

Tobi Comes Out — Big Time

Twana put it best when she called Tobi Golightly, "our poster child for transgender charm and intelligence and courage."



Tobi on *The Morning Show*

A longtime member of the Silver City business community, most people know Tobi as Tobie Bowen. However, the name change notices went in the papers in early September, and Tobi went on *The Morning*

Show with Gwyn and Lori on September 21st to let the world know that she is transgender and not afraid to admit it.

On the show, Tobi talked about transgender issues, herself, and the upcoming transgender conference in Tucson in April of 2008. (See Page 2 for details on the conference.) Word has it that this is the first time Gwyn and Lori have let the show go way over time, because the guest was so great.

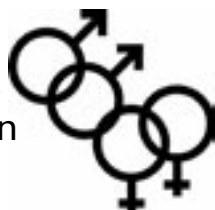
If you didn't get a chance to see the show live, you can still watch it by going to:

<http://www.themorningshowlive.com/DownloadShows.html>

Then scroll down to the bottom of the page. Watch the show online, or save it on your computer by right-clicking on the link and choosing "Save Target As."

See the Calendar on Page 2 to find out what's going on. **Don't be left out of the loop!**

GNETWORK is a resource for the Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual, and Transgendered Human Beings in New Mexico.



If you feel you have received this publication in error, please pass it on to one of the 10% of the population who will find it useful.

No Equality without Full Equality

Equality NM was one of sixty-plus organizations around the country (including PFLAG) to send a letter calling on Congress to pass the Employment Non-Discrimination Act (ENDA) with language that included *both* sexual orientation and gender identity. Late in September, the Human Rights Campaign (HRC) and Representative Barney Frank made deals to strip transgender inclusion from the bill, fearing that it would not pass if gender identity was included.

Just before press time, HRC finally signed on to full inclusion, and the bill is now working its way through congress with gender identity language.

Plan Now to Join the Family . . .

. . . for the Thanksgiving Dinner again!

Church of the Good Shepherd (7th and Texas Streets) has graciously offered their fellowship hall and newly remodeled kitchen to LGBT's and their allies and friends and families to have a Thanksgiving meal on:



November 10, 2007, Saturday

Doors open at 4pm, Meal at 5pm, Board games and other tom foolery around 7pm.

PFLAG has graciously offered two turkeys (sexual orientation unknown). The rest of us should bring:

Last name A-H: Drinks, including bottled water, and breads/dressing

Last name I-P: Seasonal foods (yams, mashed potatoes, cranberry sauce) and vegetables/salads

Last name Q-Z: Desserts

If you have a signature dish that does not fall in your category, bring it instead.

Everyone bring a game they like, guests they choose, good will, an appetite, and time to share.

"Why is it that, as a culture, we are more comfortable seeing two men holding guns than holding hands?"

~ Ernest Gaines

BIRTHDAYS



Tiffini 10/3
 Janey K. 10/8
 Dan Ell. 10/4
 Amy J. (Florida) 10/11
 Sue C. 10/12
 Lucien S. 10/13
 AnneMarie P. 10/13

Marcey G. 10/14

Jim K. 10/16

Mari K. 10/19

Marlene A. 10/23

Mary O'L. 10/30

Gloria N. 10/31

ANNIVERSARIES

Mari & Laurie 10/23/96

Tad & Patrick 10/28/95

CALENDAR

This Month

Halloween Party • October Third Saturday

October 20th • 6:30pm 'til ? • **Changed!**

Esther's House (303 E 19th) • **Changed!**

Note: Place and time has changed! Don't forget your costume. The fun begins at 6:30, but continues 'til late, late, late.

Upcoming

November Thanksgiving Event

November 10th • 4pm (Second Saturday)

Episcopal Church on 7th and Texas.

PFLAG will provide the turkeys, you provide the rest. Bring the whole family!

Gambling Party • Dec. Second Saturday

December 8th • TBA

Coit and Meredith's House

Potluck and gambling. What more could you want?

January • Third Saturday

Still up for grabs!

WEEKLY EVENTS

Every Sunday Morning • Brunch, 10 am

At Diane's • 501 N. Bullard

Look for the rainbow flag.

Regular Monthly Events

Third Saturday

There's an event just about every month, on the Third Saturday. More details in the Calendar (on the left side of the page).

Spiritual Adventure

First and Third Tuesday at 1901 N. Silver St., #L, Silver City. All are welcome to join in this adventure to empower oneself and share spirituality. *Call 505-956-8456 for more information.*

PFLAG Silver City

Second Wednesday of the Month at 5:30 pm
 At St. Mary's Spirituality Ctr • 1809 N. Alabama
 (One Driveway North of Montessori School.)

All are welcome. Join us for conversation, information, and support. \$1 donation is appreciated.

More Information: Tyler at 505-534-0319 or johntyler@connoley.com

Is Traveling to Tucson

Tucson will be the host next year (April 2008) for the International Foundation for Transgender Education (IFGE) The conference covers the whole spectrum of gender-variant peoples. And, of course, many gender-variant people are gay and lesbian identified — which is why Wingspan, the LGBT organization in Tucson, is helping, along with Southwest Area Gender Alliance, to host the conference. It is a big deal for Tucson to be able to host this conference.

Thanksgiving

with *our* family

November 10

4pm to 10pm

Church of the
 Good Shepherd

Turkey Provided



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Dear Gabby,

I know you follow politics, so maybe you can answer this burning question. Is America ready for a woman President?

-Curious in Mimbres

Dear Curious,

First, let me clear up a misconception. I don't follow politics, nor do I recommend it. That's exactly how we got into the mess we're in today. If we the people would lead politics instead, we'd be much better off.

In answer to your question, I have meditated long and hard on that very issue. I went back and looked at every President since George Washington, and I realized every one of those guys was male.

This means that electing a female President would be . . . well . . . unpresidential. Having spent a few lifetimes in this country, I can tell you unequivocally that Americans do not like sudden or abrupt change. Therefore, this entire electing a woman President thing must be a gradual process. So I strongly recommend that we elect a drag queen first.

-Gabby

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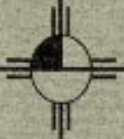
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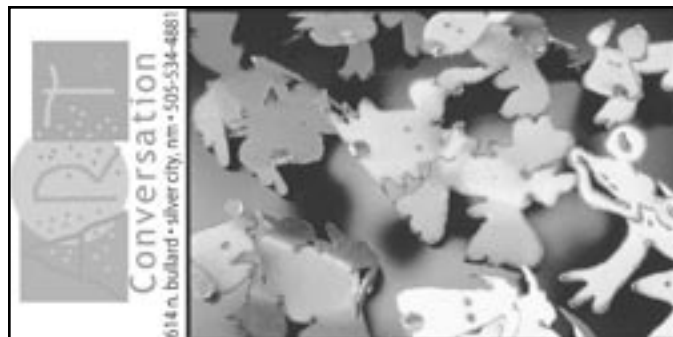
Rick Hoefler Memorial Fund

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Snap to It: Help a Cat or Dog

Did you know we have a wonderful not-for-profit group here in Silver City helping people pay to spay and neuter pets? Even people who are feeding and caring for feral cat colonies can get help with trap-neuter-release.

The group is called SNAP (Spay Neuter Awareness Program). To date, SNAP has helped pay for hundreds of spays and neuters which means that literally tens of thousands of unwanted litters have been avoided, saving the lives of local animals. It is run completely by volunteers and just about the only money spent goes to veterinarians. There are no staff members, no office space to rent — your donation goes directly to help animals.

If you could see your way clear to donate a little money to SNAP — \$5 or \$10 — whatever you can afford. It would really help a lot.

Just send a check to:

SNAP
PO Box 1958
Silver City, NM 88062-1958

"The Bible contains six admonishments to homosexuals and 362 admonishments to heterosexuals. That doesn't mean that God doesn't love heterosexuals. It's just that they need more supervision."

~ Lynn Lavner

UA Hires Gay and Lesbian Affairs Director

by Renee Schafer Horton, Tucson Citizen

The University of Arizona will become the first state university to have a full-time director of gay and lesbian affairs.

In what is hailed by local gay-rights groups as "ground-breaking," Cathy Busha will join the university as director of the newly created Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender and Queer Affairs Office.

"This represents President [Robert] Shelton's strong commitment to creating a safe, welcoming and diverse campus," Busha said.

While the university has a number of organizations that support the LGBTQ community, Busha said, "all the great work has been done with volunteer time."

"Having a paid position is in line with the other positions that support marginalized groups on campus," Busha said, "students of color, with disabilities, the Hispanic groups."

Busha has spent the past nine years as the director of programs for Wingspan, Tucson's LGBTQ support organization.

Her last day in that position will be Nov. 2. She will start at UA on Nov. 13 as part of the Dean of Students Office.