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OUR TURN: Opinions of New Voice Staff

SO YOU WANT TO HELP WITH THE NEW VOICE....Just What Do Those People Do Anyway?

We've covered most of the jobs involved in putting *The New Voice of Nebraska* together, but there are still a few things that haven't been discussed - such things as Getting the Magazine to the Readers (Subscriptions and Distribution), Keeping the Editor from Putting His/Her Foot in His/Her Mouth (Proofreading), Making the Magazine Look Pretty (Graphic Arts), etc.

Proofreading

This is a thankless task which requires a keen eye, a knowledge of English grammar and punctuation, and knowing when to allow artistic license and when to make an article observe the rules we learned in high school English.

The procedure is simple — some evening you get a phone call from the Editor/Layout person saying, "I'm done with the magazine. Can you pick the disk up tonight and have it proofed and back to me by tomorrow morning at 7?" Well, it's not quite that bad, but almost. And then the proofreader goes through the magazine word by word, checking for grammar, punctuation, spacing, etc. The proofreader marks the corrections and corrects the copy on the disk before returning it to the advertising manager so the last ads can be inserted and the hard copy delivered to Bob Ewing at Printing Plus. And what do you get for all this work? You get people at the bar pointing out all the things you missed and asking if you could use a proofreader!

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Graphic Arts

At the moment, Graphic Arts is really more of a dream than a reality. We can plop a little clip art in but we don't have anyone who likes to create art work to go along with stories or particular ads. This position would take careful coordinating with the editor and layout person so that the art and the text go together to make an attractive whole.

Okay, that's it for now — I'm off to attend yet another campaign function. I'll check in with you next month.



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Guest Editorial "PRIDE PARADE" – DOES IT REALLY HELP US?

by Mike Orr

In 1992, my partner and I marched in the Pride Parade. Needless to say, we were very disappointed with some of the people representing the "gay community". There were some men wearing dog collars and chains, short-shorts, and other degrading (my word) items. I know that some people would say that these people are a part of the "community". And I'm sure that there are a lot of different "parts" to the gay community. But I say, "If you want to be taken seriously, then present yourself that way."

Everyone knows the media will be there and will usually pick out the most "weird" thing or person(s) in the parade and present that to the public as "normal" for the "community".

Today, when a circus comes into town, they parade down the street to give the audience a taste of what they could see if they come to see the show. Today, we are doing the same thing. If we parade ourselves in public without any regard to public decency, then we are giving the public exactly what most uneducated people already perceive the "gay community" to be, "weird and without conscience".

If you intend to march in the parade this year, give some thought as to why the parade is taking place. The Pride Parade isn't taking place so some people can priss around like a princess in heat. I believe that the parade is suppose to let the uneducated public know that besides being gay, we are also people who contribute a positive portion to the entire community. When we lose this perspective, then we lose the idea of the Pride Parade. We can still be proud about ourselves without making a mockery of ourselves as gay individuals or the Pride Parade.

We did march the following year, by the way. Nothing changed. Same spectacles. Today, we stand on the sidelines. There is more than one way to participate without marching. Just being there supports those who have put a lot of hard work into organizing the Pride Parade. For those, we believe they deserve a huge THANK YOU.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

PROTECT INDIVIDUAL RIGHTS

Dear NVN Readers,

The Gay and Lesbian Community, while having spent much time with party politics, has ignored the weakness of democratic decision making. In a pure democracy, the majority gets what it wants and there is no protection for the minority or the individual. In order that the tranquility and freedom of a society is preserved, individual rights are recognized. Unfortunately, individual rights has been put on the back burner in favor of group politics.

For instance, hate crime legislation elevates the value of certain groups (gays, blacks, etc.) while placing lesser value on a crime bases on individual hatred. "I don't hate gays, I just hate him" type crimes will receive lesser punishment even though the same act of violence is used.

In putting individual rights on the back burner, the Gay and Lesbian Community has put itself at the fickle whims of government. All the progress gays make with one president or legislative body could be washed away in the next election.

A stronger emphasis on individual rights would stifle any major attempts to take away the rights of gay and lesbian people. For instance, gays should be defending the right to own and use a gun. Why should any gay person be dependent on the police? A gun is a good means of self-defense against those who would threaten or bash gay persons. Conservative groups like Gun Owners of America may not like gays being present but they would not be willing to shun those who defend gun rights.

I think draft registration should be abolished but if young gay men are expected to register and

yet are not allowed to serve, they should state on their registration form that they are gay. In fact, many young gay men should write their elected officials and ask, "why do I have to register for the draft if you won't let me serve in the military in the first place?"

There are dozens of examples. Gay couples who have had religious marriages should use their religious freedom to defend their gay marriages in court. To discriminate against gay marriages, is to discriminate against those denominations or religions which find such unions sacred. Clergy, not government, should decide what unions are sacred, and individuals must decide who they will share the rest of their lives with. To discriminate against gay marriages is to discriminate against the religions accepting such marriages and the clergy who bless such marriages.

If gays can not serve in the military, and their marriages are not accepted, their homes and churches not defended, then it is clear that gays should form a militia to defend their rights from a society which seeks to take such rights away. Rights are God given and are NOT subject to a vote to be taken away.

Granted, gays should count their blessings for what freedom they do have, but freedom must constantly be guarded. There was a time when homosexuality was considered a mental illness and numerous "treatments" involved one form of surgery or another. Today, numerous groups still claim they can "cure" homosexuality and there are groups that still hunt down and kill gay people

A generation of gay people have grown-up with gay friendly services in spite of the disaster of AIDS. They don't know of Harvey Milk who was shot and killed or of Stonewall or who Allen Ginsburg was. For over a decade, lesbian couples have raised their own children, but at one time, just the thoughts of such things was unthinkable unless you spoke of witches and Hansel and Gretel.

The gay agenda must have memory of the past, a defense of individuals in the present for the sake of freedom for the future.

Sincerely,
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CHAMBER OF COMMERCE: NO INFO

To: Letters to the Editor, Omaha World Herald

Dear Editor:

I recently called the Omaha Chamber of Commerce and asked for information about Omaha Gay/Lesbian papers. I was told the COC had no such information. I located your local Gay/Lesbian Information Center and was most politely helped by them. I then re-called the COC to offer them the Information Center's telephone number for future reference. I was told by the person who answered, in no uncertain terms, that the Omaha Chamber of Commerce did not want Gay or Lesbian numbers. You have many businesses in Omaha owned by, operated by, and catering to the Gay and Lesbian community, including two periodicals. It seems most odd that one cannot locate them through the Chamber of Commerce.

Robert Patrick, Los Angeles, CA



FROM THE POOP SHEET

by Ace Lundon, Nationally Syndicated Columnist

Well kiss ma' grits and butter ma' buns! Why should I give a damn about "priorities" anyway? Why? Because who you become depends upon what you do for others along the way. Well, of course we do have to make sure we have food to eat so we can stay alive and healthy. This is a priority. We do have to make sure have a job which will supply us with

enough moola to put a roof over our head and clothes on our bodies so folks won't freak out. Definitely priorities. All planetary inhabitants in human form must consider these priorities daily or we could become liabilities to Society; but what priority comes after?

We can tell a lot about a persons priorities by the following gauge: where a human's heart is, there will his/her treasures be also. This is a truism in our gay/lesbian community as well as the straight community.

Some have heart only for money and their priority is to amass as much cash as humanly possible. I have a brother like this. Guess he thinks he can take it with him! Folks like this may not spend a cent on any viable effort on behalf of the brothers and sisters in the community.

Some have heart only for accumulating physical possessions. Their incomes are spent on securing such. Their homes may even be awesome, but who really cares when they seek to impress? These folks rarely see the dying and hurting around them. Some have heart only for fame. They spend their incomes and time on doing anything which might make them a household name. This can go from sublime to ludicrous efforts on their part. All we have to do today is look at some of TV talk shows! And we've got gay brothers and sisters screaming on many of them today making complete idiots of themselves simply to be able to see their name in lights!

Some have heart only for the loving of a mate or the love of finding one. They spend all their time and efforts on "the hunt". Or, if they've found "the one and only", they cloister themselves to protect their "possession". Folks of this nature are most likely useless to anyone but themselves in the long run. Where are your priorities?

JUST A THOUGHT: No wonder the Churches think there's going to be an apocalypse; they are helping to create it by their support of overpopulation of the planet.

LETS TALK for a moment about sexual abuse by pedophiles. Many in our G/L community have been abused sexually as children, and, we've had to live with this inner anguish over the years; because, as the years passed and we realized we were homosexual, we kept our secret abuse to ourselves thinking no one would believe or care anyway since we were homosexual. There may be a seed of truth in that many might think we deserved the abuse and maybe even instigated it. If this is a part of our background and we're still harboring the secret, we need to seek help and release. It's for our own benefit we do this.

Fortunately for myself, I was not sexually abused as a child, but during my years in psychological counseling I was made very aware there were many-too-many who were. Being a homosexual and a victim of such childhood abuse is more complicated than for a straight I am convinced, simply because this type of abuse is usually brought to surface when one is no longer a child. For a gay teen or older to come out with this truth, they might quickly learn Society looks differently upon them compared to straight abused counterparts. This, however, should not keep one from seeking the help and release needed. Remember it is for one's own benefit and going through hell is better than living in it.

And that's the straight poop from the Poop Sheet!

SPECIAL THANKS..CLUB JAMES DEAN

Dear Ruth and Club James Dean Staff,

On behalf of the River City Mixed Bowling League, I would like to express sincere gratitude for the wonderful banquet arrangements. We truly appreciated all the food, tables and friendly greetings. The staff and management did a magnificent job of catering to our bowlers!

In a community that has much diversity, it is a pleasure to have a bar that offers both genders such warm hospitality. You definitely have a "class act." Personally, I and the league wish you and Club James Dean the best of luck—because you are so very deserving of it!!!!

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FEATURES

"OUT IN THE STARS"

by C. Lichtenstein

Astrological Forecast for June 1997

For Entertainment Purposes Only

Life is glorious this Pride month. I expect the planets to give us Outrageous opportunities to combine fun with fulfillment. Pluto gets into the act with expressive Mercury. These two compadres mix business with pleasure, enabling us to turn our hopes into realities. It's time to be it and not just dream it, friends. See you in the parade!

ARIES (March 21 - April 20) Proud Rams are in their Pride perfection this June when global, far reaching ideas reach a wider, more appreciative audience. Speak loudly, proudly and queer my dear to let "em know who's who and what's what. I personally appoint you the great gay marshall of the parade. lead us to salvation... and perhaps into temptation as well.

TAURUS (April 21 - May 20) They say that the smell of money is intoxicating so why not release the fragrance and see who bites? Pride month can bring in a bevy of sexual opportunities for gay Bulls who know the meaning of the word generous. But waste not, want not cousin. Don't fritter your resources on wasteful dalliances. Find out if they will respect you in the morning before you blow the wad.

GEMINI (May 22 - June 21) Pride month teaches you a valuable lesson on the give and take of relationships. Proud Twins can be very cavalier about needing companionship and in doing so

can fail to balance their personal freedom with the needs of partners. Now you may receive a forceful lesson on the importance of sharing. Wasn't it Sartre who said, "in love, one plus one equals one"?

CANCER (June 22 - July 23) Sometimes a bolt out of the blue is just what is needed to knock down barriers and saw through mental blocks. Expect such a bolt in Pride month when projects that might have held you up or brought you down suddenly go your way. Pink Crabs should not be afraid to open up their closet door and air the darn thing out. You have nothing to fear but your chains.

LEO (July 24 - August 23) Friends have a way of rolling out the good times this Pride month so join (or lead) the group dynamic and dance the night away. Expect the unexpected through in any fun endeavor when Pluto transforms the tribe into the masterpiece. Queer Lions may find more than they bargained for in any light flirtation. Who knows what can develop with the right pose?

VIRGO (August 24 - September 23) The secret of success this Pride month is to balance professional obligations with personal needs. Balance is the operative word, friend; there is no escaping the fact that one area of your life affects the other now. Gay Virgos may have to defer one goal in

order to fulfill another. The sad fact of life is that we cannot have it all. For now, just take half.

LIBRA (September 24 - October 23) Queer Libras must get something off their chests. This Pride month encourages you to grab any opportunity to express yourself fully and proudly. Your words pack a punch and can reach global proportions. Don't waste this perfect planetary energy on ego inflating pursuits. I command you to sound the gay clarion call and take our cause one giant step further.

SCORPIO (October 22 - November 22) Gay Scorpions are in for a psychological reevaluation this Pride month. Suddenly you awake to find that all that glitters is not gold; there is more to life than fealty to the almighty buckaroo. This is not to say that you will suddenly give away all your possessions and begin to talk to pigeons, but you will no longer be at the mercy of the gold standards of others. Freedom!

SAGITTARIUS (November 23 - December 22) Are your ears burning? Partners have some choice comments for you this Pride month. Remember dear queer Archer that these honest souls have your best interests at heart. Frankly you could use some improvement particularly in the fashion department. (Love those clogs...) If you can take it all to heart, I can almost guarantee that your metamorphosis will be fabulous.

CAPRICORN (December 23 - January 20) Come out, come out wherever you are. Gay Goats are blown out of their closets this Pride month. Make sure that you are appropriately dressed for the occasion; this is the time to transform your life. Everything matters now, so shore up your diet and exercise regime and make it work for the proud new you. Summer is not far off dear; are you ready to strut?

AQUARIUS (January 21 - February 19) Friends figure prominently in your life in Pride month. They open up new vistas and bring you to new levels of enlightenment. Aqueerians can enter this wonderful naively wide eyed or they can try to boss the course. I suggest you allow yourself to be taken by the hand. Think of it as the trip to the moon on gossamer wings and not just one of those things.

PISCES (February 20 - March 20) Pink Fish may have the professional rug pulled out from under them as career changes come fast and furious. This shifting of the corporate landscape is frightening, but altogether necessary. Begging for your tender vittles from the fat cats is often good for the soul and gives you a cold dose of reality for future survival. Adjust now to rule the roost later.

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NATIONAL NEWS

GOP LEADS WAY FOR GAY RIGHTS, THIS YEAR

by Log Cabin Republicans

The next major battle over gay rights in Congress is shaping up in the form of a bill with the acronym of ENDA — the Employment Non-Discrimination Act. But this year, it's not Democrats leading the charge. It's moderate Republicans.

Last year's bruising battle over the Defense of Marriage Act allowing states to deny recognition of same-sex marriages left gay rights supporters angry at what they perceived as a betrayal by the Congress that passed the bill and the President who signed it.

But Rep. Christopher Shays (R-Connecticut) and Sen. Jim Jeffords (R-Vermont) are ready to introduce ENDA, which would outlaw employment discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation.

Though many conservative Republican likely opponents have not yet begun work on the issue, Brad Alexander, spokesman for Rep. Bob Barr (R-Georgia) said, "We're very interested and will be very involved." Nevertheless, supporters of ENDA have several reasons to be optimistic. President Clinton once again vowed strong support for the bill after meeting with them earlier.

Shays, who has taken the lead this year, has nine Republican co-sponsors, which ENDA supporter Sen. Alfonse D'Amato (R-New York) has agreed to be an original co-sponsor.

After ENDA failed by one vote in the Senate last year, Rep. Barney Frank (D-Massachusetts) said, "I talked to one of the guys who voted against ENDA who promised to reconsider." Shays is hopeful. "I think that ultimately this bill will become law if no in this session, then next," he said. Ironically, the passage of DOMA helped gain support for ENDA, said Kevin Ivers, director of public affairs for the Log Cabin Republicans. ENDA supporters effectively argued that senators could vote for both measures and tell their constituents they were no pro-gay, yet neither were they pro-discrimination.

The Human Rights Campaign and the Log Cabin Republicans have been meeting with members regularly and encouraging public support. Shays thinks one strategy would work best: "If people who happen to be gay who know members of Congress tell them they have been afraid that they would lose their job. (It would) put a human face on it," he said.

YOU'RE INVITED

Since the first time we met, Deb and I knew that we wanted to make a lifetime commitment. During our journey to define our commitment ceremony, we have encountered many responses from society. One thing we've learned through this process of planning a Gay/Lesbian ceremony is that individuals can build bridges of understanding, as well as work on tearing down society's walls of denial. We would like to extend an invitation to join us in celebrating our Holy Union. If anyone would like to attend, please give us a call to RSVP (402) 734-6006.

Something else I'd like to mention, I am forging a new column to be published in the *Buzz Journal*. This column will highlight weddings/holy unions/anniversaries, etc. for the GLBT Community. If you have any submissions for this column, comments or questions, please feel free to contact the *Buzz Journal*, PO Box 8523, Omaha, NE 68103, or email buzzjournal@aol.com. Hope to see you July 19th!

Margarita Bodich

Deb Johnson

DORNAN, TO GAY MAN, "I LOVE YOU"

If nothing else, he's been known as Congress' fiercest opponent of gay rights. Former Rep. Robert Dornan.

Word got out last month that one of his former aides is gay. The *Los Angeles Times* reported on May 8 that Brian O'Leary Bennett came out to his old boss last year.

The article says that Bennett, who served for 12 years as an aide, including Dornan's chief of staff, agonized for years over his own feelings that he may be gay.

No wonder, Dornan has angrily condemned homosexuals as Sodomites and pedophiles. The *LA Times* says Bennett finally came out to Dornan on February 23, 1996, seven years after leaving Dornan's employment.

Bennett told the newspaper that he was nervous, he told him, and then there was a pause that seemed like an hour. He, "reached over, put his arm around me and kissed me on the cheek and said, 'I've loved you like a son for 20 years. Did you think this would make any difference?'"

Dornan then counseled Bennett to attend Catholic Mass daily to "overcome his homosexuality." Bennett said he never would have been able to come out while working in Dornan's office. Dornan asked him to run Dornan's failed 1996 presidential campaign, but Bennett didn't want the campaign exposed to any scandals.

After coming out to Dornan, Bennett said the Republican promised to tone down his anti-gay rhetoric. Dornan promised but continued his attacks anyway.

FBI LOOKS FOR SERIAL KILLER OF GAY MEN

The FBI was working feverishly to track down a suspected serial killer of mostly gay men.

Some of the crimes happened in the midwest. Andrew Phillip Cunanan, 27, was charged with the murder of a gay man in Minnesota.

The victim's ex-lover was also found murdered. Several days after the murder, police found the victim's car abandoned in Illinois near the location of another murder. The second murder victim's car turned up at a cemetery in New Jersey where a caretaker was found murdered. Cunanan has ties to the gay community, especially in San Diego, California. He often portrays himself as wealthy. He also goes by the name of Andrew Phillip DeSilva. He is described as 5'9", 160 pounds, dark brown hair, brown eyes. He sometimes wears prescription eyeglasses.

ELLEN'S COMING OUT PARTY

More than 3,200 Human Rights Campaign "Ellen" house parties were held throughout the country on her historic coming out episode, on April 30.

Human Rights Campaign Executive Director Elizabeth Birch said, "I'm delighted at the tremendous response, because even as we share this historic episode and HRC's job discrimination ad, we still have an enormous amount of work to do to achieve equal rights."

A new HRC television ad aired during the episode on 35 ABC affiliates, including Omaha's KETV. It carried the message that job discrimination based on sexual orientation remains legal in 41 states. The ABC network refused to air the commercial, so HRC was forced to go to individual stations. Out of 77 affiliates reached, 65 were willing to air the spot, 12 refused. HRC ended up buying air time in 35 of the 65 agreeable cities.

The placement of the ads was made possible by a generous contribution from Jessica Stevens, chief executive officer of Telegen, a high-technology firm based in Redwood City, California.

MORE ON ELLEN'S ADVERTISERS

Oops! Last month, we reported that Chrysler, General Motors, and Johnson & Johnson should be commended for advertising on Ellen's coming out episode on ABC.

They, in fact, did NOT advertise.

The Human Rights Campaign still encourages the community to complain to those companies that pulled advertising from the show. Besides Chrysler, GM, and Johnson & Johnson, we're encouraged to complain to J.C. Penney and Wendy's.

However, J.C. Penney and Wendy's deserve to have their side of the story heard. Wendy's did go public and explain its decision not to advertise on the controversial coming out episode. It did, however, advertise on ABC immediately prior to the program.

J.C. Penney was confronted by a campaign for people to cancel their credit cards. J.C. Penney accepted the letters, canceled the accounts, and responded with this message: "We do not, as a company, make judgments on personal values and lifestyles, but we do adhere to our own programming guidelines. J.C. Penney did not pull its advertising of the April 30th episode of *Ellen*. J.C. Penney was never scheduled as an advertiser on this episode. Although we have advertised on *Ellen* in the past, we have not made any decisions for the remainder of the 1997 or 1998 season."

Is there any advertiser out there we should thank? Plenty! The Bayer Corporation, Calvin Klein, E*Trade Securities, The Gap, HBO, Seagram, Slim-Fast Foods, Sony, Twentieth Century Fox, Viacom, Volkswagen of America, Warner Brothers, and Warner-Lambert.

NORTH DAKOTA LAW: YOU CAN CONFINE HIV INFECTED PEOPLE

The National Gay & Lesbian Task Force is greatly concerned about a new North Dakota law concerning AIDS.

The state has become the first to legalize the confinement of people SUSPECTED of having HIV. According to the law, emergency personnel, including police officers, firefighters, patients, health care workers, and others may secure a court order confining individuals to whose blood they have been "significantly" exposed.

Persons may be confined for up to five days and no criminal charges need be filed.

"This is one of the most chilling and dangerous laws enacted this year," said Kerry Lobel, NGLTF executive director. "It flies in the face of accepted medical and public health policy regarding HIV. This law will do more harm than good for the people of North Dakota."

The law goes into effect July 1.

RENDEZVOUS '97

by Dr. Mike

For the 11th consecutive year, the UGLW (United Gays & Lesbians of Wyoming) is sponsoring Wyoming's largest gay & lesbian event. It is called "Rendezvous '97".

It is three, fun-filled days of camping in the mountains of Wyoming with other "family" members. This year, it will be held August 8, 9, & 10 at Eagle Rock, which is high in the Rocky Mountains between Cheyenne and Laramie, just off I-80.

This year, more than 350 people are expected from all over the U.S. Events include camping, hiking, workshops, a barbecue, live entertainment, volleyball and more. All of this in a friendly, GLBT atmosphere. The cost is \$25 for members of the UGLW and \$35 for non-members, if you sign up before July 15.

My partner and I went last year and had a blast. It was great fun and we have made some lifelong friendships through Rendezvous. The surroundings are unbelievably beautiful. Don't worry if you don't know how to camp (no pun intended). There are plenty of people there to help with that. If you don't own any camping gear, it can be rented very inexpensively here in Omaha.

I am organizing a group of people to go from Omaha. If you are interested in learning more about Rendezvous, or if you would like to join the group, please call Dr. Mike at 553-0238.

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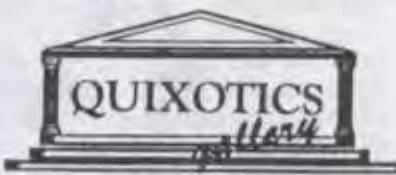


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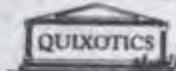
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LOCAL NEWS

PRIDE: IF WE'RE NOT PROUD, WHO IS?

If you're wondering, 'why all the fuss about Pride weekend,' then consider this. If we don't show pride, who will?

We may not see it every day, but there is a lot of hatred being focused on gay and lesbian Ameri-

cans. Let's start with probably the worst of the worst.

Many of us have heard of Rev. Fred Phelps of Topeka, Kansas. The head of the Westboro Baptist Church is known for dragging his follow-

ers (mostly family members, apparently) to demonstrations against homosexuality.

He has a web site. The address is easy to figure out: www.godhatesfags.com.

In that web site, you will find pictures that THEY are proud of. One shows them demonstrating on top of the grave of a man who died of AIDS. They are carrying signs that say "No Fags in Heaven", "Turn or Burn", "One man one woman for life".

His web site admits he focuses on homosexuals because it is a hot-button issue. He says he uses the term "fag" to fuel the fire. He also claims most Jews support fags and therefore departed God.

OK, that's one way-out reverend. But there are more!

Recently, the gay and lesbian community of Greenville, South Carolina held a pride march. There was uproar. The controversy led to a face-to-face meeting of two men who had very different views on the march.

Morris Jackson was an organizer for the gay pride march. Dr. Stan Craig represented the Citizens for Family Values Rally, which was held in Greenville the following weekend.

Here is part of their exchange:

Craig: "I don't see where a person that practices deviant death styles has anything to be proud about."

Jackson: "I have known people, young people, that have killed themselves because of intolerant attitudes such as yours for now allowing themselves to be who God created them to be."

Craig: "A homosexual is a member of our community that needs help and we can help."

Jackson: "It seems to me that the majority of the gay agenda is just things that all human beings want. It doesn't have anything to do with sexual preference. It just has to do with being a human being, alive and breathing air."

Craig: "This is where we differ. I believe that there is a militant group in the gay agenda that literally advocates killing heterosexuals to advance their agenda."

Jackson: "Number one, I'm shocked. Number two, I'd like to know where you get that from. And if we extrapolate that, then as a black person sitting here, I could be accused of being part of a militant organization wanting to kill all white persons. That doesn't make any sense to me."

Craig: "My wisdom, according to the word of God, comes from God and it deals with moral decency and moral righteousness."

Jackson: "Excuse me, but you're not the only one plugged into the hotline of God."

Craig: "I believe that AIDS is transmitted through sexual deviancy."

Jackson: "Do you believe it to be an airborne disease?"

Craig: "Yes, I do."

Jackson: "Then I highly recommend that you leave and go get yourself tested because I'm HIV positive and we've shared airspace."

Craig: "Exactly. But my God protects me. I guarantee you one thing. You're a human being and Christ died for you. If you get saved, I promise you he would deliver you."

Jackson: "Dr. Craig, I am saved."

The gay pride march went on without incident.

Folks, this is what we're facing. Stand up to bigotry, hatred and ignorance AND BE PROUD!

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OTHER JUNE EVENTS

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IN THE LIFE'S PRIDE SPECIAL:

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IN THE LIFE, public TV's national gay and lesbian newsmagazine, presents its second annual Pride Special "Lights, Camera... Activism!" From documentaries, to activist videos, to independent films, gay men and lesbians are producing work that is vastly different in scope, ranging from the hilarious, to the thought provoking, to the disturbingly serious. In each project, however, the mission to provide visibility and information about the gay and lesbian community remains constant. In this episode, IN THE LIFE salutes that mission with a glimpse into these efforts.

IN THE LIFE is a news magazine series which chronicles the history and contemporary experience of the gay community. It is produced by the not-for-profit In the Life Media, Inc., and presented by Thirteen/WNET in New York. It will air On Nebraska Educable, Channel 16, on Saturday June 7 at 9PM.

The stories you will see:

Independents' Day: IN THE LIFE kicks off the June Pride special with a look at two award-winning documentaries. Paul Monette: The Brink of Summers End by Lesli Klainberg and Monte Brumer, looks at the award-winning author's life, from his seemingly idyllic New England boyhood to his closeted adolescence and his development into a successful writer, committed lover and activist, and finally to his death from AIDS in February 1995. Licensed to Kill by Arthur Dong is a riveting look into the minds of men who kill gay men. Through interviews with prisoners and archival crime footage, Dong examines these horrifying accounts of violence.

In The News: In recent years, the debate over federal funding of the national Endowment for the Arts has ebbed and flowed in the public eye, while raging on behind Congressional doors. IN THE LIFE will look at some of the projects currently under attack — Cheryl Dunye's Watermelon Woman, Su Friedrich's Hide and Seek, and the distributor, Woman Makes Movies. The segment explores what life would be like for new filmmakers without the NEA.

"A Day in the Life": This regular segment is devoted to Donna Isman, an openly lesbian manager at E! Entertainment Network in Los Angeles. Isman is currently fighting stage four ovarian cancer and statistically, she has only a 5% chance to survive. But, as IN THE LIFE discovers, Donna Isman does not easily fit into any statistical category.

In the Movies: Love! Valour! Compassion!, based on Terrence McNally's Tony Award winning play, is now a movie. It tells of the friendship of eight gay men who gather over three holiday summer weekends in a sprawling Victorian house set on a private lake. IN THE LIFE talks to the cast which includes Jason Alexander from NBC's Seinfeld and two-time Tony Award winner, Stephen Spinella.

Video as Educational Tool: People have long understood the power of video to disseminate information and spark discussion. Clips of the following videos make up this segment and reveal an attempt to educate diverse audiences through quality production, targeted distribution, and rarely discussed information. — The Rhetoric of Intolerance: An Open-Letter Video to Pat Robertson from Dr. Mel White by Mel White, Only Human: HIV Negative Gay Men in the AIDS Epidemic by Ioomis Mookas, and Risk: Lesbians and AIDS by Janet Baus.

HOT MEN HOT TIMES HOT CONTEST MR. INTL. FANTASY

Yes, things are gearing up for the 1997 International Mr. Fantasy Contest, which will be held in Omaha, Nebraska, the weekend of August 15-17.

This is the ninth year for a Fantasy event, and the third year for the contest itself. The weekend is known for being jam-packed from beginning to end, so get plenty of rest before it starts.

Thursday August 14 will be the Fantasy Pre-Party at DC's beginning at 9:00 p.m. Friday August 15 the weekend events begin with a Welcome Party, this year sponsored by the Cornhaulers L & L Club from Des Moines, Iowa, at DC's from 5-7 p.m. Then the action turns the corner and moves to The MAX for the Registration Party, Introduction of all the contestants, and a few surprises. Saturday morning things begin with the Vendor Fair and Seminars/Workshops. Saturday evening, the lights go down as the contestants take the stage to compete for this year's title. There are always after-hours parties going on after this one. Sunday, as tired as you might be, some energy for the Farewell Brunch held at Gilligan's and the traditional (anyone can play) softball game.

The cost for the weekend is \$30 per person (\$35 after August 1) and includes admission to all of the events. Separate event ticketing is NOT offered for the weekend.

Last year's winner, Kevin Watson of Albuquerque, NM, continues to travel to the many statewide contests happening around the country as he helps search for the next man to fill his role.

This contest is NOT political in nature. Categories for the contest are Prejudging, Fantasy Wear, On Stage Question and Answer, Presentation of a Sexual Fantasy, and the "Mystery" Category, which no one will know until the day of the contest.

For more information on how to attend or possibly compete in this year's contest, please contact Fantasy Productions, Inc. at PO Box 8203, Omaha, NE, USA 68108-8203.

IRIS PHOENIX SCHOLARSHIP TO BE AWARDED AT CORONATION 17

The Imperial Court of Nebraska will be presenting the first ever Iris Phoenix Scholarships at Coronation 17, to be held at the Paxton in downtown Omaha on July 5. This scholarship was created and established by Empress 16 of the Imperial Court, Phoenix Fallentino.

The Iris Phoenix Scholarship Fund will provide one or more scholarships to successful applicants who self-identify as: Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual, Transgendered or as Children of GLBT Persons.

Donations Still Welcomed

If you wish to support the Iris Phoenix Scholarship Fund, there is still time to make a donation toward the scholarships to be awarded on July 5. Checks of any amount may be sent to:

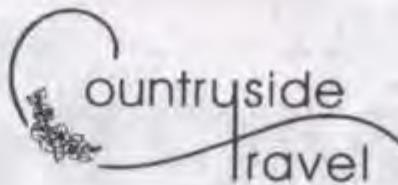
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Omaha, NE 68102

The ICON Foundation is in the process of applying for 501c3 status but has not yet received final approval.

MO ANNOUNCES GAY FLOAT TRIP!

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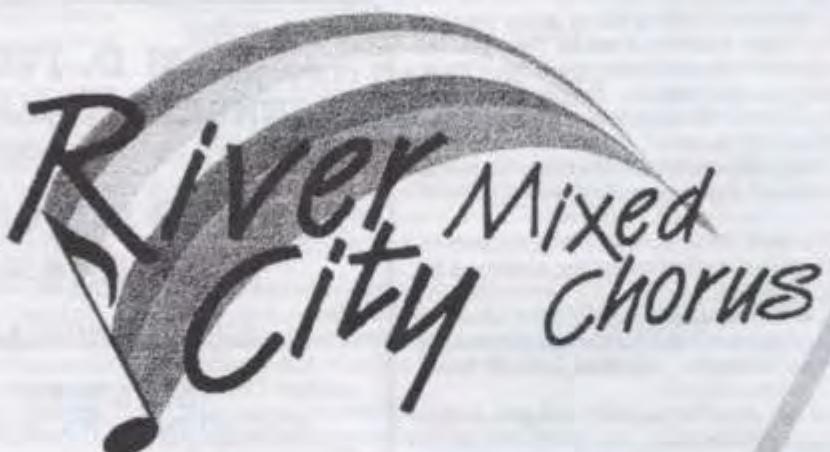
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As in years gone by, the Coronation Festivities of the Imperial Court of Nebraska offer everyone in the area an opportunity to "come out" in the finest clothes in your closet for an evening packed with pomp and pageantry! Emperor Royal and Empress Phoenix have set a spectacular stage for the evening's affair—The Paxton Ballroom. What a night it will be! July 5—Coronation 17—You won't want to miss it. Starting time is 6:00 p.m. YES 6 o'clock PM. For only \$20 you can be present when the Reign 17 Monarchs are crowned! Come ready for a "Tropical Heatwave—A Night in the South Pacific." Watch out for pirates!

Earlier in the week, the community will be treated to something new—in Town Awards and Show—Wednesday July 2 at the Omaha Mining Company. Roasting time is \$1 per minute. Watch out, Royal! That cheeseburger may really be sizzling before the night is through! There'll be goodies to eat, of course, and awards, awards, awards for all the wonderful in town folk who have helped make the reign such a success! \$5 cover will give you this evening to remember! (AND IN TOWN FOLK—YOU CAN TURN IN YOUR PROTOCOL THIS EVENING AS WELL!)

Friday July 4 is the PICNIC! Yep! That's gonna be one hot party! The breeze off the river will keep Progressive Park steamin'. \$7 admission will get you into the festivities. (REIGN 17 MEMBERS OF ICON GET IN FREE!) Follow that with the Out of Town Show at 8 PM at DC's and then Steve's big bash at Gilligan's. What a day and what a night!

Sunday will bring the Victory Lunch at the Radisson at Noon. Follow that with BBV at the Omaha Mining Company at 3PM and everyone ought to be primed for the Victory Show 8:30 PM The MAX. Cover \$3. See ya there!!

MR / MS / MISS GLBT PRIDE NEBRASKA AT THE MAX JUNE 8

On June 8 at The MAX in downtown Omaha, the community will select 3 persons to represent GLBT Pride in Nebraska. This new title is designed to select individuals who can truly represent the best of the GLBT community. Each title represents a unique aspect of our community.

Mr. GLBT Pride Nebraska is designed to represent the male community, including gay, bi, and transgender. The person chosen as Mr. GLBT Pride will need to be articulate, knowledgeable, poised, and have demonstrated his commitment to the GLBT community of Nebraska and Western Iowa.

Ms. GLBT Pride Nebraska is designed to represent the female community including lesbian, bi, and transgender. The person chosen as Ms. GLBT Pride will need to be articulate, knowledgeable, poised, and have demonstrated her commitment to the GLBT community of Nebraska and Western Iowa.

Miss GLBT Pride Nebraska is designed to represent the very talented female impersonators/entertainers of our community. The person chosen as Miss GLBT Pride Nebraska will need to be confident and poised and be able to use her talents to entertain in a positive manner.

The contestants in each category will be scored by a diverse panel of judges, including individuals who are female impersonators, activists, gay, lesbian, bi, and transgender. The panel of judges has been selected to include persons who have demonstrated their pride in themselves and in our community.

The individuals crowned as Mr/Ms/Miss GLBT Pride will ride prominently in the 1997 Pride Parade to be held on June 22. The winner in each category will be asked to hold at least one fundraiser for Pride during the coming year.

Response to this contest has been overwhelming—applications began coming in the day after application forms were put out in bars and establishments. It appears that there will be at least a dozen contestants, so plan to be at The MAX early on June 8 and grab a good seat for what promises to be a premier pageant.

A special salute to all of those who have worked so hard to make this year's Pride Celebration possible!

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BRIAN'S PAGE

"DESTROY THE EARTH?! I HOPE NOT! THAT'S WHERE I KEEP ALL MY STUFF!!" — The Tick in his infamous *The Tick versus Arthur* Episode

Brian's Note: Well, I guess my last page didn't get people all that made at me (or maybe all my deep-seated fears are true and no one actually reads this page unless I force them!) last month. Or maybe Sharon's words actually rang true. I asked her what she thought, and she said, "Brian, do you really think your column will actually change things?" Every writer worth his time spent using a thesaurus prays that his words will change the world. And all the wastebaskets in the world are filled with unanswered prayers. Oh, I only lasted a week with the "no-smoking" gig. I discovered that I can be held legally responsible for my actions no matter what the circumstance.

The "Literate Pooster reads something really cool" department: DC's adult-oriented line of comic books (called Vertigo for those not in the know) has just released an anthology book called *20/20 Visions*. It's a collection of stories that take place in our near future. The first story concerns New York and their never-ending fights to protect the populace from all the new batches of plagues and viruses attacking Mankind. This is a great read, especially if you appreciate political humor disguised in the fantasy-genre.

The "Biting the hands that feed me" department: Maybe I got too evil in my last diatribe about the overall treatment of those of us with HIV/AIDS in the Gay/Lesbian/Bisexual/Transgendered/throws like a girl community. And I will admit that my track-record with trying to meet "Mr. Right" might have added to my ire. We as gay men (all of my womyn fans/friends are freely allowed to skip this part, or just read on for the "giggle-factor.") tend to come up with some of the most flamboyant of excuses not to sully our hands in anything we might find distasteful, bothersome, or at the very worst, makes us have to think for a second.

One of my most memorable "dumpings" involved my having a "bad attitude" toward the possibility of not being able to walk. One of the symptoms/signs (to be honest, it's kind of like the "which came first, the chicken or the egg?" riddle) of the progression of the virus is called neuropathy. Neuropathy occurs when you start to lose feeling, and eventually mobility in your extremities, like your legs and arms. Anyway, this was happening to me. For a brief time, I had to use a cane (and it wasn't a cool one, like Patrick McKee in *The Avengers!*), which was another big adjustment. So, if anyone out there knows a person who can go through this with a big, bouncy grin on their face, please have them write me. I want to know what drugs they are on!!

The "Why doesn't he just get on with the poetry?" department: Because it is my page, and I get very few thrills out of life! But seriously folks, I do have more than one poem to share (and two of them are not written by me!) this month. Norbreto LaBoy from Lincoln sent me this piece written by a very special friend, Martin Lounsberry, who passed on in 1992. I feel very honored that he would share this with us. Sharon Van Butsel (that's right, the editor herself!) had been threatening to send me a piece for over a year now. I guess it's my turn to say this is well worth the wait, huh? Sharon has a surprising Midwestern style to her poetry. It would take way too long to explain, but I think you get the idea.

The third piece (one of my own, of course) was written when I thought I would try a love poem for a change. You decide. So until next month, please be kind to one another. And above all else, don't beat me up!!! I have a cat and a guinea pig who depend on me!!

Brian

QUESTIONS

By Brian E. Bengtson

If I could hold you
like a handful
of spring prairie flowers,
much too early to pick
but winter has been so long,
would you call me greedy?

If I would capture you
in a glass canning jar
like the first raindrop
to touch the fresh grass,
would I be the selfish one?

If I held you up
to the sun
like a sheet of glass
that magnifies the heat,
would I feel you move through me?

If I could plant you
like a seed
just a small push
and a covering of dirt,
would you take root with me?

If I could cherish you
like an old memory
sparked by an overcast sky
and a long busride home,
would you comfort me?

If I could be you
or a small voice inside
a small whisper of hope
to cast away the shadows,
would you push me away?

SPRING SEDUCTION

By Sharon Van Butsel

Gaunt harridans,
bony arms grasping for pale rays
of warmth that stream uselessly
across the atmosphere;
scrawny hands, too frail
to grip the blanket carelessly
tossed their way by the wind,
withdrawing more and more
into themselves
until only a pulse remains,
beating...
beating...
Sap-blood sluggish, slowly stirring,
flowing faster, throbbing, pounding,
putting forth tiny tendrils, fuzzy forms
softening stark silhouettes
until the child within emerges
and shakes beribboned tresses,
quivering in response
to the equinox' seductive call.

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Noon - Grand Entry and Rodeo Performance events.

7 p.m. - *Bessie McClosky's County Fair*, Downtown Omaha

Sunday, June 29

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RAINBOW OUTREACH

Recent happenings at Omaha's new Gay, Lesbian, Bi, and Transgender Resource Center, "Rainbow Outreach," include the recent addition of Beth Contreras to the Board of Directors. Beth brings to the Board of Directors experience in grant writing. She has also been instrumental in working with ICON, establishing the Athena position within the Court.

Her past volunteer experiences include Board of Directors for the Imperial Court 1985-86 as well as a board member for South Omaha's Chicano Awareness Center 1980-84.

Rainbow Outreach continues to need volunteers to serve in several functions. Please call the Info Line @ 341-0330 if you may be interested.

June first will be an excellent opportunity to show your support for Rainbow Outreach by attending one of our two scheduled fundraisers. Josephine Williams (Empress 15 of the Imperial Court and Candidate for Empress 17) hosts her show from 9pm to 12m at DC's, 610 S. 14th Street, and Steve Koeller, (Emperor 12 of the Imperial Court) hosts his show at 9pm at the MAX, 1417 Jackson. Rainbow Outreach would like to thank Sharon Van Butsel for her contribution from her Mexican Buffet and Bingo Night Bonanza held May 9th at the Center.

MR. NEBRASKA

FANTASY

July 19 at DC's

On July 19 some of Omaha's hunkies and sexiest men will come together to participate in Mr. Nebraska Fantasy.

For the third year DC's will host this contest which selects our state's representative to International Mr. Fantasy in August. International Mr. Fantasy will also be held in Omaha for its third year.

The Mr. Nebraska Fantasy contest will consist of Fantasy Wear, Interview, Performance of Fantasy, and the ever popular Mystery category.

Previous years' winners of the Mr. Nebraska Fantasy title were Rick Noss 1995 and Rick Strube 1996.

The Fantasy contests celebrate our gay man's sexuality and fantasy. It is not a political contest. The contest begins at 9pm with Free Admission (donated by Charlie, Dan, and David — DC's owners) and will be a benefit for Interpreters for the Deaf at Leather S/M events.

For information about entering the contest, contact Pat at 402 455-3701. Deadline for contestants is July 5, 1997.

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PROTEST AT GRACE UNIVERSITY

Sparked by the Pride Committee from Wayne State College, 30+ protesters met at Rainbow Outreach the GLBT Resource Center and carpooled to Grace University April 25 where they quietly marched holding candles and sang in protest to a Workshop being held there. The Workshop featured "Ex-gays" and "new" scientific evidence regarding homosexuality. The "new" evidence proved to be nothing more than a restatement of information repudiated by the American Psychological Association 20+ years ago.

The protesters carried signs attesting to the love that God has for gay and lesbian people. Some reflected the viewpoint of a particular group represented in the protest (i.e. "God loves our Gay and Lesbian children" — PFLAG). Protestors came from various religious groups in the city, as well as other community organizations.

Some passersby stopped to question the protesters and then took a candle and joined in the march. Others wanted to join, but were stopped by family members. Two Workshop participants felt compelled to address the protesters. One treated them with respect, the other prayed for a cure for the sin of being a gay or a lesbian. At this point the protesters began singing. With their songs, they politely relayed the message that prayers were not necessary to "cure" them of their gayness. God loves gay and lesbian people just the way they are. Afterall, God created gay and lesbian people! Protest participants were pleased with the activity. They had wanted to let the workshop participants know that the viewpoint being presented was not the only viewpoint. They felt they were successful in that!

WISH LIST

The GLBT Resource Center needs your help in furnishing our "new home." If you can donate any of the items listed below, please give Jim a call at 323-7821 or call and leave a message on our phone 341-0330. We'll come pick up your donations or arrange to meet you at our "new home."

Desks—2

Filing Cabinets—3

Information Racks—4

Fans

Bulletin Boards—2

Folding Chairs—12

2 Folding Tables 5' or 6'

Book Cases—6

Locking Change Box

Free Standing Partitions—5' height

Table Games

Non-Fiction GLBT Books

Used or new items—either would be great, but we do ask that all items be in working/usable condition with no initial repairs needed.

Thanks to all of you who donated in March! Your contributions went a long way to making the GLBT Resource Center usable and even "homely."

ADDITIONS TO THE LIST:

Telephone

Kitchen Mop

Push Broom

Waste Baskets—all sizes

Cleaning Supplies

Dust Pan

Basic Tools: hammer, screw drivers, pliers, etc.

Other items are needed, watch for an updated list in the April issue or posted at the Resource Center—1719 Leavenworth.

WOMYN'S DANCE CONTEST BECOMES REALITY

June 7 - The MAX

Sharon Van Butsel, candidate for Empress 17, is pleased to announce that she will host a Womyn's Dance Contest featuring special guest performers and a contest for womyn who love to dance.

Plan to come to the MAX very early on June 7. The Contest will be held on the disco side beginning promptly at 7pm. Exhibition performances and contestants will finish performing by 8:45 so we can clear the floor for other dancers.

Special guests for this event are Rusty and Lisa performing a dance duet featuring sections from the dance featured in the movie *Dirty Dancing*. You've all seen Rusty and Lisa dance so you know how talented they are. Now come see the magic that happens when they dance together.

Contestants will compete for \$50 first prize. Winners will be decided by the audience. So, if you love to dance and want to show off your stuff, be at the MAX one hour before show time to register (or call 556-9907 to register early). Let's show the community just how talented we are!

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HEARTLAND REGIONAL RODEO

June 27 - 29

This is the last in the series of articles on Heartland Regional Rodeo. The rodeo is hosted by the Heartland Gay Rodeo Association and is scheduled for the weekend of June 27 - 29, 1997. Our members in Iowa and Nebraska have worked very hard for the past year to bring this about. The rodeo performances are on Saturday and Sunday at Christensen Field in Fremont, NE. The Thursday night party is at DC's Saloon, and there is no cover charge. The Friday night party is at the host hotel, The Quality Inn - New Tower. The Saturday night party is a block party between The MAX and DC's Saloon. The previous articles in this series explained the events in a gay rodeo. Now for a few miscellaneous topics.

Party in the Sun: The rodeo is outdoors in later June (hopefully beautiful weather), and beer will be available.

Hats and Boots: Wear them if you want to. The only dress code is for contestants and officials. Spectators can wear whatever they want at the rodeo and the parties.

Do you like to shop? We will have a vendor area set up in the big exhibition hall on the grounds. We expect people to be selling western wear, t-shirts and other clothing, knickknacks,

jewelry. It's not Westroads Mall, but it's still shopping.

Do you like watching entertainers? We will have local and national entertainers performing at the rodeo grounds and at the evening parties.

How about some new faces? We expect between 100 and 120 contestants from out of town: from Texas, Oklahoma, Arizona, Minnesota, Illinois, Missouri, Kansas, and so on. We also expect a good turnout of spectators from out of town. It's an excellent opportunity to meet new people.

Remember, this is for charity. If we make any money, the profits will go to charitable organizations in Nebraska and Iowa.

So you think you might actually want to compete? Well, you can, even if you have never been in an arena. The Camp Events, described in last month's article, were designed for beginners. But you must be a member of an IGRA association to compete. Ask an HGRA member for more information.

That's it. I've enjoyed writing these articles, and I hope to see y'all at the 1st Heartland Regional Rodeo.

What Do You Mean "There's Nothing to Do?!"

June 1 -- Two Resource Center Benefit Shows

June 8 -- Mr/Ms/Miss GLBT Pageant

June 14 -- River City Mixed Chorus Concert

June 22 -- Pride Parade & Festival

June 27 - 29 -- Heartland Regional Rodeo

A SHOW TO FIT YOUR SUNDAY SCHEDULE

The Rainbow Outreach GLBT Resource Center is excited to announce that not one, but two big shows are planned June 1 to benefit the Resource Center. Empress candidate Josephine Williams will be hosting an early show at DC's (starting time 8 PM) and Emperor 12 Steve Koeller will host the second show, which will start around 9:30 PM around the corner at The MAX. Both shows will benefit the Rainbow Outreach GLBT Resource Center.

Josephine says she'll be in the kitchen all day cookin' so come hungry. There'll be food starting at 7 PM. She wasn't tell just what she'd be fixin' but it's bound to be delicious. Anyone who had some of her birthday hamburgers on the patio at The MAX will certainly agree. So come at 7PM for dinner and stay for the 8 PM show. The show will feature a whole host of local entertainers: Josephine herself, Barbra Love for sure, and scads more! Cover charge is \$2.

At 9:30 pick up your bags and turn the corner and head up the street to The MAX. Steve has a show planned that will keep you wanting more. He'll perform for sure. Then there'll be Annie, Quincey, Jennifer Jett, Deb & Shari, Phoenix, Feleena, Ashley, Jeff, and more and more and more. Check out the Center's logo as Jim blows it up to fit the wall in The MAX! Cover is \$3.

Pick the time that suits your Monday schedule! You have your choice of dinner, 8 o'clock show, or 9:30 show. You say June 1 is already booked in your schedule????? How about showing your support by mailing \$1 or \$5 or \$1000 directly to the GLBT Resource Center! Make the check payable to GLBT Resource Center and mail it to P.O. Box 8583, Omaha, NE 68108.

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Auditions for La Cage will be held in the Playhouse Dance Studio, Saturday May 31st at 2:00 p.m. and Monday June 2 at 7:00 p.m.

Those auditioning:

1) Will be asked to sing 32 bars of any song, we will provide an accompanist.

2) Movement audition for everyone.

3) Those interested in being "Les Cagelles" will have a dance audition. If you tap dance, please bring your tap shoes.

If you have questions about Auditions, please call Joanne Cady at 553-4890 Ext. 153.

**ICON CANDIDATES
RAISE OVER \$2000
DURING CAMPAIGN**

The four ICON Candidates for Emperor and Empress have been hard at work. Every candidate has held at least two fundraising events which have benefited 10 different groups in the community.

Jeff McKenzie:

Dart & Pool Tournament at Gilligan's. Raffle raised \$111 for Ice Bowl.

Indoor Rodeo at DC's. Raised \$177 for HGRA.

Michele Korman:

Food sales at Indoor Rodeo raised \$30 for HGRA.

"Boy Bid" at the MAX raised \$381 for LEO.

Sharon Van Butsel:

Raffles and Womyn's Dance Contest at Club James Dean raised \$259 for Iris Phoenix Scholarship Fund.

Raffle at Fantasy to Reality Leather Show raised \$319 which allowed the Leather Community to purchase a TV/VCR combination for the Rainbow Outreach GLBT Resource Ctr.

Raffle for Reba McIntyre tickets raised \$122 for Metropolitan Community Church.

Late night Mexican Food and Bingo raised \$214.80 for the Rainbow Outreach GLBT Resource Center.

Raffle at Adora Mi Benefit Show at the Q in Lincoln raised \$50 for the UNL Gay/Lesbian Resource Center.

Josephine Williams:

Benefit Show at DC's raised \$307 for the PWA Assistance Fund for a scholarship to send a woman to a national conference for women with HIV.

Raffle at DC's raised \$130 for the River City Gender Alliance.

Birthday barbecue on the Patio at the MAX raised \$80 for Proud Horizons Youth Group.

Candidates' Show: In addition, all four candidates combined their talents for a benefit show at The MAX entitled "Thanks, Mom!" This show raised more than \$400 which will be divided among the six PFLAG offices in Nebraska.

**NETV ANNOUNCES "GAY & LESBIAN
AWARENESS MONTH" SCHEDULE**

During June, the statewide Nebraska ETV Network will be broadcasting several programs in recognition of Gay & Lesbian Awareness Month. Following is a schedule with broadcast dates and times for the programs.

On the Nebraska ETV Network

Sunday, June 1

5 p.m.	Anatomy of Desire
11 p.m.	Hide & Seek
Midnight	Coming Out: It Takes a Lifetime

Friday, June 13

9 p.m. Ginsberg & Glass
on the Road

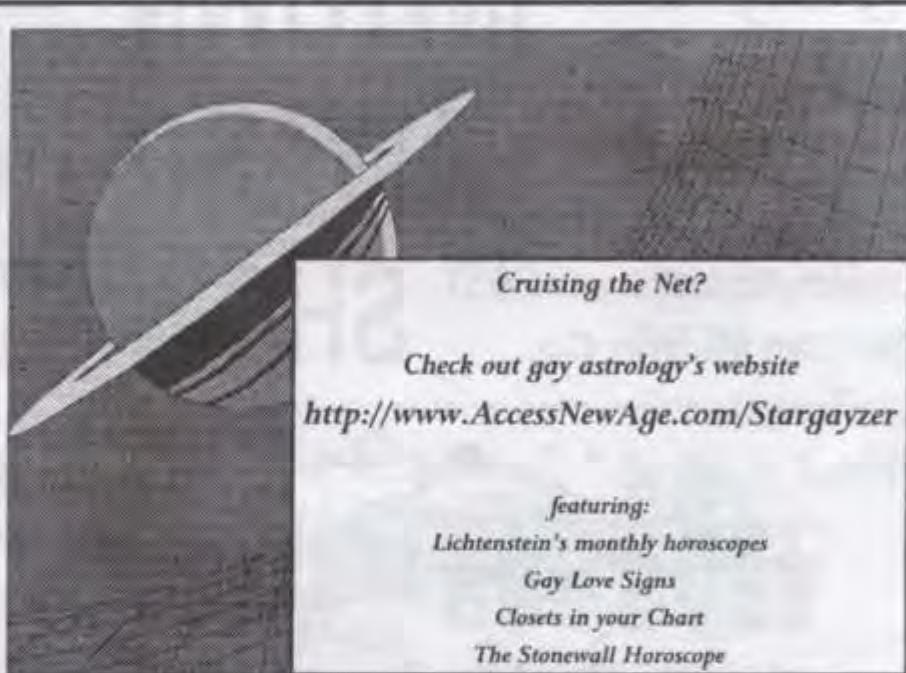
Sunday, June 22

11:30 p.m. Homophobia in the
Workplace

On Educable (Nebraska's ETV Cable Network)

Saturday, June 7

9 p.m. In the Life



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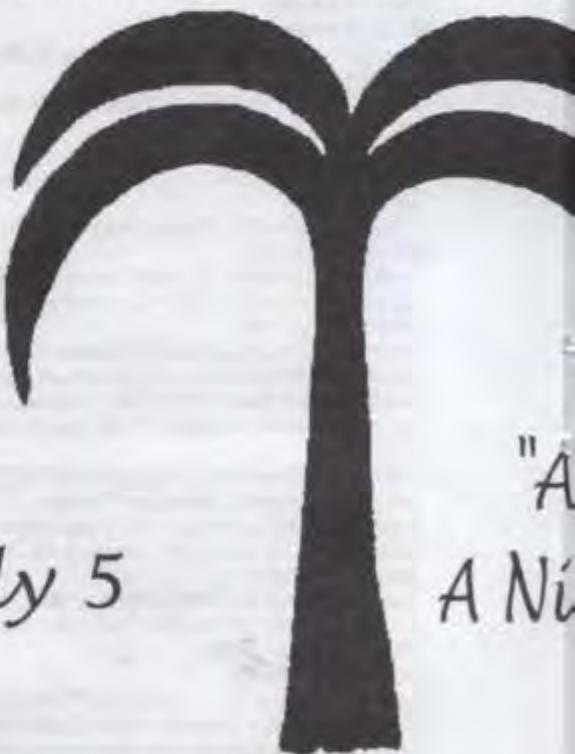
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FALL HARVEST BENEFIT SUCCESSFUL

by Barbra Love

from the *Transformer*—April 19 was quite interesting for me! The day started with a few cups of coffee after a long night of passing flyers out at the local bars the night before the big show with John, Rachel, and the girls, bless their hearts. The morning went quickly and the day was moving with lots of things to do. First, came a ride with Stef to the Hotel to drop her off for the MAGGIE meeting, and then thanks to her I was able to have a truck to transport the set for the show down to the bar. John and I loaded everything into the truck, Trudy and Maggie went on the hunt for a few minor things that I needed to finish up the set, and on the way they stopped to pick up Lesley who spent the day helping to set up for the show that night. We took 3 hours to complete the set and let me tell you—was it great! Then I went home to change for the MAGGIE reception that was hosted by our friends from ICON [the Imperial Court of Nebraska]. The reception went great and we all had a chance to meet new people from the GLBT community. Next thing I knew, it was off to start the show. The show was great! We had a great turnout and a big “thanks” to all of you who joined us. The support from the community was greatly appreciated as well.

While the show was going on, Stef and Tina kept counting (and counting, and counting...) the tips and donations we received while we worked to entertain the MAGGIE representatives and our friends and guests. The final count was \$333.00 and a big THANKS to all of you! We have a great start for Fall Harvest '97.

My special thanks go to Stef, John, Rachel, Maggie, and Trudy for all of their support and help in making this benefit show a success. Also to each of the entertainers: all my love and thanks for their hard work. My work was not without the help of my counterpart, Lesley, who was there by my side to help the whole day, thanks girl. See, two heads are better than one!

Photos: Barbra Love,
Royal & Phoenix receive award from RCGA

THERE IS NO OTHER WAY TO SPEND FATHER'S DAY....BUT AT THE MAX

On June 15 Mr. MAX, Jeff McKenzie, will be hosting his stepping down celebration. The evening will begin with an outdoor cocktail party beginning at 8:00 p.m. The stepping down PRODUCTION will begin at 9:30 p.m. The Production has been a long time planning and will be something the MAX audience will have never seen before. So mark your calendar for an evening of TRADITIONS at The MAX.

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WOMENSPACE PRIDEFEST TO BE SEPTEMBER 6 AT LAKOTA STABLES

MARK YOUR CALENDARS! Pridefest 1997 will have both a new date and location. The 5th Annual Pridefest will be held Saturday September 6 at Lakota Stables near Mahoney State Park. We hope the new location will facilitate attendance by both Omaha and Lincoln folks. Plans for the day are currently being finalized so watch for more info soon.

We are excited to announce that the final concert of the 1997 season will be a performance by internationally acclaimed Heather Bishop. Heather will be performing Saturday November 22, at the Witherspoon Concert Hall.

MURDER IN THE HEARTLAND TELLS TEENA BRANDON'S STORY

at Blue Barn Theatre

The Blue Barn Theatre is proud to present an original script by local playwright Karen Abbott, based on true events in nearby Humboldt, Nebraska. *Murder in the Heartland* is the story of Teena Brandon and the events leading up to the rape and triple murder that shocked the nation.

The tragedy of Teena Brandon's death is the tragedy of a society limited by prejudice. Unable to reconcile herself to an open life as a lesbian, she chose to live her life as a man, moving from one small Nebraska town to another. Teena's inability to be honest with those around her eventually trapped her in a cycle of deceit and violence.

Karen Abbott is a playwright-in-residence with the Omaha Theatre Company for Young People, and her plays have also been produced by the Diner Theatre. Blue Barn member Sheila Malone will direct and guest artist Tina Dixon will portray Teena. Other cast members include guest artists Kristin Landis and Sherman Bass, and Blue Barn members Rachel Hauben and Hughston Walkinshaw.

Murder in the Heartland will perform weekends only through June 8. Performance times are Fridays at 9:00, Saturdays at 8:00, and Sundays at 7:00. Tickets are \$10 for adults and \$5 for students and senior citizens. Call 345-1576 for reservations and information.

LEO "MEET AND GREET"

June 10 at The MAX

Dear Sirs and Boys:

The Brothers of LEO (Leather Engineers of Omaha) announces its next Meet & Greet to be held June 10, 1997 at The MAX. A meet & greet is an opportunity to meet members of LEO and find out about membership. LEO has successfully completed its third pledge class and is looking for those interested in membership. If interested, be at The MAX at 9:00 p.m. As LEO grows, we continue to show brotherhood, support and education for the leather interested community.

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Calendar of ICON Candidate Events

Fri., May 30	Jeff	9 - 11p James Dean	Membership Drive>Show
Sun., June 1	Josephine	9p - 12a DC's	Show
Fri., June 6	Sharon	11a - 1p NAP	Lunch for clients of NAP
Sat., June 7	Sharon	7p - 9p MAX	Womyn's Dance Contest
Sun., June 8	Sharon Josephine	9p - 1a MAX 9p Q in Lincoln	Mr/Ms/Miss GLBT Pride Show
Sun., June 22		GLBT PRIDE PARADE	
Wed., July 2—Sun., July 5		MONARCH'S STEPPING DOWN SHOW AT THE MAX 9p CORONATION 17 FESTIVITIES & JULY 4 PICNIC (Prog. Park)	

KC PRIDE IS JUNE 8

Heart of America Pride Celebration will be held June 8 at Barney Allis Plaza, downtown Kansas City. KCARC (Kansas City AIDS Research Consortium) will be the primary beneficiary. Heart of America Pride is a new producing entity and has the support and encouragement of the former organizer, Project Pride. Jay Carson, Co-Producer, added that gay women and men throughout the region will be encouraged to participate in this year's celebration. "We hope that our friends and family from Omaha to Des Moines, from Wichita to St. Louis, and all points in between and beyond will help make this truly a Heart of America Pride Experience," stated Carson.

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AIDS '97 CONFERENCE JUNE 4 IN DENVER

AIDS, Medicine & Miracles proudly presents AIDS '97, Capacity Building in a Time of Change, a regional skills-building conference to be held at the Executive Tower Inn in Denver, Colorado on Wednesday June 4. Members of CORA (Community Organizations Responding to AIDS) can attend this conference for \$15, for

non-members the cost is \$30. Featured tracks include HIV Prevention, Program Planning & Evaluation, Organizational Development, Fundraising & Financial Management. For more information, contact AIDS, Medicine & Miracles at (303) 447-8777.

OUR VOICES WIN FREEDOM!

On Saturday, June 14, the River City Mixed Chorus will close its thirteenth performance season with "Out Loud" 1997 Pride Concert. This upcoming performance will mark RCMC's first performance in the Joslyn Art Museum's Witherspoon Concert Hall.

This year, the Chorus is pleased to have the opportunity to present the premiere performance of a commissioned work by composer Jonathan D. Cole. The three-part composition was commissioned in part through a matching grant from the Gay and Lesbian Association of Choruses that the River City Mixed Chorus was awarded at last summer's GALA Festival V in Tampa, Florida. Cole's majestically written piece focuses on the themes of courage and strength, unity, and equal rights for all people to live their lives as they wish without oppression.

Please join the River City Mixed Chorus as they conclude their 1997 concert season with a program of music reflecting pride in our community. Tickets for the 1997 Pride Concert are available from any Chorus member or you can call 341-SING to reserve your tickets now.

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Our Voices mend hearts;
Our Voices ease suffering;
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CFEP ANNUAL MEETING JUNE 5

The annual meeting of Citizens for Equal Protection will be held Thursday, June 5, at 7:00 PM, at the First Unitarian Church, 31st and Harney Streets.

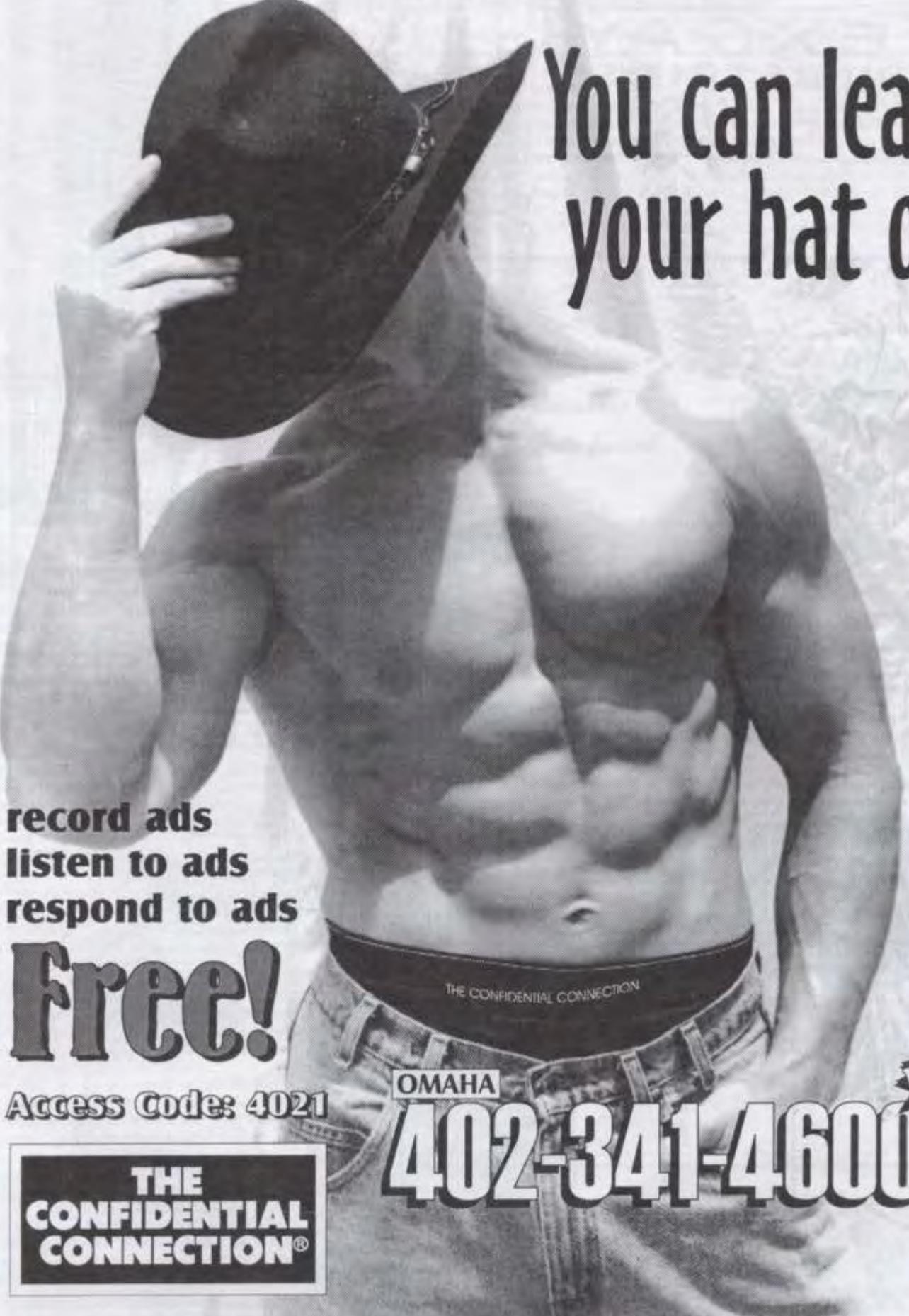
The mission of CFEP is to work toward the elimination of discrimination based on sexual orientation through legislation and education.

Membership dues for CFEP are \$25 for couples or \$15 for individuals or groups. Send dues to CFEP, P.O. Box 55548, Omaha, NE 68155-0548.

FALL HARVEST TO WELCOME TRANSGENDER PERSONS FROM ACROSS THE REGION

The River City Gender Alliance will be hosting the multi-state conference, Fall Harvest, at the Double Tree Inn (formerly the Red Lion) in Downtown Omaha from Thursday, October 30 - Saturday, November 1, 1997. This conference will bring together participants from across a six state region and beyond to hear nationally renowned speakers.

Final registration date is October 18. Early registration discounts end August 1. For more information, contact the River City Gender Alliance at 398-1255 or Email: sgibbons@synergy.net



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The Iowa Bareskins actively encourage participation in and cooperation with the general naturist/nudist movement both in Iowa and around the country. IBS is affiliated with the Naturist Society through its special interest group, the Gay Naturists International.

For more information and a membership application, please send a large self-addressed stamped envelope to Iowa Bareskins Membership, P.O. Box 266, Des Moines, IA 50301-0266.

REGIONAL DRUMMER CONTEST TO ST. LOUIS

Fantasy Productions, Inc. will no longer be sponsoring the regional Mr. Drummer contest, which is a preliminary contest for the International Mr. Drummer Contest held in San Francisco, CA, each year at the end of September. After sponsoring the Mr. Great Plains / Mr. Desert Plains Drummer Contest for the past six years, Fantasy Productions, Inc. has turned over the rights to the contest to the Gateway M.C. Club in St. Louis, MO. Fantasy Productions, Inc. would like to THANK all those who have been involved in this contest during the past six years and expresses appreciation to all those who showed support for the contest.

Gateway M.C. will be holding the 1997 Mr. Great Plains Drummer Contest the weekend of September 6 & 7. The Great Plains Region consists of Nebraska, Missouri, Iowa, North Dakota, South Dakota, and Kansas. Categories for the contest include Prejudging, Jock Strap, Leather Image and Presentation of a Sexual Fantasy.

If you are interested in attending the contest or in competing for the title, please contact Gateway M.C. in St. Louis, MO, or Fantasy Productions, Inc. at PO Box 8203, Omaha, NE 68108-8203. Fantasy Productions, Inc. will forward your information to Gateway M.C.

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EMPRESS CANDIDATE JOSEPHINE WILLIAMS SPEAKS OUT

I hope this letter finds everybody well and in the mood for spring. I am. The campaigning is on and April has been a very busy month with lots of fun times.

April 13th Everybody got their first look at the candidates for MISS CLOSET BALL. There were four contestants which were all fantastic. While the ballots were being counted, the audience met the candidates for Emperor and Empress. Jeff McKenzie the one candidate for Emperor and the three candidates for Empress Michele Korman, Sharon VanButsel, and myself Josephine Williams (Ed Shaw).

April 19th I had a fabulous time at the cocktail party and reception for RCGA and Maggie at Gilligan's. I apologize for not being able to make it to the show, but it was time to hit the road for the GLAGN Barn Dance in Hastings. I had a great time. The people and hospitality were awesome. The music was great too. Josephine even kicked up her heals a couple of times.

GLAGN keep up the great work and I'm only a phone call away if you need any help with anything.

April 20th I was asked to perform for the Don't Tell Mama show at DC's. It was a night you could not forget. Those Ladies from Younkers were great. Chris I had a great time. Thanks!!

April 23rd Jeff McKenzie held a cocktail slash pool and darts party. Josephine had never played pool before but found out it was fun except once in a while her nails got in the way or broke. A great time was had by all.

April 27th Stella Dallas held a show at the Omaha Mining Company for Hospitality for Coronation. There was flawless talent and we had a lot of fun. The Show raised lots of money for hospitality.

May 3rd Josephine was at the indoor rodeo at DC's and the Fantasy to Reality at the MAX and also made time to get to the Gender Alliance monthly meeting.

May 4th Josephine was jumping, not off a roof but between two bars for two shows. When Josephine is busy working for the community she is her happiest. Thank you to DC's and the MAX for the challenge.

May 5th ICON held its monthly board meeting. Josephine stayed home to rest, but Ed was there for her. She gets all the breaks. HA! HA! HA!

The list goes on. She's working hard with the community and for the community.

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Sincerely

Josephine Williams

Red Ruby Slipper

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REV. SHARON SLOAT ELECTED PASTOR OF MCC-OMAHA

At a special congregational meeting held April 20, the members of Metropolitan Community Church of Omaha voted overwhelmingly (98% in favor) to call the Reverend Sharon Sloat as their pastor.

Rev. Sloat served as interim pastor of MCC-Omaha for six months prior to her election. While it is unusual for an interim pastor to become the permanent pastor of a church, it is allowed under current MCC bylaws.

Sharon had also served at MCC-Omaha while studying for the ministry under the Rev. Matthew Howard and had served as a guest speaker on several occasions.

Rev. Sloat was licensed by UFMCC in May of 1995 and was ordained in May 1996. She served as Interim Co-pastoral leader from January 1993 to January 1995 at Church of the Holy Spirit in Des Moines, Iowa and served there as Staff Minister for Lay Education and Social Justice from April '95 to October '96.

Before entering the ministry on a full-time basis, Rev. Sloat worked for 19 years as a research scientist in chemistry and microbiology and as regulatory affairs department manager.

Rev. Sloat and her partner Donna have been together for almost 18 years. Donna has three grown sons and nine grandchildren and step-grandchildren. Sharon and Donna have purchased a home and are residing in Carter Lake, Iowa.

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PRIDE PARADE FLOAT CONTEST

Parade June 22 through Old Market, followed by Pride Festival in Heartland of America Park

It's time to enter your floats for the 1997 Pride Parade. This year's theme is "Tradition of Diversity." However, you're welcome to give it your own "flare." Individuals and groups are welcome, so grab your friends, family and lovers and enter! Entries are taken up to one hour before parade time.

To enter, call Rainbow Outreach (the GLBT Resource Center!). Once entries have been received, all info, including a map, will be sent to you!

FANTASY BECAME REALITY IN OMAHA

Fantasy became Reality for dozens of novices in the world of SM/Leather/Petishes as Susie presented her first ever Leather weekend with *Fantasy to Reality* May 2-4. Following a Friday evening "meet and greet" at DC's, participants gathered at The MAX on Saturday afternoon for a selection of workshops, including SM 101, Bondage, Flogging, Making Dungeon Toys, Spanking, and Sensory Deprivation. Throughout the afternoon, the vendor area provided shopping opportunities at three leather shops, a whip maker, two tattoo artists, and more.

On Saturday evening, Sue brought it all together with a Hot Leather Show with area leather groups, including FLEX, OPC, LEO, WELT, LTEL, and Heartland Gathering. With Jim and Willow as MC's, the evening moved smoothly from the first powerful fantasy of remorse and penance through the playful yet erotic dance "Ride the White Horse" and the use of fluorescent bands for flogging and constructing collars and cockrings climaxing with the passionate emphasis of melted fluorescent wax being thrown across the stage to coat the body of the man in chains. Fantasies ranged from Amy and Willow's playful "I'm not afraid of the boogie man," to the power and domination ritual from the members of WELT. These fantasies equaled anything produced in the region.

The serious side of the event included fundraising for CFEP, the Leather Archives, and a raffle held by Empress Candidate Sharon which allowed the Omaha Leather Community to donate a 19" TV/VCR combination to the Rainbow Outreach GLBT Resource Center.

The event wrapped up with a Sunday afternoon Beer Bust at the Wooden Apple, 21 & Martha, in the Apple Barrel Room.

A salute to Sue for an outstanding job on this event and a salute to all those special people who helped Fantasy become Reality.

BI-NET ORGANIZING IN OMAHA

An organizational meeting of Bi-Net, a support and networking group for Bisexual persons, was held at the Rainbow Outreach GLBT Resource Center at 1719 Leavenworth. This group is open to all bisexual persons.

For more information, contact Marcella at (402) 682-0701 or e-mail quest15@juno.com

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NAP PREPARES FOR MSM OUTREACH

by Larry Bierce, NAP Education Coordinator

"MSM" is the term used in state and federal HIV/AIDS surveillance to track HIV transmissions and AIDS diagnoses among "Men who have Sex with Men." HIV prevention among gay and bisexual men has been identified as a priority in Nebraska by the agencies and individuals who participate in the HIV/AIDS Community Planning process.

In response to the call for MSM prevention efforts, NAP has invested prevention programs across the country — from STOP AIDS Project in San Francisco to Gay Men's Health Crisis in New York. This background work has provided excellent input and perspective on effective MSM prevention within the unique political, geographic, and social challenges in Nebraska.

Three findings of a focus group of gay and bisexual men yielded several important findings:

Unprotected anal sex presents the greatest risk of HIV transmission among gay and bisexual men.

Unprotected oral sex, while not risk free, is a lesser transmission threat.

Sexual activity in Public Sex Environments (parks, restrooms, rest stops) mainly takes the form of oral sex.

Sexual activity among men who meet in bars, clubs, and other social scenes is more likely to involve unprotected anal sex than PSE liaisons.

HIV prevention for Omaha/Douglas County gay and bisexual men should focus on bars and clubs that cater to MSM's.

Omaha/Douglas County gay bars and clubs will provide the best access to the MSM population, including men of color.

With this input from the focus group, NAP is submitting a proposal for funding to the Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services for HIV prevention dollars funded through the state by the CDC. This proposal, if accepted, will support NAP's coordination of MSM prevention, and will buy the supplies and materials needed to launch an extensive campaign based on social

marketing principles. The prevention will strive to build support and participation among gay business owners and staff, will produce prevention posters, condom covers, and related print materials, and will harvest volunteers from the community to participate in outreach activities that focus on eroticizing and encouraging safer sex.

The major goals of this prevention plan are to build a community norm that encourages safer sex, to increase the numbers of gay and bisexual men seeking HIV testing and counseling, and to empower men with the physical and psychological tools to practice safer sex. Community support and involvement are the cornerstones of making the prevention plan optimally effective.

More information is available about MSM outreach activities and volunteer opportunities by contacting NAP at 552-9260.

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July 97

- 2 - ICON In-Town Show and Awards
- 4 - 6 Independence Day Weekend, Racocon River
- 4 - ICON Picnic & Out of Town Show
- 5 - ICON Coronation, Paxton Ballroom
- 6 - ICON Victory Brunch
- 6 - ICON Victory Show, The MAX
- 10 - NAP Community Update "GLB Service Issues"
- 12 - ONYX Images Summer Madness
- 13 - Mr MAX Pageant
- 15 - ANGLE's Slice of Summer
- 18 - 20 - Full Moon Celebration, Racocon River
- 18 - 20 Int'l Ms Leather San Diego
- 19 - Mr. Nebraska Fantasy Contest

August 97

- 3 - ICON Investiture
- 7 - 17 - Iowa State Farm Boys Faire — Racocon River
- 15 - 17 - Int'l Mr. Fantasy Contest
- 15 - Full Moon Celebration —

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- Racocon River
- 17 - Nina Ricci @ the MAX
- 24 - Portfolio Mena @ The MAX
- 29 - Sept 1 — Labor Day Weekend Celebration — Racocon River

September 97

- 1 - ICON Labor Day Picnic
- 5 - PFLAG Putt-Putt Golf
- 6 - 8 - Mr. Great Plains Drummer, St. Louis, Mo
- 6 - Women's Prudential, Lakota Stables
- 27 - Int'l Mr. Drummer, SF
- 28 - Portfolio Men @ The MAX

October 97

- 10 - 12 ONYX Images 10th Anniv
- 12 - WRC/ANGLE Nat'l Coming Out Day
- 19 - Muffy's B'Day Show, The MAX
- 26 - Portfolio Men @ The MAX
- 30 - Nov 2 - RCGA Fall Harvest

November 97

- 9 - ICON Food 4 Thought, The MAX
- 21 - Mr & Ms Leather Nebraska

- 22 - WomenSpace Heather Bishop @ Joslyn
- 22 - ANGLE Recognition Dinner
- 23 - Portfolio Men @ The MAX

December 97

- 1 - World AIDS Day
- 6 - Night of 1000 Stars
- 7 - Dorian's B'Day Show, The MAX
- 14 - ICON Toyz 4 Totz @ The MAX
- 21 - Portfolio Men @ The MAX
- 24 - Hannukah
- 24 - Christmas Eve Service MCC-O
- 31 - New Year's Eve

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2515 St Marys Ave, Omaha 68105 431-4447

****Charles Drew Health Center,** 2201 N. 30,
Omaha 68111 (402) 453-1433

****Douglas County Health Dept,** 1201 S. 42,
Omaha 68105 (402) 444-7750

****Outreach Center,** 1723 Leavenworth Omaha,
NE 68102, Friday 1-4pm, Every other Friday
10pm - 2am. HIV testing, education, support.

****Equilibrium Medical Center,** 544 S. 24,
Omaha, 68102 Call (402) 345-2252

****Lincoln-Lancaster Co. Health Department**
3140 N' Lincoln 68510, 441-8065 Walk-in tests:
Urban Indian Health Ctr, 140 S. 27,
434-7177

****Grand Island-Hall Co Health Dept,** 105 East
1st St, Grand Island, Mary (308) 385-5175

****Hastings College Health Center, Hastings,**
NE 68901 402-461-7372 Ask for Judy

HIV Clinic, Univ of NE Medical Center,
600 S. 42nd, Omaha, (402) 559-6681

Lincoln Cancer Cntr, 4600 Valley, 483-1872

****McCook Family Planning,** 111 West "C" St,
McCook, 69001, (308) 345-3626

****Nebraska AIDS Project**
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****Omaha Office:** 139 S. 40th, 68131,
Administration 552-9260; AIDS Hotline
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****Central Nebraska Office:** 3423 2nd Ave
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****Northeast Nebr Office:** 304 N. 5 St.
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Scottsbluff, NE 69361, (308) 635-3807

Nebr AIDS Educ/Training Center, AIDS
education to health care professionals. UNMC,
600 S 42 Omaha 68198, (402) 559-6681

****Nebraska Dept of Health & Human Services,**
*Kearney 3423 2nd Ave 68847 308-865-5609

****Norfolk,** Norfolk Regional Ctr, Adm Bldg
#16, (402) 370-3395

****NorthPlatte,** Craft St. Office Bldg, 200 So.
Silber, 69101 (308) 535-8133

Nebr Regional Hemophilia Center,
UNMC, 600 S. 42, Omaha (402) 559-4227

****Nemaha County Health Department,**
1824 N. Auburn, 68305 (402) 274-4549

****Outreach Center,** 1723 Leavenworth,
Omaha, 342-8716, Testing Sat, 1-4pm; 1st &
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****ScottsBluff Co Health Dept,** Gering, NE
69341 (308) 635-3866

Siouxland AIDS Coalition, 2nd Tuesday, 12 noon
Siouxland Chapter of Am Red Cross, 1512
Pierce, Sioux City, Iowa. Call (712) 252-0722

Veterans Admin Medical Center, 42 & Wool-
worth, Omaha 346-8800. Dean Pierce, x-4119

HIV/AIDS COUNSELING & SUPPORT

AIDS Care, Mercy Center, 427 E. Kanesville
Blvd, Council Bluffs, IA 51503, att: Colleen
Kibbe-Vest (712) 328-2609

AIDS Support Group: Sponsored by PFLAG,
Box 4374, Lincoln, 68504, 7pm, 475-2437

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**Douglas County Mental Health - Outpatient
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Lincoln Interfaith Council, 140 S. 27th St.,
Lincoln 68510, 474-3017, AIDS/HIV Healing
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Nebraska Civil Liberties Union, Box 81455,
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Hastings 68901 Judy 402-461-7372 (Health
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Lambda Car Club, Box 2325, North Platte, NE
69103

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*Fullerton, PO Box 833, Fullerton, NE 68638,
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*Hastings, c/o Hastings College Health Center,
Box 269, Hastings, NE 68901, (402) 461-7372

*Hendley, PO Box 427, Hendley, NE 68946,
(308) 265-7620

*Holdrege/Kearney meet 3pm, 3rd Sun, St
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PRIDE Group, Counseling Ctr, Wayne State,
Wayne, 68787, Karen or Virginia (402) 375-
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Lincoln, Info contact V.J. at 477-3526
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Lincoln, 438-5214

Bi Discussion Group, 2nd Tuesday, Gathering
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Coalition for Gay/Lesbian Civil Rts, Box 94882,
Lincoln 68509 Advocacy, newsletter

Gay Men's Support Grp, Counseling & Psych
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Lincoln/Lancaster Drug Projects, 610 "J",
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68501-1291, umbrella organization for GLBT
in Lincoln area, Call PFLAG Phone Line 402-
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Lincoln Women for Sobriety Mtg, Sat. 10am,
YWCA, Lincoln, Contact Judith at 472-2598

National Org. for Women (NOW) Lincoln-
activist org. issues of full equality for women,
Box 80172, Lincoln, NE 68501, 434-6695,
meet 3rd Tuesday, 7pm YWCA, 1432 "N" St

**Parents-Friends of Lesbians and Gays (P-
FLAG)**, Box 30128, Lincoln 68503, 434-9880
4th Tues, 7pm, Unitarian Church, 6300 "A",
Web Site <http://www.geocities.com/WestHollywood/4882> HIV Family Grp,
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SAGE, Box 22043, Lincoln 68542-2043,
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Union, 14 & R, Lincoln 68588-0455, 472-
5644, Social, info, referral, library, General
meetings Tuesdays, 7pm, during school year

The Wimmin's Show, 12-3pm Sunday, KZUM,
89.3 FM stereo, Lincoln

A Woman's Place, Lincoln, nonprofit org
dedicated to empowering women.

Youth Support Group--Lincoln, Every Other
Saturday 4-6pm, Call 434-9880

Youth Talkline 473-7932, Friday & Saturday
7pm-Midnite, Lincoln Emotional support,
referrals, AIDS info for callers Age 23 and
under. Project of Coalition for G/L Civil Rts

YWCA Counseling & Education Department,
476-2802, Lincoln. Information and Referral

OMAHA BASED RESOURCES

Al-Anon Fridays 8:15pm, Underwood Hills
Presbyterian, 851 N. 74

Alcoholics Anonymous,
**Lambda Stag, Sun, 4pm, Lowe Ave Presbytrn
**Stonewall Grp, Wed, 7:30pm, Mercy High
**Gay Mens Stag "An Alternative", Fri. 7pm,
Lowe Ave Presbyterian

**Live & Let Live Group, Friday 8:15pm,
Underwood Hills Presbyterian, 851 N. 74

A.N.G.L.E. (Achieving New Gay/Lesbian Endeav-
ors), Box 8343, Omaha 68108, 341-0330,
Network, raise consciousness, PRIDE activities,
Meeting 1st Tues 7pm Internet www.angle.org

The Book Station and Coffee Lounge, Books,
Gifts, Coffee, 1913 Leavenworth St., 342-0520

Buzz-Journal, Box 8523, Omaha 68103, e-
mail: Buzzjourn@aol.com

Citizens For Equal Protection, Box 55548,
Omaha, 68155, 398-3027, Legislative action
1st Thursday, 7pm, 1st Unitarian, 3114 Hamey

EAGLE-Omaha, Employee Assoc. of Gays &
Lesbians, US WEST, Pat Phalen, 1299 Farnam,
11th Flr, Omaha 68102 (402) 348-8569

Frontrunners/walkers, Box 4583, Omaha
68104, HOTLINE 496-3658, Running
Walking Club (SASE for info)

Gay & Lesbian Org of UNO (GaLo), UNO
Students - Wednesdays, 6pm, Jenkins Rm, Milo
Bair Student Ctr, Kristy Erwin 344-4078

Gay And Lesbian Parents Group (G.A.L.P.),
1st Thurs, 7:30pm, MCC-Omaha, 819 S. 22,
345-2563 Emphasis on Gay/Lesbian Parent &
significant other. Mtgs open to anyone.

Gay/Lesbian Information & Referral Line,
A service of A.N.G.L.E., Inc., (402) 341-0330

Gay Lesbian & Affirming Disciples (GLAD)
G/L/B/Affirming Disciples of Christ 553-2386

GLBT Resource Center, 1719 Leavenworth,
Omaha, Mail: Box 8583, Omaha, 68108,
Call 341-0330 for times/events

Heartland Gay Rodeo Assoc (HGRA), Box
3354, Omaha, 68103 (E54). Dan 597-1689
Enjoy/support rodeos, country activities. Meets
1st Saturday alternating between Omaha/Des
Moines

ICE BOWL Invitational Bowling Tournament,
Tournament held President's Day Weekend

Imperial Court of Nebraska, Box 3772, Omaha
68103 Fundraising organization working for
advancement of GLBT society, Board Meets
1st Monday each month, 7pm, Location varies

"Learning to Exchange Power" Novice BD/
SM Support Grp, 2nd Sunday, 2-4pm, Back
Room, Wooden Apple, 22nd & Martha, Omaha

L.E.O.(Leather Engineers of Omaha) educational-
social grp, Gay Men interested in Leather
Lifestyle. Write: Box 8181, Omaha, 68108

LinOma Bares, Box 8493, Omaha 68106
Nudist/Naturist Club for gay/bi men

Lutherans Concerned, 453-7137, 7pm, Mar. 3,
June 2, Oct. 6, Dec. 1, 1st Lutheran Omaha

Metropolitan Club, Box 8603, Omaha 68108-
0603, 3rd Thursdays, Neon Goose, 7pm, gay/
lesbian professionals to meet, socialize, network

Men's Support Group, Meet Tuesdays 7:30pm,
MCC-Omaha, 819 S. 22 St. Call 345-2563

Metropolitan Community Church of Omaha,
819 S. 22, 345-2563, Mail: Box 3173, 68103,
E-mail address: MCCOMAHA@radiks.net
Web Site: <http://www.radiks.net/mccomaha>
Sunday Worship at 9 & 10:30am

National Org. for Women (NOW) Omaha
political/grassroots activist org. issues of full
equality for women- Omaha NOW, Box 3325,
Omaha 68103-0325, (402) 391-7303, Meets
3rd Tuesday, 7pm, 1st Unitarian, 3114 Hamey

Nebraska Zen Center for all persons, 3625
Lafayette Ave, Omaha 68131, 551-9035

New Realities, Books, Tapes, Gifts, Old Market
Passageway, 1026 Howard, 68102, 342-1863

The New Voice of Nebraska, Box 3512, Omaha
68103, Monthly magazine, (402) 556-9907 or
tjrr05c@prodigy.com

Omaha Meatpackers, AIDS fundraising
organization Call: (712) 366-1791

Omaha Players Club (OPC), Pansexual
education & play group Meeting/parties
monthly, Send \$5 and an age statement to OPC,
Box 34463 Omaha 68134

Omaha Women for Sobriety meet Tuesdays,
5:30pm, Omaha YWCA, 222 S. 29 St., Contact
Judith at 472-2598 for more info.

ONYX IMAGES, Box 31026, Omaha, NE
68132-9998. Fraternity for African American
men. Age restriction for membership. Support
for brothers of all ages.

Parents-Friends of Lesbians And Gays
PFLAG Box 390064, Omaha, 68139-0064,
291-6781 Meet 1st Methodist, 7020 Cass, Mead
Hall, West End, 2nd Thurs, 7 pm, "Program &
Sharing". 4th Sunday, 2pm, "Sharing"

Presbyterians for Lesbian & Gay Concerns,
733-1360, Cleve, Omaha

Proud Horizons Youth Support Group,
sponsor: PFLAG. For gay, lesbian youth &
those questioning sexuality, age 13-21. Meets
Sat., Omaha, Call 291-6781

River City Couples, Social Support for GLBT
couples, MCC-Omaha, 819 S. 22, Info Eric:
392-1443, email rccouple@probe.net

River City Mixed Bowling League, Sundays,
3pm, Skylanes, Center Mall, Omaha

River City Gender Alliance, Box 3112, Omaha
68103-3122 Message Hotline 398-1255, Email:
sgibbons@synergy.net. For cross-dressers,
transsexuals, those wishing to know more All
orientations. Newsletter. Meet 1st Saturday

River City Mixed Chorus, Box 3267, Omaha,
68103-0267, 341-SING (341-7464) Volunteer
chorus for Gay Lesbian/Sensitive people

Straight Spouse Support Grp 7-9pm, 2nd
Thursday, 1st Methodist, Room 209, 291-6781

**W.E.L.T. (Women of Educated Leather
Tactics)** Box 7083, Omaha, 68107-7083
Educational social group for women of leather
Omaha Lincoln 402-477-7741

Women's Support Group, MCC-Omaha, 819
S. 22nd, 345-2563. Meets Saturdays 11am

WomenSpace, Box 24712, Omaha 68124-0712,
Quarterly newsletter for lesbian voices & events

Please Check Your Group or Organization's Listing.
Send Updates to: NVN Box 3512, Omaha, NE 68103

JUNE CALENDAR

EVERY SUNDAY

Worship Services, 9 & 10:30am.
MCC-Omaha, 819 S. 22 Street,
345-2563
Gay / Lesbian Walking Club.
10am, 38th & South, Lincoln, by
tennis courts
Reconciling Worship
Community, 7:30 p.m., Dietz
Methodist, 1423 S. 10, Omaha
Rainbow Outreach GLBT
Resource Ctr, Omaha, Closed

EVERY MONDAY

HIV Tests, NAP, 552-9260,
139 S. 40th, Omaha 7-
9:30pm
River City Mixed Chorus
Rehearsals, 1st Methodist,
7020 Cass, Omaha,
7:15pm
Rainbow Outreach GLBT
Resource Center, 1719
Leavenworth, Omaha,
Open 6-9pm

EVERY TUESDAY

Women for Sobriety
5:30pm YWCA, 222 S. 29
Omaha, Call Judith 472-
2598
Mens Support Group
7:30pm MCC, 819 S. 22,
Omaha
Rainbow Outreach GLBT
Resource Center, 1719
Leavenworth, Omaha,
Open Noon-9pm

EVERY WEDNESDAY

Gay Men Disc Grp, Lincoln 6pm, Contact
Luis 472-7450
Frontrunners, 6:30pm, Brownell-Talbot
PFLAG-Lincoln AIDS Support Grp, 7pm,
475-2437
AA, 7:30pm, Mercy High, Omaha
Integrity Prayer Svc, 6pm, St. Thomas
Episc, Sioux City, IA
UNO GaLO 5pm, Jenkins Rm, Milo Bail
Student Ctr, Call Kim 556-3545
Rainbow Outreach, Omaha, Open 6-9pm

SUNDAY

JUNE 1 (1st Sunday)

Frontrunners, 10am, Playland Park, Council Bluffs
PFLAG AIDS Family Support Group, 2-4pm, 291-6781
"Josephine's Benefit for GLBT Resource Ctr," 9pm, DC's,
Omaha
Rainbow Outreach Benefit, 9pm, The MAX, Omaha
"Murder in the Heartland" Blue Barn Theater, Omaha
Miss Gay San Diego, Chase Manhattan, 9pm, Q, Lincoln

JUNE 8 (2nd Sunday)

Frontrunners, 10am, Keystone Trail, Aksarben Lot 5 Omaha
MCC Lincoln Fellowship Grp 6pm, 477-3215
Learning Exchange Pwr Wooden Apple 22&Martha 2-4pm
PFLAG, Mayflower Cng, 1407 W. 18, Sioux City, IA, 2-4pm
Josephine Williams, Q, Lincoln
"Mr/Ms/Miss GLBT Pride Pageant" Presented by Sharon &
Carla, The MAX, Omaha
SNAP Presents "Whoop-Dee-Doo" 2pm, Jewish Community
Center, Omaha
"Murder in the Heartland" Blue Barn Theater, Omaha

JUNE 15 (3rd Sunday)

Frontrunner 10am, Walnut Grove, 155 & Q, Omaha
PFLAG/Kearney 3p, St Luke's 2304 2nd Ave (308)237-7136
Panhandle Mens Group (308)635-8488
Jeff McKenzie, Mr MAX Step Down, Cocktails 8pm, Show
9pm, The MAX Omaha
SNAP "Whoop-Dee-Doo" 2pm, 7pm, Omaha
Mr. Q Troy Haasis' B'day Show, Q, Omaha

MONDAY

JUNE 2 (1st Monday)

ICON Board Mtg,
The MAX, 7pm,
Omaha

JUNE 9 (2nd Mon.)

AIDS Interfaith
7pm St Cecelia's
Omaha
SNAP Presents
"Whoop-Dee-
Doo" 8pm,
Jewish
Community
Center, Omaha

JUNE 16 (3rd Monday)

TUESDAY

JUNE 3 (1st Tuesday)

AIDS Healing Service, 7pm,
St. Francis Chapel, South &
11th Lincoln
ANGLE, 7pm, GLBT Resource
Ctr, 1719 Leavenworth,
Omaha

JUNE 10 (2nd Tuesday)

Siouxland AIDS Coalition, 12n,
Red Cross, Sioux City, IA
HIV Support Grp-Women 7-9pm
NAP, 2123 Winthrop, Lincoln
Bi Discussion Grp, 7:30pm
Gathering Place, 15 & E, Lincoln,
Wendy 476-0314
LEO "Meet & Greet" 9pm, The
MAX, Omaha

WEDNESDAY

JUNE 4 (1st Wed)

JUNE 11 (2nd Wed)

JUNE 18 (3rd Wed)

HIV Update,
"GLBT Issues"
7pm, Wellness
Center, 139 S.
40, Omaha
Organization mtg
of local
Chapter of
NAMES
Project, call
Rick 556-3940

JUNE 24 (4th Tuesday)

PFLAG-Lincoln Meeting, 7pm,
Unitarian Church, 6300 "A"
434-9880

JUNE 25 4th Wed)

JULY 1 (1st Tuesday)

AIDS Healing Service, 7pm, St.
Francis Chapel, Lincoln
ANGLE Meeting, 7:30pm, GLBT
Resource Center, Omaha

JULY 2 (1st Wed)

ICON's In Town
Awards &
Show 7:30
Omaha Mining
Co

JULY 6 (1st Sunday)

Frontrunners, 10am, Tow Park Omaha
Heartland Regional Rodeo in Fremont
Portfolio Men at The MAX
Nina Ricci, Q, 9pm, Lincoln
ICON Victory Brunch, Omaha
BBV Celebration, Omaha Mining Company
ICON Victory Show, The MAX, Omaha

JUNE 30 (5th Monday)

ICON Executive
Board Mtg,
6:30pm,
Gilligan's,
Omaha

JULY 7 (1st Mon)

ICON Board
Meeting, Omaha

JULY 8 (2nd Tuesday)

Siouxland AIDS Coalition, 12n,
Red Cross, Sioux City, IA
HIV Support Grp-Women 7-9pm
NAP, 2123 Winthrop, Lincoln
Bi Discussion Grp, 7:30pm
Gathering Place, 15 & E, Lincoln,
Wendy 476-0314

JULY 9 (2nd Wed)

JUNE CALENDAR

EVERY THURSDAY

HIV Tests, NAP, 552-9260, 139 S. 40th, Omaha 7-9:30pm
G/L Alcoholics Anonymous, 7:30pm, Unitarian Church, 6300 "A" Lincoln, Call V.J. 477-3526
Univ of Nebr-Kearney GLBT Grp, 4pm, Student Affairs Bldg., info Call Ronnie at 308-865-8488 or 236-5312
Rainbow Outreach Resource Center, 1719 Leavenworth, Omaha, Open noon-6pm

THURSDAY

JUNE 5 (1st Thursday)

Gay & Lesbian Parents Support Group, 7:30pm, MCC-Omaha
Citizens for Equal Protection, 7pm, Annual Meeting, 1st Unitarian, Omaha
Bar Alternative Gay Group 7:30pm, **Horizon Restaurant**, Sioux City, IA, Info (712) 255-1890/258-6167/255-8528

JUNE 12 (2nd Thursday)

P-FLAG 1st Methodist-Mead Hall, 7020 Cass Omaha 291-6781 7pm
Straight Spouse Suppt Grp 7:30pm, Mead Hall, 1st Methodist 7020 Cass, Room 209, 291-6781
Bi-Net organizational meetin, Pot Luck 7pm **Rainbow Outreach**, 1719 Leavenworth

JUNE 19 (3rd Thursday)

Metro Club, 6:30pm, Neon Goose Omaha
GLAGN Support Group, Grand Island, (308) 384-7235
Bar Alternative Gay Group 7:30p, **Horizon Restaurant**, Sioux City, IA, (712) 255-1890/258-6167/255-8528
"It Takes all Kinds" A Show to Remember @ Q, 9pm, Lincoln

JUNE 26 (4th Thursday)

Rodeo Welcome Party, DC's, Omaha
Heartland Regional Rodeo, Fremont

EVERY FRIDAY

Lesbian Discussion Grp Lincoln 7pm 488-2043
Youth Talkline, 7pm-12m, For callers up to age 23, 473-7932, Lincoln
Network Q, 9pm, Cable Channel 20, Lincoln
Rainbow Outreach GLBT Resource Center, 1719 Leavenworth, Omaha, Open 6-9pm

Al-Anon, 8:15pm, Omaha, Underwood Hills Church
Alcoholics Anonymous Omaha:
"An Alternative" Mens Stag 7pm, Lowe Ave
"Live & Let Live" 8:15pm Underwood Hills
Presbyterian, 851 N. 74th Lincoln: 8pm, Plymouth Congregational, 438-5214

FRIDAY

JUNE 6 (1st Friday)

Womyn's Book Discussion Group, Call Laurie 556-0937
Womyn's Summerfest I, Raccoon River, Des Moines, IA, Call (402) 734-9556 for info
"Murder in the Heartland" Blue Barn Theater, Omaha

JUNE 13 (2nd Friday)

Frontrunners Friday Afternoon Club, Omaha, Omaha Mining Co, 6:30pm
NETV Ginsberg & Glass on The Road, 9pm

JUNE 20 (3rd Friday)

Abigail performs direct from London at Q, 9pm Lincoln

JUNE 27 (4th Friday)

Heartland Regional Rodeo, Fremont

JULY 4 (1st Friday)

ICON PICNIC at Progressive Park \$7 adm., CB Noon-5, Free Bus Rides from Gilligan's
ICON Out of Town Show at DC's 8 PM, \$5 Cover

JULY 11 (2nd Friday)

Frontrunners Friday Afternoon Club, Omaha, 6:30pm

EVERY SATURDAY

Lincoln Women for Sobriety, 10am, Gathering Place, Lincoln, Judith 472-2598
Womens Support Grp, 11am, MCC-Omaha
Youth Support Grp, 291-6781, age 13-21 gay, lesbian, or questioning sexuality, Omaha
Youth Talkline, 7p-12m, 473-7932, Lincoln
Rainbow Outreach, 1719 Leavenworth, Omaha, Open noon-6pm
HIV Testing Outreach Center, 1-4pm, (1st & 3rd Sat.-Women Only; 2nd & 4th Sat.-gen public), 1723 Leavenworth, Omaha

SATURDAY

JUNE 7 (1st Saturday)

Heartland Gay Rodeo Ass'te 5pm, Omaha River City Gender Alliance, for Transgender community (402) 398-1255
Sharon Hosts "Womyn's Dance Contest" with Rusty & Lisa, 7pm, The MAX, Omaha
SNAP Presents "Whoop-Dee-Doo" 8pm, Jewish Community Center, Omaha
EduCable, In the Life, 9pm
Womyn's Summerfest I, Raccoon River
"Murder in the Heartland" Blue Barn Theater, Omaha

JUNE 14 (2nd Saturday)

Frontrunners, 10am, Ford Birth Site, Omaha
Players Club, 2pm Workshop, 8pm Play Party
SAGE Intergenerational Lesbian Coffee House 6-9pm, Lesbian Videos, 7:15pm, 3319 S. 46, Lincoln, 488-4178
GLAGN Pride Picnic, Grand Island
River City Mixed Chorus Pride Concert, Joselyn's Witherspoon Hall, 7:05pm, Omaha

JUNE 21 (3rd Saturday)

Youth Support Grp-Lincoln 4-6pm 434-9880
Pride Picnic, Beer Bust 5pm Alias Jane performs at 8pm, Q, Lincoln

JUNE 28 (4th Saturday)

Frontrunners Run/Walk, 10am, Ford Birth Site, Omaha
PFLAG-Sioux Falls, SD, 1pm (605)334-5508
Heartland Regional Rodeo, Fremont

JULY 5 (1st Saturday)

ICON's CORONATION 17 at Paxton Ballroom 6pm Adm. \$20

JULY 12 (2nd Saturday)

Frontrunners, 10am, Ford Birth Site, Omaha
Players Club, 2pm Workshop, 8pm Play Party
SAGE Intergenerational Lesbian Coffee House 6-9pm, Lesbian Videos, 7:15pm, 3319 S. 46, Lincoln, 488-4178

JULY 3 (1st Thursday)

CFEP, 7pm, 1st Unitarian, Omaha
G/L Parents, 7:30pm, Omaha
Bar Alternative Gay Group 7:30pm, **Horizon Restaurant**, Sioux City, IA, Info (712) 255-1890/258-6167/255-8528

JULY 10 (2nd Thursday)

P-FLAG 1st Methodist-Mead Hall, 7020 Cass Omaha 291-6781 7pm
Straight Spouse Suppt Grp 7:30pm, Mead Hall, 1st Methodist 7020 Cass, Room 209, 291-6781
Bi-Net organizational meetin, Pot Luck 7pm **Rainbow Outreach**, 1719 Leavenworth

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What a month! There's the concert, the parade, the rodeo and then it's July again! You won't have time to lay out in the sun but a tan only takes 10 minutes at St. Mary's Tan, 2202 St. Mary's Ave., 341-3740.

Go Online locally with TrianGLe BBS, a Gay and Lesbian computer system. 24 hours. Call (402) 597-2908 with your modem now! (Ju97)

FOR SALE - Bernhardt China Hutch 2 piece Bernhardt Table w/2 leaves, 1 Bernhardt Arm Chair and 5 side Chairs. Whole set for \$1000.00. Broyhill Server with inlaid marble top \$400.00. Entertainment Center Oak Finish 47 1/2" wide X 15 1/2" deep X 48" high. \$100.00. Call Rick 402-556-3940 (Ju97)

Entertainers of all kinds available for company picnics, business promotions, birthdays, and more. Clowns, magicians, dancers, and more. Call Allen Dean Davis Entertainment, (402) 697-1593. Email: ALLENLAUGH@aol.com (Ju97)

ORGANIZATIONS EVERYONE WELCOME!

Wanted: Anyone interested in forming a Nebraska/Iowa Chapter of the NAMES Project, please contact Rick 556-3940. Hope to have our first meeting on June 18, 6pm (Ju97)

Attend the Imperial Court of Nebraska (ICON) Board Meeting **Monday, June 2**, at The MAX, 1417 Jackson, Omaha, 7:00 p.m.

PERSONAL GROWTH GROUP - has openings for serious-minded men interested in self, spiritual growth. (Not a sex club.) Discreet, selective. Ph. 556-5685 after 8pm. Ask for Mark (Ju97)

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FOR RENT

Male to share house with. \$250 & 1/2 utilities. Non-smoker. Call 1-402-379-1295 Norfolk area. Leave message. (Ju97)

One Bedroom House, Near 15th & Center. Some Furniture, pets OK, not bad for price. \$250.00 + utilities. Credit Checked. 345-7081 (Ju97)

PERSONALS

Women Seeking Women

BiWF, 36, seeks other feminine bi-white females (30 - 45) for friendship and intimacy. Serious inquiries only. Must be mature, very sincere, honest, and discreet. Call 731-9246. Ask for Mary. No Drugs or Alcohol. Please leave discreet message on machine. (Ju97)

PERSONALS for Men

Young and sweet. Polar bear 285 lbs, blond hair, blue eyes in search of that special young male 18 - 30 that appreciates the company of a 46 year old professional male. I am a non-smoker who is honest, sincere, and plays no games. No drugs but casual drinking. I enjoy dining out, movies, music, quiet times, long walks, and especially cuddling. If you would like a relationship with an authority figure who will take charge, then please call 727-8583 (local) evenings but not late, late. (Ju97)

Where do the hottest gay men of Omaha meet online? — The Triangle BBS — 24 hours. Requirements: PC or Macintosh, terminal program. PC users - use HyperTerminal. Multiple chat lines. Not a 900 number! http://gayomaha.home.ml.org for info. The dial-in number is (402) 597-2908 (Modem). Call Now. See big ad elsewhere in New Voice. (Ju97)

Prof GWM, 36, 130#, Nice Butt, Workout, Enjoy going to movies, dinner, Listen music, quiet evenings at home seeking GWM 20 - 45 for Friendship/Possible Relationship. Please respond to: Alan, PO Box 31054, Omaha, NE 68131 (Au97)

Want to watch a hot group number?
June 15. The MAX.

Sweet, simple gay male, older, monogamous, would like to know one man who desires a close and lasting commitment. 1245 County Road 32, Tekamah, NE 68061-4014 (Ju97)

Gay Male seeks Gay/Bi male 21-35 to share nice house, maybe more. Southwest Omaha. Nonsmoking. \$275 mo. 593-7217 (Ju97)

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Seeking Safe, Fun Times

(Editor's Note: We deeply apologize for the typographical error which occurred in this ad in last month's magazine.)

GWM, HIV-, Looking for WELL-HUNG GWM, 20-40 for safe fun time. Why don't you cum on over. 457-4271 (My97)

BiWM, 50's, New to scene, seeks experienced Black. Try anything. Have home can entertain. You won't be disappointed. "Joe" 553-3060 (Ju97)

3 ways, groups and more. Are you man enough? Meet me at The MAX June 15 (Ju97)

GWM, HIV-, Looking for Well-hung GWM, Ages 20 - 40. If you want to get a load off your mind, call 457-4271 (Ju97)

Leather/S&M

Tall Bottom, 36, needs older experienced Tapes, 35-65 for merciless spankings, stinging leather, tight mescapable bondage culminating in oral worship training on my knees before you and your friends! Interested? Black/white. James 597-3654 (Ju97)

BARE IMAGES Body Piercing, Professional, Discreet, In-Home Service Available. Come to Omaha's Senior Piercer (She's Queer, Too!) Call Amy 451-7987 (Ap 98)

Leather Jackets, Vests, Chaps, Pants, Caps, Gloves, Boots, Etc. Phil's Fun Stuff, Box 431, Decorah, Iowa 52101-0431 (FREE PRICE LIST) (Ju97)

Bottom Wannabe, looking for 1st time Bottom experience. Help me fulfill longtime fantasy. Large endowments really excites me. Will travel for right experience. Bob 308-384-9927 (Ju97)

Anyone interested in getting rid of used leather please contact Steven Foster, Box 5705, Lincoln, NE 68505. Let me know the sizes along with the price for it. Arm Bands, Chaps, Jocks, Shorts, Pants, Hats, Jackets, etc. (Au97)

Father's Day. Meet Daddy at the MAX.
June 15.

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Nebraska

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WE CAN WORK IT OUT The Gay community around here is so boring that I can't find if I'm a very good looking, 18 year old, White male, 5'11, 145lbs, with Brown hair and Blue eyes. I want to meet other Gay guys who want to hang out, party, and see what's going on. (Lincoln) #33840

SEEKING YOUR INPUT I'm a masculine, Bi male looking to hook up. What do you think of that? (Lincoln) #32936

DANCE IN MY PANTS I'm looking for other guys to have fun with. I'm an attractive, White male, 6'1, 202lbs, with Blond hair, Blue eyes, a mustache and goatee, and medium build. I like movies, theater, dance, and whatever else we can get into. (Lincoln) #32231

THAT OLD FEELING Now that it's spring, I'm looking for some fun to spring right into. I'm a good looking, 35 year old, White male, 5'7, 160lbs. (Lincoln) #31249

VIDEOPHYLE This good looking, horny, 30 year old, White male, seeks other hot men for safe times. I love to watch videos and get off. Wanna join me? (Lincoln) #31133

LAUGHS AND LOVE looking for fun? Good times? Do you have a variety of interests? Let's talk. I'm a 32 year old guy, 5'7, 170lbs, with Black hair and Brown eyes, I wanna meet Hispanic men for laughs and love. (Lincoln) #30755

OUT TO THE BALLGAME I'm an intelligent, good natured, White male, 6'1, 350lbs, into sports and movies. I want to make friends to go out with. (Lincoln) #24223

MAKE FIREWORKS GO OFF This 5'6, White male is looking for exciting new friends for freaky fun. Don't doubt; I have the equipment to make you happy. (Lincoln) #22624

CHEERS I'm a Gay, White male, in my early thirties, with average looks. I'm a total bottom. I want to have a relationship with another guy in the area. (Lincoln) #30588

I SAW YOU CHECKING ME OUT If you're the type of guy who sneaks peeks at hairy, Married guys, you may not know that some of us are peeking back. I'm a 32 year old, Married, Bi male, 5'10, 150lbs, with dark hair and a hairy body. I want to have so much good, discreet fun that we both come back for more. (Lincoln) #30445

SQUEEZE ME IF YOU DARE This 39 year old, Irishman, is 5'9, 230lbs. I carry it very well. I want to have good times with other men. Little polar bears are a plus. Relationship possible. (Lincoln) #30417

GET IT ON This good looking, Married, Bi, White male seeks discreet men, in the area, to get it on with. (Lincoln) #29903

WHILE THE WIFE'S AWAY My wife's out of town for a while and I want to get off over the phone. I'm a masculine, muscular, 28 year old, construction worker, 6'1, 210lbs. I'm very closeted and very Bi. Call if you're a muscular, aggressive top because I've got a lot to say to you. (Lincoln) #29425

SEEK ADVENTURE HERE I'm a nice looking, well educated, professional, Black male who is looking to connect with other guys for good times. I'm 35, 5'11, 175lbs, with a nice build. I'm very easy going and have a variety of interests. Be adventurous and give me a call. (Lincoln) #11875



MR. AMERICA I'm an all American, Gay, White male, 5'10, 165lbs, with Brown hair, Blue eyes, and a fit, smooth build. I'm masculine, clean cut, and attractive. I'm looking for good friends, between 20 and 50, to have fun with. You should be in good shape, smooth, and appreciate an honest, sensitive, down to earth, and perceptive male. Let's talk. (Lincoln) #14211

INTENSE IMAGININGS I'm a little shy about this as I haven't tried it before. I'm a clean, inexperienced, Bi curious male. I want to find out if reality is as fun as my imaginings. Please be very discreet. (Lincoln) #12479

INITIATE ME I'm looking for a man for my first Gay experience. I'm a 25 year old, Single, White male, 5'11, 145lbs, with a very slender build. I am attracted to guys under 25, who are skinny and smooth. (Lincoln) #11248

YOU KNOW WHERE IT GOES I'm new to the neighborhood and want to meet masculine, preppy jock types who'd like to show me a good time. I'm a 30 year old, White male who's tall, dark and handsome. I like other straight acting guys, between 18 and 28, who are aggressive tops and know where to put it. (Lincoln) #28096

BLADE RUNNER I want to find someone masculine and tender to spend time, and enjoy life with. I'm an attractive, 20 year old, Gay, White male, who likes Star Trek, reading, and hiking, biking, and rollerblading outdoors. (Lincoln) #27468

CORNHUSKER COUNTRY Sexy voiced Gay, White male, 29 with Brown hair and Blue eyes wants to have good times with other men between 18 and 30 in southeast Nebraska. (Lincoln) #24813

AFRO ASIAN SUMMIT I'm a very well endowed, African American male. I'll bet that got your attention. I want to meet a masculine, discreet Asian, especially Vietnamese male for fun and friendship. You should be an enthusiastic bottom. Make use of my tool. (Lincoln) #24525

OH MY, IN OMAHA My roommate and I are interested in making friends to get together with regularly. He is a 31 year old, Latin male, 5'11, with Brown hair and eyes. I am a White male, 37, tall, look younger, oft, 180lbs, with Brown hair and eyes. Let's shake the rollers. (Lincoln) #24733

VIRILE AND VERSATILE This good looking, 32 year old, White male, 6'2, 175lbs, with Brown hair and Blue eyes enjoys being both a top and a bottom. I want to meet other Gay, or Bi, men for good times. (North Platte) #29116

CHEEKY CHAP I'm a good looking masculine, White male, who's been pretty naughty lately. I think I need to be spanked. I like to shave my legs and bottom, so there will be nothing between me and your hand. (Omaha) #33685

ASSORTED AMUSEMENTS I'm looking for fun loving guys, my age and younger, who want to hook up for good times. I'm an attractive, clean shaven, White male, 31, 5'9, with short Brown hair and Blue eyes. My interests are quite varied so I'm sure we can find something to amuse us. (Omaha) #32374

JUST A HINT OF ME I'd rather talk to you in person than leave all my stats for the world to see. I'm a masculine, White male, 6'1, 240lbs, with a variety of interests. Call for the nitty gritty. (Omaha) #30071

GETTING TO KNOW YOU Down home guy wants to get to know you. I'm a White male, 5'11, 165lbs. I consider myself cute. I like to sit around watching movies, and getting to know people. I also like the bars, theaters, and having fun, in general. What should I know about you? (Lincoln) #23120

I'M RUNNING TO YOU I'd like to make new friends with the idea that one of them will become my life partner. I'm a physically active, Gay, White male, 5'5, 140lbs, with Blond hair, and Blue eyes. I like to work out, and I run four miles every day. I'd like to meet guys in the area, but I go to Omaha almost every weekend. (Norfolk) #27357

COME OUT AND PLAY I wanna meet some guys for friendship and fun. I'm a nice looking, 35 year old, White male, bottom, 5'11, 170lbs, with light Brown hair and Blue eyes. Obviously, I prefer to meet tops. (North Fork) #32914

WANT TO MEET GUYS I'm a good looking, 32 year old, White male, 6'2, 175lbs, with Brown hair and Blue eyes enjoys being both a top and a bottom. I want to meet other Gay, or Bi, men for good times. (North Platte) #29116

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GOOD FRIEND I'm just looking for some nice guys to meet in the area. I'm a 19 year old, White male, 5'6, 140lbs. (Omaha) #30071

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FORTUNE COOKIE I want to meet some nice guys to have fun times with. I'm a handsome, 43 year old, Hispanic male, 152lbs, with Black hair and Hazel eyes. I have a good sense of humor, and enjoy movies, music, Chinese restaurants, and dancing. (Omaha) #30480

DOWN FOR THE COUNT

I want to meet other hot men interested in wrestling. I'm a 29 year old, professional, White male, 6ft, 165lbs, with Brown hair and eyes. I'm clean cut, attractive, and can't wait to get you on the mat. (Omaha) #16888

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TIONAL I'm an average guy, looking for an average counterpart. I'm a 47 year old, college educated man, 6ft, with average looks and build. I have a stable job, and life, but would like to add you to the equation. You should be between 45 and 60, with a typical lifestyle, and a good attitude. Call and let's talk. (Omaha) #26413



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MADE FOR MAKE-UP I'd like to meet Transsexuals and Transvestites who would like to help me dress up, and do my make-up. I especially need help with the make-up but would also like to consult about my skirts and lingerie. I'm a good looking White male, 6'5, with Brown hair and Blue eyes. Maybe we can mess around, too. (Omaha) #15270

HIT THE SHOWERS This good looking, slim guy is looking for other attractive, smooth men to get kinky with. My favorite thing is to urinate on my partner while they get off. Let's talk. (Omaha) #30128

DRESS IT UP This passive, Bi male, 50, seeks a younger man who is creative and adventurous. I want to be topped but I also want companionship. I'm interested in Transvestites, Transsexuals, and crossdressers. Maybe we can dress up together. (Omaha) #10947

SLIM GUYS IN LEVIS I like masculine men who know what they want and who like being pleased. I'm a mature, White male, 5'9, 160lbs, I especially like Straight and Bi men. I'm also turned on by slim guys in Levis. (Omaha) #28980

LUSTY NIGHTS I'm interested in evening get togethers with other attractive guys, 31 or younger. I'm an extremely good looking, White male, age 31. I'm mostly a bottom but can be versatile. I'm especially interested in Bi men. Let's hook up, rip our clothes off, and have rowdy fun. (Omaha) #28677

IGNITE THE FLAME Let's get something started right away. This nice looking, 34 year old, Gay, White male, 200lbs, with Brown hair and eyes, likes movies, music, dancing, and long walks. I want to make some new friends and see what happens. (Omaha) #28689



NEWLY SUBMISSIVE

I'm feeling very submissive. I'm new to this arena, so I need an experienced, dominant top, to show me the way. I'm mature, 5'11, 215lbs. I'm very open to trying new things. If you're Black, you get big points before we even get started! (Omaha) #24797

CHECK YOUR WATCH It's time to check me out. I'm a 32 year old, Bi male, in the Omaha area. I'm looking to meet other guys, fun and friendly. I'm 5'7, 185, with dark hair, and Gray eyes. I work out a lot, and have a very muscular build. Don't let another second pass. (Omaha)

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NEED YOU IN NEBRASKA

MALE I'm stationed in the military outside Omaha and want to hook up with hot guys, 18 to 28, for fun. I'm an extremely attractive, White male, 20, 5'7, 140lbs, with a good build, and a great smile. I'm a submissive bottom. Sir, yes sir! (Omaha) #13580

MUTUAL IN OMAHA I'm looking for other good guys to build friendships with in the area. I'm a 31 year old, White male, 5'9, 160lbs, with short Brown hair, Brown eyes, clean shaven face, and a slim build. I'm open to all types of fun. (Omaha) #12519

YOU PULL THE STRINGS I'm looking for an older man, who appreciates the company of a young, handsome stud. I'm a very good looking, submissive, 24 year old, Bi male. I need an authority figure to take charge. (Omaha) #10314

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ME If you have the right attitude, I'll be anything you want me to be. I'm a young, good looking, Bi male, with a great butt. I want to meet assertive men, who'd love to get their hands on it, if you know what I mean. (Omaha) #24988

BOYS IN THE HOOD I'm 5'9, 145lbs, clean cut and normal. I'm just looking for other guys in the central Nebraska area to meet and have good times with and maybe more. #22172

NE-BI-SKA This Bi guy, in central Nebraska, wants to hook up with other men. I'm 27, 5'9, 195lbs, with Brown hair, Brown eyes, a mustache and goatee. I know you're out there. #2750

FRIENDS AND FUN I'm 25 years old, 5'8, 150lbs, with Brown hair and eyes. I live in central Nebraska, and I'm looking to find new friends and have some fun. Would you like to be my friend? It could be fun. #22891

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