

COMMENTARY

Thinking Of Getting Married In Canada?

[The following is a joint Advisory From Gay & Lesbian Advocates & Defenders, Lambda Legal Defense & Education Fund, National Center for Lesbian Rights, ACLU Lesbian & Gay Rights Project, and Freedom to Marry.]

On June 10, the high court of Ontario, Canada's most populous province, ruled that the exclusion of same-sex couples from civil marriage infringes human dignity, harms families, and violates the constitution. The court ordered an immediate end to this cruel discrimination. Within hours, same-sex couples began marrying.

American couples, different-sex or same-sex, may go to Canada to marry. Canada, like the United States, has no residency requirement for marriage (though it does have a one-year residency requirement for divorce). See <http://www.cbs.gov.on.ca/mcbs/english/marriages.htm> for a description of how to marry in Canada.

American couples who go to Canada to marry should realize that the decision is not just a political gesture, but rather is about taking on all the responsibilities, legal obligations, joys, and wonder of being married. When couples who marry in Canada come home -- although they might face uncertainties and discrimination -- they will be as married as any people on the planet. That means, for example, the couples will identify as married on applications/forms for jobs, apartments, credit, mortgages, insurance, medical treatment, and taxes.

The good news is that couples returning home married will have a unique chance every day to role model what married same-sex couples look like, and show that marriages of same-sex couples strengthen those families and the larger community while harming no one. This is critically important because as GLBT Americans, we are involved in a civil rights struggle and have not yet won the freedom to marry in any state -- although that may soon change with cases pending in the Massachusetts high court (GLAD) and in the New Jersey courts (Lambda Legal). As in any civil rights struggle, we still have other layers of discrimination to undo, both in the states and with the federal law that discriminates against the marriages of same-sex couples.

While many marriages will be respected to varying degrees in various places, and even in surprising places, many married couples will also experience discrimination. Some but not all businesses, states, and others will refuse to honor these lawful marriages, along with the federal

government. And couples with a member in the military, or on public assistance, or in the U.S. on a visa will face particular complexities. Couples must be prepared to live with a level of uncertainty while we continue our work to end marriage discrimination here.

But we can and we will peel away the layers of discrimination we now face. It is simply no longer debatable that our families exist and that we need the same protections marriage provides for our families and our children. Everyone can help. People can join and work with local, state, and national organizations to repeal discriminatory state laws and the federal anti-marriage law as unfair and harmful to GLBT families and their children. (Contact us to get a list of organizations.) They can focus public attention on how they have been treated -- the discrimination and harms the marriage exclusion causes their families and the proof that the sky does not fall when a community respects same-sex couples' marriages. And people should continue to use the available legal tools such as wills and health-care proxies, and should consult with attorneys and financial advisors, to protect their families during the lengthy process of sorting these issues out.

For those who contemplate litigation as a response to discrimination against their marriage, it is critical to remember that any legal case has profound implications beyond the individuals involved. Please contact the organizations below who have the most experience litigating on marriage, civil unions and the rights of GLBT people and who have definite thoughts about what, when and where litigation is and is not advisable for taking our movement forward. Couples should absolutely not race across the border just to set up lawsuits; the wrong cases could set us back for years. We will be strongest if we work together.

Again, this is a civil rights struggle, and we must bring all of our resources to each part of the struggle: telling stories, politically organizing, engaging non-Gay allies, working in legislatures, and

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Supreme Court Decision To Be Marked In Old Pueblo

By Mark R. Kerr

TUCSON (ON) - Tucson, the only city in Arizona, along with more than two dozen cities across the nation will be marking the outcome of one of the most important U.S. Supreme Court cases in the past decade.

This event, organized by several local Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual and Transgender rights groups and organizations will take place 7:00 p.m., on the Monday the decision is announced, at the Muse parking lot, 516 N. Fifth Avenue, across the street from Wingspan's main office.

Whether this will be a celebration or protest and when, depends upon the timing of the release and the ruling by the nine Supreme Court Justices. It is expected the decision, along with the pending affirmative action case from Michigan will be announced and released Monday, June 23 or the following Monday, June 30.

On March 26 of this year, the U.S. Supreme Court heard Lawrence v. Texas, a case that could find sodomy laws to be discriminatory and unconstitutional.

HISTORY OF THIS CASE

This pending case is based on an incident in September 1998, when Houston, Texas police broke into John Lawrence's apartment while responding to a false report of an armed intruder.

Police found Lawrence having sex with Tyron Garner and jailed both men under a state law banning sex between consenting adults of the same sex, but not of the opposite sex. Lawrence and Garner pleaded no contest to the misdemeanor charge and were each fined \$200, and was appealed, for which the state courts upheld the conviction, which -- if allowed to stand -- could harm the lives of both men by labeling them as convicts and sex offenders.

LLDEF, the lead counsel in the case, asked the court to strike down the Texas sodomy law for two reasons - first, that it is an unconstitutional invasion of privacy; and second, that by singling out Gay people, it violates the Constitution's guarantee of equal protection under the law.

A victory on either or both claims will affect all 13 remaining sodomy laws in the nation and will be a powerful tool for securing equality for Lesbians and Gay men in all 50 states, according to LLDEF.

NOT THE FIRST CASE BEFORE THE U.S. SUPREME COURT

In 1986, the Supreme Court upheld sodomy laws in the case, Bowers v. Hardwick, which involved two men in Georgia who were arrested for having sex at home but in 1998, however, the Georgia Supreme Court struck down its own sodomy law, as have numerous other courts, and several legislatures also have repealed state sodomy laws.

HISTORY OF SODOMY LAWS

Sodomy laws, which outlaw private same-sex relations between consenting adults, even in their own homes, have been overturned or repealed in 37 states and the District of Columbia since the late 1960s.

According to the Human Rights Campaign and the Lambda Legal Defense and Education Fund (LLDEF), Thirteen states still have sodomy laws on the books that send a strong message that same-sex couples are, lawbreakers and undeserving of the same rights and protections as other Americans. Sodomy laws have been used to justify the denial of custody and visitation rights, equal opportunities in employment and other aspects of ordinary life.

Since 1986, sodomy laws have been struck down in 14 states through court cases and legislative repeal, including Arizona, Arkansas and Minnesota. In 2002, however, the Louisiana Supreme Court refused to strike down its 200-year-old sodomy law.

Court observers note that the justices traditionally hand down their hardest cases, rulings based on 5-4 majorities or even prevailing pluralities, at the very end of the term. If the case is very difficult, a judgment sometimes has to be cobbled together from a number of opinions, with justices agreeing with some parts of the prevailing opinion and bitterly dissenting from others.

The justices have an estimated two weeks before recessing for the summer. With no decision on Lawrence vs. Texas announced, it appears the court has saved its most important high court ruling on Gay civil rights in a decade for Monday June 23 or 30.

Tucson Pride Week 2003



Complete Pride Calendars inside this issue of Observer. Clip them out so you don't miss any events.

UPDATE

National HIV Testing Day June 27th

TUCSON - The Southern Arizona AIDS Foundation (SAAF) is participating in the Ninth Annual HIV Testing Day, a nationwide campaign urging people to get tested to learn if they are infected with the HIV virus.

Two locations are available for testing: the SAAF main office at 375 S. Euclid and the satellite office at 1200 E. Ajo Way, Suite 109. Both locations will be testing from 8:30 a.m.- 5:00 p.m. on Friday, June 27. Interested parties are encouraged to call in advance (520) 628-7223 but drop-ins are also accepted. Anonymous testing is available. The testing procedure used at the sites is an oral swab of one's mouth. The Pima County Health Department is partnering with SAAF in this community-wide call for HIV testing.

Began in 1995 by the National Association of People with AIDS (NAPWA), National Testing Day is a campaign to reach millions of those at risk with a simple message: "Take the Test, Take Control." It is estimated that a quarter of a million Americans are infected with the HIV virus. In Pima County, 4000 people are believed to be infected and unaware of it.

Knowing one's HIV status is essential to taking control of one's life. Early care and treatment can slow down the effects of the virus and extend a person's life. Many people learn late about their infection once serious illnesses have appeared either in the emergency room or the hospital. Coupled with the lost opportunity for early care is the increased risk of infecting other people unknowingly. In an attempt to reduce these problems, NAPWA has literally thousands of national and local community-based organizations, health providers and others delivering this lifesaving message: "Take the Test, Take Control."

Position Open At Wingspan

TUCSON - Wingspan is looking for a qualified individual for the following position:

Advocate/Educator provides crisis intervention and advocacy services to Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, and Transgender (LGBT) victim/survivors of violence and our allies, as well as provides outreach and education about violence within and against the LGBT community. Additionally, the Advocate/Educator provides administrator support for the AVP.

The position is 30 hours a week - bilingual (English/Spanish) with the possibility of 40 hours/week eventually. The hourly rate is \$10/hr, 30 hours/week includes full benefits. To apply, please send a cover letter, resume, and three references by July 14, to: Cathy Busha, Director Wingspan Anti-Violence Project, 300 E. 6th St., Tucson, AZ 85705. E-mail: cathy@wingspan.org. No phone calls please. AA/EOE

Desert Voices Singing For Pride Week

TUCSON - When people come together to sing, amazing things can happen! That's what happened for Desert Voices as we opened our doors for a "test drive" during the month of June. We were delighted to have several new singers join us for the "June Joy Ride". But we were also surprised and thrilled to find we had a second invitation to sing and be a Proud Presence for our community during Pride week.

Desert Voices will be singing at Saguro Christian Church for their service on Sunday, June 29, starting at 10:45 a.m.. Saguro Christian Church is located on the corner of Broadway and Sarnoff at 8302 E. Broadway. Some of the numbers being prepared include "Anything Goes", "Simple Gifts", "Shooting Star" and "Bridge Over Troubled Waters". Everyone is welcome to attend the services.

Though it might be a little late for someone new to be prepared to sing with us on the 29th of June, everyone is still welcome to come out and join us for a rehearsal to see how we work and what we're all about. So on June 23rd and 30th, please feel free to join us at Water of Life MCC, located at 3269 Mountain Avenue from 7-9 p.m.

Desert Voices is a "production" choral group, in that it typically moves to the music, adding theatrical and dramatic "moments" to the songs and show. We sing from memory and often perform without a director on stage. If you like to sing and have a flair for the theatrical, consider coming out the next two Mondays to meet us and raise your voice in song. The 15th season will start this September with rehearsals in the same location. We are always seeking voices for all parts; Soprano I and II, Alto I and II, Tenor I and II, Baritone and Bass. Watch for more information this August as we prepare for our new season. If you would like to talk with someone in the chorus, please call 791-9662 and leave a message and we will get back to you ASAP. You can also visit our website at www.desertvoices.org for further information about the group. Or come to one of the "Test Drive" rehearsals this June and see what we're all about! Vroom! Vroom!

TIHAN Challenges You To Break Your Apathy

TUCSON - The enormity of the HIV/AIDS pandemic has caused many people to shrug their shoulders and retreat back into their homes because they are unable to see any solutions. This feeling of helplessness can only be broken if you learn more about prevention and awareness, discover the simple things you can do to help those affected right here in Tucson, and realize that you were not meant to solve the entire problem - you can only do what you can do - but, do something! Your involvement is part of the solution.

The Tucson Interfaith HIV/AIDS Network (TIHAN) encourages you to attend one of two remaining, 90-minute orientations so you can learn about TIHAN and the many volunteer options available. Learn how the skills you now possess can be utilized to fight the stigma and fear commonly associated with HIV/AIDS. The remaining orientations are on Monday, June 23, or Wednesday, June 25. Both orientations will be held at 7 p.m. at Casas Adobes Congregational Church (6801 N. Oracle Road).

Then, on Saturday, June 28, from 8:30 a.m. - 4 p.m., TIHAN will conduct a powerful day of training and information that you can use in what ever capacity you decide as a TIHAN volunteer. This training will look at the transmission and prevention of HIV, the psycho-social issues of HIV/AIDS and provide additional skills and information. It will also take place at Casas Adobes Congregational Church and there is a \$15 cost for materials due in advance of the training date on June 28. Scholarships are available from TIHAN. TIHAN will provide lunch.

You do not need to be affiliated with any denomination to attend an orientation and training. TIHAN empowers people from different spiritual paths to respond to HIV/AIDS in a compassionate, non-judgmental, loving way. No matter your faith tradition, your involvement is needed and welcome. Transform your apathy into action and make a difference. To RSVP an orientation date or to learn more, contact Mike Millard, Director of Education, (520) 299-6647 or mike@tihan.org.

Third Annual Couples Blessing On June 22nd

TUCSON - Water of Life MCC (Metropolitan Community Church) in conjunction with Tucson Pride will be hosting the Third Annual Couples Blessing on Pride Sunday, June 22, noon, at Water of Life MCC, 3260 N. Mountain Ave.

Friends, families, partners, spouses, girlfriends, boyfriends, committed, dating, etc - ALL are welcome to come have the love between you and another blessed. This is a celebration of love during Pride Week. Cake and punch will be served at a reception following the Blessing. There is not a charge for the Blessing. Certificates with the couples' name and a photo are optional and will be available for \$5. Please come and help celebrate yours and others loving relationships.

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GLBT Pride Week Events, June 19 - 29

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THURSDAY, JUNE 19

6-8 p.m. - Pride Week Kick-Off! Community Business Association Mixer at Old Pueblo Grill, 60 N. Alvernon Way. Open to anyone who wants to come and meet CBA members. \$10 per person. Cash bar and snacks from 6-8 pm. Guests are welcome to stay and have dinner (at their own expense) following the mixer. Raffle for special prizes including 4-day/3-night stay at Blue Moon Resort for men in Las Vegas.

THURSDAY, JUNE 19

6-8 p.m. Wingspan Forum - Please join Wingspan and the Southern Arizona Center Against Sexual Assault for a participatory forum as we look at hate crimes against the LGBT community in Southern Arizona and what you can do to help address - and possibly prevent - violence against the LGBT community. Wingspan Community Center, 300 E. 6th St.

FRIDAY, JUNE 20 THROUGH SUNDAY, JUNE 22

"Gold's Gym Open House" - Visit Gold's Gym at 5851 E. Speedway Blvd. And workout free for a day! Ask about the special PRIDE WEEK membership rates while you are there! Enjoy a HAPPY HOUR BOOT CAMP on Friday evening at 5:30pm or a PRIDE KICKBOXING & ABS class on Saturday, June 21 at 9:30am, both featured by TPI's own, Arnette Miller.

SUNDAY, JUNE 22

10:15 a.m. Sunday Pride Service, Water of Life MCC, 3269 N. Mountain Ave. Third Annual Couples Blessing immediately following the service. Cake and punch will be served after the Blessing.

SUNDAY, JUNE 22

1:30-3:30 p.m. "Adventures in Intimacy" - Pride Week Community Forum: Doing relationship using the IMAGO method. This is one to bring your significant other. Speaker: Bonnie Brinkman, Psychotherapist, Wingspan Community Center, 300 E. 6th St..

SUNDAY, JUNE 22

4-6 p.m. "Finding Life Resources" - Pride Week Community Forum: Understanding and obtaining assistance for basic life needs; Workmen's Compensation, Disability, Social Security, Ryan White Funds, QMBy (Qualified Medicare Beneficiary assistance). Speakers: Carol Lohman, Karen Karl and Terry Mills (SAAF Staff), Tucson Muse, 516 N. 5th Ave., Room 101.

SUNDAY, JUNE 22

6-8 p.m. "Getting to Know PFLAG" - Open House at Wingspan by PFLAG, 300 E. 6th St.

MONDAY, JUNE 23

6-8 p.m. "Staying Out of Trouble" - Pride Week Community Forum: Do's and don'ts, DUIs, Domestic Violence, Parks & Public Sex - Legal Forum, Criminal Considerations, Tucson Muse, 516 N. 5th Ave., Room 101. Lois Yankowski and Kathy Mayer, Speakers, Attorneys at Law.

TUESDAY, JUNE 24

6-8 p.m. "Securing Your Relationship" - Pride Week Community Forum: Domestic partnerships, Wills & Estates, Legal and Medical Powers of Attorney, Property Matters, Child Custody Issues - Legal Forum, Civil and Family

Considerations, Tucson Muse, 516 N. 5th Ave., Room 101. Nancy Robinett, Lisa Bibbens and Amelia Craig-Cramer, Speakers, Attorneys at Law.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 25

6-8 p.m. "Sex & Desire: Rights of Pleasure" - Pride Week Community Forum for Men: Presented by Gay Men's Health Project and Eric Cuestas-Thompson. "An evening dedicated to all men who want a safe space to talk honestly and openly about all areas of our sexual lives. From vanilla to down right raunchy sex, our sexual lives are rooted deeply in our sense of self. Eric can help you find the keys to unlock your ultimate sexual potential." Tucson Muse, 516 N. 5th Ave., Room 101.

THURSDAY, JUNE 26

2-4 p.m. "Look Good, Feel Confident" - Pride Week Community Forum: Plastic and cosmetic surgery. 4741 E. Camp Lowell in the Swan Corporate Center. Seating is limited to 20 persons and RSVP is required. To RSVP, you must call 888-4540. The physician holding the seminar is Dr. Todd Case, and he is certified through the American Board of Plastic Surgery.

FRIDAY, JUNE 27

8:30-4, National HIV Testing Day. Walk-in testing all day at SAAF, 375 S. Euclid, 628-7223.

FRIDAY, JUNE 27

7 p.m. - Midnight, Pride Week Miniature Golf Outing, Funtasticks Family Fun Park, 221 E. Wetmore. Entry from 7-10 pm. Cost for two hours of everything at the park, \$10. Tickets available from Tucson Pride booth at the park from 7-10 pm.

SATURDAY, JUNE 28

1-3 p.m., "A Black Belt Is No Longer Just An Accessory!" Presented by Gay Men's Health Project. Martial Arts Self Defense (Open to all genders). Martial arts theories with a modern approach to self-defense training. Instruction on how to escape from dangerous situations including striking techniques, pressure points, takedowns. How to use common objects as weapons. The psychological aspect of predator/prey relationships. Safer sex as self-defense. The presenter, Larry Maestas, is a 4th degree black belt with the title O'Sensei or major instructor with 20 years experience with Karate, Judo, Jujitsu and Kobudo weapons. Tucson Muse, 516 N. 5th Ave., Room 101.

SUNDAY, JUNE 29

2-4 p.m., Pride Week Community Bowling, Cactus Bowl, 1630 S. Alvernon Way. \$10 entry fee per person covers shoes, ball and bowling. Organizations and individuals invited to participate. Raffle prizes and prizes for bowlers.

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Tucson Pride Week 2003

By Bob Bowers

PRIDE WEEK EVENTS

TUCSON - What started as a police raid at the Stonewall Inn on Christopher Street in New York City on June 28, 1969, ended as a full scale riot as protesters asserted their rights to gather and have a place of their own. The assumption that homosexuals would ever again accept prejudice and discrimination without resistance had died. Annual parades and celebrations are now held in June in most American cities and world-wide to commemorate the Stonewall Riot and the movement for LGBT rights that began on that night. June is Pride Month all over the world.

Originating in protest, today we celebrate our diversity and our Pride as well. Tucson's Pride Week begins Thursday, June 19, and continues through Sunday, June 29.

Gay West is appropriately scheduled as a night of celebration this year on Saturday, June 28. You won't want to miss Gay West 7. The event has been expanded with two concerts, featuring Joan Jett and the Blackhearts with special guests The Motels with Martha Davis.

GAY WEST 7 SCHEDULE

Gay West 7 is Saturday June 28. Doors will open at Gay West at Old Tucson Studios at 6 pm. Non-profit exhibitors will be able to enter between 5-6 pm in order to setup. If an organization has not already requested an information table at Gay West, they may contact Tucson Pride at 622-3200 or pride@tucsonpride.com.

6-8:30 p.m. - Non-profit information tables on main street.

6-9 p.m. - Pima County Health will provide free HIV and STD testing in their mobile van which will be located near Jakes' and the Saloon.

6 p.m. until close in the Saloon - Hi-NRG Dance with DJ Brian - "Gun Belts & Garters," Special Old Tucson stunt show during dance 7:30-8 p.m.

6:30-8:30 p.m. at the Mission - Diana Flair & Lucinda Holliday present "Ladies with Flair and Lipsticks and Lashes" - drag show kicked off by Old Tucson stunt show.

6:30-8:30 in Jake's - Salud Es Poder presents "Fuerza Latina Travesti Show."

8:30-Close in Jake's - Country Dancing.

In the Main Arena:

8:30-9:45 p.m. - The Motels with Martha Davis

9:45-10:15 p.m. - Hydra presents "A Fetish Fashion Show"

10:15-11:45 p.m. - Joan Jett and the Blackhearts

Tickets for Gay West are \$25 in advance (\$30 at the door) and are available from Old Tucson, Zia Records (all Arizona locations), SAAF, Wingspan, THAN, Antigone bookstore, Desert Pride gift shop and Rainbow Planet Coffee House. More details about Gay West can be found in ads in this publication and at www.tucsonpride.com.

Through the sponsorship of local LGBT businesses, Tucson Pride is able to offer 11 days of informational and fun events during Pride Week. Nearly all of these events are free. IBTs/Woody's is the title sponsor for Pride 2003.

The Kickoff event for Pride Week is a social sponsored by the Community Business Association at Old Pueblo Grill, 60 N. Alvernon, from 6-8 pm, Thursday, June 19. This event is open to the public. Appetizers are provided, and a cash bar is available. The cost is \$10 per person. There will be a raffle for special prizes including a 4-day/3-night stay at the new Blue Moon Resort for men in Las Vegas. You must be present to enter the raffle and to claim a prize.

There are events every day until the celebrations are concluded Sunday June 29 with the 4th Annual Tucson LGBT Pride Parade sponsored by Tucson Lesbian Avengers and OUTRage. The parade begins at 6 pm from 2nd Street and 4th Avenue, and will proceed downtown on 4th Avenue ending at El Presidio Park west of the Old Courthouse and north of City Hall. This park is adjacent to Sunset Park where the Richard Heakin Memorial was dedicated and installed last October. The parade sponsors are hosting a party in El Presidio Park after the parade with music and festivities.

For details of Pride Week events, see ads and notices in this publication and posters in local businesses. Full details are also available at www.tucsonpride.com.

Tucson Pride asks that you thank these businesses and organizations for their support of Pride 2003 events: IBTs/Woody's, 93.7 KRQ, Old Tucson Studios, Zia Records, Budweiser, Centra Realty, Community Business Association, Creative Communications, Desert Pride gift shop, Elbow Grease, GayTucson.com, Instinct Magazine, Pronto Printing, Rainbow Planet Coffee House, Speedway Veterinary Hospital, Whitespace Design, Wingspan.

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POLITICS 2003

by Mark R. Kerr

'156 Days'

On the hundred-and-fifty-sixth day (Tuesday, June 17) of the hundred-day session of the Arizona Legislature, Governor Janet Napolitano signed into law a package of budget bills that provides for a \$6.5-billion state appropriations budget for the next fiscal year, that begins in two weeks (July 1), as of press time.

During a ceremony in the state capital, Governor Napolitano signed the bills, as well as executing several line-item vetoes to get the \$6.5-million, which will go for education, preserving the Heritage Fund and provide funding for vital services to help Arizonans.

"We have found a way through our historic budget crisis," Napolitano said. "With my signature and my line-item vetoes, we will balance the 2004 budget without raising taxes or gutting vital state services."

An interesting concept, an elected official actually keeping their campaign promises, something not witnessed in this state.

Under Arizona law, the governor has the option of using a line-item veto of bills dealing with expenditures and budget proposals.

Governor Napolitano used the line-item for these budget bills, restoring funding for various programs and agencies that would have ended under the Draconian proposal put forth by the ultraconservative GOP legislative leaders, reducing the state's dependence on borrowing and provided the state with a healthier ending balance of \$25 million, nine-million more that proposed by the Legislature.

So the question arises, what about funding for the state's AIDS Drug Assistance Program (ADAP) in this proposal, which gives life saving

medications to more than 1,000 economically disadvantaged Arizonans living with this dreaded disease.

As previously reported first in this column, ADAP would have not received any funding for the upcoming fiscal year, under the Republican plan but with the efforts, led by this column and publication, funding for the program, a life or death issue, finally had gotten on the radar for the Arizona Legislature.

From zero, the amount went to \$500,000 under the next three budget proposals by the Republicans and the campaign to get level funding (\$1-million) intensified, since federal Ryan White matching funds for the program, \$6.8-million, were in jeopardy.

Governor Napolitano's proposed budget had level funding for the upcoming fiscal year for ADAP and wouldn't budge on this and thanks to the phone calls, letters, and E-mails, a legislative victory, with \$1-million in funding for the program for this upcoming fiscal year.

"We will not yank health and human services from Arizonan who need it most," Napolitano said

She ended the press conference by stating that the budget crisis is now behind us, and with her at the helm it is.

"When I took office" Napolitano said, "people wondered whether things really had changed." They have Governor, and for the better, thanks to you. ...

On Saturday, June 21, Napolitano will be making history again, as the first sitting Governor, to formally address the Arizona Human Rights fund, the statewide Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual and Transgender political organization, at their annual dinner to be held in Phoenix.

Students Fight For GSA

LOGAN, UT - Two High School students are challenging their principal's ruling that forming a Gay-straight alliance at their school would violate district policy.

Mark Sailor and Jessica Liddell, who will both be seniors this fall, said they would be willing to go to court if the school district upholds principal Charles Nelson's decision. "We would prefer not to. Our goal is to get this started," Liddell said. "But we feel very committed to having this club, and if that's what we have to do, that's what we have to do." Nelson told The [Logan] Herald Journal that regardless of the club's intentions, formation of the GSA would be a violation of school policy. After considering a proposal from Sailor and Liddell, he gave the students a list of suggestions for changes to the club name and mission statement that would bring both into line with district policy. "The name itself involves human sexuality," Nelson said. "That is the portion of the policy we are concerned with."

According to a district policy approved in January, "a school shall deny access to any student organization or club whose program or activities would materially and substantially involve human

sexuality." Sailor said the intent of the GSA would be to promote tolerance and acceptance, not to focus on sexuality. "The purpose of the Gay-straight alliance is to create a safe space where people feel comfortable regardless of sexual orientation," Sailor said. Nelson said he agrees that a club promoting tolerance and awareness of discrimination is very much needed at Logan High. "I am in favor of the club," Nelson said. "This is a club that needs to happen, but the name is going to be an issue."

Even if Nelson approved the club, the school constitution requires the student senate and faculty to vote on it. A majority vote from both groups is required for final approval. Neither the student senate nor the faculty will be meeting again until school is in session this fall. Superintendent Richard Jensen said the district is working with Nelson to review the situation. "Our intent is to look at the federal case law, the state administrative rule, and our school constitution to help us do the right thing in this particular situation, and while this request came in at the end of the school year, we're working in a timely manner," Jensen said.

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NOTES FROM THE FOR-REAL SIDE

by Lee Thom

Two Botched Stories

The media have a hard time reporting on themselves. To start with they often forget that the word "media" is the plural of "medium," so they begin with a grammatical mistake and go downhill from there. For the past couple weeks two media stories have gotten major play and both have been generally botched.

The first was Senator Hillary Clinton's book. There may have been thoughtful exceptions that I happened to miss, but most of the reporting I saw handled the memoir as if it were just another celebrity tell all, an approach to the story that badly misses the point.

We are talking about a book by a sitting senator who happens to have a realistic future shot at being elected President of the United States. Is there any reporter living outside of Kurdistan who doesn't realize that every word of this political document, whether written by Hillary or ghost writers, was examined exhaustively by the best political consultants that money can buy?

This is a book that may literally play a role in determining the direction of American history, and the consultants' biggest mistake may have been that they allowed it to be written at all. In it we get a verbatim account of one of the most private and painful conversations a couple can have, the confession of marital infidelity complete with full emotional play-by-play including the gasping for air.

The very same people who will eat this stuff up like lions eating red meat may, after pausing for several loud burps, detect a nasty aftertaste. They may ask themselves, "Isn't she violating her own privacy and that of her family just to make money and provide the public with some semi-salacious beach reading? Isn't this a little too Jerry Springerish to be coming from an aspirant to the White House?"

Prince Charles once wrote a tell all book that some felt ended his chances of ever becoming king. The interesting media question that seems to be getting overlooked is whether Hillary's political team has done something similar here. The issue for both Prince Charles and Hillary might boil down to this: Do their people want a tell all Head of State or do they want someone a little more aloof?

And then there were the resignations of the New York Times two senior editors. The media are so far out to lunch on this story that it's actually funny. The reporting is all about management styles and newsroom ambience and all manner of nearly mystical nonsense. The reality, a brutally simple one, is that the august editors failed to edit, or, to describe the situation in a blunt sportsman's phrase, "That dog won't hunt."

When the disaster first struck, a young reporter caught making up about 70 stories that found their way into print without editorial challenge, the Times thought it could ride it out and the publisher said that he wouldn't accept any resignations from his editors. Then somebody, I'd bet the same publisher, must have said something like, "We are the most respected paper in the country, so I'm sure that this was just an anomaly, but just for the hell of it let's check back on some of our recent editing to see how sharp it was."

Well guess what. Turns out that the recent editing stunk. Reporters were

routinely taking credit for stuff their assistants had done and general sloppiness abounded.

Editors are supposed to be in the business of keeping reporters honest. They call reporters in and ask what their source was for this or that fact. They send them out to get better sources when necessary. They ask why there are no expense account vouchers for a trip to Kansas if a story was supposedly filed from Kansas. If you'd like to see how editing is done by the pros, rent an old movie called All The President's Men.

We don't know what the editors of the Times were doing to earn their pay. We just know they weren't editing. The fact that the same publisher who wouldn't accept their resignations a week earlier gladly accepted them after a week of in-house scrutiny of their work needs no further explanation. For some reason the rest of the media cannot accept the simplicity of this situation and they offer us endless talk of management style, bad karma, failure to bond, uninspiring ambience -- all hooey!

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

Michael Savage Sues Web Sites

SAN FRANCISCO, CA - Radio and television shock jock Michael Savage is suing three Web sites for allegedly interfering in his business relationships with advertisers on The Michael Savage Show, reported advocate.com.

Filed by Savage and Talk Radio Network Inc., the suit claims that Savage has suffered serious economic damage from a boycott called for by the Gay and Lesbian Alliance Against Defamation and supported by Web sites TakeBackTheMedia.com, SavageStupidity.com, and MichaelSavageSucks.com. Since the boycott began, several sponsors have pulled their ads from Savage's radio show.

The suit claims that the defendants are suppressing Savage's freedom of speech and violating the U.S. Copyright Act by rebroadcasting his shows without permission. The suit also charges the defendants with spreading "false and malicious" information about Savage. On his shows Savage has described Gays and Lesbians as "perverts." The suit, filed in district court in Illinois, asks for injunctive relief and at least \$500,000 in compensatory damages and an unspecified amount in punitive damages.

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Huge Rainbow Flag Unfurled

KEY WEST, FL - The world's longest rainbow flag was unfurled in Florida on Sunday as part of Key West Pride, stretching from the Atlantic to the Gulf of Mexico and requiring 2,000 people to hold it, reported Gay.com U.K.

Made to celebrate the 25th anniversary of the original rainbow flag and commissioned from the original flag's creator Gilbert Baker, the finished flag was a mile and a quarter long, used over 17,000 yards of material and weighed more than three tons.

The huge flag was also the first to use the eight-color design originally

conceived by Baker a quarter of a century ago. The turquoise and pink bands were dropped years ago because the colors were not commercially available.

"My dream is a reality today," said Baker at the Key West PrideFest. "The rainbow flag is loved and cherished all over the world. It represents an idea of equality and justice for everyone."

The massive flag will now be divided up, with portions of the new eight-color flag forming a component of Pride marches around the world, including London's Pride parade in July.

G/L Groups Unite To Oppose Bush Nominee

WASHINGTON, DC - Controversy began over one of President Bush's federal judicial nominees that has already united partisan Gay-rights groups and stirred unusual opposition from other GLBT organizations.

As Senate hearings began Wednesday, June 11, over his nomination to the 11th Circuit Court of Appeals, Alabama Attorney General William Pryor came under fire for an amicus ("friend of the court") brief that he filed regarding the pending Texas sodomy case, Lawrence vs. Texas, now before the Supreme Court.

In the brief, Pryor compared homosexuality to incest, necrophilia, pedophilia, prostitution and adultery. He also argued that sodomy is a chosen behavior unworthy of constitutional protection, reported the Gay.com/PlanetOut.com network.

His words have drawn a harsh reaction from Gay-rights organizations.

"The Human Rights Campaign doesn't oppose nominees all the time," said Winnie Stachelberg, political director for the HRC. "We take a long, hard look at a nominee's record, and unfortunately, in this case we're going to have to oppose him." In fact, Pryor is only the sixth nominee HRC has opposed, out of a pool of more than 150 nominees Bush has made for federal judicial positions.

"Mr. Pryor has spent his career opposing the rights of Gay, Lesbian,

Bisexual and Transgender Americans," Stachelberg said. "We are concerned that his profound prejudice will prevent him from making clear, unbiased decisions as a federal judge, and we strongly oppose his nomination."

The 41-year-old Pryor is also only the second of Bush's nominees to have been opposed by the Log Cabin Republicans, a national Gay and Lesbian Republican organization.

"It does mark a shift for our organization," said LCR Executive Director Patrick Guerriero, "in that we recognize that the U.S. courts are going to have a large impact on Gay and Lesbian civil rights in the days ahead ... LCR has a unique role in speaking out when individuals are nominated who we believe would be incapable of fairness concerning Gay and Lesbian civil rights."

As part of this shift, for the first time ever with a judicial nominee, LCR opposed the nomination, releasing a joint statement with the National Stonewall Democrats.

"The more organized, professional and bipartisan we are," said Guerriero, "the more we're going to have an impact over who gets nominated."

"This is a new role for our organization," he said, "and something we're gearing up towards."

Gay Father Sues For Visitation Rights

BOZEMAN, MT - A 33-year-old Gay man has filed suit in a Montana district court to force his ex-wife to abide by a court order giving him visitation with his two children.

Jeremy Stockstad of Bozeman contends that he is being denied visitation with his 6-year-old son and 9-year-old daughter because of his sexual orientation. Stockstad said he has not seen his children in nearly six months. "I'm only fighting for my kids," he said. "I only want my kids to have time for me."

His former wife, Oralee Kohler, moved to Utah when the couple separated after seven years of marriage. She refused to comment on the suit, filed on Thursday, June 12, when contacted by the Bozeman Daily Chronicle.

The case appears to be similar to one awaiting review by the Idaho supreme court. An Idaho Falls man is challenging a court ruling that denies him visitation with his two daughters as long as he continues to

live with his male partner. That case is in the early stages of the appeal process.

Stockstad said he tried to deal with his same-sex attraction for years with help from counselors and peer groups but was unsuccessful, after which the couple separated. "It pretty much just came to the point where I couldn't really function under the premise that I was a married straight person," he said. A custody agreement guaranteed Stockstad the right to see his children every other weekend after Kohler moved to Utah, according to court papers.

Stockstad visited at least once a month until last December, when he traveled to Utah with his partner for his daughter's music recital, he said. Kohler said she would not let the children see him with another man. Such a condition is unacceptable, Stockstad said, if he wants to have a meaningful relationship with his children. "I want to provide as complete a family life as I possibly can," he added.

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What Makes Our Town Tick?

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By Jerry D.

500 And Counting

Hello readers! Last week, out of sheer chance, I glanced at my calendar at the coming year. I like to stay on top of dates and the days that they fall on each. I happened to hit November and thought about the other date besides Thanksgiving that has some significance. As of this week, Election Day is only 500 days away.

I have never turned my head to an opportunity to be political. As a young boy I can remember my mother exercising her right and going into this big dressing room looking apparatus. The big curtain would close with a metallic clang and the only sound heard was the little clicks of the levers. It seemed like an eternity sometimes when she was in there. Not so much because I was young, but more so for the fact that my mom took pride in her voting ability, and made sure she chose exactly as she felt correct.

Since those days I have been honored to participate in 5 presidential elections. I have been on the side of the population in four of them. It was only this last time when I voted for the candidate that did not hold office the following January. I took that election personal for the fact that I truly wanted the progress we were experiencing to continue. Inside I felt that neither of the two candidates was going to make that happen, so in the long run it was a choice for the more experienced.

Just like a candidate that came oh so close, I am destined to help make a change. No, I am not running for office, I

think there are too many candidates already. I am however going to take my right one step further and help those who might not understand how important it is to vote. My campaign is about registration and the more the better as far as I am concerned.

We all remember the chaos that followed the 2000 vote. It seemed for a while like we were going to be a country without a leader. Media and congressional members alike were just sitting on a fence, not wanting to say anything about the candidate that might not be the winner. I am working on making it the only time this country has had that problem.

So, for the next 500 days, which comes to about 71 articles, I will close with the same message in the hopes to spread the word even further. If you have already registered, good for you. Please make sure that the information is current on it so there is no confusion over where to vote. If you have not, you can email me and I will be more than happy to point you in the direction of your local registration office.

We can not afford to be too late this time. We can not live with ourselves if on January 8th, 2005 we are sitting somewhere, thinking about how we should have voted. You already know whom I don't want in office, so over the next 17 months I will be giving you ideas for who should be. It is time to make the difference. I can't put it any other way. Have a great week, and register to vote!

SAAF UPDATE

SOUTHERN ARIZONA AIDS FOUNDATION

By Anne Maley

Summer brings several messages. One of the messages is that the monsoons will begin soon; another is that traffic in Tucson seems to get lighter. At SAAF, summer means that one year is ending and another is beginning as of July 1, 2003. At the June Board of Director's meeting, this year's (FY 2003-2004) budget was approved. An increase of 6.6% was represented in the budget.

The present economic environment is a challenge. At SAAF, we have seen some of our revenue sources level or decrease their funding contributions. The stock market's recent history has made some donors uncomfortable as well as cut into many foundations' assets. While any increase in these economic times might seem positive, this financial growth isn't keeping with pace with the growth of our clients.

In the first three quarters of FY 2003, 767 people received case management; 357 people who were newly diagnosed as HIV positive came for peer counseling; 179 people needed and received utility/rent assistance; 115 people lived in SAAF housing and 62 were receiving subsidies for their dwellings. 389 people received dental services, three times the amount from the same time period last year. Other services were also provided. Our collaborative prevention outreach programs continued to promote the need to be safe.

This new fiscal year offers us many community support opportunities. AIDSWALK, which is celebrating its 15th

year, is October 19, 2003. On November 23, 2003, the Jerome Beillard Festival For Life Auction will have its 15th year anniversary. (This year the Festival moves to the El Conquistador.) On May 2, 2003, the Reno Gannon Jell-O Wrestling Extravaganza and Benefit Auction will hold its 17th annual event. Please mark your calendars and join us for these special events.

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Gay Affluence Questioned Using Census 2000 Data

NEW YORK, NY - Men in same-sex couples typically earn less than other American married men, according to a newly released Urban Institute analysis of Census 2000 data, gfn.com reported.

The findings of the Urban Institute, a nonpartisan social and economic policy research group, seem to contradict the stereotype that Gay men have greater affluence than their straight counterparts.

But the institute's analysis found the income gap lowered or closed entirely when it looked at states with laws that protect workers from employment discrimination based on sexual orientation. It is currently legal to fire someone solely on their sexual orientation in 36 states.

"These data suggest that when the fear of job-related discrimination is lifted, Gay men perform on par or better than other American men in the workplace," said David M. Smith, communications director and senior strategist of the Human Rights Campaign Foundation, who commissioned the Institute's study.

However, noted Smith, as Gay men

remain saddled with the threat of discrimination that exists under current laws, the economic harms caused to them are clear and present.

"This should be another wake up call to legislators about the importance of non-discrimination laws," Smith said.

In contrast, coupled Lesbians tend to earn more than other women, according to the Institute's examination of the Census 2000 data. Differences in occupation and child rearing patterns might explain this finding, concluded the Institute.

The Urban Institute's analysis found that lower educated Gay men fared worse than their straight counterparts.

"Given their limited job mobility, low-educated Gay men are more likely to be working in discriminatory settings, so they reap the most benefits of anti-discrimination legislation. Educated workers have greater flexibility in their employment choices," said Gary Gates, Ph.D., of the Urban Institute's Population Studies Center.

"They can and do avoid jobs where

employers discriminate, an option that lower educated workers do not have."

The new numbers also challenge the stereotype of Gay affluence in the U.S., as coupled Gay men tend to earn less money than their heterosexual counterparts.

"The myth of Gay wealth has often been used as a rationale for holding back on

protections and equality under the tax code that Gay couples, who cannot marry in this country, have no access to, like Social Security," said Smith.

Smith cautioned that the numbers studied by the Urban Institute may be artificially low as many Gay and Lesbian Americans may have been reluctant to identify themselves on the Census 2000 for fear of discrimination.

Retired General Criticizes 'Don't Ask, Don't Tell' Policy

WASHINGTON, DC - Retired Gen. Wesley Clark, who for months has been dancing around a declaration that he will seek the Democratic presidential nomination, took a major step toward an official candidacy on Sunday, June 15, during an appearance on NBC's "Meet the Press."

Asked by host Tim Russert about his plans on seeking the White House in 2004, Clark responded, "I'm going to have to consider it."

Clark, who was Supreme Allied Commander of NATO from 1997 to May 2000, discussed his disapproval of Bush's tax-cut scheme, his support for affirmative

action plans and his support for reconfiguring the military's current ban on Gays openly serving in the military.

On the later point, Clark said he would "absolutely" look at changing the U.S. military's discriminatory anti-Gay ban. "I don't think it works," Clark said when Russert asked him his position on "don't ask, don't tell, don't pursue."

Clark said the social and political environments had changed significantly over the 1990's and that the mention of Gay men and women serving openly in the military no longer provoked the kind of visceral reaction it once had.

"[E]ssentially, we've got a lot of Gay people in the armed forces, we always have had, always will. And I think that ... we should welcome people that want to serve." Gen. Clark went on to say that the ban is "an issue that the leaders in the armed forces are going to have to work with and resolve."

Clark also pointed out that many NATO allies have abandoned their discriminatory bans against Gay men and Lesbians. Openly Gay troops from allied nations "already are" serving together in joint exercises with the U.S., he said. "And they served together in Kosovo and in Bosnia and so forth."

The United States said Clark, "should welcome people that want to serve."

Clark has been making regular appearances on television news programs and has been meeting with potential campaign donors throughout the year. Radio ads now being broadcast in New Hampshire by one of two separate groups trying to draft him to run in the Democratic primaries next year.

On the issue of weapons of mass destruction in Iraq, Clark said there was "a certain amount of hype" in the intelligence presented to the public before the war. Asked whether Bush had misled the country, he replied, "I think that's to be determined." He added, "It was never revealed what the imminence of the threat was."

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- ▼ Friday, June 20, through Sunday, June 22 • Free Day at Gold's Gym 5851 E. Speedway Blvd.
- ▼ Friday, June 20 • November Bar and Grill 4001 N. Romero Rd., 407-9622 - Country Dancing 9 pm
- ▼ Saturday, June 21 • Yard Dog Saloon 2449 N. Stone Ave., 624-3858 - Luau 5pm to closing
- ▼ Saturday, June 21 • Salud Es Poder, November Bar and Grill 4001 N. Romero Rd., 407-9622 - Lesbian Orgullo Gay (Dance) 9pm
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- ▼ Wednesday, June 25 • Woody's 3710 N. Oracle Rd., 292-6702 - Beach Party - 4-9 pm
- ▼ Wednesday, June 25, 6-8 pm • "Sex & Desire: Rights of Pleasure" - Forum for Men: Presented by Gay Men's Health Project and Eric Cuestas-Thompson, Psychotherapist. Tucson Muse, 516 N. 5th Ave., Room 101.
- ▼ Thursday, June 26 through Sunday, June 29 • "Fallettland" - Musical at Zuzi Theatre. Tickets: \$15, with a discount for students/seniors(over 55)/groups. Opening night is sponsored by and benefits T.I.H.A.N. Zuzi Theatre, 738 N. 5th Ave.
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- ▼ Friday, June 27, 8:30-4 • National HIV Testing Day. Walk-in testing all day at SAAF, 375 S. Euclid, 628-7223.
- ▼ Friday, June 27, 7 pm - midnight • Pride Week Miniature Golf Outing Funtasticks Family Fun Park, 221 E. Wetmore, Entry from 7-10 pm. Cost for two hours of everything at the park, \$10. Tickets available from 7-10 pm.
- ▼ Saturday, June 28 1-3 pm • "A Black Belt Is No Longer Just An Accessory!" Presented by Gay Men's Health Project. Martial Arts Self Defense (Open to all genders). Tucson Muse, 516 N. 5th Ave., Room 101.
- ▼ Saturday, June 28, 6 pm - closing Gay West 7 - Old Tucson Studios. Concert featuring Joan Jett and the Blackhearts, and The Motels with Martha Davis, Drag, Stunts, Dancing.
- ▼ Sunday, June 29, 2-4 pm • Pride Week Community Bowling, Cactus Bowl, 1630 S. Alvernon. \$10 entry fee per person covers shoes, ball and bowling. Organizations and individuals invited to participate. Raffle prizes and prizes for bowlers.



Israeli Gay Film Protested

SAN FRANCISCO, CA - San Francisco's international Lesbian and Gay film festival was interrupted by protesters on Saturday night, June 14, at the screening of an Israeli film depicting a love affair between two members of that country's armed forces, reported the Gay.com/PlanetOut.com network.

As credits rolled at the end of the Castro Theater screening of the film, Yossi & Jagger, several people who identified themselves as members of a group called QUIT!—Queers Undermining Israeli Terrorism—went up onto the stage uninvited to unfurl protest signs.

The following account of the incident was described in an E-mail newsletter from Frameline, the nonprofit that sponsors the festival:

"While protesters held two banners that read '17,000 Palestinian and Lebanese civilians killed by Israeli forces in Lebanon' and 'No animals [were] harmed by the making of this film,' organization representatives handed out fliers pushing their cause. As the house lights came up, Castro house managers asked the banner-holders to leave the stage while people in the theater both booed and cheered (and hurled a few epithets).

"Yossi Amrani, the San Francisco-based Israeli consul general, took the stage and requested those who left upset to return to rejoin the festival program in the spirit of understanding and tolerance. He described the film as 'not about politics,

it is about love,' to which the audience responded with applause. When a protester spoke out and another audience member shouted her down, Amrani asked the audience member to express tolerance of what the protesters have to say.

"Nearly the entire audience of this sold-out film remained for the fascinating and politically charged Q&A session [with the film's producer, Gil Uchovsky, which the protest had delayed]. Finally, Uchovsky took the stage and discussed the film's impact. Astonishingly, when the script was run by the Israeli military for approval, they had no objections to the film's Gay content. Instead, they were more concerned that, in the original script, a commander sleeps with a person of lower rank. So that aspect was changed to appease their needs.

"Outside the theater, QUIT! members handed out fliers questioning Frameline's intent in programming the film, and encouraging festivalgoers to check out two programs that represent views sympathetic to QUIT!'s mission: the Algerian film Path to Love) and Queer Documentary in Wartime: A New View of the Israeli-Palestinian Crisis, a presentation by acclaimed documentarian Ellen Flanders."

The film Yossi & Jagger, which won top honors in an Israeli film awards competition and also at the 2003 TriBeCa Film Festival in New York City, will be released theatrically in the United States by Strand Releasing later this year.

Funding For AIDS Prevention Threatened By Fed Officials

SAN FRANCISCO, CA - An HIV/AIDS prevention program in San Francisco is once again on the defensive because federal health officials are charging that some of its workshops are obscene.

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention told the nonprofit Stop AIDS Project Friday that its federal funding will be cut unless it stops offering classes like its "Great Sex Workshop" as an education program to reduce the spread of HIV. The CDC claims the Project's workshops "encourage or promote sexual activity" in violation of federal guidelines, and describes it as "obscene."

Shana Krochmal, a spokeswoman for Stop AIDS, said all programs are designed with input from local residents and approved by a panel appointed by the health department, which in the past has defended the disputed workshops as necessary for communicating with San Francisco's large and diverse Gay population, reported gfn.com.

"We in San Francisco believe that to reach the men who have sex with men who are at highest risk of HIV transmission, we need to speak the same language they do, and we need to have workshops that draw them in," San Francisco health department director Mitchell Katz said.

Stop AIDS officials said they believe the CDC's latest charge comes in response to political pressure from some congressional Republicans and the Bush administration. In recent months, the CDC's own Web site has removed references to condoms and promoted the White House approved "abstinence only" philosophy.

Objections to the sexually explicit nature of the San Francisco workshops has come from politicians like Rep. Mark E.

Souder (R-Ind.), who, after complaining to the Health and Human Resources Department prompted a national review of all federally funded HIV/AIDS programs, said The San Francisco Chronicle Friday.

Krochmal called the ongoing attention "harassment."

In a separate letter, the CDC asked the San Francisco Department of Public Health to do a better job of monitoring HIV-prevention programs and rejecting ones with titles and descriptions that appear to "directly promote or encourage sexual activity." About one third of the \$1.8-million annual budget for Stop AIDS comes from the federal government.

The director of the San Francisco health department says that if the CDC ends up cutting the program's funds, city dollars would be used to ensure it continues.

Puertas Abiertas Forming

TUCSON - Wingspan, in collaboration with Southern Arizona AIDS Foundation (SAAF), is launching a new social/support group. Puertas Abiertas (Open Doors) has been created as a social/support group for LGBT Latino/as and allies.

The new group, facilitated by some very friendly and caring community members, will meet every other Wednesday at 6 p.m. at SAAF, 1200 E. Ajo, Ste. 109.

Everyone is encouraged to join in as Puertas Abiertas celebrates the kick-off of this exciting and much needed addition to the community with a lively gathering on Wednesday, June 25th, from 6 - 8 p.m. For more information please contact Thomas Paredes at thomas@wingspan.org or (520) 624-1779.

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No sooner does Venus move into Gemini this week than it "squares" wilde, unpredictable Uranus. What this means is that our best laid plans could turn out to be wet dreams after all. Buck up compadres; like everything else, this too shall pass. Don't forget to change the sheets.

ARIES

MARCH 21 - APRIL 20

Rambunctious Gay Rams enjoy a few bolts out of the blue when retro Uranus squares charming Venus. The unfortunate thing is that probably few folks will care to delve into your unknown right now. If you find yourself carrying on a philosophical conversation with imaginary elves, count your blessings. They never seem to kiss and tell. Trolls on the other hand....

TAURUS

APRIL 21 - MAY 21

Generous queer Bulls may enjoy showering their pals with lots and lots of cash, but don't expect any payback when Uranus retrogrades and squares Venus. Money has a way of vanishing now if you are not careful. Wanton wastefulness is not one of your better attributes, cousin; you work far too hard and far too long to toss it away. It's always better to be well endowed, I say.

GEMINI

MAY 22 - JUNE 21

Pink Twins may think that they polish apples better than anyone, but your shine is off during the Uranus / Venus square dance. Try though you may, the upper crust is decidedly unimpressed with your stale schtick. If your first impressions are off the mark with the power brokers, I suggest that you give it a rest until next week. You'll wow the pants off of them then.

CANCER

JUNE 22 - JULY 23

Even perceptive proud Crabs get static on the psychic line when retro Uranus squares Venus. Planning a monumental project should be postponed until next week when the cosmic fog clears. Also, hold your cards close to the vest for the time being. It makes no sense to broadcast your best kept secrets when the crowd is more interested in you-know-who.

LEO

JULY 24 - AUGUST 23

Gay Lions may be faced with a trade off between friends and lovers when volatile Uranus squares flirty Venus. Maybe well intentioned pals sense that you are being bamboozled by a cheap trick. Maybe a hot date takes precedence over the 'gang's weekly chafest. Who knows? If you can't please everybody, I suggest that you at least try to please yourself... several times.

VIRGO

AUGUST 24 - SEPTEMBER 23

Are you planning on attending a major corporate meeting or is your presence required at your partner's second cousin's graduation? Retro Uranus square Venus blurs the line between what is expected of you in your career and your level of participation in one to one relationships. Save any major decisions until next week, queer Virgin; this week you are bound to screw up.

LIBRA

SEPTEMBER 24 - OCTOBER 23

Should you stay home and study or let loose and travel? Who the heck knows when wilde Uranus squares Venus. Rainbow Libras have wanderlust but also have the

moral conscience to realize that there will still be loads of work to be done when they return. It's difficult to think globally when your ass is in the trenches. Haul it home and do the deed, pardner.

SCORPIO

OCTOBER 24 - NOVEMBER 22

You can't boogie at two parties with only one tush. Crazy retro Uranus squares Venus and each delicious opportunity calls out to you like a mesmerizing refrain. But that won't prevent Gay Scorps from wantonly wasting their jolly riches. Choose wisely, cousin; behind door #1 is Fire Island and a bathtub of Kristol. Behind door #2 is Rick Santorum in a peckaboo teddy.

SAGITTARIUS

NOVEMBER 23 - DECEMBER 22

I smell turmoil brewing between partners and family when maniacal Uranus squares compliant Venus. Wise Gay Archers will know when to hold off and do nothing while the warring factions snap at each other. You can referee but it may feel like directing traffic on a freeway. Why stick your tail out when nobody will notice? Your tail is too lovely to squoosh.

CAPRICORN

DECEMBER 23 - JANUARY 20

Pink Caps don't know when to shut up when mouthy retro Uranus squares glib Venus. You have strong opinions but must you say it now? at work? Loose lips scuttle ships, my dear, queer friend. If you don't have anything nice to say, button the lip and quietly mull it over instead. Things are still evolving. Wait until next week when you can blast 'em between the eyes.

AQUARIUS

JANUARY 21 - FEBRUARY 19

Cheap and tawdry fun is more expensive than expected when out-of-control retro Uranus squares pliant Venus. Aqueerians will wince when the bill for those jolly times comes due. But think philosophically, cousin; Do you really want to save all those pennies for a rainy day? Wouldn't you prefer to splash a little around now? Take a skinny dip while the water is warm.

PISCES

FEBRUARY 20 - MARCH 20

How far are you willing to go to please Mom and Dad? Retro Uranus squares hopeful Venus and leads you to believe that you can behave one way around friends and another around relatives. Fact is sweetheart, you shouldn't act at all unless you act up. Why not take a leading role in being your true lavender you around friends, family and, dare I suggest, around everyone.

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**Philadelphia Scouts Council
Backpedals On Pro-Gay Policy**

PHILADELPHIA, PA - Reversing a pro-Gay nondiscrimination policy that was issued last month, Philadelphia's Cradle of Liberty Council of the Boy Scouts of America has declared that anyone who acknowledges being Gay may not participate in the Scouts.

"Applications for leadership and membership do not inquire into sexual orientation," reads a new position statement from the council, the nation's third largest. "However, an individual who declares himself to be a homosexual would not be permitted to join Scouting." The council runs Boy Scout programs in Philadelphia and two suburban counties.

The local council's position statement was attached to a tersely worded memo sent this week to Boy Scout executives across the country. "As a condition of their charter, no local council is permitted to depart from [Boy Scouts of America] membership policies," chief BSA executive Roy L. Williams wrote in the memo. David H. Lipson, chairman of the executive board of the Cradle of Liberty Council, said the council had discussed its nondiscrimination policy with the national council. The local council passed the policy

in part because the United Way of Southeastern Pennsylvania, which funds some Scout programs, does not allow anti Gay discrimination. Lipson said the national council participated in the discussions but would not publicly back the nondiscrimination policy. "We thought we had a deal," Lipson told The Philadelphia Inquirer. "We thought we won this major victory, and we were all happy." Philadelphia Scout officials said that soon after the policy was adopted, the national council threatened to revoke the council's charter and replace its board. "We're taking some major hits for standing up for change," Cradle of Liberty executive William T. Dwyer III said.

Earlier in the week Greg Lattera, 18, an openly Gay scout who had won a top employee award at the Boy Scout camp where he worked, went public with a letter he received from the Philadelphia council rejecting his application to be a Scout leader. The council gave no reason except to say that the group can reject a person when there is concern that he doesn't meet the Scouts' "high standards of membership." Lattera said he will work within the Boy Scout organization to fight the rejection, though he has hired an attorney.

**Rock Band's Transgender
'Joke' Backfires**

LOS ANGELES, CA - The rock band Toto apologized on Saturday, June 14, for a message on its Web site that falsely announced a member's sex reassignment surgery this summer, reported the Gay.com/PlanetOut.com network.

The band's guitarist and founder Steve Lukather said in a June 10 online message that keyboard player and vocalist David Paich would miss the group's summer tour due to the surgery.

"His dreams of becoming who he really is, a woman, need to be realized," Lukather said. "The lie he has been living has been difficult for his family and for us as a band."

Several media outlets reported the announcement before the band admitted that it was not true.

"As most of the fans have realized immediately, the last band statement regarding David Paich's absence of the summer tour was a joke and just partially true," the band's Saturday statement read. "It is correct that David won't be able to do the summer shows, however the band wanted to

bring a lighter and more funny note to this sad news!"

Paich will not tour this summer because a close family member is very ill, according to the band.

"The band apologizes if this joke has offended any one," the statement continued, ending with a quote from Lukather: "One look at Dave and you would see it's an impossible story."

Like other leaders in the Transgender community, Gwen Smith, board member of Gender Education and Advocacy, Inc., was not amused by the band's hoax.

"If anything, the band's attempt at humor is poor," Smith told the Gay.com/PlanetOut.com Network, "and their 'it was just a joke' retraction is worse - not only were they transphobic, but engaged in 'lookism' by declaring that it would be 'impossible' for Paich to be a woman."

Toto emerged on the pop music scene in 1978 with the song, "Hold the Line." The group's hits during the 1980s included "Rosanna" and "Africa."

**Chile Moves
To Embrace Gay Reforms**

SANTIAGO, Chile - Lawmakers in Chile sent a bill to the national Congress on Wednesday, June 11 which proposes granting legal recognition to Gay and Lesbian couples.

The move, which is part of a package of reforms aimed at liberalizing the country's conservative family laws, would allow same-sex couples who have lived together for at least two years to legalize their relationship through a civil contract.

Chile's family laws have changed little over the last 75 years. Divorce is still illegal, and violence against women who have few legal avenues of escape has become something of a national scandal.

Advocates say that the reforms offered to same-sex couples, which grant signatories the right to claim pensions and inheritances, will also help to curb anti-Gay violence. The law stops short of permitting Lesbian and Gay couples the right to adopt children

Reform advocates say there is broad support for the sweeping changes that have been proposed, despite angry calls from the far right that they will do everything in their power to defeat the proposals.

"Our society is not that conservative," reform advocate and bill sponsor deputy Maria Antonieta Saa told reporters. "A small powerful group is holding Chilean society hostage."

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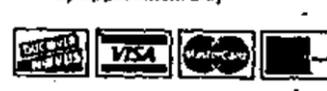
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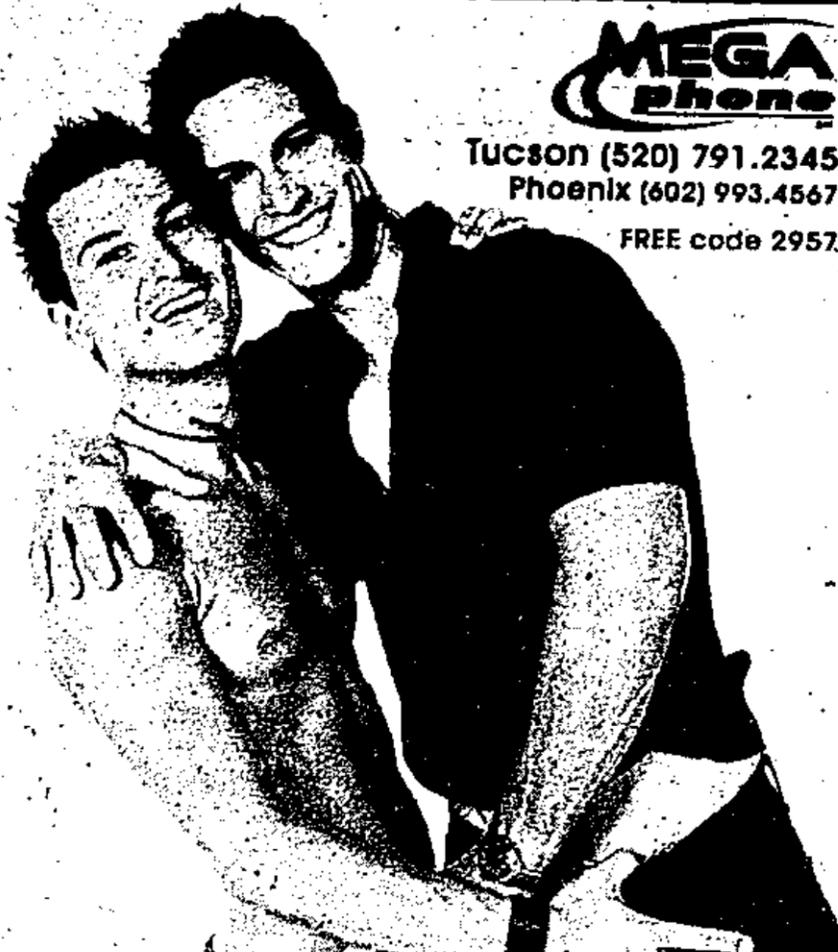
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Carabelo

Dear Carabelo,

Honestly, I think you're unsure of what you want in a partner! It seems that you are trying to project an illusion of what you want into one person and then try your hardest to snag that person, and as soon as they don't live up to the level you think they should, you find or create a reason to dump them. I think your age and experiences with men have left you a little bitter and perhaps a little defensive at the men you are attracted to. There are several things that you can do to help you sort out your problems. But the main idea of them all is to do some soul searching and figure out what

qualities you want in a man and what qualities you can live with in a man.

Dear Dr. X,

I can't stand my friend's new boyfriend. He's a total jerk. I think he treats my friend badly. He doesn't show up when we make plans together. He doesn't call when he says he will. His friends are total druggies. I think he's cheating on my friend also. How do I approach my friend and tell him to end this relationship.

Concerned Friend

Dear Concerned Friend,

To be honest with you, it's none of your business! It's up to your friend to see what's going on and not for you to point out his faults. How would you feel if your friend told you what you want to tell him? As an outside observer, you can see things more clearly on the outside, but you are not there when they are alone. You can voice your concern in a way that is totally non-judgmental. For example, you can say things like, "How do you feel about that?" or "Are you happy with that?" Be careful because once you become the listener or confidant you will be expected to be this all the time. If your friend is really into this guy then you need to be there for him if and when this ends.

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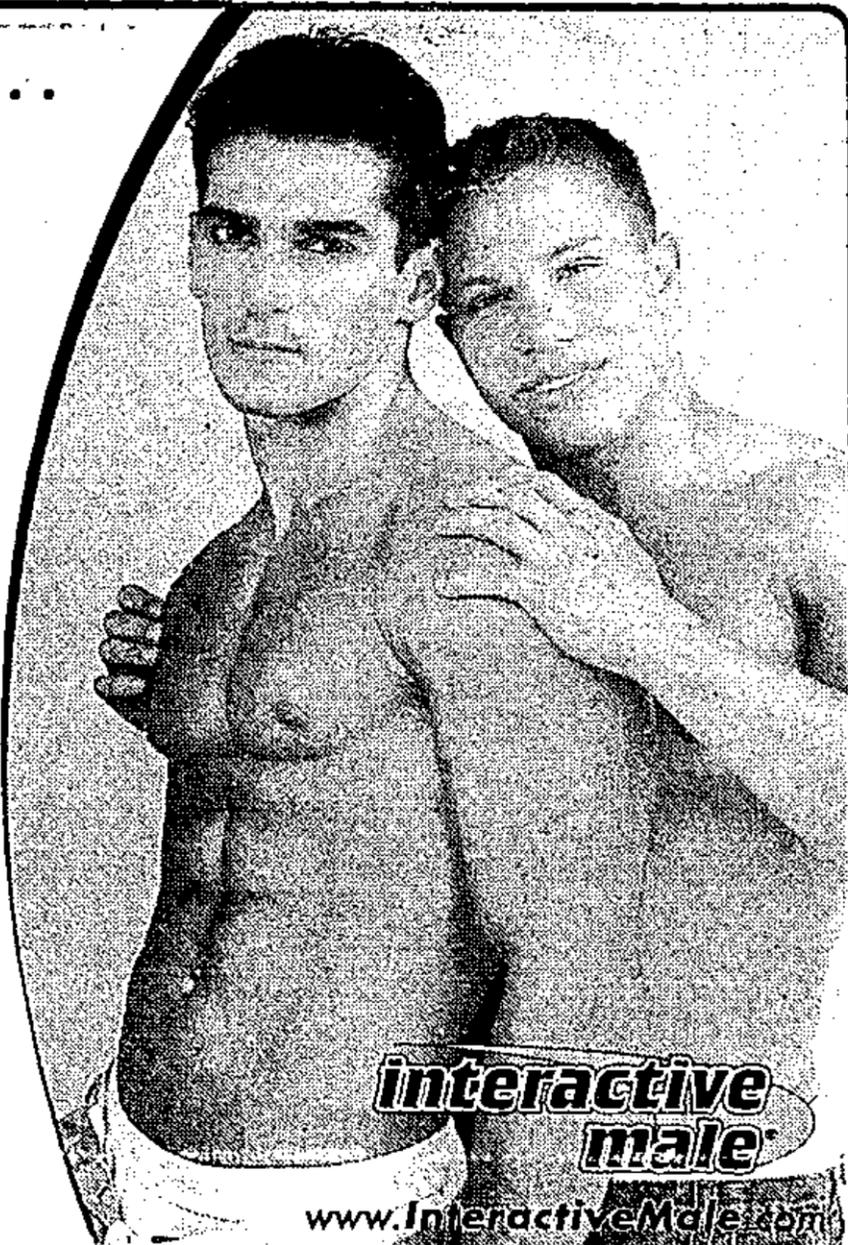
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HIV Traced To Two Monkey Viruses, New Report Says

NEW YORK, NY - European and U.S. researchers report in the June 13 edition of the journal Science that they have traced the origins of HIV to two viruses found in monkeys in Africa that likely leapt from the animals to chimpanzees and finally to humans.

The two viruses, found in the red-capped mangabeys and the greater spot-nosed monkeys in south-central Africa, likely entered the chimp population when chimps ate infected monkey meat and then combined to form the simian immunodeficiency virus. SIV was likely passed to humans on at least three occasions, mostly likely before 1930, through either the slaughter of chimps for meat or the eating of chimp meat, the researchers say. The study confirms other research suggesting that SIV was the root of the human AIDS pandemic, but it is the first to link SIV to other viral strains found in monkeys.

Researcher Frederic Bibollet-Ruche, of the University of Alabama, Birmingham, said three strains of HIV-1 now common in Africa likely were transmitted from chimps to humans decades ago and eventually mutated into the various strains of HIV-1 now infecting humans around the world. A second, less virulent HIV subtype, HIV-2, is believed to have been transmitted from West African sooty mangabeys directly to humans. HIV-2 infection is common only in West Africa, and humans infected with that virus tend to live much longer than those infected with HIV-1.

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NON-BAR CALENDAR
GROUPS / CLUBS / ORGANIZATIONS

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 18

Men's Social Network (open to men of all ages; newcomers welcomed): 7:00 p.m. Join Karol for Canasta. If you don't know how to play, we'll be glad to teach you. For reservations and directions, please call Karol at 744-9017.

Tucson Prime Timers Video Night - 7:00 p.m. Non pornographic movies with Gay themes are shown. Phone: 740-0620

Special talk and book-signing by female-to-male transsexual author Patrick Califia. 6:30 PM, main library downstairs conference room, 101 North Stone.

THURSDAY, JUNE 19-SUNDAY, JUNE 29
PRIDE WEEK IN TUCSON

Check the calendar in this week's issue for the daily events of Pride Week in Tucson. There's a lot of things to see and do and show your pride.....

THURSDAY, JUNE 19

#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 690-9565.

#2. Men's Social Network (open to men of all ages; newcomers welcomed): 7:30 p.m. Jerry & Les show "Red Dirt", a movie about a Southern family with secrets that hold them prisoner. For reservations and directions, please call Jerry or Les at 690-9565.

FRIDAY, JUNE 20

Men's Social Network (open to men of all ages; newcomers welcomed): 7:00 p.m. Join Art & Jeff as they host Pizza Night at their home in Vail. For only \$5, you get pizza, salad, drinks and desserts. For reservations and directions, please call Jeff or Art at 762-9135.

SATURDAY, JUNE 21

#1. Men's Social Network (open to men of all ages; newcomers welcomed): 7:30 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): 5:30 p.m. Jon and Noel host a "Tastefully Simple" gourmet cooking demonstration. You get to try out their products first hand. For more information, please call Noel or Jon at 881-5988.

#3. Men's Social Network (open to men of all ages; newcomers welcomed): 7:00 p.m. Marv will host Pinochle Night. If you don't know how to play, but would like to learn, this is the place. For more information, please call Marv at 745-0304.

Tucson Prime Timers Lunch/Meeting - Noon. Home Town Buffet, 5101 N. Oracle Rd. (N. of River Rd.). 5:00 p.m. Food & Drinks, Woody's, 3710 N. Oracle Rd.

SUNDAY, JUNE 22

Men's Social Network (open to men of all ages; newcomers welcomed): 6:30 p.m. Mitch and Michael invite you to join them in this ancient Chinese game of strategy and fun. For more information, please call Michael or Mitch at 326-3555.

Tantra Workshop 3:00 to 6:00 p.m. A new approach to sex. Discover a safe/better sex approach for fun and relationships. Call Marc 881-4582.

MONDAY, JUNE 23

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

Tucson Prime Timers Lunch --- 12:30 p.m. The Wildcat House, 1800 N. Stone Ave.

TUESDAY, JUNE 24

#1. Men's Social Network (open to men of all ages; newcomers welcomed): 7:00 p.m. Join Chris 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 Chris at 304-5814.

#2. Men's Social Network (open to men of all ages; newcomers welcomed): 7:00 p.m. Join Michael for Bridge Night. If you don't know how to play, the guys are willing to teach you. For directions and reservations, please call Michael at 326-3555.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 25

Men's Social Network (open to men of all ages; newcomers welcomed): 7:00 p.m. Join Marv for Canasta. If you don't know how to play, we'll be glad to teach you. For reservations and directions, please call Marv at 745-0304.

Tucson Prime Timers Breakfast - 9:00 a.m. The Egg Connection, 3114 E. Ft. Lowell Rd. (and Country Club). 7:00 p.m. Video Night - Non pornographic movies with Gay themes are shown. Phone: 740-0620

THURSDAY, JUNE 26

The Men's Relationship Group meets from 7 to 10 p.m. The meeting will include a video on tantra. A great way to meet new men and make friends and have some clean fun. Fee. Call Marc at 881-4582 to reserve a place.

JUNE 26 - JULY 21

"Falseltoland" a musical about life, love, sex (and other unscheduled events) will be performed by the Arizona Onstage Productions at the ZuZu Little Theatre. \$15.00 General Admission. Discounts for students, seniors, groups. Call 270-3332.

Bar Calendar
Of Upcoming Events

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 18

IBTS - 9:00 p.m., The Divalicious Show hosted by Lucinda Holliday and starring Bunny FuFu, Janee Starr, Veronica Halliwell and Heather Boa.

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NOVEMBER BAR & GRILL - Official Pride Day here with Country & Western Dancing beginning at 8:30 p.m. Two steppin' while Pat and Libby spin your favorite country songs. Yee-Haw!

SATURDAY, JUNE 21

NOVEMBER BAR & GRILL - Official Pride Latino Night with Nuestro Orgullo Gay (Dance), and a special show with Galilea. 9:00 p.m.

YARD DOG SALOON - Official Pride Event here! Celebrate your pride Hawaiian-Style with one of Ray's fantastic Luau's. The fun starts at 5:00 p.m.

SUNDAY, JUNE 22

IBTS - It's time for IBT's Rainbow Party. Official Pride Event begins at 4:30 and lasts until closing. The day's activities start with Troy's Recovery Bar from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. \$1.75 Bloody Marys, Screwdrivers or Mimosas (the only Bloodies in town with shrimp!) - Karaoke with Michael D. on the patio from 4:30 to 7:30 p.m. A community appreciation Bar-B-Que 5:30 to 7:30 p.m., a big thank you from IBT's. 8:00 p.m. Sissy Bingo with Ajia Simone and Ajia Simone, then at 9:00 p.m. Rainbow Costume Contests with \$100 prize for first place. (Minimum four contestants). Then the party continues with hot dance music by DJ Wildman and Hot Go Gos!

MONDAY, JUNE 23

AIN'T NOBODY'S BIZ - Official Pride Strip Show here to celebrate the week! The show starts at 9:00 p.m. and it's a benefit for Tucson Pride, Inc. No Cover. \$2.00 Bud and Bud Light Bottles. Shot and drink specials plus give-aways all night long!

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 25

IBTS - 9:00 p.m. The Divalicious Show hosted by Lucinda Holliday and starring Miss Gay Phoenix America Saché, Lady Ashley and Teri Akki.

WOODY'S - Celebrate your pride here with an official Woody's "Beach Party" from 5:00 to 9:30 p.m. Wear your bathing suit! Volleyball, food, contests, prizes, music. Complimentary BBQ 5:30 to 8:30 p.m. 8:30 p.m. Hula Hoop Contest \$25 first place; 7:30 p.m. Hula Contest, \$25 first place; 8:30 p.m. Limbo Contest \$25 First Place; 9:30 p.m. Bathing Suit Contest, \$50 first place. Johnny DJ will be playing the music on the Patio with great Beach music!

THURSDAY, JUNE 26

VENTURE-N - Official Pride Steak cooked on the patio here from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. You can bring your own or buy a steak from the bar. Fixings provided by V-N. The Bud Teams will be here from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. Bud longnecks \$2.25 all day long.

SATURDAY, JUNE 28

GAY WEST! Winds up Tucson's Pride Week. Check out the Tucson Pride's full page ad in this issue for an exciting evening at Old Tucson Studios. Get on out there and enjoy! Pride - Pride - Pride!

FRIDAY, JUNE 27

Men's Social Network (open to men of all ages; newcomers welcomed): 1:00 p.m. Join the guys of MSN for Hearts Night-a fun card game (and we teach if you don't know how to play). For directions and reservations, please call Perry at 321-4387.

SATURDAY, JUNE 28

Gay West VII at Old Tucson Studios. Sponsored by Tucson Pride 6:00 p.m. until midnight. Concert by Joan Jett & The Motels. Also, drag shows, DJ dancing, Country dancing, Food, Soft Drinks, Beer, and Rides. \$25 advance tickets - \$30 at the door..

Men's Social Network (open to men of all ages; newcomers welcomed): 7:00 p.m. Bill will host a special "Queens" Pinochle Night. If you don't know how to play, but would like to learn, this is the place. For more information, please call Bill at 297-3569.

Tucson Prime Timers Food & Drinks - 5:00 p.m. Woody's, 3710 N. Oracle Rd. 6:00 p.m. - 12:00 a.m. Old Tucson Studios, Gay West - 201 S. Kinney Rd.

MONDAY, JUNE 30

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#2. Men's Social Network (open to men of all ages; newcomers welcomed): 7:00 p.m. Join Carl for the Investment Club. For directions and reservations, please call Carl at 331-4238.

Daily Bar Calendar

Sunday
AIN'T NOBODY'S BIZ - Open 2pm. Beer Bust 5-10, \$1.25 pitchers Bud or Bud Light. Latin Music with DJ Hill 8pm to close. Drink & Shot specials all night.
IBT's - 10am-8pm \$1.75 Bloody's, Screws or Mimosas. Sangria Party \$2.50 from 4-1 Benefit B-B-Q and Beer Bust for community organizations 5:30-8pm. Karaoke with Michael D. on the patio 4:30-7:30. 8:30 shows or special events or Hi energy dancing w/DJ T.C. Wildman. 9-close. All drink specials not available during special events.
NOVEMBER BAR & GRILL - Bar opens at noon. 10 oz Miller High Life draft 75¢ all day. From 12-6 Bloody Marys \$1.50 From 8-10 \$1 kamikazes and \$1.50 Jellios & Mimosas.
VENTURE-N - Open 10am. Patio open 3pm. Daily special til 7pm. Patio Beer bust 3-7. Burger Bar-B-Que 5-7. (Donation only).
WOODY'S - Open 11am. \$1.50 Bloody Marys, screwdrivers, Mimosas; Happy Hour 11am-8pm \$2 well or domestic beer. Patio Bar open 5-close. Pick-up Beach Volleyball games 5-7. \$2.50 sirloin burger w/salad 5-9pm. Karaoke with Michael D. 9pm
YARD DOG - Open Sundays 10am - 1am. Bloody Marys or Screwdrivers \$1.75 from 10am - 1pm. 50¢ off any Rum 1pm-7pm. Dinner and live jazz 5-8pm. Kennel open daily at 5pm.

Monday
AIN'T NOBODY'S BIZ - Open 2pm. Happy Hour Two-For-One domestics and well 2-7pm. Free pool 8-10pm. 50¢ cups draft Bud & Bud Light 8pm to close.
IBT's - Open 11am. Happy Hours 11am-8pm. \$2 domestic beer and well. 4-9pm. Undie Monde- Happy Hour prices for those in their undies 9pm-close. Queer As Folk show beginning at 8pm. Hot dancing follows with Johnny DJ. All drink specials not available during special events.
NOVEMBER BAR & GRILL - Open Noon. Happy Hour 4-7pm. \$1.75 Domestic Beer or \$1.50 Bloody Marys. Free Pool 8pm to close. \$1.50 Jellios & Mimosas 6pm to close.
VENTURE-N - Open 10am. Patio 5pm. Daily specials til 7pm. 4-8 \$2.25 Martinis
WOODY'S - Open Noon. \$2 well or domestic beer til 8pm. Karaoke w/Michael D. 9-11
YARD DOG - Open daily 6am. 50¢ off any Scotch until 7pm. Kennel open 5pm.

Tuesday
AIN'T NOBODY'S BIZ - Open 2pm. Happy Hour Two-For-One domestic beer & well 2-7pm. Pool lounge 7:30pm. \$3 entry, bar matches pot. Country music 9pm to close. \$2 bottled Bud products 8 to close.
IBT's - Open 11am. Happy Hours 11am-8pm. \$2 domestic beer and well. 4-9pm. Tee's & Tattoo Nite, wear an IBT's T-shirt or IBT tattoo get happy hour prices 9 to close, or buy an IBT's T-shirt for \$5 and get a complimentary drink. House Hi-Nergy Dance 9pm to close w/DJ-Q
NOVEMBER BAR & GRILL - Bar Opens noon. Happy Hour 4-7pm. \$1.75 domestic beers & \$2 all wells. Ladies Night 9-close \$1 Kamakazi, Jellios. 70s/80s music
VENTURE-N - Open 10am. Patio 5pm. Daily specials til 7pm. Spaghetti Nite 6-8
WOODY'S - Open Noon. \$2 well or domestic til 8pm. Tropical drink specials 8 to close. \$3 zombies, Jungle Juice, Mai Tai's.
YARD DOG - Open daily 6am. 50¢ off any Tequila until 7pm. Kennel open at 5pm.

Wednesday
AIN'T NOBODY'S BIZ - Open 2pm. Happy Hour 2-4-1 domestic beer and well from 2-7pm. 90s retro music 9pm - close. \$1.25 pitchers of Bud/Bud Light or \$3 Tequila shots 8-11.
IBT's - Open 11am. Happy Hours 11am-8pm. \$2 domestic beer and well. 9pm "Diva-Licious" show w/Lucinda Holliday and guests. HINRG Dancing with DJ-Q. All drink specials not available during special events.

NOVEMBER BAR & GRILL - Open noon-1am Happy Hour 4-7pm. plus drink specials. Shrimp Fry Dinner 5-8pm \$5.99. Karaoke 8pm-close.
VENTURE-N - Open 10am. Patio 5pm. Specials til 7pm.
WOODY'S - Open Noon. \$2 well or domestic beer til 8pm. Volleyball games start 7pm. Underwear- fetish- leather nite w/Gary and Chris along with GMHP. \$1 off any drink or bottled beer. (Excludes draft & schnapps) for all in leather or underwear.
YARD DOG - Open daily 6am. 50¢ off any Vodka until 7pm. Kennel open daily at 5pm.

Thursday
AIN'T NOBODY'S BUSINESS - Open 2pm. Happy Hour 2-7pm with 2-4-1 domestic beer and well. Karaoke 9-close. \$2 Kamikazes and \$1 Hot Sex...
IBT's - Open 11am. Happy Hours 11am-8pm. \$2 domestic beer and well. 4-9. Hi NRG video dancing with Johnny DJ 9-11 All drink specials not available during special events.
NOVEMBER BAR & GRILL - Open noon. Grill open noon-8pm. Happy Hour 4-7pm. 10oz Sirloin Steak w/potato & salad 5:30-8pm, \$8.99.
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 8pm. Trivia Thursday 8pm-close plus 50¢ off all Big Ass drinks. Top scores on MTN game wins special prizes. Free Pool 8 to close. 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 BUSINESS - Open 2pm. Happy Hour 2-7pm with 2-4-1 domestic beer and well. Music with DJ Hill 9pm - close. Shot and drink specials all night. No cover.
IBT's - Open 11am. Happy Hours 11am-8pm. \$2 domestic beer and well. Live Jazz on the patio with the Susan 6-9pm. Patio Bar 5-7pm. Dance Party with DJ T.C. Wildman 9 to 1. All drink specials not available during special events.
NOVEMBER BAR & GRILL - Open 10:30am-1am. Happy Hour 4-7pm. Fish or Shrimp Dinner \$5.99 11am-8pm. Country Western Dance with Libby 8pm-close.
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 8pm. Martini Party - Well Martinis \$2.00 all day. Call Martinis \$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 BUSINESS - Open at 2pm. Pool Tournament 6:30pm \$3 entry. Bar matches pot. \$2 pitchers for pool players. DJ Hill 9pm-close. Drink & Shot Specials all night.
IBT's - 10am-5pm \$4 Martinis and Daquiris 10am-8pm \$2 domestic beer and well. Dance Party 9-11 w/DJ-Q. All drink specials not available during special events.
NOVEMBER BAR & GRILL - Open noon-1am. Grill open 1-7pm. Margaritas \$3 6pm-close. Latino Nite. Drag Show 1st/3rd Sat 10:30. Free SAAF HIV testing
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. Til 8pm. Happy Hour 4-9pm. \$1.75 well or domestics. Patio Bar opens 5pm. 5-9pm Filet 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.

NOTICES

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 299-6647.

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 791-7676.

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, 1436 N. Campbell across from University Hospital. For more info. Call Anabeli at 325-0892

SMART (Self Management And Recovery Training) a free non-12-step self-help alternative for people working to overcome addictive and other emotional problems meets in Tucson Monday thru Thursdays at different locations. For more information about SMART, contact Jennifer at 838-3975.

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

OUTLOUD! Tucson's premiere Local Lesbian and Gay Radio Show, broadcast every Sunday from 7-8 pm on 91.3 FM, Community Radio KXCI.

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 15th year! (2nd in Tucson).

SOUTHERN ARIZONA GENDER ALLIANCE (SAGA). Meetings on the 1st Monday, 7pm. Desert Girlz (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 624-1779 for more info. SAGAEmail@aol.com http://members.aol.com/sagae-mail

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.

AA Meeting with HIV/AIDS focus, Wednesdays, 7:30 p.m., Wingspan Annex, 739 N. 4th Ave. All alcoholic welcome.

MEN'S SOCIAL NETWORK: Social organization for men of all ages. Building an extended Gay family in Tucson. Monthly social potluck gatherings the first Saturday of each month and almost weekly social activities. Call Jerry at 590-9585 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 299-6647.

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

ARE YOU GAY OR BISEXUAL AND UNDER 21 YEARS OF AGE? The Gay Young Men's Project is now looking for volunteers for the project. We need people who want to help create a positive social change for young Gay men as well as reduce the risk for HIV infection. For more information please call 628-7223.

THE MEN'S MASSAGE GROUP meets the 3rd Sunday of each month. It is a good way to meet other men of all ages, safely, and with the art of nurturing touch. There is a fee. You must sign up in advance to participate. Call Marc at 881-4582 for more information or sign up.

COMMUNITY BUSINESS ASSOCIATION (CBA). Tucson's Gay and Lesbian business networking group holds regular meetings the third Thursday of every month. Call 615-6436 for more info.

TUCSON PRIDE, INC. (Formerly Tucson Lesbian and Gay Alliance - TLGA) meets on the second Tuesday at 845 S. Craycroft Road at 6pm. Tucson 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 TPI website at www.tucsonpride.com

LEARN TO BE A LISTENING FRIEND Unique Hospital Volunteer Program teaches listening skills to Volunteers who provide a safe/compassionate environment to at-risk patients. Training every 6 weeks. 694-7063.

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

GAY OR BI-SEXUAL MEN in relationships with women. Need friends you can talk to? Weekly support group meets Wednesdays 8:30 - 9:00 pm. Licensed psychologist facilitator. Call 745-6877 in Tucson for more information. Strictly confidential.

WINGSPAN - Tucson's Gay, Lesbian & Bisexual Community Center, 300 E. 6th St. offers support groups / info line / social events / library / meeting space. Volunteer Opportunities. Board meetings every 2nd Thursday (open to all), 6:00 p.m. Information 624-1779.

GUYS BOOK CLUB meets 4th Tuesday of each month at 7pm, Rainbow Planet Coffee House, 608 N. 4th Ave.

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NOTICES

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DESERT DOMINION, whose focus is providing information and education for people interested in the BDSM lifestyle, meets monthly for group discussion and social events. Visit our web site http://www.desertdominion.org or call (520)792-8424

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 Mirza 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)534-6219 (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)745-0775 for current information.

TUCSON GREATER SOFTBALL ASSOCIATION. Interested? Call Kelly Quinn, (520)742-7895 or go to our web site http://www.tgsasoftball.org

LUTHERANS CONCERNED - Tucson chapter for Gay/Lesbian Lutherans meets 3rd Sunday, 6:30 p.m. each month at Santa Cruz Lutheran Church, 6809 S. Cardinal Ave. For information visit www.lctucson.org write: LC, 7014 E. Golf Links Road, PMB 212, Tucson, AZ 85730.

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 (606 North 4th Ave.) as a social outing. For more information call the church at 299-9063 and ask for a contact person.

HIKE & BIKE DYKES. Meets 2nd Monday at 7pm. Call 327-7238 for info.

GREATER PHOENIX GAY & LESBIAN CHAMBER OF COMMERCE (GPGCC) P.O. BOX 2097, Phoenix, AZ 85001-2097. E-mail: webmaster@gpgcc.org or call (602)225-8444.

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

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

ATTENTION ALL NUDISTS - Tucson Tanners is a nudist group open to all - Nude activities scheduled both indoor and outdoors. Not "Gay Only", but Gays are welcome and invited to join. For further information send SASE to: Tucson Tanners, P.O. Box 84-G, Cortaro, AZ 85652.

INNER WISDOM - Try hypnotherapy for pain relief, past life exploration and addiction release. Also available: Spiritual Counseling and Dream Interpretation. 579-9020

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, 3269 N. Mountain. Have any history/experience singing? Join us! Call 817-3100 for more info.

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

"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

SOUTHERN ARIZONA STONEWALL DEMOCRATS meet 3rd Monday of each month 7pm at 4839 E. First Street. Call Jesse 743-4320 or Maurice 323-2293. All LGBT Democrats and supporters welcome. TucsonStonewall@aol.com

NOTICES

HALLELUJAH RECOVERY DRUG & ALCOHOL 12-STEP. Every Thursday 5:30-6:30pm at Cornerstone Fellowship, 2902 N. Geronimo. 622-4626.

SEXUALLY TRANSMITTED DISEASE CLINIC provided daily by the Pima County Health Department. Gay friendly. Confidential. Treatment and Medication too! Any questions? Call 624-8272

SOUTHERN ARIZONA AIDS FOUNDATION (SAAF), 375 S. EUCLID. Office Hours 8am to 5pm, Monday through Friday. Direct services and emotional support for persons with and affected by HIV. Anonymous HIV testing and support groups available. Prevention education programs. 628-SAAF (7223). World wide web: http://www.saaaf.org. VOLUNTEERS WELCOME.

LESBIAN SUPPORT GROUP. Involving discussion, support and activities. Designed to support each other. Meets 1st & 3rd Tuesday of each month from 6:30 to 8pm. Alternate Saturdays the group meets for social activities. For info call Dorian Easty, 882-7723 Facilitator.

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 36264, Tucson, AZ 85740-6264. 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 690-4613, 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.

BEARS OF THE OLD PUEBLO - a social club for bears and bigger, more robust men (and of course, those who prefer their company). For more info, call the Bears Hotline (520)790-5775 or write P.O. Box 43910, Tucson, AZ 85733-3910 or visit our website at www.btop.com All are welcome to our general meetings/potlucks on the 2nd Friday of every month, 7pm at Sentinel Bldg. On the City of Tucson Resource Campus, 310 N. Commerce Park Loop on Bonita St. between St. Marys and Congress.

LAMBDA CAR CLUB, a social organization of Gays and Lesbians who share interest, information and fellowship involving all cars and trucks. New Southern Arizona Region now in Tucson. Call the Hotline at 888-5541

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. Ellie 581-8850 or Ronn 968-2384.

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

CRONIES SOCIAL GROUP. A Social group for Gay men who enjoy the fellowship of their peers. Call Leo at 624-6768.

T-SQUARES Lesbian and Gay square dance club meets every Tuesday from 8:30-9:00 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.

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

COME EXPLORE YOUR SPIRITUALITY! St. Philip's in the Hills Episcopal Church offers a variety of Gay and Lesbian groups and services for the spiritually minded. Come meet the Family! For more information call Debbie 579-9827 or David 323-7943.

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

DESERT VOICES, Tucson's Gay & Lesbian Chorus. Want to join? E-mail: www.desertvoices.org or call 791-9662.

Join the **LESBIAN & GAY PUBLIC AWARENESS PROJECT**. In Tucson Write Awareness Project, 3681 N. Campbell Ave. #355, Tucson, AZ 85719.

GLBT Buddhist meditation group meets Sundays from 9:30 - 11:00 a.m. at the Wingspan annex space, 739 N. 4th Ave. Please be willing to sit for two twenty minute sessions in silence. All are welcome.

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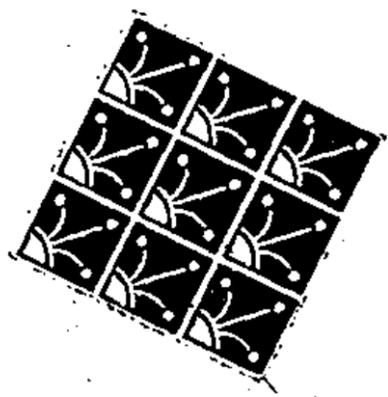
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