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John Rocker In Another Anti-Gay Flap

DALLAS, TX - A new Gay controversy has found Texas Rangers pitcher John Rocker, this time for allegedly calling a Gay couple at a Dallas restaurant "fruitcakes."

Rocker was fined and temporarily suspended from Major League Baseball in 2000 for making disparaging remarks about minorities and Gays in a 1999 interview with Sports Illustrated magazine. Among other observations offered to Sports Illustrated, Rocker said he would never play for a New York team because he didn't want to ride the 7 train to the ballpark "next to some queer with AIDS."

In Sunday's (August 4) incident, Rocker claimed that he was badgered and baited by Gay restaurant patrons.

Rocker said he was eating with his girlfriend at a popular Dallas restaurant, Breadwinner's Cafe and Bakery, when the pitcher says he was subjected to suggestive comments.

He claimed the couple finished their meals quickly and left but a group followed them outside and provoked him with an obscene gesture.

"At that point, I admit I was angry and said some things I probably shouldn't have said," Rocker said in the statement. "But I wanted to make it clear that their attentions were unwelcome."

Waiter Richard Garcia and a manager at the restaurant, who asked not to be identified, on Tuesday, August 6, disputed Rocker's claims, and said he was not provoked.

"He was not harassed by the people sitting next to him," the restaurant manager told Reuters.

Rocker, a left-handed relief pitcher, is on the disabled list with a strained shoulder. He is rumored to go on a rehabilitation assignment to a Rangers minor league team in Tulsa later and could return the Rangers active roster in a week to 10 days, the team said.

Rocker has appeared in relief in 30 games this season and has recorded one save to go along with a record of 2-3 and an earned run average of 6.66.

Rocker issued a written apology Monday, August 5, for the remarks. He said he was with his girlfriend at Breadwinners Cafe & Bakery when some customers began pestering him. "It seemed as if they were trying to bait me with suggestive comments," Rocker wrote in his statement. Rocker said he finished his meal and got up to leave and that the unidentified patrons followed him out of the restaurant, located in a predominantly Gay neighborhood, and made an obscene gesture. "At that point, I admit I was angry and said some things I probably should not have said, but I wanted to make it clear their attentions were unwelcome," he said.

Richard Garcia, who waited on Rocker and his girlfriend, said the ballplayer was not provoked. Garcia said Rocker called a male couple sitting at a nearby table "fruitcakes" as he got up and left. "That's nothing someone should hear from somebody who's supposed to be a role model," Garcia told The Dallas Morning News on Tuesday, August 6. "Just because you're a superstar, that still does not license you to say that."

G/L Chaplains To Serve U.S. Veterans

WASHINGTON, DC - The U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs will soon accept chaplains from the predominantly Gay Metropolitan Community Church (MCC), according to a July 30 MCC press release.

That means MCC ministers will be able to work within the department's thousands of programs. VA programs include health care systems, burial assistance, education and training programs, and employment services. Through these and other programs the VA offers assistance to the nation's 70 million veterans and their family members.

MCC ministers will now be working with the second largest of the executive cabinet level departments in the federal government.

The ministers won't be working directly with members of the armed services, at least not yet. MCC still has an application pending with the federal government to provide their chaplain services to the military.

Rev. Troy Perry, a veteran of the U.S. Army and the founder of MCC, said this recent acceptance of his church by the VA could be a bigger sign of better things to come for the Gay community.

"U.S. programs have long been hostile to GLBT military service members and veterans," Perry said. "So this marks yet another positive step toward full equality for America's Gay and Lesbian citizens."

MCC's influence has grown significantly in a relatively short time for religious denominations. Rev. Perry started the church to serve the spiritual needs of Gay and Lesbian people with just one church in 1968. MCC now has over 50,000 members in 300 congregations in over 20 countries.

Consensus Emerging On Evertz Ouster

NEW YORK, NY - The recent shuffle of AIDS officials in the Bush administration has provoked a wealth of intrigue in the nation's capital and among HIV prevention experts from all over the country.

Though a variety of interpretations have been reached, a consensus has emerged regarding what happened to Scott Evertz, the former director of the White Office of National AIDS Policy.

According to the Gay City News, officials in both the Human Rights Campaign and Gay Men's Health Crisis believe Evertz was ousted by conservatives hostile to his outspoken advocacy for condom use and his criticism of the administration's backing of abstinence-only education efforts.

"That is certainly what I am hearing," said the GMHC's Ronald Johnson. "I imagine there is some truth to that. We were as surprised as anyone at the shuffling of Evertz. Scott had been accessible and we feel as though he was beginning to really hear what the community was saying."

The HRC's Winnie Stachelberg was more blunt. "Scott Evertz was forced out of this job, he was pushed out by pro-abstinence people in the administration. People were unhappy with his continued support for condom use. People did not like that in the administration."

From the beginning, Evertz had been in a nearly impossible position. He was named in April 2001 to lead an office The White House was poised to close down in February -- a position it hastily retreated from after potent public outcry.

Evertz headed the Wisconsin chapter of the Log Cabin Republicans and had close ties to Health and Human Services leader Tommy Thompson. He was one of 12 Gay Republicans candidate George W. Bush met with in Austin, after refusing to meet with the national Log Cabin leaders Rich Tafel and Kevin Ivers.

Stachelberg and Johnson differed, somewhat, on what to expect from Evertz's openly Gay replacement in the White House job, Dr. Joseph O'Neill. Stachelberg expressed guarded optimism about O'Neill, who has more than two decades' experience in treating HIV and who is now a career public health official.

"We hope that the changes signal some recognition that [the Bush White House needs] to address these issues differently," she said. Johnson expressed great concern.

"While I have tremendous respect for O'Neill, he has been supporting a policy direction under Bush that is very troubling," Johnson said. He said he hoped the values displayed in administering $1.9 billion in federal Ryan White CARE Act under President Clinton would be given full policy expression under Bush.

Johnson pointed to a series of "management reviews" being undertaken by the HHS inspector general, Janet Rehnquist, that have targeted explicit sexual content in HIV prevention programs at agencies that receive federal funding.

CDC HIV/AIDS Effort Hindered By GOP Oversight

ATLANTA, GA - Bush administration audits of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention have provoked complaints from center officials who say the requests are hindering the organization's ability to effectively execute HIV prevention programs.

Officials of the Health and Human Services Department's inspector general's office, who are charged with overseeing the Atlanta-based CDC, confirm that all of the CDC's HIV and AIDS-related programs are currently under review.

In addition, HHS officials are also reviewing grants and contracts administered by the CDC, creating enormous administrative demands on CDC staff.

The review follows a critical report last year that objected to the content of some HIV-prevention programs being conducted in San Francisco. Conservatives said sexually explicit programs were being run with CDC funds that ought to be considered inappropriate under government guidelines.

Republican Congressman Dave Weldon, who has advocated abstinence as an appropriate HIV prevention strategy and pushed for the repeal of the District of Columbia's domestic partnership law, said the review was entirely appropriate under the circumstances.

"It seems that the CDC has been influenced by various political agendas instead of a strict political mandate," said Weldon.

CDC advocates say that while a

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UPDATE

Richard Heakin Memorial Fund Update

TUCSON (ON) - Approval for the wording for the text on the Richard Heakin Memorial has been received from Dan Felix, Director of Tucson Parks and Recreation.

A question had arisen over the use of a term in the text, for which the committee met on Saturday, August 3, and voted to make a change to the initial text.

In other news, the Tucson Summer Coyotes, the city's GLBT and straight supportive bowling league has voted to award the charity portion of their prize fund to the Heakin Memorial Fund.

On Wednesday, August 14, the league will present a check to a representative of the Fund, which should be more than a couple of hundred dollars. In addition, the league will also "pass the hate" among bowlers who wish to donate their prize fund allotment ($25 each) to the effort as well. In addition, Tucson's Knight Owls will be presenting their check to the effort shortly. A wrap up of these two presentations will be in The Observer after they occur.

The Richard Heakin Memorial Fund Committee is a loosely based organized group, who had began meeting in May of this year, wants to make sure there is a permanent physical and virtual memorial for Heakin, a young Gay college student brutally murdered outside the Stonewall Tavern, 2921 N. First Avenue, June 6, 1976.

After the installation of the physical memorial, a concrete or marble bench at Sunset Park, north of City Hall, with an engraved marble pedestal in front of the bench, the committee will disband but one or two people will maintain the Web site. She added that the goal of the effort is to raise $5,000 to cover the costs of the pedestal, bench, and Web site set up/maintenance.

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

Contributions can be made out to "Tucson Pride Inc," (the committee's fiscal agent), and must be clearly designated for the "Heakin Memorial." None of the monies raised will be donated to Tucson Pride, Inc. Checks and money orders can be sent to Tucson Pride, Inc., P.O. Box 40301, Tucson, AZ 85717. As of press time, more than $2,200 has been raised in the effort.

GLBT Commission To Look At ECAP Funding Issue

TUCSON (ON) - Two weeks ago, a federal judge ruled Connecticut did not violate the rights of the Boy Scouts of America when it dropped the group from a list of charities that state employees contribute to through a payroll deduction (ECAP) plan. So what does this mean for the City of Tucson and Pima County governments?

Both entities deferred any decision until the outcome of this case was settled. With this decision Ron Bogard, a member of the City of Tucson Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual and Transgender (GLBT) Commission will bring it to the attention of his fellow commission members.

"After we read the decision," Bogard said, "the GLBT Commission Legal Committee will meet and will likely vote to have the full Commission ask the Mayor and Council to vote to remove the Boy Scouts from the list of agencies to which City Employees are able to send money through the City of Tucson's and the County's ECAP program." He added that the Pima County Board of Supervisors may have to take action as well.

"The ECAP charitable contribution program, staffed with tax dollars, should not be collecting City employee's contributions and forwarding them to discriminatory agencies like the Boy Scouts that blatantly violate the City's Human Relations laws," Bogard stated. "City employees who wish to donate to discriminators such as the Boy Scouts can contribute on their own but should not be able to use the taxpayer supported ECAP charitable contribution program."

Tucson 'Gayopoly' Offered By Local MCC

TUCSON (ON) - In addition to dealing with GLBT Tucsonans spiritual needs, Water of Life - MCC will be involved in a new field - venture capitalism, but on the pretend scale with their new fund raiser, Tucson Gayopoly.

According to the Tucson chapter of the MCC church, they are going to debut a new piece of Tucson GLBT history, with Tucson Gayopoly, based on the famous Parker Brothers game, but with a twist - a lifetime opportunity to advertise on a piece of potential history.

Game pieces are priced at $200 each, two corner pieces are available at $300, and the "chance" and "treasure chest" cards are available, or a $100 "Special Contributor" space, which is available, according to the fund raising organizers, who stated that proceeds will go to Water of Life MCC and its services. According to the organizers, all they will need is a logo, an address, and phone number, or a business card if you so choose. The goal for showcasing the new game is October 12, during OUToberFEST.

For more information, call (520) 248-2564 or (520) 409-1112

IN MEMORIAM

GENE VERHAAGEN

Tucson lost a most gracious and compassionate individual, Gene Verhaagen, who passed on due to cancer.

Gene and his life-partner, Don Sullivan would of celebrated their 50th anniversary this October.

Both Gene and Don have been involved with many organizations. They have been long time volunteers at the Tucson AIDS Project, Shanti Foundation and as of late, the Southern Arizona AIDS Foundation. Both have been incredible role-models to GLBT Tucsonans.

Wingspan Seeks Volunteers

TUCSON - Looking for a cool place to spend some of your free time before it gets too hot? Interested in making a difference in your community? Why not volunteer for Wingspan.

Wingspan is seeking volunteers for a variety of areas, including Information & Referral (Front Desk) Services, Youth Programs, Domestic Violence Project, Library, CyberCenter, Administrative Office, I&R Data Entry, Mailings, Facilities Maintenance, Senior Companion Program... and so much more! The next general Volunteer Orientation for all new Wingspan volunteers will be held this Saturday, August 3, from 9:00 to 11:00 a.m. Although an orientation session is required for all volunteers, you can start on-the-job training for many volunteer positions right away!

Volunteer opportunities are open to people of any sexual orientation or gender identity. People of color, bilingual speakers, youth (18-23), seniors, people living with AIDS, people with disabilities, sign language interpreters, and people with computer skills are encouraged to volunteer.

For information and a volunteer application, please contact Mark, Wingspan Volunteer Coordinator, (520) 624-1779 or email: mark@wingspanaz.org.

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Being a Kid Is A Drag - - On Screen

By Steve Stewart

Why would an eight-year-old boy want to wear a dress?

"Scotsmen wear dresses, they're called kilts. King Tut wore a skirt... the Dali Lama wears dresses... great charioteers wore short skirts. The Siamese Emperor wore a robe much like the Kimono ... Muslim men wear dresses. Hungarian cowboys wear dresses. Men in Africa wear dresses. Angels wear dresses. Even the Pope wears a dress..." exclaims eight-year-old Bruno (Alex D. Linz) in "The Dress Code" (2000).

Bruno is explaining to the Mother Superior (Kathy Bates) of his Catholic school why he wants to wear a dress to school. His best friend (Kiami Davael), a tomgirl, prefers to dress as a boy, but no one's that concerned about her.

It's no longer politically correct to make fun of a "sissy" in public. But American audiences are more than willing, eager and encouraged to watch movies that make fun of and laugh at "sissies."

But if you want to make Americans very uncomfortable, and want to bring the full wrath of the gender police upon you, just try to make a serious movie about a "sissy."

Shirley MacLaine learned this lesson the hard way. For her directorial debut, MacLaine chose to bring to the screen the story of a boy who prefers to dress as a girl. She told TV Guide in January 2001, "There was this terrible humiliation of not being able to get a distributor. I went to every studio, and they adored the movie but said, 'We don't know how to market it.'..."

Translation: We don't know how to market it so audiences won't feel threatened and uncomfortable.

Seriously suggesting that it might be okay for a boy or girl to cross gender lines is strictly taboo. In 2002, gender roles in our society are still fiercely enforced.

So why are we now seeing more and more movies depicting boys and girls in drag? Are the traditional gender cops such as parents, the church, the government, the military and peer pressure becoming more tolerant of sexual diversity?

Cindy Martin, the publisher and editor of Transgender Forum (www.tg-forum.com) believes they are.

"The most impressive thing I've seen in the last year has been the adoption of anti-bias laws for Transgenders in cities and counties far outside the elite liberal cities on the coasts," she says.

"As we've become less exotic, parents may now be a little less queasy about seeing kids their own children's ages depicted on screen as less than traditional. They still may not like the idea that their kid is 'different.' But, at least they know that the 'unusual' kid will probably not face the kind of ferocious bias they would have faced a generation ago."

In the past, with a few notable exceptions such as The Member of the Wedding (1953) and West Side Story (1961), drag was primarily used as a sight gag and almost always featured an adult.

Serious dramas about boys and girls who freely choose to dress in "gender-inappropriate" attire and for the most part don't care what anyone else thinks, began about 10 years ago.

When it comes to frankly exploring sexual issues, European cinema is always a decade or so ahead of American film. So it makes sense that Agnes Varda's French drama Jacquot (1991) would be the first film to cross adolescent gender lines. In this bio-pic about filmmaker Jacques Demy, the budding teenage filmmaker enlists the support of all the boys in the neighborhood for his movie. When one of the boys objects to dressing in drag as a girl, another boy gladly takes the role.

A few years later, British director and screenwriter Andrew Birkin's Cement Garden (1993) took it a step further. This story of incest and survival revolves around four siblings who decide to survive on their own (rather than be placed in a foster home) following the deaths of their parents. The youngest boy (Ned Birkin), about 9-years-old, wears a dress through much of the film because he thinks he would rather be a girl.

Canadian writer/director Jeremy Podeswa's The Five Senses (2000) went even further. Brendan Fletcher plays a teen voyeur who likes to spy on Gay men having sex in a park. He also discovers that he likes to dress up in women's sexy lingerie while wearing makeup and a wig.

These three films, however, were merely a tease. Director Alain Berliner's 1998 French drama My Life In Pink (aka Ma Vie En Rose) went all the way.

In a brave and powerful performance, Georges Du Fresne plays a seven-year-old boy who becomes an outcast in his neighborhood, his school and in his own family because he wants to live and dress as a girl. When his family is forced to move to another town, the boy meets a girl who wants to live and dress like a boy. In the end, his family decides to accept him and let him be who he is.

But the cinematic home run was hit in 2000. British director Stephen Daldry's Billy Elliott made this difficult topic palatable to American audiences and even received an Oscar nomination.

Billy Elliott features Jamie Bell in the title role as an 11-year-old boy who prefers learning to dance to learning to box. While Bell pushes the gender envelope, his father and brother are homophobic miners who forcefully push back.

Bell doesn't want to dress in drag, but instead discovers his best friend (Stuart Wells) wearing a dress and makeup. He's accepting of his friend when he comes on to him sexually, but says that just because he likes ballet doesn't mean he's a poof. But it doesn't mean he's not, either. And the film is brave enough to leave the question unanswered.

Even though the British-made Billy Elliott was a critical and financial success, The Dress Code, produced the same year, was still a little too close to home for American studios to embrace.

So what, if anything, do these handful of films have to say about gender in America? Are these films simply a reflection of a

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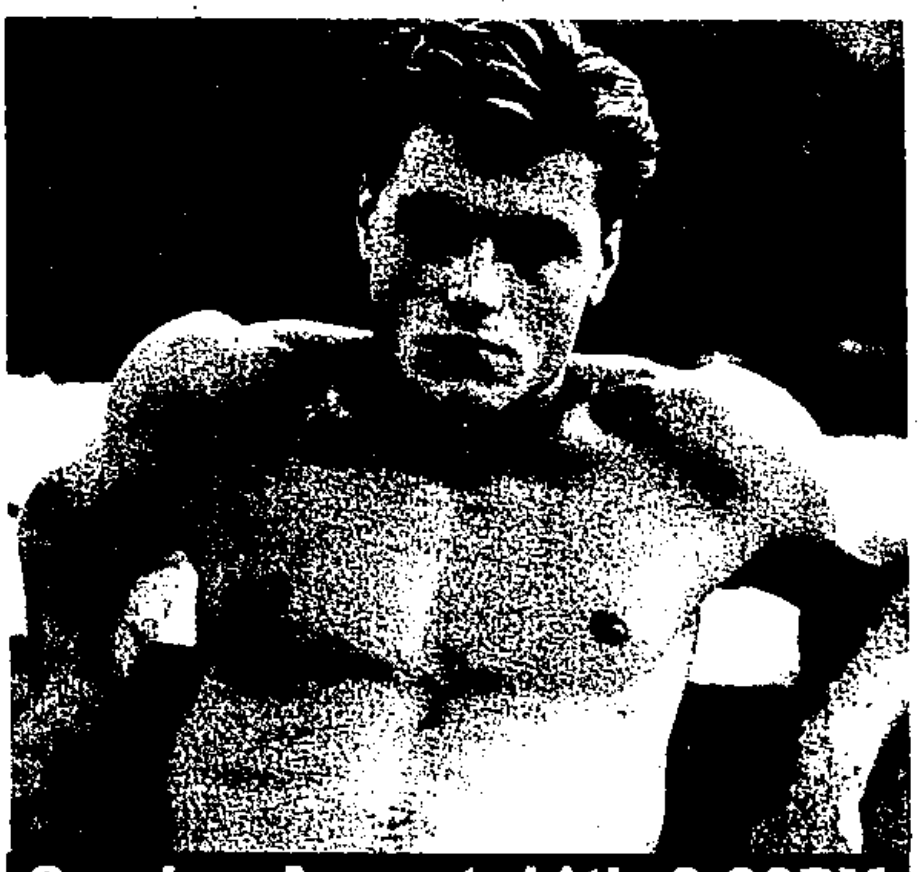

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Gay Men At Greater Suicide Risk

SAN FRANCISCO, CA - Results from a major new study conducted by the University of California San Francisco confirm that Gay and Bisexual men face a higher risk of considering and attempting suicide, and of actually killing themselves.

Reuters reports that while earlier studies have found Gay and Bisexual men and women are at greater suicide risk than their straight peers, the conclusions were often drawn from surveys conducted on small sample populations.

Dr. Jay P. Paul of the University of California in San Francisco sought to remedy earlier deficiencies with a more comprehensive approach. He and his colleagues interviewed nearly 3,000 urban Gay or Bisexual men between 1996 and 1998. Their findings appear in the August issue of the American Journal of Public Health.

Paul and his colleagues found that slightly more than 21 percent of the men they interviewed had previously made a plan to kill themselves, compared to 9 to 15 percent for heterosexual males. A full 12 percent said they had actually attempted suicide, compared to 1.5 percent to 3 percent for their straight peers.

These rates for Gay and Bisexual suicidal thought and action are actually much lower than past research has revealed. Many earlier studies have focused on the prevalence of suicidal ideation faced by Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgendered teens, who are frequently made targets of harassment and abuse in school.

Earlier studies have noted that violence, harassment and loneliness feed thoughts of suicide, which is why LGBT teens are at much higher risk than their heterosexual peers. Paul notes that because his study focuses on men of all ages, the slightly lower numbers may make it a truer representation of lifetime suicide risk.

New G/L Retirement Community Set Up In Palm Springs

PALM SPRINGS, CA - For decades Hollywood celebrities made The Racquet Club of Palms Springs one of the premier desert hideaways. Founded in the early 1930's by movie industry icons Charlie Farrell and Ralph Bellamy, the resort catered to celebrities including Marilyn Monroe and Frank Sinatra. The stars came out to play tennis, relax and wine and dine at the famous Bamboo Lounge.

While it has been many years since The Racquet Club's heyday, the resort's legacy is being rediscovered through a revolutionary new vision. It is being transformed into the first Gay and Lesbian retirement community on the West Coast. Not only has the time come for the rebirth of The Racquet Club, the time has come for a community that will cater to the needs of Gays and Lesbians who want to enjoy their golden years in a warm and accepting environment. With estimates of nearly 500,000 Gays and Lesbians turning 50 every year in the United States there is a great need to provide service to this market.

"We think a variety of retirement housing opportunities should exist for the Gay and Lesbian community, and resort living is one of them," said Mary Thorndall, Executive Director of the Gay and Lesbian Association of Retiring Persons.

The Racquet Club is a unique retirement community, designed to meet the needs of seniors with charm and style. It is located on 11 acres in "uptown Palm Springs" at the base of the beautiful San Jacinto Mountains. The resort-style retirement community has 46 fully furnished units, ranging in price and size -- up to a four-bedroom villa with a private pool. Residents aren't locked into long-term leases; instead they pay on a month-to-month basis. Animal lovers will also be pleased to know The Racquet Club allows small animals.

Rent includes utilities, meals from the Bamboo Lounge menu, local transportation, recreation, laundry and housekeeping services, as well as access to the resort's health club. Those who enjoy an active lifestyle will appreciate the resort's Olympic-sized swimming pool, spa and 10 tennis courts.

The Bamboo Lounge, as well as the resort's health club and conference facilities, will remain open to the public. On-site accommodations can be made for residents' family and friends on an "as available" basis.

"We want residents to feel a part of the greater Palm Springs community," said Mishael Patton, Executive Director of The Racquet Club of Palm Springs Retirement Community. "And, likewise we want Palm Springs to continue to enjoy all that The Racquet Club has to offer."

The Racquet Club is owned and operated by Sign of the Dove Retirement Communities, a company with eight other facilities in Southern California. Management is committed to ensuring its residents receive the best possible service and living environments.

"We have a wealth of knowledge when it comes to retirement communities, and we're looking forward to bringing our experience to this community," said Bernard Rosenson, owner of Sign of the Dove Retirement Communities.

As a grand opening bonus, The Racquet Club will waive its administration fee for the first 10 residents and give them their sixth month rent free.

Sign of the Dove was founded in 1977 with the goal of providing excellence in care for the elderly, in fabulous surroundings, at the most efficient price. At Sign of the Dove our mission is to promote the well being of our residents through a wide range of residential and supportive services. A continuum of care meets physical, mental and social needs while fostering dignity and independence.

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Airport Angst Has Simple Solution

NEW YORK, NY (GFN) - Gay and Lesbian travelers are seven times more likely than the average consumer to take six or more flights in one year and are twice as likely to spend more than $5,000 on one trip, say travel marketing surveys.

The shear number of trips inevitably produces some airline travel glitches, no matter how well-prepared you are. You have your reservation; you have your seat assignment; and you've reconfirmed your flight before leaving for the airport.

In other words, you've done everything you're supposed to, you've spent a lot of hard-earned money, but you still end up with a problem at the airport. Now what?

"Remain calm and become even calmer," says Marty Bosler, out travel coordinator for one of Chicago's largest advertising agencies. "If you really want results, you must do the opposite of what everyone else at the airport is doing with the same problem – which is going ballistic."

In fact, says Bosler, the best thing that can happen to you is to follow an irate customer at the ticket counter.

"Following a screaming, angry customer in the ticket line is the very thing you want; it's an opportunity for you to kill the ticket agent with kindness – and that's when you get results, amazing results."

All seasoned travelers know that airports are hotbeds of anxiety. Tensions run high as anxious passengers wait in endless lines to get tickets, make connections and pass through security flanked by armed military members. Add to this mix an overstuffed piece of luggage straining your back...and you have a Martha Stewart-sized recipe for flaring tempers.

The answer to your airport problems lies solely with the person behind the counter. They have the power, Bosler reminds, and depending on how you approach them, they can make or break your trip.

"I don't suggest that my clients just be nice to the airport personnel. I tell them to look them in the eye and regardless of their sex or age, treat them with all the deference of a date they always wished they had."

Says Bosler, "Look, the staff at the airport is treated worse than servants by most passengers. When travelers feel anxious they usually project, even subtly, a haughty, demanding demeanor. I tell my people that the best way to get what you want is to compliment the airline workers, admire them and yes, if you have to flirt a little, even if it's not someone of the right sexual orientation, do it."

Skeptical, I asked Bosler exactly how this was supposed to work.

"Let's say the people in front of you just missed their connection and they're demanding that the person behind the counter do something. A heated exchange follows - we've all seen this dozens of times. If you encounter this scenario, once they leave the counter, you must follow that up with a compliment to the staffer the moment you step up," Bosler says.

"The first thing I've said under those circumstances, using a calm, quiet tone, is: "You have the patience of a saint – I really admire that. How do you keep so calm with people like that?"

A comment like that, according to Bosler, is the beginning of a brief exchange that will immediately bring the airline worker to a place where they're receptive to helping you.

"One of my best friends at work is a Lesbian and she's a bit older and she told me she refused to cozy up to ticket agents – she said she should be treated with the same respect as anyone else regardless. I told her: fine, you can either get that bulkhead seat you want or you can sit in the back of the plane next to the toilet, your choice, honey.

"I tell my Gay male clients to use compliments, especially when it's a straight female behind the counter. Comment on her fabulous hair or a piece of jewelry, even her nails. Everyone likes to be acknowledged and it's one way to distinguish you from the rest of the shrieking crowd around you."

If, like Bosley's friend, the whole concept of flirting or even offering a compliment is anathema to your ego, the travel maven says to think of it as using what you have and what you see in front of you. If you're older than the counter person, act paternally; if you're much younger than the person behind the counter, treat them as warmly as you would your grandparent.

"Smile and look them directly in the eye when you start speaking. 'Hi, I have a little bit of a problem and I'd be so grateful if you could help me in any way.' If you don't treat them like a dear, dear friend, you're being very foolish."

If you're not getting what you want from the person in front of you, one online resource, Out & About Online, says one of the most effective lines to use is: "I understand it's against your policy, but is there someone I can speak to who might have the authority to approve my request?"

When I offer this salvo to Bosler, he cringes. "You've just told the ticket agent that they're useless and that if you don't get what you want from them, you'll go over their head. Why not just slap them in the face and call them an idiot? This is the worst thing you can say."

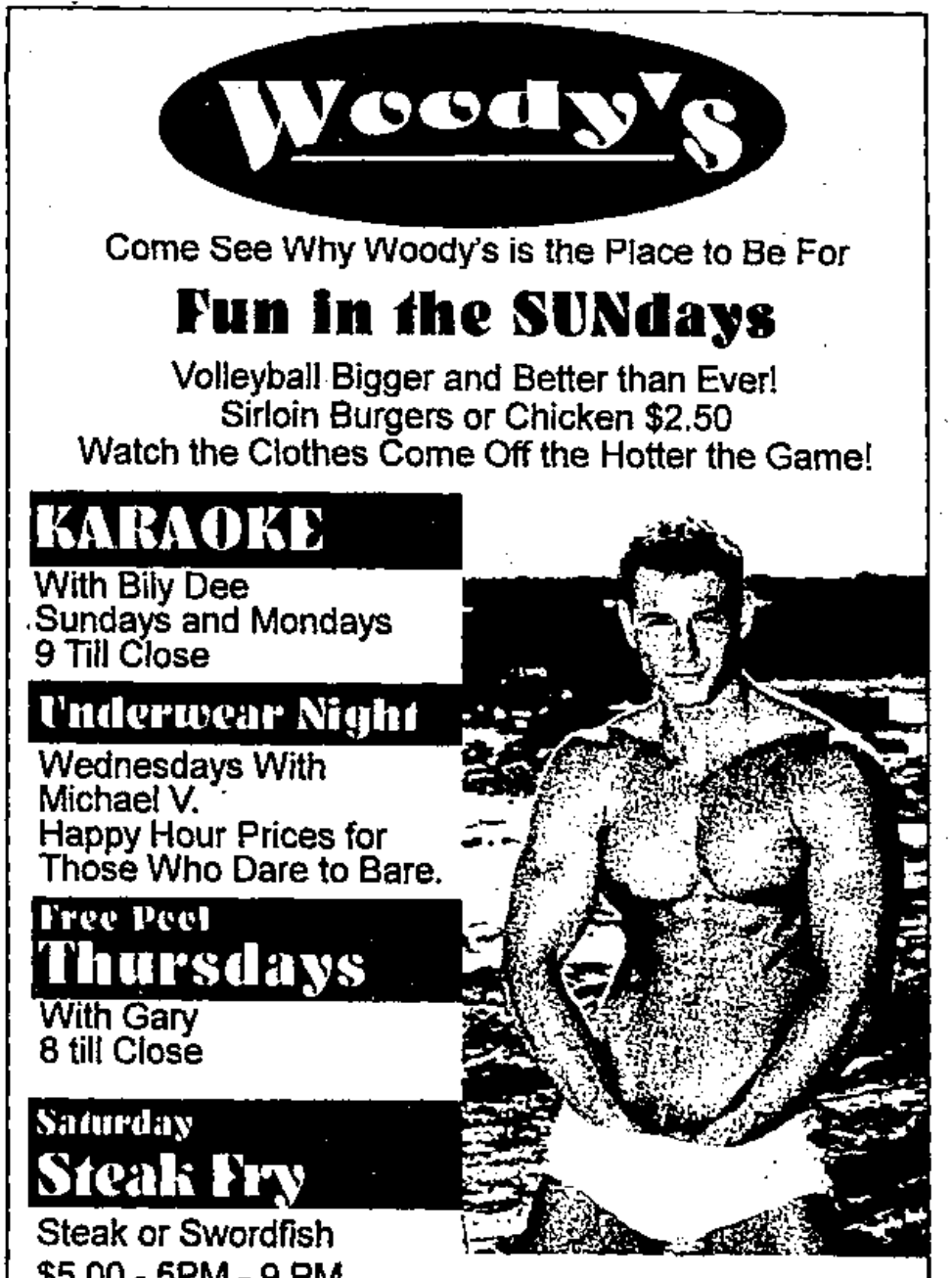
The ticket agent has the ability to do almost anything - within reason - without approval from a higher authority, even if they say otherwise, according to Bosler. Besides, by the time you get to this higher up, you'd probably have missed your flight anyway.

"I'm not saying another person might not treat you better and ultimately get you what you want, sure it's possible. But you've got a living, breathing person right in front of you, so try to make that work, since time is usually of the essence."

Is Bosler's plan really surefire? Where are his statistics proving that killing with kindness is the best route to better traveling?

"If you want a better seat, a better connecting flight, I've seen it work. My clients have even gotten a bump up to first class when a plane was too full, just by being absurdly, but genuinely nice.

"Hey, it may not work all the time, but if it's 50 percent of the time – and I think it's higher – you're ahead of the game."



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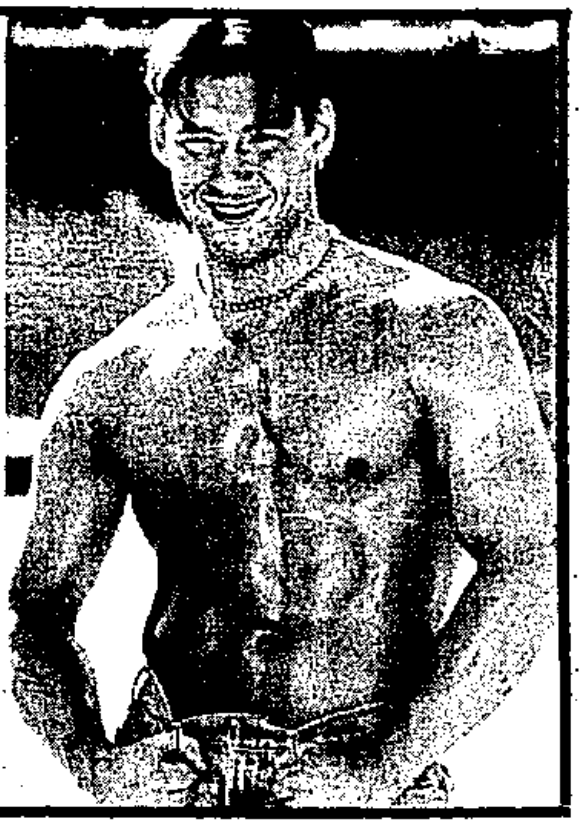

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Laugh It Off

By Frieda Goodholm

Darlings, it should certainly come as no surprise to all of you who know Miss Goodholm so well that looking fresh and beautiful is top on her priority list. Really now, how is one to appropriately host an afternoon tea, visit the infirm, or cast a sultry come-hither glance at a charming gentleman if one has more baggage under the eyes than Aaliyah on a biplane? We thank our lucky stars for cool cucumber slices and Estee Lauder Uncircle, but there is, unfortunately, no substitute for a good night's sleep. But what is a girl to do when she is attacked by insomnia? Let's discuss some possible solutions to this tiresome (tee-hee) problem:

Crossword puzzles: A sedate, calming activity which can even be done in bed. But how am I supposed to know the capital of Nebraska? I try to think of Nebraska as seldom as possible. N-e-b-r-a-s-k-a-c-i-t-y doesn't fit, and I can't think of the name of a Latvian seaport, either.

Watching TV: Now there's an old standby cure to insomnia. I figure I should be dozing before Lucy and Ethel even figure a way out of this predicament. But wait, I had no idea I could get all the benefits of a gym in my very own bellymizer for only $99.95. And you mean I can cook an ENTIRE chicken in only 10 minutes? Painless, effortless hair removal? Where's my Visa card?

"Taking care of oneself": (as the euphemism goes.) Well, that certainly is wonderful, and can also be done in bed with the lights out, even. But now I'm terribly worked up. Let's try a...

Chat room on-line: What do you mean, am I only typing with one hand? These people are all pervert and sickos. What kind of decent, self respecting person would be doing such a thing at 4am, anyway? Well, I'm chating, but that's only because I can't sleep. I certainly don't count as one of them. How about a...

Phone line: Now this is relaxing, especially with all the lights off. Hmm, he has a sexy voice...38, 6'2", 175 pounds. Sure I have a car. Yes, I know where that is, about ten minutes away. But first let me hop in the shower, shave, shampoo, find something alluring yet not too trampy to wear, put on my face because I'm sure I look a fright, put together an overnight bag, grab a nosh....hello? Hello? Ah, screw it.

Well, while I'm trying to figure out someway to make myself sleepy, I'll just pour myself a quick martini and light up a cigarette. I'll leave the vodka out just in case I'm really thirsty while I count sheep. And I suppose while I'm watching I Love Lucy I can start to put a few words on paper for next week's column, just until I start to feel sle.....

Learn anything? I hope so. I've learned that infomercials are NOT our friend.

Best, Frieda Goodholm

I love hearing from y'all at friedagoodholm@hotmail.com

GENDER PRIDE

BY JONI K. MAUSSE

Far from being effeminate, the majority of Gay men seem as masculine as the guy next door (who may be Gay himself). A national movement to celebrate Gay manhood involves the "bears": big, husky, bearded, hairy, macho men who just might not be 100% straight. The Bears of the Old Pueblo, our local chapter, meet for coffee every Wednesday at 7 PM at Rainbow Planet, 606 North Fourth Avenue. Their monthly meeting and potluck is this Friday, the ninth, at 7:30 PM at their lair in the Sentinel Building, 320 N. Commerce Park Loop. All bears and their admirers are invited.

Their web site is http://www.bo-top.com. To show they really mean it about their admirers being welcome, they even give examples: cubs, wolves, and otters. The otters seem almost the reverse of bears: lean, clean-shaven(all over), and maybe a bit shy. And some people still think there are only TWO genders!

I don't yet know about a local association for femmes, but one outspoken member of that gender, Merryl Sloane, will be leading her monthly SexChat at 7 Pm this Friday at Wingspan, 300 E. Sixth Street. Everyone who can afford the $5 admission is welcome. For information write www.GreatSexSecretDesires.com.

Last month the Desert Girlz were honored by a visit from Miss Gay Tucson-America, Janee Staff, recently a finalist for Miss Gay Arizona. This month's Desert (Girlz meeting will be at Wingspan at 7 PM next Monday, the twelfth. Makeup artist Alita Lopez has been invited to demonstrate makeovers. All male-to-female transsexuals, crossdressers, and drag queens are welcome, along with all their (unclassified) admirers.

Last week TGNet Arizona had a successful workshop for local employers on issues related to Transgendered employees. I especially valued the part about restroom usage, an important issue for those of us who are gender-variant. By the way, I personally appreciate the unisex restrooms at establishments like Wingspan, Antigone, the Co-Op, Rainbow Planet, and the Wilmot, Mission, and Columbus branch libraries. All are good places for transpeople to hang out. Would there were many more like that!

I'm still looking for that photographer. Write me at jonikmausse@yahoo.com. See ya, Sweetie!

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NOTES FROM THE FOR-REAL SIDE

by Lee Thorn

'UA's PR'

Remember the last time they wanted to close Davis Monthan Air Base down? Tucson went nuts. And, to paraphrase Honest Abe, it was altogether fitting and proper that we did so.

We threw bake sales and car washes and even congressional delegations at the problem. The local media, as sleepy as they usually are, actually woke up and started hollering. It was enough to startle the horses.

Why all the hullabaloo? Simple: we didn't want to lose the money the base brings to the local economy. Furthermore, we knew damn well that, since we have as many good flying weather days as anybody and since we'd be more than happy to rearrange the whole town to accommodate new runways, if somebody else got our base it would be due to political shenanigans unrelated to the merits of the case.

What happens when a whole town goes nuts in the service of a just cause? In this case it won.

But now, when our own state legislature is trying to bleed the University of Arizona to death with a funding shortfall so drastic that it's causing hundreds of people to lose their jobs, we're all just sitting around in an eerie silence.

We got all bent out of shape at the prospect of losing DM, but the fact is that UA is potentially a far more important financial asset to Tucson.

Both DM and UA are big employers. Both bring outsiders to town who spend money. DM brings mostly underpaid servicemen. UA brings over-indulged, conspicuously consuming party animals.

But the really important thing that UA can do for our economy that DM can't is create new industries. Because UA has a strong Optics Department, Tucson has a small but growing optics industry. Because UA has a strong bio-tech component, Tucson has a small but growing bio-tech industry. If UA developed a strong program in underwater basket weaving, Tucson could probably get an underwater basket weaving industry going.

Our single best hope of ever getting out of the low-wage trough we've been in as a community for the past century lies in building UA into a great university, or at least creating several great departments within it. Pro-university people need to start making this case. Right now they're not.

When you call UA's public relations department and tell them you're a journalist who wants to write about the budget problem, it might take you three calls to get past the machines and reach a human. When you finally reach a human, instead of warmingly welcoming you to the noble cause and filling you with pithy talking points, she might well refer you to a web site! With PR like that a university DESERVES budget cuts.

According to the ARIZONA DAILY STAR's library, that paper has not written a single editorial opposing the massive UA budget cuts. Does it really take a PR genius to see that it's time for President Likins to take a certain editor to lunch?

The TUCSON CITIZEN has written one anti-cut editorial. It appeared on April 15 and made the rather lame point that strangling UA financially will cause good faculty to leave. President Likins had a very wordy guest editorial in the same paper on the same day making the same lame point.

You cannot sell UA by bemoaning the downside of budget cuts. Nobody cares if good faculty members leave. We know this because we've seen it a zillion times before.

You sell the university by pointing out the demonstrable truth that great departments, even if they're part of so-so universities, spin off local industries that pay high wages. You sell the university by getting the local media, such as they are, on your side. In UA's case, this might require firing everyone currently in the PR department.

Tucson has been infamous as a low-wage town for 100 years. We have one and only one chance of ever being anything else. That chance is called the University of Arizona. SELL IT!

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

Being A Kid Is A Drag

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society that now sexualizes children at a much younger age?

Cindy Martin believes that "All media is a reflection of social change. Kids are exposed to a lot of sexual imagery, but are kids really having sex at an earlier age than say 20 or 30 years ago? I don't think they are, other than in the most distressed communities."

Are children more aware of sexuality today and less threatened by diversity than in the past?

"There's no question that in both grade school and high school the 'diversity is good' message is hammered into them. This began with sensitivity about race and ethnicity and has pretty naturally flowed into positive, or at least fair, messages to kids about homosexuality," says Martin.

"American teachers are among the most liberal group of people in the country and there is no question that they've eagerly embraced the diversity message. They're faced with it every day!"

It may still be an uphill battle to honestly depict gender diversity on film, but Martin remains positive. "Even if these films are part of a fad, and I know they are, the very fact that they are produced at all speaks volumes about how far all of us have come on issues involving gender and sex."

[Steve Stewart is the author of OUT ON THE SCREEN: The Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual & Transgender Guidebook to more than 2,000 movies and videos from around the world. For more information about this book, or to receive his FREE monthly "Full-Frontal Newsletter," a guide to nudity in the movies, visit http://www.companionpress.com. OUT ON THE SCREEN is not sold in bookstores and is only available directly from the publisher at http://www.companionpress.com. Write to: PO Box 2575, Laguna Hills, CA 92654.]

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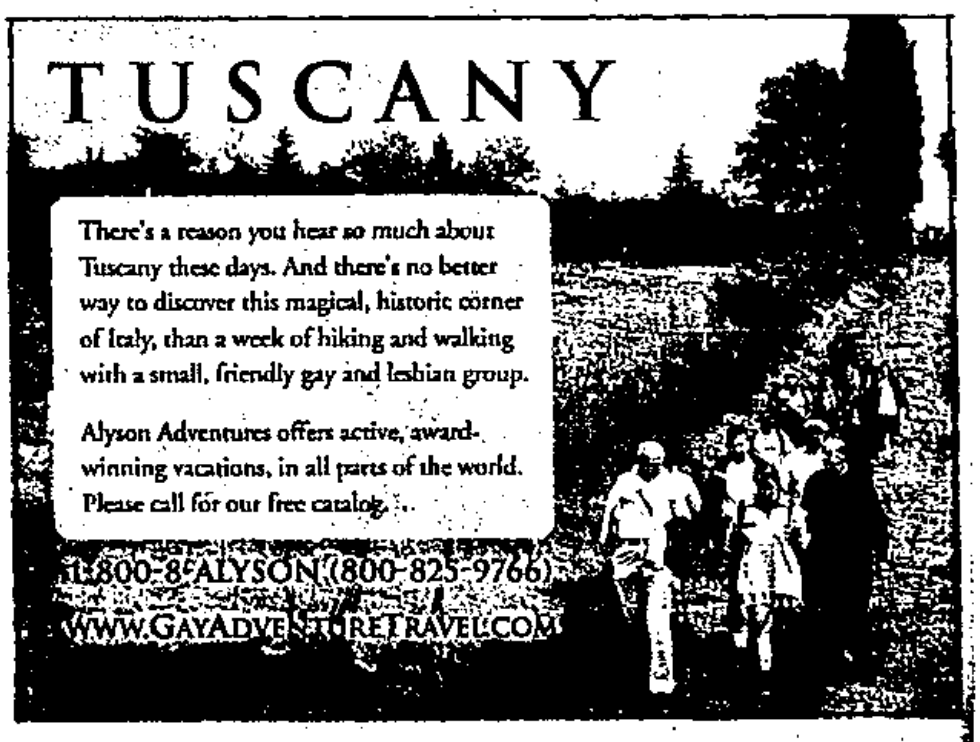

HIGHER GROUND

HOROSCOPES

BY C. UCHTENSTEIN

Begin to celebrate the steamy, sensuous days of August this week by promising to wear as little as possible. Show 'em how beautiful you are inside and Out. Four planets (Sun, Mars, Mercury and Jupiter) spend a good portion of time in proudly confident Leo now. So move plans to the front burner and bring to a boil. How hot do you like it, cousin?

ARIES
MARCH 21 - APRIL 20

School is still a month away, but the planets demand that you follow three "Rs" - romance, relaxation and revelry. (try it with a teacher....) Enjoy yourself gay Ram, but be sure to include your significant other significantly in your roster. Sexy Venus tips into Libra on the 8th and it would be a shame to waste those sultry summer nights with just an iced tea to cool you down.

TAURUS
APRIL 21 - MAY 21

August is an opportune time to explore family issues. Although heart and mind may not be in sync, it's possible to make headway in even the most irksome areas. Compromise is not in the cards, cousin, so don't build bridges if they have a toll... or a troll. Concentrate instead on home entertaining or, even better, home redecorating. Gay Bulls need a castle. Don't settle for a stable.

GEMINI
MAY 22 - JUNE 21

Lucky Jupiter, eloquent Mercury, feisty Mars and optimistic Sun give proud Twins amazing schmooze-ability. You can sugarcoat ultimatums and get what you want and need. (Mercury asks if you know what you want and need.) Choose lovers from among a desirable array after the 8th; charismatic Venus sends you a silver platter full of pink sugar treats. Explore a cavity or two...

CANCER
JUNE 22 - JULY 23

Pink Crabs make a few bucks this month when financial matters are pleasantly highlighted. Do your homework and listen carefully to sound advice so you can sock some extra funds away for a rainy day. Avariciousness alone won't make the grade, however cousin; it is a wise gay Crab who always considers partners as their better half. Venus subtly reminds you after the 8th!

LEO
JULY 24 - AUGUST 23

Gay Lions require very little in the way of self confidence so why fight fate? Strut your stuff this month sweetheart and show the world why you are soooo darn proud. One word of caution; Don't become too overbearing or demanding. You often call 'em as you see 'em, but is the wise Lion who uses Venus' velvety charming persuasion to get the iron point across after the 8th.

VIRGO
AUGUST 24 - SEPTEMBER 23

If an idea pops into your mind from out of nowhere, entertain it. But don't follow it off a cliff because expansive Jupiter presses your luck. Insure the good karma and channel the psychic static by volunteering for a worthy gay cause or by doing good gay deeds, queer Virgo. Community service pays better than cheap and tawdry times this month, sorry to say. But be patient.

LIBRA
SEPTEMBER 24 - OCTOBER 23

Rope a few friends in for a good time and if they need a buck or two, what the hell. Sun, Mercury, Jupiter and Mars conspire to put you in the center of the social set... and that is exactly where you want to be! Gay Libras hog the limelight after the 8th when enticing Venus glides into your own sign and makes you too lovely for words. Spread the limelight around for the best effect.

SCORPIO
OCTOBER 24 - NOVEMBER 22

Politico proud Scorps have their work cut out for them this August as four planet impacts career plans. Thank the Sun, Mars, Jupiter and Mercury for making every bolt from Olympus a personal twist and shout. Venus enters Libra on the 8th and makes you more prescient. How about rubbing a crystal ball or two. See anything worth mentioning yet??

SAGITTARIUS
NOVEMBER 23 - DECEMBER 22

Itchy feet? Traveling gay Archers are tempted to scratch them in faraway locales this August with the Sun, Mars, Jupiter and Mercury. Why fight fate? Plan your itinerary, check it twice and only spend what you can afford. If that means a weekend in Bayonne rather than the beach so be it. Ah, but you'll find a little bit of magic in every squalid corner. No names please!!

CAPRICORN
DECEMBER 23 - JANUARY 20

Feisty proud Goats don't know what hit 'em this August when four planets are ready to heat your stove. Keep in mind that the urge to merge may take precedence over such minor things as your self respect. So if you find yourself baying at the moon and dressed in puce houndstooth polyester, console yourself that as all things, this too shall pass. In the meantime, start cooking.

AQUARIUS
JANUARY 21 - FEBRUARY 19

Humanistic Aqueerians are always ready to embrace a good gay cause. Who could imagine that the next good gay cause would be your personal happiness? Sun, Mars, Jupiter and Mercury are such yentes; trying to match you up with just about everybody! Why fight it? Let the pride parade begin right here! For those lucky souls who are already matched, start a raging fire.

PISCES
FEBRUARY 20 - MARCH 20

Guppies don't feel like taking the summer off when prideful Sun, aggressive Mars, chatty Mercury and lucky Jupiter hover in Leo. Whether you feel it's necessary to put your nose to the grindstone at work or workout like a maniac with some personal trainer, it's up to you. Get this overzealousness out of your system before the 24th. Then become a lazy slob like the rest of us.

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POLITICS 2002

by Mark R. Kerr

'Re-Register To Vote'

With all that has transpired so far during this campaign year: the screw ups over the drawing of the new Congressional and state Legislative District maps, uncertainty over candidacies for elected office, questions about the dates for early voting ballot requests, voter registration and the inevitable campaign financial reports, and the lawsuit regarding the state's public campaign financing program, it couldn't get any worse.

In a federal courtroom in Phoenix on Monday, August 5, it did, when U.S. District Court Judge Raner Collins struck down Arizona's open primary law as unconstitutional, stating in his decision that it violated a political parties' right to free association.

Arizona voters, in the 1998 general election, had approved then Proposition 103, which allowed a voter than was not affiliated with a recognized political party by the state, either Democrat, Republican of Libertarian this year, to participate in their respective primary election.

Libertarian Party Chair Peter Schmerl had sued to stop the law from being implemented, arguing "allowing people who do not belong to one of the parties to vote interferes with the parties' right to choose their leadership because the parties must select their precinct committeemen during the primary," and Collins concurred with that in his written opinion.

In an interview, Schmerl expressed his pleasure with Collins' decision, stating, "We believe it the right of each political party to decide who votes in its primary. It's not right for the state to force us to allow independents to elect our party officers and nominate our candidates. That should be up to us."

Schmerl's statement is interesting since it was the Libertarian Party, who opened up their primary to independents and other registered parties, with their decision by party officials in 1993, opening up the City of Tucson 1995 primary election. Also, need they be reminded of their stance on Proposition 103 during the 1998 election too?

Anyhow, Collins decision has changed that, creating a mess for elections officials, since according to Jessica Funkhouser, State Elections Director, many registered independents and party members not recognized by the state had already requested absentee ballots, with the understanding that they could vote. Funkhouser added that the Secretary of State's office would ask Collins for a stay in his decision.

On Tuesday, August 6, in the same Phoenix federal courtroom, Collins didn't grant the request for a stay by the Secretary of State's legal counsel.

Patti Urias, Communications Director for the Arizona Attorney General's office, said late Tuesday, August 6, the office "filed a notice of appeal" with the U.S. 9th Circuit Court of Appeals in San Francisco, to try to overturn Collins ruling, but it is not known whether the Court of Appeals will even take up the case.

So as of this hour, this moment, registered independents and those with parties not currently recognized by the state, can't participate in the upcoming September 10 primary election, unless they change their voter registration by Monday, August 12, the deadline for this upcoming vote.

For more information about their voter registration, in Pima County, call the County Recorder's office (online at http://www.recorder.co.pima.az.us/regvote.html), (520) 740-4350. Persons can call the Arizona Secretary of State's office, (online at http://www.sosaz.com/election/VoterRegistration.htm), toll free, (877) 843-8683 or call their County Recorder's office to their questions answered:

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Lesbian Health Conference Set

WASHINGTON, DC - A coalition of 60 health groups and social services agencies will meet in September under the auspices of the Mautner Project for the group's national Lesbian health conference.

The National Lesbian Health Conference, meeting September 26-28, "is crucial to the advancement of Lesbian health on all levels," says Kathleen DeBold, Executive Director of the Mautner Project, an education and support group for Lesbians with cancer.

"Unlike the typical healthcare gatherings where doctors meet with doctors, researchers meet with researchers, and patients meet with patients, Healing Works brings together the diverse constituencies who share a common vision of increasing health-related education, services, research, and organizations for Lesbians."

The conference is planned and sponsored by a broad coalition of more than 60 groups and agencies including the Gay and Lesbian Medical Association, National Latino/Latina Gay and Lesbian Organization, or LLEGO, Senior Action in a Gay Environment, or SAGE, National Coalition of LGBT Health Projects, Sexual Minority Youth Coalition, and the Zuna Institute.

The program will offer plenary sessions, workshops and panels by more than 70 presenters, all showcasing the "healing work" being accomplished across the country.

Workshop topics include: "Fighting Tobacco in the LGBT Community", "BASTA! Latina Lesbians community response to domestic violence", "Cancer Prevention and Early Diagnosis for Lesbians and Bisexuals", "Coming Out for Asian & Pacific Islander Lesbians", "Children of Lesbian Mothers: A Research Update", "Gender Identity as an Obstacle to Healthcare", "Senior Lesbian Health Issues", and "Sexual Orientation & Disordered Eating among Adolescents"

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La Importancia De Hacerse A Prueba Del VIH

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Sabemos que hacerse la prueba del VIH no es una decisión fácil, ni que los resultados que esta arroje no tienen importancia. Sin embargo, nadie puede discutir que si una persona ha tenido o tiene conductas de riesgo, hacerse la prueba es una decisión muy sabia y con ello demuestra que hasta cierto punto tiene el control de su salud. Este control de la salud puede que determine el futuro de la persona ya que alguien informado sabrá tomar decisiones apropiadas para controlar un eventual resultado positivo. El tener información de buena fuente también puede ayudar a la persona para que no sea invadida por el pánico a hacerse la prueba o el pánico a saber que es portadora del VIH si es que ese fuera el caso.

Una detección temprana del VIH también aumenta las posibilidades de que el virus no sea un "problema de salud" por un buen tiempo. Con la expresión "problema de salud" digo que la persona no tenga que tomar medicamentos tan temprano ya que la mayoría de éstos traen consigo efectos colaterales que pueden dañar otras partes del cuerpo. Con esta frase, "problema de salud" también digo que una prueba temprana del VIH puede ayudar a la persona a llevar a cabo conductas que pueden prolongar una vida saludable. Entre estas conductas está el hacer ejercicio, no abusar del alcohol u drogas y llevar una dieta balanceada. Finalmente, una detección temprana del VIH le dará tiempo a la persona a asimilar la noticia y tal vez comunicarla a los seres queridos más cercanos ya que las preocupaciones por un resultado positivo podrían ser menos si la persona no tiene síntomas y esta en control de su salud. En este último caso también le da tiempo a la persona para educarse más sobre todo lo relacionado a VIH-SIDA.

Analiza bien las cosas y no seas uno mas que enfermo en un hospital se entera que es portador del VIH. Hay bastantes ventajas en darse cuenta a tiempo que el VIH es parte de uno y que se le puede controlar por un buen tiempo. En Salud es Poder estamos conscientes de todos los miedos, estigmas sociales y barreras culturales que están alrededor del VIH, sin embargo, al final de cuentas tu salud es lo que importa y te invitamos a tomar el control de ella. He hablado mucho de las ventajas de estar enterado de un resultado positivo a tiempo, pero también hay ventajas en saber que no se es portador del VIH ya que esto puede que te ayude a iniciar o reforzar practicas de sexo seguro entre las cuales está el uso correcto de un condón. En Salud es Poder puedes hacerte la prueba anónima o confidencial y para esto solo necesitas llamar a, Ernie, Rafael o José al 628-7223.

Dear Dr. X,

I can't stand my friends 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 or tell him to end this relationship.

Signed 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, but as an outside party 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?" If your friend is really into this guy ...you need to be there for him if and when this ends.

Dear Dr. X,

I think my expectations for men are too high, I seem to only be turned on by pornstars or very masculine looking hunks. I know this can be a problem. Since there are more average looking men the true hunks. Any idea how I can get over this?

Looking for Another 10

Dear Looking,

There is nothing wrong with being attracted to pornstars, in fact that is why they are pornstars. They idealize perfection and total sexual freedom. You are not alone in being attracted to specimens of masculine perfection. However, as you say, the percentage of true hunks is fairly low. Unless you happen to find that perfect man you have been looking for, expect to spend your life alone and lonely.

If you ever want to someday get into a relationship with a "normal" guy, you are going have to start to accept some imperfections and flaws that you will find that everyone has.

[Dr. X needs your questions. Please send all your queries to gmhpoutreach@saaf.org or mail them to SAAF/GMHP, 375 S. Euclid, Tucson, AZ, 85719. You can also check out Dr. X online at www.gmhp.org.]

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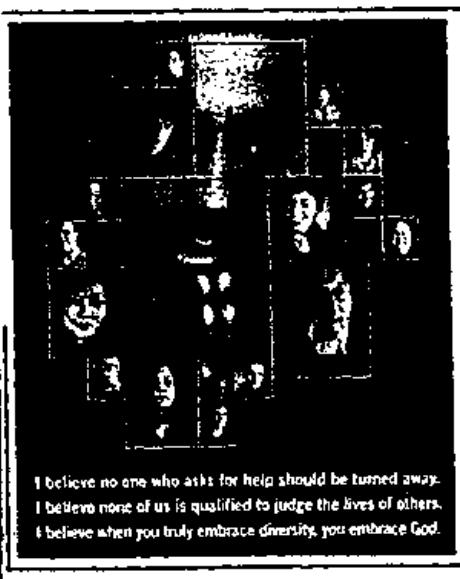

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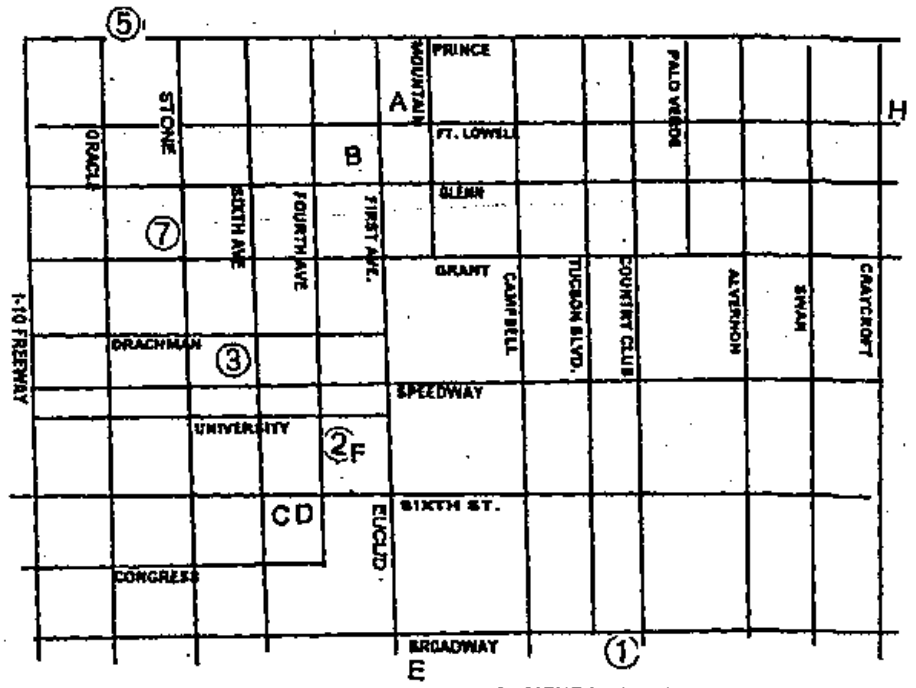

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WHAT MAKES OUR TOWN TICK?

By Jerry D.
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'It's Always A Week To Remember'

Hello fellow readers. It's hard to believe we are in August already. The Old Pueblo resembles the East Coast during this month, so needless to say, my thoughts are of my days in the Baking Apple. This week is one of sad reflection, as I remember 2 different folks that left our plane, both on August 9th.

As those who know me well are aware, I am a music lover first and foremost. I reach a different level of joy whenever I can see a live band play in front of me. There is a certain energy that is evoked when musicians are doing their all to entertain in a live theatre. Thus was the case when I would travel far and wide to see Jerry Garcia and the Grateful Dead. I will never see another concert that I do not compare to Garcia and his troop of merry pranksters. When he passed on seven years ago, I lost a part of me that will never be replaced. I know he is somewhere in total bliss, playing his guitar and smiling, if only because he made so much of us smile while he was here. His most famous line in song is the mantra for the BLGT club that was formed from fans of his music. It is a line from the song "Uncle John's Band" which states "Ain't no time to hate, barely time to wait." It will ring true forever.

The other passing (I don't call them deaths; that would signify an ending) is a lot closer to home. Three years ago I came back to Tucson and wrote an article about the yearly Race For The Cure. This annual event is a 5K run to raise money for the Breast Cancer Research Center here in town. It is a race that is run in many cities in the U.S. and Canada. I took the challenge of writing about the day mostly from my own experience with the disease. My baby sister had tackled breast cancer at the young age of 23. She did what the doctors asked of her and was put through tests and radiation - the likes I have never known. At the time of my story (it was featured in a February issue of the Observer), my sister had tackled the cancer and was given a much sweeter challenge... that of being a mother.

She had gotten pregnant just before her last chemotherapy session. Against the wishes of many, both medical and family, she decided to have the child. I could not wish the fear I know she faced internally on my worst enemy. She knew that she had to have this child, and somehow I think she knew the cost was going to be great. The child was carried to term and just two months my story ran, her daughter was born, healthy and well. Unfortunately, the toll was worse on my sister; but no one was aware of that until she became ill.

It almost seemed normal to hear of her going in the hospital on a regular basis. We kept getting news from the medical team. Sometimes it was good, and sometimes it was the scariest information anyone could receive over the phone. On August 9, 1999, though, the call came that my darkest imagination could not ever have imagined. On that day I was already wearing a black arm band in memory of Jerry Garcia, but now I had another name to add to it. My baby sister passed on after a fight that would make any one of us give up a lot sooner. Deep in my heart, I know that child was my sister's focus point for living and going on as long as she did.

At the end of my story on the Race For the Cure, I gave a thank you to my sister for being so strong and beating this horrible disease that kills so many even now. I urged for testing to our readers, both male and female, and offered a prayer to those already inflicted. I was able to write that story thanks to her strength, just as I am doing in this article. Those of you who will see me out and about on Friday will see my black arm band with the two names, both of whom I had to say goodbye to on August 9th. My sister's name is Nancy, and - in my eyes - is a goddess. I know that because when I look in the eyes of her gift to us before she went on, I can see the spirit that made that beautiful child. I hope that one day I can know what my purpose in this life is before its too late, just like Nancy knew. It's what we take from those who have gone on that will make us better in the end. Have a good week.

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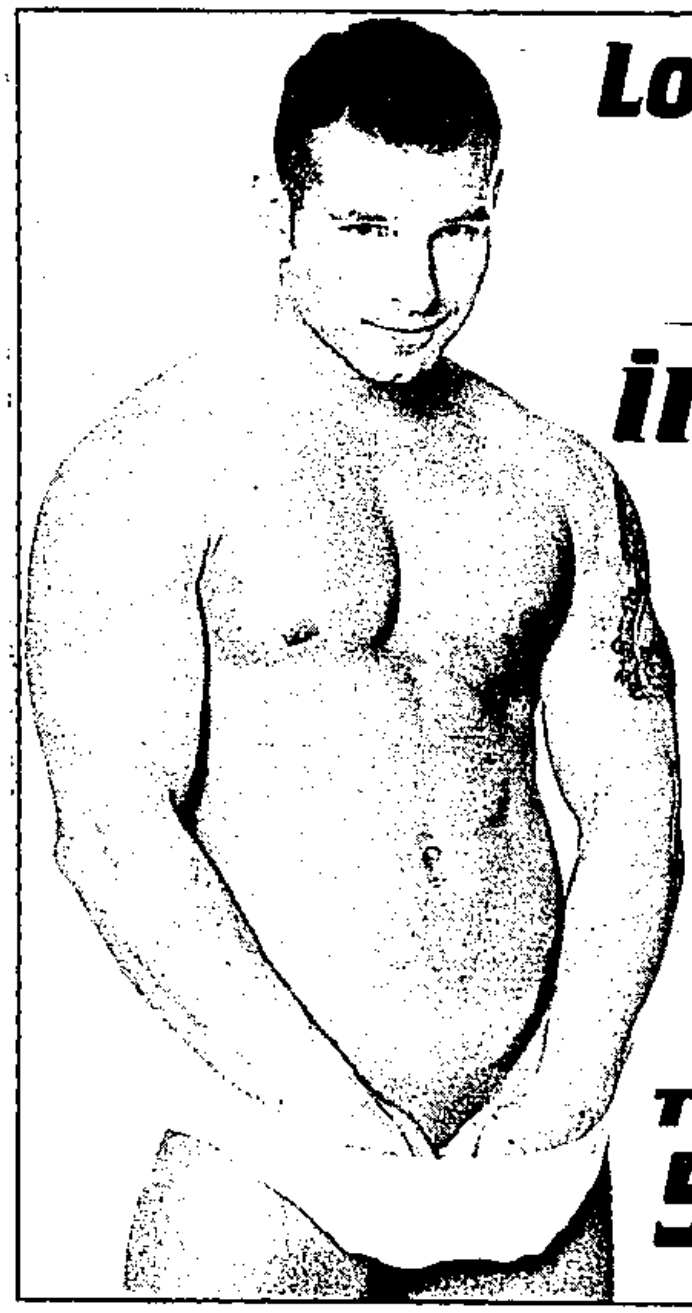
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THURSDAY, AUGUST 8

A Men's Fellowship Group starts at 7:00 p.m. at the Water of Life MCC. All men are invited to come and expand your relationship with God. You need not be a church member to participate. For more information call (520)292-9151.

FRIDAY, AUGUST 9

Men's Social Network (open to men of all ages; newcomers welcomed): 7:00 p.m. Karol hosts a Game Night. You're invited to bring a favorite game to teach to others, or play with one of the many available card or board games. For reservations and directions, please call Karol at 744-9017.

The August Footloose Friday Dance will be held at the Water of Life MCC. Lessons begin at 6:00 p.. The dance gets started at 8:30 p.m. Bring our dancing shoes and join in this alcohol-free, chemical-free atmosphere. You need not be a church member to participate. For directions and further information call (520)292-9151.

SATURDAY, AUGUST 10

#1. Men's Social Network (open to men of all ages; newcomers welcomed): 8:30 a.m. A Birding Expedition to Miller Canyon for a closer look at the hummingbirds of the area. For meeting time and place, please call Jack at 731-6230.

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

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

#4. Men's Social Network (open to men of all ages; newcomers welcomed): 7:00 p.m. Bill hosts the continuing saga of the Fisher family in "Six Feet Under". For reservations and directions, please call Bill at 546-7539.

SUNDAY, AUGUST 11

#1. Men's Social Network (open to men of all ages; newcomers welcomed): 9:00 a.m. Join Arlan for a leisurely morning of bagels and cream cheese (or lox, if you're so inclined). For reservations and directions, please call Arlan at 323-7414.

#2. Men's Social Network (open to men of all ages; newcomers welcomed): 1:00 p.m. Maurice hosts a trip to the Tucson Museum of Art for a look at their Super Realism Exhibit. For more info, please call Maurice at 323-2239.

MONDAY, AUGUST 12

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

TUESDAY, AUGUST 13

#1. Men's Social Network (open to men of all ages; newcomers welcomed): 7:00 p.m. Join Joe for an evening out at Rainbow Planet. This is a chance to have a cup of coffee and chat with the men of MSN. For directions or more info, please call Joe at 733-9494.

#2. Men's Social Network (open to men of all ages; newcomers welcomed): 7:00 p.m. Bridge Night will meet at Terry's house this month. If you're a beginner or an old pro, this is the place to meet for an evening of bridge for fun. For reservations and directions, please call Terry at 577-3545.

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 14

Men's Social Network (open to men of all ages; newcomers welcomed): 1:00 p.m. Join T. Jay for a great Lunch Out at Cody's Beef 'n' Beans. For reservations and directions, please call T. Jay at 881-7919.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 15

A Men's Fellowship Group starts at 7:00 p.m. at the Water of Life MCC. All men are invited to come and expand your relationship with God. You need not be a church member to participate. For more information call (520)292-9151.

FRIDAY, AUGUST 16

Men's Social Network (open to men of all ages; newcomers welcomed): 7:00 p.m. Join Carlos as he hosts Pizza Night. For only $5, you get pizza, salad, drinks and desserts. For reservations and directions, please call Carlos at 887-1188.

SATURDAY, AUGUST 17

#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): 7:00 p.m. Bill 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 Bill at 297-3569.

SUNDAY, AUGUST 18

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

#2. Men's Social Network (open to men of all ages; newcomers welcomed): 6:30 p.m. Perry hosts a night devoted to Mah Jong. Join the experienced players, or learn how to play for the first time. For reservations and directions, please call Perry or Stephen at 321-4387.

BAR CALENDAR

OF UPCOMING EVENTS

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 7

IBT'S - 9:00p.m. It's the 'DivaLicious' Show hosted by Lucinda Holliday and starring Stella Virgin, Adrienne Alexander and Samantha White.

FRIDAY, AUGUST 9

AIN'T NOBODY'S BIZ - Hip Hop Friday with DJ Hill spinning state hottest Hip Hop. $1 Hot Sex Shots and $2.50 Bicardi Silver from 8:00 p.m. to closing. Music starts at 9:00 p.m.. No Cover.

VENTURE-N - It's Beer Nite at the V-N with a live DJ too!!!

SATURDAY, AUGUST 10

IBT'S - The 6th annual 'Grey Eagle Arm Wrestling Benefit' for TIHAN. The fun begins at 4:00 p.m.

SUNDAY, AUGUST 11

IBT'S - Party line-up includes Dennis and Sean's Recovery Bar from 10.00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. $1.75 Bloody Marys, Screwdrivers or Mimosas. Karaoke with Billy Dee on the patio from 4:30 to 7:30 p.m., Benefit Bar-B-Que / Beer Bust from 5:30 to 8:00 p.m. This weeks proceeds go to PFLAG. Then at 9:00 p.m., a special benefit show for The Arizona Angels Softball Team. Show stars Janee Starr, Stella Virgin, Foxxy and special guests.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 15

VENTURE-N - Underwear Party here. Be here or be square!

FRIDAY, AUGUST 16

AIN'T NOBODY'S BIZ - Latin Night and Sauza Hornitos promo. Latin music with DJ Hill from 9:00 p.m. to close. $1.50 Tequila shots, $2.50 Tequila Sunrise from 8:00 p.m. to close. Sauza Promo 10-11 p.m. with $2.00 Sauza shots. Lots of give-aways. No Cover.

SATURDAY, AUGUST 31

VENTURE-N - Their big Jungle Party is scheduled so get your costumes and whatever together and get ready to Party!

MONDAY, AUGUST 19

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THURSDAY, AUGUST 22

Men's Social Network (open to men of all ages; newcomers welcomed): 1:00 p.m. Join Doug for a great Lunch Out at the Cafe Poca Cosa. For reservations and directions, please call Doug at 520-803-0715.

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Sunday

AIN'T NOBODY'S BIZ - Open 2pm. Beer Bust 5-10, $1.25 pitchers Bud or Bud Light. Latin Music with DJ Hill 9pm to close. Drink & Shot specials all night.

IBT's - 10am-6pm $1.75 Bloodys, Screws or Mimosas.. Benefit B-B-Q and Beer Bust for community organizations 5:30-6pm. Karaoke with Billy Dee on the patio 4:30-7:30. 8:30 shows or special events or Hi energy dancing. (Call for details). All drink specials not available during special events.

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

WOODY'S - Open 11am. $1.50 Bloody Marys, screwdrivers, Mimosas; Happy Hour 11am-6pm $2 well or domestic beer Patio Bar open 5-close. Pick-up Volleyball games 5-7. $2.50 sirloin burger or chicken 5-9pm. Karaoke with Billy Dee 9pm

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

Monday

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. Hot dance with DJ Raynman Undie Monday with Jay. Happy Hour prices for those in their undies 9pm-close. Queer As Folk shown beginning at 8pm. All drink specials not available during special events.

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

WOODY'S - Open Noon. $2 well or domestic beer til 6pm. Karaoke w/Billy Dee 9pm to close.

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

Tuesday

AIN'T NOBODY'S BIZ - Open 2pm. Happy Hour Two-For-One domestic beer & well 2-7pm. Pool tourney 7:30pm. $3 entry, bar matches pot. Country music 9pm to close. $2 bottled Bud products 8pm 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

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

WOODY'S - Open Noon. $2 well or domestic til 6pm. 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 daily 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 8pm - close. $1.25 pitchers of Bud/Bud Light or $1 Tequila shots 8pm to close.

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.

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

WOODY'S - Open Noon. $2 well or domestic beer til 6pm. Volleyball games start 7pm. Underwear- fetish- leather nite with Michael. $1 off your favorite drink. Chili dogs or bowls $1.

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

Thursday

AIN'T NOBODY'S BIZNESS -Open 2pm. Happy Hour 2-7pm with 2-4-1 domestic beer and well. Karaoke 9-close, with $2 Kamikazees and $1 Hot Sex.

IBT's - Open 11am. Happy Hours 11am-8pm, $2 domestic beer and well. 4-9. Retro 80s Dance w/Jonathan Hi NRG dancing 9-1 All drink specials not available during special events.

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

WOODY'S - Open Noon. $2 well or domestic beer til 6pm. Trivia Thursday 6pm-close plus 50¢ off all Big Ass drinks. Top scores on NTN game wins special prizes. Free Pool 6 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 BIZNESS - 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 5-9pm. Patio Bar 5-1pm. Dance Party with DJ Raynman 9 to 1. All drink specials not available during special events.

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

WOODY'S - Open Noon. $2 well or domestic beer til 8pm. Martini Party - Well Martini's $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 BIZNESS - 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-6pm $2 domestic beer and well. Dance Party 9-1 w/DJ-Q. All drink specials not available during special events.

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

WOODY'S - Open 11am $2 well or domestic beer. 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

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NOTICES

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.saaf.org. VOLUNTEERS WELCOME.

LESBIAN SUPPORT GROUP. Involving discussion, support and activities. Designed to support each other. Meets 1st & 3rd Saturday of each month from 9:30 to 11am. Alternate Saturdays the group meets for social activities. For info call Dorian Easty, facilitator. 882-7723

P.F.L.A.G. - Parents and Friends of Lesbians and Gays - is a support group available to anyone who has a son, daughter or friend who is Gay. Call 575-8660 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 529-9344, leave name and phone number.

TUCSON GAY INFORMATION AND REFERRAL
For information on human service organizations, health and mental health services, financial and government assistance, emergency services such as food and shelter, education, etc. Call Information and Referral 881-1794 - 8 am - 5 pm Mon. - Fri.

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

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

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

RAINBOW SUPPORT GROUP: LGBT and supportive friends meet for open discussions in a loving, supportive atmosphere. Support meetings are the 2nd and 4th Thursdays from 7:30 to 9:00 pm at St. Francis in the Foothills Church, Swan and River Road, Room 42. The 3rd Thursdays of the month, the group will meet at 7:30pm 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 327-7239 for info.

GREATER PHOENIX GAY & LESBIAN CHAMBER OF COMMERCE (GPGLCC) P.O. BOX 2097, Phoenix, AZ 85001-2097. E-mail: webmaster@gpglcc.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. 322-5855. 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

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)760-5775 or write P.O. Box 43910, Tucson, AZ 85733-3910 of visit our website at www.botop.com All are welcome to our general meetings/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.

GUYS BOOK CLUB meets 4th Tuesday of each month at 7pm, Rainbow Plane Coffee House, 606 N. 4th Ave.

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T-SQUARES Lesbian and Gay square dance club meets every Tuesday from 6:30-9:00 p.m. at Cornerstone Fellowship Social Hall, 2902 N. Geronimo (near 1st Ave. and Laguna). Open to All. Call Liz at 325-9466 or Ray at 749-5247.

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 Phamily! For more information call Debbie 578-9827 or David 323-7943.

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

DESERT VOICES, Tucson's Gay & Lesbian Chorus rehearses Monday evenings from 6:30 to 9:30pm at Armory Park Senior Center, 220 S. 6th Ave. Call 791-9662.

Join the LESBIAN & GAY PUBLIC AWARENESS PROJECT. In Tucson write Awareness Project, 3661 N. Campbell Ave. #365, Tucson, AZ 85719.

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

MEN'S SOCIAL NETWORK: Social organization for men of all ages. Building an extended Gay family in Tucson. Monthly social potluck gatherings the first Saturday of each month and almost weekly social activities. Call Jerry at 690-9565 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, contract TEAM ARIZONA at their website: teamarizona.org

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

THE MEN'S MASSAGE GROUP meets the 3rd Sunday of each month. It is a good way to meet other men of all ages, safely, and with the art of nurturing touch. There is a fee. You must sign up in advance to participate. Call Marc at 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. meets on the second Tuesday in the Sentinel Building, City of Tucson Community Resource Campus, 320 N. Commerce Park Loop (on Bonita St. between Congress and St. Marys Road) at 7 pm. Tucson Pride produces Pride events: Pride Week, Gay West and OUTaberFest. Inquiries about support groups and individual needs should be directed to Wingspan and other local agencies listed here. For more information call 632-3200 or visit the website 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.

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

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 CareTeams to support HIV+ persons, a referral network of HIV-sensitive clergy, and interfaith services of healing and hope. For more information call 299-6647.

LESBIAN/GAY/BI-SEXUAL OVEREATERS ANONYMOUS. Saturdays 1 to 2pm new location Wingspan, 300 E. 6th St. Contacts 325-6678 or 327-4293.

ANONYMOUS HIV COUNSELING AND TESTING is available through the Pima County Health Department at sites throughout Tucson, Very Gay Friendly. For more information or to make an appointment call 791-7676.

GRACE GROUP - CATHOLIC GAY/LESBIAN SUPPORT GROUP meets every 2nd and 4th Monday at 7:30 p.m. in the Madonna Hall at Saints Peter and Paul Catholic Church, 1436 N. Campbell across from University Hospital. For more info. Call Anabell 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 792-4607, Ext.398

SENIOR RAP, a discussion group for older LGBTs, meets from 3 to 5pm on the last Sunday of every month at Wingspan, 300 E. 6th St. For more info call 640-0820

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

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

OUTLOUD! Tucson's premiere Local Lesbian and Gay Radio Show, broadcast every Wednesday at 6:00 pm on 91.3 FM, Community Radio XXCI. The show "This Way Out", a nationally syndicated Lesbian and Gay radio show is aired at 5:30 pm every Wednesday.

THEATER / DINNER / ETC! Non-Smoking Lesbian Network meets every 3rd Saturday night of each month. If you'd like to meet women 35+ (flexible) and socialize in a smoke-free environment 888-5010 before 10:00 p.m. The group dines out and attends shows or movies. Now in their 16th year! (2nd in Tucson).

SOUTHERN ARIZONA GENDER ALLIANCE (SAGA). Meetings on the 1st Monday, 7pm. Dezert Girlz (MTF) Meets 2nd Monday at 7pm. Dezert 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/sagaemail

EDUCATIONAL SUPPORT GROUP FOR ALTERNATIVE LIFESTYLES. Not a dating club. Discreet. Meetings every Monday evening. Call for more info. APEX (Arizona Power Exchange) 602-415-1123. 24-hr multi-choice message including information, calendar and location.

ARIZONA AIDS POLICY ALLIANCE (AZAPA) seeks to educate legislators and citizens about sound AIDS policy. For more information write AZAPA, 6523 N. 14th St., #112, Phoenix, AZ 85014 or call 602-279-4505.

DESERT DOMINION TUCSON'S 100% CONSENSUAL, Pan-Fetish, Pan-Sexual, Informational, Educational, Safe Space for the B&D, S&M, D&S and TV community. For more info call (520)792-6424 or http://www.desertdominion.org

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

AAPSP - ARIZONA ASSOCIATION OF PUBLIC SAFETY PROFESSIONALS: a confidential organization committed to providing support and networking for all Gay, Lesbian and Bisexual public safety professionals in Arizona. Membership open to Law Enforcement Officers, Fire fighters, 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)570-1225 for current information.

LUTHERANS CONCERNED -- Tucson chapter for Gay/Lesbian Lutherans meets 4th Sunday, 6:30 p.m. each month at Santa Cruz Lutheran Church, 6809 S. Cardinal Ave. For information visit www.lctucson.org write: LC, 7014 E. Golf Links Road, PMB 212, Tucson, AZ 85730.

ABUSIVE RELATIONSHIPS: Confidential individual or group support for Gay, Bisexual or Trans men who are victims/survivors of domestic violence. For more information call 624-0348 (24-hour line)

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

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

PASSAGES MENTALK - Discussion group and more. For men in their 30s, 40s and late 20s. A great way to meet people. Meeting 3rd Tuesday of each month at Wingspan 7-9pm. Call 760-8714 for more information.

SUPPORT GROUP FOR RECOVERING ADDICTS AND ALCOHOLICS. Group meets every Saturday 7-8pm in Cornerstone Fellowship hall, 2902 N. Geronimo. 622-4626 or 750-6404.

SOUTHERN ARIZONA STONEWALL DEMOCRATS meet 3rd Monday of each month 7pm at 4638 E. First Street. Call Jesse 743-4320 or Maurice 323-2293. All LGBT Democrats and supporters welcome. TucsonStonewall@aol.com

PERSONALS

SINGLE GUY SEEKS SINGLE HISPANIC GUY over 35 who enjoys dining out, movies, working out, and quiet times. Write P.O. Box 5322, Tucson, AZ 85703 949

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COMPUTER INSTRUCTIONS / TUTORING. I have a degree in Computer Information Services, and have taught at Pima Community College. I am available late afternoons and evenings for tutoring and computer problems and troubleshooting. Call Scott at (520)546-1210. 939

HI-TEC PARALEGAL SERVICE: Bankruptcy $155 ● Divorce $155 ● Wills $75 ● Living Trusts $399 ● House Calls. (520)304-9796. Pager: 216-0216 936

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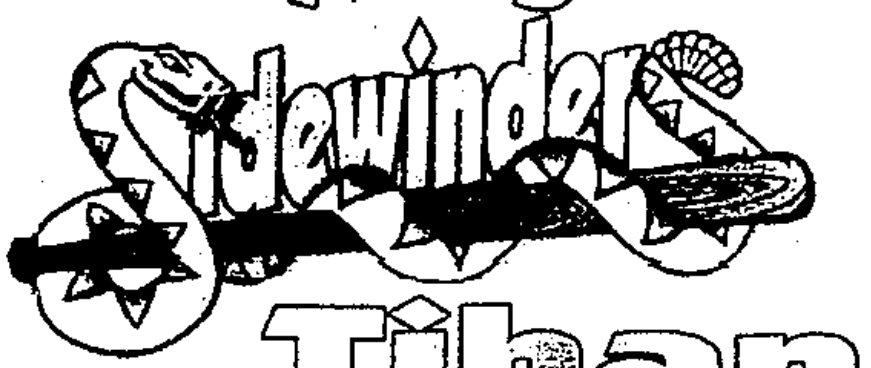
Let me keep your clothes fitting properly and in good repair. Experienced -- Economical -- Prompt. Marie Hudson, (520)888-7264 in Tucson. 940

"If a man does not keep pace with his companions, perhaps it is because he hears a different drummer. Let him step to the music which he hears, however measured or far away."
- Henry David Thoreau

Sunday Aug. 25th



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The Dovers	31.0	18.0
Summers Eve	31.0	18.0
Casserole	26.0	23.0
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Bear Pig & Tongue	24.0	25.0
Two Outees & An Inee	20.5	28.5
3 Kings	13.0	36.0
Port of Entry	12.0	37.0

SEASON ACHIEVEMENTS

High Average: Paul K., 220; Heather H., 171; The Dovers, 613.

High Series Scratch: Paul K., 779; Heather H., 542; The Dovers, 1930.

High Game Scratch: Paul K., 279; Heather H., 217; The Dovers, 695.

High Series Handicap: Heather H., 704; Jim C., 795; Summers Eve, 2155.

High Game Handicap: Heather H., 271; Jack S., 292; Summers Eve, 811.

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healthy monitoring of taxpayer funding is wise, the Bush administration has created a "culture of tension and micromanagement" that is threatening the ability of the CDC to effectively pursue its public health mandate.

"In my experience, the first year under any new administration, Republican or Democrat, the particular agencies are very active in trying to respond to the political agenda of the administration in power," said William Cates of Family Health International and a 20 year veteran of the CDC.

"Regardless of that, it seems to me that there has been a more restrictive and sort of micromanaging oversight from the standpoint of this administration that has continued beyond that first year and has tended, in my mind, to harm us rather than build on the collective expertise at the CDC."

Lesbian Health Conference

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Additionally, there are 17 more workshops on a variety of topics vital to Lesbian health.

The Healing Works registration fee is $300, which includes all conference materials, three breakfasts, two lunches and a welcome reception. Scholarships and sliding-scale registration fees to Lesbians from underserved populations will be offered to women who would otherwise be unable to attend.

Mautner Project can be reached at www.mautnerproject.org.

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ARIZONA DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES - DIVISION OF DISEASE PREVENTION
AIDS, HIV+ SURVEILLANCE REPORT FOR ARIZONA THROUGH JULY 1, 2001

COUNTY OF RESIDENCE	POPULATION 2000	POPULATION 1990	CASES OF AIDS THROUGH JUNE 00	CASES OF AIDS THROUGH JUNE 01	CASES OF AIDS THROUGH JUNE 02	DEATHS	CASES OF HIV+ THROUGH JUNE 00	CASES OF HIV+ THROUGH JUNE 01	CASES OF HIV+ THROUGH JUNE 02	DEATHS
APACHE	69,423	66,299	18	22	23	13	3	4	7	0
COCHISE	117,755	105,671	82	89	92	49	57	55	59	5
COCONINO	116,320	108,381	72	81	84	36	44	46	46	3
GILA	51,335	42,845	18	20	20	11	7	7	7	1
GRAHAM	33,489	29,094	17	19	24	9	9	11	13	0
GREENLEE	8,547	8,617	3	3	3	2	2	2	2	0
LA PAZ	19,715	15,522	13	15	17	7	6	4	4	0
MARICOPA	3,072,149	2,396,600	4982	5281	5838	3039	3364	3538	3847	208
MOHAVE	155,032	116,523	117	126	129	61	66	66	66	4
NAVAJO	94,470	84,150	28	31	36	21	18	20	19	2
PIMA	843,746	751,311	1485	1584	1658	914	966	996	1020	59
PINAL	179,727	128,820	109	132	142	68	74	80	92	6
SANTA CRUZ	38,381	33,340	21	23	24	11	8	11	11	1
YAVAPAI	167,517	123,894	80	91	99	47	59	59	66	0
YUMA	160,026	120,827	91	94	96	45	58	54	60	4
UNKNOWN			2	2	1	0	5	1	1	0
TOTALS	5,129,632	4,134,894	7146	7613	8086	4333	4743	4954	5328**	293

** NOTE: ON MARCH 15, 1999, THE OPTION TO RECEIVE HIV TESTING ANONYMOUSLY BECAME AVAILABLE. AN ADDITIONAL 4551 ANONYMOUS HIV POSITIVE TESTS WERE REPORTED. THIS REPORT IS NOW ISSUED TWICE A YEAR BY ARIZONA DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES.