

ARIZONA'S LGBTQ RESOURCE GUIDE

A man wearing a maroon t-shirt, khaki shorts, a dark cap, and a large grey backpack with blue straps is hiking in a desert landscape. He is holding a water bottle in his left hand. The background features a sunset with a bright sun on the left, casting a lens flare, and silhouettes of trees and mountains against a blue and orange sky.

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FROM THE PUBLISHER

"We are a publication that values being part of the community and are proud to show off Arizona and its LGBTQ community as never before."

IT IS WITH GREAT EXCITEMENT AND PRIDE that I welcome you to *The Arizona Pride Guide*®, 11th Edition. The Pride Guide® family started twelve years ago with its first publication in Arizona. The Pride Guides® are the only publications of this type in the country. The Pride Guide® concept has been so welcomed that I am especially proud to provide this total LGBTQ resource... the most comprehensive business, travel, relocation, and wedding listings to the Grand Canyon State.

If you are considering visiting us, let us be the first to welcome you. Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual, and Transgender visitors will find a safe and welcoming environment. While experiencing over 330 days of sunshine per year, you will enjoy world-class cultural attractions and festivals, year-round recreational adventure, breathtaking scenery, incredible dining, and unique shopping opportunities. This guide will help you plan your week-

end, romantic rendezvous or your family vacations. If you are considering moving to Arizona, The Arizona Pride Guide® and our sister website, www.GayArizona.com, will help you find important information about the cost-of-living, education, top employers, community information and much more. We are a publication that values being part of the community and we're proud to show off Arizona and its LGBTQ community as never before. Just as important, we are an asset to local businesses and municipalities as they attract LGBTQ visitors, new residents and new businesses to this beautiful area of our country.

Thank you for your support! Gracias por su apoyo! Mahalo Na kou kāko'o!

Michael McFall
Publisher



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CITY OF SEDONA MAYOR **SANDY MORIARTY**

Welcome to Sedona, the most beautiful place on earth, in so many ways. Most of us who live here are here because we love Sedona, and we hope you will too. Whether you are planning a move or a visit, we look forward to seeing you in Sedona. If you're visiting, we hope you will stay for awhile and explore all Sedona has to offer, or use us as a home base to explore more of Northern Arizona. Enjoy the stunning views, blue skies, our many hiking and biking trails, art galleries and shops, and restaurants.

We have a variety of activities available, from jeep trips and helicopter or plane rides to great independent films at Sedona's own Mary D. Fisher

Theater, or just take in a sunset from the Airport Vista Point or enjoy the starry night skies. You can camp in Oak Creek Canyon or stay at a world class resort. There are many festivals throughout the year, and Verde Valley wine country is minutes away, or you can learn about the history of Sedona at the Sedona Heritage Museum on Jordan Road.

Our residents are friendly and welcoming, and will help you get acquainted with Sedona, so relax and enjoy our beautiful community.

Sincerely,
Sandy Moriarty, Mayor of Sedona



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CITY OF FLAGSTAFF MAYOR **JERRY NABOURS**

Greetings,

As Mayor of Flagstaff, I would like to encourage you to see the beautiful northern half of Arizona. Flagstaff is in the forested mountains, very different from our desert neighbors in the southern areas.

Flagstaff offers plenty to do, indoors and out. We have four distinct seasons and each season has a different specialty. But every season has beautiful mountain views, clean air and twin-

ling clear night skies.

Best of all, you'll find our residents warm and welcoming, eager to make you feel right at home. Find out for yourself as you visit local businesses and meet our vibrant community.

Please enjoy the diversity, inclusiveness and beauty Flagstaff has to offer!

Sincerely,
Jerry Nabours, Mayor, City of Flagstaff



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CITY OF PHOENIX MAYOR **GREG STANTON**

"Phoenix offers fine dining, shopping, outdoor fun, sporting and cultural events and so much more!"

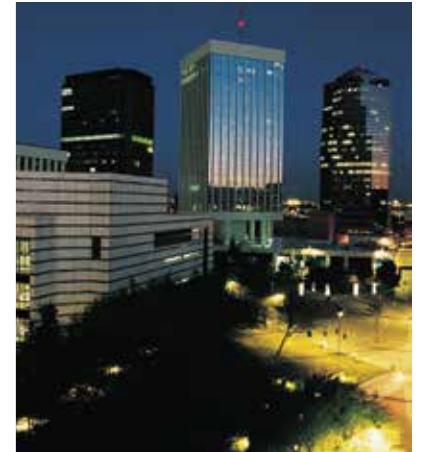
As Mayor, I welcome you to the city of Phoenix and the state of Arizona!

Whether you are visiting our great city on vacation, for business, or considering moving here, I know you'll find many exciting things to do and see. Phoenix offers fine dining, shopping, outdoor fun, sporting and cultural events and so much more – all in and around a dynamic and growing city famous for its warm weather and beautiful sunsets.

Best of all, you'll find our residents as warm and pleasant as the weather, eager to make you feel right at home. Find out for yourselves as you visit local businesses and meet our diverse and vibrant community up close.

Again, welcome to Phoenix, welcome to Arizona, and welcome home!

Sincerely,
Greg Stanton, Mayor, City of Phoenix



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CITY OF TUCSON MAYOR **JONATHAN ROTHSCHILD**

Greetings:

As Mayor of Tucson, I would like to welcome you to our city!

Whether you are visiting our great city on vacation, for business, or considering moving here, I know you'll find many exciting things to see and do. Tucson offers fine dining, world-class resorts, shopping, outdoor fun, cultural activities and much more – all in and around a dynamic and growing city famous for its warm weather and beautiful sunsets.

Home to artists, musicians and writers, as well as scientists and engineers, Tucson's history and culture go back over 4,000 years. Our multicultural roots

give Tucson its own unique, welcoming style.

Business visitors will find that Tucson is a Science City, with innovative companies in aerospace, biotech, information technology, optics and solar, to name a few.

You'll find Tucsonans as warm and pleasant as the weather, eager to make you feel right at home. Find out for yourselves as you experience our vibrant community in person.

Please enjoy the diversity and warmth Tucson has to offer!

Sincerely,
Jonathan Rothschild, Mayor of Tucson



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MARICOPA COUNTY SHERIFF PAUL PENZONE

As Sheriff of Maricopa County, I welcome you to one of the most dynamic and diverse communities in America.

Maricopa County, named for the Maricopa Native American people, offers an amazing lifestyle. Whether you choose to visit or reside in one of our fast-growing and friendly cities, or prefer the breathtaking Sonoran desert with its mountain views and legendary sunsets, you'll discover a memorable and unique experience. In Maricopa County, world-class resorts stand alongside the places that celebrate our unique and authentic mix of cultures, including Latino, Native American, and American West. You won't have to look far to find a place or event that makes terrific memories.

While you're here, you can be assured that the outstanding women and men of the Maricopa County Sheriff's Department are hard at work to ensure your safety and well-being. Our 3,500 officers and citizen staff are the best at what they do. We aspire to high performance, professionalism, and transparency, all in service to our entire community. We are humbled by the confidence the community has shown us and we're responding by building a new era for MCSO - a Sheriff's Office for everyone.

So, enjoy all that Maricopa County has to offer. We're glad you're here!

Sincerely,
Paul Penzone, Maricopa County Sheriff

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"Flagstaff, Phoenix, Tempe, and Tucson (to name a few) have all established laws to protect LGBTQ residents from discrimination."

The Grand Canyon State is a unique place, whether you live here or are just visiting. A wide variety of landscapes and urban environments, matched by flora and fauna found nowhere else in the USA, make Arizona a beautiful place to live and work. Arizona has a number of cities and towns that have been recognized as LGBTQ-friendly. Flagstaff, Phoenix, Tempe, and Tucson (to name a few) have all established laws to protect LGBTQ residents from discrimination. Our state is home to many diverse and welcoming communities where couples can marry, settle

down and start families, or retire in their golden years.

One of the great things about Arizona is the variety of climates and geography available here. You can be enjoying a mild winter day in Phoenix or Tucson - perhaps wearing shorts or a light jacket in December or January while your friends and family elsewhere around the country are bundled up and freezing - hop in the car, and take an hour or two to drive to a forested mountain slope for skiing in the snow. For your convenience, we've divided this Guide into three geo-



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graphic sections - Northern, Central, and Southern Arizona. Each region has distinctive features that make them great places to live or to visit. Check the beginning of each section for more detailed information on all there is to see and do in each of these regions.

Northern Arizona, at a higher elevation than the rest of the state, enjoys cooler weather, complete with shady forests, wooded slopes, and frequent snow cover in winter. This section of the state is dominated by rural areas and smaller towns, including such charming communities as world-famous Sedona, as well as Cottonwood, Jerome, Prescott, Pay-



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son, and the largest city in the area, Flagstaff, which is home to Northern Arizona University, one of the state's three major universities. It's also home to some of the major man-made and natural wonders of the state, including Meteor Crater, Hoover Dam, and, of course, the Grand Canyon.

Central Arizona, comprising the greater Phoenix metropolitan area and surroundings, has hot summers,



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mild winters, an arid climate, and is heavily urbanized and populated. This is where you'll find many of the state's big-city amenities and attractions. In addition to Phoenix proper, this area includes such well-known cities as Tempe, Scottsdale, Glendale, Paradise Valley, and Sun City, among others. It's also home to Tempe's Arizona State University, the state's largest university and currently the largest university in the country.

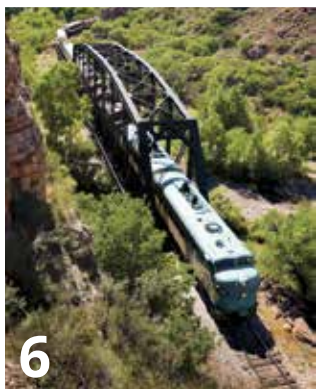
Southern Arizona is also arid, with hot summers and mild winters, dominated by the beautiful Sonoran Desert, a land of prickly cacti and other desert-adapted flora, including the iconic saguaro cactus found nowhere else in the United States. This area is home to the state's second-largest metropolitan area, Tucson, as well as smaller communities such as Yuma, Nogales, and the famous towns of Tubac, Tombstone, and Bisbee. Tucson is home to the second-largest of the

state's three major public universities, the University of Arizona.

No matter which region you go to, there are many open-minded and welcoming places where LGBTQ travelers and residents can feel at home. With same-sex marriage now legally recognized in the state, and opinion polls showing a clear majority favoring equal marriage and civil rights for our community, the state is home to a large, active, and open LGBTQ population. Many agencies, businesses, and local governments are working hard to welcome and serve LGBTQ visitors and residents, both in big cities like Phoenix, Tempe, and Tucson, and smaller communities such as Bisbee, Sedona, and Flagstaff. Arizona's climate, friendly communities, and diverse attractions make this a great place to live or for vacations, weddings, and honeymoons. So let The Pride Guide® be your guide to LGBTQ-friendly Arizona.



CALENDAR OF EVENTS 2017



1. Not Your Mama's Wedding Expo - November
2. Arizona Renaissance Festival - February
3. AIDS Walk Arizona & 5k Run - October
4. 32nd Annual Arizona Gay Rodeo - February
5. Phoenix Pride - April
6. Ales on Rails - October

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JANUARY

DESPERADO LGBT FILM FESTIVAL
 >> PHOENIX

LGBT film festival put on by the Desperado Film Club, Student Life & Center for Performing Arts at Paradise Valley Community College.

TUCSON GEM AND MINERAL SHOW®
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The largest, oldest and most prestigious gem and mineral show in the world held at the Tucson Convention Center. Runs through February 12th.

FEBRUARY

PHOENIX CHINESE WEEK'S CULTURE & CUISINE FESTIVAL
 >> PHOENIX

Famous dragon and lion dances, martial arts demonstrations, folk and traditional dances and musical performances held at Margaret T. Hance Park.

32nd ANNUAL AGRA ROADRUNNER REGIONAL RODEO
 >> LAVEEN

The Arizona Gay Rodeo Association's signature annual event.

ARIZONA RENAISSANCE FESTIVAL & ARTISAN MARKETPLACE
 >> GOLD CANYON

Music, theatre, arts and medieval celebration. Ask about Gay Day. Runs February 11th through April 2nd.

ARIZONA STRONG BEER FESTIVAL™
 >> PHOENIX

A huge variety of craft beers, delicious food & all the sunshine you can handle at Steele Indian School Park.



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P.F. CHANG'S ROCK AND ROLL ARIZONA MARATHON AND HALF MARATHON
 >> PHOENIX, SCOTTSDALE, TEMPE

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LONDON BRIDGE RENAISSANCE FAIRE & ROYAL BANQUET
 >> LAKE HAVASU CITY

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SEDONA INTERNATIONAL FILM FESTIVAL
>>> SEDONA

World-class film festival held in the Red Rocks of Sedona.

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MARCH



CACTUS LEAGUE SPRING TRAINING
>>> VARIOUS ARIZONA CITIES

Watch your favorite Major League Baseball teams while basking in the warm Arizona sunshine.

MELROSE ON 7TH AVENUE STREET FAIR
>>> PHOENIX

Over 150 vendor booths, local eats, a beer garden, live entertainment, kids' area and classic cars.

NCAA FINAL FOUR TOURNAMENT
>>> PHOENIX

Weekend-long extravaganza of events for fans of all ages. March 31st through April 3rd.

TEMPE SPRING FESTIVAL OF THE ARTS
>>> TEMPE

Celebrating its 40th year. One of the top 20 arts festivals in the nation. March 31st through April 2nd.

FOURTH AVENUE SPRING STREET FAIR
>>> TUCSON

Celebrate spring with 400+ arts/crafts booths, 35+ food vendors, two entertainment stages, street performers, kids' art area, and more.



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PHOENIX FRONTRUNNERS PRIDE RUN & WALK
>>> PHOENIX

Half marathon, 10k run, 5k run, kids run.



Aunt Rita's newest fundraiser to help end HIV/AIDS in Phoenix.

APRIL

SOUTHWEST CENTER DINING OUT FOR LIFE
>>> VARIOUS ARIZONA CITIES

Invite all your friends and family out for lunch or dinner to help fight HIV/AIDS.

ART FOR AUNT RITA'S
>>> PHOENIX

Signature art festival benefiting Aunt Rita's Foundation.

13th ANNUAL PAT'S RUN
>>> TEMPE

The 4.2 mile Run/Walk to honor Pat Tillman winds through the streets of Tempe to Sun Devil Stadium, ending at the 42-yard line of Frank Kush Field, symbolic of the #42 jersey Pat wore as an ASU Sun Devil.

PHUR FEST
>>> PHOENIX

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PHOENIX PRIDE FESTIVAL & PARADE
>>> PHOENIX

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14TH ANNUAL SEDONA OPEN STUDIOS TOUR
>>> SEDONA

Visit with artists in their own work environments.

SAGUARO CUP SPORTS FESTIVAL
>>> PHOENIX

The premier gay softball tournament in the Southwest.

MAY

JELL-O WRESTLING
>>> TUCSON

Arizona Southern AIDS Foundations annual fundraiser is slippery and fun.



PRESCOTT FINE ART & WINE FESTIVAL
>>> PRESCOTT

Showcases a select group of 140+ fine artists on the grass under the many tall trees that shade the Historic Courthouse Plaza in downtown Prescott.

TMC MEET ME DOWNTOWN 5K NIGHT RUN/WALK
>>> TUCSON

The biggest running block party in Arizona.

PHOENIX COMICON
>>> PHOENIX

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JUNE

BISBEE PRIDE >> BISBEE

3 day celebration of LGBT Pride in the mile high mountains of Bisbee, Arizona!

21st ANNUAL PRIDE IN THE PINES >> FLAGSTAFF

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THE TUCSON 23: MEXICAN FOOD FESTIVAL >> TUCSON

A Mexican Food Festival Celebrating Visit Tucson's best 23 miles of Mexican Food in America.

JULY/AUGUST



JULY 4th TEMPE TOWN LAKE FESTIVAL >> TEMPE

Held July 4th at Tempe Beach Park.

FABULOUS PHOENIX FOURTH >> PHOENIX

Held July 4th at Steele Indian School Park.

4th of JULY WET FEST >> SEDONA

Held at Sedona Community Pool from 1-4pm, a free family event.



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HARVEST FEST >> SONOITA

A great way to kick-off Harvest Season at Sonoita Vineyards.

SEPTEMBER

40TH ANNUAL PRIDE IN THE DESERT >> TUCSON

Enjoy Pride in the Desert in one of the friendliest LGBTQ cities in the nation. September 25th to October 1st.



ARIZONA RESTAURANT WEEK >> VARIOUS ARIZONA CITIES

Arizona's tastiest bi-annual event of offering prix-fixe meals at nearly 200 of Arizona's top restaurants.

TUCSON FALL GEM SHOW >> TUCSON

A smaller version of the winter mega-show.

OCTOBER

Get Out! The Weather Starts To Cool Down.

8TH ANNUAL ARIZONA TACO FESTIVAL >> SCOTTSDALE

Two days of tacos, tequila and live music held at Salt River Fields.



27TH ANNUAL BISBEE 1000 THE GREAT STAIR CLIMB >> BISBEE

Bisbee 1000 The Great Stair Climb Fundraiser is the only outdoor stair climb in the U.S. and arguably one of the most unique and challenging events in the world.

AIDS WALK ARIZONA AND 5K RUN, AN AUNT RITA'S EVENT >> PHOENIX

Support this awesome event to help fight HIV/AIDS in downtown Phoenix.

AIDS WALK ARIZONA >> TUCSON

This event provides tremendous support to Southern Arizona to help the fight against HIV/AIDS.



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ALES ON RAILS >> CLARKDALE

Take a ride with the Verde Canyon Railroad, view the gorgeous fall colors and celebrate Oktoberfest every Thursday, Friday, Saturday, and Sunday starting at 11am all October.

FOUR PEAKS OKTOBER FEST AT TEMPE TOWN LAKE >> TEMPE

Founded in 1971, Oktoberfest is an awesome event with great beer, delicious food, rockin' bands and family fun!



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HALLOWEEN ADVENTURES >> BISBEE & JEROME

Two of the most haunted towns in America. Take the ghost tour you always wanted, but were too scared to take.

RAINBOWS FESTIVAL >> PHOENIX

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NOVEMBER

28TH ANNUAL ALL SOULS PROCESSION >> TUCSON

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FOUNTAIN FESTIVAL OF ARTS AND CRAFTS >> FOUNTAIN HILLS

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>>> PHOENIX

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TRANSGENDER DAY OF REMEMBRANCE
>>> ALL CITIES

Remember the victims of hate crimes on November 20th.

DECEMBER



WORLD AIDS DAY - ALL CITIES

World AIDS Day events take place across the country on December 1st to raise awareness and show support for people living with HIV.

FOURTH AVENUE WINTER STREET FAIR
>>> TUCSON

A Tucson staple since 1970.



LAS NOCHES DE LAS LUMINARIAS AT THE DESERT BOTANICAL GARDENS
>>> PHOENIX

A unique Southwestern holiday tradition in Phoenix.

PHOESTIVUS 2017
>>> PHOENIX

Vendors and food trucks fill the Downtown Phoenix Public Market so you can Christmas shop locally!

RED BRUNCH 2017
>>> PHOENIX

RED is a signature event for the diverse communities of Phoenix to celebrate World AIDS Day.

TEMPE FALL FESTIVAL OF THE ARTS
>>> TEMPE

Celebrating its 49th year. One of the top 20 arts festivals in the nation.

ZOO LIGHTS AT REID PARK ZOO
>>> TUCSON

Santa, lights and wild animals at Tucson's Zoo.

9TH ANNUAL FESTIVAL OF TREES
>>> PHOENIX

The Valley's premier kick-off for the holiday season.

These are just a few events for scheduled for 2017.

Please visit www.GayArizona.com for more listings of events.

5th Annual "NOT YOUR MAMA'S" WEDDING & EVENT EXPO

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WYNDHAM GARDEN®
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LET'S ALL WORK TOGETHER AND MAKE A
DIFFERENCE

"It is now 2017. We need to pick ourselves up and continue fighting for our beliefs and our equality."

When people talk about 2016, it's no surprise that it has not been the greatest year for many of us. Our nation experienced the horrible tragedy at Pulse Nightclub in Orlando, the ups and downs of the 2016 Presidential Election, sudden passings of many beloved LGBTQ icons, and an insane amount of hate on social media.

It is now 2017. We need to pick ourselves up and continue fighting for our beliefs and our equality. We need to come together once again, and focus on the positives of the past year. For many years, the LGBTQ community has been unwelcomed by the majority, but have you noticed that recently Latino, African American, Jewish, and Muslim communities have included us in their fight against hate. All minority communities are dealing with common issues: the rise of hostility, prejudice

and hate speech stemming from the current social climate, as well as the uncertainty of the future.



It's undoubtedly time to unite together and join forces. Let's work to build strong, loving communities and understand each other in meaningful and respectful ways. The more united, the stronger we are. It all starts at the local level, building communities neighborhood by neighborhood. **The following are five great ways to build united communities on the advice of Carlos Galindo-Elvira, Director of the Anti-Defamation League in Arizona:**

- >> 1. **LISTEN.** We must work to hear the person, and not just the opinion. Be more approachable. Take issues seriously by investing time and space to carefully listen before speaking and quickly moving into a problem-solving mode.
- >> 2. **INCLUDE.** Intentionally seek ways to create safe spaces where all are welcome and biased words and actions are unacceptable. Introduce yourself to your neighbor.

>> 3. **LEARN.** Understand and help others to understand and learn the First Amendment: their rights and freedoms, government functions, how legislation works and their role in it, the rule of law, current events and advocacy.

>> 4. **LEAD.** Activism is another way to do something about the bias, discrimination and hate we may see in the community, online or in our neighborhoods. Safely stand up and tell aggressors to stop. Challenge bigoted and offensive words.

>> 5. **SUPPORT.** Do something purposeful that advances communal connections like volunteering at nonprofit organizations. There are many to choose from that focus on so many different causes and issues. Maybe you would like to be a mentor for a youth, help with a nearby school or deliver meals to the disabled/elderly.

In the Pride Guide® Community Resource section by area you will find several non-profits that serve the LGBTQ community. In addition, there are a number of organizations serving ALL communities.

zations posing as non-profits, asking for donations. During Orlando we witnessed a large increase in fundraising scams. You might think you're helping a legitimate cause, but later discover you are helping fund someone's personal pocket book.

Warning notice: Please be vigilant when donating or volunteering. Make sure to research the organization, request their non-profit Federal ID #, and check them out thoroughly. Unfortunately these days you can't be too careful. There are many scams and frauds out there, such as for-profit organi-

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THE VISION CONTINUES

PRIDE GUIDE®

IS NEEDED NOW MORE THAN EVER....

By Michael McFall

Over thirteen years ago the vision came to me while hiking in Sedona that the state of Arizona needed a total LGBTQ resource guide that represented all areas of the state. My vision did not foresee that in 2017 we would have Marriage Equality but also be facing very uncertain times for our community.



On a warm day in Sedona in February of 2006, I was hiking near Bell Rock. I was thinking about lunch and where to go, and thought to myself, "Where is there a gay-friendly place to eat? How do people know what businesses are friendly especially in small towns? How will people know when traveling in unfamiliar areas?" Then the light bulb went on: "What about creating a state-wide guide focusing on gay friendly businesses!"

The idea was born. Now, what to name it? The state of Arizona department of Tourism produces a travel guide called Arizona Guide. So I decided to call it the Arizona Pride Guide®, since we have Pride in who we are.

The First edition came out in January 2007 with 88 pages. Today the guide is over 240 pages. Now known as The Pride Guides®, we produce statewide guides in Arizona, Hawaii, California, Nevada, New Mexico, and Colorado. The Pride Guide® is also now a registered trademark with the United States of America.

Due to the current social climate and the uncertainty of our future, we have seen a major increase in readership. We decided to go back to Sedona to do the photo shoot for the cover, where the idea of the Pride Guide® all started.

"In the articles in this year's guide you will read about some of our supporters and why it is so important to "Support Those Who Support Us."

After the 2016 Presidential Election, many surveys came out about the LGBTQ community and other minorities who now face more fear and

uncertainties of the future than before the election.

25% of hate crimes increased just in Phoenix.

90% of LGBTQ people surveyed stated they will support business only listed as LGBTQ friendly. But only 10% will tell the business where they saw them, as they want to support but do not want to "come out of the closet" every day and to every person.

This makes it extremely challenging for LGBTQ publications to retain advertisers, as the advertising businesses think they're not getting business, when in fact they are. The LGBTQ community is undoubtedly the hardest to track. When a business asks how a new client heard about them, they are inadvertently asking a personal question about the customers' sexual orientation. Most are not aware that this question can offend us. We are a very sensitive community, as we should be with all the discrimination many of have gone through.

I myself am very cautious when I'm on a 6 hour flight and the person next to me asks what I do for a living. I do not tell him the full truth, just that I produce a business resource guide. I don't want to set myself up for a potential confrontation. It is so hard to know who is friendly and who is not.

Why is the Pride Guide® is so important to use and support? We conduct research all year to find these businesses and trust me, we do hear the hate. We are proud of the hard work we do so our community has a resource of friendly & supportive businesses at their fingertips.

Please remember when supporting an LGBTQ friendly business to say "THANK YOU," as during these times we need to stand together, now more than ever.



We are showcasing a few of our many great supporters of the Pride Guide®. These individuals and companies have branded themselves as LGBTQ Friendly across Arizona and are here to serve you with open arms.

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A TASTE OF OUR STATES:

FOODIE FAVORITES FROM OUR SIX PRIDE GUIDE® STATES!



As we travel the six Pride Guide® states, we have the opportunity to taste the best of the areas' favorite food. Here are just a few examples of our favorites.

HAWAII

CILANTRO CHILI CHICKEN SKEWERS

Super tasty and healthy meal, can be served as an appetizer, alongside a salad or as a main course.

Ingredients:

- 2 pounds boneless/skinless chicken thighs or breast meat
- 1/4 cup extra virgin olive oil
- 6 cloves garlic, mince
- 3/4 bunch fresh cilantro (save remaining for garnish)
- 1 teaspoon salt & pepper
- Sweet chili sauce for basting

Directions:

Soak skewers in water for at least 20 minutes to prevent burning.

Cut chicken into 1" cubes and place into bowl. Add olive oil, garlic and cilantro in a food processor and pulverize. Pour the marinade into the bowl with the chicken, add teaspoon of salt and pepper and marinate overnight if possible.

Preheat the grill to medium heat and coat with oil. Remove chicken from the refrigerator and put 5-6 pieces of chicken on each skewer. Cook for 4-5 minutes on each side. Brush chili sauce on chicken just before it is finished cooking to create a nice glaze.

Source: CookingHawaiianStyle.com

MAI TAI

There are many of variations on this basic recipe for a Hawaiian favorite. A word to the wise, don't have one mai tai after another. With almost 4oz. of liquor and that fruity flavor you might be dancing a hula to the pounding in your head!

Ingredients:

- 2 oz. light rum
- 1 oz. Triple sec orange liquor
- 1 tbsp. Orgeat almond liquor or almond flavored syrup
- 1 tbsp. Grenadine
- 1 tbsp. lime juice
- 1 dash 151 proof rum or dark rum (optional)

Directions:

Shake ingredients (except the dark rum) and strain into a large glass about 1/3 full with crushed ice. Decorate with a maraschino cherry speared to a wedge of fresh pineapple. Top with a dash of dark rum for that reddish color, or for sure inebriation 151 proof rum. Put an orchid in each drink for the full Hawaiian effect.

Source: www.AlohaFriends.com



CALIFORNIA

LOBSTER AVACADO BOATS

Ingredients:

- 1 cup fresh lobster meat cut into bite sized pieces (approx. the tail and claws from a 1 1/2 pound lobster)
- 1 ripe California avocado, halved and diced (avocado half, skins left intact)
- 1 tbsp. fresh lemon juice
- 1 tbsp. chopped fresh cilantro
- 2 tbsp. extra virgin olive oil
- 2 cloves garlic, finely minced
- 1/2 tsp. sriracha chili sauce
- 1/2 tsp. kosher salt
- Lobster bits and cilantro for garnish

Directions:

In a small skillet, combine the olive oil, minced garlic and sriracha sauce over medium low heat. Allow to just barely come to a simmer and remove immediately from heat. Allow to cool while you prepare the other ingredients. Add the lemon juice to the diced avocado in a medium bowl and stir very gently. The lemon juice will add great flavor and also keep the diced avocado from discoloring. Add the lobster, cilantro and salt to the avocado and lemon, stir very gently to combine. Add the olive oil mixture, stir gently again and taste for salt. Stuff the avocado skins with the mixture and garnish with a bit of lobster and cilantro. Serve immediately or chill in the refrigerator for up to an hour.

Source: www.CaliforniaAvocado.com

CALIFORNIA COBB SALAD

Created at Brown Derby Restaurant in Hollywood, this bulked up salad is a flavorful and satisfying entree.

Ingredients for Salad:

- 1 head romaine lettuce, washed, dried, and chopped
- 1 head butter lettuce, washed, dried, and chopped
- 2 8-ounce chicken breasts, poached or grilled
- 6 strips bacon, cooked crisp and chopped
- 2 medium tomatoes, chopped
- 4 hard-boiled eggs, peeled and quartered lengthwise
- 1 avocado, peeled and chopped
- 4 ounces Roquefort cheese, crumbled
- 1/4 cup fresh chives, chopped

Ingredients for the Vinaigrette:

- 1 tablespoon Dijon mustard
- 1/4 cup red-wine vinegar
- 2 teaspoons Worcestershire sauce
- 1 garlic clove
- 1/2 teaspoon coarse salt
- 1/2 cup extra-virgin olive oil
- 1/4 teaspoon ground black pepper

Directions:

Spread the lettuce out on the bottom of a large rectangle platter. Working from one narrow side of the platter to the other, place the remaining ingredients over the lettuce in rows of stripes. Chill in the refrigerator until ready to serve.

Make the vinaigrette: In a medium bowl, whisk together the mustard, vinegar, and Worcestershire sauce. Mince the garlic with salt and mash with the

side of a knife until it becomes a paste. Add it to the bowl, whisking constantly. Slowly pour in the olive oil in a thin stream until thick and creamy. Whisk in the pepper and pour over the salad. Serves 6.

Source: www.MarthaStewart.com

ARIZONA

BACON-WRAPPED SONORAN HOT DOGS

Ingredients:

For the Salsa Verde:

- 1 lb. tomatillos, husked and washed
- 1 cup chopped fresh cilantro leaves
- 3 fresh serrano chiles, seeded and minced
- 1 cup minced sweet onion
- 2 tsp. minced garlic
- Pinch of sugar
- 1/4 cup freshly squeezed lime juice
- Sea salt

For the Hot Dogs:

- 4 tsp. mayonnaise
- 1 tsp. Tabasco or other hot sauce
- Juice of 1 lemon
- 4 all-beef wieners (fat ones work better than long ones)
- 4 slices extra-thin bacon
- 4 torpedo rolls or bolillos
- 4 Tbs. warm refried beans
- 8 Tbs. chopped avocado (or guacamole)
- 4 heaping Tbs. grated Monterey jack or cheddar cheese
- 4 Tbs. chopped onion
- 4 Tbs. chopped tomato
- 4 Tbs. Salsa Verde

Directions:

Make the Salsa Verde: Put the cleaned tomatillos in a saucepan and cover with water. Bring to a boil, then turn off the heat and allow the tomatillos to soak for 5 minutes. Remove from the heat, drain, and puree the tomatillos in a food processor. Add the cilantro, serranos, onion, garlic sugar, and lime juice to the food processor and pulse three or four times to combine. Season with salt to taste.

Make the Hot Dogs: Mix the mayo, Tabasco, and lemon juice and use a funnel to put the mayo blend in a squeeze bottle. Wrap the wieners with the bacon slices so the sausage is completely covered. Cook the wieners on a comal or flat top, rolling them over until the bacon is crunchy on all sides, about 7 minutes. Cut a pocket into the buns to form a "boat" and toast them on the grill. When the wieners are cooked, divide the beans and avocado among the four rolls, spooning them inside the pocket and spreading on either side. Spread the cheese down the middle. Using tongs put one piping-hot bacon-wrapped wiener into the pocket of each roll. Top each wiener with onions and tomatoes. Spread the Salsa Verde across the top. Apply the mayo blend in squiggles across the top of the hot dog. Serves 4.

Source: www.FineCooking.com



Chimichanga

A Chimichanga is a Mexican-American fusion large burrito prepared with a choice of meat, vegetables, and spices. deep-fried to a golden perfection, and served on a bed or lettuce with cheese and mild sauce.

Ingredients:

- 6 (12- to 14-inch) flour tortillas
- 1 pound ground beef (hamburger)
- 1 medium onion, chopped
- 1/2 cup red chile sauce or enchilada sauce
- Salt and black pepper to taste
- Vegetable oil
- 2 cups shredded Cheddar cheese
- 2 cups shredded iceberg lettuce
- 2 cups chopped green onions
- Chopped tomatoes (optional)
- Guacamole (optional)
- Sliced black olives (optional)

Directions:

Preheat oven to 350 degrees F.

Wrap stacked tortillas in aluminum foil, and heat in oven 15 minutes or until hot. To microwave, wrap a stack of tortillas lightly in paper towels and warm on high for 6 or 7 seconds per tortilla.

In a large frying pan over medium-high heat, brown ground beef; drain, leaving beef in the pan. Add onion, chile or enchilada sauce, salt, and pepper; cook 2 to 3 minutes or until onions are transparent.

In the center of each warm tortilla, spoon 1/6 of meat filling. Fold tortilla, tucking in the ends to make a secure fat tube, and fasten with wooden toothpicks. NOTE: Assemble only 2 or 3 at a time, as the tortilla will absorb liquid from the sauce.

In a large pot or deep fryer over

medium heat, add at least 4 inches of vegetable oil. Heat oil to 375 to 400 degrees F.

Fry the chimichangas (1 or 2 at a time), approximately 3 minutes or until golden brown. Remove from oil, drain, and place on serving plates.

Top with Cheddar cheese, lettuce, green onions, and any optional ingredients that you prefer.

Makes 6 Chimichangas.

Source: www.WhatsCookingAmerica.net

NEW MEXICO



PORK AND RED CHILE TAMALES

Ingredients:

- 2½ pounds boneless pork butt, trimmed of excess fat
- 6 cloves garlic, peeled
- 1 teaspoon black peppercorns
- 2 bay leaves
- 1 teaspoon salt
- Water
- 4 cups red chile sauce
- About 2 pounds of masa
- At least 36 softened corn husks, plus 36 strips for tying

Directions:

Arrange the pork butt in a large Dutch oven or heavy-bottomed stockpot. Add the garlic, peppercorns, bay leaves, and salt. Add enough cold water to cover by several inches. Bring the liquid to a boil, then reduce the heat and simmer, partially covered, for about 2 hours.

Transfer the pork to a cutting board and allow it to rest 20 minutes. Using two forks, shred the meat. In a bowl, combine 2 cups of the shredded pork with enough New Mexico red chile sauce to thoroughly moisten the meat. To assemble the tamales, spread about ½ cup masa onto the center of each corn husk. Spoon some of the shredded pork filling down the center of the dough. Fold and tie the tamale; repeat with the remaining ingredients and husks.

Steam the tamales for 1 hour and serve slathered with the remaining New Mexico red chile sauce.

Makes about 24 tamales.

Source: *ABQ Cuisine Expert, Gwyneth Doland / www.VisitAlbuquerque.org/ABQExperts/cuisine*

EASY PUMPKIN EMPANADAS

Ingredients:

- Prepared pie crust
- 14 oz or 1 can of pumpkin puree
- 1/4 cup sugar
- 1 egg
- 1/4 cup heavy cream
- Pinch nutmeg
- Pinch cinnamon
- 2 oz raisins (optional)

Directions:

Cut 6 inch circles with a cookie cutter from your favorite pie dough. Place 2 oz of filling in the center of each dough circle. Fold dough over like a big half moon, then crimp edges with a fork. Beat one egg in a separate bowl for "egg wash." Dip brush in egg wash and brush over empanada. Sprinkle top with coarse sugar. Bake at 315 degrees for 20 minutes. Time and temperature may vary depending on your oven. Makes 12 cookies.

Source: *VisitAlbuquerque.org / Recipe courtesy of Flying Star Cafe, www.flyingstarcafe.com*

COLORADO

Ribeye Steaks with Boursin Brandy Butter

There really is nothing better than a grilled steak with a butter sauce, this one takes the cake!

Ingredients:

- 2 pounds of rib eye steaks (or whatever is your favorite steak)
- Olive oil
- Salt and pepper
- 1 stick of butter, softened
- 1 2.5 oz container of Garlic Herb Boursin cheese
- 2 tbs brandy
- ½ tsp pepper
- 1 tbs fresh chives, chopped fine

Directions:

Prepare your steaks by coating with olive oil and season generously with salt and pepper on both sides. Set aside and bring up to room temperature.

To make the compound butter. In a medium sized bowl add the softened butter, boursin cheese, brandy, pepper and chives. I used a fork to combine all the ingredients. Store in the refrigerator until ready to serve.

Heat your grill up to a high heat. I set mine to 425 degrees. Place the steaks on the grill and cook for 5-7 minutes on one side and then flip the steaks and cook for another 5-7 minutes. Totally depends on how you like your steaks. 5 minutes for a medium rare, longer if you like them more done.

Remove from grill and let sit for 10 minutes before serving.

While the steaks are hot off the grill, top with a big dollop of the butter mixture so that it begins to melt.

Serve and devour!

Source: www.RockyMountainCooking.com / Author: Heather Blake



COLORADO MUD PIE

Ingredients:

- 24 Oreo cookies, crushed in blender
- 1/3 c. butter
- 1/2 gal. coffee ice cream
- 2 oz. unsweetened baking chocolate
- 2 tbsp. butter
- Dash of salt
- 1 c. sugar
- 1 1/2 c. evaporated milk
- 1/2 tsp. vanilla
- 1 (8 or 9 oz.) carton frozen whipped topping, thawed
- 1/2 oz. Kahlua or other coffee liqueur
- 1/2 c. chopped nuts

Directions:

Combine crushed cookies with 1/3 cup melted butter. Press into a 13 x 9 x 2 inch pan. Spread with softened ice cream. Cover and freeze. Melt chocolate and butter over low heat. Add sugar, salt and milk. Cook and stir until thickened. Remove from heat and add vanilla.

Chill completely until cold. Spread on top of ice cream layer and return to freezer. Combine thawed whipped topping with liqueur. When chocolate layer is frozen, spread with whipped topping mixture. Sprinkle with nuts and freeze. Remove dessert from freezer a few minutes before serving to make cutting easier.

Source: www.Cooks.com

NEVADA



PAD THAI

This is a traditional Pad Thai recipe used by a friend's mother. You can use chicken, pork, beef, tofu, or a combination. You may want to start with less pepper, and work your way up.

Ingredients:

- 1 (12 ounce) package rice noodles
- 2 tablespoons butter
- 1 pound boneless, skinless chicken breast halves, cut into bite-sized pieces
- 1/4 cup vegetable oil
- 1 tablespoon white wine vinegar
- 2 tablespoons fish sauce
- 3 tablespoons white sugar
- 1/8 tablespoon crushed red pepper
- 2 cups bean sprouts
- 1/4 cup crushed peanuts
- 3 green onions, chopped
- 1 lemon, cut into wedges

Directions:

Soak rice noodles in cold water 30 to 50 minutes, or until soft. Drain, and set aside.

Heat butter in a wok or large heavy skillet. Sauté chicken until browned. Remove, and set aside. Heat oil in wok over medium-high heat. Crack eggs into hot oil, and cook until firm. Stir in chicken, and cook for 5 minutes. Add softened noodles, and vinegar, fish sauce, sugar and red pepper. Adjust seasonings to taste. Mix while cooking, until noodles are tender. Add bean sprouts, and mix for 3 minutes. Gar-

nish with crushed peanuts, chopped green onions and wedge of lemon.

Source: www.AllRecipes.com / Recipe by: TRANSMONICON

THE BEST SHRIMP COCKTAIL IN LAS VEGAS

Shrimp Cocktail is a popular appetizer that's found on menus all across the state of Nevada.

Ingredients

- 1 dozen shrimp (fresh or frozen and thawed), de-veined, shell-on

Court bouillon:

- 12 fl. oz. beer
- 12 fl. oz. water
- 1/4 bunch parsley
- 6 branches of thyme
- 2 medium shallots, rough chopped
- 8 cloves garlic, crushed
- 6 bay leaves
- 1 tbsp. coriander seeds
- 1 tbsp. fennel seeds
- 1 tbsp. crushed red chilies
- 1/2 tbsp. whole allspice
- 1 cinnamon stick
- 2 tbsp. whole black peppercorns
- 1/4 cup salt

Cocktail sauce:

- 3 tbsp. ketchup
- 1 tbsp. Worcestershire sauce
- 2 tbsp. freshly-grated horseradish root
- 1 lemon
- Tabasco to taste
- Salt and pepper

Directions:

Put all ingredients of the 'court bouillon' into a medium sauce pot and simmer for 20 minutes to infuse the flavors.

Mix all ingredients of cocktail sauce to taste and reserve.

Lower cooking liquid temperature to a low simmer. Prepare an ice bath in a mixing bowl. Add shrimp (6 at a time), cooking slowly until the shrimp begins to curl. Remove and shock in ice bath just until cold, then drain and peel. (The shrimp should be cooked at a low temperature and never boiled or overcooked.)

Source: www.FoodGeeks.com / Author: Johann





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Planning That

Romantic Getaway

You've walked down that aisle, said your "I Do's," ate some cake, opened your gifts and said good bye to all your friends & family. It's now time to go on that much anticipated honeymoon! Where are you going to go and what do you want to do?

You actually might want to start thinking about that before you ever set your wedding date. It can be crucial. Wanting a sunny honeymoon? Then a December wedding might not be a good choice. That is unless you want to fly down south of the equator. Same goes for a winter honeymoon and a June wedding. You also need to take into consideration each other's work schedules as well. We've all had jobs where there are certain times of year you just can't get away. Once you've worked through those few steps then it's time to decide.

The staff of The Pride Guides® has traveled throughout the six states for which we produce guides. So, with the thousands of miles of travel we have come close to being experts on the areas. As luck would have it, they are all within a short drive or flight from anywhere in Arizona. From our research we have found there are more than enough things to go see and do right here in your own backyard.

HAWAII www.GoGayHawaii.com

The State of Hawai'i is probably the furthest away, but is so worth the trip. Hawaii consists of six volcanically formed islands, each having their own unique features. The island chain can provide you with everything from beautiful tropical beaches, lush rainforest and desert landscapes to snowcapped peaks. The state also has some of the most unique flora and fauna in the U.S.

Kaua'i, "The Garden Isle," is the oldest and the northernmost. A lush island of jagged cliffs, cascading waterfalls, and emerald tropical forests, some parts of the island's interior can only be reached by air. It is also the only Hawaiian island with navigable rivers.

O'ahu also known as "the gathering place," the third largest among its fellow islands, but it is first in population. Almost half inhabit the bustling city of Honolulu and nearby resort town of Waikiki. From trendy hotels and TAG-approved resorts, to the best gay beach in Hawaii, and plenty of nightlife, dining and gay bars in Honolulu. Oahu is one of the top gay destinations and perfect for LGBTQ travel!

Molokai is the fifth largest island in the chain, and is radically different from some of the other, more touristy islands. The eastern half of the island is covered with lush vegetation and wet forests, while the western half of the island is nearly barren. Molokai is home to some of the highest sea cliffs on the planet, as well one of the longest fringing reefs on Earth at nearly 25 miles long!

Boasting to be the only island without a traffic light and only 30 miles of paved road, Lanai is a special place where you're sure to find serenity, adventure and intimacy. If you want to get away from it all, get away to Lanai.

Maui, the "Magic Isle," has a relatively small population, making it a quiet and peaceful place to live or to visit. With breathtaking vistas, black sand beaches and lush tropical resorts and

spas, Maui is the perfect place to go on your honeymoon.

Hawai'i Island abounds with natural wonder. From active volcanoes spewing molten magma, snow-kissed mountain peaks, to lush tropical rain-forest and its white, green and black sand beaches. You can find every major ecosystem on the planet all in one place. Hawai'i Island is an adventure of nature's finest work.

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NEVADA

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“America’s Adventure Place” is how some describe the Reno-Tahoe area. That said, you’ll find plenty of action in Nevada’s westernmost territory.

Reno’s downtown is highlighted by the Truckee River Whitewater Park and Riverwalk District. With celebrity-chef restaurants, great shopping, world-renowned events, casinos, resorts and a blossoming downtown district, Reno is one of northern Nevada’s most diverse destinations.

Then there’s Lake Tahoe, more than 70 miles of majestic shoreline with recreation opportunities galore. South Lake Tahoe has all the casinos, world-class acts and nightlife Nevada is known for, while all around the lake outdoor activities abound: hiking,

biking, golfing, and water sports in the warm months, and world-class skiing, snowboarding, and snowshoeing in the winter.

The Las Vegas Strip is synonymous with vacation fun for everyone in the LGBTQ community. You can shop to your heart’s content, splurge on exquisite gourmet meals, indulge in decadent spa treatments at any one of the many resorts and party until sunrise at some of the hottest clubs in the world.

Las Vegas has way more to offer than just what lies on The Strip. Just minutes away, the Springs Preserve is essentially a living museum. Exhibits focus on Las Vegas history and desert wildlife. There’s also the Red Rock Canyon National Conservation Area or Valley of Fire State Park, perfect for some hiking, biking, or even world class rock-climbing on nearly perfect sandstone.

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ARIZONA

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ment, sporting & cultural events, and shopping. Phoenix is the hub of the desert southwest.

Arizona’s second largest city, Tucson (TOO-sahn) is the perfect blend of small town charm and big city convenience. Tucson’s nickname is “Old Pueblo” and over one million people call it home.

Downtown Tucson is the historic and cultural heart of the Old Pueblo, with ten nearby historic districts, the Arts District, professional theater, opera, ballet and symphony. With unique shopping, great restaurants, vintage theaters, bed-and-breakfasts, exciting nightlife, and eclectic architecture, Downtown has great places to explore and enjoy.

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For more than a century, Taos has been a magnet for artists and art lovers. World-class museums and galleries, historic tours, and excellent restaurants make Taos a popular destination. Seventy miles north of Santa Fe, at the foot of the Sangre de Cristo Mountains, Taos is also a favorite among outdoor enthusiasts, with plenty of annual sunshine, excellent skiing, and mountain trails for hiking and biking.

Santa Fe is known as the second-largest art market in the country due to the large number of resident painters, sculptors, jewelers, photographers, and other fine artists. The city of 70,000 has more than 200 restaurants, incredible resorts & spas, galleries, shopping & cultural events. The 4 century-year-old Mexican/Spanish and Native American presence in this area, gives Santa Fe a distinct food & cultural heritage like no place else in the U.S..

Albuquerque is the largest city in New Mexico. It offers different cultural

festivals, all manner of restaurants, and specialty shops. Nightlife is abundant, and while most are not overtly gay, gay people are welcomed to a booming live music scene or to sip cocktails on a balcony.

East of Downtown is Nob Hill, an eclectic, bohemian area. This unique area thrives with nightlife, locally owned restaurants & shops. Nob Hill dazzles at night with people – straight and gay, from all over the world. This is ABQ at its quirkiest!

Just outside Albuquerque are the Sandia, Santa Ana, Laguna and Isleta Indian Pueblos, each with its own casino and hotel/resort. Native culture and entertainment abound.

Southern New Mexico is filled with a surprise around every corner. The history of Las Cruces, the natural hot springs of Truth or Consequences, the Rocky Mountain views in Ruidoso, the arts of Silver City and of course you can't forget about the Alien invaders of Roswell. These communities are a unique experience and they are welcoming to all.



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Find yourself amid the lakes, nature preserves, forests and rugged trails of gay friendly Northern California. The giant tree you can drive through near Redwoods State Park is one of the area's most famous landmarks, as are the wineries of Sonoma County and let's not forget Yosemite National Park.

Northern California boasts miles and miles of wide-open beaches that offer a contrast to the crowded coastlines farther south. You'll also discover small communities filled with wineries, quaint Inns & B&Bs, artist enclaves, fine dining and music festivals. All in and amongst redwood trees, and dotted with dramatic cliffs and rocky coves. This region's natural beauty provides the ingredients for an entirely unique romantic getaway.

Gay friendly San Francisco is considered one of the greatest cities in the

world for many things, including five-star dining, amazing hotels, fantastic nightlife, a happening theater scene, and gay and lesbian culture. And, beyond the fifty-square-mile city, in the surrounding Bay Area, there's so much more to explore, including Silicon Valley's innovations, the Napa Valley's vineyards, and Berkeley's free spirit.

The High Sierras have fantastic food and wine festivals at Mammoth Mountain and Squaw Valley each year. If the outdoors is your game, then this is the place to be. Skiing, hiking, biking & camping are just a taste of the activities waiting for you.

Drive through the Central Valley, and you'll see evidence of how life here has historically revolved around agriculture. You'll find incredible farmers' markets, roadside produce stands, and festivals that celebrate local specialties: wine, tomatoes, asparagus, cheese and more. The region's major cities offer many attractions including museums, concerts, racing, country



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One of the world's leading gay and lesbian destinations, Los Angeles is much more than a single metropolis — rather, it's an entire collection of both sprawling and in many cases scenic neighborhoods and adjacent cities. It could take a full week just to visit even those areas with the greatest numbers of gay-popular businesses and residential blocks, including West Hollywood, Silver Lake, Hollywood, the San Fernando Valley, Santa Monica, Venice Beach, Beverly Hills, Westwood, and even the increasingly trendy downtown. The center of America's entertainment industry has a ton of great restaurants, hotels, and bars. Gay visitors will find hundreds of LGBTQ-specific sights, sounds, tastes and activities.

Palm Springs CA: a desert oasis with a cosmopolitan twist. Dine in world class restaurants, lounge at legendary boutique hotels, & discover why mid-

century modern enthusiasts gather here yearly. Unique to Palm Springs is its abundance of resorts catering to the gay and lesbian community. For the outdoor adventurer Palm Springs offers magnificent hiking, unique jeep tours & 360 days of sunshine & starry nights.

San Diego welcomes gay and lesbian travelers with a vast array of activities, including six popular annual Pride festivals and a vibrant gay and lesbian community. Visit once and get hooked on the sunshine and spirit of a city where people from all walks of life come together to meet, shop, dine and enjoy the area's arts, culture and nightlife.

Hillcrest, home to San Diego's gay and lesbian community, is an exciting uptown district that celebrates diversity year-round. Guests are eased by the community's openness, hospitality and quaint neighborhood charm. Hillcrest celebrates San Diego's hip and wild side with a mix of exotic bistros, eclectic coffee houses and cafes, urban-style boutiques, nightspots and so much more.



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Denver, also known as "The Queen City of the Plains" & the capital city of Colorado was founded in 1858 at the base of the Rocky Mountains. It has been a city of ethnic and cultural diversity since its inception. Denver has grown to become a modern city offering something for everyone.

The Mile High City, with 42,000 hotel rooms in the metropolitan area, has no shortage of a place to stay or budget to be followed. Many of its hotels cater to the LGBTQ traveler, insuring you a safe and accepting accommodations.

Looking for that urban experience? Denver is the place to go. There is shopping, amazing restaurants,

museums, art galleries and of course nightlife like no other. At any given time of the year, there are sporting & cultural events that will keep your days and evenings hopping.

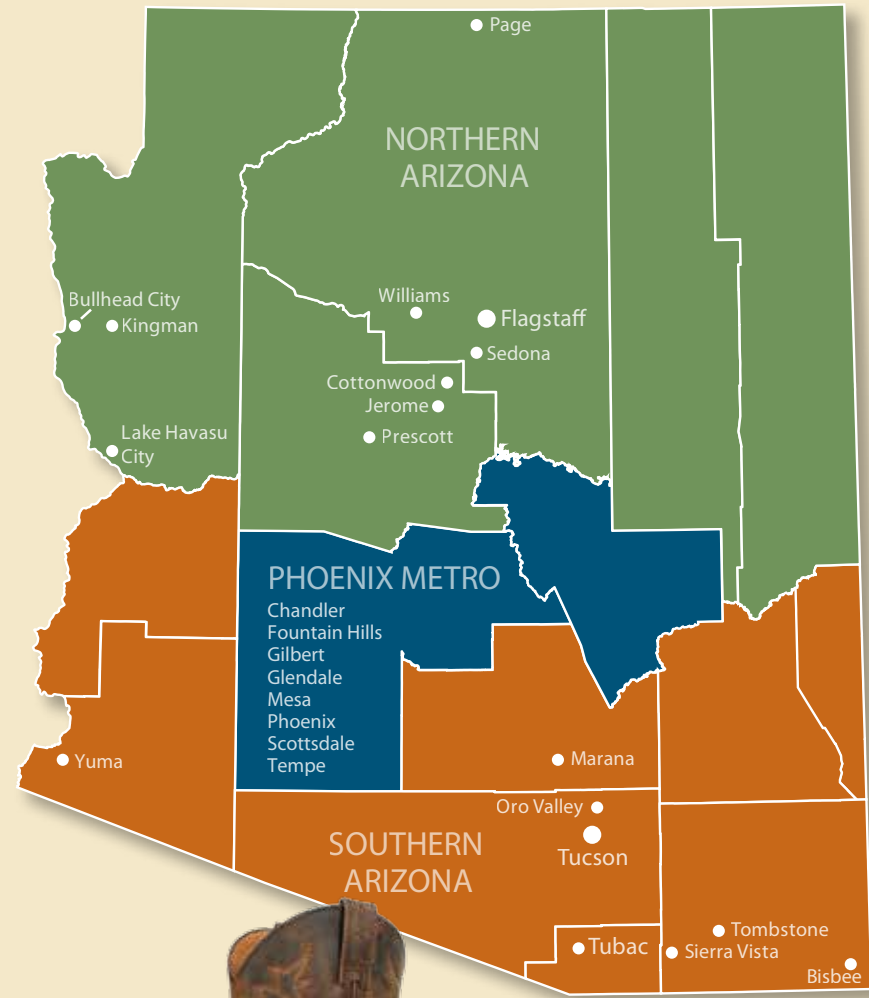
This modern & chic city is also a great place for those looking for that outdoor experience. With the Rocky Mountains at its back door you will find over 850 miles of paved & dirt bike paths, hiking, and camping. Let's not forget about some of the top skiing areas in the world. Places like Aspen, Vail & Telluride offer everything from downhill and cross country skiing, snowboarding and more. Of course these areas have world class resorts allowing you to make your honeymoon dreams come true.



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Northern Arizona

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Northern Arizona is home to numerous native American tribes.

The Navajo, Hopi, Havasupai, Hualapai and Kaibab-Pauite are most prominent. By far the largest of all five reservations, the Navajo Nation, created in 1868, has a population of over 250,000 and is more than 18,000 square miles, extending into Utah and New Mexico.



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For over 1,000 years, Native American communities have surrounded the Grand Canyon, developing diverse cultures and traditions. The Havasupai, meaning the people of the blue-green waters, live in the Grand Canyon, farm during the summer months and hunt on nearby plateaus during the winter. Their culture has long been associated with exquisite but functional crafts, which reflect their close ties with nature. Fine collectibles created by native artisans began to be marketed to outsiders in the 1880s.

Today, tourism is the primary economic staple for the reservation, with Havasupai Canyon attracting approximately 12,000 outdoor enthusiasts per year.

BULLHEAD CITY

For a vacation long or short, Bullhead City is the hub for the Colorado River Region and for enjoying many interesting activities in the Tri-State area. The area's wide selection of accommodations, from campgrounds to full service resort hotels, makes this a great vacation destination. The Colorado River Valley is known across the Southwest as a summer vacation paradise, offering a choice between the cold, fast-flowing waters of the Colorado River and the warm, smooth waters of Lake Mohave. Both are perfect for water sports such as boating, skiing, personal watercraft and sport fishing throughout the year.

Regularly scheduled events such as the Bluegrass Festival, the annual River Run Motorcycle Rally, and the Chili Cook-Off provide family oriented activities. And as we said, the climate is perfect for outdoor recreation all year long. A variety of lodging, shopping and dining experiences are offered by the area's many businesses, and the gaming casinos in nearby Laughlin, Nevada, just across the Colorado River, offer twenty-four hour entertainment.



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COTTONWOOD

The Town of Cottonwood is surrounded by jagged mountains on the south and west, and to the north and east by mesas and buttes. Named for the beautiful Cottonwood trees that grow along the Verde River, the town grew from a small farming community to the Verde Valley's population center, called "the biggest little town in Arizona" by the late 1920s. At that time Old Town businesses supported residents and workers of the many mines that operated in nearby communities.

Located just minutes from Sedona, Jerome and Clarkdale, Old Town Cottonwood is ideally situated near the Verde River offering a variety of recreational activities that include camping, horseback riding and fishing. Historic Old Town on Main Street is home to a number of gay owned and friendly antique shops, fine restaurants, wine bars and art galleries. Plus a multitude of wineries and vineyards, Dead Horse Ranch State Park, the Verde Canyon Railroad, and the Tuzigoot and Montezuma Indian Ruins. Visiting Old Town provides a spectrum of activities to please everyone.

FLAGSTAFF

Flagstaff: A college town, a mountain town, a town filled with history and charm. Skiing, hiking, museums, astronomy, festivals; this is what Flagstaff has to offer. Adjacent to the towering 12,633 foot tall San Francisco Peaks, Flagstaff is surrounded by Ponderosa Pine trees, lies at an elevation of about 7,000 feet and is nestled along historic Route 66.

Home to Northern Arizona University (NAU), the college atmosphere brings a wonderful eclectic mix of coffee houses, bookstores, shopping, restaurants and eateries to the area.

In this lovely small mountain community, you'll find yourself surrounded by the 1.8 million acre Coconino National Forest. A hiker's delight, you'll find a wonderland of mountain meadows filled with Aspen trees swaying in the breeze. You can close your eyes and hear their leaves singing in the wind. Since the majority of the state is surrounded by desert land, these grassy meadows, often dotted with wildflowers, sing to your soul. Just outside of Flagstaff, you'll discover ancient Indian ruins with villages that are almost completely intact.

A must-see on your visit is the Wupatki National Monument. First occupied in 1100 AD, Wupatki was once home to the farmers and traders of the Anasazi and Sinagua people. The dwellings include several pueblo-style structures and a large open-air amphitheater.

Gay travelers will be happy to know that each year the Northern Arizona Pride Association sponsors Pride in the Pines, an annual pride festival. Now in its 20th year, the festival brings in guests from all over the state.

GRAND CANYON

A National Park since 1919, attracting more than five million visitors yearly, the Grand Canyon is the most visited National Park in the United States.

I think most visitors would agree when they first see the Grand Canyon, that it inspires a feeling of awe and wonder. Environmentalist John Muir described its magnificence: "It seems like a gigantic statement for even Nature to make all in one mighty stone work. Wildness so Godful, cosmic, primeval, bestows a new sense of earth's beauty and size... But the colors, the living, rejoicing colors, chanting morning and evening in chorus to heaven! Whose brush or pencil, however lovingly inspired, can give us these? In the supreme flaming glory of sunset the whole canyon is transfigured, as if the life and light of centuries of sunshine stored up in the rocks was now being poured forth as from one glorious fountain, flooding both earth and sky."

The Grand Canyon, with its powerful and inspiring landscape, overwhelms the senses through its immense size; 277 river miles long, up to 18 miles wide, a mile deep, and 1.2 million acres overall.

The park is home to numerous animals such as the California condor, mountain lions, cougars, rattlesnakes, elk, bald and golden eagles, bighorn sheep, and over 1,500 species of plants. It is one of the most complete archaeological sites dating back thousands of years. Sustaining these plant and animal communities, as well as carving the Canyon, is the powerful Colorado River, the lifeblood of the desert southwest.

You can tour the Grand Canyon by foot, mule, water, or by train. You will not be disappointed with any method you choose.

The Hualapai (WALL-uh-pie) tribe, the "People of the Tall Pines," located on the far west end of the Grand Canyon, have recently completed a breathtaking skywalk over the canyon. The Skywalk is a horseshoe-shaped steel frame with glass floor and sides that projects about 70 feet from the canyon rim. Today, you can travel to Grand Canyon National Park along the same rail line your parents or grandparents did, on the Grand Canyon Railway.

The Grand Canyon offers so many trips, tours and packages it's difficult to sum up in one page. There are a multitude of websites that offer very good advice on how to best see the Grand Canyon safely... what to pack, what time of year to visit, what time of day and what to avoid.



JEROME

Jerome screams old mining town with its coppery glowing hillsides. It is often dubbed the “Largest Ghost Town in America”. It’s a town that just won’t die. Jerome began as an old copper mining camp that grew from a settlement of tents into a roaring mining community. Four disastrous fires destroyed large sections of the town during its early history, resulting in the incorporation of the City of Jerome in 1899.

Once the fourth-most prominent city in the Arizona Territory, the population peaked at 15,000 in the 1920’s. The Depression of the 1930’s slowed the mining operation and the claim went to Phelps Dodge, who holds the claim today. World War II brought increased demand for copper, but demand declined after the war. Dependant on the copper market, Phelps Dodge Mine closed in 1953. The remaining 50 to 100 hardy souls promoted the town as a historic ghost town resulting in the town being designated as a National Historic District by the federal government in 1967.

Jerome’s population today boasts 450 which includes artists, craft people, musicians, writers, hermits, bed and breakfast owners,

museum caretakers, gift shop proprietors and perhaps an old prospector or two.

Much of Jerome’s charm today comes from its external appearance, as it hasn’t changed much in nearly 100 years. Many of the buildings used by present-day businesses are those built after the fires of 1894 and 1899. A number of the buildings have been restored and more are planned for restoration. Due to the 30-degree incline of the mountainside, gravity has pulled a number of buildings down the slope. To the delight of some, one of those buildings was the town’s jail. Those buildings still standing make for interesting visiting and with a little research you can find their historical significance. One notable section is the “Cribs District.” You will find this area across the street from the English Kitchen, in a back alley where all the buildings were part of Jerome’s ill-famed “prostitution row.”

Be sure not to miss “Jerome Art Walk” which is on the first Saturday of each month, and was recently rated one of the top ten events to attend on a weekend by Arizona Highways Magazine. Over 30 shops, galleries and art studios stay open late, with plenty of activities and entertainment. Be sure to add this event to your calendar.

KINGMAN

Kingman, the Heart of historic Route 66 & one of the hidden treasures of Arizona, is conveniently located on Interstate 40 and is the perfect launching point for “Route 66 and Beyond.” Scenic hiking, historic charm, great cafes and restaurants, and the allure of Route 66 combine to make Kingman a remarkable destination.

The roots of Arizona are captured by the Historic Route 66 Museum, Army Airfield Museum, and the Mohave Museum of History and Arts that recount travels on Route 66, depict the World War II era and the early days of railroading, mining and ranching. At an elevation of around 3,300 feet King-



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man offers a temperate climate year-round. Take a 70-mile journey to enjoy the Skywalk at the Grand Canyon West and many other fabulous day trips... returning to the relaxing accommodations in Kingman at the end of the day.

LAKE HAVASU CITY

There is nothing more amazing than the contrast of the arid Arizona desert and the cool, refreshing, rapid Colorado River. Along Arizona’s border, stretching more than 300 miles from Nevada to Mexico, the Colorado unfolds in a sapphire-blue lake teeming with fish and surrounded by an abundance of wildlife. Nowhere is this convergence of land and water more spectacular than in the center of it all, Lake Havasu.

Rising effortlessly from the shore and set against the scenic backdrop of the Sonoran and Mojave deserts, Lake Havasu City and its surroundings take many forms: sand swept dunes, hidden canyons, and breathtaking rock formations among them, and offers everything from lake and desert tours to golf, tennis, shopping, dining, to a full range of water-sports activities. Lake Havasu is quite the exciting sports and recreation mecca.

Lake Havasu City gained international attention when the London Bridge, which spanned the River Thames in London, England, from the 1830’s to 1968, was reconstructed brick by brick across Lake Havasu’s Bridgewater Channel in 1971.

City founder Robert P. McCullough, Sr., purchased the bridge for \$2.5 million and spent another \$7 million to rebuild it in Lake Havasu City.

With the wonderful desert climate and wealth of available recreational opportunities, Lake Havasu City is an exceptional vacation destination year-round.

Page

Page is your mecca for hiking, biking, boating and off-road adventure. A short seven miles from the water sports playground of Lake Powell, Page is your ideal base for exploring this exceptional region. Hike the striking wind and water carved beauty of Antelope Canyon. Set out on your Colorado River rafting trip. Take in the dramatic vistas of Lake Powell and Glen Canyon Dam.

Page stands at the center of the world renowned Grand Circle, a remarkable collection of parks, monuments, historical sites, and prehistoric Indian ruins that include many of the true geological icons of the West.

Located beside Navajo Tribal lands, Page is rich in geographic, cultural and historic marvels to explore. Make sure you check the Arizona Pride Guide® for gay friendly Page businesses to help you choose the adventure in this amazing region.





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PRESCOTT

Take a step back to the old Southwest. Redolent of the past, the town's architecture still holds onto the secrets of the days gone by. Prescott, pronounced "PRES-kit" in a way that rhymes with "biscuit"... any local will surely let you know it.

Prescott's allure is its beautiful downtown area called Courthouse Plaza, currently surrounded by a lovely grassy square where families walk hand-in-hand. It's common to see people having lunch under the elm trees. However, in the late 1800's it was a very different scene. The court and its staff were busy convicting criminals and a hanging in the square was also common practice. If you were roaming the downtown area of Prescott in the early years and looking for more refined entertainment than hard drink, prostitutes, or opium dens, you would find such elegance at the Elks Opera House, built in 1905 and still in operation. Prescott

is filled with many historic buildings and areas. Fort Whipple, a former military base now serves as a medical facility. In 1927 the Hassayampa Inn opened for business and in 1928 the Sharlot Hall Museum opened. Prescott was home to "Whiskey Row" a notorious red-light district until 1956. "Whiskey Row" burned to the ground on July 14, 1900, but was quickly rebuilt!

Prescott now hosts annual events such as Frontier Days, The World's Oldest Rodeo (1888), the Bluegrass Festival, Earth Day, art festivals, Shakespeare Festival, Navajo Rug Auction, Prescott Film Fest, Folk Arts Fair, the Prescott Highland Games, and several marathons. Also located in Prescott are the Heritage Park Zoo and numerous golf courses.

SEDONA

Sedona is filled with wide-open spaces. Enough space for a mountain bikers, hikers,

Jeepers, and four-wheelers delight. Still seeking more? Sedona has it! Visit a state park, go for a game of golf, a scenic drive, stargaze, or visit a winery. Have I piqued your interest yet? There's still more! If you prefer to stay indoors, Sedona activities include art galleries and shows, musical and theatrical performances, spiritual and personal enrichment activities, annual festivals and many community events.

Imagine doing all this with a backdrop of some of the most spectacular scenery in the world. Sedona is called "Red Rock Country" for good reason. Everywhere you look it is filled with spectacular views of picturesque red rock formations with colorful names: Coffeepot, Cathedral Rock, Thunder Mountain, Steam Boat Rock, Courthouse Butte, and more.

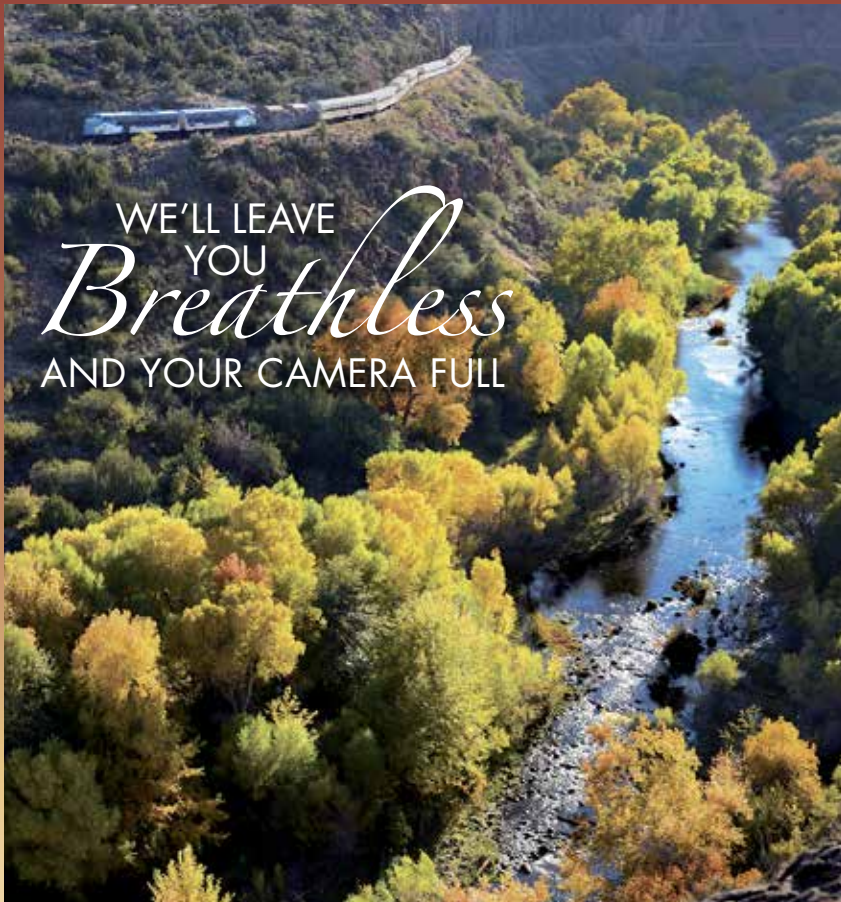
Historically a ranching community, Sedona became wildly popular through the motion picture industry with movies such as, "Apache," "Broken Arrow," "The

Comancheros" and "Johnny Guitar." Now a premier tourism, recreation, and resort community, Sedona serves four million tourists from around the country annually.

At the north end of the city is the stunning Oak Creek Canyon, full of twists and turns. It's often rated as one of the top 10 canyon drives in the country.

Sedona is a very eccentric and accepting community. With no specific designated gay or lesbian bars, the local pride group, Sedona Verde Valley Pride, has organized a weekly gathering at Red's, Sedona Rouge's lobby bar, each Thursday for the LGBTQ community to have an opportunity to mix n' mingle. In addition, Sedona Verde Valley Pride hosts events throughout the year. Sedona is a very welcoming community to the LGBTQ tourist. When you want to run away from home, why not run to Sedona?

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Phoenix has become the 6th largest city in the country, with the Phoenix Metro area having enjoyed an average growth rate of 39% from 1995 to 2005, increasing from 2.6 million to about 3.7 million. The population of the Phoenix Metro area is currently estimated to be over 4.3 million.

The Valley of the Sun draws people with virtually 330 days of sunshine. It has extreme summers but enjoys moderate temperatures for the majority of the year, making this an ideal escape from cold and rainy weather conditions. Perfect for in-town hikes or biking in one of many desert mountain preserves inside the city limits! And, of course, you must relax by the pool.

Phoenix and Glendale are home to five major professional sports teams with slick new arenas throughout the valley. Several cities throughout the valley host pro baseball's Cactus League Spring Training, bringing visitors from around the world.

Phoenix Metro is comprised of various towns and cities. Tempe, Chandler, Mesa, Gilbert, and Apache Junction are in the East Valley. Glendale, Avondale, Peoria, Goodyear, Sun City, and Buckeye are in the West Valley. Scottsdale and Fountain Hills are Northeast Valley communities and the state capital, Phoenix proper, lies in the center of it all. Phoenix Metro enjoys some of the easiest navigation in comparison to other major cities. The extensive freeway system and our grid-oriented cities makes navigating the

streets of Phoenix a breeze.

While the whole country has been affected by the economic downturn, Phoenix has been especially hard hit due to the local economy's dependence on the housing market. However, with tourism still holding its own, and the turnaround of the market in the foreseeable future, the Phoenix economy is on the verge of a rebound, with new industries creating new jobs for the residents of the Valley. The Valley Metro Light Rail currently connects Central Mesa to Central Phoenix. With an additional 37 miles of Light Rail scheduled to be completed by 2030, 20,000 jobs will be created to build and maintain the Light Rail system.

Arizona and Phoenix are leading the way in Biotech and Green/Sustainable innovation. Arizona State University's School of Sustainability is the first of its kind in the nation, offering both Undergraduate and Graduate degrees. These newly popular industries are helping to rebuild the local economy through creation of new jobs. The Green/Sustainable innovations will also help sustain the Valley's natural beauty for generations to come.



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PHOENIX

The Capital of the state of Arizona, Phoenix, is its largest city, with over 1.6 million residents. Being so large, Phoenix offers something for every type of lifestyle, from the urban, city life of Downtown and the Central Corridor, to the more suburban, desert life of the Ahwatukee Foothills in the southern part of the city.

Phoenix recently ranked eighth in the nation as one of the most inexpensive cities to live, work, and own a business. Its cost of living estimates are below that of Las Vegas, San Diego, and Seattle.

With the coming of the Valley Metro Light Rail, Downtown Phoenix has seen resurgence in life. Many new modern housing units as well as café's, coffee shops, restaurants, bars, and nightclubs have popped up along the Light Rail, which passes right through Central Phoenix.

Phoenix's cultural scene is also increasing in popularity. Phoenix plays host to various different national and international art exhibits throughout the year in its museums. Downtown hosts "First Fridays", a free monthly art walk on the first Friday of each month; galleries, studios, and other unique businesses feature local, national, and international artists and craftsmen.

Phoenix's various theaters and performing arts centers feature local productions as well as internationally traveling dance companies and shows year round.

Phoenix is not left out of the Shopping scene either. A valley institution, the Biltmore Fashion Park and the surrounding area, is home to internationally renowned luxury brands as well as much of Phoenix's fine dining. However, unique clothing shops and restaurants featuring all types of international cuisine and concepts are scattered throughout the city.

PHOENIX LGBTQ DISTRICT

Unlike some other major metropolitan areas, Phoenix does not have a central LGBTQ neighborhood. As Phoenix is so geographically spread out, most LGBTQ Phoenicians are too. However, the Melrose District of Central Phoenix has a high concentration of LGBTQ residents as well as LGBTQ and LGBTQ-friendly businesses. Many bars and nightclubs are situated in this area as well. This area stretches north from McDowell Road to Northern Avenue and west from 16th Street to 7th Avenue. Various LGBTQ businesses can also be found scattered throughout the Valley.

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Established by Army Chaplain Winfield Scott, Scottsdale has, since its beginning, been a haven for cowboys as well as the social elite. Many of the original settlers of Scottsdale, recruited by Scott from the east coast, were well-educated and had a great appreciation for cultural events. In 1937, Frank Lloyd Wright purchased 600 acres of Sonoran Desert land and built Taliesin West, his winter home and architectural firm/school's southwestern headquarters. In the 1940's, Scottsdale adopted the slogan, "The West's Most Western Town." Throughout the 1950's, greatly under the guidance of Del Webb, Scottsdale became an upscale getaway, with luxury resorts attracting movie stars and prominent public figures. Today, Scottsdale still promotes its western heritage as made visible throughout its

western-themed Old Town district. It has also become an upscale destination for shopping. Many of the world's most recognizable luxury brands have found a home at Scottsdale Fashion Square shopping center. And Scottsdale remains a popular vacation destination with its many chic hotels and resorts. Scottsdale also has a thriving arts community, with over 125 art galleries, as well as museums and performing art centers. Scottsdale's nightlife attracts people from all over with its she-she-la-la Valley hot spots.

THE EAST VALLEY COMMUNITIES

Apache Junction, Chandler, Gilbert, Mesa, and Tempe; the East Valley cities have shared in the population growth along with Phoenix. Many who move to the East Valley count affordable housing and small town appeal along with proximity to the urban hub among their assets.

Mesa is Arizona's third largest city and one of the fastest growing cities in the state. Historically, Arizona has been home to countless citrus groves. Mesa has found a way to incorporate many of the existing orchards into commercial and residential developments, thus preserving the history and natural beauty of the area.

Tempe is home to Arizona State University as well as Mill Avenue, a main drag and Tempe's downtown, featuring shopping, restaurants, and a lively nightlife frequented by ASU's more than 50,000 students. ASU is also home to Gammage Auditorium, an opera house designed by Frank Lloyd Wright, originally proposed for Baghdad, Iraq. It is now a multifunctional performing arts facility that hosts Off-Broadway productions as well as various other performances.

Tempe is also one of the state's most dynamic business communities, with more than 15 percent of the state's high-tech companies located there.

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The desert communities of Fountain Hills and Carefree offer some of the most beautiful views of the Valley's desert landscape. The town of Fountain Hills, located about 30 minutes northeast of downtown Phoenix on the eastern slope of the McDowell Mountains and about 500 feet above the Valley, is home to over 22,000 residents and one very conspicuous landmark. Situated in the middle of a lake in Fountain Park, is a fountain that shoots a plume of water an amazing 560 feet into the air.

The town of Carefree is located 15 miles northeast of Phoenix and is noted for its artisan population and cooler temperatures. The Carefree town motto is "home of cowboys and caviar, where the old west meets the new" and boasts the best of small town Arizona. Its population is less than 4,000, but growing.



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THE WEST VALLEY COMMUNITIES

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The West Valley has gone through a major makeover in recent years. Agriculture has made way for residential communities that are thriving as the Valley continues to spread out. Avondale has ambitious development plans and the smaller city of Buckeye plans over 250,000 new homes in the next 20 years. Nearby Peoria is a model of the fast-growing Arizona city, with a stellar school system, affordable homes,

and accessibility to the rest of the Valley. Arizona's fourth largest city is Glendale, a rapidly growing financial and business hub in the Northwest Valley. Glendale is a mix of older communities and new, master-planned developments. In 2015, Glendale hosted the NFL Super Bowl XLIX at the University of Phoenix Stadium. The state of the art facility, designed by architect Peter Eisenman, boasts the first retractable, natural grass field in North America and permanent seating for approximately 63,400. It is truly a must see for anyone visiting or relocating to the state.

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Visiting Phoenix Metro Area

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If you are more of a spectator than a participant, Phoenix is home to all of Arizona's major league teams and hosts spring training for major league baseball.

Professional sports teams include the Arizona Cardinals of the NFL, the MLB Arizona Diamondbacks, the NBA Phoenix Suns, and the WNBA 2009 Champions Phoenix Mercury as well as the NHL Coyotes.

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If shopping is your addiction, you will love the fabulous malls, unique boutiques, and antique shops across the Valley. East Phoenix features a Chinese Cultural Center with unusual shops and restaurants.

You can also browse a multitude of museums and galleries, with unique works by local as well as international artists. The Valley has been privileged to host exhibitions from King Tut, Monet, Rembrandt, El Greco, Picasso, as well as many up and coming artists.



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After a day of shopping, relaxing by the pool, or hiking Camelback Mountain, you'll need a good meal before tackling the Valley's nightlife. Valley restaurants have something for every pallet and every budget. With the amalgamation of so many different cultures and influences, the Valley's food scene will give any self-proclaimed "foodie" a vacation to remember. Wine bars and Tapas bars have had a recent upswing in popularity in American culture, and Phoenix has not been left behind. Wines from around the world and also local vineyards find homes throughout the Valley. Phoenix is home to some spectacular microbreweries that will have any beer-snob sporting a foam mustache and a big smile. Of course, happy hour is a must for valley residents and visitors alike. And, being so

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Phoenix's gay nightlife is often a happy surprise to new visitors — over 31 bars and clubs offer something for everyone. Whether you are looking for a spot to see and be seen, a dance floor to dance the night away, or just a place to grab a drink, there is something for every taste.

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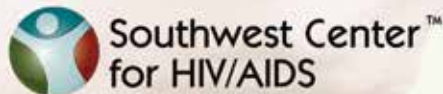
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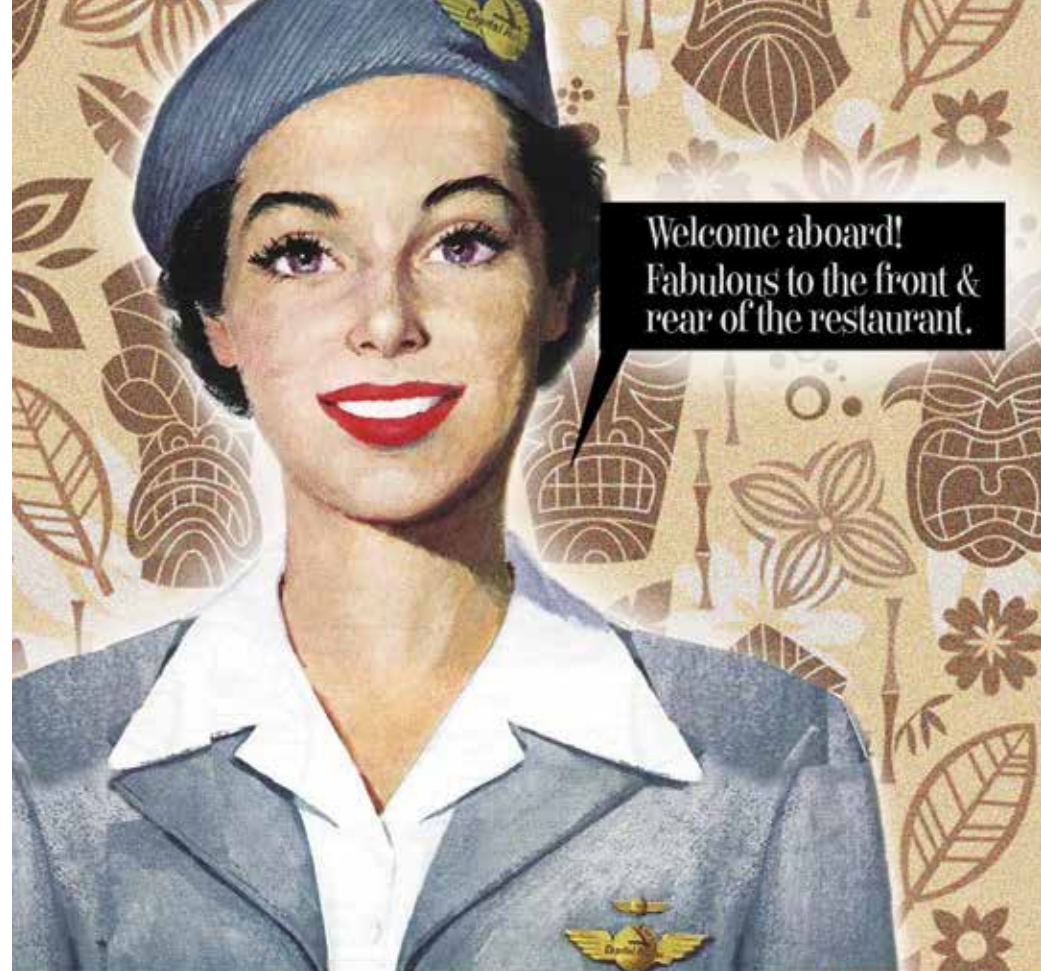
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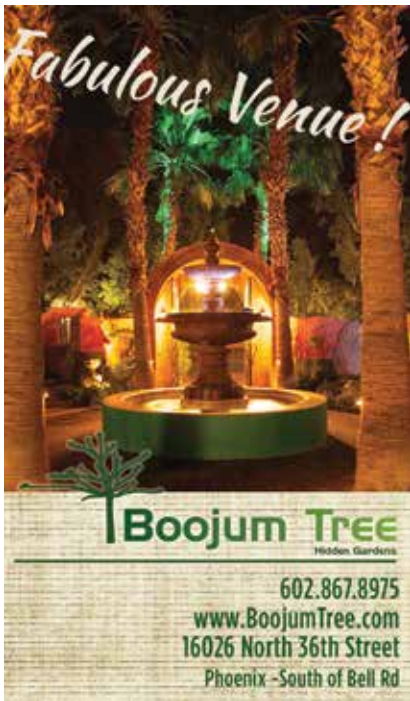
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Almost 2,000 people move to Tucson every month. Tucson keeps pace with the influx of new residents while maintaining a growing economy. The community believes in supporting locally-owned businesses.

Arizona's second largest city, Tucson (Toosahn) has its own personality and style. 100 miles south of Phoenix, Tucson is a unique blend of metropolitan convenience and rural charm, striking the comfortable balance between a city and a small town. Including the suburbs of Marana, Oro Valley, South Tucson and others, the metropolitan population is over 1 million residents and growing.

The Tucson culture is a mix of Native American, Mexican, African American and Anglo-American influences who all share a commitment to the rare lifestyle afforded them in their unique community. Residents are vested in the multi-cultural nature of the city and its diverse activities. There are also picturesque towns in surrounding southern Arizona that are easy to reach, making tourism a fun pastime for all.

The city is home to the University of Arizona, the largest employer in the region and an intellectual resource for the entire nation. Tucson is also home to Davis Monthan Air Force Base, another large employer, and several high-tech electronics and defense firms, including Honeywell and Raytheon. The city expects to see continued growth in its high-tech job force.

The cost of living in Tucson compares favorably with other cities in the United States. Estimates put Tucson at one third the living cost of cities such as Los Angeles, San Diego or San Francisco, and less than half the cost of living in New York City. Tucson's cost of living estimates are also lower than Austin, Albuquerque and Las Vegas. Getting around Tucson is easy, though a car is pretty much required. However, there is a city transit system and a substantial community of cyclists, which is encouraged with a cycling infrastructure.

Tucson has one of the strongest, most active LGBTQ populations in the U.S. and is ranked by www.advocate.com as one of the top five best places for gays and lesbians to live. Tucson residents are considered open-minded and are very supportive of the LGBTQ community. Tucson has one of the premier LGBTQ community centers in the southwest, SAAF/Wingspan. Another organization supporting LGBTQ and LGBTQ friendly businesses is the Tucson GLBT Chamber of Commerce. Tucson's gay pride, "Pride in the Desert" is held every October. Tucson also has several gay and gay friendly bars and clubs, all of which are typical of the laid-back, friendly nature prevalent in the "Old Pueblo."

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Tucson is the perfect blend of small town charm and big city convenience. The Southwest is well-represented by Tucson's cactus-covered landscape, ring of green mountains, and Mexican-inspired architecture. Tucson's nickname is "Old Pueblo" and over one million people call it home. Indeed, the area is so hospitable that archaeologists believe it has been continuously inhabited for the last 12,000 years.



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Tucson is nestled in the valley of five small mountain ranges, the shining star of which is Mount Lemmon in the Santa Catalina range. At over 9,000 feet, it is the southernmost winter ski resort in the country. But don't let the mountains fool you: Tucson is a desert city. Several state and national parks surround the city, including Saguaro National Park, where many of the picturesque magazine photos of imposing saguaro

cactus come from. The Spanish mission, San Xavier del Bac is located near Tucson. Known as "the white dove of the desert", it is a charming sight to behold against its desert mountain backdrop.

Downtown Tucson is the historic and cultural heart of "Old Pueblo," with ten historic districts, an arts district, professional theatre, opera, ballet, and symphony.

Downtown landmarks include the Hotel Congress and two historic train depots. The area is known for unique shopping, great restaurants, vintage theaters, bed-and-breakfasts, exciting nightlife and eclectic architecture.

Tucson is a great city to explore and enjoy. Dining out in Tucson should be experienced Southwestern-style. Filled with the smells of sizzling fajitas and mesquite-fired grills, Tucson boasts some of the best Mexican and Southwestern cuisine in the world. But there is dining to fit all tastes and all budgets in the Old Pueblo, from five-star restaurants to great local favorites.

One adventure not to be missed while in the Tucson area is south to the hidden gem of the desert— Arizona’s rapidly growing “wine country.” About 55 miles south of Tucson, in the Sonoita-Elgin area, are about fourteen wineries – tiny, but producing some world-class, award winning wines. Take a day, or even a weekend, to visit this beautiful part of Arizona and get a “taste” of our state’s exciting new venture!



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Bisbee

Ninety miles southeast of Tucson, and situated in the Mule Mountains, Bisbee, Arizona, is the picturesque county seat of historic Cochise County. The town was founded in 1880 as a mining community. Once known as the “Queen of the Copper Camps,” this Old West mining camp proved to be one of the richest mineral sites in the world, producing nearly three million ounces of gold and more than eight billion pounds of copper.

By the early 1900’s the Bisbee community was the largest city between St. Louis and San Francisco and had become one of the most cultured cities in the Southwest – home to Arizona’s first community library,

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When the mines closed, many artistic free spirits decided Bisbee was an ideal, attractive, and inexpensive location to settle in and pursue their artistic endeavors. Today, Bisbee has evolved into an attractive and welcoming artist and retirement community, known for its accepting and laid-back quality of life.

The happiest news is that up to 60% of Bisbee’s population is LGBTQ. And the entire town is incredibly accepting of everyone. There are no gay bars in Bisbee, but the bars that are there are welcoming to all, allowing you not to think twice if you choose to share a kiss with your partner.

Tombstone

Perhaps Arizona's most renowned town, "The town too tough to die," Tombstone is a step back into Arizona's Old West history. Shootings and other crimes got so bad in Tombstone in the 1880's that then-President of the U.S., Chester Arthur, declared martial law in Tombstone and sent in the troops! That was just after the infamous shooting at the OK Corral in 1881 involving Wyatt Earp and Doc Holliday. You can see re-enactments of that famous fight on a regular basis.

Residents of the city embrace their Old West history and have sought to preserve the historic old buildings and stories. The result is a unique look into America's past. The entire town of Tombstone is a true historic American landmark, and any lover of western memorabilia should definitely give Tombstone a visit.

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Yuma

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Yuma was ranked by Money Magazine as one of the top places to live in the U.S., and is one of the country's fastest growing cities. City leaders say Yuma's livability, accessibility, proximity (especially to California and Mexico), and climate make it a popular place to visit and to live.

Yuma is home to the Yuma Territorial Prison State Historic Park. The prison was started in 1876 when Arizona was a U.S. territory, and closed in 1909, when it was moved to Florence. It is now operated as a historical museum. Other places of interest in Yuma are the Yuma Quartermaster State Park, and a historic downtown, which is designated as an "Arizona Main Street City."

Over 20 movies have been filmed in Yuma, including "Shawshank Redemption" and the 2007 version of "3:10 to Yuma."

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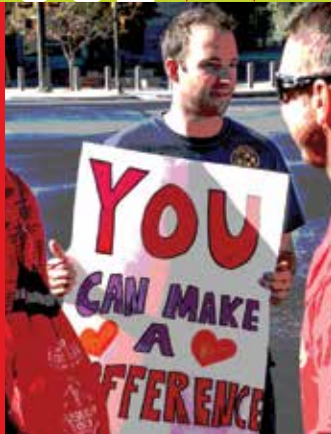
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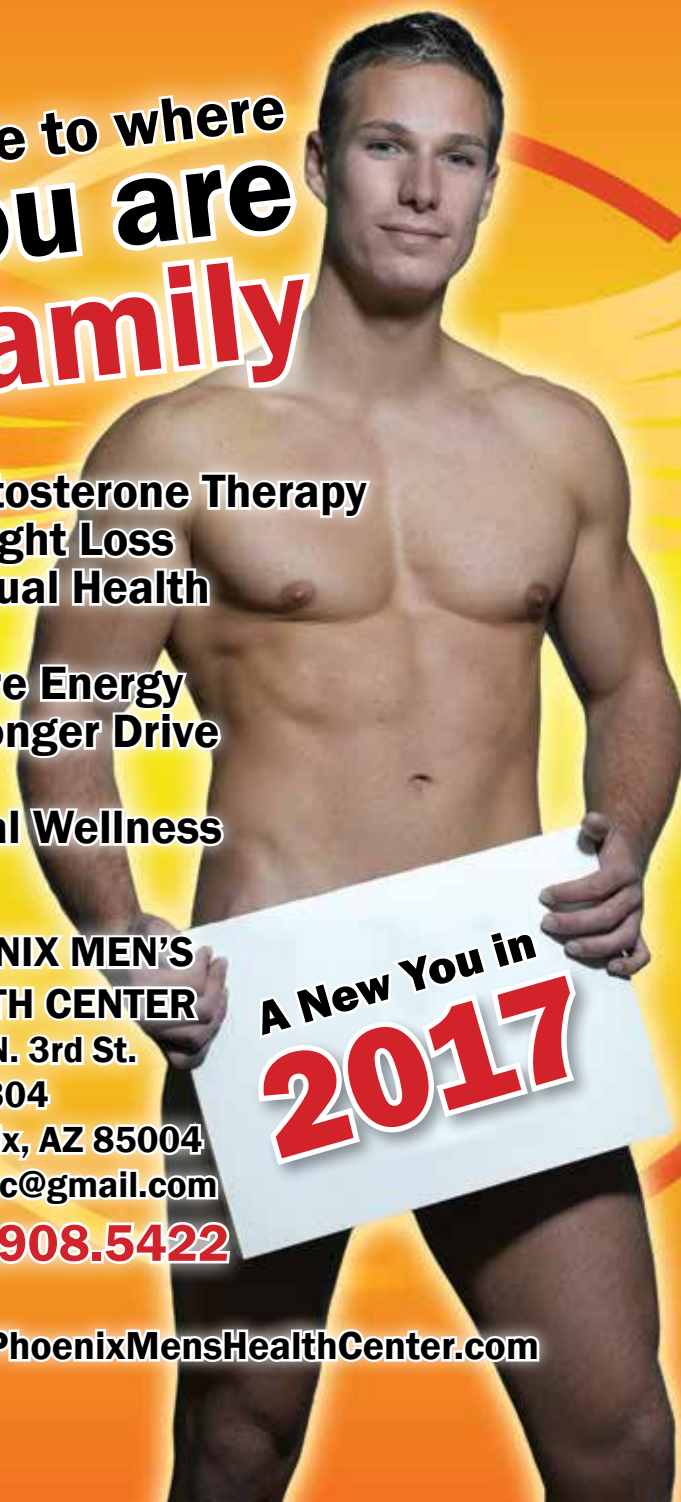
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