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# GAYZETTE

News and Events for the GLBTA Communities

## Federal Judge Overturns Anti-Gay Initiative 416

By Tim Butz

A federal judge has finally said what we all knew: Initiative 416 violates the rights of Nebraskans. In a major victory for the GLBT community, federal Judge Joseph Bataillon ordered on May 12th that the State of Nebraska immediately cease any enforcement of Initiative 416 because it violates rights guaranteed by the federal constitution.

In discussing his finding that 416 was an unconstitutional, Judge Bataillon reviewed its history and passage in the November 2000 elections. In a surprisingly frank comment, he found that 416 was motivated by either fear or hatred towards the GLBT community.

Judge Bataillon made clear that his ruling did not mean that Nebraska gays and lesbians could marry, and that he was simply restoring the constitutional rights to seek changes in law that could protect gays, lesbians and families formed by same-sex couples.

"This anti gay-union law, in effect, hung a sign on the door of the Unicameral saying 'Same-sex Couples Not Allowed.'" said senior trial attorney David Buckel of Lambda Legal. "It makes no sense that Americans who believe in commitment and want to be more responsible to each other and their children have to fight so hard just for the right to try to persuade legislators that protections for family are important -- successful or not, all citizens should have an equal shot in the democratic process."

Within minutes of the opinion being released, Attorney General Jon Bruning announced that the State of Nebraska would appeal the ruling. The appeal will be made to the Eighth Circuit court of Appeals, and the matter could eventually end up in front of the U.S. Supreme Court.

Judge Bataillon ruled in favor of three organizations that claimed both the organizations and their members had their rights violated by 416. The plaintiff groups were Citizens for Equal Protection, Nebraska Advocates for Justice and Equality,

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and ACLU Nebraska. Five gay and lesbian couples, all members of the plaintiff groups, allowed their stories to be told to the court to underscore the personal affect of the country's most anti-gay state constitutional amendment.

Immediately following the passage of 416, ACLU Nebraska announced that it would challenge the amendment. "On the day after the election, we were on the phone with the people we knew we could trust, Lambda Legal and the ACLU Lesbian and Gay Rights Project. Neither one of them hesitated. I knew we could create the right team to defeat 416," said ACLU Nebraska Legal Director Amy Miller. The result was the largest legal team ever assembled by ACLU Nebraska.

"This was a team effort, everyone knew that the stakes were too high for us not give every bit of effort in this fight over basic rights. All of the attorneys, the plaintiff groups, and the couples

worked towards a common goal of overturning this horrible law," said Miller.

Judge Bataillon found that 416 "imposes significant burdens on the expressive and intimate associational rights of the plaintiffs' members and creates a significant barrier to the plaintiffs' right to petition or participate in the political process."

In addition to finding that the amendment deprived gay and lesbian couples of their rights under the First Amendment and the Equal Protection Clause of the 14th Amendment, he also found that 416 was an unconstitutional Bill of Attainder, meaning that it punished gays and lesbians because of their status rather than for something they had done.

Citing an earlier case, Judge Bataillon wrote, "It is clear that the government can regulate conduct, e.g., criminal activity, but the government 'may not create classes among its citizens on the basis of who they are rather than what they do.'"

In his ruling, Judge Bataillon wrote that Initiative 416 had an expansive reach that created "significant burdens on the promotion of, or lobbying for, any legislative or governmental action that would eventually extend rights or recognition to gays and lesbians, or for that matter would change the status quo concerning numerous applications of family law, custody, or adoption issues, thus affecting citizens other than gays and lesbians."

"Judge Bataillon has given us level playing field in the legislature. We now need to convince legislators that gay and lesbian families deserve the same protections as all other families," said Miller.

Note: A complete copy of the decision is available on the ACLU Nebraska website: [www.aclunebraska.org](http://www.aclunebraska.org). Tim Butz is the Executive Director of ACLU Nebraska.



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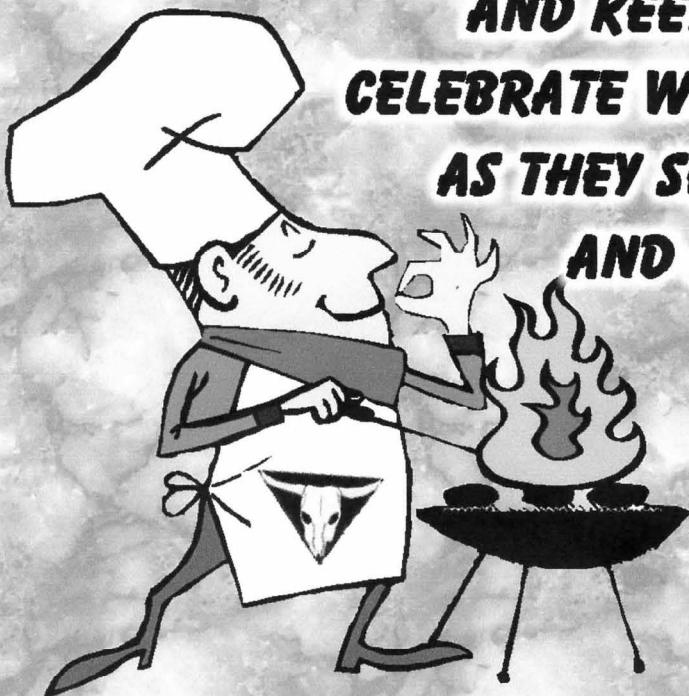
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I THINK IT'S IMPORTANT TO HAVE THAT SPACE.

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YOU... YOU DO?!

ABSOLUTELY. IN FACT, YOUR FRIEND NICK TOLD ME HE HAS AN OPEN APARTMENT OVER HIS GARAGE.

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OH. YOU'RE NOT ANGRY, ARE YOU? THAT I DIDN'T TELL YOU ABOUT THIS UNTIL NOW?

NO, IT'S...

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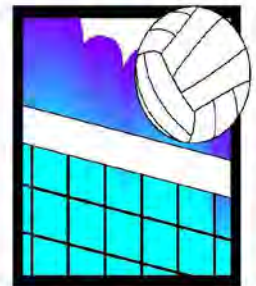
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## Stand Up And Show Your Pride

-Bob Gittins Rainbow OutReach Columnist

With Pride weekend fast approaching, I would like to remind everyone how lucky we are to have such an amazing festival. This June 9-12 will mark Nebraska's 20th Anniversary of Pride. Thursday, June 9th kicks the weekend off with a Riverboat Cruise. Friday and Saturday is full of festivities in downtown Omaha. The weekend comes to a close Sunday, June 12th in Lincoln for the Post Pride Party.

While we are enjoying an amazing weekend, many places around the world will not have the same opportunities.

For the second time in two years the city of Warsaw, Poland is without celebration. Mayor Kaczynski said, Organizing a gay parade is a joke. Kaczynski says that he is for tolerance of gay people, but is against the spreading of gay orientation. Last year, Kaczynski banned Pride, saying he feared clashes between gay rights groups and opponents who planned a counter-demonstration. Nevertheless, about 500 gays rallied in front of city hall, chanting "Homophobe".

Another city not feeling the Pride this year is Jerusalem. World Pride celebrations were scheduled this August in Jerusalem but was cancelled on Sunday, May 15th. The decision was made because Israel's pullout from Gaza would have come at the same time as the celebration.

World Pride is held every five years. After selecting Jerusalem as the host city, organizers received criticism including threats of violence. Abdel Aziz Bukhari, said "We can't permit anybody to come and make the Holy City dirty. This is very ugly and very nasty to have these people come to Jerusalem." Other groups have warned that if the gay pride organizers do not listen to warnings and continue with the march in Jerusalem, their lives will be in danger.

In light of Jerusalem and Warsaw, nearly 100 people marched through Hong Kong on May 16th to call for civil rights protections for gays and lesbians. The Hong Kong protestors wore masks so they would not be recognized. Event organizers said the masks were also a symbol to the way gays are forced to live in the shadows of homophobia.

So when we are enjoying the festivities Pride weekend, don't forget the men and women around the world who are still being denied their basic human rights. Join me downtown and celebrate who we are and stand up for the GLBT community around the world.



## What's Love Got To Do With It?

-Bob Gittins Rainbow OutReach Columnist

Earlier this month, four students were suspended for spray painting the message 'Love' over 25 times on their Howell, Michigan high school sidewalk. The students sprayed the message across their school grounds after being greeted with the words 'God Hates Fags' on the school grounds sidewalk.

The students, 3 being seniors, were suspended and are unable to attend their own graduation.

The suspension resulted in about 375 students protesting in their honor on Tuesday, May 10th. The demonstrators skipped class and held a rally in front of the school. Students at the four-hour protest said they felt the suspensions were too extreme. Principal Margaret Hamill said that she understood the students frustration, but the school must enforce the disciplinary procedures of the school's code of conduct. "Although the word 'love' is a beautiful message, instead of using sidewalk chalk that we could wash out, they used spray-paint." Hamill said.

There have been no leads in an investigation into the spraying of the original slur.

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June 10 - Jello Wrestling - The Max

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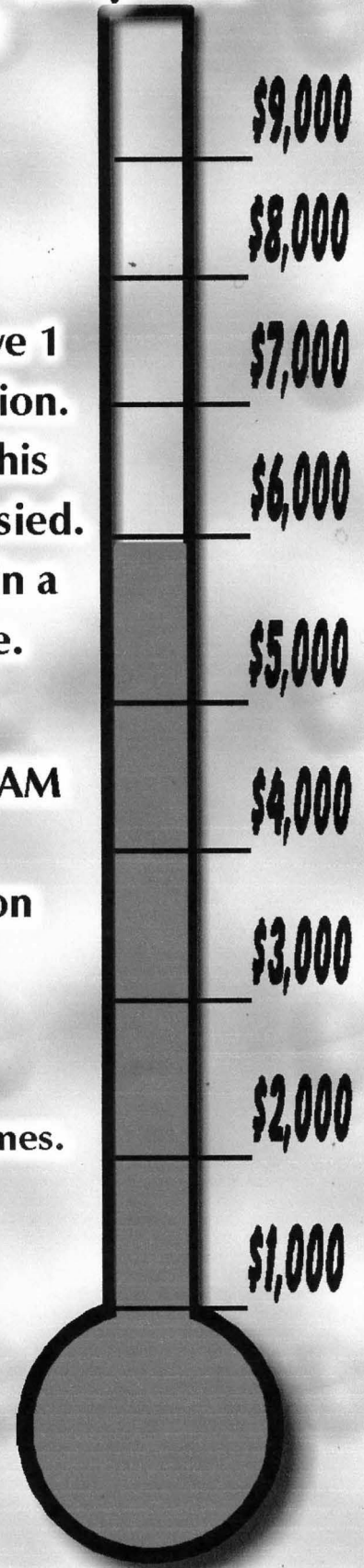
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## New Poll Shows Overwhelming Support for Allowing Gays to Serve

**'Boston Globe' Reports Majority of Republicans, Churchgoers Think Gays Should Serve Openly**

WASHINGTON, /U.S. Newswire/ -- A poll published in the Boston Globe reports that 79 percent of Americans believe gays should be allowed to serve openly in the U.S. military. "Large majorities of Republicans, regular church goers, and (even) people with negative attitudes toward gays think gays and lesbian should be allowed to serve openly in the military," the Globe reports.

Don Mihovk, who works for the Nebraska Chamber of Commerce and agreed to be interviewed after responding to the poll, told the Globe that, "(Gays) can serve their country, they can work in any job they want."

The Globe poll follows other recent polls showing growing support for allowing gays to serve openly. Recent Gallup polls have reported between 65 percent and 79 percent support for lifting the military's gay ban. The Ammenberg Survey reported in October that half of junior enlisted personnel and their families support allowing gays to serve. And in 2003, FOX News reported 64 percent support for allowing gays to serve.

"Across every political spectrum, and by ever-increasing majorities, Americans favor allowing gays to serve our country," said C. Dixon Osburn, executive director of Servicemembers Legal Defense Network (SLDN).

"National security is neither a Republican nor a Democratic issue. Americans do not support a policy that places discrimination above military readiness. Our homeland is made more secure, in both the

blue states and the red, when qualified, capable Americans are allowed to serve without regard to sexual orientation. Members of Congress from both sides of the aisle should heed the counsel of the American people and repeal 'Don't Ask, Don't Tell' once and for all."

In March, Rep. Marty Meehan (D-Mass.) introduced the Military Readiness Enhancement Act, a Congressional bill to lift the military's gay ban.

Today, the bill is supported by a bi-partisan group of 83 lawmakers in the House of Representatives. "We've tried the policy. I don't think it works. And we've spent a lot of money enforcing it," said Rep. Ileana Ros-Lehtinen (R-Fla.), a member of the Subcommittee on National Security, Emerging Threats and International Relations. "People who've signed up to serve our country, we should be thanking them."

The Boston Globe poll was conducted by the University of New Hampshire Survey Center, which polled 760 randomly selected adults between May 4 and May 9. The margin of error is 3.6 percent.

Servicemembers Legal Defense Network is a national, non-profit legal services, watchdog and policy organization dedicated to ending discrimination against and harassment of military personnel affected by 'Don't Ask, Don't Tell' and related forms of intolerance. For more information, visit <http://www.sldn.org>.

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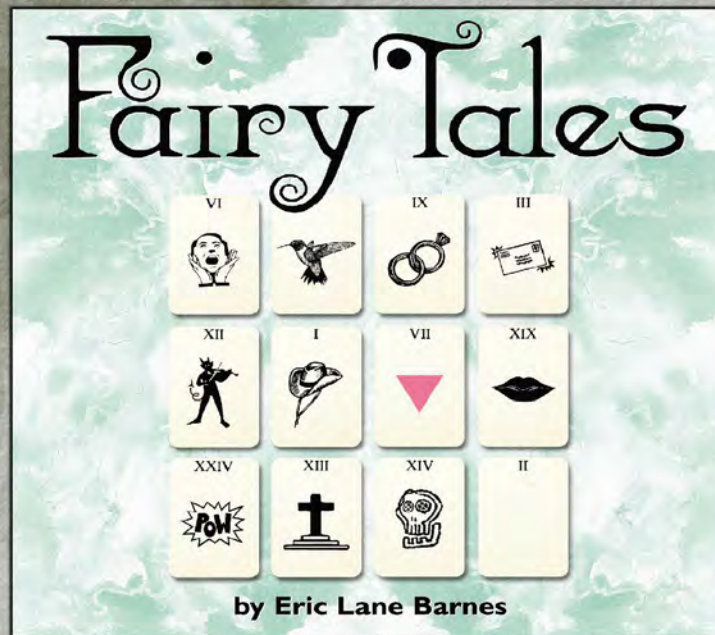


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# GAYZETTE EVENTS

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## **FRJDAY MAY 27TH**

**NEBRASKA PRIDE IDOL 05**, Wild Card Prelim, at Old Market Event Center (next to Flix), 1015 So. 10th St

## **SUNDAY MAY 29TH**

**NEBRASKA PRIDE IDOL FINALS**, at The Max, 9PM to 12PM

**ICON MEMORIAL DAY PICNIC**, 1 TO 6PM, Vennelyst Park, 9100 N. 31st St., admission \$10, ID required, NO PETS, free bus rides to and from the Max, free food, beer, pop, volleyball & more

## **FRJDAY JUNE 3rd**

**AUNT MIKE'S BATH HOUSE UNDERWEAR NIGHT**, at the Max, upstairs bar, 9pm to closing

## **SATURDAY JUNE 4TH**

**WOMYN'S DINNER CONCERT/CRUISE**, Beth Mullaney in concert, cruise from 5 to 8pm, Contact Tauni or Sheryl at 467-5737 for more information

## **SUNDAY JUNE 5TH**

**2005 PRIDE PAGEANT**, at The Max, 8pm to Midnight, \$5 cover

## **THURS—SUN, JUNE 9 THRU 12TH**

**NEBRASKA PRIDE 2005**, 20th Anniversary Pride Celebration in Omaha, 15th and Jones Street

## **FRJDAY JUNE 10TH**

**JELL-O WRESTLING** Mr. Max Brandon hosts a benefit for ADAP, The Max patio, 7pm

## **FRJDAY JUNE 17TH**

**WILD WILD WEST SHOW**, Cowboy up with the gang from HGRA, 9pm in the Max show bar

## **SAT., & SUN., JUNE 18 & 19**

**RCMC PRESENTS FAIRY TALES: THE MUSICAL**, 7:05PM, Strauss Performing Arts Center, UNO Campus, 69th and Dodge

## **SUNDAY JUNE 19TH**

**ICON STEP DOWN SHOW** ICON Reign 24 says good bye, The Max Show Bar, 9pm

## **FRJDAY JUNE 24TH**

**GLBT CENTER OUTING TO SNAP!** Performance of "Take Me Out", details and discount tickets available at the GLBT Center, 1719 Leavenworth or [www.rainbowoutreach.org](http://www.rainbowoutreach.org)

## **FRJDAY JUNE 24TH**

**BBQ ON THE PATIO** The MCC is holding a BBQ and meet and greet for their new Pastor, 6pm at the Max Patio Bar

**THE VICTIMS OF DESIRE** are in the house with a stripper cabaret, 10pm at the Max Show Bar

## **SATURDAY JUNE 25TH**

**THE IN TOWN SHOW** hosted by ICON, at the Max in the Show bar, Cocktails at 6pm, Show starts at 7pm

## **SUNDAY JUNE 26TH**

**END THE MONTH WITH THE NEBRASKA ENTERTAINER OF THE YEAR, THE PRINCESS** at the Max, Disco Bar, 10pm

## **WEEKLY EVENTS**

*Every Sunday*

### **WORSHIP SERVICES:**

**DIETZ METHODIST** 1423 S.10, Heartland Casual Coffeehouse 9:30am, Traditional Worship 11am

**EPISCOPAL GLBT FELLOWSHIP**, St. Andrews Church, 84th & Pacific, 6-7PM, email: [EpiscopalGLBT@yahoo.com](mailto:EpiscopalGLBT@yahoo.com)

**FIRST CENTRAL CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH, UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST**, info at: [www.firstcentral.org](http://www.firstcentral.org)

**FIRST UNITED METHODIST** 7020 Cass, 8:30 & 10:45am services

**FIRST UNITARIAN** 3114 Harney, 11am services

**LOWE AVE PRESBYTERIAN**, 1023 N 40 10am service

**METROPOLITAN COMMUNITY CHURCH OF OMAHA** 819 S. 22, 345-2563 Worship: 9am & 11am Sunday School: 11am

**SECOND UNITARIAN**, 10:30am Sunday service, 3012 South 119th St., Omaha NE

**UNITY CHURCH OF OMAHA**, 3424 N. 90, Omaha, 9am and 11am services

**HASTINGS COLLEGE GSA** 8PM FFI: Judy Sandeen (402) 461-7372

**LINCOLN WOMYN'S POTLUCK** Cheryl 474-1937 11:30am-4pm

**WIMMIN'S SHOW** KZUM 89.3 12:30pm

**RIVER CITY II MIXED BOWLING**, 3pm, Maplewood Lanes,

**GAMES DAY AT THE GLBT CENTER**, 1719 Leavenworth, Noon to 3PM

## **GAY MEN'S ALCOHOLICS ANONY-**

**MOUS** 4pm Lowe Avenue Presbyterian, 1023 N. 40 St Info call Mark 639-3055

*Every Monday*

## **GAY/BI/STRAIGHT SUPPORT GROUP**

**HIV+ MEN**, 7pm every Monday, NAP, 2147 S. 15th St., Lincoln NE, contact Nick or Rick at 402-476-3144

**HIV TESTING**, 7- 9:30pm, 139 S. 40<sup>th</sup>

**RIVER CITY MIXED CHORUS REHEARSALS**, 6:45PM—9:15PM, First United Methodist Church, 7020 Cass St.

## **A A GLBT "RAINBOW GROUP"**

Meeting Place, 28 & S, Lincoln, 7:30 p

*Every Tuesday*

## **UNL LESBIAN/BI/QUESTIONING SUP-**

**PORT GROUP**, 7-8:30PM, Women's Center, Nebraska Union, Lincoln, 472-5644

*Every Wednesday*

## **WORSHIP SERVICES**

**MCC OMAHA**, Bible Study, 7pm

**UNITY CHURCH OF OMAHA**, 7pm

**HIV TESTS**, 1-4 pm NAP, 13 9 S. 40

## **FRONTRUNNERS RUN/WALK**

6:30pm, Elmwood Park Parking Lot by softball field, Omaha

**LGBT A A** 7:30pm, Alcohol Ctr 2116 W.

Faidley, Grand Island. Peggy (308) 226-8286, Center (308) 398-5427

**KARAOKE W/ STACY** 8:30pm DC's

*Every Thursday*

## **AA MEETING, NON SMOKING**, 7PM,

MCC-Omaha, 819 So. 22nd St.

## **GILLIGAN'S PUB OPEN MIC NIGHT**,

sing to your hearts content, be a comedian for a night, it's an open mic night

**HIV TEST** 7- 9:30 pm, NAP, 139 S. 40<sup>th</sup>

**KARAOKE** 9pm, Connections

*Every Friday*

## **FREE CONFIDENTIAL ANONYMOUS**

**HIV TEST**, UN-L 472-7447, 3-4:30pm, University Health Center Room 158D (in Radiology on the first floor), Orasure test, no needles, Lincoln NE

cussion) First Unitarian, 3114 Harney

**GLBT AA** 7PM to 8PM, Lowe Avenue Presbyterian, Call 556-8364, ask for Sanford

**GILLIGAN'S PUB KARAOKE NIGHT**, have fun from 9 pm to 1 am

**HIV TESTING, RESULTS IN 20 MINUTES**, 5 - 10 pm, NAP Outreach Center, 1723 Leavenworth

**LAMBDA TV**, Lincoln Cable Ch 13. 9pm

**LGBT AA** 8pm, Boys & Girls Home Sioux City, IA (712) 252-4272,

*Every Saturday*

**GILLIGAN'S PUB KARAOKE NIGHT**, have fun from 9 pm to 1 am

**GLBT BICYCLING CLUB OMAHA**, For details call Jeri at 614-6145

**LAMBDA TV** Lincoln Cable Ch 13. 3 pm

**PROUD HORIZON YOUTH GROUP** 4-6pm, 291-6781 proudhorizons@yahoo.com

## MONTHLY EVENTS

*1st Friday*

**LINCOLN MIXED CHORUS** 6:30pm, Unitarian Church, 6300 A, Lincoln

**FIRST FRIDAY COFFEE HOUSE** 8pm, Musicians, poets, open mic, First Unitarian Church, 3114 Harney, Omaha

*1st Saturday*

**CENTER WESTERN IOWA COMMITTEE**, 3PM TO 4:30PM at the GLBT Center, 1719 Leavenworth, Omaha. For details, visit rainbowoutreach.org

**RIVER CITY GENDER ALLIANCE** Room Open: 4pm Meeting at 7pm, 991-8845 or email: rcga@tgforum.com

*1st Sunday*

**GAY GUYS SPAGHETTI NIGHT**, at a Lincoln restaurant, call 402-483-6183 to reserve a seat up until the day before

*2nd Tuesday*

**CENTER ACTIVITY COMMITTEE**, 7pm to 8PM, GLBT Center, 1719 Leavenworth, for details see www.rainbowoutreach.org

**CENTER LIBRARY COMMITTEE**, 7pm to 8PM, GLBT Center, 1719 Leavenworth, for details see www.rainbowoutreach.org

*2nd Thursday*

**PFLAG- OMAHA**, 7pm, First United Methodist Church

*2nd Friday*

**LEARNING TO EXCHANGE POWER** L2EP@aol.com 2pm; DC's Saloon

*2nd Sunday*

**INTEGRITY** 6-7:30pm, St. Marks, Lincoln

**OUUT SECOND SUNDAY SCREENING** (glbt film shown at 6:30pm followed by dis-

*3rd Monday*  
**IMPERIAL COURT OF NEBR** 6:30pm, MCC-O, 819 S. 22 St., icon.impcourt.org

*3rd Thursday*

**LES/BI/GAY BOOK DISCUSSION GROUP**, Village Inn, 78th & Dodge, 7 PM

*3rd Friday*

**GAY/BI SUPPORT GRP FOR HIV+ MEN** 6-8pm NAP, 220 S. 17, Lincoln, 476-7000.

**LINCOLN MIXED CHORUS** 6:30pm, Unitarian Church, 6300 A, Lincoln

**COFFEE HOUSE** Unitarian Church, 6300 A, Lincoln

*3rd Saturday*

**FLAT WATER BEARS** 7:30pm, at the Rainbow Outreach GLBT Resource Center

*3rd Sunday*

**CENTER EDUCATIONAL DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE**, 7PM at the GLBT Center, 1719 Leavenworth, Omaha. For details, visit rainbowoutreach.org

*4th Tuesday*

**PFLAG-CORNHUSKER** Unitarian Church, 6300 A, Lincoln, 7 p.m.

**YOUTH HIV TEST** Lighthouse, 2530 N, Lincoln, ages 13 to 18, FFI: 475-3220. 3-5:30 pm

*4th Friday*

**LEATHER ENGINEERS—OMAHA** Monthly Beer Bust, 9pm, DC's Saloon

*4th Saturday*

**HIV TESTING** Cornerstone, 16th & U, Lincoln, 476-0355 or 472-7447. 1:00-3:00pm

*LAST Sunday*

**REAL FAMILIES** Omaha-area families headed by gay/lesbian parents, Margaux at 561-6738 or email MargauxPolo@aol.com

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## Utah Gays To Carry Concealed Arms To Pride

by 365Gay.com Newscenter Staff

(Salt Lake City, Utah) A gay gun club says its members will bring firearms to Salt Lake Pride celebrations next month despite a regulation from Pride organizers that says no guns are allowed at the events.

Stonewall Shooting Sports of Utah founder David Nelson says that the rule which would ban "weapons of any kind" is too broad, unenforceable.

Nelson said that his members own and use legally concealed firearms and will not be deterred by the regulation. He said that the rule is a departure from the 2003 and 2004 pride events when organizers agreed that people with legally concealed firearms could not be denied admission to the events.

"There were no complaints at the 2003 and 2004 events. The previous organizers didn't confuse the difference of legal and illegal firearms."

# RAINBOW OUTREACH GLBT RESOURCE LIST

## OMAHA BASED

**BiMenNebraska**, Social Support for Bi and BiCurious Men <http://groups.yahoo.com/group/BiMenNebraska> and <http://groups.yahoo.com/group/Bi-MEN-MIDWEST>

**Citizens for Equal Protection** 1102 Howard St. Suite 2, Omaha NE 68102, 398-3027 [www.cfep-ne.org](http://www.cfep-ne.org), email to: [Michael@cfep-ne.org](mailto:Michael@cfep-ne.org)

**Family Foundations** Therapy for individuals, couples or families, for info call 558-3856

**Flat Water Bears**, Box 3751, Omaha 68103 [flatwaterbears@yahoo.com](mailto:flatwaterbears@yahoo.com) Hirsute men and admirers group

**Front Runners/Walkers**, 6:30pm, Elmwood Park Parking Lot by softball field, Omaha

**GALO (Gay & Lesbian Org at UNO)** [www.angelfire.com/home/GALO](http://www.angelfire.com/home/GALO) contact: [unogalo@hotmail.com](mailto:unogalo@hotmail.com) or SPO (Student Organizations) at 554-2711.

**Gay Lesbian Straight Education Network - Omaha**, Box 641676, Omaha 68164, 712-325-0117 <http://www.glsenomaha.org>

**GayLibrary.com**, World Wide Resources

**Heartland Gay Rodeo Association**

Box 3354, Omaha 68103 402-203-4680

**Ice Bowl Invitational Bowling Tournament (IBIT)** P.O. Box 31838, Omaha, 68131 R. Hollendieck (402) 556-5556

**Imperial Court of Nebraska**, Box 3772, Omaha 68103 556-9907, Board Meets 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday, 819 S. 22 [www.icon.impcourt.org](http://www.icon.impcourt.org)

**Learning to Exchange Power**, [L2EP@aol.com](mailto:L2EP@aol.com); Social, educational group novices in Leather, S/M, B/D Lifestyle

**Leather Engineers of Omaha (LEO)** Box 8101, Omaha, 68108-8101 Gay men in leather lifestyle, Mt 4<sup>th</sup> Fri Gilligan's 7pm

**LinOma Bares**, Box 24547, Omaha 68124 Nudist/ Naturist Club for gay/bi men Info: [Linomabares@yahoo.com](mailto:Linomabares@yahoo.com) or call Eric at (402) 553-5944 or Tim S (712) 527-5887

**Mpower Program**, 139 S. 40, Omaha 68131 email: [mpower@nap.org](mailto:mpower@nap.org) website: [www.mpower-nap.org](http://www.mpower-nap.org) phone: 402.552.9260x20, Holistic Gay Men's Health Program

**Metropolitan Community Church of Omaha**, 819 S. 22 St., Omaha 68108 345-2563, [mccomaha@mccomaha.org](mailto:mccomaha@mccomaha.org) Website: [www.mccomaha.org](http://www.mccomaha.org) Sunday Worship 9 & 11am, Sunday School 11am, Wed Evening Bible Study at 7pm

**Nebraska AIDS Project**, 552-9260

Watanabe Wellness Ctr, 139 S. 40, Omaha 68131, Testing Mon, Thurs Eve, Wed aft

**NAP Outreach Center**, 1723 Leavenworth, Testing & Counseling: Fri Nights

**NebraskaEquality.org**, Find out everything about Nebraska and the GLBT Community

**Nebraska Advocates for Justice & Equality**, 1102 Howard, Suite 2, Omaha 68102, 402.346-5960 [naje\\_now@hotmail.com](mailto:naje_now@hotmail.com)

**Nebraska Gay Dads** group list exchange emails posted to group list for discussion <http://mike2tom.home.radiks.net/nebraskagaydads/>

**Nebraska GLBT Events**, Community Events Calendar web site, see [www.NebraskaGLBTEvents.com](http://www.NebraskaGLBTEvents.com)

**The 'Ohana Group**, (GLBT / Non-traditional Family group), email to: [Theohanagroup@msn.com](mailto:Theohanagroup@msn.com)

**Omaha Bi Married Men** Yahoo Group <http://groups.yahoo.com/group/OmahaBiMarriedMen>

**Omaha Nebr Gay Pride WebPage** <http://ONGP.com>; email to: [omahanegaypride@cox.net](mailto:omahanegaypride@cox.net) or [ongp@cox.net](mailto:ongp@cox.net)

**Onyx Images**, Box 31026, 68131-0026 Social/Support Organization for African American Males age 21 and over

**Out and About in Nebraska**, website: [www.travel.to/outabout](http://www.travel.to/outabout) Email: [NeOutAbout@yahoo.com](mailto:NeOutAbout@yahoo.com)

**OUUT (Omaha Unitarian Universalists for Tolerance)** First Unitarian Church, 3114 Harney, 68131, 345-3039, [www.ouut.org](http://www.ouut.org)

**Parents and Friends of Lesbians And Gays (PFLAG) Omaha Chapter** Box 390064, Omaha, 68139-0064 291-6781 Website: [www.pflag-omaha.org](http://www.pflag-omaha.org), email [info@pflag-omaha.org](mailto:info@pflag-omaha.org) Meet 2<sup>nd</sup> Thurs, 1st United Meth, 7020 Cass

**Proud Horizons Youth Group**, Sat Afternoon, info: (402) 291-6781 or email [proudhorizons@yahoo.com](mailto:proudhorizons@yahoo.com)

**Rainbow Outreach GLBT Resource Ctr**, 1719 Leavenworth, Omaha, 341-0330

**Rainbow Bible Study**, Fridays, 6-7:30pm, Lowe Ave Presbyterian, 1023 N. 40 St.

**Rainbow Celebrations**, Box 8583, Omaha, 68108, 402-212-6302 locally, 866-NE-PRIDE toll free, sponsors of annual Gay Pride & National Coming Out Day, see [www.rainbowcelebrations.org](http://www.rainbowcelebrations.org)

**Real Families**, Omaha-area families headed by gay/lesbian parents, meet last Sunday of every month. Info: Margaux at 561-6738 or email [MargauxPol@aol.com](mailto:MargauxPol@aol.com)

**River City Gender Alliance**, Box 8076, Omaha 68108, [www.genderalliance.com](http://www.genderalliance.com) Social/Support Group for transgender/transsexual/cross-dressers and supporters

**River City Mixed Bowling II** 3pm, Sundays, Maplewood Lanes, Omaha Norma Harrison (402) 731-5706

**River City Mixed Chorus**, Box 3267, Omaha, NE 68103, 402-341-SING Website: [www.rcmc.org](http://www.rcmc.org)

**SNAP Productions**, Box 8464, Omaha, NE 68108 [www.snapproductions.com](http://www.snapproductions.com)

**Unity Church of Omaha** 3424 N. 90, Omaha, Sunday worship: 9am, 11am Wednesday evening worship 7pm; 571-1344; [www.unityomaha.org](http://www.unityomaha.org)

**WomenSpace**, Box 24712, Omaha 68124 Newsletter, Concerts

## LINCOLN BASED

**GLBT and Ally Programs and Services at UNL**, D. Moritz, Assistant Director, 402-472-1752 email: [dmoritz2@unl.edu](mailto:dmoritz2@unl.edu) Located in Student Involvement Office of the Nebraska Union, Room 200.

**Gay/Lesbian/Bi/Straight Alliance** 2229 J St., Lincoln 68510 (402) 436-1301 ext. 232 Ruth Kupfer

**Gay Men's Support Group**, UNL Health Center, Counseling & Psychology, Rm. 214, Lincoln 68588-0618 472-7450

**Lesbian, Bisexual and Questioning Women's Discussion Group**, University of Nebraska, Lincoln Women's Center (sponsor), Room 340, Nebraska Union, Lincoln 68588-0446. 402/472-5644.

**Nebraska AIDS Project**, 2147 S. 15th St. Lincoln, NE 68502. (402) 476-7000

**Mixed Chorus**, Rehearse 1st & 3rd Fridays, Unitarian Church, 6300 A, No auditions, Just a desire to sing, info contact Scott at [sdorchid@neb.rr.com](mailto:sdorchid@neb.rr.com)

**Omaha Women's Riverboat Cruise**, 4949 N. 73, Lincoln, 68507 467-5737

**Parents, Friends of Lesbians & Gays, Cornhusker Chapter**; Box 30128, Lincoln 68508, Meet 4<sup>th</sup> Tues, Unitarian Church, 6300 A, Barbara Kimberly [jbkimber@msn.com](mailto:jbkimber@msn.com), Website: <http://pflag.ineb.org/>

**Plainsmen**, Support FtM's (Female to Male) Drag Kings TV Butches, 402-820-1267

**SAGE**, Box 22043, Lincoln 68542 Coffee House 2<sup>nd</sup> Sat, 6-9pm, Lesbian Videos 7:15pm, 3319 S. 46

**Sexuality Education eXchange**, University Health Ctr, 15th & U, Rm. 12h, 472-7447 or email: [ptetreault1@unl.edu](mailto:ptetreault1@unl.edu) Comprehensive, inclusive sexuality/sexual health info, resources/referrals including sexual orientation, ally and diversity training.

**Straight Spouse Support Grp** 402-429-6094

**Women In Trades/YWCA**, 1432 N St., Lincoln 68508; 434-3494,

**UNL Committee on GLBT Concerns**, Contact Pat Tetreault, c/o University Health Center, 15th & U Streets, Rm. 12h Lincoln, NE 68588-0618, (402) 472-7447 or email: [ptetreault1@unl.edu](mailto:ptetreault1@unl.edu)

**Youth Support Group**, (402) 434-9880

**Trevor-24-hour National Suicide Hotline for GLBT and Questioning Youth** 1-800-850-8078 or email: <http://www.thetrevorproject.org/helpline.html>

**TriCity GLBT**, serving Central Nebraska, web site at <http://www.tri-city-glbtc.com/>

**Iowa Based**

**Iowa Equality**, GLBT -allied against change to the state and federal Constitutions, <http://www.IowaEquality.org>

**Sioux City, Iowa Resource Web Site**: [www.siouxlandpride.net](http://www.siouxlandpride.net)

**South Dakota Based**

**Black Hills Pride Committee**, for information visit <http://blackhillspride.org>

**Black Hills Gay and Lesbian Youth And Resource Center**, for more information please visit <http://www.bhgayyouth.org>

**Let Us Know if You Want Your Organization Listed Here !!**



## Bob Knows Better!

Bob,  
I just went to The Max for the first time. It was cool to be around other gay people. However NO ONE came up to me! True, I did not try to approach anybody myself. Of course I spent half the night trying to figure out why. I am hispanic and first I thought it's because of that. But then I saw other guys of all races that nobody was talking to. Then I thought I may not be that great looking. And since, everybody's looking for different things I thought I was just being paranoid about the whole thing.

Then I thought it was the way I acted. Maybe I seemed nervous, anxious, or standoffish? Do I have to smile and bat my eyes at every guy just to meet somebody?

Please explain to me this lack of desire to include new people.

-All Alone

Dear All Alone,

Your behavior may be somewhat to blame for your feeling of exclusion. I'm not saying that you need to smile and bat your eyes at every guy, however, you admitted that you may be a bit standoffish. Next time you go out, try to approach people and talk to those you may want to get to know. If a guy seems like they might be interested in you, don't be afraid to say hello. I think you'll find that opening up to people will not only result in you making new friends, but it will also build your self confidence and eliminate these feelings of exclusion. Make these efforts before complaining and making excuses for your interactions with others! Besides, the Omaha community is a close knit family, in no time at all you will probably know everyone in the bar. Good luck, and let me know how things progress.

-Bob

Bob,  
I have been seeing this guy for a few months now. We are physically involved, but he swears he is not gay. He tells me that he just enjoys being "Friends With Benefits". Well in the past few months I have fallen in love with him. When he calls me I drop everything to be with him and we do whatever he wants to do. When I call him, he never wants to do what I want to do.

I told him about how I feel and he smiled and told me he loved me too. But only as a friend because he is not gay. I think he is gay and just doesn't want to admit it. I know I love him and I am so confused on what I should do.

-Hopelessly In Love

Dear Hopelessly In Love,

I'm afraid you've forgotten that just because you're in love doesn't mean the other person feels the same way about you. I think you are wanting too much of this relationship.

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Your friend may be telling you the truth, maybe he is not gay and is only interested in a sexual relationship with you. If this is the case, you are obviously looking for something with more meaning and need to end this relationship so you can move onto greener pastures.

Your friend may also still be in the closet and is not ready for what you want. Sitting around and waiting for him to come around is unhealthy for both of you. If he is gay, smothering him with endless phone calls will likely drive him away. He is exploring this side of himself and needs room to breath.  
-Bob

If you have a question, please send an email to: [BobKnowsBetter@RainbowOutreach.org](mailto:BobKnowsBetter@RainbowOutreach.org). You may also send your letter to: Rainbow Outreach Center, C/O Bob Knows Better, P.O. Box 8583, Omaha, NE 68108.

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## Ernie Chambers Civil Rights Bill Defeated

-Bob Gittins Rainbow OutReach Center Columnist

On May 11th, a bill banning discrimination of state workers based upon sexual orientation was defeated by two votes in the Nebraska Legislature.

The measure, created by Sen. Ernie Chambers, was an amendment to a budget bill. It would have banned discrimination against gays and lesbians employed by the state, or any entity that receives state funding.

Chambers had previously introduced the bill gaining the support of 19 Senators. This vote he earned 23 supporting the measure. Noting the increase in support, Chambers said he plans to continue trying this session to ban discrimination based on sexual orientation. He said he believes that other senators are changing their views.

Chambers said, State government should not concern itself with a person's private life, and it especially should not discriminate based on whether a person is gay.

Chambers has been advocating for gay rights throughout this session. He has successfully added an amendment to a bill banning discrimination based on a person's sexual orientation of employees at three Nebraska Universities.

Chambers also has two other related measures coming up this session. One is similar to the measure that was defeated on May 11th. The second measure will ban discrimination based on sexual orientation in any workplace in the state of Nebraska.

Nebraska law already prohibits discrimination in the workplace based on race, color, religion, sex, disability or national origin. Chambers measure would add sexual orientation to the list. Many Nebraska companies already have policies protecting employees based on their sexual orientation. Both Omaha and Lincoln have laws protecting city workers regardless of their sexual orientation.

Currently, there is no federal law banning discrimination based on sexual orientation in the workplace. Sixteen states and Washington, D.C., have laws prohibiting workplace discrimination based on sexual orientation.

ested in joining the fun to join and help with Rodeo 2006. Please check out the HGRA web site at [www.hgra.net](http://www.hgra.net).

## **HEARTLAND COWGIRLS AND COWBOYS BRING HOME HONORS**

The rodeo season has started to get very busy for our contestants. A total of 7 rodeos have been held this year, and our contestants are trying to get enough points to qualify for Finals in November. During the last month, HGRA members have represented us in Little Rock, Las Vegas, Reno and Wichita. Here are the overall results for each rodeo.

Little Rock – Team Heartland placed 7th out of 13 teams  
Buckle Winners  
Sam Kramer Chute Dogging  
Sam 5th for All Around Cowgirl

Top Eight  
Flag Racing Sam Kramer 2nd  
Barrel Racing Brett Hartman 7th and Tim Kernan 8th  
Goat Dressing Tim K. 8th

Reno – Team Heartland placed 6th out of 10 teams

Top 8  
Bryn Geerdes placed 5th in barrels, 2nd in poles, and 3rd in flag racing. She also placed 5th for All Around Cowgirl

Wichita Team - Heartland placed 5th out of 9 teams  
Buckle Winners  
Kim Lion won her very first buckle in wild drag  
Tim Kernan placed 5th in chute dogging, 6th in barrels and 5th in pole bending  
Brett Hartman placed 5th in barrels and 6th in steer deco  
Doug E and David E placed 5th in wild drag  
Teeny C placed 3rd in goat dressing and 5th for All Around Cowgirl

The next rodeo will be Memorial Day weekend in Oklahoma City.

## **HGRA NEWS & EVENTS**

### **HGRA ANNOUNCES RODEO DATE FOR 2006**

The Heartland Gay Rodeo Association has set the dates for the 2006 rodeo. The Rodeo will be JUNE 24 & 25, 2006 at the Sarpy Co. Fairgrounds in Springfield NE. The Rodeo chairs and committees are being filled and plans are underway for this event. HGRA would like to invite anyone inter-

## **RODNEY DANGERFIELD ONE LINERS**

It's been a rough day. I got up this morning ... put a shirt on and a button fell off. I picked up my briefcase, and the handle came off. I'm afraid to go to the bathroom.

I was such an ugly kid...When I played in the sandbox, the cat kept covering me up.

I could tell my parents hated me. My bath toys were a toaster and radio.

I was such an ugly baby...My mother never breast fed me. She told me that she only liked me as a friend.

# Fall into Flixx for Fun!

## Sunday

*5pm - 9pm Stage & Screen  
showing your favorite movies*

*9pm - 1am Retro Replay  
playing your favorites from the past*

## TUESDAY

*Topless Tuesday  
Jerret leads the gang of  
Omaha's Hottest Shirtless Men*

*Shed Your Shirt = \$1 Off Your Drink*

## WEDNESDAY

*"Papi Chulo"  
Latin Night 9-1*

*Hottest Latin Dance Music.  
Dance Floor Will Be Open!  
Drink Specials  
All Night Long*

## THURSDAY

*9pm - 1am Retro Night  
The Greatest Hits  
of the 70', 80's & 90's  
Come Dressed In Retro  
Get \$1 Off Drinks 9pm - 12am*

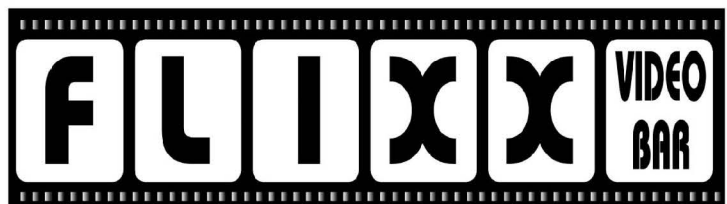
## Midnight Madness

*Everynight 12am - 1am  
\$1 Off Wells  
\$1.50 Domestic Long Necks*

**HAPPY HOUR**

*Everyday 5pm - 8pm  
\$1 Off All Drinks  
Come Meet Your Friends  
and Make New Ones*

*Never A Cover Charge  
1019 South 10th Street @ 10th & Pacific  
FREE Parking In The REAR!*



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June 3, Friday

Hey "JOCKS" !

If You're Hot & Sweaty

You'll Want To Be Here

Aunt Mike's

**LOCKER ROOM**

Underwear Night

Men Only Upstairs 9 PM

June 5, Sunday

The Rainbow Celebrations

*Gay Pride Pageant 2005*

Join Us For This Great Start To Pride

Festivities - Disco Bar 9 PM

June 6, 7 & 8 Mon., Tues., Wed.

*Marquee - A Tribute To Broadway*

Through Music Dance & Drag

Starring *Mr. Max 13 Brandon Higdem*

In The Cabaret 7:30 PM

June 10, Friday

*Mr. Max Brandon*

Kicks off Gay Pride Weekend

With Jell-O Wrestling

A Benefit For ADAP

On The Patio 7PM

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