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## IT'S BEEN TEN YEARS....

By Sharon Van Butsel

There comes a time when even those of us who use denial as their primary coping mechanism must deal with reality. It has now been ten years since I became involved with *The New Voice*. And it has been ten years since Carla and I decided to become a couple.

The other night Carla told someone that, when she came to Omaha, she married me and *The New Voice*. I guess that is true. Every month for ten years, *The New Voice* has consumed much of our life and has helped define our identities. Every month for ten years, our names and our telephone number has been distributed to approximately 2000 people across the country. And every month for ten years we have scheduled activities, vacations, and sometimes even work around *The New Voice* deadlines.

It was in December of 1987 that I was sitting on a speaker down at The MAX, swinging my legs back and forth and waiting for my turn to rehearse for a benefit show for MCC. A couple months earlier, I had sat in on a meeting while community leaders tried to decide what to do with *The New Voice*. I had left the meeting, feeling comfortable that the owners of The MAX would take over the magazine and make it into a slick, for-profit publication. However, I was new to the community and unaware of the momentum that Pat Phalen and Terry Sweeney can generate. They had mobilized a group of volunteers and

had just taken over publication of *The New Voice* as an all-volunteer, community service publication with Jerry Peck as editor. They had just finished putting together the January, 1988 issue and had identified one concern. Jerry Peck was not someone who took the middle road, nor was he someone who went out of his way to be politically correct, nor was he someone who was especially sympathetic to women's issues. This could create a problem. So, the new steering committee of *The New Voice* had decided to add a woman as a "co-editor." And here I was--not Jerry Peck's favorite person anyway--with Terry Sweeney asking if I would be willing to accept the position of "co-editor" or "associate editor" or some such title. I said yes and the rest is history.

I attended the next steering committee meeting, taking my duties very seriously, and campaigning for equal inclusion for women in everything -- including objecting to *The New Voice* auctioning or raffling off a male nude unless they had another item that would appeal to the womyn's community. Needless to say, it was a stressful meeting, made more so because Jerry was quite ill that day and still trying to chair the meeting. So stressful, in fact, that Jerry resigned as editor immediately after the meeting, leaving me as the "in-charge" person, first as "acting editor" and then as "editor."

Next month will be the final issue of *The New Voice*. I will be including some of the high (and the low) points from my career as editor and I have invited the other members of the steering committee to do the same. I've also asked former members of the steering committee to give us their comments about the magazine. We will also be including reprints of some articles from earlier issues and outlining the major events in the history of *The New Voice of Nebraska*. As we close the door on this part of the history of the GLBT community in Nebraska, we also invite you, our readers to submit your comments and/or memories that involve *The New Voice*. Just please remember that our deadline is the 10th of the month, so any and all submissions must be in our hands no later than January 12. (Why should we try to stick to a deadline now? We haven't done it in the last ten years.)

Until next month, I leave you with a line from one of my favorite songs, "It's been ten years, and a thousand tears... it's been a hundred trials and a million smiles..." As we go to press with our final issue, we will share some of those tears and those smiles with you.



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Specifically, the comment that the business was being sold "outside the community" seems to have connotations that the business would not remain the same friendly place to tan as when Duane Schomer was in charge.

I can assure you I have done business with the new owner for a number of years. Their current business continues to support the Gay and Transgendered.

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# FROM THE POOP SHEET

by Ace Lundon  
Nationally Syndicated Columnist

Well kiss ma' grits and butter ma' buns! So he says to me: "You now, I'm kinda jealous of you gay folks, you really don't have the responsibilities we straight folks have with kids and spouses. You even get to go on expensive vacations every year if you want to. Where you gonna leave all your money when you die?!"

It seemingly was just an idle comment but it started me thinking and wondering how many other straights think we have it better than they do or are just a wee bit jealous. Of course, it's always greener on the other side of the fence, isn't it? It might also be said that my friend was only looking at the gays he was acquainted with through his business circles, which would have only allowed him to know those in the higher income bracket. This certainly isn't the majority of us, however, as most I know are just like me: struggling to make the rent and pay for our other goodies.

Granted: many of us do not have the responsibilities of raising kids, but he also didn't realize there ARE many of us who were or still are married with children we're raising; so we do realize that children who leave the nest never really do leave the nest and we do have money problems just as "they" do. We're more like him that he may have imagined.

Yeah, there really is a lack of knowledge in the straight community, not only about being gay but also about our so-called lifestyle, which truly isn't much different from their so-called lifestyle. For every individual there is a singular, distinctive lifestyle which may or may not reflect the average or "normal" lifestyle of the group entity in its stereo-typicality.

I am a bit amused though, realizing there are straights who think being gay is being better off than being straight in the areas of finances, responsibilities, recreation time, etc. It also amuses me to see they realize they can't be gay themselves even if they might want all of the so-called plus factors they naively believe we have. This should be a wake-up for them to realize we also can't be straight even if we might want to, but sometimes logic is so illusive?

Now, outside of the fact that maybe only a very small % of our community is truly rich enough to be able to buy what they want when they want it, or, to go on expensive world vacations yearly, the rest of us "pofolk" gays and lesbians are in financial shoes very little different from the average straight. We budget. We pinch pennies. We plan vacations months or even years ahead of time. We don't go to Doctors because of cost factors. We are just average folks.

As far as responsibilities? Straights with kids aren't the only responsible people. We have to be as responsible as anyone. Maybe we don't have kids to raise and send through College... so what! A goodly number of us do have "spouses" or lifemates. This is a very costly custom!!

Responsibility looms before anyone, straight or gay, who chooses a "spouse" or lifemate and that responsibility grows if one chooses to have children; some straights have them, some don't. Lord knows my mate and I wanted a baby, but it never happened. We were probably very much like the straight childless couples in this aspect.

The idea that gays and lesbians are financially well off because we have fewer responsibilities than straights, or the idea that we are a group of irresponsible, footloose, fancy free fairies who date and spend big bucks only on ourselves!!? Well, how very fanciful an idea. Straights who may believe this have overlooked the fact we are not all Queen Mothers and Princesses. 99% of our community live in servitude even if they do ideate the fantasy of being Royalty. So anyway dahling, where are you spending your yearly vacation this year?

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

Mr. Lundon is former Mg. Editor of Zipper Magazine and The Coast to Coast Times.

His autobiographical legacy: *The Closets Are Empty... The Dining Room's Full* is in hardcover by Ponderosa Publishing House. Visa/MC orders: 800-356-9315.

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# THE FIRST NATIONAL FREEDOM TO MARRY DAY: FEBRUARY 12

By Mike Orr

Why February 12, 1998? On that day, Americans will remember Abraham Lincoln, a champion of equality for all citizens. We will also be preparing for our annual celebration of love, Valentine's Day. It's a day to honor equality and to think of love... in other words, the perfect day for gay and lesbian Americans and our allies to declare our commitment to securing the rights and responsibilities of civil marriage for all Americans, regardless of sexual orientation.

But declarations, no matter how eloquent, won't be enough: long before February 12, we'll need to reach out to our neighbors, our families, and our communities. We will not succeed unless we can build support among our non-gay fellow students, co-workers, teammates, and brothers and sisters in faith.

National Freedom to Marry Day is an opportunity for gay and lesbian groups and our non-gay allies across the nation to reach out to the public and to engage, from now until our culminating February 12 celebration, in a nationwide conversation about equal marriage rights and responsibilities.

With the decision in Hawaii imminent (it will most likely arrive this winter according to our best sources), we will soon be starring in a heady and turbulent chapter in American history. Without hard, inclusive, and thoughtful outreach and education, that flash flood of cultural energy will make the gays in the military backlash of '93 feel like a spring shower.

National Freedom to Marry Day is a way to bundle all of our outreach and education efforts together, thus strengthening those efforts and focusing a national spotlight on them. The outreach starts now: neighbor by neighbor, club by club, congregation by congregation. If we do this weekly work, we'll have a broad coalition of Americans standing together on February 12 to declare loud and clear that marriage is a fundamental civil right which should be available to all, regardless of sexual orientation.

We hope National Freedom to Marry Day will accomplish four aims:

1. To help us focus our work week by week between now and then;
2. To provide us multiple occasions to reach out to our non-gay allies and future allies;
3. To instigate an ongoing campaign of public education, and;
4. On the day itself, to attract media attention to our cause.

As seasoned civil rights leaders, you will undoubtedly have many thoughts about how to lay the outreach groundwork for these National Freedom to Marry Day events. Please share them with each other and with us. In our minds, four key components deserve special attention between now and February 12:

1. Planning local Freedom to Marry Day events on February 12 which motivate both non-gay/lesbian and gay and lesbian Americans;
2. Collecting marriage resolution signatories to be unveiled on February 12. We hope to have 2000 signatories by February 12; please consult with us about your local target goal. For the Marriage Resolution guidelines, please contact Lambda Legal Defense and Education Fund;
3. Engaging in local dialogues with the persuadable majority in your area. Town Hall meetings, for example, or a night of sharing at a local church or school where gay and lesbian couples can explain why marriage matters to them;
4. Building fruitful relationships with the media. A Freedom to marry working group of media specialists is working with the national and major local market media and is happy to help you do the same.

Your events and the outreach and education efforts leading up to them will be your own. We will simply offer you as many resources as we have and act as a clearinghouse for event coordinators across the nation. The most useful ideas and strategies will be coming from you. If you share them with us, we will make sure others can benefit from them.

For more information, call Christopher Calhoun, National Freedom to Marry Day Committee contact person: 213-860-7352, Fax 213-860-7369, e-mail [laftmc@aol.com](mailto:laftmc@aol.com). You can also contact Lambda Legal Defense & Education Fund at 212-809-8585.

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Citizens for Equal Protection (Toy Giveaway)	\$ 100
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A Christmas Gift Drawing was held, as well as enjoying the great rustic atmosphere that the Raccoon River has to offer.

## DOS FALLOPIA AT WITHERSPOON FEBRUARY 20

Dos Fallopi, a kamikaze comedy duo from Seattle will make their first Midwest appearance on Friday, February 20, at the Witherspoon Concert Hall of the Joselyn Art Museum. The pair, Lisa Koch and Peggy Platt, discovered their comedic talents while doing laundry in the Pacific Northwest. Several years and many risky jokes later, they have played to sold out houses and theatres on both coasts and have vowed to continue with the hilarious brand of music and sketch comedy for as long as audiences enjoy it.

This duo combines music, sketch comedy, improv, razor sharp wit, feminist politics and general lunacy to produce an evening of widely-funny commentary from a woman's point of view. With characters like British grunge rockers

The Surly Bitches, dysfunctional mother-daughter superstars The Spudds, a flower child couple The Mamas and the Peter, Martina! The Musical, the feminist performance duo Mud (Compost Morning Dew and Dolphin-Free Tuna Woman), and Fran and Annie's 12-step Day Care, Dos Fallopi create their own skewed version of an all-star evening of entertainment.

Lisa Koch is an irreverent singer-songwriter-comedian-actor who has performed nationally and internationally with a diverse group of artists including Steve Martin, Dave Brubeck, Suzanne Westenhoefer, and Holly Near. She is a member of the Seattle cult band VENUS ENVY and still manages to find time to work as a producer and composer, co-writing several musicals.

Peggy Platt, voted Seattle's Best Comic for nine years, has worked as a stand-up comic primarily on the west coast. She has appeared on Showtime and was seen in the feature film, "Harry and the Hendersons." She also works as an actress performing in a variety of Seattle theatres and with Lisa co-wrote and produced many cabaret shows including "Bewigged, Bothered, and Bananas," and "Pretty Girls, Not Too Bright."

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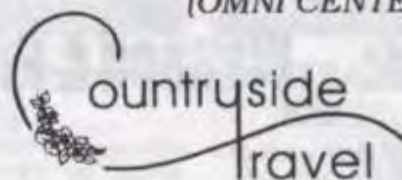
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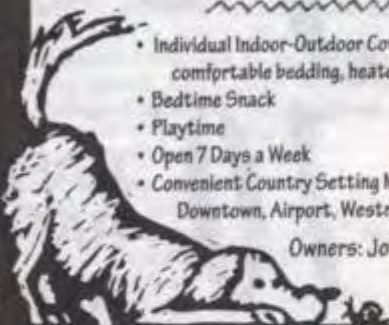
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# Jolly January

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Sunday, Jan. 11, 9 p.m.

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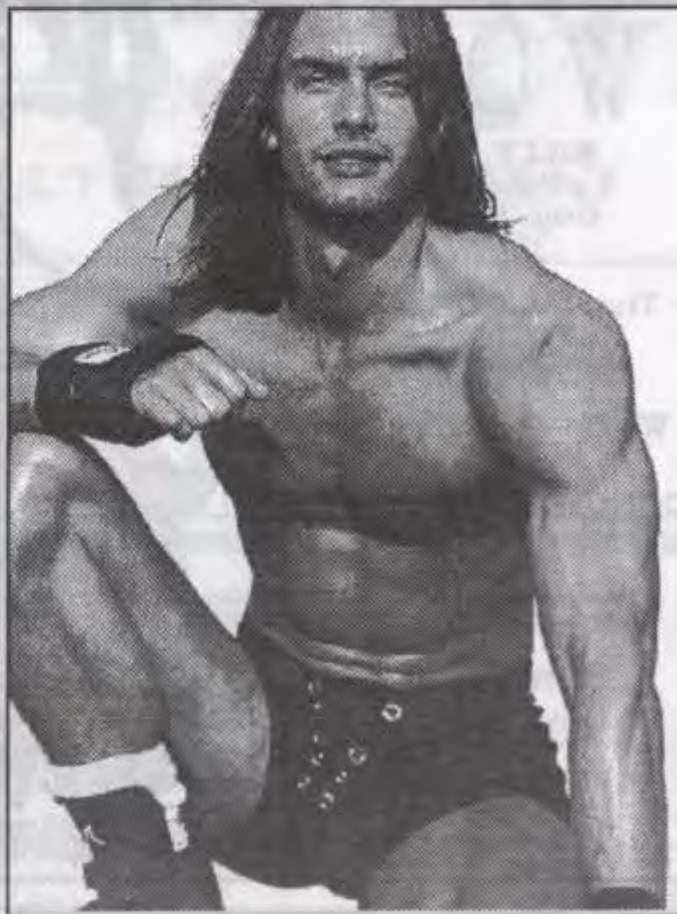
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## JANUARY AT CLUB 15

Club 15 is promising to meet everyone's needs during January as they continue with their "specials" each night of the week.

Monday at Club 15 is Men's Night, while Wednesday is Ladies' Night. Tuesday features singing along with Karaoke while Thursday is Rhythm and Blues night. Friday there is Dancing to the Oldies and Sunday is Beer Bust!

Special events during January include the Imperial Court's annual SnoBall Celebration on January 10. Hosted by Board Members Michael Lyons and Michael Claar aka Montana, this show will feature the quality performance you have come to expect. January 31 brings Dieter Pepsi and Muffy Rosenberg to the stage. This promises to be a night of surprises and delights. And on other Saturday nights during January, enjoy the talented Club 15 Review as they sing and dance for your enjoyment.

## GLAGN DANCE FIRST EVENT OF '98

The Gay and Lesbian Association of Greater Nebraska will hold its first event of 1998 on January 24 when the group will converge on the Sundowner in Grand Island and will dance the night away.

February 21 will be the annual "Hearts of Fire" Drag Show and benefit for Nebraska AIDS Project. This show always features superb entertainers from Omaha and Lincoln along with the best from Greater Nebraska. The show is always standing room only, so plan to arrive early. The location for "Hearts of Fire" has not yet been determined, so watch for your GLAGN newsletter or contact the group for more details.

March 21 will be GLAGN's annual "Vegas Night" and April 18 will be GLAGN's Prom '98.

## RAINBOW OUTREACH COFFEE TALKS

Please join other men and women in the community for an informal discussion group exploring issues that affect our lives. Come and talk, or just listen. The coffee talks are held at the Center (1719 Leavenworth) on the second and fourth Sundays of the month, starting at 3:00 pm. Durrin and Missy will be serving coffee, of course, along with other refreshments. If you have suggestions for future discussion topics, call the center at 341-0330.

In addition, the center also sponsors movie nights every Friday evening beginning at 7:45 pm. The center is open Monday through Friday, 6pm - 9pm and Saturday, noon - 6pm.

Why don't you stop by and see us some time?

## MCC-OMAHA TO CELEBRATE 24 YEARS

January 25 will mark 24 years since the signing of the charter which made Metropolitan Community Church of Omaha an official part of the Universal Fellowship of Metropolitan Community Churches. MCC-Omaha first met in individual homes and then in the First Unitarian Church, becoming chartered and moving into their first church home in 1974. Since then, MCC-Omaha has been a vital force in the GLBTS community in Omaha and the surrounding area.

The celebration of the 24th anniversary of the church will include a dinner on Saturday, January 24, followed by a "Clown" service. A Clown service is a worship service done entirely in mime. Those attending these special services report that they find them quite inspiring. For details on the dinner or on the worship service, contact the church office at 345-2563. During the Sunday morning worship, there will be special recognition of the many volunteers who help keep the church alive.

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# IRIS PHOENIX SCHOLARSHIP FUND

## IRIS PHOENIX SCHOLARSHIP FUND FINANCIAL REPORT

as of 12/15/97

Submitted by Carla Petersen, Treasurer

Account Opened 5/23/97

	Income	Expenses	Balance
Initial Deposit	\$ 892.56		\$ 892.56
June Donations	\$ 909.00		\$1801.56
Check Printing		\$ 19.08	\$1782.48
June Donations	\$ 205.00		\$1987.48
(Aug) Scholarship		\$ 800.00	\$1187.48
Sept. Donations	\$ 125.00		\$1312.48
(Sept)Scholarship		\$800.00	\$ 512.48
Nov. Donations	\$ 458.50		\$ 970.98
Dec. Donations	\$ 100.00		\$1070.98
	\$ 822.54		\$1893.52
<b>Ending Balance as of 12/15/97</b>		<b>\$1893.52</b>	

Applications are now available for scholarships from the Iris Phoenix Scholarship Fund. Applications must be returned by May 15, 1998. Scholarships will be awarded at Coronation 18 of the Imperial Court of Nebraska to be held June 28, 1998. Applications are available at the Rainbow Outreach GLBT Resource Center, Metropolitan Community Church of Omaha, and by mail by calling (402) 556-9907.

The Iris Phoenix Scholarship Fund was established in March, 1997 to provide scholarships to students who are residents of Iowa and Nebraska or are registered to attend a school in Iowa or Nebraska and who identify themselves as gay, lesbian, bisexual, transgendered or as the child of a parent who identifies as gay, lesbian, bisexual, or transgendered.

The Scholarship Fund was the brainchild of Phoenix Fallentino, Empress 16 of the Imperial Court of Nebraska, who felt strongly that education was the

key to a positive future for members of the GLBT community. She recognized that prejudice and stereotyping still exist in our society, causing many students who are gay, lesbian, bisexual, or transgendered have a more difficult time obtaining a higher education. Some lose the financial and emotional support of their parents and family of origin when their sexual identity becomes known. Some are literally thrown out of their homes and left to fend for themselves on the streets during their teenage years. Others find themselves forced into low-paying positions because of the prejudice of employers and their lack of marketable job skills. Others find they cannot cope with the emotional stress of attending classes with students who may verbally and even physically attack them, and so drop out of school at an early age. In order to meet the needs of these individuals, who are frequently "non-traditional" students, scholarships may be used for any school or college beyond the high school level.

Individuals wishing to apply for scholarships are asked to submit written applications, including their educational goals, statement of financial need, personal references, and a personal statement including any community service activities. These applications are reviewed by an independent panel of judges, who rank the applicants in each of the five (5) categories (gay, lesbian, bisexual, transgendered, or the child of a gay, lesbian, bisexual, or transgendered person). Scholarships are awarded to the individuals ranking highest in each of the categories. If there are funds available, additional scholarships may then be awarded in each category in order of the ranking received. Scholarships may be paid to any school or provider of services for expenses necessary to continue higher education (i.e. housing, supplies, books).

Last July the first two Iris Phoenix Scholarships were awarded in the amount of \$800 each, one to a lesbian student attending the University of Nebraska at Omaha and the other to a gay male graduate student attending the University of Nebraska at Kearney.

To this point, all funding for the Iris Phoenix Scholarship Fund has come from private donations and from fundraising activities within the community. Donations may be sent to:

ICON Foundation  
Box 3772  
Omaha, NE 68103

## MISS MAX IN JANUARY

January may be one of the coldest months of the year, but it is also one of the HOTTEST months as we look forward to the crowning of the new Miss MAX on January 25.

During this last year, Miss MAX 13 Ashley Simone has established herself as one of the premier impersonators in the city. Ashley's trim figure and high energy dancing won the hearts of the audience, but she has continued to woo her admirers with elegant costumes, romantic ballads, and an occasional dash of good-natured fun. On January 25 Ashley will pass her crown on to the new Miss MAX, but first you will be treated to Miss MAX Stepdown Show, and to Miss MAX in review! Like we said, Miss MAX has taken over the month of January!

All kidding aside, Miss MAX is one of the premier pageants of Omaha. Under the guidance of show director Jim Gau, the pageant brings out the best of Omaha's female impersonators. You can be assured that the set will be awe inspiring as Tom Cech continues to pull out all stops with his incredible set designs. It's hard to imagine that he will top what he did with Dorian's Birthday party, but you just never know!

It is Miss MAX, January 25. Don't Miss It!

## RIVER CITY MIXED CHORUS WINTER CONCERT

The 45 member River City Mixed Chorus will hold its Winter Concert at 7:05pm on January 31 at Witherspoon Concert Hall at Joslyn Art Museum, 24 & Dodge in Omaha. The River City Mixed Chorus has upheld the highest standards of musical excellence for over ten years. Under the direction of John Bennett, this Concert promises to be one of their most exciting. The Winter Concert features the varied works of women composers. From classic to pop, the River City Mixed Chorus will present a concert to delight the entire audience. Tickets are available at the door or from any chorus member.

## L.E.O. MEET & GREET BEER BUST JANUARY 10

The Leather Engineers of Omaha will be hosting their winter "meet & greet" and Beer Bust on Saturday, January 10, at 9:00 p.m. in Stosh's Saloon at the Max. First glass \$2.00, refills 50 cents until 11:00pm.

Everyone can find out who got their lumps (of coal) for Christmas, which boys were naughty (and nice), who did and did not get everything they wanted under the tree (What? No elf?), and who Santa found to be very, very good! The evening will be a great chance to learn more about the members themselves and about upcoming leather events the Engineers will be attending.

Future events include a club run to Kansas City in April hosted by the K.C. Pioneers, and in May, the 1998 International Mr. Leather contest, 20th anniversary, to be held in Chicago. Both events are sure to be fantastic weekends!

Membership applications will also be available for those who are interested in joining (pledging), so be sure to look for a couple of sponsors while you're there. The club photo album that documents (immortalizes) club history in living color, will once again be opened up for viewing and denials! All of the photos that were good, bad, and, on a rare occasion, ugly, will be displayed with any needed explanation provided by the members! (We have had our embarrassing moments!) So be sure to join the men of L.E.O. on Saturday, January 10, for an exciting evening of laughs, stories, discussion, and friendship. Who knows what could happen?!

Also, L.E.O. is pleased to announce that the organization has become one of the newest members of the Mid-America Conference of clubs. The conference is composed of over thirty leather-oriented clubs from over a dozen states. Member clubs are involved in creating a network of social support and information to further promote the leather lifestyle and brotherhood within all our communities. Membership in the conference will further assist L.E.O. with its goals of being social, supportive, and educational.

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The movies begin promptly at 7:45pm. Munchies, soda, and coffee are available for a minimal cost.

This is a wonderful way to have an inexpensive evening out with your friends, catch up on your favorite movies, and enjoy a smoke-free atmosphere.

If you have a favorite movie you would like to have shown, just let the host or hostess know. Or you could consider hosting a movie night and inviting your friends to join you.

- January 2 - Sister Act 1 & 2
- January 9 - Priest & Bar Girls
- January 16 - Somewhere in Time  
Time After Time
- January 23 - Cabaret  
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- January 30 - Hairspray  
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## JANUARY AT Q

The weather may be cold outside, but the music and the men are HOT! at Q. Located at 226 South 9, Q is Lincoln's premier Dance Club and Cabaret.

January features the ever-popular Amateur Strip Contest on January 8. Have you considered competing in this fun event? You know you've got HOT moves on the dance floor and you know you've got a HOT bod, so why not?

January 11 is the irrepressible DeDe DeKarr's Birthday Show. DeDe has a delightful repertoire of characters and styles and she will be joined by Lincoln's best performers.

Q turns out in Black and Blue on January 16 for a leather party. The aroma of Black leather will excite your senses that night.

January 18 is the unique and challenging "Tag Drag" Show. This cousin of the suicide show makes the performers show just how versatile they really are — there's no time to relax because you never know when that queen is going to say, "Tag, You're It!"

And the month winds down with the Step Down Show for Sinnomen, Lincoln's Miss City Sweetheart. Sinnomen uses costume and choreography in creative blends that show she has truly been worthy of her title of Miss City Sweetheart. Be at Q on January 25 to wish her well.



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## RAINBOW OUTREACH NEWS

By Marshall Burnham, Jr.

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For something to do on the 2nd & 4th Sundays of every month try Coffee Talks. Come check it out at 3 pm for stimulating conversation on relevant topics and decaf to boot.

To check movie titles and discussion topics give us a call. We are staffed Monday-Friday, 6-9pm and Saturdays noon - 6pm. The phone number is 341-0330.

The Board of Directors would like to sincerely thank Barbra Love for her Benefit Show held Sunday, December 7. Other performers included Jeff McKenzie, Britteny, and Paco to name a few. The entertainment was fabulous and Britteny's gown has since been outlawed in 20 states. A great big thank you to all of the entertainers that raised over \$300 for Rainbow Outreach.

If we are to continue to grow, we need your support. So take half an hour and come see what we're about. The address is 1719 Leavenworth. We always need volunteers to answer the phone as well as staff booths at upcoming community events. Volunteer applications are available at the Center.

Currently the P.R., Building Use, Volunteer, and Fundraising committees are actively seeking members. Committee membership requires attendance at 1 to 2 meetings monthly and a nominal amount of time. So the next time you think of something our community needs, take a moment to think, "How can I make a difference?" Four hours a month volunteering or a spot on one of Rainbow Outreach's committees is a great way to start. For more information, give us a call at 341-0330, or better yet, why don't you come up and see us sometime?

### ANGLE'S 7TH ANNUAL RECOGNITION DINNER

By Stan Brown

Congratulations to all the nominees and especially those who received special recognition. It was a pleasure to see long time volunteers and supporters, as well as newer people and businesses receive recognition.

Thanks to the Recognition, Nomination, and Dinner Committees plus the Pride Royalty for their help to make the event a success.

Special thanks to the entertainers: Satin, Annie Welty, Jeff Flores, and the River City Mixed Chorus. A final thank you to Printing Plus and owner Bob Ewing for his donation of the program, all advertisers, the Imperial Court of Nebraska, the New Voice of Nebraska and the Buzz Journal for their support of this important event in the GLBT Community.

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# LOOKING AHEAD: A Calendar of Events for the Coming Year

## February 98

- 1 - New Voice Final Issue Party
- 1 - Aksarben High Cheerleader Try-Outs - 6pm -Chesterfield
- 1 - Prince Royale 15 Gary Night of Comedy @ The MAX
- 6-8 - SNAP "Breaking the Code"
- 13-15 - SNAP "Breaking the Code"
- 14, 15 - Ice Bowl Tournament
- 15 - Miss MAX Show
- 20 -DOS FALLOPIA-Josyln
- 21 - GLAGN "Hearts of Fire"

## March 98

- 22 - ICON Benefit @ The MAX

## April 98

- 19 - ICON Closet Ball

## May 98

- 25 - ICON Memorial Day Picnic

## June 98

- 5-7 - SNAP "Master Class"
- 12 - 14 - SNAP "Master Class"
- 14 - River City Mixed Chorus Concert
- 15 - ICON Stepping Down Show for Emperor Jeff & Empress Sharon
- 20-22 - HGRA Regional Rodeo
- 28 - ICON Coronation 18 "Homecoming at Aksarben High"

## July 98

- 4 - ICON Picnic
- TBA SNAP Summer Film Festival

## August 98

- 22 - Fantasy 10th Anniversary

## September 98

- 6 - ICON Labor Day Picnic

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- The Panic
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- Q
- UNE Gay/Lesbian Resource Center
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- Calico II HIV-AIDS Support Group**, Meets 1st & 3rd Tues, 7pm, Alliance For info call (308) 762-8259
- Douglas County Mental Health -- Outpatient Program**, 4102 Woolworth, Omaha, 68105 Att: Leslie A. Epstein (402) 444-7930
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- Grand Island Area HIV/AIDS Support Group**, Meet 3rd Tuesday (308) 385-5175
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- HIV/AIDS Support Group for Men**, Lincoln, Every Other Sunday, 5-7pm, Call Greg 438-3425 or 441-3324
- Harambee Mental Health Services**, Business & Technical Center, 2505 N. 24, Omaha, NE 68110, (402) 451-3913. Mental Health Services to people of color who are infected with HIV, their partners, and their families. Charles Drew Health Center.
- Kearney Area HIV/AIDS Support Group**, 1st Monday, info, Barb (308) 865-5610
- Nebraska AIDS Project** {statewide} (800) 782-AIDS [2437] or info@nap.org http://www.nap.org/
- North Platte Area Support Grp**, Call: (308) 535-8133
- Western Nebraska HIV/AIDS Support Group**, Scottsbluff, Call (308) 635-3606
- RELIGIOUS/SPIRITUAL SUPPORT FOR HIV/AIDS**
- AIDS Interfaith Network**, 100N 62, Omaha Br Wm Woeger 558-3100 (Chancery) Service: 2nd Monday, 7pm, St Cecelia's, Nebraska Chapel, 40th & Webster
- Lincoln Interfaith Council**, 140 S. 27th St., Lincoln 68510, 474-3017, AIDS/HIV Healing Service: 1st Tues, 7pm, St Francis Chapel, 1145 South Street, Lincoln

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### GREATER NEBRASKA BASED RESOURCES

- Chadron State College Alliance of Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual Students, Faculty & Staff**, PO Box 924, Chadron, NE 69337, 308-432-404
- Fellowship of Believers**, 812 North 10th, #7, Norfolk 68701, 402-379-9935 Home-based church meets Wed 7pm, Sun 10am Open to all.
- GLB Alliance**, c/o Health Ctr, Hastings, College, Hastings 68901 Judy 402-461-7372 (Health Ctr) 462-2961 (home). For G/L/B Students
- Gay/Lesbian Assoc. of Greater Nebr.** Box 2401, Kearney, NE 68847 Support, socials, newsletter Info: Todd at (308) 382-5419, Rod at (402) 879-4650 or e-mail rdeuel@llec.net.
- Lambda Car Club**, Box 2325, North Platte, NE 69103
- Panhandle Gay/Lesbian Support Service** Box 1046, Scottsbluff 69363, (308) 635-8488
- PFLAG-Parents/Friends of Lesbians & Gays**
- \*Fullerton**, PO Box 833, Fullerton, NE 68638, (308) 536-2521
- \*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 Luke's Epis (308) 995-54990. Mail: PFLAG, 1320 8th Ave., Holdrege, NE 68949
- PRIDE Group**, Counseling Ctr., Wayne State, Wayne, 68787. Karen or Virginia (402) 375-7321. G/L/B Students

### IOWA BASED RESOURCES

- American Business & Prof. Guild**, Box 142, Sioux City, IA 51102, Network of gay business/prof. men from IA, MN, SD, NE. Meet last Sat. Write for info.
- Community Alliance**, 1301 Villa Ave, Sioux City, IA 51103 (712) 258-4704
- Integrity Prayer Service**, Wed, 6:30pm, St Thomas Episcopal, 12 & Douglas, Sioux City, IA Al (712) 276-8369 or Rev. Kerr 258-0141
- Iowa Coalition for Human Rights** Box 1222, Iowa City, IA 52244, or call Richard Shannon 319/337-5870, rashanno@sprynet.com
- Morningside College Student Group**, Tim Orwig, Advisor, Student Svcs, (712) 274-5426
- PFLAG-Parents/Friends of Lesbians & Gays**
- \*NE Iowa -- Waukon**, IA Box 142, Waukon, IA 52172, Meet 4th Monday 7-9pm, Robey Memorial Library, 401 1st Ave. SW, Waukon

### SOUTH DAKOTA BASED RESOURCES

- PFLAG-Parents/Friends of Lesbians & Gays**
- \*Sioux Falls**, SD 4th Sat. (605) 334-5508
- Sioux Empire Gay & Lesbian Coalition**, Box 1716, Sioux Falls, SD 57105, Information and Help Line (605) 333-0603
- Sioux Falls Support Group for Men**, PO Box 1602, Sioux Falls, SD 57101

# AREASOURCES

## GAY, LESBIAN, BISEXUAL, TRANSGENDER AND RELATED RESOURCES

### LINCOLN BASED RESOURCES

**Alcoholics Anonymous, Meetings:**  
\*\*Mon. 7:30pm, Rainbow AA, 3rd Floor, "Meeting Place" 28 & S, Lincoln  
\*\*Thurs. 7:30pm, Unitarian Church, 6300 "A", Lincoln, Info contact V.J. at 477-3526  
\*\*Fri. 8pm, 1st Plymouth Church, 20 & D, Lincoln, 438-5214

**Coalition for Gay/Lesbian Civil Rts.**, Box 94882, Lincoln 68509 Advocacy, newsletter

**FLEX (Female Leather Exchange)** PO Box 5512, Lincoln 68505, Email: flexed@juno.com Informal assoc. of women 21 and over interested in leather community.

**Gay Men's Support Grp.**, Counseling & Psych Services, Rm 213, Univ. Health Ctr. UNL, Lincoln, 68588-0618, 472-7450. Confidential

**Lesbian Discussion Group**, Womens Resource Ctr, Room 340 Neb Union, UNL, Lincoln, 68588. 472-2597, Call for meeting information

**Lincoln/Lancaster Drug Projects**, 610 "J", Lincoln, 475-5161, Dennis Hoffman, Case Mgr. O/P chemical dependency treatment while affirming sexuality, Sliding Fee

**Lincoln Pride Network**, Box 81291, Lincoln 68501-1291, umbrella organization for GLBT in Lincoln area, Call PFLAG Phone Line 402-434-9880, e-mail LPrideN@aol.com

**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 (PFLAG)**, Box 30128, Lincoln 68503, 434-9880. 4th Tues, 7pm, Unitarian Church, 6300 "A", Web Site: <http://www.geocities.com/WestHollywood/4882/> HIV Family Grp, Under 21 Grp same time/place

**SAGE** PO Box 22043, Lincoln, NE 68542-2043, **Lesbian Coffee House**, 2nd Saturday, 6-9pm, 3319 S. 46th St., Lincoln.

**Straight Spouse Support Group -- Lincoln**, Call 489-9088 for info

**Unitarian Church**, 6300 "A", Lincoln, NE "A recognized Welcoming Congregation"

**UNL Gay/Lesbian Resource Ctr**, Rm 234 Neb 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.

Send Updates to:  
NVN, Box 3512,  
Omaha, NE 68103

### OMAHA BASED RESOURCES

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

**Alcoholics Anonymous**, \*\*Lambda Stag, Sun, 4pm, Lowe Ave Prsbytrn

\*\*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 Endeavors), Box 8343, Omaha 68108, 341-0330, Meeting 1st Tues 7pm Internet [www.angle.org](http://www.angle.org).

**BiNet Omaha**, meets 2nd Thursday, 7pm, Rainbow Outreach, 1719 Leavenworth, Social/Support group for bi, bi-friendly, bi-curious, Marcella 682-0701, e-mail [Quest15@juno.com](mailto:Quest15@juno.com)

**Buzz-Journal**, Box 8523, Omaha 68103, e-mail: [Buzzjournal@aol.com](mailto:Buzzjournal@aol.com) Monthly News

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

**Coffee Talk**, informal Chat Group, 2nd & 4th Sundays 3pm, Rainbow Outreach, Omaha

**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 - Mondays, 6:30pm, 3rd Floor, Milo Bail Student Ctr, Kim Erwin 344-4078

**Gay/Lesbian Information & Referral Line**, A service of Rainbow Outreach, (402) 341-0330

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

**Gay, Lesbian and Straight Education Network**, PO Box 6051, Omaha, NE 68106, gay and straight teachers, parents, students & concerned citizens working to end homophobia in schools

**Heartland Gay Rodeo Assoc (HGRA)**, Box 3354, Omaha, 68103-0354 Dan 597-1689 Enjoy/support rodeos, country activities. Meets 1st Sat 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 G/L/B/T society, Board Meets 1st Monday each month, 7pm, The MAX

**"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

**Metropolitan Club**, Box 8603, Omaha 68108-0603, 3rd Thursdays, 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](mailto:MCCOMAHA@radiks.net) Web Site: <http://www.radiks.net/mccomaha> Sunday Worship at 9 & 10:30am

**NAMES Project of the Heartland**, Omaha Chapter, Info: Mike 554-1354 Rick 556-3940

**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 Harney

**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 [dmaz67e@prodigy.com](mailto:dmaz67e@prodigy.com)

**Omaha Gay Wrestling Club (OGWC)**, for info call 325-4066 or email [OmahaGWC@aol.com](mailto:OmahaGWC@aol.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. 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, 7pm, "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

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

**River City Couples**, Social Support for GLBT couples, MCC-Omaha, 819 S. 22, Info Eric, 392-1443, email [rcouple@probe.net](mailto:rcouple@probe.net)

**River City Mixed Bowling League**, Sundays, 2pm, Kelly's Hilltop Lanes, Omaha

**River City Gender Alliance**, Box 3112, Omaha 68103-3122 Message/Hotline 398-1255, Email: [sgibbona@synergy.net](mailto:sgibbona@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.

**SNAP Productions**, 1323 Jackson, #608, Omaha 68102, Call 342-9053 for info

**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

**Wild Kingdom Bears**, social group for the hirsute and admirers of the hirsute.

**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

# JANUARY CALENDAR

EVERY SUNDAY	EVERY MONDAY	EVERY TUESDAY	EVERY WEDNESDAY
<p>Worship Services, 9 &amp; 10:30a.m. MCC- Omaha, 819 S. 22 St. 345-2563</p> <p>G/L Walking Club, 10am, 38th &amp; South, Lincoln, by tennis courts</p> <p>Reconciling Worship Comm, 7:30 pm, Dietz Meth, 1423 S. 10, Omaha</p> <p>River City Mixed Bowling, 2pm, Kelly's Hilltop, Omaha</p> <p>"Positively Out" Stage Right Coffeehouse, 7-9pm, Omaha</p>	<p>HIV Tests NAP, 552-9260, 139 S. 40th, Omaha 7-9:30pm</p> <p>River City Mixed Chorus Rehearsals, 1st Methodist, 7020 Cass, Omaha, 7:15pm</p> <p>Rainbow Outreach, 1719 Leavenworth, Om 6-9pm</p> <p>UNO GaLO 6:30pm, 3rd Floor, Milo Bail Student Ctr,</p>	<p>Women for Sobriety 5:30pm YWCA, 222 S. 29, Omaha, Call Judith 472-2598</p> <p>Mens Support Group 7:30pm MCC, 819 S. 22, Omaha</p> <p>Rainbow Outreach GLBT Resource Center, 1719 Leavenworth, Omaha, Open 6-9pm</p>	<p>Gay Men Disc Grp, Lincoln 6pm, Contact Luis 472-7450</p> <p>Frontrunners, 6:30pm, Brownell-Talbot</p> <p>PFLAG-Lincoln AIDS Support Grp, 7pm, 475-2437</p> <p>AA, 7:30pm, Mercy High, Omaha</p> <p>Integrity Prayer Svc, 6pm, St. Thomas Episc, Sioux City, IA</p> <p>Rainbow Outreach, Omaha, Open 6-9pm</p>

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY

<p><b>January 4 (1st Sunday)</b> Frontrunners, 10am, Field Club Trail, 39 &amp; Marcy, Omaha</p> <p>Evening Worship "Jubilee" Service, Metropolitan Community Church, 6:00pm, 819 S. 22, Omaha</p> <p>Miss MAX in Review, 9:30pm, The MAX, Omaha</p> <p>Special Performance at Q, Lincoln</p>	<p><b>January 5 (1st Mon)</b> ICON Board The MAX 6:30 pm Omaha</p>	<p><b>January 6 (1st Tuesday)</b> AIDS Healing Service, 7pm, St. Francis Chapel, South &amp; 11th Lincoln</p> <p>ANGLE, 7pm, GLBT Resource Ctr, 1719 Leavenworth, Omaha</p>	<p><b>Jan 7 (1st Wed)</b> G/L Book Discussion, 7pm, Borders, 132nd &amp; Maple, Omaha</p>
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<p><b>January 11 (2nd Sunday)</b> Frontrunners 10am, Burke High School, Omaha</p> <p>MCC Lincoln Fellowship Grp 6pm, 477-3215</p> <p>Learning Exchange Pwr Wooden Apple 22&amp;Martha 2-4pm</p> <p>PFLAG, Mayflower Congregational Church, 1407 W. 18, Sioux City, IA, 2-4pm</p> <p>Coffee Talk, Informal GLBT Chat Group, 3pm, Rainbow Outreach Center, 1719 Leavenworth, 341-0330, Omaha</p> <p>DeDe Dekarr's Birthday Show, Q, Lincoln</p> <p>Emperor 17 Jeff McKenzie &amp; Sir Budda Ice Bowl Benefit, 9pm, DC's, Omaha</p> <p>Portfolio Men, 9:30pm, The MAX, Omaha</p>	<p><b>January 12 (2nd Mon.)</b></p>	<p><b>January 13 (2nd Tuesday)</b> Siouxland AIDS Coalition, 12n, Red Cross, Sioux City, IA</p> <p>HIV Support Grp-Women 7-9pm NAP, 2123 Winthrop, Lincoln</p>	<p><b>January 14 (2nd Wed)</b></p>
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<p><b>January 18 (3rd Sunday)</b> Frontrunner 10am, Gene Leahy Mall, Meet at Arch, Omaha</p> <p>PFLAG/Kearney 3p, St Luke's 2304 2nd Ave (308)237-7136</p> <p>Panhandle Mens Group (308)635-8488</p> <p>Tag Drag Show at Q, Lincoln</p> <p>Miss MAX Step Down Show, The MAX, Omaha</p>	<p><b>January 19 (3rd Monday)</b></p>	<p><b>January 20 (3rd Tuesday)</b> NOW-Nat'l Org for Women Lincoln 7pm, YWCA, 1432 "N", 434-6695</p> <p>Omaha: 7pm, 1st Unitarian, 3114 Harney, 391-7303</p> <p>Grand Island HIV Support Grp, 7pm, (308) 385-5175</p>	<p><b>January 21 (3rd Wed)</b></p>
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<p><b>January 25 (4th Sunday)</b> Frontrunners 10am, Keystone Trail, 78 &amp; Keystone Omaha</p> <p>PFLAG-Omaha, 2-4pm, Mead Hall, 1st Meth</p> <p>Coffee Talk, GLBT Chat Group, 3pm, Rainbow Outreach, 1719 Leavenworth, Omaha</p> <p>MCC Lincoln Fellowship Grp 6pm, 477-3215</p> <p>Miss City Sweetheart Sinnomen Step Down, Q, Lincoln</p> <p>Miss MAX Pageant 9:30pm, The MAX, Omaha</p>	<p><b>January 26 (4th Monday)</b> ICON Executive Board Mtg, 6:30pm, Gilligan's, Omaha</p>	<p><b>January 27 (4th Tues)</b> PFLAG-Lincoln " " 7pm, Unitarian Church, 6300 "A" 434-9880</p>	<p><b>January 28 4th Wed)</b></p>
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<p><b>February 1 (1st Sunday)</b> Frontrunners, 10am, Omaha</p> <p>New Voice Final Issue Party, 3-5pm, Stosh's Saloon, The MAX, Omaha</p> <p>ICON Aksarben High Cheerleader Try-Outs, 6-8pm, Chesterfield, Omaha</p> <p>Gary's Night of Comedy, 9:30pm, The MAX, Omaha</p>	<p><b>February 2 (1st Mon.)</b> ICON Board Mtg, 7pm, The MAX, Omaha</p>	<p><b>February 3 (1st Mon)</b> AIDS Healing Service, 7pm, St. Francis Chapel, South &amp; 11th Lincoln</p> <p>ANGLE, 7pm, GLBT Resource Ctr, 1719 Leavenworth, Omaha</p>	<p><b>Feb. 4 (1st Wed)</b></p>
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# JANUARY 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 12-6pm**

## 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**

## 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**

## THURSDAY

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## SATURDAY

### January 1 (1st Thursday)

New Year's Day!

### January 2 (1st Friday)

**Womyn's Book Discussion, Laurie 556-0937**  
**Free Movies, 7:45pm, Rainbow Outreach Resource Center, 1719 Leavenworth, Omaha**

### January 3 (1st Saturday)

**Heartland Gay Rodeo Association, Mtg 6pm, DCs, 610 S. 14, Omaha**  
**River City Gender Alliance, For Transgender Community and supporters, for info call: 398-1255**  
**Club 15 Review, Club 15, Omaha**

### January 8 (2nd Thursday)

**P-FLAG Holiday Gathering, 1st Methodist-Mead Hall, 7020 Cass Omaha 291-6781 7pm**  
**Straight Spouse Suppt Grp 7-9pm, Mead Hall, 1st Methodist 7020 Cass, Room 209, 291-6781**  
**Bi-Net meeting, 7pm Rainbow Outreach, 1719 Leavenworth, Omaha**  
**Amateur Strip Contest, Q, Lincoln**

### January 9 (2nd Friday)

**Frontrunners Friday Afternoon Club, Omaha Mining Company, 6:30pm**  
**Free Movies, 7:45pm, Rainbow Outreach Resource Center, 1719 Leavenworth, Omaha**

### January 10 (2nd Saturday)

**Players Club, 2pm Wkshp ; 8pm Play Party**  
**SAGE Lesbian Coffeehouse, 6-9pm, 3319 S. 46th St., Lincoln**  
**LEO Meet & Greet & Beer Bust, 9pm, Stosh's Saloon @ The MAX, Omaha**  
**Discovery Dinner, Metropolitan Community Church of Omaha, 819 S. 22 St., 6:00 pm, For All Those Interested in Finding Out More About the Ministries of MCC**  
**ICON & Michael & Michael present Snoball '98: A Winterfest, Club 15, Omaha**

### January 15 (3rd Thursday)

**Metro Club, 6:30pm, Market Basket Restaurant, Omaha**  
**GLAGN Support Group, Grand Island, (308) 384-7235**

### January 16 (3rd Friday)

**Free Movies, 7:45pm, Rainbow Outreach Resource Center, 1719 Leavenworth, Omaha**  
**Leather Party, Q, Lincoln**

### January 17 (3rd Saturday)

**Youth Support Grp--Lincoln 4-6pm 434-9880**  
**Club 15 Review, Club 15, Omaha**

### January 22 (4th Thursday)

### January 23 (4th Friday)

**Free Movies, 7:45pm, Rainbow Outreach Resource Center, 1719 Leavenworth, Omaha**

### January 24 (4th Saturday)

**PFLAG-Sioux Falls, SD, 1pm (605)334-5508**  
**24th Anniversary Dinner, Metropolitan Community Church of Omaha, 819 S. 22, Clown Service--a worship Service in Mime, follows Anniversary Dinner**

### January 29 (5th Thursday)

### January 30 (5th Friday)

**Free Movies, 7:45pm, Rainbow Outreach Resource Center, 1719 Leavenworth, Omaha**

### January 31 (5th Saturday)

**Frontrunners Run/Walk, 10am, Ford Birth Site, Omaha**  
**River City Mixed Chorus Winter Concert, 7:05pm, Witherspoon Concert Hall, Joselyn Museum, Omaha**  
**Dieta Pepsi & Muffy Rosenberg, Cib 15, Omaha**

### February 5 (1st Thursday)

**Citizens for Equal Protection, 7pm, 1st Unitarian, 3114 Harney, Omaha**

### February 6 (1st Friday)

**Free Movies, 7:45pm, Rainbow Outreach Resource Center, 1719 Leavenworth, Omaha**

### February 7 (1st Saturday)



# COMMUNITY UNITES TO HELP IMPERIAL COURT PROVIDE TOYS FOR 116 CHILDREN ACROSS NEBRASKA

## TOYZ 4 TOTZ Raises over \$4500 in cash & merchandise

December 14 climaxed the annual Toyz 4 Totz fundraising efforts of the Imperial Court of Nebraska. This annual event provides Christmas toys for children served by the Nebraska AIDS Project. Some children are HIV positive while others have one or both parents who are HIV positive, and all the children have been identified by the case managers at the Nebraska AIDS Project as being in need of help during the holiday season.

This year's fundraising was helped by several groups in the community. Mr. DC's 1996 Ron D. donated \$450 from his "Step-Down Show" last July.

Susie and the members of Learning to Exchange Power held a Beer Bust, Luncheon and Raffle that provided \$289 cash plus \$100 in toys.

Steve M. raised \$565 through a silent auction of donated items and Steve was instrumental in arranging for a donation of table top pool tables from Oriental Trading Company. Books Unlimited provided over \$200 worth of toys.

Empress 9 Felice Whitney, David French, Emperor 9 Joe Reed, and several anonymous donors provided dozens of stuffed animals.

Grand Duchess of the Imperial Court, Lady Willow, held a "Detention Hall" which added another \$165 while Joe Reed and Gerold Brown donated huge plush Mickey and Minnie Mouse toys for a raffle which raised over \$300.

Members of the Royal Families, Board, and Past Monarchs dressed teddy bears and sold them

raising another \$130.

Board member Sally Presby held a Christmas Boutique, raising another \$120. Others who made substantial donations of cash or merchandise include: Tannebaum, Designs Unlimited, Ron D., The MAX, Lisa K., The Generator, Stage Right Coffee, Leather Engineers of Omaha, Miss Dorian Drake and Miss Laura Gray, Mr. Gerald Brown, Mr. Joe Reed, Mr. Gary West, Gary Frazier, Dan Mathew, Michele Korman, Jesse Conyers, Chandler, Valerie Vortex, Felice Whitney, and Target Stores.

The final fundraising show was held at The MAX on December 14. Approximately 200 people turned out for a show that included hot disco, inspiration, live singing, lip-sync, glamour, and slapstick humor. Hosted by Emperor 17 Jeff McKenzie and Empress 17 Sharon Van Butsel, the show featured special guests from the Imperial Court of Iowa: Empress Autumn Marie, Prince Royal Troy Haasis, and Princess Royal Sabrina Shaw. Other performers included Miss MAX Ashley Simone, Prince Royal Dan Mathew, Princess Royal Valerie Vortex, Empress 5 Laura Lee, Princess Feleena Katz and her mother "Mama Katz" aka Sally Presby, Emperor 9 Joe Reed and Empress 9 Felice Whitney, Duchess Chandler, Grand Czarina Michele Korman, Mr. H.G.R.A. Ron D., 1st Runner-Up to Miss DC's Montana, Prince Kenny appearing as Alexandra Stone, and an impromptu appearance by Jeff Flores as auctioneer. The set for the show was created by Jeff

McKenzie with assistance from Steve Koeller, Tracy Heintzleman, Dan Mathew, Michele Korman, Carla Petersen, Sharon Van Butsel, and Sally Presby. The set created a winter wonderland with toys, trees, reindeer, Santa, and snow, snow, snow, accented by hundreds of lights.

Special thanks go to the management and staff of the MAX for their generosity and cooperation in making this show a huge success. Approximately \$2500 was raised at the show itself. Combining all the functions and the approximate value of the dozens of toys that were donated, The Imperial Court was able to raise over \$4500 in cash and merchandise. The money not used for toy purchases was used to provide personal care items for persons living with AIDS or HIV.

Toyz 4 Totz has been a major fundraising effort of the Imperial Court of Nebraska for over ten years. Originally, Toyz 4 Totz provided holiday baskets for needy families in the community, but as more families were affected by AIDS the focus shifted to the needs of PWA's. For the last two years, the Imperial Court has purchased toys for approximately 120 children in Omaha, Lincoln, Norfolk, Kearney, and Scottsbluff.

**Deepest Thanks to all who helped make Toyz 4 Totz a success!  
Emperor Jeff & Empress Sharon**

**THANK YOU TO ALL WHO HAVE SUPPORTED THE NEW VOICE OVER THE YEARS**

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February 6 - 8 & 13 - 15  
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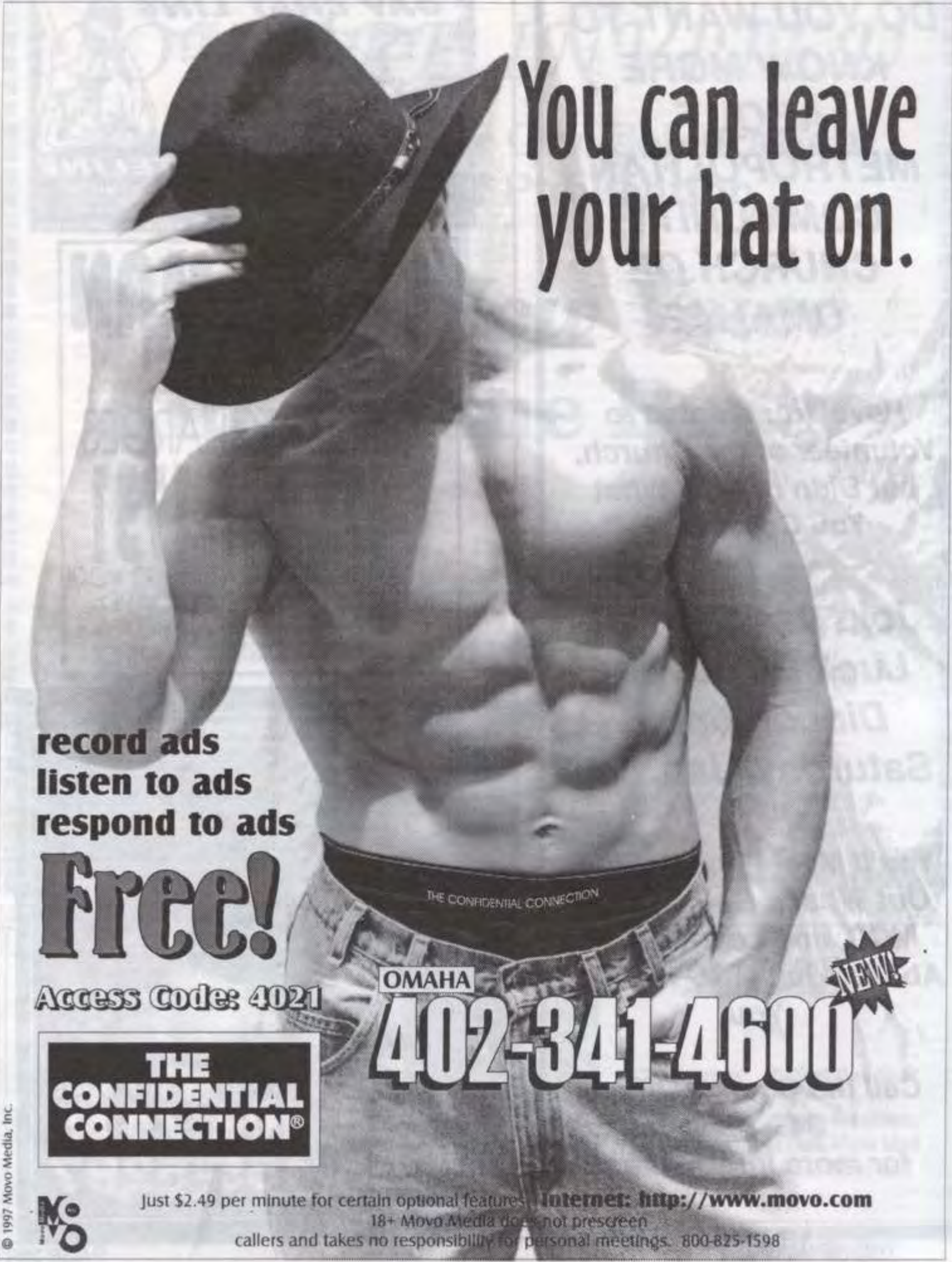


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**PRAIRIE COMPANION** Good natured, White male, 31, 6'4, 195lbs, would like to hear from other guys in the area. (Le Mars) #2906

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**THE HARDER THE BETTER** This very hot and horny, well hung, clean cut, masculine bottom, 34, 6'1, 185lbs, loves hard action, especially with groups. Let's get it on. (Sioux City) #7086

**TAKING CARE OF MYSELF** Responsible, independent 18 year old, Gay, White male, 5'11, with Brown hair and Blue eyes, seeks other Gay, White males, 18 to 25, who like to camp, swim, run, shop, and party. Call and I'll come over. (Sioux City) #5450

**TAKE IT PLEASE!** New to the scene! I'm 31 years old and 195lbs. I'm in search of people to help me release my virginity. (Sioux City) #3457

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**NOT SO SHY, BI GUY** This horny, 38 year old, Married, Bi, White male, 5'11, 170lbs, with Brown hair and Blue eyes, seeks other men for fun times. (Columbus) #4493

**THE BIG SKY** Good natured guy, down on the farm, wants to meet men who are interested in camping, hiking, and being outdoors. I also enjoy movies and travel. (Lexington) #3784

**TELL ME A SECRET** This good natured, White male, hopes to hear from men in the area. I promise to return every call. (Lincoln) #4535

**MY FIRST EFFORT** I'm a handsome, White male, 5'7, 170lbs, with Brown hair and Blue eyes, into walking sports, staying home, television, movies, country music, and dancing. I'd like to meet a guy, 21 to 36, for a possible relationship. (Lincoln) #8664

**MAKING MAGIC** This handsome, dominant, 47 year old, White male, wants to introduce a young, healthy man, under 35, to sensual magic. (Lincoln) #8748

**I REALLY CARE** I'm an attractive, down to earth, White male, 27, 5'11, 155lbs, with short, Brown hair and Hazel eyes. I want to have a monogamous relationship with someone willing to take the time for us to get to know each other. (Lincoln) #8209

**LET'S ACT CRAZY** I'm an attractive, White male, 33, into traveling, watching tv, going to movies, staying home, hanging out, and acting crazy. I love trying new and exciting things. I hope to meet a Gay male, 25 to 35, for friendship and a possible relationship. (Lincoln) #8150



**NEW BLOOD** This hot, leather top, just arrived from the twin cities and wants to have some fun. I'm 5'11, 175lbs, with light Brown hair, Blue Green eyes, and a nice build. (Lincoln) #7962

**HOMESTEAD BOUND** This 33 year old, White male, 5'7, 130lbs, into traveling, movies, watching tv, and relaxing at home, seeks a man, 25 to 35, for a friendship or long term relationship. I'm a non-smoker but don't mind if you smoke. (Lincoln) #1699

**FULLY CAPABLE** This very friendly, funny, White male, 5'9, 150lbs, with Blond hair, Brown eyes, and a mustache, just moved back from the east coast. I'm hoping to find a long term thing with a special guy, capable of commitment. (Lincoln) #7306

**PUT ON SOME TUNES** This 22 year old, Gay, Asian male, seeks Gay, White males, 22 to 28, to hang out with. I enjoy listening to music, going to movies, and talking, for starters. (Lincoln) #7171

**LINCOLN LIFTER** This muscular, 21 year old, university student, 5'9, 195lbs, with Brown hair and Hazel eyes, seeks friends, 19 to 25, who share my enthusiasm for weightlifting and recreation. Maybe a long term thing will happen. (Lincoln) #7262

**JUST BETWEEN FRIENDS** I'm looking for a young, Bi, White male, preferably Married, who wants to have a first time, Bi experience, with a father figure. I'm a young at heart, very hip, 50 year old, White male, 5'10, 185lbs, with a good build. You should be clean, healthy, drug-free, and as concerned about discretion and confidentiality, as I am. (Lincoln) #7230

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**SATISFY MY BI CURIOSITY** Attention: Columbus, Norfolk, O'Neill, and Yorkton. I'm a 36 year old, Bi curious male, who wants to get together with guys in the area for fun and friendship. Can you satisfy my Bi curiosity? Put your message in my box. (Lincoln) #5457

**BOTTOM MEN WANTED** I'm a 28 year old man, 5'11, 155lbs, with Blond hair, Blue eyes, goatee, and a total top. Looking for in shape, and cute, bottom guys, under 32, to get together with. (Lincoln) #5065

**COLLEGE PREPSTER** Attractive, very well built, graduate student, 24, 5'11, 165lbs, with Brown hair and Blue eyes, seeks other nicely built, attractive, guys, my age or younger, to meet and get to know. I have clean shaven, conservative, boy next door, looks. (Lincoln) #4545

**IN MY PRIME** I'm a sexy, 20 year old guy, looking for some action. If you've got it, I'm ready to go. (Omaha) #9186



**MR. RIGHT AWAY** This young, good looking, Asian male, seeks Mr. Right. If you're him, call right away. (Omaha) #9196

**BUSINESS AND PLEASURE** Dark haired, 18 year old, White male, 6'3, into travel, Spanish, working out, movies, and business, seeks a well built guy, 18 to 28, for friendship and dating. (Lincoln) #4591

**GOOD NATURE IS IMPORTANT** This fun loving, 33 year old, Gay, White male, 33, 5'7, 130lbs, with a small build, Brown hair and eyes, seeks another Gay, White male, 25 to 36, who is interested in things like travel, shopping, hanging out, watching videos, and having as much fun as possible. I'm an open minded, non-smoker and hope you are too. (Lincoln) #4468

**CLOSE ENCOUNTERS** I'm looking for a close encounter with someone who wants a good man. This 53 year old, White male, 5'10, 220lbs, is not a movie star but I love to give a good performance which will please you. I'm a bottom. I like to cook, go to yard sales, take long walks, and watch movies at home. I hope to meet an honest guy, 18 to 40, with a good sense of humor. (Lincoln) #4211



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**SPLATTER MY FACE** Very horny, well endowed, White male, bottom, 28, 5'7, 135lbs, with Brown hair and Blue eyes, loves to suck, make out, and take it from the rear. I want your juice all over my face. (Omaha) #9247

**MUSCLE, MAY I?** This well built, Black male, 26, seeks other muscular guys, 20 to 35, for fun times. You must be cute and discreet. (Omaha) #9277

**GOLDEN GLOBE** Well built, well hung, White male, 34, 5'10, 155lbs, with a shaved head, wants to hook up with other good looking guys, my age or younger, for hot times. (Omaha) #8795

**LET'S MESS AROUND** I'm a good looking guy, in my mid 50's, looking to meet people to mess around with. I'm open to just about anything. I'm an expert at French. (Omaha) #8608

**SHAVED, HARD BODY** This hot stud is looking for some one on one action. I'm 5'10, 160lbs, with a shaved head, smooth body, and lots of muscles from hard workouts. (Omaha) #8518

**UP MY ALLEY** This loving, feminine crossdresser, wants to meet someone masculine and hairy to do stuff with. I like all sorts of activities, especially dancing and nightclubs. I'm certainly open to doing whatever you like to do. Trying new things is right up my alley. (Omaha) #8119



**I LOVE BI GUYS** Nice looking, clean shaven, White male, 32, 5'9, 150lbs, with Brown hair and Blue eyes seeks good, safe, discreet fun with tops, 24 to 32. I'm a total bottom. Size is a plus. I'm especially attracted to Bisexual men. (Omaha) #6066

**HOW'S YOUR HEART?** I just moved here and want to meet a White male, 21 to 29, who is kind hearted and understanding. (Omaha) #6163

**POSITIVE THINKER** I wanna meet big, Black, HIV positive men for fun times. I'm a good looking, very well built, masculine, Hispanic male, 6'1, 175lbs, with Black hair and Blue eyes. I enjoy travel, working on my house, massage, and good clean fun. You must have a positive outlook. (Omaha) #5079

**ARE YOU LOOKING FOR A ROOMMATE** 36 year old, Bisexual, White male interested in meeting other bisexual men in the Omaha area for fun and friendship, maybe more. Possibly sharing 2 bedroom apartment with the right person. (Omaha) #5217

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**KID, IS HOT TONIGHT** I'm a total bottom with a hot, tight, shaved body. I wanna meet macho, hung, built, top men who like to go long and hard. I'm a very young looking, 39 year old, White male, 5'5, 135lbs, with Brown hair and Blue eyes. (Omaha) #34627

**I'M COMIN' TO VISIT** This east coast, Black male, 30, seeks other brothers, 25 to 35, in Omaha, for friendship. Have your own place so I can visit you this summer. You should be masculine, into hip hop, and hip hop R&B. This is not a sex ad. (Omaha) #34723

**NEWCOMER** This will be my first time with a man. I'm 29 years old, a newcomer, 5'10, and 270lbs. I'm interested in someone extremely hairy and uncult. Hung is a plus. If you're a man, 45 or over, I'm ready. Show me what it's like. (Pierce) #5951

**TIGHT WRANGLERS** I'm a good looking, White male, 5'10, 155lbs, with Brownish Red hair, into horseback riding, hiking, showjumping, traveling, and antiques. If you're a cute, slim guy, 25 to 38, who looks great in a tight pair of Wranglers, give me a call. (Sutherland) #7020

**THE NEW YORKER** I'm a good looking, well built, White male, 23, 6'2, 180lbs, with short, Brown hair and Blue eyes. I'm into the outdoors, movies, music, and enjoying quiet times at home. I'd like to meet someone to hang out with. (York) #10025

**LET IT DRIP** I know I can't be the only Gay man in north, central Nebraska. I'm an attractive, clean and safe, White male, 36, 5'11, 170lbs, with light, Brown hair and Blue eyes. I'm a versatile bottom. If we hit it off, I'm up for anything from vanilla to rough and kinky. #32914

**PLAINS PLAN** This attractive, White male, with Brown hair, Brown eyes, and a smooth, slender build, seeks slim, clean, very good looking guys, 18 to 25, for weekend get togethers. If we hit it off, friendship or a relationship, is a possibility. #8824

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**TAKE IT EASY** This 25 year old, Gay, White female, seeks friendship and maybe a relationship, with a romantic, bitch female, 25 to 35. I enjoy cooking, watching movies, kicking back, and an occasional foray into the bar scene. Please be laid back. I'm a smoker. (Lincoln) #9701

**THE AD GAME** I'm a very attractive, 29 year old, Bi, White female, 5'8, 135lbs, with Brown hair and eyes. I'd love to meet a good looking womyn, over 25, for fun, hanging out, and getting to know each other. (Lincoln) #8892

**PINK AND BLUE** I like to do all kinds of things including going to bars, dancing, seeing movies, going out to dinner, and more. I'm a little on the masculine side and prefer meeting someone more feminine to hang out with. (Lincoln) #8118

**YOU SHOULD BE PETTED** I like a womyn who can have fun going out or staying in. I love to wine and dine, and spoil my partner. If you like to be spoiled, I'm the one for you. I'm an attractive, 38 year old, White female. (Lincoln) #4660

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**CALM MY NERVES** I've never placed an ad before so I'm a bit nervous about this. I love outdoor activities like fishing, camping, and riding my motorcycle. I'd like to find a feminine, attractive, womyn who enjoys having good times, for a serious relationship. (Lincoln) #4115

**GIVE US SOME TIME** Independent, down to earth, Gay, White female, 40, wants to meet someone willing to take the time for us to really get to know each other before we get too serious. You should also be independent and able to relax and laugh with friends. My interests include movies, music, going to the old market, dining out, theater, and an occasional concert. (Omaha) #10144

**BIG BULLS FAN** I'm a professional, college educated, feminine, Gay, White female, 38, tall and thin with blonde hair and blue eyes. I love all sports, music, dancing, romantic dinners, humor, and because I'm from Illinois, the Chicago Bulls. I'd like to meet another Gay, White female, to spend time with. (Omaha) #8325

**WHAT'S SO FUNNY?** I'm a smart, good looking, physically fit, sincere, stable, responsible lesbian. If you're like me, I want to talk to you. I'd like to meet another womyn, 21 to 30, who's honest and plays no games. I'll definitely make you laugh. (Omaha) #8536

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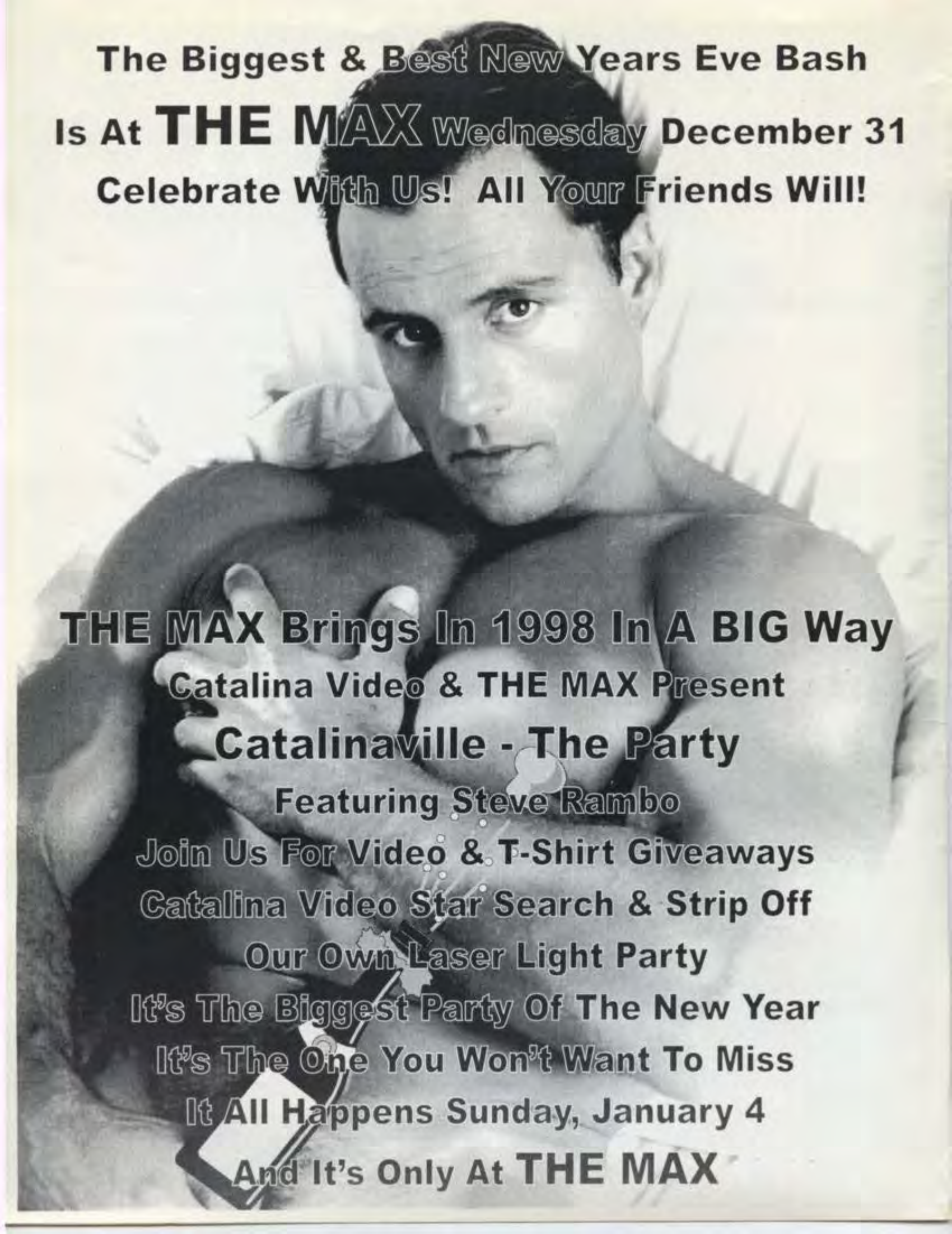
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