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#### GAY CAMPAIGN FUND FOR FEDERAL CANDIDATES

## ARC benefit activities finalized

PHOENIX - The Phoenix business community finalized their plans for the 1980 Alternative Relations Center (ARC) Building Fund Drive.

At Harpo's, plans are so well kept under wraps that even ARC Board members have no idea what fantastic fund raising antics are in the works. The only information Tony Bartoli would devulge is the date and the time -- Monday, October 13 at 8:00 p.m.

Farrah's and Penquin Productions will present two spectacular performances of "Hello Dolly" for the benefit of ARC. According to Bobby de Brecht (Brandy) of Farrah's, these two productions will be especially highlighted by innovative backdrop scenery and lighting. Both shows will begin at 9:00 p.m. and admission proceeds will be donated to Alternative Relations Center Building Fund.

Bud Giles and Steve Schemmel of Janus Productions announced the evening of Thursday, November 6 at 8:00 p.m. they will present a benefit performance of "Lying In State" for the ARC. Limited tickets are available for this three-act comedy directed by Richard Camino. Ticket reservations can be made by contacting the Alternative Relations Center, 254-6500, or through either Bob Hegyi or John Goldschmid.

Tish Tanner's rendition of the frustrated Salvation Army "Lass" beating away at her big bass drum will add funds to the ARC building fund drive. All monies collected from this particularly laughable and hilarious Salvation Army number, during the month of October, will be donated by Tish to the Alternative Relations Center Building Fund.

Throughout the month of October and November, raffle tickets will be available for a color television donated by Dale Williams, owner of Taylor's and Connection. All of these fund raising events are in addition to the two spectacular evenings one at Trax October 3 featuring Pearl and the Kosmic Blues Band and the Wet Jockey Shorts Contest at Tommy and Clydes this Tuesday. Tommy and Clyde's have already had a very successful "Plant Auction" that raised over \$700 to kick off the building fund drive. (See seperate story this issue).

## Methodists push for ERA passage

RALEIGH, NC (UMNS) - Thirty-six United Methodist supporters of the Equal Rights Amendment (ERA) from five southeastern states gathered here September 19-21 to discuss strategy for passing the proposed 27th Amendment to the United States Constitution. Legislatures in each of the states that were represented have failed to ratify the amendment. In each instance much of the opposition to its passage has come largely from segments of the religious community. Three more state legislatures must pass it by the June 30, 1982 ratification deadline before it can become part of the Constitution.

State reports on the final day of the workshop called for visits with bishops, participation in ecumenical efforts to pass the amendment and continued efforts to enlist the support of legislators and church persons were among planned strategies. "It is important that United Methodists understand that support for the amendment has been voted by three successive General Conferences," said Ellen Kirby, executive secretary in administration for the Women's Division. Among persons attending the workshop were Virginia State legislator Evelyn Hailey and North Carolina legislator William A. Creech.



STEVE ENDEAN

WASHINGTON, DC - A newly created national political action committee, the Human Rights Campaign Fund, has been established to contribute to and assist those federal candidates committed to equal justice and civil rights for Lesbians and Gay men. The Human Rights Campaign Fund (HRCF), which will engage in direct partisan political activities such as making financial contributions to candidates, will be an independent, separate organization although it will work very closely with the Gay Rights National Lobby (GRNL), the only full-time lobby at Congress for Gay civil rights.

One of the motivations for the establishment of the Human Rights Campaign Fund is the mobilization of the "Moral Majority", "Christian Voice," and the rest of the "New Christian Right." They are establishing PACs, registering voters in their churches, interjecting their

own brand of morality into this year's Congressional campaigns. These groups are determined to defeat many of those with the courage to sponsor or support Gay civil rights legislation. Steve Endean, who played a key role in founding HRCF, is on the Board, and is also Executive Director of the Gay Rights National Lobby, said, "By standing behind our friends in Congress, working to defeat those that oppose civil rights for Gay people, and identifying 'open seats' that could mark a pick-up for projustice forces, the HRCF could signal a new level of development of Gay/Lesbian participation and sophistication in the electoral political process.

The Human Rights Campaign Fund has created a national Advisory Committee of political, religious, labor and community leaders including: Julian Bond, long-time civil rights leader; Mayor Donald Fraser, Minneapolis; Gloria Steinem, leading feminist; Bishop Otis Charles, Episcopal Diocese of Utah; Mayor Diane Feinstein, San Francisco; Rabbi Richard Sternberger, President of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations; Iris Mitgang, National Chair of the National Chair of the National Women's Political Caucus; Dr. John Spiegal, former President of the American Psychiatric Association; Mayor Marion Barry, Washington, DC; Bella Abzug, leading feminist and former Congressperson; Michael Harrington, author of "The Other America" (which was the basis of "Great Society"); Patsy Mink, national President of Americans for Democratic Action; Joseph Rauh, legal Counsel of Leadership Conference on Civil Rights and Bishop Wesley Frensdorff, Episcopal Diocese of Nevada. (This is a partial list).

Responding to the argument that the Gay and Lesbian movement shoul not become "political" and contribute to candidates, Endean said, "For better or worse, politics and elected officials will play a role in deciding the outcome of our fight. Elected officials will play a role in deciding the outcome of our fight. Elected officials will decide whether or not to repeal antiquated immigration laws against Gays. And, of course, elected officials will decide on anti-Gay ame ments."

Endean urg. that contributions and monthly pledges

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#### "UNCLE HARRY" DIES OF HEART ATTACK

NEW ORLEANS, LA - Funeral services were held Saturday, September 28 in New Orelans for Harry J. Rountree, a longtime visitor and real estate investor in Tucson. Mr. Rountree died of a massive heart attack.

Attending the services from Tucson were Glenn Almack and Rev. James Rice. The Rev. Rice officiated at the graveside services. "Uncle Harry" as Mr. Rountree was better known, was a long-time member of Holy Trinity Community Church of the Desert.

#### PEER COUNSELING TRAINING BEGINS

TUCSON - The Gay Peer Counseling Training Program will begin training new peer counselors October 4. Those interested in becoming a volunteer Gay peer counselor, please attend the first training session, Oct. 4, from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. in the University of Arizona Student Union Building, Room 283.

The eleven training sessions include topics such as Gay People and Substance Abuse to Gay People and the Law, with such guest speakers as Beverly Ginn and Rev. Bern David. For more information call Switchboard at 626-HELP.

#### DELAWARE HOT SPOT FOR GAYS

REHOBOTH BEACH, DE (BAR) - Two Gay discos here have burned in little more than three month's time. Fire marshalls deemed the blaze that consumed Studio I disco on August 6 the work of an arsonist. Gasoline, or a similar substance, spread around the building rushed the flames through \$100,000 in damages in a few short minutes before firefighters arrived. On July 3, The Renegade, another disco, burned in a similar manner.

The Boat House, a third Gay disco, may be next in line for some hot action, locals fear. State police report numerous beatings of patrons in front of the establishment, and the building itself now sports a spray-painted message warning, "You're Next!"

MOVE OVER JIMMY AND RONNIE SAN FRANCISCO, CA (GayLife) - Although not expected to beat Jimmy Carter, David McReynolds, an openly Gay man, is running for president. McReynolds is the Democratic Socialist candidate seeking nomination of the Peace and Freedom Party. If elected, he would be the first Gay president of the United States, unless you count James Buchanan.

#### WYOMING GROUP FORMS

LARAMIE, WY - A new organization has appeared on the campus of Wyoming. Gays and Lesbians of Wyoming (GLOW) is now an officially recognized organization and has been afforded the full use of campus facilities for distribution of literature and information pertaining to Gays. For information: GLOW, SBA Women's Center, Room 406, Wyoming Union, University of Wyoming Campus, University Station, Laramie, WY 82071.

#### MARINES RANSACK D.C. BAR

WASHINGTON, DC (Update) - 150 U.S. Marines ransacked a Washington, DC Gay bar, the Equus, breaking windows and assaulting the owner and patrons. The Marine Corps defended the assaults according to the Washington Post, stating they were probably in retaliation for unspecified assaults by Gays against Marines. The Gay bar is located near the District of Columbia Marine Barracks. Attacks on Gays by Marines have been reported frequently by the Washington press.

#### REAGAN HIRES MORAL MAJORITY LEADER

NEW YORK, NY - It has been revealed that Governor Ronald Reagan, the Republican Presidential Nominee, has hired Robert Billings, the former Executive Director of the anti-Gay Moral Majority, to play a major role

in his campaign.

Billings is believed to have played a major role in getting Reagan to attend the well-publicized Religious Roundtable meeting in Dallas, Texas. (AGN, Sept. 19). At that meeting Reagan told the large crowd, which was meeting to plan the mobilization of the conservative "born-again" vote, that he knew they could not endorse him, but he wanted them to know that he endorsed them. Billings is expected to return to the Moral Majority following the election unless he accepts a post in the Reagain administration.

#### KKK GETTING STRONGER

FALLBROOK, CA (GayLife) - Tom Metzger of Fallbrook ran as an openly avowed member of the Klu Klux Klan pledged to do all he can to end integration in America and to send black people back to Africa and put all homosexuals in prisons and mental hospitals for life. Metzger is a Democrat and he won the Democratic nomination to oppose the incumbent Republican. And there are some folks down in San Diego County who feel he may just win it all in November. Many Democratic bosses are rushing to denounce Metzger but it is obvious that 32,000 people in the 43rd Congressional District agree with the hate programs as outlined by Metzger and the KKK. Incidently, the KKK has endorsed Ronald Reagan and the Republican platform.

#### MORE HORROR FROM IRAN

KERMAN, IRAN (GayLife) - Their heads covered with ceremonial hoods, the four condemned prisoners were buried chest deep in the earth just outside the town of Kerman in southern Iran. After the presideing Islamic judge had cast the first stone, five other people began pelting the hooded figures with rocks, some as large as oranges. The prisoners - two men accused of assorted sex crimes and two female prostitutes took 15 minutes to die under the barbaric barrage. The grim executions took place following renewed calls by Khomeini for a strict adherence to Islam and a purge of all forms of corruption.

#### LEADERSHIP TRAINING WORKSHOP SET

TUCSON - AVIVA Counseling Cooperative is sponsoring a Cooperative Leadership Training workshop October 10, 11 and 12. Following this eighteen hour workshop, there will be four intensive skill building workshops. The first, beginning Oct. 25 & 26, covers Listening skills and Meeting Facilitation skills. Nov. 8 & 9 covers ascertaining our goals and resources as individuals and groups; Nov. 22 & 23, Conflict Resolution skills will be practiced in ways that deals with conflicts as they inevitably arise while we are changing our lives plus Trust and Community Building - how to provide a supportive environment in which to make our changes; Dec. 5, 6 & 7, Decision Making - Problem Solving, Strategizing Techniques and moving out into the community with our Visions for the Future.

Michael Ray, Gerre Goodman/ MacInnes, David Greenbaun and Sunni Wood are the Facilitators in this effort. The costs for these workshops are negotiable. For more details on cost and exact times please contact Michael Ray at 888-6452 or AVIVA at 888-4466. Participation is limited, so early registration is urged.

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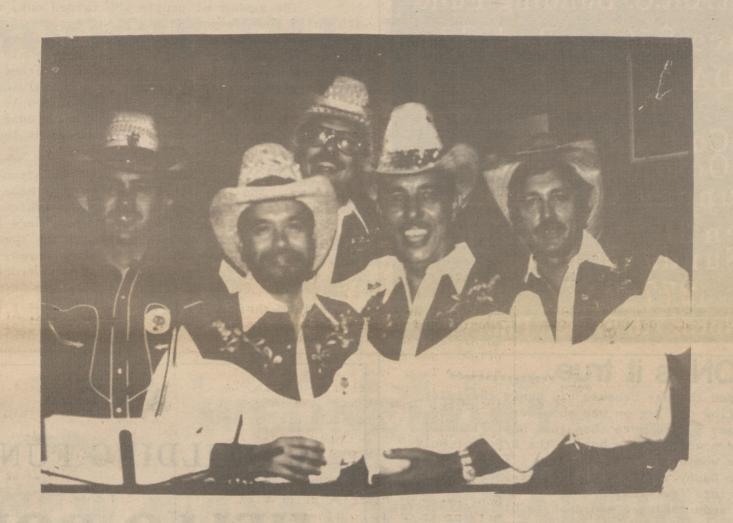
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## Review ... Review ... Review

A new form of entertainment emerged in Tucson on Sunday, September 21 - music for people who need positive reinforcement in their search for alternatives to traditional heterosexuality. It was very comforting.

Holly Near, a gifted singer, attracted about 800 people to the Temple of Music and Art. She is a political activist and defender of free choice in sexual roles. That sounds ordinary enough. The surprising part were the vibes from the predominately female audience. A feeling of pride mixed with desperation. Of wanting to be different from the norm, yet hating to struggle alone.

The prevailing fashion there was short hair and heavy cotton pants, similar to G.I. fatigues, worn with heavy work shirts. These ladies weren't on a stylish outing, they were dressed for combat. But they wanted to give up their guerrilla status and join a serious army. Holly Near gave them the chance. In this battleground of the mind, Near was the inflammatory flag waver. When she sang powerfully about the joys of Lesbian love, the audience shouted its approval.

The number of people who turned out, the enthusiasm with which they responded, is proof enough of the strong social need for such a message. As sentiments of the 1960's, such as "do your own thing," became trite, old fashioned and faded from the public consciousness altogether, they weren't replaced with some newer phrase urging individuals to think for themselves. Consequently, a lot of people stopped doing so. The picture of an upwardly mobile, middle class heterosexual glowing with good health returned as the advertising media's role model for society.

Punk rock is about the only deviation set to music these days. The truest believers in punk have always been social misfits, frequently flaunting an ambiguous sexuality. But the music is so loud, so physical. There is a need for performers like Near who can cultivate the same kind of audiences out of step with middle class norms, but who play music that is softer, more delicately constructed, easier to live with. Songs expressed in positive terms, rather than defiant ones. The audience is obviously here, wishing for the sounds. Wanting to take in concerts. Whenever those those conditions are present, the artists are forthcoming.

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- ....Bill C. skipped therapy because his hunky therapist would only allow one leg on one shoulder at a time.
  ....Clint and Jimmy S. are more than just best friends!
- ...Bob B. was seen working the bar at the B/P, but only waited on the women!
- ....Gravel Gertie Danny says the bruises are healing nicely.
- .... George R. is into freckles.
- ....Tommy S. was seen making a mad dash to his gynecologist Monday afternoon.
- .... Tony C. has the only door latch filched from an airliner - occupied or vacant.
- ...Rita C. says Eddie F. has cute buns but his red
- pumps whew!
  ....Teddy I demands that everything face the same direction.
- ....Dave P. tends bar right handed but everything else is left left left.
- ....Bill C. got a virgin it was the new sheet for the Monday Night Football pool.
- ....Del S. hasn't been switching bedrooms in the middle of the night so much lately!

CAMPAIGN FUND CONTINUED FROM PAGE ONE be sent to the Human Rights Campaign Fund: H.R.C.F., Post Office Box 1396, Washington, DC 20013. Because HRCF is a political action committee, individuals may take an income tax credit for contributions. They may claim a tax credit of 50% of the amount given up to \$100 (200 for a joint return). So a \$50 contribution costs only \$25.



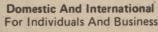
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#### Letters to the editor

Your "Viewpoint" column in AGN (Week of Sept. 26) which included "A View From The Left" and "A View From The Right" was, in our opinion highly politically misleading. We feel an injustice was done to the politically oriented Gay community of Phoenix.

To place negative comments about the Alternative Relations Center under the heading of "A View From The Left" and positive statements under "A View From The Right" was

absolutely politically backwards.

If it were not for liberal (which immediately places one to the Left), people such as ourselves, the very concept of an organization such as ARC would not exist; Those on the Right (the conservatives, Republicans, the "Moral Majority" (or the Nazis) would never create such an organization in the first place, and would (and do, in fact) work to eliminate and destroy such things. It would have been more politically and socially astute to have reversed those positions.

In addition to this, it is our belief that the public airing of such selfish, unflattering, unkind (and unnecessary) remarks as one to be found in "Curtis Newton's" allegations do far more damage than good, and to print the remarks of an unhappy member of the community who may very well be seeking to ruin the seemingly selfless efforts of others only helps to promote further division amont the community — and people always remember the "bad" things, quickly forgetting the good.

Since the general Gay community perceives C.C.R. and other politically aware and active groups as "liberal" and "left" we would greatly appreciate it if you would not include the reactionary "Right" under our banner in the future. Thank You. Yours in struggle.

Roland Atkins, CCR Chief Lobbyist and Jack P. Caldwell, CCR Executive Director

IN RESPONSE TO CURTIS NEWTON

Who you are, I have no idea. Whether you're Gay is not apparently indicated within the confines-of your article. What is most apparent is that you have a primary knowledge

regarding the Alternative Relations Center. Knowledge that seems to be filled with personal feelings, conjecture and obvious disappointment.

Please permit me to introduce myself. I'm Jerry W. Boehm, A.R.C. Fund Raising Drive Coordinator. I was asked by the Board of Directors to both organize and coordinate this most necessary fund raising event. As a non-ARC member, I took a hard, objective look at the Center's varied programs and needs. I was astonished at the variety of social service programs offered and critical in other areas. However, in the long run, I felt that I could honestly accept the responsibility of coordinating the fund raising drive since precise analysis of the Center and it's programs indicated that ARC actively sought to assist the Gay community members wherever needed.

The tone of your letter, as well as the content leads me to assume that you, Mr. Newton, are educated, thus have no need of specially tutored classes to complete your high school education. Others do! I also must assume that you are gainfully employed and require no need of the Center's Job Placement Assistance Service, emergency temporary housing nor emergency food boxes. Others do! Whether you have an alcoholic problem I have no way of ascertaining. However, others do and attend twice weekly the Alcohol Abuse Program offered by ARC. Whether the Center could be of assistance to you in any way is undertain at this juncture. However, the Center is there should you need it!

Your utilization of the word "select" is both erroneous and detrimentally misleading to those who read AGN and your article. There are no "select" members nor "select" groups at ARC. The center is open to one and all. What ARC contains is an abundance of Gay people who have specific needs. This is not a matter of semantics, but a truism.

I too agree with you, as do other member of ARC, that the present, temporarily leased headquarters is not sufficient to realistically meet the needs of the community nor provide for future expansion. Therein is one of the primary reasons for the 1980 ARC Fund Raising Drive. Remember, it is temporary! The funds generated through this campaign will enable the Center to locate larger quarters that will provide the optimum of space in which the Center can adequately function and expand.

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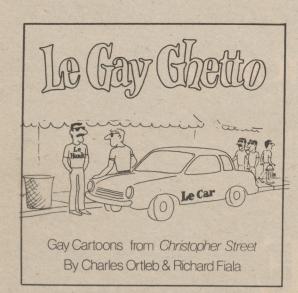
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#### LE GAY GHETTO

#### Cartoons by Richard Fiala and Charles Ortleb

Le Gay Ghetto is a new place; it can be found in almost any large city in America, though it is positively flourishing in places like San Francisco, Manhattan, Chicago, Atlanta, and Washington. Like its traditional counterpart, Bohemia, this new urban space tends to nurture the bizarre.

Fiala and Ortleb, whose previous two books of cartoons won them critical acclaim and a devoted following, continue to observe and satirize the emerging gay urban culture with wit and insight. LE GAY GHETTO suggests that psychologists and sociologists might learn as much from the likes of Saul Steinberg and Fran Lebowitz-not to mention Fiala and Ortleb!-as from Freud and Max Weber.



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#### Jockey shorts contest to benefit ARC

PHOENIX - Whether they're cotton, silk, nylon or whatever, white, colored, paisley or print, grab your favorite pair of Joekcy shorts and get your bods over to Tommy and Clyde's 5749 North 7th Street, to enter the most revealing contest of the year - the ARC Benefit "Wet Jockey Short Contest" scheduled for this Tuesday evening, October 7 and 9:00 p.m. All interested prospective contestants should contact either Tommy or Clyde at 277-9373 or make your entry reservations early with one of their bartenders.

According to Tom Woods, Co-owner, Tuesday, Oct. 7 should prove to be a super-charged evening. Revealing to say the least! First prize is \$50 and Second prize \$25. The \$1.00 admission fee will be donated to the Alternative Relations Center Building Fund Drive. For an evening of socializing fun, good times and revealing bods, mark October 7th as a special date not to miss on your personal calendars.

#### HOMOSEXUALITY NOT "SICK" IN SWEDEN

STOCKHOLM, SWEDEN (GPU) - Recently a large group of Gay men and women in Sweden phoned in sick to their employers reporting that they felt ill with homosexuality. The action prompted the Swedish State Board to remove its classification of homosexuality as an illness. The Board further agreed to destroy all records of individuals as having been stricken with the "disease".

#### HOFFMAN FILM DELAYED

HOLLYWOOD, CA (GPU) - As reported a couple of months ago that Dustin Hoffman would star in a Columbia Pictures' film "Tootsie". The film is about a struggling actor who lands a job, in drag, in a soap opera and falls in love with an actress who thinks he is a woman. The project has now been delayed and is still in pre-production because of script deficiencies.

#### EDITOR'S COMMENTS

A VIEW FROM THE MIDDLE

My good friend Ron Atkins letter to the editor in this issue of AGN makes a point that "Right" and "Left" have their own connotations in the political movement. Our usage of the two terms in the article "Viewpoint" was merely to point out two divergent points of view, strike a responsive chord (which it obviously did) and motivate our readers to the true facts of the Alternative Relations Center. The amount of space that AGN has devoted in the past, and in the future, clearly indicates that AGN is solidly behind the ARC, their programs, their volunteers and their Fund Raising Drive. An important point to be made here is since when does such an organization as a Gay Community Center become politically oriented? There are organizations for such political activity and they do not belong in the everyday activities of running a Gay social agency, no more than they should be involved in churches, schools, etc.

The controversial "Newton" letter did not represent any persons point of view except the individual. He has done, we believe, no more than get people thinking about the good points of ARC and to help rally people around ARC. The publishing of the Draffan McBride "rebuttal" letter did not seem to worry anyone - not even one good word about that. But again, that is the plight of the communicator who attempts to be fair, try to get the word out on all sides of a controversy and still endeavor to keep a level-headed judgement on where the community is going. It is not an easy task. If a particular cause is right - excuse me, correct - then it is most obvious to the reader. If it is not, then it will be just as obvious.

Semantics have been a problem for years, and those that involve themselves with semantics are most difficult to deal with. Right, left, up, down, in, out, whatever you might want to say, it all amounts to two points of view (in this case 180 degrees out of phase). If we had used the words "North" and "South" we undoubtedly would have heard from a lot of unhappy Yankees and Rebels. In this particular instance, it was felt that this important issue deserved more space than just another Letter to the Editor.

#### Plant auction benefit success

PHOENIX - Tommy and Clyde's kick-off benefit for the Alternative Relations Center Building Fund Drive proved to be an enormous success. Beautiful indoor plants were donated by Tom Woods and Clyde Akard, owners, as well as by many members of the Gay community. The auctioneering talents of Norm Watkins and the professional expertise of horticulturist Dan Renehan, who explained the various types of plants, their origin and their necessary care, together with the generosity of a large segment of the Gay community, netted the Alternative Relations Center the "plantastique" sum of \$701.75. ARC and the Gay community it serves wishes to say a very humble - thank you.

FRIDAY Trax - Pearl and the Kosmic Blues Band Oct. 3 2 shows, 8 and 11 p.m. TUESDAY Tommy and Clyde's - Wet Jockey Short Oct. 7 Contest, 9 p.m. Harpo's - Surprise, 8 p.m. MONDAY Oct. 13 Farrah's - Hello Dolly Production, 9 p.m. TUESDAY Oct. 21 WED. Oct. 22 Farrah's - Hello Dolly Production, 9 p.m. Nov. 6 THURS. Janus Production - "Lying In State" 8 p.m. SUNDAY Nov. Connection - Disco Bash

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#### THE PHOENIX WOMAN

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PHOENIX - There is a new group in town - a Transcendental Meditation Group - a non-sexist, Gay TM group. Although the TM followers are basically not into women's liberation, this particular group cares not if you are brown, black, white, purple, Gay, Bi, man or woman - whatever. They are a concerned group of individuals that would like to see a TM group start here in the Valley. How can you join? Call Bill at 252-5015. The first meeting is slated for October 10 at 7 p.m. Call bill for more information and the location of the meeting.

There is a lot of conversation going on about the Alternative Relations Center (ARC). Give these people credit, folks. There isn't anything that is better being offered in Phoenix. By the way, I had a phone call from a person me why there were no women for few women participating in the ARC range of activities. They need women on the Hotline to help with phone calls from women. They want to start a coffeehouse for women, but can get no volunteers. There are meeting rooms available there for any type of program. If you have an idea for a workshop or can lead one, call either 254-6500 or 257-0350 from 7 to 11 p.m.

Casa de Cristo will be celebrating their tenth anniversary October 5th. On Oct. 4th, an anniversary dinner will be held at Yum's. The Long Beach MCC will have a special choral group over for the festivities. Y'all come! The Gay Parents group will be having a Halloween party for the kids on October 25th and has meetings once a month. Call Pastor Fred or Pastor Buff for more information at 265-2831. Also, the Parents and Friends of Gays in Phoenix have phone numbers for you to call to talk to a parent - 944-5407; 279-5512; 273-1506.

If you missed "Gerty, Gerty, Gerty Stein is Back, Back, Back," with Pat Bond, you missed an experience. Pat Bond is a wonderful, wonderful Lesbian actress and her one-person show on Gertrude Stein is lovely! She talks about Gerty's relationships with other women so matter of factly. Here is a part of Gerty you may not like, but it is there anyway. Her words of her relationship - 35 years relationship - with Alice B. Toklas, before it was even acceptable to "be one of those", spoke of true love and devotion. (Boy, if Anita Bryant and Phyllis Schlafley had only known Gerty!)

Big B.J. is now bartending at the Grand Camel. They serve excellent food there and the atmosphere is very laid back.

Want to get a costume sewn for the Empire Ball coming on October 31st - Call Erica. She will make your costumes to your specifications. She also fixes levis, repairs zippers - the whole works. Call Erica at 258-5639.

Watch for the grand opening for the Mardi Gras at Central and Roosevelt. Rob Thorne - the manager says the official opening date will be in October.

The Incog is proud to announce their baseball team is still in first place. By the way, if you weren't there PHOENIX WOMAN CONT'D ON PAGE 10

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munity input then it is hard put to assume those needs.

Too, Mr. Newton, the Center is less than two years old; and realistically, any intelligent person can ascertain that only so much can be accomplished in so short a time frame. As you seem to be aware, all the work is carried out by volunteers. Any monies received are utilized to keep the doors open and pay monthly expenses.

Please be further assured that the Phoenix Gay businesses were not coerced into participating in this fund raising event. They assured ARC in the early planning stages that we, ARC, needed their support to successfully stage this fund raising event. Personally, I feel honored to be associated with such public spirited persons.

Yes, ARC does intend to ask the Phoenix Gay community to actively support this worthy cause. Hopefully you will re-assess your previous opinions and become an active contributor in one way or another. Your volunteer services are needed. You could, Mr. Newton, become an integral part of the Alternative Relations Center. An innovator of new ideas and programs. Why not join the Center in making it a total Gay Community Center.

Jerry Boehm - Phoenix

#### SPORTS JOURNAL

by Jim Larrabee

TUCSON - On Wednesday evening, Sept. 24, the Community Soap League logged its third week of action in the current fall bowling season. Nine teams of three members each met to do battle on the Cactus Bowl Lanes. With an odd number of teams in the league at present, one team will sit out each week but receives all four points possible (as in a forfeit) as voted on by league membership. Such a situation will continue through the remainder of the season should a tenth team not be formed.

The outcomes of last week's matches were: The Young and The Restless broke even for the second week in a row as they dulled The Edge Of Night; Ryan's Hope totally dominated As The World Turns; All My Children anesthesized General Hospital and Three's Company rolled over The Days Of Our Lives. Present teams standings are:

TEAM	WON	LOST	PERCENTAGE
ONE LIFE TO LIVE	4	0	1.000
ALL MY CHILDREN	5	3	.625
THREE'S COMPANY	5	3	.625
RYAN'S HOPE	5	3	.625
THE DAYS OF OUR LIVES	4	4	.500
GENERAL HOSPITAL	4	4	.500
THE YOUNG AND THE RESTLESS	4	4	.500
THE EDGE OF NIGHT	3	5	.375
AS THE WORLD TURNS	2	6	.250
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Posters are now up at several of the bars announcing the upcoming volleyball season to begin Sunday, Oct. 5, at 1:00 p.m. at the Joshua Tree/Back Pocket. There will be a general meeting and practice session that day. Actual play will commence October 12 at 1:00 at JT/BP.



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## Perspective

by Michael - Phoenix

I AM CONCERNED. I AM DISAPPOINTED. MOSTLY, I'M AFRAID.

I am seriously wondering about my chances to develop a complete relationship with another man. By complete, I mean a relationship which includes giving, loving, growing and sharing, along with the physical part. It seems that so often relationships in our community seem to be based basically on sex, size and the like. So many times my conversations with other Gay people seem to end at sex. Example: "Look at that basket!." (I am attracted to the male body as much as the next guy!). Wouldn't it be nice to hear a statement like this more often: "He looks beautiful, I would like to get to know him - how he thinks, how he makes love, how he feels!" Does anybody else feel this

As we struggle to free ourselves from the sexual stigmas society has placed upon us, are we allowing ourselves to lose track of the most important things? I hope not - but maybe it's worth some thought.

#### TUCSON is it true.....

- .George M's husband accused Dave P. of going tubing with built-in equipment.
- .Eddie F. spent all Saturday night protecting his mother's mink from the ravishes of Don M.
- .Tommy S. would rather have a dollar tip than George's whole body.
- ... Mark S. has chubby cheeks all four of them.
- ....Rita C. spurned a bar stool better for her hip line.
- ....Mark L. is re-negotiating his previous marriage.
- .... Vinnie C. has a collection of caps Do he and Eddie F. have something in common?
- .... Stuart S. is into fish not bookstores.

#### PHOENIX WOMAN CONT'D FROM PAGE 9

last Wednesday, you missed the Texas Pool Tournament. I wore a baseball cap and got 10¢ off on my drinks! Wednesday nights will be special at the Incog so watch for oldies but goodies night and watch for the next Texas Pool Tournament. You'll enjoy it. On Monday nites, Rock and Roll with Joy is featured, and aon Thursday nites, the now-famous Incognito beer bust! Watch for the big Halloween party.

The Unlimited has stopped doing shows, but is serving dinners. Stop by and tell Del, Audrey, Peggy and staff hello. They are also planning a big Halloween party.

My friends at the Black Theater Troupe are announcing their 1980-1981 season starting with California Suite by Neil Simon October 9 - November 2. Call Helen Mason, Exec. Director for more information at 258-8128. Ages ago, when I first started writing professionally in Phoenix, I interviewed Helen. She has come a long way with her people from a handful of kids practicing in a basement to a full production company.

On October 10, the Center for Women at Phoenix College will be holding an A.W.A.R.E. Forum on Media Images of Women. Barbara Gereboff will be discussing the different ways women are presented in ads, etc. For more information call Robin or Ginny at 264-2492 and ask for the Center for Women. P.C. has some excellent people involved in the Center for Women - I wish I had time to name them all, but they are all concerned people.

Hey, on Thursdays down at the Full Moon from 9 to 11, \$1.00 will buy you a shot of anything. Even the most expensive liquors! And rumor has it that a big Halloween bash is coming.

The Grand opening at Sammy's Steak House and Saloon was really great! The deep-fried zucchini rivals several of Phoenix's better-known straight restaurants!

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7:00(2)P\*0\*0\*P - Comedy

After sweeping up at the camp, Slop Lips is seen going to the bank with several rolls of quarters. Slop Lips: Penelope Poop. (60 min.)

(7) DORK AND CINDY - Comedy Dork and Cindy's upcoming benefit show is proving to be more trouble and time consuming than anyone thought. Dork: Lon Fat. Cindy: Ron Fingers. Sarah: Brandy Snifter. (60 min.)

(69) MOVIE - Comedy "Runners Up!" Ribald story telling about a bowling team, shortness of money, feather headdresses and liquor. Starring: Bimbo Bombay, Penelope Poop, Brandi Snifter, Trisha Tranner. (3 hrs.)

8:00(2) THAT'S INCOGNITO! - Variety Bee Jaye interviews Ilene Under. She talks about her former job and how she was just the first person in a series of people to lose their job. (60 min.)

(7) THE TAILOR'S SAGA - Drama No one has the heart to tell Miss Pinn that should couldn't have lost her virginity in the manner she describes. Now everyone knows Miss Pinn is still a virgin - except Miss Pinn. Miss Pinn: Phil Orugsky. (60 min.)

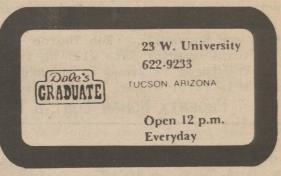
9:00(2) THE DYKE VAN DICK SHOW - Comedy With so many secret meetings, Laura has a surprise up her sleeve for her employer that will shock everyone. Laura: Dani Bicardi. (60 min.)

> (7) THE WILD QUEENDOM - Variety Christi Loveshitz interviews the contestants in a certain Wet Jockey Shorts contest and makes her own comparison as to who will win. Clinton Lunden Orch. (60 min.)



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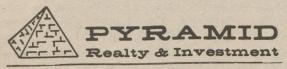
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This weekend's activities will begin with an Anniversary Banquet on Saturday at Yum's Restaurant. Special music will be performed by the Gospel Singers Group from the Long Beach, California MCC. On Sunday morning, at the 10:55 a.m. hour, the great Anniversary Service will be held. The special speaker will be former pastor Bob Cunningham. Pastor Bob now serves a church in northern California. The Long Beach MCC Gospel Singers along with the Casa Choir will bring the special music. Greetings will also be given by District Coordinator Robert Arthur. At 7:30 p.m., an Evening of Music will be featured by the Casa Choir. Everyone is invited to the events of the weekend. The sanctuary of Casa de Cristo is located at 1029 E. Turney.

The Liberated Christian Youth (LCY) group, for all young people ages 16 and over is planning an outing to the Tonto Natural Bridge on Saturday, Oct. 11. All youth are most welcome to participate in this event. Info may be obtained by calling the church office at 265-2831.

Casa de Cristo now has an active program in full swing for the Cuban brothers it has sponsored. Seven Cubans are now under the responsibility of the local church. A meeting is planned for both Cubans and sponsors of Casa de Cristo as well as of the community at large, for Sunday, Oct. 12 in the afternoon. An informal social gathering is planned. Refreshments will be served and an opportunity for everyone to get better acquainted. For more information concerning this event, please do call the church office.

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I personally wish to thank my brothers and sisters in the Tucson family for all of their help, encouragement and love these past six months. I especially wish to thank Steve who served as co-worship coordinator during this time with me. Without him and God's help, I could not have borne the load. God bless you all! Peace of Christ - Dennis.



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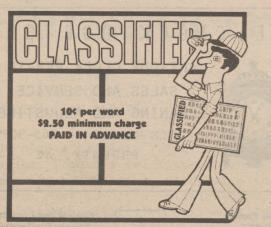
On Oct. 8, we will continue the Bible Study on "The Names and Images of God". This will be held in the "upper room" of Danforth Chapel. Is God Father? Is God Mother? Is God Judge? Or is God Savior? Join us and share who God is to you.

Sunday, Oct. 5, will be Founder's Sunday. Yes, Oasis MCC has been in existence for one year. Join us as we celebrate our First Anniversary. We will be praising God. People have come to know the unconditional love and acceptance of God. Lives have been and are being changed by the power of God. We are growing in numbers, but more importantly, we are growing in our Christian lives.

In the absence of Rev. , Rice, who was suddenly called out of town, our guest at the pulpit was Father Peter. It was a beautiful Anglican Service, obviously enjoyed by everyone there. His sermon topic was "Prayer." In Rev. Jim's absence, the 'faithful' carried on and did not forsake their Christian obligations. Father Peter, we thank you for a very rewarding spiritual experience and look forward to your sharing another service with us. A beautiful service, beautiful companionship and especially beautiful music makes 'Holy Trinity' a beautiful place to be.

Rev. Jim and Glenn were called to New Orleans because of the death of our beloved 'Uncle Harry." as so many of us in Tucson knew him. Glenn and Jim will return from New Orleans by next Sunday, but will stop in Memphis on the way to visit some longtime friends. This is the first time since starting at Holy Trinity that they have spent some time away. So, enjoy it gentlemen.

The doors at Holy Trinity are always open to anyone and everyone, and we cordially invite you to come and share our worship service. Know first that God loves you. Don M.



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AGN #39 article referred to distribution of clothes to Cuban refugees in Tempe. Would Tempe Cubans receiving clothes please call Marcos or John at 968-7542.

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