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Bush Rebuffs GLBT Pride Proclamation

WASHINGTON, DC - The annual arrival of Lesbian and Gay Pride in the nation's capital has not been smothered in deference to conservative tastes and sensibilities, the Washington Post reports.

The newspaper notes that the slogan of "We're Here! We're Queer!" has been adopted by Gay and Lesbian employees working in Attorney General John Ashcroft's Justice Department. In fact, the second in command at Justice, Deputy Attorney General Larry Thompson is scheduled to speak at the department's June 19 Pride celebration.

Though the Commerce Department declined official sponsorship this year, Lesbian and Gay employees have been given the nod to proceed with their annual party.

And in a move that surprised no one, President Bush again declined this year to issue a proclamation recognizing June as Gay and Lesbian Pride Month — something President Clinton graciously made it a point to do in each of his final three years.

White House spokeswoman Anne Womack said of Bush: "The president believes every person should be treated with dignity and respect, but he does not believe in politicizing people's sexual orientation."

Kitti Durham who heads Federal Globe, a group representing LGBT workers in the government, expressed disappointment that Bush had apparently chosen to "politicize" African Americans, Irish Americans, Older Americans, Asian-Pacific Americans and American Women by recognizing months honoring their contributions, while denying the same measure of respect to Gay people.

"At a time when we should be

Log Cabin Defends GOP On Hate Crimes

WASHINGTON, DC - Log Cabin Republicans adopted a now familiar role as GOP spin doctors when they attacked Democrats for not supporting a Hate Crimes amendment offered by Sen. Orrin Hatch.

Democratic leaders pulled the Hate Crimes bill from the Senate floor this week after failing to win a vote that would have limited debate on the measure. Democrats said a win on the proposed "cloture motion" was necessary to block killer amendments and filibusters.

unified and the contributions of all Americans should be recognized, for the president to basically remove the Gay and Lesbian community from other kinds of Americans, to separate us from other American communities, just sends a wrong signal," she said.

Despite the president's cold shoulder, special Gay events are taking place at the State Department and the Office of Personnel Management, this week, with more planned. As it does every year, Federal Globe is soliciting statements of support from Cabinet officials.

Last year, Transportation Secretary Norman Y. Mineta, who also served under Clinton, was the only top-level official under Bush to issue a statement supporting Gay Pride Month. He will be joined this year by Christine Todd Whitman, the administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency.

"We still don't have as many agency heads signing statements as we had under the previous administration, which was almost every agency head," Durham said. "But it took us eight years to get to that point."

Office of National AIDS Policy Scott H. Evertz, was the first openly Gay appointee of any GOP administration, according to Human Rights Campaign. Since Evertz, the administration has appointed five other openly Gay people, Smith said, including Ambassador to Romania David Guest.

The HRC's David Smith said the Bush administration had so far been "careful not to take any significant steps backward" in its treatment of Gay federal workers. "However," he noted, "they have been reluctant to take steps forward."

The hate crimes bill, known this year as the Local Law Enforcement Enhancement Act, was sponsored by Republican Sen. Arlen Specter of Pennsylvania and Democratic Sen. Edward Kennedy of Massachusetts.

It seeks to add disability, gender and sexual orientation to federal civil rights law and make it easier for the Justice Department to investigate and prosecute crimes local authorities are unwilling or unable to. Current law prohibits crimes based

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Gay West VI, June 29

By Mark R. Kerr

TUCSON (ON) - Thelma Houston, the legendary Grammy Award winning singer will be headlining at "Gay West 6" at Old Tucson Studios, Saturday, June 29.

Houston sings the songs that truly define the disco era, and will perform her Grammy award winning #1 Pop song, "Don't Leave Me This Way" plus many other legendary favorites.

According to organizers of the annual event, a new addition to this year's festivities is a private, limited edition VIP Silent Auction dinner. VIP, exclusive ticket holders will be treated to a gourmet private dinner with Thelma Houston as the honorary guest, VIP Parking and VIP Seating at all entertainment venues. The dinner will take place in the newly refurbished High Chaparral film set building. All proceeds from the Silent Auction will go towards the various charities and organizations designated to receive monies from this year's event.

In addition to the legendary performance of Thelma Houston, scheduled events include "Lipstick & Lashes" — a variety show hosted by Lucinda Holliday, a Hi-NRG dance mix in the Carousel Theater, country & western dancing at Big Jakes, plus the featured musical and legendary stunt shows, games, rides, food and fun of Old Tucson Studios.

Lesbians and Gays, from Tucson to Phoenix, California and other parts of the country, celebrate Pride Week with "Gay West 6", a western-themed fund raising event at Old Tucson Studios from 6:00 p.m. to midnight, Saturday, June 29 presented by IBT's and Woody's.

Proceeds from "Gay West 6" will benefit Southern Arizona AIDS Foundation (SAAF), Wingspan, Arizona AIDS Policy Alliance (AZAPA), Parents and Friends of Lesbians and Gays (P-FLAG), Tucson Interfaith HIV/AIDS Network. (TIHAN), Desert Voices Lesbian & Gay Chorus, Lesbian Health & Cancer Project, Water of Life Metropolitan Community Church, Tucson Pride (formerly TLGA), Inc., Reville Gay Men's Chorus and the Pride Family of Cochise County (Bisbee). This annual event raised over \$46,000 for local charities in the past.

Organizers said Gay West will celebrate its sixth year this year in true Gay pride tradition in Tucson, culminating the activities that commemorate the Stonewall riots in 1969, when "our Gay brothers and sisters stood their ground and fought for their and our rights." Because of their actions, they went on to say, "we have the right to celebrate in a very public way at

Old Tucson Studios and having the ability to descend upon the park by the thousands, convert it with rainbow décor, be entertained by cowboys, showgirls, singers and drag queens, dance with your partner out in the open under the stars."

"Gay West 6" is a privately sponsored charitable event, produced by the Tucson Pride, Inc. which is open to the public. Tickets are \$12 in advance from the participating organizations or on-line at www.oldtucson.com. Day of show tickets are \$14 at the Old Tucson Studios box office. Additional ticket information is available by calling the organizations, or Old Tucson Studios at www.oldtucson.com, or (520) 883-0100, ext 0. Special limited edition, VIP Silent Auction Dinner Tickets are \$75.00, and seating is limited. For more information, call Tucson Pride Inc., (520) 622-3200 or visit their Web site at www.tucsonpride.com.

Old Tucson Studios is located at 201 South Kinney Road, in the Tucson Mountain Park. Take I-10 & exit speedway boulevard and head west following the signs. Recreational vehicles should travel Ajo west to Kinney Road. Passenger cars may find this route more convenient when approaching Tucson from south of the city.

Nickelodeon Stands Up To Far Right

NEW YORK, NY - In the face of a coordinated anti-Gay campaign that has flooded Nickelodeon offices with an estimated 100,000 protest e-mails and telephone messages, the cable network is going ahead with its special for children about same-sex parents Tuesday night, June 18.

The half-hour report, hosted by Linda Ellerbee and featuring Rosie O'Donnell, includes comments from Jerry Falwell — who despite being featured in the broadcast, jumped on the far-right bandwagon urging it not be aired.

The vociferously anti-Gay Traditional Values Coalition has been leading the campaign against the program, "Nick News Special Edition: My Family is Different." The Coalition's Andrea Lafferty blasted the special, calling it "a cover for promoting homosexuality for kids."

Nickelodeon flatly denies such accusations. Officials note Ellerbee has won wide industry praise for her work with Nickelodeon. She won a prestigious Peabody Award for the Nickelodeon special that sensitively dissected the Monica Lewinsky scandal for children.

Ellerbee said the need for the

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Gay Man Murdered Near UofA

TUCSON - A man police found fatally beaten near the University of Arizona on Wednesday, June 12, has been identified as a 24-year-old airline employee, authorities said.

Philip A. Walstead was found near East Fifth Street and North Hoff Avenue about 4:50 a.m., after a passer-by called, police said.



Philip A. Walstead

Police Sgt. Marco Borboa said a tip helped police identify Walstead, who worked in reservations for American Airlines.

Authorities have not established a motive for the homicide, the 34th this year in the city, Borboa said.

Anyone with information should call 911 or 88-CRIME, the Pima County attorney's anonymous tipster line.

Drag King Show To Benefit Lesbian Cancer Project

PHOENIX - Mark your calendars for Friday, June 21. That evening, from 8-10 pm, the Cash Inn Country will celebrate its 5-year anniversary with a special "Drag King Show". Each year the "Men of Cash Inn Country" perform several shows at the Cash and donate funds to local women's groups.

This event is the first benefit for the Lesbian Cancer Project, founded in March 2002 and located in Phoenix.

The funds will be used to cover the expenses involved in obtaining official non-profit status [501(c)(3)]. Hope to see you there...it'll be a great show!

Bar An Ideal Neighbor Says Balboa Heights

TUCSON - In an area that for years has struggled to keep liquor licenses to a minimum, a bar seems an unlikely ally in the fight to improve the quality of a neighborhood, the Arizona Daily Star reported.

But Balboa Heights residents say a bar owner has been an ideal neighbor, attending meetings, donating to the local community center and hosting activities for kids when holidays like Easter roll around.

They praise Ray Gregg, who took over the Yard Dog Saloon, 2449 N. Stone, in January 2001.

At Easter time, Gregg organized an egg hunt and other activities for neighborhood children. And when the Marty Birdman Neighborhood Center opened last year, he put out a jar at his bar to raise money for children attending the after-school program.

No neighborhood wants to have a drinking establishment, said Jane Baker, president of the Balboa Heights Neighborhood Association, "but if they are there, you want them to work with you."

Yard Dog Saloon, a Gay bar, is very low-key and does not typically have problems, she said.



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GMHP Presents 'Your Life Matters'

TUCSON - In pursuit of the ongoing mission to educate the Gay community about HIV prevention, the Gay Men's Health Project, a collaborative project of the Southern Arizona AIDS Foundation, Wingspan and the Pima County Health Department, announces a provocative, new campaign.

Your Life Matters presents a safer sex message with appealing visuals and informative postcards, posters and condom packets. The new materials promote the importance of keeping yourself and others safe from HIV as well as the overall importance of maintaining good health as it relates to domestic violence, substance use, cancer awareness and sexually transmitted diseases (STDs). Be on the lookout for the stimulating posters and safe sex kits at your favorite Gay bar or business. And remember, Your Life Matters.

For more information, call (520) 628-7223.

Team Arizona Announces Scholarship Program For Gay Games

PHOENIX - For the past four years, members of Team Arizona, a resource network for GLBT athletes throughout the state, have been fund raising for a scholarship program to help network and support GLBT athletes. Now, Team Arizona is starting its application process for the scholarships which can help pay entry fees, and some travel costs for the Games.

The board of Team Arizona is seeking out Arizona athletes over 18 who have excelled in their sport(s), and show promise for representing Arizona and winning a medal at the Games.

Students competing at the college level or past "all-state" award recipients are especially encouraged to apply. Deadline for letters of application is June 30th. The deadline for registering to compete in the Games is July 31.

Applicants offered a scholarship to the Gay Games must agree to travel to and compete at the Games, and participate in Team Arizona functions. Those interested, should send a letter with a brief biography, explain their need for a scholarship to compete, and describe their past competitive performance to: teamarizona@team-arizona.org, or call (602) 408-4311 for more information.

Turnabout For TIHAN 2002 Date Set

TUCSON - The date for this year's Turnabout for TIHAN benefit show has been set for Sunday, September 29, at the InnSuites Hotel.

Organizers stated that the theme for the 2002 event is a "U.S.O Show", and are looking for employees from Tucson's Gay and Lesbian nightclubs, who are interested in taking part in the event.

If interested, or for more information, call Marc (520) 745-3619 or Scott, (520) 400-1109.



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THURSDAY, JUNE 20

- ▼ Community Business Association — "mixer/saïree", 5-7 pm at The Old Pueblo Grill Cantina, located at 60 N. Alvernon Way

FRIDAY, JUNE 21

- ▼ Fundraising Supper, Sweet Tomatoes
Stone & Wetmore, 5-7pm Pick up coupons from participating LGBT non-profits or Tucson Pride. Participants must present coupon to Sweet Tomatoes.
- ▼ Miniature Golf, Funtasticks Family Fun Park
221 E. Wetmore, 7-Midnight. Tickets: \$12/2 hours unlimited venues.

SATURDAY, JUNE 22

- ▼ AHRF 11th Annual Awards Dinner in Phoenix.
Cocktails from 5:30-6:45pm, dinner, awards and entertainment 6:45-10pm.
- ▼ Pride Nite at Yard Dog — "Luau", 5pm.

SUNDAY, JUNE 23

- ▼ Water of Life MCC: 10:15 Pride Service, 12 Noon — 2nd Annual Relationship Blessing followed by an Ice cream social.
- ▼ "Getting to Know Your Community"
A community gathering with various LGBT organizations. Sponsored by: Bears of the Old Pueblo, Salud Es Poder, Arizona Human Rights Fund, Gay Men's Health Project and Wingspan. 3-6pm at Nations Hall, Tucson Muse. Food, snacks and drinks provided.
- ▼ "Meet the Candidates"
3:30-4:30 pm at Nations Hall, Tucson Muse. Talk to local and state candidates.
- ▼ "Comedy and More"
5-6 pm at Nations Hall, Tucson Muse. Presented by Teatgro Sin Fronteras, Sponsored by Salud Es Poder.
- ▼ "Rainbow Party" — IBT's
4:30-7:30 Karaoke, 5:50-8pm Community BBQ (free), 8-10pm Show, 10pm-Closing — Guest DJ

MONDAY, JUNE 24

- ▼ "Staying Out of Trouble" — Do's and Don'ts, DUIs, Domestic Violence, Parks & Public Sex - Legal Forum, Criminal Considerations, 6-8am, Tucson Muse Rm 101. Lois Yankowski and Matilde Slate, Speakers, Attorneys at Law. Reception following sponsored by GMHP.
- ▼ Pride Nite — Ain't Nobody's Biz — 9pm Strip Show

TUESDAY, JUNE 25

- ▼ "Securing Your Relationship" — Domestic partnerships, Wills & Estates, Legal and Medical Powers of Attorney, Property Matters, Child Custody Issues - Legal Forum, Civil and Family Considerations, 6-8pm, Tucson Muse Rm 101. Ronald Bogard and Amelia Craig-Cramer, Speakers, Attorneys at Law. Reception following sponsored by AHRF & Tucson Pride.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 26

- ▼ "Finding Allies" Activism: Youth and Adults; Community Resources, Finding Help Forum on Issues of Gay Life, 6-8pm. Tucson Muse Rm 101. Reception following.
- ▼ Pride Nite "Beach Party" — Woody's — 4pm Pick-up Volleyball games, 5-9 BBQ (free burgers), 7-9 Contest every half hour

THURSDAY, JUNE 27

- ▼ "National HIV Testing Day"
8:30am-4pm, Free, anonymous walk-in testing at SAAF
- ▼ History & Background of LGBT Tucson
7pm Wingspan. Presented by Liz Kennedy
- ▼ Pride Nite "Grease Party" — Venture N — 7pm
- ▼ Pride Nite La Noche de Orgullo, El Escandalo Bar
Sponsored by Salud Es Poder, 9-closing, 10:30 Comedy, 11 Drag Show

FRIDAY, JUNE 28

- ▼ Open House, Queer Voice — 7pm
- ▼ Roller Skating, Skate Country North — 10pm-12am, \$5

SATURDAY, JUNE 29

- ▼ Gay West 6 — Old Tucson Studios 6pm-Midnight
Featuring a very special appearance by Grammy award-winning artist, The Legendary Ms. **Thelma Houston**, recording artist of "Don't Leave Me This Way."
Tickets: \$12/\$14 at door. Tickets can be purchased from: Arizona AIDS Policy Alliance, Bears of the old Pueblo, Desert Voices, Lesbian Cancer and Health Project, P-FLAG, Pride Family of Cochise County, Reveille Gay Men's Chorus, SAAF, TIHAN, Tucson Pride, Water of Life MCC and Wingspan.

SUNDAY, JUNE 30

- ▼ Bowling, Lucky Strike Bowl — 2-4pm, 4015 E. Speedway S10
- ▼ 3rd Annual LGBT Parade — Produced by Lesbian Avengers, 6-7:30pm, Starts at Catalina Park 4th Ave & 2nd St., Ends La Placita Plaza at Broadway and Church. After Parade Party produced by Lesbian Avengers at La Placita Plazo until midnight with live music, dancing and entertainment.



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Heakin Memorial Fund Update

By Mark R. Kerr

TUCSON (ON) - During the monthly meeting of the City of Tucson GLBT Commission, held Tuesday, June 18, Bruce Cole reported on the effort to get a memorial built for Richard Heakin, the young, openly Gay college student, who had been brutally murdered on June 6, 1976 in the parking lot of the Stonewall Tavern, recently known as Jake's, for which a memorial was held on the same day, this year, and where a makeshift memorial had been set up for Heakin.

According to Cole, more than \$1,200 has been raised in the two-week plus effort so far, for which Cole, part of the Richard Heakin Memorial Fund Committee, expressed the committee's thanks to the bar owners, the Commission, and the community for the fund raising effort so far. Regarding the makeshift memorial, Cole said it was taken away the next day, Friday, June 7

So it didn't last, as expected, but the Richard Heakin Memorial Fund Committee, a loosely based organized group, who had began meeting in May of this year, wants to make sure there is a permanent physical and virtual memorial for him.

According to Rowan Frost, a committee member, after the installation of

the physical memorial, a concrete or marble bench at Sunset Park, north of City Hall, with an engraved marble pedestal in front of the bench, the committee will disband but one or two people will maintain the Web site.

Frost said the committee's activities had included a formal letter to Tucson Parks and Recreation, seeking approval for the site and raising the funds needed, with the goal of raising \$5,000 to cover the costs of the pedestal, bench, and Web site set up/maintenance.

The committee wants to have the monies raised, and the pedestal and bench done by OUToberFest, being held October 12 this year - the anniversary date of Matthew Shepard's death and the day before Heakin's birthday.

Contributions can be made out to "Tucson Pride Inc," (the committee's fiscal agent), and must be clearly designated for the "Heakin Memorial." None of the monies raised will be donated to Tucson Pride, Inc. Checks and money orders can be sent to Tucson Pride, Inc., P.O. Box 40301, Tucson, AZ 85717.

National HIV Testing Thursday, June 27

TUCSON - The Southern Arizona AIDS Foundation (SAAF) and Pima County Health Department are offering extended hours and walk-in availability for HIV testing on Thursday, June 27, as part of National HIV Testing Day.

Walk-in HIV testing will be available June 27 from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. at SAAF, 375 S. Euclid Ave., from 4-6:30 p.m. at Theresa Lee Clinic, 332 S. Freeway, and from 9 p.m.-midnight at Escandalo Nightclub, 4696 S. 12th Avenue. Bilingual counselors are available at each testing site.

HIV is the virus that causes AIDS. It is estimated that one-third of the people who are living with HIV do not yet know it. HIV risk factors include unprotected sex with someone who is at risk and intravenous drug use.

HIV testing is anonymous, meaning that people do not need to give their names. Tests use Orasure, an oral swab, requiring no needles. An HIV test includes a brief questionnaire about risk behaviors and takes 15 minutes. Anyone being tested will be scheduled for a return appointment to receive test results, which must be obtained in person.

"We will have additional HIV testers available throughout the day," stated Alan Nyitray, SAAF's Director of Prevention Services. "For anyone at risk for HIV, getting tested is the first step to taking control of their health and protecting others."

The National HIV Testing Day Campaign was initiated in 1995 by the National Association of People with AIDS to provide a focal point for promoting voluntary counseling and testing nationally. The 8th annual National HIV Testing Day promotes HIV testing with the slogan, "Take the Test. Take Control." The campaign was created to send a message from people living with HIV/AIDS that there are strong reasons for people at risk for HIV infection to learn their serostatus and take charge of their health. For more information on National HIV Testing Day or HIV/AIDS and services available locally, call SAAF at (520) 628-7223.

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Judge Nixes Dog Maul Murder Conviction

SAN FRANCISCO, CA - A judge threw out the second-degree murder conviction against Marjorie Knoller in the fatal dog-mauling of her neighbor.

Knoller, who now faces a four-year maximum term for involuntary manslaughter, will be sentenced on July 15, reported the San Francisco Chronicle.

Superior Court Judge James Warren also sentenced Knoller's husband, Robert Noel, to four years in prison for involuntary manslaughter, after denying the couple's request that they be given a new trial on that charge in the death of their neighbor Diane Whipple.

Warren told the couple that they were "the most despised couple in this city," for the attack by their Presa Canario dogs that killed Whipple Jan. 26, 2001, and for their insinuation that Whipple was partly to blame.

But in granting a defense motion for a new trial on the murder charge, Warren concluded that Knoller didn't know there was a high probability that the dogs could kill and that taking one of them out for a walk would lead to Whipple's death -- a prerequisite for a second-degree murder conviction.

Warren said he didn't believe much of Knoller's testimony during the trial in Los Angeles in which a jury convicted her and Noel. But he said he did believe her when she pounded on the table at one point and said, "I had no idea this could happen."

Knoller, 46, could have faced a

maximum sentence of 15 years to life in prison on the murder charge. Instead, she can only be given the maximum sentence for involuntary manslaughter and keeping a mischievous dog that kills.

Noel, 60, received the maximum, for those two convictions.

(Because Noel gets credit for time already served, he will have to spend a little more than a year in prison, District Attorney Terence Hallinan said.)

The judge said Noel was more culpable than his wife in the death of the 33-year-old Whipple, a lacrosse coach at St. Mary's College, because he had left the dogs with his wife knowing she couldn't handle the 120-pound animals.

Warren likened Noel to a bomber who leaves an explosive in a locker and then flies elsewhere.

Prosecutors said they would ask the judge to reconsider his ruling overturning the March 21 murder conviction against Knoller.

"I was surprised," District Attorney Terence Hallinan said. "I thought this went beyond manslaughter. This was a second-degree murder case. . . . They should have let that murder count stand."

Sharon Smith, Whipple's partner, was teary-eyed as the judge announced his ruling.

When she spoke in court a few minutes later, however, she thanked Warren for the chance to directly address the

defendants' who "murdered -- murdered," she repeated for emphasis, "my life partner and best friend."

Noel, as he did through much of the trial, scribbled on a notepad, prompting a sharp rebuke from Smith.

"If the despicable Robert Noel can take a second to pay attention, and even though you are pretending to be writing, I know you are listening," Smith said.

Smith castigated the couple for never apologizing to her. "You were too busy being lawyers to be human," she said. "You fail to accept that your actions killed a person."

"It's been one big legal game to you. It was not a game to me. It was not a game to Diane."

Smith was accompanied in court by her attorney, Michael Cardoza, who has filed a wrongful-death lawsuit against Knoller, Noel and the owners of the Pacific Heights apartment building where the couple and Whipple lived and where the attack happened.

Speaking through tears, Sarah Miller, an assistant coach on Whipple's lacrosse team, told Warren, "I don't understand how a grand jury and a jury down in L.A. that is unbiased say second-degree murder and then you take it away."

"What is the point of having a jury trial?" Miller asked.

In overturning the murder conviction, Warren made clear he wasn't excusing

the defendants' "despicable conduct."

"I don't believe anybody likes you," the judge told the couple, who looked up but did not visibly react. "I've received letters saying that the death penalty is appropriate in this case."

He referred to media interviews in which the defendants did not apologize and appeared to blame Whipple in the mauling, saying she wore a perfume that attracted the dogs, engaged in aggressive behavior and could have simply closed her door to stop the mauling.

"They thumbed their nose at everything," the judge said. "There were no tears for Diane Whipple. There was no apology or remorse. There was only excuses and blame."

The ruling was a key victory for the defense, which argued that Knoller cannot legally be convicted of both murder and involuntary manslaughter.

Defense attorneys also said Warren improperly allowed prosecutors to associate Knoller with the Aryan Brotherhood prison gang.

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Wednesday, June 12, has flown by like the rest of the days of our lives with the candidates filing their petitions and their Clean Election contributions to be certified as bold and beautiful so that their campaigns could have one live to live, although, as the world turns, the passions rise, tantrums and immature acts prevail like all my children, so that the guiding light is burned out in Arizona's ongoing political soap opera this year, brought to you Ponds - use it just like a duck does!

Arizona's political scene had a sharp jolt this past week, not because of the return of a character killed off seven times prior but due to a parking ticket, for which openly Gay state Representative Steve May, R-Paradise Valley, had received.

On the ticket was an additional fee of 10%, in May's case, \$2.70 on a \$27 ticket, that would have gone to Arizona's convoluted Clean Elections Commission who in turn gives those funds to candidates that have gotten over the \$5 hurdle of contributions to qualify for public funding - these surcharges along with other fines, fees and income tax credits make up the bulk of the Clean Elections Commission piggy bank.

May challenged the 10% fee, stating that it unconstitutionally forced him to subsidize the political campaigns of others, whose views he may have opposed.

Arizona's Court of Appeals, in a

unanimous decision, taking only one episode to do so, agreed, calling it an unconstitutional, involuntary levy, since, according to the ruling, there is no link between people who had broken the law and the political message of candidates who want public financing.

The court's have ruled before on monies headed to the Clean Elections fund, previously a \$100 fee charged to Arizona's 12-billion registered lobbyist's was declared unconstitutional, in a prior legal decision in 2001, for which the Commission had to refund the \$350,000 collected.

So this ruling throws the upcoming election into panic and turmoil but aren't they already, with maps, legislative and federal, drawn at the last minute, in violation of the initiative approved by the voters in 2000 to make the political boundaries fair and more competitive - going to trial in January 2003?

What about the fact that 16 Arizona House and 17 Arizona Senate seats will already have been decided, before the November general election? How lucky can we get?!

Like the inevitable plot twist on a soap opera, this case will head to its final act, either the Arizona Supreme Court or federal court, possibly to the U.S. Supreme Court, and this year's campaign continues in its search for tomorrow.

With this though, what will happen to openly Gay candidates, Ken Chevront, Sam Wercinski, Wally Straughn, Jesse George, Robert Meza, as well as the 140 or so other candidates who decided to go "Clean Elections?" Stay tuned to this station, same time, same channel, again brought to you by Ponds - use it just like a duck does! ...

Funding problems aside, on Sunday, June 23, 3:00 to 6:00 p.m., at the Muse (Nation's Hall), 516 North Fifth Avenue, as part of the activities marking Pride in Tucson, a meet the candidates forum will take place, sponsored by several of the local Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual and Transgender (GLBT) groups and organizations.

This event will have no structure or spin, just plain talk between candidates, incumbents seeking federal, state and local political office with the most important people possible, you, the registered voter, whose vote, and after the recent court decision, and contribution they will seek.

Free food and beverages will be part of the political adventure, and with so many political posts up for this year's election, this will be a good opportunity to get those candidates to state their opinions on GLBT issues of concern. For more information, call (520) 622-3200 or go online to: www.tucsonpride.com.

G/L Adoption Information Squelched By Feds

WASHINGTON, DC - The Family Research Council heaped praise on an official with the U.S. Department of Health & Human Services for preventing a HHS-funded association from publishing articles on Gay and Lesbian adoption, the Washington Blade reports.

In a report on its Web site, the FRC reminded its members that Susan Orr, associate commissioner of the HHS's Bureau of Children, had been the FRC's senior director of family studies.

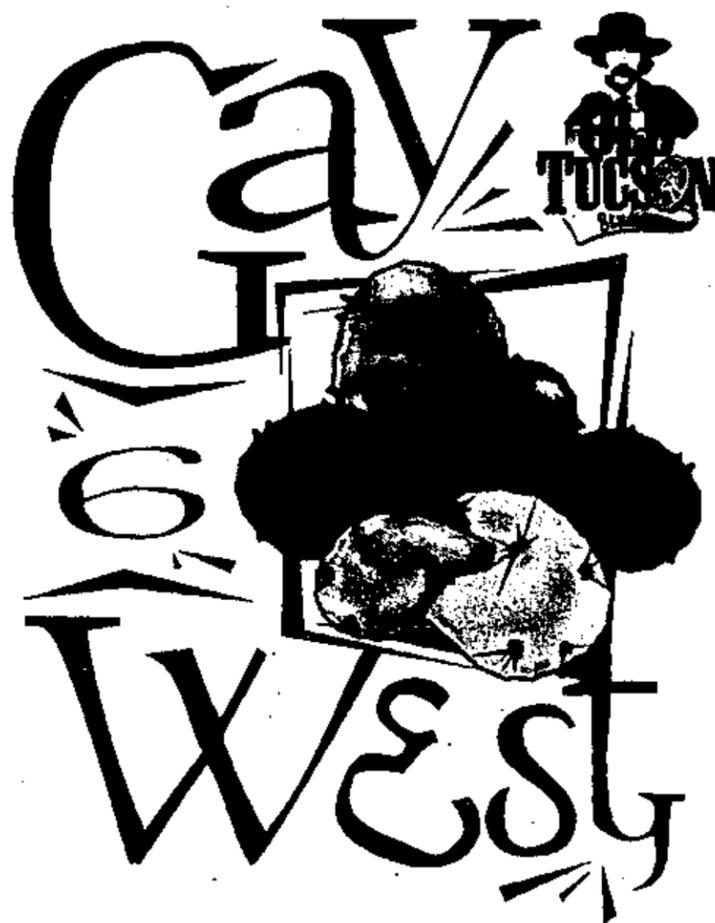
In May, Orr told a group that represents state adoption agencies not to publish two "pro and con" commentaries on Gay adoption programs in the association's monthly newsletter. HHS provides funding for the association and newsletter through a federal grant.

Orr denied the move was discriminatory and told the Blade she based her decision on a concern that the three items did not contribute relevant, "fact-based" information needed by state adoption agency officials to carry out their work.

Doyle Evans, a research analyst with the association, resigned in protest over Orr's action and called it a form of censorship that stifled open and robust debate.

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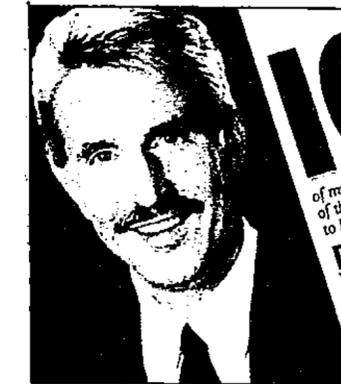


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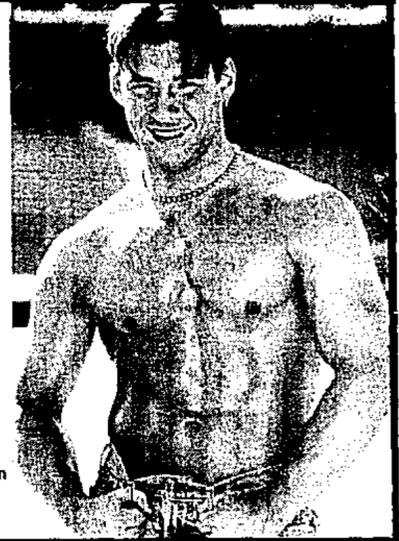
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LIBRA
SEPTEMBER 24 - OCTOBER 23
Travel might have been more trouble than it was worth in May but now, as Mercury redirects, proud Libras should consider dipping a toe into the enticing global pond. Dive in when the temperature feels just right. But don't dog paddle alone; friendly Venus in expansive Leo provides the wilde party for your pool. Don't forget to wear a bathing cap...

ARIES
MARCH 21 - APRIL 20
The past month has been one explanation and apology after another but now the air is cleared and proud Rambos can get the word Out in no uncertain terms. Mercury goes direct and so do you. Use this time to branch out and have a little fun, courtesy of lirty Venus. The planets will find a way to deliver the perfect social companion to your soiree. Hmm, just how social are you??

TAURUS
APRIL 21 - MAY 21
Have you been standing under an economic raincloud for the past month? Well, as Mercury redirects, queer Bulls can shed their raincoats and bask in the sun. But before you dance into the sunset, take a long loving look homeward; Venus glides into Leo and encourages you to nestle in your nest. Don't nestle alone, cousin. Venus shares the love and so should you.

GEMINI
MAY 22 - JUNE 21
Mercury has been retrograding in your own sign and causing more social faux pas than you would politely care to count. Redeem yourself this week as Mercury redirects and charming Venus transits generous Leo. Spread the good cheer and pass on a few love notes while you are at it. Pink Twins will need quite a few cheery exchanges to get back in the social graces.

CANCER
JUNE 22 - JULY 23
Put aside those nightmarish premonitions and get back to reality when Mercury redirects this week. Proud Crabs might have conjured all sorts of woolly scenarios during Mercury retrograde but now you are back to rock solid earth and ready to rock and roll. And Venus in Leo pours on the good times with a vengeance. So how about making that chocolate sauce instead...

LEO
JULY 24 - AUGUST 23
Regal proud Lions may have trod on a few toes while Mercury was retrograde. Now, as Mercury redirects you have the opportunity to reconnect and reconstruct friendships that might have deconstructed in May. Venus in your own sign helps by giving you an extra dollop of charm and charisma. Package it and sell it on the street while it is still fresh, you fresh thing!

VIRGO
AUGUST 24 - SEPTEMBER 23
If retro Mercury caused some potholes in your professional superhighway in May, direct Mercury helps fill them in and avoid more roadkill in June. Now is the time to try, try again queer Virgo. Senior management is preparing your next performance review and, with the help of charming Venus, you get a reprieve if you can state your case. Do you want a reprieve?

SCORPIO
OCTOBER 24 - NOVEMBER 22
Even eloquent Gay Scorps might have slipped up in the romance department when Mercury retrograded. But now you can make up for lost time. The mouthy orb redirects and so do you, lover. You become a veritable sexpert. Good timing; lusty Venus ambles into robust Leo and casts your spell in the corporate arena. Mixing business with pleasure this week? Oh why not!

SAGITTARIUS
NOVEMBER 23 - DECEMBER 22
If partnerships have lost their luster, direct Mercury is ready to mop and glow. Not a moment too soon, proud Archer, the situation was beginning to look a bit shopworn. Even single Sags can make their randy intentions known. Venus in Leo gets into the matchmaking act, offering the two of you a romantic launch. Explore every coastline and cavern with your dingy.

CAPRICORN
DECEMBER 23 - JANUARY 20
Any gaffs made on the job can be corrected when Mercury redirects this week. Pink Caps are usually fairly politic but this past month might have made you more mouthy and pouty than usual. Make your best move, cousin. As sexy Venus tangoes into Leo, your desire to burn the midnight oil and push your pencil is heightened... but not anywhere near the office!

AQUARIUS
JANUARY 21 - FEBRUARY 19
Fun pastimes might have been too much stress and trouble during retrograde Mercury, but now, as the old sod redirects, party hearty Aqueerians are ripe and ready for almost anything. Take it all in moderation cousin. Charismatic Venus is moving into Leo and turns your attention and desire to one particular lucky person. Let your actions speak louder and prouder than words.

PISCES
FEBRUARY 20 - MARCH 20
Mercury redirects and helps you get a handle on any runaway domestic situation. Things have been said that rocked the boat but now you know just what to say to calm the turgid waters. Guppies plan their escape at work or at the health club, especially as Venus enters Leo, but finish off old business first. Mean what you say and say what you mean, especially to relatives.

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 (calabazamusic@yahoo.com) By Jerry D.

'Reveille Gay Men's Chorus Takes To' Broadway In This Year's Concert

Tucson received its yearly treat of song and fun this weekend as the Reveille Gay Men's Chorus held its annual concert. The event was titled "A Funny Thing Happened On The Way To The Chorus", and it lived up to the expectations of the near sellout crowd at the Temple Of Music And Art. The 29 member Choral group, Directed by James Taylor, took us on a journey through the magic, emotion and memory of Broadway's greatest musicals. There wasn't a song that any of the audience members would not be familiar with, even for the straight attendees, as one choral member presented in the beginning of the show.

There was even a moment for the audience to shine, as the 2 hour show got underway with a sing-along. This clever idea allowed the crowd to let their lungs get a workout, and allowed the chorus to politely advise the audience to not break into song when they were performing. This also saved me from writing a second article on how when attending a choral concert, to let the stage performers do the singing.

After the sing-along, the Chorus took over and carried us through the history of over 42 Broadway hits. Most numbers were the main songs of the shows they represented, with a couple being refreshing surprises from shows not seen on stage in many years. The Chorus wore alternating colored shirts with basic black slacks, so each member could be identified within the group. The direction of the Chorus was flawless as each voice could be heard throughout the auditorium, and yet a collective voice made up the sounds from the group.

There were blocks of songs honor-

ing giants of the Broadway stage. The Chorus got things going with a Rogers and Hammerstein group. The composers known as the kings of Broadway were elegantly represented in both choral numbers, and a couple of solo performances which enlightened hearts throughout the audience. A couple of the solos were even done with a comic edge (picture a bald gentleman singing "I'm Gonna Wash That Man Right Out Of My Hair"). The comedy in the solos was done with perfect timing, never swaying from the song itself.

The solos were plenty and strategically placed to allow the remainder of the Chorus to regroup and get some much needed water. The musical accompanist, led by Ted Owens, was kept simple (just a piano and standing bass). This allowed for the chorus to fill all possible musical spaces and make for a true sound as their voices were practically without help from the sound system.

Steven Sondheim was the other main block of songs the Chorus performed. The group of songs included a special treat with soloist Greg Stickroth paying a visit. Greg was a member of Reveille and is currently in Los Angeles following his dream. His set included a number from "Into The Woods", which only 4 weeks before I had the pleasure of seeing on Broadway. His voice was marvelous and he looked like he never left the Old Pueblo.

Other solos worth mentioning (I apologize for not naming the appropriate members), were "I Enjoy Being A Girl", done in drag of course, and "Matchmaker" which was performed by a Chorus Member dressed as Bob The Builder, complete with his Homo Depot bucket.

The evenings finale included a medley with interlays to "Mr. Wonderful", each song interjecting with a theme of that one that makes our hearts sing. It was the highlight of the evening as it showed the versatility of the Chorus to go from song to song without missing a beat. The concert concluded with flowers being presented to Taylor and a standing ovation that went for about 5 minutes.

As being a native of New York and having grown up literally watching the best performances Broadway could offer, this concert brought back memories, as well as formed new ones for the future. Broadway is striving like it always will, and this tribute to the giants of the stage was not only a love letter but a thank you one to boot.

For anyone who ever hummed in the shower, watched a PBS airing of any musical, or has had the pleasure of seeing a stage production, this concert filled that hunger to its brim. Those of you who have never taken in this staple of Gay Tucson life, you don't know what you are missing. And for anyone who enjoys hard work come to full fruit, this yearly event is tops on the to do list for you. Congratulations to all the members and supporters of Reveille Gay Men's Chorus. Another great season and the hopes of endless ones to come. I'm gonna put a request in for next years extravaganza to be an all New York show. E-Mail me if anyone is interested in my ideas.

Until Next Week, feel free to write and I will be back with another review, comment, or anything else that makes our town tick!

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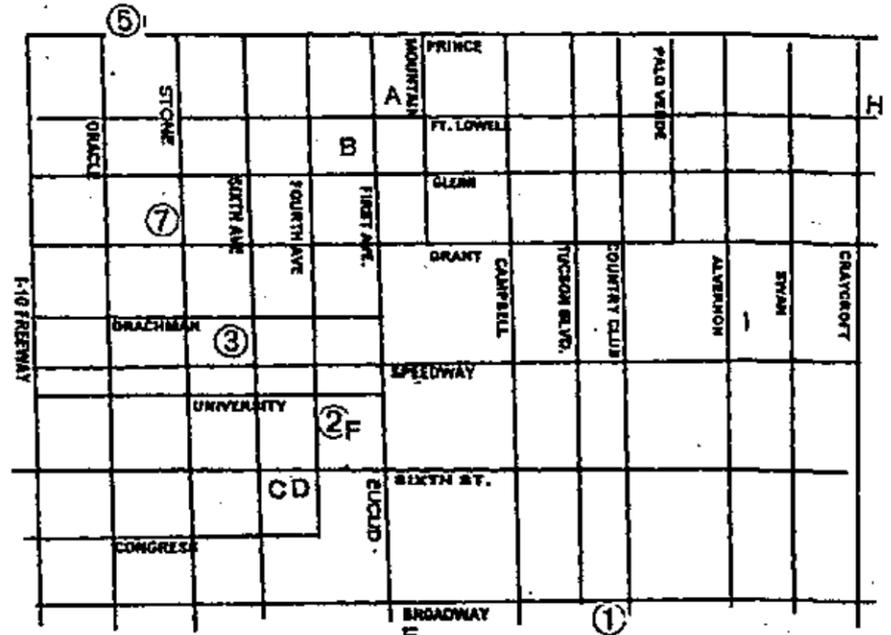
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KATONA MAKES PINS HOWL AT SUMMER COYOTES

By Mark R. Kerr

TUCSON (ON) - During the second week of bowling, June 12, for the Summer Coyotes, the Old Pueblo's Gay and Lesbian Wednesday night league, Paul Katona left the pack way behind with an outstanding series.

Showing focus and determination, Katona was masterful on lanes 37-38, putting together strings of strikes, making the occasional spare in those rare instances when he had to throw a second ball, en route to a three game series of 779, more than 100 pins better than the next highest series in the league, so far in the young season.

Katona's first two games of the magical series, all he could do was string strikes, for a 267 and 279. In the last game, he showed his mastery of the lanes, home of the recent ABC Senior Masters tournament, making several difficult spare conversions for a 233 game and the 779 series.

This is Katona's highest series to date, marking an incredible year where he has improved his average by more than 20 pins to 205 in the recent winter season of the Desert Coyotes, and raising the bar even higher so far in the Summer Coyotes, to an astounding 239.

Fourth Fridays Resume On June 28

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SUMMER COYOTES LEAGUE STANDINGS

	Won	Lost
Beat Around The Bush	7.0	0.0
The Dovers	5.0	2.0
Summers Eye	5.0	2.0
Port of Entry	5.0	2.0
Bitch! Bitch!	5.0	2.0
Team Ten	5.0	2.0
2 Outces & An Incc	2.0	5.0
Team Three	2.0	5.0
Hardwhere?	2.0	5.0
Casserole	2.0	5.0
3 Kings	2.0	5.0

SEASON ACHIEVEMENTS

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High Series Scratch: Paul K., 658; Heather H., 482; The Dovers, 1615.

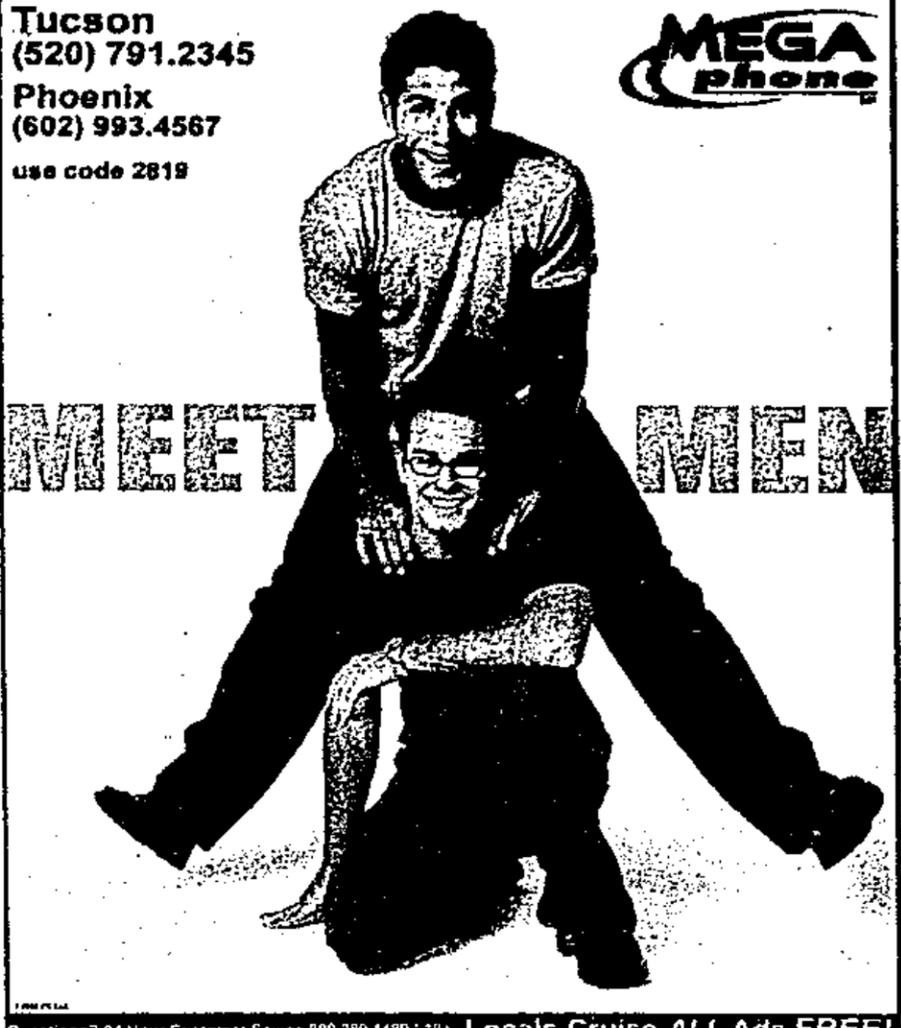
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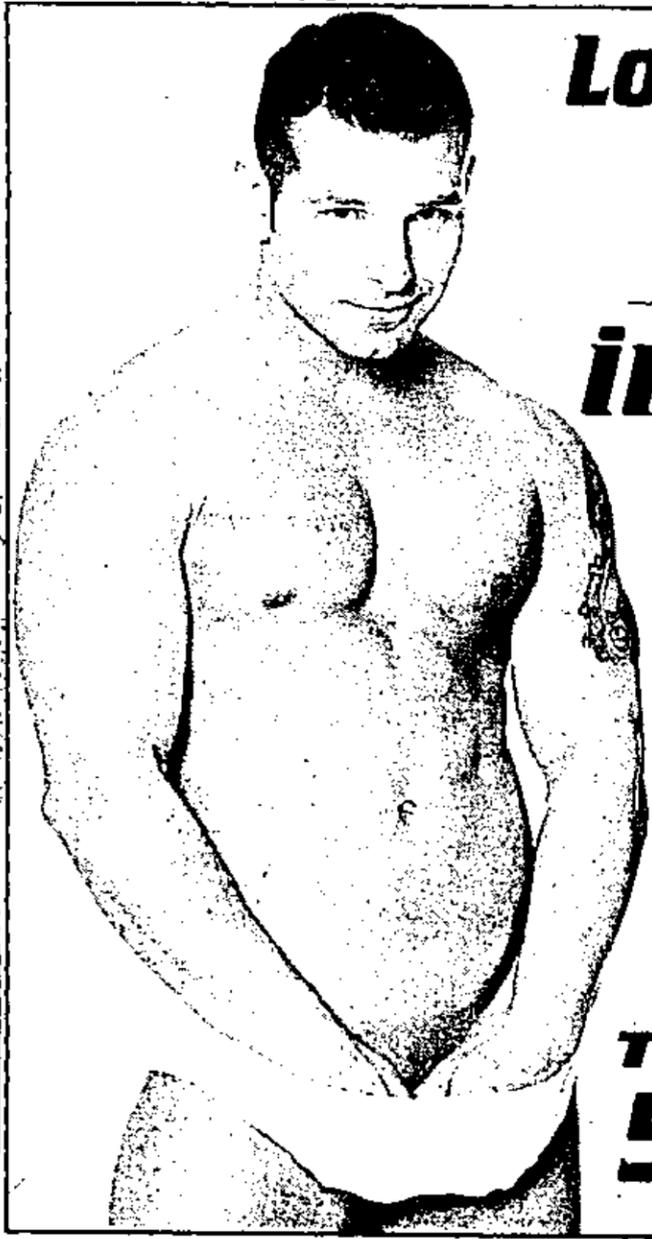
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SATURDAY, JUNE 29

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WOODY'S - PRIDE EVENT: "The Beach Party". Games, prizes and food! Bar-Que and Volleyball start at 5:00 p.m. Games, Prizes, Music. Limbo Contest; Swimsuit Contest; Hula Contest; Hula Hoop Contest. Come on Down!

THURSDAY, JUNE 27

VENTURE-N - PRIDE EVENT: "Grease Party" 7:00 p.m. SteakOUT on the Patio from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. Bring your meat or buy it there. They'll cook it and provide the sides. 7:00 to 1:00 a.m. "Greaser" Retro 50s Party.

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Daily Bar Calendar

AIN'T NOBODY'S BIZ - Bear 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, Screw or Mimosas. Benefit B-B-Q and Bear 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.

VENTURE-N - Open 10am. Patio open 3pm. Daily special til 7pm. Patio Beer bust 3-7. Burger Bar-Que 5-7. (Donation only).

WOODY'S - Open 11am. \$1.50 Bloody Marys, screwdrivers, Mimosas; \$2 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 6-7. \$2.50 sirloin 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

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IBT's - 9am-4pm, \$2.00 domestic beer & well. Happy Hour \$1.75 well and domestic beer 4-9pm. Tee's & Tattoo Nite, wear an IBT's T-shirt or IBT tattoo get happy hour prices 8 to close, or buy an IBT's T-shirt for \$5 and get a complimentary drink. House HI-Nerdy Dance 9pm to close w/DJ-Q

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

AIN'T NOBODY'S BIZ - Happy Hour Two-For-One 2-7pm. Pool tourney 7:30pm. \$3 entry, pot matched. \$1.50 longnecks for pool players. \$2 Bottle Bud products. 8-close. Country music with DJs. 8:30-1

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RAINBOW SUPPORT GROUP: LGBT and supportive friends meet for open discussions in a loving, supportive atmosphere. Support meetings are the 2nd and 4th Thursdays from 7:30 to 9:00 pm at St. Francis in the foothills Church, Swan and River Road, Room 42. The 3rd Thursdays of the month, the group will meet at 7:30pm at Rainbow Planet Coffeehouse (806 North 4th Ave.) as a social outing. For more information call the church at 299-9063 and ask for a contact person.

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GREATER PHOENIX GAY & LESBIAN CHAMBER OF COMMERCE (GPGCC) P.O. BOX 2087, Phoenix, AZ 85001-2087. E-mail: webmaster@gpgcc.org or call (602)225-8444.

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CROMES 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 6:30-9:00 p.m. at Cornerstone Fellowship Social Hall, 2902 N. Geronimo (near 1st Ave. and Laguna). Open to All. Call Liz at 325-9466 or Ray at 749-5247.

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DESERT VOICES, Tucson's Gay & Lesbian Chorus rehearses Monday evenings from 8:30 to 9:30pm at Arroyo Park Senior Center, 220 S. 6th Ave. Call 791-9862.

Join the LESBIAN & GAY PUBLIC AWARENESS PROJECT. In Tucson write Awareness Project, 3861 N. Campbell Ave. #365, Tucson, AZ 85719.

AA Meeting with HIV/AIDS focus. Wednesdays, 7:30 p.m., MCC Church, 3269 N. Mountain. All alcoholics welcome.

MEN'S SOCIAL NETWORK: Social organization for men of all ages. Building an extended Gay family in Tucson. Monthly social potluck gatherings the first Saturday of each month and almost weekly social activities. Call Jerry at 880-8665 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 298-8447.

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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. 882-7725

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 36284, Tucson, AZ 85740-8284. All replies confidential.

TUCSON GLBT AL-ANON GROUP meets Wednesdays at 7:00 p.m. at Wingspan, 300 E. 6th Street. Call 624-1778 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, 624-1778.

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 528-9344, 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 881-1794 - 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.

TUCSON INTERFAITH HIV/AIDS NETWORK (TIHAN), a coalition of faith communities committed to a compassionate response to HIV/AIDS, 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 299-8647.

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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 791-7578.

GRACE GROUP - CATHOLIC GAY/LESBIAN SUPPORT GROUP meets every 2nd and 4th Monday at 7:30 p.m. in the Madonna Hall at Saints Peter and Paul Catholic Church, 1436 N. Campbell across from University Hospital. For more info, Call Ernie Sleight 721-2003.

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 Jennifer at 792-4607, Ext.398

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

OUTLOUD! Tucson's premiere Local Lesbian and Gay Radio Show, broadcast every Wednesday at 8:03 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 35+ (flexible) and socialize in a smoke-free environment 888-8010 before 10:00 p.m. The group dines out and attends shows or movies. Now in their 16th year! (2nd in Tucson).

SOUTHERN ARIZONA GENDER ALLIANCE (SAGA). Meetings on the 1st Monday, 7pm. Desert Gitz (MTF) 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 624-1778 for more info. SAGA E-mail@aol.com http://members.aol.com/sageemail

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 881-4882 for more information or sign up.

NOTICES

EDUCATIONAL SUPPORT GROUP FOR ALTERNATIVE LIFESTYLES. Not a dating club. Discreet. Meetings every Monday evening. Call for more info. APEX (Arizona Power Exchange) 602-415-1123. 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 602-270-4805.

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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 with 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)745-9059 (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. Fiedler 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 5 meetings a week in Tucson. People who wish to stop their compulsive sexual behavior, please call (520)570-1225 for current information.

LUTHERANS CONCERNED - Tucson chapter for Gay/Lesbian Lutherans meets 4th Sunday, 8:30 p.m. each month at Santa Cruz Lutheran Church, 8608 S. Cardinal Ave. For information visit www.lutucson.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 624-9348 (24-hour line)

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

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

SENIORRAP, a discussion group for older LGBTs, meets from 3 to 5pm on the last Sunday of every month at Wingspan, 300 E. 6th St. For more info call 640-0620

"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

MEN TALK - A new group forming for Gay men that explores ourselves, our community and encourages positive growth. A great way to meet people. Meeting 3rd Tuesday of each month at Wingspan. 7-9pm. Call 780-8714 for more info.

SUPPORT GROUP FOR RECOVERING ADDICTS AND ALCOHOLICS. Group meets every Saturday 7-8pm in Cornerstone Fellowship Hall, 2902 N. Geronimo. 622-4628 or 750-8404.

SOUTHERN ARIZONA STONEWALL DEMOCRATS meet 3rd Monday of each month 7pm at Pima County Democratic Headquarters, 2617 E. Broadway. Call Jesse 743-4320 or Maurice 323-2293. All LGBT Democrats and supporters welcome. TucsonStonewall@aol.com

GUY'S BOOK CLUB meets 4th Tuesday of each month at 7pm, Rainbow Planet Coffee House, 806 N. 4th Ave.

COMMUNITY BUSINESS ASSOCIATION (CBA), Tucson's Gay and Lesbian business networking group holds regular meetings the third Thursday of every month. Call 618-6430 for more info.

TUCSON PRIDE, INC. (Formerly Tucson Lesbian and Gay Alliance - TLGA) meets on the second Tuesday at Wingspan, 300 E. 6th Street at 7pm. Tucson Pride produces Pride events: Pride Week, Gay West and OUTROFFEST. Inquiries about support groups and individual needs should be directed to Wingspan and other local agencies listed here. For more information call 622-3200 or visit the website www.tucsonpride.com

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Nickelodeon

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Family special became apparent after she read that the word "fag" had become the most common playground slur. She added that O'Donnell's public acknowledgment she is a lesbian made the issue a hot button subject in the news.

"They keep saying it is not about sexuality. It is about sexuality," said LaFerty. She claimed parents were upset. "They have been led to believe that Nick is a safe harbor," she said. "Now they've been exposed. The skirt has been lifted and Nick has been exposed."

Most of Ellerbee's Nick News programs air at 8:30 p.m., but Tuesday night's broadcast has been pushed back a half hour because of its sensitivity, said Herb Scannell, Nickelodeon's chief executive.

Scannell said he had no hesitation about airing the special. "I thought it was in a territory that we've been before, in terms of looking at the world from a kid's point of view," he said. "The whole philosophy of Nick is that it's tough to be a kid in an adult world."

Ellerbee concurred. "It is never a wrong time to talk about hate," she said. "It's just not. That's all our show is about. It is not in any way about the homosexual lifestyle. It's not even introducing the subject to most kids. They know. But quite frankly, many of them know it from a hate standpoint without even knowing what they're talking about."

Log Cabin

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on race, color, religion or national origin.

Hatch put forward the argument that the bill in its current form would not survive a Supreme Court challenge, arguing that it gives the federal government too much authority over hate crime prosecutions at the expense of states.

"Rather than take a precipitous step that would potentially make every criminal offense motivated by hatred a federal offense, we should equip states to undertake these criminal investigations and prosecutions on their own," said Hatch, when introducing an amendment.

Though Log Cabin officials said Sen. Hatch had "a decade-long history of supporting hate crime legislation," his record is questionable at best. Though he curiously backed the same version of this year's bill in 2000, Sen. Hatch's demand in 1999 "for additional data on bias-motivated crimes" as acting Chairman of the Senate Judiciary Committee effectively killed the bill the year Matthew Shepard's murder provided a groundswell of public support for the legislation.

Kevin Ivers of the Log Cabin Republicans said the Democrats were wrong not to embrace Hatch's proposal. "It was a failed strategy not thought out by the Democratic leadership," he said. "We think the bill would have passed if Senator Hatch was on board."

The Senate voted 54-43 to keep debating the bill. After the vote, Senate Majority Leader Tom Daschle withdrew the measure from floor debate in the hopes that it can be offered later in the session, possibly as an amendment to the Defense Department authorization bill.

Kennedy said the "vote is a clear sign of the lack of commitment by Senate Republicans on this basic civil rights issue."

NEW YORK, NY (GFN) - The June issue of NewsMax magazine says the talk radio host known for describing Lesbians and Gay men as "biological errors," says she now might consider a run for president if Hillary Clinton decides to do so.

"If Hillary ran, I would have to run against her," Dr. Laura Schlessinger told NewsMax in an interview with writer James Hirszen.

Schlessinger described Mrs. Clinton and her husband as being "perverse, disturbed and destructive ... and immoral."

Schlessinger also said she was worried Mrs. Clinton would be considered a role model for young women.

"That would be horrifying," she said of a Hillary presidential bid.

"Everything I've read about her ... the book the FBI guy who was in the White House, Gary Aldrich - I mean, you read that book and you realize the two of them

are perverse, disturbed and destructive. And immoral. And legalities mean nothing to them.

"This is not a role model. But this is what happens when you have such ferocious bias in the media and only one picture is painted. It's scary. If Hillary runs, I'm going to feel a need to run against her."

In a wide-ranging interview, Schlessinger - who became the object of scorn from the Gay community when she described "homosexual acts" as "deviant" - also discussed her detractors and the demise of her show.

"My regret about the whole television show industry is that those venues which espouse the same virtues [as she does] did not have the courage or the energy to stand up with me. That's my regret. The little secret calls from well-known people saying, "We really back you" and "We're so glad you have the guts to do this." All the way up through senators. Christian groups. Jewish groups.

"Nobody else wanted to get hit by it. So here I was, Gen. McArthur. I had my pipe. I turned around and nobody was there."

Damler Chrysler, MTV Get Awards

NEW YORK, NY (GFN) - The presentation of the 2002 awards for business excellence by the Global Business Coalition on HIV/AIDS brought more than 500 icons from the art, business and diplomatic worlds to New York's Chelsea Piers on the Hudson River, along with two dozen AIDS protesters.

Former President Bill Clinton presented the award for individual business leadership to William H. Roedy, president of MTV Networks International, which has aired numerous television spots to bring more awareness to AIDS and HIV.

Clinton also used his appearance to urge the Bush administration to come up with \$2.4 billion annually to fight the disease around the world.



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