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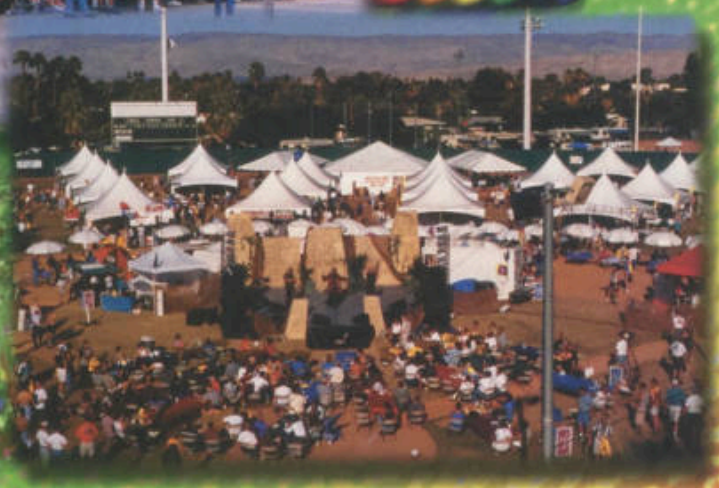






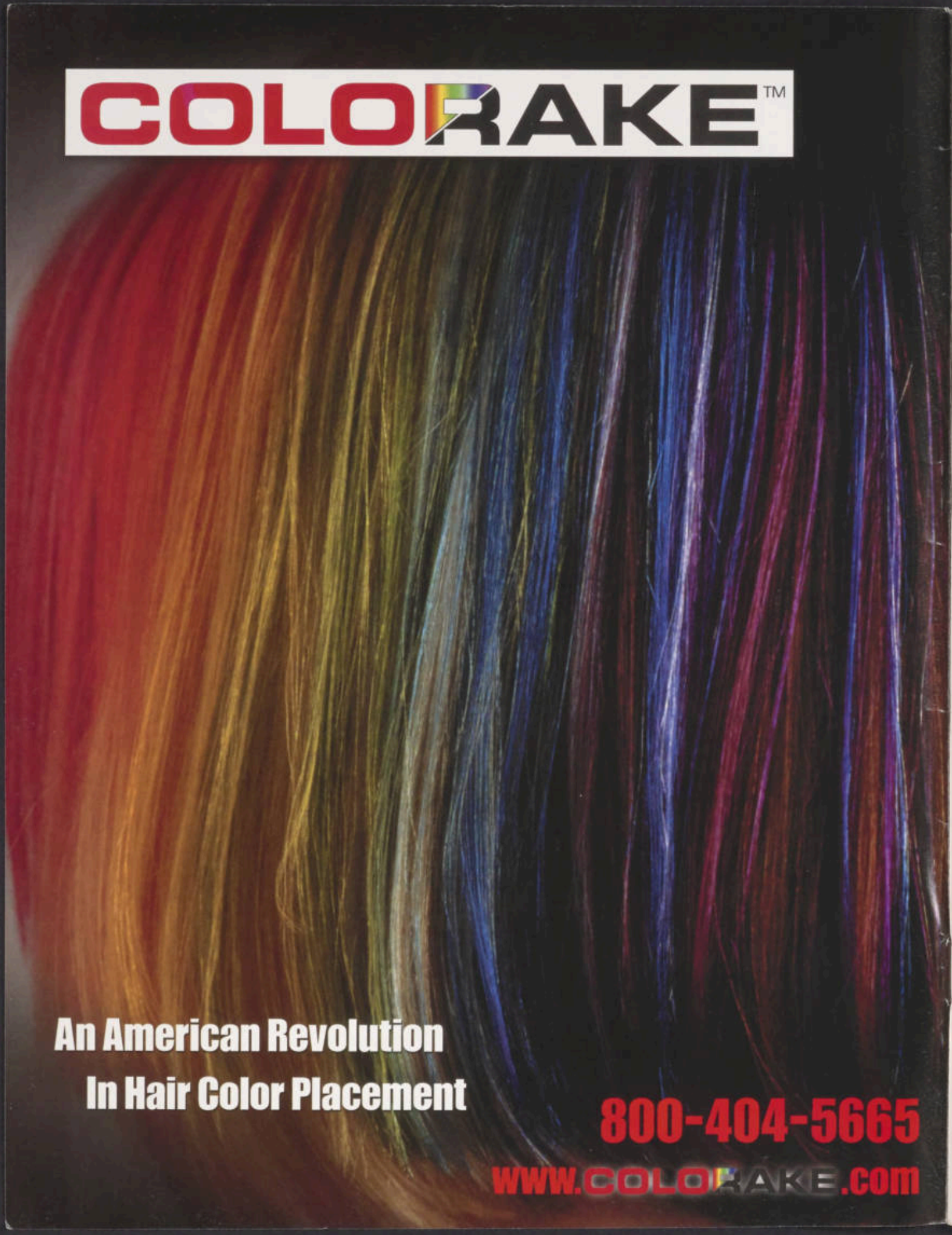
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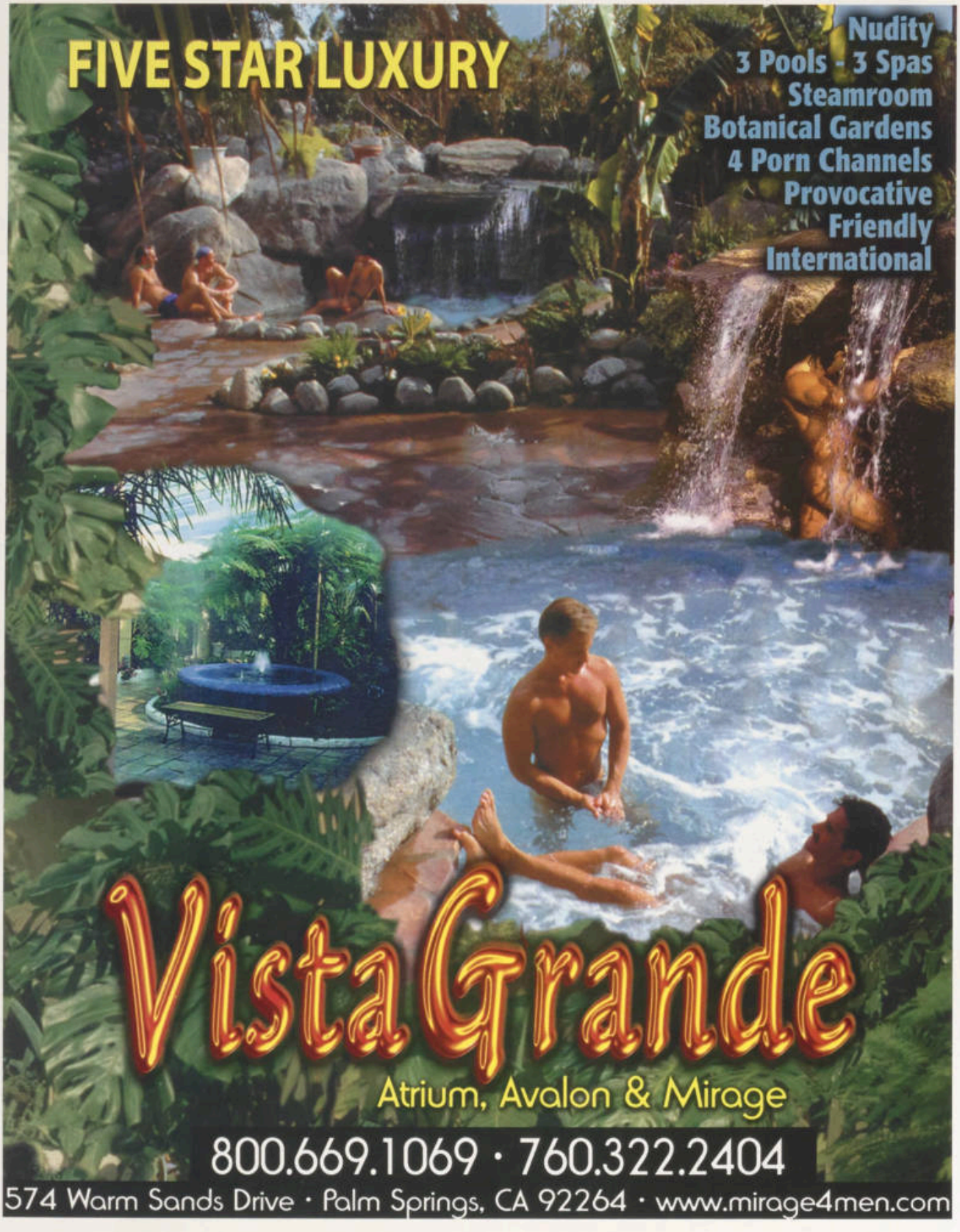


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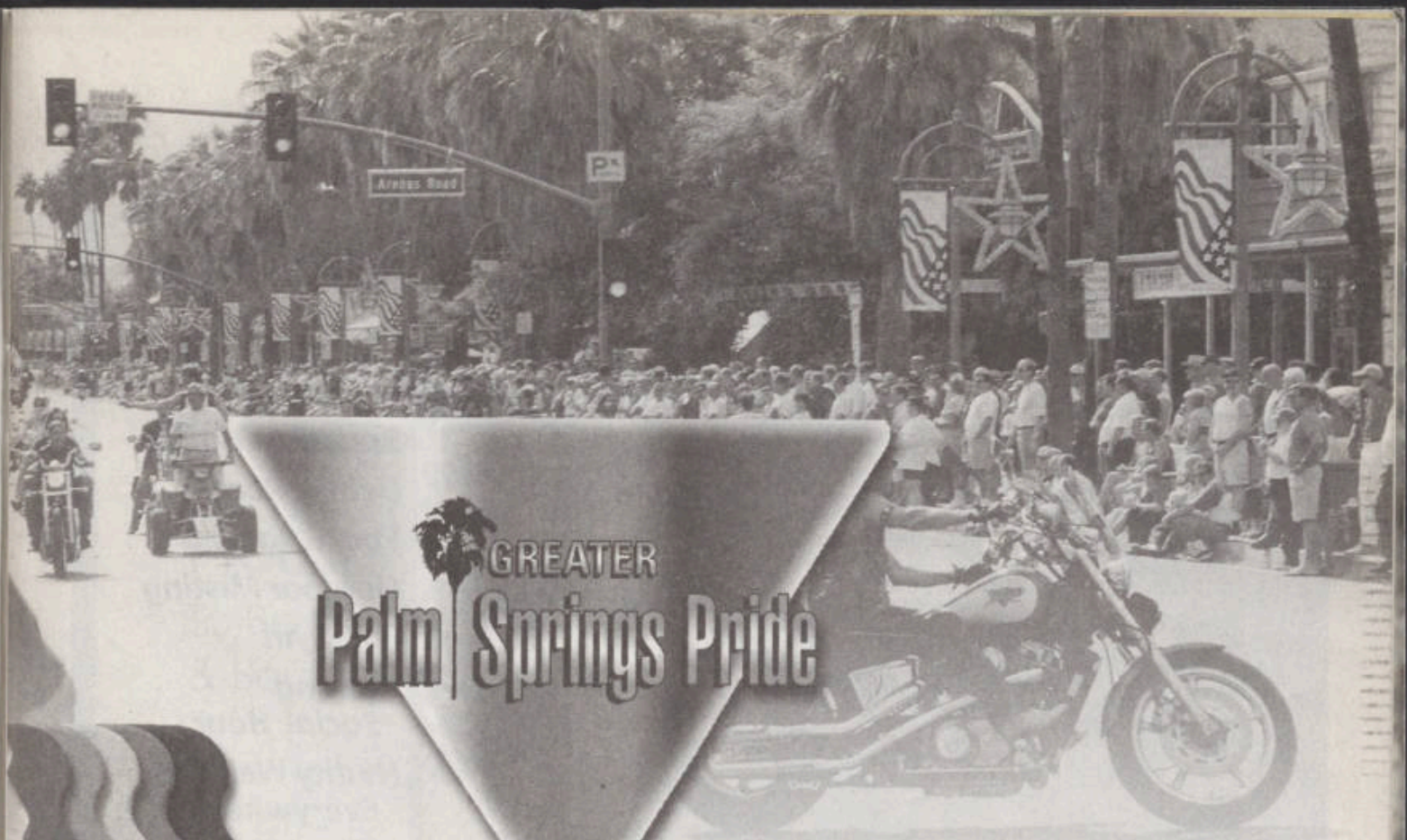


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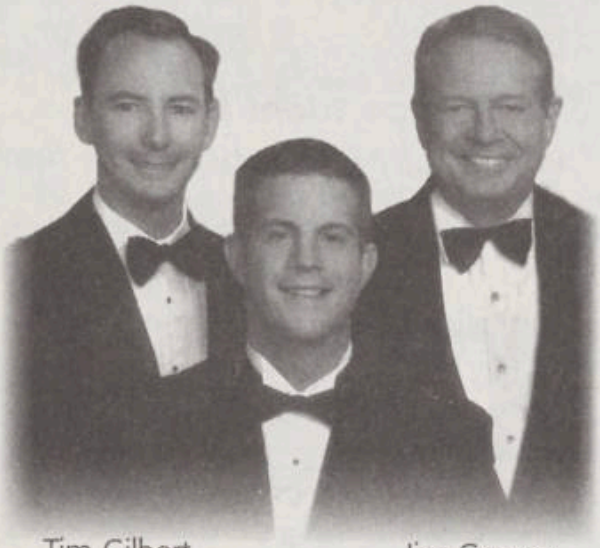
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Welcome once again to the Greater Palm Springs Pride Festival!

The world situation has touched and changed each of us forever. The way we look at ourselves, our lives, and our environment will never be the same as before the horrific events of September 11, 2001.

I have always believed that life must go on, and that we are all far stronger than we think. I also believe that each of us must strive to live our lives taking time to enjoy the freedom and gifts we each have been given and earned.

Please take time, at the Festival, and each day, to think not of what we don't have but what we do have. Palm Springs Pride strives to "accentuate the positive" of our Community, as well as the Majority Community. Also, please take time to draw from and inspire, share, love, learn as well as teach, with those whom you come in contact with.

I, and the Board of Greater Palm Springs Pride trust you will enjoy the Festival, and take home something that will give strength, pride, comfort, and peace of mind.

Yours,
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CECIL BEARE

Every year, a general theme or motto is chosen for Pride Festivals throughout the world by INTERPRIDE (The International Association Of Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgendered Pride Coordinators) and this year's theme is EMBRACE DIVERSITY.

As our community grows and becomes more accepted, it is important to realize that this community is made up of many facets and - like a diamond - it is the coming together of all facets that generate the brilliance and beauty that make us unique and valuable.

It is my belief that to truly be accepted in the world, we must first be accepting of ourselves and of those within our own community. We no longer identify ourselves as the gay community - we are the lesbian, gay, bi-sexual, transgender and transsexual community. We must also acknowledge that we are the "leather" community and the "bear" community. And, within each of these are "subcultures" that play an important part of us - as a community -being accepted. Remember, it was the "drag-queens" in New York that stood up to discrimination and started the Stonewall riots, which laid the foundation for our yearly PRIDE festivals throughout the world. By embracing this diversity, our strength, visibility, numbers, and familiarity increases.

I always say a stranger is only someone you haven't met. In the heterosexual world, there are many people that don't know anyone gay, so it is easy for them to distrust, dislike, and ridicule. Yet, the same is true in our own community; because we don't know someone that is a transgender or a "bear", we often don't think of them as part of "our cause". If we don't support and accept them, we are guilty of the very things we are fighting for with the heterosexual world - acceptance, tolerance, and acknowledgement.

Accepting our diversity sets an example to the world at large. There is a quote that stands so true - "A nation divided against itself can not stand". If we tear down those in our own community, we - the gay, lesbian, bisexual, transgender, transsexual, leather, bear, black, white, tops, bottoms, masters, slaves, circuit party crowd, will not have a chance at facing the rest of the world and saying "we're here and we're staying, so get used to it!"

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JAMIE O'NEIL

The "gayby" boom brings an ever-increasing number of gay men and lesbians raising families. You can't go to a Pride parade anymore without seeing a good share of babies being pushed in strollers by their lesbian moms, or toddlers walking hand-in-hand with their two dads. And, although there have always been a fair number of gay or lesbian families with children from a previous marriage, our rainbow family remains unique.

It never occurred to me when I met Gary O'Neil that we'd ever start a family - I identified as a lesbian, and he was dating another man. It was 1988, the AIDS crisis was raging, and everyone we knew was on some drug or another. It was quite by accident that we happened to fall in love. Perhaps grew in love is a more accurate term for what happened. We had an instant rapport the moment we met, and our friendship blossomed far beyond what either of us ever expected.

My first reaction to a pregnancy was shock, and it didn't enter my mind that Gary would want to get married and start a family, but I was wrong. We decided if we were going to do it, we'd do it right. We devised a master plan and began to change our lives and build a foundation. Immediately after Chelsea was born in 1989, I knew I wanted another baby. At 28, I didn't want to wait long, and Keenan was born almost exactly 18 months later.

Our marriage lasted seven years. Personally, I have always been very uncomfortable identifying as a bisexual, and it was no more comfortable during those seven years than anytime else. I grew increasingly uncomfortable with the contradiction of my life and my sexual identity, in spite of the strength of my feelings for Gary. It was an extremely painful break up for both of us, but soon after, it was apparent that it was the right thing. I've always been glad we managed to live together through the children's toddler years, and if I had it to do over, I wouldn't change a thing.

Additionally, I am proud of the maturity we both sustained throughout our break up, never using the children as weapons against one another, and maintaining the greatest sense of family as we could throughout the those painful months. We have never missed a holiday or birthday together with the children.

Today, Chelsea and Keenan are 12 and 10 years old, and our family extends well beyond the nuclear family confines of one mom and dad. Gary has always participated fully in the nurturing of our children. When they were babies, he changed diapers and fixed oatmeal. When they were toddlers, he read them bedtime stories and kept them while I went to school. He has always been there for them and me. We created a foundation that we have since built on with our same sex partners. If one of us is sick, or preoccupied with business, the other steps in to give the extra attention to the children. If I could have drawn up a plan for parenting, Gary is just the man I'd have chosen for the job of Daddy.

Gary's partner, Kevin, is relatively new to the family, and brought his own extended family into our circle. The children adore him. He instantly seemed to click with our family. I'll never forget the first time he came to a family gathering, on Keenan's birthday. Because Keenan was born at home, we have the entire birth process on film, and for this birthday, decided to watch it. That was Kevin's initiation into the family! If you really want to put a gay man to the test, show him a live birth. If he holds it together, then he's fit for parenting, as far as I'm concerned. Kevin passed with flying colors, getting misty at the appropriate time, and still having the courage to look me in the eye after witnessing me in what was not my most flattering position!

In spite of the loving attention the children get from their dad, I still could not have given them the amount of time and energy that they receive without my lover and partner, Melinda. I met Melinda through a work venture, but didn't really see her in the same light after she met my children. The year we met she was on the site committee of Palm Springs' Pride festival. The children and I were at the site on Friday evening to help set up. The children instantly took to her,

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and followed her around. I remember thinking how nice it would be to have a lover who had such a rapport with the children, and who was so interested in them. Six months later, she was living with us.

Anyone with children knows that much of parenting is care giving - it's the work that seems to bond parent to child. There seems to be more impact in fixing a meal and teaching a child how to do something than in watching a movie or going for a walk together. In this respect, Melinda has bonded with the children on a deep level. She makes their lunches every morning before the rest of us are out of bed; she does the biggest share of the cooking. When my working hours have been long, she has scheduled her own day to be home when school's out. Most of all, she actually enjoys being a part of our family. It is her first family, and although she considers herself more of a friend to the children than a parent, she gives Chelsea and Keenan at least as much attention and time as I do.



We always find time to spend holidays and birthdays together, and Gary and I have alternated over the years; one year we will have Christmas at our house; the next we'll have it at his house. The children stay with us for two weeks and then with Gary and Kevin for two weeks. However, we hold that loosely, remaining open to their changing needs and flexible to one another's schedule. All four of us think it's the ideal way to parent. It's intimidating to think of having responsibility for them every single day, all the time. This way, we are free to cultivate our own partnerships and our social lives during our off weeks. Gary and I make the final decisions together, and discuss it with our respective partners as well. We have lengthy phone sessions where we plan a month or so in advance, discuss school issues, and whatever else needs to be worked out.

I think all of us feel as though our children get more attention than they would with only two parents, and that our short breaks from parenting give us a refresher, so that we may come back to it every two weeks with renewed patience and eagerness to share our lives. When the children are here, I drive home from work each evening excited to be together. How many families feel that way about their time together? I have come to believe that attention makes all the difference in children, that they cannot receive too much of it. Both children are in the Gifted And Talented Education program at their schools. Keenan's test scores put him in the top five percent of the nation at his grade level. Chelsea is extremely gifted as well, with an emotional maturity that exceeds that of some adults.

Recent studies have shown that there is a difference in children of gay and lesbian families. I observe differences in our family, which I attribute to the additional attention our children receive. And, our activism and struggle for equal rights and recognition as a legitimate family has given our children a social and political awareness that most children do not possess. Do they feel our family is different than the families of their friends?

"No, we aren't different, except you are probably more outgoing and fun. We do more stuff together than my friends and their parents," says Keenan. He hasn't had to deal with the social issues surrounding having two gay parents yet. At ten, his friends accept us matter-of-factly.

"In a sense, yes, we are different, but it's only physical. In every other way, we're just like anyone else's family," says Chelsea, who went to her first day of 7th grade with an "I love my lesbian mom" pin on her new backpack. Middle school children, with their blossoming sexual awareness, noticed it, but Chelsea reported that most people reacted with curiosity. I asked her if she thought it would be heightened if she had another one next to it that read, I love my gay dad, too. "It probably wouldn't be much different - it's already a shock to people that I have a lesbian mom and I'm proud of it. You don't see too many kids walking around with a pin like that "Chelsea believes.

Would I have advised her to put that pin on her backpack? Never. Do I worry for her safety? A little. But, we are activists; we stand up for what we believe in. We don't have secrets, and we encourage our children to speak up, to think for themselves, to question authority - to think outside the box - to make informed decisions. We teach our children to appreciate people's differences. Maybe that makes us different. I like to think it makes us special.

BOB HOVEN

The greater Palm Springs area is home to more senior gay men and women than perhaps any other community anywhere. While many are in retirement, they continue to be vibrant and active participants with the community at large.



Some own businesses, some are employed, and many are volunteers at civic and humanitarian organizations, like the Palm Springs Desert Museum, the McCallum Theatre, hospitals, nursing homes, senior centers, assisted living care centers, galleries and municipal agencies.

There are two Prime Timers organizations in the Coachella Valley for senior gay men—the 1,400 member Prime Timers of the Desert and the 300 member Prime Timers of Greater Palm Springs. Both groups have frequent dinners, mixers, parties and bus trips. A Prime Timers of the Desert Foundation has been formed for the purpose of funding a Senior Center where senior gay men and women can gather and socialize.

MEGA-Scene began featuring same-sex couples with 25 or more years of "marriage" with a feature called "Who said Gay Relationships don't last?" Already, more than 200 couples have been featured.

Many senior women participate in Desert Dyners, a social group for women who enjoy dinners at local restaurants. Many senior gay men and women are active members in the many local gay organizations. Significantly, local gay seniors are politically and socially active within the community-at-large.

The Golden Years do not halt an active lifestyle, and that is particularly true here in our desert paradise. Our total gay senior population is as diverse as its straight counterpart. Some live on minimal Social Security income and some are very affluent, while the rest are somewhere in between.

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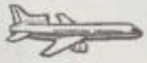
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It's the place I choose to live. So, come with me and visit Palm Springs, my hometown.

Palm Springs has long been a Mecca for vacationers. The first wave started in the thirties and forties, as motion picture celebrities discovered the wonderful hot springs that gave our city its name, the spectacular beauty of its setting, the strangely abundant water supply that created this oasis in paradise, and the easy relaxed life style that was soon present where all conspired to create this unlikely oasis.

In the fifties, sixties and seventies, many people built second homes in the valley and later, the condo boom brought even more winter part-time residents. Always popular with Southern California Lesbians and Gay men, the last twenty odd years have brought a great influx of our own into this valley. The past ten years has seen Lesbians and Gay Men from all over the world flock in making Palm Springs one of the hottest lesbigay destinations today.

With over forty Gay owned and Gay Friendly hotels and guest facilities along with the numerous dining, shopping, entertainment and party venus, these are just the tips of the desert iceberg (pardon the pun). Although a small community, the greater Palm Springs area offers just about everything you could want for that special and different getaway, So, here we go with some of the very special things to do in the area.



At the North end of Palm Springs is the Aerial Tramway offering a spectacular trip straight up Mount San Jacinto. As you ascent, you'll pass through five distinct climate zones, each with it's own ecology. When you reach the top the beauty spread out below you and on every side'll awe you. If hiking is your thing, well-marked trails will take you to the nearby mountain community of Idyllwild. If you are not quite that adventurous, you can do it on the back of a mule. If you decide to visit in the early evening, for just $4.00 more than the cost to ride the tram, you can have dinner at the top of the Tram. By the way, the tram has just finished a major rebuilding and now features cars the revolve 360 degrees as they ascend and descend.

Although we know you are here primarily to celebrate pride, there are several different ways to explore the desert itself, and it is our hope that what you read here will cause you to come back and visit us again and again.

There is a bit of just about everything for you to enjoy: well marked hiking trails ranging from the very easy to extremely challenging are available. Several stables rent horses and conduct guided rides to provide another view. If bicycling attracts you, our Bike Shops will not only rent you the bikes, but they'll provide maps showing bike trails. Two of the more popular ways to explore the beauty of the desert close up are with daily jeep tours, and the early evening covered wagon tour and dinner.

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For those who would like to learn about the desert in a less hectic way, The Living Desert Museum and the Palm Springs Desert Museum are well worth visiting, as is the Moorten's Botanical Gardens. By the way, the Cahuilla Band of Indians invites you to visit their famed canyons. You can reach them following South Palm Canyon Drive in Palm Springs. Once in the canyons, you can drive to places and proceed on foot to visit some of the most unspoiled and beautiful vistas anywhere in the USA.

There are several casinos on Indian Land. Casino Morongo, west on Interstate 10 can easily be combined with a trip to one of the best factory outlet malls in the USA. Both Fantasy Springs and Spotlight 29 Casino's near Indio, offer a full range of games and bingo along with excellent low cost dining.

Right here, in downtown Palm Springs, the hugely successful Spa Resort and Casino, at the corner of Indian Canyon and Tahquitz, offers a full range of casino games and outstanding food. You might want to stop by and experience all that is new in Indian Gaming.

Brand new this year and located at Ramon Road and Bob Hope Drive in Rancho Mirage is the spectacular Agua Caliente Casino. More than just a casino, the venue offers three gourmet restaurants and a beautiful showroom. Speaking of Rancho Mirage, another new addition to the cityscape is "The River at Rancho Mirage." Just opened, the nearly 100 Million Dollar Center offers a large motion picture theater complex, gourmet restaurants, and quality shops. Oh, and yes, a river runs through it.

Palm Springs offers numerous art galleries that are well worth an afternoon of browsing. If you're here for longer than just Pride weekend, do what the locals do: every Thursday night the City of Palm Springs closes off six blocks of the downtown for VillageFest, offering: food, music, local artisans, people watching, and just plain fun. Also new this year and complimenting Village Fest is, "First Friday," running along busy Palm Canyon Dr, through the bustling 'uptown' section of Palm Springs. You'll stroll north from Amado Road to Tachevah Drive, as you stroll you can visit over fifty antique furnishing shops and art galleries open for your evening browsing or shopping pleasure.

Also for your shopping pleasure, just a little way down valley on Saturday and Sunday, the College of the Desert in Palm Desert hosts an extremely interesting swap meet and open air shopping mart. Since this venue opens at 7:00 am, you can do what smart valleyites do and stop by early before you start your day at our Pride Festival. Higher end shopping, lest you think we are all rustic, you'll see in Palm Springs and Palm Desert international names you know and respect. But best of all, in Palm Desert, is El Paseo, a gently curving, architecturally unique and interesting street that has often been called the Rodeo Drive or Fifth Avenue of the desert. Take the time to make a visit—you'll be amazed at the selection and variety available. The Desert Fashion Plaza, Palm Springs, Desert Crossings, and Westfield Shopping Town, both in Palm, Desert, offer additional top line shopping.

Unique to this valley are the large number of consignment shops along Highway 111. The Estate Sale Company is probably the largest and you'll find fantastic buys in Furniture, Jewelry, and decorative objects. If you find something that you must have that is too big to carry, shipping can be arranged.

One last shopping thought: if you have the time, (and if not this trip save this for a future visit)—just a short drive west on Interstate 10 toward Los Angeles, are two major outlet malls. The 120 store Desert Hills Outlet Mall hosts over ten million visitors a year, the quality of their name brand shops bring busloads of visitors every day and the bargains abound. Right next door are the Cabazon Outlets, only open six months and much smaller, this fourteen store Mall offers so very interesting shops as well.

Of course, we have numerous bars and restaurants that will be pleased to welcome you while you are here. Copies of *The BottomLine*, *MEGA-Scene* and *Desert Daily Guide*, are not only available on the festival grounds but at many local bars and retail businesses.

Palm Springs Modern



In the middle years of the 20th century, the mountains and desert sands of California's Coachella Valley inspired an aesthetic that would become known as Desert, or Palm Springs, Modern.

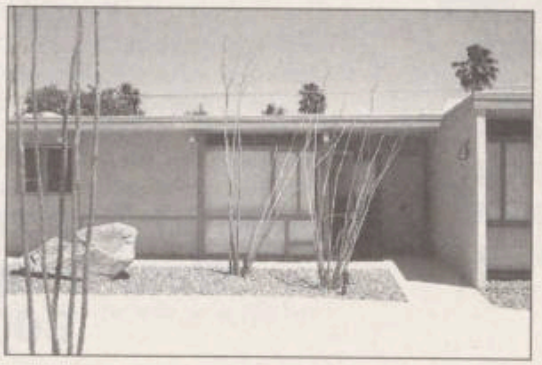
Notable for its use of glass, clean lines, indoor/outdoor spaces, simple landscaping and sculptural form, Palm Springs Modernism Defined a lifestyle of elegant informality.

This design atmosphere inspired talented local and visiting architects to create Modern structures of every size and function: residential, commercial, civic, religious and institutional. Remarkably, much of this historic legacy exists today to be appreciated by new generations of Modernists.

The Palm Springs Modern Committee, founded in 1999, is a forum for maintaining and promoting Palm Springs' historic Modern heritage. Visit their website at www.psmodcom.com, for more information.

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AIDS Assistance Program

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Since September of 2000, the AIDS Assistance Program has added 87 new clients to their rolls.

Twenty-five of those clients were added through a generous grant from the City of Palm Springs Community Development Block Grant Program in October. The CDBG grant was renewed for 2001 in March of this year assuring ongoing funding for those 25 individuals through the remainder of this year.

With a recent grant from the H.D. & Joan Dale Hubbard Foundation in October 2000, the AIDS Assistance Program's client base increased to 450 (406 men, 21 women & 23 children) the number of active clients the program serves on a twice a month basis. The remaining 37 client spots were made available through relocations, returns to work (full or part-time) and still, unfortunately, through deaths. The AIDS Assistance Program lost 18 clients due to death since September of last year, a number smaller than in the same period in 1999, but still unacceptable.

As therapies and treatment modalities continue to improve the health of many of our clients and a small percentage of those clients continue to return to work, the continued growth in demand for the AAP's food voucher program is unending. We have seen 120 new applications for service since September of last year and 25 of those have registered in the last month and a half. With all clients now receiving $45 twice a month, our ongoing monthly food voucher expense is in excess of $40,000 and is expected to reach our budgeted projection of $450,000 for calendar year 2001.

With all the improvements in therapies and a number of clients returning to either part or full time work, the AAP is still maintaining 29 adults and 3 children on a waiting list for services. It should be noted that these new clients applying for services are not new infections but rather individuals relocating to the desert community due to affordability and quality of services, long time residents no longer able to work, or those going back on the program after trying to work unsuccessfully.

Sixty percent of our clients (228), are long-term survivors being positive for 10 years or more with another 25% (94), being positive 5 to 10 years. Forty two percent of our clients consider their health good to excellent with many of those considering either returning to school or work. As you can probably see, the improved health status of the vast majority of our clients indicates that these individuals will be with us for many years to come. Coupled with the continued improvement of our existing clients and the unending growth in new client applications, the financial challenges the organization faces going forward are daunting.

The AIDS Assistance Program is still a strong Grassroots Organization with 80% of our operating budget coming from individual donations, community fundraisers, local businesses and private foundation grants. In the past 10 years, the AAP has distributed over $2,000,000 in direct client services operating with a staff of 1.5 and a volunteer board of fourteen. Please consider those you know who continue to need our support when making your donation choices this coming holiday season. A HUGE thank you to all of those community members, businesses and foundations that have contributed to our past 10 years of success. We still need you going forward until there is a cure.

For Information on the organization call 760-325-8481 or write us at PO Box 4182, Palm Springs, CA 92263.


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DESERT AIDS PROJECT

Our continuing war

For many years, directors at AIDS organizations across the country invoked a common dream: going out of business. We have worked hard for that day when we can hang the 'closed' sign on the door, and go home. Today's reality has forced us to replace simple hopes about the future with more complicated issues.

Among the challenges facing many of our clients is a $20,000 a year price tag for those using the new drugs, or treatment failures that require switching to other medications. Another cost, harder to measure, may be even more deadly: People with AIDS are wasting away less quickly, but compassion for them, and commitment to helping those still in need of help, is dwindling. In a pattern seen throughout the country, donations for the services that have helped keep people with AIDS alive are going down, and some organizations have been forced to close. Our reality is that clients come to us in high anxiety about how they are going to get food, keep their apartment, or meet their medical bills. For people with AIDS, the lights are going out, not on the epidemic, but on the radar screens of the people whose attention and caring has been crucial to helping keep them alive.

Since AIDS drugs are of no use to those who don't know they're infected with HIV, at Desert AIDS Project we increased our prevention and HIV testing efforts to help people know they are infected as soon as possible, and worked to place pro-testing messages in busses, on bus shelters, and throughout the media, both in Spanish and English. Without a vaccine, we prioritize prevention programs that are our only hope of slowing the disease. Because HIV infections continue largely unabated in spite of promising medical advances, we've launched new initiatives with tailored messages, to let people know how deadly life with HIV can be, and how they can work to prevent infection.

This is not the twilight of the epidemic. Today we continue to see higher numbers of treatment failures than we had anticipated, and more new clients coming through our front doors.

We hope that you will choose to support our work, however you can: volunteering, donating, educating and advocating for change.

Desert AIDS Project is the ***only*** organization in our community where people living with HIV & AIDS can receive ***comprehensive*** services to help manage HIV disease. We offer primary medical care through our **HIV Health Center** (clinic), and **Case Management** to assess the needs of our clients and help arrange for:

- **Home Health Care**
- **Nutrition counseling**
- **Pharmaceuticals**
- **Housing Assistance**
- **Transportation**
- **Legal Services**
- **Dental care**
- **Mental Health Counseling**
- **Substance Abuse Counseling**
- **Wellness** and other services

Upcoming events to help raise funds for Desert AIDS Project:

The Eighth Annual
Steve Chase Humanitarian Awards
Saturday, February 9, 2002
at the Palm Springs Convention Center

The 14th Annual Desert AIDS Walk
Sunday, April 14, 2002 in Palm Springs

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Gay Veterans Memorial

CHARLIE SHARPLES

In the fall of 1995 the Palm Springs Gay Veterans proposed building a memorial exclusively honoring gays, lesbians, bisexuals and transgenders who had given the supreme sacrifice—losing their lives in combat serving in our country's armed forces.

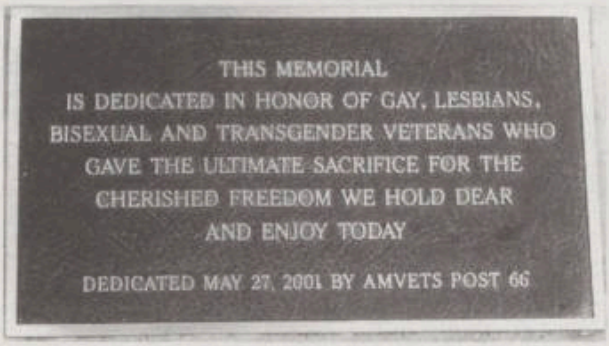
Shortly after, the members of that organization formed the California Gay Veterans Memorial Association. Desert Memorial Park in Cathedral City, the final resting place for many celebrities and frequented by tourists, was chosen as the location for the memorial.

In December of 2000, discussions were begun with the Palm Springs Cemetery District and it appeared that our proposal would be quickly approved. Memorial Day Weekend was chosen for the dedication and the written proposal was submitted to the board of trustees in January of 2001.

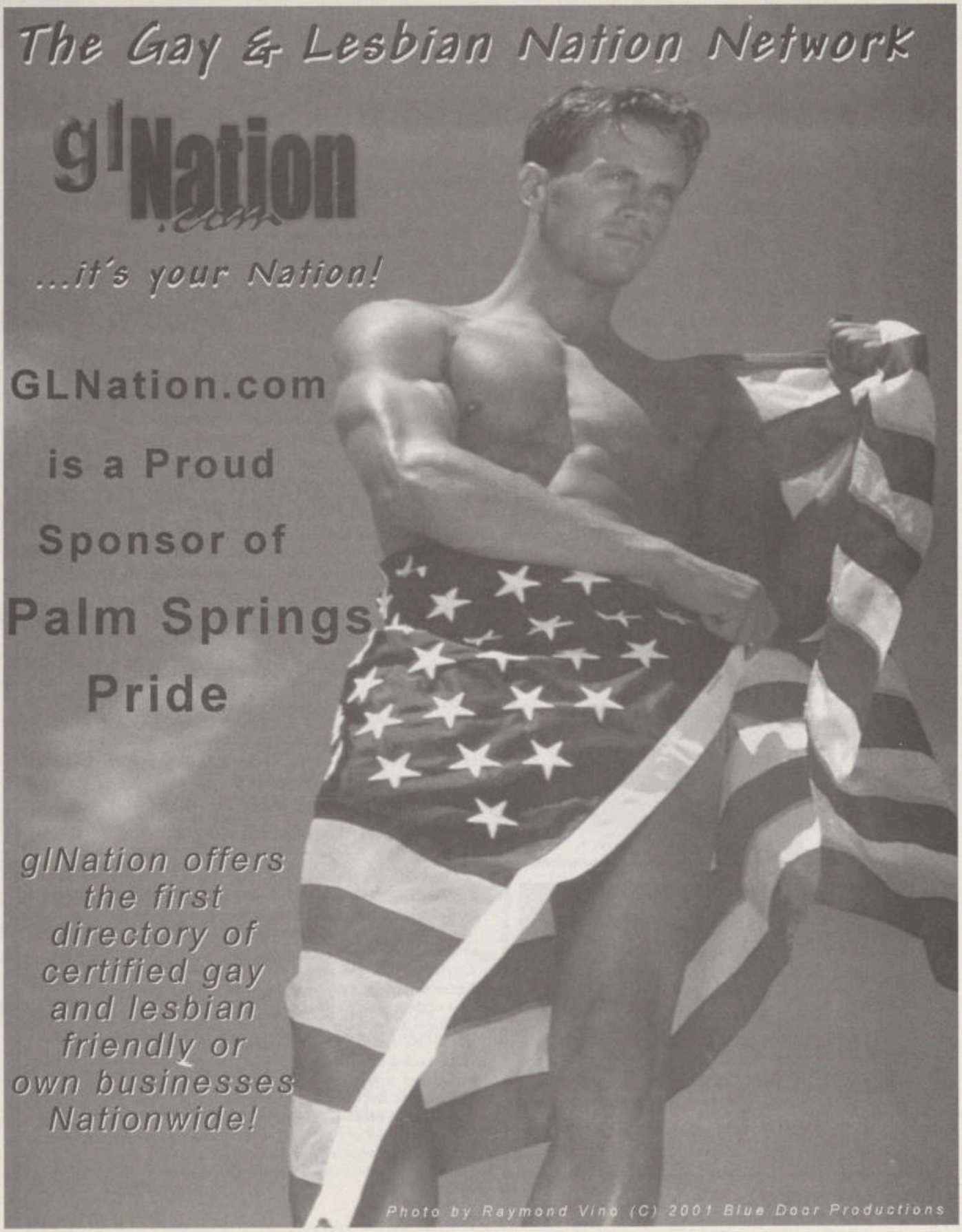


But then a series of setbacks occurred. At the first monthly meeting of the Cemetery District's Board of Trustees our application was rejected because more information was required than we had originally been told. At the second monthly meeting we were told that the requirements had been changed and now only groups recognized by Congress were permitted to place memorials in the cemetery.

We then quickly formed AMVETS Post 66 and submitted a new application to the Cemetery District. AMVETS is a national veterans organization chartered by Congress and signed into law by President Harry S. Truman in 1947. AMVETS openly welcomes gays and lesbians as well as active duty service people and, unlike other veterans organizations, has not taken a stand against gays serving in the military service. The California State Commander of AMVETS offered to come to the desert and meet with our organization and to take our application on to the Cemetery District's office. With the final obstacle gone, the Trustees unanimously approved our application.



Based on a design presented by Tom Swann, a polished red mahogany obelisk was ordered from a stone cutter in South Dakota. The obelisk was fifty-two inches high, the maximum height allowed by the cemetery, and was installed on a concrete base. On Sunday of Memorial Day weekend, a dedication ceremony was held in front of over three hundred guest. This memorial is the result of the many people who donated time and money. Words of support came in from President Bill Clinton on down to the local leaders and organizations. The Gay Veterans Memorial, the first memorial exclusively honoring GLBT service people who gave their lives for our freedom, was the result of hard work and donations from many individuals and organizations, both straight and gay, and now is one of the most visited memorials in Desert Memorial Park.


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TOWARD A SENIOR GAY & LESBIAN COMMUNITY CENTER

Although there had been lots of talk over the years about opening a Senior Gay and Lesbian Community Center in Palm Springs, it was just talk.

In 2000, the Prime Timers of the Desert held a number of fund raisers, garnering several thousand dollars for charitable causes. While the Prime Timers of the Desert were willing to give, it was not possible to donate tax deductible gifts through this social organization.

In August of 2000, largely through the efforts of Allan Murdock and his partner, Jim Easton, discussions were held regarding the forming of an IRS 501(c)(3) organization to facilitate fundraising toward establishment of a Senior Gay and Lesbian Community Center, as well as an assisted living facility for gays and lesbians. A committee was formed which formulated a proposal to the Prime Timers of the Desert board of directors, which consisted of a recommendation to establish the Prime Timers of the Desert Foundation, a separate, non-profit charitable organization with IRS 501(c)(3) designation. The board approved the plan.

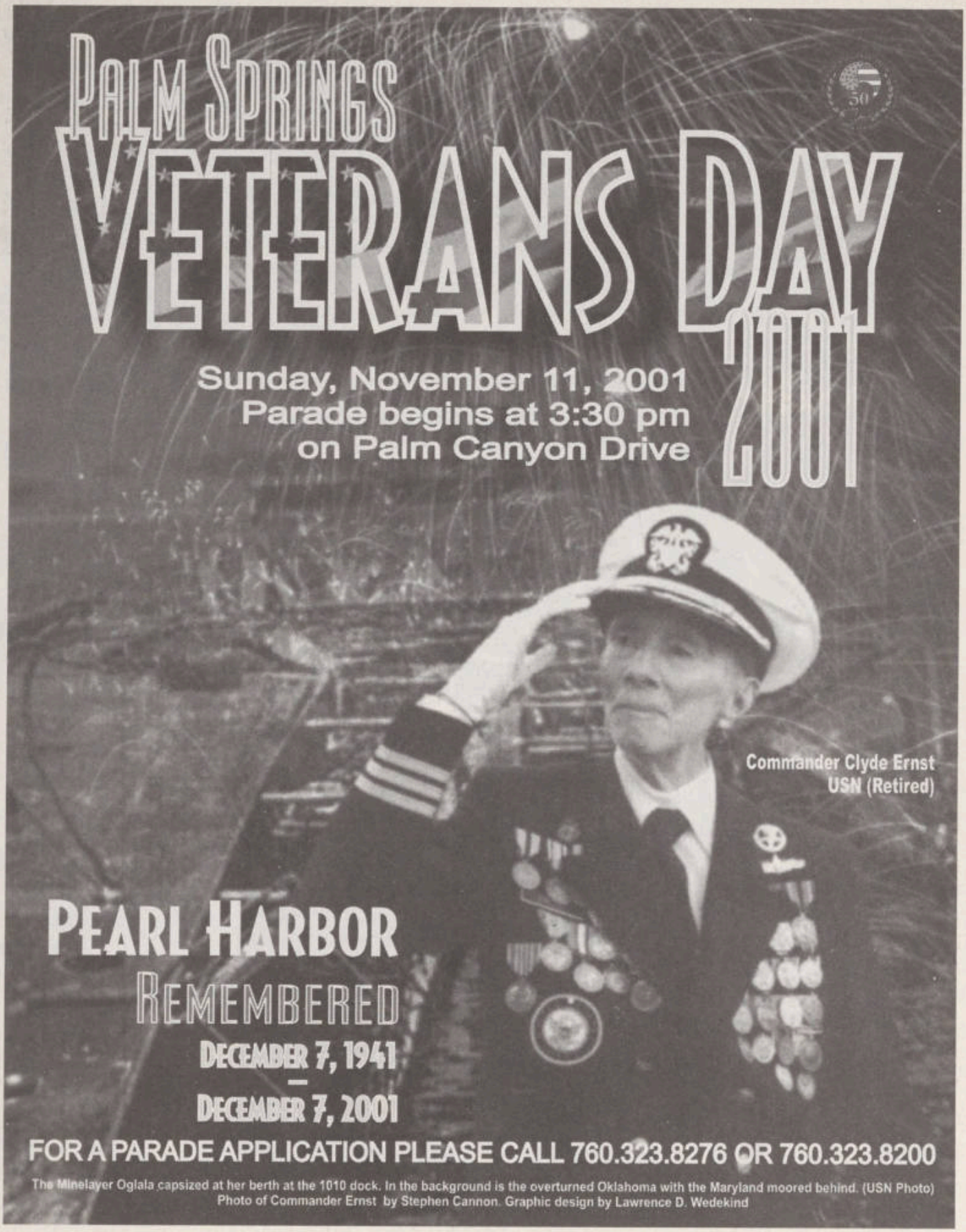
The Foundation, which received Federal approval in January of 2001, is now actively pursuing fundraising toward the establishment of a center. Currently, the Foundation sponsors two fund raising events, the Woody Baldwin Humanitarian Award in May, and a costume ball in October.

The Foundation is hoping to involve the lesbian community and has voted, and approved, increasing its board of directors by two, with the positions to be filled by women.

To everyone attending the Pride Festival and Parade, we invite you to visit our website at: www.ptodfoundation.com, or contact the Foundation at PTOD Foundation; P.O. Box 4061; Palm Springs, CA 92263-4061. Telephone: (760)328-9050.



PTOD Foundation Board, from left: Allan Murdock, Bob Parrott, Wayne Patterson, Larry Bershon, Richard Mayes, Bill McNamara and Jim Easton



The Minelayer Oglala capsized at her berth at the 1010 dock. In the background is the overturned Oklahoma with the Maryland moored behind. (USN Photo)
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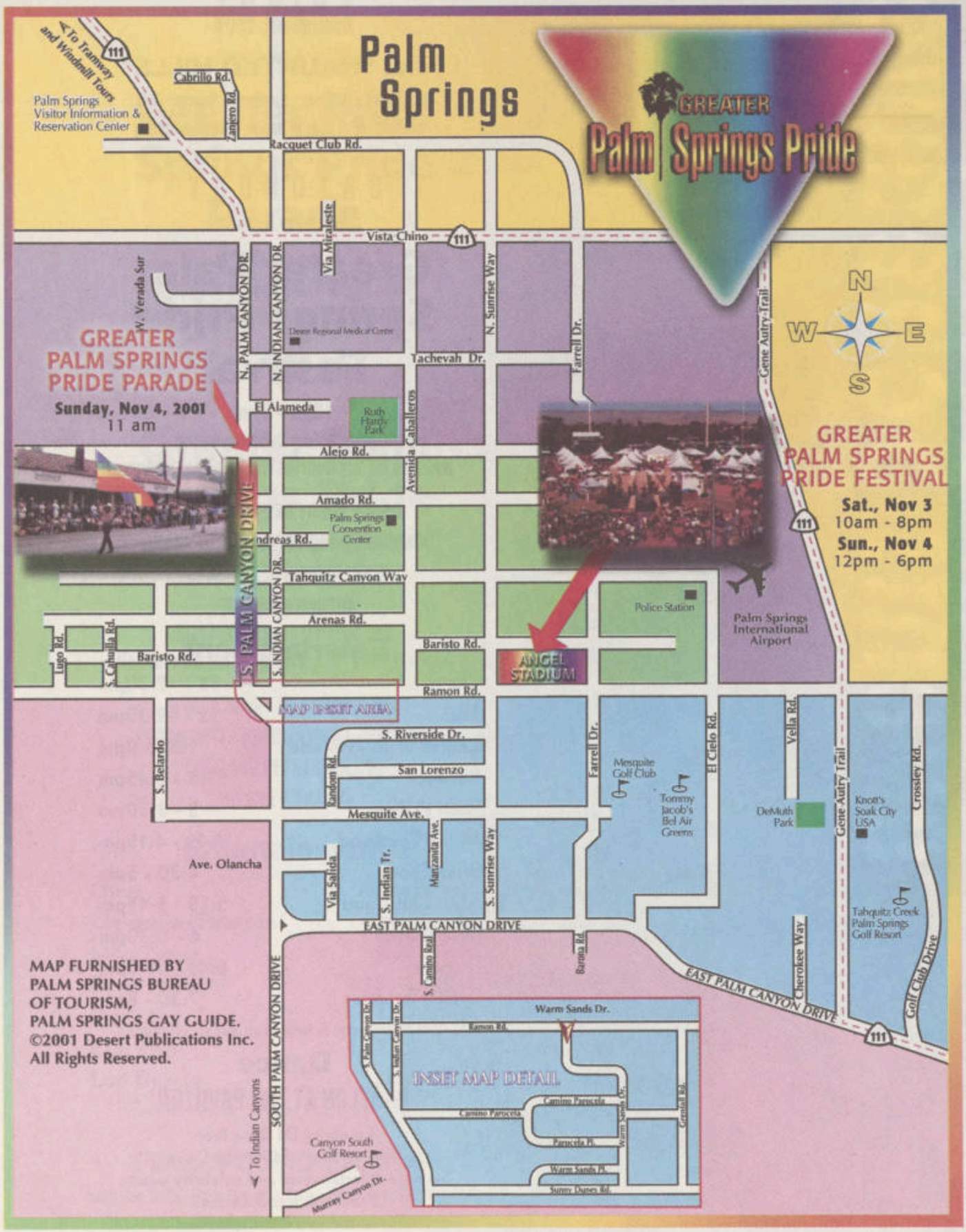
Gerry Pirritano, Art Director of ArtEffects Design, was selected as the winner of the First Annual Pride T-Shirt Design Competition.

This year's national pride theme "Embracing Diversity," was captured creatively in this artist's rendering of palm trees, mountains, and a bright, rainbow-colored interpretation of the sun. This design will be available on t-shirts for sale at the Greater Palm Springs Pride Festival grounds, November 3 & 4, at the C&H Designs vendor booth.

The Pride Board also wishes to express their congratulations and appreciation to honorable mention runners-up Rodger Rodgers and Carmen Palogruto for their participation.

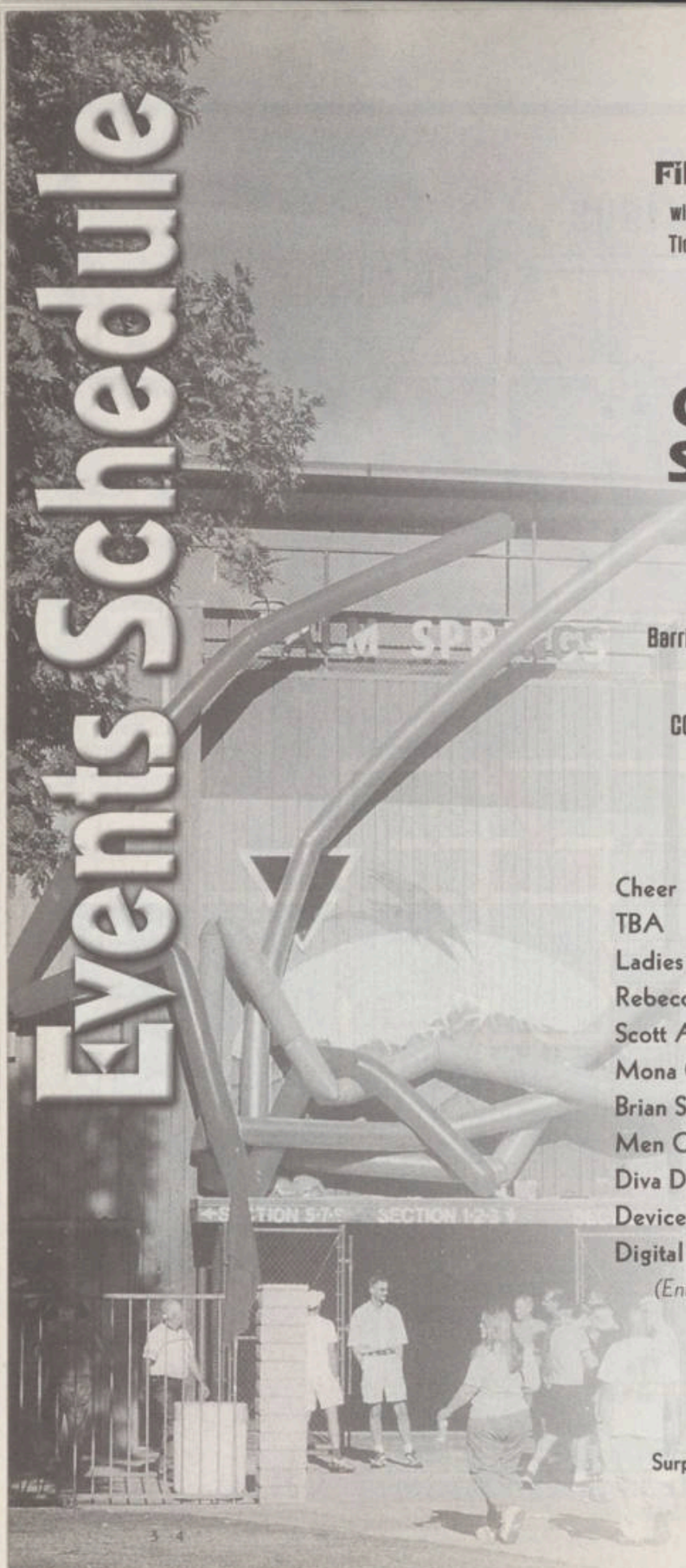


GPSP president Jack Schloeder (l.) and Gerry Pirritano (r.)



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FRIDAY
November 2, 2001

Film: "HAUNTED HILLS"
with Elvira · 8:30pm · Pavilion at Sunrise Park
Tickets $15, at door or online, www.pspride.org

SATURDAY
November 3, 2001

Greater Palm Springs Pride Festival

10am – 8pm
Angel Stadium in Sunrise Park
Barristo Rd. off Sunrise Wy. ▼ Palm Springs

A WIDE ARRAY OF EXHIBITIONS,
COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS, VENDORS,
FOOD AND REFRESHMENTS
AUTHOR'S VILLAGE

Entertainment

Cheer	12 - 12:30pm
TBA	12 - 12:30pm
Ladies With Attitude	1:30 - 2pm
Rebecca	2:15 - 2:45pm
Scott Allen	3 - 3:30pm
Mona Caywood	3:45 - 4:15pm
Brian Scott	4:30 - 5pm
Men Out Loud	5:15 - 5:45pm
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Digital Soldiers	7:30 - 8pm

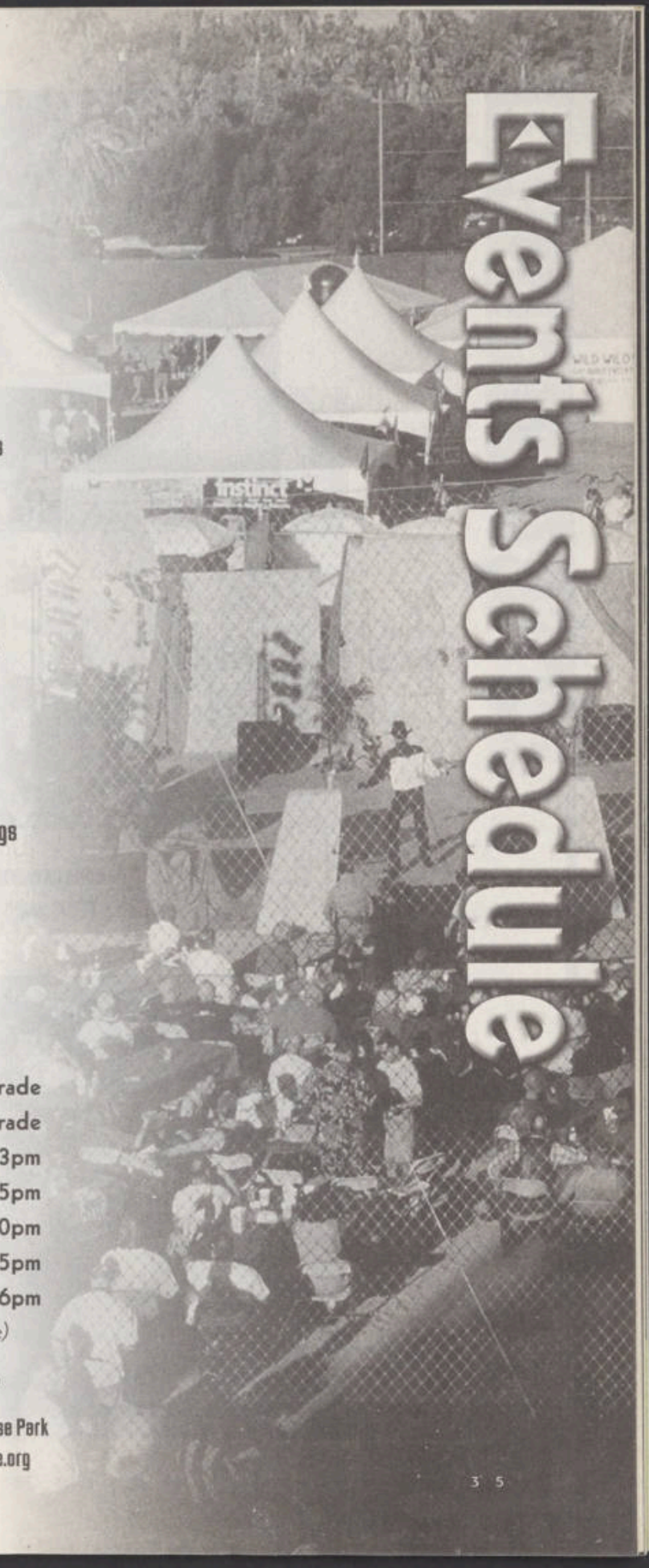
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Dance

BABYLON AT THE PAVILION

Celebrity DJ Brian Ikon
8pm - 12am - $15 at the Door
Surprise entertainment and celebrity guests.
Performer Randi Driscoll
Presented by New Light Media

Events Schedule



SUNDAY
November 4, 2001

Greater Palm Springs Pride Parade

11:00 am
Stepping off on Palm Canyon Drive
From Ramon Rd. to Alejo ▼ Palm Springs

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Greater Palm Springs Pride Festival

12pm – 6pm
Angel Stadium in Sunrise Park
Barrista Rd. off Sunrise Wy. ▼ Palm Springs

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Entertainment

Cheer	After Parade
Christopher Peterson	After Parade
Mike Uryga	2:30 - 3pm
David McNutt	3:15 - 3:45pm
Diane Ure	4 - 4:30pm
J.G. Avila	4:45 - 5:15pm
Lori Donato	5:30 - 6pm

(Entertainment & times subject to change)

Film: "FIXING FRANK"

with Dan Butler from Frazier • 7pm • Pavilion at Sunrise Park
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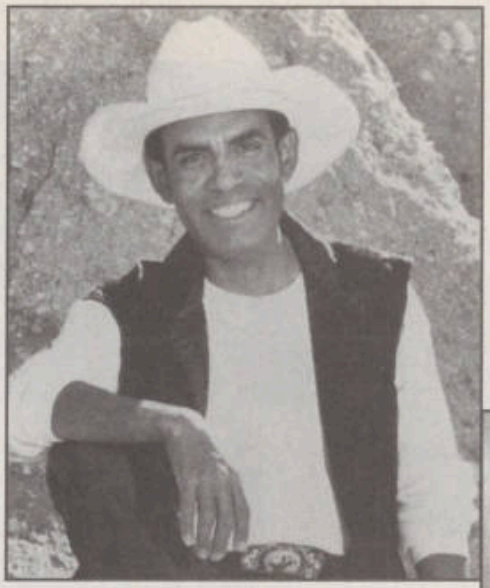
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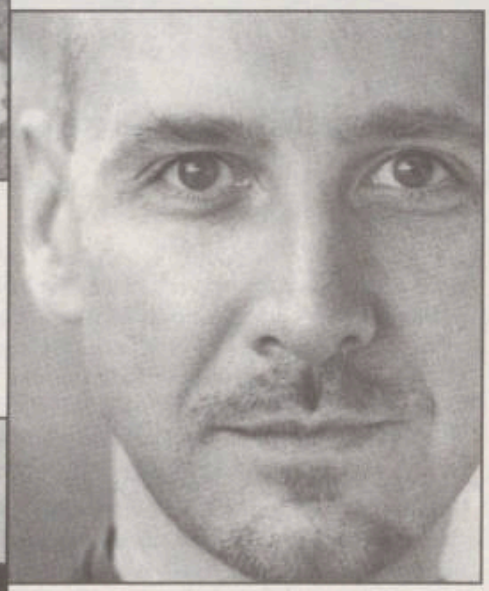
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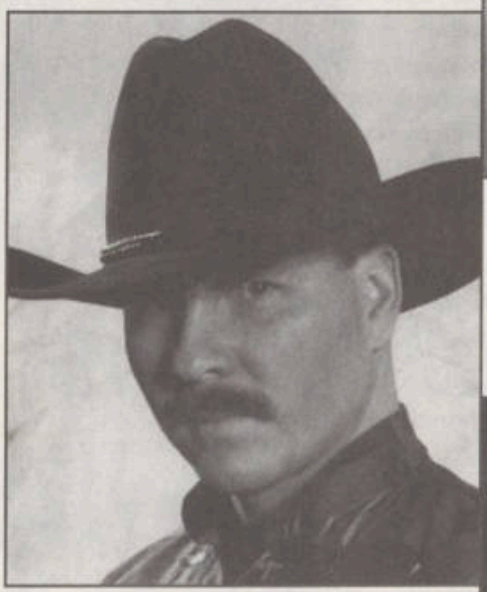
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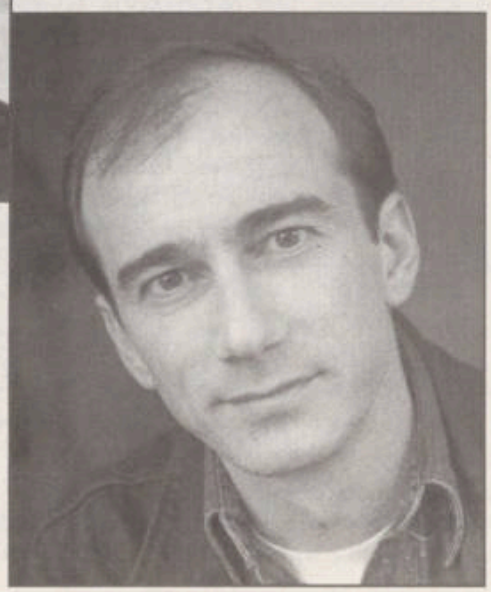
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CHRISTOPHER PETERSON



Christopher is a master of impressionary arts, and his comic timing is impeccable.

Audiences are thrilled with his all "live" parodies of Marilyn Monroe, Carol Channing, Madonna, Patsy Cline, Bette Davis, Peggy Lee, Julie Andrews, Barbra Streisand, Liza Minelli, Judy Garland, Shirley MacClaine, Eartha Kitt, Lucille Ball, Joan Rivers, Tina Turner, Dr. Ruth, Cher and Katherine Hepburn.

Christopher was born in Moncton, New Brunswick and became active in theatre at an early age. This led him to the art of female impersonation. His professional career began when he won the first Mr. Alternate of Canada Pageant, a beauty pageant for female impersonators.

After appearances on B.C.T.V. and The Vancouver Show, he moved to Los Angeles where he worked for a year with An Evening at La Cage. While in Los Angeles, he appeared on Truth or Consequences, Taste of L.A. Revue, as well as making a special appearance at Evening at the Improv.

In 1996, Christopher had three successful runs of his show EYECONS in Toronto. He performed at the "We're Funny That Way" comedy festival in Toronto, the first gay and lesbian comedy festival attracting comedians from across the continent. EYECONS has played at the Citadel Theatre in Edmonton and the National Arts Centre in Ottawa, and in the spring of 1999, a tour of eastern Canada.

His EYECONS, a "satirical look at the legendary ladies of show business," was a big hit at Palm Springs' Tophat Theatre and to kick off the new millenium, Peterson's popular EYECONS returned to Palm Springs at the Marquis Resort.

Peterson's performance was described by Araxi Arslanian of *Vue Weekly* as, "Fun, fun, maddeningly fun with a sense of style too good to be legal."

PAUL BACON & BOB PARROTT



Bob and Paul arrived in Palm Springs in 1977 after purchasing the managing interest and co-ownership of the Palm Springs Vagabond Inn.

They actively operated the hotel until their retirement in February of 2000. They currently reside in Palm Springs.

One or both of them have been extremely active and generous to our community. Some of their involvements and efforts are reflected below. They have, and currently serve, as directors and also on many committees of several of organizations. Their constant efforts, visible and not, to better the lives of the members of our community has, and always will be, appreciated and remembered. Many of their efforts to help others are only known to themselves and the hundreds of people they have touched in their lives.

Memberships, Awards & Community Involvement:

- Desert Business Association
- IGLTA, International Gay & Lesbian Travel Association
- National Tour Association
- California Tourism
- Prime Timers of the Desert
- Prime Timers of the Desert Foundation
- Rainbow Foundation
- Recipients of the 1999 Rainbow Foundation Hall of Fame Award
- Supporters of the Aids Assistance Program & Desert Aids Project
- Sponsors and committee members of the Aids Assistance Winter Classic
- Supporters and Volunteers for Greater Palm Springs Pride
- Served as tourism commissioner for the City of Palm Springs
- Sponsors of the Palm Springs International Film Festival, Short Film Festival, and Gay Film Festival
- Sponsors of the L.A. Gay Men's Chorus
- Founding Directors of the Prime Timers of the Desert Foundation in 2001, to establish a Gay & Lesbian Senior Community Center in the Coachella Valley.

OUT ON FILM
PALM SPRINGS 2001
GAY & LESBIAN FILM FESTIVAL

PRIDE

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FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 2



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8:30pm Screening, Doors Open at 8:00PM
General Admission $5.00, **CASH BAR**
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SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 3

BABYLON AT THE PAVILLION

Babylon at the Pavillion A danceclub inspired by the hit television series QUEER AS FOLK. Dance to Los Angeles DJ Brian Ikon.
Video Greetings from the set of QUEER AS FOLK.
CD Launch, Surprise guests and give-aways.
8:00 - 12:00pm $15.00 Cash Bar

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 4



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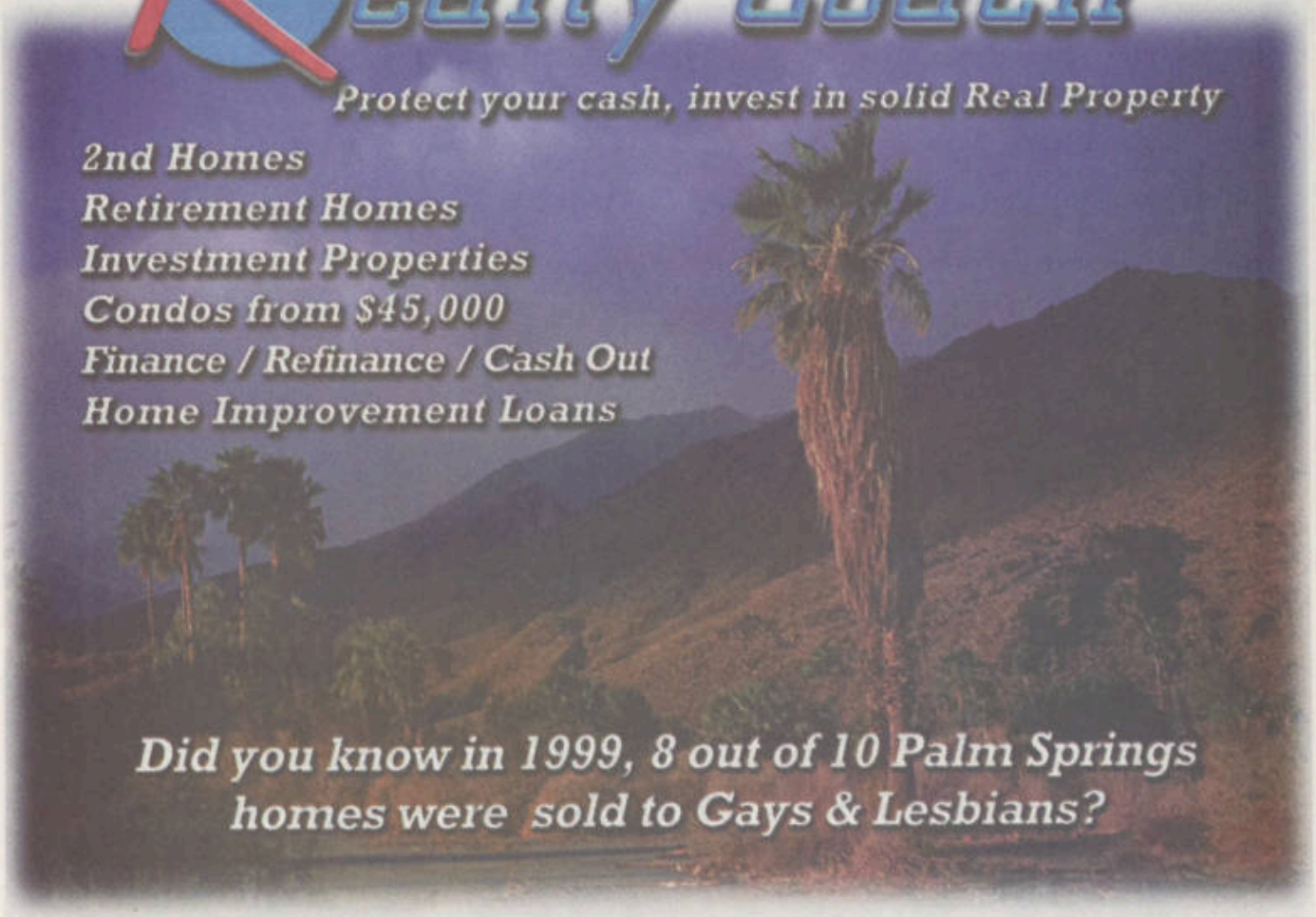
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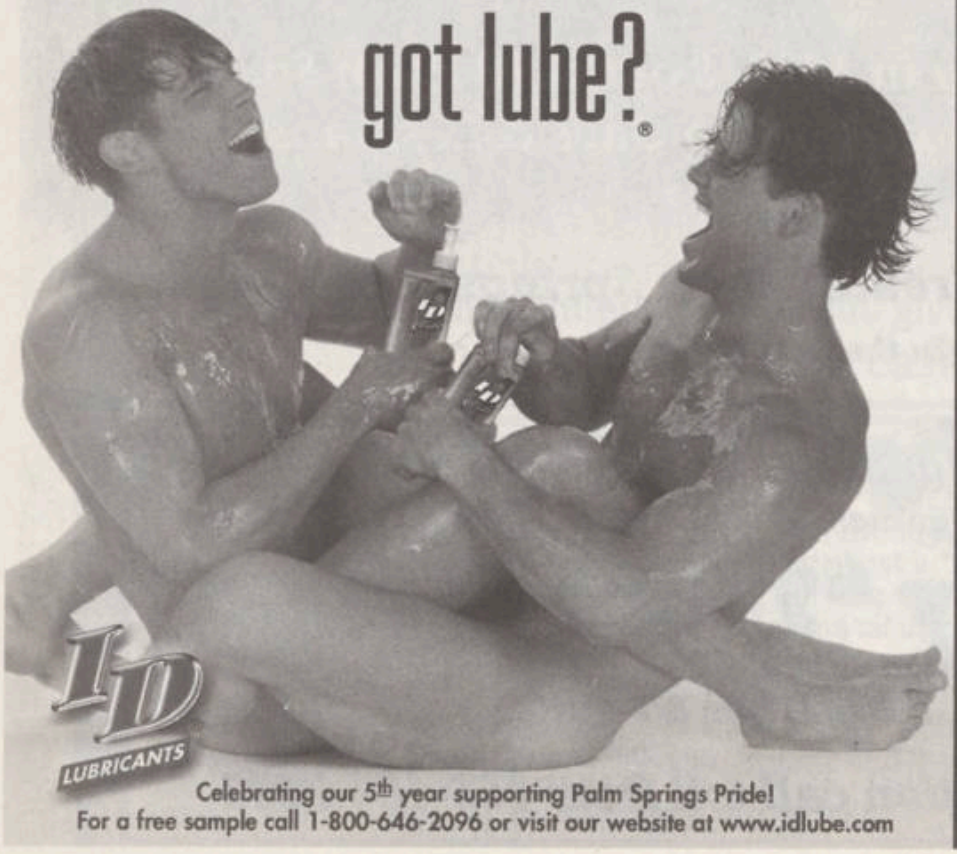
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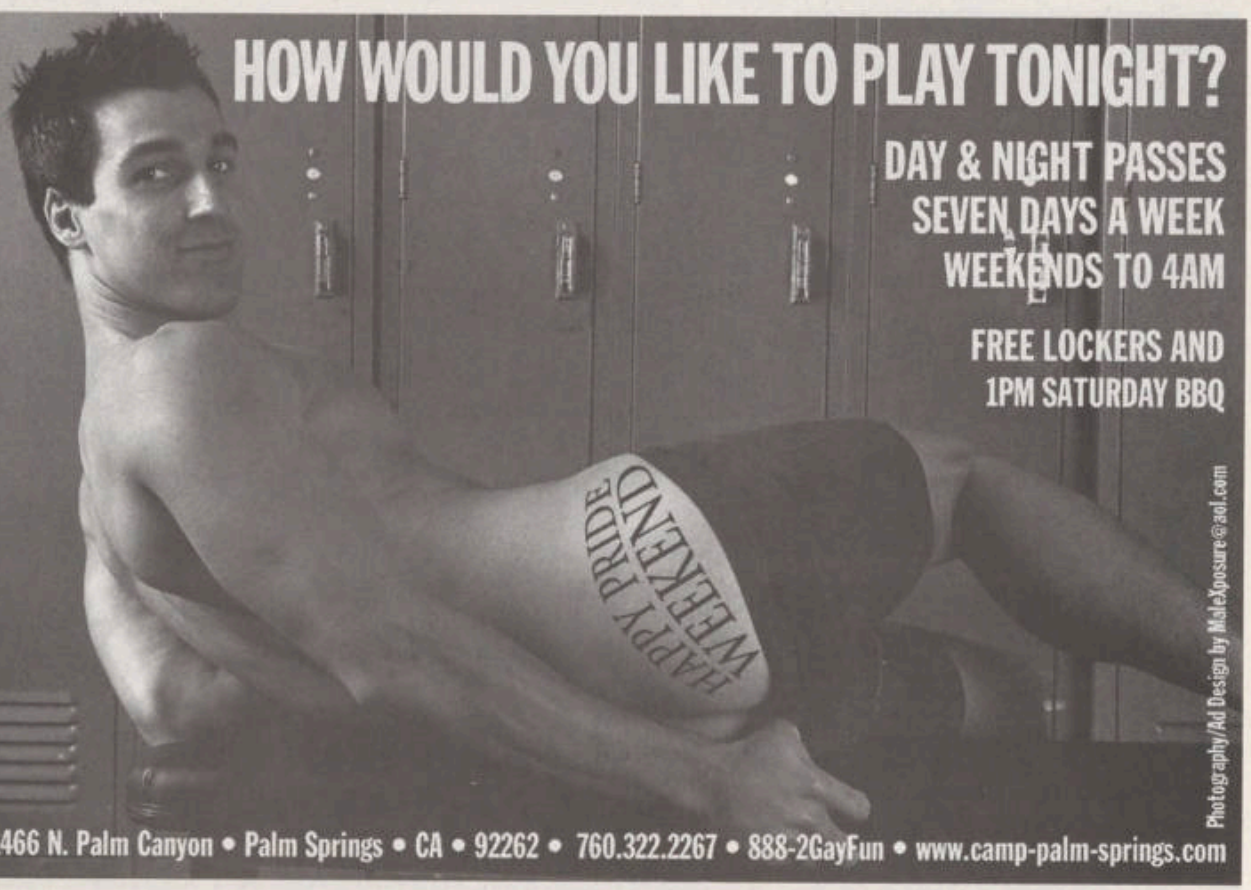
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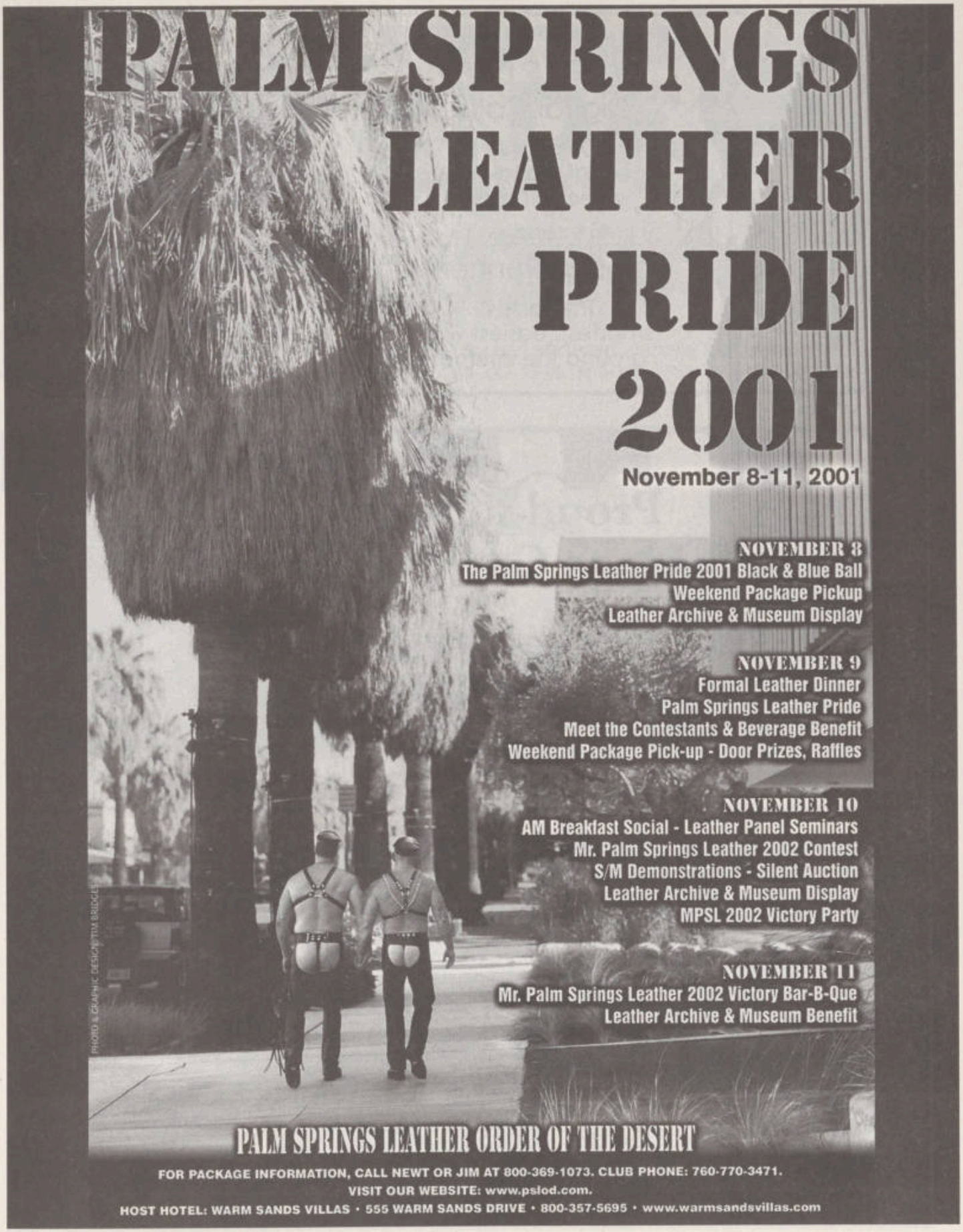
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Wearing another 'hat' I write about restaurants for The Bottom Line, The Valley's Premier Gay Publication, (and incidentally, a Major Sponsor of Pride 2001). What follows is a series of brief descriptions of some of the best of our area's restaurants. I've eaten at each one and can recommend them most highly. While you are here for our Pride celebration, think about taking an evening for a really special dine out experience. You'll be glad you did. My personal thanks to The Bottom Line Publisher, Rick Saputo and Executive Editor Tim Beal for allowing our publication herein of this compilation. So, from all of us on the Pride Board to all our visitors, we invite you to, Enjoy! Enjoy!

SHAME ON THE MOON - 69-905 Frank Sinatra Drive, Rancho Mirage, 324-5515. A delightful "family" run restaurant. Owner's Milan, Tom and Jorge give the kind of personal service that assures a pleasant evening. The menu changes often, with new dishes being regularly created by Jorge. Feel safe putting yourself in their hands, any pasta dish is ambrosia. Arguably the best local dining spot catering mostly to our community.

JOHN HENRY'S - 1785 E. Tahquitz, Palm Springs, 327-7667. A favorite of locals, becoming too well known to visitors. Only open for dinner, prices start at $8.75. The Roast Pork Loin with sauerkraut and boiled potatoes is fabulous, the Poached Salmon ...outstanding and the Roast Rack of Lamb ... ambrosia. Portions are very large, service is fast and attentive. Reservations are an absolute must.

SKIP'S CABANA CLUB - 71-380 Highway 111, Rancho Mirage, 341-7547. An absolute delight! Open for lunch and dinner every day, you'll want to make reservations to be assured seating in this hugely popular venue. For lunch, try the Cobb Salad (From the original Brown Derby Recipe,) If you are really starved, the prime rib sandwich is huge and delicious. Dinner selections include always, a chicken specialty, a great sole roulade, and a very nice pork chop. Skips has become a personal favorite.

RED TOMATO - 68-784 E. Palm Canyon, Cathedral City, 328-7518. Great pizza (try their famed white pizza,) very good sauces and succulent veal. You'll be warmly welcomed and the friendly atmosphere and attentive service will make you want to come back. Owner Bill Beck has added many items from his "Original House of Lamb" menu. The kind of food that turns a lamb hater into a lamb lover. If you enjoy Rack of Lamb, you'll not find better anywhere in our valley. The new patio is delightful.

WILDE GOOSE - 67-938 Highway 111, Cathedral City, 328-5775. A valley institution has been reborn! New owners Linda Sparling and Damian are recreating and updating this valley treasure. New interior and exterior. Excellent food duck, goose, chicken, beef, and lamb. Nightly entertainment and Sunset Limited menu served from 4:30 to 6:30pm through June 1st..

ME..AN APPETIZING LOUNGE - 664 North Palm Canyon, Palm Springs, 4pm-1am. A new concept in dining, a menu that changes monthly, featuring appetizers and light fare that encourages sharing or sampling with your group. A full bar and an eclectic wine list. The courtyard is a great place to get away from it all, have a drink and a quick bite. Also offers a room for private dining.

THE LEFT BANK - 150 Vista Chino, Palm Springs, 320-6116. And 70-065 Highway 111 Rancho Mirage, 202-9380 Bob Snyder and Kay Moroney have brought unique style and class our valley and have been gifted with rousing success. Now expanded to a second location, you just cannot go wrong. Dinners include special appetizers, soup, and salad. Coq Au Vin, Veal ragout, sand dabs, and scrumptious Roast Pork Loin are all outstanding. Reservations are an absolute necessity most weekends.

SWEETWATER SALOON - 2420 N. Palm Canyon Dr., Palm Springs, 320-8878. A country kinda place, in the best sense. Friendly, welcoming, warm, high energy and fun. They offer a broad menu from sandwiches through prime rib, and you'll be delighted at the reasonable prices. The expansion has eased the wait for tables, service is prompt, fast and friendly.

VILLAGE PUB - 266 S. Palm Canyon Dr., Palm Springs, 323-3265. I love the outside area! Sitting at one of those tables, you'll see everyone you know and a few you'd want to! Lots of good sandwiches and salads with a bow to national origins. Reasonable priced menu. The upstairs bar is a blast!

DAKOTA - 73-260 El Paseo, Palm Desert, 346-0744. Country cooking at its best. Hearty ribs, good steaks, excellent barbecue chicken. Great chili including a vegetarian black bean. Their version of Ensenada Fish Tacos is the healthy kind (fish is grilled instead of deep fried.) what is on offer you'll know the bargain. Seniors get 15% off at Dinner on Tuesday and Thursday, Dark Monday.

UGLY SISTER'S BISTRO — 166 N. Palm Canyon Drive, Palm Springs. 327-UGLY (8459). Wonderful European and American food. Well known for the Hungarian Goulash as well as for the awesome home made soups. Check out their daily specials, open heated & misted patio. Smokers welcome. Pets welcome. Open Tue-Sat. 11:30AM till closing.

BLUE COYOTE GRILL - 445 N. Palm Canyon Drive, Palm Springs. 327-1196 and 72-760 El Paseo, Palm Desert, Phone: 776-8855 Not your usual Mexican restaurant, imagination runs riot with generally good results. Two personal favorites are Pollo Cilantro, a boneless chicken breast stuffed with jack cheese and served with a jalapeño cream sauce. Also Yucatan Lamb marinated in grapefruit juice and garlic and aciote and charbroiled to perfection.

CHEN LING GARDEN - 787 N. Palm Canyon, Palm Springs, 322-0039. Good mid priced Chinese restaurant in the downtown area. The owners are into "light and healthy". Only low fat vegetable oil is used in cooking and they proudly advise no use of MSG. They are open for both lunch and dinner.

PALOMINO - 73-101 Highway 111, Palm Desert, 773-9091. One of the newer restaurants in the valley, excellent chicken, roasted meats, pasta, salads and wonderful thin crusted wood baked pizza. Prices are reasonable for the quality and quantity offered. Therefore reservations are a necessity and sometimes difficult.

SORRENTINO'S - 1032 N. Palm Canyon, Palm Springs, 325-2944. The Sorrentino family has been serving fresh seafood and 1940s style Italian cuisine for over 50 years. A rarity, a restaurant still owned by the family that founded it!

THAI SMILE - 621 N. Palm Canyon Drive, Palm Springs, 320-5503, and new, at 42-476 Bob Hope Dr., (In the Rancho Las Palmas Centr, Rancho Mirage, Phone 341-6565 They have turn away crowds and once you eat there you'll understand why. If you've never tried Thai food this is a great place for your first outing. The Mee Krob is perfect! Among the appetizers, try the Shrimp in Blankets or Angel Wings. The Spicy Shrimp and Mushroom Soup and milder Chicken in Coconut Milk are perfect. The entree selection covers over thirty items and runs a full gamut of various Thai tastes. A party of four can have everything from appetizers, through soup and entrees for around $14.00 each.

PEPPERS - 495 N. Palm Canyon Drive, Palm Springs, 322-1259. Another Thai alternative with a difference, very large portions of everything. In fact, the waiter will warn you if you are too enthusiastic. Whatever you order will be individually prepared to the degree of hotness you desire. The patio offers the best seating and a window sort of, on our local world.

LA TAQUERIA - 125 E. Palm Canyon Drive, Palm Springs, 778-5391. Also Waring Plaza, Palm Desert. 773-2329. Strange as it may seem, a restaurant that offers health conscious food preparation of usually deadly types of food. Grilling, sautéing, only vegetable oils used in cooking and salads that are excellent. Outdoor dining in Palm Springs only.

KOBE STEAK HOUSE - 69-838 Highway 111, Rancho

Mirage, 324-1717. A local favorite for sushi, the best in the valley. The real specialty here though is steak, chicken and shrimp prepared in front of you by talented exhibition chefs. Entertaining and a feast for the eyes, as well as the stomach.

MARINELLO'S - 73-609 Highway 111, Palm Desert, 346-4165. Another special find, inexpensive and top quality Italian food. Everything prepared fresh on premises. Sensational classic pizza, excellent pasta, outstanding very large (and thick) Veal Parmigiana at just $11.95, one of the real dining values (and that price is the menu top).

LA TABLITA - 68-369 Hwy. 111, Cathedral City, 321-5935. Wonderful and innovative. Friday night seafood buffet, excellent parillada, chile rellenos, and a $8.99 Sunday Brunch, complete with live music.

CAPTAIN COOKS - 72-191 Highway 11, Rancho Mirage, 341-8333. Upscale seafood house, selection varies by what's fresh in the market that day. Impeccable service. Wonderful jazz each night in the bar.

SUPREME DRAGON - 4771 E. Palm Canyon (Rimrock Plaza), Palm Springs, 321-4954. One of the best Chinese menus in the valley. A specialty here is Dim Sum. This famed TeaCake Lunch is prepared fresh in house daily. While the selection is limited, what is offered is excellent. Their general menu measures up to the same high standard.

PALMIE - 276 N. Palm Canyon, Palm Springs, 320-3575. Sheer magic. He cooks, she serves. An ever-changing menu based on what is fresh in the market daily. The kind of restaurant you'll find all over France and quite rare in the USA. Tiny, a hidden gem. Sure to be a high point of your desert visits.

RAINBOW CACTUS CAFE - 212 S. Indian Canyon, Palm Springs, 325-3868. A favorite with locals and visitors as well. The new owners have enlarged the restaurant and have added extensively to the menu. Reasonable prices and an uncomplicated menu make Rainbow easy on the budget. On weekends, you'll need reservations but during the week, you can usually get a table with only a short wait. Menu is what I call American comfort food, well prepared and highly acceptable.

OSCARS - 440 El Cielo Rd., Palm Springs, 325-7072. One of the newer spots in the desert. Saturday and Sunday Brunch served from 11am - 3pm, and dinner Sunday - Thursday from 5 - 10pm, Friday, Saturday 5 - 11pm. In the best sense, a local's hangout laid back and relaxed. The folks who spend time here really go out on their way to welcome newcomers. A pleasant place to pass a few hours.

OLYMPIA RESTAURANT - 42-434 Bob Hope Dr, (Rancho Las Palmas Shopping Center), Rancho Mirage, Phone: 341-6500. Wonderful Greek food thoughtfully prepared and enticingly presented. Bring your appetite! Portions are really hearty. Start with a selection of Meze, (appetizers), The Gold Medal Platter will easily serve four. Think about a Classic "Greek" salad of Cucumbers, Tomato, Bell Peppers, Red Onion and Feta Cheese, tossed with Red WineVinegar and Greek Herbs, the portion also hearty enough for sharing. Dolmathes, (stuffed grape leaves) Spanakopita, (Spinach and Feta Cheese Pie), and any lamb dish are all sublime. Save room for excellent Baklava or spectacular Greek Rice Pudding. Entertainment offered most weekends.

OTANI, A GARDEN RESTAURANT - 1000 E. Tahquitz Palm Springs Phone: 327-6700 Usually quite pricey, the bargain is Sunday brunch. Not your usual fare, no eggs benedict here. Rather things like Shrimp and Vegetable Tempura, prepared so often, it never gets soggy. Tender Teri Yaki Steak and Chicken, Sushi, a great selection of salads and mouth-watering desserts.

THE GREAT WALL - 362 S. Palm Canyon Drive, Palm Springs, Phone: 322-2209 Go here for Mongolian Barbecue. You choose fresh vegetables, your meats, and seasonings, hand your plate to the chef who quickly cooks your selection before your eyes. You can go back as often as you wish and the meal includes Skewered Shrimp appetizer, soup and ice cream for dessert.

DOUG ARANGO - 73-520 El Paseo, Palm Desert, Phone: 341-4120 A classic Roman Tratorria. Hearty peasant food in the finest sense of the word. Try Nonna's Scarppi, Doug's Chicken, and any pizza or pasta dish. Also great for Sunday Breakfast, ask for the patio. Save room for desert, the pies, cakes, and pastries are sinful, delicious, and made fresh on the premises. Noisy, crowded, you'll probably have to wait for a table, and worth every minute of the wait.

BILLY REEDS - 1800 N. Palm Canyon Drive, Palm Springs, Phone: 325-1946 A local institution. You can choose from the breakfast, lunch, or dinner menu at any time. There will always be something to please you on the menu at excellent prices. They have their own excellent bakery on the premises and among other things serve fresh strawberry pie 365 days a year.

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DAILY GRILL - 73-061 El Paseo, Palm Desert Phone: 779-9911 Local outpost of the popular Los Angeles restaurant. Large portions of "American" food. Excellent grilled items, delicious chicken dishes, my favorites, a killer meatloaf, (either beef or turkey), and the best sourdough breads this side of San Francisco.

ROCK GARDEN CAFÉ - 777 S. Palm Canyon Drive, Palm Springs, Phone: 327-8840, it looks like an upscale coffee shop, and it's much more. Good solid food imaginatively prepared and efficiently served in a relaxing atmosphere.

DELHI PALACE - 1422 N. Palm Canyon Drive, Palm Springs, Phone: 325-3411 India is a land of many Cusines. There, you'd have to go to a half a dozen places to find the variety available here. Their Tandori items are a delight and if you've never tried the nuances of Indian Cookery, the knowledgeable staff will help you to make choices.

ROMITTI'S CONTINENTAL - 40-205 Washington Street, Palm Desert, Phone: 345-6744 Well worth the drive, wonderful nightly specials, things like chicken cacciatore, Swiss steak, meatloaf, delicious fried fish. Reservations are always necessary.

MELVIN'S - 200 W. Ramon Road, Palm Springs, Phone: 325-2323 A restaurant long associated with the concept of fine dining in our valley. Lunch served weekdays, dinner every night and a classic, Brunch on both Saturday and Sunday and holidays."Continental" best describes the cuisine, Magnificent describes the atmosphere and service. Reservations strongly recommended.

MORTON'S - 74-880 Country Club Drive, Palm Desert Phone: 340-6865 The local outpost of the Chicago based steak house. If you like your meat huge, this is certainly a place to go. Leather and wood clubby atmosphere, everything is ala carte. If one of your party is not a beef eater, excellent grilled chicken and fish, but go here for the meat, huge portions abound.

EL GALLITO - 68-820 Grove Street, Cathedral City, Phone: 328-7794 For a landmark, it's just off Highway 111 near the Red Tomato. One of the best Mexican restaurants in our valley. Short on glitz, long on great food, this is a place that you'll see many Hispanics at so it tells you something. Huge portions, very reasonable prices, no reservations taken so be prepared to wait, and it's worth the wait.

AL DENTE TRATORRIA - 491 N. Palm Canyon Drive, and Palm Springs Phone: 325-1160. One of the best in town. Wide menu choices, you can dine as simply or magnificently as you wish. Strictly Ala Carte, with a wonderful variety. An ideal spot for venturing beyond pasta. Yet, the various pasta

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dishes are excellent. Reservations are always suggested and prepare to spend the evening enjoying the food of Italy.

EDGARDO'S CAFE VERA CRUZ - 494 N. Canyon Drive, Palm Springs, Phone: 320-3558. Not just another Mexican restaurant, the cooking of Yucatan and Michoacan predominates here. Even if you think you know the cooking of Mexico, you and you taste buds are in for a pleasant surprise.

VICKY'S OF SANTA FE - 45100 Club Drive, Indian Wells Phone: 345-9770 Here's the entire menu: Rotisserie Chicken, Grilled Salmon, Steak, Shrimp and Veal Chop. Ala carte is the rule here, pick you entrée and order side dishes to be shared. A very unique top quality dining experience.

GUMBO JOE'S - 72-119 Highway 111, Palm Desert, Phone: 341-8333 Raw Oysters, Jambalaya, Gumbo, Crayfish, Red Beans N' Rice, Terrific Farm Raised Catfish, Po Boys, all the fixins n' stuff that go to make Nawlins cookin. Inside Captain Cooks Seafood Restaurant, Turn left when you go in. Cooking that will take you back to Bourbon Street.

RICCIO'S - 2155 N. Palm Canyon Drive, Palm Springs, Phone: 325-2369 serving the desert for over twenty-five years, it's one of the finest here. Delightful ambiance, wonderful service and an imaginative menu. The chef is named Riccio and so is the manager and Matre de, family service is a hallmark. Expensive and those who go say, "worth it".

CHINA GARDEN - 73196 Highway 111, Palm Desert , Phone: 346-4624 In three years, it's gone from the low end of the spectrum to the other extreme. New management and a new chef have made it one of the best of our oriental restaurants. No matter if your tastes run to Mandarin, Cantonese, or hot Szechwan styles, you'll find many items to appeal, all at reasonable prices.

CAFE DES BEAUX ARTS - 73640 El Paseo, Palm Desert, Phone: 346-0669 Owner Didier Bloch has created a delightful Parisian Bistro in the heart of Palm Desert. Open for dinner, they offer lots of regional specialties all at reasonable prices and two Prix Fixe Dinners that are excellent values. His kitchen staff are real culinary Artistes.

HERE'S THE BEEF - 68-784 E. Palm Canyon, (at Van Fleet), Phone: 328-6858. Bill Beck does it again! USDA Prime and Choice Steaks, Prime Rib, and stuff for those in your party who are not beef eaters. Going against the usual steak house trend. These dinners include all the fixings. Top quality at highly competitive prices. A real winner.

OCEANS OYSTER BAR AND GRILL - 72-286 Highway 122, Palm Desert, Phone: 837-1516. An entirely new concept from the owners of popular Oceans in Cathedral City. As far as I'm concerned, the finest seafood restaurant in the valley. The Oyster Bar is superb. Yet, it is more than fish, exotic specials like Medallions of Australian Kangaroo, or Grilled buffalo rib-eye steak are just examples. Even better, difficult to find abalone is also on the menu. Reservations a must.

MARSH'S DESERT DELI - 69-930 Highway 111, Rancho Mirage, Phone: 324-7500 A work in progress in the best sense of the words. Owner Host Marshall Silverstein describes himself as, "a deli sandwich man", but he's more than that. Yes, Wonderful overstuffed deli meat sandwiches are a delight. But, the dinner items, like, Roast beef Brisket, Roasted Chicken, Corned Beef & Cabbage, Meatloaf, and stuffed cabbage, are all excellent. Sweet & Sour Cabbage Soup is ambrosial. In a constant effort to make what is excellent even better, Marshall visits every table to make sure the offerings are to the diner's satisfaction.

CANYON BISTRO - 415 N. Palm Canyon Dr., Palm Springs, Phone 322-8664 Open for lunch and dinner, my favorite dining spot is the front terrace, perfect for people watching. The menu is an innovative California-French Cuisine. I particularly enjoy their gazpacho, however, any of their innovative soups are sure to please. Their version of ceviche as a dinner appetizer is particularly good. Their bouillabaisse, heavy with shellfish is sublime and their rack of lamb is excellent. Reservations strongly suggested.

MARIO'S ITALIAN CAFE - 42-418 Bob Hope, (In the Rancho Las Palmas Shopping Center), Rancho Mirage, Phone: 341-9942. Deserving of the label, "A Newt's Find", superb quality, very generous portions, and a menu top of $9.95 for Veal and Seafood entrees the value is hard to beat. Even better, an eleven-item "lite eaters entrée" list is a steal! More than adequate for even my generous appetite at just $5.95 it is a fabulous bargain. Hand tossed New York style Pizza's are among the two or three best in the valley and their Calzone is a challenge for any appetite.

BLAME IT ON MIDNIGHT _ 777 E. Tahquitz Way, (in the Courtyard), Palm Springs, Phone: 323-1200. The newest creation of "the moon men", the crew that created Shame on the Moon have given us a new, different, casual, fun dining spot. The 10 oz. Burger is unbelievable, superb Chili, spectacular beef stew, stuffed roasted breast of chicken, veal sausage with polenta, are just a few of the delights. No reservations taken, and worth the wait!

STRING CHEESE - 44250 Town Center Way, (next to Trader Joe's), Palm Desert, Phone: 773-3372. Open for lunch and Dinner, Unusual ans different pizzas, Teriyaki glazed salmon, garlic chicken Asian style, wonderful baked ziti, sensational pasta dishes, (don't miss the chicken or shrimp Diavolo, spicy and hot as you wish it). Their Chinese chicken salad is a real winner.

VEGGIE & TEA HOUSE – 72281 Highway 111, (at Fred Waring), Palm Desert, Phone 674-9578. Even the dedicated carnivore will delight here. All the vegetables served are from their own farm. Selections depend on the time of the year and what the fresh crops are. Preparation is unique and special. Try the Kung Pao vegetables, teri yaki potatoes, cashew nuts and vegetables in sweet and sour sauce, are all dishes I've enjoyed. Prices are amazingly inexpensive. Clearly deserves to be called a "Newt's Find".

EVELEENS CAFÉ - 68510 e. palm Canyon, (In the IMAX Building), Cathedral City, Phone 321-8081. A wonderful melding of classic California Cuisine with a real continental flair. Both Seared salmon and sole with lemon and parsley are lovely, light anf flavorful. Frog legs provencal are rich, delicious, and not always found in our valley. Her crocque monsieur, (the classic French ham & cheese sandwich is crisp and tasty. Tabouleh salad, the classic Moroccan mixture of couscous, cucumber, onions tomatos mint and parsley is sure to please combine with one of Evaleen's lovely crepes and you have a delightful and different meal.

POMME FRITE – 256 S. Palm Canyon, Palm Springs, Phone 778-3727. Specializing in the cuisine of Belgium. Start with an order of steamed black mussels with either leeks and shallots or garlic and tomatoes, order this classic dish for sharing as an appetizer or make it your main course. I suggest the former so you'll have room for a hearty serving of Flemish beef stew simmered in Belgian Beer, or the 10 oz. Pork chop with onion confit. Dine on the patio on "Village Fest" night and you'll have a ringside seat for the passing parade.

CUCINA PASTA – 73-540 Highway 111, Palm Desert, Phone 346-9712. From the name, you'd expect, (rightly so), lots of great Pastas, and you'd be right, over 20 different varieties. But, the delights go deeper, Chef Harold Hollinger works his magic on other dishes as well. Pelmeni, little meat dumplings simmered in chicken broth and finished with sour cream. Beef or Veal rolanden, the sliced meat becomes the wrapper for the vegetables, different and delicious. Lasagna is rich, hearty, and one of the best around. Prices are reasonable and portions are huge. Well worth the down valley drive.

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October 1, 2001

Greetings!

On behalf of the City of Palm Springs, I extend a warm welcome to the attendees of the Greater Palm Springs Pride Festival.

Greater Palm Springs Pride has given generously to the community through donations to organizations such as Desert AIDS Project, AIDS Assistance Fund, Parents and Friends of Lesbians and Gays, Gay and Lesbian Alliance of the Desert Crisis Line, and Palm Springs Gay, Lesbian, and Bisexual Veterans of America, and has worked diligently to educate the general public about Gay and Lesbian issues. Your support of events such as this allows this organization to continue its work in our community.

While you are here enjoying the Pride Festival, I hope you can take the time to fully experience our beautiful city. Whether you play golf or tennis, take a ride up Mount San Jacinto on the Aerial Tramway, or enjoy our fabulous restaurants and shopping, I am confident you will enjoy your time spent in Palm Springs.

Sincerely,

William G. Kleindienst
Mayor

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Cathedral City

OFFICE OF THE MAYOR
GEORGE STETTLER

October 9, 2001

Visitor
Greater Palm Springs Pride
November 3rd and 4th
Palm Springs, California

Dear Visitor:

Welcome to the Coachella Valley, please accept my personal invitation to visit beautiful Cathedral City. Please allow sufficient time to visit our community, you will discover a city that prides itself on our diversity and friendly hospitality.

We hope that you will take advantage of our many fine attractions. Once you have a few extra minutes, plan to visit Big League Dreams Sports Park, Mary Pickford Theater, IMAX Theater, Camelot Park, Cathedral City Library and our Interactive Fountain of Life and any one of our many fine restaurants. We wish to make every effort to make your visit memorable so you will return to your homes with pleasant memories of our valley.

Cathedral City joins the Coachella Valley in welcoming you and wishing you a fun-filled weekend at Greater Palm Springs Pride.

Sincerely,

George Stettler
Mayor

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PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, *Palm Springs Lesbian & Gay Pride, Inc. Is a contributing member of society in the Coachella Valley, having been a product of the Greater Palm Springs Pride organization, and as such, has contributed to the community at large though educational programs about Gay and Lesbian issues; and*

WHEREAS, *Palm Springs Lesbian & Gay Pride, Inc. has been involved in a variety of organizations over the years, such as the Desert AIDS Project, AIDS Assistance Fund, Parents and Friends of Lesbians and Gays, Gay and Lesbian Alliance of the Desert Crisis Line, and the Palm Springs Gay, Lesbian and Bisexual Veterans of America; and*

WHEREAS, *Palm Springs Lesbian & Gay Pride, Inc. is holding its 17th annual Palm Springs Lesbian and Gay Pride festival on November 3 and 4, 2001;*

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, *that I, Richard W. Kite, Mayor of the City of Rancho Mirage, California, by the power vested in my, do hereby recognize*

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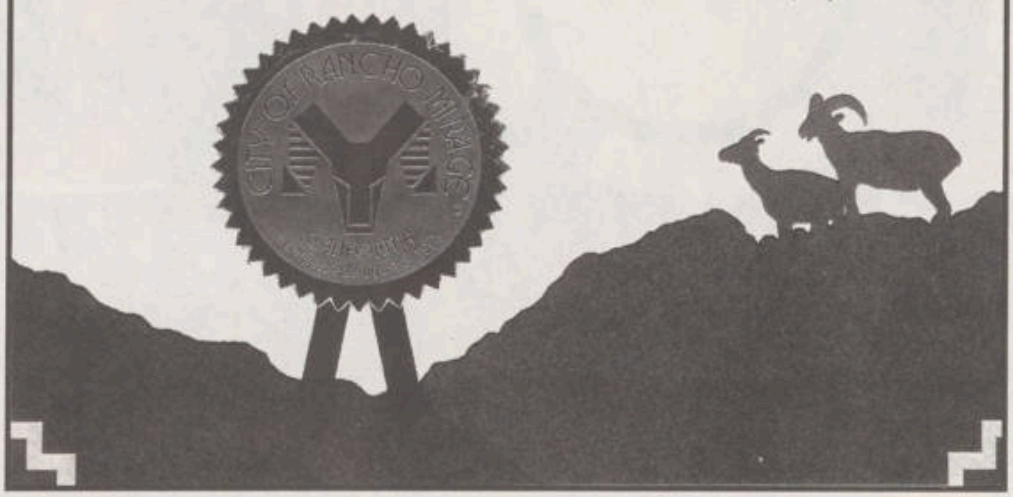
for their contributions to assist when needed through the organizations set up especially for Lesbian and Gay persons.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, *I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Rancho Mirage to be affixed, this 2nd day of November, 2001.*

ATTEST:

Richard W. Kite, Mayor

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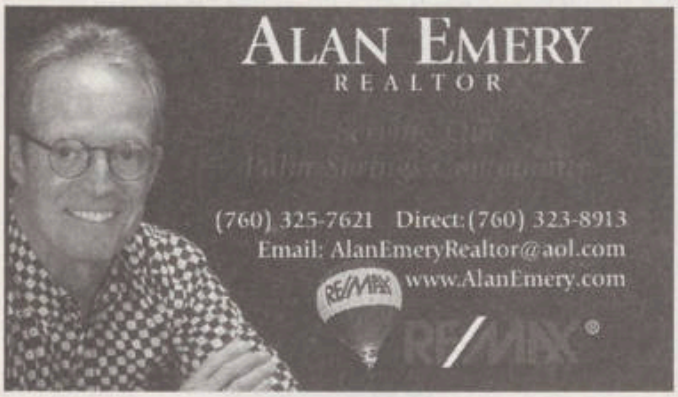
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We salute the volunteers and sponsors and all of the unnamed, behind the scenes supporters that have made this production possible.

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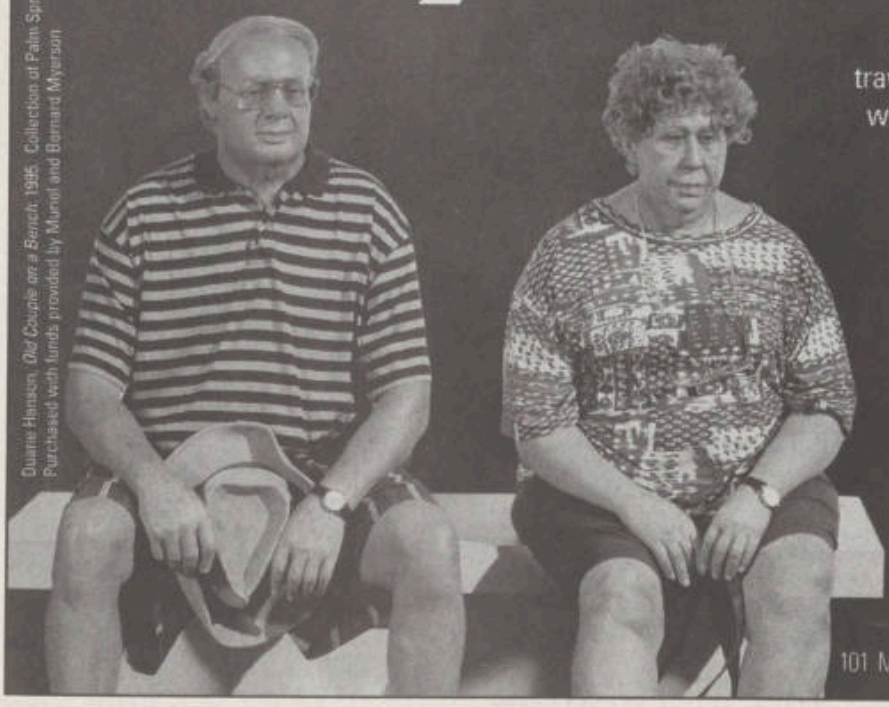
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