

..in PRIDE ... and PROTEST..



As the last parade participants, revelers and supporters left La Placita Village, location of the third annual Pride March party, Sunday, June 30, something had not occurred in the Old Pueblo for a long time - Pride, the celebration and commemoration of the 33rd anniversary of the Stonewall Riots and the birth of the modern Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual and Transgender (GLBT) rights movement.

June 27, the day that started it all, and the subsequent week had become an afterthought, since it was purportedly too hot to hold any events, celebration or commemoration in Tucson for the past few years but the schedule of events, (and the large attendance) held this year, encompassing more than a calendar week, showed otherwise:

From a social and meet and greet with local GLBT owned businesses;

To the blessing of those Gay and Lesbian couples in a committed relationship;

A community/political forum where people had the opportunity to learn about the various GLBT themed groups, social and service organizations, and meet with elected officials and candidates running for office in the upcoming elections;

Two legal forums: dealing with your legal rights, and your rights as same-sex couples, and those for the ones who wish to adopt;

Reliving GLBT history in Tucson and seeing its future with Queer Voice;

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By Mark R. Kerr

TUCSON (ON) - On June 27, 1969, the Gay, Lesbian and drag queen patrons of the Stonewall Bar in New York City had taken much harassment, from their fellow New Yorkers because of who they are and the police, who had raided the bar many times facing no opposition to their tactics but on this night, contrary to expectations, the patrons fought back, provoking three nights of rioting and the birth of the modern Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual and Transgender (GLBT) rights movement.

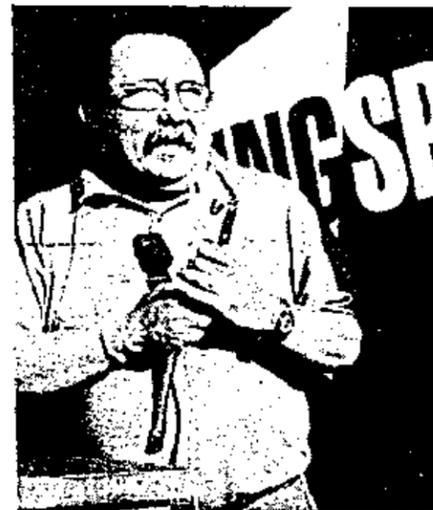
Flash forward to June 27, 2002 in Tucson, and the local GLBT populace is commemorating the Stonewall Riots and on that night, a forum on the city's GLBT history had just ended and those in attendance had left Wingspan, 300 East Sixth Street, where the successful event had taken place. More was in store for the organization and its location, the recent victim of an attack of vandalism, on June 16 or 17, when the rainbow banners and poles that had adorned the front of the building had been ripped down.

Later on the night of June 27 or the early morning of Friday, June 28, Wingspan was again the target, when a large rock had been hurled through one of its main windows. As the patrons of the Stonewall Bar did back in 1969, GLBT Tucsonans, as well as straight-supportive

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UPDATE

Opela Files Lawsuit Seeking Reversal of Revocation

TUCSON (ON) - A Tucson Fire Fighter convicted of assaulting an openly Gay man outside a local restaurant in February 2000, has filed suit to regain his emergency medical technician (EMT) certification in a precedent setting maneuver.

Franchot Opela, through his attorney, Todd Hale, filed suit in Pima County Superior Court on Friday, June 28, seeking a stay in the final administration action by the Arizona Department of Health Services (ADHS), which had revoked Opela's EMT certification with their decision issued May 24.

Opela, in the lawsuit, is seeking a stay in the ADHS' May 24 ruling. Hale, in an interview for another publication, said the department had improperly employed disciplinary rules in this case.

In the same story Hale gave the interview for, it was reported that Opela still has his EMT certification, which isn't the case, according to Michael Murphy, Communications Director for ADHS. "The order is final and his license is revoked," Murphy said.

This is the first case that has gone to Superior Court, Murphy added, that there had been four other situations where the certification had been revoked but the cases ended with the final decision by ADHS.

With that, according to Kevin Ray, an attorney with the Arizona Attorney General's office, who is now handling the Opela case, the Attorney General has 20 days to respond to Hale's lawsuit.

In July 2001, Opela was convicted of misdemeanor assault and was sentenced to a year's probation, which will end this month. Danny Valenzuela, ADHS Deputy Director, said in an interview that he could reapply for certification when his probation expires.

Richard Heakin Memorial Update

By Mark R. Kerr

TUCSON (ON) - During the third annual Tucson Pride March, held Sunday, June 30, members of the Richard Heakin Memorial Fund marched holding banners and pictures of Heakin.

According to Rowan Frost of the Fund Committee, "Tonight Richard Heakin's face was seen in Tucson for the first time in 26 years." She went on to state that "People were very moved; it's bittersweet to see the young man who has meant so much to Tucson."

So far after a month in the fund raising campaign, a total of \$1,570 in donations had been raised, and the Committee wished to express their thanks to the community for their support so far, and to the Observer, Dave Huff and Frank Schepis of IBT's and Woody's, for their help in the endeavor.

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 Heakin, a young Gay college student brutally murdered outside the Stonewall Tavern, 2921 N. First Avenue, June 6, 1976.

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. She added that the goal of the effort is to raise \$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.

The next meeting of the Committee will take place, Saturday, July 6, 10:00 a.m. at the Rainbow Planet Coffeehouse, 606 North Fourth Avenue.

Wingspan Benefit Bar-B-Que Sunday, July 7

TUCSON (ON) - IBT's, located at 616 North Fourth Avenue will be holding their benefit barbecue Sunday, July 7, 5:30 to 8:00 p.m.

Wingspan, in lieu of the recent vandalism attacks, will be the beneficiary of funds raised from the event.

There will be karaoke on the patio and lots of wonderful food! Your choice of a cheeseburger, chicken breast sandwich, or veggie burger, along with all the fixings will be \$2.50, or burgers and the beer bust will be \$5.00.

Wingspan is also looking for volunteers to help serve the food, for more information, E-mail Mark English at Wingspan, mark@wingspanaz.org, or call (520) 624-1779.

He who has a thing to sell and goes and whispers in a well, is not so apt to get the dollars as he who climbs a tree and hollers.

Domestic Violence Survey Being Conducted

PHOENIX - PRISM: Proud Community Allies to End Partner Abuse, a committee of Arizona Coalition Against Domestic Violence, is conducting a survey of the LGBT community.

In a LGBT relationship, have you ever been hit, pushed, kicked, had things thrown at you, been forced to have sex against your will or in some way you did not want, been isolated, "put down" or threatened to be "outed"?

Did you call the police?

If not, why not? If so, what response did you receive from the police?

Did you call a domestic violence service provider?

If not, why not? If so, what response did you receive from the service provider?

Did you get an order of protection?

If not, why not? If so, what response did you receive from the court?

Did you talk to a friend, family, co-worker, or someone in the community?

If not, why not? If so, what response did you receive?

Do you know anyone, friend, acquaintance, co-worker, who has been the victim of violence?

What, if anything, did you do? What, if anything, did the friend do?

How can PRISM help to combat violence among partners in our community?

What are you willing to do to help combat violence among partners in our community?

Demographics: Optional

Your gender:

Your age:

Your race:

Your sexual orientation:

Your zip code:

The deadline for this survey is August 1, and please send your responses, which can be anonymous, to: PRISM, Attn: AzCADV, 100 W Camelback Rd, #109, Phoenix, AZ 85013, fax (602) 279-2980, email acadv@azcadv.org.



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The Workplace Improves For GLBT Americans

NEW YORK, NY (GFN) - Twenty-seven years ago, the first U.S. corporation added sexual orientation to its nondiscrimination policy.

The company was A&T (NYSE: T), and its chairman John DeButts, made the simple but unprecedented declaration that his company would "respect the human rights of our employees." Seven years later, the New York weekly *The Village Voice* became the first employer to add same-sex domestic partners to its health insurance benefits program.

It's a been a long, winding and challenging road since those early days, but as more Lesbians and Gays have become more open about their sexuality, at work and elsewhere, there is much for GLBT Americans to cheer about in 2002 as Pride celebrations echo Mr. DeButts's sentiment. More companies than ever have come to understand that respecting and recruiting Gay employees is good for the employees - and good for the bottom line.

"If we want to be an employer of the most able people who happen to be Gay or Lesbian, we won't succeed unless we offer equal benefits for partners in same-sex relationships," said John Browne last month, CEO of BP PLC, the nation's largest oil and gas producer.

Mr. Browne is evidently not alone in his belief:

4,463 companies offer health insurance benefits to employees' domestic partners.

2,162 employers have nondiscrim-

ination policies covering sexual orientation. The higher a company is on the Fortune 500 list, the more likely it is to have both domestic partner benefits and a written nondiscrimination policy covering sexual orientation. Still, 38 states say it's legal to fire someone for being Lesbian or Gay.

According the Human Rights Campaign, or HRC, the nation's oldest Gay civil rights organization, the first state to pass a law against workplace discrimination based on sexual orientation was Wisconsin in 1982. Eleven states have followed Wisconsin's lead, and eight states have executive orders barring sexual orientation discrimination in their public workforces.

Today, eight states and 130 local governments and quasi-governmental agencies offer domestic-partner benefits coverage to their employees' partners to attract and keep the best employees.

The federal government, however, hasn't made the same kind of progress. Congress has yet to pass the Employment Nondiscrimination Act (ENDA), the bill that would prohibit, among other things, an employer from firing someone based on sexual orientation.

"To pass [ENDA] is not to create a special right for Gay men and Lesbians, but to end discrimination against them, as we have done for others... To do less is to close our eyes to this inequity in our laws, and to give a quiet nod to discrimination," said Sen. Susan Collins (R-Maine) in support of ENDA in April.

ENDA was first introduced in 1994 and was voted out of a Senate com-

mittee for the first time this past April. Senate Majority Leader Tom Daschle (D-S.D.) has promised a vote before Congress adjourns in the fall. But chances of the bill passing the House this year are not strong; Sen. Collins aside, the Republican leadership doesn't support it.

The good news is that Federal employees are protected from discrimination by an executive order signed by President Clinton in 1998, still in effect under the Bush administration. Federal workers are not eligible for domestic partner benefits, although openly Gay Rep. Barney Frank (D-Mass.) has introduced a bill to give same-sex couples the same benefits that opposite-sex couples are offered.

"Invention requires creativity; creativity requires true diversity. If we are to succeed, we must become a role model of inclusion," Hewlett Packard's Chairman and CEO, Carly Fiorina, said last year.

San Francisco was the first city in the country to demand an equal benefits ordinance. That 1996 law says that any employer under contract with the city must offer the same benefits to its employees' domestic partners as it offers to married spouses. Since then, six cities have followed San Francisco's lead: Seattle; Los Angeles; Berkeley, Calif.; San Mateo County, Calif.; Tumwater, Wash., and Oakland, Calif.

Human resource managers have noted a shift in the demographic of the "traditional" American household and have responded to employee's needs. Kim I. Mills, education director of the Human Rights Campaign, reports that two-thirds of the employers offering domestic partner

benefits cover both same-sex and opposite-sex domestic partners.

According to the 2000 census, many more Americans live in "nontraditional" households - such as unmarried partners and people living with other relatives. Human resource managers are realizing benefits programs that essentially pay married workers more than unmarried workers are inherently unfair and need reexamination.

Seven states have laws or other rulings that protect people from discrimination based on gender identity, and 43 cities and counties have passed such laws - most in the last five years. In addition, at least 30 private workplaces have adopted policies against gender-identity discrimination, including 15 of the Fortune 500.



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Pride Celebrated On Global Scale

NEW YORK, NY - Millions the world over celebrated Gay and Lesbian Pride, with massive events held in cities across Europe, North America.

Hundreds of thousands turned out for Chicago's 33rd annual parade, which marks the end of Gay and Lesbian Pride Month designated by Mayor Richard Daley.

More than half a million people jammed the streets of Paris for a raucous and colorful event. Socialist mayor Bertrand Delanoë - one of the very few French politicians who are openly Gay - led the march. The massive procession began in the Montparnasse district in the south, and moved through central Paris to end at the Place de la Bastille with a concert and dance party.

Atlanta's annual celebration drew thousands to Piedmont Park for music, sunbathing, food and drink supplied by scores of vendors. The Sunday march down Peachtree Street drew tens of thousands of well-wishers and participants.

Organizers urged French Bisexuals and transsexuals to take part in the celebrations this year, stressing the importance of unity and full equality in the wake of Jean-Marie Le Pen's stunning showing in the last presidential election.

In New York, Mayor Michael Bloomberg told the Associated Press, "That's what makes New York so great, that everyone can live here and live here together, can build a career, can express themselves and can celebrate the greatness that is New York." Bloomberg was followed by members of Congress and Senators Hillary Clinton and Charles Schumer.

In Madrid, a crowd estimated by police to be 200,000 strong crossed the city center in a boisterous parade to the sounds of techno music under the theme "25 years of struggle." The Madrid marchers called for "the same rights as those enjoyed by heterosexual families," that of marriage and the possibility of adopting children, said the head of Spain's national Gay and Lesbian Federation, Pedro Zerolo.

Nearly a million spectators cheered, waved flags and sought shelter from the sweltering heat under rainbow-colored umbrellas as they jammed the curbs, sidewalks and windows lining Toronto's Yonge Street. Police say it is the only event of its size in the city that for the last three years can boast of zero-reported incidences of violence.

Pride marches also took place in Zurich and Vienna, where more than 100,000 people took part in the celebrations. Gay Austrians used their march to celebrate a legal victory won last Monday, when the country's highest court lifted a law banning Gay men over 19 from having relationships with men under 18, saying it broke equality laws.

Thousands of Gay men and Lesbians and their supporters marched through Mexico City demanding equal rights. The 24th annual Gay Pride March was celebrated under the theme "For the right to be different, a society of coexistence," and featured floats carrying dancing celebrants.

According to the much-disputed "Paragraph 209", a man aged over 19 faced up to five years in prison for having homosexual relations with anyone aged between 14 and 18.

Mexico City lawmakers have introduced legislation that would eliminate discrimination against Gays and grant them some health and housing rights now restricted to married couples.

Zurich residents will vote in September in a referendum on Gay and Lesbian partnerships which proposes giving close to full marital rights to same-sex couples.

Gay and Lesbian Croats held their first-ever pride march, drawing some 300 people to the capital city of Zagreb. The march in the conservative Catholic country lacked the festive feel of such events elsewhere, resembling a more staid political demonstration.

Organized by the Gay group Iskorak (Step Forward) and the Lesbian association Kontra, the march lasted only an hour but was surrounded by a line of police dressed in riot gear and a private security force. Some passers-by applauded, while others shouted abuse, including "Fags to the concentration camps."

The marchers received some official government support. The Croatian Interior Minister, Sime Lucin, and several members of parliament joined the march. "Love each other and fight for your rights," Lucin declared in a post-march rally.

London's Gay pride celebration is being held July 6, with the Mardi Gras Pride March and Parade which leaves from Hyde Park.

San Francisco's celebration drew nearly half a million. Sir Ian McKellen served as one of several of the celebrity grand marshals in his first San Francisco Pride parade, and was frequently seen leaping from his the back of silver convertible to hug cheering fans.

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UN Warns AIDS Epidemic To Get Worse

UNITED NATIONS - The United Nations issued a report warning that the global epidemic is still in its early stages and could destabilize many regions in the next two decades.

"We haven't reached the peak of the AIDS epidemic yet," said Dr. Peter Piot, executive director of UNAIDS, the agency responsible for the report. "It's an unprecedented epidemic in human history."

The report estimates that 68 million people will die of the disease between 2000 and 2020 - four times more than the number of deaths during the previous two decades. A record 3 million died of AIDS in 2001, and an estimated 40 million are now infected with HIV, the virus that causes AIDS, reported the Gay.com/Planet-Out.com network.

The report, filled with grim statistics about the surging epidemic, was released ahead of the 14th International Conference on AIDS that begins on Sunday in Barcelona.

In an interview with Reuters, Piot warned that AIDS is no longer a medical problem; the epidemic is affecting economic, social and security concerns worldwide. He said the disease threatens to wipe out a generation in Africa and destabilize the continent.

"The world can't afford a whole continent to be destabilized because of AIDS," Piot said. "It's going to have implications for all continents."

In addition to warning about potentially disastrous outbreaks in China, India and sub-Saharan Africa, where 9 percent of adults aged 15-49 are infected, the report warned that unsafe sex practices in North America and Europe are triggering an increase in infection rates.

UNAIDS also appealed for more money from wealthy countries to fight the epidemic. Last year the U.N. set up a global fund for AIDS, tuberculosis and malaria, with a target of spending \$7 billion to \$10 billion per year (until at least 2005) to halt the epidemic's growth.

Spending is expected to reach \$3 billion this year, according to Reuters. For 2002, the U.S. Congress authorized only \$500 million for the global fund.

Piot criticized wealthy nations for considering AIDS a "marginal problem" and not being generous enough.

"It's not asking for the moon," he said. "By any standards that are used for breaches in security, that's peanuts."

GENDER PRIDE

BY JONI K. MAUSSE

Gay West outdid my expectations. With so much going on, I decided to spend most of the evening at Lipstick and Lashes, watching the lovely leggy lasses parade by. And just when a whiny voice inside me started to cry, "There's no place in the drag world for anyone over 25," Lucinda Holiday herself put in another personal appearance, in a costume yet more outrageous than the last one. Thanks, Lucinda! By the way, Lucinda's Diva-Licious show is at 9 p.m. every Wednesday night at IBT's, 616 N. Fourth Avenue.

I took a short break to go over to the Carousel to check out Ernie's Latina señoritas. They're gorgeous; and they perform at 10:30 p.m. every Thursday at the Escandalo Nite Club, 4696 South 12th Street. Remember, gender transcends all ethnic barriers!

At 7 p.m. on Monday, July 8, the Desert Gitz--the male-to-female leg (l) of the Southern Arizona Gender Alliance--will meet at Wingspan, 300 E. Sixth Street. The inside word is that there may be a guest appearance by members of the drag queen community, including possibly Miss Gay Tucson herself. There may also be practice with makeup and makeovers. All trans-friendly people will be welcome, as usual.

Contrary to popular belief, Transgenderism is a two-way street. Female-to-male cross-dressing has a long and proud history going back for centuries at least. In a world where, until recently, (Goddess! It's not still true, is it?) the only way to get anywhere was to be a man, hundreds of females decided to do just that.

They served undercover as soldiers, sailors, diplomats, cowboys, and adventurers. I don't know for sure that they fought in the American Revolution, but since they served in other wars of that era I'd be surprised if they didn't. Does anyone know? It's historical fact that they fought in the Civil War, on both sides. Some FTM's were Lesbians; others weren't. For some it was just a masquerade; for

others it became their whole life.

Though maybe they lacked the apparent glamour and glitter of their MTF counterparts (actually it's not all glamour and glitter anyway; but we'll get to that another time), it was just as dangerous. From Joan of Arc to Teena Brandon, a number of FTM's gave their lives to the cause of gender equality. That's worth remembering, especially at a time like this, when our Queer community has been under sneak attack by cowards who don't dare face us in public.

Anyway, that brings us back to the present. For a town that's crawling with queens, Tucson has had a shortage of kings--until now. If all goes well, in a few months our regal homeboys will be strutting their kingly stuff on stage right here in Tucson. They're getting their act together now. When they do perform, let's be sure the whole community turns out to welcome them with our cheers and our greenbacks, just as we do for our queens.

These guys have plenty of energy; and they're looking for more recruits right now. As I understand it, all it takes to be a drag king is to be a female who loves to dress, act, and perform as a macho man. If you or anyone you know matches this description, get on down to Wingspan at 7 p.m. on Tuesday, July 9, to meet your royal colleagues. Don't worry if you don't know how to bind and pack; they'll teach you all that. Don't miss this chance!

The gender community is still a bit closet-y. If you know or hear of anything gender-related going on in our around Tucson, please E-mail me at joni-kmausse@yahoo.com. Thanks, Sweetie!



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'Take Pride By Getting Involved'

Tucson's best commemoration of the 1969 Stonewall Riots, marking the birth of the modern Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual and Transgender (GLBT) rights movement has taken place for a long time and now the afterglow has set in, the inevitable question has arisen, "So what happens now?"

Pride isn't something that should be turned on for a week and then shut down for the other 51. People should get involved with local service organizations and groups, through donations or giving something more valuable, their time, but that's one part of the picture with another being getting involved in the political process, so that rights can be maintained and others achieved.

As the 2002 campaign finally commences after the many delays, thanks to: the screw-ups by the Independent Redistricting Commission; the machinations by elected officials, political action committees, issue groups; and, candidates who

want to pick up a check from the public trough, we, as a segment of electorate, must get involved, working for and donating funds to those GLBT individuals running for political office wanting to become the next public servant.

For this year's election, GLBT Arizonans have a remarkable opportunity to advance the cause and make some significant change by the number of open candidates, 11 total, running for the Arizona Legislature - for posts in both chambers - the state House and Senate. Who would have thought that Arizona would be such a bastion of progressivism? Perhaps it's something in the water but humorous thoughts aside, some reasons why involvement is needed at this time.

In this past session, legislation, such as the statewide employment nondiscrimination act, HIV education in public schools and a domestic partner's registry could only go so far, and thanks to openly Gay state Representative Ed Poelstra, R-Tucson, and James Kraft, R-Phoenix, who had the courage to introduce a misdemeanor hate crime's bill, drafted by this reporter, and which this proposal went the farthest in the process of such measures but showed that wasn't the support needed to get these bills through the legislative process at that point since "the numbers weren't there," something that could change with this election and our collective involvement since if some of, or perhaps all of these individuals, the 11 open candidates are elected and sitting for the 46th session of the Arizona Legislature in January 2003, the proverbial "sky could be the limit," with of course, those heterosexual candidates and incumbents, as part of a broad coalition who support human rights.

In Tucson for this election, there are two open candidates, Poelstra, running for a second term for the Arizona House from the new central Legislative District 28 and Democrat Jesse George, who is running for the Arizona House from the west side Legislative District 27.

Both candidates need help, financial, with both looking for those \$5 "Clean Election" donations and volunteer, to have those people to have walk precincts, help send out mailers, and do other campaign related tasks, so why should you get involved? Here are just four examples of the many:

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In Arizona, another Franchot Opela case must not happen again!

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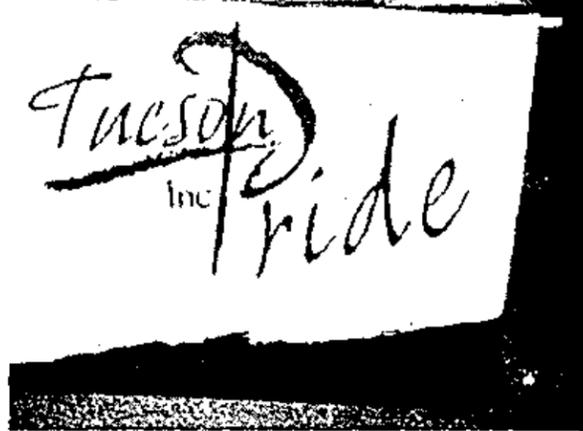
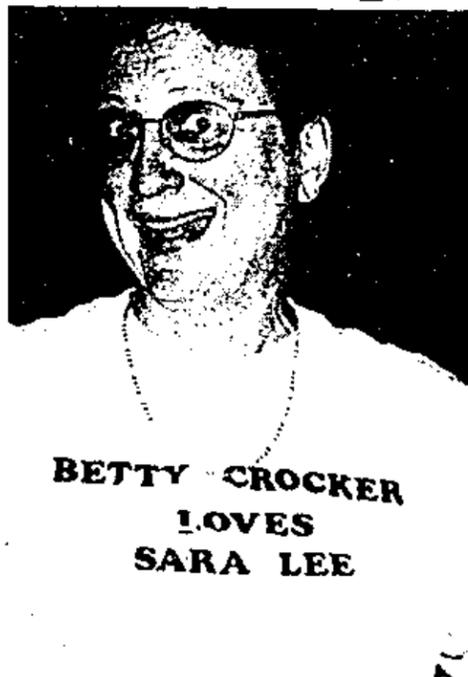
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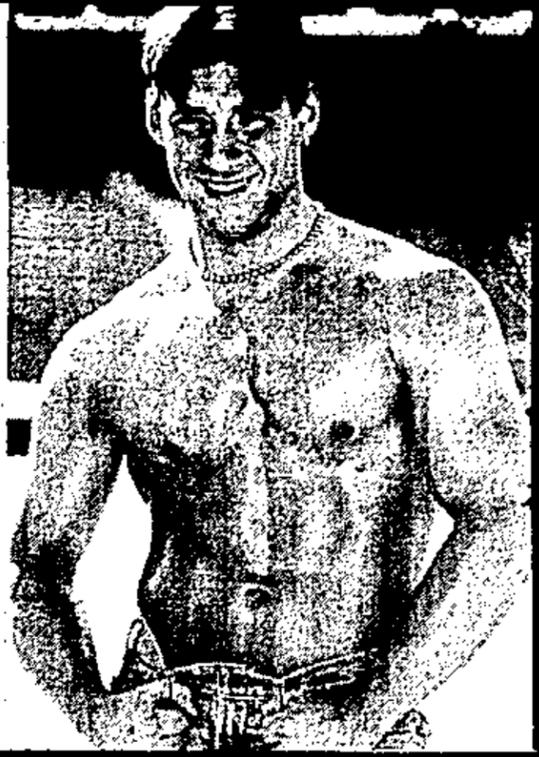
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BY C. LICHTENSTEIN

Randy retrograde Mercury fully redirects now and sends our plaintive missives into the stratosphere. At the same time, sexy Venus pushes into lusty Leo. Finally we mean what we say and say what we mean. So what exactly are you saying compadre?

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 flirty Venus. The planets will find a way to deliver the perfect social companion to your soiree. Hmm, just how social are you??

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!

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.

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.

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.

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 tangles into Leo, your desire to burn the midnight oil and push your pencil is heightened.... but not anywhere near the office!

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.

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.

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!

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 turbid 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.

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?

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

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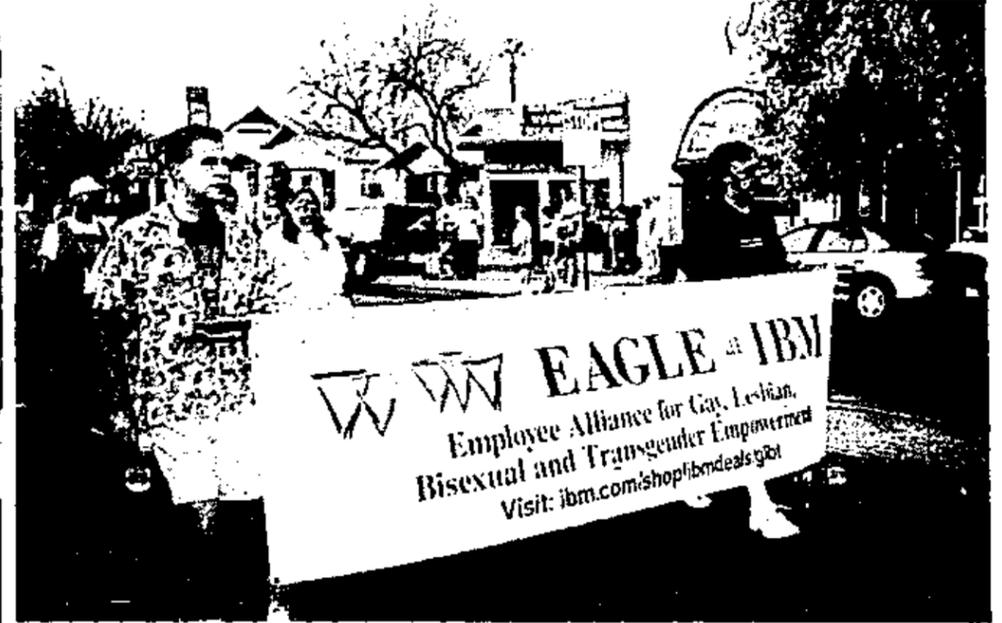
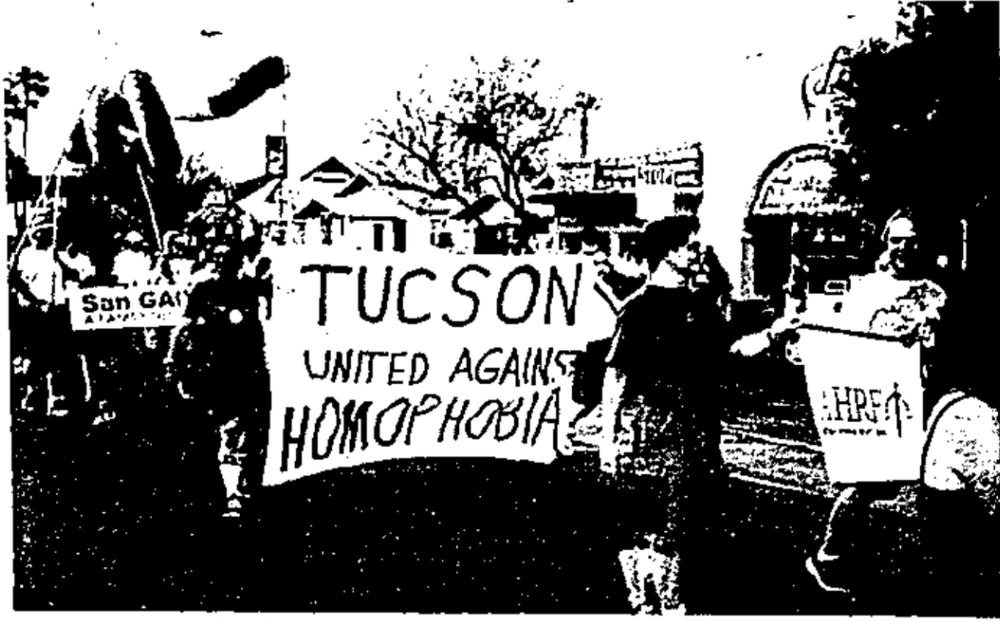
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WHAT MAKES OUR TOWN TICK?
(calabazzamusic@yahoo.com) By Jerry D.

Gay West Caps Off Pride Week In Tucson

Tucson gave Pride Week an appropriate send off on Saturday with its yearly festival "Gay West." The 6th annual celebration was held at Old Tucson Studios, who gave the big California park with the big mouse a run for its money. This reporter has attended many a theme park's take on pride, and the Old Pueblo can hold its head high in making each year a true celebration without borders. Our host was definitely involved in the running of the event, as well as allowing the attendees to really show their pride in many forms.

Our host put on a couple of their own shows, some with a bit of a twist to give the crowd an extra bit for their night. There was a stunt show, which was eye opening for kids and adults. You have got to respect any profession where there is high falling involved. The other main show was a comedy in western theme. The host of our yearly pride event once again showed how committed they are to Tucson's LGBT community.

The booths that lined the dusty trail included the Bears, Pima County Health Dept (who gave anonymous testing through the evening) and Queer Voice. There was quite a turnout for those folks who actually worked while we had fun, so my hat's off to the booth folk as well as the entire staff for putting up with us. The work in conjunction with the park staff made for smooth transitions at lines and smiles all around.

The evening's main event, though not the last one of the evening, went to our special guest. Singing star Ms. Thelma Houston was on hand to do a short set for the crowd at center square. Now I can remember having a 45 (let someone older explain what that is) of "Don't Leave Me This Way" and playing it 'til the grooves were flat; so this was a special treat for me. I got to within a few feet of the gazebo where Ms. Houston performed, to see up close a true Diva, not to mention a Grammy Award winner. Ms Houston opened with "I Believe I Can Fly," taking the crowd up with her as she soared. She then did a Motown Medley that covered Stevie Wonder, Marvin Gaye and the Supremes. Now Ms. Houston, for being modest in my math, is getting to that 60 range in years, but she showed the young crowd how young you can feel, with moves that mirrored today's pop stars.

The set ended with a dual version of "Don't Leave Me..." but not after Ms. Houston told the story of how she did not attend the Grammy Awards on the night she won for that song. You can hear a famous person give a "Follow Your Dream" speech and it can motivate you in a certain way. Ms. Houston's story, I hope, had an effect on someone in that crowd because you knew she was talking right to all of us. Her voice still sounds as awesome as it did in 1975, and her new remix version of the song is sure to be played in dance clubs world wide.

So we have celebrated another Pride Week. Those of you who took part in any of the Old Pueblo's events, I hope you took something home with you. Its called Pride Week, but it should spark a proud life. Happy Pride everyone, and I hope to see you out there as I take on the town each week in search of what makes our town tick.

Feel free to write, comment, or just say hi as you see me out there. Have a good week!

The audience began arriving as soon as the first of the 20 events, shows and concessions commenced in the early evening. The range of this year's event included the regular Old Tucson shows and attractions, as well as the addition of the city's own home-grown talent with the themes of pride and the wild west never missing a beat. Most of the crowd opted to wear casual attire, not so much western wear as the summer temperatures were still in the higher end as the evening started. I, of course, had to be the theatrical one and wear my cowboy duds. I paid for it in walking the grounds, but I did look adorable (according to many of the audience members).

The Grand Palace, located in the center of the "town" served as a meeting and greeting place for most of the participants. They could mingle outside, purchase a beverage, and take in the evening's festivities, all located at a pretty even distance from the Palace. It was heartwarming to see so many faces of our town, having such a good time together, with nothing but smiles to prove how successful this event is every year.

In the Grand Palace was the center show that was surely not to be missed. It was hosted by our own Lucinda Holiday. Now I would have to admit that I am a biased voice in this part of the review, as I can watch Lucinda at the opening of an envelope and enjoy it; but I would be lying if I were to tell you that the show was not close to awesome. The cast utilized the hall, which is built to resemble an old west saloon hall, complete with upstairs rooms for the ladies to prosper. The stairs, walkway and stage were props as well as performing stages for the acts that were all done in a tasteful manner that any member of the audience would enjoy.

Lucinda's show, entitled "Lipstick and Lashes," saw many faces in this town performing roster, and the musical numbers covered a range - from the old standards to new songs. The opening number, done to "Lady Marmalade" (the remake - although I would have loved to see a Patti Labelle added in), started the show in grand style. The lighter numbers were just as fun as the ones done with a more serious edge. Stella Virgin performed the name game in an outfit that could have been the inspiration for the game Twister. The show ran continuously as the other events were held throughout the grounds.

The Hispanic community was represented by Salud es Poder, with a Queens show and then later a DJ for some night dancing. The show was held at the Carousel Theatre which gave participants a chance to dance, watch the show and enjoy the open air of the (finally-cooling) evening. Most participants meandered in an out, taking in some of the show, then later dancing the night away.

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Dear Dr. X,

I am new to the Gay scene and cannot figure out who is Gay and who isn't. I keep hearing about "Gaydar." What is it and how can I get my hands on some?

Confused

Dear Confused,

Imagine yourself in the middle of a mall and all of a sudden a cute guy passes you and his walk, talk, style and presence automatically make you think "he's a sister" That's Gaydar. The best way to explain it is when you're in a non-Gay environment and the "vibe" you feel from a person makes you question their sexuality. Some people have it (Tom Cruise is not!) and some people don't (come on John! Even my cat knew about Rosie!) Unfortunately in this day and age the old "clues" like earrings, hairstyles, clothing and even where people hang out is no longer a way to tell someone's sexuality. So I'm sad to say Gaydar cannot be bought.

Dear Dr. X,

I am 18 years old and in my last year of high school. I am planning to play football and I need to go in for my physical. I have been attracted to my doctor for quite some time and I was wondering how I could get him to get a little more physical during my physical? Every time I see him my Gaydar goes off big time. I don't know where to begin on how to approach him.

Impatient Patient

Dear Impatient,

Unfortunately his examination of your genitals for medical purposes is about the only thrill your going to get from him. (Short of a prostate exam.) If you do tell him, he is unlikely to pursue anything with you for fear of abusing his authority. The worst thing he can do is decline your offer, but he'll be flattered no matter what. And who knows... you may get lucky, but don't get your hopes up!

Dear Dr X,

I ride my bike to the U of A every-day. I always go by this house where this man is outside mowing his lawn with only his jogging shorts on - He is so beautiful and his shorts leave little to the imagination. I want to ride up to him and jump on him - I know this too daring. What should I do?

Hot and Hard

Dear Hot and Hard,

I would suggest going up to the man, without obviously looking at his crotch, ask him if he could use any help doing part-time yard work. If he goes for your offer, you'll be able to spend some sweaty shirtless time with him. If he declines at least you now know his name and a friendly wave or casual conversations as you ride by will keep you in contact with him. If he does need a helping hand play it cool and keep your eyes and ears open. Who knows anything can happen. But you'll definitely get farther if you keep your cool. Good luck!

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EDITOR:

Tucson Pride Inc. wishes to congratulate the community for a very successful Pride Week and congratulate Lesbian Avengers on the 3rd Annual LGBT Pride Parade and party held Sunday.

This year's Pride Week began June 20 and concluded June 30. Several new activities were added as a result of community input. We want to thank the many people in the community who helped plan and produce Pride Week:

Bambi Denton, Gay West Committee, Old Tucson Studios; Bertie Lozano, Pima County Health Dept. and AHRF; Bob Bowers, Tucson Pride; Bruce Corey, Gay West Committee, Tucson Pride; Dace Park, Lesbian Avengers; Ernie Perez, Salud Es Poder/SAAF; Kent Burbank, Wingspan; Miguel Soto, GMHP/SAAF; Thoresa Barnabei, Gay West Committee, Tucson Pride; Tamer Shelby, Pride Week Coordinator, Tucson Pride.

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Wendy Bailey, President Tucson Pride Inc. "PRIDE - It's not just a Gay thing!"

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Regarding the other nine candidates, contact the Arizona Human Rights Fund, (602) 650-0900, for the pertinent information.

So get involved and make sure Pride continues throughout the rest of the year and there is much more to celebrate during the last week in June, 2003.

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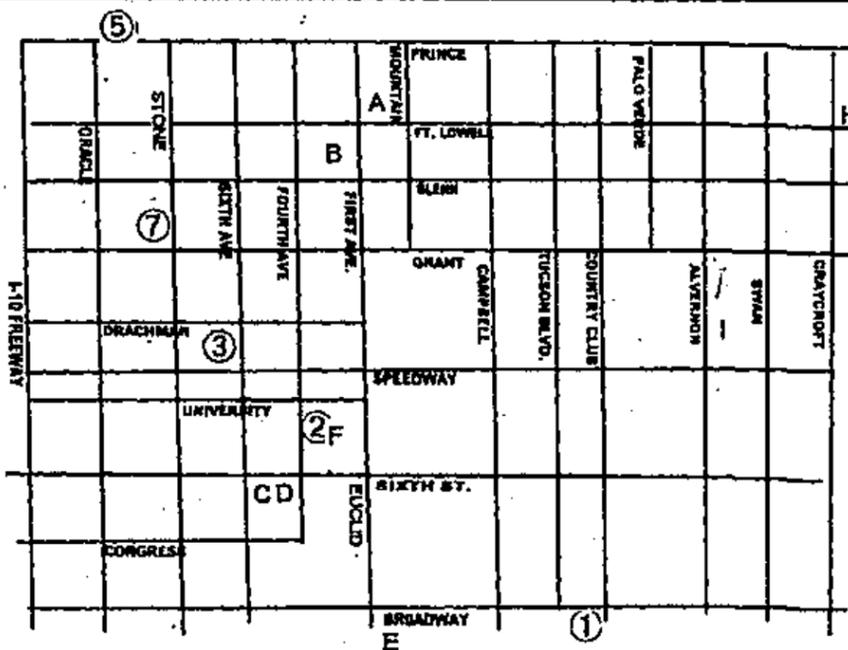
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'Advocacy Journalism'

It comes in waves. It's not new. A hundred years ago we were swash in newspapers owned by political parties. There still are such papers in many countries. And now we're getting a resurgence of advocacy journalism on television. The question is, does it work?

The oldest argument going in favor of advocacy journalism is that all journalism is really advocacy journalism, the only difference being that some journalists are honest enough to admit their advocacy and others try to cover it up.

Another argument, also very old, is that open advocacy is better than having a journalism that bends so far backwards to be "objective" that it ends up being nonsensical. We've all known the frustration of listening to the hyperobjective reporter who says, "Organizers of the event estimate the crowd at 100,000, while police estimate it at 32."

The big new entry in the TV field of advocacy journalism is the revamped CNN show called CROSSFIRE. The show's two representatives of the left are famous political operatives who don't even claim to be journalists. The guys on the right are former journalists whose current advocacy role may overshadow their journalistic pasts.

Evaluating CROSSFIRE as a source of information, a source of news, brings you to the disappointing realization that it provides very little beyond a sense of how the political parties intend to spin the small portion of factual information that the advocates are prepared to agree on. In place of information and analysis, you get whatever entertainment value you can find in adults screaming at and insulting each other like kids on a playground.

Two much older and slightly more sedate TV news/advocacy shows are THE McLAUGHLIN GROUP and THE CAPITAL GANG. These shows have the same defects as CROSSFIRE, but have a virtue CROSSFIRE lacks - an occasional reporter who has actually gone out and dug up some timely information.

In stark contrast to all of the above, you have WASHINGTON WEEK TN REVIEW, a show that's strong on analysis and devoid of advocacy. It is, and has been for decades, a model of "objective" journalism that doesn't equate "objectivity" with the ridiculous assumption that everything government officials say is equally plausible.

How do the WWR folks do it? Are they secretly advocates who are just so slick that they fool us? Are they people whose lack of personal political convictions allows them to be sincerely objective?

There's a third possibility worth considering: Since they're interested enough in politics to spend their lives covering it, they probably have very strong political convictions. Since they consider themselves journalists and not advocates, they've probably made a vow to themselves that they will not let their political convictions color their reporting.

Is keeping such a vow possible? Isn't it analogous to being asked to umpire a baseball game when you'd very much like one side to win? Well, not exactly. A base-

ball game is a game. Journalism is supposed to be about one of the most precious commodities in the universe - truth. Any journalist worth his salt has taken a private vow to honor truth. Any journalist worth his salt believes that the fortunes of political parties, when compared to the importance of truth, are transient and trivial in the extreme.

Perhaps the current wave of advocacy journalism on TV may be a reaction against the phony objectivity that has characterized the post-Cronkite medium. Take the example of Clinton's lying: despite the dispositive evidence, the major talking heads generally couldn't bring themselves to utter the simple sentence, "President Clinton lied."

If you saw the movie about the stellar journalists who, against all odds, broke the Watergate story, you may remember that one reporter was a Democrat and the other was a Republican. It didn't matter.

[Thorn welcomes comments, suggestions for future columns, and tips on local skulduggery that ought to be exposed. Write to Box 85571, Tucson, AZ 85154.]

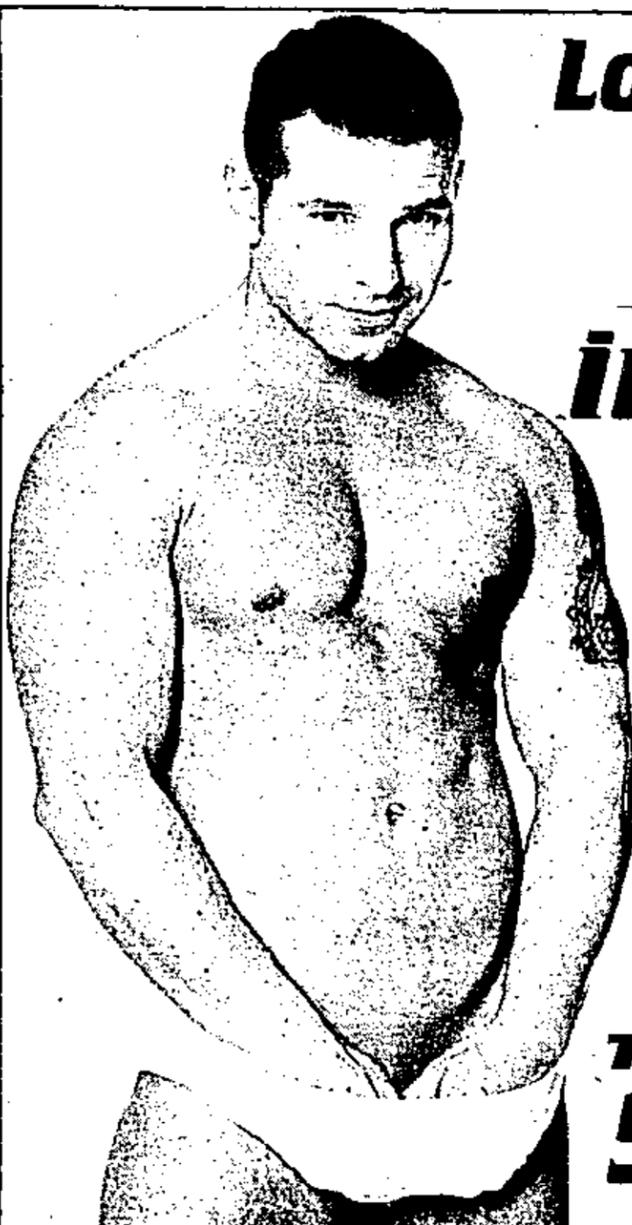


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Non-Bar Calendar

Groups / Clubs / Organizations

THURSDAY, JULY 4

Men's Social Network (open to men of all ages; newcomers welcomed): Noon. There will be a July 4th Pool Party (with board and card games available) at Jerry & Les' until 5:00 p.m. For reservations and directions, please call Jerry or Les at 650-6565.

SATURDAY, JULY 6

#1. Men's Social Network (open to men of all ages; newcomers welcomed): 9:00 a.m. Join 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 Jack at 881-5733.

#2. Men's Social Network (open to men of all ages; newcomers welcomed): 7:00 p.m. Join us for our monthly Potluck and Social Gathering where we invite you to have dinner and get to know the nice guys of MSN. It's a nice, safe setting in which to meet new men and greet old friends. For directions, please call Jerry at 650-6565.

MONDAY, JULY 8

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.

TUESDAY, JULY 9

#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 733-9494.

#2. Men's Social Network (open to men of all ages; newcomers welcomed): 7:00 p.m. Bridge Night will meet at Michael's house this month. If you're a beginner or an old pro, this is the place to meet for an evening of bridge for fun. For reservations and directions, please call Michael at 326-3555.

THURSDAY, JULY 11

The Men's Relationship Group - a Man to Man activity 7:00 - 9:30 p.m. Call 881-4582.

FRIDAY, JULY 12

Men's Social Network (open to men of all ages; newcomers welcomed): 7:00 p.m. Join Jerry & Les for the premiere of "Six Feet Under". We start at the beginning for this addictive, well written, comedy-drama about a dysfunctional family who owns a funeral home. Seating is limited. For reservations and directions, please contact Jerry at 650-6565.

SATURDAY, JULY 13

#1. Men's Social Network (open to men of all ages; newcomers welcomed): 5:00 a.m. A Birding Expedition to the Chiricahua Mountains is planned for today. For meeting time and place, please call Gene at 625-8109.

#2. Men's Social Network (open to men of all ages; newcomers welcomed): 9:00 a.m. Join Jack for a morning of tennis. For directions, please call Jack at 881-5733.

#3. Men's Social Network (open to men of all ages; newcomers welcomed): 6:00 p.m. Marv will host Pinocchio & Pizza Night beginning with a chance to share some pizza and meet and greet the other players over pizza (\$5), followed by Pinocchio at 8:30 p.m. For more information, please call Marv at 745-0304.

MONDAY, JULY 15

#1. Men's Social Network (open to men of all ages; newcomers welcomed): 8:00 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.

TUESDAY, JULY 16

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 733-9494.

FRIDAY, JULY 19

Men's Social Network (open to men of all ages; newcomers welcomed): 7:00 p.m. Join Jerry & Les as they host Pizza Night. For only \$5, you get pizza, salad, drinks and desserts. For reservations and directions, please call Jerry or Les at 650-6565.

SATURDAY, JULY 20

#1. Men's Social Network (open to men of all ages; newcomers welcomed): 9:00 a.m. Join 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 Jack at 881-5733.

#2. Men's Social Network (open to men of all ages; newcomers welcomed): 8:00 p.m. Bill will host Pinocchio & Pizza Night beginning with a chance to share some pizza and meet and greet the other players over pizza (\$5), followed by Pinocchio at 6:30 p.m. For more information, please call Bill at 297-3569.

SUNDAY, JULY 21

Men's Social Network (open to men of all ages; newcomers welcomed): 3:00 p.m. Art & Jeff host a movie with dinner. They'll provide the main dish, and you bring a side dish or dessert. The movie will be "Speedy Junky", with Jonathan Taylor Thomas starring as a bisexual hustler. Seating is limited. For reservations and directions, please call Art or Jeff at 762-9135.

MONDAY, JULY 22

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.

BAR CALENDAR

OF UPCOMING EVENTS

WEDNESDAY, JULY 3

IBTS - 9:00 p.m. "DivaLicious" Show hosted by Lucinda Holliday and starring Janee Starr, Stella Virgin, and Chane Jordan.

THURSDAY, JULY 4

IBTS - Independence Day celebration with the annual "Red, White and Blue Party" 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. Community Bar-B-Que and at 8:00 p.m. the Retro 80s Dance plus "Fireworks Video Wall".

VENTURE-N - The patio will open at noon today. The Bar-B-Que will be served from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m.

YARD DOG - Big July 4th Bar-B-Que served here from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m.

FRIDAY, JULY 5

VENTURE-N - July 4th weekend continues here with hot snacks served from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. Party on down!

SATURDAY, JULY 6

VENTURE-N - Eye openers with Nic beginning at 6:00 a.m. today for all you early birds. Beer Bust 3:00 to 7:00 p.m.

YARD DOG SALOON - The Tucson Knight Owls will celebrate their 24th Anniversary in style. Food, Fun and Games! Plus the return of the "Magnificent Bitches In Heat!" 8:00 p.m. Don't you dare miss it!

SUNDAY, JULY 7

IBTS - Party line-up includes Dennis and Mike's Recovery Bar from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. \$1.50 Bloody Marys, Screwdrivers or Mimosaes. 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 Wingspan. 8:00 p.m. The Bud Team arrives with games and prizes! Then at 9:00 p.m., a special benefit show for Janee Starr, candidate for Miss Gay Arizona America. Show stars Janee Starr, Bunny FuFu, Veronica Halliwell and special guest Angeleque.

WEDNESDAY, JULY 10

IBTS - 9:00 p.m. "DivaLicious" Show hosted by Lucinda Holliday and starring Aja Simone, Adrienne Alexander and Veronica Laka.

TUESDAY, JULY 23

#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 733-9494.

#2. Men's Social Network (open to men of all ages; newcomers welcomed): 7:00 p.m. Bridge Night will meet at Michael's house this month. If you're a beginner or an old pro, this is the place to meet for an evening of bridge for fun. For reservations and directions, please call Michael at 326-3555.

THURSDAY, JULY 25

The Men's Relationship Group - a Man to Man activity 7:00 - 9:30 p.m. Call 881-4582.

FRIDAY, JULY 26

#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 650-6565.

#2. Men's Social Network (open to men of all ages; newcomers welcomed): 8:00 p.m. Join us for a night of Retro TV as we show episodes of "Friends", "Roseanne", and "The Mary Tyler Moore Show". For reservations and directions, please call Les at 650-6565.

SATURDAY, JULY 27

#1. Men's Social Network (open to men of all ages; newcomers welcomed): 9:00 a.m. Join Jack for a morning of tennis. For directions, please call Jack at 881-5733.

Daily Bar Calendar

THURSDAY

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.

IBTS - 10am-6pm \$1.50 Bloodys, Screwdrivers or Mimosaes. 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.

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, Mimosaes; \$6 well or domestic beer 11-4. Happy Hour 4-9pm \$1.75 well or domestic beer. Patio Bar open 5-close. Pickup Volleyball games 5-7. \$2.50 stir-fry burger or chicken 5-8pm. 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.

FRIDAY

AIN'T NOBODY'S BIZ - Happy Hour Two-For-One 2-7. Football Madness \$1.75. 75¢ drafts 8 to close. No Cover.

IBTS - 9am-4pm, \$2.00 domestic beer and well. Happy Hour \$1.75 well and domestic beer 4-9pm. New hot dance with DJ Parer. New Monday bartenders Jay and Chris. Queer As Folk shown beginning at 8pm. Drink specials starting at 8pm. All drink specials not available during special events.

VENTURE-N - Open 10am. Patio 5pm. Daily specials til 7pm.

WOODY'S - Open Noon. \$2 well or domestic beer til 4pm. Happy Hour 4-9pm, \$1.75 well or domestic Karaoke w/Billy Dee 9pm to close.

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

Tuesday

AIN'T NOBODY'S BIZNESS - Happy Hour Two-For-One 2-7pm. Pool toumay 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

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

VENTURE-N - Open 10am. Patio 5pm. Daily specials til 7pm.

WOODY'S - Open Noon. \$2 well or domestic til 4pm. Happy Hour 4-9pm. \$1.75 well or domestic. Tropical drink specials 8 to close. \$3 zombies, Jungle Juice, Mel Tai's.

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

Wednesday

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

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

VENTURE-N - Open 10am. Patio 5pm. Daily specials til 7pm.

WOODY'S - Open Noon. \$2 well or domestic beer til 4pm. Happy Hour 4-9pm. \$1.75 well or domestics. Volleyball games start 7pm. Underwear-fashion-leather nite with Michael \$1 off your favorite drink. Chili dogs or bowls \$1.

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

THURSDAY

AIN'T NOBODY'S BIZNESS - Karaoke w/Stephanie 9-close. \$2 Kamikazes and \$1 Hot Sex.

IBTS - 9am-4pm \$2.00 domestic beer and well. Happy Hour \$1.75 Well & domestic 4-9. Retro 80s Dance w/Jonathan Hill NRG dancing 9-1 All drink specials not available during special events.

VENTURE-N - Open 10am. Patio open 5pm. Daily special til 7pm. Pool Tournament 7pm. 3 entry. (Special prices for players).

WOODY'S - Open Noon. \$2 well or domestic beer til 4pm. Happy Hour 4-9pm \$1.75 well or domestics. Trivia Thursday 8pm-close plus 50% off all Big Ase drinks. Top scores on NTN 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.

Friday

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.

IBTS - 9am-4pm \$2.00 domestic beer and 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 Rhythm 9 to 1. All drink specials not available during special events.

VENTURE-N - Open 10am. Patio open 5pm. 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 domestics. 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.

Saturday

AIN'T NOBODY'S BIZNESS - Open at 2pm. Pool Tournament 6:30pm \$3 entry. Pot matched. \$2 pitchers for pool players. Dance music w/DJ Hill 8:30-close.

IBTS - 9am-4pm \$2.00 domestic beer and well. Happy Hour \$1.75 well & domestic beer 4-10pm. Dance Party 9-1 w/DJ-Q. All drink specials not available during special events.

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. 7:30-4pm. Happy Hour 4-9pm. \$1.75 well or domestics. Patio Bar opens 5pm. 5-9pm Fillet Mignon or Swordfish BBQ with all the trimmings \$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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WINGSPIAN - 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), 8:00 p.m. Information 624-1779.

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 7:30 pm at Rainbow Planet Coffeehouse (806 North 4th Ave.) as a social outing. For more information call the church at 299-9083 and ask for a contact person.

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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 685-6541

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. Ellis 581-8850 or Room 888-2384.

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE GROUP - Outreach to Gay and Lesbian people in Arizona. Meets monthly. Write to P.O. Box 863, Phoenix, AZ 85001 or call Eddy Walters, (602)371-1102

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Join the **LESBIAN & GAY PUBLIC AWARENESS PROJECT.** In Tucson write Awareness Project, 3881 N. Campbell Ave. #385, Tucson, AZ 85719.

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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 890-9585 for information and a newsletter. Check the Non-Ber Calendar in the Observer.

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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. 682-7723

P.F.L.A.O. - 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 38264, 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, 624-1779.

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 528-8344, leave name and phone number.

TUCSON GAY INFORMATION AND REFERRAL For information on human service organizations, health and mental health services, financial and government assistance, emergency services such as food and shelter, education, etc. Call information and Referral 881-1794 - 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 298-8647.

LESBIAN/GAY/BI-SEXUAL OVEREATERS ANONYMOUS. Saturdays 1 to 2pm new location Wingspan, 300 E. 6th St. Contacts 325-8876 or 327-4263.

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 Santa Peter and Paul Catholic Church, 1438 N. Campbell across from University Hospital. For more info. Call Ernie Slaight 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 792-4807, Ext.388

Azdyka is a new email list for Lesbians living in Arizona. For information mail lyan@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 8:30 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 688-8010 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 (MTP) Meets 2nd Monday at 7pm. Desert Boys meets 3rd Tuesday at 7pm. of every month. All meetings take place at Wingspan, 300 E. 6th St. Call 624-1776 for more info. SAGAE-mail@aoi.com <http://members.aol.com/vegaemail>

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 626-7223.

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 881-4582 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) 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 622-279-4305.

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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 St 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 293-8824.

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, 6:30 p.m. each month at Santa Cruz Lutheran Church, 6908 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 624-0348 (24-hour line)

REVELLE GAY MEN'S CHORUS rehearses Tuesdays 7-10pm at MCC Church, 3268 N. Mountain. Have any history/experience singing? Join us!! Call 617-3100 for more info.

TGN&Arizona: The central source for news and information for, by and about the TS, TG, and Gender-variant communities of Arizona. Website URL: <http://www.tgnarizona.org> - e-mail address: sgoodrum@uwwest.net

SENIORAP, 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 85733-4046

MEN TALK - A new group forming for Gay men that adores 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, 2802 N. Geronimo. 622-4628 or 750-8404.

SOUTHERN ARIZONA STONEWALL DEMOCRATS meet 3rd Monday of each month 7pm at Pima County Democratic Headquarters, 2817 E. Broadway. Call Jesse 743-4320 or Maurice 323-2283. 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, 808 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 615-8436 for more info.

TUCSON PRIDE, INC. (Formerly Tucson Lesbian and Gay Alliance - TLOA) meets on the second Tuesday at Wingspan, 300 E. 6th Street at 7pm. Tucson Pride produces Pride events: Pride Week, Gay West and OUToberFEST. 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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Wingspan Protest

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residents, elected officials and others, totaling more than 150, did Friday, June 28, 2002, standing up to hate and the acts that had befallen Wingspan.

"Tucson has long prided itself as a community that openly embraces and welcomes diversity," Kent Burbank, executive director of Wingspan said, addressing the crowd, and their presence at the rally, he added, "sends a clear message that Tucson is, and will remain a city that prides itself on diversity and full inclusion and the city that does not and will not tolerate hate and violence."

A series of speeches before those gathered followed.

"What has occurred here is bigger than the breaking of a window," Rabbi Robert Weizenbaum said. "It is the struggle is between the barbarians and the civilized, not just between the Gay and the straight, and in the long run we will prevail because we have faith."

Representing Tucson Mayor Bob Walkup, Lela Fera said that everyone that the city government can do to find out who was the perpetrators of the crime are and will prosecute them.

Pima County Supervisor Richard Elias told the crowd that he wishes "he could be present for a more pleasant occasion, but the fact that the crimes that had been committed at Wingspan, were meant to be added to the legacy of fear and intimidation that has been going on in our world today and that we have to stand up to it, be defiant and be proud of our community for what it stands for."

Tucson City Councilmember Fred Ronstadt said "it's wonderful that we have a community that responds to these acts of hatred this way." "We do not tolerate

them. We do not accept them and we they happen, we're all here to fight out against these individual acts of hatred."

Abe Marques, an aide to Tucson City Councilmember Steve Leal, said that the "we can't put up with this." "This community" Marques continued, "has never, since we've started to organize, has been very receptive and supportive and won't tolerate such acts of hatred and violence."

Former Pima County Supervisor Raul Grijalva said the vandalism that happened at Wingspan, "are kind of the intolerance, lack of respect and understanding of what a community is." "Everyone should understand that this community is made up of a whole-lot-of people with differences that need to be respected and understood," Grijalva added.

Pima County's chief deputy attorney, Mary Judge Ryan, said the County Attorney's office "stands with you and will prosecute this case to the fullest extent of the law."

Lt. Halvin, representing Tucson Police Chief Richard Miranda, told the crowd that Tucson Police is pursuing the matter and that afternoon, they had received information on possible suspects in the window breaking incident.

Bob Bowers of Tucson Pride, said the organization was there to "show their solidarity and support for Wingspan." Such acts of vandalism, Bowers said, "are acts of ignorance, cowardice, disrespect and hate." He went on to state that Tucson Pride will be making a donation to help purchase and install the rainbow banners that had been torn down.

Rev. Carol Chandler of St. Francis of the Foothills, commended the audience for a peaceful and lovely demonstration and urged those to take a higher road, something all Tucsonans should do.

After the speeches, Burbank told the gathering of the crowd, "this event showed the community that they are strong and proud."

In Pride

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Being tested for HIV on "National HIV Testing Day";

To a fun time out with Gay West, partaking in miniature golf, roller skating or bowling with other GLBT Tucsonans; and,

Showing the rest of the city who they are with the third annual March, Pride had again been taken in Tucson by individuals and Tucson's GLBT groups and organizations with multi-faceted events informing, educating, and entertaining the many who indeed, turned out.

Tucson Pride Inc., the organization which put together many of the events, and oversaw the 10 days of activities did their job well for which GLBT Tucsonans owe the volunteers to the group a debt of gratitude and thanks.

It was a great time to be proud in Tucson and we hope it is something that is repeated annually, because despite the weather, this is the time for Pride, to celebrate the gains made, to remember those who rioted at Stonewall and those who have lost their battle to AIDS, and to learn, so we will continue down the path to having a GLBT community in the Old Pueblo.

New Tucson Pride Officers Elected

TUCSON - At a special meeting held Friday, June 21 Tucson Pride Inc. elected Wendy Bailey as President and Arnette Miller as a Vice President.

The next meeting of Tucson Pride will be Tuesday July 9 and will be held at the Sentinel Building, Pantano Room, in

the Community Services Campus, 310 N. Commerce Park Loop, at the intersection of Commerce Park Loop and Bonita Street one block west of I-10 between Congress St. and St. Mary's Road.

For more information, visit their Web site, tucsonpride.com or call (520) 622-3700.

Nominations For Godat Award Now Being Accepted

TUCSON - Nominations for the annual Godat Award, which honors the person who has given a lifetime of outstanding contributions to Tucson's LGBT community, are being accepted until July 15.

The recipient is chosen from the nominations provided by LGBT Tucsonans. So take a moment to nominate the person, in a letter, who you feel best exemplifies the spirit of this award. Nominations are due July 15 and should be sent to Godat Award Selection Committee at: Wingspan, 300 E. 6th St., Tucson, AZ .85705

This year's recipient will be chosen by a new committee, including: Linda Brawner, Mae Krueger, Mark Rosenbaum, Arnette Miller, Alison Davison, Tim Konski and past award recipients Jean Baker, Colette Barajas, Bertie Lozano.

For more information, visit the Wingspan Web site, at wingspanaz.org.

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