

Local Church Mirrors Debate Over Gays & Lesbians

TUCSON - The city's largest Presbyterian church is a microcosm of the national religious debate over homosexuals.

Some members of St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, 750 W. Chapala Drive, are upset about the church's affiliation with what's known as the "confessing church movement" - a grass-roots group that critics say is judgmental and exclusionary against Gays and Lesbians, the Arizona Daily Star reported.

That internal church debate mirrors the schism that's occurring in the 2.6 million-member Presbyterian Church (USA).

"They want to eliminate all questions. They want more fundamentalists," said Bob Bechtel, 69, a University of Arizona professor. Bechtel, along with his wife, Beverly, decided to leave St. Andrew's because they say the Northwest Side church's philosophy has become rigid and closed to change.

"It broke our hearts. We were members for over 20 years and we raised our children in the church," Bechtel said.

One of the triggers of the confessing church movement occurred at a peace-keeping conference in 2000 sponsored by the denomination when a minister questioned the "big deal" being made about Jesus, suggesting Jesus may be just one of many paths to salvation.

At the denomination's General Assembly in Louisville, Ky., last June, the assembly approved an amendment currently being put to a vote nationally that would allow individual Presbyterian regions to elect homosexual church leaders and ordain them if they wish. The Presbytery de Cristo region, which includes Tucson, last Friday approved that amendment 70-55, though nationwide it's expected to fail.

Supporters of the confessing church movement oppose that amendment, saying homosexual practice is not supported in the Bible.

"To me, there are three things about it, and it's rather simple. The ideas are that Jesus Christ is our only Lord and

savior, that the Bible is authoritative and that the holy life of Christ is one lived in chastity of singleness or in the covenant of marriage between a man and a woman," said Diane Wilcox. She is an ordained St. Andrew's church elder, a member of 21 years and a session member who voted for the confessing church movement.

The Presbyterian Church (USA) policy on homosexuals has been hotly argued at national denominational meetings in recent years. Votes on Gay ordination and same-sex commitment ceremonies, which at denomination meetings were once soundly defeated, are now getting closer, leading some to believe they will eventually pass.

"Any denomination that will even entertain the issue of ordaining Gays and Lesbians is fighting over it," said David Roozen, director of the Hartford Seminary Institute for Religion Reporting in Connecticut. Roozen, who is writing a book about national denominational restructuring, said the conservative-liberal debate over Gays in church is similar to divisions that have occurred over race and women and worship.

"The Gay issue is like a flag. It's the current banner," he said, adding that the issue is not only about Gays but also about religious authority and conservative voice.

"It is in our political system since (former president Ronald) Reagan. The conservatives in general have found a voice and are less likely to stand back and let liberals have their day. We see it in our church life. It's very common."

St. Andrew's, with a congregation of about 1,600, provides a snapshot of that liberal-conservative tension.

A majority of 21 elected "session" leaders at St. Andrew's voted in favor of becoming part of the confessing movement June 19. They did not consult the congregation as a whole before taking the action.

"The church is a representative democracy, and the elders are a policy-making body," Wilcox explained.

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Frank Rejects Invitation From Egyptian Government

In Protest Of Egypt's Treatment Of Gays

WASHINGTON, DC - Rep. Barney Frank, D-Mass., has made public a letter condemning the Egyptian government for its treatment of Gays.

The out congressman turned down an invitation to attend a dinner discussion sponsored by the Egyptian government to increase cross-cultural understanding with members of Congress, reported 365-Gay.com.

In his letter to Abdelrahman S. Abdelrahman, the minister for political and congressional affairs at the Embassy of Egypt, Frank criticized Egypt's harsh treatment of Gays.

The letter stated: "Indeed, I would feel it a betrayal of men very much like me who have recently been brutally arrested and imprisoned by your government for no reason other than the way in which they chose to express affection to other human beings in a mutually consenting relationship. Enjoying the hospitality of those who have so harshly mistreated people because of a basic characteristic of personality which they share with me is not something I wish to do."

Last year, 52 men were arrested in Cairo on suspicion of engaging in consensual homosexual behavior, and 23 were sentenced to jail for one to five years of

hard labor. The government of Egypt continues to arrest and persecute men suspected of being Gay.

In August, Rep. Frank organized a congressional letter to Egyptian President Mubarak calling the arrest and prosecution of these men indefensible. Frank also wrote a letter last fall to Egyptian Ambassador Nabil Fahmy calling his government's persecution of Gay people inhumane and completely counter to a fundamental respect for human rights.

In his letter to the Minister of Political and Congressional Affairs, Frank also stated: "I have written along with other Members of Congress to your government urging them to alter this harsh policy which so blatantly violates people's human rights. To date I have not even had the courtesy of an answer."

"Under these circumstances, I assume you understand why I have no desire to spend a social evening in the company of you and others who are perpetuating what seems to me a form of oppression against innocent people who have done no harm to you or anyone else."

The Egyptian Embassy did not return calls from the media seeking comment.

Influential Pediatric Group Backs G/L Adoptions

CHICAGO, IL - In a groundbreaking announcement, the American Academy of Pediatrics has voiced its unqualified support for the right of a same-sex parent to legally adopt the children of their partner.

The policy statement went on to state that children "who are born to, or adopted by, one member of a Gay or Lesbian couple deserve the security of two legally recognized parents."

The Associated Press reports the organization also endorsed broader Gay and Lesbian adoption rights, saying homes headed by Gay men and women can and do provide the loving, stable and emotionally healthy family life that children need.

Surveys suggest as many as 9 million American children live in homes with at least one Gay parent.

The academy's report affirmed the findings of other studies which found no harmful impact on children raised in Gay households. "There's no existing data to support the widely held belief that there are negative outcomes" for children raised by Gay parents, said Dr. Joseph Hagan, the report's author.

The organization said efforts to bar same-sex the right to raise families were misguided and wrong. "Denying legal parent status through adoption ... prevents these children from enjoying the psychological and legal security that comes from having two willing, capable and loving parents."

Because Gay families are in the words of the report, "becoming more prevalent" the academy urged pediatricians to get involved in helping to safeguard the emotional and physical health of children being raised in these households.

These are real world issues. Gay partners are often the primary caretakers in the family, but without parental rights, they cannot authorize so much as a shot. Without partnership rights, children cannot be claimed as dependents and covered by health insurance.

"It's not a political issue," Dr. Barbara J. Howard of Johns Hopkins Medical Center told the news agency. "This is an issue regarding the well-being of the child."

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UPDATE

SB 1157 Gets Committee Approval; Faces More Challenges

By Mark R. Kerr

PHOENIX (ON) - Legislation that would allow the discussion of homosexuality in AIDS education in schools, was heard by the Senate Health Committee, Tuesday, February 5.

SB 1157, sponsored by state Senator Sue Gerard, R-Phoenix, who is the chair of the Senate Health Committee. Gerard's measure would remove language forbidding the discussion of homosexuality when discussing AIDS and other sexually transmitted diseases in Arizona's public schools.

Testimony was surprisingly brief, with a parent, a retired health educator, and an individual with a county health department stating that passage of the bill is important because it would provide to young people up to date and accurate information on sexually transmitted diseases, preventing further transmissions of diseases, including syphilis, for which it was stated before the committee that Maricopa County is 10th in the nation, for the number of syphilis cases.

By an 8-0 vote, the Senate Health Committee approved SB 1157, which now goes to the Senate Education Committee, where, according to Health Committee chair, state Senator Sue Gerard, the chances for the bill "are question and that proponents have their work cut out for them."

Share Bears To Return

TUCSON - On Saturday February 9, Jake's (2921 N. Ave) will host a benefit drag show to mark the official re-launching of Share Bears, a support program through the Southern Arizona AIDS Foundation. The show starts at 8:00 p.m. and promises to be entertaining while supporting a worthy cause.

The mission of Share Bears is to

provide emergency financial assistance to people living with HIV/AIDS who would otherwise be without the basic necessities of life (electricity, personal hygiene products, etc.). One hundred percent of the funds raised directly benefit clients in need.

"The funds raised through Share Bears are invaluable to providing support to people in need," said Anne Maley, Executive Director. "SAAF is grateful to the community for its long-term support of this program."

Share Bears is back after a brief hiatus last summer and fall. You can do your part by simply putting a buck or two in the collection when you see a friendly Share Bear volunteer outside of your favorite establishment.

Share Bears can be found monthly at IBT's, Woody's, Jake's, and other Tucson hot spots. For more information, call Kathie, (520) 628-7223.

Rainbow Planet Expands

TUCSON - The Rainbow Planet Coffee House and Café on 4th Avenue is expanding. Owner Rick Pereira says "The Planet either had to grow or go out of business. It is just the wrong size for a coffee house. Now, with more than doubling our space, we can do lots of things we have always wanted to do. The community has been great to us in the last year and a half and has put me into a position where we can expand."

The new space will include a reading/TV room and we will begin showing such hits as "Queer As Folk", "Sex In The City", "AbFab", "Oz" and Pereira's favorite, "Six Feet Under". I was married to a mortician for eight years, so the setting of the show fascinates me to begin with. Add to the subject matter, probably some of the best writing ever to hit TV, and it got me hooked."

There will be space for larger tables, space for meetings and receptions or private parties, and finally, a room for roasting coffee.

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EDITOR:

Just a comment about the American Community today.

You have wondered why the members of the "GLBT community" have not responded and came to the defense of the Gay man beaten by the fireman. I propose the answer is that for many it does not matter.

When we as a country can sit back and accept the killings of thousands of innocent civilians in Afghanistan by bombs and starvation then why should there be a concern about one Gay man in Tucson?

I hate to have this feeling but the more I see about how our population is accepting and supporting our current government I think it is obvious.

Jack B. Stockslager
Tucson, AZ

EDITOR:

I wanted to take a moment and thank all of the people that gave me good wishes and support for my segment of the Olympic Torch Relay on January 13th. I would also like to especially thank some key people in this historic event of my life.

First of all, I would like to thank my partner, Dave Fredricks, who initially nominated me for this honor. Without that nomination, none of this would have been possible. I would also like to thank Scott Blades for his writing talents, and Mark Kerr, Bob Ellis, Gary Clark and Bill Morrow of the Observer for their excellent articles and photos, and David Wichner of the Arizona Daily Star for the write up that he did. But most of all, I would like to thank this community, Gay and straight, HIV positive or negative, for inspiring me to be out there on the street with the Olympic Flame, that representation all that is good and hopeful in our world.

Sincerely,
Jim Valiton
Tucson, AZ

Treasures For TIHAN

TUCSON - Treasures for TIHAN, is the signature fund raising event for the programs and services of the Tucson Interfaith HIV/AIDS Network (TIHAN), is coming up on Saturday, February 23. This year's festivities, including a live and silent auction, will take place at the Starlight Ballroom at the Radisson Tucson City Center.

Organizers said they've received some outstanding items for the auction, and would like to invite your assistance in adding to the list of fun and valuable items. They also said they're are looking for donations of artwork, antiques, jewelry, gift certificates, trips, and collectibles of value (over \$50 in value please), and to have all auction items collected by February 5, and they can be dropped off at the TIHAN office between Monday-Friday between 9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m., or call the TIHAN to make other arrangements for pickup/delivery.

TIHAN is also seeking volunteers to assist in many areas, both before and during the event. Volunteers are needed to help with advance ticket sales, item solicitations, gift pick up, on-site setup, registrars, greeters, ticket sales, runners, valet parking, silent auction monitor, and much more.

Treasures for TIHAN tickets are now on sale - \$30 in advance/\$35 at the door - through the TIHAN office, and may be billed to your credit card. For more information, call (520) 299-6647.

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General And Colonel Report No Problems With Openly Gay Cadets

SANTA BARBARA, CA - The first openly-Gay cadet at the Texas A&M University Corps of Cadets finished his semester without experiencing any harassment or social cohesion problems, despite breaking a 25-year tradition by announcing to his peers that he is Gay and staying in the Corps, Noel Freeman, a four-year veteran of the Air Force, which sent him to Texas A&M on a military contract, told the Center for the Study of Sexual Minorities in the Military (CSSMM), a research center at the University of California, Santa Barbara, that he served openly as a Gay cadet in an environment of "respect and camaraderie that caused no problems to unit cohesion."

Freeman announced he was Gay in the fall of 2000; He remained enrolled in the University, but, in accordance with the military's "don't ask, don't tell" policy, his statement cost him his contract, and he was discharged from the University's Reserve Officer Training Corps (ROTC), which students are normally required to join in order to enroll in the Corps of Cadets.

"I couldn't put up with the emotional trauma anymore," Freeman said, explaining his decision to announce his sexuality, "I couldn't put up with living a lie, with the hiding, the living in fear that someone would find out, and that I'd lose my contract." Eventually, after de-enrolling from ROTC, he resigned from the Corps of Cadets as well. "I had just lost my contract, my career, my job, my scholarship. I was ready to kill myself."

But after recuperating the follow-

ing summer, Freeman contacted his former commander to inquire about returning to the Corps. According to Freeman, Major General Ted Hopgood, a retired 2-star marine general with 36 years of service, encouraged him to return. "Before I could even say 'hello,' he told me, 'sure, you can be a Cadet. I don't see any reason why you can't.'"

Col. Anthony Groves, Assistant Commandant for Operations and Training at Texas A&M, acknowledged that Gay members serve in the Corps of Cadets without incident. "I don't know of any harassment or discrimination or problems" arising from the presence of openly Gay cadets in the Corps, Col. Groves told researchers. He said that Gays and straights have negotiated new norms for public displays of affection that are amenable to all involved. "I know they've had to work through some situations where a Gay person said, 'I'm thinking about doing this,' and his classmates said, 'we'd really rather you didn't do that.' Generally, he said, Gays have been sensitive to the traditional image of the Corps and they have tended to respect the limits of people's comfort levels.

Both Mr. Freeman and Col. Groves attributed the success of integration to strong leadership. Mr. Freeman said that when his commandant encouraged him to rejoin his unit, it appeared that he was trying to teach a lesson in leadership. "It seemed like he wanted to say to the Corps, you're always going to have to work with people you can't pick and choose."

Commanders instructed the unit to treat everyone equally, and Mr. Freeman found that his peers fully accepted him. "It's really amazing the respect and camaraderie that we have," he said. The key from an organizational position, explained Col. Groves, "is that you can't discriminate against, or harass (Gay people) in any way or do anything to make them feel uncomfortable or unwanted or out of place." He said that there were a thousand reasons why one person might not like another, but that part of military training involved learning to work effectively with different kinds of people. Though he was not aware of any discrimination, "we would be very sensitive to it if it came up," he added, "and we would take whatever effort was necessary to make sure that it stopped."

Nathaniel Frank, Director of Communications at CSSMM, said the experience of Gay cadets at Texas A&M adds one more layer to a mound of evidence that the military's ban on openly Gay soldiers is unnecessary. "The atmosphere in military training schools is every bit as intimate as it is in the military itself," Frank said, adding that traditions and codes of conduct are often even stricter at training academies than in the services. "Scores of studies say that openly Gay men and woman can serve effectively in the military and this experience corroborates that if Gays and straights can work, live and train together here, why not in Afghanistan?"

While ROTC programs are governed by Pentagon restrictions on openly Gay soldiers, an administrative officer for

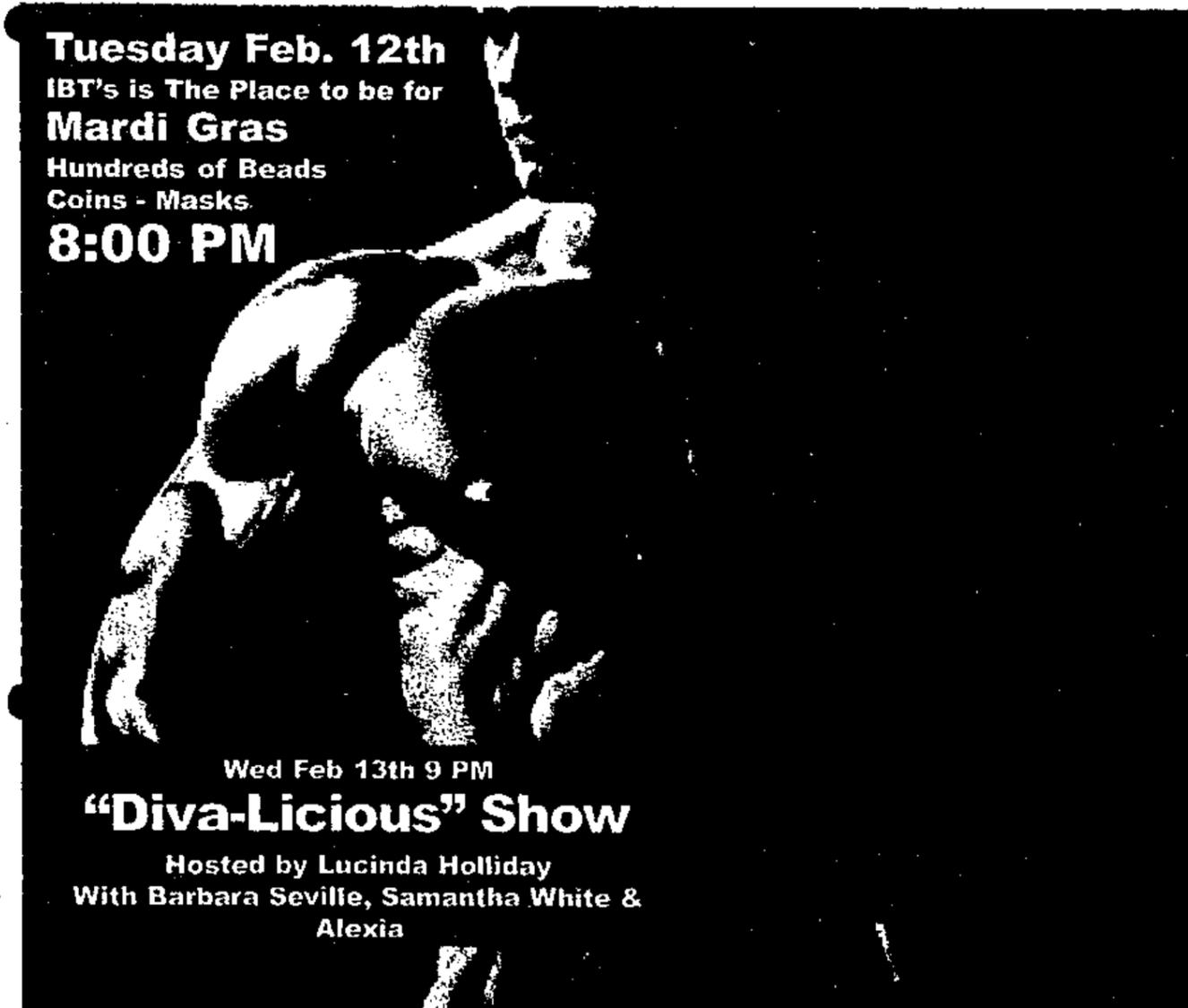
the University's Army ROTC program said he was not aware of these regulations. "I don't know what that would say or require of us," he said. He added that, "not knowing what the actual rules say that govern" Gays and Lesbians in ROTC, he had no reason to believe such students could not serve successfully in the program "I don't see why not," he said.

The Center for the Study of Sexual Minorities in the Military is an official research unit of the University of California, Santa Barbara. The Center is governed by a distinguished board of advisors including the Honorable Lawrence J. Korb of the Council on Foreign Relations, Honorable Coit Blacker of Stanford University and Professor Janet Halley of Harvard Law School. Its mission is to promote the study of Gays, Lesbians, and other sexual minorities in the armed forces. More information is available at www.Gaymilitary.ucsb.edu.

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Another G/L Rights Fight Looms in Miami

MIAMI, FL - Having lost the last of its court challenges, Gay civil rights advocates in Miami-Dade are bracing for another fight over the right of Gay men and women to live as equals in South Florida.

If new legal challenges fail, voters in September will again be asked if they support the inclusion of sexual orientation in Miami-Dade's local anti-bias law. The referendum was forced onto the ballot by a petition drive organized by the Christian Coalition and a group called Take Back Miami-Dade.

Supporters of the law, including several prominent county commissioners, held a news conference to counter the referendum effort and denounced the organized and well-funded attempt to take away "the basic civil rights" of Gay men and Lesbians. Miami-Dade Mayor Alex Penelas has also spoken out in favor of retaining the law.

"All of our resources, all of our focus will be on this issue in the next few months," Jorge Mursuli of the Gay civil rights advocacy group SAVE Dade told the Miami Herald.

The vote setting the referendum is the latest chapter in a fight in Florida dating to 1977, when Anita Bryant and local attorney Ellis Rubin challenged the coun-

ty's human rights ordinance. Several months later, voters soundly rejected the ordinance by ballot referendum.

In 1998, county commissioners again added sexual orientation to its human rights ordinance. The fight quickly picked resumed, with Take Back Miami and the Christian Coalition leading a charge to have the question again placed on a referendum.

In December 2000 anti-Gay activists handed in more than 50,000 signatures, enough to force a referendum vote, but allegations of fraud shortly followed. A sampling of 1,500 signatures found more than one in four were either from unregistered voters or invalid.

A court ruled the county elections official did not have the legal authority to make such a determination. The state attorney and the Florida Department of Law Enforcement are being asked to look into the matter.

County Commissioner Ruth Shack told the Miami Herald that even if it does come to a vote, Miami Dade is not the same place it was in 1977. "It's very heartening that we have allies in the field of anti-discrimination that we didn't have 25 years ago," she said. "I'm convinced we have made tremendous progress."

Anti-Gay Leader On Enron's GOP Payroll

WASHINGTON, DC - The former head of the rabidly anti-Gay Christian Coalition has been linked by The New York Times to Enron's payroll on behalf of the Bush 2000 election campaign.

According to The Times report, Ralph Reed, former executive director of the Christian Coalition, was paid between \$10,000 and \$20,000 per month by Enron while he campaigned on behalf of the Bush/Cheney ticket.

Karl Rove, President Bush's top political adviser, apparently recommended Reed to the Enron Corporation, close associates of Rove told the newspaper. The move was intended to keep Reed's allegiance to the Bush campaign without directly linking the candidate to the Christian Coalition.

The Times reports that both Rove and Reed insist the contract with Enron had nothing to do with the Bush election campaign, but sources say these claims are highly suspect. Rove reportedly took credit in July 1997 for arranging an Enron job for Reed.

"Karl told me explicitly of his concerns to take care of Ralph," the source told The Times. "It was important for Karl's power position to be the guy who put this together for Ralph. And Bush wanted Ralph available to him during the presidential campaign."

The report goes on to say that Rove was concerned Reed not have a prominent public role in the campaign because "Ralph was so evangelical and hard right, and Karl thought it sent the wrong signal."

Another Republican said: "It was basically accepted that Enron took care of Ralph. It's a smart way to cut campaign costs and tie people up" so they do not work for other [in this case, more conservative] candidates.

"If Karl Rove was partly responsible for him getting the job at Enron, it illustrates the close relations between the

Bush political world and Enron," said Trevor Potter, a Republican who is a former chairman of the Federal Election Commission. "If it was done for the avowed reason to keep Reed satisfied and out of someone else's political camp, it illustrates what everyone in the Republican world has known for years: Enron has been an important source of political power in the party."

The National Stonewall Democrats voiced their anger at the report and said an investigation should be launched. The NSD's Chad Johnson said if the allegations are proven correct, "George W. Bush wrapped his arms around 11 Gay Republicans for a photo op, while his campaign improperly, and illicitly, masked his real loyalty to the anti-Gay right wing."

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attorney with Northwestern University's Children and Family Justice Center told the Associated Press the AAP endorsement was no drop in the bucket. "The stamp of approval from a widely respected and mainstream organization ... will go a long way to further the movement throughout courts and legislatures," he said.

DESERT COYOTES NEEDS BOWLER

TUCSON (ON) - The Desert Coyotes are looking for an individual to fill an opening on one of the team's rosters.

Tucson's Gay and Lesbian bowling league, bowls every Wednesday, 9:00 p.m. at Golden Pin Lanes, 1010 W. Miracle Mile. Three games are bowled, and teams consists of three people. Average isn't important, having fun with other Gay and Lesbian Tucsonans is the only requirement. The cost is \$12 a week, plus a one-time sanctioning fee.

For more information, call (520) 323-6449.

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In recent months, members have begun questioning the exact nature of the movement.

Exactly how divided St. Andrew's has become is unclear. Church leaders have indicated only five people have left the church over the issue, while about 50 new members have joined in recent months, and they believe the dissenters are a small, vocal group.

But at a Jan. 20 church meeting about the confessing movement, about 500 people turned up on a sunny Sunday afternoon to discuss it. The meeting spawned a petition drive against the confessing movement that's collected 60 signatures.

Supporters of the confessing church are apparently a majority at St. Andrew's, but within the denomination they remain a minority.

Currently, 1,189 of the 11,178 Presbyterian Church (USA) churches in the country have joined the confessing movement, according to Craig M. Kibler, director of publications and executive editor for the Presbyterian Lay Committee, which is compiling the list of churches in the movement.

Kibler, stressing that he's not a spokesman for the movement, added that more churches are expected to join.

The doctrines of the movement do not stray from current Presbyterian policy on homosexuals - that in order to be an ordained member of the clergy, a church deacon or elder, one must live "in the faithful covenant of marriage between a man and a woman, or through chastity in singleness."

The movement also reiterates the Christian commitment to Jesus.

"There's a lot of dissension within the denomination over it, simply because of where the movement started. It was begun by an organization called the Presbyterian Lay Committee, which is a very conserva-

tive advocacy group," said Lee Sankey, executive presbyter for Presbytery de Cristo.

St. Andrew's is one of 11 Presbyterian Church (USA) churches in Tucson and one of 30 in the region. Three Tucson churches have joined the confessing movement, according to Sankey - St. Andrew's; Northminster Presbyterian Church, 2450 E. Fort Lowell Road; and the Korean Presbyterian Church of Tucson, 2801 E. 17th St.

A national meeting of the movement is scheduled to be held in Atlanta Feb. 24-27.

"It's a matter of us being honest with people about what God is calling us to. It's not just about homosexuality. . . . An adulterer couldn't serve, and neither could a man and woman who are living together but not married," said Renee Guth, a member of St. Andrew's for nine years, an ordained church elder, a member of the Atlanta planning committee and a regional representative at last year's General Assembly.

"To say no one would ever split from the Presbyterian Church (USA) would be naive, but it's not part of the culture of this movement."

Guth, 45, a nurse, said the Bible says homosexual practice is a sin, but that St. Andrew's welcomes anyone to worship or to be a member.

Critics of the confessing movement note that the denomination is reforming its stance on homosexuals in the church. They feel St. Andrew's is taking a backward step.

"The Gay issue is what upsets people most," said Diana Logan, 49, a nurse and St. Andrew's member of 12 years who is leading the petition drive asking St. Andrew's leaders to reconsider their confessing church affiliation. "It is an extreme movement that wants to alter the denomination."

Yonny Beers, 62, a retired teacher, has been an active member at St. Andrew's for nearly 16 years and says she has never seen St. Andrew's so divided. "I think what we've done at St. Andrew's is, we've got a litmus test - if you are not conservative you are not comfortable."

Jill Crainshaw, an ordained Presbyterian minister and associate dean at the Wake Forest Divinity School in North Carolina, said other denominations such as the United Methodist Church have comparable confessing church movements, with the homosexual issue often a key dividing factor.

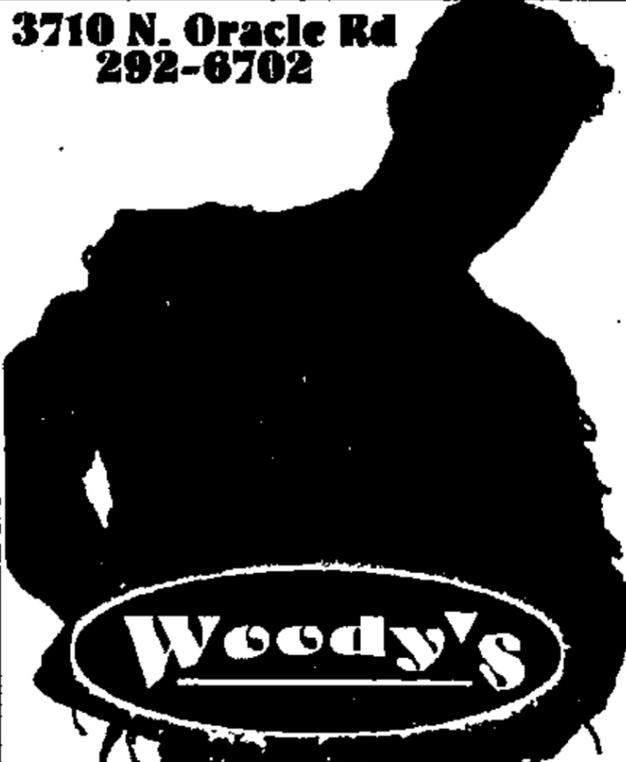
"We have not found a way to be in a very productive dialogue between sides," she said.

The Rev. Joe Bettridge, pastor at St. Andrew's for 12 years, said he stands by "the historic truths of the Christian church" supported by the confessing movement. He added that the majority of Christian denominations in the world hold the same view as the confessing movement about restricting ordination standards to chastity in singleness and married heterosexuals.

Of the people who chose to leave St. Andrew's, Bettridge said he is sad, sorry and wishes them all the best.

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BY C. LICHTENSTEIN

Mercury not only retrogrades in Aqueerius but also backs into Capricorn this week. This means we can insult people and embarrass ourselves in several places at once for the next two weeks. Oh happy day!

ARIES

MARCH 21 - APRIL 20

It's possible to push the group dynamic into a wayward action during retro Mercury. Gay Rams can be inspirational leaders but now have a way of turning a march into a riot. Such politics can bring the corporation to its knees as Mercury backs into Capricorn. Don't throw your career offtrack because things are not exactly the way they should be. Spread good cheer first.

TAURUS

APRIL 21 - MAY 21

Professional issues heat up to a roaring boil but it is the foolish queer Bull who snorts while Mercury is retrograde. Your point is not be well taken and it could be turned around to prod you in the rump. This is not a good career move. Then, as if you didn't have enough, Mercury backs into Capricorn and fouls up any legal proceedings. Take a recess until mid-month.

GEMINI

MAY 22 - JUNE 21

Pink Twins should double check travel plans this week when Mercury retrogrades. Tickets go astray and baggage travels to the far reaches of the earth when you're stuck in Cleveland. The real test occurs when Mercury backs into Capricorn and deconstructs love affairs. Actions speak louder and prouder than words so don't say a peep. Show 'em how you feel.

CANCER

JUNE 22 - JULY 23

Laugh and the world laughs with you; weep and you sleep alone. Retro Mercury throws cold water on a hot patoot if you allow thoughts to become pubic displays. My advice is to forgive and forget because Mercury's antics go beyond the flesh when it retos into Capricorn and impacts the totality of your partnership. Thankfully all is well in time for V Day.

LEO

JULY 24 - AUGUST 23

The ying/yang of relationships may become too much to disentangle during Mercury's retrograde. Proud Lions stir up the embers with a few badly chosen words or blow the whole darn partnership to smithereens if they're too mouthy. It's a relief to deal with miscommunications on the job when Mercury retos into Capricorn. Luckily, Valentines Day brings a reprieve.

VIRGO

AUGUST 24 - SEPTEMBER 23

Queer Virgins eat crow on the job if they insist on chirping their misguided opinions to all and sundry this week. Retro Mercury advises you to quell the bellow and take things as they come at work. This too shall pass; Mercury slides back into Capricorn and dampens any fun endeavor. Yeah, the party was last week! Oh well, at least all is back to normal in time for Valentines Day.

LIBRA

SEPTEMBER 24 - OCTOBER 23

Your Gay muse has taken time off this week so don't try to beat a creative thought out of that stubborn mind of yours. Anything artistic or fun will have to wait until Mercury retos back into Capricorn. Then you'll be more concerned with family issues. I'm all for coming clean to relatives but now it's best to wait until after mid-month. Words come Out more effectively then.

SCORPIO

OCTOBER 24 - NOVEMBER 22

Don't deal with home issues during the Mercury retrograde. Proud Scorps cannot win with relatives and cannot plan a home improvement project without wasting time and going astray. Communications become more problematic when Mercury retos into Capricorn. Take a breath and watch what you say! Even strategic Scorps can catch foot in mouth disease. Yuk.

SAGITTARIUS

NOVEMBER 23 - DECEMBER 22

Expect static on the chat line with retro Mercury. Gay Archers are not at the top of their expressive form and should avoid any public speaking now. Mercury will retro into Capricorn and cause some confusion and miscommunication in fiscal matters. The secret is to buy low and sell high, but Mercury may do the opposite. Become well endowed in time for Valentines Day. Ahem.

CAPRICORN

DECEMBER 23 - JANUARY 20

A fool and his/her money are soon parted. And that goes double for mouthy pink Caps during retro Mercury. Let financial matters wait if you can for Mercury to back into your own sign. You can then clumsily trip your way into center stage. First impressions are lasting impressions, poor thing. Can you avoid wearing plastic wrap until mid-February?

AQUARIUS

JANUARY 21 - FEBRUARY 19

You may not be at your social best with retro Mercury. Aqueerians may be impolitic on the first meeting so try to stick with who you know until Mercury backs into Capricorn. Then, intuition takes off like a rocket booster that can crash and burn. Keep everything and everyone in perspective cousin; there is no need to bite just because someone barks.

PISCES

FEBRUARY 20 - MARCH 20

Your best charitable Gay efforts may not have the intended effect with retro Mercury, but take heart Guppie; what seems like a small gesture now eventually blossoms into something affirmative and strengthening. Then, Mercury backs into Capricorn and causes some miscommunication among friends. Don't panic; by Valentines you'll be bosom buddies again.

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POLITICS 2002

"There Is Still A Breath In It"

One capital observer commented that "there is still a breath in it" after the House Committee of the Whole (COW) had finished their calendar for Tuesday, February 5, putting two bills through "the wringer."

Those two bills, were the Domestic Partnership Equity Act and the Domestic Partnership Registration Act, HB 2301 and HB 2309 respectively.

HB 2301 would place a registered Domestic Partner in the order of priority among persons to be appointed as a guardian and/or conservator, and Agent for health care for someone who has not executed a Health Care Power of Attorney, and as the personal representative and beneficiary when a partner dies without leaving a will.

HB 2309 would allow people in committed, non-marital partnerships to register with the state providing a uniform standard that can be recognized by all entities, public and private, that deal with Domestic Partners.

Both measures had been overwhelmingly approved by the House Judiciary Committee and were successfully petitioned out of the House Rules Committee which is chaired by the homophobic state Representative, Karen Johnson, R-Mesa.

During the interim, the radical right, led by the Center for Arizona Policy (CAP), launched a campaign against the two companion measures stating that the measures would undermine marriage, traditional family values and promote polygamy.

Most legislators, including some bill sponsors had been deluged with E-mails and calls, a tactic that plays on an elected official's nerves, especially during an election year, which showed during debate in House COW, with the gallery packed with CAP followers, who interrupted proceedings with their applause on several occasions.

HB 2309 was the first bill taken up by House COW. Proponents were immediately on the defensive. Openly Gay state Representative, Ken Chevront, D-Phoenix, the sponsor of HB 2309, said the measures "doesn't mandate government or business to provide benefits or undermine marriage."

A slew of opponents followed Chevront's remarks, since all of them had their hands up seeking recognition from the COW Chair, state Representative Christine Weason, D-Phoenix.

State Representative Eddie Farnsworth, R-Mesa, said the proposal raises such relationships to "a level of a marriage between a man and a woman."

The House, according to State Representative Ted Carpenter, R-Phoenix, should maintain the definition of the word "machismo," according to the legislator is "that people are tied to the land and that they should produce sons to be tied to the land."

Paraphrasing William Shakespeare, state Representative Phil Hanson, R-Peoria, stated "homosexual marriage by any other name is homosexual marriage."

State Representative Bill Brotherton, D-Phoenix, then questioned state Representative Farnsworth on the matter, stating that the perception of family had changed, for which the Mesa Representative charged that Brotherton was hurting his own argument. Brotherton then stated that "relationships and families change, and anything we (the legislature) can do to help foster these committed relationships is important to society."

After that exchange, more right wing Republican House members, including: Karen Johnson, Jake Flake, R-Snowflake, Russell Pearce, R-Mesa, Linda Gray, R-Glendale, Laura Knaperek, R-Tempe, and Mark Anderson, R-Mesa, joined in "the kill" stating these bills would, "encourage non married sexual relationships," "erode the sanctity of marriage and family," "devalue the institution of marriage," "destroy traditional family values," and "work against the traditional family," and lead to "more murders of children," the usual election year script of Gay and Lesbian bashing for fun, profit and votes.

One of the view voices, actually speaking out in favor, was state Representative Linda Lopez, D-Tucson, who clearly stated what the bills would do, "offering uniformity in a definition of 'domestic partners' for business and government."

On the other hand, state Representative Randy Graf, R-Green Valley, showed he didn't read the measure, stating that one of the many reasons he opposed the bill was it would only be in effect in Maricopa and Pima Counties, something that was amended, so the bills would cover the entire state, in the House Judiciary Committee.

At least Graf knew which bill was being considered, unlike state Representative Robert Blendu, R-Litchfield Park, who posed a question to state Representative Deb Gullett, R-Phoenix, about the wrong bill, much to the merriment of others, one of the few points of levity during this House COW meeting.

One member, state Representative Gary Pierce, R-Mesa, of the Arizona House showed that he had a convenient memory, proclaiming during his time that the bills would allow for polygamy, something shown otherwise not to be the case during the same House Judiciary Committee meeting, for which the question was brought up by Pierce.

State Representative Carol Somers, R-Tucson, said she had asked the "human resources community" if this measure was needed and she said no. What makes this interesting is that Somers had signed onto the proposal as a cosponsor.

Openly Gay state Representative, Steve May, R-Paradise Valley, spoke on behalf of the bill. With his voice ringing with emotion, he said that it was about simple human dignity, citing examples of if he died or was in the hospital, his parents could block visitation rights, or the handling of his remains by his partner. May, added that at some point the Arizona Legislature will have to deal with this issue, and then moved to retain HB 2309 on the COW calendar, for which the motion was approved by a 28-24 margin. (Of note: State Representative Carol Somers, R-Tucson, voted against the motions.)

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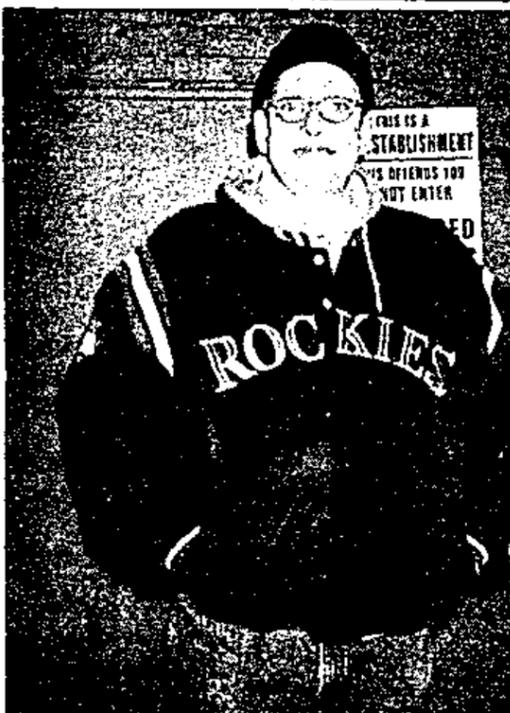


the bill's sponsor, state Representative Deb Gullett, R-Phoenix, moved to have that bill retained on the COW calendar, for which that motion passed by a 29-26 margin.

Since both bills have been re-

tained, they can be brought back for reconsideration, either after some reworking of the language, or after the answering of questions by state Representatives, by House COW, or in other words, "there is still a breath in it."

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NOTES FROM THE FOR-REAL SIDE

by Lee Thorn

'Art Trumps Craft'

John McNulty (no relation to the politicians) has been running a "crafts shop" inside the lobby of the Tucson Museum of Art forever. It's such a great place that it's hard to write about without getting all mushy and reverential. John's shop is the place to go when you find yourself in the pleasurable predicament of having to buy a gift for someone who has inherently good taste or someone who knows something about art, especially if you can only spend something between a few dollars and a few hundred.

John has a large attractive space to work with and he packs it with an amazing variety of "crafts": jewelry, sculpture, greeting cards, art glass, art pottery, metal art, fabric art, blankets, prints and more.

The problem, for people given to pondering aesthetic issues, is how to describe John's wares. Is he selling art or is he selling crafts? He attempts to straddle the issue by calling the goods "fine contemporary crafts". Presumably "fine" will recall the phrase "fine art" and "contemporary" will recall "contemporary art".

The seriousness of the works fairly compels the hard-core aesthete to squarely face the issue of what differentiates art from craft. With full knowledge of the treacherousness of these waters, one might argue that craft describes creative work whose primary interest derives from the skill required to create it, whereas art describes creative work whose primary interest derives from the aesthetic ideas it embodies. Given this dichotomy, since though is more important than dexterity, it follows that art is more important than craft (unless you happen to be undergoing a tricky and life-threatening surgical procedure).

Also, given this dichotomy, John's shop is much more an arts shop than a crafts shop. Of course, none of this cogitation is necessary to the profound appreciation of the wares on offer.

When asked for a guiding principle that he uses to decide what work he'll show, John says, "whimsical elegance". The phrase does in fact succeed in tying together a majority of the staggering variety of work.

Perhaps the best example of whimsical elegance to be found in the shop right now is the work of Andree Richmond, an artist who's been amply represented there for many years. Richmond's ceramics have been widely exhibited in the western U.S. for the last 20 years, and have also traveled to New York, Britain and France. She's probably best known locally for her animals on wheels, very realistic creatures unrealistically perched on sets of wheels, all in bright shiny colors. Her beautiful beasts exhibit enormous grace and seem completely at home in the precariously unstable situations she devises for them. She currently has two critters frogs if memory serves, in more mechanized modes of transportation, a race car and an airplane. The details of both vehicles are spectacular. You almost expect them to zip away.

Another brilliant artist whose work is always available in the shop is Tom Philabaum. He currently has some breathtaking glass bowls on display that are big enough to hold a watermelon. These works, pleasingly asymmetrical in shape and color, are perhaps less whimsical than those of Richmond but no less elegant. Elegance

may be their most distinctive feature.

As Tucsonans interested in art already know, Philabaum is an internationally renowned glass maker who has his own studio and gallery at 711 South Sixth Avenue. At his studio, he actually lets people watch him and his assistants wrestle with 50-pound globs of molten glass.

John's shop wouldn't be John's shop without his impeccable taste. He has any number of brilliant artists to call on, but somebody in the end must pick and choose. The quality of the choices determines the quality of the shop, which in this case would be more accurately described as a gallery. For the past 20-plus years, John has been choosing brilliantly.

The gallery represents, almost exclusively, local artists. That's one of the really surprising and satisfying things about it. In a town with a one-hundred-year-old inferiority complex, here's a place where the home boys rule.

[Thorn welcomes comments, suggestions for future columns, and tips on local skulduggery that ought to be exposed. Write to Box 85571, Tucson, AZ 85754].

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Shy Gal

Dear Shy Gal,
 Oh, sweetie, my heart goes out to you! Here you are, new to the whole queer gal-on-gal thing, totally stoked about finally doing something about your interest in women, but afraid you're going to screw up when you approach someone you find attractive. Probably part of you thinks that somewhere there exists a never-fail guidebook called "How to pick up a queer gal without even trying" that everyone else in the community has except you - so they know what they're doing and you don't!

In reality, there's no such book and many of the gals in the bars are as nervous and shy about meeting women as you - they just know how to hide it! It doesn't matter how long you've been out and about in the community, you never lose that pit-of-your-stomach "oh god, she's going to say no and I'm going to be such a loser" feeling. The key is learning to feel the fear and do it anyway. After all, a 'no' doesn't make you a loser! I've said it to gals who wanted to date me because they weren't my type, but there was nothing wrong with them otherwise. So why would it mean something different when someone says no to me? Or you for that matter!

Part of the problem, though, might be that the place you're trying to meet gals is a bar, which has to be one of the most high-pressure environments possible for approaching women. Not to mention you might go through hell and back again to approach some luscious lovely you spot in the bar, only to have her give you her number, start going out with her and find out you have absolutely nothing in common! What a waste! You might find it easier to focus on increasing your circle of queer gal friends, both so you have someone to hang out with in the bars and to give you a chance to get to know gals a bit before you ask them out. Call your local queer community center or information line and check out what kinds of activities are available in your area. Often you'll find there are dozens of things you can join - from sports teams to book clubs, coming out groups to writing groups. Another good strategy is to volunteer for queer or women's groups -

often they're full of other queer gals - or to take a queer or women's studies course at your local university. That way you can meet women in a context you're more comfortable in, rather than pushing yourself to be someone you're not. Plus, not only do you get to meet lots of women this way, you also know you have something in common with them too, which gives you more to talk about. I wouldn't worry too much about being shy, either - many women (myself included!) find the strong and silent type completely hot!

Trust me, darlin', if you try some of these things out and don't put too much pressure on yourself, I predict not only will you find a gal who wants to get to know you better, she won't ever want to let you go!

Good Luck!
 Womanline

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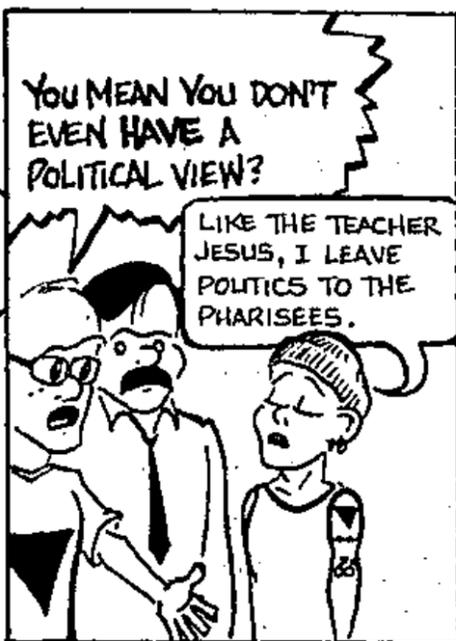
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Dear Dr. X:

I am nearing 40 and have lots of angst about this. My body is changing and I have no idea what to start looking for. Any ideas what questions I should be asking my doctor? Are there any medical tests that a man my age should be getting? I would like to not be clueless the next time I have an appt.

Signed,
Growing Up

Dear Growing Up:

I'm happy to hear you're taking precautions with your health. At your age you're at a prime age for colorectal and prostate cancer. Yearly check ups and a healthy diet and lifestyle will help you in the long run.

One of the things you might want to consider is changing your doctor from a Family Practitioner who deals with patients of all ages, to an Internist that focuses exclusively on adult medicine. Lucky for you Dr. X has provided you with a list of the 7 tests generally recommended for men:

Blood pressure Measurement-detection of high blood pressure; Blood Cholesterol Level-evaluates the level of cholesterol in your blood; Colon Cancer Screening-to detect cancer and growths in the colon; Fasting Blood Sugar Test-blood test that gives signs of Diabetes; Prostate-specific Antigen (PSA)- checks for prostate problems & prostate cancer; Electrocardiogram (ECG) Checks for heart abnormalities like irregular rhythm; and, Thyroid Stimulating Hormone (TSH)- Tests for overactive or underactive thyroid functions.

All these tests should be given during your yearly physical. As you get older you may also want to have a CBC blood test which checks for many conditions including, anemia, leukemia, and also measures white blood cells and platelets. You may also want a Urinalysis, which helps to reveal other medical problems such as liver disease and diabetes.

Dear Dr. X:

I have been very depressed about the state of the world since the bombings on Sept 11th. The world seems to be getting crazier and more dangerous and now that we are war what does that all mean? All I want to do is sleep and stay home and even that does not help me feel safe. I am not sure what to do anymore. Nothing seems very important or worthwhile. Am I the only one who feels this way?

Signed,
Scared of the World

Dear Scared:

You are definitely not alone. I can see what you're saying and as the war drags on you just feel more down in the dumps. My suggestion to you is to get out and treat yourself and a friend to dinner, or go see a late movie. Do what you have to do to get your mind and body out of the funk it's in. I have to admit even Dr. X has stayed in quite a bit over the past few weeks. He rented some movies (Valley of the Dolls & Audrey Rose) watched countless hours of AB Fab and read a few books. With the change in our country and the cold & rainy days we've had, we need to focus on ourselves and find inner peace and happiness.

[Have a question for Dr. X? Contact him at GMHPoutreach@SAAF.Org or www.gmhp.org or SAAF, 375 S. Euclid, Tucson, AZ 85719, Attn: Dr. X.]



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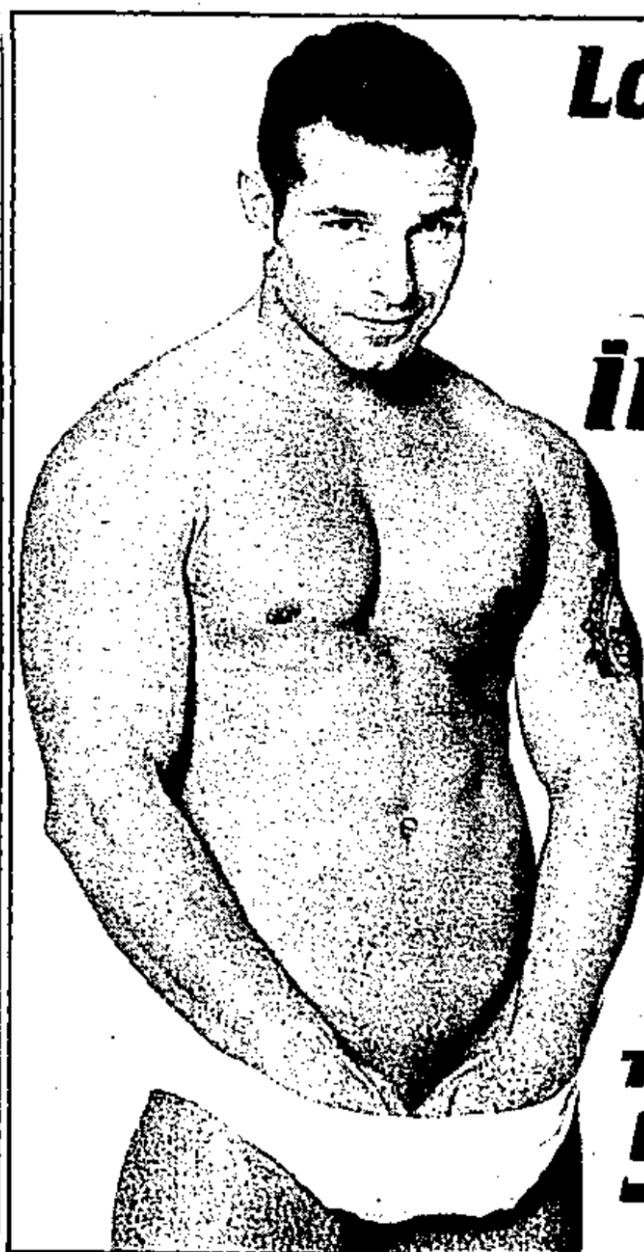
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Non-Bar Calendar

Groups / Clubs / Organizations

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 6

Tucson Prime Timers Video Night - 7:00 p.m., A non pornographic movie with a Gay theme will be shown. Phone: 740-0620 - David Eyde

Have you missed "Sex And The City"? The first season will start tonight at 7:30 p.m. at Rainbow Planet Coffee House. Don't miss it.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 8

Men's Social Network (open to men of all ages; newcomers welcomed): 7:00 p.m. Join Jerry and Les for the latest installment of the 2nd season of "Queer As Folk". For directions and reservations, please call Jerry or Les at 650-6665.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 9

#1. Men's Social Network (open to men of all ages; newcomers welcomed): 9:30 a.m. Join Curt for a moderate hike (3-5 miles). This first hike will get your new year off to the right start. For more information, please contact Curt at 722-1842.

#2. Men's Social Network (open to men of all ages; newcomers welcomed): 10:00 a.m. There will be a Sports Committee Meeting for all men who are interested in some sort of team/group activity within MSN. For directions and reservations, please call Bill at 297-3569.

#3. Men's Social Network (open to men of all ages; newcomers welcomed): 6:00 p.m. Marv will host Pinochle & Pizza beginning with a chance to share some pizza and meet and greet the other players over pizza (\$5), followed by Pinochle at 7:00 p.m. For more information, please call Marv at 745-0304.

Tucson Prime Timers Food & Drinks - 5:00 p.m., Woody's, 3710 N. Oracle Rd. N. of Prince Rd. Phone: 622-1835

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 10

Tucson Prime Timers Brunch - 11: a.m., Casa Molina, 3001 N. Campbell Ave., South of Fort Lowell Rd. Phone: 622-1835

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 11

Men's Social Network (open to men of all ages; newcomers welcomed): 6:00 p.m. The Triangle Tribe is a support group that helps you deal with yourself and your relationships with others. For directions and reservations, please call Tom at 318-1650.

Tucson Prime Timers Lunch - 1:00 p.m. The Wildcat House, 1800 N. Stone Ave., South of Grant Rd. Phone: 622-1835

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 12

#1. Men's Social Network (open to men of all ages; newcomers welcomed): 7:00 p.m. Join Joe for an evening out at Rainbow Planet. This is a chance to have a cup of coffee and chat with the men of MSN. For directions or more info, please call Joe at 886-1538.

#2. Men's Social Network (open to men of all ages; newcomers welcomed): 7:00 p.m. Michael hosts Bridge Night. If you're a beginner or an old pro, join the guys for a fun, relaxed night of Bridge. For reservations, please call Michael at 326-3555.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 13

Tucson Prime Timers Video Night - 7:00 p.m. A non pornographic movie with a gay theme will be shown. Phone: 740-0620 - David Eyde

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 14

8:00 p.m. Tantra Video hosted by Tantric Men's Group. Have more passion in your life and improve relationships. Call Marc at 881-4582 for info.

Valentine's Pot Luck dinner for Man to Man members and prospective members. Call 881-4582 for info and to sign up.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 15

Men's Social Network (open to men of all ages; newcomers welcomed): 7:00 p.m. Join us for Pizza Night, as we enjoy an evening of good food and camaraderie with the guys. For \$5 you get pizza, salad and dessert. For reservations and directions, please call Jerry or Les at 650-6665.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 16

Men's Social Network (open to men of all ages; newcomers welcomed): 9:00 a.m. Join Rick and Jack for a morning of Volleyball. This is played for fun, and you'll get to know some nice guys as you play. For details and directions, please call Rick at 818-1816, or Jack at 881-5733.

Tucson Prime Timers 12:00 Noon, Lunch/Business Meeting, Home Town Buffet, 5101 N. Oracle Rd., North of River Rd. Phone: 622-1835

Tucson Prime Timers Food & Drinks - 5:00 p.m. Woody's, 3710 N. Oracle Rd., North of Prince Rd. Phone: 622-1835

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 17

Men's Social Network (open to men of all ages; newcomers welcomed): 9:30 a.m. Join Curt for a moderate hike (3-5 miles). For more information, please contact Curt at 722-1842.

2:00 to 4:00 p.m. New men's group massage. Fee, call 881-4582. Then 4:00 to 6:30 p.m. Tantra Workshop for Men. This is the spiritual/erotic connection to create more harmony in your life. \$20 for M+M members, \$30 non-members. Call Marc 881-4582 in advance.

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 18

Men's Social Network (open to men of all ages; newcomers welcomed): 6:00 p.m. The Triangle Tribe is a support group that helps you deal with yourself and your relationships with others. For directions and reservations, please call Tom at 318-1650.

Tucson Prime Timers Lunch - 1:00 p.m. The Wildcat House, 1800 N. Stone Ave., South of Grant Rd. Phone: 622-1835

BAR CALENDAR OF UPCOMING EVENTS

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 6

IBT's - 8:00 p.m. "Diva-Licious" Show Special 70s Disco Party hosted by Lucinda Holiday and starring Faith Michaels and Ivana Bump.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 9

JAKE'S - 8:00 p.m. Benefit Show to support Share Bears starring Kyra Starr, Sapphire, Foxy, Diana Flak and Jasmine Bouvier.

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 10

IBT's - Party line-up includes Dennis & Jeff's Recovery Bar from 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. \$1.50 Bloody Marys, Screwdrivers or Mimosas. Karaoke with Billy Dee on the patio from 4:30 to 7:30 p.m., Benefit Bar-B-Que / Beer Bust from 5:30 to 8:00 p.m. This weeks proceeds go to Arizona Angels Softball Team. Then at 8:00 p.m. a fundraiser for the Angels starring Aja Simone, Deora Le Blanc, Tori Steele, Stofa Virgin and Foxy. PLUS, from 5 to 8 p.m. there's a going away party for John and Peta, two departing, long-time employees. Come and say farewell and wish them the best.

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 11

VENTURE-N - Annual Aquarius Party. Wear your favorite Toga, cavort in Aquarian revelry and try to solve the age-old question about what an Aquarian wears under his toga.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 12

AIN'T NOBODY'S BIZ - Fat Tuesday being celebrated here with the Biz's fabulous "Laz-B-Wed" game at 7:00 p.m. Prizes. Mardi Gras special \$2.00 Fat Tires. No Cover.

IBT's Mardi Gras Party with baubles, beads, masks, trading coins and lots more. Sinfully fun! Party Hardy!

WOODY'S - Mardi Gras Party. Watch for more details....

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 13

IBT's - "Diva-Licious" Show hosted by Lucinda Holiday and starring Barbara Seville, Samantha White and Alecia.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 14 - Valentine's Day

IBT's - Tucson Weekly Personal Call. Valentine's Day Party!! Fun and Games! Free ads and snack too.

YARD DOG SALOON - Big 1st Anniversary Mardi Gras Party here. Plus "Mr. & Ms Yard Dog" Contest. Pick up your registration form at the bar with all the rules. Must be registered by Feb. 10. Since it's been a 'dog gone good year' there will be a 'Year in Review' with food, fun and games.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 15

IBT's - Come and celebrate Peta on his last shift after nine years with IBT's from 2:00 to 8:00 p.m. Janet Jackson HBO Special Party too.

FRIDAY & SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 15 & 16

WOODY'S - "Perfect Strangers", a musical revue starring Pete Cooper-Lara and Greg Stickroth accompanied by Kris Dodge. 7:30 p.m. Reserved tickets 17.50, General Admission \$15.00. Tickets available at IBT's, Woody's, Greg 247-5236 or Pete 471-0581. NOTE: The usual Saturday Steak/Swordfish BBQ will be cancelled tonight only because of the show.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 19

Men's Social Network (open to men of all ages; newcomers welcomed): 7:00 p.m. Join Joe for an evening out at Rainbow Planet. This is a chance to have a cup of coffee and chat with the men of MSN. For directions or more info, please call Joe at 886-1538.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 20

Tucson Prime Timers Tour & Lunch - 11:00 a.m. International Wildlife Museum, 4800 W. Gates Pass Rd. 5 Miles W. of 1-10 Phone: 622-1835

Tucson Prime Timers Video Night - 7:00 p.m. A non pornographic movie with a Gay theme will be shown. Phone: 740-0620 - David Eyde

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 21

#1. Men's Social Network (open to men of all ages; newcomers welcomed): 7:00 p.m. Join us as we get out our monthly 10-page newsletter. It's simple, and you get a chance to meet new guys as we assemble the newsletter. The work goes quickly, and is usually done with 45 minutes. For reservations and directions, please call Jerry at 650-6665.

#2. Men's Social Network (open to men of all ages; newcomers welcomed): 8:00 p.m. Join us for the MSN Premiere of the "The Trio", a German comedy drama about a father and daughter con artists, and how a third party makes changes. For reservations and directions, please call Les at 650-6665.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 21

8:00 p.m. Tantra Video hosted by Tantric Men's Group. Have more passion in your life and improve relationships. Call Marc at 881-4582 for info.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 22

Men's Social Network (open to men of all ages; newcomers welcomed): 7:00 p.m. The boys are back in town! Join us for more of the new season of "Queer As Folk". For reservations and directions, please call Bill at 546-7539.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 23

Men's Social Network (open to men of all ages; newcomers welcomed): 8:00 p.m. Bill will host Pinochle & Pizza Night beginning with a chance to share some pizza and meet and greet the other players over pizza (\$5), followed by Pinochle at 7:00 p.m. For more information, please call Bill at 297-3569.

Daily Bar Calendar

AIN'T NOBODY'S BIZ - Beer Bust 5-10, \$1.25 pitchers. Latin Music with DJ Hill 8:30 to close. Shot specials all night.

IBT's - 10am-6pm \$1.50 Bloody's, Screwdrivers or Mimosas... Benefit B-B-Q and Beer Bust for community organizations 5:30-8pm. Karaoke with Billy Dee on the patio 4:30-7:30. 8:30 shows or special events or HI energy dancing. (Call for details). All drink specials not available during special events.

JAKE'S - Open 11am daily, Well \$1.75. VENTURE-N - Open 10am. Patio open 3pm. Daily special til 7pm. Patio Beer bust 3-7. Burger Bar-B-Que 5-7. (Donation only).

WOODY'S - Open 11am. \$1.50 Bloody Marys, screwdrivers, Mimosas; \$2.00 well or domestic beer 11-4. Happy Hour 4-9pm \$1.75 well or domestic beer. Patio Bar open 5-close. Pick-up Volleyball games 5-7. \$2.50 shrimp burger or chicken 5-9pm. Karaoke with Billy Dee 9pm.

YARD DOG - Open Sundays 10am - 1am. Bloody Marys or Screwdrivers \$1.75 from 10am - 1pm. 50¢ off any Rum 1pm-7pm. Kennel open daily at 5pm.

Monday

AIN'T NOBODY'S BIZ - Happy Hour Two-For-One 2-7. Football Madness \$1.75. 75¢ drafts 6 to close. No Cover.

IBT's - 9am-4pm, \$2.00 domestic beer and well. Happy Hour \$1.75 well and domestic beer 4-9pm. 9pm, "Aja Says" rite. \$1 off all drinks (except draft beer/shots) for those who do as Aja says. DJ Rayman plays house music 9pm to close. All drink specials not available during special events.

JAKE'S - Open 11am daily, Well \$1.75. VENTURE-N - Open 10am. Patio open 3pm. Daily special til 7pm.

WOODY'S - Open Noon. \$2 well or domestic beer til 4pm. Happy Hour 4-9pm \$1.75 well or domestic. Trivia Thursday 8pm-close plus 50¢ off all Big Ass drinks. Top score on NTN per game wins special prizes. Volleyball Court is Open. See bartender.

YARD DOG - Open daily 6am-50¢ off any Bourbon til 7pm Kennel open daily at 5pm.

Tuesday

AIN'T NOBODY'S BIZNESS - Happy Hour Two-For-One 2-7. Free food at 5:30pm. Dance music 8:30-1 w/DJ Hill. Drink specials all night.

IBT's - 9am-4pm \$2.00 domestic beer & well. Happy Hour \$1.75 well & domestic beer 4-10. Live Jazz on the patio with the Susan 6-9pm. Patio Bar 5-1pm. Dance Party with DJ Rayman 9 to 1. All drink specials not available during special events.

JAKE'S - Open 11am daily, Well \$1.75. Dance Room open 9pm - 1am. Country Music Nite

VENTURE-N - Open 10am. Patio open 3pm. Daily special til 7pm. Happy Hour Buffet 5-7pm.

WOODY'S - Open Noon. \$2 well or domestic beer til 4pm. Happy Hour 4-9pm. \$1.75 well or domestic. Martini Party - Well Martini's \$2.00 all day. Call Martini's \$3 from 4pm to close. Volleyball Court is Open. Patio Bar Open 7pm - midnight.

YARD DOG - Open daily 6am-50¢ off any Gin until 7pm. Kennel open daily at 5pm.

Wednesday

AIN'T NOBODY'S BIZNESS - Happy Hour 2-4-1 from 2-7. Beer Bash \$1.25 Pitchers Bud/Bud Light 8-close. Dance music 9-close.

IBT's - 9am to 4pm, \$2.00 domestic beer & well. Happy Hour \$1.75 well & domestic 4-9pm. 9pm "Diva-Licious" show w/Lucinda Holiday and guests. HINRG Dancing with DJ-Q. All drink specials not available during special events.

JAKE'S - Open 11am daily, Well \$1.75. Dance Room open 9pm - 1am. House Dance Nite

VENTURE-N - Open 10am. Patio Bar open at 3pm. Daily special til 7pm. Patio Beer Bust 3-7pm.

WOODY'S - Open 11am \$2 well or domestic beer. TH 4pm. Happy Hour 4-9pm. \$1.75 well or domestic. Patio Bar opens 5pm. Steak & Fish Fry 5-9pm Flank Mignon or Swordfish with trimmings & roll \$5.

YARD DOG - Open daily 6am. Beer Bust 3-7pm. 75¢ glass, \$2.25 pitcher. 50¢ off any Rum 1pm to 7pm. Kennel open 5pm

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LESBIAN/GAY/BI-SEXUAL OVEREATERS ANONYMOUS. Saturdays 1 to 2pm new location Wingspan, 300 E. 6th St. Contacts 325-6676 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 791-7878.

GRACE GROUP - CATHOLIC GAY/LESBIAN SUPPORT GROUP meets every 2nd and 4th Monday at 7:30 p.m. in the Madonna Hall at Santa Peter and Paul Catholic Church, 1439 N. Campbell across from University Hospital. For more info. Call Ernie Stalgit 721-2003.

SMART (Self Management And Recovery Training) 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 Jennifer at 792-4607, Ext.388

AZdykes is a new small list for Lesbians living in Arizona. For information mail tyran@theriver.com and request guidelines.

OUTLOUD! Tucson's premiere Local Lesbian and Gay Radio Show, broadcast every Wednesday at 6:03 pm on 91.3 FM, Community Radio KXCI. The show "This Way Out", a nationally syndicated Lesbian and Gay radio show is aired at 5:30 pm every Wednesday.

THEATER / DINNER / ETC! Non-Smoking Lesbian Network meets every 3rd Saturday night of each month. If you'd like to meet women 36+ (flexible) and socialize in a smoke-free environment 668-8010 before 10:00 p.m. The group dines out and attends shows or movies. Now in their 18th year! (2nd in Tucson).

SOUTHERN ARIZONA GENDER ALLIANCE (SAGA). Meetings on the 1st Monday, 7pm. Desert Qix (MTP) Meets 2nd Monday at 7pm. Desert Boyz meets 3rd Tuesday at 7pm. of every month. All meetings take place at Wingspan, 300 E. 6th St. Call 824-1778 for more info. SAGAemail@aol.com http://members.aol.com/sageemail

EDUCATIONAL SUPPORT GROUP FOR ALTERNATIVE LIFESTYLES. Not a dating club. Discreet. Meetings every Monday evening. Call for more info. APEX (Arizona Power Exchange) 802-415-1123. 24-hr multi-choice message including information, calendar and location.

ARIZONA AIDS POLICY ALLIANCE (AZAPA) seeks to educate legislators and citizens about sound AIDS policy. For more information write AZAPA, 8523 N. 14th St., #112, Phoenix, AZ 85014 or call 602-279-4805.

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SEXUAL ASSAULT SURVIVORS. Starting this February, the Tucson Rape Crisis Center will be providing free confidential group services for Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender survivors of all manner of sexual assault. Interested persons please call Mirto Stone, MSW, at 327-1171 (if unavailable leave message w/tn phone number).

AAPSP - ARIZONA ASSOCIATION OF PUBLIC SAFETY PROFESSIONALS - a confidential organization committed to providing support and networking for all Gay, Lesbian and Bisexual public safety professionals in Arizona. Membership open to Law Enforcement Officers, Firefighters, Probation, Parole and Corrections Officers and civilians working within these agencies. Website: AAPSP.org or e-mail: AAPSP@aol.com or call Dave (520)745-9098 (Tucson) or Kim (602)534-8219 (Phoenix)

GLSEN - Gay, Lesbian and Straight Education Network meets first Thursday of every month at 4:30pm at Wingspan, 300 E. 6th Street. 743-4800.

TUCSON CATHOLIC GAY & LESBIAN FAMILY MINISTRY. Currently meeting the 4th Monday of every month at SS Peter & Paul Church, Madonna Hall 7:30 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. Fr. Fledier in attendance every meeting and willing to speak one on one. Reaching out to Parents and Families. For more info call Doc or Barbara 293-6624.

SAA (Sex Addicts Anonymous) has 6 meetings a week in Tucson. People who wish to stop their compulsive sexual behavior, please call (520)570-1226 for current information.

LUTHERANS CONCERNED - Tucson chapter for Gay/Lesbian Lutherans meets 4th Sunday, 6:30 p.m. each month at Santa Cruz Lutheran Church, 6509 S. Cardinal Ave. For information visit www.lctucson.org write: LC, 7014 E. Golf Links Road, PMB 212, Tucson, AZ 85730.

ABUSIVE RELATIONSHIPS: Confidential individual or group support for Gay, Bisexual or Trans men who are victims/survivors of domestic violence. For more information call 824-0348 (24-hour line)

REVELLE GAY MEN'S CHORUS rehearses Tuesdays 7-10pm at MCC Church, 3269 N. Mountain. Have any history experience singing? Join us! Call 617-3100 for more info.

TGNetArizona: The central source for news and information for, by and about the TS, TG, and Gender-varient communities of Arizona. Website URL: http://www.tgnetarizona.org - e-mail address: algoodrum@uwest.net.org

GENORRAP, a discussion group for older LGBTQs, meets from 7 to 9 pm on the first Sunday of every month at Wingspan, 300 E. 6th St.

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NOTICES

"OUT ON THE TRAILS" - EQUESTRIAN FUN! Rider Club forming. Looking for women and men to ride together on the trails of Southern Arizona. Must have own horse, truck and trailer. For more info write: "Out On The Trails" P.O. Box 44045, Tucson, AZ 85733-4045

SEXUALLY TRANSMITTED DISEASE CLINIC provided daily by the Pima County Health Department. Gay friendly. Confidential. Treatment and Medication too! Any questions? Call 824-8272

SOUTHERN ARIZONA AIDS FOUNDATION (SAAF), 375 S. EUCLID. Office Hours 9am to 5pm, Monday through Friday. Direct services and emotional support for persons with and affected by HIV. Anonymous HIV testing and support groups available. Prevention education programs. 638-SAAF (7223). World wide web: http://www.saaaf.org. VOLUNTEERS WELCOME.

LESBIAN SUPPORT GROUP. Involving discussion, support and activities. Designed to support each other. Meets 1st & 3rd Saturday of each month from 9:30 to 11am. Alternate Saturdays the group meets for social activities. For info call Dorian Easty, facilitator. 682-7723

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 575-8580 or write P.O. Box 36264, Tucson, AZ 85740-8264. All replies confidential.

TUCSON GLBT AL-ANON GROUP meets Wednesdays at 7:00 p.m. at Wingspan, 300 E. 6th Street. Call 624-1779 for more information.

YOUNG AND GAY?

GLBT Youth 23 and under, meet every Saturday in Tucson for sharing, support and information. Meetings are held at 300 E. 6th Street from 3 to 4:30 pm. You are not alone. For more info call Wingspan, 824-1778.

The **TUCSON Chapter of PRIME TIMERS WORLDWIDE** invites Gay or Bisexual men and their admirers to join and share Prime Timers fellowship. We welcome mature men (and admirers) who wish to become involved with planned and future Prime Timers activities. Meetings luncheons and dinners are held monthly. For dates, times and information call 529-8344, leave name and phone number.

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, 861-1794 - 8 am - 5 pm Mon. - Fri.

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

GAY OR BI-SEXUAL MEN in relationships with women. Need friends you can talk to? Weekly support group meets Wednesdays 8:30 - 9:00 pm. Licensed psychologist facilitator. Call 745-8977 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 Thursday (open to all), 6:00 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 9:30 pm at St. Francis in the Foothills Church, Swan and River Road, Room 43. For more information call the church at 298-9063 and ask for a contact person.

HICE & BIKE DYKES. Meets 2nd Monday at 7pm. Call 327-7239 for info.

GREATER PHOENIX GAY & LESBIAN CHAMBER OF COMMERCE (GPOLCC) P.O. BOX 2087, Phoenix, AZ 85001-2087. E-mail: webmaster@gpolcc.org or call (602)225-6444.

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.

GAY COWBOY CLUB - Nationwide Personal Ads. Admirers welcome too. Send stamp for information: Mavericks, Box 9543, Santa Fe, NM 87504.

ATTENTION ALL NUDISTS - Tucson Tanners 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 Tanners, P.O. Box 84-G, Cortaro, AZ 85632.

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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)790-5775 or write P.O. Box 43910, Tucson, AZ 85733-3910 of visit our website at www.botop.com All are welcome to our general meetings/pottucks on the 2nd Friday of every month, 7pm at Sentinel Bldg. On the City of Tucson Resource Campus, 310 N. Commae Park Loop on Bonita St. between St. Marys and Congress.

LAMBDA CAR CLUB, a social organization of Gays and Lesbians who share interest, information and fellowship involving all cars and trucks. New Southern Arizona Region now in Tucson. Call the HOTline at 888-6541

NOTICES

LESBIAN AND GAY AL-ANON - Affected by someone's drinking? Meeting every Tuesday 8:45 to 9:45 p.m. at Lambda Center, 2940 E. Thomas, Phoenix. 238 581-8850 or Ronn 969-2384.

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE GROUP - Outreach to Gay and Lesbian people in Arizona. Meets monthly. Write to P.O. Box 883, Phoenix, AZ 85001 or call Eddy Walters, (602)371-1102

CRONES SOCIAL GROUP. A Social group for Gay men who enjoy the fellowship of their peers. Call Leo at 624-8768.

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. Geronimo (near 1st Ave. and Laguna). Open to All. Call Liz at 325-8488 or Ray at 749-5247.

LIGHTNING LIGHTING will provide lighting for AIDS and related benefits at no charge. For more info call Adrienne at 889-7288.

COME EXPLORE YOUR SPIRITUALITY! St. Philip's in the Hills Episcopal Church offers a variety of Gay and Lesbian groups and services for the spiritually minded. Come meet the Phenyl! For more information call Debbie 578-9827 or David 323-7943.

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 8:30 to 9:30pm at Armory Park Senior Center, 220 S. 6th Ave. Call 791-8962.

Join the **LESBIAN & GAY PUBLIC AWARENESS PROJECT**. In Tucson write Awareness Project, 3061 N. Campbell Ave. #365, Tucson, AZ 85719.

AA Meeting with HIV/AIDS focus, Wednesdays, 7:30 p.m., MCC Church, 3269 N. Mountain. All alcoholic 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 almost weekly social activities. Call Jerry at 690-8565 for information and a newsletter. Check the Non-Bar Calendar in the Observer.

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 298-8647.

FOR INFORMATION ABOUT SPORTS TEAMS and updates on Gay Games 2002, contact TEAM ARIZONA at their website: teamarizona.org

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 628-7223.

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 861-4582 for more information or sign up.

COMMUNITY BUSINESS ASSOCIATION (CBA). Tucson's Gay and Lesbian business networking group holds regular meetings the third Thursday of every month. Call 615-8436 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 622-3200.

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