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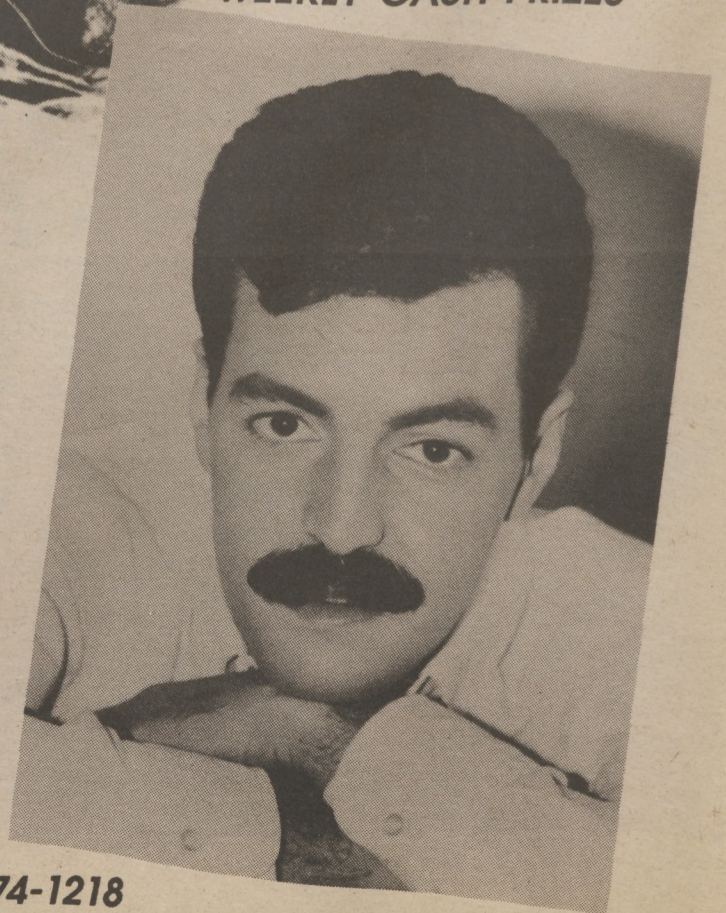
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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Editor, Phoenix Resource

I want to take this time to express my sincere appreciation to those individuals, groups and organizations that have been giving life to the Lesbian and Gay Community Switchboard, Inc. and Arizona AIDS Information Line.

First of all, it is important to acknowledge the community as a whole for sustaining the Switchboard for over ten years now. It would be impossible to name all of the people who have contributed their blood, sweat, tears, and finances over the years. Also, since I just recently became involved with the Switchboard, I don't know all of the names of those people who have given so much.

I want to acknowledge the volunteers for being the lifeblood of the Switch-board, and I want to give special thanks to Pat for coordinating their efforts.

I want to thank Bob Hegyi for his endless dedication to our community, and for his continued involvement as Chairman of the Board of Directors of the Switchboard. I also wish to thank the Board of Directors - Pat, Ron, Phil, Paul and Pat - for their energy and expertise in the management of the Switchboard.

Of course, special thanks go to those individuals and organizations who have assisted recent fundraising efforts:

- Special thanks to John King and the staff and management of Charlie's for sponsoring the Mr. Charlie's contest. The Mr. Charlie's contest generates 20% of our monthly operating expenses.

- Special thanks to Dale Williams and the Connection for his support of our community service table at the recent tenth annual Luau. We raised over \$1,100.00 from the community in donations for condoms.

- Special thanks to the Our Gang Bowling League for their recent contribution of \$1,500 - The Switchboard, Arizona Stop AIDS Project, and Phoenix Shanti Group each received \$500 from the league.

- Special thanks to Larry and the staff and management of the Ramrod for their recent contribution of \$300.00 raised from the ongoing sale of Heart Buttons.

- Special thanks to Darrell and Brian of the new Westways Bed and Breakfast Resort for their commitment to donate 10% of all Switchboard referrals back to the Switchboard.

Many other individuals and organizations have been contacting us to pledge their support, and we are in the process of putting their energy and ideas to good use.

We invite the participation of all interested people in the growth and development of The Switchboard, and we gratefully acknowledge all of those individuals who are already involved.

Sincerely,

Nicholas Snow
Executive Director
Lesbian & Gay Community Switchboard
& Arizona AIDS Information Line

"HOT!"



Perhaps the most over-used adjective in the history of pop culture, HOT has been honed from its initial myriad of definitions to its currently popular interpretation. These days HOT is anything.....well, HOT. No longer merely a reference to incandescence or temperature, HOT is now attributed to all things worthy of any kind of praise.

Because those of us residing in the heat of the desert have a peculiar appreciation for anything even remotely resembling warmth (and before the word itself joins the ranks of such phraseology as groovy and boss), Phoenix Resource is pleased to present this, its First Annual Hot Issue.



HOT PLATE SPECIAL

Joan Rivers

Everyone is in need of topical conversation, and right now the Bitch-Queen of late night is extremely topical. If you're smart, you'll use any info on her as material to propel yourself into the limelight at happy hour or at cocktail parties. What fun! And gosh, won't it be great to Dish the Disher while she's down. Sometimes it's fun to be a queen!

HOT BELIEF THAT THE TIMES, THEY ARE A CHANGIN'

Converse High Tops

Some of us can remember a time when these beauties (when worn outside of gym) spelled the word NERD! Now of course they are back with vulcanized vengeance. If you wanna be in, you have to own a pair (or 2, or 10). They now come in more colors than Baskin-Robbins has flavors, and since the BOSS of Rock n' Roll has a pair in every hue, you know they be cool man!

HOT SUGAR SHOCK

Farrell's Ice Cream Parlour

Been to Farrells lately? For those of you too old to have grown up around one of these noble Institutes of Sucrose, Farrell's is a small-scale version of the place where boys get turned into donkeys in Pinocchio. An adult's perverse idea of what a kid really wants to escape to. The central theme is Turn-of-the-Century Ice Cream Parlour, with rococo menus and cute slogans, but there's nothing Edwardian about this madhouse. Pandemonium reigns supreme here. Prizes are awarded and various honors bestowed for devouring pukeable amounts of sweets. Here yuppie moms and dads arrive with entire herds of little Michael J's and pint-sized virginal Madonnas to pig off a long week of Nutrasweets and Nautilus. It's by far the most disgusting food this side of Hell. This place is so sweet even the fruitflies are grossed out. MMM Good!



HOT COMEBACK

Boy George

He's gotten to be a bit of an embarrassment, but it's nice to see our Boy bounce back. A new album and new look don't seem to hinder the boy's rep a hair. "I'm back," Boy told the London Reporter, "with new reasons for people to hate me."



HOT HAPPY HOUR

Apollo's

The boys at Apollo's pack 'em in every weekday with cheap drinks and the best popcorn since Orville Redenbacher. Steamy gossip and two-for-ones.



HOT HAG

Bette Davis

Who needs a fat chick? Bette's back, doing the Post-Stroke Boogie. Terrorizing talk-shows, our favorite gay mascot reminds us that a Bitch is a Bitch, but La Davis still sets the standard. Peachy Keen.

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REVISED CDC AIDS DEFINITIONS BROADENS ADULT CATEGORY, SEPARATES PEDIATRIC AIDS

The CDC's revised AIDS classifications for adults, which broadens the criteria and counts clinical symptoms that previously did not qualify for an AIDS diagnosis, have been completed, approved, and are awaiting publication in the Morbidity and Mortality Weekly Report (MMWR). The new pediatric classification, which now counts pediatric AIDS as a separate category, is not yet completed but is expected to be issued soon.

The new adult classifications include marginal symptoms if the person tests HIV seropositive. These symptoms include nocardiosis; dementia in the absence of brain infection with a microorganism other than HIV (it is now recognized that HIV can cause a primary dementia); and an indicator disease in the presence of another cause of immunosuppression (e.g., Hodgkins disease, immuno-suppressive drugs for cancer or graft rejection, or systemic corticosteroids). The CDC expects the new classification to increase the number of AIDS by 15% to 20% in one jump.

Numbers from the old and new systems can't be compared. But the CDC considers accurate tracking important, so it will keep two parallel tallies, tracking cases by both definitions. Harold Jaffe, M.D. chief, AIDS Program Epidemiology Branch, CDC, notes that one reason to continue tracking AIDS is that there will soon be a year in which there are no more AIDS cases than in the previous year. The plateau "will be at a fairly high level." But the CDC wants to identify that year accurately. Theoretically, the annual number of cases will then decline.

The new classification pediatric HIV infection differentiates between perinatal infection (under 15 months) and the presence of AIDS in older children (over 15 months) with perinatal infections (under 15 months), a diagnosis will be accepted if the virus is identified in blood or tissues, or if HIV seropositivity is indicated (through at least two abnormal immune function tests and the presence of at least one factor from category P-2 listed below), or if it meets the CDC case definition for AIDS.

Three classes of HIV illness are included for older children: (1) P-O, "indeterminate infection" (i.e., antibody positive, minor symptoms, or not clear infection), included to ensure that such children are not ignored; (2) P-1, those infected yet asymptomatic or with minor infections; and (3) P-2, those with symptomatic infections, including nonspecific finding (oral thrush, fevers), progressive neurologic diseases, lymphoid interstitial pneumonitis; secondary infectious diseases; or other HIV-related diseases.

SWITCHBOARD VOLUNTEER PARTY

Ron Barnes, member of The Board of Directors of the Lesbian & Gay Community Switchboard, and owner of the Royal Villa Guest House, will be hosting a pool party and pot luck on Sunday, June 28, from 1:00-5:00 p.m. Anyone interested in becoming involved with the Switchboard is invited to attend.

For more information, please contact the Switchboard at 234-2753.

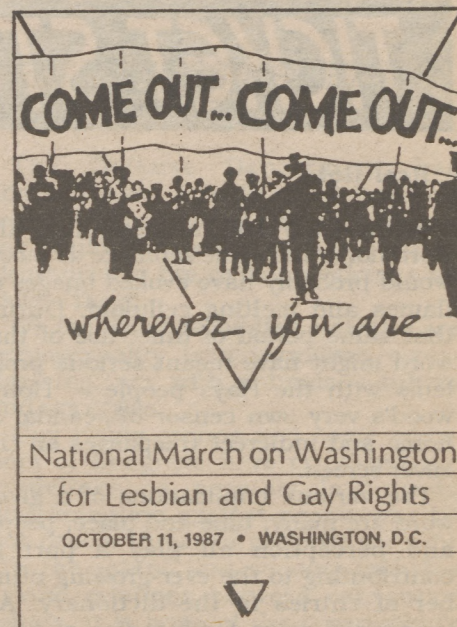
PEACEKEEPERS NEEDED FOR THE LESBIAN AND GAY RIGHTS RALLY

The Phoenix Lesbian and Gay Pride Committee is announcing a desperate need for peacekeepers for the Sunday, June 14, 1987 Lesbian and Gay Rights Rally at the Wesley Bolin Memorial Plaza, 1700 W. Washington, Phoenix.

The peacekeeper's responsibilities include answering questions, acting as a security system and basically being available to help where needed. The rally will be from 5-9 pm, but most peacekeepers will need to be there from 4-10 pm.

"At other rallies, we have had about 100 peacekeepers and it worked really well. We hope to enlist the help of past peacekeepers who have experience and knowledge of non-violent actions," stated Bj Bud, Chairperson of the Committee. There are positions open for men and women. "If an affinity group wants to work together, that can be arranged. No one works alone. We work," Bud explained, "in groups of five to ten peacekeeper in what's called an affinity group."

Less than 20 peacekeepers have volunteered to date. "If everyone who has peacekeeper experience would volunteer, we would be in great shape" Bud said hopefully. There is a training scheduled for June 13 from 10 am to 2:30 at ASU. Call Bj Bud at 246-8277 from 10 am until 10 pm to volunteer to be a peacekeeper.



Have You Tested Positive To The Aids Virus?

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TICKET STUBS

Reel Hot

Paul G. King

In the early 1900's, mentioning the word *hot* in the same sentence as *movie* would probably have evoked images of flames and melting celluloid. During that same period of time, use of that word might have meant serious problems with the Hays people — Hollywood's very own censor of scandal at home and indelicate trespasses on the silver screen.

The various implications of a given word are many; time and place, people and perception all play a part in contributing to the ever-growing number of entries in the dictionary. An innocuous word for bundles of twigs appears on the cover of a novel about homosexual men. And so it grows...

Definitions of a *Hot Movie*:

- Something good that sneaks into town then disappears without a trace, leaving you wishing you'd taken the time to brave the drive across town for the experience.

- A little picture, one that was made on a relatively small budget and didn't receive an extensive amount of financial propaganda, but was loved by critics and audience alike.

- A technically proficient piece of work; nowadays the movie magicians can recreate anything from spaceships in flight to realistic body dismemberment. Pick your poison.

- Your favorite male/female star in a romantic story featuring lots of passionate embraces — preferably in the buff.

- If _____ (fill in the blank) is starring in it, it has to be hot!

- It's the film with the longest line waiting to get in.

*Smashing! Held Over! Daring! Action Packed! Controversial! Epic in Scope! Stizzling! Hit! Self promoting headlines are naturally designed to catch our attention and pique our interest. With brevity in mind— and given today's indolence with language — it is understandable that descriptions of life's movies would be reduced to singular exclamations. (Why does *Fad!* spring to mind?)*

I don't know what *Hot* means. I suspect it is a successful blend of dramatic flair, action, effects, sexual titillation and imaginative caprice. Or maybe it's just dumb luck. Television's *Entertainment Tonight* has a nightly segment entitled "What's Hot"; a slightly hyper hodgepodge of gossip about who's seeing whom, what's being filmed where, who's filming it, what it cost, who's in it, what they took off/what they exposed, who they are, what they did, will they do it again, etcetera. Being *Hot* seems to be directly proportionate to the amount of attention received. When you're Hot, you're Hot. And when you're Not, you're Not.

You're not just Hot, you're Busted!

Chances are very good that you are familiar with comedian Eddie Murphy. Chances are also very good that you saw *Beverly Hills Cop*; it made an awful lot of money at the box office and sold many records. But I'll bet a case of tight, faded denim pants that you can't give a blow by blow account of the intricacies of the plot. This is understandable, since plot is decidedly not what made the film work; Murphy's mugging for the camera — while a vigorously upbeat soundtrack kept tempo — made it work.

Chances are really very good that you have become cognizant of Eddie Murphy's *Beverly Hills Cop II*. Chances are you've already seen it. If you haven't,

chances are also very good that you needn't worry too much about it.

Eddie's Axel Foley (Must be an anagram — which I knew where my Scrabble board was stashed away!) is back, and he's just as nasty, funny, irreverent and coy as he was in the first film. He's even more ingratiating this time around — leaving his dig (Roots?) in Detroit — to dash back to Beverly Hills because he really cares for his fellow law officers, regardless of how dumb and White they may be.



NEXT ISSUE: Paul King visits *Harry and the Hendersons*

Sargeant Taggart (John Ashton) and Detective Rosewood (Judge Reinhold) are back and it ain't a pretty picture. Taggart still complains about Foley's tactics, but he is so emasculated by his personal marital problems that he easily gives in and eventually helps save the day. Rosewood reveals his Rambo-like penchant for acquiring a large personal arsenal of weapons. The Bad Guys are symbolically represented by the statuesque presence of Brigitte Nielsen. Eddie's name is listed in the writing credits, so I suppose one shouldn't be overly surprised by the demented antics of his supporting cast. It is, after all, Eddie's gig.

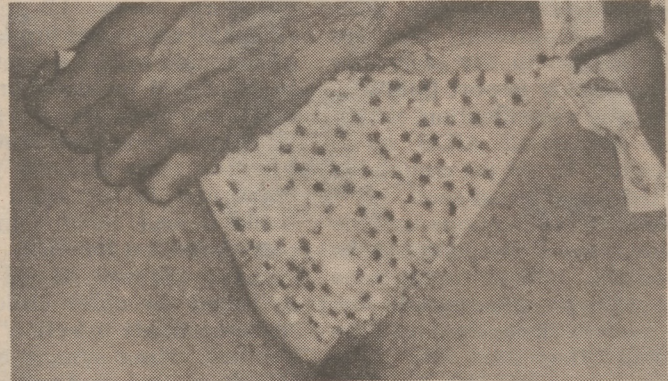
Enough of that. *Cop II* is funny but flawed. Chances are that you are astute enough to notice most of the problems; especially if you saw the first installment. That catchy (Oh, Shit. Another jingle in my head!) instrumental piece is back. It's a good thing too, because I don't remember — or hum in my head — any of the rest of the musical embellishment.

More bothersome than sound is sight. This flick looks like it was filmed by a kid with a hand held home movie camera on a polluted day in Los Angeles. Oh well, scenes needn't be perfectly focused for a stand-up comic's routine, which is essentially what *Cop I* and *Cop II* are all about. They are mirror images of each other. Chances are you'll have a good time and not remember much detail. Odds are you will remember Eddie Murphy. Again.

If at first you succeed — do it again. You're busted.

(*Beverly Hills Cop II* is a Paramount Pictures release starring: Eddie Murphy, Judge Reinhold, John Ashton, Ronny Cox, Jurgen Prochnow and Brigitte Nielsen. Now playing at assorted AMC, BLAIR, HARKINS and MANN Theatres. Also showing at the Drive-Ins.)

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GAYS TARGET DUKAKIS' CAMPAIGN

Gay activists, still angry over a Massachusetts policy that makes it virtually impossible for gay men and women to become foster parents, have said they will step up protests against Gov. Dukakis during his presidential campaign.

The Washington-based National Gay and Lesbian Task Force last week pledged a "DukeWatch" in Iowa, New Hampshire and other stops along the campaign trail.

"As the Dukakis campaign gets rolling, we want to organize around the country so everywhere he goes the local press will be reminded that he's responsible for a very discriminatory social policy," said Sue Hyde, a national organization spokeswoman.

Dukakis' relationship with the gay community has been cool as both a gubernatorial and presidential candidate. Since he announced that he would run for president, gay protesters, either singly or in small groups, have turned up in Maine, New Hampshire and Iowa. On the day he formally announced his candidacy, a banner raised on the Boston Common proclaimed "The Duke is an antigay bigot." A Dukakis supporter pulled it down.

Dukakis, who made his first West Coast campaign swing last week, did not go to San Francisco, but denied that it had anything to do with concern that he might face gay protest.

In an interview last week, Will Hutchinson, chairman of the Boston Lesbian and Gay Political Alliance, said the demonstrations will continue.

In some ways, Dukakis represents a paradox to gay voters. He has been responsive in providing state funding for AIDS support services and recently lobbied strongly on behalf of a state gay rights bill. But homosexuals charge that the foster care policy reinforces misperceptions about their ability to nurture children.

Some gay activists said that among Democratic presidential candidates Rev. Jesse Jackson comes closest to endorsing gay positions on issues. Some activists expressed reservations about the opposition of Sen. Joseph Biden of Delaware to Medicaid funding for abortions.

It is also unclear just how much political clout gays have in a presidential campaign. However, some gay activists suggested in interviews that an organized boycott of the Dukakis campaign could affect fundraising, particularly on the West Coast.

Dukakis defends the foster care policy, even though a commission he appointed recommended in a draft report that it be changed.

The draft report is under review by state Secretary of Human Services Philip Johnston, who is expected to make a recommendation to Dukakis within the next few weeks. The report concluded that sexual preference — like age, income, sex and education — is an important factor in placing children in foster homes, but it should not be the "overriding determinant."

Foster care policy

Under current policy, the state asks potential foster parents their sexual preference and places foster children in a "traditional family setting" whenever possible. In addition, Massachusetts requires written approval of the commissioner of social services before children can be placed in single parent or nontraditional homes.

Rep. Gerry Studds (D-Mass.) said in an interview last week that he disagrees with the foster care policy and urged Dukakis to reverse it. Studds, who is gay, called the issue "of some consequence," but said he did not know whether it will be "the overriding issue" with gay voters.

Studds, who agreed that the foster care policy might discourage some gays from contributing to the Dukakis campaign, said: "To the extent that one does not have support that one would expect, it's a net loss. It is support that the governor ought not lose."

John Sasso, the governor's campaign manager, had only cursory comment when asked for his reaction last week to opposition in the gay community. "If people want to protest, they should protest. It's America," Sasso said.

He said he had "no idea" how a continued organized protest by the gay community would affect Dukakis' campaign. He then dismissed it as a topic he should be asked to address, because, he said "I have a lot to do."

Campaign aides and fund-raisers with Dukakis in California last week said they were unaware of any problems.

Some political observers said the issue could help Dukakis take the edge off his image as an East Coast liberal.

Whatever the political consequences, the foster care policy raises strong emotions for some gays.

"Party at its worst"

For example, Eric Rofes, executive director of the Los Angeles Gay and Lesbian Community Center, wrote an opinion piece that described Dukakis as the "paradigm of the Democratic Party at its worst on gay and lesbian issues." The article ran in a half dozen gay and lesbian newspapers. He said he also contacted gay colleagues who had been approached by Dukakis' chief

fundraiser, Robert Farmer, to tell them about the Dukakis policy.

Rofes said the goal of his group "is to make sure that Mike Dukakis is not the presidential candidate of the Democratic Party."

But some gay activists said the Dukakis record is not entirely negative.

'The local press will be reminded that he's responsible for a very discriminatory social policy.'

— Gay Activist Sue Hyde

For example, Hutchinson of the Boston Lesbian and Gay Political Alliance said Dukakis played a major role in winning support for gay rights legislation that passed the House this month.

Dukakis also took care in his presidential announcement speech to pledge to fight AIDS. As governor, he increased the appropriation for AIDS education and support services to \$5.6 million after his initial amount was criticized as inadequate.

Boston City Councilor David Scondras, who is gay, said that Dukakis' recent efforts on behalf of the gay rights bill may soothe some, "but it will not be in and of itself sufficient."

"There's been a breakdown in trust over time, the evolution of a feeling that he doesn't really care about the problems and concerns of gay people," said Scondras.

Will Snyder, associate editor of San Francisco's Bay Area Reporter, the largest gay weekly newspaper in the country with a circulation of 33,000, said he just finished researching and writing a lengthy piece on Dukakis and found the governor's record "a little confusing for gay people." Snyder said Dukakis' accomplishments as a fiscal manager will be attractive to gay voters, just as they will be to voters in general. But he said gay voters will be trying to discern "what kicks inside his head" in terms of his attitude toward them.

In California this week, Joyce Jacobs, state Democratic Party finance chairman, said there is no evidence Dukakis has problems with the gay community, but that she had heard it might be a problem. "I have heard that this is his weak spot," she said. "If he has one weakness, that's probably it."

By Joan Vennoch
and Bruce Mohl
Boston Globe Staff

PENTAGON ISSUES SEXUAL CONDUCT LIST

The Defense Department has adopted new, specific guidelines on sexual conduct which Pentagon officials say could be used to revoke security clearances or fire civilian workers who violate them.

On the list of prohibited activities are homosexuality, transsexualism, cross-dressing, sex with animals, adultery and sex orgies.

Gay rights groups and some members of Congress have criticized the guidelines as possibly leading to discrimination against people who do not pose a threat to national security. "To the extent that sodomy includes sexual relations between consenting adults, it is none of the government's business," said Democratic Reps. Don Edward of California and Patricia Schroeder of Colorado in a letter to Secretary of Defense Caspar W. Weinberger.

But according to a spokesperson, homosexuality would not automatically lead to a review of a civilian worker's security clearance.

In addition to listing prohibited practices, the directive also obliges individuals to come forward with information on their co-workers.

BENEFIT TO BE HELD AT THE NETWORK

Metropolitan Communications, "Male Call" and The Network of Phoenix will present a benefit night June 25.


The fundraiser is for Oasis Metropolitan Community Church's Deacon's fund, which provides food and emergency funds to the needy. The benefit is also targeted to assist Oasis MCC's Food Share Program for PWA's.

Several members of Oasis MCC have been donating community service, time and money to provide food for people with AIDS. This benefit will help expand Oasis' service to PWA's.

Entertainment will be provided by well-known personalities from Phoenix. Scheduled to appear are Miss Gay Arizona, Jamie DeSario; Tamara, Mona Littlemore, Penelope, and Tish Tanner. Two male strippers, Chuck and J.Z., are also slated to appear at the benefit.

Local entertainment will include a magic show; Mark and Jay; The Oasis Angels; Jean Simeone and Mike and Mike. Door prizes will be given at the event.

The benefit will begin at 8:30 p.m. and continue through midnight on Thursday, June 25 at The Network, 3025 N. 24th St. A \$2.00 per person donation is requested at the door. All proceeds will be directed for Oasis MCC of Phoenix.



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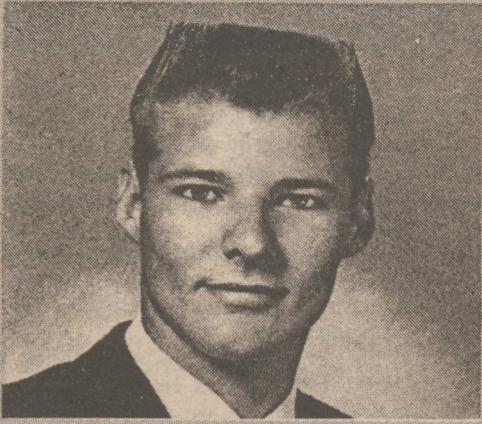
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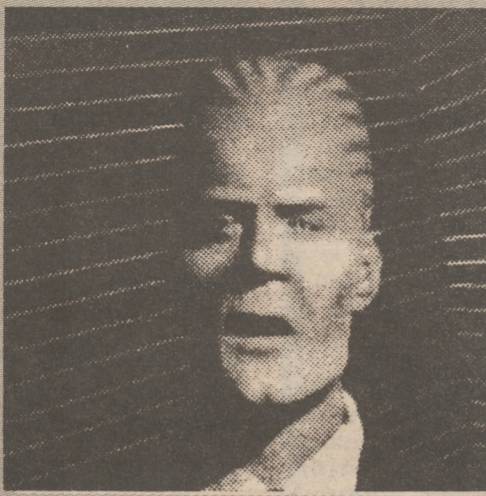
Throw away the key — locks are hibernating for the summer. The military look is back, if temporarily, and all the mousse in your favorite Wham-boy's medicine chest will curdle. So will his scalp.



HOT REASON FOR BELIEVING IN GOD

Jim & Tammy Bakker

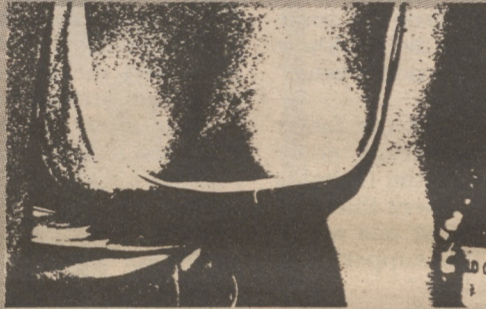
A true Christian would never hit you when you're down, but hey, these two need to be slapped! Isn't it great to have the moral majority take their beady little eyes off us for a while, and focused on their own little soap opera? Paybackscan be a bitch! Who says God isn't Great?



HOT HEAD

Max Headroom

OK, last year the HOT hunk was Mel Gibson — this year it's MAX! Intelligent, goodlooking (in a plastic sort of way), witty great sense of humor. What more could a man want? The lower half you say? Well with his brains, sooner or later he'll be able to generate *that!* Maybe you can help program the size! Computer sex — catch the wave!



HOT VIEW OF WOMEN'S BREASTS

Lesbian Softball Teams

Tanks and tubes and cup-size from A to Z. With summer here, they're going on in every city park — replete with confused male audiences. Sliding into home never looked so good.

HOT BAR TABS

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HUMANSPACE BOOK REVIEW

Meg Umans

Paz. Camarin Grae, author. Chicago: Blazon Books, 1984. 326 pages. \$8.95 paperbound.

Grae has given us three books (so far) on issues of current interest. *Paz*, *Winged Dancer* and *Soul Snatcher* are all stories about relationships, the spiritual or supernatural, personal integrity and community involvement. Grae appeared on the alternative literature scene without fanfare, through a little-known publisher, without a monotonously impressive list of qualifications, and at a time...now... when we need her badly. Grae is a master of grammar and style, so her writing is inherently interesting, and she knows what's important to her readers, so her subject matter is interesting. She knows how to build suspense — I was rarely able to "stop reading after this chapter." It's even more rewarding, and especially in the alternative-press field, to read a page-turner in a solidly constructed and physically attractive book. Stay alert for future releases from Blazon Books: they've established high standards for literary and physical quality.

We meet Paz as Drew McAllister; Drew seems fully recovered from her recent traffic accident, except for her feeling that something strange is happening to her mind. An apparently unrelated side effect, pleasant and vaguely puzzling, is

that now people are treating her casual suggestions as imperatives. Drew's best friend Wiley is a psychologist, and with the encouragement of Wiley's professional and personal interest, Drew experiments until she's defined the extent of the change: with direct eye contact and slow speech, Drew can make anyone do anything. She can control people's minds.

The effects make sense to us once we've seen them, but Grae never lets us second-guess any of her characters. We have to get to know them and all their quirks and consistencies, as Grae develops them for us. I'm not going to tell you the plot or the resolution, but I will tell you another reason for you to read a well-written suspense story.

Some good writing reaches us through alternative presses because mainstream publishers know what most book-buyers expect, and it isn't this. The feminism in Paz is so integral to the story that readers don't notice until they're hooked on the story that it challenges and eliminates traditional notions of male and female roles. Mainstream readers may not react kindly to new principles disrupting predictable action, and they may not react kindly to female characters falling in love with each other. And they'll probably be indignant about a resolution that allows Drew/Paz to create a community of peace.

LESBIAN AND GAY RIGHTS RALLY (JUNE 14, 1987)

As June 14 draws nearer, the plans for the Phoenix Lesbian and Gay Rights Rally are coming together. The Capital has been informed. The police and media have been notified. Many of the speakers have been finalized. The sound system is contracted for. T-shirts have been ordered. The Rally will be Sunday June 14 from 5pm to 9pm at the Wesley Bolin Memorial Plaza, 1700 W. Washington, Phoenix, Arizona.

The speakers for this year's rally are from a diverse community. A representative of the Phoenix Lesbian and Gay Interfaith Alliance will open with an inspirational message. Naomi Harward, Chairperson of the Mecham Recall Committee, will have an opportunity to relate the most recent information about the recall. Dianne Post, Senior Attorney, will speak on Lesbian/Gay Rights. Nicholas Snow, Executive Director of the Lesbian and Gay Switchboard, will introduce that important resource to the community. There will be a spokesperson from the Arizona Stop AIDS Project (ASAP). Still Waters, a singing group, will be a part of the entertainment. The emcee, at the present time, is Bj Bud, former editor/publisher of Sunday's Child, a lesbian/gay newsmagazine. There will also be a comedian, dancing, music, and a "HANDS AROUND THE CAPITAL" event.

There will be either a live band or recorded music for dancing from 5 until 6 pm, followed by some of the speakers. Before dark, the Rally will move from the Plaza, across the street to the Capital. In a symbolic gesture, the supporters of Gay and Lesbian Rights will join hands as they encircle the Capital. We will sing and have chants. Afterwards, the rally will return to the Plaza to hear the remaining speakers. There will be dancing following the

speakers.

Trax, 1724 E. McDowell, which has a Sunday BBQ has decided to extend their hours on June 14 to accommodate the rally attendees. So, after the rally, it's on to TRAX!

At press time, the Committee is still in desperate need of peacekeepers. "We need to have at least 100 peacekeepers and we don't even have 20 yet," stated Bj Bud, Chairperson of the Committee. "If everyone who has peacekeeper experience would volunteer, we would be in great shape." There is a training schedule for June 13 from 10 am to 2:30 pm at ASU.

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COMMUNITY SWITCHBOARD — 'BUILDING BRIDGES'

Nicholas Snow, formerly of the Lesbian and Gay Speakers Bureau, has recently taken over Executive Directorship of the Lesbian and Gay Community Switchboard, replacing the departing Bob Hegyi. Hegyi, who has taken a position with the County Health Department, held the reigns of the Switchboard over the last several years. Snow has instigated a reorganization and restructuring of the Switchboard, implementing a new staff of volunteers and several off-shoot projects. Among these projects is a proposed organization now known as the Community Committee.

Nicholas Snow: The concept of the Community Committee is that of representatives from all interested lesbian and gay organizations coming together once a month to share what's going on and to combine efforts where it's appropriate. I especially want to see women and feminists represented in the Committee. We're in the early stages of the organization now; we meet the first Monday of every month at Metropolitan Community Church at 7:30.

PR: The segregation of gay men and women within the Phoenix gay community has always been an issue. To what do you attribute this disjunction?

Snow: I feel that women have had a tougher row to hoe, given the way that our society is structured. I brought up the fact that I want to see more women's groups involved in the Community Committee because it was mentioned to me that I had inadvertently stepped on some toes by not sending invitations to some of the women's groups. In fact, I do want involvement in the Committee by

women's organizations.

PR: Since having taken over as Director of the Switchboard, do you find that you've lost some possible funding that Bob Hegyi might have easily acquired, given his stand in the community?

Snow: No. Bob Hegyi is still on our Board of Directors. All of the support

"I envision the Switchboard as the heart of the community"

that the Switchboard had when Bob was Executive Director is still here. I have some connections that Bob didn't, given that I travel in different community circles than he. If anything, there is more support than before as a result of these different contacts, energies and ideas coming into the organization.

PR: What about the volunteer staff? It seems that the Switchboard has been keeping odd hours lately.

Snow: Our goal is to be staffed from ten a.m. until ten p.m. seven days a week. We're almost there. Volunteer support is actually up; our volunteer coordinator is a non-gay woman who has made certain that we are covered on the phones at all times. When we can't, our answering machine explains as much. Still, this is a temporary situation, as we expect to have a full staff of volunteers soon.

PR: The Switchboard has been expanding its involvement lately. I understand that you're even planning a "Lesbian and Gay TV Show?"

Snow: It's in the developing stages

right now. The plan is for the show to have a news and talk format, and to be aired monthly on Public Access television. We're involved in enlisting volunteers to take part in the actual production of the show, and plan for the show to be seen weekly by January of 1988.

We hope for the show to act as a unifying force within the community — we want to focus on different issues throughout. The show will be co-hosted by myself and Judith Curtis-Mardon, a lesbian who has been very involved with our community. We're both natives of Arizona.

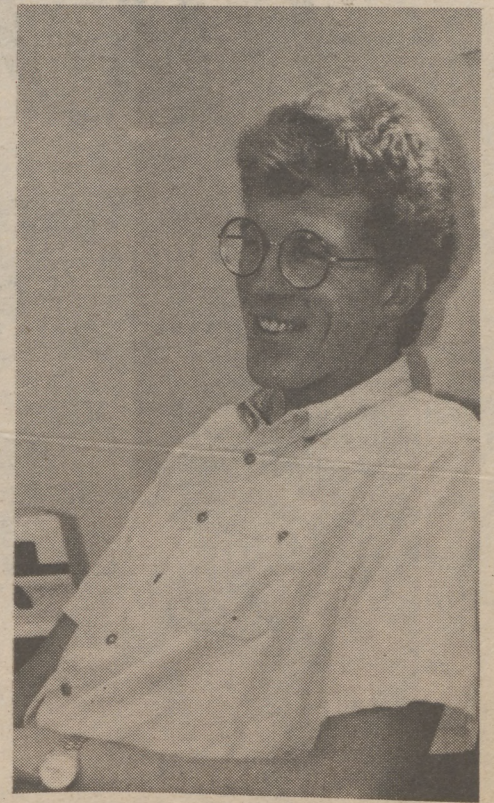
PR: What about the Switchboard's involvement in the Gay Pride Event on the 14th?

Snow: The rally this year has political overtones, so we can only be involved in an educational capacity. We cannot be overtly involved in anything political, because of our non-profit tax exempt status. I hope to assist in building momentum for support of the Switchboard at the Event.

PR: The Switchboard appears to have some new, very high-profile goals for the immediate future.

Snow: We've definitely broadened our horizons. Our new statement of purpose suggests that we are now evolving into a Network Resource Center. I envision the Switchboard as being the heart of the community, and in many ways that is already the case.

We have a new focus on education; through use of a speaker's bureau, the television show, and ongoing media relations. In addition to orchestrating a committee within the community, we're also looking to present positive and accurate information to the public at



large.

PR: You're referring to your having been recently chosen as chairperson for the Media Committee for the Maricopa County AIDS Coalition?

Snow: Yes. I stressed the point that I was going to be working with the media as an openly gay man for the Lesbian and Gay community. There was no problem with that. We're basically a

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HOT FASHION

Condoms

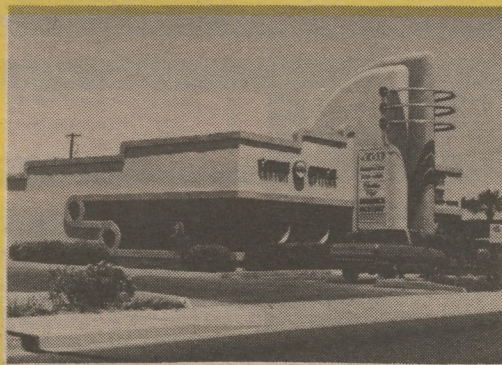
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HOT EVIDENCE THAT WHAT GOES AROUND COMES AROUND

Bola Ties

It's not just TV — life itself is a rerun. Dig down into that old shoe box, saved from childhood. More than likely you'll find the bola tie you made in Boy Scouts (you know, the one with the scorpion imbedded in plastic). Haul it up, put it on, wear it out. It's hip again. Bill Close knew it all along.



HOT REASON TO BELIEVE THAT THOSE WHO REMEMBER HISTORY ARE CONDEMNED TO REVIVE IT!

Neo Deco

Phoenix provides sad proof that imitation is not always the sincerest form of flattery, and it's high time we said basta! to the art deco craze, in full force the last few years. Check any corner with new construction going on, and you can bet your butt it will be in the "neo-deco" format. What this all means for us is a lot of peach, dusty rose and turquoise stucco blooming with chintzy, radial ornamentation. Too bad Phoenix couldn't have preserved the real things! Enough of this Miami-Vice inspired Deco-dence.

HOT ADVICE FOR WHINING GUPPIES

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If you've come to the conclusion that there are more pressing problems in your life than obtaining a gold American Express card or spare parts for your BMW, David Viscott may have the answers. The author of such touchie-feelle manuals as *How To Make Winning Your Lifestyle* and *How To Do Everything You Want Without Feeling Guilty*, Viscott offers viscous advice on life, love and the all-important "freedom from guilt."

HOT CRUISE

The Airport

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EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF MARCH ON WASHINGTON ADDS AIDS ACTIVIST DAVID W. ALMAND

The National March on Washington for Lesbian and Gay Rights announced the expansion of its National Executive committee to include long-time disability rights and AIDS activist David W. Almand. The National March on Washington will take place on October 11, 1987. A national Steering Committee of 64 persons has begun the work of organizing the March.

"I am very pleased to be able to serve on the Executive Committee of the March on Washington," observed Almand. "As a gay man and as a person with AIDS, I feel that the March is extremely timely and urgent. So much discrimination exists, there are many battles to be fought, and I am deeply committed to the fight." Mr. Almand, an activist based in Atlanta Georgia, brings to the seven-member Executive Committee extensive organizing experience in the areas of the rights of handicapped persons and the rights of persons with AIDS.

Almand is a graduate of Mercer University and holds graduate degrees from the University of Wisconsin and the University of Minnesota in rehabilitation counseling and interpreting for the hearing impaired.

Almand worked as a rehabilitation counselor for the Department of Economic Security in Wisconsin until 1980 when he moved to the Los Angeles and San Diego areas. For over five years, Almand worked for the San Diego Schools, serving as Assistant Director for Placement for Handicapped persons. He also worked with the deaf community as a consultant on a variety of projects and worked to set

up Adult Education programs for the handicapped in the Los Angeles area.

Almand was diagnosed with AIDS in July of 1986 and has been actively involved in AIDS issues on a national and local level. He is active in AIDS Atlanta, the local AIDS service and the Georgia AIDS Action Committee. He is an ex officio board member of the National Association of People with AIDS and is presently working with several grass roots educational and outreach efforts targeting families of people with AIDS as well as people of color with AIDS.

Almand joins the following persons on the executive committee of the March: Kay Ostberg, Washington, DC, March Co-Chairperson; Steve Ault, New York, March Co-Chairperson; Pat Norman, San Francisco, March Co-Chairperson; and Nicole Murray.

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group of people willing to address gay issues and AIDS issues with the press. This way, the questions asked are being answered by those most qualified to do so.

PR: What do you see as the new focus of the Switchboard?

Snow: I'm basically focused on building bridges — bridges that may have been burned down in the past, or those that never existed. Not only bridges between groups within our community, but between our community and the public at large.

Yet, the only way that this can take place — and the only way that the Switchboard can survive — is if we become representative of the community as a whole. I am confident that we have the potential to become a very active and progressive lesbian and gay community service center.

—R. Pela

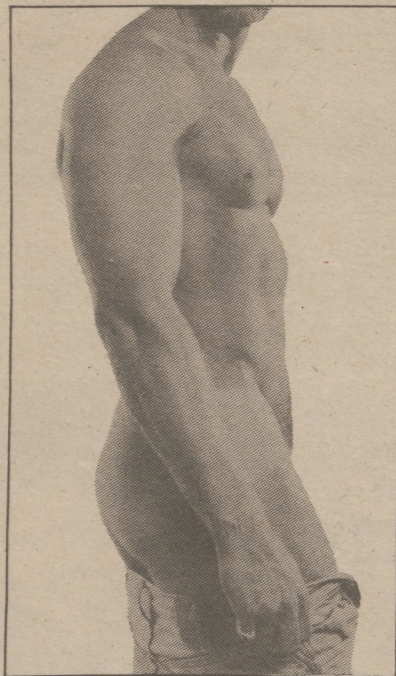
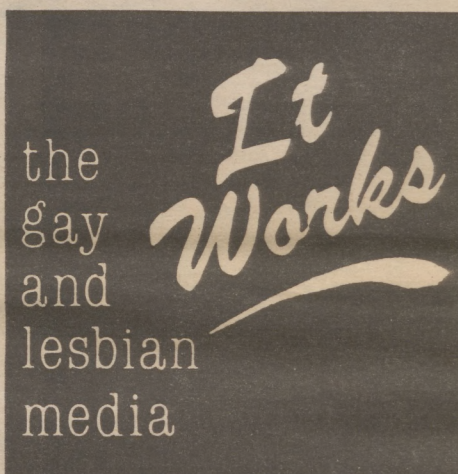
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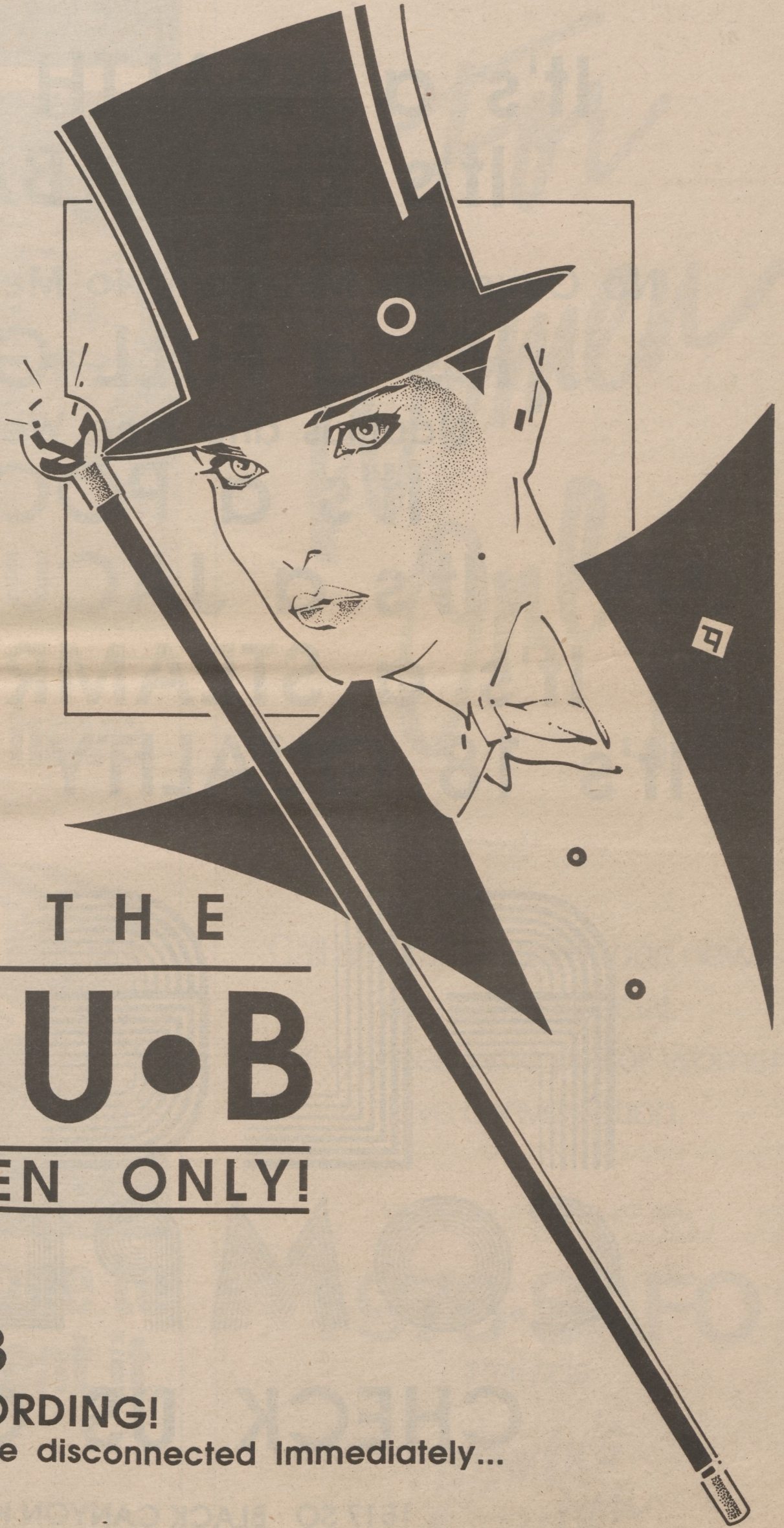
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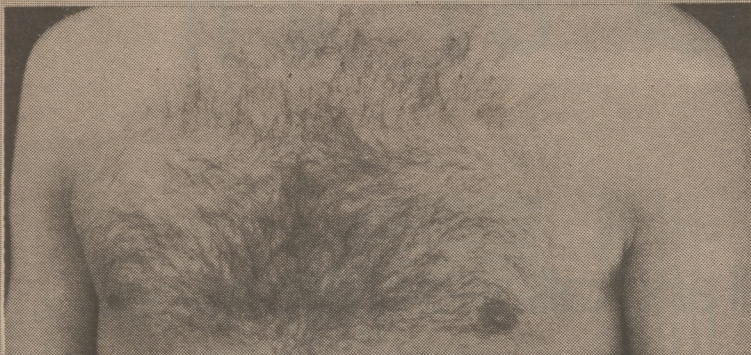
GUPPY

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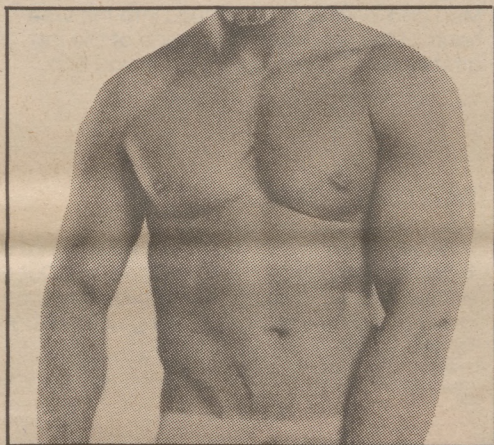
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HOT 'TIL 3

Trax

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HOT ODD COUPLE

Aretha and George Michael

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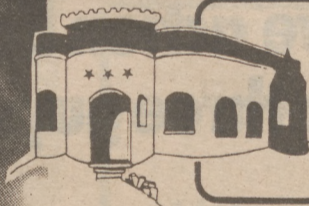
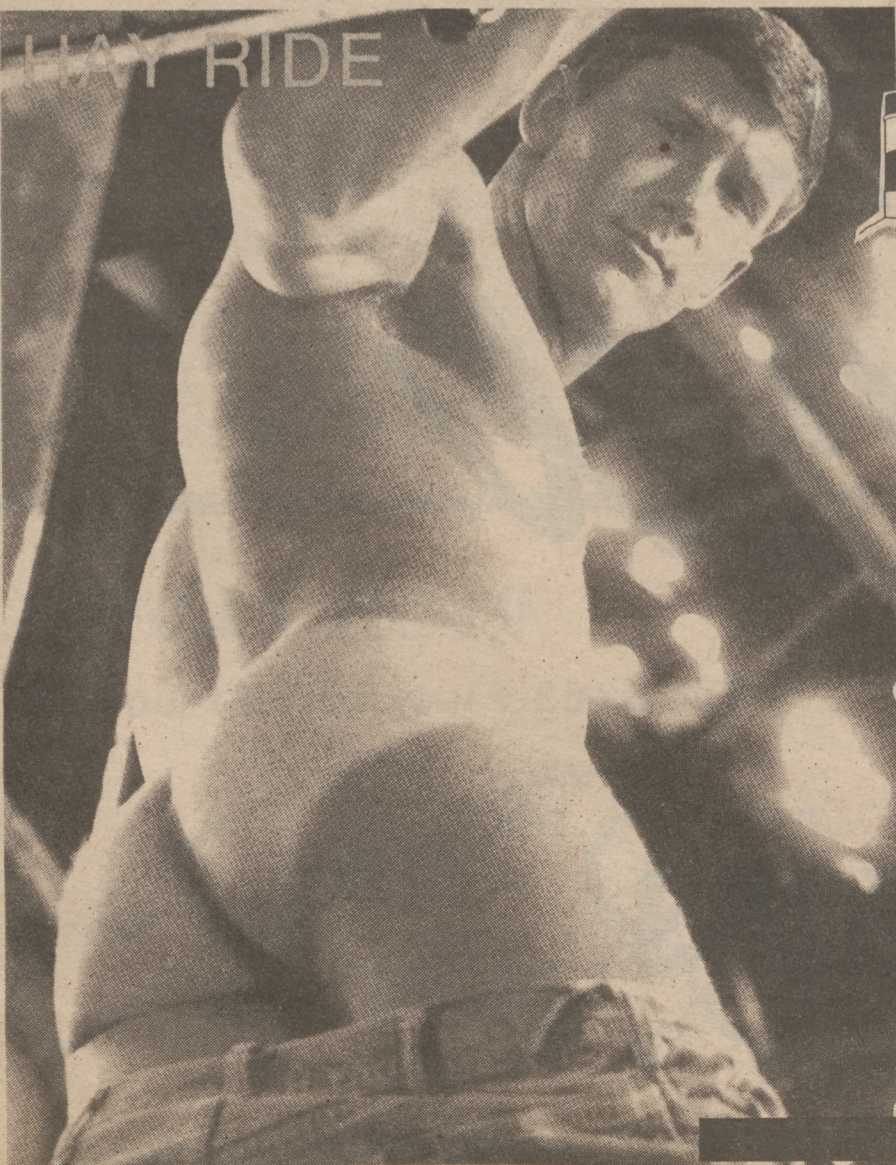
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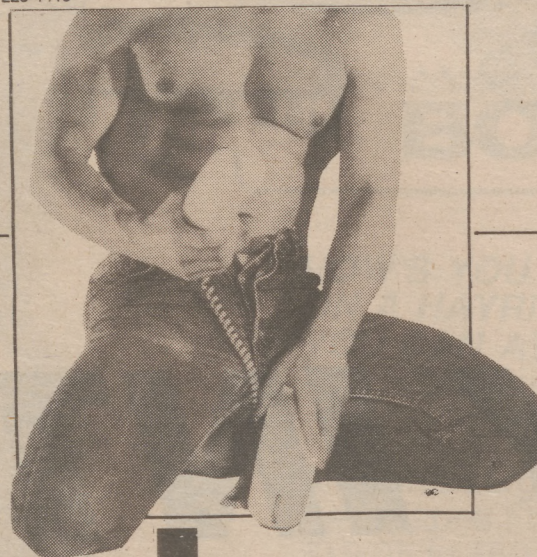
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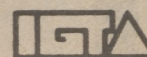
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