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Learning from their Elders:

Committed Phoenix couple developing "Safe Space" program for local schools



By Allen Kalchik, Editor

For most of his professional career, Ray Grove was a high school counselor in Phoenix's public school system. His wife, Ruth, served more than twenty years as a principal and teacher at Phoenix Country Day School, a respected private institution near the couple's home on the southwest edge of Paradise Valley.

Today, both Groves are retired. They have been married 44 years, raised three children in the Valley, and currently share co-presidency of the Phoenix Chapter of Parents, Families and Friends of Lesbians and Gays (PFLAG), a group they have been involved with since 1986—after their oldest child and only son, Jim, informed them he was gay.

As lifelong educators, it is fitting that the couple's term as PFLAG co-Presidents should include the implementation of a project designed to teach Maricopa County high-schoolers—as well as families, faculty and administrators—facts about homosexuality while working to provide support for gay kids in local schools.

The program is called Project Safe Space. It is an ambitious undertaking for an all-volunteer organization that, until recently, had nothing more in its budget than the annual dues collected from its members.

In the wake of the Jamie Nabozny case, in which a Wisconsin school system was found liable for failing to address the anti-gay abuse of one of its students at the hands of other students, PFLAG is encouraging outreach and education to help combat homophobia in the nation's schools.

"One of the goals recently established by PFLAG nationally," says Ruth, "is to provide safe space for kids in schools. Last year, we decided

we would like to follow up with that on a local level but we didn't have any money."

So the Groves and other PFLAG members put their heads together to search for funding. Christine Shaw, an active member of the Sun City Chapter of PFLAG, has a longtime relationship with the Arizona Gay Rodeo Association and suggested that organization as a possible source.

"We applied to the AGRA last spring, and they gave us \$8,000," Ruth says. The money came from profits generated by the 1997 AGRA rodeo in Phoenix. The PFLAG chapter also applied to The Marshall Foundation, which supplied a matching grant of \$8,000.

"We now have \$16,000 we can use to send people for training, and for materials, copies, resources—everything we couldn't do with just our \$20 PFLAG membership," Ruth explains.

She says among the materials and resources PFLAG is purchasing are books on homosexuality—books the organization is offering to place for free in high school libraries, either the faculty library or the student library, depending on what the particular school will allow.

The Project Safe Space program consists mainly of workshops that the Groves and other PFLAG members have been designing and presenting at public, private, independent, parochial and charter high schools.

Last August, Ray and Ruth mailed letters introducing Project Safe Space to the principals and head counselors at every high school in the county. In the letter, PFLAG offers: 1) Gay and Lesbian Awareness Workshops for faculty, staff,

parents and the school board; 2) Awareness presentations for any or all students; 3) Help with establishing support groups for gay and gay friendly students; 4) Support groups for parents of gay students; and 4) The resource materials already mentioned.

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far, all of which were very well-received. Some workshops included students, while others were for faculty and parents only. One meeting was held so PFLAG members could explain the program to parents before approaching the students.

Ruth says at that meeting, the attitude from parents was mostly one of curiosity. "They said, 'we want an overview so that we can decide whether we want our students to have this,' And they decided yes, they very definitely did. They even wanted to hold an assembly with all the students. But we told them that we would rather go with smaller groups in the classrooms, so the kids would feel more comfortable and would ask questions, and it could be more informal than in a huge auditorium. I think they are going to go in that direction."

Two of the schools PFLAG has visited are public schools, but the Groves say they are unable to divulge where the workshops have been held.

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Horowitz: a dangerous woman

Last week, I couldn't imagine a more dangerous woman in Maricopa County than Republican Representative Karen Johnson of Mesa. Much has been said and written in recent weeks about Johnson's effort to ban gay foster parenting (see the AP report on pg. 5).

Ultimately, though, Johnson looks ridiculous; real danger doesn't come from unintelligent, unenlightened bigots. True, they don't do much to help us. But their motives and tactics are obvious, predictable and—to some degree—manageable.

Therefore, I believe the Most Dangerous Woman in Maricopa County is Marianne Moody Jennings, ASU professor and regular *Arizona Republic* op/ed columnist. I admit I sometimes find Ms. Jennings' columns provocative and insightful. Yet Jennings often provokes attack and incites hate and resentment. She consistently vilifies gay people and people with AIDS.

Jennings is dangerous because she disguises her bigotry and hatred within well-written prose and hides behind a university teaching position that lends public credibility to her flawed reasoning.

In a *Republic* column on November 30, Jennings writes about her resentment of the attention and money devoted to finding a cure for AIDS. Jennings is raising a child with mental and physical disabilities. Her daughter, Claire, has an incurable genetic metabolic disorder.

Attention paid to the AIDS quilt has sparked Jennings' discontent. From her column: "No quilts for you and metabolic disease, Claire, were the words I spoke in the privacy of our home but would not dare utter publicly." Jennings evidently changed her mind and decided to go public with her cry of injustice.

She hates that *Time* magazine named an AIDS researcher as its 1996 Man of the Year. She hates that AIDS-related expenditures by the National Institutes of Health are higher per patient than breast cancer, Alzheimer's, Parkinson's disease, heart disease and diabetes. Jennings hates that a "preventable" disease gets more media attention than genetic metabolic disorders and the other afflictions she cites.

As usual, Jennings' rhetoric is mean-spirited and her reasoning full of holes. She forgets that AIDS is a communicable disease; no others she names are as new or volatile. She also neglects to mention that AIDS kills more youthful populations than the other diseases.

I pray this holiday season will be the last in which my year-end reflection includes expanding the list of friends and loved ones I have lost to AIDS. I pray God sees fit to end disease and suffering in all its forms. I pray to understand why we

have disease in the first place. And I pray for compassion for Marianne Moody Jennings and her daughter Claire.

Jennings writes about her daughter: "In her eyes is a depth that speaks to the divinity of life and the beauty of the soul. But the world, because of her appearance, does not see her loveliness. In our public jaunts with Claire, we have come to expect pause-in-the-step gawking by passers-by... While the world sees a crippled body and undeveloped mind, we see an angel." I feel sorry for Jennings. There is so much she doesn't see.

Where she sees people staring at a disabled child, I see people who may be trying to look in Claire's eyes and see divinity and beauty. Where she sees AIDS funding as detrimental to people with other diseases, I see an increased awareness of the need for kindness and compassion for all unwell people. Where she sees her own child's suffering as a chance

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to compare her to others, I see the opportunity to inspire others to help pain and suffering.

Jennings states that those who are truly innocent victims of disease—rather than behavior—have an "uncanny selflessness." I'm surprised Jennings can even recognize selflessness. Her column simply whines about disparity of treatment between diseases. She forgets about the many years when AIDS was ignored—particularly in the very paper she now writes for—because it was perceived as a gay disease.

The vast amount of help for AIDS patients rose out of the efforts of those of us who loved the people who were suffering and dying. Wouldn't it be wonderful if we all could care for people—all people—without regard to the form their suffering takes?

I am saddest for little Claire. Besides the fact that her mother is an extremely dangerous woman, the doctor/researcher who might have found a cure for Claire's condition could well be among the millions that have already died from AIDS.

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US Supreme Court turns down appeal from two gay Republicans

WASHINGTON (AP)

Two gay Republicans who say they unlawfully were ousted from their elected posts on a California county GOP central committee lost a Supreme Court appeal Dec. 1.

The justices, without comment, let stand rulings that threw out the men's civil rights lawsuit.

Lower courts ruled that the El Dorado County Republican Central Committee and a state assemblyman accused of orchestrating the ouster did not act as government officials and therefore could not be sued over alleged violations of federal civil rights.

Paul Johnson and Kevin Wadsworth, a homosexual couple, were elected to the county GOP central committee in 1992, and re-elected in 1994.

In the summer of 1994, the two rented their ranch for a fund-raiser by a Democratic congressional candidate. Neither Johnson nor Wadsworth participated in the fund-raiser, however.

The Republican committee voted to remove the two men for providing support for a Democratic candidate.

The two men's lawsuit alleged that David Knowles, then a state assemblyman, used his political power and

influence within the Republican Party to bring about their ouster. Knowles no longer is in the Assembly. They said he was motivated by his dislike for homosexuals.

A federal trial judge dismissed the lawsuit, and the 9th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals upheld that ruling last May.

In the appeal acted on today, Johnson and Wadsworth argued that although a political party's central committee usually is treated as a private entity an exception should be made "in the limited context of regulating their popularly elected membership."

The appeal also contended that the 9th Circuit court erroneously "downplayed Assemblyman Knowles' position and power."

In response, lawyers for the county's Republican committee and Knowles said the two men were ousted for conduct "deemed injurious to party interests."

They said Johnson and Wadsworth "have articulated no theory of recovery which can be reconciled with the Constitution's constitutional guarantee of free association, which requires that the courts refrain from playing any role in the resolution of intra-party factionalism."

SF Supervisor derails proposed honor for retired Gen. Colin Powell

SAN FRANCISCO (AP)

A seemingly routine effort to thank retired Gen. Colin Powell for his work with children turned into a political firestorm when an elected official objected, citing Powell's views on homosexuals.

"Colin Powell is not a person deserving of commendation in this city," San Francisco Supervisor Tom Ammiano said November 25. "His name raises the red flag. His statements about gays in the military are homophobic and really, really disrespectful of gay veterans."

Powell said in public remarks two years ago that openly gay military members would be detrimental to

discipline. At one point, he threatened to quit if President Clinton was successful in his early attempts to lift the ban on gays in the military.

With that in mind, Ammiano objected at a meeting Monday to a resolution lauding Powell for his work raising \$1.4 million for disadvantaged youth in San Francisco as chairman of the President's Summit for America's Future.

"It's true he's done wonderful work for kids," said Ammiano, who works as a school teacher and is one of three city supervisors who are gay. "But he has not recanted his homophobic remarks ... (and) continues to

align himself with anti-gay right-wing groups."

Supervisor Gavin Newsom said he, too, disagreed with Powell's stance on gays, but said it was "bad public policy" to preclude the retired general from being honored in San Francisco for other deeds.

"I stand tall with regard to Colin Powell and his efforts on behalf of children," Newsom said. "He raised \$1.4 million for youth programs. How can I not say thank you?"

Ammiano's objection doesn't kill Newsom's proposal outright, but forces it into committee for a public hearing and debate. Newsom said the issue isn't likely to surface again.

"It's become too divisive," he said. "It's brought up bad feelings. I think it's wildly unfortunate, and it's probably in the best interest of the public to just table it now."

Newsom, the board's youngest member who was appointed to his post nine months ago, admitted he was caught off-guard by the furor over what he thought was a relatively benign resolution. Hundreds of similar proposals get routine board approval each year.

But Ammiano said it only revealed an ignorance of San Francisco politics.

"Supervisor Newsom is still, basically, on a learning curve," Ammiano said.

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AZ lawmaker wants gay & lesbian couples banned as foster parents

PHOENIX (AP)

A state lawmaker said she'll introduce legislation to close a loophole that allows homosexuals to become foster parents but bars unmarried heterosexual couples.

Rep. Karen Johnson, R-Mesa, said her legislation will require foster par-

ents to be legally married — those who, she says, "live a normal life."

The legislation could pose a serious problem for the state's foster care program. A third of foster parents licensed in Arizona are single, officials said.

The controversy boils down to a legal technicality: foster parents can't

be lawbreakers, and according to state law unmarried couples who live together are just that.

A ruling on the regulations of Child Protective Services, the branch of the Department of Economic Security that handles foster placements, found that the law applies only to heterosexuals and allows homosexuals to be foster parents.

Gov. Jane Hull earlier this month called on the Legislature to clarify the

the policy. Although she did not say homosexuals should be precluded from providing foster care, she described the best environment as one with a husband, wife and other children.

If Johnson's proposal becomes law, it would exclude about a third of the foster families now licensed in Arizona, said Mary Ault, an administrator with DES' division of children, youth and families.

AHRF comes out in force for Chevront

A number of the Valley's most ardent gay and lesbian political supporters gathered at the Central Phoenix home of Jayne Goldstein and Barbara Poe on Wednesday, November 18 for a reception honoring State Representative Ken Chevront, a Democrat from District 25. The event was hosted by the Arizona Human Rights Fund.

The \$25-per-ticket evening reception was a kickoff fundraiser for Chevront's 1998 re-election campaign. Chevront, in office since 1994, is Arizona's first and only openly gay legislator and is seeking a third, two-year term in the House.

The Arizona Human Rights Fund is a Phoenix-

based organization that was formed to educate the public on human rights issues, to lobby in the various state legislative bodies and to help elect candidates who are committed to extending civil rights to all of Arizona's citizens.



Jayne Goldstein (L), and Barbara Poe welcome Rep. Ken Chevront

London Report: gay prisoners given electric shock in 1950's

LONDON (AP)

Homosexual prisoners were given electric shocks in government-sponsored tests in the 1950s to see if homosexuality could be controlled, *The Guardian* newspaper reported Nov. 28.

Documents released by the government showed that inmates were given shocks if they stared at pictures of men for more than eight seconds, the newspaper said. Other inmates were given the female hormone estrogen.

The Home Office, which funded the study by London University, concluded at the time that up to half the men who participated in the trial "have benefited from it — in the

sense that they are less likely to indulge in homosexual behavior."

The newspaper did not report when during the 1950s the trial was carried out, or on how many people. It said that experiments were carried out at four prisons in England.

The Guardian also said that the documents showed the government was concerned that legalizing homosexuality would encourage greater numbers of people to try it.

"Would homosexual conduct spread, or, losing the glamor of rebellion, decline?" the paper quoted a government report as saying.

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Goings On

Story District home tour Dec. 6,7

The 13th Annual F.Q. Story Historic District Home Tour and Holiday Gift Sale will take place on December 6 and 7. The cost is \$8 for the Saturday evening tour (6pm-9pm) or the Sunday tour (11am-5pm), or \$10 for both days. Bring a non-perishable food item and get \$1 off.

The tour includes a peek inside ten restored homes in one of Phoenix's most desirable historic neighborhoods and will also include food & refreshments, entertainment, and arts and crafts for the holidays for sale. The inclusion of the Saturday event marks the first time a historic district tour in the Valley has included homes lit and decorated for the holidays on display at night.

For information, call (602) 258-9282. Tickets will be on sale at the tour's starting point at 9th Avenue and Willetta (two blocks south of McDowell).

APAZ presents evening seminar

Local Doctors Thanos Vanig and Chad Schroer will address the dynamics of drug metabolism and viral replication as necessary elements for understanding HIV treatment strategies in a free lecture on December 8, from 6-8:30pm at the AIDS Project Arizona offices, 111 East Camelback in Phoenix.

Participants will learn the viral replication process and the circumstances that can lead to individual or extensive drug tolerance. Prophylactic treatment strategies will be detailed and the types and reasons for occurrence of opportunistic infections will be discussed.

This informative evening program is being presented by Being Alive, the early intervention program of AIDS Project Arizona. To participate, call Edgar or Mark at (602) 265-2437.

'98 calendar features locals in undies

Project LifeGuard is offering a 1998 Undies Mondays calendar for sale. The calendar features photos of Valley men who stripped to their underwear and competed in the monthly "Mr. Undies Mondays" contest at Charlie's.

The contests have raised more than \$2,600 to date. The money goes to Project LifeGuard, an HIV education and risk reduction program of AIDS Project Arizona serving gay and bisexual men. The calendars are \$10 each and are available at Project LifeGuard, AIDS Project Arizona, Unique on Central, Movies on Central, Obelisk Bookstore, Charlie's Cowboy Closet, Charlie's and Daddy Dave's Corner in Harley's. Call (602) 266-SAFE / 7233 for more information.

Reiki classes offered

A series of Workshop Networking Meetings for Reiki practitioners and exponents of other healing techniques will be held the third Tuesday of every month, beginning January 20 from 7-

10pm at Hand of Love Ministry, 6605 North 14th Street in Phoenix.

Monitors of the workshops will be Reiki master Bonnie Flanagan and long-time natural healer Rev. Roderic Vickers. Admission for the classes, which are intended for practitioners to learn from and practice on one another, is by good-will donation. Call (602) 264-1470 for more information.

Trinity Episcopal announces new chapter of healing order

A chapter of The International Order of Saint Luke the Physician has been formed at Trinity Cathedral in Phoenix. The order is an ecumenical healing order made up of clergy, health professionals and people of faith who are called to make Jesus' ministry of healing a regular part of their spiritual lives.

The local chapter meets on the first Saturday of each month in the Trinity chapel, 114 W. Roosevelt. It was formed to address the special needs of those individuals infected and affected by HIV and AIDS. All are welcome; participants need not be Episcopalian, only people who have a desire to find health and wholeness.

Rev. Dr. Robert Stedelin, OSF serves as chaplain and the Rev. Mark Newman is the Convener for the chapter. For more information, call (602) 248-4490.

TLC Chorale plans concert

A special holiday concert by Phoenix's own, all-woman TLC Chorale will be held December 6 at the Augustana Lutheran Church in Phoenix at 7:30pm. Called *Voices in Celebration*, the show will be followed by a holiday mixer with snacks, beverages and door prizes featuring special guests Ladies with an Attitude.

Tickets for the evening are \$12 and are available at the Gay & Lesbian Community Center and at other locations around the Valley. The church is located at 2604 North 14th Street in Phoenix. Call the Lesbian Resource Project at (602) 266-5542 for more information.

Popular author schedules Valley events

Patricia Nell Warren, author of the popular gay novel *The Front Runner*, will read from her new book, *Billy's Boy* at the Maricopa County Library Center, 17811 North 32nd Street in Phoenix on December 6 at 4:30pm.

Other booksigning appearances will be at the Bookstar in the Town and Country Shopping Center on Friday evening, December 5 and at Obelisk books on Sunday, December 7. For information call Obelisk at (602) 266-2665 or Bookstar at (602) 957-2001.

News & events in the Metro Phoenix Queer Community

ASU Faculty/Staff to celebrate Holidays

Ubiquity, ASU's faculty and staff organization for gays & lesbians, will meet for dinner and karaoke at Pookie's at 6pm Wednesday, December 10.

All gay and lesbian employees of ASU are invited to attend this holiday celebration.

Pride Committee title contestants sought

Arizona Central Pride, The committee producing the 1998 Pride Festival and Parade in Phoenix, is seeking persons interested in running in the 1998-99 Miss, Mr. and Ms. Gay Pride Contest.

Applications are available by contacting Gary Mangum (Tish Tanner), ACP Director of Entertainment, at the Pride Office, (602) 279-1771, ext. 2, or (602) 265-3536.

The Miss, Mr. Ms. contest is one of the major resources of revenue that allows ACP to produce the annual festival and parade. The Pageant will be held on Friday, April 17 1998 at The Wave, 998 East Indian School Road in Phoenix. The winners will be announced and crowned on Saturday, April 18 at the opening of the Pride Festival at Margaret T. Hance deck Park.

"We especially encourage interested women to apply for more information," Mangum said. "We also hop

more men will apply in the Mr. category than we've had in previous years."

For people seeking applications and information, a meeting has been scheduled for December 15 at 7:30pm at the Valley of the Sun Gay and Lesbian Community Center. The deadline for entries is January 15, 1998.

This will be the 6th year ACP has conducted the contest as part of the annual pride festival. Interest and attendance in the pageant has increased every year.

Center library to hold book sale

The BJ Bud Memorial Library and Archives, a program of the Valley of the Sun Gay and Lesbian Community Center, will hold a used book sale Saturday, December 13 from 9am to 2pm at The Center, 3136 North 3rd Avenue in Phoenix.

Available will be books and other materials that will not be included in the regular library collection of lesbian, gay and bisexual materials. Proceeds from this sale will benefit the BJ Bud Memorial Library and Archives Acquisition Segment, which seeks out new and rare books of interest to the lesbian, gay and bisexual communities to be housed in the collection.

For more information, contact Executive Director Lyle Miller at The Center, (602) 265-7283.

House for PLWAs gets new winter coat

On Saturday, November 22, a gang of volunteers from Blood Systems Labs turned up to paint a residence for people living with AIDS on East Osborn Road in Phoenix. The house is owned and managed by A Place Called Home, and the volunteer painting project was organized as part of the United



Way's Labor of Love program.

Fred Stallone and his team from the Tempe blood lab provided the labor while Mike Kevin's Construction arranged with Dunn-Edwards Paints to donate paint and materials for the beautification project. Dain Adelman of Realty Executives donated funds for the replacement of wood fencing.

A Place Called Home is a local non-profit organization that provides permanent housing to the homeless with HIV/AIDS. "We are run entirely on grants, volunteer labor and donations," said spokesman Brett Larson, "so it was wonderful to see this kind of effort to fix up the house on Osborn. And it looks great." A Place

Called Home works with the state's Department of Housing program and with HOPWA (Housing Opportunity to People with AIDS), a division of the federal HUD program.

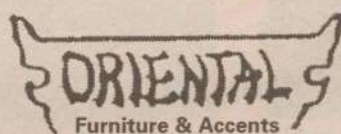
The Phoenix-based agency is currently looking for Resident Managers for its group homes. Responsibilities include supervision of volunteers, coordination of physical operations and the implementation and documentation of treatment plans. Experience with assessments is desired, as are counseling skills. For more information or to apply call (602) 942-1572 or fax a resume to (602) 942-7528/7598.

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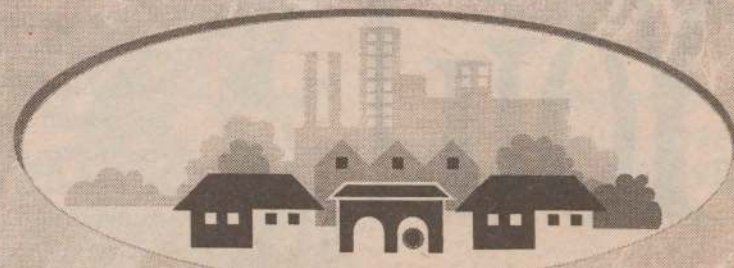
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PFLAG launches new school program

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"We don't want to scare the schools into losing what they have, by a few irate parents making a noise and stopping any program that is going on," Ruth explains.

"Basically, the public schools are harder to work with because they are looking at more problematic situations," Ruth says. The difficulty, her husband says, is due to the state legislature's involvement, as well as the opinions of parents, the school boards and district communities.

"The charter schools and other private schools can pretty much make their own decisions," Ruth

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adds, "so if you have a gay friendly administrator, you are much more likely to get inside the door."

In a state labeled "conservative" the way Arizona is, the Groves admit it can be difficult to call attention to homophobia as it presently exists in schools. And yet they recognize that the need for Project Safe Space is there.

"The statistics out there are terrible," says Ruth. She points out that suicide rates and

dropout rates are high among gay teens, that grades are often lower and drug use more prevalent. "I think with the big push they are making toward drug busts and drug education, they have to realize that a big percentage of gay kids are getting into drugs and alcohol in trying to cope with whatever society's dealing them."

"We lost our son to AIDS in 1989," continues Ruth, "Jim was a gay man, and we had no problems in school as far as he was concerned, because he didn't come out until he was in his twenties. But we see all these kids today, and we see gay and lesbian people in church who have no family and have had terrible school experiences." Both Ray and Ruth are active in the Community Church of Hope, a Phoenix church serving a predominately gay and lesbian congregation.

It was after Jim died that Ruth left her position at Phoenix Country Day School. She worked for a local AIDS agency, memorialized her son with a panel in the NAMES Project Quilt, and in 1991 published her thoughts on losing a gay son to

AIDS in a moving and provocative journal called, *Wrapped in Love*.

Ruth then went to work for the Arizona Department of Education as an HIV educator, a position she held for five years. It was during her tenure with the state that Ruth says she saw what was and was not being done in schools with regard to gay awareness.

"I was there when [the legislature] put in the mandate about AIDS education, when it had the little clause in it about homosexuality, that you could not present it as a positive lifestyle and so on and so forth," she says.

"I used that, because I was going around the state training teachers to work with the mandate very carefully. Since I had to hit upon the subject of homosexuality, I took the opportunity to open it wide for all kinds of questions. And the teachers were hungry to have information because they just weren't getting it anywhere else."

For the most part, she says, high school teachers were very positive in their approach and their interest toward the subject. Which is why she believes there is room for a program like Project Safe Space in Arizona schools today.

"The PFLAG approach is a kinder, gentler approach. It's parents who are non-threatening to the schools, rather than a gay organization," Ruth explains.

The speaker's bureau is made up of both parents and gay people, she says. The Safe Space workshops PFLAG presented this fall included input from a gay man and lesbian, who made themselves available to answer questions from attendees. "I think it is very important that the students and faculty hear a gay person's story. You know, 'what was it like when you were in high school?' and 'how did they treat you?' and 'what has become of you?'"

"For the faculty, it is equally important to have PFLAG parents there who can say, look—I had a gay kid and these are the agonies that I went through, or my child went through, that I couldn't do anything about because the schools were basically turning their heads."

Prejudices in the schoolroom, says Ruth, are based mostly on hearsay. "The kids don't know the truths and so they are going by what the other kids say and by what their parents tell them religious-wise. And they just need to have some facts." She notes that even today, in many schoolroom situations, teachers would quickly stop a kid from making racial slurs but they wouldn't stop them from calling another kid a faggot.

"The parents need to have an idea what is going on. Not only do we have gay youth, but we have kids with gay parents and gay siblings, and they want to be able to stick up for them and be educated about them," she says.

The Groves are sending a follow-up letter to the high schools in early December, reminding them the Safe Space program is available for next semester. They are also asking for help from the community in gathering names of gay friendly teachers and administrators.

"Just one name of a gay friendly adult in a high school can be an inroad to the right person who can schedule something," says Ruth. "In a Social Studies class, for example, the teacher or the students might get the opportunity to invite a guest. And if a student is in charge of a certain program and they invite someone to come in and talk about sexuality issues, then that isn't on the principal's shoulders or the school board's shoulders or the district's shoulders, it is just a class assignment that is carried out that way."

The Groves say that, even in conservative Arizona, progress is being made in combating homophobia—but change occurs at its own pace. "I think moving very slowly and pushing very gently, and also finding the schools that have gay friendly staff and administration will make all the difference," Ruth says.

"I think it is very important that the students and faculty hear a gay person's story. You know, 'what was it like when you were in high school?' and 'how did they treat you?' and 'what has become of you?'"

"In our effort to reach different groups and make contacts in the schools," she adds, "we talked to the kids from the Valley One In Ten youth group, and we asked them to write down the name of a gay friendly teacher or administrator at their schools whom we could contact."

Some of the kids wrote two or three names, but a lot of them wrote that there is no one—"there is not one, single gay friendly or supportive person" at their entire school. I would have expected that years ago, but it's hard to believe that's still the case."

Ray says it was the loss of Jim at 33 that changed the Groves' professional lives and continues to spur their involvement in—and commitment to—the gay community. "We are just trying to give back a little bit," the former school counselor explains, "to help children if we can."

If you can direct PFLAG to a gay-friendly teacher or administrator at a local high school, please contact their voice mail at 602/843-1404.

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Fall Auction brings in \$40k for APAZ

There were no designer dresses from British royalty for sale, but *Lights, Camera, Auction!*, the celebrity benefit auction for AIDS Project Arizona, raised more than \$40,000 for the organization and provided a fun

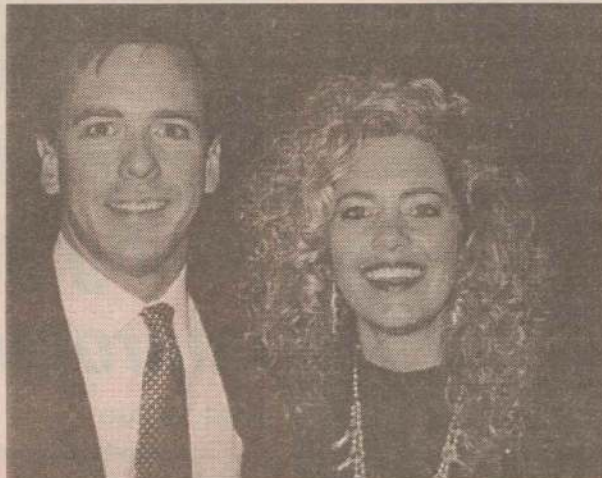
"It was great to see the community come out and support this," said Louise Bowden, Director of Special Events for the Phoenix AIDS service agency. The venue was particularly wonderful, Bowden said, because the

The highest selling item was a Fritz Scholder lithograph that went for \$2,900. A Suzuki Sidekick was the biggest ticket on the block, but no one was willing to start the bidding as high as the donors hoped. "That's

Sal DiCiccio. Other fun items picked up by lucky bidders were Liberace's Neiman Marcus credit card, which sold for \$1,500; an autographed poster and script from John Travolta's summer hit, *Face/Off*; and a walk-on



Dr. Quinn's Chad Allen (L), flew in to lend support, shown here with event chair Don Skyepeck



Channel 12's Mitch Truswell (L), and Annie Lloyd were guest auctioneers



These women from "The Incog" pitched in to support *Lights, Camera, Auction!* from behind the liquor table

and entertaining evening for all attendees.

Held this year on Saturday, November 22 in the spacious atrium of the Phoenix City Hall complex, the event was chaired by Don Skyepeck and featured a number of unique and interesting items on the block.

City Hall is such a unique building and provided a wonderful atmosphere for both the live and silent auctions. "It really was a tremendous effort on the part of everyone involved and a fun event," Bowden said.

okay, though," Bowden said, "because the car looked great out front and it created a lot of excitement for the event."

A trip to New York City including Rosie O'Donnell tickets sold for \$2,400. A Honda motorcycle went for \$1,650 to Phoenix City Councilman

part on the television show, *Dr. Quinn, Medicine Woman*, which went for \$1,000. Dr. Quinn co-star Chad Allen attended the event as a Celebrity Co-chair.

Anglican leader rebuffs Newark Bishop, seeks to avoid 'showdown' on ordaining gays

NEWARK, New Jersey (AP)

The leader of the worldwide Anglican community is urging Newark Bishop John S. Spong to avoid a "showdown" on the issue of ordaining homosexuals, which the New Jersey cleric has championed.

The Most Rev. George Carey, archbishop of Canterbury, wrote in response to a letter Spong sent earlier this month to all Anglican bishops regarding next year's July conference of bishops at Lambeth, the archbishop's seat in England.

"I am saddened by the hectoring and intemperate tone of your statement which appears to leave little room for the dialogue you demand," Carey wrote in the letter issued Nov. 24.

"Furthermore, you attack personally those of us who disagree with your opinion and in so doing you dis-

tort the theologies and reasons why we are led to conclude that there is no justification for sexual expression outside marriage," Carey wrote.

"If bishops come to Lambeth wanting a showdown on this issue, I am quite clear that there will follow a very negative and destructive conflict which will put even further back the cause of the people you represent," he continued.

Spong's Nov. 1 letter to fellow bishops said he feared that action at the conference, held every 10 years, would stem from "our long-standing ignorance and fear, instead of out of the Gospel imperative and thus deal one more violent blow to these victims of our traditional prejudice."

His diocese, among the most liberal in the nation, in January approved a standard liturgy for blessing same-sex marriages. The national church

organization, representing about 2.5 million Episcopalians in the United States, is not ready to tackle that.

In a decision that averted the first heresy trial of an Episcopal bishop since the 1920s, a U.S. church court ruled in May 1996 that church doctrine does not explicitly bar the ordination of practicing homosexuals.

It also declared a 1979 resolution against the ordination of non-celibate gays is nonbinding.

The decision was condemned by church conservatives, who said it could result in many lay people abandoning a nationwide flock.

In the case, the now-retired Bishop Walter Righter was charged with heresy for ordaining the Rev. Barry Stopfel as a deacon in 1990, even though he knew Stopfel was involved in a long-term gay relationship. Stopfel has since become a priest and

served as rector of a church in Maplewood.

Before the ruling, the Episcopal Church allowed only the ordination of married heterosexuals, celibate single heterosexuals and celibate homosexuals. The ruling did not say whether the church now condones the ordination of gays.

Spong, who represents 40,000 church members, has argued that people cannot control their sexual orientation, and that other nations should permit gays to be ordained.

Carey urged Spong "to recognize that a very large number of bishops from all over the world disagree with you with equal passion."

The Episcopal Church is part of the worldwide Anglican Communion, which is headed by Carey. Individual churches have considerable latitude formulating their policies.

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Lambda issues report card on AIDS discrimination

NEW YORK (AP)

This year was one of extremes in the treatment of persons with AIDS, said a national advocate for people with HIV and AIDS on Nov. 30.

"Despite incredible progress in treatment, this year has seen harsh and damaging reactions from both the government and the media," said Kevin Cathcart, executive director of the Lambda Legal Defense and Education Fund based here.

The 24-year-old group issued its annual report card on AIDS discrimination on the eve of World AIDS Day. Among those earning 'A grades' were White House AIDS czar Sandy Thurman, Miss America Katherine Shindler, the television show "413 Hope Street" and its creator Damon Waylon.

Lambda gave failing grades to syndicated columnist William F. Buckley for reviving his suggestion that people with HIV should be tattooed and quarantined, and to talk show hosts Geraldo Rivera and Montel Williams for exploiting young women in Chataqua County, N.Y., for having sex with an HIV-positive man.

"One of the things that was extraordinary about AIDS coverage was the amount of sensational coverage at the expense of a really close and care-

ful examination of important issues," said Lambda AIDS project director Catherine Hansenns.

Buckley was not available for comment on Sunday. Neither Rivera nor Williams returned telephone calls.

Meanwhile, a new logo designed by Calvin Klein is launching the "Awake Beyond Awareness" campaign by the Joint United Nations Program on HIV-AIDS (UNAIDS).

"Our goal is to reach young people worldwide with the message that AIDS has not been cured, and that risky sexual behaviors still have the potential to kill you," said Dr. Jose Llados, manager of UNAIDS.

The slogan was designed to remind adolescents that while they're aware of AIDS, they must be alert and awake to their decisions.

Ms. Hansenns cited the UNAIDS study for promoting its prevention programs.

The study shows "when you talk to adolescents about sexual health and prevention, generally it means that they will have sex at a later age and they will be safer when the do have it," she said.

Several events were planned to mark World AIDS Day in the city Dec. 1. A 24-hour vigil was held at City Hall Park to read the names of people who have died of AIDS. The

Gay Men's Health Crisis will hold its annual "Wrap and Rap" drive at Barnes & Noble stores to talk to children about HIV and AIDS.

And the public viewed the "Dear Death" collection, consisting of letters

written by children and others that show the impact of AIDS deaths in communities. The collection is on view at the United Nations General Assembly public lobby.

MA survey shows half of young gay men have unprotected sex

BOSTON (AP)

A sex survey criticized for its frank language has found that 59 percent of the young gay men who responded had unprotected sexual intercourse within the last year.

The sex survey enraged lawmakers such as House Speaker Thomas Finneran who said the questions were filled with profanity.

But it confirmed the need for HIV prevention programs for young gay men, said John Auerbach of the Department of Public Health.

"We found it to be very helpful," Auerbach told the *Boston Herald*.

The survey results convinced DPH to divert \$300,000 from other AIDS prevention programs to target young gay men.

The survey questioned 250 gay and bisexual men aged 13 to 24. It found that 85 percent of men who have sex with both men and women had unprotected intercourse. Bisexual men were twice as likely to have unprotected sex than those who only have sex with men.

Those who reported having sex with unfamiliar partners were much more likely to have unprotected intercourse than those who knew their partners before having sex with them, the survey reported.

AIDS Action designed and conducted the survey, but it was analyzed and printed by the DPH for \$20,000.

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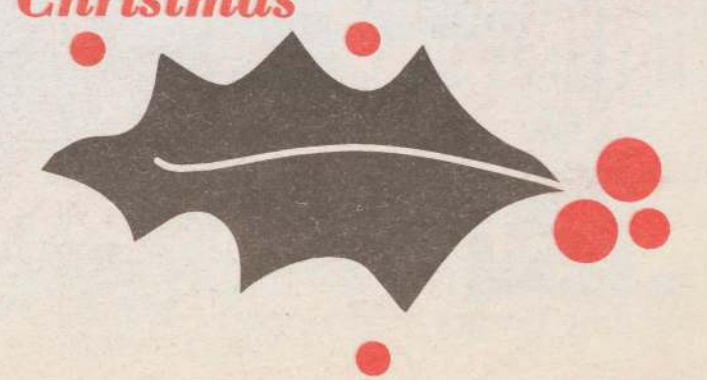
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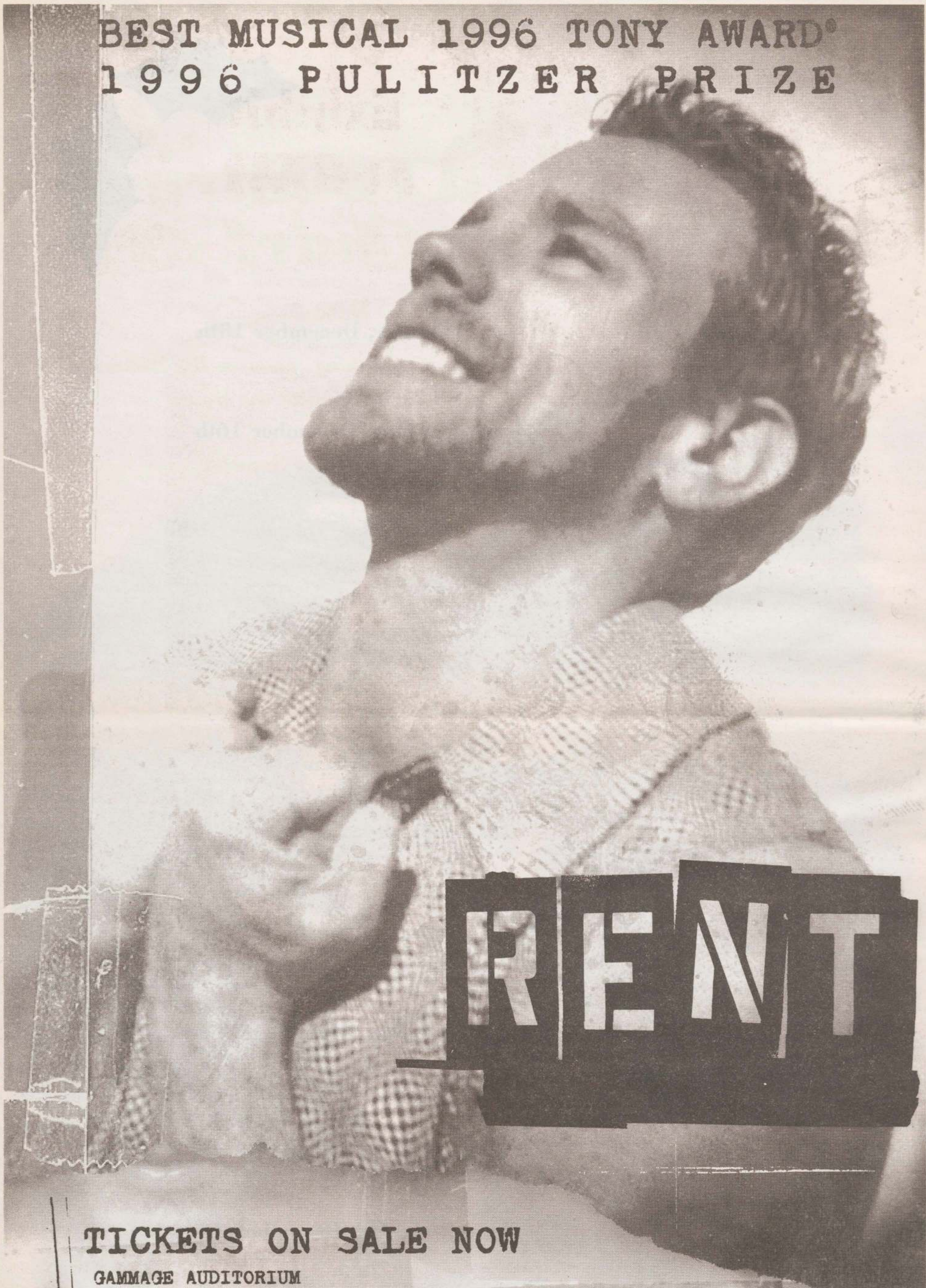
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Christmas romp promises to offend — all in good fun

The Ethereal Mutt calls itself "Phoenix's most irreverent and fun-loving theater company" and the company plans to prove it with its new production, *Holiday? Schmoliday!* running December 5-21 at the Phoenix Theatre's Little Theatre, 100 East McDowell Road in Phoenix.

Scripted by award-winning Arizona playwright Tania L. Katan (*Stages*) and directed by Scott Balthazor (IMCO's *The Food Chain*), *Holiday? Schmoliday!* is a satirical look at just how kooky Americans get in pursuit of their cultural rituals every December.

The show features some of the Valley's finest and funniest actors including Geoff Bodeman, Buddy Early, Kim North-Rodriguez,

Shawn Roberts, Christina Vail, and Heidi Sulzman. The production is led by Ethereal Mutt Producing Director AJ Epstein.

In the tradition of last year's cult favorite, *Cowboys in Love: The Hank Plowpucker Story*, Ethereal Mutt continues to eschew standard theatrical fare, baffle academics, and challenge the low standards of better-funded theaters, all in the name of a hearty chuckle at their own expense.

Holiday? Schmoliday! showtimes are at 8pm December 5, 6, 10-13 and 16-21, with 2pm matinees on December 7, 14, and 20-21. A special late show will be presented December 13 at 10:30pm. Tickets are \$15 and are available by calling Dillard's, or the Phoenix Theatre Box Office at (602) 254-2151.

Africa! Exhibit at PAM

Phoenix Art Museum's new exhibition, *Africa! A Sense of Wonder*, will open December 13 and run through February 28 in the Steele Gallery. The showing will offer museum visitors a rare opportunity to experience new ways of looking at the art of Africa, dating from the 16th to early



20th century and representing a variety of sub-Saharan cultures and geographic regions.

The exhibition is drawn from the Faletti Family Collection and includes more than 80 works of ivory and bronze, wood carvings, masks, figural pieces and beaded objects. Richard Faletti is a Phoenix resident whose collection forms the basis for *Africa! A Sense of Wonder*. He has been building the collection for over 20 years.

A number of corresponding special programs and performances have been scheduled throughout the run of the exhibit. For information, call (602) 257-1222. The Phoenix Art Museum is located at 1625 North Central Avenue in Phoenix.



Karen Williams by Abigail Huller

Lesbian comics heading to town to crack you up for the Holidays

Bas Bleu Productions will present an evening of lesbian comedy featuring two great comics—Karen Williams and Vickie Shaw. The show will be on Saturday, December 13 at 7pm in Wells Auditorium at Longview School, 12th Street and Indian School in Phoenix.

A veteran of the lesbian comedy circuit, Karen Williams is a professional comedian of national and international acclaim. Affectionately known as the Diva of Comedy and the Queen of Improv, Ms. Williams is also a multi-talented writer and actress.

A comic craftmaster, Williams has superb pace, timing and structure and the universality of her comedy makes her a proven crowd-pleaser. She's charming, likable, warm, sexy and irreverent and her social commentary is right on target.

Williams has hosted over 16 Olivia Cruises and has appeared at

numerous festivals, college campuses, comedy clubs and pride celebrations—including Phoenix Pride. She is also the founder of the International Institute of Humor and Healing Arts (HaHa) and the National Women's Comedy Conference. Her humor workshops are designed to build self confidence and self esteem.

Vickie Shaw is the newest rising star on the women's comedy circuit. She has become a frequent host on the Olivia Cruises and is fast becoming one of the hottest lesbian comics today.

This evening of comedy from Bas Bleu Productions is a fundraiser for the Lesbian Resource Project. Tickets can be purchased at the LRP by calling (602) 266-5542, or at Obelisk Bookstore, Changing Hands Bookstore and Unique on Central.

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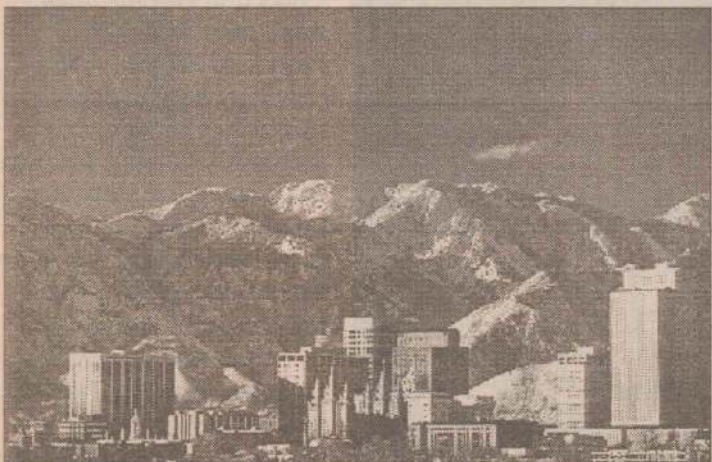
Out of Town:

Salt Lake

By Andrew Collins,
HeatStroke Contributor

Having snagged the Winter Olympic Games for 2002, Salt Lake will soon get the chance to show the world that it's not a conservative religious settlement in the middle of the desert, but a rapidly growing high-tech metropolis nestled in the foothills of a spectacular mountain range.

The city is an ideal base from which to explore the West: ten national parks are within a morning's drive, and seven world-class ski resorts are but an hour from downtown.



Soon-to-be Winter Olympics host Salt Lake lies beneath the snow-capped peaks of the Wasatch Mountains

Salt Lake (locals never call it "Salt Lake City") is strong on the arts, with an acclaimed opera, ballet, and symphony, and a surprisingly daring theater scene—one that has presented sold-out performances of Tony Kushner's *Angels in America* and *Perestroika*.

These two plays, which so provocatively examined issues of homosexuality and Mormonism, touched nerves in this city that was founded in 1847 by Mormon pioneers—followers of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints (LDS).

The LDS have become increasingly hostile toward Salt Lake's emerging gay community (although many Mormons quietly break from the church on this issue and privately embrace their queer family, friends, and neighbors).

Nevertheless, it's not a bad idea to begin your explorations at downtown's centralmost landmark, Temple Square, a ten-acre landscaped block whose centerpiece is the six-spired LDS Salt Lake Temple. Next door, the

domed Tabernacle is the home of the internationally acclaimed Mormon Tabernacle Choir, whose concerts are free and open to all visitors. Nearby you can tour the 1854 Beehive House, once the official residence of Salt Lake's early Mormon leader, Brigham Young (his 27 wives and 56 children lived next door).

Nearly but not quite as influential as the Salt Lake Temple is the theoretically secular Utah State Capitol, just north of Temple Square. This magnificent Renaissance Revival structure is notable for its 165-foot-tall rotunda under which WPA murals depict Salt Lake's early history.

Abutting Capitol Hill's northwestern slope is the characterful Marmalade Historic District, a beautifully preserved cache of Victorian homes. Its network of narrow lanes make for a nice stroll (and not a bad little workout).

Northeast of Temple Square is the Avenues District, a neighborhood vaguely reminiscent of Seattle's Capitol Hill, with its

eclectic survey of residential styles ranging from imposing Italianate Victorians to Arts and Crafts bungalows. As in the Marmalade District, the abundance of once-inexpensive fixer-uppers has lured quite a few gay folks here during the past couple of decades.

Two miles east of downtown, the hilltop campus of the University of Utah, an artsy progressive school with a thriving alternative arts and music scene, is home to the excellent Utah Museum of Fine Arts, renowned for its Egyptian artifacts, Italian Renaissance paintings, and American art dating back four centuries.

The eastern edge of campus is dominated by the Red Butte Garden and Arboretum. Here, pebbled walkways lead through 25 acres of flowers, waterfalls, and botanical gardens.

Salt Lake's entrepreneurial climate has helped lure a dazzling crop of cutting-edge chefs, vastly improving what had been for decades a conservative meat-and-potatoes dining scene.

One of the newer hot spots, the stark postmodern Capitol Cafe specializes in subtle but sublime contemporary American fare.

Queer-popular Baci's offers a fine range of pizzas, pastas (try rigatoni with sweet Italian sausage, eggplant, and bell peppers) and Northern Italian grills.

You'll find several trendy restaurants west of downtown in the Warehouse District, which is also a hub of gay nightlife.

Sample affordable gourmet Chinese at Xiao Li, whose spicy authentic fare puts its Americanized competitors to shame. The nearby Salt Lake Brewing Company has a wide array of beers, plus tasty comfort food, and Cup of Joe is a funky gay-friendly coffeehouse.

Gay nightlife, though limited to a half-dozen bars, is hip, friendly, and highly engaging, despite archaic liquor laws (in a nutshell, you'll need to show ID, sign in, and pay a nominal "membership" fee to gain access to clubs).

Top Warehouse District options include Bricks, an enormous disco with several lounges, 18-and-over nights, and hot music; and the Sun, which has a similar ambience and a somewhat cruiser crowd.

Around the corner are two more dependable options: Kings, which has the friendliest staff in town, and the Trapp, a country-western saloon with an enormous wrap-around deck. Both men and women frequent the above-mentioned bars.

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A 15-minute drive south of the Warehouse District is Salt Lake's only lesbian club, Paper Moon, which has live acoustic music many nights. A mostly male option is the Deer Hunter, a leather-and-Levi's club.

Whether or not you enjoy skiing or hiking, try to set aside an afternoon to make the short drive up into the nearby Wasatch Mountains.

A highlight is the future Olympic site of Park City, which draws the same kinds of gay-friendly Range Rover counterculturalists as Aspen. Also in the mountains is Robert Redford's Sundance Ski Resort and Institute, home of the highly queer film festival (held in January) of the same name.

With so much going for it, Salt Lake has begun to rival Denver as the cultural darling of the Rockies.

The LDS influence notwithstanding, gays and lesbians will find plenty of like-minded souls here. Even the Utah state bird, the California gull, has homosexual tendencies, at least according to a local university researcher, whose recently published findings generated considerable angst among horrified conservative politicians.

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(Editors' note: for the past year, San Francisco comic Karen Ripley has been channeling Anita Life in the form of an advice column for Bay Area publications. According to Ripley, Anita is "your basic post-menopausal, white, working class, pagan, recovering alcoholic/dope addict, lesbian pervert." We plan to run Anita's off-the-wall ruminations for the next few issues. Let us know if you like her — we'll add Anita to our regular HeatStroke line-up if the reader response is positive.)

Dear Anita Life:

My lover was a woman and is now a man, I think. He takes hormones, had a breast reduction and a hysterectomy, but still has a vagina and a huge clit.

I love women, and have always thought I was a lesbian, but now I'm not sure. Also, my lover, who is a man with a vagina, now has occasional sex with gay men. So he gets to be gay and straight; or is he bi? Does this make me straight now?

I want to be a dyke. But if he is sleeping with men and me, the only way I could be a dyke is if I sleep with a woman. But then would I be bi? I guess I'm not really straight because he doesn't have a penis yet. Of course I've always believed that it's not the penis that makes the man.

What determines one's sex and why is it so confusing?

Signed, Gender Mender

Dear Mender:

I always thought that the determination was made by the fact that men make more money than women; that's a good way to tell.

But I also believe that sex is in your head and the body follows. When I came out at the age of 17, my dear ole dad Bob (God rest his soul) said to me: "Anita, ya have sex and then ya fall asleep, it's all so simple!"

Dear Anita Life:

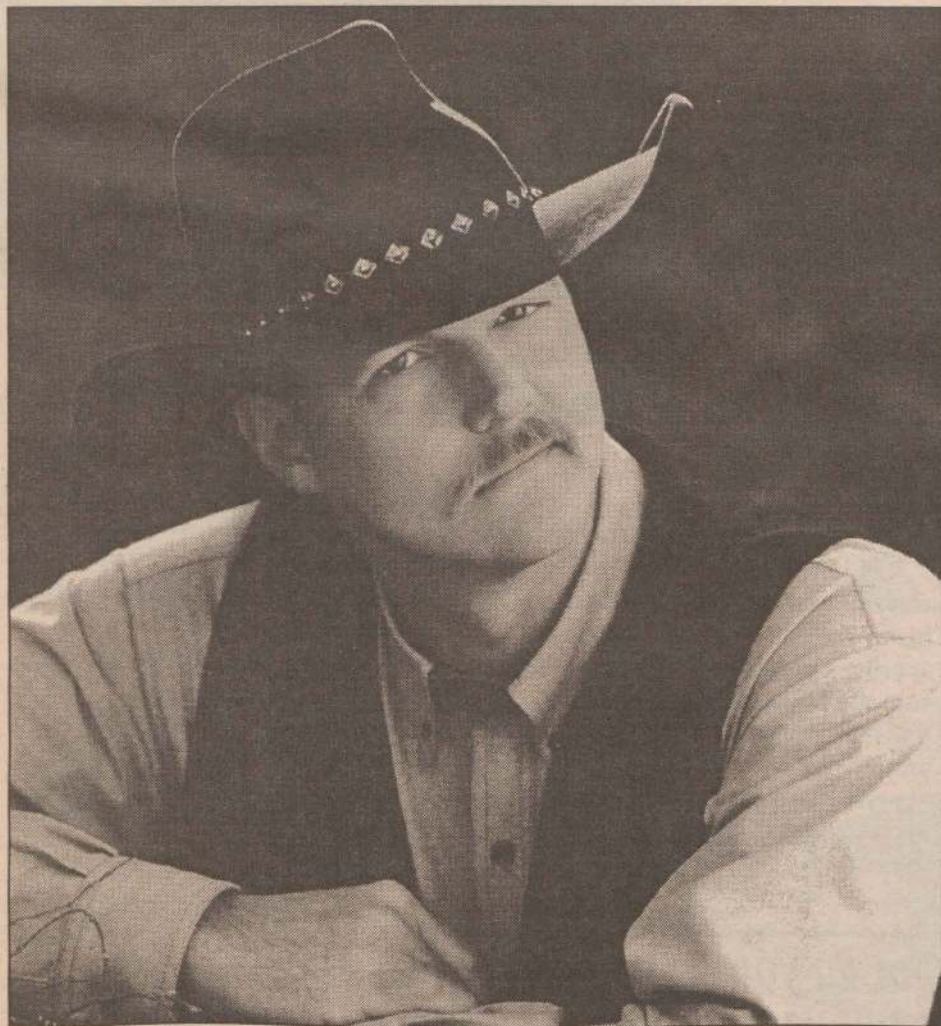
I've been studying Feng Shui, the Chinese "Art of Placement." Basically, each home and room has eight sides. Each side respectively represents wealth, reputation, relationship, creativity, friends, career, knowledge and family. All these years I thought I was a loser when it was really my house!

Everything was placed wrong: a dead fern in my "relationship" corner; the recycle bucket in my "friends" corner; and guess what's in my "wealth" corner — the fireplace!

Signed, Home Sweet Home

Dear Homo Sweet Homo:

Guess what's in my career corner? The cat box.

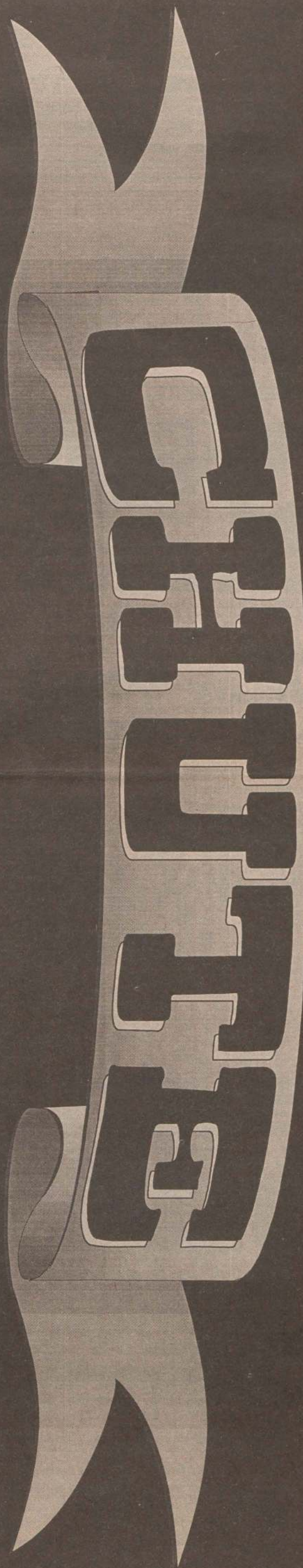


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Dear Cowboy,
I just learned that an uncle I always figured to be gay will be visiting my family back east for the holidays, and I will be there, too. I have not seen this uncle in years (not since I was little and he was still married with kids and all). Now, he is divorced and I am very out to my whole family, so he must know that I am gay. I want him to come out to me, but when I told my sister I was going to ask him, she called me crazy. She thinks it might ruin the holiday for our dad (his brother) if it is true. I say honesty is always best, especially since I am so open and

they have all accepted me. What do you think?
Signed, Curious Nephew

Dear Nephew,
What transpires between you and your uncle around a private campfire is nobody else's business, so stop clueing the rest of your family in to your plans and notions about him. Get him aside and tell him you'd like to talk about you. If he does happen to disclose something about himself during your conversation, you need to respect his disclosure and honor his privacy. Be glad the

two of you have something you can share within the family structure. Let him come out to whom he chooses and when he chooses on his own terms. Make it clear that sharing information with you won't ruin the holiday shindig for your dad—or anyone else gathered around the hacienda—because everybody in the big house doesn't need to know what goes on behind the barn.

this woman but I am getting tired of footing the bill for every movie and meal.

We've been dating for about two months and I don't know what she makes, but I do know she works and gets a regular paycheck.

I would like her to chip in more, so how do I bring it up? I don't want to seem petty but I don't want to be taken advantage of, either.

Signed, Ms. Not-so-deep Pockets

What do you do when the person you are dating never seems to have any money on her when the check comes around?

Dear Cowboy,
What do you do when the person you are dating never seems to have any money on her when the check comes around? I really like

Dear Pockets,
This problem says more about you than it does about your cheap-skate gal, so stop being a doormat and speak your mind. Next time, don't be shy about the bill and don't let her assume you'll be picking up her tab. A question like, "Shall we split this?" or, "How would you like to handle the tickets?" will let her know ahead of time that you're calling her bluff and it's high time she antes up her own share of the pot.

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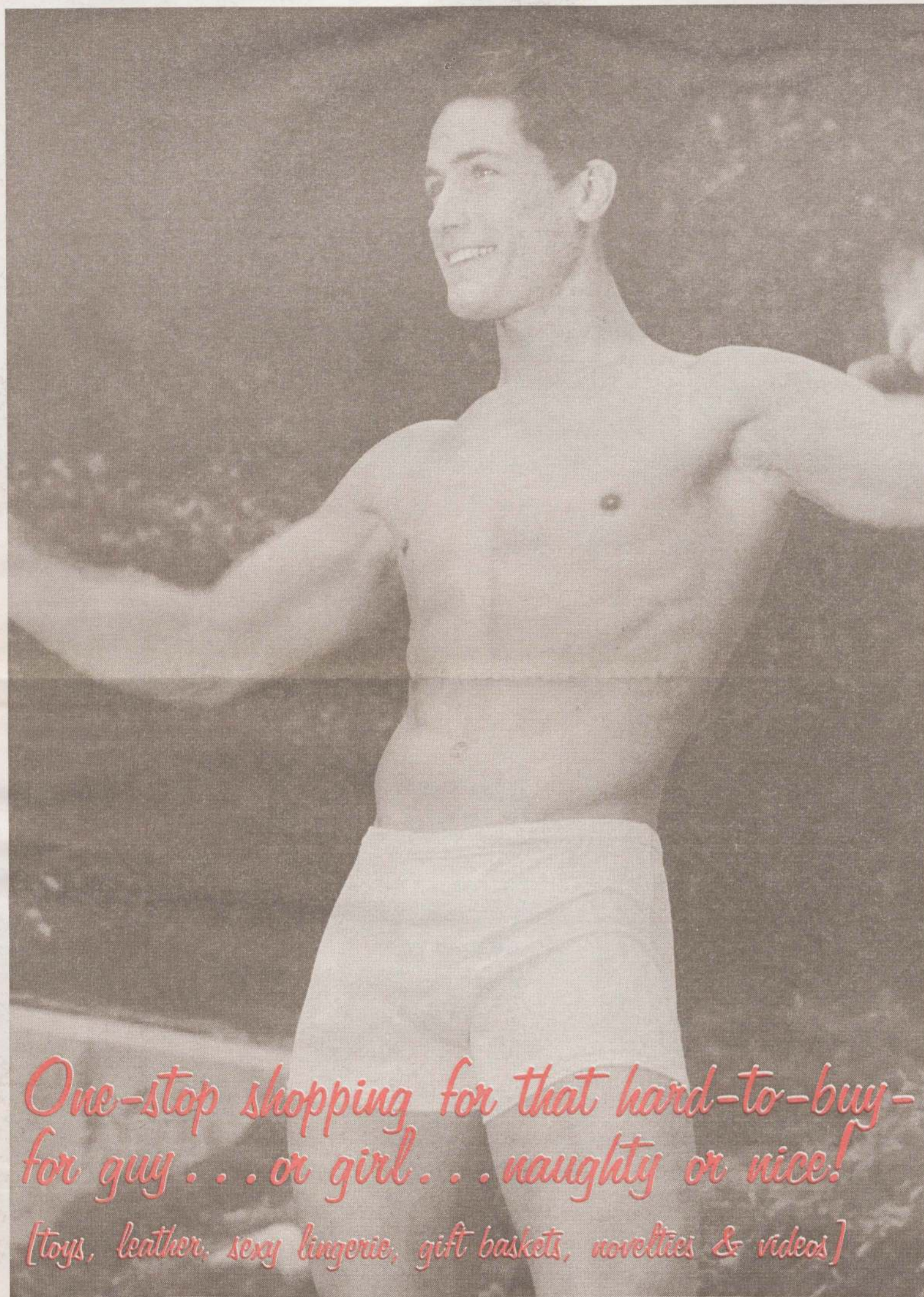
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- 73. Phoenix Art Museum
1624 N. Central Ave.
Phoenix 257-1222
- 74. Phoenix Central Library
1221 N. Central Ave.
Phoenix 262-4636
- 75. Phoenix Civic Plaza
225 E. Adams St.
Phoenix 262-6225
- 76. Phoenix Symphony Hall
225 E. Adams
Phoenix 262-6225
- 77. Phoenix Museum of History
105 N. 5th Street
Phoenix 253-2734

- 78. Phoenix Theatre
100 E. McDowell
Phoenix 254-2151
- 79. Planet Earth Multi-Cultural
Theatre
909 N. 3rd Street
Phoenix 241-1821
- 80. Union Hall
512 E. Van Buren
Phoenix 253-7100

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- Outdoors**
- 81. Desert Botanical Garden
1201 N. Galvin Pkwy
Phoenix 941-1217
 - 82. Margaret T. Hance Park
3rd St. to 3rd Ave. between
McDowell & Roosevelt
Phoenix 534-2406
 - 83. North Mountain Park &
Preserve
10600 N. 7th St.
Phoenix 262-6696
 - 84. Papago Park
Van Buren & Galvin Pkwy
Phoenix 256-3220
 - 85. Phoenix Zoo
455 N. Galvin Pkwy
Phoenix 273-1431
 - 86. Pueblo Grande Museum
4619 E. Washington
Phoenix 495-0900
 - 87. Squaw Peak Park
2701 E. SquawPeak Dr
Phoenix 262-6696
 - 88. South Mountain Park
10919 S. Central Ave.
Phoenix 495-0222

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