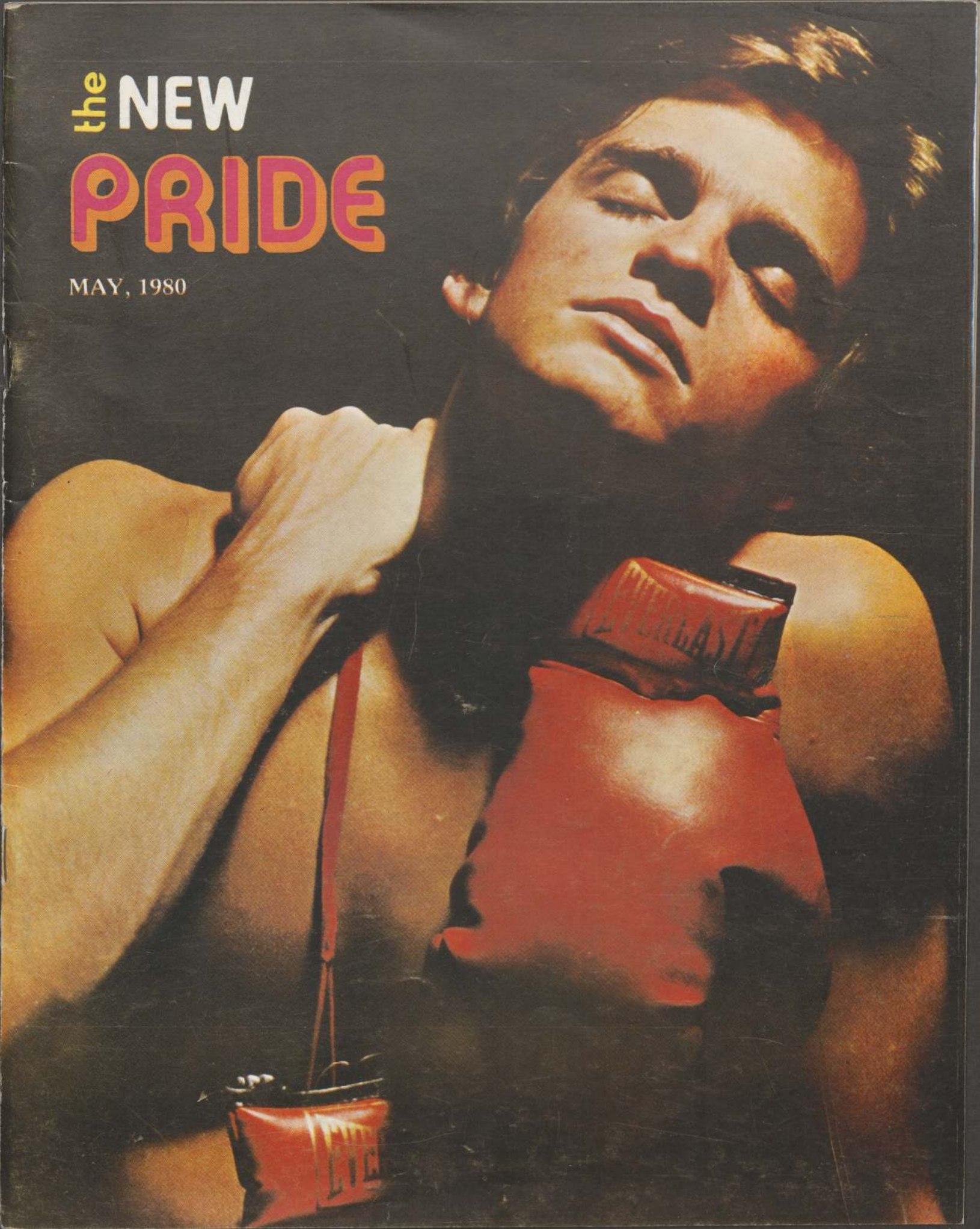


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LOCAL NOTES...

GAY HARASSMENT

We have reports of increased harassment of Gays in bookstore movie arcades by the vice squad and others in the Phoenix Police Department. So, be careful with your movie watching. The reports have been that the officers are quite "rough" during these arrests.

OPERATION DOCUMENTATION

CCR, in their continuing efforts toward achieving Gay Equality in Arizona, is compiling information on discrimination against Gays. If you have been mistreated by the police, your landlord or an employer, contact CCR either by mail (P.O. Box 9550, Phoenix, Az. 85068), or by calling 993-8337 or 944-0559. Your openness and cooperation can be of great help to all of our people.

KEEPING INFORMED

The Citizens For Constitutional Rights (CCR) mailing list is open to anyone who would like to be on it. Become aware of what's happening with Gay Rights here in Arizona...send your name and address to: CCR, P.O. Box 9550, Phoenix, Az. 85068.

GAU MEETINGS

Gay Academic Union (GAU), the Gay organization on the ASU campus, meets every Thursday evening (business at 7, general meeting at 8) in the Memorial Union at ASU. Anyone is welcome at these interesting and constructive meetings, you need not be a student. Check building directory for location.

NEW BAR OPENS

As of Wednesday, May 7, the Phoenix community has a new night-spot, Harpo's. The establishment will feature a Show Bar which will bring many of Phoenix' favorite entertainers back to the stage on at least three nights a week. Also included is a large disco dance floor with it's own separate bar room. Plans for the immediate future include a "quiet bar", which will look out into the disco through sound-proof glass.

Harpo's is owned and operated by Tony Bartoli and Jimmie Gillespie who were the owners of the Casa. This three-bars-in-one establishment is interesting and well decorated, and should become a favorite with Phoenix Gays, as it offers something for everyone. Harpo's is located at 102 West McDowell.

ARC BENEFIT

On the Sunday of Gay Pride Week, June 22, Farrah's will be hosting a benefit show to raise money for the Alternative Relations Center (ARC). This special show is being co-produced by JoAnne and Brandy, and will feature many well-known Phoenix entertainers. Farrah's is located at 4017 E. Indian School Rd. Call 957-2820 for show time and reservations.

ARC RAP GROUP

Every Tuesday evening the Alternative Relations Center (ARC) offers aRap Group led by Paul Consales. It is really a constructive and beneficial meeting and can be of help to many of us in the areas of getting along with and understanding each other as well as coping with ourselves. These meetings are open to all. For further information, call the Center at 254-6500.

P.L.L.C. BEER BUST

On Monday, June 9, the Phoenix Levi Leather Club will be holding a "Sleeze Ball" Beer Bust at Bullwinkle. The special event is being held to raise funds to help send the Club to San Francisco to represent the Phoenix Gay community during Gay Pride Week. Door prizes will be offered during the night. Hours are from 9:00 p.m. to 1:00 a.m.

P.L.L.C. COUNTRY FAIR

On Sunday, May 25, the Phoenix Levi Leather Club will be hosting the annual Connection "Country Fair", at the Connection. This annual event will feature carnival games, special prizes, food, and a vaudeville show. The "Country Fair" is always loads of fun, so don't miss it.

FREE SPIRIT ART SHOW

Plans are currently being made for the Fourth Annual Free Spirit Art Show and Auction, sponsored by Free Spirit. Scheduled for June 28/29, it will be held at the Phoenix Civic Plaza at 225 E. Adams.

FREE SPIRIT NEW PHONE NUMBER

Free Spirit's information and referral number has been changed to: 277-0479.

ARC ELECTS NEW BOARD

The general membership of the Alternative Relations Center elected a new Board of Directors, March 19, 1980. They are: Paul Consales, Pat Bramlette, John Goldschmid, Pat Long, Draffan McBride, Mia Morgan, and Bob Hegyi. The term of the new board is one year.

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SAN FRANCISCO CRUISING PROTEST

by Daniel Curzon

SAN FRANCISCO (IGNA)—The controversial movie "Cruising", starring Al Pacino, opened on schedule at the St. Francis Theatre in downtown San Francisco and at several neighborhood locations.

A demonstration was held at the downtown theatre on February 15 at 8:00 p.m., organized by the Stop The Movie "Cruising" Committee.

Approximately 200 pickets circled in front of the box office, but they did not physically prevent customers from buying tickets if they wished to do so. The protestors carried signs with such messages as STOP ANTI-GAY VIOLENCE. They chanted and occasionally shouted at patrons approaching the box office.

Spokespersons for the Committee appealed to theatre owners and management not to show the film and to the public not to patronize it.

The Committee further stated in a flyer: "Despite critical panning of the film and complaints that our protests only advertise and make a hit of an otherwise flop, we cannot in any way tolerate this kind of aggression and attack on our community."

Various speakers went to the microphone on a truck in the front of the theatre and assailed the movie. Supervisor Harry Britt condemned it for its violence, and Supervisor Carol Ruth Silver said, "Transamerica takes out their profit in the blood of those who will be trashed by this movie." She called for a boycott of Transamerica's products.

Several scuffles occurred during the demonstration. At one point, a man was shouting anti-Gay remarks and a woman tried to quiet him. Some TV cameras were then turned on the man, exciting him even more. The woman tried to block the nearest TV camera. As a result, the cameraman complained vociferously about censorship of the news.

At different times in the demonstration the pickets and their supporters blew whistles to dramatize their point about the possible violent repercussions from the film. The whistles are ordinarily used by Gays threatened with attacks on the street.

A note of levity was added to the protest when some of the pickets noticed San Francisco Mayor Dianne Feinstein spying on the demonstration from a private apartment across the street. Demonstrators started waving to her, although she was supposed to be hidden, and called for her to come out and join them. "Out into the streets, Dianne!", they said.

BILL FOR CRUISING

The City of San Francisco is billing United Artists for the overtime paid police for supervising the demonstrations over the controversial movie, *Cruising*.

"As soon as we get the official figures, we will send them a bill," Mel Was, press secretary for Mayor Dianne Feinstein said. "If it weren't for them, we wouldn't have the expense."

The bill could run between \$41,000 and \$130,000. The press secretary acknowledged that the decision to bill the film's distributor is unprecedented.

He said that the company was unwilling to delay the showing until the situation could be defused. "United Artists purposely put out a very violent, provocative film."

Transamerica Corporation spokeswoman, Jane Hall, said that Feinstein's action, "smacks of politics".

CRUISING PROTESTED IN HONOLULU

HONOLULU (IGNA)—The Honolulu Gay paper, *Aloha Times*, has requested that a committee from the Sexual Identity Center preview a special screening of the film *Cruising* by Consolidated Theatres, a local movie chain. The Gay group may ask for a disclaimer from the theatre "that being Gay does not necessarily mean that your arm will be found floating in the river," as the film implies.

Local Gay leaders say that the timing of *Cruising* coming here a week after the nude body of Lukas Martin, owner of Lava Lava, the Gay disco, was found strangled and beaten in his apartment is unfortunate.

BUSH AGAINST GAYS

(PNS)—"I don't think American society should be asked to accept that homosexuality is a standard which should be held up for acceptance." So said Republican presidential contender, George Bush, recently to *Los Angeles Times* reporter, Robert Scheer. Bush, who is the former Director of the CIA, concluded his statement, adding, "I just don't believe that, and I'm not going to push for it."

A Message from the Publishers ABOUT THE NEW PRIDE...

Over the past months we've both been asked over and over by an increasing number of people, "Where's *The Pride*?", and "Why haven't I seen *The Pride*?" The reasons for the absence of *The Pride* are manifold, but the fact is, you and thousands of other Gay Arizonans are now holding a copy of *The New Pride* in your/their hands.

During the years that we have been producing *The Pride*, we have always sought to make it the very best publication in this area to inform and entertain our readers to the best of our ability. Over the past few months we have been making many changes in both our content concepts and our format and presentation. These changes should be obvious to anyone who is familiar with *The Pride*.

The NEW Pride implies both that the magazine is new in its format, and calls attention to the ever-increasing awareness of Gay people and who we are. Secondly, *The New Pride's* future front covers will be in full color, as is this one.

We've always been proud of *The Pride* and we sincerely hope you will be also. The Gay people in the area we serve are among the finest in the country, and as such should have the very best in a local publication. We hope this is it!

Your opinions and suggestions are as valuable as our own — if not more so. Let us know how you feel...what you think. We do print letters to the editor, and items of general interest, and are eager to expand the interest base of *The Pride* to all facets of the Gay community.

While you may not always agree with the opinions of the editors, or the opinions of *The Pride's* contributors, one fact remains...*The Pride* will come to you each month — to serve, entertain, and inform you, and only you, because we care.

Your friends,
Jack and Skip



SENATOR TRUDY CAMPING AND THE DILDO BILL SHE'S UP, SHE'S DOWN IT'S IN, IT'S OUT

A Report to the Community
from Citizens For Constitutional Rights
by Jack Caldwell, Executive Director

In an attempt to leave another of her marks on Arizona's laws, Senator Trudy Camping (R—Phoenix, Dist. 25) and a number of her fellow bigots put together a new little law, which affectionately became known as *The Dildo Bill*. As usual Trudy and her friends tried to find a round-about way to legislate morality, this time with a Bill intending to define anyone selling dildoes — *an item designed or marketed as useful primarily for stimulation of human genital organs* — as being involved in *Racketeering*.

Clearly, the motivation was a two-edged sword. First, the Bill was another attempt to get at the adult bookstores and those who own them, and secondly as an attempt to restrain the bedroom activities of Arizona's citizens, and specifically Arizona's Gays. Camping and her friends admitted that's exactly what they were trying to do during the heated testimony on the Bill.

CCR's activists, who watch the Legislature very closely, reacted swiftly and directly to thwart Camping's Bill. As soon as the proposed Bill was in print, the Lobbying Committee began to make the rounds at the Legislature, seeking to influence the lawmakers against the Bill. A mass mailing on the subject was sent to CCR's extensive mailing list, soliciting letters and phone calls to the State House. This effort was effective, and as the session progressed, more and more Legislators became aware of Camping's attempt. A series of press releases were issued to the Gay community from CCR Chief Lobbyist, Roland Atkins, keeping everyone posted on the Bill's progress.

The Senate Judiciary Committee heard the Bill on February 18 and again on February 25. A team from CCR, including Atkins, Caldwell, Skip Green and Steve Miller, among others were present for these meetings, and were joined by Louis Rhodes, Executive Director of the Arizona Civil Liberties Union. Caldwell, Atkins and Rhodes all spoke against the Bill.

Also on hand for the hearing was a group of Camping's friends from *Citizens For Decency Through Law* — an organization of right-wingers (nationwide), attempting to ram their moral values down the throats of the American public. They have had a modicum of success in other states (Georgia and Ohio) where similar laws have been proposed. Camping, who sits on the Senate Judiciary Committee, introduced an attorney for the CDL, Bruce Taylor, who she had flown in from Ohio, specifically to testify at the hearing.

Taylor informed the Committee that he was here to help them rid Arizona of "Italians and La Cosa Nostra who control the adult bookstore businesses". His testimony was loaded with vague half-truths and misleading statements. Assistant Attorney General, Phil MacDonnell, also spoke in favor of the Bill, as did CDL president Sherri Pitman who quoted a mythical poll supposedly taken in Phoenix in which 89% of those responding thought

drastic legal action should be taken against "porno bookstores and smut peddlers". In an emotional plea, she begged the question of child pornography, and they all tried to sway the Senators by saying the Bill had been upheld by the Supreme Court (which is an out-and-out lie. It was upheld by the Georgia Supreme Court, not the U.S. Supreme Court, but they didn't tell the Committee that).

The CCR representatives also spoke, and the Senators asked a number of intelligent questions for Caldwell and Atkins to answer, and didn't seem particularly interested in passing the Bill as it was. In my own testimony I questioned why the Legislature should (by law) be allowed to possess (and use?) dildoes, but not the general public. This caused a noticeable uneasiness among the Senators.

In the final analysis, the Senate Judiciary Committee amended out the objectionable sections of the Bill, and sent it on. Camping was furious — she even left the room during my testimony, not that I minded.

The Bill then went to the Senate to be voted on, and in a clever bit of strategy, Camping managed to re-amend the Bill to include the objectionable language again. There was nothing further we could do in the Senate.

We did our further work in the House, and managed to stir the sympathies of a large number of Representatives through a series of trips to the House offices for personal visits.

For quite a while (until April 14) the Dildo Bill remained in limbo. Finally it came up to be heard at the House Judiciary Committee, and once again, CCR and the Gay community was well-represented. Our efforts paid off, and while Trudy Camping even made a trip to this Committee to testify on the Bill's value, the Committee — most of whom realized it was not only stupid and ridiculous, but unconstitutional as well, thanks to our work — removed the objectionable language (the dildoes and the legislative interest) and passed the remainder of the Bill. We had won — this time.

But successes like this one do not come easy. They take a great deal of time, energy and effort. Not only must our activists be present to testify on such things, but the general Gay community must also react, and when asked to write letters and make phone calls to their elected officials, we must all do so. Each letter a Senator or Representative receives represents 100 of their constituents, and they do take note of the public's opinions. So don't miss the boat — when we say write letters, please do it.

Senator Camping, we understand, is not planning to run for her seat in the Senate next Fall. What she is intending to do is unknown to date, but I'm sure we haven't heard the last of her. This Bill was, I imagine, intended to be her last gift to Arizona, and her *Swan Song*. Her gift was refused, but her *Swan Song* is gratefully accepted!

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HARPO'S OPENS

On Thursday, May 2, Harpo's (102 W. McDowell Rd., Phoenix) had a special "dress rehearsal" for their opening, which occurred May 7. It might as well have been business as usual, since over 250 people were found waiting at the door before the dress rehearsal began.

And what a fantastic dress rehearsal it proved to be! A handful of close friends had been invited to watch, but word got out, and the place was packed. People were turned away in droves at the door.

Obviously a great deal of preparation went into this lavish production — fantastic costumes (the likes of which have never before been seen in Phoenix), outstanding routines, and a whole lot of good fun were highlights of the evening.

If you're into shows, the new Harpo's show is truly one not to miss. Hats off to Tony Bartoli, Jimmie Gillespie, and their staff for their efforts!



Tony Bartoli (left), one of Harpo's owners got into the act as he and bartender Tim busied themselves with the free champagne which flowed like a river at the sneak preview dress rehearsal.

Penelope Poopé' headlined the show with a Carol Channing Hello Dolly routine, and the crowd went wild.



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•**Ms. Blanche du Bois (de Bovine)** is getting so "off the wall" that we hear that she's been out looking for black balloons to take to funerals.

•We hear that **Gary S.** was so impressed when he watched the rerun of *Exodus* that he's thinking about having his old nose put back on.

•And speaking of **Gary S.** (*Who?*), we hear that his friends have all chipped in and bought him a little gift to use when he goes sky-diving: it's a parachute that opens on impact...

•It has been said that **Ted M's** last ten tricks have a combined IQ that is roughly equal to that of a grape.

•**Bill R.** (Barnaby's/Forum owner) is doing everything possible to keep his New Year's resolution that he will never again allow one of his internal organs to explode.

•Our sources tell us that when **Myrtle Myth** (Steve M.) was born, the doctor looked first at his face and then at his behind, and yelled, "It's twins!"

•Don't repeat this, but...we hear that **Blanche's** body is getting so bad that when she walks around the house naked, the cat vomits.

•**Blanche** has had her legs over her head for so much of her life that she's getting varicose veins...on her face.

•Does **Mike D.** (of prestigious Moo(n) Valley) really lay in bed with his tricks and discuss subjects like "The ancient techniques of making cognac"?

•It's nice to see **The Baroness** back in Beautiful Phoenix. If there's one word that *cannot* be used to describe The Baroness, it's *svelt*... Fact is, if the dear old thing gains just one more pound, she'll no longer be getting around in a taxi. It'll be more like a *tow truck*!

•Is it true that one of the newest Phoenix bars will be holding a **Dragon Lady Obese-Alike Contest**?

CONGRATULATIONS DEPARTMENT:

Congrats to my good friend **Tony Bartoli** and to **Jimmie Goo** on their premiere-preview show at **Harpo's**...You really have a super winner there.

And to **Ron F.** and **Lon P.** formerly at *Fatfingers*, and now in their new bar (which unfortunately we can't yet talk about yet). We know that the brand of warm hospitality that made *Fat's* the great place it used to be will be even better in the new one.

•**Moosela** was her same old self, at the Harpo's preview opening show, just more of her...wearing enough black leather to reupholster at least three cows.

•Rumors say that **Dr. Dickie** is almost exclusively BUY-sexual now!

•Isn't this about the time of the year for **Danny B.** and **Andy** to do their thing again on the roof of the Forum?

•There's a rumor going around prestigious Moo(n) Valley that **Mike D.** is thinking about trading Blanche in on two eighteen-year-olds and a Puerto Rican maid who can cook.

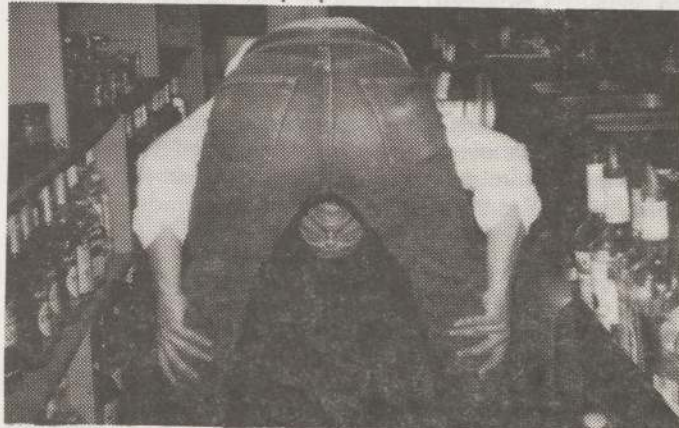
•And to **Miss Piggy** (Pat W.) we ask: Do you know what's brown and green and stinks?...Kermit the Frog's finger!

•Is it true that the drawer in **Tony Baloney's** night stand is just overflowing with Dr. Seuss books?

NEWS FLASH: The ever-lovely, ever-chicken, **Miss Cha Cha Rabinowitz** and **Mr. T. Baloney** are no longer an item. We hear that most any evening you can find the aforementioned Miss Cha Cha down at the 307 looking for another one.

•While **Ted M.** (Cha Cha Monroe) was on his trip to Miami Beach Florida, he fit right in...he wore his mink stole and high heels with his bathing suit when he went to the beach.

•Is **Mike R.** (The Village Plump—Barnaby's bartender) really bartender Jim V's official pimp?



This is Bunny Butler. "Tacky's" roving photographer, Brownie-Hawkeye in hand, was out looking for well known Phoenix folk in compromising situations and caught this candid shot of **Bunny**, Phoenix' famous bartender. It's a very interesting pose, and if you'll turn it up-side-down, it looks even more natural!

•We hear that **Bunny Butler** has discovered some "other than his usual" sexual activities, since he's gotten tired of having his face buried in pillows.

•The best description that we've heard of **Ms. Blanche's** escapades at the Tuhs is "Sex in Reverse"...and there's a double meaning if ever we've heard one!

•The "Now That Was Tacky" Historian has come up with this interesting(?) story: When **Dragon Lady** was just a little dragon, she used to ask her mother (Mrs. Lady) if she could lick the bowl...to which her mother would reply, "No, just flush it!"

•**Ms. P. Cuntsales** can't seem to forget about her former career...seems that every time she's in a bar and walks by a pooltable with a quarter on it, she tears off all her clothes, jumps on the table and throws her legs in the air.

•Is it really true that **Myrtle Myth** (Steve M.) once got halfway to San Diego before he found out that a 25 inch Admiral was a television set?

•We understand that **Kevin-Craig** now douches with Crest after he heard it is a *cavity reducer*.

•Everyone was enjoying the new water bed at the Club Phoenix...until they realized that it was **Tish Tanner**.

•We have no way of really knowing, you understand, but we hear that someone named **Blue** had a brief career as a film star, and during that period was known as "*Chickie*"...but you'll have to ask Blue about that! Chickie La Fist IS kind of a cute name, don't ya think?

•**TISH TELLS TACKY:** About the time that **JoAnne** and **Dragon Lady** were walking down the street and Dragon Lady noticed a dog sitting on a lawn licking its genitals. And how Dragon Lady commented to JoAnne, "Gee, I wish I could do that." To which JoAnne replied, "Why don't you go over and ask the dog if he'll let you do it?"

•**Tony B.** (owner of the now more-slightly-than-flattened Casa, and now owner of Harpo's) has for a great number of years been famous (?) for his hot beef injections...Problem is, that in recent years he's been running into an ever-increasing number of people who don't like their beef aged quite sooo long.

by David Christian

Politically, this Spring has been an important one for Gay students and faculty at Arizona State University. It's been a semester of advancements — by daring to be different we are beginning to show we really aren't that different at all. As President of the Gay Academic Union at ASU, I've always operated on the principle that through awareness comes acceptance. People need not flaunt their sexuality, granted, but until we reach a time when our varying sexual preferences are considered legitimate, there is a real need for standing up and being vocal.

It's been a vocal semester for the Gay Rights movement at ASU, and I think we have been successful in raising the level of acceptance by breaking down many of the traditional stereotypes. We've gotten a lot of press this semester, and about 90% of it has been supportive. Let me be more specific, and share with you some of the highlights of the past few months:

One of our initial achievements was enabling the Metropolitan Community Church to establish a branch on the ASU campus. In a college dominated by *mormonism* and conservative ideals, a Gay church on campus was an achievement in itself. The MCC Oasis church services are held in Danforth Chapel every Sunday evening at 6:00 p.m.

As the initial events of the Soviet invasion of Afghanistan unfolded, the threat of reinstatement of the Draft seemed likely, and Gay Academic Union co-aligned with other campus organizations to protest forced registration for the Draft. We staged an anti-Draft rally, and although the turnout was only moderate, I think it proved several things. One: That in the face of a crisis, a person's sexual preference becomes a minor issue. We worked with such diverse organizations from the Libertarian Party to the No-Nukes, and the fact that we are a Gay organization made no difference at all. Second, and more importantly: The rally showed us the importance of coalition. Coalition has been a key word this semester, and our comradeship with the Women's Affairs Board at ASU, in particular, has broadened our appeal and strengthened our organization.

In March, my discontent with the Student Government prompted me to run as a candidate for Campus Affairs Vice President. I knew that some students might not be willing to overlook the fact that I was a Gay candidate, so I never tried to hide my Gayness. Obviously (to me), it wasn't a central issue, and during my campaign I tried to concentrate on my qualifications rather than my own sexuality. A large portion of my campaign platform focussed on more minority representation in the Student Government. The unity of many minorities, including many Gays and Feminists, helped me make it through the primary elections with a substantial victory. I was pleased and encouraged, but my opponent in the final election was a mormon sorority woman, and I knew I had my work cut out for me. Although I didn't win the election, I captured 40% of the vote as an only-openly-Gay candidate on a campus that elected Ronald Reagan as their choice for President in a straw vote. It was a moral victory, and a lot of people

with whom I became friends during the campaign confided in me that I had helped change some of their views and misconceptions about homosexuality and what it means to be Gay.

On April 17, the Gay Academic union sponsored Gay Blue Jeans Day at ASU. The day was prefaced by an explanatory editorial by myself in the *State Press*, the student newspaper. On the same evening, GAU and the ASASU Special Events Board brought Dr. Alan Bell to speak at ASU. Dr. Bell is the senior researcher for the National Institute of Sex Research, and author of many books, including *Homosexualities: A Study of Diversity Among Men and Women*. 250 people attended Dr. Bell's lecture, entitled "Homosexualities — An Overview". His articulate presentation stressed the importance of conceptualizing homosexuality as a parallel to heterosexuality in the same sense that both lifestyles are a plurality of many diverse types of individuals. The lecture was positive, and successful as a fundraiser.

Earlier in the week, GAU had set up a table on the campus mall to publicize Dr. Bell's appearance, as well as to offer some explanatory literature about our organization. During the afternoon of one particular day, a few male students stopped and began heckling those who were staffing the table. A lively discussion ensued, drawing participation from many passing students. Most of the students were supportive, and defended our right to an alternative lifestyle. The editor of the *State Press* happened to be one of the passing students and the following day an editorial appeared in the *State Press* deploring the ignorance of the hecklers and supporting the positive efforts of GAU.

The final "victory" of the semester was a panel of five Gay men and Lesbians, who spoke to the Human Sexuality classes on homosexuality. We answered many questions, and helped to shatter some stereotypes and misconceptions. The classes were large — 450 students each — and I feel we gained their respect by our willingness to place ourselves in such a vulnerable situation. We stressed in these classes that our sexuality was only a small part of us, and we challenged them to look beyond our sexuality and judge us as total human beings. The general attitude of the class was one of supportiveness.

So, as you can see, it was an important semester for us, and I feel we made some monumental accomplishments — accomplishments that would have been impossible without the unity and energy that surfaced among Gay men and women at ASU this semester. Obviously, there is always room for improvement, and I will continue to be an unyielding proponent for unity amongst the Gay community. I defend the reasoning behind being vocal at this time, because I look at the upsurge of violence against the Gay community, and I can still see oppression lurking in our legislature and in our job markets. The 80's is going to be our decade for our rights, only if we work together, and exemplify pride and compassion amongst ourselves while doing so.

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Many conflicting reports have been written about the treatment of Gays in the Soviet Union. The Soviet Penal Code which is not generally made available to the public or the press lists the following "Sexual Crimes":

Article 117—Sexual violence.

Article 118—Forcing sexual relationships upon a woman.

Article 119—Sexual relations with sexual minors, i.e. with persons who have not reached sexual maturity.

Article 121—Homosexuality (pederasty).

Article 228—Pornographic material.

As for the concept of sexual maturity, there is no absolute indication, and the judgement seems to vary from case to case. Soviet penal legislation summarily assigns sexual maturity on the attainment of the age of 18. Below that age, it is ascertained through certain prescribed expert medico-legal reports and examinations. Sexual immaturity, both psychological and physical, is assumed at less than 14 years of age. **Acts of indecency** are not expressly cited in the Soviet Penal Code. In fact, they are contained among the acts regarding hoodlumism and punished as such according to **Article 206**. According to **Article 228**, the production, distribution or advertising of pornographic works, printed matter, illustrated matter and of other objects of a pornographic nature, and likewise, the trading and possessing of them for the purposes of selling or distributing them are punishable with up to three years imprisonment or with a fine of one thousand rubles and with a confiscation of the material and the means used to produce them.

In July, 1978, the Soviet News Agency "Novosti" released the results of a Gay sexual crime case as follows:

THE PIATKUS CASE:

Ten years imprisonment for Viktoras Piatkus (three in prison and seven of forced labor). The accusations of homosexuality and corruption of minors were added to those of anti-Soviet activity.

Viktoras Piatkus, even before being brought to trial, had declared that he did not want to participate in the trial, which he considered a farce. In his opinion it was not a question of the first accusation, since he had already spent 15 years in U.S.S.R. prisons.

A member of "FUORI", the largest Gay liberation organization in Italy, made a journey to Moscow and obtained four personal accounts of Gay males he met while there.

VOLODJA, 26—This is the only homosexual I met here who has his own apartment. He confesses that this is the only thing that allows him some advantage over other homosexuals who are limited to hurried encounters in beer hall toilets or in the toilets of the parks, as long as the weather permits.

He tells me that it is almost impossible to get any apartment whatsoever for one's self. The right to privacy is guaranteed only for those who are married; otherwise you live with your family or in student dormitories with rooms of 4 or 5 persons, and where each floor has a "trusted" person who keeps control day and night of who comes and goes. The slightest weakness is dangerous - in the name of socialism, little spies can be found everywhere. He says no homosexual, not even the most politically conscious, will try to establish

any relationship with another, not at least long-lasting. Meeting the same person twice is too dangerous. If you meet again you have no more relations and even your own homosexuality is mentioned no more.

Volodja, after we had been to bed once, did not want to give me any further information. He was able to make me understand though, that personal freedom was a dramatic situation for every Soviet citizen, but he confessed to have no strength to look for a way out. He got the room thanks to a highly-placed lover, safe from everything and everyone, who got it for him. He never would tell me what work he did.

SASHA, 24—A student at the University of Moscow, he lives with his family, but during the summer, has at his disposal a room in the student dormitory that he shares with other students. He suffers from a persecution complex. Every evening he takes apart the radio to see if there are mikes, goes white at each policeman he meets, swears he is being watched and that he cannot go on living under such conditions. Two years ago he tried to commit suicide; he was saved and now he tries to avoid worse trouble by pretending to be drunk. He avoids going cruising because he is terrified and sure that he would be picked up by the police. It has been a year since he had a sexual relation. He takes me to see a Gay cruising place along the banks of the Moscow River. There are more police than bushes.

IGOR, 19—Student and heroin addict. Two years ago he was stopped by a "milizioner" in the discotheque because he was a minor. The policeman agrees not to report him if he will spend the night with him. On his refusal, the policeman

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calls another. They take his name and then they beat him up. This summer he was roughed up in the subway because he was wearing shorts. They shouted at him that he was indecent and bourgeois to dress like that and asked him for his papers again.

He says that the only time he heard someone talk about homosexuality at school was when one professor spoke about "the irreversible changes that occur to the genital apparatus and the intestines of a man who has had a sexual relation with another man". He says that this opinion is widespread about homosexuality; two men may kiss and masturbate each other but that they do not ever go to bed.

He holds that, with this excuse, public opinion is more accomodating with Lesbians, but he claims to never have met any. He says he will marry one day so as to be left in peace; anyone who is not married is at the fringes of society and they make his life even more impossible than it is already.

NIKOLAI, 25—I do not know what work he does. I was told he is studying English so as to be able to go overseas to work and then stay. He says he can go on only thanks to a

millionaire Armenian lover; he tells me about others for whom things are not going so well: a painter friend of his who prepared a painting for a House of Culture, with two very stylized male nudes who are holding hands. Even though the thing was not clearly homosexual, the project was rejected because it did not confirm the principles of Socialist realism. He has been out of work for eight months. In one of the many offices where he has gone begging for work, they told him that it was not so much the style in itself of his proposal that was deplorable, but the subject inappropriate for a House of Culture. He tells me that, when homosexuality is even just suspected and not proven in a person they will take precautions against him, perhaps not very obvious, but nevertheless effective.

The suspect is immediately abandoned for all practical purposes. All his requests and initiatives come to nothing. The moral lynching goes ahead until the person commits some legal error, at which point **Article 121** of the Penal Code can be brought into action.



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IMMIGRATION BILL INTRODUCED

WASHINGTON, D.C. (IGNA)—Companion legislation to Senator Cranston's Immigration bill (S-2210) has been introduced in the U.S. House of Representatives. This bill would delete the term "sexual deviation" from the Immigration and Naturalization Act.

The bill (HR-6303) was introduced by Representatives Julian Dixon, Anthony Beilenson, and Henry Waxman, all Democrats from California, to counter the recent decisions of the Immigration and Naturalization Service to prevent known homosexuals from visiting the United States.

In a "Dear Colleague" letter urging other Members of the House to co-sponsor the bill, they wrote:

"We are disturbed that INS resources continue to be expended in enforcement of this policy. To continue to deny aliens entry into the United States solely on their sexual orientation, in the words of the late Justice William O. Douglas, 'would be tantamount to saying that Sappho, Leonardo da Vinci, Michelangelo, Andre' Gide, and perhaps even Shakespeare, were they to come to life again, would be deemed unfit to visit our shores.'"

The **Gay Rights National Lobby** urges people to write their Representatives to support this legislation. GRNL lobbyist Steve Endean said "While it is merely a matter of common sense to end the outdated policy of barring Lesbians and Gay men from entry, the political reality is that it will be very difficult to secure passage of this legislation...and constant pressure is the key."

U.S. IMMIGRATION STRIKES AGAIN

HONOLULU (IGNA)—A 29-year old Australian Gay man was detained at the Honolulu airport by the U.S. Immigration and Naturalization Service because he wore a golden earring, and after a search was found to be carrying a business card from a Gay disco. The agents allowed him to continue on to San Francisco but kept his passport, he said.

Gary Whitelow, a tourist arriving from Melbourne, was the fourth Gay in two years to be detained for an immigration hearing in San Francisco. "I feel a bit shocked" Whitelow said. "They made me feel as though I have done something wrong, and I haven't."

After a hearing in San Francisco, Whitelow was admitted not as a visitor, but "on parole", a second class status. He will not be given a visa to the U.S. again without a waiver, requiring a recommendation by the secretary of state and the U.S. Attorney General.

Whitelow emerged from the hearing so shaken that he had to refer questions to his attorney Don Knutson, of Gay Rights Advocates who has represented other Gays who have been detained by the Immigration Service. Knutson said: "Enormous damage has been done to Mr. Whitelow, whose sexual preference was not known in Australia, even by his parents, until this happened."



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Perhaps it also opened prematurely in August of 1977. It was then called Miss Matty's Attic. I didn't think of it as premature. I believed enough people lived near the 32nd and Shea area to create the nucleus of a sound business. I also believed enough people would travel the extra few miles and the extra few minutes to patronize an establishment of the stature and quality that Miss Matty had to offer. Throughout Matty's first year, it had three adept, inventive, and personable managers in Richard Rubadue, Glenn Butler and Skylar Wilkins. In spite of their strong efforts, Miss Matty never obtained the consistent volume of business needed to make it a profitable venture. They cannot be faulted. We accepted defeat and decided to sell.

Miss Matty was dead!

Ziegfield's was alive, under new ownership, but was short lived. A fire in August of 1979 ended their efforts to salvage the then "straight" disco.

That's History!

In January of 1980, the decision was made to reacquire the "Burnt out" disco. With our knowledge of the location, experience in the bar business, Sam's culinary expertise, and the addition of Bryan Ray to the organization, the soon-to-be-named "Barnaby's" then had the knowledge and financial security to guarantee its success...but once again, that was my opinion!

Since Barnaby's opening on February 12th the kitchen has been completed. The dance floor, lights and sound...also complete.

It's May now, and my attitudes appear to be vindicated. After three short months, Barnaby's has cultured a clientele and is building with new faces weekly. It's almost three years since Miss Matty's grand opening as a Gay disco. The area has grown substantially and *Barnaby's is open, alive, and well.*

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<i>Definitely House Rose'</i>	
GROUND CHUCK STEAK (10 oz.)	\$5.95
<i>Barnaby's pours Budweiser on top</i>	

Above Selections include Salad with choice of Dressing, French Fries or Baked Potato, and French Bread.

**Barnaby's offers dinner
7 nights a week
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**In addition
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Barnaby's offers
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Specials

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THURSDAY...Sammy's Italian Night...	
Various Italian Specialties from Sammy's Kitchen	\$4.95

The above specials have been tried and proved to be successful. Tried and true specials have not been chosen or offered for Tuesday or Saturday. We're search'n. Suggestions are welcome. The idea here is to offer a special each night, in addition to the regular menu, at a reasonable price for a quality dinner.

In spite of nightly specials, the popular dinners, according to sales, have been our combination dinners:

Top Sirloin and Scampi Top Sirloin and Lobster Tail

Personally, my favorites are Shrimp Scampi and Lobster Tails. I feel the best deal on the menu for the customer is Chicken Barnaby. Four pieces of chicken broiled, then sauteed in Sammy's Wine and Mushroom Sauce. The chicken is served with baked potato, salad with choice of dressing, french bread and Continental butter chips (finest creamery butter individually wrapped in foil). This succulent entree is on our menu daily for only \$4.95. I don't think you can beat it! Incidentally, burgers are always available from 11:30 a.m. til 10:00 p.m..

I take pride in the back page of our menu, "A Touch of the Grape". We proudly serve Berringer Los Hermanos for our house wine, chablis, rose' and burgundy. In addition, a list of popular reds, whites, rose's and champagnes is available.

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The management of Barnaby's will claim top quality food from day one, but will admit to somewhat disorganized and haphazard service in the beginning. After several changes in staff and policy Barnaby's service achieved mediocrity. As this article goes to print, management believes service is above adequacy now, and at times even touches upon "good". That won't satisfy management though. We'll strive for perfection.

Barnaby's has been plagued with indecision concerning music policies;

Disco or no disco?

Juke box or tapes?

What type of music during dinner?

Volume?

The fact that there is little or no separation between bar area, dining area, and dance area makes it virtually impossible to satisfy the drinkers, the diners, and the dancers at the same time. So decisions must be made. So policies must be established.

This is the way it is!
BARNABY'S IS NOT A DISCO!

Before 10:00 p.m. nightly

Our juke box has been programmed with easy listening, country, and jazz and speakers have been directed away from the dining area and toward the bar area. The juke box will be active until 10:00 p.m. nightly when our kitchen closes. This should make dining and drinking pleasant until 10:00 p.m. There will be no disco or dancing before 10:00 p.m..

BARNABY'S IS DISCO!

After 10:00 p.m., 7 days a week

TUESDAY — D.J. will perform for Beer Bust. Beer Bust has been extended til 12:30 every Tuesday due to the fact that disco music starts at 10:00 p.m.. You can now drink all the beer you want (Budweiser on tap) for only \$1.75, from 9:00 p.m. to 12:30 a.m..

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LA CAGE AUX FOLLES



(above) Zaza is greeted by the prospective father-in-law.

(right) Ugo instructing the family maid in an hilarious scene from *La Cage aux Folles*.



(above) Zaza, all dolled up, and (left) Michel Serrault offscreen.



La Cage aux Folles has been viewed and loved by Gay and straight audiences alike the world over. It even managed to find its way into the Academy Awards competition last month. It was featured in the April 7 issue of *People* magazine (the one with Richard Gere on the cover), an excerpt of which follows:

ALL THE BARS TO LAUGHTER ARE DOWN AS MICHEL SERRAULT MINCES HIS WAY THROUGH *LA CAGE AUX FOLLES*.

Playing a preening, fluttery transvestite may not be every virile Frenchman's *tasse de the*. For actor Michel Serrault, 52, it was *un morceau de gateau*. "I like to transform myself," Serrault says. "The more I disappear, the more I am amused. I don't think I have ever played a role that resembles me." Serrault, a happily married family man, transforms himself into Zaza, the prissy half of a homosexual couple in the surprise foreign film hit, *La Cage aux Folles*. The warmhearted farce has already grossed \$8.5 million on the subtitle circuit and seems certain to surpass *I Am Curious (Yellow)* as the biggest-grossing foreign-language release ever.

Nonetheless, the import that is most popular with critics and audiences this year is the one that will definitely *not* win the Best Foreign Film Oscar next month. *La Cage* is ineligible because it was released abroad two years ago. However, because of a quirk in Academy rules it is eligible in other categories and has received nominations for Best Director, Screenplay and Costume Design.

Serrault, a veteran of some 85 films, including 1954's classic *Diabolique*, shrugs off acclaim. "It's not an event in my life," he says. "If I had this success when I was 20, maybe I would have reacted differently." Incongruously somber offscreen— "Anyone who makes people laugh is serious," he explains — Serrault perfected his outrageous impersonation for six years in the theatrical version of *La Cage*. The gay couple masquerade as straight so that the son of Zaza's lover, fathered in a weak moment, can marry his fiancée in proper middleclass fashion. "I never ridicule Zaza," Serrault insists. "Homosexuals, bandits, gangsters, all those characters have a moment when you want to like them, when you say to yourself, 'I understand them.'" Initially hostile to the plot, French homosexuals later went backstage to thank Serrault for his touching portrayal, though he mock sighs, "No one ever made me a proposition." (In the U.S. there has been none of the protest from gays like that which greeted *Cruising*, another current film about homosexuals.) *excerpt concluded.*

La Cage made a recent appearance in Phoenix, and though it was a brief showing, local audiences enjoyed the film. *The Pride* has also seen it, and to our minds, it receives a gold star and much applause, and is definitely a *must-see* on your list of films. *La Cage aux Folles* (sometimes translated, *Birds of a Feather* and *Cage of Queens*) is destined — if it isn't already — to become a true film classic.

Definitely one of the funniest comedies seen in years, no plot summary can really do it justice, but consider the possibilities: *La Cage aux Folles* is the name of a transvestite bar where two Gay males have maintained a relationship for twenty years. We learn in retrospect that in a moment of indiscretion twenty years earlier one lover, played by Ugo Tagnazzi, had a brief liaison with a woman. She becomes pregnant, and a child is born. The woman decides to give the child to Ugo to raise, since she wants her career and freedom. The film opens as the son informs his father that he wants to get married to a woman.

Naturally, the girl's parents want to meet the prospective in-laws, and this is where the fun begins. Admittedly, the film considers a very specific segment of the Gay culture. What is most impressive is that the film handles its subject matter with remarkable self-assurance. It never exploits, and it certainly will be savored by Gay and straight audiences alike, who will want to see the film again to catch all the nuances of the performances. *La Cage* is spoken in French, with English subtitles, a technique which allows us to hear the actor's voices and in no way detracts from the film.

A sequel to *La Cage* is planned with Zaza becoming involved in espionage, as well as a suspected murderer in the upcoming *Pil ou Face* (*Head or Tails*), which will also be worth watching for.

La Cage aux Folles starring Ugo Tagnazzi and Michel Serrault; based on the play by Jean Poiret; screenplay by Francis Weber, Edouard Molinaro, Marcello Danon, and Jean Poiret; a film by Edouard Molinaro. A United Artists release.

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GAY SEX LEADS TO RESIGNATIONS

OLYMPIA, WA. (IGNA)—Three men arrested for having sex in a restroom here have all resigned from their jobs.

Representative Eric Rohrbach, Republican from Normandy Park, resigned from the state legislature. But Rohrbach went on the floor of the House on February 18 to say, "I am not a homosexual."

He further told a hushed group of legislators, "Charges made against me last week, which have been expanded upon by the media, have caused me untold personal embarrassment and irreparable damage."

"I stand before you innocent of these charges...Unfortunately, I probably stand convicted already in many people's minds."

"Because of this, it would be difficult, if not impossible, for me to effectively serve my constituents. Mary Kay, my fiancée, and I plan to be married and I must think of her and our future."

"I have also seriously considered my responsibilities to this legislative body. I am proud of the work I have accomplished as a member of this legislature. I thank all of you for your personal support, but I must, in light of the foregoing, submit my immediate resignation."

The second arrested man, the President of the Olympia Brewing Company, Leopold "Rick" Schmidt, resigned as president of one of the nation's largest brewing companies. He cited health reasons.

The third man, Dean Gregorious, a state official in the state's bureau of Alcohol and Substance Abuse, submitted a letter of resignation to his boss in the Department of Social and Health Services. He asked to be reassigned to another position even if it means demotion and a decrease in salary.

The boss, Glen H. Miller, accepted the resignation and gave Gregorious 30 days' leave. Depending on merit system regulations, Miller said he would try to find a place for him within the department. Gregorious had been with the department for more than 20 years.

Thus continues the American attitude that irregular sex should cost a person his job, his standing in the community, and his self-respect.

ACCUSED OF MOLESTATION FOR SEX ACT WITH RETARDED MAN

New Law Sought

SACRAMENTO (IGNA)—The maintenance manager of a private boarding home for the "developmentally disabled" has been forced to resign because he had a consenting sexual contact with a mildly retarded suicidal schizophrenic at Sunny Knoll Lodge, Sacramento County's largest private board-and-care home.

The sexual act itself was either oral copulation or masturbation, depending on whose story is believed. But both parties agree that the action was consensual.

Nevertheless two officers in the Sacramento Sheriff's Department want to make such sex acts against the law. Sergeant Bob Humphrey and Detective Sandy Carlson are drafting a law that would make what the manager did an act of "molestation," even though it was the patient who said, "Give me some body."

The two officers wish to take away sexual choice from such patients. Their law, if passed, would infringe on the right guaranteed by California's consenting adults law and would prevent an adult from giving consent "by reason of lunacy or other unsoundness of mind whether temporary or permanent."

The law would cover adults with "problems already well-documented by professional people," Carlson explained.

Fondling and masturbation of a developmentally disabled adult, now at most a misdemeanor, should be made a felony "in the sense of a child molest," Carlson said.

In other words, such people would be denied consenting sex with others.

GAY REST STOP PROSECUTION AFTERMATH

PORTLAND, ORE (IGNA)—Prosecution of nearly 150 Gay men arrested at the Wilamette Falls rest stop on an Oregon state department's overtime budget was in the red because of the investigation but were unable to give full estimate of prosecution costs.

According to the County Deputy District Attorney Dennis Miller, the activity at the rest stop was not from individuals who openly frequent Gay bars and other accessible homosexual meeting places. "These people were those who are not yet out of the closet. They're your own next door neighbor. This is their outlet — grubby little clandestine places."

Miller said his department struggled with the criteria used to prosecute the cases, disregarding social background because they couldn't decide if it was a mitigating or aggravating factor.

"We based our decisions on how aggravated or offensive the conduct was. We asked ourselves that a non-homosexual person faced entering the restroom, and made a distinction between aggressive and passive conduct," Miller said.

There were few trials and few dismissals among the 140 to 150 cases, most of whom pleaded guilty, Miller said. Public indecency, according to deviate purposes and sexual abuse were acts resulting in arrests, he said.

"The most serious had to plead guilty as charged, while others were allowed to plead to disorderly conduct. Some entered a diversionary program where charges were dismissed after a 180 day probationary period, he said.

Miller said 40% to 50% pleaded as charged, 30% to 40% pleaded to disorderly conduct, 15% to 20% were diverted, and less than 8% were dismissed.

In Oregon, public indecency and sexual abuse carry maximum penalties of one year in jail and \$1000.00 fine. According to deviate purposes has a maximum jail sentence of 30 days and a \$250 fine. Officials could not recall any jail sentences and said most offenders were fined or give probation. The rest stop has remained closed.

STRAYING HUSBAND KILLED

JOHANNESBURG (IGNA)—A woman doctor told a Johannesburg Magistrate's Court that she shot her husband dead when she caught him in bed with another man.

Dr. Desiree Joyce Smith, 32, said that she shot the other man as well but did not kill him.

She pleaded guilty to the murder of her husband Cecil as well as to the attempted murder. But the magistrate entered a plea of not guilty for her.

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ACLU SEEKS CLEARANCE FOR GAY

The American Civil Liberties Union has filed a lawsuit seeking reinstatement of a top security clearance and full back pay for a graphic designer who was reassigned by a defense contractor because he admitted being a homosexual.

Warren Preston, 41, employee of GTE Sylvania had received top secret clearance from the Defense Department in 1968 and until last year had SCI, Sensitive Compartmented Information clearance from the Army. A year ago, according to the suit, the Army abruptly revoked Preston's SCI status because he had engaged in homosexual conduct.

Preston was transferred from his job, subsequently suffering a loss of pay, prestige and professional reputation. The suit against the Army is based on discrimination and violation of due process. He is also seeking \$20,000 damages in the suit filed in U.S. District Court.

"The Army gave Preston no advance notice that they were revoking the clearance," ACLU attorney Steve Mayer asserted at a news conference. "nor did they give him a hearing at which to confront the evidence against him or present his own evidence, and they denied him the right to appeal the decision."

Preston, who received an honorable discharge from the Air Force and is divorced, said he engaged in homosexual activities in 1975 and 1976, and told his friends and ex-wife about his sexual preferences. He also admitted his homosexual activities during an interview with the National Security Agency in 1977, which passed this information along to the Defense Department's industrial security officer.

Preston said the lawsuit and his appearance before the media were occurrences he would like to avoid but said events left him with little choice.

"I considered myself a company man, and all I want is to be judged the same as heterosexuals," he said. "All I want is to just live a good, quiet life."

SET BACK FOR NORWEGIAN GAYS

by Harald Nybo

NORWAY (IGNA)—The state-appointed Norwegian Committee for Criminal Law, evaluating existing penal codes, has made a negative decision about giving protection from discrimination to homosexuals.

Activists in Norway expected the bill for gay rights to pass because a general criminal bill preventing discrimination on the basis of religion and race had passed.

For years Norwegian gays have been fighting to get legal protection. Last Gay Liberation Day there were many demonstrations in Oslo as well as appeals in the newspapers.

The Committee failed to pass the pro-gay code because two elderly permanent members of the Committee, both lawyers, blocked it.

Their opinion was strongly contested by other witnesses called to testify, one a sexologist, the other a lawyer.

PSYCHIATRIC MANUAL

NEW YORK (IGNA)—There is only a slight change in "emphasis" in the material about homosexuality scheduled to appear in the third revision of the psychiatric profession's official Diagnostic and Statistical Manual.

According to Robert L. Spitzer, Chairperson of the American Psychiatric Association's Task Force on Nomenclature and Statistics, the new manual will substitute the category of ego-dystonic Homosexuality for Sexual Orientation Disturbance, which was added when homosexuality as a mental disorder was dropped by the APA in 1974.

The new category is reserved for those homosexuals for whom changing sexual orientations is a persistent concern. "It should be avoided in cases where the desire to change sexual orientations may be a brief, temporary manifestation of an individual's difficulty in adjusting to a new awareness of his or her homosexual impulses."

Homosexuality per se thus remains no mental disorder, according to the APA.

MOVEMENT TO BAN AMYL

by Daniel Curzon

There is a movement afoot in Oregon to ban the sale of "amyl," which is most often butyl nitrite and which is sold as a "room odorizer" or "liquid incense" under the brand names of Rush, Jock, Bang, Hardware and Popper.

"Amyl" of course is an aphrodisiac that lowers the blood pressure, doubles the heartbeat, and intensifies sexual excitement.

The liquid has been used for some 20 years in the Gay world and lately has been taken over by the straight world.

Hence there are now cries in the press, such as Oregon's **Williamette Week**, to forbid the sale of the substance. One state, Massachusetts, has already banned it. Others may follow if the sensationalist journalism continues.

Although doctors have stated on public panels that "amyl" has not been shown to be harmful to normal individuals if used in moderation, just like alcohol, irresponsible journalists have overstated the harmful effects:

"At five bucks a bottle, it's a cheap toss for a quick high. It's also a pretty cheap way to die. With your 10-minute rush, doctors and researchers say, your \$5 might buy you a stroke, heart damage, and a change in your hemoglobin that inhibits its capacity to carry oxygen."

Herbert Wendel, a retired professor in Oregon, is cited as the main authority:

"Nitrites should definitely not be sold as an uncontrolled substance," he states. "They present a public danger."

But the dangers listed apply to special cases, not the general public: If a person sniffing butyl nitrite has an undiscovered aortic valve defect or disease, permanent heart damage can result. If there is a narrowing of the arteries to the head (a common condition in middle age) a person might suffer a stroke as a result of the drug.

Other dangers of amyl are at best suspicions. Not enough research has been conducted on amyl and butyl nitrite as a recreational drug.

Unfortunately, the American custom is to ban first and ask questions later, or never. Astrangely, in a nation that supposedly values individual freedom and individual choice, police and other state authorities assume the right to "protect" others, even if the others do not wish to be "protected."

Clearly it is time for extensive tests on the harmful or non-harmful effects of amyl to be conducted so that the truth, not puritan hysteria, cannot determine how the individual acts.



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SOUTH AFRICA GAY STUDENTS EXPELLED

JOHANNESBURG, SOUTH AFRICA (IGNA)—Four students at Teacher's Training College here have been expelled for being homosexual - even though they have not been accused of any offence.

It has been apparent that the Potchefstroom College authorities have been investigation student's private lives and that their action is in no way connected to academic achievements. The students who were expelled had above average standards.

The College has alleged that the students frequented Gay clubs

and bars in Johannesburg. Two of the students were asked to sign sworn affidavits implicating other students. News of the College's action has only recently come to light as the expulsions were not officially publicised on the campus

A Durban newspaper report claims the authorities may have used intimidation and there is growing unrest among fellow students.

The Rector, Professor H. O. Maree, has refused to discuss the incident and claims that "it is a sensitive matter with no news value at all."

APARTMENT COMPLEX WOOS GAYS

SACRAMENTO (IGNA)—An ad in *Mom...Guess What!* (a newspaper for Gays in Sacramento) has caused some controversy here.

The controversy arose because of the word "exclusive" used in an advertisement for a 16-unit apartment complex opposite Sacramento High School. The building is said to have an "exclusive Gay clientele" "catering to a mellow Gay adult community."

The Sacramento Union a conservative newspaper, checked with officials at the city attorney's office to see if the advertisement violates the city code or the state law. The finding was that it does not, since it states "catering to" and not "restricted to" homosexuals.

The manager of The Kings Court Apartments, Randall Busby, said that the tenants are "98 percent Gay" and include "lesbians and homosexuals as well as three bi-sexuals."

Busby said that he has never refused to rent to a heterosexual. "The atmosphere we're trying to promote here is one of

comfort and acceptability, and I do not think it is unreasonable for me to ask people to be willing to allow others to pursue whatever lifestyle they choose," Busby said. "I'm very upfront with potential tenants...and those persons who are uncomfortable with this obviously won't move in."

The owners of the apartment building have sought to attract Gay tenants. "This was an administrative policy that was agreed to and I'm quite adamant about sticking to it," he said.

Busby added that he is opposed to discrimination against homosexuals and noted that it would be "a bit ironic" for him to discriminate against heterosexuals.

The manager pointed out that he had not included "exclusive Gay clientele" in the copy sent to the Gay newspaper and thought that the advertising representative "evidently assumed that or took that upon his own to put that in there."

Publisher Linda D. Birner said Busby had not contacted the newspaper to object to the advertisement.

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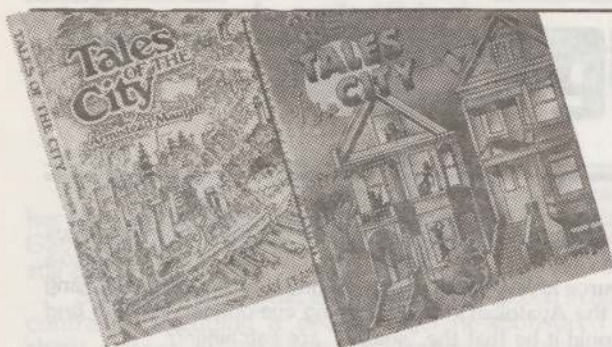
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ARMISTEAD MAUPIN's...

TALES OF THE CITY and MORE TALES OF THE CITY

with Joe Di Sabato

"Clever and funny, this is one they wouldn't have had to pay me to read."...Martin Levine, *Newsday*.

"...In the midst of raveling up some exciting loose ends, we come smack up a declaration on the last page, 'End of Book One'. I screamed when I saw it. There will shortly be hundreds of thousands of people who will be living in the same state of expectation that fired Tolkien fans and Trekkies into years of waiting for The Sequel"...Bill Mulkern, *Gay Community News*.

The rabid fans of the characters introduced by Armistead Maupin in *Tales of the City* need wait no longer. Volume two, *More Tales of the City* is finally here, and now the questions left unresolved in the first book can be answered. Questions like: Will Brian find a woman he can treat as something other than a whore? Will Michael find Mr. Right? Will Mona and D'orothea find happiness together? Will DeDe and Beauchamp stay together as a handsome society couple — despite his attraction to Jon and her pregnancy via the Chinese delivery boy? What is the secret mission of the bumbling Mr. Williams? And, most of all, will Mary Ann's solid, Midwestern instincts allow her to find happiness in wicked San Francisco?

If all this sounds suspiciously like a soap opera, that's because it is. *Tales* and *More Tales* are the book forms of a serial which ran in the *San Francisco Chronicle* for two years — a serial which had the entire city rushing to pick up the early edition of the paper each morning to follow the further adventures of the inhabitants of the rooming house at 28 Barbary Lane. While it didn't appear specifically as a Gay serial, the facts of Gay life soon became intrinsically woven into the story line just as the Gay community is intrinsically woven into the fabric of life in San Francisco. As Armistead Maupin put it, "I wanted the bored matron in Hillsborough to realize that the loneliness in her life was identical to the loneliness of the homosexual 25-year-old living on Russian Hill."

In fact, much of the subtle humor of *Tales* comes in the interaction between Gays and straights. Homosexuals and heterosexuals share the same emotional problems, the same uncertainties over love affairs, the same career hangups. They sympathetically support each other, regardless of sex, and become friends, finding that friendship can be much more reliable than sex.

What *Tales* became most famous for (or, for many, most notorious) was its straightforward depiction of Gay life in San Francisco. Michael gets kicked out by his lover, finds a new lover, wins a jockey shorts contest at the End-up, writes a coming-out letter to his bigoted mother in Florida about Anita Bryant's hate campaign, and even (heady stuff for the old *Chronicle*) is occasionally seen at the Baths.

Where did Maupin come up with the ideas necessary to sustain this enormously popular column for two years? Maupin states: "I draw on my own life as much as possible, often recreating whole incidents and conversations. I had no grand scheme in mind except to capture as clearly as possible the mammoth practical joke of urban life in the 70's...I didn't write anything that didn't happen. God knows in San Francisco you don't have to make it up."

One of the things Maupin did to add realism to the story was to use real-life locations in some of the episodes. A mention of a real place in *Tales* fulfilled a press agent's dream. Out-of-the-way restaurants became raging tourist traps after they were named in the column. Residents learned new things about their own neighborhoods. One citizen was surprised to find that his local roller skating rink, where he had exercised for many years, was the cruisiest place in town—Wednesday nights were straight, Tuesdays were Gay. A sex-oriented bathhouse earned a new lease on life and calls from bogus vice squad cops threatened raids. During one false alarm, 20 naked persons fled into a back alley until the all-clear sounded. Maupin was honored with a life-time membership pass.

When *Tales of the City* was released in book form in August of 1978 by Harper & Row, a publication day party was held at the Come Clean Center laundromat — the place devotees of the serial would immediately recognize as the spot where Brian, the macho border at Mrs. Madrigal's met Connie, the stewardess from United, with the now-classic pick-up line, "Uh...excuse me? Could you tell me the difference between Downy and Cheer?"

Maupin wrote his episodes to amuse a San Francisco audience, but almost all of his characters (and Maupin himself) are arrivals from someplace else. As the quote from Oscar Wilde which introduces *Tales of the City* puts it, "It's an odd thing, but anyone who disappears is said to be in San Francisco." For Gays across the country, San Francisco has the added attraction of being regarded as "the promised land" where the "milk and honey" is the freedom to live and enjoy life as an openly Gay person without most of the problems attendant upon leading such an open life in other less progressive cities. But, as one reviewer put it, while San Francisco is a place, it is also a state of mind — a state that anyone can share.

The enormous popularity of *Tales* sparked imitators in other cities. The *Des Moines Tribune* carried *The Adventures of Probita Prisswillow*; in the *Washington Star* one could read about Baby Jill Sloane's adventures in the Capitol; the *Chicago Sun Times'* *Bagtime* had a grocery boy for a hero; and the *Boston Globe* ended its series by having all the characters die from eating infected clams. Of course none of these serials had Gay themes or characters, and none had the brilliantly campy comedy of Maupin's *Tales*.

Tales has been acquired by Hollywood producer Jay Weston (who produced *Lady Sings The Blues*, the biography of Billie Holiday). Jerome Kass (who recently wrote the book for the Broadway musical *Ballroom*, based upon his much-acclaimed television drama *Queen of the Stardust Ballroom*) has been hired to write the script. Filming is scheduled to begin this Spring.

One final observation: I found *Tales of the City* and *More Tales of the City* to be a welcome break from the recent glut of "heavy" Gay novels centering on despair, unhappiness, murder, and the darker side of Gay life. After *Faggots*, *Dancer From the Dance*, and *The Lure*, I needed a break — some light, humorous, and totally entertaining reading. *Tales* and *More Tales* gave me this enjoyment, and I wholeheartedly and unreservedly recommend these books to anyone in need of a laugh. Reading the chapters of these books is like eating peanuts — once you start, you won't be able to stop.



SHADOWETTES

Hello again! For all of you who thought the **Shadowettes** were dead, (and for those who wish we were) take heart! After being ignored by the AGN, the **Shadowettes** are back. And we must admit, going from there to the **Pride** is like going from the ghetto to the Ritz. To all my loyal fans (and they are legion) here is the controversial column that the AGN refused to print.

Will wonders never cease? The month of March saw the second anniversary of this column in the AGN, making it the longest running column of its kind in the state. In that time, this column has gone from weekly, to by-weekly, to sporadic, back to by-weekly, to currently, monthly. Now we're not ones to brag, (yes we are) but after this time of reporting trashy events in the Phoenix Gay community, this so-called newspaper (the AGN) has introduced you to two very bathroom humor columns, mainly, "Phoenix Fairy Tales", a bi-yearly column written by the former fat lady of stage, screen, and scatt orgies, Ms. Tish Tannery; and "From the Mouth of the Dragon" a somewhat tasteless, bordering on vicious, column written by the very semi-illustrious, very old and tired Dragon Lady (Humpty Dumpty on stilts), a *whenever-the-mood-hits-her* column of absolutely no significance whatsoever. Now, we're not ones to say that the reputation of this newspaper (AGN) has been somewhat *tarnished* by the addition of these columns, but the light cast on our own *charming, tasteful and articulately written* column, has the **Shadowettes** up in arms! Afterall, we do have our **Pride**. And speaking of **The Pride**, we understand that this publication (remember?) is not dead but just in a coma. Seems that the editors, Jack and Skip, are too busy these days trying to keep **Blanche du Bois'** Polygrip from sticking to their bathroom bowl. Incidentally, Jack (known to his friends—if any—as **Sister Mary Appletrache**), is it true you'll rim a wino in the alley, but won't drink out of a dirty glass???

QUOTE OF THE MONTH: From the **Mad Russian** herself, Jan G. (known to his friends—if any—as **Miss Congeniality**), "I'm so glad I love everybody and everything! And everybody loves me!!!" Sure, Jan — just ask Chuckie and Tim!

Memo to Scott: If you want to check out pussies, try the Phoenix Zoo — not the gloryhole in the ladie's john at the Forum!

Seems that **Jimmy Goo** has found herself a new plaything to go gaa-gaa and goo-goo over. Word has it that if Tim M. ever made a quick stop, the **careless heiress** would travel three miles up his old Wazzool!

BARTENDER OF THE MONTH AWARD: To **Berta** at the Unlimited — as long as someone will go out for the Burritos!



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STEVE MILLER

Seems that the old *hapaholic*, **Hal**, is not too happy these days babysitting dear, tired Dr. Dickie in Beautiful Hawaii. According to a reliable source at Fatfingers, Hap is having trouble getting the hang of mixing the Ayatollah's early morning eye-opener: *Pabulum and Vodka*. Could it be that the "shakes" are catching???

FOOL OF THE MONTH AWARD: To the Doormen (if you can call them that) at Bullwinkle's and the Forum. Not only are the words "personality" and "common courtesy" *not* part of their vocabulary, but for making the words "Rude and Crude" go truly hand-in-hand. Barowners, take note.

Penelope Poop has been "banned" (her gain, believe us) from performing on stage at DL's. According to the Poop, there seemed to be some "differences" with management; but as the **Shadowettes** see it, lack of talent may have had a lot to do with it!

SONG OF THE MONTH: A tie this month between "She's Too Fat For Me" and "Does Your Mother Know You're Out, Dragoona??", both dedicated to you-know-who!

Well, that's it for this month kids. And don't, before you do the big no no, be careful, the **Shadowettes** know!!!!

P.S. We certainly didn't think a column such as this is too "undignified" for the Phoenix community. As we have heard it, the AGN wants to upgrade their publication with more pertinent and significant news of the day. However, we do believe that a little humor goes a long way in an otherwise depressing world as it is. Afterall, if we can't laugh at ourselves every once in a while, what's it really all for???



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**'Buying Choice Meat
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ANITA BRYANT BITES THE BULLET AND LEARNS TO COPE WITH HARD TIMES

by Barney Seibert

United Press International

MIAMI BEACH, Fla.—Entertainer Anita Bryant says her life was “turned upside down” by her 1977 opposition to a Gay rights law, but if she had it all to do over again, “I would still do it.”

She said that her decision cost her \$500,000 in television contracts, including a sewing machine-sponsored variety show, scores of bookings, thousands of dollars in cash outlays and threats of personal violence.

“Initially the bookings dropped off to nothing,” she said. “Where before, you didn’t have to worry much about how you spent your money, all of a sudden, I had to start buying choice meat instead of prime,” she said.

She and her husband, Bob Green, and their four children still live in the sprawling Moorish mansion with its tropical garden, giant goldfish and swimming pool on a patio overlooking Biscayne Bay. Fittingly the house is a few blocks off Miami Beach’s Arthur Godfrey Road. She got her first big break singing on a Godfrey show.

“Financially,” she said, “it still is a struggle. We’re coming back, slowly but surely. I guess because the children had been through so much we were determined to hold onto the house. I felt it was important because they had so many anxieties and all the frustrations, and I felt it was important that their home not be changed.

“It’s taken its toll, but it’s been rough,” the one-time Miss Oklahoma said.



Anita — she prefers that to Miss Bryant or Mrs. Green and sometimes introduces herself as Anita Bryant Green — looks younger than her 40-odd years. She is small-boned, slender, moves well, smiles readily and has a personality that dominates a room. She is a woman who has taken good care of her face and figure. She is a compulsive talker.

She admits she never would have become involved in the Gay rights controversy “had it not affected me personally.”

The Dade County Commission triggered the controversy on January 17, 1977, by adopting an ordinance that added four words — “affectional or sexual preference” — to an existing law banning discrimination in employment and housing on the basis of race, religion, marital status, age, and national origin.

Anita’s children were enrolled in a private religious school, and she and church leaders feared the ordinance would prevent them from keeping homosexuals off the faculty.

She organized “Save Our Children” campaign to repeal the ordinance, gathered the required number of petition signatures for a recall election, and conducted a nationally publicized crusade that climaxed June 7, 1977 when Dade County voters repealed the ordinance by a 2-1 margin.

Anita said she was concerned about the plight of homosexuals and had founded the Miami Beach counseling center to help Gays change their lifestyle long before the county commission enacted the so-called “Gay rights ordinance.”

“I had worked with homosexuals all my life and I always had a policy of live and let live,” she said.

She describes the life of homosexuals as “sad”. “So many have tried to escape in so many ways, through alcoholism and drugs. Most of those who want out have tried everything else so they’ll even come to Anita Bryant, whom they have picketed and hated.”

She said she prayed for guidance and “I realized that I personally had failed and I think the church had failed. The church had claimed to love and yet was very unloving to individuals they couldn’t understand or that were distasteful and disgusting to many, like homosexuals, so it wouldn’t believe that God could transform a homosexual the same as he could transform an alcoholic, or a murderer or a thief or anyone with a sin problem.”



“You don’t have to condemn these people because there’s been condemnation already. You can take God’s viewpoint and call sin sin and still love the sinner,” she said.

She says she has testimonies from “more than 4000” homosexuals who have attended counseling sessions and changed their lifestyles.

When she attempted to resume her career following the repeal of the Dade County Gay rights ordinance in the June 1977 referendum, she discovered she discovered she had become a national symbol. Homosexual organizations and their sympathizers picketed her. Foes of similar laws in other places invited her to lead repeal drives.

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Personal threats soon followed. "If you operate in fear, it can just wipe you out," she said. "You have to succumb to the police coming over bringing a dog to sniff out bombs here at the house. The kids have to come home from school early and sometimes have to stay in the school office for hours because of kidnap threats. And the FBI becomes involved in the letters that come from people who write they are going to assassinate you."

"That alone is enough to stop you from walking out your front door. You can't put a price on those kind of things."

"And you have to have detectives come over and tell you how to secure your home, and there is still all that expense involved in putting in 10 times the security you had before, and having to live with bodyguards around you constantly."

"Even when I'd go to churches (in other cities) and had no intention of mentioning the Dade County issue, I'd invariably have to have a press conference because of the media coverage the homosexuals would get that were there."

"The lightning rods would get their point across, even when I had no intention of addressing that issue," she said.

There were even a few attempts to carry out some of the threats. At a state fair where she was performing, police

spotted the writer of a threatening letter in the crowd. At another performance, guards intercepted a youth with a club trying to reach her dressing room. Two girls with cans of mace attempted to climb on the stage during another Bryant performance.

In Washington, her hotel was surrounded by 6000 homosexuals and three of them disrupted a Bryant performance at the National Religious Broadcasters Association convention. A woman was arrested and police found that she was armed. "She called me a fascist, sexist pig. I hadn't heard that before," Anita said.

There are still pickets, but fewer than before, "except when I go to a city I haven't been in before. Then the local people want to do their thing," she said.

She is pleased with her televised "Anita Bryant's Family Special" and happy that in each of the markets in which it has been shown contributions to Anita Bryant Ministries have been enough to cover the cost of the video time purchase. Eventually it will be shown in 211 cities.

But she's resentful that she was forced to produce it herself in order to get across the tenets she considers basic — God, country, family, home.

VICE SQUAD ACCUSED OF BEING POLITICAL TOOL

DENVER (IGNA)—Both a Gay bathhouse and a Gay theater have filed suits in court here to try to stop police harassment of their patrons.

The Ballpark Health Club and the Spartan Theater claim that they have been singled out for persecution by the vice squad. Gay activists say that the locations have been harassed because some Gay activists said they wouldn't support the re-election of Mayor William H. McNichols, Jr.

Denver District Judge Clifton Flowers ordered police to curtail checks of the health club until arguments can be heard.

Attorney Arthur M. Schwartz, representing the Spartan Theatre, says that a local ordinance governing amusement rooms is both unconstitutional and inapplicable to the Spartan.

A basement room there allegedly is used for homosexual activity. Schwartz said that the room is not open to the public.

The Spartan Theater got into the news last summer when former Englewood City Councilman Donald Weber was arrested there for allegedly violating a city ordinance against "fondling." He was later acquitted of the charge.

The Spartan is asking for a restraining order plus \$300,000 in damages.

UTAH WOMEN ASK BAN ON GAY TEACHERS

SALT LAKE CITY (IGNA)—The Utah Association of Women held its annual meeting on April 25 in Salt Lake City and one of the resolutions voted on recommended that homosexuals be restricted from professions like teaching "where youth would be unduly influenced."

Another was to ban sex education in the schools and restrict such teaching to the home and the church.

One of the principal speakers at the convention was Utah Republican Senator Orrin G. Hatch. Others of the 11 resolutions voted on were opposition to federal funding of teachers centers, endorsement of the use of prayers in the classroom and opposition to the Equal Rights Amendment, warning that the ERA proponents would "remove sexual stereotyping in the minds of children and force the government into the business of child rearing."

ORANGE COUNTY SPLITS OVER GAY CENTER

GARDEN GROVE, CALIFORNIA—Orange County, California is most famous (or infamous) as the home of state senator John Briggs, sponsor of the anti-gay teacher amendment, Proposition 6, defeated a year ago.

It is also the home of the Gay Community Center of Orange County, located in the center of Garden Grove business district at 12411 Euclid Ave. Since its opening last August it has been the target of many attacks. Its windows have been smashed four times, ammonia and axle grease thrown into the office and an opossum with a knife through its head at the front entrance.

From 20 to 50 persons gather each night at the center for counseling and rap sessions. Parties are held often on weekends.

A 4-by-10-foot sign reading "Gay Community Center of Orange County" on the front of the building has stirred controversy among the neighbors. The principal of St. Columban's School nearby, Sister Una said, "We are not happy with the situation and our parents are very disturbed." Lampson Junior High School actually abuts the Gay center and the PTA president believes the center should be moved to a commercial district. "I can't understand why something has to happen," she said, "that's like putting in a stop sign after someone has been killed."

Vern Langston, a local resident, is circulating a petition for 10,000 signatures to present to the City Council to have the center removed. "I'd like to see the Gay Center halfway between here and Catalina, on a ship with the whole bottom gone." City Councilman Milton Krieger thinks the sign is almost as offensive as the center itself. "I don't think they should flaunt their way of life. It's a matter of respect, especially near a church."

Gay Center representatives said Garden Grove was selected because it is centrally located, has the largest number of Gay bars (seven) in the county, and the police department is tolerant. "The Gay community has not been a problem," said Police Chief Frank Kessler. "They've done an exceptional job of policing themselves." He said he has received no complaints about the center. In fact, at a recent Gay rap session, a police officer gave Gays tips on how to keep their center more secure.

Gays admit it might be easier to be Gay in San Francisco or Los Angeles, but they prefer to live in Orange County.

DR. BELL SPEAKS AT ASU

On Thursday, April 17, Dr. Alan P. Bell delivered a lecture to an audience of 250 people on the ASU campus. Bell's appearance was made possible through the efforts of Gay Academic Union and ASASU, and to whom the Phoenix Gay community owes a debt of thanks. *Homosexuality — An Overview* was his subject.

Bell is the Senior Researcher for the National Institute For Sex Research. With Dr. Martin S. Weinberg Dr. Bell co-authored the recently-published book, *Homosexualities — A Diversity Among Men and Women*. This prestigious Kinsey Institute report is the result of a comprehensive study which delved into the lifestyles of Gay men and Lesbians living in the San Francisco Bay area, and is bound to have a profound effect on the attitudes of psychologists, psychiatrists, social workers and the like towards Gays in the future. It may also prove effective in changing the general public's attitudes towards Gays, as well.

Prior to the Thursday evening appearance at ASU, Dr. Bell was afforded an opportunity to appear on Channel 12's noon news program, with Bill Stuhl as well as some personal interviews and a radio program late in the afternoon.

Thanks to David Christian, President of Gay Academic Union, we were able to enjoy a leisurely lunch with Dr. Bell in Tempe. Not only is Bell an adroit, intelligent, articulate and charming man; his sympathies are obviously with the Gay community, though he is not Gay.



(left) Dr. Bell, Wayne Smith, David Christian, Jack Caldwell, and Dan Siminoski emerge from lunch.

Over lunch with Dr. Bell, David Christian, Dan Siminoski, Wayne Smith, and Dr. Fred Whittham, conversation ranged from his own revealing investigation of Gay lifestyles to the political and societal climate of Arizona.

His evening address was more-or-less a thumbnail sketch of some of the findings of the exhaustive investigation of Gay people and their various lifestyles. The enthusiastic and attentive audience included many familiar faces, including several interested psychologists and counselors. There were no hecklers (no irate housewives from *Citizens For Decency Through Law*) to interfere in his fascinating remarks. A question-answer period followed, and then a reception. The capable Dr. Bell was deluged with questions until the building was closed for the night.

Bell and Weinberg have stated that "relatively few homosexuals conform to the hideous stereotype most people have of them." Only a tiny percentage of the nearly 1000 Gays interviewed are anything near the stereotypical viewpoint straights



(above) Dr. Bell conversing with his audience at reception following his speech.
(below) Dr. Bell, GAU President David Christian, and Pride publisher Caldwell at reception.



have about them — that they have outlandish sexual behavior, that they all all neurotic, and that they are a threat to the society (the nuclear family, and so forth).

The researchers used a method called *probability sampling*, and contacted and interviewed some 1000 Gays and 477 straights as a control group. Subjects were sought in Gay bars and baths, through various Gay publications, through organizations, mailing lists and in numerous public cruising places. As an overview, it could be substantiated that Gays display as much diversity in behavior as their straight counterparts in the control group — and that they are at least as well adjusted as their straight counterparts.

"An important lesson to be learned from our data is that homosexual men and women are best understood when they are seen as whole human beings, not just in terms of what they do sexually," Bell stated.

Monogamous relationships involved 10% of the men and 28% of the women, hardly differing at all from the heterosexuals, "and in some cases," said Bell, "appeared better adjusted," and the only significant difference was their sexual preference.

The same observation was made in regard to single

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homosexuals compared with *swinging singles*. 10% of the Lesbians and 15% of the Gay men were found to be in this group. Most of these were very involved in the Gay world, cruised frequently, and were "least likely to regret being homosexual." They displayed the fewest psychosomatic symptoms, were the most out-going, and they were the most interested in sex.

In the *Open-Couple* category (those who maintained a single long-term relationship, but still went out frequently and openly), 18 percent of the Gay men and 17 percent of the Lesbians fit in. The same figures, incidentally, held true for the straight control group.

One classification was termed *asexual*. These were the people who held sex infrequently or not at all. 16% of the men and 11 percent of the women were a part of this group.

There is also a classification referred to as *dysfunctional*. "They are troubled people whose lives offer them little gratification, and in fact they seem to have a great deal of difficulty managing their existence. Sexually, socially and psychologically." 5% of the Lesbians and 12% of the Gay men were in this category.

The study was financed by a \$500,000 grant from the National Institute of Mental Health and it lists many conclusions about Gays — likes and dislikes, work habits and recreational activities. Among those conclusions are:

A mere 10% of the Gay men worked in the stereotypical fields — hairdressers, decorators, and so forth, and only 10% of the Lesbians had occupations considered to be masculine.

Most Gay cruising happens at Gay bars and baths — much higher among the Gay men than among Lesbians who are more likely to be involved in monogamous relationships.

Stability in employment was lower for Lesbians than for Gay males with nearly half of the men keeping the same job for the past five years.

Most Lesbians have had fewer than ten sexual partners during their lives, 25% of them fewer than five.

A third of the Lesbians and 25% of the Gay men have been married to a person of the opposite sex, and half had children.

Gays, it has been shown by this study, are a variegated, amorphic group, and diversity seems to be the key word that arises from reading the study or listening to Dr. Bell's address. Gays are not a deviant group easily described by superficial stereotypes.

BRAVO to GAU for providing us with this unique opportunity and BRAVO to Dr. Bell for his outstandingly important work. It is unfortunate that more Gay people did not turn out to educate themselves about themselves.

SAN FRANCISCO, CAL. (IGNA)—In a discrimination case with potentially far-reaching implications, a judge was asked to decide whether a church has the right to fire a Gay employee despite a San Francisco ordinance prohibiting bias based on sexual orientation.

The case, which pits San Francisco's Gay rights ordinance against First Amendment religious protection, involves 23-year-old church organist, Kevin Walker. He was fired by the First Orthodox Presbyterian Church in May, 1979, after he admitted he is a homosexual. A short time later he sued the church for violation of the city's anti-discrimination ordinance. In a packed courtroom at City Hall, the lawyer for the church called the case unprecedented and asked the Superior Court judge to dismiss it because the U. S. Constitution "absolutely forbids" the government from interfering in the spiritual matters of churches.

"The government did not build this church, it does not support the church and it has no business interfering with they church," attorney John Whitehead said.

But lawyers for Walker argued that the courts have ruled that employment discrimination laws apply to church workers in secular jobs. Both sides agreed that Walker was fired because he is Gay, but

GAY UNION DENIAL CHALLENGED BY ACLU

FULLERTON, CAL. (IGNA)—Lawyers of the American Civil Liberties Union said they will force trustees of the North Orange County Community College District to change a vote that rejected the presence of a homosexual club on the campus of Fullerton College. Fullerton is the home of California Senator **John Briggs** who authored Proposition 6 which denied employment of Gay teachers and was soundly defeated by the voters of California.

In March, the college trustees were asked to ratify the existence of the Gay-Lesbian Student Education Union, which student-trustees advised the majority of trustees had the legal right to organize.

At the regular College District meeting, attorney for the ACLU Susan McGreivey said she could not believe that the board of trustees, knowing that the Gay-Lesbian Union had a legal right, would consciously deny it. "That's a bad example for the youth," she said, "defying the law."

Only one trustee declined to go along with the board and had voted to grant the club to have the same facilities granted to it as other student clubs on campus. Karen Schmidt of the Gay union said that, as a result of the trustee action, the club had been deprived of its postal address at the campus and other privileges.

ACLU attorney, McGreivey, said she had supplied case law to the trustees at state and federal level which ruled that homosexual clubs could be legally represented on campus. She said she hoped that the trustees would "comply voluntarily by the next board meeting, two weeks hence," otherwise she "would immediately go to court on the case."



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the key dispute was whether his job as organist was secular or part of the church ministry.

Whitehead told the judge the church was fundamentalist and the congregation believed the Bible literally when it describes homosexuals as sinners. He added that because Walker, as the church organist, was "an important member of the religious team," who stood before the congregation, the church's mission to win new converts would be "undermined" by Walker's admission that he is a homosexual.

Walker's lawyers claimed that internal documents of the church defined the job of organist the same way it defines other secular positions. He was characterized by the church as "a member of the ministry after he was terminated, for purpose of this case," said attorney Mary Dunlap. Walker is asking for back pay and \$1000 in punitive damages, and that the city fine the church \$400. The judge said he would study the case and rule later.

The courtroom was packed, with people waiting in the hallway, unable to get in. Most were members of the First Orthodox Presbyterian Church and nine other churches of the same denomination in the Bay Area which joined in asking for dismissal of the suit.

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Well, now you won't have to. Phoenix finally has two real, honest-to-god Gay restaurants, where you and I can go, enjoy some fine food, and relax in the knowledge that we are, indeed, among friends. A brief description of each follows, taken in order of appearance.

AUNT CHARLIE'S

Located at 2nd Street and Camelback, Aunt Charlie's occupies its own building, nicely appointed with a dining room which seats about 50 people at tables and booths well-spaced, so you're not looking over your neighbor's shoulder. An apt description of the dining room would be "intimate".

There is also a pleasant, small bar adjacent to the dining room, seating about 20 at the bar and at small tables — again, intimate.

Galen, distinguished by his silver locks and efficiently pleasant-mannered, greets one and all in the foyer, and is truly an asset to their business. He will graciously seat you at one of the cozy, candlelit tables and booths.

Aunt Charlie's menu offers a variety of intriguing items, all prepared by their imported chef, Anna Lisa, an Iclander transplanted from Copenhagen. Included on the dinner menu are such things as Roast Pork-Zingara, Chicken Maringo, Tournedos, and Steak Diane, as well as Aunt Charlie's Prime Rib, which has proven to be a favorite. Prices range from \$5.75 to \$10.25, providing something for all tastes and pocketbooks. Aunt Charlie's is also open for lunch, and for Brunch on Sunday's, though closed each Monday.

Aunt Charlie's aims to please, and from the moment you arrive, you will find courteous, affable service at your table.

BARNABY'S

On pages 12, 13 and 14 you will find an historical overview of Barnaby's, 3241 East Shea Boulevard, and we will try not to repeat what is said there.

Barnaby's bears virtually no resemblance to Miss Matty's Attic of years past; the only furnishings surviving the fire are the bar and the back-bar. Everything else is new and reflects the good taste of the owners, Bill Reinke and Sam Seidata of the Forum-Boardwalk, and Bryan Ray. The building is multi-levelled and some of the walls are mirrored, which makes for interesting viewing. No pennies were pinched in creating an atmosphere conducive to dining.

While Bill has noted in his ad that the service is "good", we would disagree and say that it is excellent. The waiters are expertly trained, efficient and friendly, often calling their customers by name.

The Barnaby menu gives you a wide range of items and prices from which to choose. Ranging from \$5.00 to \$14.00, entrees on the dinner menu Chicken Barnaby (Sammy's outstanding creation) to Australian Lobster Tails, Scampi, and of course, Top Sirloin — all wonderful. The sandwich menu is available at lunch and dinner as well. Various specials are also served in the evening. And Bruch is available on Sundays. Barnaby's is open seven days and nights.

So we are becoming fortunate as Gay Phoenix grows up. Not only can we go to Sammy's (Wednesday) Italian feed at the Forum (which is really great, and has been for years), but now there are two really fine restaurants in which we can all get fat! Next time you go out for lunch or dinner, give Aunt Charlie's and Barnaby's a try. You'll like them both, and don't hesitate to tell them where you read about them.

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BRAINS 'n BONES

with Paul Consales

(Ed. Note: During the years The Pride has been serving the community, we have received a number of letters dealing with personal matters that we are not equipped to deal with on a professional level. Those letters, of course, have not been ignored, but rather have been referred to professionals to be dealt with. The topics of these letters and their suggested solutions would be of general interest and help to the community in many cases, since rarely is one problem unique to just one individual. We are very pleased to offer this new column and to welcome Paul Consales to our staff of contributors. Paul is a professional counselor and has helped countless individuals in the community. He is one of our long-time friends, and is one of the newly-elected co-chairpersons of the Alternative Relations Center.

Anyone interested in taking advantage of the services offered by this column, may write to: Brains 'n Bones, c/o The Pride, P.O. Box 9950, Phoenix, Arizona 85068.)

I recently moved to Phoenix from the East. Your city is beautiful, the guys are goodlooking and the bars are nice, but by and large it seems to be very unfriendly. I've always been a bar person, and I've been to most of the bars in Phoenix. I have stood alone all evening and ended up going home alone. Does anyone ever speak to anyone else unless they are a part of what I see as established clics?

Is Phoenix really as unfriendly as it appears, or is it me? In the town I came from, I evolved socially and never had to "break in" cold.

Welcome to Phoenix!

Phoenix is the land of sunshine and good friends; however, relocation to the Valley of the Sun, just as anywhere else, requires a trifocle appraisal of one's self and the environment. Introspective, or self-observation, in conjunction with retrospective, an analysis of the past, and prospective, evaluating the future or "guesstimating" are important mental exercises necessary for your adjustment to a new home as quickly and comfortably as possible.

Undoubtedly you moved here with some degree of preconceived notions and expectations which may or may not be accurate to the reality of your situation. Ultimately, the adjustment rests with you. If your expectations of Phoenix are unreasonable, you are setting yourself up for disappointment. It is unlikely, that you will effect a change in Phoenix to meet your expectations. Retrospectively, recall your reaction to the "new face in town" when you were living



"No, Senator, I told you day care center!"

Back East. How did you react to that person, and why?

It is important that you not be discouraged. Initiate conversations. Your prospective companion will instinctively be attracted by your confidence, warm smile and greeting. The most welcome person is viewed as feeling good about himself, appropriately groomed, and ready to say, "Hi".

On repeated occasions I've given my number out to people at bars and parties. At the time, they've said they will call, but never do. Should I really think they will?

Dear Telephone,

Fortunately, or unfortunately, telephone usage requires at least two persons. It is agreed that while both can dial, it is more reassuring to be called than to do the telephoning. However, you are capable of telephoning, and after a reasonable waiting period, pick up the phone, dial and at a minimum, say, "I missed your call". This statement will provide you with an immediate evaluation source for how the other person really felt or feels now about having taken your phone number. It also provides an opportunity for both of you to decide if your memories are accurate and if you do or do not wish to pursue the acquaintance.

When giving out your phone number, consider establishing a definite time for the call, and who will call who. This removes both parties from the holding pattern and dissolves your distraction from other pursuits. In any event, it is advisable to discriminate in your distribution.



ANTI-SODOMY LAW SOUGHT

SEATTLE (IGNA)—The Mormon police officer who was one of the forces arrayed against Gays in the Initiative 13 fight here has placed before the Legislature a bill attacking sodomy (as defined by the bill's author), child prostitution, and pornography using sodomy.

Although some might say this sounds like three bills, Davis Estes, the officer, insists that these issues are so closely related they should be considered in one bill.

Estes proposes that "persons engaging in acts of sodomy in the state of Washington shall be considered emotionally or mentally disturbed and not criminal."

Although it is not mentioned in the bill itself, according to **GCC Newsletter**, Estes believes that people who engage in acts of sodomy should be given mental health care at state expense, voluntarily if they agree, involuntarily if they do not.

Under section 2 of the bill it would be illegal "for any private individual, agency, group, corporation, business, company or non-profit organization to sell or distribute and/or manufacture, for profit, any material that encourages, advocates or promotes acts of sodomy."

If passed, the bill would forbid any governmental agency or agency that receives government support of any kind from advocating rights for sexual minorities.

Another sweeping section would raise the age of sexual consent to 18 and make it a felony to engage in acts of prostitution with "children."

The reason Estes feels that sodomy, pornography, and child prostitution are linked is that "eighty percent of pornography uses sodomy and forty-year-old men use these pictures to entice youngsters to commit prostitution, and also pornography gives the customers ideas they want to try."

So far the bill has received little support in the legislature.

The next move, according to Estes, is to gather approximately 130,000 signatures and put the measure to a vote of the people in November, 1981.

MISS LIBRA DECISION UPHELD

PHOENIX, AZ. (PNS)—The Arizona Court of Appeals has upheld the manslaughter conviction of Roderick Evans, also known as "Miss Libra"

Evans, a transvestite, had claimed self defense in the shooting death of 19 year old Anthony Lane on May 14, 1978, outside of a Phoenix club.

According to court records, Evans testified that Lane had torn his dress, pulled off his wig, broke his fingernails and high heels, in a fight. Evans, according to testimony, pulled a gun from his purse and shot Lane to death.

METHODISTS AND GAYS

INDIANAPOLIS (PNS)—The United Methodist Church has decided not to ban homosexuals from their ministry. Such matters apparently are to be left to the local-regional decision-making bodies. The governing conference of the church, did, however, reiterate its statement that homosexual practices are "incompatible with Christian teaching."

The issue resulted from the reappointment of The Reverend Paul Abels, as Pastor of the Washington Square Methodist Church in Greenwich Village in 1978.

Action on the subject was taken after the head of the British Conference of the Methodist Church, The Reverend Kenneth Greet, advised the Americans not to "unduly pontificate about homosexuality on the basis of slender knowledge." He questioned why the U.S. church is so absorbed with homosexuality among its clergy, "almost as if some people were seeking a scapegoat for underlying anxieties about the whole subject of human sexuality."

FINDINGS ON HOMOSEXUAL SEDUCTION

by Johannes Werres

KIEL, WEST GERMANY (IGNA)—Three scientists of the University of Kiel have made an investigation of 215 "victims" of so-called homosexual seduction. They searched in court files dating from 1946, and selected 50 cases of boys between 4 and 18 years of age who had been attacked, seduced or approached by older men. The activities involved ranged from touching to mutual masturbation.

The scientists set out to determine any lasting effects on the boys.

The result was to discover that all "victims" are married now. There are no psychopathic patterns of behavior as a consequence of such sexual contacts. Nor is there any sense of fixation to homosexual behavior.

The results of this study by Krohn, Freyschmidt, and Wille were published in the scientific monthly **Beitrage Zur Gerichtlichen Medizin**, out of Vienna, Vol. XXXVI, 1979.

As a consequence of their study, these scientists have asked all lawyers and judges not to use the term "seduction" in court any longer if they mean that sexual contacts can make one homosexual for life. "This is untrue," they claim.

A GAY WESTERN WEEKEND

SANTA BARBARA, CAL. (IGNA)—Jane Fonda and Tom Hayden were hosts at a "Gay Western Weekend" at their 200-acre Laurel Springs Ranch, a mountain-top spread outside Santa Barbara. The weekend-long party was a political fund-raiser for the Campaign for Economic Democracy founded by Hayden and his wife to foster cooperation between the citizen activist organization and the Gay community.

Forty Gay males paid \$50 each for three days and two nights featuring a hoe-down, barbecue, softball, swimming and hiking. Sam Hurst, the CED staff director described the 1 to 2 million homosexual voters living in California as "an emerging political constituency" and the party as part of "an on-going attempt to build a political relationship with a respected constituency." Hurst said CED works closely with the Gay Community Service Center of Los Angeles.

JERRY BROWN APPOINTS SECOND GAY JUDGE

LOS ANGELES (IGNA)—Governor Jerry Brown has appointed Randy Shrader, 34-year-old Gay activist and assistant Los Angeles City Attorney as judge of the Superior Court of that city. He is the second openly Gay judge to be appointed in the last six months.

Shrader is president of the Gay Community Service Center of Hollywood and a board member of MECLA, Municipal Elections Committee of Los Angeles, an affluent Gay group dedicated to placing Gays and their supporters into public office.

"Being Gay is not going to make me a better judge — and it's not going to make me a worse judge," Shrader said in a press interview. "I think it freed me. It gave me more energy because I don't use it to hide the fact that I'm Gay. You pay a price when you do — and I won't do that." He added that despite discrimination Gay people often encounter, "It hasn't hindered my career. I have managed to be judged by the work I do as a lawyer. And I'm more than willing to stand on that."

In September, Stephen Lachs became the nation's first openly Gay judge when Brown appointed him to the Los Angeles Superior Court bench.

THE HAPPY LESBIAN

TUCSON, ARIZONA (IGNA)—Betty Berzon is a happy woman. She has finally emerged, like a butterfly, from 20 years of therapy that sought to cure her homosexuality. Not, of course, that the "cure" took. Homosexuality, she observes, is not a disease. No, what she finally shook off was the need for therapy itself — and a husband. And a lifetime of gut-churning about her "condition".

Now, as a clinical psychologist in Los Angeles, with an all-Gay practice, the 51-year-old former Tucsonian is writing, lecturing and counseling Gay men and women, trying to help them feel good and courageous about being Gay. This is pioneering work. Her practice is rare. "Prior to about five years ago, the usual approach of counselors, whether Gay or non-Gay themselves, was to either try to convert their patients to heterosexuality, or help them compromise by making an adjustment to this undesirable state of being Gay," she says. "Either way, the message was the same: 'You are a lesser person than those who don't have this affliction'."

Ms. Berzon said this attitude is still the prevailing one among non-Gay therapists today. So she is working to spread the opposing point of view. She was in Tucson as featured speaker at the Gay Students' Organization's first annual "Gay Fest", held at the University of Arizona. She spoke on the art of being "positively Gay" — the title of a 1979 book she edited. She conducted an experimental workshop to help Lesbians and Gay men to better understand what they expected in relationships with lovers.

"In my very early adolescence I had probably a very typical experience. I was aware of a particular attraction to women — to my friends and sometimes my teachers. And I knew there was something wrong with this, but I didn't understand it. Also fairly typical, I went to the library to learn what I could. I remember one book — *Psychopathia Sexualis* — and I need go no further than the title to describe it. Another was *The Well of Loneliness*, a classical written in 1928 about a Lesbian love affair — with a sad ending.

"So after I had spent all this time reading that I was sick and immoral, I knew that one: I certainly had better not tell anyone about these feelings, and two: I certainly had better not do anything with them."

Through high school she went out on regular dates, playing the role that was expected of her. After graduation, she went to Stanford — and there, living in a dorm, found several women who "knew all about homosexuality, and were interested in advancing my education. That scared me to death, but at least it helped me to understand that this part of my makeup was more important than I previously supposed."

She dropped out of college and went to live for a year in Greenwich Village, "trying to be Gay". But the Lesbian community there thought she was merely cute and waif-like and took her on as a kind of mascot. It took her a return to Arizona before she had her first Gay sexual experience. That first Gay affair lasted a year, and disgusted her so much she leaped into conventional marriage and those 20 years of therapy.

Ms. Berzon's story is poignant, precisely because it is not unusual. Many of her patients today, she says, are middle-aged Lesbians just like her. Conditioned from early childhood to recoil at the thought of homosexuality, they have repressed their real sexual nature to get married, live in the suburbs and drive their kids to soccer practice — and live in secret, constant grief. She encourages them to come out of hiding, "I think Gay people should be Gay," she says simply.

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