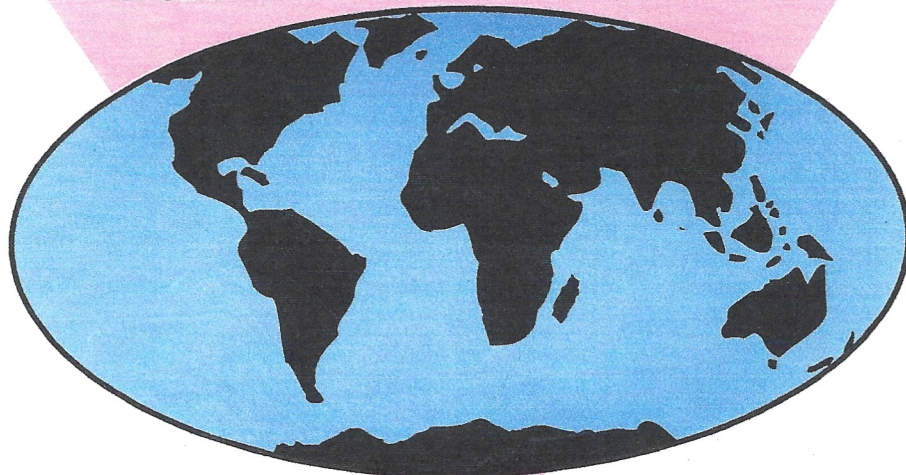


TUCSON GAY & LESBIAN PRIDE 1994

STONEWALL 25

A GLOBAL CELEBRATION OF PRIDE



COMMEMORATIVE PROGRAM  
OCTOBER 8, 1994

REID PARK • TUCSON, ARIZONA

# CITY OF TUCSON OFFICE OF THE MAYOR PROCLAMATION

*WHEREAS, 1994 marks the 25th Anniversary of the June 1969 events known as the Stonewall Rebellion in New York City marking the opposition of harassment of Gays and Lesbians; and*

*WHEREAS, the Gay and Lesbian community remember at this time of year the many homosexuals put to death in Nazi concentration camps during World War II; and*

*WHEREAS, in February 1977, the Tucson City Council, recognizing the discrimination suffered by Gay and Lesbian individuals, passed by unanimous vote an amendment to the Human Relations Ordinance banning discrimination in employment, housing and public accommodations based on sexual or affectional preference; and*

*WHEREAS, "Stonewall 25 - A Global Celebration of Pride" has been chosen as the theme for 1994 giving all Tucsonans an opportunity to increase our understanding and awareness of the importance of eliminating harassment of others based on sexual orientation; and*

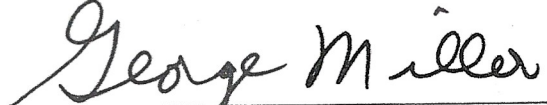
*WHEREAS, all persons, regardless of sexual orientation, are entitled equally to all freedoms under the law,*

*NOW, THEREFORE, I, George Miller, Mayor of the City of Tucson, Arizona, do hereby proclaim June 12-19, 1994, to be*

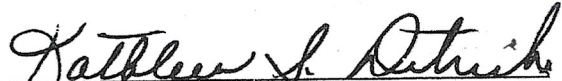
## LESBIAN AND GAY PRIDE WEEK

*in this community, and urge all of our citizens to support the freedom shared by all.*

*IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the City of Tucson to be affixed this 13th day of June 1994.*

  
George Miller, Mayor

ATTEST:





## **TUCSON LESBIAN & GAY ALLIANCE**

**PO BOX 40301 • TUCSON, AZ 85715 • 602/321-0985**

August 29, 1994

Dear Lesbian and Gay Community, Families and Friends,

Well, it's finally going to happen: "Pride Picnic '94, Tucson Style, Stonewall - A Global Celebration of Pride". I hope that everyone knows by now that we will be celebrating at Reid Park this year.

The concept of a celebration in public is a very important social and political statement, coming out and participating in an event that involves thousands of people is a unifying and empowering experience. We in Tucson, based on percentage ratios, have more than 40,000 people of our persuasion, and an untold number of family friends and supports, of which I would estimate that less than 2000 participate in an "Out of the Closet" lifestyle. A "day in the park" with music, food, hanging around with old friends and making new ones, is extremely important for our health, our well-being, our future — plus, a time to remember our past.

I invite you to come and play with TLGA. Bring your friends and family. This will be a "Hetero-friendly" event. I hope to see everyone there.

There are many people I want to thank. My loving partner and love-of-my-life (16 yrs), Joe Sanchez, who has put up with hundreds of phone calls and typed his little fingers into oblivion. Deborah Broner, my wonderful friend, who has always been there when I needed her to coach me on and who is TLGA's treasurer. Sandra Lightner, for just being in the "right place" and Natalie Perry, all I can say is this souvenir program would not have happened if she had not graciously volunteered to assist with its' research & development and made the whole thing happen. Then there is Bob Ellis, for allowing me some great space over a lot of years. Miller Brewing and Finley Distributors, Tucson AZ (can you say "Free Beer"? ) I say thanks to all.

Remember to support your favorite softball team at the Tournament which starts at 8:00 AM. Community teams will be playing and a cheering crowd really adds to the fun.

Come early and lend a hand with getting this event set up. It is really a community effort. Spend the whole day in the company of lots of wonderful folks... that's what it's all about.

Sincerely,

John H. Haase, President TLGA



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### and Thanks to...

The Observer and Bob Ellis for all the help...  
Moose Pagel for the photography...  
Smart Art, Anne Schmitt for layout & editing...  
All the Softball Teams & Clubs for Security...  
plus everyone who lended a hand to make this happen!

## EVENTS SCHEDULE

7:00 AM — SET UP FOR VENDORS & BOOTHS

— 8:00 AM —

### SOFTBALL TOURNAMENT

9:00 AM — MAIN STAGE SET UP

10:00 AM — MAIN STAGE SOUND CHECK

— 11:00 AM —

### KARAOKE WITH CRASH

— 12:00 NOON —

### OPENING ANNOUNCEMENTS & SPEAKERS

— 1:00 PM —

### MUSIC WITH DJ DAVID Z

— 2:00 PM —

### SPEAKERS & SPECIAL GUESTS

Invited speakers include:

Supervisor Raul Grijalva, Vice Mayor Bruce Wheeler, Tucson  
Police Chief Douglas Smith, Parents & Friends of Lesbians &  
Gays, Carolyn Campbell - Green Party of AZ, Arizonans for  
Fairness

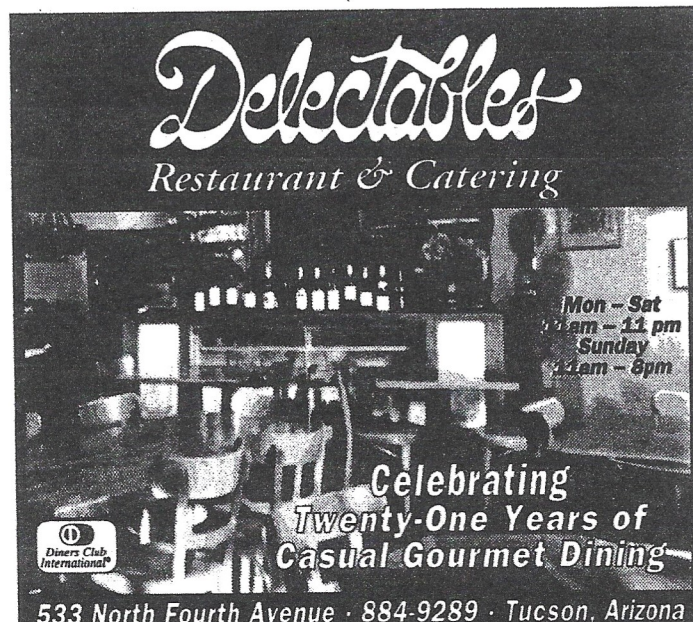
Candidates: Terry Goddard, Paul Johnson, Eddie Basha,  
Brad Frost, Stan Furman, Sam Coppersmith, Cindy Resnick,  
Gary Auerbach, Elaine Richardson

— 4:00 PM —

### ENTERTAINMENT & LIVE MUSIC

— 6:00 PM —

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# The History of the Stonewall Rebellion

During the last weekend of June of 1969, police and Alcoholic Beverage Control Board agents entered a gay bar — **The Stonewall Inn**, on Christopher Street, in New York City. Allegedly they were there to look for violations of the alcohol control laws. They made the usual homophobic comments and then, after checking identification, threw the patrons out of the bar, one by one. But, instead of quietly slipping away into the night as we had done for years... hustlers, drag queens, students and other patrons held their ground and fought back. Someone uprooted a parking meter and used it to barricade the door. The agents and police were trapped inside. They wrecked the place and called in reinforcements. Authority vehicles raced to the scene with lights glaring and sirens blasting. The crowd grew. Someone set a fire. More people came. For three days, people protested. And for the first time, after innumerable years of oppression, the chant "**Gay Power**" rang out.

This event has taken on mythic significance. Many organizations proudly use Stonewall or Christopher Street in their names.

During the summer and autumn of 1969, five Gay Liberation Fronts sprang up — in New York, Berkeley, Los Angeles, San Francisco and San Jose. By the end of 1970, three hundred Gay Liberation Fronts had been created.

The first demonstration in commemoration of the Stonewall Rebellion was held in New York in August of 1969. Marches were held in 1970 in New York and Los Angeles on the anniversary of the Uprising — and a tradition was born. Since then, annual marches have been held in many cities in the US and in other countries. For many of us, we drew our strength from these events and from those around us. We felt pride in our community.

On October 12, 1985, at the annual conference of the International Association of Lesbian and Gay Pride Coordinators, Morris Knight, a member of the Christopher Street West/Los Angeles delegation, proposed that the 25th anniversary of the Stonewall Uprising be observed with the first International Lesbian/Gay Pride Celebration. He proposed a massive presence of our international community in New York during June of 1994.

Since then, the developing concept of **Stonewall 25** was met with enthusiasm at Pride Coordinator conferences in Vancouver, Minneapolis and Boston, and at International Lesbian and Gay Association (ILGA) conferences in Stockholm and in Paris, where delegates discussed and formulated the name and demands of the International March.

A goal was set to strive for gender parity and 50% representation of People of Color on all decision making bodies. We also committed to adequate representation of the disabled, bisexuals, seniors, youth — indeed, the entirety of the grand mosaic that comprises our community.

The results were overwhelming. Besides the International March and Rally, a vast array of activities including Gay Games IV, the annual ILGA conference, the Stonewall History Project, a mass concert by the Lesbian/Gay Bands of America, and a mass worship service organized by the Universal Fellowship of Metropolitan Community Churches. There were athletic, cultural, educational, health-related, political and religious/spiritual/humanist events organized and participated in by lesbian/gay/bisexual community members from all around the world.

**It's a long way from June 1969... and we still have a long way to go.**

Based on an article gleaned off the Internet  
by Alan Batie: [batie@agora.rain.com](mailto:batie@agora.rain.com)

Look on the Internet for several Gay & Lesbian areas sharing information, opinions and history from around the country and the world. America Online & Delphi are two providers which have areas dedicated to Gays & Lesbians.

TUCSON GAY & LESBIAN PRIDE 1994





# A GLIMPSE AT OUR HISTORY

## — TUCSON STYLE —

**Tucson has a long and strong Gay & Lesbian history.** The Community has been in strong evidence here from the 1940's and even earlier. We have had lots of events, lots of bars and businesses, lots of news-worthy accomplishments. Due to limited time and resources we have only been able to compile this random glimpse beginning in 1965. Next year we hope to complete the past history years and hope that you can add a few names, places and dates we may have missed. This is in no way everything. We hope we didn't leave out your most special event. If we did it was not because of anything other than exhaustion. We have a long history... this is just to tickle your memory banks.

### 1965

Jim's, located at 23 W. University opened in 1965 by Jim O'Malley & George Rederus. In 1969 it was renamed Kamu's and became "straight" until 1970 when Don Nelson bought and renamed it for the last time, The Graduate.

### 1975

- First Gay Fair & Carnival at the Stonewall

### 1976

- April 1976, **Tucson Gay Coalition** founded. The only other gay groups at this time were **MCC** and **GSO** (Gay Student Organization) at UA.
- June 6, 197 - 21 year old **Richard Heakin**, a visitor from Lincoln, Nebraska was fatally beaten as he was leaving the **Stonewall** bar. Four high school students were arrested and convicted of involuntary manslaughter, due to their age.
- In response to Heakin's murder, two police liaisons were assigned to the gay community. They made regular rounds to all the gay bars.
- **Buff Fisher** becomes Pastor of MCC.
- **Imperial Court of Tucson** is inaugurated as **Empress I Cicely** is crowned at **Jekyll & Hydes**.
- **Stonewall** holds 4th Anniversary celebration.
- **Bookland** (owners, Heimbuch and Bunting), opens on Speedway carrying gay literature.
- 2nd Annual Hayride Through Winterhaven sponsored by Stonewall.
- **Lucky Pierre's** cocktail prices at happy hour: 40¢ WELL, 40¢ BOTTLE BEER, 25¢ DRAFT.
- **H & L Bar** opens, 1906 S. Craycroft.

### 1977

- Grand opening of the **Hair Tiz** (although it had been operating for a few months before).
- **Stonewall** closes but **Backpocket** stays open.

- First issue of the **Arizona Gay News** in tabloid form.
- **Fernando Ochoa** crowned **Emperor I** of the Empire of Tucson. He was crowned at **Jekyll's**.
- The **Tucson Gay Coalition** spearheads a drive to ban discrimination in employment, housing and public accommodations. **Tucson City Council** passes the amendment to the **Human Rights Ordinance** unanimously.
- **Lucky Pierre's** closes its doors.
- Old **Stonewall** changes its name to the **Joshua Tree** and reopens at the same location.
- First VD clinic opens at **GCS (Gay Community Services)** in conjunction with **PCHD**.
- A gay film forum was held at **Rincon High School** by the **Tucson Public Library** and was funded by the **AZ. Council on the Humanities**.

### 1984

- **TLGPC , Tucson Lesbian Gay Pride Committee**, formed as an outgrowth of the **Lesbian and Gay Pride Week Committee**, who only sponsored the **Pride Picnic**.
- Tucson woman fired for refusing to sell **Penthouse**.
- **Three Tucsonans** named in the **Advocate 400**. They are **Bob Ellis**, **Bill North**, and **Bruce Fowler**.
- Local monsoons rip the roof off the **Fineline**.
- **OPBPA** begins first Tucson business association.
- **TLGPC** host 1st Annual **Twinkle Ball** at the **Santa Rita Hotel**.
- **Joshua Tree/Back Pocket** hosts their 8th Annual **Hayride Through Winterhaven**.
- **TLGPC** forms a law enforcement subcommittee to act as liaison with **TPD**—acts of harassment have been occurring.
- **Tom and Mac** buy **Rita's Rendezvous** from **Rita and Vinny**.
- **Dignity/Tucson** does a major educational campaign with counselors who deal with lesbian and gay clientele.
- **Tucson's YWCA** offers "Women Helping Women" workshops.
- First **Mr. Leatherman** chosen in Tucson - **Jay Cunningham**.
- **Holly Near** and **Ronny Gilbert** in Tucson for concert.
- **TLGPC** and Tucson's law enforcement agencies agree to cooperate to stop discrimination in Tucson.
- **Arizona Gay Bar Owners Association** holds "**Octoberfest 84**" as a fund-raiser for the newly formed **AAFT**.



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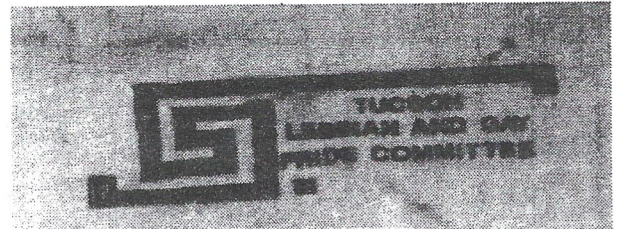
- County candidate **Iris Dewhirst** supports non-discrimination county ordinance
- The lesbian and gay youth group is formed and financially supported by TLGPC
- **Gay AA meeting schedule published in the Observer**
- Observer benefit grosses \$300. **Monte-Jon & Phil Clark** host event.
- Headline October 3, 1984 - "AIDS Uncommon in Tucson Some Say: Others Doubt It."
- TLGPC sponsors a political forum at the Temple of Music and Art for local candidates to answer questions on human rights.
- **Aviva Diamond** hosts Observer Benefit show at the Graduate.
- **AZ TV** show kicks off on public access.
- **TLGPC offers first directory of gay businesses, organizations, clubs, etc.**

## 1985

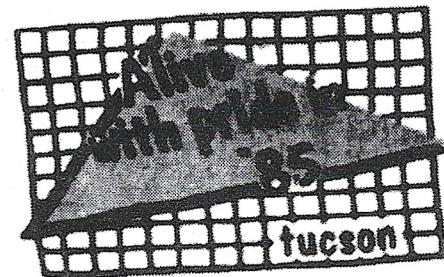
- **Tucson AIDS Project** holds two workshops on safe-sex.
- Pima County Health Department predicts ten times as many AIDS cases in Pima County over 1984. In 1984 there were 2 cases reported.
- **Rev. Troy Perry**, founder of MCC churches, comes to Tucson to help celebrate Tucson's MCC fifteenth anniversary
- **TLGPC** holds 3rd Annual Mud Wrestling Contest as fundraiser for gay pride week.
- Tucson sends first volleyball team to national championships in Chicago.
- **The Congress Hotel** goes back in the closet.
- As of December 1985, there were 15,172 AIDS cases reported nationally. Tucson reports 17 cases.
- **It's 'Bout Time** opens it's doors on 4th Avenue.
- Tucson Lesbian Gay Pride Committee, TLGPC fights bill to make it a felony for homosexuals to give blood.
- **Copper State Leathermen** charter Tucson command.
- **Tramps** closes its doors forever.
- Dan White, accused murderer of Harvey Milk and George Moscone, commits suicide in San Francisco jail.
- Arizona state prison inmates demand testing of new arrivals for HIV.
- First gay male kiss on television.
- CDC official, Dr. Bruce Evatt presents an AIDS update at UMC
- TLGPC host 2nd Annual **Twinkle Ball** in December
- **AAFT** gets new director, Lawrence L. Strout
- Old Pueblo Business And Professional Association host Jeff Levi, director of NGTF (National Gay Task Force)
- **Tucson AIDS Project** forms out of the health sub-committee of TLGPC and joins with AAFT in Phoenix under their tax exempt status
- First local fund-raiser for TAP
- First legal test of city human rights ordinance successful.
- Tucsonans demonstrate against Jerry Falwell's "Friendship Breakfast" at the Plaza Hotel
- **"Torch Song Trilogy"** and **"International Stud"** per-

formed at the Fineline — two great theatrical successes!

- Nursing homes across Arizona refuse to care for AIDS patients
- **Bruce Pegg** opens **"Rumorz"** doors.
- Tucson Gay Men's Chorus forms.
- Gay Pride Picnic attendance breaks 1000 for the first time.
- Tucson Weekly Observer celebrates 1st Anniversary.
- **"Arizona Gay"**, Tucson's first gay TV show, begins in '84 and ends in '85
- **Sisters Of Sonora** sponsor benefit for AAFT at the Graduate, first in Tucson
- TLGPC sponsors first AIDS forum in Tucson — 200 people attend— health department reports 12 cases in Pima County
- **Sun Country Leather Club** forms and hangs its colors at Tramps



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PRIDE SHIRTS  
1983, 1984  
1985 & 1987





## 1986

- **Pride Picnic** breaks attendance record with a 2000 head count.
- Supreme Court ruling upholds Arizona Sodomy Law.
- **Rumorhazzit celebrates 1st Anniversary** with week long activities.
- UMC tests DTC on ARC patients.
- **Shanti Foundation opens** in Tucson modeled from San Francisco's Shanti Project.
- **Great Outdoors** revisits Lake Powell for a memorable outing.
- **Gay Games II** draws 3,482 gay athletes.
- **TALHA Men's Clinic** closes due to cost of liability insurance.
- **T-Squares**, Tucson's gay square dancing group, celebrate 2nd Anniversary.
- **Ronnie Rios** and company raise \$2,500 for the Shanti Foundation in memory of his brother Eddie.
- **Colette's West** reopens on Speedway.
- Rev. David resigns post at Tucson MCC.
- **Mo Udall** addresses OPBPA.
- **Tamara** wins 2nd Annual "Miss Gay Arizona Pageant".
- UA to start using "new" AIDS drug... **AZT**.
- **Arizona Gay Bar Owners Association** changes name to Independent Tavern Owners Association.
- **Cornerstone Fellowship** moves to new facility.
- **TKO** holds **Christmas Tree Raffle** to benefit Casa de los Ninos.
- **9th Annual Winterhaven Hayride** sponsored by the Joshua Tree.

## 1987

- The State will require names be reported of those who test positive for AIDS virus
- **Michael's International Market Place**, a new gay restaurant, opens for business
- Pima County offers free AIDS test.
- **SOS** holds **Hoe Down** at IBT's.
- **Tucson Women's Co-op Women's Community Potluck** meets every second Sunday
- 2nd Annual Observer Benefit, sponsored by **Desert Leathermen** held at Sir George's Royal Buffet
- TLGA holds 2nd Annual Fiesta de Mayo fund-raiser for Gay Pride Week
- **TOGA Award winners** - Annie Corbin, Jack Stockslager.
- Juicy Lucy "exposed".
- Pentagon screens 1.27 million enlisted persons for HIV. — 2139 found positive.
- Colette holds 3rd Annual "Luau".
- The Graduate holds 5th Annual "Easter Bonnet and Basket Contest".
- Pima County begins anonymous HIV testing.
- **PFLAG (Parents and Friends of Lesbians and Gays)** forms Tucson Chapter.

- 1st Annual Mr. Gay Arizona contest in Phoenix.
- **Tabitha Scott** named **Miss Gay Tucson**.
- Mastermind director and choreographer, Michael Bennett, dies in Tucson from complications of AIDS.
- **Desert Leathermen** and **Partners of Tucson** hang their colors in their new home bar, IBT's, and Partners hold their first beer bust.
- **IBT's** voted "Best Gay Bar" in Tucson by the Tucson Weekly.
- The **National Federation of Decency** calls for the closure of Tucson's only gay bathhouse, **The Stables**.
- 6,000 attend rock concert in Reid Park to raise money for the Mecham Recall.
- **Salon Veoukas** opens on Fourth Avenue.
- **The Graduate** holds a big 13th Anniversary celebration along with Bobbi Jo.
- **TAP** receives the first governmental, financial support in Tucson, \$25,000 for salaries from the Tucson City Council. TAP hires permanent staff.
- Five Mayoral candidates speak out for gay rights at OPBPA meeting.
- 1st Annual **Reno Gannon Jello Wrestling Contest** held to benefit Shanti at Rumorhazzit.
- **Desert Leathermen** hold 1st year Anniversary celebration at IBT'S.
- **People with AIDS Coalition** forms in Tucson.
- Pima County Health Department donates 30,000 condoms to the U of A.
- 44,795 confirmed cases in the USA by the end of 1987. Pima County confirms 82 cases.
- 1st Annual **Arizona Fellowship Run**. Over forty club members participate.
- **Partners** raises \$4000.00 in 1st Annual "Bowling for Dollars" for Shanti.

## 1988

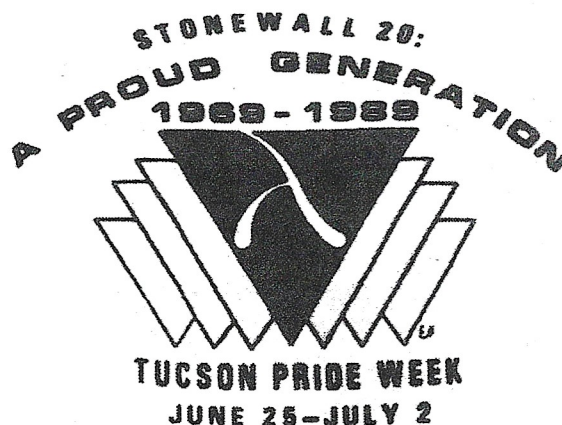
- Tucson Youth Group calls a community meeting to discuss a Gay Resource Center.
- Sierra Tucson announces a Sexual Addiction lecture by nationally acclaimed expert, Dr. Patrick Carnes.
- **The Names Project Quilt** appears in Phoenix in mid-April.
- Pima County Supervisors pass restrictions on adult bookstores and bathhouses — no doors on booths and no ads that promote sexual activity.
- **AGRA** holds 3rd Annual rodeo.
- **Tucson Community Awards** Committee forms to recognize outstanding community members. All bars, clubs and organizations are represented.
- **Partners of Tucson** raises \$2,500 for Shanti with first Bowl-A-Thon.
- AZ Dept. of Health Services receives \$157,000 to provide AZT for those in need.
- **Evan Mecham's recall is official!** — He asks the state for forgiveness.
- **SOS** sponsors huge **Hoedown** at IBT's.
- **Arizona/Sonora Proyecto SIDA (ASPS)** forms to provide HIV services to the ethnic community.
- Tucson Senator, Bill de Long, tries to overturn Tucson's Antidiscrimination Ordinance through SB 1286.



- **3rd Annual Fiesta de Mayo** celebration at the Joshua Tree.
- A Health Dept. study says that 14,000 Arizonans are HIV carriers.
- **IBT's holds 1st Annual Stardust Ball.**
- **DL's Observer Benefit** highly successful. **Colette Barajas and Roger Barger** are named the **TOGA** award winners.
- **"Close Encounters"** safer sex workshops produces a poster promoting safer sex practices for gay men.
- An HIV positive Tucson man is sentenced to 43 years for raping a male U of A student.
- **Shelley Sommerville and Janet Higgins** raise over \$1,900 as **Fiesta de Mayo King & Queen.**
- **TKO Spring Fling** a great success.
- **11th Annual Gay Pride Picnic** held at Himmel Park.
- The **Independent Tavern Owners Association** raffle a trip for two to Hawaii.
- **Joshua Tree/Back Pocket** holds 1st Annual Gilligan Island's Luau.
- 2nd Annual **President's Auction** raises over \$1,700 for PWA's at the Graduate
- **Christina de Alexis** becomes **Miss Gay Tucson 1988.**
- \$1,200 raised for the new **HIV Wellness Clinic**-a cooperative effort of all the ASO's to provide alternative services.
- City of Tucson Asst. Attorney announces at an **OPBPA** meeting, "You can kiss the antidiscrimination ordinance goodbye".
- **The Fineline** changes its name to **Outrageous!**
- **Boomers Cafe Espresso** opens on 4th Avenue catering to the gay community.
- **Couples of Arizona** celebrates its 3rd Anniversary.
- **Partners of Tucson** hold their Panda Run down the Salt River, tubing.
- **Circle K** is boycotted statewide because their health insurance plan refuses to cover PWAs.
- **Couples of Tucson** holds inaugural meeting.
- **Lesbian and gay community chorus** to form in Tucson.
- The **Shanti Foundation** receives a grant from **PCHD** to do safer sex education with gay men.
- **The Safer Sex Posse** is formed—a country/western theme is used throughout the campaign.
- **The Martha Graham Dance Company** performs at Centennial Hall at the U of A as a benefit for Tucson AIDS Project.
- The **Tropicana** opens on W. Miracle Mile as Tucson's first Adult bookstore and motel.
- Tucson joins many cities around the world in a balloon release in celebration of World AIDS Day.
- The **Arizona Cancer Center** sponsors **Dr. Robert Gallo**, famed HIV researcher, at the U of A for a lecture.
- **St. Francis in the Foothills, Shanti and TAP** sponsor a **"Celebration of Light"** to remember all of those lost to AIDS in Tucson. It is a very moving ceremony.
- **ACLU** closes Tucson office.
- **Provincetown's Fabulous Dyketones** appear in Tucson at **Colette's.**
- After years as **Rita's Rendezvous**, **Jim Leftkowitz** buys Rita's and renames it the **Rainbow Room.**

## 1989

- **PACT** moves its office to 151 S. Tucson Blvd.
- **Anonymous testing** for HIV virus finally passed in Arizona.
- The **CAT Committee** holds 2nd Annual awards ceremony and adds a new humanitarian award, **The Rev. Bernardo David Humanitarian Award.** **Bob Ellis and Natalie Perry** tie for the Award.
- **Barney Frank** visits Arizona and urges political activism.
- **Poppers** are outlawed in San Francisco.
- The **4th Annual Observer Community Benefit** is held in March. **Anne Schmitt and Dr. Scott Gorman** are the **TOGA** award recipients.
- The **Tucson Community Chorus** debuts.
- **Wingspan: A Gay and Lesbian Community Center** holds grand opening at 240 N. Court Ave.
- **OPBPA** celebrates its 5th Anniversary with West Hollywood mayor, **Steve Schulte** as its guest speaker.
- **San Francisco's Entertainer of the Year, Marga Gomez,** comes to Tucson for a benefit for **Shanti** held at **Colette's West.**
- **Mi Casa Su Casa** opens on the East side of Tucson as a haven for PWAs.
- **Lee Ridinger** wins the **Closet Ball.**



**PRIDE SHIRTS 1988 & 1989**



- **Shanise and Leo** become **Fiesta de Mayo King & Queen** by raising big bucks for TLGA.
- **Christine Shade** wins the **Miss Gay Tucson Pageant** at the Days Inn.
- Compound Q is being widely tested underground in San Fran. as a possible treatment for AIDS.
- Opening and dedication of the **Frensdorff House**, Tucson's first residential house for PWAs.
- **Gay Pride Picnic** breaks all records for attendance—over **5,000 people** attend and party.
- The Pima County Gay and Lesbian Democratic Caucus forms in mid-July.
- **Rev. Ed Perry** ordained as Clergy of the UFMCC
- **Jamie Anderson** and **Slick Callahan** perform together at the Unitarian Church, celebrating the release of Jamie's album, "Closer to Home".
- **Womyn's 3rd Friday Coffee House** celebrate 3rd Anniversary at Unitarian Church.
- **Copper City Squares**, a gay square dance group, holds organizational meeting at IBTs.
- **The Prom** is held at Rumorhazzit, its a great fund-raising success for Rick Norman Productions, and everyone in town now, wants to learn the Madison.
- The 1st **Miss Gay Latino** contest held at the Joshua Tree during Noche Mexicana. **Luisa de la O'** was the final winner.
- The U.S. Public Health Services grants Pima County over \$135,000 to provide a 5 year service plan for PWAs.
- The Graduate hosts the 7th Annual Turnabout Night.
- Rumorz hosts the **SOS Hoedown** this year.
- **DL** holds 4th Anniversary party, Mystery Run IV and election of new officers.
- Jail house lesbians scare Zsa Zsa.
- The 2nd Annual **A-Mountain Candlelight Walk for Life** is held beginning at Armory Park and culminating at the top of A-Mountain.
- AZ Democratic Caucus holds "Meet the Candidates" night and provides the gay community with 20 voters registrars.
- **Tucson AIDS Project** holds 1st "Walk of Life" to raise funds for services to PWAs.
- All City Council Candidates (Dem.) endorsed by the gay community won their respective seats on the Council.
- The 3rd Annual **AZ Fellowship Run** held once again over Thanksgiving weekend.
- Alvin Harper, AIDS Educator for the AZ Dept. of Health Services comes to Tucson to help "kick off" the **Think Positive Project**, a prevention education program for gay men funded by PCHD.
- PACT for Life sponsors their 1st Annual **Festival of the Trees** at TCC Exhibition Hall.
- **40's and Better** women's group holds 1st Anniversary party.
- Arizona now reports 1,000 AIDS cases, Governor's Task Force gives policy recommendations.
- Someplace Else closes, and reopens as a classy gay bar and restaurant, **The French Quarter**.
- **JT's** holds 12th Annual Hayride Through Winterhaven.
- The Pima County Gay and Lesbian Democratic Caucus changes its name to **Lambda Democratic Caucus** and is recognized for its work by the State Democratic Party. All 9 gay rights planks recommended by Lambda were accepted at the state convention.



## 1990

- PCHD does a **New Year's Eve** condom distribution throughout the county.
- **CAT Awards** ceremony held at the Quality Inn on Oracle Rd. **Roger Barger** wins the **Rev. Bernardo David Humanitarian Award**.
- **Team Arizona**, Gay Games III participants from AZ, adopt their logo.
- **Gallerie, Etc.** opens on 4th Ave. with one man show by Gary Clark.
- **One in Ten Theatre** kicks off their season with their production of "This Brooding Sky".
- **Hotel Congress** advertises Valentines Dance in the Observer, guess they're out of the closet again.
- **Share Bears** begins collecting \$1 at the Gay bars to support local ASO's.
- **Mike Griffin and Patty Bowers** win **TOGA Awards** at Annual Observer Community Benefit.
- The French Quarter hosts **Win, Lose or Draw**.
- **Southern Hospitality Club** begins in Tucson
- One In Ten Teatre Company produces "Safer Sex"
- TKO hosts '90 Closet Ball at the French Quarter.
- **Shanti Jello Wrestling** raises \$8000 in record breaking benefit.
- George Bush signs **American Disabilities Act (ADA)**
- Ousted Arizona Governor Evan Mecham advocates AIDS quarantine.
- **UA** conducts **HIV/AIDS awareness weeks**
- Tucson hosts 1st Annual **Old Pueblo Invitational Tournament**. 96 bowlers from 13 cities in California & Arizona compete for \$2300 in prize money.
- UA selected with eight other American Health Institutions to test Salk vaccine for HIV/AIDS.
- The Joshua Tree holds a Christmas-News Years 50/50 Raffle to benefit the Shanti Foundation of Tucson.
- **Soviet Gay activist visits Tucson's UA** on an eight American City tour to speak of his experiences as a Gay man in Russia.
- Pact holds **2nd Annual Festival of Trees** at La Paloma Resort.
- **Club Hispano** incorporates and elects officers.
- **ACT-UP** forms to advocate for PWA's.
- **Cornerstone Fellowship** dedicates new church building at 2902 N. Geronimo.
- **Team Arizona** brings back 37 medals from Gay Games III.
- French Quarter holds huge Hawaiian Luau.
- **Jim Toevs**, Tucson Activist, meets with **Russian Gays & Lesbians** in Russia.
- LA's Positively Well Workshop trainers come to Tucson to give their "AIDS Mastery Workshop".
- Three gay related murders occur in Tucson over summer of 1990.
- The Rainbow Room sells to Betty Campbell and Lee Nordmark. **Welcome to a new bar... Hours.**
- Outrageous reopens as the **New Fineline**.
- **Raven** is voted **Miss Gay Tucson 1990-91**.
- **Miss Gay Latino 1990-91** is Jesse.



## 1991

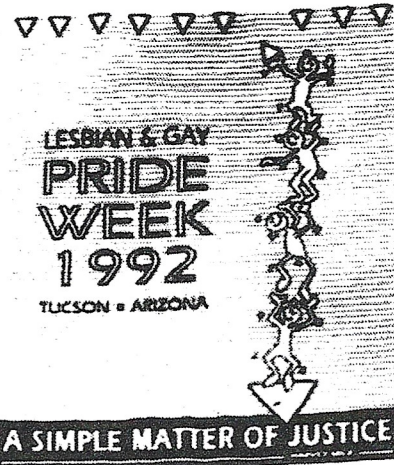
- New Club 2520 opens in mid-December.
- CAT Awards Committee disbands.
- The French Quarter changes owners and becomes the Venture'N.
- Gays demonstrate at Democratic headquarters to protest vice cops in the parks.
- TLGA's ad hoc Committee for Justice and Safety in the Parks convinced the Tucson City Council to amend its code that made it a misdemeanor and a mandatory 10-day jail term for discussing sexual activity in a public place.
- Chuck Mayer awarded the Newton John Skinner Self Empowerment Award.
- Lee Thompson receives the Rev. Bernardo David Award.
- Local AIDS day celebration features quilt panels from the Names Project.
- 2nd Annual HITT Bowling Tournament held in Tucson.
- 1st Annual TORCH Awards held by Pact For Life.
- Tucson Metropolitan Community Chorus becomes Desert Voices.
- A new service of the Assoc. Student Govt. at the UA elevates the status of sexual minorities to one of equality with other minorities—and BGALA is born!
- Names Project Quilt comes to Phoenix.
- Colette's West closes its doors on Speedway.
- Art Lewis inherits the Graduate from Ron Templeton.
- HIV+ man arrested for attempted 2nd degree murder.
- MCC Tucson celebrates 21st Anniversary with visit by Rev. Troy Perry, founder of MCC.
- Mayor Tom Volgy and all 6 City Council members address the Gay Pride Picnic.
- PACT For Life is funded to open an early intervention center.
- UA student body elects an open lesbian to their student senate.

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## 1992

- HITT presents \$1500.00 check to Shanti Foundation/Tucson.
- Cloud 95 releases record album to benefit PACT For Life.
- 1 in 5 gay or bisexual men in Tucson are HIV+ a California study says.
- Sgt. Tom Paniccia sues military in federal court.
- Cactus Gallery hosts portion of Names Project AIDS Memorial Quilt.
- Military's anti-gay policy to be protested at UA, Saturday, November 21.
- Lee Thompson awarded the Newton John Skinner Self-Empowerment Award.
- Clinton wins presidency. Lesbians & gays hail election.
- Sgt. Tom Paniccia receives discharge.
- Hours 2nd Anniversary party, October 10.
- PACT's Life Thru Art raises \$23,000.
- Magic Johnson quits U.S. AIDS panel. Cites lack of support by Bush administration.
- Fiesta raises over \$3000.00 for Shanti.
- Paniccia taken off active duty roster, protest rally called for Davis-Monthan A.F.B., September 23.
- Welcome to New Shanti director, Anne Maley.
- UA scholarship offered by IBT's to gay community.
- T-Squares celebrate 8th Anniversary at Club 2520
- IBT's reopens July 31st. It's 'Bout Time!
- AHCSS cuts off UMC.
- Jello Wrestling raises over \$4000.00 for Shanti.
- AGRA votes to have Saguaro Regional Rodeo in Tucson next year.
- New gay symbols – rings, rainbow loops, enter main stream.
- Tucson Gay Pride breaks attendance records.
- Fire guts Joshua Tree/ Back Pocket.
- Fiesta De Mayo to be held at IBT's.
- Michael Callen in Tucson appearance April 22.
- Natalie Perry chosen as Grand Marshall for AGRA rodeo in May.
- Police Chief Elaine Hedke presents positive image to local gay community.
- National Coming Out Day celebrates 6th year on October 11th

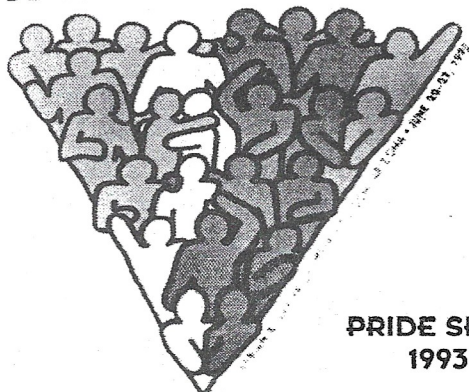


- Sex is now leading cause of AIDS in women.
- Primary elections September 21. The Observer endorses McKasson & Saggau for City Council.
- U.S. Postal Service AIDS stamp debuts December 11th.
- 4 Gay couples challenge Arizona's same sex marriage laws with Love & Justice Lawsuit.
- Dr. Scott Gorman leaves UMC.
- The Graduate celebrates 30th Anniversary.
- "As We See It..." A Roast And Toast Of Clark.
- Colorado supreme court refuses to lift injunction blocking gay amendment.
- Gay and Lesbian History Month at Wood's Public Library.
- Tucson Desert Voices summer concert June 19th.
- Candas and Mario crowned for Fiesta de Mayo. Raise record sum for pride week.
- Arizonans join March On Washington.
- Observer Community Benefit grosses nearly \$10,000.
- Jim Toevs Roast promises "drag-free fun" (?)
- Madame X crowned Miss Gay Tucson

## 1993

- Anti-gay discrimination ends at white house.
- President signs "Don't Ask, Don't Tell"
- National Task Force on AIDS Drugs formed
- Tucsonans join in World AIDS Day Commemoration.
- Police Chief Hedke resigns.
- TLGA forms ad-hoc Committee on Health Services.
- 20th Anniversary Party for Antigone Books. Block party on October 30th.
- Team Arizona / Dave Pallone hold successful Tucson fund-raiser.
- 1993 Newton John Skinner Self-Empowerment Award goes to Sean Thomas.
- Michael Bennett, co-owner of Club 2520 died of heart failure, Sunday October 16,
- Love & Justice Lawsuit in Tucson.
- PACT receives federal housing grant.
- Saguaro Regional Rodeo '93 rodeo a big success by all standards.
- Michael Bennett is AGRA Grand Marshall.

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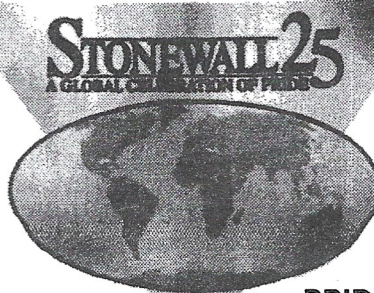
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- Colorado initiative comes to Arizona. Emergency community meeting called for Thursday, march 4.
- Lesbian Bisexual Awareness Week on UA campus February 15-19.
- Lift the Ban rally in Tucson. Lambda urges court to hear appeal on military's gay ban.
- Observer Community Benefit plans underway. Cast and crew of fifty, bodes biggest benefit yet.
- Jim Toevs named to head AIDS Walk '93.
- 2520's 1st Anniversary party January 8-9.
- 4th Avenue Social Club opens.
- Wingspan moves to 4th Avenue location.

## 1994

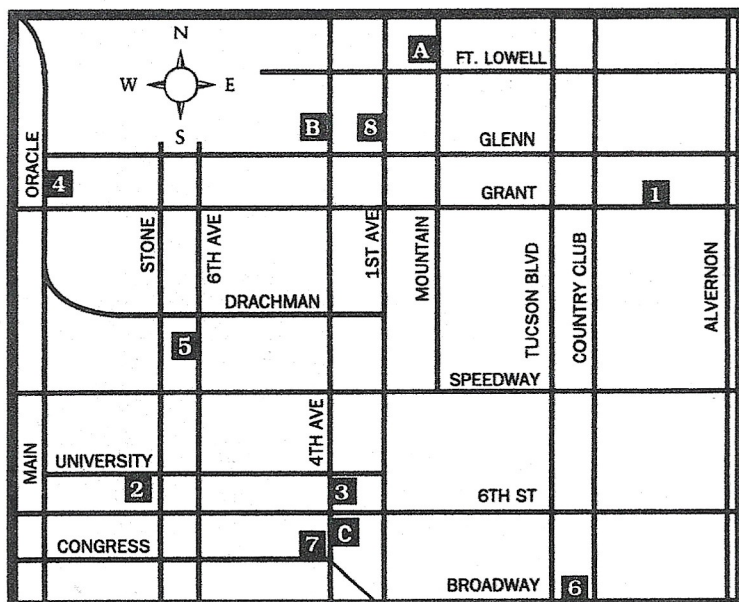
- Tucson Mayor & Council reaffirm public support for antidiscrimination ordinance; oppose Meliti Amendment.
- TLGA looks for new officers.
- 1st Annual Michael Bennett Memorial Walk held February 13.
- Jamie Anderson's Bad Hair Day World Tour in Tucson February 19.
- Governor Symington denounces Meliti petition drive.
- Senator Barry Goldwater supports Gay Rights both nationally and locally.
- TLGA votes to hold Pride Picnic in October this year.
- NGLTF's Bray warns about impending anti-gay amendment in Arizona. Urges gay and straight coalition to fight.
- Gays and lesbians to join 1994 Martin Luther King March. It's finally a holiday!
- AGRA Rodeo a Big success. Bob Ellis is Grand Marshall. Gilda Fatale is Miss AZ AGRA.
- Rumorhazzit closes.
- Fiesta de Mayo Royalty is Adrienne Alexander and Paris St. Clair.
- Miss Gay Tucson 1994-95 - Lucinda Holliday.
- Lucinda Holliday wins Miss Gay Arizona! First time the crown holder is from Tucson.
- Team Arizona leads the parade of athletes at Gay Games wearing pink cowboy hats and bring home many medals.
- 2520 changes owners.
- Stonewall/Eagle opens. Rebuilt on the burned out foundation of Joshua Tree/Back Pocket.
- Ain't Nobody's Bizness opens in summer of '94.

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- 1986 • Aviva Diamond & Roger Barger
- 1987 • Miss Minerva & Juan
- 1988 • Janet Higgins & Shelley Sommerville
- 1989 • Shanise & Leo
- 1990 • Moose Pagel & Big Mike
- 1991 • Kimberly Ryan & Freddie Carillo
- 1992 • Madame X & Kenny Davis
- 1993 • Candas & Mario
- 1994 • Adrienne Alexander & Paris St. Clair

### — Miss Gay Tucson —

- 1986 • Aviva Diamond
- 1987 • Tabitha Scott
- 1988 • Christina De Alexis
- 1989-90 • Christine Shade
- 1990-91 • Raven
- 1991-92 • Tiffany ST. Thomas
- 1992-93 • Candy Plastique
- 1993-94 • Madame X
- 1994-95 • Lucinda Holliday

### — TOGA Awards —

- 1986 • Natalie Perry and David Wetstein
- 1987 • Annie Corbin and Roger Barger
- 1988 • Colette Barajas and Jack Stockslager
- 1989 • Anne Schmitt and Dr. R. Scott Gorman
- 1990 • Patty Bowers and Dr. Michael Griffin
- 1991 • Kathy Mayer and Dr. Michael Darraugh
- 1992 • Debra Broner and Jerome Beillard
- 1993 • Nena Trujillo and Jim Toevs

### Arizona Gay Rodeo Assoc. — Grand Marshalls —

- 1992 • Natalie Perry
- 1993 • Michael Bennett
- 1994 • Bob Ellis

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