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## Tucson police request lie-detector tests to screen recruits

TUCSON--For the first time in more than a decade, the Tucson Police Department wants to use Lie-detector tests as an "investigative tool" in hiring people of "the highest of moral community standards."

City Manager Joel Valdez, acknowledging that there has recently been a "growing problem" for police in checking possible criminal traits as well as ethical standards of police applicants, has recommended that the City Council approve use of polygraph exams.

It is not the first time Tucson police have used a polygraph exam to help weed out people who don't meet their standards, police confirmed.

Until the late 1960s, lie-detector tests were administered to applicants before they were offered police recruit jobs with the department but after they had filed background applications.

They were asked such questions as "Did you fill out your employment application truthfully?" and "Are you a homosexual?" and "have you ever stolen from an employer?"

Use of the tests was discontinued at the behest of the City Council, which apparently felt the tests might be prejudicial to some of the applicants.

But police want the lie-detector tests started again, although questions about homosexuality will be absent this time. The tests would be administered only to people who have accepted recruit jobs but have not started training, said police Capt. Kenneth Johnson.

"Homosexuality cannot be considered any more than a person's race, religion, color or anything else," said Johnson about the police affirmative-action policy that forbids such questions on applications.

What the department hopes the tests will do is supplement background checks, which police readily admit have got much more difficult to perform in recent years, particularly on out-of-state would-be officers.

Citations have replaced physical arrests in many traffic cases across the country, Johnson said, and the type of information that police would like to know before hiring a recruit often doesn't turn up in an FBI criminal-record check.

Usually, Valdez has told the council, police will use the tests to verify police job applications to make sure they were not falsified or did not conceal important facts. Police want to know about use of drugs, thefts from former employers, significant military discipline problems, serious unsolved criminal offenses, criminal charges or convictions and erroneous medical information.

If a potential recruit has trouble with the test, police are interested in the polygraph leading to a "frank discussion" with the person about the problem rather than treating the test as a "pass-fail" one-shot matter, Johnson said.

The test results will be confidential, police say.

## Eight Lesbians face discharge

LOS ANGELES (GCN)--Charges against eight of the 16 women sailors on board the U.S.S. Norton Sound who have been under investigation by the U.S. Navy since May 15 for alleged homosexuality (see AGN, June 20, 1980) have been dropped.

The remaining eight face charges upgraded from "unsuitability" to "misconduct." The change may, according to the Bureau of Navy Personnel Manual, enable the Navy to give the women less than honorable discharges should it find against them; however, according to the women's lawyer, Susan McGreivy of the American Civil Liberties Union of Southern California's Gay Rights Chapter, such action would be in conflict with the Navy's current regulations as set forth in a memorandum from the Chief of Naval Operations.

Hearings in the eight remaining cases begin August 1 before the Navy Discharge Review Board. According to McGreivy, no rules of evidence will be in effect. "Ninety percent of these charges are hearsay, innuendo, or opinion,"

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## Holly Near concert set



TUCSON - Pictured above is internationally known singer Holly Near who will be in concert at the Temple of Music and Art September 21. see related story page two.

PHOTO: Susan Wilson

## Milwaukee council passes rights bill

Compiled by Michael Ferguson

MILWAUKEE (GCN) - The Common Council of this city at its July 8 meeting voted 10-6 in favor of adopting an ordinance that would ban discrimination based on sexual preference in city employment. The fate of the ordinance now rests with Mayor Henry W. Maier. If enacted, the ordinance would prohibit discrimination in all city departments except the school department, which is under separate jurisdiction. It would also prohibit discrimination by any firm doing business with the city.

The Legislation committee held a series of three public hearings on the ordinance. On June 23, in a confused session, the Committee, refused to approve the ordinance, refused to table the ordinance and then finally passed the measure on to the full Council without recommendation. According to Joyce LaParle, clerk for the Legislation Committee, the confusion surrounded an opinion by City Attorney James Brennan. In his opinion, Brennan stated that the ordinance gave the enforcing agency (the Commission on Community Relations) the power of subpoena, a power it did not have and could only be granted through a change in the City Charter.

On July 8, the full Common Council gave its support to the ordinance in a 10-6 vote and sent the measure on to the Mayor for his action. Maier has three options: he can return the measure to the Council, letting it pass without his signature; or he can veto the measure, in which case two-thirds of the Council would have to vote to override; or he can sign the measure. The mayor's office had no comment on what action he might choose.

# News Briefs

## PASTOR CANDIDATE FOR TUCSON MCC

TUCSON - The Rev. F. Randall Hill be coming to Tucson as a candidate to take over the pastoral duties at Truth Chapel MCC. Rev. Hill is presently pastor of the MCC church at Sarasota, Florida. He will arrive in Tucson on the 9th of August and will celebrate the services at Truth Chapel on Sunday August 10 and August 17. It will be following the services of August 17, that a Special Congregational Meeting will take place to make the decision to accept Rev. Hill as the new pastor of the Tucson MCC.

In addition Truth Chapel is planning two "get acquainted socials" for Rev. Hill on Wednesday, August 13 and Friday August 15. The entire community is invited to any of these events and meet Rev. "Randy" Hill.

## INTERNATIONAL JEWISH CONFERENCE

SAN FRANCISCO, CA (GCN) - California Superior Court Judge Stephen Lachs, the first openly Gay man ever appointed to the American judiciary, will be the keynote speaker at the opening banquet of the Fifth International Conference of Gay and Lesbian Jews scheduled for Labor Day weekend, Aug. 20-Sept. 1, 1980 at the Golden Gate Holiday Inn here.

The banquet will inaugurate a weekend of workshops, social events and political discussions for some three to four hundred participants from throughout the world. Dinner will be followed by Sabbath services at Congregation Sherith Israel and an Oneg Shabbat with music and folkdancing.

Saturday and Sunday and Monday will offer a schedule of religious services, business sessions, luncheons and symposia on topics ranging from "Religion and Homosexuality: A Jewish Perspective" to "Color Your Closet" (an art-therapy workshop).

For further information write to the Conference Registration Committee at P.O. Box 5640, San Francisco, CA 94101.

## VIOLENCE ERUPTS IN IOWA

DES MOINES, IA (GayLife) - A series of violent events directed at homosexuals and certain Gay bars has not yet been explained by local law enforcement authorities. The county's chief prosecutor, Dan Johnson, said that the violence may be a result of harassment of Gays by straights, or possibly a war between Gays for control of Gay bars in the city. Incidents have included a fire, shooting, three assaults and numerous threats.



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RALEIGH, NC (GayLife) - Nazi leader Harold Covington garnered a surprise 43% of the votes for state Attorney General in the primaries. Covington, outspokenly anti-Gay, was edged out by former U.S. Attorney Keith Snyder of Ashville.

## CHRISTIANS HELPED BILL DEFEAT

SAN JOSE, CA (GayLife) - An estimated 2500 Christian precinct workers recruited from 325 local churches hit the streets two weeks before the June 3 primaries to produce the major electoral upset, defeat of the local city and county civil rights ordinances and one Democratic for State Assembly.

## HOLLY NEAR IN TUCSON CONCERT

TUCSON - Holly Near will be performing in concert at Tucson's Temple of Music and Art on Sunday, September 21 at 7:00 p.m. Accompanying Holly is pianist Adrienne Torf.

Holly is an exciting, compassionate performer. Her voice is strong and she communicates with honesty, humor, tenderness and anger. She sings about the social issues that face people with a hope that encourages action. In a word, she is "energizing". Don't miss this opportunity to share an evening of magic with internationally famous Holly Near. Tickets will go on sale September 1 in Tucson at Antigone Books; Books Brothers and Food Conspiracy. In Phoenix at Womansplace Bookstore or by Mail wire: WomenWoven Productions Inc., P.O. Box 41084, Tucson, AZ 85717. Tickets through the mail will be held at the door. This is a community event for all. Everyone is welcome. For more information, call 623-9559 in Tucson.

## NEW ORGANIZATION FOR JEWS FORMING IN ARIZONA

PHOENIX - Beth David Ceevra Shalom is now being formed under the Alternative Relations Center is offering Arizona's Gay Jewish community affirmative Jewish, as well as Gay identity. To have maximum input, please contact Benzion Jernigan, 1123 E. McLellan Blvd., Apt. #5, Phoenix, AZ 85013 or call the Center and leave information with the office on the Rabbi's clipboard.

The group is now in the process of forming the organization and some goals are socially oriented and some religiously oriented. The organization is for all Jews - Reformed, Conservative or orthodox - statewide. ARC phone number is 254-6500 (Attention Rabbi).

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## AMNESTY INTERNATIONAL SAYS NO

PARIS, FRANCE (GayLife) - Amnesty International has responded ambiguously to a motion which called upon the international organization to provide support to Lesbian and Gay men denied basic human rights. The president reported: "Amnesty International will not take a stand on homosexuality as such. One must not forget that the organization has to take into account the serious consequences that an extension of its missions to homosexuals might bring for its actions in favor of prisoners in certain parts of the world."

## CACTUS CORNER

TUCSON - After Thursday, July 24, The Strikers and Coco's Angels remained tied for the top slot in the CBL (Community Bowling League). The last five weeks of the season promise to be a continuous jostling for league positions as teams compete for 1st, 2nd and 3rd place honors.

Last week's action had The Empire crushing the struggling Odd Squad, The Strikers razing The Rovers, Coco's Angels soaring to victory over the invisible Force, and OSWMA bowling even with The Family. Current team standings are:

TEAM	W	L	PCT.
THE STRIKERS	21	7	.750
COCO'S ANGELS	21	7	.750
THE EMPIRE	16	12	.571
OSWMA	15	13	.536
THE FAMILY	14	14	.500
THE ROVERS	11	17	.392
THE ODD SQUAD	10	18	.357
THE FORCE	4	24	.143

(More detailed results of each week's play appear at the Hair Tiz, Back Pocket and the Graduate).

On Thursday, July 31, at 6:30 p.m., match-ups will include The Family vs The Rovers; The Odd Squad vs The Force; OSWMA vs The Empire and The Strikers vs Coco's Angels.

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## Entertainer of year Sunday Aug. 3

PHOENIX - A large crowd is expected to be present this Sunday, August 3 at the Club Phoenix for Limelite Production's Second Annual 1980 Entertainer Of The Year Awards. The doors open at 6:30 and Co-hostesses Cissy Goldberg and JoAnne will be on hand to make sure the evening is one to be remembered.

A large number of contestants will vie for the prize monies which include \$350 for First place, \$200 Second place and 100 for third place. Also included in the evenings agenda will be awards for Male Bartender Of The Year; Female Bartender Of The Year; Humanitarian Of The Year and Personality Of The Year. The Club Phoenix (not to be confused with the Club Phoenix Baths) is located at 4701 N. 16th St. For ticket information call 271-9381 in Phoenix and 622-9233 in Tucson. Tickets are available at Farrah's, Harpo's, or the Forum/Boardwalk in Phoenix and the Graduate in Tucson.

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she told the GCN. "I've seen the statements, and the evidence against some of those (whose cases have been dismissed) is worse than (that against) those being prosecuted."

All eight women plan to appeal their cases to federal court should the Navy hearings decide against them. "We've got eight brave women here," said McGreivy. "The evidence is extremely embarrassing for them - records of their personal phone calls and so forth."

Should the case reach federal court, the ACLU plans to challenge the constitutionality of several Navy regulations pertaining to homosexual conduct.

Points of contention include the Navy's requirement that suspected homosexuals undergo psychiatric testing in spite of the American Medical Association's disavowal of this practice; violations of free speech and association rights; evidentiary violation of the Fifth Amendment protections, in allowing the introduction of hearsay as evidence, and lack of equal protection.

Regarding the last, McGreivy pointed out that Article 134 of the Uniform Code of Military Justice establishes penalties for heterosexuals caught fraternizing in uniform, while Gays are discharged for similar behavior, in or out of uniform. In response to a question about possible racial overtones to the case, McGreivy stated, "I've seen the witnesses' documents, and some of them accuse every single

black woman on the ship. Every black woman on the ship was originally under investigation." Three of the remaining eight charged are black. She was unable to give the ratio of black to white women aboard the ship.

"The record of this case will be fascinating," McGreivy said. "It's a witch hunt, pure and simple." Navy Spokesperson Lt. Cmdr. Mark Baker of the U.S. Pacific Fleet's Naval Service Force, could not be reached for comment.

Compiled by Mary Burns

## Phoenix theatre plans set

PHEONIX - Janus, the Phoenix-based Theatre For Gays has announced the selection of a full-length comedy to open their 1980-81 season. Selection of at least two more productions for Mary and May is still in process.

Needed immediately are an associate producer, a director, a tech-director and a stage manager. These people will take charge of the production beginning August 17. Tentative auditions will be September 20, with an opening of November 6 through the 15th.

With the loss of ARC's building, rehearsal space will be needed. Required are three or four nights per week and one afternoon each weekend in a space approximately 15 x 30 feet, from September 28 through October 31. Donation of the space would be gratefully acknowledged although JANUS is prepared to expend a minimal rental fee.

The group also extends an invitation to anyone interested in working with them in any capacity. Join the people of JANUS at 2:00 p.m. on Sunday, August 10, for a pot-luck brunch. Spend the afternoon getting to know them - they'd like to know you. Bring a covered dish, whatever you drink and yourself. You won't remain an unknown very long. (You know what they say about "show people").

For further information on any of the above, call after 6:00 p.m. - Bud at 967-3557 or Steve 258-9773 in Phoenix.

Oh yes, JANUS also needs to borrow a casket November 1 through 16!

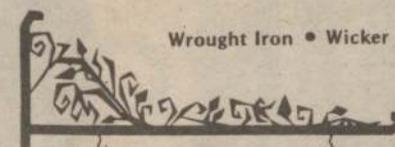
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## Gay delegates warn Reagan

WASHINGTON, DC - Governor Ronald Reagan was warned by the first two openly Gay delegates to a Republican National Convention that the 1980 Republican Platform could cost him the support of millions of Gay voters. Timothy E. Drake of Illinois and Charles H. Thompson of New York told the Republican nominee in an open letter that Lesbians and Gay men were particularly concerned about the platform's failure to endorse the Equal Rights Amendment and its endorsement of "legislation protecting and defending the traditional American family."

Drake and Thompson noted that S. 1808, the "Family Protection Act," would among other things amend the Civil Rights Act to state that no action taken by an employer or labor organization "with respect to an individual who is homosexual" shall ever be deemed to be an unlawful employment practice. They asked Governor Reagan to disassociate himself from S. 1808. They said that the proposed act is inconsistent with Reagan's 1980 policy statement on homosexual rights and with his outspoken opposition in 1978 to California Proposition 6 (the "Briggs Initiative"), which called for the dismissal of school teachers who engage in homosexual activity.

Drake had delivered a similar message to more than 80 reporters at a press conference in the Republican National Convention Press Conference Center, two days earlier. On the opening day of the convention, Drake and Thompson joined feminists and local Gay activists behind a "Gay Vote 1980" banner at a march and rally for the Equal Rights Amendment near the Detroit Convention site.

Both Drake and Thompson emphasized that Gay Americans' fight for full civil rights will not be over until it has won the support of both major parties. They asked Gay voters to remember their friends on the Republican ticket in November. They also urged that Gay Republicans contact them, if they were interested in working together to promote Gay rights within the Republican party. Drake's address is: 1660 N. LaSalle, Apt. 1602, Chicago, IL 60614, Thompson's address is: 291 W. 12th Street, New York, NY 10014. Gay political participation in the Republican National Convention was coordinated by the National Convention Project of Washington, DC.

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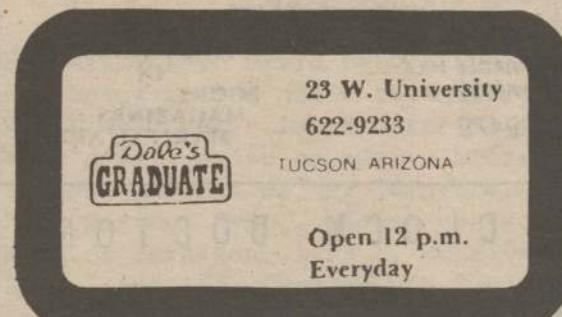
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Dear Governor Reagan:

As delegates to the 1980 Republican National Convention, we congratulate you on your nomination to be the Republican candidate for President. We have both long been active in the Republican party and intend to remain so. We are also gay.

As gay Americans we are concerned with issues affecting more than 8 million gay voters. Particularly important among these issues are the Equal Rights Amendment and S.1808, the Family Protection Act.

On behalf of the many lesbians in our community, we strongly urge you to reconsider support of the ERA and express our disappointment at the failure of our platform to call for its ratification.

On behalf of all gay Americans, we wish to call your attention to the "Family Protection" plank of the platform. This plank supports "legislation protecting and defending the traditional American family." The sponsor of this plank explained that it was an endorsement of S.1808, the "Family Protection Act," sponsored by Senator Laxalt. This bill wanders far afield from the constructive program for strengthening the American family set forth in our 1976 platform.

One section of S. 1808 would amend the Civil Rights Act to state that no action taken by an employer or labor organization "with respect to an individual who is a homosexual" shall ever be deemed to be an unlawful employment practice.

Such provisions clearly contradict your 1980 policy statement on homosexual rights. They also contradict the spirit of your courageous opposition in 1978 to California Proposition 6, the "Briggs Initiative", which called for the firing of school teachers who engage in homosexual activity.

We urge you to publicly disassociate yourself from this section of the platform.

Gay Republicans, and gay voters in general, will reject a platform that states we are not entitled to employment, and that fails to actively support equal rights for all Americans.

Sincerely, *Timothy E. Drake*

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## Government told to deliver seized Gay magazines

NEW YORK (Update) - The U.S. Customs Service has 30 days to appeal a federal court decision directing it to deliver seized Gay mail. Judge Leonard B. Sand of the Southern District of New York ordered Customs and the U.S. Post Office to deliver seized copies of the Swedish Gay liberation publication *Revolt* and the German publication *Gay Man*. Customs contended the publications were "obscene, immoral, lewd, lascivious, salacious and patently offensive."

Sand ruled that the magazines are not obscene and are protected by the First Amendment, even though they contain sexually explicit photographs that might otherwise be considered obscene, because the magazines contain certain articles of serious value concerning the Gay movement. Judging the content of the magazines "as a whole", Sand ruled the United States had violated the First Amendment. The major significance of this case is the judge's ruling that articles about the Gay movement has serious political value. His decision specifically recognizes that serious Gay publications are protected by the First Amendment because of their Gay political content," said Robert Roth, a Gay attorney who argued the case.

"I am delighted that we have won an internationally important First Amendment case which both the American Civil Liberties Union and the New York Civil Liberties Union declined to handle in the belief the case would lose. "Free flow of information between countries is essential to the Gay movement," stated Dr. Bruce Voeller, president of the Mariposa Education and Research Foundation and founder of the National Gay Task Force. Voeller testified for nearly two hours as an expert witness in the case.

## Complaint filed against CBS

NEW YORK--The National Gay Task Force-with the cooperation of the leadership of the San Francisco gay community, Supervisor Harry Britt and Mayor Diane Feinstein-has filed a complaint with the National News Council regarding the CBS News Special "Gay Power, Gay Politics." Special cooperation with Mr. Randy Alfred, an independent journalist from San Francisco, has resulted in a substantial, well-documented complaint against CBS News.

NGTF charges CBS News with failure to meet acceptable journalistic standards of accuracy and fairness in the program. According to the complaint, CBS went beyond the legitimate bounds of robust journalism into the realm of misrepresentation, omission of information fundamental to an understanding of the events portrayed, and distortion.

NGTF Co-Executive Directors Charles F. Brydon and Lucia Valeska said in the complaint: "It is our contention, and the contention of the many individuals and organizations who wrote or called us, that the program unjustly maligned and stigmatized gay people by presenting an inaccurate and unbalanced view of the political work of San Francisco's gay community.

"By failing to distinguish between the facts of the political movement in San Francisco and the opinions and conjectures of the producers, and drawing national implications from the latter, (CBS) did great harm to America's gay community.

"With this complaint, we welcome the independent investigation and evaluation of the facts by the National News Council."

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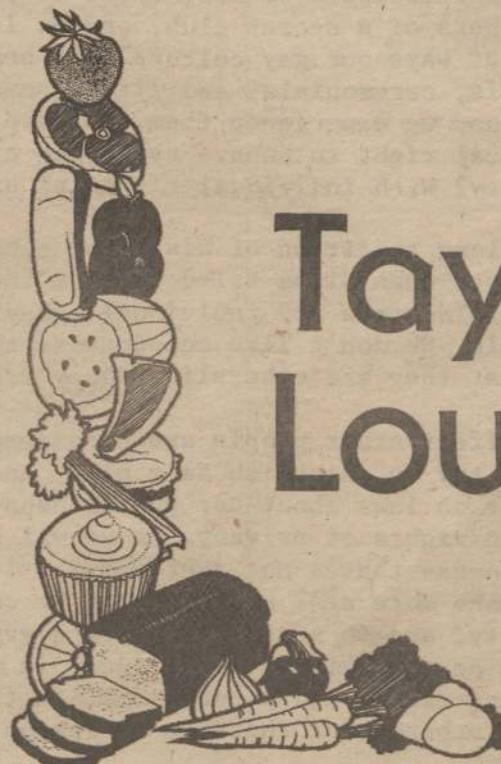
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Dear Raymond,

You may be right about the AGN editorial being ammunition for bigots to use in attacking us as an unwanted minority. The author of the editorial could have chosen to keep quiet publicly and deal with the issue privately. That might have avoided some controversy and the bad feelings that ensue when people have to choose sides. If the editorial hastens the moral and political struggle in Tucson, it is still one battle front on a large stage of national struggle. We've been at it for over ten years, and we have a long way to go. These things take time.

In the meantime, you letter over-looked a couple of questions. Your point of view would be most valid if you and the author were members of a secret club, and he let a secret out. In a lot of ways our gay culture does behave like a club, with rituals, ceremonials, and little secrets that we know about because we experience them. But are we working for the political right to behave as a club or as members of a free society? With individual rights of privacy?

Our country has a long tradition of disliking public secrets. We got real upset when Nixon tried to hide the truth from us. The same holds true for individual behavior that affects other people. We don't like accountants that try to hide the fact that they are embezzling money from us.

Our actions that affect other people are considered our public behavior. We try to establish fair play, and when that fails we agree on laws about our public behavior. We also agree on certain rights of privacy. As we will know, this is an imperfect process that's not over yet.

We are trying to make more real our right to be ourselves in an open society, and to share that with everyone else in this nation on equal terms. That ideal is true for people of all shapes, sizes, and persuasions. In this process we must educate others that there is no reason to be afraid of gay people.

Consider for a moment a scene that might have happened:

You're a father of a 16-year-old boy who trusted you enough to confess his feelings and confusion about being attracted to other boys. You realize that you

have to deal with your own fears before you can help your son. You're liberal enough to want to believe that people are just people. If you could experience that for yourself, then you could better support your son. You decide to go into a men's gay bar, have a couple of drinks, watch, and learn. That day there just happens to be some "participation."

In the process of educating people that we're really okay, it's important that we be responsible members of this society...the one we are demanding our rights in.

Which begs the second question: If our gay community experiences a wave of harassment, if the AGN editorial contributes to that harassment, you'd be right in holding the author responsible. But, does the thread of responsibility stop there, or does it weave its way back to the people whose actions were a secret the author couldn't keep?

John Haines  
Phoenix

Dear Mr. Editor:

Please congratulate yourself for being the first to recognize and awaken public awareness to the basic wrong that was committed to the citizen of Tucson, both Gay and straight alike. In reference, the editorial you published in the AGN for the week of 18 July, concerning sexual performances in public establishments. It took an intelligent and responsible person to foresee the severe consequences that could have befallen our community if such outrageous behavior were to have been viewed by the "wrong person". By making the public aware of such a problem can only help lead to its final solution. It would be a horrendous misdeed for one person's "moment of joy" to in any way lead to the restriction of another's "moment".

If possible, a comment should be made concerning the rebuttal that appeared in the AGN for the week of July 25, regarding said editorial. Does the author know of any modern day minority that has gained any freedoms or rights by showing the majority how to make love? It should also be pointed out to the author of the rebuttal that the constitution in no way grants any citizen the right to sexually gratify himself in a public establishment, regardless of the citizen's sexual orientation, or the establishment's sexual atmosphere.

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 ...Whenever Gary Y. hears the song "Stand By Your Man" he used to get confused, now he just gets lonely.  
 ...After Dale McK's butch remarks in the "Citizen" - the Phoenix crowd is wondering what happened to Aquanetta.  
 ...Caesar's Bookstore needed a new tax write-off, so they hired Luigi.  
 ...What bartender said this about what bar owner - "Myrna, she should sell this bar and get out of Tucson!"  
 ...It has been discovered that Eddie F. is pregnant but doesn't want the baby, so he is going in for a tonsillectomy.  
 ...You could tell Bob B. and Vinny C. weren't going to be in the JT/BP for the day. Eddy W. left early.  
 ...Sally B. was seen coming from the bookstore with Stuart.  
 ...Someone said they were into volume, so the bartender suggested Big George.  
 ...Margaret (Don) M. said she feels much better when her feet are up in the air.  
 ...Don M. (with the carera fetish) wishes he could do half the things Don M. (Eddie's lover) gets credit for, except Eddie.  
 ...With all the padding Miss Polly borrowed from Sofonda Peters, she now feels like her fried eggs are hard boiled.  
 ...Mike E. was heard complaining that Manse doesn't spank him as hard as Big George.  
 ...Mark S. knows of one letter he wishes he never sent.  
 ...Phoenix has recently inherited Tucson's Norwegian bombshell. Best of luck up there Keith.  
 ...Timmy McK. runs the best chicken coop in town.  
 ...Miss Polly said that they were out dancing until four in the morning, but all Bill C. talked about was going to bed.  
 ...Teddy I gave his trick 20¢ and sent him off to deal with the rescue squad.  
 ...Tony C. is planning a contest with Adrian dealing with sucking oranges or something.  
 ...Daisey H. has discovered a wonderful, economical fabric softener. Just ask him what that yellow liquid is called.  
 ...Norma Jean is now practicing the gospel according to St. Del and St. Stuart.  
 ...Hairdresser Rick thought lunch last Tuesday at the JT/BP was rather festive!  
 ...Fred McQ. must be trying to increase his order from H/T!

...IN SANFRANCISCO MONTE-JON AND MARK S. DISCOVERED.....  
 ...Given a shot of VO five times, Mark can be festive too.  
 ...Leather isn't as rough as it sounds (especially wet).  
 ...Drinking at the DeLuxe is like driving in Monte-Jon's car, only minus the crackers.  
 ...Your knees don't get too dirty two blocks from Masonic Ave.  
 ...You can find love and contentment with a man from New Jersey.  
 ...Nobody on Polk St. looks like George R.  
 ...Monte's favorite line was "Potty Time" or "I'm only here to have your baby."  
 ...Fernando O. sure knows what a cheap date is - it's when they use Bluebonnet!  
 ...To help promote TKO Nite, Lloyd B. said, "I'll sell anything" and started the bidding.  
 ...Lois shouted at Mother Johnny saying, "Don't call me Mrs. Hayes!"  
 ...Even with his dad in town, JoJo is still spending a lot of time on his back!  
 ...Elliot A. feels that Michael S. is in need of a long vacation.  
 ...Not only do Caryl L. and Debbie G. share the same house, have look-a-like cars, but now have the same boy friend.  
 ...Turbo Dickie was seen leaving the H/T with Tommy S. looking for something to eat.  
 ...Mary B. is getting tired of all those dancing jokes.  
 ...As John H. took Morris to his car, someone commented, "It's the blind leading the blind."  
 ...Warner J. likes to really push the lunches on Sunday at the Joshua Tree.  
 ...Joe S. did something oral with Jerry on Joe's birthday.  
 ...Judy Ohhhh's husband wants something nasty put in the paper about her - wonder why??  
 ...Bob said he wasn't surprised about Walter and the hotel, he's just wondering who paid the bill!  
 ...Dave P. and Richard are sure having trouble keeping their buns fresh!  
 ...More would be in the column about Jekyll's if Casondra would learn how to write!  
 ...Rick N. is happy again, he single and depressed.  
 ...Cindi D. said she'd love to do a tap dance on a Matt!!!  
 ...Ron B. told Michael M. that it was just like riding a bike - once you get the dress on it's just like old times.  
 ...There is a letter in town with more different signatures than the Declaration of Independence!

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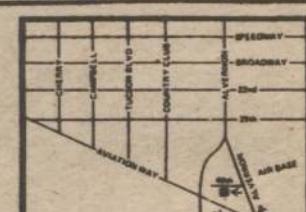
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Over one hundred once again at Casa de Cristo. For the last three Sundays, the attendance at the 10:55 a.m. services has been over the hundred mark, with a high of 131. New chairs are being ordered to increase the seating capacity of the Sanctuary at 1029 E. Turney. This Sunday's message, by Pastor Fred, will be a Bible Study in Roman's Chapter Six, "Dead and Alive!" Pastor's message at the 7:30 p.m. Evening Vespers will be "What A Loving Church!" This will be a study in Revelation 3:7-13.

Daily Vacation Bible School time is nearly here and all boys and girls of school age, are invited to be a part of it. DVBS will be held the week of August 11-15 from 9:30 a.m. until 11:30 a.m. Pastor Fred will direct the school, assisted by several of the members of Casa de Cristo. An outreach to the surrounding community, as well as to children of Gay parents, will be made for the DVBS.

On Wednesday evening, the monthly Relationship Rap will be held in a private home. These raps deal with Gay couple relationships. They are open to everyone, both couples and singles. They are free-flowing. These raps are held the first Wednesday evening of each month at 7:30 p.m. If you are interested in attending this group, give a call to the church office at 265-2831.

The "I Was A Stranger" program, seeking to resettle Gay Cubans in the Phoenix area is moving ahead. The Congregation is endeavoring to help resettle several of these sisters and brothers in our community. Those in the community, who may desire to be a part of this outreach, are invited to attend this Sunday morning service, at which time the local program will be outlined by Ms. Lovedy Gilbert and Pastor Fred. Ms. Gilbert, a non-Gay Christian parent and member of Casa de Cristo, is the Social Action Chairperson of the congregation. She is heading up the program locally. She and Pastor Fred will spend a few moments this Sunday morning informing the church as to what is happening, what we can do, and how more involvement is necessary by members and friends of Casa de Cristo in reaching out to these strangers to our shores.

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There will be a special Congregational Meeting after worship service on August 17 to make the decision as to whether we are in agreement or if we are not, to accept Rev. "Randy" Hill as our pastor.

Also, our Annual Congregational Meeting is to be held the first Sunday of October, that is on October 5th, after worship service. At that time our membership roll will be reviewed in accordance with the By-Laws of the UFMCC, and any member who does not have registered attendance, identified financial support, definite service contribution, and expressed interest and loyalty within the preceding period of six months to one year may be placed on an inactive member list. The Annual Congregational Meeting is an important one so please try to attend.

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God is blessing, and we are growing. You too can be a part of this exciting and thrilling experience. Every service is a little bit different, and something wonderful happens. You are invited to come see it all for yourself.

Don't forget to mark your calendar for August 20, 21, 22, 23. That is the time of the great "Spiritual Renewal/Revival". Dinners will be held each evening prior to the services, and a social afterwards. More details next week.

Holy Trinity has just got a wonderful report that Truth Chapel is having a new pastor come into town in August. We hope he likes Tucson, for we have very good reports on him. We are praying for you, T.C. and that God will bless and guide you in your decisions.

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## Methodists refuse to bring charges

NEW YORK--A Committee on Investigation of the United Methodist Church's New York Annual Conference has refused to bring charges of "immorality and unchristian conduct" against a local church pastor in New York City.

The June 16 decision of the five-member committee stemmed from an accusation by the Rev. John H. Hill, pastor of Clinton Avenue United Methodist Church in Kingston, N.Y., against the Rev. Paul M. Abels, pastor of Washington Square United Methodist Church and an avowed homosexual.

Issuing a brief, one-sentence statement at the conclusion of its hearing at the conference headquarters in Rye, N.Y., the committee said: "After a lengthy inquiry, the committee majority voted: 'We do not find reasonable grounds for the charges of immorality and unchristian conduct against Paul M. Abels as specified in (Book of Discipline) paragraph 254a.'"

The paragraph reference to the church's book of law deals with offenses for which a minister can be liable for accusation and trial, and the specific offense cited was "immorality, crime, or other imprudent and unchristian conduct."

In 1977 Mr. Abels acknowledged his homosexuality in an interview with a *New York Times* reporter. He subsequently was asked by conference officials to take a leave of absence but declined to do so. At its 1978 session, the conference supported him as a minister in good standing, and he was reappointed to the Greenwich Village congregation where he remains as pastor.

The denomination's 1980 General Conference added an offense for which ministers can be charged--"practices declared by the United Methodist Church to be incompatible with Christian teaching," but the new provision does not go into effect until Jan. 1, 1981. The church's Social Principles state that the practice of homosexuality is "incompatible with Christian teaching"; however, there has never been a ruling by the Judicial Council on whether the Social Principles is part of the church's law.

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

...Daisey II not only took over the kitchen at home, but now he took over the kitchen at the Back Pocket  
 ...Phil J. looked puzzled when someone told him, "It just shriveled up and disappeared."  
 ...Joe H. said that he knew nothing about it, but he also said he wouldn't be surprised if Dee did!  
 ...Graduate Ronnie was heard telling Tommy S. some interesting "household" hints.  
 ...Steve H. shouted out, "I don't care what you print about Randy, Kyle can't read."  
 ...David meant business when he said, "I know Ken G. and I'm not going to put up with the same game here as I do in Phoenix.  
 ...Gary C. just found out that Dani R. wore one. Bill told him and Albert B. told Bill.

## \*\*\*\*\* THE PHOENIX WOMAN\*\*\*\*\*

by Donna Taylor

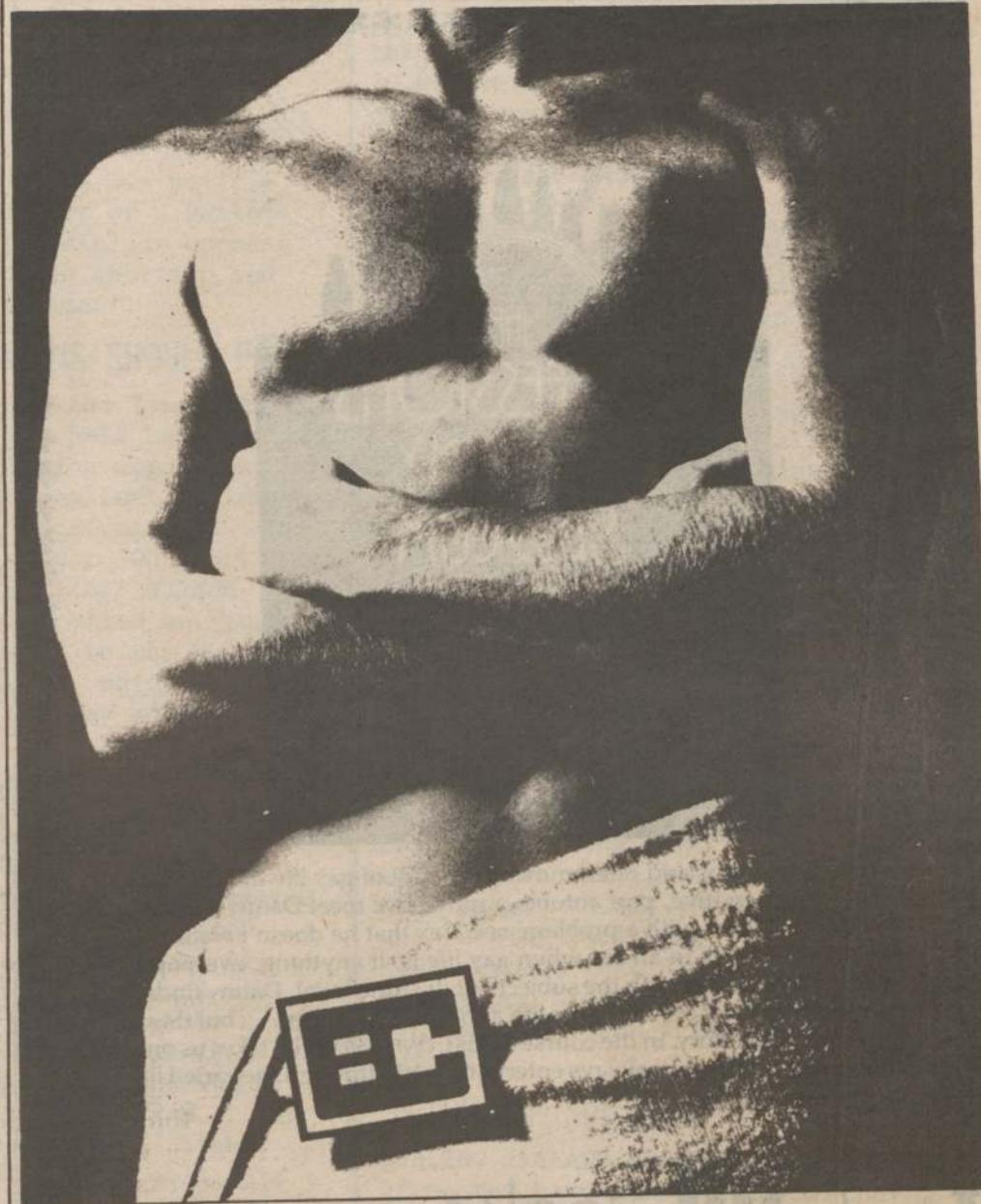
PHOENIX - Boy! Has it been a humid, hot week in Phoenix! Bar attendance has been way down due to the weather. Farrah's had their Grand Opening this last weekend. People will be talking about that for a long time!.....Buff Fisher has moved to Phoenix to begin pastoring at Casa de Cristo MCC. Welcome to Phoenix, Buff!

Audrey and Del at the Unlimited are creating a super staff. Ilene, a past winner of the Bartender of the Year, has returned and is now at the Unlimited. Elene always has a welcome smile and the uncanny knack of never forgetting your drink. Add her to the current staff and you have a "super staff". Peggy's birthday was last week. Stop by and tell Audrey and Del how much you appreciate their efforts.

By the way - DON'T FORGET - Jane Howard and Rochelle Raya in concert at the Phoenix Performing Arts Center - Tickets \$5 at Womensplace Bookstore. Jane and Roach are two of the best women musicians in the valley. Their tape, "Someone I Can Sing To," is available at Womensplace. Jane's sense of humor and Roach's harmonica playing are almost unmatchable.

Speaking of women's music, Holly Near is coming to Tucson in September. Arizona is becoming a favorite stopping place for the best in women musicians!

Remember, I am only as good as the information I can get - so if you have information call 246-7328.

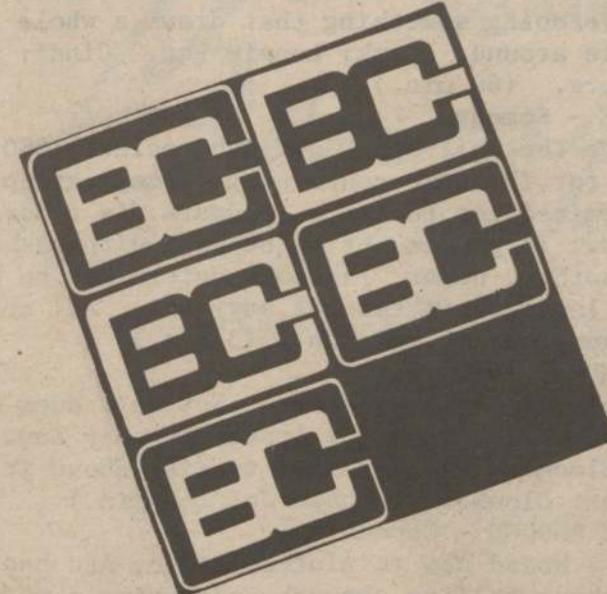


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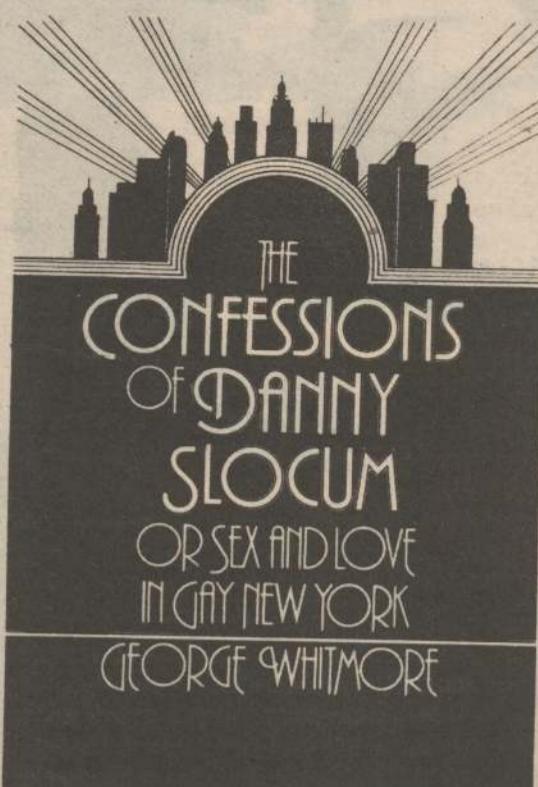
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Slop Lips has a real hard time convincing the Colonel to fix a contest so she can win. But the Colonel isn't about to let someone from another camp win. Slop Lips: Penelope Poop. Colonel: Tony Baloney (60 Min.)

(7)DORK AND CINDY - Comedy

Dork says he can have a real good time all by himself, but Cindy has her doubts. It seems that Dork is always doing something that draws a whole lot of people around. Dork: Lonnie Fat. Cindi: Ronnie Fingers. (60 min.)

(69)MOVIE - Comedy

"Where The Hell Is DL's?" (Phoenician: 1980) Made for TV movie concerning a small group of people determined not to let a landmark die a horrible death. It proves not to be easy with the owners of another, newer, landmark determined to become the only landmark in town at any cost. All star cast too numerous to mention. (3 hrs.)

8:00(2)BLQOMER - animated

Bloomer is broken-hearted. Not only does his owner, Miss Beak, die, but he loses his only love his life. But Bloomer is determined to rise above it all. Voices: Bloomer: Slobbie Jo. (60 min.)

(7)I ATE ENOUGH - Comedy

With a brand new reinforced stage, Ate has no worries now about falling through and making a noise about the size of Mt. St. Helens. Ate: Trisha Tranner (60 min.)

9:00(2)THE DYKE VAN DICK SHOW - Comedy

There are a few people in town who think Laura should enter a certain contest and win and take her rightful spot that should have been hers last year. Laura: Dani Bicardi. (60 min.)

(7)THE WILD QUEENDOM - Variety

Hostess Christi Loveshitz interviews the makers of the TV movie "Where the hell is DL's?" They discuss the problems and the joys of putting on a full scale musical production on such a small stage. Christi also introduces a new orchestra, The Clinton Lunden Orchestra. (60 min.)

# KLUB KNEWS

PHOENIX - "Monte Carlo Nite," sponsored by Los Amigos del Sol, has been rescheduled for Saturday, October 4. The event, originally set for September 20, was changed to its present date because of the availability of facilities. The Pulaski Club, 4331 East McDowell in Phoenix will be the site of this highlight activity. Gaming opportunities will include black jack, craps, poker, roulette, etc.

Los Amigos' President Dan Kleven stated that the event is "open to the community and we hope to attract a capacity crowd." General admission will be \$1.00 per person and the doors will open at 6:00 p.m. Poker chips, beverage and food coupons will be available on the premises. Chips can be redeemed for script at the end of the evening which in turn, may be used to bid for prizes in an auction.

Club members have already donated some of the prizes and a committee is actively seeking other prize donations from the community.

Los Amigos del Sol, founded in 1976, is a rapidly growing social-charitable organization, whose membership is composed of active men and women in the Valley area.

## NOW poll shows ERA support

WASHINGTON, DC - The National Organization for Women (NOW) released a poll last week that found widespread support for the Equal Rights Amendment (ERA). The survey found that about 34 percent of those in the nationwide sampling strongly support ratification, while 28 percent expressed moderate support. Seventeen percent expressed strong opposition, while 14 percent said they moderately opposed the amendment.

The poll showing 62 percent of Americans in favor of the ERA and 31 percent against, was released during the Republican National Convention which stripped its support for the amendment. Ronald Reagan, the Republican nominee for President, opposes the amendment. Likeminded conservative Republicans on the party's platform committee easily defeated all attempts to include Republican support, and easily defeated party endorsement for the ERA. Support for such an amendment was first expressed in the GOP platform in 1940.

NOW president, Eleanor Smeal, in releasing the poll, argued that the women's-rights amendment is a crucial economic issue because women earn only 59 cents for every dollar earned by men in the United States. "It is clear to mainstream America that women will not achieve full equality without being a part of the Constitution," she said.

The poll showed broad support for the ERA across economic, racial, religious, geographical and occupational lines. The findings parallel those of other polls in recent years. The survey was conducted by William R. Hamilton and Staff, a research firm based in Washington, DC. The 6,601 respondents, all adults over 18 years of age, were drawn from a randomly selected list of households in the continental United States. The interviews were conducted by telephone between April 29 and May 22. The sampling error ranges to 10 percent the firm said.

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SACRAMENTO, CA (Update) - With \$5200 in back wages owed, this state's only remaining lobbyist for Gay rights resigned July 1. Alan Robertson termed his resignation a "personal financial crisis." California Human Rights Advocates (CHRA) has failed to meet a series of downward budget revisions, leading to major program cuts and finally resignation of all full-time employees.

Following the March on Sacramento, confirmed votes for Assembly Bill 1 (AB-1) rose to 36 of 80 potential votes indicating a probability of passage in an actual vote. Robertson estimates only 16 legislators in the Assembly would now vote for AB-1. CHRA budget revisions have marched downward from \$3300 per month a year ago to \$1200 per month today rather than being upwardly revised to the \$75,000 to \$100,000 annually that is considered a bare minimum for effective operation of the organization.

"CHRA knows what to do, it needs the support of the community it represents," said Robertson. But he also advised that "massive amounts of energy will have to be put into just holding our ground" in the Assembly because of defeats in San Jose.

**OK TO READ WITH NOTE FROM MOM**

CONCORD, CA (Update) - Trustees in this Northern California school district and fundamentalist religious groups have struck a compromise on the use of the feminist magazine *Ms* in high school libraries. The students can keep reading the magazine -- but only if they have a note from their parents. "There won't be just free reading of it," a district spokes-

person said.

Defenders, including the National Organization of Women and the American Civil Liberties Union, claimed the attack on *Ms* was politically motivated and part of a nationwide effort by anti-feminists opposed to freedom of choice on abortion and the Equal Rights Amendment.

**EVEN IF THE HEAVENS SHOULD FALL**

AUSTIN, TX (GCN) - At the Texas State Democratic Convention held here late last month, a resolution supporting repeal of Texas' sodomy laws outlawing homosexual conduct received 1693 of about 3,700 votes - just 300 short of success. The *Dallas Times Herald* attributed what they called an "impressive show of strength" to the Lesbian Gay Democrats of Texas, which sent about 100 Lesbian and Gay delegates to the convention.

The resolutions committee, which the paper called "a perennial buaial place for Gay rights resolutions" passed the repeal motion 20 to 8, though one disgruntled delegate railed that it was much "unChristianlike" nonsense that "caused the decay of morality in Greece and Rome and will cause our country to go down the drain."

Former Houston Mayor Fred Hofheinze and Houston Congressman Mickey Leland spoke in support of the resolution. "I know this is highly controversial, but it is a principle of our party that justice should be done even if the heavens should fall," Leland said.

Approximately 2,073 delegates disagreed and voted against the resolution. One elderly man told the *Times Herald*, "I love all these people, but I can agree with them. I've listened for two days to party leaders ask for a winning team this year, and

this resolution will lose at least 10,000 votes for Carter if it goes to the national convention."

**OUT ON THE STREET**

MISSOULA, MT (GCN) - Two women here have lost a court battle for restitution from their former landlord, who allegedly evicted them from their home after he learned they were lesbians. *Out In Montana*, the newsletter of the state organization of the same name, reports that the landlord allegedly used illegal methods to evict the women, including failing to give the women a required 30-day notice of eviction and changing the locks on the women's house without their permission and with all their belongings locked inside.

Missoula Municipal Judge Wallace Clark dismissed the case for "lack of evidence." The newsletter reports that during the trial, Clark frequently made comments "totally unrelated to the case." The newsletter cites as an example Clark's reminder that the women had a past history of not keeping their dogs leashed. It also reports that Clark "is known throughout Missoula for his stands against pro-women's issues and Gay rights."

**IRISH TO CHALLENGE CONSTITUTION**

DUBLIN, IRELAND (GayLife) - Irish Gay advocates have announced that they will mount a major constitutional challenge to their nation's anti-Gay laws through an Irish High Court trial. David Norris, leader of Ireland's Gay rights movement and a professor at Dublin University, announced he will be the plaintiff in a test case of Ireland's laws against "homosexual acts," punishable by life imprisonment.

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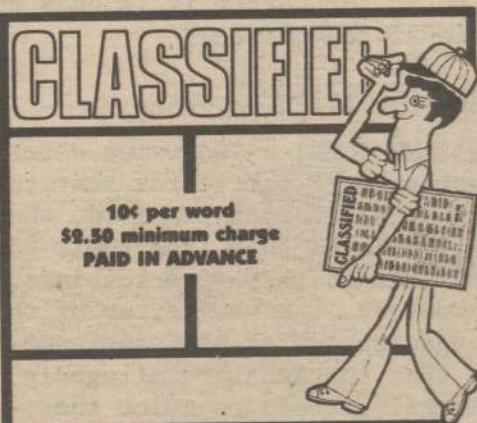
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