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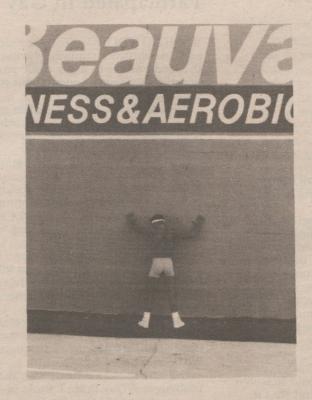
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Okay, it's true. I like to hear stories about people humiliating themselves in public.

Maybe my fondness for this form of lowbrow entertainment isn't particularly admirable. But I see it this way: I don't watch soap operas, I loathe spectator sports, and I won't go to an amusement park under any circumstances. So I figure my contemptible diversion quotient is pretty much in check.

tales about heterosexuals who impair their careers by slamming queers.
Remember when disco diva Donna Summer blasted homos as "sinners"? Much of Summer's gay audience abandoned her, and it was several years before her record label really promoted her dance discs.

I'm especially fond of

My favorite tale of woe is the Anita Bryant gambol of

the late '70s. The former
Miss America chided gay
men and lost her husband
and her job hawking Florida
orange juice. And how
about Zsa Zsa Gabor's
lamentable quote about
lesbians in prison? (Okay,
so maybe she didn't have
much of a career to
destroy.)

I wish I could add Matt
Beauvais to my list of
shamed heteros. But when
Phoenix Resource reporter
Chuck Hadd dug into the
Beauvais' antidiscrimination case, he
unearthed a deadlock (see
story, page 7).

I was happy to hear that a group of gallant gay boys took a stand when they felt that employees of their favorite gym were mistreating them. Bold actions like this don't happen often enough in our cozily closeted community.

But despite their heroic gay efforts, Matt Beauvais just plain refused to disgrace himself, and that kind of takes the edge off the story for me. Beauvais cooperated nicely with our

troops, not only meeting the demands of his gay activist customers, but doing so within the specified time frame. He wasn't afraid to talk to the gay press about accusations that he's a homophobe. And when he told our reporter that he didn't care if gay men and lesbians boycotted his gym, I believed him.

If Matt Beauvais sneered at our brave boys for attempting to uncover his presumed prejudice, he had the sense to do it in private. Consequently, Matt Beauvais appears to have more than good judgment: He still has our gay dollars. Despite the hoopla, we weren't able to uncover a single gym rat who canceled his or her Beauvais' membership.

That's nice for him, and for the splendid men who took on this cause. But I'll need to look elsewhere for new tales of hetero contrition.

Did someone say "Pee Wee Herman"?

-Pela

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On the cover: Gay members of Beauvais' Fitness and Aerobics Center pump up an anti-discrimination case.

Chuck Hadd's story begins on page 7.

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Navratilova Says She Was Betrayed by Former Lover

Tennis Pro Cites "Naïvete"

NEW YORK—Martina Navratilova, a shrewd and savvy player on the tennis court, says she was naïve and stupid for signing a cohabitation agreement with her longtime female companion.

In an interview broadcast last week on ABC's 20-20, Navratilova says Judy Nelson tricked her into signing the agreement in 1986. Navratilova said she never read the document before signing it and didn't realize what it contained, even though the signing was videotaped.

"I thought I was smart, but now when I see the video, I say, 'How stupid were you?" Navratilova said. "I am very trusting, and that's the point of being naïve, which is pretty embarrassing to admit that at the age of 35 I am naïve. But I was then."

Nelson, who lived with Navratilova for seven years, filed suit in Fort Worth, Texas, against the tennis player seeking one half of all Navratilova's earnings during their relationship, which ended earlier this year.

Navratilova denied reports that she had offered Nelson \$2 million to settle the suit

"I don't have that kind of money," Navratilova told Barbara Walters. "I mean, I give her that, and I'm broke. I might just as well start all over again—18 years of playing tennis down the drain."

Navratilova said she believed Nelson "truly loved me" and that they lived together "as man and wife." But she said she now thinks that Nelson also was motivated by money.

"She figured either she was going to have me or she was going to have a lot of money," Navratilova said.

Asked whether she considered the cohabitation agreement as trading sex for money, she said: "No, I wouldn't go that far. Maybe love for money."

Navratilova said she paid Nelson a salary starting in 1985 and that it reached \$90,000 per year in 1990. She also said she would have married Nelson if it were legally possible.

Although she prefers the company of women to men, Navratilova said she was physically attracted to men as well as women.

"I am attracted physically to both," she said. "I just prefer emotionally the company of women."

Navratilova also said she would like to "pass on these genes" to another generation, and "I think I would make a pretty good mother, but at the same time, I'm almost 35."

United Way May Yank Boy Scout Funding

SAN FRANCISCO—The Boy Scout's refusal to admit gays, atheists and girls could cost the organization millions of dollars in funding from the United Way.

Directors of the United Way in the San Francisco Bay area have decided to pull a \$9,000 grant for the Mt. Diablo Council in Concord because the chapter refused to let a gay member become a scoutmaster.

If the Scouts refuse to budge on the issue that sparked the controversy—their refusal to admit gays—the organization may lose next year's expected United Way grant of at least \$1.2 million to Boy Scout groups in five area counties, United Way spokesman John Stafford said.

Though this year's funding is not threatened, the charity organization plans to create a task force to reexamine its long term relationship with the Boy Scouts, Stafford said.

"This is going to be quite a circus. I doubt it's going to go away soon," Stafford said.

The committee will examine not only the Boy Scouts' anti-gay policy, but also its national practice of barring atheists and girls, he said. The board hopes to name scouting and gay leaders to the panel.

Mt. Diablo Council director
Quentin Alexander condemned the
cancellation of the grant and said
United Way has no grounds for
protesting scouting funding or
policies.

stating it will not discriminate against

He acknowledged that each Boy Scout council signs an agreement when accepting United Way funds, gays and other minorities.

But with that agreement, Alexander said, the Scouts include an amendment that says any such pact can't override "certain unique policies and procedures" of the Scouts. One such policy is barring gays as members and scout masters, he said.

"We have never said we are in accord with their policy on this matter," Alexander said. "We feel we have a signed agreement with all the relevant officials of the United Way, and we see no reason for that to be changed at all.

The controversy that led to the action stems from a lawsuit filed a decade ago against the Mt. Diablo Council by former Eagle Scout Tim Curran, a gay man who wanted to be a scoutmaster.

A Los Angeles Superior Court judge in May upheld the Scouts' national anti-gay policy, and local gay activists have taken up the battle while the

case is appealed.

Activists asked United Way to cancel its Boy Scout funding, and pressed for a meeting with Alexander and William Cronk, president of the council's board of directors. The two met with two gay leaders on the

subject of admitting openly gay boys. Both sides said afterward that the only thing that came out of the meeting was that nobody is willing to budge on his position.

"Their policy has no logic, and it's totally unfair," said Rob Birle, co-chairman of the Contra Costa Alliance of Gay and Lesbian Organizations.

Air Force Discharges Captain Who Participated in Gay Pride Parade

WASHINGTON D.C.—The Air Force has discharged a captain who carried the lead banner in a gay pride parade and then was questioned about it by military investigators.

"The Air Force has decided to grant my separation," Capt. Greg Greeley, of Arlington, Va., said in an interview. "I assume it will be an honorable discharge to reflect the exemplary service record that I've had."

Later, the Air Force said Greeley picked up papers granting him an honorable discharge effective 24 hours after it was originally scheduled.

Greeley, an Air Force communications and computer specialist at the Pentagon, was told that his discharge was being delayed for an unspecified period of time.

The 27-year-old said he was questioned at the Office of Special Investigations at Bolling Air Force Base after he was quoted in a Washington Post article.

The article, which dealt with the Lesbian and Gay Pride Parade in Washington, said Greeley carried the lead banner in the parade and quoted him as saying, "This is our time. We can come out in the daylight and not be in some dim bar. This is our day. I feel very proud."

Greeley said he was questioned for three-and-a-half hours by the investigators, and that he was asked about his participation in the parade, possible security breaches, and his private life.

"I answered all their questions about security. I refused to answer questions about my personal life," he said.

Greeley said the investigators asked if he were a homosexual, if he'd slept with other men, and if he knew the names of any Air Force personnel that were homosexual. He said they also threatened "that they could bring charges against me" for sodomy if he didn't cooperate with them.

"I refused to answer the questions about my personal life. Those questions are not related to security," he said. "I'm not going to give them any names."

The officer said he assured the investigators that "no one has ever tried to approach me" and that he'd never been involved in any breach of security.

Greeley declined to disclose his security clearance, except to say it was "high."

"I believe I answered the questions to their satisfaction," he said. The officer, who has been in the Air Force for four years, said he was "very proud to have served in the Air Force...military service is an honor, and I'm really glad to have done it."

But he said he'd never expected his actions to garner so much attention, particularly a front-page article in the *Washington Post*. "I did not anticipate these problems. I'm glad it's over with," he said.

Greeley said he disagreed with the military's policy that homosexuality is incompatible with military service. "You should be judged by the service you provide the military," he said.

Maj. Kathy Blevins, a spokeswoman at Bolling, said Greeley's discharge was delayed so the Air Force could "debrief him and question him about his access to sensitive information."

The Air Force, she said, was "taking routine precautions to ensure there is no breach of national security."

Queried about its policy on homosexuality and security clearances, the Pentagon issued a statement that said, "There is no empirical data of which the Department is aware that suggests that gays present a greater (or lesser) risk to the national security than heterosexuals.

"However, if an individual with a security clearance attempts to conceal information of potential security significance that may tend to subject them to coercion or pressure, regardless of whether it involves such matters of homosexuality, adultery, illegal drug use, alcoholism or financial problems, it becomes an issue of possible concern from a security standpoint," the statement said.

The Pentagon also said that homosexuality "is not now and never has been, grounds for denial of a security clearance," but that it is "a relevant factor in a determination of whether a person is reliable and trustworthy to the extent that he or she should be entrusted with classified information."

The statement said security clearances have been granted and denied to homosexuals employed by the Department of Defense as civilian or contract employees, "depending on the particular factors involved in each case."

Judge Rules For Man Who Donated Sperm to Lesbian Couple

WOODLAND, CA—A Superior Court judge has ruled that a man who donated sperm for a lesbian couple to have a child may seek parental rights. The ruling by Yolo County Superior

The ruling by Yolo County Superior Court Judge Jim Stevens does not establish custody or visitation rights, but allows further litigation over those issues.

Stevens had ruled earlier that since Steve Wittmann's sperm had not been processed by a physician—instead he ejaculated into cups in a private home—that he is not barred from seeking paternity rights.

Wittmann claimed he had agreed to provide sperm for the couple knowing he would participate as father in the

child's life, and he filed his paternity suit six month's after the baby's birth.

But Randall Blake, an attorney representing the mother, Andra Northrup, argued that had told Northrup and her partner, Mary Northrup, earlier that he had no interest in fatherhood, and that Wittmann therefore should have no parental rights.

"We made it clear it was our family. I made it clear that he would have no financial or emotional involvement," Mary Northrup said.

But Stevens ruled for Wittmann on the grounds that they never entered into an agreement surrendering Wittmann's parental rights.

Volgy for Congress

uch of Arizona's terrible political reputation is deserved. During the past few years, the nation's attention has focused on our faults and our follies: Mecham, AzScam, the gubernatorial runoff, the Keating Five—all have made headlines and raised eyebrows from California to Maine.

Arizona's turbulent political scene made many of us even more appreciative of the one beacon of sanity and stability, an Arizona politician whom the nation began to see as the exception to the rule: Congressman Morris K. Udall.

The announcement of Mo Udall's resignation last spring sent many of us into a deep depression. Mo was the only ray of light in our otherwise right-wing congressional delegation: he was Arizona's only congressman who consistently cast favorable votes for human rights, women, and minorities; much of the rest of the delegation score miserably in these areas. And Udall's legacy of environmental legislation may never be surpassed.

Thus the task of finding a replacement is daunting. Of the ten or so candidates who have emerged, one stands out. He is Tom Volgy, the current mayor of Tucson.

Volgy, a Democrat, is the only serious candidate who has a visible pro-human-rights record. And he is not ashamed of it. As mayor, Volgy has repeatedly demonstrated a strong commitment to the lesbian and gay citizens of Tucson. As he had done in the past, Volgy appeared at the most recent Tucson Lesbian/Gay Pride festival and read his proclamation, declaring pride week to be Tucson Anti-Discrimination Week. He was received enthusiastically

Not surprisingly, the leaders of the lesbian/gay communities in Phoenix and Tucson are lining up behind Volgy. He comes highly recommended from members of the Tucson-based

Lambda Democratic Caucus and has received the endorsement of the Phoenix-based Arizona Committee for

The other leading candidate for the Congressional District 2 seat, former Maricopa Supervisor Ed Pastor, was invited to the Tucson pride event. He initially said he'd come, but canceled. In fact, Pastor was initially reluctant to appear with his opponents at any sort of gathering in Tucson. (About half of that city lies in C.D. 2, along with Yuma and the southwest corner of the state, and the southwestern portion of the Phoenix metro area.)

Pastor's entire strategy appears mainly to consist of courting the hispanic vote; the campaign literature directed to hispanic voters states repeatedly (in both English and Spanish) that he's "one of us." Meanwhile, Pastor is calling in every political debt owed to him by other Phoenix-area Democrats, and there appear to by many such debts. On the other hand, Volgy seems to have won the hearts, if not the official endorsements, of many Democrats with his progressive message. I have to believe that many of the Democrats now committed to lending their names to Pastor's campaign may end up voting for Volgy when the time comes.

That time comes on primary election day, Aug. 13, when Democratic and Republican voters in C.D. 2 go to the polls to select their candidates for the Sept. 24 general election. However, because Democrats outnumber Republicans in the district by 2-to-1, the winner of the Democratic Primary is all but assured a victory in September.

If you live in C.D. 2 and are a registered Democrat, I urge you to go polls on Tuesday, Aug. 13. And if you wish to cast your vote for the candidate who stands most solidly for our community's issues, cast it for Tom Volgy. Lesbian and gay Arizonans need his commitment, and Arizona, with its flagging reputation, needs his integrity.

—Don Slutes

Naked Ladies

Except for the article on gay pride day, there wasn't anything gay in your last issue (Vol. 7, No. 15). Your main article and cover featured naked women. Don Slutes' (column) was not about anything that had anything to do with being gay. You even brag about Slutes not writing about anything gay. The only other thing gay in this issue of Phoenix Resource is the 976 ads.

Carl J. Allwith Phoenix

The cover photograph and nude pictorial of Lisa Lyon were shot by the late Robert Mapplethorpe. Presumably, lesbians like to look at photographs of naked women. Mapplethorpe was gay. Lesbians are gay. Lesbians read this publication. What mathematical equation does this illustrate?

-Ed.

Beer Nuts

Ellen Young's article "After the Party" (Vol. 7 No. 16) missed the mark. Gay pride is a celebration, and a chance to celebrate who we are. So who cares if people showed up just for the free beer? As Young herself points out, there were more than five thousand people at this year's event. This was the first time in years that my partner and I attended a Phoenix gay pride, because we were finally going to get to go to a party that celebrated what we feel gay pride is about.

Lee Holstettler Phoenix

Thank you for printing Ellen Young's editorial about Phoenix' gay pride day. After finally finding a parking space, two friends and I walked half a mile (to the Phoenix gay pride event) to hopefully hear a few

inspirational speeches and meet up with some of our other friends. Instead, we found a drunken brawl, complete with medical attendants to assist the drunk and sun-exposed. Next year we'll stay home and read Joanne Loulan.

Name Withheld Phoenix

Zipter Lip

Yvonne Zipter's "Lesbian Lifts" (Vol. 7 No. 14) presumes a lot about gay and straight women alike. As a doctor of psychology, I have researched the social and cultural differences in gay men and women and find that (they have) few distinctive traits that are not socially acquired. I think that Zipter is making a mountain out of a molehill when she cites phraseology and styles of dress as a code of lesbian lifestyles.

Dr. Maya Elsberg, PhD Phoenix

Burn the Pariah! Burn the Pariah!

Bravo! to James Langston for writing about R. Pela's tired, arrogant editorial style ("Letters," Vol. 7 No. 14). I too am sick of Pela's ranting and raving.

Name Withheld Phoenix

You are not. Everyone wants to be me.

-Ed.

I don't always care for (R. Pela's) opinions or his use of the word "fag," but if his writing provokes so much response from (his) readers, he must be doing something right.

F. E. Neiss Scottsdale

Conjugation, perhaps?

-Ed.

Violence Against Boston Gays on the Rise

BOSTON, MA-In the first 18 months since the state's gay rights law passed, the Massachusetts agency that investigates discrimination has received 80 complaints about unfair treatment of gays in housing, credit and employment, an official said.

At the same time, gay activists reported an increase in violence directed against gay men and

In 1990, the first full year the law was in place, the Massachusetts Commission Against Discrimination received 41 complaints about discrimination against homosexuals. In the first six months of 1991, the MCAD received 39 complaints, said John Ahearn, the MCAD's associate director. The law bans discrimination against people because of their sexual orientation.

Gay activists also say violent attacks against them have escalated during the last six months in Massachusetts, and there have been 50 percent more attacks than during the corresponding period last year.

"When I sit here and pick up the

telephone and talk to five people a day who have been attacked, I'm just horrified at what people have to go through because of their sexual orientation," said Robert Weinerman of the Fenway Community Health Center Victim Recovery Program.

The center said 109 gay men and women have been attacked in 78 incidents in Massachusetts this year, with 69 percent of those incidents reported in the Boston area.

Weinerman told the Boston Herald that the struggling economy attributed to the rise in "gay-bashing." "With the bad economy, there is more anger and tension out on the street." he said, and added that 28 percent of the incidents occurred in June.

We usually see an increase in violence with the warming weather," Weinerman said. "It gets warm, people

The center's statistics differed sharply with those compiled by the Boston Police Community Disorders Unit, which investigates hate crimes. The unit reported only 14 incidents of violence against gays since January.

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Jargonauts

by Don Slutes

he current debate over 'political correctness" is nowhere more relevant than in the lesbian/gay community. (If it weren't for political correctness, for example, that last term would be merely "gay community." But I digress.) Too often, various factions in our community fight over the morecorrect high ground. Eager, young neo-activists regularly are subjected to the ire of wizened veterans whose only purpose, it seems, is to force everyone to use the correct terms in the correct manner. It can be an off-putting experience.

As with many of the stumbling blocks in our struggle for a place in society, the origin is in our identity: what we call a community is in fact a diverse group of people who generally have nothing more in common than the fact that they diddle members of their own gender. Outside of our sexuality, our lives and interests have little relation to each other. If you scooped up a random 10 percent of the non-gay population, you could expect them to have as much in common with one another as all lesbians and gay men do. Our community's diversity, then, creates tension. It's no wonder that "unity" often seems impossible to establish and as difficult to maintain.

One aspect of this is found in the way differing sensibilities deal with the argot of gay politics and culture. For example, no one can get away with the term "gay women" anymore, including lesbians who have not been politically initiated and who still find the term "lesbian" embarrassingly

explicit. And each month it seems that a new lexicography sprouts up around the AIDS crisis. People suffering with the disease are never "victims," only "patients." Well, they used to be. Now, they are People With AIDS, or, more recently, People Living With AIDS. For acronym-mad politicos, these should be stated: PWAs, PLWAs.

This maelstrom of terminology, of course, isn't unique to the lesbian/gay/ PWLA communities. The Differently Abled have endured a procession of ever-morecorrect descriptions, while African Americans/People of Color appear to be going in circles—just try using "Afro-American" or (gasp!) "colored

Give some of "our" people credit, though. In the face of increasing repression from within our own ranks, along comes a movement like Queer Nation. Its theory is that if we co-opt a pejorative term, much of its offensive power will be diminished. It's still early, but so far Queer Nation has not yet succeeded in making queers feel warm and fuzzy about the word. I've used the term in this very column and have been lambasted for it. The publisher of this newspaper routinely uses "queer" and "fag" in his writing (fortunately, everybody already hates him). A local political activist uses the term "faggots" so often that when a former (non-queer) legislator was overheard using an abbreviated version of the term in private, the activist tried to take full blame for introducing it to her vocabulary. But, Queer Nation notwithstanding, lesbians and gay men maintain that these

words should be our province, just as African Americans—but no one else, not even Archie Bunker—can let the word "nigger" trip off their tongues.

The difference, so far, is that politicians in many parts of the country can receive a standing ovation for railing against queers. Not as many are as well-received when blasting blacks. (Then again, any queers in the audience could remain anonymous merely by not volunteering information; most African Americans would have no such luxury.)

The real problem with monitoring speech for political correctness, as has been pointed out by dozens of commentators, is when identifying it gives way to preventing it. The prime focus of the current controversy is the movement among college and university administrations to mandate racial/ethnic/sexual sensitivity. And, as the commentators have also unanimously argued, clamping down on freedom of speech is no way to conduct policy in America. Furthermore, such measures tend to backfire, turning hateful and ignorant people into martyrs.

In the lesbian/gay community, the trick is to encourage sensitive communication without alienating those who are wellintentioned, if uninitiated. Years of beating our heads against a wall make some of us less patient with the naïve and politically ignorant, but the very nature of our mission—the fact that it's conducted mostly underground-means that most of our would-be supporters probably have not had the opportunity to be indoctrinated.

For their part, the unindoctrinated should not dismiss the lesbian/gay activists' litany of correct terms as the typical ravings of a radical fringe. They should realize that politically correct speech serves a purpose. Our particular buzzwords aim to dispel myths and stereotypes about gay people, to bring women out of the shadows gay-male-dominated movement, and to ensure that People Living With AIDS are seen, first and foremost, as living people.

By repeating these truths, we can instill rationality into the circus atmosphere that currently surrounds political correctness, while bringing meaning to the sometimes dense thicket of "acceptable" terminology.

Oral Hygiene

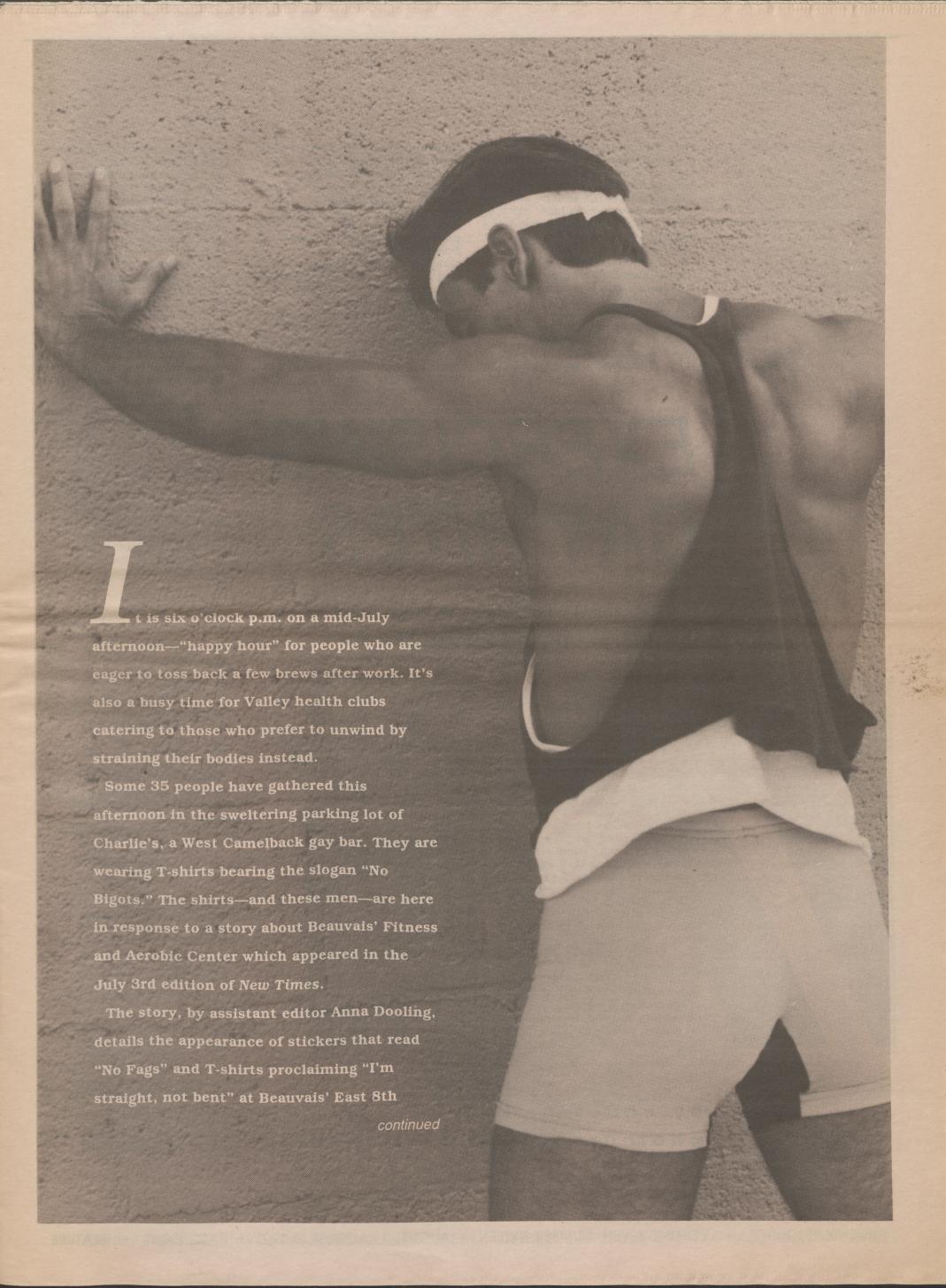
Neophytes and politicians take note! Here are some terms to avoid at a lesbian/gay community town hall meeting:

for men:

faggot mary mincing screaming trouser pilot tiara miss girl miss thing straight acting cock smoker ballpark frank dannemeyer

for womyn:

dyke charlie butch babe bruiser girl lady buildagger honey carpet muncher bubba schlafly



Place location. The stickers reportedly appeared in locker rooms and on the leather weight-lifting belts of some club members. The shirts were worn by about a half dozen patrons of the club, according to the article, including a member who was also a personal trainer with several clients at the gym. This trainer was presumably the source of the T-shirts and stickers.

Mark Freeze, an attorney and a member of Beauvais', was irate after reading the story. "The New Times article

handicap," and that they frown on the display of Tshirts and stickers deriding the gay and lesbian community. The petition notes that Beauvais has the legal right to prohibit patrons of his establishment from displaying such statements and demands that he issue a written policy to that effect. The letter sets a deadline of July 22, one week away. "Failure to comply," the letter says, "will result in an organized economic boycott of all Beauvais' facilities."

EXERCISING GAY RITES

Gay Activists Belly Up to the Juice Bar and Demand Fair Treatment

didn't say the owner of the club endorsed verbal gay-bashing, but it did suggest that he condoned it, or was at least indifferent to it," Freeze says. When he finished reading the article, Freeze began telephoning his gay friends. They, in turn, called others.

Now, two weeks later, Freeze is passing out T-shirts to Beauvais' members who have gathered at Charlie's. He has paid for the shirts himself—90 of them at \$5 a pop—and is handing them out to anybody who wants one. He asks, in return, that members sign a letter to gym owner Matthew Beauvais.

The letter states that the signers are paying members of the club who "oppose derogatory statements based on gender, race, national origin, sexual orientation or

Started in 1985 with a marketing strategy that stresses aerobics and highquality weight equipment, Beauvais' is one of the most successful health club chains in the valley. The chain boasts 85,000 members and has clubs at four locations, with plans for a fifth. At 31, Matt Beauvais is his own best advertisement—6 feet 3 inches tall, he weighs in at an impressively muscular 220 pounds.

Beauvais' corporate office is located at the Eighth Place location; it is this venue that is the target of the *New Times* story and the wrath of its gay clientele.

"This is an ambush,"
Beauvais says, pointing to a
photocopy of the story that is
taped to his office wall.
"Sensationalist garbage."
Beauvais insists that he is

not a bigot, and that his club does not discriminate against any group. Beauvais never spoke to Dooling, he says, but not because he isn't willing to discuss antigay allegations with the press. Beauvais cites what he considers *New Times*' unfair coverage of his father's business affairs.

Beauvais' father is Ed Beauvais, chairman of America West Airlines, the state's largest employer. That the airline is currently having difficulties is well known, but a column by New Times writer Tom Fitzpatrick "went beyond the bounds of journalism," Beauvais says. He would not, therefore, have spoken to a reporter from New Times under any circumstances. Still, he is happy to have a chance to clarify a few things about himself and his clubs.

"This isn't a social club," Beauvais insists. "I'm in the business of physical fitness and my customers come here to exercise. And if they don't, they're liable to get kicked out."

By the time Dooling's article appeared, Beauvais claims, he had already taken steps to remedy the anti-gay situation. Whenever the offending stickers appeared, they were taken down. Beauvais says he spoke to the trainer responsible for the offensive materials, who agreed to stop wearing his "I'm straight" T-shirt and to stop bringing in the "No Fags" stickers.

"The New Times article did not create the problem at Beauvais'," says gay activist John Martin. "It merely reported a situation that had been going on for months."

"A Small Action"

By 6:30, Beauvais is aware of the gathering at Charlie's. He isn't surprised; he has known for several days that something is coming, and he's prepared for the worst. In the parking lot that surrounds his club, newly posted Day-Glo signs announce "Private Property. No Trespassing." Security guards with walkie-talkies patrol the area. Beauvais doesn't know precisely what the activists plan to do; in fact, neither do most of the people hanging out at Charlie's.

Gay activist Kirk Baxter is part of the gathering this

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afternoon. "This is a small action," he says, addressing the crowd. "But it's an important one. We need to let people know that it isn't okay to discriminate against gay men and lesbians. It's up to us to foster this kind of awareness."

The plan, Baxter explains, is to descend upon Beauvais' en masse. Once inside, the group will don their "No Bigots" shirts and work out as usual.

"We aren't going there to start a confrontation, verbal or otherwise," Freeze tells the gathering. "Our purpose is only to let the owner and others at the club know we exist and that we object to this anti-gay sentiment." And, of course, to deliver the petition.

An hour later, the plan has been carried out. Beauvais' is filled with gay men and pro-gay champions, all wearing "No Bigots" t-shirts. But Baxter has been denied entrance to the gym; his membership has been revoked by Matt Beauvais himself, amid accusations that Baxter is only there to use the club as a sounding board for his own agenda.

"I didn't organize this thing," Baxter says later, shaking his head. "I really feel like I was abandoned with this project. Everyone filed in to change and do their workouts, and I was

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We made a statement that Beauvais' heard."

left standing up front, arguing with Matt Beauvais and getting my membership pulled." Baxter feels that a "strength-in-numbers ploy would have worked, but instead "I was standing in the lobby by myself. The letter to Matt Beauvais lists me as a contact; someone put my name and phone number on it. But where were the guys who could

have backed me up?"

Freeze, on the other hand, is satisfied with the low-key protest. "We simply wanted to bring an objectionable situation to Matt's attention and let him take care of it," he says.

"No Derogatory Garments"

Within days, a sign is posted in Beauvais' Eighth Place location. It reads, "Absolutely no political or derogatory garments or accessories permitted in this facility. Failure to comply will result in expulsion from this facility."

"I was surprised," Freeze says. "We had scheduled meetings to discuss the boycott; we canceled them when the sign went up."

Matt Beauvais insists that "the sign was not posted in response to the petition."
He's annoyed by the letter's

references to handicap and race, he says, "as though that was ever a problem here." As for the threatened boycott, he says, "it would be just fine with me. I am not a bigot. If someone really thinks we're bigoted here, I really don't want them to come."

Martin disagrees. "This action made an impact. If

"I am not a bigot," Beauvais says.

(Beauvais) didn't care about a potential boycott, he wouldn't have responded. Thirty people with an organized cause made a statement that Beauvais heard."

For now, Freeze is pleased with the resolution. But he and his comrades are maintaining a skeptical stance. "Matt sees this as a victory for both sides. If he's not a bigot, as he claims, then we've certainly helped expose that fact to the world. But we'll see what happens."

The "no derogatory garments" policy is for real, Beauvais counters, and it includes the "No Bigots" Tshirt. The shirt, he says, is disparaging because it implies that his gym is antigay. "And that," Beauvais smiles, "is just not true."

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art smart

Lisa Sette Gallery: Juried exhibits of paintings and drawings by Arizona artists Joel Coplin, M. DuBose, Doris DuBose, Sandra Sher Goldman and Joanne Kerrihard. This is the first of a series of three juried shows to be held in consecutive summers, with the next shows focusing on photography and sculpture. Now through August 17. 4142 N. Marshall Way, Scottsdale. 990-7342

Gallery 10: Collector-quality fine artworks created by Native Americans. East-wing gallery at Scottsdale location features paintings, sculpture, jewelry, and reproductions of furniture, art glass and china designed by Frank Lloyd Wright. 7045 Third Avenue, Scottsdale, 994-0405. 34505 N. Scottsdale Road, el Pedregal at the Boulders in Carefree, 945-3385.

Joanne Rapp Gallery/The Hand and the Spirit: "Fresh Air: A Summer Selection From Gallery Artists" through August 31. Fine wearable-art pieces by various artists also are regularly featured. 4222 N. Marshall Way, Scottsdale. 949-1262

Scottsdale Center for the Arts: "Dorothy Rissman: Reveries" in the New Directions Gallery, and "Recent Paintings by Benton Peugh" in the Atrium, both through August 11. "A Museum in the Making: The Stephane Janssen Collection of Contemporary Art," a mammoth exhibition of some 130 works culled from the private vaults of Scottsdale art collector Janssen, occupies the center's other exhibit spaces through August 4. "Live at 5" art walk series is held from 5pm to 7pm each Thursday. Hours are 10am to 5pm Monday through Saturday, noon to 5pm Sunday 7383 Scottsdale Mall. 994-2301

Oblique Gallery: "Electric Eclectic" group showing of paintings, sculpture, found objects, photography, clothing, jewelry and mixed-media works by a host of top local and Los Angeles-based artists is currently on view at this historic pink adobe building, by appointment only. 1400 N. College, Tempe. 968-2625, 869-9001.

Tempe Arts Center: "Tapestry Trends in Arizona," an exhibit of contemporary tapestries created by nine Arizona artists, through August 25. Also, the Center's sculpture garden features a variety of unusual large-scale pieces. Located at Mill Avenue and First St. at Salt River Bridge, Tempe Beach Park. 968-0888

Nelson Fine Arts Center
Galleries: "Face to Face: Prints
From the Permanent Collection"
continues through September
1. Also, "Cowboys and Indians:
Life in the West," featuring
works by Frederic Remington,
Fritz Scholder, Edward Borein
and others, through August 25.
Hours: 8:30am to 4:30pm
Tuesday through Friday, 10am
to 4pm Saturday, and 1pm to
5pm Sunday; closed Mondays
and holidays. Tenth St. and
Mill. 965-ARTS

Alwun House: "The Traveling Artist," works exclusively by Arizona artists who travel out of state and across country; through August 15. Coming soon to Alwun House is the exhibit "Carnivale," high spirited works in a variety of media (monoprints/ painted wood sculpture/acrylic on canvas) by John Nelson; August 24 through September 8. Alwun House is filling up its exhibition schedule for fall and early '92, and is soliciting artists in any medium for future shows. Artists may submit up to five slides of their work along with a



Who needs a crown? Vanessa Williams makes her big-screen debut in Another You, opening nationwide this week.

resume. 1204 E. Roosevelt. 253-7887

Museo Chicano: "Siete Siglos de Arquitectura en Mexico, Espana y el Sudoeste de los Estados Unidos" is an exhibition of seven centuries of Hispanic influence on architecture in Spain, Mexico and the southwestern United States; through August 24. The Mercado, 641 E. Van Buren St.

with choreography by Joel Coleman. Friday and Saturday at 8pm, and Sunday at 7pm with light dining services being offered 90 minutes prior to all shows. Chandler Center for the Arts, now through August 4. For ticket prices and information call 786-3954.

Hello Muddah, Hello Fadduh: Final days! Theater League will perform this giddy romp based



Summer Camp: Theatre League's Hello Muddah, Hello Fadduh continues at the Herberger through Aug. 11.

Eleven East Ashland Gallery:
Through August 11, photographs by Clare Kelly and Anthony Simuel, mixed-media paintings by Vicki Sherrill and photographs by Pompeo Milici.
11 E. Ashland (one block south of Virginia). 271-0831 and 253-0480.

Gallery X: The gallery celebrates its second anniversary with an exhibit of paintings and drawings by Mike Miskowski and xerography and cathode photography by Peter Petrisko Jr. Through August 26. 800 W. Madison. 420-9390

Art Walks: Through September, most of the galleries along Scottsdale's Marshall Way, Main Street, Craftsman Court, Stetson Drive and environs are open for "Thursday Night Live" art walks from 7pm to 9pm on the third Thursday of each month. Music, dining, browsing, show openings and refreshments are on the agenda. More information by calling 948-1591.

Metropophobobia: This unusual new book, magazine and audio store currently features a showing of small-scale works in various media by eight local artists. Hours: 5pm to 10pm Wednesday through Friday, Noon to 10pm Saturday and Sunday. 128 E. Taylor, 255-0668.

center stage

Three Guys Naked From The Waist Down: Pat Russell, Frank Jeffries and Joe Marshall are cast as three comics who can't make it on their own who team up and become international celebrities. Dan Kryston directs,

on songs and routines by Allan Sherman. At the Herberger Stage West through Sunday August 4. Tickets \$15.50, \$12.50. 222 E. Monroe. 252-TIXS.

P.S. Your Cat Is Dead:
Presented by Arizona
Contemporary Theatre at Third
Street Theatre, Third Street and
Moreland. Friday, Saturday,
Sunday, 8pm curtain. \$10; \$8
seniors, \$5 students. 995-0248

Tomfoolery: Mill Avenue Theatre presents a revival of its long-running hit from 1989 for a limited summer run. This irreverent musical revue showcases the satirical songs of Tom Lehrer, including "The Vatican Rag," "The Masochism Tango," "Poisoning Pigeons in the Park," "Smut," and "Oedipus Rex." Performances are at 8pm Thursday through Saturday and 7pm Sunday, through August 11. Tickets are \$14 and \$12. 520 S. Mill in Tempe. For details and reservations, call 921-7777.

The Best Little Whorehouse In Texas: Theater Works stages the good-natured "Chicken Ranch" musical as part of its Summer series. Fridays and Saturdays at 8pm, 2:30 and 7pm Sunday, through Aug. 11. Tickets are \$8, \$9, \$10, 6615 W. Thunderbird, Glendale. 486-8636.

Grease: Stars Eddie Mekka and Andrea McCardle are joined by local actors in Theater League's production of Broadway's fabulous Fifties musical. Plays Symphony Hall in Downtown Phoenix August 6-11. Tuesdays through Fridays at 8pm, Saturdays at 2pm and 8pm, and Sundays at 2pm and 7pm. Tickets are \$25, \$20 and \$15. 678-2222. Group discount info: 952-2881.

appearance

Viva Tango!: Alfredo Garcia and Yale Wexler present twotime Oscar Winner Mariano Moreno and his company of Argentinean singers, dancers and musicians. Wednesday, August 7 at 7:30pm; Thursday, August 8 at 7:30pm; Friday, August 9 at 8pm; Sunday, August 11 at 6pm. Tickets are \$18.50, \$20, \$22.50 with dinner packets available. Sunday, August 11, part of the proceeds will benefit Phoenix Shanti Group. Ticket price for that show is \$21.50. Celebrity Theatre, 440 N. 32nd Street. 244-0404

Pat Benatar with Hall and Oates: August 24, 7:30pm. Desert Sky Pavilion. Tickets are \$19 and \$21.50. 2121 N. 83rd Ave., 230-9112.

EMF: With Pop Will Eat Itself. Wednesday, August 7, 8pm. Club Rio, 430 N. Scottsdale, 894-0533.

Violent Femmes: Saturday, August 3, 8pm. \$18.50. Mesa Amphitheater, Center and University. 644-2560.

Tune In, Turn On and Burn Out Tour: Sisters of Mercy, Public Enemy, Gang of Four and Warrior Soul. August 4, 7:30pm, Mesa Amphitheater, Center and University. 644-2560

Club MTV Tour: Bell Biv DeVoe with C+C Music Factory, Gerardo, Tony Toni Tone, Color Me Bad and Tara Kemp. August 14, 7:30pm. Desert Sky Pavilion, \$20, \$22.50, \$25. 2121 N. 83rd Ave. 230-9112

Groove Merchants: August 10, 7pm. Superstition Springs Amphitheater, 6555 E. Southern. No charge.

Ricky Van Shelton with Sweethearts of the Rodeo: August 2, 8pm. Desert Sky Pavilion, \$35, \$19. 230-9112

toe shoes

West African Dance and Drumming: "Uncle C.K." Ganyo, master drummer and former director of the National Folkloric Company of the Arts Council of Ghana, instructs classes in West African Percussion, song and dance from 7pm to 9pm on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays. Fee is \$5 per class or \$25 per month; all ages and skill levels are welcome. For details and location, call 253-5920.

Dance-a-rama: Voted "Best Underground Scene" and "Best Dance Club" by New Times. Underground videos and ambient art on alternating Fridays; Post-Acid House

music, European Ambient
Music that currently plays in
England's "Ambiance Houses."
Mutha (Tommy) Gaia and
Calvin Martin take you on a
musical journey beginning at
8pm. \$3. Alwun House is
located at 1204 E. Roosevelt.
253-7887.

big screen

Return To The Blue Lagoon: Innocent teenaged sex in a tropical paradise. Proof that sequels will never ever go away. With Brian Krause (as the original couple's son) and Milla Jovovich.

The Doctor: A surgeon (William Hurt) who has it all—looks, brains, loving wife, great car—gets cancer and learns what it means to be a patient. Director Randa Haines worked with Hurt on Children of a Lesser God.

Delirious: A hapless soap opera writer suffers a blow to the head and wakes up living the life of one of his fictional TV characters. Starring John Candy, Emma Samms, and Mariel Hemingway.

Pure Luck: One good klutz deserves another. When an accident-prone heiress disappears, an equally unfortunate accountant (Martin Short) and a heavy-duty detective (Danny Glover) set out to find her. A remake of the French comedy La Chevre.

Another You: A con man and a pathological liar discover that their mutual propensity for telling half-truths makes them an ideal team. Starring Gene Wilder, Richard Pryor.

V.I. Warshawski: As private investigator V.I. Warshawski (of Sara Paretsky novel fame), smart cookie Kathleen Turner gives the gumshoe some modern-day sex appeal while tracking down the killer of an ex-hockey jock whom she flirted with briefly in a bar. (What is it about those brief barroom encounters?) Charles Durning co-stars.

Hot Shots: An Important
Movie!: Top Gun meets the
Three Stooges: Lloyd Bridges
is a spaced-out admiral in
charge of a corps of fly-boys
(Charlie Sheen, Cary Elwes,
and Jon Cryer) on a secret
mission.

Regarding Henry: Leaving the grift behind, Annette Bening plays the loving wife of handsome but heartless Henry (Harrison Ford, whom we'll take with or without a heart). Then he gets shot in the head. Ouch!

videos

The Grifters: John Cusack,
Anjelica Huston and Annette
Bening star in this suspenseful
study of seduction, betrayal and

murder which received four Academy Award nominations.

Goodfellas: Robert DeNiro, Ray Liotta and Joe Pesci star in this Martin Scorsese picture that received six Academy Award nominations.

The Long Walk Home: Sissy Spacek and Whoopi Goldberg compete (Whoopi wins) with powerful performances as two women who defy racist codes during the 1955 Montgomery, Alabama bus boycott.

other stuff

Water Volleyball: Bare, well-tanned skin. Hyatt Regency Scottsdale offers "Summer Splash Beach Bash," water volleyball competitions each Thursday through August 29, 6-9pm. 7500 E. Doubletree Ranch Road, \$36 per team per week, spectators admitted free. 991-3388

Seventh Arizona Womyn's Music Festival: September 20, 21 and 22 at the Lavender Patch in Snowflake, Arizona. Emcee Slique Callahan will present artists including Jess Hawk-Oakenstar, Mary Trevor, Moonshadow, The Melanie Morrison Band, Martie Van Der Voort, Rita Buglass, Pallas Athene, Kaweah, Kathleen Williamson, Diana Gard and many others. Open mike on Sunday 10am to 1pm. Tickets \$35 in advance and \$45 at the gate. A sliding scale/work exchange is available for lowincome womyn only. No womyn will be turned away for lack of funds. If you wish to sell crafts, present a workshop, or participate in open mike, contact Dianne Post at 258-7985. For more info contact CB Productions at 438-1157.

A.G.R.A. Rodeo: The Arizona Gay Rodeo Association will present a "rodeo under the stars," Friday, August 16 and Saturday August 17, with brunch and awards ceremonies at Charlie's (727 W. Camelback) on Sunday August 18. Dancing and entertainment until 11pm both nights. Contestant registration on Friday and Saturday from 10am until 2pm. For booth space info contact Woody Kiehn at 973-5833; entertainers contact Ron Erickson at 279-1020; volunteers call Rodeo Director Larry Jones at 936-5401. For more info call A.G.R.A. at 265-0618. Corona Ranch & Rodeo Grounds on the S.E. corner of 29th Ave. & Baseline.

Carnivale '91: The public is invited to come incognito as this self-proclaimed "most celebrated art event of the Summer season" comes to life. Saturday, August 24, 8pm. \$10 ticket includes exotic island buffet. For further info call Alwun House, 253-7887.

some people

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some excuses

My dog ate it.
I forgot.
No one told me I couldn't.
I overslept.
I'm too tired.
I have a headache.
I'm going through a selfish phase.
I didn't see the sign.
My phone was off the hook.
I lost your number.
I have to work late.
I didn't recognize you without the hat.
I'm not from around here.
I was drunk.

New Drug Attacks AIDS Virus, Researchers Say

Human Testing Will Begin This Fall

CLEVELAND, OH—University Hospitals of Cleveland in September will begin human testing of a new drug designed to fight AIDS, a newspaper reported.

Procysteine will not cure AIDS, but may prolong life, university officials told *The Cleveland Plain Dealer*.

Unlike AZT, the only drug approved by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration to fight AIDS, Procysteine works to build up the immune system rather than attacking the AIDS virus. The new drug also is low in toxicity and causes fewer side effects.

Procysteine is distributed by Clintec Nutrition Co. of Chicago and is in the first stages of federal approval. Researchers predict the drug may be available to the public by 1993.

"If all goes well, and there's no telling what the tests will show, this drug may replace or complement the existing standard (AZT) in the next few years," said Dr. Michael Lederman, director of the Cleveland AIDS Clinical Trials Unit at University Hospitals.

The AIDS unit began studying the drug in February and will begin testing it on patients in September, upon receiving a contract with Clintec and with permission from the hospital's institutional review board.

The new drug enhances the ability of the immune system to fight off the AIDS virus by increasing the levels of glutathione in the cell, which inhibits

the replication of HIV, said Dr. John T. Carey of University Hospitals.

AIDS activists have complained that the federal government takes too long to bring new drugs to the U.S. market.

"The United States has a long and slow process of drug approval," said Oscar Zambrano, a social worker at the clinical trials unit. "However, because of the urgency of the AIDS epidemic, the federal government may speed up the approval process."

The FDA approved AZT in 1987, and is expected to approve a second AIDS-fighting drug called didanosine, also called "ddI," in a few months, Lederman said. The drug, made by Bristol-Myers Squibb Co., began federal testing two years ago.

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Researchers said that while a cure for AIDS might not be discovered for some time, ways to treat the fatal disease are improving.

"I think the whole field of HIV therapy is in a turning point right now," Carey said. "The future of anti-HIV therapy is going to be in the approaches of a variety of drugs and combinations, and this drug (Procysteine) looks to be in those combinations."

In the study, anyone who has taken any other anti-retroviral drug, such as AZT, is not eligible. The 10-week clinical trials will involve a one-day hospital stay plus two weekly intravenous injections of the drug.

New York Hospital Asks AIDS-Infected Doctor to Step Down

DUNKIRK, NY—A hospital asked an emergency-room doctor who carries the AIDS virus to step down after new federal guidelines for AIDS-infected health care workers were released.

Dr. Neal Rzepkowski learned he was infected in 1985. He said he never hid the fact from superiors, told some patients and kept practicing because it was so unlikely that he would infect anyone.

Four hospitals where Rzepkowski worked in the past few years sentletters this week to his patients telling them he carries the AIDS virus, including Brooks Memorial Hospital, where 4,100 patients were notified,

said Richard Ketcham, hospital president.

At least 6,400 health care workers, including 750 doctors, are infected with AIDS. There has been one confirmed case of a dentist infecting his patients, according to the Atlanta-based federal Centers for Disease Control.

On July 12, the CDC issued new guidelines recommending that AIDS-infected doctors should not perform "exposure prone invasive procedures."

A few days later, Rzepkowski agreed to take a leave of absence from Brooks Memorial, Ketcham said.

Researchers Find Part of AIDS Virus Could Be Vulnerable to Vaccine

RALEIGH, NC—Part of the AIDS virus could be vulnerable to a vaccine, though Duke University researchers who made the discovery caution that it's a long way from being useful to natients.

In a current issue of the journal Science, the Duke researchers identified a portion of the virus that allows the penetration of immune cells, which protect tissues and organs. They said that same portion might offer a way to disable the virus itself either by a vaccine or drugs.

Bryan Cullen, a professor of microbiology and immunology at Duke University Medical Center and head of the research team, called the findings "another critically important step" in learning about how the virus spreads.

The AIDS virus has baffled scientists trying to develop a vaccine or drugs to fight it because it attacks the very cells that protect the body from infection. The virus also changes form so rapidly it has been impossible to develop an effective vaccine.

The portion of the virus identified by the researchers is called the "V3 loop," a small protrusion of protein that sticks out from the virus. The V3 loop was thought to be vitally important to the virus' ability to hide from the immune system because the loop constantly mutated and changed. But to its surprise, the group found that in most virus from patients, one area on the V3 loop was similar.

The group also found that the V3 loop is responsible for getting the virus into the cell. If the virus cannot get into the cell, it cannot spread.

"This information makes the V3 loop an attractive target for chemotherapeutic agent drugs because it is active at the surface of the cell," Cullen said. "Many drugs can't pass the cell membrane. If they are directed at the cell surface, they won't have to."

Dani Bolognesi, director of The Center for AIDS Research at Duke and head of the Central Immunology Laboratory, said the discovery might disclose the "Achilles heel" of the

"The V3 loop is an ideal target because it displays itself to the immune system, then can mutate to escape like a chameleon," he said. The area on the virus "is a likely target for a vaccine."

Judge Orders One Million Condoms Seized

ACT-UP Protesters Burst into CNN Studios

NEWARK, NJ—A federal judge has ordered more than 1.2 million lambskin condoms seized because their packages fail to state that they do not protect against all sexually transmitted diseases.

The order was issued after prosecutors filed a lawsuit for the U.S. Food and Drug Administration charging that labels on "Kling-Tite Naturalamb" condoms do not say that natural membrane condoms won't prevent all diseases.

The FDA maintains that the natural membrane or lambskin condoms are effective only in preventing pregnancy. Only latex condoms are effective in protecting users from sexually transmitted diseases, according to the FDA.

Kling-Tite condoms, made from sheep gut, are manufactured and distributed by Carter Wallace Inc., headquartered in New York City. A spokeswoman said the company had no immediate comment on the order.

U.S. District Judge John Bissell ordered federal marshals to seize the condoms from the Carter Wallace's Cranbury warehouse. The company has 10 days to ask for them back. If the government refuses, a court hearing would be held.

The government has not asked that the condoms be pulled from store shelves because of legal obstacles, FDA spokeswoman Sharon Snider said. She said the FDA hopes publicity over the seizure would help warn consumers.

Lambskin condoms make up only about 5 percent of the condom market, Ms. Snider said. Only one other U.S. company markets lambskin condoms, Schmid Laboratories Inc. of Anderson, S.C., which sells Fourex condoms.

Schmid has not been taken to court because the packages clearly state that the condoms are not effective against sexually transmitted diseases, Ms. Snider said.

Some people prefer lambskin condoms, saying they provide a more natural feeling. But natural condoms can cost five times more than latex ones.

Latex condoms prevent diseases because their pores are smaller than those in lambskin condoms, according to the FDA. Lambskin are effective in preventing pregnancy because sperm is too large to get through the pores, but organisms that cause sexually transmitted diseases may be small enough to pass through.

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The four men broke away from a public tour of CNN's Atlanta headquarters on Friday, July 26 and made their way into the Headline News studio, said CNN spokeswoman Steve Haworth.

"They disrupted nothing," Haworth

said. The protesters disagreed.

"The anchor, Lyn Vaughn, went running from the studio, and we consider that a disruption," said

demonstrator David Lowe.

The four were ejected by CNN security personnel, who turned them over to Atlanta police. They received warnings for criminal trespassing, but

were not charged, Lowe said.

The protest was to "draw attention to the media's role in spreading misinformation and panic" about AIDS, ACT UP said in a statement.



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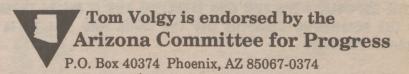
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- Is pro-choice and a strong supporter of the Tucson Women's Commission.
- Recently asked the Tucson City Council to adopt a local Hate Crimes ordinance.

What Tom Volgy will do in the U.S. Congress:

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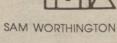
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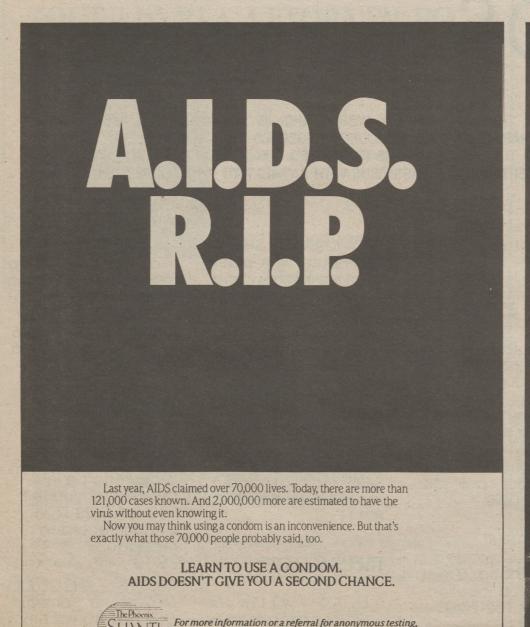


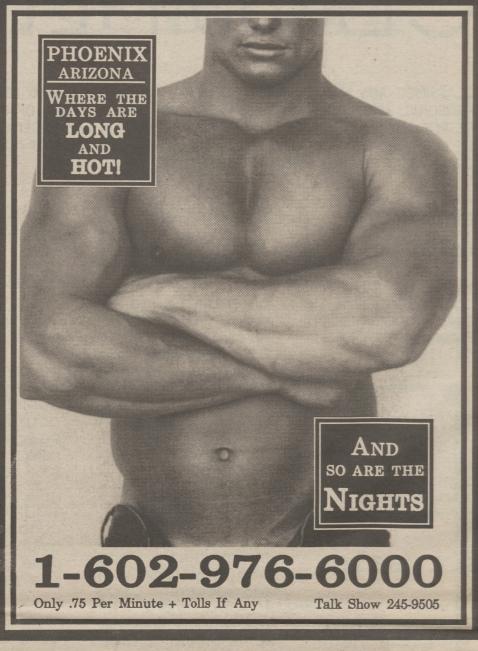
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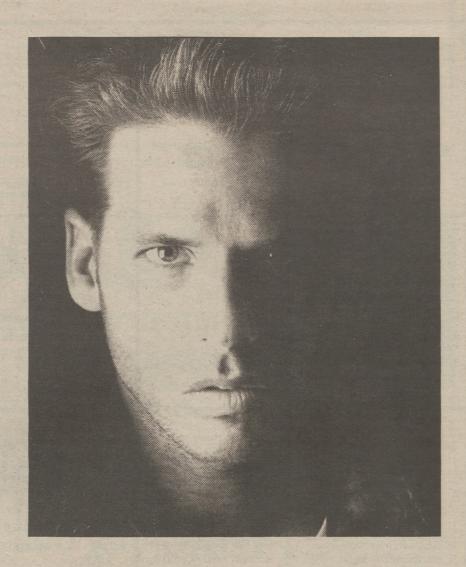
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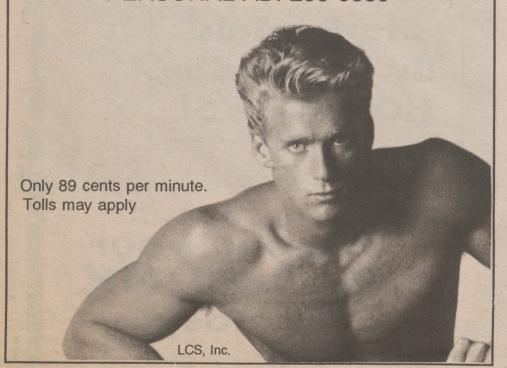
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