerry at 690-9565.

## SUNDAY, MAY 3

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. For reservations and directions, please call Tom at 318-1650.

## MONDAY, MAY 4

Rainbow Planet Coffee House will begin every Monday Special of 50¢ Espresso shots.

Men's Social Network (Gay men of all ages; guests always welcome). 7:00 p.m. Bridge night. Bridge for men who may want to refresh their bridge skills; table talk playing. For reservations and directions, please call Jim at 790-8735.

## TUESDAY, MAY 5

Rainbow Planet Coffee House will begin "Two for Tuesday" special with a different drink each Tuesday - buy one get one free.

Men's Social Network (Gay men of all ages; guests always welcome). 7:00 p.m. The Book Club will be discussing three Dave Brandstetter mystery stories by Joseph Hansen. Even if you don't read the book, we encourage all book lovers to attend. For reservations and directions, please call Jerry at 690-9565.

## THURSDAY, MAY 7

Gay Men's Performance Workshop, 7-9 p.m. at Wingspan. This is a free, ongoing, evolving gathering of Gay men of all ages and backgrounds, intended to find different creative ways to tell our stories, explore our creative energies, and enter the worlds of each other's lives, myths, and images in a supportive atmosphere. All queer men are welcome, and no experience is necessary! Bring your ears, brains and body and wear comfortable clothes you can move in. Call Mark at 881-3293 for more information.

## FRIDAY, MAY 8

Men's Social Network (Gay men of all ages; guests always welcome). MSN has a trip to San Carlos planned for the weekend. We'll drive down together in a van and enjoy a relaxing weekend at this beautiful Mexican resort town. For more information, please call Donn at 325-4257.

Antigona Books will present a discussion and reading of "Chasing The American Dream: Home Stretch" (Cleis Press, \$14.95). This is a brand new anthology edited by Susan Fox Rogers that explores and celebrates Lesbian notions of home. The discussion will be led by Susan and contributor Linda Smukler will read from her piece. What does the concept of home mean? In this beautiful and diverse collection, each writer interprets it in her own way, from childhood homes to the homes they've created as adults, to "home" in the broader sense of where we feel most ourselves.

## SATURDAY, MAY 9

Men's Social Network (Gay men of all ages; guests always welcome). If you couldn't get off work on Friday, consider joining us for the rest of the weekend in San Carlos. It's only a 6 hour drive away. For more information, please call Donn at 325-4257.

## SUNDAY, MAY 10

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. For reservations and directions, please call Tom at 318-1650.

## MONDAY, MAY 11

Men's Social Network (Gay men of all ages; guests always welcome). 7:00 p.m. Join us for a video presentation of "The Ritz." This funny movie is about a straight man running from killers who pick a gay bath house as his hiding place. For directions and reservations, please call Les at 690-9565.

## TUESDAY, MAY 12

Men's Social Network (Gay men of all ages; guests always welcome). 7:00 p.m. A fun evening devoted to British comedy series. Three episodes from your favorite series: "Absolutely Fabulous," "Fawlty Towers," and "Keeping Up Appearances." This event is on the east side of town. For directions and reservations, please call Loren at 733-0072.

## THURSDAY, MAY 14

Men's Social Network (Gay men of all ages; guests always welcome). 7:00 p.m. Join us for a night of Czech food as we visit The Green Frog. We'll have a pre-set menu to choose from, so please call in your reservation early to give the restaurant enough time to prepare. For reservations and directions, please call Bill at 546-7539.

# Bar Calendar

Of Upcoming Events

## WEDNESDAY, APRIL 28

IBT'S - The Girls Show featuring Lucinda Holliday, Faïce Renard, Virginia Sacrifice and Adrienne Alexander. 9:00 p.m.

## SATURDAY, MAY 2

VENTURE-N - Desert Leathermen Beer Bust 3:00 to 7:00 p.m. on the patio.

## SUNDAY, MAY 3

ART NOBODY'S BIZ - Cinco de Mayo celebration. Live Latin music with La Raza 9:00 p.m. to 1:00 a.m. Tecate and Corona specials! Shot Specials! \$1.25 pitchers. Cover.

IBT'S - Sunday Brunch all you can eat bar-b-que and 16oz Beer Bust 4:30 to 7:00 p.m. to benefit AGRA. 8:00 p.m. watch episode #1 of "On The Boulevard" exclusive at IBT's. Americas only Gay/camp comedy video show. 9:00 p.m. Wet Shorts Contest. \$100 first place. Along with a special Male Box Nite. Get wet and play post office. 9:00 to Midnight.

STONEWALL/EAGLE - TMAN Benefit Show with Dani Bordello and Friends - Christina de Alexis, Faith, Miss J.O.D.Y. and Miss Gay Tucson 1998 Victoria DuPuis. Doors open at 8:00 p.m. with showtime at 9:30 p.m.

## MONDAY, MAY 4

STONEWALL/EAGLE - Latino Men's Health Project presents a Cinco De Mayo Fiesta here May 4-5 and 7. Tonight Salud Es Poder. 9:00 p.m. in the Stonewall.

## TUESDAY, MAY 5

IBT'S - Cinco de Mayo Party \$1.75 Margaritas and \$2.00 Coronas. Food-Fun-Party.

STONEWALL/EAGLE - Latino Men's Health Project presents night two of Cinco de Mayo here. Tonight will be Fuerza Latina Travesti Show at 10:30 p.m. in the Stonewall.

## WEDNESDAY, MAY 6

IBT'S - The Love Company presents "Puttin' On The Lips" co-hosted by Miss Gay Tucson 1998, Victoria DuPuis and the former Miss Gay Tucson Felice Renard.

## FRIDAY, MAY 8

AIN'T NOBODY'S BIZ - The Biz welcomes back Nancy and Hippie Shake. They play a rock/blues mix that always packs the house. 7:00 to 10:00 p.m. Cover.

## FRIDAY, MAY 15

ART NOBODY'S BIZ - Prom Night here! Benefits SAAF. Gifts from Unique on Central, pictures courtesy of Deb Whalen. The prom you always wanted but never had is finally here. \$2.00 Cover goes directly to SAAF. Come early.

## SATURDAY, MAY 16

VENTURE-N - Armed Forces Day Uniform Party! Watch for more!

## SUNDAY, MAY 17

ART NOBODY'S BIZ - Fuerza Latin drag show sponsored by Latino Men's Health Project.

GRADUATE - 11<sup>th</sup> Annual Reno Gannon Memorial Jell-o Wrestling to benefit Southern Arizona AIDS Foundation (SAAF) in the parking lot. Free admission. Raffle, auction, wrestling, fun. For more information or for wrestlers packets, call 3232-6226.

STONEWALL/EAGLE - Dreamgirls Revue with Mr. Kenneth Blake

## WEDNESDAY, MAY 20

STONEWALL/EAGLE - Hot male strippers from Los Angeles. 10:00 p.m. \$2.00 cover.

## MONDAY, MAY 25

AIN'T NOBODY'S BIZ - Memorial Day Cook-out. Free hamburgers and hot dogs. 2 for 1 ice cold long-necks. No Cover. Grilling starts at 4:00 p.m.

## FRIDAY, MAY 29

AIN'T NOBODY'S BIZ - Latin Night at the Biz. No cover. Shot specials all night.

## SUNDAY, MAY 31

STONEWALL/EAGLE - Dreamgirls Revue with Mr. Kenneth Blake

## FRIDAY, MAY 15

Men's Social Network (Gay men of all ages; guests always welcome). 7:00 p.m. "The Full Monty" will be shown. Watch as a ragtag group of men get together to fry and put on a strip show. This Oscar nominated film is very funny and charming. For reservations and directions, please call Les at 690-9565.

## SATURDAY, MAY 16

Men's Social Network (Gay men of all ages; guests always welcome). Get ready to rough it, as the guys head out for a camping trip to Lake Patagonia. We plan to stay overnight and come back home on Sunday, after a full weekend of activities and fun. For more information, please contact Dan at 622-8112.

Tucson Arts District Partnership Downtown Saturday Night from 7:00 to 10:00 p.m. Live music, arts, entertainment, mainly on 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue. Check it out.

## SUNDAY, MAY 17

11<sup>th</sup> Annual Reno Gannon Memorial Jell-o Wrestling and Benefit Auction 4:00 to 7:00 p.m. in the parking lot at the Graduate (University and Stone). Proceeds benefit the Southern Arizona AIDS Foundation (SAAF). Free admission. Raffle, auction, wrestling, fun. For more information or for wrestlers packets call 322-8226.

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. For reservations and directions, please call Tom at 318-1650.

# Daily Bar Calendar

## Sunday

AIN'T NOBODY'S BIZ - Beer Bust 6-10, \$1.25 pitchers. Latin Music 9-1. Shot specials all night.

GRADUATE - Happy Hour 4-8 pm all well \$1.25 Draft 75¢ Schnapps 75¢. Drink specials do not apply during special events.

HOURS - Open 1pm. \$2 Bloody Marys & \$1.50 Screwdrivers till 8pm. Country music & dancing with FREE country dance instruction 7pm.

IBT's - Open Noon to 1 am. Happy Hour noon-8pm, \$1.75 domestic beer and \$1.50 Well. Bonafide B-B-Q and Beer Bust for community organizations 4:30-7:00pm. Hi energy dancing 9pm to close. All drink specials not available during special events.

NEON MOON - Open 2pm. Party with Stas. Complimentary hot dogs.

STONEWALL/EAGLE - Open noon. \$1.75 pitchers 75¢ a glass, 1/4 lb. Burgers with cheese, potato salad & chips \$2, 2pm-77. Pool Tourney 2pm w/Zippmann. Karaoke Night 9-close hosted by Billy Dee. Stonewall opens at 9pm with hot dance music with DJ Rayman

VENTURE-N - Open 10 a.m. Backside Beer Bust 3-8pm 50¢ draft. 361 Dart Tournament 5pm \$3 entry fee. Best 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. Absolutely Fabulous at 9:30pm with \$2.25 StoB and \$3 Absolute drinks

GRADUATE - Open 9am. Happy Hour 4-8pm all well \$1.50 Draft \$1.75 Domestic. Drink specials do not apply during special events.

HOURS - Closed Mondays.

IBT's - Open noon. Martini Monday all day all call martini's \$2.50. Happy Hour noon-8pm, \$1.75 domestic beer and \$1.50 well. 8pm to midnight, \$1.50/32m pitchers. Retro 80s Dance 9pm-1am. All drink specials not available during special events.

NEON MOON - Open 4pm. Happy hour 4-7. Drink specials to pool and dart players.

STONEWALL/EAGLE - Open 2pm. Party with Rob in the evening. Doc's Dart Tourney 8pm in the Eagle. Free pool all day.

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

## Tuesday

AIN'T NOBODY'S BIZNESS - Happy Hour 2-7 pm 2for1 well and domestic long necks. 2-7 p.m. Pool Tournament 7:30 pot matched. \$1 longnecks all night for tournament players. Hot dance music.

GRADUATE - Open 9am. Happy Hour 4-8pm all well \$1.50, Domestic \$1.75. Drink specials do not apply during special events.

HOURS - Open 3pm. Happy Hour 3-8pm. \$1.50 well or domestic beer.

IBT's - Open noon. Happy Hour Noon-8 pm, \$1.75 domestic beer & \$1.50 well. 8 pm to close 2for1 well Miller Lite. Fetish Night, dress in your fetish and get special drink prices 9-1. High Energy Dance with David Z.

NEON MOON - Happy Hour 4-7pm. Karaoke with Billy Dee. \$1.00 off drinks to singers.

STONEWALL/EAGLE - Open 2pm. Happy Hour till 8pm. Miller High Life \$1.75 Cuervo Gold \$2 after 8pm. Latino Nite with DJ Eduardo 9-close.

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

## Wednesday

AIN'T NOBODY'S BIZNESS - Happy Hour 2-7. 2for1 well or domestic beer. \$1.25 pitchers from 8 to midnight. Neon Kam's \$2. Schnaps \$1 all day. Alternative music w/Skephanie 9pm-1.

GRADUATE - Open 9am. Happy Hour 4-8pm all well \$1.50; Domestic \$1.75. 9 Ball Single Elimination Pool Tourney. 7pm. Pot matched. Drink specials do not apply during special events.

HOURS - Open 3pm. Happy Hour 3-8pm \$1.50 well or domestic beer.

IBT's - Open Noon to 1 am. Happy Hour Noon to 8pm, \$1.75 domestic beer & \$1.50 well. Mystery Night. \$1.75 Bud Procter Special 9 pm to close. Dan with David Z. All drink specials not available during special events.

NEON MOON - Happy Hour 4-7. 2 for 1 from 7-10. Liqueuration 7 to 10 pm.

STONEWALL/EAGLE - Open 2pm. Happy Hour till 8pm. Karaoke Nite: 9 to close w/Billy Dee in the Eagle. Stonewall opens at 8:00 p.m. Dance w/Rayman

VENTURE-N - Open 6am Draft Beer 75¢ 6am-8pm. Cuervo 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 8:30 pm to close. (New time)

GRADUATE - Open 9am. Happy Hour 4-8pm all well \$1.50, Domestic \$1.75. 301 Dart Tournament 7:30pm. Double Elimination. Pot Matched. Drink specials do not apply during special events.

HOURS - Open 3pm. Happy Hour 3-8pm \$1.50 well or domestic beer.

IBT's - Open noon to 1am. Happy Hour noon-8 pm \$1.75 domestic beer and \$1.50 well. Underwear Nite. \$1.50 Well and \$1.75 Domestic Beer to those in their underwear (part check available). Hi energy dancing 9-close with DJ David Z. All drink specials not available during special events.

NEON MOON - Open 4pm. Happy Hour 4-7pm. Drink specials to pool and dart players.

STONEWALL/EAGLE - Open 2pm. Happy Hour till 8pm. Latino Dance Party w/Eduardo at the Stonewall which opens at 9pm.

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. Latin Happy Hour 5:30-7 free food. Dance music 9pm-1am. Shot specials all night.

GRADUATE - Open 9am. Happy Hour 4-8pm, all well \$1.50; domestic \$1.75. Drink specials do not apply during special events.

HOURS - Open 3pm. Happy Hour 3-8pm \$1.50 well and domestic beer. Country Western Music and Dancing 9pm to 1am.

IBT's - Open noon. Happy Hour Noon-8pm \$1.75 domestic beer & \$1.50 well. Patia Bar 9-1. Dance Party 9 to 1 with DJ David Z. All drink specials not available during special events.

NEON MOON - Open 2pm. Happy Hour 4-7. Country/Western Dance Party with Billy Dee.

STONEWALL/EAGLE - Open 2pm. Happy Hour till 8pm. Food Buffet 6pm. If YOU wear a Stonewall/Eagle T-shirt YOU get happy hour prices all night. DJ Rayman 9pm.

VENTURE-N - Open 6am. Draft Beer 75¢ 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 - Hi energy dance music from 8:30pm to 1am. Drink specials every 1/2 hour.

GRADUATE - Open 9am. Happy Hour 4-8pm, all well drinks \$1.50; domestic \$1.75. 8 Ball Pool Tournament 2pm, Double Elimination, pot matched. Drink specials do not apply during special events.

HOURS - Open 1pm. Small Pitchers \$2 & FREE pool 2-5. Xena on the big screen with pot luck at 6pm. Country Western Music all night.

IBT's - Open Noon to 1 am. Happy Hour noon to 8pm \$1.75 domestic beer and \$1.50 well. Patia Bar 9-1. Dance 9 to 1 with DJ David Z. All drink specials not available during special events.

NEON MOON - Open 2pm. Happy Hour 4-7. Saturday Night Party & dance!

STONEWALL/EAGLE - Open noon. Happy Hour till 8pm. Free Pool all day. Stonewall opens at 8pm. Hot counts with Rayman.

VENTURE-N - Open 6am. Bitches & Bagels w/51 Bloody Marys 6am-8am. Happy Hour Prices 6am-8pm. Backside open 5pm-close. Tuff Stuff Tool Open at 8:30pm.

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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 575-8660 or write P.O. Box 34264, Tucson, AZ 85748-6264. All replies confidential.

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.

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The TUCSON Chapter of PRIDE TIMERS INTERNATIONAL invites Gay or Bisexual men over 30 years old to join and share Pride Timers fellowship. We welcome mature men who are or wish to be involved in Gay community activities, issues and organizations. Call 687-7493 and leave your name and phone number. Monthly meetings are held on the 3rd Sunday, 4-6 p.m. at Wingspan, 300 E. 6th St.

TUCSON GAY INFORMATION AND REFERRAL

For information on human services organizations, health and mental health services, financial and government assistance, emergency services such as food and shelter, education, etc. Call information and Referral 681-1794 - 8 am - 5 pm Mon. - Fri.

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

WINGSPAN - Tucson's Gay, Lesbian & Bisexual Community Center, 300 E. 6th St., 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 624-1779.

SUPPORT GROUP: Gays, Lesbians and Bisexuals meet weekly for open discussions in a loving, supportive atmosphere. Meetings Thursdays from 7:30 to 9:30 pm at St. Francis in the foothills Church, Swan and River Road, Room 43. Call the church at Davey at 896-1208 or Brian at 882-4729 for information.

LICHEN HIKING CLUB for women of all ages and backgrounds of life. Hike with other women. Listings in Rabyfruit Journal available at Antigone Books, 411 N. 4th Ave.

CAMELBACK BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATION (CBPA) OF PHOENIX. For information and membership write: CBPA at P.O. Box 2997, Phoenix, AZ 85001.

LESBIAN SUPPORT GROUP addressing a full spectrum of issues, problems and solutions. Meetings 2nd & 4th Wednesday 7 to 8:30 p.m. at Wingspan, 340 E. 6th St. 624-1778.

L.D.S., EX-L.D.S., GAY LESBIAN, BISEXUAL SUPPORT GROUP. Meetings 2nd & 4th Wednesdays, 7pm. 328-1318 for information.

RECREATIONAL VOLLEYBALL every Saturday 3 to 5 pm at St. Francis in The Foothills for anyone who likes to play and have a blast call Davey 886-1208 for more info.

ARIZONA GAY RODEO ASSOCIATION (AGRA) TUCSON CHAPTER. Interested? Call 323-0605 or write AGRA/Tucson, P.O. Box 46894, 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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ATTENTION ALL NUDISTS - Tucson Tanagers is a nudist group open to all - Nude activities scheduled both indoor and outdoors. Not "Gay Only", but Gays are welcome and invited to join. For further information send SASE to: Tucson Tanagers, P.O. Box 84-G, Cortaro, AZ 85642.

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BEARS OF THE OLD PUEBLO - a social club for bears and bigger, more robust men (and of course, those who prefer their company). For more info, Call the Bears Hotline (520)327-1628 or write P.O. Box 43818, Tucson, AZ 85733-3918, or come to our general meetings the second Friday of every month. Location listed on our hotline.

LAMBDA CAR CLUB, A social organization of Gays and Lesbians who share interest, information and fellowship involving collectible vehicles. Call 288-9464.

LESBIAN AND GAY AL-ANON - Affected by someone's drinking? Meeting every Tuesday 2:45 to 3:45 p.m. at Lambda Center, 2948 E. Thomas, Phoenix. EHO 581-8850 or Room 968-2344.

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)371-1182

CROMES SOCIAL GROUP. A social group for Gay men who enjoy the fellowship of their peers. Call Merle at 888-7284.

T-SQUARES Lesbian and Gay square dance club meets every Tuesday from 6:30-9:00 p.m. at Cornerstone Fellowship Social Hall, 2902 N. Greenlee (near 1st Ave. and Laguna). Open to All. Call Liz at 325-9468 or Ray at 749-5247.

LIGHTNING LIGHTING will provide lighting for AIDS and related benefits at no charge. For more info call Adrienne at 889-7298.

MALE MEN: Long-haired Gay male peepal network. Photo, 3 IRC's to join. Box 231, Station B, Ottawa, CANADA, K1P9C4

GAY & LESBIAN SPIRITUALITY GROUP of St. Philips in the Hills Episcopal Church meets first and third Mondays. Call David, 323-7943 for more information.

"AT EASE AGAIN" a men's discussion group meets at Wingspan at 7 p.m. every Tuesday. 308 E. 6th St.

BISEXUAL INFORMATION/SUPPORT GROUP for women and men. Meetings 1st & 3rd Wednesdays at 7:00 p.m. at Wingspan, 300 E. 6th St. 624-1779.

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 from 6:30 to 9:30 pm at Armory Park Senior Center, 229 S. 6th Ave. Call 791-9442.

Join the LESBIAN & GAY PUBLIC AWARENESS PROJECT. In Tucson with Awareness Project, 3461 N. Campbell Ave. #345, Tucson, AZ 85718.

AA Meeting with HIV/AIDS focus, Wednesdays, 7:30 p.m., MCC Church, 3289 N. Mountain. All alcoholica welcome.

MEN'S SOCIAL NETWORK: Social organization for men of all ages. Building an extended Gay family in Tucson. Monthly social potluck gatherings the first Saturday of each month and most weekly social activities. Call Jerry at 880-9585 for information and a newsletter. Check the Men-Ser Calendar in the Observer.

SOFTBALL - For info on the Tucson Greater Softball Association T.G.S.A., please contact. Mary 770-8879 or Bertie 318-3415.

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

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 322-8226.

GAY VOLLEYBALL ON SATURDAYS. Competitive play. BB or better players only. Grass court Northwest corner Himmel Park 10:00 a.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, safely, and with the art of nurturing touch. There is a fee. You must sign up in advance to participate. Call Marc at 881-4582 for more information or sign up.

THE JOHN HANTEN MEMORIAL GROUP, a Catholic support group for Gays and Lesbians, meets on the 2nd Monday of each month at Santa Peter and Paul Catholic Church, 1946 E. Lee St. at 7:30 p.m. For more information call the parish office at 327-8015 or Jane Paris at 320-4577.

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

TUCSON LESBIAN/GAY ALLIANCE (TLGA) meets on the second Tuesday at Wingspan, 300 E. 6th Street at 7pm. For more information call 822-3200.

LEARN TO BE A LISTENING FRIEND. Unique Hospital Volunteer Program teaches listening skills to Volunteers who provide a safe/compassionate environment to at-risk patients. Training every 6 weeks. 694-7893.

TIMAN, a coalition of churches and synagogues committed to providing a compassionate response to the HIV crisis, provides HIV education in congregational settings, volunteer Care Teams to support HIV+ persons, a referral network of HIV-sensitive clergy, and interfaith services of healing and hope. For more information call 299-6647.

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 797-3118 for more information and a membership bio.

LESBIAN/GAY/BI-SEXUAL OVEREATERS ANONYMOUS. Saturdays noon-1pm new location Wingspan, 300 E. 6th St. Contacts 325-4676 or 327-4293.

ANONYMOUS HIV COUNSELING AND TESTING is available through the Pima County Health Department at sites throughout Tucson. Very Gay Friendly. For more information or to make an appointment call 791-7875.

CATHOLIC GAY/LESBIAN SUPPORT GROUP meets every 3rd Monday at St. Pius X Catholic Church, 1800 N. Camino Pio Decker in the Rho Room at 7:00 p.m. For more info call Ernie 721-2903 or Anna Maria at the Parish office 885-3573.

COCAINE ANONYMOUS

"The Fruits Of Sobriety" particularly for Gays and Lesbians (but everyone is welcome) meets every Tuesday night at 7:30 p.m. at the MCC Church, 3289 N. Mountain. Hotline: (520)326-2211

NORTHWEST CATHOLIC GAY/LESBIAN SUPPORT GROUP meets every 4th Monday at St. Otilia's Catholic Church, 7570 N. Paseo Del Norte in the Parish Hall Conference Room (Bldg. North of the Church) at 7:30 p.m. For more info call Mary 287-9602 or Sr. Joan 742-8900.

SMART (Self Management And Recovery Training) is a free non-12-step self-help alternative for people working to overcome addictive and other emotional problems meets in Tucson Monday thru Thursdays at different locations. For more information about SMART, contact Brenda at 884-9929, Ext. 448 or Emmett 322-8457 (evolve@tc.netcom.com)

AZdylan is a new email list for Lesbians living in Arizona. For information mail tyann@horver.com and request guidelines.

OUTLOUD! Tucson's premiere Local Lesbian and Gay Radio Show, broadcast each 1st and 3rd Wednesday of the month at 8:30pm on 81.3 FM, Community Radio KXCI. This show alternates with "This Way Out", a nationally syndicated Lesbian and Gay radio show.

THEATER / DINNER / ETC! Non-Smoking Lesbian Network meets every 3rd Saturday night of each month. If you'd like to meet women 30+ (flexible) and catch up in a smoke-free environment 883-3783 before 10:00 p.m. The group dines out and attends shows or movies. New in their 15th year! (1st in Tucson).

"EVOLVER" a transgendered Support Group open to all T.V.'s, C.D.'s, T.O.'s & T.E.'s. Dedicated to all our brothers and sisters. Offering our help and support in every way we can. Meetings held on 4th Saturday of each month at 2 p.m. Call 884-0541.

SCUBA DIVING CLUB. For information call digital pager 291-9602.

TRANSGENDER ISSUES: Southern Arizona Gender Alliance (SAGA) meets on first Mondays for informal discussion of transgender topics. Hosted by Desert Boyz. For information call Gary at 828-8859 or send email to: moonboydye@earthlink.net.

EDUCATIONAL SUPPORT GROUP FOR ALTERNATIVE LIFESTYLES. Not a dating club. Discreet. Meetings every Monday evening. Call for more info. APEX (Arizona Power Exchange) 882-415-1123. 24-hr multi-choice message including information, calendar and location.

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# Miss Gay Tucson

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cant without emcees, who kept the program moving and the audience entertained. Gilda Fatale and Felice Renard, took advantage of their long friendship with a lot of close banter. Elektra Bleu and Virginia Sacrifice continued the trend.

Neither set, try as they might, could keep the microphone out of pageant promoter and the "Queen of Comedy," Miss Lucinda Holliday's hand.

Rodney Shanks put in an appearance, present the Inaugural Gay Men's Health Project Community Leadership Award to David Z, who was very surprised by this surprise presentation. Lucinda Holliday and Alotta Whoremones presented the Miss Gay Tucson - America Humanitarian of the Year Award to Felice Renard.

## High HIV Infection

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people are indeed at far higher risk than we ever thought," Piot said. "The other part of the message is that this is not a hopeless situation - we can do something about it. We know that sex education in schools... works."

These sex education programs, which have been implemented in countries as diverse as Switzerland, the US, Ivory Coast and Thailand, have been proven effective in postponing first intercourse, reducing the numbers of sex partners, and in promoting safe sex behaviors in young people, he said. Also, there is evidence that appropriate sex and "life skills" education programs do not promote earlier or more promiscuous sexual behavior.

As a part of the new campaign, UNAIDS will support local initiatives to introduce appropriate sex education programs in schools. UNAIDS has also developed partnerships with groups like MTV, the music cable television channel that reaches about 300 million teenagers worldwide, to promote the message of safe and responsible sexual behavior.

## Politics

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House, with their super-secret rules and doozer ring. The bill, which doesn't have guidelines and regulations about passage of the virus is on the fast-track, according to Capitol sources. It's election time! Be afraid, be very afraid!

AIDS Drug Assistance Program (ADAP) funding. Back before the school-finance special-session fiasco, Gov. Jane Hull had proposed \$1.7 million for the state's beleaguered program, which ran out of money last year and January 1998. The money was to come from the state's tobacco-tax healthcare fund.

Hull's proposal got the tentative okay from the Joint Legislative Budget Subcommittee way back when. So the first funding for AIDS by the state in the 17 years of the epidemic a given?

Not quite. The Legislature is mired in yet another brouhaha, with proposals to cut the vehicle license tax. Didn't we go through this already with the school-finance crisis?

If you said, pass go and collect \$200! Since they can't agree on this, consideration of the budget is on hold until this ever-so-important matter has been decided. Capitol sources said the Legislature may be in session for another three or so weeks. Can we say trouble?!

Have a nice day!

So it goes for now kids!

## Anti-Gay Rally Draws Reggie White

SAN JOSE, CA (SJMN) - A case has been filed in federal court charging Morgan Hill school officials with negligence for doing nothing to halt an almost daily barrage of anti-Gay and anti-Lesbian harassment of five current and former students.

Four girls and one boy attending classes at Live Oak High School and Martin Murphy Middle School charged in U.S. District Court in San Jose they "were continually harangued by classmates" who used various slurs, and beat one seventh-grader so badly hospitalization was required.

Despite repeated complaints to school authorities, the suit said, the students were told that they "were to blame for their own harassment, because they were or appeared to be Lesbian, Gay or Bisexual." The suit seeks unspecified damages and a court order prohibiting Morgan Hill Unified School District officials from permitting such conduct in the future.

Diane Ritchie, an attorney assisting the students, told reporters at least one harassment complaint was made to Live Oak officials "as recently as the last few weeks." She also said a teacher in the district has tried unsuccessfully to get officials to address the problem.

The suit, which cites incidents dating back to 1991, detailed several specific examples of harassment, including the alleged beating of the seventh-grader. His ribs were so badly injured he was hospitalized, according to the suit, which said the attack happened in full view of a school bus driver, "who failed to take any action" to stop it.

In another incident, one of the plaintiffs said another student made profane comments about her sexual orientation in front of a male teacher, who not only heard the comments, but asked her "why she objected to the derogatory terms" and "whether she is Gay" in front of the class.

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