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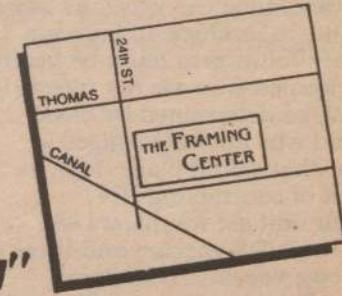
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## PHOENIX 'COMING OUT' PLANS CONTINUE

Gayle Ann Young

"Romanovsky and Phillips have a great song called 'Straightening Up the House' in which they sing about their attempts at de-gaying their home when Paul's mother is coming for a visit," says Bj Bud, local coordinator of National Coming Out Day. "That song personifies what a lot of lesbians and gay men go through," affirms Bud. "I know I am more comfortable around my friends and family when they know."

Bud is acting as an organizer of local activities for National Coming Out Day (NCOD), scheduled for Oct. 11. Plans thus far include a dance at South Mountain on Saturday, Oct. 1 at "the little Ramada" from 7pm to 11pm. Admission price for the dance is set on a sliding scale from \$3-\$100, "depending on how closeted the person is," Bud reports. "The more closeted, the higher the charge." All music at the dance will be by gay/lesbian artists.

Also planned is a gay/lesbian film festival to be held at Janus Theater on Sunday, Oct 2. "We will have a big screen TV and show movies all day."

## AIDS VACCINE EVALUATION UNDERWAY

MARYLAND—The National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases is initiating clinical trials of a genetically engineered AIDS vaccine made with the virus used to inoculate humans against smallpox. The vaccine will be tested in NIAID-funded Vaccine Evaluation Units at six university medical centers.

Manufactured by Bristol Myers Company, the vaccine is produced by recombinant DNA technology using live vaccinia virus. The recombinant vaccinia virus produces the envelope glycoproteins of HIV-1 (human immunodeficiency virus 1), the cause of AIDS.

HIV infects and destroys the body's immune system, thus causing susceptibility to other life-threatening infections and cancers. While many AIDS-related illnesses can be treated, no known therapy can cure the underlying defects caused by the virus.

The new study is one of numerous AIDS research projects conducted and supported by NIAID in the search for effective drugs to treat HIV-infected persons and effective vaccines to prevent infection. Since January 1988, the Vaccine Evaluation Units have been evaluating a different recombinant product, the first experimental AIDS vaccine to be approved for testing in humans. Scientists in NIAD's intramural program in Bethesda, MD., began the initial studies of that AIDS vaccine in August 1987.

In the new vaccine study, the Vaccine Evaluation Units will recruit a total of 54 volunteers for a Phase I trial to determine the vaccine's safety and ability to produce an immune response. Volunteers must be healthy men or women who are not infected with HIV, as determined by blood tests, and who are not engaged in behavior that would place them at high risk of contracting HIV.

At each unit six volunteers will receive the AIDS vaccine and three will receive vaccinia (smallpox) vaccine alone, as a control. Vaccinia virus was used for many years as a smallpox vaccination. Because smallpox has been eradicated worldwide, vaccinia vaccine is now used only by the armed services.

Volunteers will be randomized and

Bud explains. *The Times of Harvey Milk, Personal Best, Desert Heart* and other movies which show gay men and lesbians as positive role models will be presented. "We are hoping that an organization will come forward to volunteer to sell soft drinks and popcorn during the movies. The income will be theirs to do with as they please and refreshments will be available to the patrons," Bud reported. Admission price for the film festival will be the same sliding scale as the South Mountain Dance.

National Gay Rights Advocates, which is coordinating NCOD nationwide, has sent out NCOD Commitment Cards. The cards are designed to help people identify their "next step", and will be available at both the dance and the film festival.

"The idea behind the activities preceding NCOD is to create an environment in which gay men and lesbians in the Valley can feel comfortable taking their next step," Bud explains. "After all," she queries, "if not now, when?"

the study will be double-blinded; i.e., neither the volunteers nor the physicians conducting the study will know which vaccine each person is receiving until data are analyzed in the future.

Because the recombinant vaccine contains no live or killed HIV, there is no possibility of contracting AIDS from the vaccine. Volunteers may have side effects that are not uncommon following administration of smallpox vaccine.

Recruitment of volunteers will begin at the individual Vaccine Evaluation Units following approval of the study plan by local institutional review boards.

## TO THE EDITOR...

## QUAYLE BASHING

Dear Sir:

I am personally offended at Don Slutes' reference to "old queens" doing a double take at Dan Quayle (Editorial, "PR V. 4 #18).

I am not old, and I am not a "queen." I am a male homosexual who was just as appalled as my straight brothers at Quayle's offensive remarks and past history.

David Misiewicz  
Phoenix

Some of us lesbians also noticed how handsome Dan Quayle was, and still thought he was an asshole.

Barbara Nelligan  
Phoenix

## COME OUT, COME OUT

I thought that coming out of the closet was a private activity. The thought of a "National Coming Out Day" disturbs me ("Phoenix Coming Out Day Events Planned," PR V. 4 #18). Where do the organizers of this event get off telling us when and where to come out? And how dare they attempt to benefit from this financially, with the sale of a "Coming Out Day" journal?

It's a pretty sad state of affairs when our own kind are dictating our private affairs.

Name withheld

## LAMBDA DEFENDS RIGHTS OF LOS ANGELES BATHHOUSES

NEW YORK—Lambda Legal Defense and Education Fund has filed a friend-of-the-court brief in California Superior Court in Los Angeles arguing that Los Angeles County's attempt to close a gay bathhouse is contrary to public health, and would actually contribute to the spread of AIDS.

Earlier this year, Los Angeles County filed a lawsuit to close Mac's bathhouse, claiming that gay bathhouses contribute to the spread of HIV, the causative agent of AIDS, by promoting and encouraging anonymous, high-risk sex with multiple partners. The County has now requested that the Court grant it a preliminary injunction, which would close Mac's pending a full trial in the case. If the County's motion is granted, Mac's will effectively go out of business until the case goes to trial, which could be five years from now.

Lambda's brief argues that oral sex is not a proven mode of HIV transmission. It further argues that closing bathhouses will in fact contribute to the spread of AIDS, because the bathhouses provide a forum for safer-sex education among populations less likely to receive such information in other settings where

anonymous sex occurs. Lambda also argues that the bathhouses provide a place where gay men can congregate without alcohol and without fear of gay bashing.

"While the issue of the place of bathhouses in the gay male community has become more controversial as we have gained a modicum of 'respectability' from the heterosexual power base, we must not forget that the bathhouses remain important institutions for those individuals who continue to frequent them," said Lambda staff attorney, Mickey J. Wheatley. "We cannot allow the authorities to take away the civil rights of any of our community, especially in the guise of public health, when we are desperate for a real, effective public health response to the AIDS crisis."

Two years ago, Los Angeles County tried to close other bathhouses using the same rationale, and those efforts were denied by the court. In that case, the court was influenced by then-ACLU staff attorney Susan McGrievy, who made public health arguments in support of keeping the bathhouses open. McGrievy also helped prepare the Lambda brief.

## LOCAL GROUP CONTINUES ACTION AGAINST CIRCLE K

PHOENIX—The Coalition for Immediate Action (CIA), a newly-formed lesbian and gay protest organization, is continuing its demonstrations against the Circle K Corporation.

Last January, the Corporation implemented an employee health insurance program which excluded benefits coverage to specific groups. Those groups included employees involved in substance abuse, those with mental illnesses, and AIDS patients who contracted the disease through certain types of lifestyle preferences, as opposed to infection through blood transfusion.

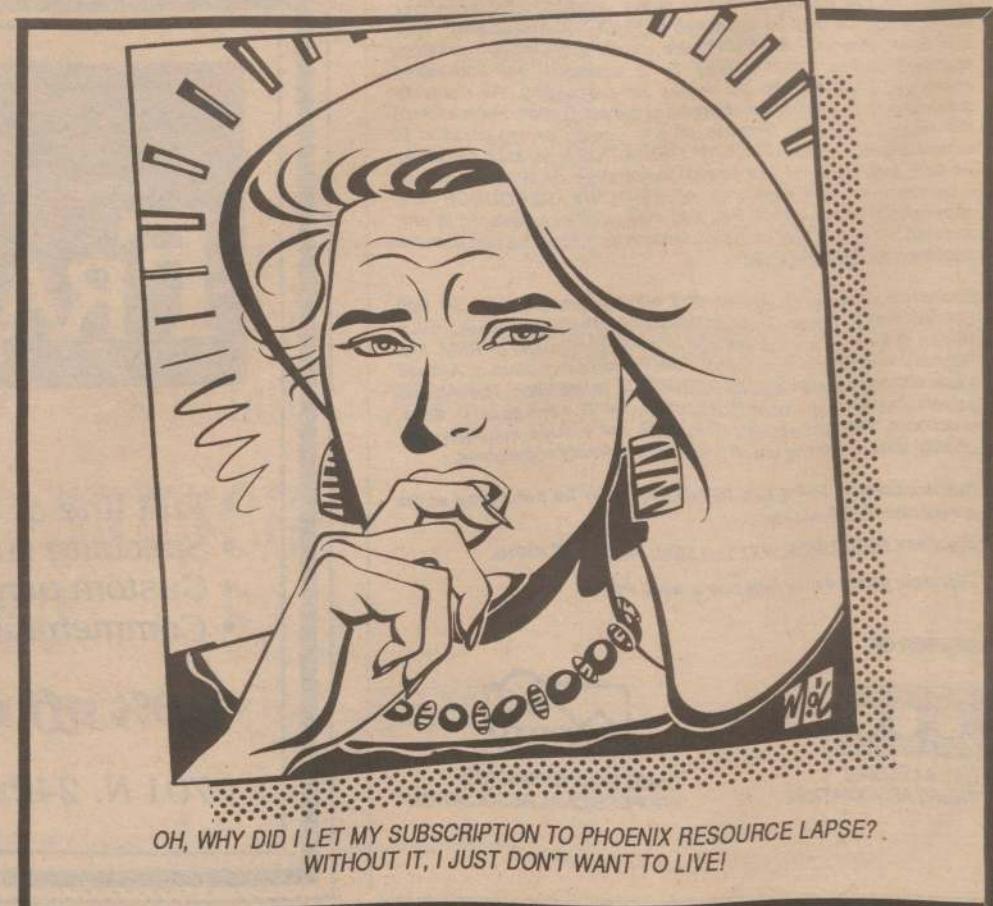
After receiving negative media coverage of their discriminatory health plan, the Circle K Corporation

suspended its policy in favor of further review.

When knowledge of the policy became public, Circle K raised the ire of lesbian and gay civil rights groups across the country. ACT-UP New York and ACT-UP San Francisco have both staged large demonstrations at Circle K stores in their respective areas.

Locally, the CIA has organized two successful pickets at the convenience chain's corporate headquarters, and plans future demonstrations against the company.

The Coalition plans to picket a Circle K Annual Stockholders meeting on September 26, and is also organizing Saturday pickets beginning in October.



## PHOENIX SWITCHBOARD TO ADDRESS ANTI-VIOLENCE ACTION

Jeff Coulter

On the morning of March 26, 1988, the Los Angeles County Police found the body of a young Caucasian male, approximately twenty-five years of age. The body, which did not carry any identification, was tagged "John Doe 238" and transported to a nearby morgue. An autopsy revealed that "John Doe 238" had been beaten, stabbed repeatedly, and had received several severe blows from a blunt object. The cause of death was a blow to the back of the head. On the victim's forehead, the attacker(s) had carved the word "FAG."

Recent statistics show that such occurrences are not rare. In a study released in October of 1987, the National Institute of Justice concluded that gays and lesbians are the number one victims of bias-or hate-related crime. The National Gay and Lesbian Task Force's Anti-Violence Project reported over 7000 incidents of bias crime against gays and lesbians in 1987. That figure represents a 42% increase since 1986. Kevin Berrill, director of NGLTF's Anti-Violence Project, says, "It is impossible to know whether the 42% rise in 1987 reflects an increase in victimization, an increase in reporting, or both." Berrill emphasizes that the low rates of reporting by victims and lack of systematic data collection mean that, "the statistics gathered for last year account for only a very small fraction of the actual total."

Of that total, the majority of incidents did not involve physical abuse. The NGLTF study shows that 75% of reported incidents involve verbal abuse or threats, and that only 12% of the cases involve physical abuse or homicide. However, the study also shows that the ratio of "non-violent" to violent crimes is shifting slowly in favor of cases that are based on physical violence. According to many psychologists, this is the result of accepting verbal abuse as normal or inconsequential. In a recent article for *Christian Century*, Dr. Evan Howard theorizes that verbal abuse lends a type of credibility to physical abuse. Howard's study showed that in cases involving repeated incidents of verbal abuse, approximately 45% escalate into physical abuse.

Discrimination is not a new subject for homosexuals; nor is bias crime. But recent statistics indicate that violence against gays and lesbians is on the rise. In 1985, NGLTF received reports of 2,032 incidents of violence. In 1986 that number climbed. The 42% increase in 1987 indicates a trend toward more violent crimes, as well as the increase in number of crimes. Several reasons for this increase have been cited, but the two most frequently cited reasons have been the advent of AIDS, and an increased visibility by the gay and lesbian community.

While homosexuals have always been a target of abuse, gay activists attribute the rising violence to "AIDS backlash." "AIDS has provided a green light to bashers and bigots," Berrill says. "It's a convenient excuse to hate us." While many feel that the perception of AIDS being "caused by gays has diminished, there have been several indications to show that may not be the case in Phoenix.

In August of this year, the *Arizona Republic* carried an editorial that advised its readers that they were at a very low risk for AIDS if they didn't use drugs or engage in homosexual activity. Ron Barnes, co-director of the Lesbian and Gay Community Switchboard, says, "We get a number of calls from people who think AIDS is a gay disease. They are hoping we will tell them that they aren't at risk if they engage in heterosexual intercourse or oral sex. Very often the callers become indignant when we tell them they could catch the virus."

Increased visibility has also been a motivating factor in anti-gay/lesbian victimization, as more lesbians and gays come out of the closet, and more people become concerned about the civil rights of homosexuals. An example: a few weeks after appearing on an Indiana talk show as the president of the gay rights group Justice Inc., Kathleen Sarris was raped at gun point and beaten unconscious by a man who insisted he would "turn her heterosexual or kill her."

Phoenix itself has not had a highly visible amount of bias crime incidents, although statistics indicate that there is a good deal of "invisible" bias crime in all cities. The majority of bias crimes are probably not reported to authorities. According to the report, *The Response of the Criminal Justice System to Bias Crime: An Exploratory Revue*, "many victims of bias crime do not report incidents because they mistrust police, feel that the incident is too minor to report, or that the police cannot do anything about it, have a language barrier, fear retaliation by the attacker, or—in the case of gays and lesbians—fear public exposure." In many cases, fear of exposure may be coupled with the fear of prosecution. When Raleigh, N.C. bar owner Warren Kilby was stabbed during a tryst with another man in 1986, police warned him that if he insisted on pressing charges, he could go to prison for admitting he had committed sodomy.

On the national level, NGLTF has vigorously supported legislation that would make bias crime a specially punishable offense. There has been active support in both the House and Senate for the Hate Crimes Statistics Act (H.R. 3193), which activists hope will spur local governments into action.

On a local level, there has recently been action taken toward working on bias crime in Phoenix. The Lesbian and Gay Switchboard began procedures in June of 1987 to address the issue. The Switchboard has compiled a report that details the problems of bias crime, and makes several recommendations toward solving these problems. The report has been submitted to the Phoenix Police Department and is also targeted for the Attorney General's office, as well as the Mayor's Human Rights Commission. According to Judith Curtis-Mardon, co-director of LGCS, the core group dealing with bias crimes has scheduled a meeting with the Phoenix Police Department to discuss the possibilities that exist in reducing the problem. Paul Bayfield, LGCS president, says, "The Switchboard is definitely in the position to address the problem of bias crime. The report we have compiled outlines several ideas that we feel should be put into action. Hopefully, our meeting with the police department will assist us in starting an anti-violence project here in Phoenix."

Phoenix is one of the few large metropolitan cities that does not have an anti-violence project specifically for gay/lesbian victimization.

EDITORIAL

## DON SLUTES

### KEEPING SCORE

**G**ee, I hope Trent Franks can get his security deposit back. You remember Trent. He's the former Mecham staffer and onetime state legislator who rented an apartment in a new legislative district five days before the deadline for filing for the primary election. According to the pundits, the carpetbagging issue may have cost him—even more so than the fact that he's a right-wing loon. Two weeks ago, in the pages of this very periodical, I endorsed his chief opponent for the second House seat in Dist. 18, Susan Gerard. In fact, a large contingent from Phoenix's lesbian/gay community rallied around Gerard, donating to her campaign and walking door-to-door in her district. Gerard ended up polling almost as many votes as the other Republican winner in the House primary, Jane Dee Hull, shutting out Franks and two other Mechamites on Sept. 13. Both women face Democratic opposition in the general election in November.

In Legislative Dist. 24, another district targeted by the lesbian/gay community, Mecham backer Gary Giordano, an incumbent, bit the dust. This columnist's other endorsee, Candice Nagel, joins fellow moderate Republican Chris Herstam on the general-election ballot. This columnist's record is now 2-0.

The lesbian/gay community should be proud of its role in these victories. They continue a tradition that includes the ouster of homophobic Hawley Atkinson from the County Board of Supervisors, the defeat of Franks in 1986, and, of course, the movement that led to Ev Mecham's downfall.

However, there were a few disappointments in Tuesday's results. Another moderate Republican, Marilyn Hawker, failed to gain a foothold in Dist. 21, a hotbed of Mechamism in the southeast Valley. She was hoping to unseat Leslie Whiting Johnson, best known for her aversion to (too many) dildos and her desire to execute all possible child abusers, including those innocent suspects who slip through the cracks of the criminal-justice system.

Sentimental favorite Jerry Hill lost his bid for the Democratic nomination for County Sheriff. You may have spotted Jerry and his wife, Nancy, making the scene at several community nightspots during the past months; their willingness to participate in gay-community events was gratifying.

In the race to succeed reckless Tom Collins, the retiring County Attorney, only two candidates—one from each party—refused to pander to the pro- "victims' rights" crowd, and both lost. Democrat Myrna Parker and Republican Francis Koopman each rejected the spurious concept that victims are entitled to a special class of rights—rights that are somehow different or better than those enjoyed by all citizens. "Victims' Rights" belong with the Pledge of Allegiance among issues that appeal more to the glands than the brain. Still, the Democratic winner in that race, Georgia Staton, is vastly preferable over her Republican opponent, Richard Romley. Note that Romley has indicated, in an *Arizona Republic* candidate survey, that among the people he most admires are Oliver North and Robert Bork. He's also one of the dozen or so politicians in the world who believes that Ed Meese was an "adequate" U.S. Attorney General. Despite this, Romley, as Collins' anointed successor, is said to be the favorite.

Fortunately, the voting public has seven weeks to contemplate this and other such issues before the Nov. 8 general election. And rest assured, as long as politicians continue to sing the praises of North, Bork, and Meese, we right-thinking columnists will be willing to put our 2-0 records on the line.

In other words, *watch this space*.

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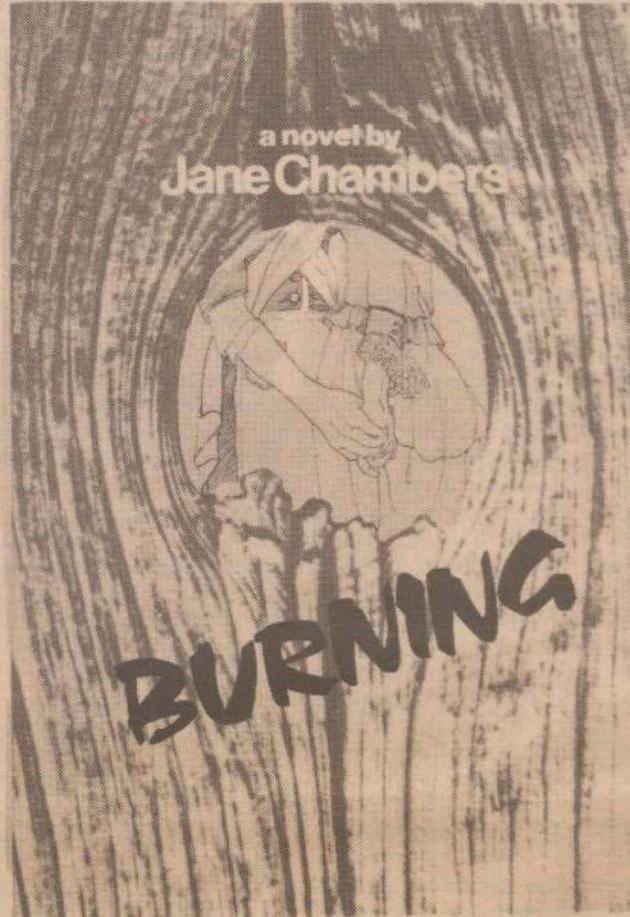
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## MEG UMAN'S REVIEW



*Amateur City*. Katherine V. Forrest, author. Tallahassee, FL: Naiad, 1984. 204 pages. \$7.95 paperbound.

*Burning*. Jane Chambers, author. New York, NY: JH Press, 1978. 157 pages. \$6.95 paperbound.

*Leading Edge: An Anthology of Lesbian Sexual Fiction*. Lady Winston, editor. Denver, CO: Lace Publications, 1987. 206 pages. \$9.95 paperbound.

Here's a grab-bag of in-case-you-missed-it summer reading for, by and about lesbians. These books are excellent examples of the magnetic appeal of lesbian characters, and promise to absorb a few pleasant hours for interested readers.

*Amateur City* is slang used by detectives for the situations when unqualified people attempt to help with investigations. Kate Delafield is the leader of the homicide investigation team, and her patience and skill overcome the obstacles presented by several people in her path. As she sorts out clues and motives, she follows her impulse to comfort the distraught woman who witnessed the first evidence of murder. Follow Kate Delafield's career further in the new *Murder At the Nightwood Bar*.

It wasn't all that long ago when lesbians were burned as witches. *Burning* takes us back to that time as a modern wife and her young childcare assistant are possessed by the spirits of two women who couldn't complete their love in their own country. Through the possession, Angela recognizes her own love for women, and Cynthia affirms the bond of her marriage.

The *Leading Edge* is partly what its subtitle states—an anthology of lesbian sexual fiction. It includes also poetry, illustrations, science fiction, romantic fiction and some varieties of power play. The collection's strongest quality is its diversity—themes range from gentle allusion to brutal enforcement, descriptions from detailed to terse, story lines from insufficient to excessive. Tastes vary...in case you hadn't noticed...and you'll find yourself entranced by some stories and less gratified by others.

Each of these books conveys its message that there's more diversity, strength, competence and pain among lesbians than meets the eye, but none of them does it at the expense of an easy and enjoyable read.

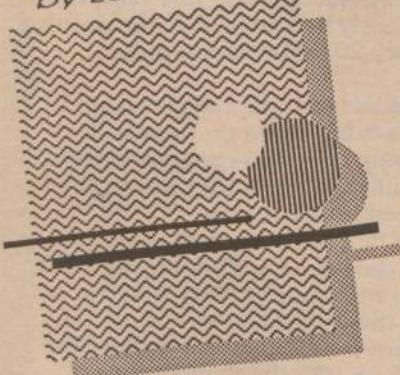
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## The **Amazon Trail**

**H**as any phrase become more feared—or more common—in modern America, than laid off?

by Lee Lynch



### CLOTHES DO NOT THE WOMAN MAKE

White collar or blue collar, we plight our troths to an employer, ply our trades wholeheartedly and, in the end, have absolutely no control over these huge chunks of our lives which we barter for survival. If the company says one's job is being eliminated, then one's job is being eliminated. Period. Out on the street one goes, begging for one's bowl of rice elsewhere.

My last day is coming in less than two weeks. The company I work for decided than an approximately 85% staff reduction was the answer to their problems. This happens every day, of course. I am of the mobile generation, destined to spend several years each at several jobs, rather than, like my father and his father, a lifetime with one employer. Whether I want to or not.

Okay, I should accept this. Especially since I learned at the same time that I am finally making enough in royalties to support myself for a few months.

Should or not, acceptance is elusive. My self-worth is so bound up in having a job that I am like a bereaved spouse at an interminable funeral. One moment I am railing against the fates, the next, against the deceased for abandoning me, and then weeping over this traumatic separation. Not only have I gone through every stage of loss, but I seem to be going through each of them at least twice. All this over employment that was making me crazy.

My reactions are quite normal, I know. My fears of change, I think, are a little heightened by who I am.

I've spent several relatively peaceful years working at this job out of my home. I do not have to go into an office on a daily basis and try to fit in. I spend only an hour or two at a time with clients, and very occasional time with other staff. This gives no one much chance to register my walk, my gestures, or to learn anything about my personal life. Most of my contacts, with other professionals and businesses, I do on the phone.

I do not have to pass on the phone.

It's excruciating, now, to have to go on job interviews. I find myself in the position of having to go out and buy some clothes which a) make me look like a girl while b) making me feel dykey enough so that I retain my self-confidence. I have to a) tell employers that I'm a writer to get the jobs I want, while b) not telling them what I write or where I'm published so they'll hire me. I have to answer the illegal question *are you married*: a) no, despite the fact that I am, or b) yes, in a way that they won't ask his name.

And I thought the job was driving me nuts.

The first rule at a job interview these days, if you look like me, is FIND THE MOST TAILORED PAIR OF WOMEN'S PANTS YOU CAN. I know they bag out in the back and taper sissy-like at the ankle. Just be grateful they aren't a skirt. Then, WEAR A BLOUSE, NOT A SHIRT. Button-down is fine, as long as it was cut too small, is so short it doesn't stay tucked in and is made of cloth so inferior to that which is used for men's shirts it's almost transparent. I suggest a boy's shirt as a compromise. Their size 18 fits like a women's 34 should.

As far as accessories go, NO SOCKS. Bare-ankled if nylons make your stomach ache, not to mention your back from yanking them up every two minutes. Take off the calculator watch and the ID bracelet. Wear all the pinky rings you want, the more the better: *they* think they're a sign of femininity. As

far as those infernal contraptions called bras, the very epitome of oppression, the modern day acceptable binding of the female body, the molding of the breasts to shapes meant to please straight male eyes—well, you can always keep your jacket on and hope the personnel office is air conditioned.

"You can hang your jacket right here."

"NO! THAT'S OKAY!" says the desperate, perspiring, bra-free dyke, hanging on to her cover for dear life. "I'M COMFORTABLE! REALLY, I'M NOT HOT AT ALL!"

Clothing does not the woman make, however. There's something called stance. Sometimes Girlfriend just kind of wiggles in anticipation, then jumps at me, explaining, "I can't help myself. It's your stance!" This means that I don't just walk funny, I look queer even standing still. Most employers don't wiggle at the sight of a full-grown woman standing like the Marlboro man (though I have had bosses of female persuasion that did. It made those jobs much more exciting).

So the next rule at an interview, if you look like me, is SIT DOWN FAST.

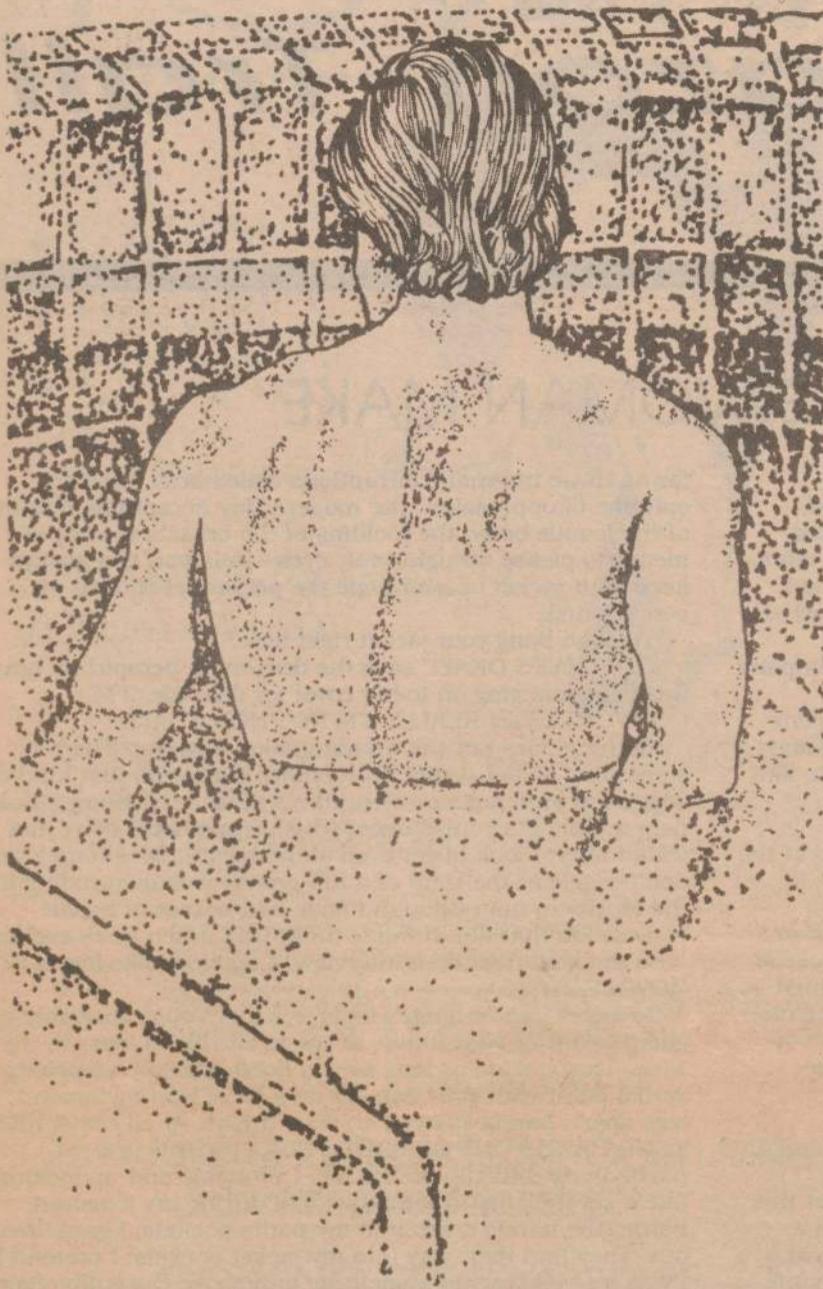
Gestures can unhinge employers too. You're probably not going to flutter your hands at the wrists like flowers in the wind. That's okay, as long as you don't, instead, emphasize a verbal point with your fists, or do a lot of leaning forward, legs apart, hands splayed on your thighs. At all costs, KEEP YOUR HANDS OUT OF YOUR POCKETS! This is a particularly difficult one for me. I probably end up looking like a severely disturbed individual during my constant battle: the hands creep into my pants pockets; I yank them out. They find their way into my jacket pockets; I pretend like I was just looking for something and shove the guilty digits under my thighs. Two minutes later, they're creeping to freedom and pouncing into my pockets again!

Speaking of pockets, I normally carry my pen and mechanical pencil in a breast pocket, or a rear jean pocket. Not to mention my penknife, wallet, chapstick, a lucky stone, change, a memo pad, sobriety medal and a bandana. For an interview, I leave everything I can in the car. I tell myself it'll only be for a few hours; this is not a wilderness survival trip, though it may feel like one. And contents are another reason it's important to keep my hands out of my pockets. If I've left a Tampax, for example, in there, and I'm flustered by questions about my hobbies, who knows what I'll pull out when it's time to complete my application. On the other hand, that might be the most feminine thing I do...

One last point. When you get to the "Interests" part of the interview—you know, where they're building rapport with you and being real informal to try to legally pry personal stuff out of you? If you know you've blown it: you marched in there like Rambo, slumped in your seat with your hands jingling the change in the pockets of your best khakis; if you forgot to cross your legs at the ankles and slung one over the other before ticking off your good points on fingers whose nails are cut so short they look bitten—if you've done all this and they haven't dismissed you, then even if you're a diehard couch potato, tell them your hobbies are mountain climbing, wrestling and that you coach the Tiny Tots Field Hockey League. Jocks don't have to pass.

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## GAY AND LESBIAN POLITICS: A PATHWAY TO POWER

Don Volk

**P**olitics is a labyrinth used by competing interests to influence public policy in their favor. As Hedrick Smith's brilliant book, *The Power Game*, asserts, Washington, D.C., is an intricate maze of elected officials, commissions, agencies, and lobbyists working both in tandem—and separately—to develop the policies that ultimately affect everyone in America.

In 1980, the Human Rights Campaign Fund (HRCF) set its course; during the past eight years the organization has experienced phenomenal growth and influence in the intricate maze of federal law-making.

Dedicated to securing full human rights for lesbians and gays and responsible federal policies to fight the AIDS epidemic, HRCF has carefully laid out its own path of bringing the gay/lesbian movement into the mainstream of the American political process.

Says Executive Director Vic Basile, "It is critical to the success of our movement to work in the mainstream political process. It is important for the movement to be represented in the backrooms on the Hill so we can work with the leadership of the House and the Senate to get legislation passed."

To that end, HRCF has raised millions of dollars to elect candidates who "pledge to support gay civil rights legislation and responsible AIDS policy." This year alone, according to Basile, HRCF will "contribute somewhere in excess of \$500,000 to about 100 candidates for Congressional seats."

According to Randy Klose, an HRCF board member from Los Angeles, "The reality of politics, whether you like it or not, is that money does gain access to members (of Congress). We are building long-term relationships to try to influence politicians who are going to be involved in our lives by making decisions impacting us."

And what does that money really do? This year it assured that:

- An amendment by Senator Jesse Helms (R-NC) that was similar in context to October 1987's disastrous "Helms Amendment," prohibiting explicit AIDS education, was defeated in July, 1988;

- Gays and lesbians were included in HR-3193, a bill requiring the Justice Department to document incidents of hate crimes (with considerable coordination from the National Gay and Lesbian Task Force).

- There was a strong lesbian and gay presence at the National Democratic Convention in Atlanta; and a similar showing at the Republican Convention in New Orleans.

- A openly gay man, John Thomas of Dallas, testified before the Republican Platform Committee for the first time in the history of the gay/lesbian movement.

- Senate 1220, a massive AIDS education, care and treatment bill co-sponsored by Senator Edward Kennedy (D-MA) and Senator Orrin Hatch (R-UT), passed a floor vote without disastrous hostile amendments proposed by Helms.

Senate 1220 highlights HRCF's work at its best. Working closely with Senate staff and other organizations, the bill was carefully constructed and lobbied. HRCF's lobbyists Carlton Lee and Steve Smith, and Political Director Eric Rosenthal coordinated the efforts.

"This was a major success for us," states Klose. "We mounted a \$100,000 campaign. We had some of the finest lobbyists doing an extraordinary first-rate campaign. HRCF set a new kind of standard."

Much of the success was attributable to a carefully designed advertising campaign in both the gay and non-gay media and the considerable efforts of the Fairness Fund, a special project of HRCF that produced an unprecedented response to the Senate.

The Fairness Fund began three years ago under the direction of noted lobbyist Steve Endean. Its purpose is to mobilize individuals and groups throughout the country to put constituent pressure on federal lawmakers. Early this year, the Fairness Fund became a project of HRCF and clearly demonstrated the positive effects of constituent action when it produced over 20,000 responses, an unprecedented number.

In addition to its program of signing up individuals to send mailgrams and letters, the Fairness Fund supports HRCF with a burgeoning grassroots field effort, headed by Lee Bush, that organizes lobbying efforts in congressional and senatorial districts. These groups meet with politicians when they are in their home districts to influence them on AIDS and lesbian/gay issues.

Klose said that the many paths of the political labyrinth are best navigated in three ways: (1) with campaign contributions that gain access; (2) lobbying those with whom you have gained such access; and (3) with constituents who contact their legislators and deliver votes for or against those legislators.

While HRCF has helped bring the gay movement into the mainstream of the American political and legislative process, and thus into the mainstream of American social conscience, it also knows the power of other strategies to influence the political process.

Duke Comegy, a Los Angeles board member and former HRCF co-chair, says, "We are mainstream when we have to be mainstream. When I was co-chair for two-and-a-half years, I found it very easy to step into civil disobedience because I am quite radical in my views of how to get things done in America."

On June 1, 1987, some 60 demonstrators were arrested in front of the White House for protesting the Reagan Administration's policies on AIDS. The effort

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was the idea of HRCF board member Dan Bradley who died of AIDS in January of this year. Bradley came out of the closet early in the Reagan Administration when he was director of the Legal Services Corporation.

Says Comegy, "When we are faced with something like AIDS, we have no problem stepping across the line of civil disobedience." Both HRCF board members and staff participated in the June 1 demonstration.

But HRCF's multiple strategies don't come without a price. This year's budget exceeds \$2 million, which is raised by a 20-member board that commits to raising \$5,000 each. Fundraising events are coordinated around the country with astonishing success.

For example, this year's dinner in Atlanta attracted 660 people including stalwarts of the nation's civil rights movement. "To my knowledge, it was the biggest gay/lesbian fundraising effort in the history of the South," Basile reports.

Seemingly, an unlikely site for gay/lesbian fundraising and activism is the Midwest; but Columbus, Ohio, is one of HRCF's strongest areas. Former board member — and now independent Congressional candidate — Mike Gelpi has been instrumental in that organizing. Explains Basile, "Columbus goes well beyond fundraising. It is a base we are using to do a lot more organizing around the Midwest."

Clearly, HRCF demonstrates what a committed community can do when it mobilizes its resources and stands up for its beliefs. Its current co-chairs clearly assess HRCF's past and future: "Our agenda is basic — full civil rights for lesbians and gay men. All other issues stem from that," states Hilary Rosen of Washington, DC.

Co-chair Chuck Forester of San Francisco adds, "We are changing the face of national politics. There is no stopping us. Neither politics nor public policy will be the same again."

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struggling to the  
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The Coalition of People With AIDS has a vision which focuses on developing "empowerment of the people," according to Coalition Director Greg Sexton.

Armed with a growing distaste for the "big business of AIDS," the Phoenix-based group seeks to return the essential care of PWAs and PWARCs to those they believe best qualified to deliver it: those who share the disease. Formed less than a year ago, the Coalition is part of a national network of seventy-three separate branches, with headquarters in Washington, D.C.

In its infancy, the Coalition suffered from a lack of specific direction under former director Jack Brownley. In recent months, however, the group has taken shape, first with a steering committee comprised of the committee members, and most recently with the election of Sexton as director. With various other groups taking the lead in case management, housing placement, and medical services, the Coalition seeks to fill a critical gap left by Arizona AIDS services. With a severe shortage of direct financial assistance to PWAs and PWARCs, the Coalition has as one of its chief goals a remedy to this situation. Its fundraising and disbursement will be directed toward providing assistance for such things as rent and utility payments, food and clothing, and meeting transportation needs. At present, the group cites instances of PWAs being admitted to or remaining in hospitals due to lack of money to afford such basics. In Sexton's words, "this is an outrage that need not exist."

Also on the Coalition's agenda is the lobbying for the use of alternative drug treatments. These co-called "under the counter" drugs are not approved by the FDA and can be difficult — if not impossible — to obtain. With FDA approval taking up to two years to procure, many desperate for therapy have turned to home labs, black market trading, and questionable foreign remedies. This desperation has also given birth to a host of "quack" cures and practitioners who prey on AIDS patients with few other prospects. Much like the snake oil salesmen of old, they offer all form and no substance. The Coalition intends to make this a fact of the past.

In attempting to become a force with which to reckon, the Coalition has met with resistance. In its organization of a program to provide visitors to hospitalized PWAs, the coalition has been turned away. Lee Hood, Infectious Disease Nurse at the Veterans Administration Hospital, is steadfast in her opposition to the program, believing that existing AIDS organizations are capable of providing visitation.

Recently, Phoenix Shanti, a well-known service organization, has been considering the institution of a program entitled "Adopt A PWA." The Coalition and Sexton are adamantly opposed to the notion, asserting that "PWAs are not orphans, and don't need adoption. This is offensive." While Sexton was rebuffed when he requested to Shanti that they abandon the idea, the program has yet to be forsaken.

Less tangible, perhaps, is the group's charge that local AIDS service organizations have attempted to discourage their efforts. It is Sexton's belief that other agencies have "used their existing connections in the community to discredit the Coalition." His assertion stems from his opinion that a grassroots, "for the people, by the people" organization might threaten the "big business" aspects of

AIDS-related organizations. With the needs of PWAs growing, and funding dollars tight, some may see the Coalition as a potential economic threat. Sexton sees this as the root of the resistance.

In fact, much of the current resistance has the quality of a first-rate smoke screen about it. Despite its year-long existence, Shanti's Randy Gorbette says of the group, "I'm not going to support it if I'm not sure what it is. They (the Coalition) need to interface with other organizations who are providing client services. They need to come to another organization for support and cooperation." Sexton considers this unnecessary in light of the group's individual strength.

Kathleen Barnes, director of the Arizona AIDS Project, simply claims ignorance. When asked about the Coalition, Barnes said, "I'm not sure what you mean. I've never heard of the Coalition, but it sounds terrific."

Despite lack of support from related organizations, the Coalition of People With AIDS is gaining recognition from other sectors. Maricopa County has placed Sexton on its advisory board for the upcoming Federal Assistance Grant. The board, comprised of thirteen members, will monitor the distribution of nearly \$600,000 in federal funds to area service organizations. They will also be instrumental in developing the specific contracts that each group will adhere to, as well as conduct audits and on-site inspections.

According to Sexton, this coup has assisted the Coalition in gaining credibility. Sexton has also been named to the advisory board of the Greater Phoenix Affordable Healthcare Foundation. The Foundation is a cooperative effort of business, government, health care organizations, and service groups to find solutions to the growing burden of medical costs surrounding AIDS treatment. Members of the organization include Honeywell, AT&T, St. Joseph's Hospital, and representatives of the governor's office. Circle K Corporation is also a principal member.

These recent appointments bode well for the future of the Coalition of People With AIDS. As Sexton contends, the agency's mission is "to assure dignity, and the right to life of all people diagnosed with AIDS."

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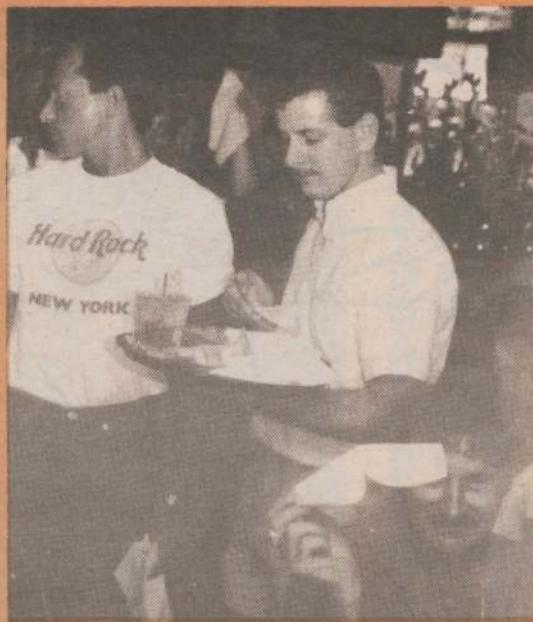
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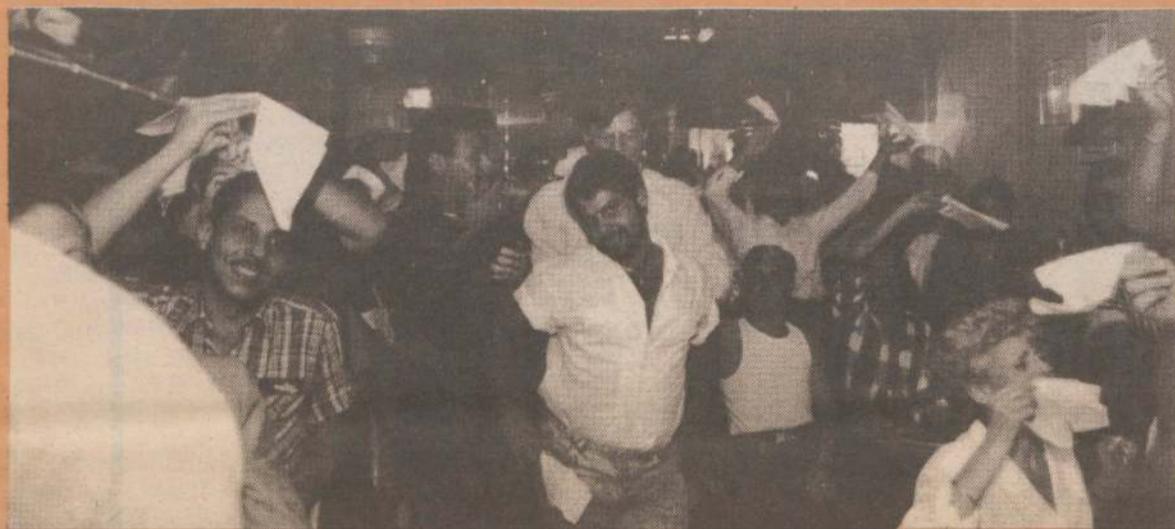
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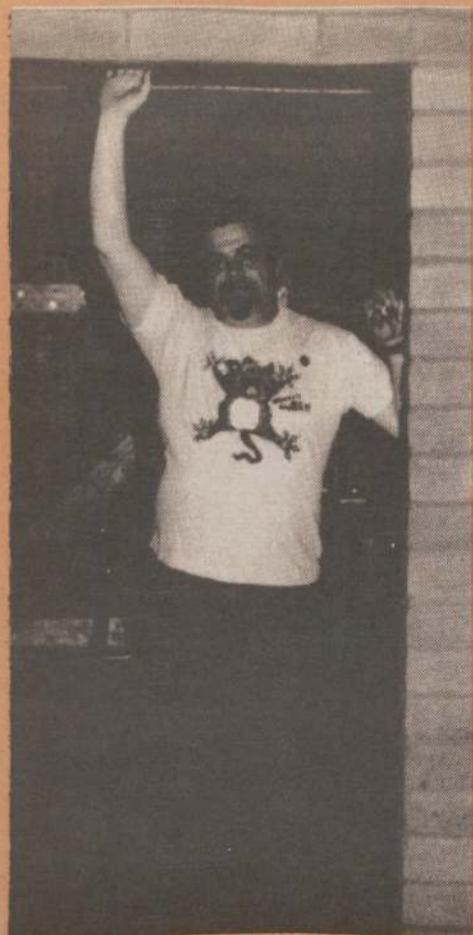
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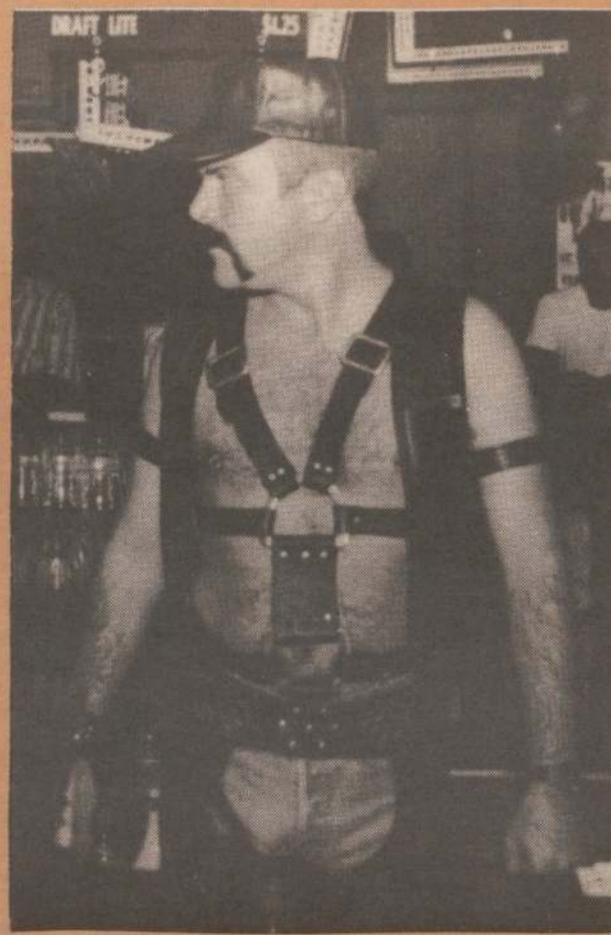
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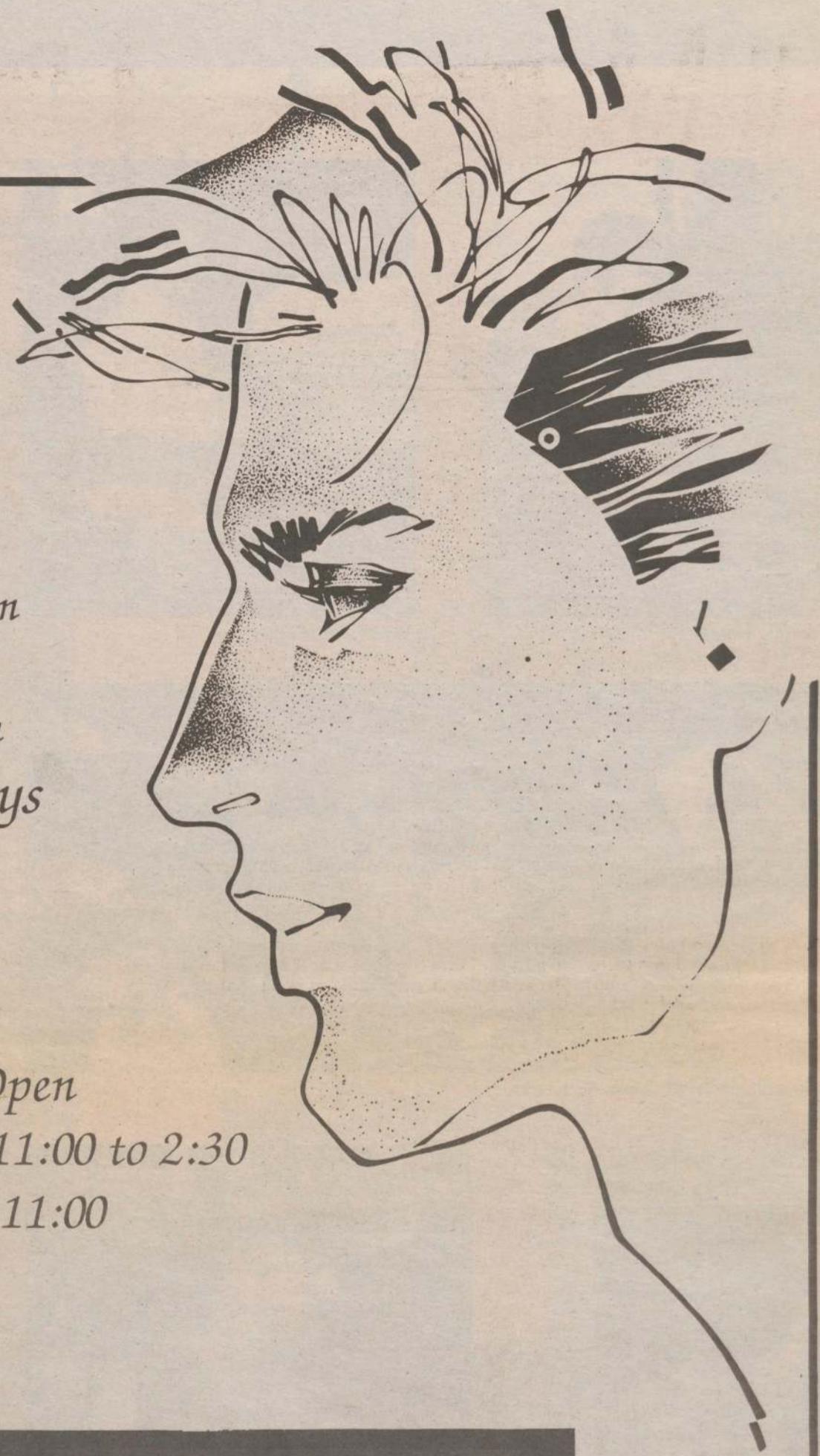
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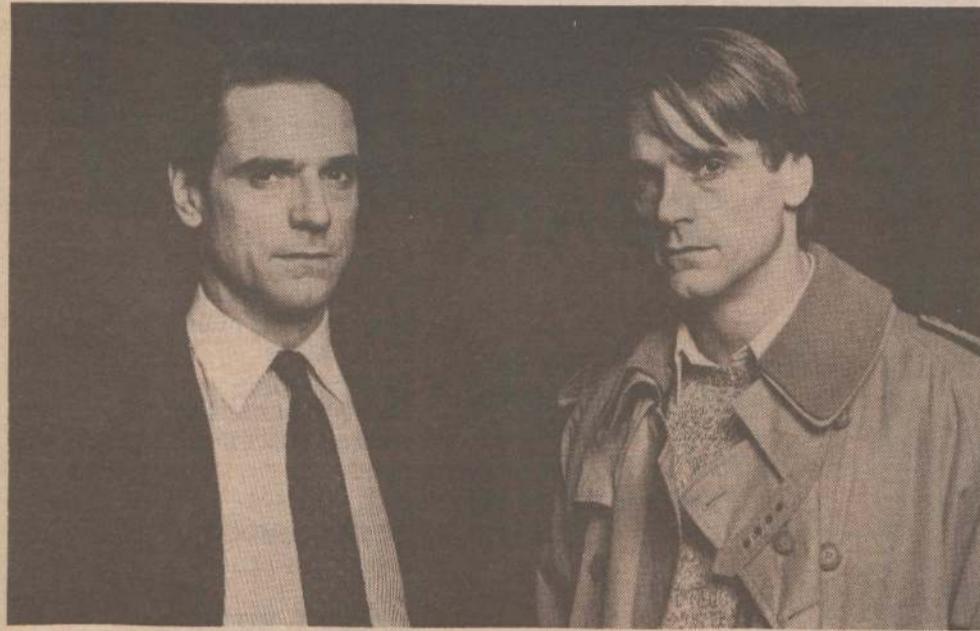
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*Dead Ringers* is about identical twin doctors who become involved with the same beautiful actress, and are destroyed as a result.

Jeremy Irons, in a major acting challenge, portrays the Mantle twins, who head up a Toronto-based fertility clinic. Beverly Mantle is the introverted scholar, a hard-working drone who deals with the patients on a day-to-day basis and is shy with women. His brother Elliot is a glib extrovert, a confident gladhander who politics for the brothers in the world of medicine and is successful with women.

Genevieve Bujold portrays the hard-living actress Claire Niveau, who indulges in drugs but is confident she can handle it. Childless, she has a soft side to her and is looking for love and a family. She visits the Mantle Clinic in hope that the doctor's expertise will assist her in having a child.

"I think of *Dead Ringers* as a real departure," says Cronenberg, whose work as a science-fiction/fantasy film director and writer on such films as *Videodrome*, *The Dead Zone* and the Oscar-winning *The Fly* has earned him international acclaim. "Dead Ringers is not science-fiction. The fantasy element which is in most of my films is not there—this film is much more naturalistic. The weirdness of the story comes out of the strong characters in a relatively realistic context."

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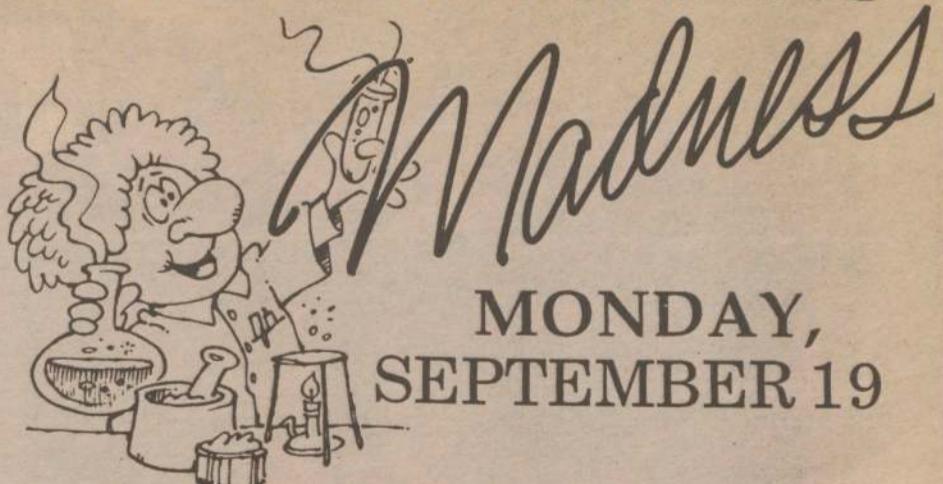
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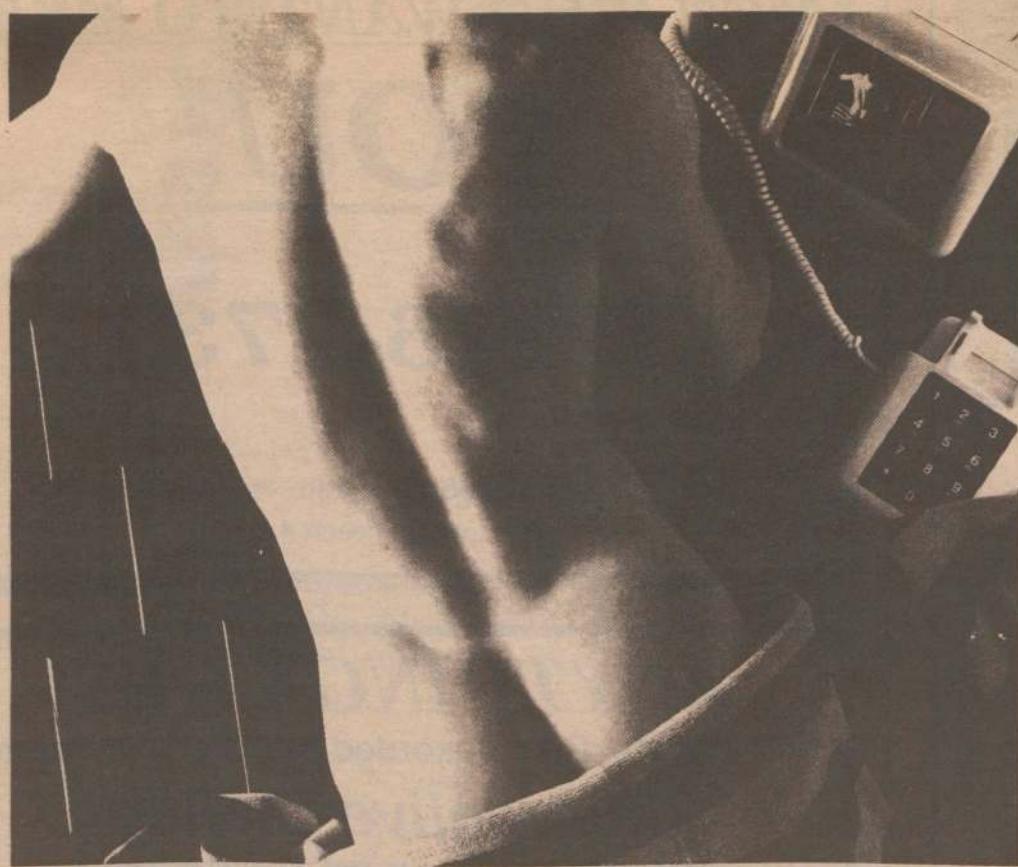
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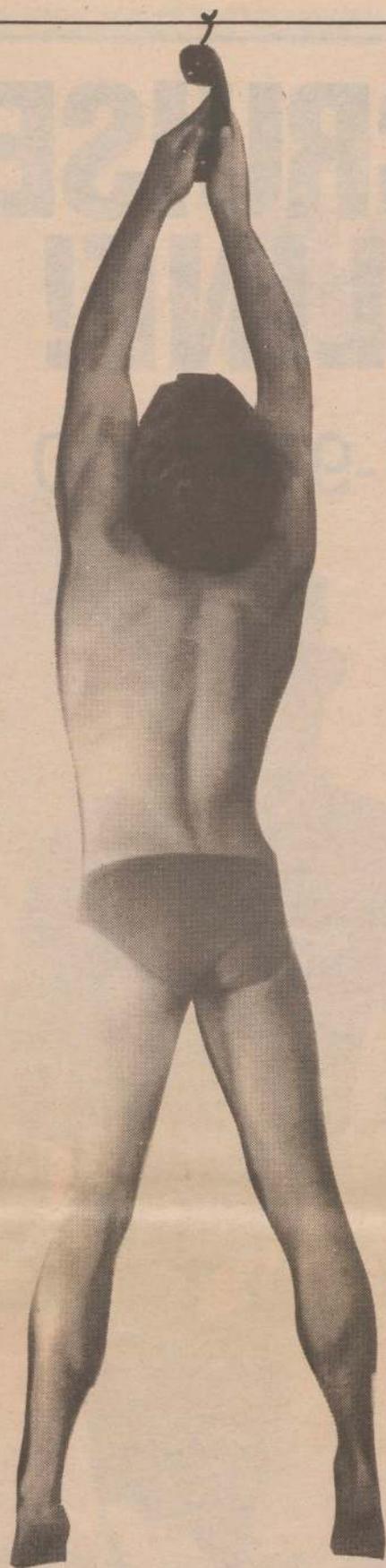
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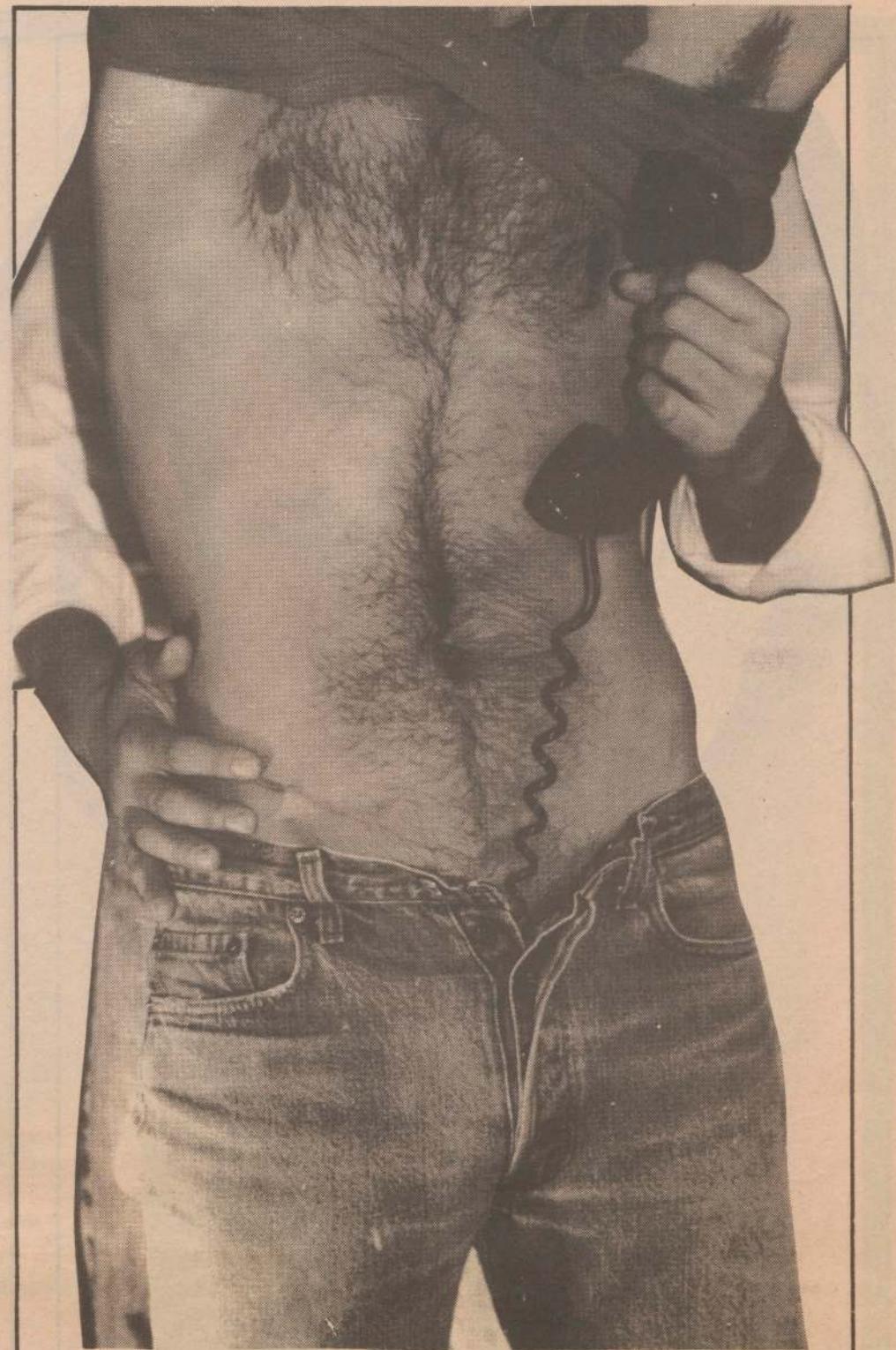


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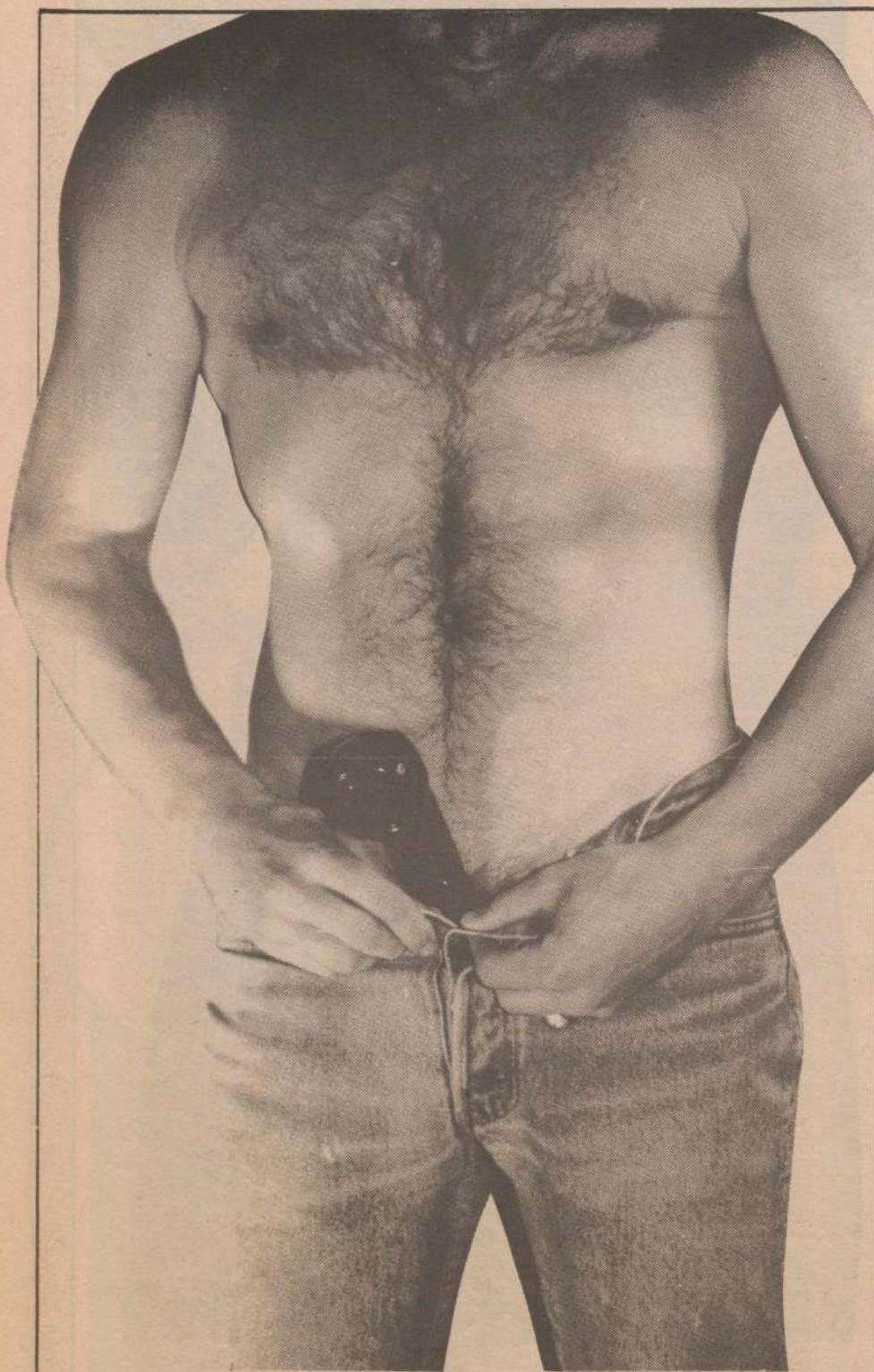


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## COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Calendar listings of upcoming organizational or club events are free. To ensure that your item is listed, make sure it is submitted one week prior to date of publication. Telephone listings can be taken, but inclusion is not guaranteed.

When submitting items for the calendar, include the name of event, location, date, time, price, and a telephone number for further information to: Outlines, **Phoenix Resource**, P.O. Box 5948, Phoenix, AZ 85010.

9/18: PSYCHIC FAIR at Branden Institute.

9/21: LESBIAN AND GAY PRIDE PLANNING COMMITTEE first organizational meeting. 7:00pm at Humanspace Books, 1617 N 32nd St. 256-7476 for details.

9/24: GAY ARIZONA YOUTH GROUP meeting. 3:00pm. Augustana Lutheran Church, 14th St. and Virginia. 267-1059 for information. TAROT SEMINAR, 10:00am - 5:00pm. \$25 tuition. MECA Center, 4330 N. 62nd Street, Scottsdale. 945-1228 for information.

9/25: DIGNITY/INTEGRITY Men's Discussion Group. 6:30pm potluck social. 258-2556 for location. HEALING WATERS MINISTRIES Worship Service. 11:00am. 5555 E. Van Buren, Suite A-10. 244-1577 for more information.

9/26: OUR GANG BOWLING LEAGUE winter season. 9:00pm at Squaw Peak Lanes, 3049 E. Indian School Rd. CIRCLE K PROTEST DEMONSTRATION at Corporate Stockholders Meeting. 7:00-9:00am. Sheraton Hotel, 111 N. Central. For more information: 267-1059, 246-8277.

9/27: RELATIONSHIP DISCUSSION GROUP Meeting. Discussion topic: "Lust, Limerence and Love." First Unitarian Church, 4027 E. Lincoln Dr. 7:00pm. PHOENIX SHANTI GROUP Open Forum meeting. "Death and Dying: An Indian Perception." 7:00pm at Phoenix Indian Medical Center, 16th St. and Indian School.

9/28: AGAPE NETWORK "Hot Lunch" Program for PWAs. 12 Noon at Oasis MCC, 2405 E. Coronado.

### ONGOING:

AFFIRMATION: Family home evenings. 2nd & 4th Mondays.

BOWLING: Squaw Peak Lanes, 32nd St. & Indian School, Mondays, 9pm. Northgate.

CBPA: General Membership meeting monthly on every third Thursday, evenings. Committee meetings, various throughout month; call for info 395-9632.

DESERT VALLEY SQUARES: Meets Sunday evenings at Augustana Lutheran Church, 14th Street and Virginia. "Fun Nights" alternate Thursdays at STIXX.

GAY ADULT CHILDREN OF ALCOHOLICS (ACA): Meets Sundays at 8pm, Humanspace Books, 1617 N. 32nd Street. 220-4419.

HOUSE OF THE DAWN: "Lessons with Nikola Tesla" - continuing series, Tuesdays at 8:30. Videos and discussions Mondays at 7:30. Phone for info.

LGAU: Meets Thursdays at 7:30 in the Memorial Union (Student Center) ASU—Tempe. Call Denise Heap, 969-1913.

METROPOLITAN COMMUNITY CHURCHES:

OASIS: Sundays at 11am. 4229 S. 36th Pl. (off Broadway). Socials, 3rd Saturdays; 1st &

3rd Wednesday Service, 7:30pm.

GENTLE SHEPHERD MCC: 3524 E. Mountain View, Phoenix. Sunday services at 10:30 am and 6:00 pm.

CASA DE CRISTO: Sundays at 8:30, 10:30, and 7pm. Turney east of 7th St.

PFLAG: Meets 3rd Mondays, Mount of Olives Church, 3546 E. Thomas, 7pm.

PHOENIX GAY AND MARRIED MEN'S ASSOCIATION (GAMMA): Meets 1st Thursdays. 435-0828.

PHOENIX GAY YOUTH: Meets Thursdays at 7:30pm. Augustana Lutheran Church, 14th St. & Virginia.

PHOENIX SHANTI: Reaching for Alternatives (a "Loving" Support group for PWAs), Wednesdays at 7pm. Women & AIDS, alternate Wednesdays at 7pm. Family, friends, and significant others support group, Wednesdays, 7-9. HLTIV3 "test positive" support group, Sundays at 7pm. Call for info. regarding Welcome Wagon visitation/help line for PWAs.

RELATIONSHIP DISCUSSION GROUP: Meets 2nd & 4th Tuesdays, 7pm. Unitarian Universalist. 4027 E. Lincoln Drive. 870-9597.

WELLNESS GROUP: Mondays. Contact Gerrie Mayer-Gibbons through AAP or SHANTI.

Phone individual organizations for specifics.

# GUIDE

RESOURCES

CLUBS & ORGANIZATIONS	PUBLICATIONS	ROOMIES OF AZ
Lesbian & Gay Community Switchboard 234-2752	Phoenix Resource P.O. Box 5948 Phoenix, 85006 256-7476	Roomies of AZ Roomate Service 841-0583
A.I.D.S. Info Line 234-2752	Los Amigos Del Sol (LADS) P.O. Box 27335 Phoenix, 85030	Royal Villa Apartments 1102 E. Turney 266-6883
AIDS Referral, Counseling & Education (A.R.C.E.) 502 W. 10th St. Mesa 85201 461-2437	Places of Interest PO Box 35575 Phoenix 85032	Westways Bed & Bath PO Box 41624 Phoenix 85080 582-3868
Alanon 6829 N. 21st Ave. Phoenix, 85015 249-1257	Tucson Observer P.O. Box 50733 Tucson, 85703	RELIGIOUS ORGANIZATIONS
Arizona AIDS Project 738 E. Flynn Phoenix, 85014 277-1929	Phoenix Gamma PO Box 47811 Phoenix 85068 435-0828	Affirmation P.O. Box 315 Mesa, 85201
Arizona Gay Rodeo Assoc. PO Box 16363 Phoenix 85011 268-5827 938-3932	Phoenix Older/Younger Men's Social Organization P.O. Box 10423 Phoenix, 85064	BMC (Brethren Mennites Council) P.O. Box 5613 Glendale, 85312
Arizona Nude Dudes PO Box 14055 Phoenix 85031	Phoenix Shanti Group P.O. Box 17618 Phoenix, 95011 265-3884	Casa De Cristo (MCC) 1029 E. Turney Phoenix, 85014 265-2831
Arizona Rangers P.O. Box 13074 Phoenix 85002 252-7035	Relationship Discussion Group 870-9597	SERVICES
Camelback Business & Professional Assn. P.O. Box 2097 Phoenix 85001 244-1658 or 899-6298	Sons of Apollo P.O. Box 7281 Phoenix 85011 277-9373	Accounting Plus 978-6337
Community AIDS Council PO Box 32903 Phoenix 85064 890-1776	Castle Bookstore 5501 E. Washington 231-9837	Blue Ribbon Realty Mario T. Romero 7227 N. 16th St. Phoenix 85020 263-9696 Bus. 252-4191 Res.
Copperstate Leathermen P.O. Box 44051 Phoenix, 85064	The Framing Center 2701 N. 24th St. Phoenix, 85006 957-0877	College of Beauty Arts 2158 N. 4th St. Flagstaff, 86004 528-2627
Couples of Arizona P.O. Box 7144 Phoenix, 85011 831-5920	Heritage Hatters 15035 N. Cave Creek Rd. 867-3323	Desert Typographers 4229 N. 7th St. Phoenix, 85014 248-8414
Desert Adventures PO Box 2008 Phoenix 85001 957-3476	Desert Adventures 3006 N. 16th St. 265-6370	Diversified Data Designs PO Box 33233 Phoenix 85067 246-8277
Desert Overture PO Box 26772 Phoenix 85030 264-9464	High Energy Records 1720-A E. McDowell Rd 258-7012	Etienne Type Shop P.O. Box 17298 Phoenix, 85011 997-9433
Desert Valley Squares P.O. Box 34615 Phoenix, 85067 978-3273	Humanspace Books 1617 N. 32nd St. Phoenix, 85008 220-4419	First Travel 5150 N. 7th St. Phoenix, 85014 265-0666
Gay Arizona Youth 3030 E. Roosevelt Phoenix 85008 267-1059	Lincoln Carpeting Cleaning 3920 E. Indian School #6 954-3060	Gay Roommate Service 938-3932
Independent Tavern Owners of Arizona (I.T.A.) Contact I.T.A. Members	Parr of Arizona 4532 N. 7th St. Phoenix, 85012 230-2133	Hairstylers 3954 N. Brown Ave. Scottsdale 945-5072
Iron Tigers M.C. 1406 E. Brill Phoenix 85006 257-4141	Premiere Frame & Picture Gallery 1441 N. 27th Ln Phoenix 484-0565	Lon Pearson ERA Realty 10370 N. Hayden Rd Scottsdale 85258 948-0900
Janus Theatre 3302 N. 7th St. Phoenix 956-4940	Rabid Graphics 898-1394 or 274-2159	Renslow & Associates Accounting & Payroll 3225 N. Central - Ste 321 Phoenix 85012 234-2177
Lesbian & Gay Academic Union A.S.U. Tempe 85287 969-1913	Rarebears Barber Styling 1720 E. McDowell 254-7339	Tuff Stuff 1714 E. McDowell 254-9651

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### LOVELINES

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If you'd like to respond to a Lovelines ad, write the box number on the outside of your envelope and address the envelope to Phoenix Resource.

Tennis players in Mesa looking for other tennis players in East Valley. BOX 148.

GWM, 46, 6'5 1/2", 340#, seeking friendship with chubby, chubby-chaser. Enjoy TV, quiet times, cuddling, antiques, psychic experiences. No drinking, drugs. Write often! Photos appreciated but not necessary. Winter's coming and I don't have a fireplace. What's a girl to do? BOX 149.

This enthusiastic, optimistic, celibate GWM is truly a romanticist. I would like to correspond with and meet others who will respect my rather conservative values and principles. BOX 150.

GWM, 19, 5'9", 150#, brown hair, hazel eyes, into movies, weightlifting, and running. Good-looking, straight-acting, intelligent, and dry-witted. Looking for permanent, steady relationship with someone of similar interests and characteristics, 19-35, preferable taller than I, mustached, and not into drugs. Photo and phone number not necessary, but appreciated. BOX 151.

GWM, 35, 6'1", 165#, professional blonde with great physique. Sincere, hardworking, dependable. Looking for that extra-special man, 25-45, financially secure and trustworthy. Your photo gets mine. BOX 152.

GWM, 24, 6'2", 290# seeks friendship or relationship. I have an outgoing and fun personality, enjoy movies, theatre, reading. If you're sincere about meeting someone and you're not into alcohol or drugs, drop me a line. BOX 145.

GWM, 5'9", 170#, light brown hair, blue eyes, full well-trimmed beard. Seeking individual who has several of the following wants and desires: the desire to be part of a two-some tackling life rather than tolerating loneliness; a dislike of the bar scene; more depth and consideration than most gay men; not "fashionably late" for anything; I want to meet someone who gets high on life rather than with drugs, and am seeking a one-on-one relationship. I have a good sense of humor, enjoy bowling and pool, and hate football. Photo and phone appreciated. BOX 146.

Need someone older? Are you a GWM, looking for stability, emotional security, positive viewpoint, self-assuredness, playfulness, sense of humor, adventuresomeness, spirituality, intellectual stimulation, considerateness, gentleness, sensuality? Do you have more to give to a relationship than most people understand or appreciate? Are you attractive, curious about nearly everything, unselfish, looking for a meaningful, positive relationship based on mutual respect and growth? Send photo (if possible), note and phone to BOX 147.

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The National Gay and Lesbian Task Force, in conjunction with the Lesbian Rights Project, seeks Director for newly created organizing project focusing on lesbian and gay families. Applicants must possess working knowledge of legislative and litigative history of family issues, specifically as pertains to the gay and lesbian community, excellent public speaking abilities and writing skills. Be able to create, maintain, work in coalitions. Demonstrated ability to affect change through advocacy, education and organizing. Salary range \$22,000 to \$32,000, paid vacation, health, dental, pension. Send writing sample, resume, and cover letter to the National Gay and Lesbian Task Force, 1517 U Street, N.W., Washington D.C. 20009. No phone inquiries. Deadline for applications, September 30, 1988.

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### PERSONALS

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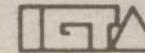
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