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FROM THE MOUTH OF THE DRAGON



Here it is, my second column, and I still have a few friends left, even after penning the first one.

- What drag queen, currently employed at the Casa, floundered around on the floor like a Lavender Porpoise? So I was told, this was due to the slippery stage—but perhaps it was just one shot too many, right Moose?

- I understand the pie in the face routine of Miss Goldberg's caused said slippery floor...

One wonders why such a talented performer as Cissy has resorted to such outmoded, slapstick comedy as pies in the face and so forth...

Perhaps you should get back to ringing those bells, my dear...

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ABOUT THOSE NEW LAWS

The following article is reprinted courtesy of the Arizona Civil Liberties Union and concerns all of us regarding the Proposed law changes within the State Legislature of Arizona.

THE PRESENT LAW

Under the present Arizona Law, there is no law specifically prohibiting homosexual conduct. Instead, there are two statutes under which a person could be prosecuted for homosexual or heterosexual conduct: The crime against nature statute (sodomy or anal sexual conduct), and the statute prohibiting lewd and lascivious acts (oral sexual conduct). The penalties under the present sodomy statute range from five to twenty years, or from five years to life (mandatory minimum of five years) if the "infamous crime against nature" is committed with a child under 15 years of age. Under the lewdness statute the sentence for such an act with an adult is one to five years, or five years to life (mandatory minimum of five years) for such an act committed upon or with a child under fifteen years old. All conduct under these statutes is classified as a felony. (See ARS 13-651 and 13-652). A person committing such acts can be convicted regardless of consent. The crimes are not clearly defined but have generally been held to mean anal or oral sexual conduct.

THE PROPOSED CODE: Comparison

Under the proposed Criminal Code, there are no sodomy or lewdness statutes. In their place is a thorough set of definitions of sexual (anal or other) intercourse and oral sexual contact, and a provision that homosexual contact would be a Class 1 misdemeanor with a maximum sentence of 1 year plus a \$10,000 fine. The definition of the offense is that, "a person commits homosexual conduct by intentionally or

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DISCO SCENE

As February slides in, we enter into the month of love and valentines. . .

Starting February 1, there will be a new hours policy at MOON'S TRUCK, with after-hours every night of the week, except Sunday until one a.m. Naturally, we'll still be open til three a.m. on the weekends.

We will also be featuring a first for Phoenix, this month--The Sunday Tea Dance. It will be held one Sunday afternoon each month and will be comprised of music by audience request.

February will be a month of changes for MOON'S TRUCK. In case you were unaware, Bob Rabe, a longtime friend of Phoenix, is now managing

the club. We are also in the process of remodeling. As you've probably noticed, our entrance is now under construction, and shortly the back bar will be redecorated with a lounge atmosphere. Hours will be from two in the afternoon on through MOON'S TRUCK after-hours.

I would like to take this opportunity to congratulate Debby Lane for her Rolling Stone Records Store in Tower Plaza being awarded THE disco music outlet for the state of Arizona by Dischotekin, Cash Box and Disco Play Sheet in California. All of you should take the time to check Debby out, if we play it, she's got it...

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For all of the years we have in this life and for all of the things we do while in this plane of existence, we can usually count our "significant events" on our right hand. . .and maybe have a thumb left over. Significant events? You know, the "wow" times when this crazy world, or a piece of it, seems to get a little clearer. Some call these "mountain top" experiences. I guess they often happen there but they can happen most anywhere *if we let them*. They are the real "highs". Sometimes these are called natural highs; mine might even be called by some: supernatural.

One of mine happened, not on a mountain, but in a canyon. This was a very ancient and sacred spot where we stood one cool spring evening. In our ears was the rumble of the water falling some 200 feet over the edge of the canyon. Behind us we could "feel" the presence of the horses. Standing there in a meditative stance I could feel the wind blowing hot and cold on my body. It was as if we were caught in the middle of a struggle between the winds of winter and summer as to who was going to own the canyon. From feeling the wind I then crossed the magic threshold into actually being the wind. I could now sail around the mighty canyon walls but I did not really know that I was the wind until I felt myself surround and lift up a white feathery like object which man calls "Owl". He beat his wings against me as he lifted ever higher up and out of the canyon. Suddenly, I felt a sinking feeling as I dropped quite hard to the ground. I was standing in an ancient power circle placed there by those who had gone before me. And he was now standing before me I turned and he said, "I just had a beautiful experience. I was transformed into an Owl and carried high up the canyon walls by the wind." I turned to him and said, "You may call me Mariah. . .I was the wind."

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ABOUT THOSE NEW LAWS

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knowingly engaging in sexual intercourse or oral sexual contact with a person of the same sex." (Proposed Code, S. 13-1402, 13-1403)

The Proposed Code no longer makes it a crime for such persons of the opposite sex (or animals) to engage in private sexual intercourse or conduct (except under certain conditions, such as adultery, sexual conduct or contact with a minor, sexual assault). On the other hand, the Proposed Code specifies in detail and prohibits private consensual sexual conduct between persons of the same sex.

While the present statute under which persons can be convicted for oral or anal sexual conduct carry penalties of over one year, the proposed code makes homosexual conduct a Class 1 misdemeanor and provides a maximum sentence of one year.

INFORMATION CONCERNING YOUR LEGISLATIVE DISTRICTS AND NAMES OF LEGISLATORS CAN BE FOUND INSIDE THIS ISSUE.

FROM THE MOUTH OF THE DRAGON

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- Speaking of Cissy—where was your husband, along with the ever beautiful, glamorous, talented, I may vomit, Joanne's husband the fifteenth of this month?

I understand the Police Department frowns on Smoking Up, especially outside one of our leading Gay Bars.

Did the handcuffs go with what you were wearing, George. . . ?

- I've been informed that Miss Reed is unemployed again. One wonders if she really is a No-Show at rehearsals, or if she just ATE her way out of her drag costumes.

- Are you ready for this one—Joanne, who will do anything for a laugh, hit a friend's car head on in the alley behind that place on 16th Street with her car in the Drag Race—no pun intended—Of Death.

- It appears that Moose has a problem staying upright these days...

Now it seems that she passed out at the Forum the other evening and had to be brought home by friends. Blame that on a slippery floor, dear. . .

- I might add at this point, that said friends, knowing Moose's fondness for corned beef, fed her KalKan in a Dog Food Sandwich instead of corned beef!!

My dear, with friends like that who needs enemies...

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ON BECOMING AN INDIVIDUAL

"Who am I" or better yet, "Who are We?"

We are Gay.

And being gay can mean several things to each of us. But, more importantly, what about "us" as a collective group? What does it mean to be a part of the gay community?

Unfortunately, since coming to Phoenix and involving myself in the gay community I have observed an extreme lack of individuality among its members. Consequently, I feel the gay community as a whole lacks positive individuality. Thus, the unfair stereotypes which the straight world has so indiscriminantly assigned to each of us as individuals and all of us as a whole, are perpetuated.

Perhaps the best example of this dilemma can be easily observed in our local drinking establishments on any evening when a fairly large crowd has gathered. Stand back and listen to the various conversations that are going on around you and then think about what you are hearing—really hearing. Do these conversations have any great depth? Do they truly represent the "individuals" who are participating? Is the content of these conversations constructive or does it represent all those negative

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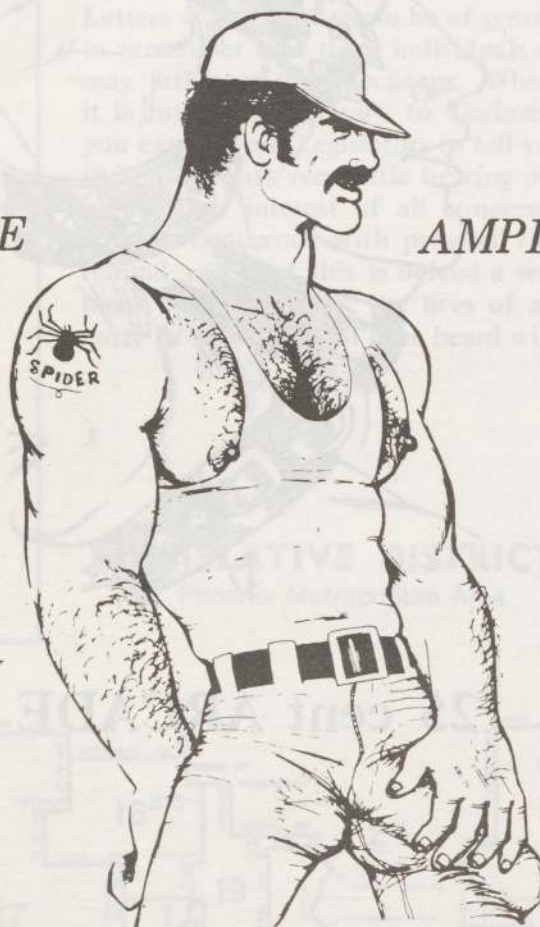
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DISCO SCENE

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Since I've been receiving so many requests regarding the discs we're spinning, I thought I would list them here as new products you've been hearing and inquiring about. First of all, one of the most exciting cuts to hit the Valley to date is, "Love in C Minor" by the Heart and Soul Orchestra on Cassablanca Records. Other new music includes the new George McCrae LP, "Diamond Touch" the Trammps' tremendous new LP "Disco Inferno" Loletta Holloway's LP, "Loleatta" and the new Ritchie Family's LP "Life is Music" from Pyramid Records (my all-time love), D. C. Larue's "The Tea Dance" from Motown, the new G. C. Cameron LP and the incredible new Originals' LP "Down to Love Town" and the Jerry Butler LP for you R & B freaks, there's Syreeta's new LP, "One to One".

Some really good 45s you can pick up are: "For Elsie" by the Philharmonics, "Elevator" by Joanne Spain, "Call It Love" by the Softones, and "Tattoo Man" by Denise McCann.

For now, that's the hottest stuff out, I could go on forever about the new sounds, but since I'm running out of writing room, I'd better tie this off.

See you down at the club and in next months issue of the PRIDE.

JAKKI, DJ

SOMETHING YOU CAN DO...

ABOUT THOSE NEW LAWS...

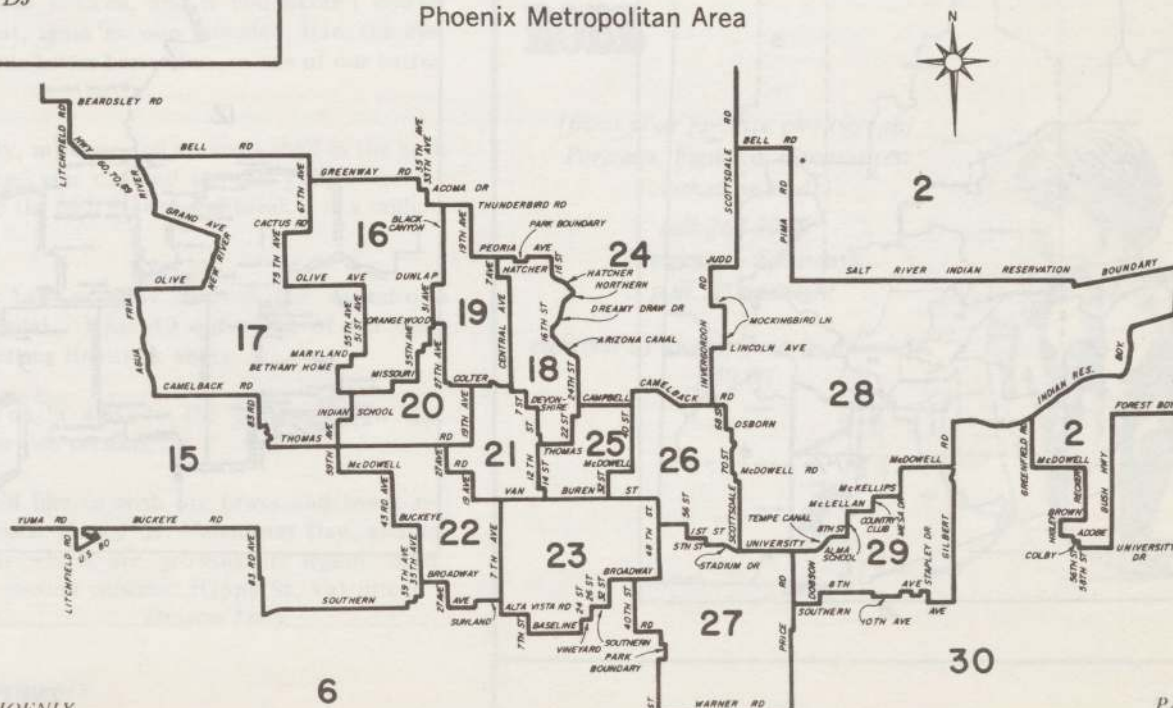
In an effort to better inform our readers about the legislation currently pending in our State Legislature, we are printing here the names and addresses of our local Legislators, so that you may more readily be able to voice your own personal opinion to them regarding the proposed changes. The maps are included so that you may identify just which Senators and Representatives and which district apply to you.

Letters to Legislators can be of great value at such a time. But it is wise to remember that these individuals do have personal convictions which may influence their decisions. When you do write to your Legislator, it is totally unnecessary to disclose your own sexual identity (would you expect your Legislators to tell you in a letter of their sexual identity?). This has very little bearing on the matter. Rather, it would be in the best interest of all concerned to identify yourself as a constituent concerned with personal rights and the rights of privacy. We remind you that this is indeed a serious matter, and one which could most certainly affect the lives of all of us in Arizona. So, let your voice be heard, but let it be heard with dignity.

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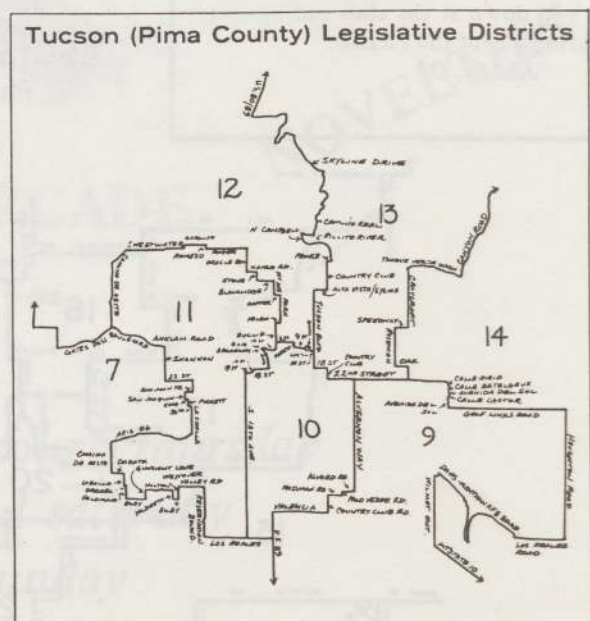
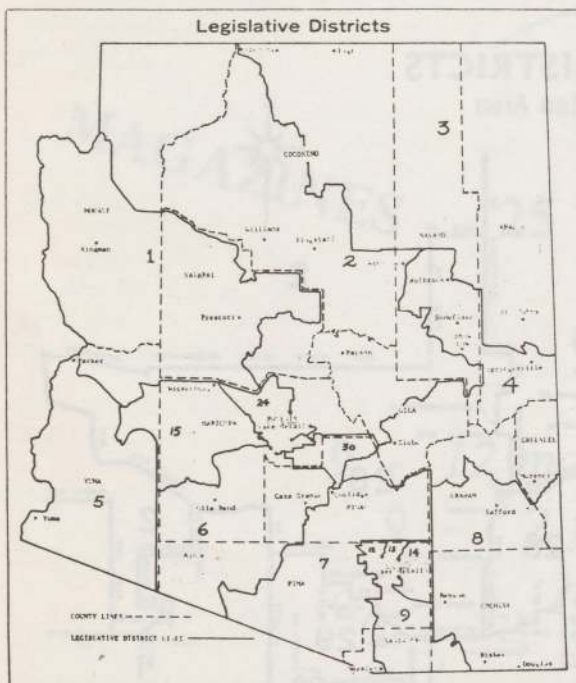
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**BE SURE TO REFER TO THESE PROPOSED LAWS
BY NUMBER. . . THEY ARE:**
HOUSE BILL: 2055 Number 13-1402
SENATE BILL: 1020 Number 13-1403

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SOSSAMAN, JAMES (R) REP.



FROM THE MOUTH OF THE DRAGON

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- For those of you who have not been informed by the Goldberg, from the stage, the 15th was a rather eventful evening for me.

I was, I mean, are you ready for this, me arrested for a DWI. So, since I'm still in litigation, I may be penning my next months column from the Slammer!

- One wonders when Miss Bette Davis will grace the stage again. . . Seems like Miss Davis has branched out in business. Among her other talents, she now repairs faulty air conditioners in the A. M.

But I'd advise anyone calling on Miss Davis for this service—please have a first aid kit handy, as a fall from Roof to Cement plays hell with Miss Davis' physical appearance. Especially if she's had one too many. Right, Buddy?

- I don't often say I'm sorry—I mean after all, who has ever heard of a SORRY DRAGON??? Well, here goes. . .

I recently caused a very kind, gentle and together person, pardon me, I may vomit again, a very bad moment in time. . .

For the scene which I caused in your home and yard the other night, this dragon publicly asks forgiveness. And thank you, for not throwing in the towel, and for still beleiving in me as a human being.

Thank you, Mr. Murry.

- Has anyone noticed, and if you haven't you're blind as a bat, again no pun intended, Dan, the eye on one of your better bartenders, in one of our better Gay Bars. . .

I mean, really, my dear, fell against a shelf in the back room...Perhaps you can tell us--did you, or someone else drop the cash drawer and break it in a million pieces?

- Lavender Lane recently took on the aspect of a General Hospital. What 13 out of 15 of our dear friends are getting Hepititus shots. . .

All due, I might add, to the negligence on the part of one or two persons. . .

In closing, I'd like to wish my fewer and fewer remaining friends, Happy St. Valentines Day, and to my enemies, which are growing in legion, after penning my second column...Happy St. Valentines Day, too.....*Dragon Lady*.....

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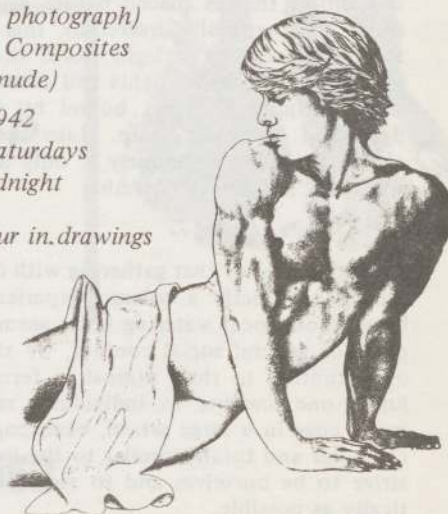
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ON BECOMING AN INDIVIDUAL

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stereotyped labels that the straight world continues to throw at us? With just a bit of earnest thought the answers to these questions are quite painfully clear.

As I have tried to analyze this situation I have come up with one general train of thought. It seems that each of us in our great zest to escape that isolated closet and become a member of the group (i. e., the gay community), has sacrificed those essential parts of our personality which makes each of us first, and most importantly, individuals, gay or straight. How often do we knowingly find ourselves caught up in modes of behavior that are absolutely contrary to our own personalities? Yet, we continue to operate in this foreign manner because we feel that the "group" expects and/or demands this behavior. We find ourselves "camping" beyond the point of personal, inner comfort and gossiping about unimportant matters and inconsequential people. Outwardly we may appear to be, or think we are, comfortable with the group. Yet, inwardly we feel cramped and unable to express ourselves for fear of rejection. The entire process takes on a tone reminiscent of adolescent paranoia over peer acceptance. Do we wish seriously to constantly function in a group which demands adolescent behavior? . . . I think not.

Because our sexual preference dictates that we choose members of the same sex as partners does not mean we must negatively alter our personalities or life styles. Being gay does not have to mean that each of us must behave in a manner which is personally uncomfortable, nor does it mean that we must go out of our way to match the expectations of others who happen to share the same general sexual preference.

Being gay *does* mean that each of us has an obligation to develop those aspects of our personalities which represent strength, maturity and the ability to project pride, a general awareness of being human beings first. We are all aware of the daily opposition that is placed before gay people and in order to eventually overcome this opposition we must convince the straight world that we are individuals, capable of thoughts and actions that are positively unique and not bound by the stereotyped dogma of our own group. Like the old proverbial chain, the gay community is only as strong as its weakest "individual" member.

This is not to say that gathering with other gay people should be strictly a solemn experience. However, because our local watering holes seem to be the only place of general social contact, we should use these opportunities to their utmost in terms of getting to know one another as individuals rather than just being cogs in a large wheel, each cog being void of character and totally similar to the next. We should strive to be ourselves and to view others as authentically as possible.

RDR.....

joanne's dressing- room

We have reached an all-time low in the entertainment field with pies in the face, basketballs for bossoms and fuzzy house slippers in place of high heels. The Goldberg actually agreed to take a pie in her beautiful face and it was probably the high-point of MY career. I'm not too thrilled however, about having to wear pink basketballs to improve my figure.

We have been fortunate lately in being able to present Miss WooWoo to the Phoenix-Casa crowd, and she has always been the sparkle of the show as needed. I hope we can keep her--besides the Indian Bread, although fattening, is divine.

Phoenix had a treat last week with the presence of Big John from Vegas and a funnier lady we never met. Missed all of her performances but the show backstage was hysterical. I haven't laughed so much since Black Berry was here last. Thanks, Big John, and come back soon.

We are expecting Ivory this coming weekend. Phoenix loves her and we'll be glad to see her (as of this writing she is here and as funny as ever).

Bill and Sam have informed me that the fabulous Daffney Davis will return soon for another weekend with a new cast of characters. She is probably the most talented lady we have seen on the Casa stage. If you missed her last time, do yourself a

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THE CLUB PHOENIX CELEBRATES FOURTH ANNIVERSARY

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FRIDAYS	Cissy Goldberg Show (9:30 to 1)
SATURDAYS	Beer Bust in the Afternoon (Feb 13 on) Cissy Goldberg Show (9:30 to 1)
SUNDAYS	Stan's Brunch (12 p.m. to 3 p.m.) Cissy Goldberg Show (9:30 to 1)

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MONDAYS	Beer Bust (9 p.m. to 12 p.m.)
WEDNESDAYS	Half Price Drinks with Casa Steak Fry Stamp
THURSDAYS	Booze Bash (from 9 p.m.)
SUNDAYS	Disco from 3 p.m. on

MOON's TRUCK(9 p.m. to 1 a.m., except Friday & Saturday)
DISCO NIGHTLY

TUESDAYS	Beer Bust (9 p.m. to 1 a.m.)
FRIDAYS	Disco After Hours (Cover)
SATURDAYS	Disco After Hours (Cover)

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MONDAYS	Beer Bust (9 p.m. to 1 a.m.)
SATURDAYS	Pool Tournament (from 2 p.m.)
SUNDAYS	Brunch (Noon to 4 p.m.)

DIAMOND LIL's
(4 p.m. to 1 a.m.)

THURSDAYS	Beer Bust (9 p.m. to 12 p.m.)
FRIDAYS	Bucket of Booze (9 p.m. to 1 a.m.)
SUNDAYS	Beer Bust (9 p.m. to 1 a.m.)

SPORTSMAN's LOUNGE
(12 to 1 a.m.)

WEDNESDAYS	Beer Bust (9 p.m. to 12 p.m.)
FRIDAYS	After Hours, No Cover
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SATURDAYS	Disco with Show from 10 p.m.
SUNDAYS	Free Buffet (4 to 6 p.m.)

In The Valley *Continued*

THE CONNECTION

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MONDAYS	Pitcher Night (9 p.m. to 12 p.m.)
TUESDAYS	Margarita Night (9 p.m. to 12 p.m.)
WEDNESDAYS	Beer Bust (9 p.m. to 12 p.m.)
THURSDAYS	Bare Chest Night (9 p.m. to 12 p.m.)
SUNDAYS	Mixed Drinks 50 cents, Beer 25 cents

TALK OF THE TOWN

February 14 – 18 WASTED WEEK
10–7 Well Drinks 65 cents, Beer 35 cents

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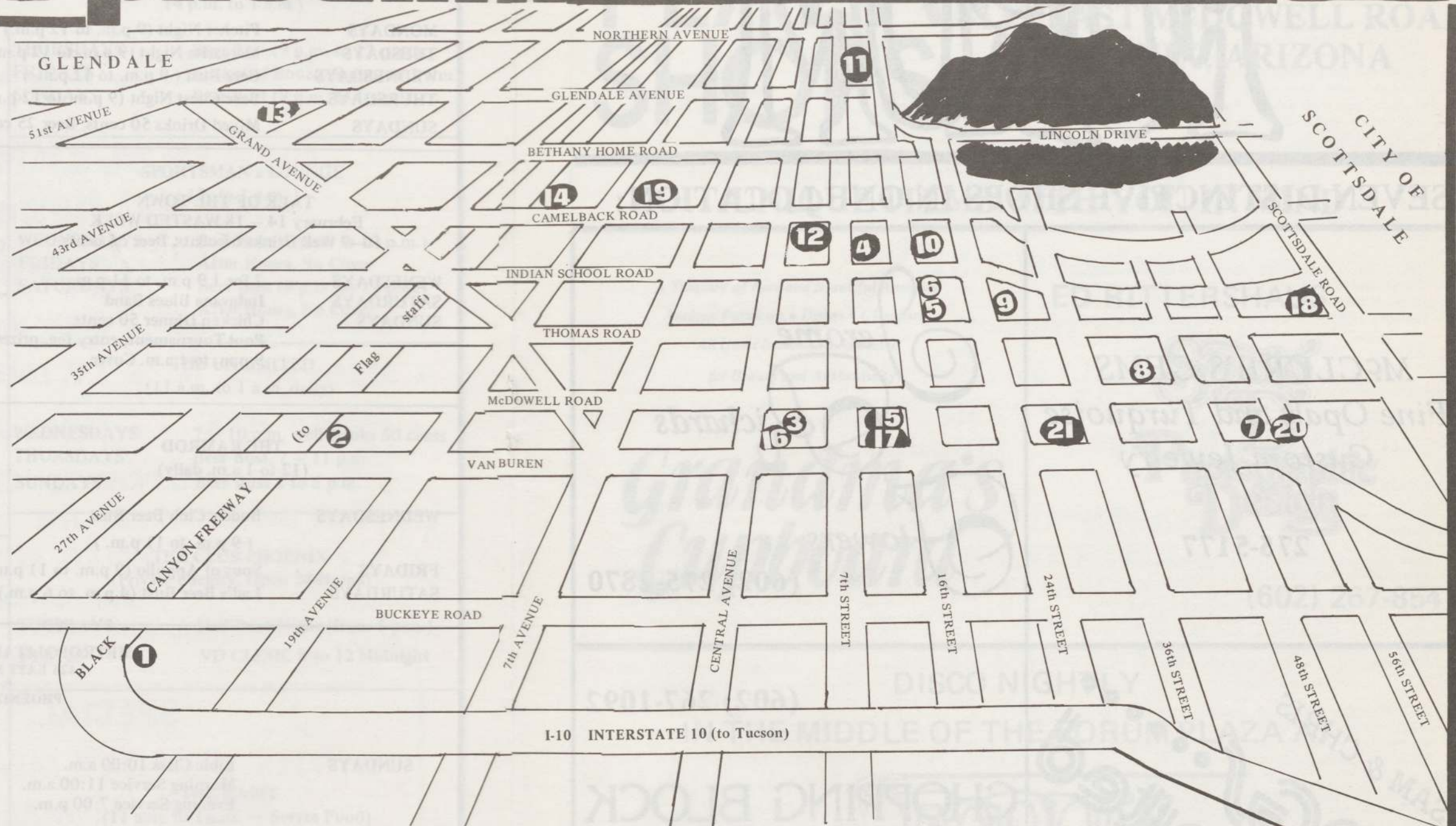
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WIND from 21 West is that it is closed. Really a shame too—cause the kids put on a great show, but they had a pretty tough nut to crack when the sound and lights were against them and they had to compete with the clatter of dirty dishes being dropped five feet away. The service wouldn't win any awards either although the food was excellent as was the Scotch. Sorry Cass, Ebony, Danny and Bobby Jo, but I understand you're going on tour here in town. Keep us posted and break a leg.

Rumor has it that DL's show is returning, but haven't heard who what when or how. Somebody give me a buzz.

Yes, folks, I celebrated my eighth 25th birthday. Thank you all for the lovely gift and good wishes. Lucy, thanks for the nicest birthday party I have ever had. Beautiful dinner and my family. Love you.

See you next month. Keep smiling. . . Joanne

...Editor's Notes...

So much to do, and so little time!

With this second issue of THE PRIDE we have more than doubled in size thanks to our columnists and advertisers. Thank you all! If anyone is interested in writing a column please contact me at Canyon News. We are interested and want all kinds of opinions and information.

Our community is faced with an atrocity, that being Bill Number 1020 of the Revised Criminal Code, information about which is contained in this issue. We have to get together and do something. It is our personal lives they are threatening, and no one is going to help us but us.

GET INVOLVED!!!

The ADVOCATE recently ran an article on Arizona, titled, FEAR AND FAITH IN ARIZONA. Everyone should read this article. If you cannot find a copy, write to THE PRIDE and we will see that you get one.

Congratulations to Fernando, newly elected Emperor of Tucson. I hope the Court will take an active part in the fight against the Revised Criminal Code. This is a most urgent problem.

I recently returned from a short tour of Southern California where Cissy Goldberg and Mickey Turner did a live show at Diablo's in San Diego. The show was a smashing success. Hope to see more of the same kind of entertainment in our valley. Keep up the good work, Cissy and Mickey.

It is our wish to keep THE PRIDE a viable communication media for our community. We need your help to make it grow. If we all work together we can make 1977 a year for gaining back our human rights and preserving our dignity.

...Lou

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Let me introduce myself. I'm the LOVE BUG! I'm called by many names: Syphilis, Gonorrhea, Herpes Simplex II, Mollescum Contagiasum, L.G.V. Chancroid, Pediculosis Puhis (Crabs), Scabies, Condyloma Accuminata. The one thing we all have in common is we are all acquired through sex.

Let's consider the most popular of my sisters: Gonorrhea. . .

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From the blood stream I love the joints of the body. Usually, if I settle in any joints you will have symptoms of arthritis. If I like one joint, usually the wrist, elbow, hip or knee, the joint becomes sore, swollen and locks in position within 48-hours.

I like the rectal area best. I'm usually confused with hemorrhoids. You may feel a little itching and later a frothy gray mucous is evident on your bowel movement. I usually like to give a slight short fever-like feeling and a general blah feeling along with an upset stomach.

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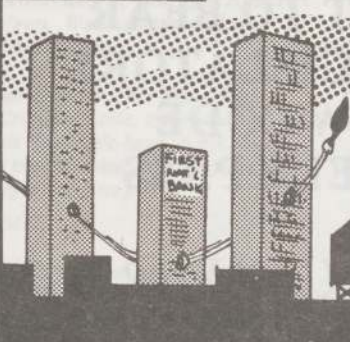


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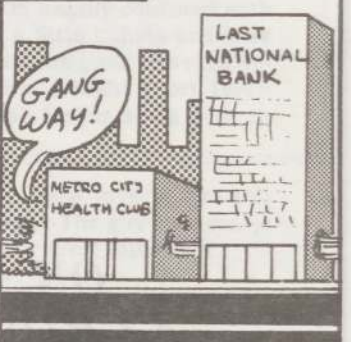
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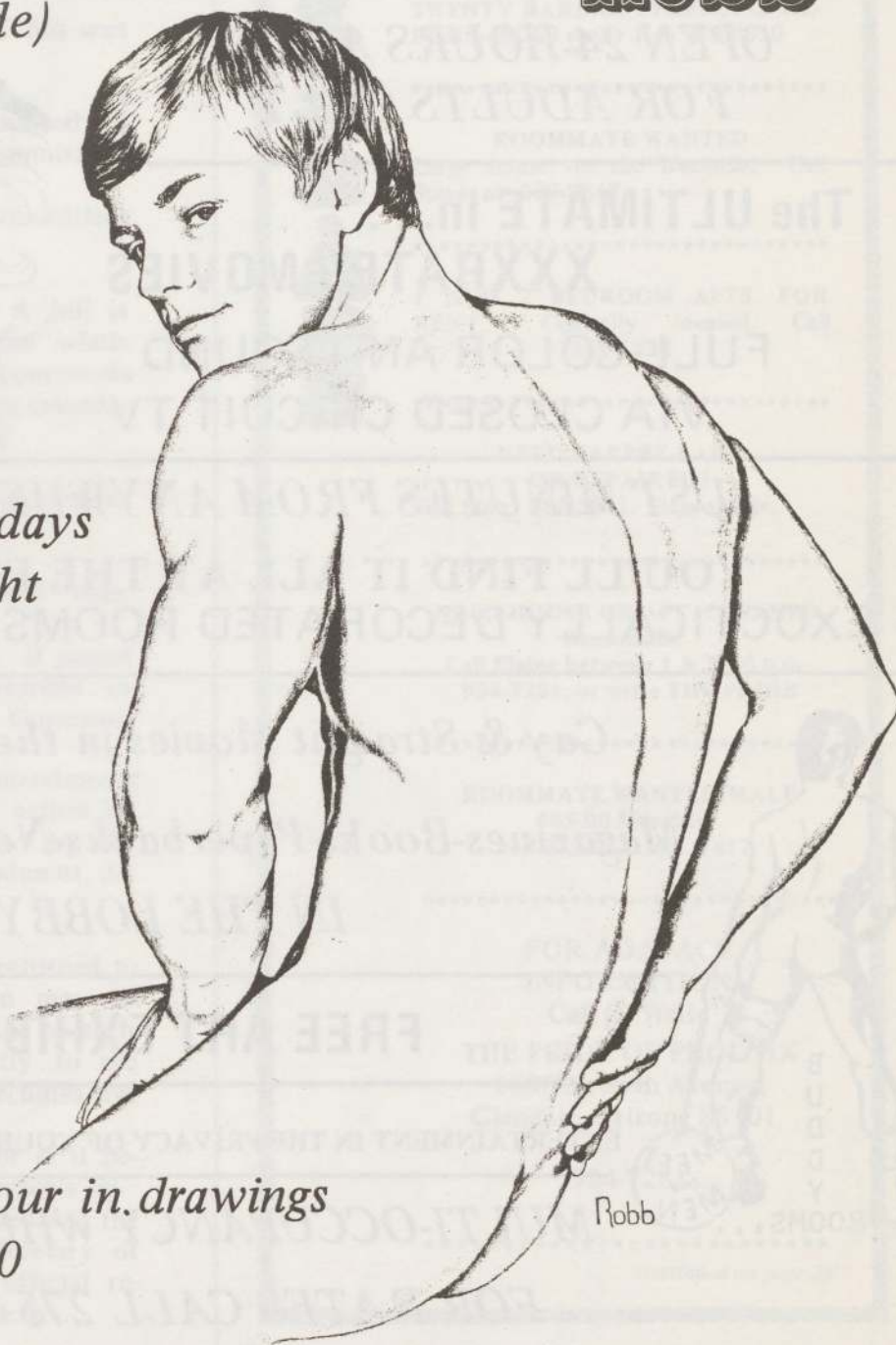
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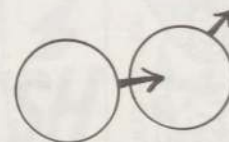
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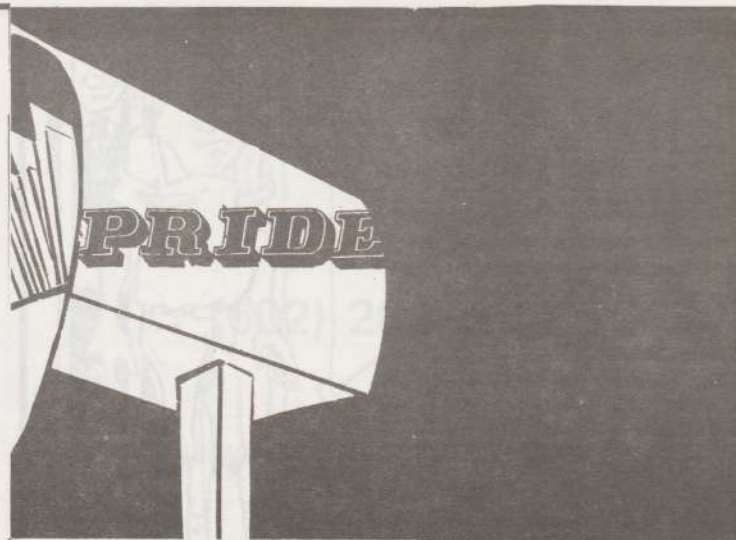
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We're pleased too, and are confident that future issues will get better and better.

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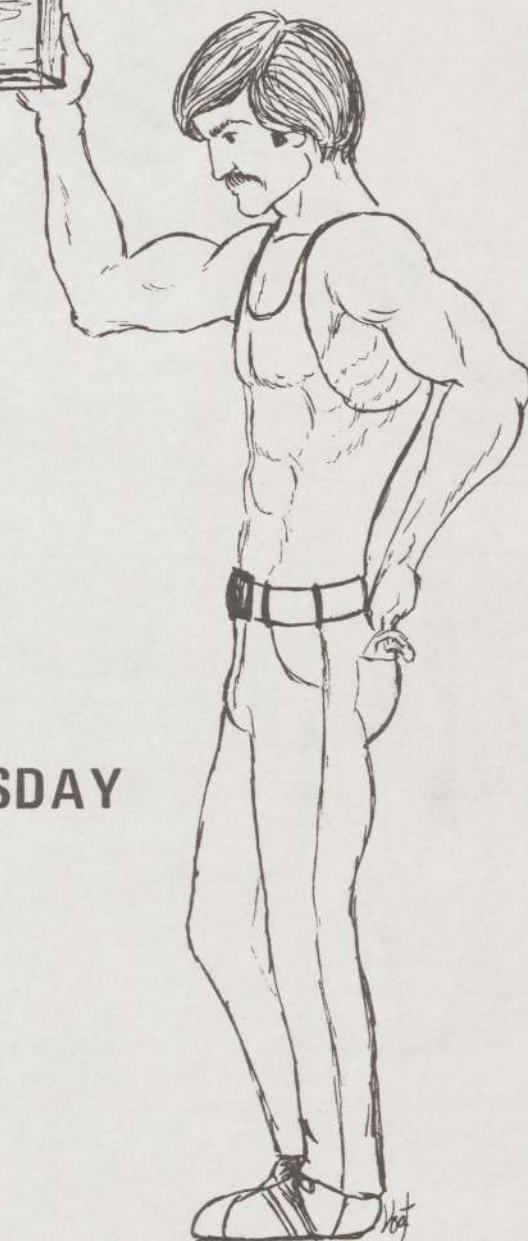
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