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CHARLES PIERCE QUAKES THE CASTRO THEATER

KOLD-TV

to present rebuttal

TUCSON - Four members of the Tucson Gay Community will appear this Sunday, May 18 in the first of two rebuttals to the nationally televised CBS-TV program "Gay Power - Gay Politics." Appearing on the show will be Beverly Ginn, a local attorney, Gary Clark representing the Arizona Gay News, Bill North a local businessman and Ann Yellott, Tucson Center for Women and Children.

The pre-taped show, hosted by Deborah St. George presents a very positive view of Gay life with the dialogue extremely upfront and positive. The original CBS-TV show's tape was not available at the time of taping this first show show all four persons have been invited back to do a more in-depth viewpoint of "Gay Power-Gay Politics." The first show will air on KOLD-TV, Channel 13 in Tucson at 3:30 p.m. this Sunday, May 18.

Carter backers woo Gay votes

WASHINGTON, D.C. - Key supporters of President Carter have called on the Democratic Party to make a stronger appeal to Gay voters in order to re-elect the President this fall. The call came from Robert B. Washington, Jr., of Washington, D.C., and Herbert P. Rickman of New York City in testimony before the Democratic Platform Committee in Baltimore, Md. Mr. Washington is the country's only black Democratic State Chairman and is a member of the Executive Committee of the Democratic National Committee. Mr. Rickman is special assistant to Mayor Ed Koch and former executive director of the New York State Democratic Committee.

Washington said of the Gay community, "President Carter is going to need the support of a lot of different constituencies to get re-elected in November, and I think this is an important one. . . I know from our experience in Washington they work and make financial contributions." Rickman cited the growth of Gay political strength in cities around the country and warned, "Unless the Democratic Party reaches out to millions and millions of Gay Americans who are now part and parcel of this party. . . I think that Gay Americans will stay at home come November and that would be a terrible tragedy." He said that "The special outreach of Senator Kennedy to the Gay community" had been an important factor in President Carter's New York Primary defeat.

Both Rickman and Washington called on the Democratic Party to adopt a strong Gay rights plank, with particular emphasis on prohibiting discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation by the Federal government. The Federal government still denies visas to foreigners, discharges members of the Armed Forces and fires non-Civil Service employees - solely because such people are homosexual. Both men praised the progress made by the Carter administration on Gay rights, but said that more needed to be done. Their testimony was presented as part of the year-long effort of the National Convention Project to win adoption of Gay Rights Planks in the Democratic and Republican parties.

Washington march draws

WASHINGTON, D.C. (GCN) - A reported 200,000 evangelical Christians gathered on the Mall here on Tuesday, April 29, to participate in a march and rally called "Washington for Jesus." (AGN April 18). Originally several organizers had announced they would issue a "Declaration of Christian Principles," which called on America to "repent of conduct contrary to the purposes for which it was founded and hear the commandment of the Word of God." As examples of such "contrary conduct," the declaration cited homosexuality, divorce, pornography, fornication and "humanism." Organi-

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SAN FRANCISCO - The Lesbian Chorus gives its concert outside the Castro Theater after walking out on the Charles Pierce show. (Photo by Rink - Courtesy B.A.R.)

by Paul Lorch

SAN FRANCISCO (BAR) - Charles Pierce, world renowned male actress, returned to San Francisco on the 74th anniversary of the 1906 earthquake. Pierce agreed to headline a mid-night show at the Castro theater; the show was a fundraiser to help retire Harry Britt's campaign debt. Britt is a Supervisor who took Harvey Milk's seat following his assassination. On the bill with Mr. Pierce was organist David Kelsey and the San Francisco Lesbian Chorus. Pierce was midway through his routine when he triggered a few tremors of his own. The Lesbian Chorus, numbering some 60 singers were seated in the audience awaiting their turn on stage. Mr. Pierce had done Carol Channing, Mae West and was in the midst of his famous Bette Davis number.

Several times he chided the grouped Lesbians who were seated on his right to loosen up, to laugh, to enjoy the night. A joke over a weather vane was greeted by hisses from the Lesbian contingent. Not to be undone, Pierce took up the challenge. With that, singly and in pairs, the Chorus stood up and filed out of the theater. Alan White, producer of the midnight "celebration of a milestone in San Francisco's history," said that the Chorus had been scheduled to sing four songs, two of which were about the 1906 quake. White was aware that the Chorus members were having trouble with Pierce's act from the start. During Pierce's performance, members were conferring in the lobby. Looking back over the evening, White dealt with it somewhat philosophically. "We billed it as an earthshaking evening with Charles Pierce," he mused, "and other surprises...the night certainly lived up to its advance billing."

Charles Pierce, when contacted at his hotel suite the next day, told the BAR that he was amazed and saddened by the Chorus' behavior. He said, "I am really disappointed that they didn't sing. I was looking forward to their music. We were all deprived of their artistry...." Pierce continued, "What caused it all?" He mused, "I sensed that the Lesbian Chorus was slightly jarred by my appearance - as a glamorous woman on stage, in sequined gown and jewelry. Was I, a man, too much of an illusionary woman for the Lesbian Chorus? For over 25 years," continued Pierce, "I've been sending up everybody and everything - that is until last night when my satire, based on the human condition, confused and aggravated the Chorus as a group. Should I have been reading Keats or Shelley or would they have me plunking a guitar in a folk dress with long stringy hair? No, my following wouldn't have been there if I changed to appease some group. They know over the years the content," Pierce concluded, "that's why they came."

News Briefs

NO MORE HANDCUFFS IN N.Y.C.

NEW YORK, NY (GCN) - Mayor Edward Koch has signed into law a bill prohibiting unauthorized possession of handcuffs here. The *New York Times* reports that before members of the city's auxiliary police force massed before the signing to speak in opposition to the handcuff law, which would prohibit possession of handcuffs by anyone except police officers, military personnel and auxiliary police officers while on duty. Auxiliary officers contended they would not be able to help the police or make citizen's arrests while off-duty without handcuffs. The *Times* report did not mention whether frequenters of leather bars testified against the bill.

ADAM AND YVES ON ABC?

HOLLYWOOD, CA (GCN) - ABC insists there is no truth to the claims by the Rev. Donald E. Wildmon that, as a result of pressure applied by his National Federation for Decency, the network will not air "Adam and Yves," a proposed program featuring two Gay male lovers that was to be produced for ABC by Danny Arnold and Chris Hayward.

Hollywood columnist Marilyn Beck reports that a network spokesperson says that there is no pilot for the film "Adam and Yves." The spokesperson told Beck that the show is "just one of the many series ideas under consideration for the fall lineup to be announced." If "Adam and Yves" is selected, according to Beck, the show could come to the air without benefit of a pilot film, because of producer Arnold's success with the current hit "Barney Miller."

"If the Gay show isn't selected, it most definitely won't be because of pressure applied by any group," Beck reports the network executive as saying. She says that the executive notes that there would be no reason for ABC not to follow the same course it followed with "Soap," a program which reached the air in spite of heated protests from such groups as Wildmon's Federation for Decency, and became a hit.

SUSPENDED OFFICER LOSES SUIT

PHOENIX - A Phoenix police officer who filed a federal lawsuit challenging a suspension for adultery lost his case May 6. U.S. Court Judge William P. Copple granted the city of Phoenix a summary judgment in the case. In written arguments, the city had contended that Antonio V. Andrade committed adultery, subjected the Phoenix Police Department to embarrassment and "potential blackmail" and compromised its integrity.

Andrade had alleged in his suit that a suspension for adultery violated his constitutional rights to privacy and freedom of association. His attorney argued in documents that adultery has no influence on a policeman's job performance. The officer was suspended without pay for 20 days from June 20 to July 15 last year. He also had been suspended for 10 days in February 1979 for adultery. There are two other lawsuits still pending in U.S. District Court by two other officers disciplined for adultery.

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GAY ALUMNI SOUGHT FROM CORNELL

NEW YORK - NGTF members and Cornell University alumnus Art Leonard is attempting, with others, to form a national Cornell University Gay Alumni Association. Anyone interested should write to Leonard at P.O. Box 1899, New York, NY 10017.

GAY REALTORS SOUGHT TO FORM ASSOCIATION

PORTLAND, OR - Don Clarkson, a Gay real estate broker in Portland, Oregon, would like to develop a nationwide referral service listing realtors who are either Gay themselves or accepting of Gay/Lesbian lifestyles. This is not simply a business matter - though such a service should prove to be profitable for realtors willing to be listed. It is a way of helping keep "Gay money" within the community, of strengthening Gay neighborhoods and of lessening the inevitable trauma of a move for the lesbian or Gay individuals and couples who will make use of the service.

Interested realtors should write to Don Clarkson, P.O. Box 14221, Portland, Or. 97214.

PLLC COUNTRY FAIR AT CONNECTION

PHOENIX - The Phoenix Levi Leather Club will present their annual "Country Fair" at Connection, 4211 N. 7th St. on Sunday, May 25, from noon to midnight. The Grand Prize this year is a trip to Mazatlan for two. Only 3000 tickets are available and are on sale from any PLLC member, Connection or Taylor's.

The fair this year will be bigger and better than ever. There will be contests such as a dog show, bake-off, talent show, art show and photo show. All winners of contests will receive cash prizes. Elsewhere in this issue of AGN you will find an entry blank or one can be picked up at any of the above locations. One of the unusual contests will be a body contest with a cash prize of \$100 going to the best body.

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Proposed Nat. Dem. Platform

PHOENIX - Following is the proposed Gay Rights Plank that will be proposed at the National Convention of the Democratic Party in New York in August. Prior to that this same platform plank will be presented at the Arizona Democratic State Convention in Phoenix on the 24th of May. You are urged to write to any delegate to this State Convention requesting their support of this Gay Rights Plank:

PROPOSED DEMOCRATIC PLATFORM PLANK

"We affirm the right of all Lesbian and Gay Americans to full participation in the social, political and economic life of the country, without fear of prejudice or reprisals based on sexual orientation.

To support this commitment and give life to this principle, we call for an executive order, prohibiting on the basis of sexual orientation in all government employment and government programs, and further we support the enactment of legislation to protect the civil rights of Gay people and the repeal of all laws which are used to stigmatize persons on the basis of sexual orientation."

Gay Pride Week Kicks Off With T.K.O. Art Show

TUCSON - The Tucson Knight Owls (TKO) will be presenting their first annual Arts and Crafts show, "Les Images and Les Reflexions," in conjunction with Gay Pride Week on June 21 and 22 from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. both days. The show will take place at 1900 W. Omar Drive in Tucson.

Artists in all categories are invited to join the show. Deadline for applications is June 14, 1980. Artists are limited to no more than 15 works as the space is somewhat limited. An entrance fee of \$2.00 per work is payable with submission of the application. A 10 percent commission on all sales is payable at the closing of the show. Information on delivery of works will be provided on receipt of the application. Additional information is available by writing, TKO, P.O. Box 2332, Tucson, AZ 85702, Attn: M.V. Lorenzen. An application blank appears elsewhere in this issue of AGN.

GAY PRIDE WEEK UPDATE.....

PHOENIX - The Information Network (TIN) reports that the activities planned for Gay Pride Week (June 27-30) include Casa de Cristo MCC Memorial Service June 27. Free Spirit Art Show/Auction June 28 and 29. Sunday's Childe Pizza Night at Organstop June 30. Open House at Alternative Relations Center (ARC) June 28, (Tentative).

TUCSON - The Gay Pride Week Planning Committee still has one more organizational meeting set for Monday, May 19, to finalize plans for Gay Pride Week in Tucson. Two definite events have been scheduled. The Tucson Knight Owls will sponsor an Arts and Crafts Festival June 20, 21 and 22. These dates coincide with the beginning of Gay Pride Week nationally and the Tucson activities will end up with a giant GPW Picnic at Himmel Park on Sunday, June 29. Last year's picnic drew over 1,000 participants and this year it is hoped that that figure will double. Also scheduled is a Interfaith Memorial Service presented by all the Tucson churches and the Gay Students Organization at UofA is tentatively planning a Gay Skate during the week.

Casa choir creates commotion in Tucson

TUCSON - A little bit of Heaven descended on Tucson last Sunday when the Casa Choir from Casa de Cristo/MCC Phoenix descended on the local Tucson churches. Nothing like it has been seen by our local community to date. The Choir sang a variety of types of songs from gospel to hymns to classical.

A little less than a hundred men and women turned out to be entertained and went away with more than they bargained for. The concert filled the main sanctuary of Unitarian Church with thrilling song and at the same time, the heart was filled with joy as each one felt the love and absolute joy with which the choir sang. The patio was crowded afterwards with the choir and audience as everyone enjoyed a delicious offering of "goodies" furnished by Holy Trinity, Truth Chapel and Santa Cruz. Could Tucson be lucky enough to have them back again? There were so many who missed the concert, who love good music, and would like to hear them.

by James Rice

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We also visited the Forum this week. Talk about a crowd. There were so many guys there you had to be drunk or well on your way just to get around in there. They do a lot of dancing and cruising in the Forum, but beware "of the games people play" and you will definitely have a good time, along with meeting old and new friends there. I strongly recommend you check out The Sportsman. They have a nice get-together bar and on Friday and Saturday nights they have Dave spinning records of oldies but goodies. Just a real nice place to go along with having after hours on Friday and Saturday nights.

Hope to see you on the scene next week. You never know when and where I will go next.

Skip Hodgkin

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zers later abandoned plans to issue the declaration after critics blasted its apparent right-wing political purpose. Many of the 60 speakers at the rally, as well as those at the all-night prayer revival, reportedly denounced homosexuality, along with abortion, divorce, pornography, feminism and other political issues.

As a counterpart to the rally, Interchange, a coalition of progressive organizations, held a press conference to denounce the "political nature" of the Washington for Jesus events. "Many of the organizers have political track records that are not only conservative, but almost reactionary," said Rev. David Eaton. "If the Jesus I knew were looking down on the Mall today, he would probably be compelled to say 'Thank God I am not a Christian'," said James L. Farmer, founder of the Congress of Racial Equality. "We must fight to defeat their use of religious rhetoric to conceal their right-wing objectives," he continued.

by Gordon Duggins

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VIEWPOINT

WHAT HAPPENED AT THE CASTRO?

ED NOTE: The San Francisco Lesbian Chorus (SFLC) of a Harry Britt Benefit at the Castro Theater on April 18. SFLC had been invited to sing at this Allen White, a Britt aide, to "make the very significant political point that just because a Gay show is presented, it does not mean that it is just a show by men." Following is a press release from the San Francisco Lesbian Chorus explaining what happened during the evening question:

"The San Francisco Lesbian Chorus walked out of the fundraiser for Harry Britt, S.F. Gay Supervisor at the Castro Theater on April 18. The SFLC had been invited to sing selections from their diverse musical repertoire for a year and a half the chorus membership has increased from 7 to 60 women who perform at concerts, rallies and throughout the Bay Area.)

Headlining the Harry Britt fundraiser was Charles Pierce, a female impersonator. Allen White, Britt aide encouraged the SFLC's participation in this event, in words, "To make the very significant political point that just because a Gay show is presented, it does not mean that it is just a show by men." The intention was clearly to provide a show of solidarity among Lesbians and Gay as well as to raise money and offer an evening's entertainment. The chorus accepted the invitation with reservation about singing in the Castro area. The chorus' desire to sing their expanded repertoire in as many communities as possible and their need for money outweighed the hesitations. The Harry Britt fundraiser brought 1500 people to the Castro Theater at midnight. What happened thereafter the next few hours was not a show of solidarity, but a display of the deep divisions between the San Francisco Lesbian community and the Gay male Castro Street community.

The SFLC arrived at the Castro Theater early and ready to sing. The women's energy was still up for the success of "The Damndest Finest Ruins," an earth-shattering commemorative concert they had performed earlier in the evening. Lesbians and Gay men from five musicals had worked together on this concert. Armistead Maupin introduced Charles Pierce and the show began. Pierce's act was immediately offensive to many chorus members. The elaborately dressed Charles Pierce used "impersonations" of Marilyn Monroe, Carol Channing and Mae West to express his racist, ageist, woman-hating, classist, anti-Semitic and sexist attitudes. The barrage of grossly offensive "jokes" went on and on. The crowd, comprised mostly of white Gay men, welcomed Pierce and his act with thunderous applause, cheers, whistles and laughter. Here are just a few examples of his "jokes":

"Why do Iranian women wear veils? Because they're so ugly. They should keep them on, keep 'em on."

In a "joke" about driving in L.A., Pierce managed to cut down many minorities. Among them were Catholics, Mexicans, Jews and Mormons.

"Liz Taylor has so many double chins, she has more double chins than a Chinese telephone directory."

Individuals in the chorus booed and hissed some of these "jokes." As their feelings of outrage grew, the women began talking with each other. When Pierce exited and David Kelsey began his set dressed as a "bag lady," chorus members met in the theater lobby to decide what actions to take. After considering several choices, they decided to fulfill their commitment to the event by performing as planned, and then to read a protest statement. While three women wrote the statement, the rest of the chorus members returned to their front-row seats. Pierce had also returned.

Pierce began playing directly to the chorus, with comments like, "Come on, girls, don't you have a sense of humor?" As Bette Davis, he held a lighted cigarette and made a ritual of burning a woman, saying "I burned her. . . I burned her." Pierce had introduced the mythical object of said burning as "the bull dyke from New York. Each time he said "bull dyke," the viciousness and hatred in his tone intensified the chorus members' outrage. Before they could recover from this attack, Pierce's misogyny became even more evident. Continuing in his Bette Davis voice, he asked,

"Why do they put cocks on weathervanes? Because wouldn't a cunt look funny flapping in the breeze? And when the wind blew through it, it might give erroneous weather reports."

His next comment about not wanting to be downwind from a "weather cunt" was nearly drowned out by the San Francisco Lesbian Chorus booing, hissing and shouting, while the precominantly Gay male crowd continued to cheer, encourage and support Charles Pierce.

The women knew that it would now be impossible to perform after Pierce's act. It was clear that the protest

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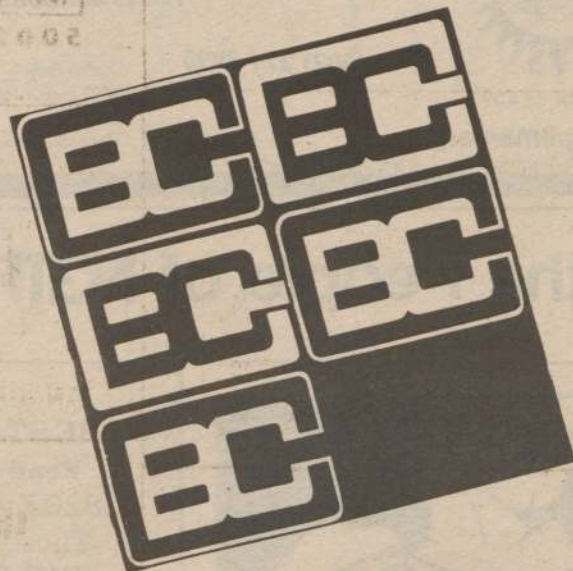
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track recor book of course, is not an easy one to read. reactionary, drawn to books of logical and intellectual were, then "Which Way Out Of The Men's Room" is not a disappointment. It is rather a look at the oppressive situations our own sex roles play in our lives and how to go about the change through self-examination to gain self-esteem. An engrossing and detailed literary work. Gordon Johnston currently resides in Seattle, Washington with his lover and is now engaged in studies for his Ph.D. in Educational Communication at the University of Washington.

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Alfred, N.Y.	5/74	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	
Amherst, Ma.	5/76	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	
Ann Arbor, Mi.	7/72		x	x	x		x	x		
Aspen, Co.	11/77	x		x	x		x	x	x	
Atlanta, Ga. (E.O.)	7/71	x								
Austin, Tx.	7/75	x								
Berkeley, Ca.	10/78	x								
Boston, Ma. (E.O.)	4/76	x								x
Champaign, Il.	7/77		x	x	x			x	x	
Chapel Hill, N.C.	9/75	x								
Columbus, Oh.	1/79		x		x			x		
Cupertino, Ca.	2/75	x								x
Detroit, Mi.	1/79	x								
East Lansing, Mi.	5/73		x	x						
Hartford, Ct.	4/79	x		x						
Iowa City, Ia.	5/77		x	x						
Ithaca, N.Y.	9/74									x
Los Angeles, Ca.	5/77		x	x	x	x	x			
Madison, Wi.	3/75		x	x	x		x			
Marshall, Wi.	4/75		x	x	x			x		
Minneapolis, Mn.	4/74	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	
Mountainview, Ca.	3/75	x								x
New York, N.Y. (E.O.)	1/78	x								
Ottawa, Ont.	4/76	x								
Palo Alto, Ca.	8/74			x	x					
Portland, Or.	12/74	x								
Pullman, Wa.	4/76	x								

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San Francisco, Ca.	7/78		x	x	x					
San Jose, Ca.	8/79	ORDINANCE SUSPENDED - REFERENDUM PENDING JUNE 1980								
Santa Barbara, Ca.	8/75	x								x
Seattle, Wa.	10/75	x		x			x			
Sunnyvale, Ca.	12/74	x								x
Toronto, Ont.	10/73	x								
Troy, N.Y.	1/79	x								x
Tucson, Az.	1/77	x	x	x	x				x	
Urbana, Il.										
Washington, D.C.	11/73	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	
Windsor, Ont.	3/77	x								
Yellow Springs, Oh.	7/75		x	x					x	

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Hennepin Cty., Mn.	11/75	x								x
Howard Cty., Md.	11/75		x	x	x	x	x	x	x	
Ingham Cty., Mi.	6/78	x								
Minnehaha Cty., S.D.	2/75	x								
San Mateo Cty., Ca.	2/75			x	x					
Santa Clara Cty., Ca.	8/79	ORDINANCE SUSPENDED - REFERENDUM PENDING JUNE 1980								
Santa Cruz Cty., Ca.	7/75	x								x

State or Province	Year(s) Enacted	Municipal Employment	Public Accommodations	Employment	Housing	Education	Real Estate Practices	Credit	Union Practices	Affirmative Action Program
California (E.O.)	4/79	x								
Pennsylvania (E.O.)	4/76	x								
Quebec	12/75		x	x	x					

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TUCSON - On this past Sunday, May 11, all five teams of the Tucson Volleyball League (TVL) participated together for the first time. The afternoon was a pleasant blend of Gay camaraderie and healthy competition, relished by the players and on-lookers alike.

Results of Sunday's contests were: TKO over Jekyll's, losing to GCS; City People also beat Jekyll's but were defeated by Phil's Follies, who later lost to GCS. League standings are:

TEAM	W	L	PCT.
GCS	13	2	.867
PHIL'S FOLLIES	8	5	.615
TKO	6	7	.462
CITY PEOPLE	3	6	.333
JEKYLL'S	0	10	.000

There will be no league games May 18th as most teams will be traveling to Phoenix for inter-city, all-star volleyball action. This activity will take place at Elcanto Park starting at 1:00 p.m. The entire Tucson Gay community is encouraged to join in the festivities.

We still need teams in the TVL. Contact the Joshua Tree (622-6233) Phil Clark (881-5938) or Jim Larrabee (745-1464) for information.

SANTA CRUZ

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Thank you Casa de Cristo for a wonderful evening of music last Sunday evening.

Santa Cruz will have joint services with Truth Chapel this Sunday as many people from both congregations will be out of town for District Conference.

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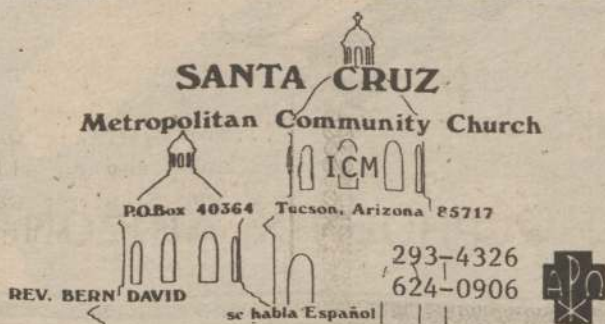
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"Somebody" really knocked themselves out cooking, preparing a beautiful relish table, fresh flower arrangements, tablecloths, china and more. The atmosphere was really "uptown." Eddie Ward, the officiating bartender, and Chuck Krake, the disc jockey, each did their part to smooth things along. Accolades to all who did so much for so many to give Tucson a well-planned and enjoyable afternoon.

Say Bob, we enjoyed a chance in our community to relax and eat in a regal atmosphere with long pants and shirts with long sleeves. Can we have something like this more often? Give us a chance to "put on the dog" once in a while. We tried it, and we liked it. In case you haven't heard, the Back Pocket puts out a very nice lunch every day from 11 a.m. til 4 p.m. and steaks, etc. are available on Sundays - from noon til 8 p.m.

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Santa Cruz MCC will again be joining us in worship services this Sunday at 10:45 a.m., 2460 N. Dodge, as their pastor, Rev. Bern David, and Dennis Bell along with Earl Nelson from Truth Chapel will be attending our Southwest District Conference in Palm Springs, California. We invite everyone to worship with us each Sunday, and to join us each Wednesday at 7:30 p.m. for informal Bible Study - Rap. For further information call 884-8186. Peace and love in Christ - Stephen and Dennis.

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There is always an enjoyable social hour afterwards, where everyone gets to know each other, share experiences, plan activities, etc. Join us for worship and fun. God loves you, and so do we. Pastor Jim 323-2424.

Florida money fights Calif. Gay rights bid

SAN JOSE, CA - According to the required campaign report filed at the Registrar of Voters Office, Protect America's Children, Inc., has contributed \$30,000 to Moral Majority of Santa Clara County. Protect America's Children (PAC) is run by Anita Bryant and Bob Green, her husband-manager, they are its officers and directors. Moral Majority, Inc. has raised \$42,160 and Concerned Citizens Against Sexual Orientation Ordinances has raised \$16,656, a total of \$58,816, over half of which comes from Anita Bryant. Anita Bryant is involved in other ways with the campaign to fight the proposed Gay rights ordinances in San Jose and Santa Clara County. Mike Thompson, her aid and campaign manager in the Dade County campaign, has arrived to run the Santa Clara campaign. (AGN 9 May).

According to PAC attorney, Charles N. Schieb, the corporation directors plan to "do some more things out there (in Santa Clara County)." Exactly what, was not stated, however it is known that Dean Wycoff, executive director of Moral Majority, and his group has asked Miss Bryant to come to the Valley and campaign against the local ordinances, A and B, on the June 3rd ballot. (A yes on A and B is a pro-Gay vote). Without Anita Bryant, the Moral Majority in Santa Clara wouldn't have much of a campaign. Wycoff said the money was "essentially our seed money." It was donated on January 18. Such an early donation has given them a great advantage in mobilizing the anti-Gay forces in the county.

As always, the Santa Clara Valley Coalition for Human Rights, the organization defending the ordinances, is in need of funds. Even though the polls favor the ordinances by 10%, the votes are soft, that is the potential voters must go to the polls in June. A get-out-the-vote campaign costs money, as do all other aspects of the campaign. Donations can be sent to the Coalition at P.O. Box 2066, San Jose, CA 95109. Politicians are watching to see how Gay rights fare outside the large metropolitan areas without Gay Ghettos. Your donations are urgently needed.



Letters to the editor

Dear Editor:

I would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone who has been so kind to me in my moment of injury, hospitalization and recuperation. It's always so easy to look at another person who has been severely injured and say, "I'm sure glad that didn't happen to me," or believe, "That could never happen to me!" Well, in this case it did happen to me...in fact so badly that my lover was told by my doctor while I was in surgery that I may lose the lower part of my left leg. However, enough of poor me. They couldn't keep the old bitch down and here I am raising hell on crutches. There is still a lot of hard work and therapy to follow, but I figure with the kind of love and support I've been shown so far, I can make it.

I would like to thank everyone for visiting me while I was in the hospital, a special thanks to my lover and friend Matt, for the love and support at a real time of need for it. To Tommy S., JoJo, GCS and Matt for the lovely flowers. To Eddie F. and Don for the milkshake, to Gary Clark for drawing me on me, and to everyone who visited me in the hospital, even Stuart S. who came only in spirit, and to John Burke, Jyl and Lindy for baby-sitting me once I got out too. and to Jeffery for being bored with me.

I love you all. With love and support like you have shown me, gives me great courage to get well soon. P/S, thank you Monte for having a good ear, love ya. Thanks again, love

David - Cindi Diamond

P.S. Dear Editor/AGN - I would also like to thank you for allowing me to express my thanks and gratitude in your newspaper. You're always a friend. Love

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statement would not be heard by the now hostile audience. So the San Francisco Lesbian Chorus stood up and walked out of the theater. Approximately 10 women and 20 men joined in the walkout. The chorus gathered under the Castro Theater marquee to sing out their frustration, outrage and political disgust. This powerful protest closed with a strong and united performance of "Bread and Roses," "March of the Women" and "Bright Morning Stars." After the walkout, the political unity among chorus members was stronger than ever. Being part of the walkout politicized many chorus members and reconfirmed others' political convictions.

The implications and issues involved in the San Francisco Lesbian Chorus walkout go beyond San Francisco. This was not an isolated event. Each community needs to find ways to look at and deal with racist, ageist, women-hating, classist, anti-Semitic and sexist attitudes. As Lesbians and Gay men we need to ask the following questions:

1. How many more times will "jokes" insulting Third World cultures, people of color, women and other oppressed groups receive thunderous applause?
2. How many individuals' and media reports focus only on the issue of sexism when women protest, and ignore the other issues, such as racism?
3. How many more events will include women on the program in an attempt to show solidarity between women and men, Lesbians and Gay men, when in reality deep divisions still exist?
4. When will there be more politically aware men and Gay men who are willing to join walkouts like this one and take on the job of educating other men about racism and sexism.
5. How many other Gay male communities like the Castro district are based on destructive and oppressive attitudes? and
6. If the San Francisco Lesbian Chorus had not walked out of the Harry Britt fundraiser, would the racist slurs and violently anti-woman attitudes expressed on stage and by the audience even have been noticed?

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- ...Whenever Herman B. would always tell me, "It must have been that Candace person that did it."
- ...Dale Y. somehow got into the habit of paying me everytime I tucked him into bed.
- ...J.B. was born with a silver spoon, but it wasn't in his mouth.
- ...Caryl L's favorite bedtime story was a different version of "Goldielocks and the Three Bears." They only had one bed to sleep in.
- ...Dale McK. had such a sense of humor. He'd always tell me "Mommy, when I grow up, I want to look pregnant just like you did."
- ...I've always wondered if the hair dye I used on Blonde Jay when he was a baby would affect his brain when he grew up.
- ...Bob E. was always like the neighbor boy, Abe L., doing his writing on a shovel, by the fire.
- ...T.J. was forever tying up his teddy bear with his baby blanket and then whipping it with a used diaper.
- ...Eddie F. would always tell me, "Mommy, when I grow up, I want to wear the same dress size as you."
- ...David H. could crawl much better than he could walk, and I see he still does.
- ...FOR THOSE OF YOU WHO DON'T APPEAR HERE, IT WAS BECAUSE YOU WERE SUCH ROTTEN KIDS I COULDN'T PRINT WHAT YOUR MOTHER SAID ABOUT YOU.

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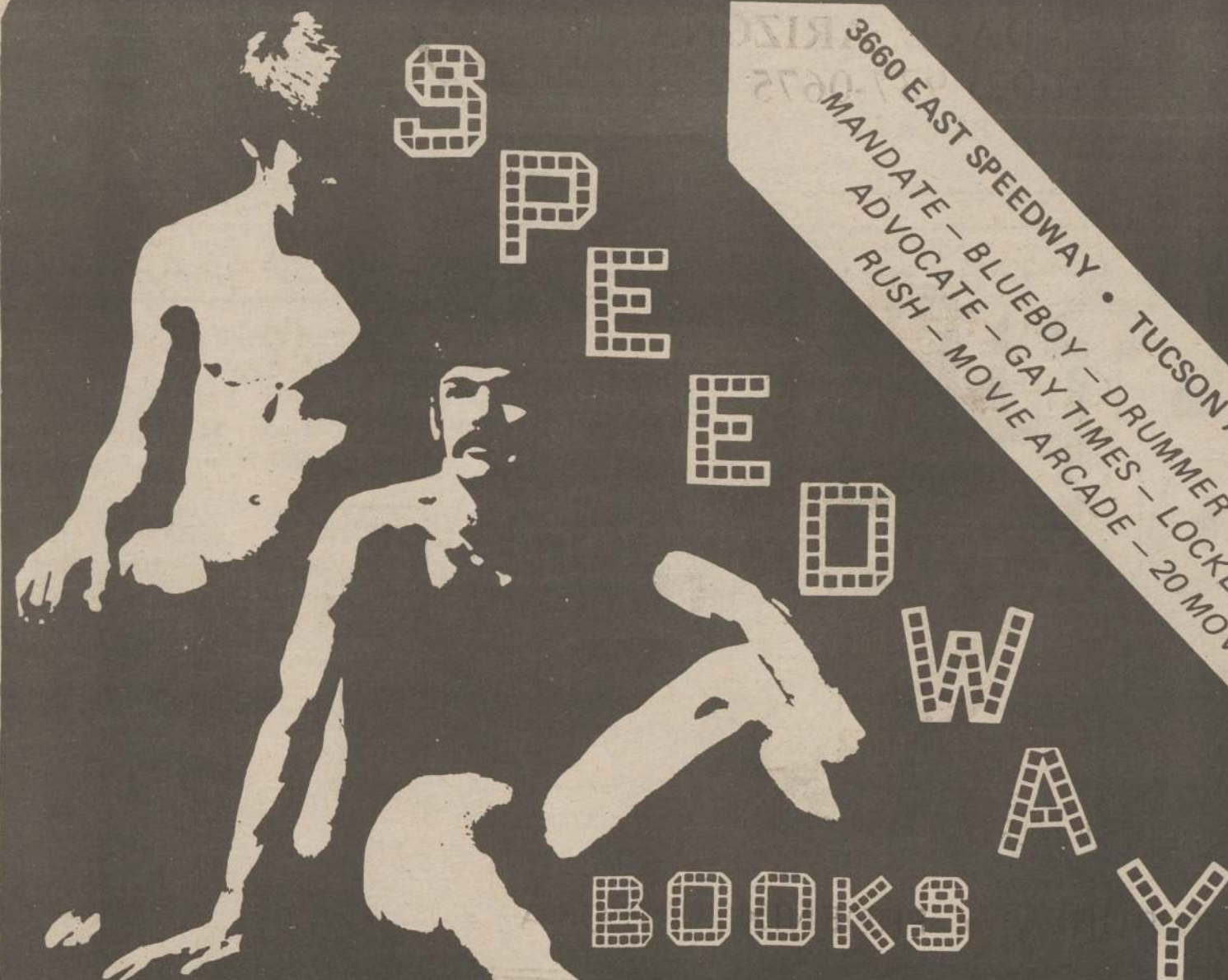
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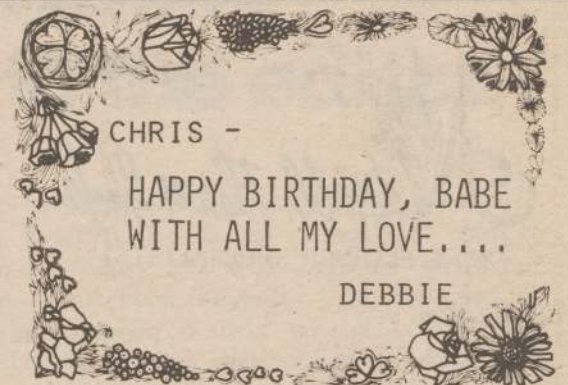
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