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# GAYZETTE

News and Events for the GLBTA Communities

#### Military High Court Upholds Sodomy Ban

Eric Johnston, PlanetOut Network

The nation's highest military court declined to strike down the armed forces' ban on consensual sodomy, letting stand a conviction against Air Force Sergeant Eric Marcum in Washington, D.C., on Monday.

The U.S. Court of Appeals for the Armed Forces sidestepped the broader question of the validity the military's sodomy law -- Article 125 of the Uniform Code of Military Justice -- by ruling against Marcum on the grounds that his sexual partner was in his chain of command, a violation of military protocol.

Several civil rights groups had urged the military to strike down Article 125 on the basis of last year's U.S. Supreme Court decision in Lawrence vs. Texas, which struck down all state laws prohibiting consensual sodomy.

"Private, consensual conduct in the bedroom has no impact on the battlefield," said C. Dixon Osburn, executive director of Servicemembers Legal Defense Network "Our country right now needs to fight terrorists, not pry into people's private lives." Article 125 applies both to heterosexual and homosexual sodomy, regardless of where the act takes place, meaning that even married couples could be prosecuted for committing sodomy in the privacy of their own homes.

The court left open whether it would declare Article 125 unconstitutional in future cases. Some legal experts say such a ruling is inevitable.

"The end of the military's ability to criminalize private consensual sex is in sight," said James Esseks, litigation director for the American Civil Liberty Union's Lesbian and Gay Rights Project. "There are at least eight other cases pending before lower military courts that will likely chip further away at Article 125."

Tina Rice, a transgender activist and retired U.S. Army sergeant, told the PlanetOut Network the sodomy law is outdated.

"I think it's past its time," she said. "I don't think the government should be in our bedrooms in any way shape or form, whether it's military or civilian life."

However, Rice said she agreed with the military for punishing Marcum for having sexual relations with a subordinate. Ice Bowl Fundraiser

Spaghetti Dinner Fundraiser for Ice Bowl on Sept. 12th, 6:00 p.m. at Connections (or for River City League bowlers directly after completion of first day of league bowling). \$5.00 for all you can eat spaghetti, bread, and salad.

Annual Raffle Ticket fundraiser going on now. See any Ice Bowl committee member for your chance to win the top prize of \$250.00 to be drawn Oct. 17th at DC's Saloon (about midnight). \$5.00 for a pack of 10 tickets (or \$1.00 for a single ticket).



## **MCCO Bingo Night**

We will be doing Bingo at MCC, 819 South 19, on Friday, Sept. 10 -- food at 5:45 and Bingo at 6:30. This is "White Ele-

phant" Bingo -- bring a white elephant prize worth at least \$10 and get a ticket for a drawing for \$25 cash prize.

Cards will cost \$3 for one, \$5 for 2 cards, and 5 for \$10. And you know that you will take home great prizes, and you'll get your fill of great junk food!



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# Fridav Sept. 3rd:

See the LateSt addition to Chi Chi LaRue'S Line up of porn Stars only at JOY! IOPM: Autographs 11pm: Strip SHOW Midnight: Ctrip CHOW \$5 cover Starts at 8pm JUST CHeCK OUT THE SIZE OF HIS "BLUT"!!!

Sunday Sept. 5th 9:30pm Michele Korman presents "Hats off to the Empress & Emperor's new clothes! Delicious Drag & Dazzling Live Performances

Friday Sept. 10th: Pimp & Ho Party Saturday Sept 11th: Blackout Underwear Party



# Friday Sept. 17th:



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# **Perspectives**

By Jon Owens

## Is Chivalry Dead?

I went to the Josh Groban Concert when he came to the Qwest center recently. Those of you who know this artist also know he is a romantic. He sings love songs. In reading his interview he is a one lady man and can be a homebody. This sounded like the dream guy for me. It also made me ask the question "Is chivalry dead?"

Here when we go to the bars we might occasionally get a date, but what about romance? Is there a spark or do people just go though the motions?

The answer is that chivalry is not dead, it is just not common. I have found people who are romantic and yet do it in a way that respects the dignity of the human being. These are not the people I date nor do I claim to be a person of chivalry, but I am a victim of it. I am able to look at a couple of my best friends and they defend my honor quite well and respect what I do. They also do things out of the ordinary like give me flowers and small gifts to let me know I am appreciated.

Take my good friend Mark for example. I never know what to expect when I am around him. One day I show up and he may have been shopping and buys me something as a gesture of friendship. That is Chivalry. To top Mark's nature up, he is always concerned about the perception I give. This can be a form of chivalry.

My other friend Larry knows when to say the right words and relate to me on my level. He is the type where we can be walking through the old market and he buys me a flower or buys me lunch. Again he is a person who cares much for my well being.

The interesting thing about chivalry it is not necessarily about physical intimacy. With neither of my friends is it being sexually intimate, but being more connected in an emotional or spiritual bond.

It took me a while to put it into perspective. I always thought chivalry had to be the prince on the white horse, realizing now that the knights are not always the ones out to win your heart, but are more champions of your honor. Friends who can connect in this way are very special and are keepers. Cherish them, for you never know if you will ever get another knight who will champion your cause. I hope my knights know I love them so.

#### Quote of the Week:

To sit back hoping that someday, someway, someone will make things right is to go on feeding the crocodile, hoping he will eat you last--but eat you he will.

Ronald Reagan (1911-2004)

(in other words, get off your posteriors and vote in November ... Gayzette editor)

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#### The Conversation Piece

By Trina Tabloid - Interior Design Consultant



Formal and Informal

A lot of people don't know the difference between the two. It's basically numbers. For instance one sofa on each side of a fireplace (2 sofas same size) with a coffee table in the middle (1) and by hanging a picture in the center of the wall above the fireplace with sconces on each side (3) that would be considered

formal. A total of 6 items were used. If you were to use a sofa with a chair to either side (2) with a end table and coffee table (2) and to hang one large picture to one side of the wall and then two smaller ones (3) to the other side of the fireplace that would be a informal setting. A total of 7 pieces were used. Odd is considered informal and even is considered formal in most cases.

More formal and informal examples can be found in your bedroom, a bed with night stands (3) on both sides with 2 pillow shams, two pillows (4) and lamps on both sides (2) would be formal even though its an odd number because you really don't count the bed, the pillows and bed become one. Take away one of those lamps or add or subtract a pillow it becomes informal.

Most people's concept of formal and informal is associated with the type of furniture not the setting. For example if you see a ornate Victorian sofa you think formal, or a sleek black leather sofa you think informal, the same would go for a fancy head board or a contemporary one. If you apply this to the examples you can see how they could be used either way.

With Picture hanging it is a little different just like the bed thing, one picture on a wall flanked by even number of pictures or sconces or other ornamentations on a wall, say 3, 5 or 7 is considered formal because there is a even number of things on each side of the focal point. If you were to hang a large picture to one side or the other and smaller pieces to the other side, an even or odd amount, as long as they are to one side or the other of the main picture, it would be considered informal.

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I could go on and on about different examples of the two but as long as you have the basics you should be ok. I hope some of my information has helped you when it comes to decorating your living spaces...any questions or if you are in need of an interior design consultant please contact me by email at bradybunch1970@hotmail.com.

# Ride to the Heartland for the 2004 IGRA Finals Rodeo

Planning on traveling to Omaha for the 18th IGRA Finals Rodeo October 14-17, 2004? Advance tickets may be purchased online at http://www.hgra.net/Ticket/ticket.htm. Needing a place to stay while in Omaha for the 18th IGRA Finals Rodeo? Book your room online at the host hotel, Omaha Marriott Hotel, http://www.stayatmarriott.com/IGRA/.

- To make reservations by phone, please call 1-800-228-9290 and ask for the IGRA Finals Rodeo (use group code HGR).
- · Rooms are available October 13-18, 2004. Please make reservations by September 22, 2004 to secure the special group rate. Rooms and rates are subject to availability and taxes.

The Heartland Gay Rodeo Association, www.hgra.net, looks forward to hosting this wonderful event and welcoming you to Omaha!



Monthly Meetings: 2nd Thursday 7:00 P.M.

Location: First United Methodist Church 7020 Cass, Omaha, Nebraska Web Site: www.pflag-omaha.org

P.O. Box 390064 Omaha, NE 68139-0064 HELPLINE (402) 291-6781

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"When you have something like that happen, you have (the potential for) favoritism being shown to that person, as far as jobs and other duties are concerned," she said.

Marcum was a cryptologic linguist and the supervising noncommissioned officer for a group of Persian-Farsi speaking intelligence analysts stationed at Offutt Air Force Base in Omaha, Neb.

He was convicted in May of 2001 of engaging in consensual sodomy with a fellow airman in the privacy of his home. He was sentenced to 10 years in prison, and the term that was later cut to six years. Marcum is now on parole.

#### The Lowe Avenue Presbyterian Church

Omaha's "More Light" (GLBT-supportive) Presbyterian church, is looking forward to having a great fall. Sunday school and choir will start again on September 13th.

The Rainbow Bible Study, which meets on Fridays at 6:00 p.m. at the church and then goes out to dinner together afterwards, is presently studying the book Science, Scripture, & Homosexuality by Alice Ogden Bellis and Terry Hufford; when we finish that book we plan to read



Jeremy & James Will be hosting Game Day at the Center

Sundays: 12:00pm - 3:00pm

Come down and check out the games we have available or bring your favorite game and show us how to play.

Ages 5 - 105.

Parents ...... bring the kids down and play or read some of the books in our Library while they play.

Marvin Ellison's Same-sex Marriage: A Christian Ethical Analysis. We are learning a lot from these books and our discussion of them.

Lowe Avenue plans to participate in this year's Coming Out Day service in October. In addition to our Sunday services, we also usually have a fellowship meal once a month on a weekday evening which is free to all. We are also gearing up for our annual Christmas families program, where we provide food and Christmas gifts for needy families in our inner-city with the help of two suburban Omaha Presbyterian churches.

Our regular Sunday services are at 10 a.m. at 1023 N. 40th Street. For more information about Lowe Avenue or the Rainbow Bible Study, please contact Cleve Evans at 402-733-1360 or cevans@bellevue.edu.

#### Lesbian Weekend Retreat

In Des Moines, IA
on Raccoon River
October 2, 3
Singles & Couples Welcome
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#### **HGRA Events List**

MGRA Show Me State Rodeo – Kansas City, MO September 3<sup>rd</sup> thru 5<sup>th</sup>, 2004 - http://www.sunbound.net/mgra/

General Membership Meeting followed by IGRA Finals Rodeo Meeting Saturday, September 11<sup>th</sup>, 2004 – 1:00PM Location: Chance Ridge Event Center – 506 North Skyline Drive – Elkhorn, NE

The Babes are back in Town! – "Heartland Babes!"
Saturday, September 11<sup>th</sup>, 2004 – 9 PM
Location: Connections 1901 Leavenworth - Omaha, NE 68102

Atlantic Stampede – Washington, DC September 10<sup>th</sup> thru 12<sup>th</sup>, 2004 - http://www.asgra.org/

San Diego Rodeo – San Diego, CA September 17<sup>th</sup> thru 19<sup>th</sup>, 2004 - http:// www.sandiegorodeo.com/

Capital City Rodeo - Austin, TX September 24<sup>th</sup> thru 26<sup>th</sup>, 2004 - www.tgra.org

HGRA Barn Dance Saturday, September 25<sup>th</sup>, 2004 – 9 PM Location: Lakota Stables – East of Ashland off Highway 66 Food – Raffle Prizes – Games – Dancing

#### Rainbow Grannies End Their Long Journey for Equality in New York City

Elisia and Carrie Ross-Stone, known as the Rainbow Grannies, finished their second cross-country bicycle ride in New York City on July 10, 2004. Riding into Greenwich Village at the foot of Christopher Street, the Grannies were welcomed by organizers of Marriage Equality New York, Front Runners and members of the Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgendered (LGBT) cycling group known as Fast and Fabulous who accompanied them for the last leg of their 3800 mile journey.

The couple, who are life partners, parents to three grown children and grandmothers to Jareth, age 2, departed from San Francisco on May 2 to begin their arduous trek over mountain ranges and across deserts and prairies. As they pedaled, they stopped to participate in rallies for marriage equality in cities and towns along their route.

While they made their way across the country, Carrie and Elisia met with people face-to-face and told the story of their own family. They talked about the hardship of raising children without legal rights and protections – protections that are only available to legally recognized families. They shared their fears of growing older without the benefit of governmental programs paid for by their tax dollars.

Along the way. Elisia and Carrie challenged stereotypes and confronted lies with their truth. They have a unique ability to redirect the dialogue about same-sex marriage. They reveal to people that they and other LGBT families have needs and desires similar to those held by all American citizens — the right to a private life where they can enjoy equality, justice and the pursuit of happiness without interference by the government.

The 2004 ride has been captured on film by award winning filmmaker, Keith Wilson who has created a documentary called A Time to Ride. The film documents the Grannies struggle, their courage and their determination in the face of hostility, protests and death threats.

A Time to Ride is not just the story of the Rainbow Grannies. It is about the hope of every LGBT American who has lived their entire life as a second-class citizen. The film tells the story of real gay and lesbian families whose lives are affected by politicians and religious zealots who use fear and ignorance for their own profit and political gain. A Time to Ride will be available for viewing by mid-September to give voters an opportunity to understand what is really fueling the marriage equality controversy. To see a trailer of the documentary, visit <a href="https://www.ATimetoRide.com">www.ATimetoRide.com</a>. Please help to spread the film's important message by organizing a showing in your community before the November 2 election!

This is the second cross country bicycle ride for Carrie and Elisia. Calling their ride the Rainbow Ride Across America, they first rode across the southern US in 2003, from Saint Augustine Florida to San Diego California. Plans are currently underway for the third and final ride from Seattle to Boston during the summer of 2005.

To see photos of the ride and read the Rainbow Ride journal, please visit <a href="https://www.RainbowLaw.com">www.RainbowLaw.com</a> and follow the links to the Rainbow Ride Across America.

For more information about the Rainbow Ride, Elisia and Carrie or A Time to Ride, please call (800) 891-8189 or write to info@RainbowLaw.com.

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General Election is November 2nd

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#### **Center Wish List**

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Some items on our Wish List:

Coffee Maker Copy Machine

Folding Chairs (100 total, commercial grade)

Games (board games, card games, role playing games etc.) Laminator (8.5" by 11" or larger)

Laser Printer (600 dpi or greater resolution, PC compatible)

Monetary Donations (fully tax deductible)

Paper Shredder (commercial grade)

Public Address System

Tables (three collapsible, 6-8 ft. long)

TDD/TTY (Teletypewriter Devices for the deaf)

TeleBraille (TB) machines for the blind

Toolbox

Vacuum Cleaner

Cleaning Supplies

Florescent Light Bulbs (T12, 40 watt, 48", cool light)

Manila Envelopes (6"x9")

Paper Towels

Printer/Copier Paper (standard 8.5" by 11", 20 lb.)

Stamps (rolls of 100, any denomination)

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Lynn Rogers and Michael Archer - \$100 cash donation

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### **GAYZETTE EVENTS**

SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 4 GAY TRAIN TO DENVER, Labor Day Weekend, for more info email 2sexy@charter.net

MONDAY SEPTEMBER 6 ICON LABOR DAY PICNIC, Vennylyst Park, 1 to 6PM, Includes soda, beer and one plate of food, ID required, Admission \$10

SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 11 THE BABES ARE BACK IN TOWN. 9PM, at Connections

SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 12 AIDS WALK NEBRASKA 2004, for more info see www.nap.org or contact Stefanie Emrich at 552-9260 or email stefaniee@nap.org

MONDAY AND TUESDAY, SEPT 13 & 14 THE MAX CABARET SERIES, see ad on back cover for details, The Max

TUESDAV SEPTEMBER 14 NCOD MEETING, 7pm, Rainbow Outreach GLBT Resource Center, 1719 Leavenworth

SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 25 HGRA BARN DANCE, Lakota Stables, 9PM

TUESDAY SEPTEMBER 28 NCOD MEETING, 7pm, Rainbow Outreach GLBT Resource Center, 1719 Leavenworth

SUNDAY OCTOBER 10

NCOD 2004 BENEFIT, at The Max, hosted by Rainbow Celebrations President Jason Fienhold

FRJ., OCTOBER 14—SUN., OCT.17 IGRA FINALS RODEO, Chance Ridge Equine, Omaha; info: www.hgra.net or call 402-203-4680

FRJ., thru Sat., Nov. 5th and 6th RCGA FALL HARVEST, visit http://www.fallharvest.net for more details

SUNDAY NOVEMBER 21 NEBRASKA PRIDE 2005 BENEFIT, at The Max, hosted by Mr. Gay Pride Nebraska 2004 John Burns

SUNDAY DECEMBER 26 NEBRASKA PRIDE 2005 BENEFIT, at The Q, hosted by Mr. Gay Pride Nebraska 2004 John Burns

SUNDAY FEBRUARY 27

4TH ANNUAL HOORAY FOR HOLLY-WOOD BENEFIT, at The Max, hosted by Mr. Gav Pride Nebraska 2001 Trov Haasis

#### WEEKIV EVENTS

Every Sunday

WORSHIP SERVICES:

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

1ST METHODIST 7020 Cass, 8:30 & 10:45am

EPISCOPAL GLBT FELLOWSHIP, St. Andrews Church, 84th & Pacific, 6-7PM, email: EpiscopalGLBT@yahoo.com

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

FIRST UNITARIAN 3114 Harney, 11am

LOWE AVE PRESBYTERIAN, 1023 N 40 10am

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

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,

**GAY MEN'S ALCOHOLICS ANONY-**MOUS 4pm Lowe Avenue Presbyterian, 1023 N. 40 St Info call Mark 639-3055

Every Monday HIV TESTING, 7-9:30pm, 139 S. 40th

RIVER CITY MIXED CHORUS REHEARS-ALS, 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 OMAHA MEN'S SUPPORT GROUP. MCC-Omaha, 819 S. 22, 7:30pm

UNL LESBIAN/BI/QUESTIONING SUP-PORT GROUP, 7-8:30PM, Women's Center, Nebraska Union, Lincoln, 472-5644

Every Wednesday WORSHIP SERVICES

MCC OMAHA, 7pm

UNITY CHURCH OF OMAHA, 7pm

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

FRONTRUNNERS RUN/WALK 6:30pm AkSarBen Lot 5, 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.

HIV TEST 7- 9:30 pm, NAP, 139 S. 40th

KARAOKE 9pm, Connections

Every Friday

LAMBDA TV, Lincoln Cable Ch 13. 9pm

HIV TESTING, 5 - 10 pm. NAP Outreach Center, 1723 Leavenworth

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

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

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

CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP SERVICE, 7PM, MCC-Omaha, 819 S. 22nd St

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

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

**GAY/BI SUPPORT GROUP HIV+ MEN.** 6 -8pm, NAP, 220 S. 17, Lincoln FFI: Mark Giesler 476-7000.

1st Sunday

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

2nd Thursday

PFLAG- OMAHA, 7pm, First United Methodist Church

2nd Friday

SUDS RAPID HIV TEST, (2 hr results) 5 - 10 pm, NAP Outreach, 1723 Leavenworth

FREE CONFIDENTIAL ANONYMOUS HIV TEST, UN-L 476-0355, 1-3:30pm

2nd Saturday

LEATHER ENGINEERS—OMAHA
Meeting 7pm, Gilligan's

HIV TESTING UNL campus. Cornerstone, 16th & U, Lincoln, 476-0355 or 472-7447, 1:30-3:30pm

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
discussion) First Unitarian, 3114 Harney

3rd Monday

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

3rd Thurgday 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

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. -5:30 pm

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 **OMAHA BARS** 

CONNECTIONS 1901 Leavenworth 933-3033
THE DIAMOND 712 S. 16th St 342-9595
DC'S SALOON 610 S. 14th Street 344-3103
FLIXX 1019 S. 10th St 408-1020
GILLIGAN'S PUB 1407 Harney 449-9147

JOY 1516 Jones, 341-7337
The MAX 1417 Jackson 346-4110
OMAHA MINING CO 1715 Leavenworth 449-8703
ACE'S ONLY 1263 South 16th 344-7818

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PANIC 200 S. 18th, Lincoln 435-8764 Q 226 S. 9th St, Lincoln 475-2269

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JONES STREET STATION

412 JONES ST, SIOUX CITY 712-258-6922

Gary Boston and Jeff Adler of http://www.shutitdownnyc.com/ are urging gay and straight actors alike to call in sick, especially for the eight GOP-approved Broadway shows: Aida, 42nd Street, The Lion King, Fiddler on the Roof, Phantom of the Opera, Beauty and the Beast, Bombay

### Broadway Tells Bush Lovers To Bugger Off

Republican National Convention attendees were recently given a list of "approved" Broadway shows they could attend while in New York for the convention. Missing from the list was every gay-themed production on

the Great White Way - although, on Broadway, we question whether there really ARE any non-gay themed shows. Anyway. The New York Daily News reported this week that some Broadway folks are organizing a protest to try to make sure that RNC attendees won't be able to see ANY Broadway productions while they are in town.

The organizers of an anti-Bush protest are doing their best to shut down the strip on the day before Bush's speech at the convention.



Dreams and Wonderful Town. There are a lot of gay people in the Broadway community, Boston told the Daily News, and this is basically asking them to sing and dance for them while they're writing them out of the Constitution. We say, Bravo.

## 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, email to: 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 Hirsute men and admirers group
- Front Runners/Walkers, Box 4583, Omaha 68104 (402) 496-3658 Fun Run/Walks 10am Sun, 6pm Wed
- GALO (Gay & Lesbian Org at UNO)
  www.angelfire.com/home/GALO contact:
  unogalo@hotmail.com or SPO (Student
  Organizations) at 554-2711.
- Gay Lesbian Straight Education Network -Omaha, Box 641676, Omaha 68164, 596-2549 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
- Learning to Exchange Power, 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 2<sup>nd</sup> Sat Gilligan's 7pm
- LinOma Bares, Box 24547, Omaha 68124 Nudist/ Naturist Club for gay/bi men Info: 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 website: www.mpower-nap.org phone: 402.552.9260x20, Holistic Gay Men's Health Program
- Men's Support Group-Omaha, 819 S. 22, 345-2563; Tuesday 7:30pm http://mike2tom.home.radiks.net/msgomaha/
- Metropolitan Community Church of Omaha, 819 S. 22 St., Omaha 68108 345-2563, mccomaha@radiks.net Website:www.mccomaha.org Sunday Worship 9 & 11am, Sunday School 11am, Wed Evening Service 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
- Nebraska Equality.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
- Nebraska Gay Dads group list exchange emails posted to group list for discussion http://mike2tom.home.radiks.net/

- nebraskagaydads/
- The 'Ohana Group, (GLBT / Nontraditional Family group), theohanagroup@cs.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 or 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 Email: NeOutAboout@yahoo.com
- OUUT (Omaha Unitarian Universalists for Tolerance) First Unitarian Church, 3114 Harney, 68131, 345-3039, 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, email 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
- 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, 402-213-6203 locally, 866-NE-PRIDE toll free, sponsors of annual Gay Pride Parade & Festival & National Coming Out Day (NCOD)

  RC www.rainbowcelebrations.org

  NE Pride, pride@rainbowcelebrations.org
- NCOD, NCOD@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 MargauxPolo@aol.com
- River City Gender Alliance, Box 8076, Omaha 68108, 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
- Single Lesbians Group, Expanding My Horizons, Call 731-0206 or email devlnhalo2@aol.com, meets 1st or 3rd of each month
- **SNAP Productions,** Box 8464, Omaha, NE 68108 www.snapproductions.com
- Unity Church of Omaha 3424 N. 90, Omaha, Sunday worship: 9am, 11am Wednesday evening worship 7pm; 571 -1344; 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 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 QuestioningWomen's Discussion Group, University of Nebraska, Lincoln Women's Center (sponsor), Room 340, Nebraska Union, Lincoln 68588-0446. 402/472-5644.
- Nebraska AIDS Project, 220 S. 17th St. Lincoln, NE 68508. (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
- 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, 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 Comprehensive, inclusive sexuality/sexual health info, resources/referrals including sexual orientation, ally and diversity training.
- Straight Spouse Support Grp 483-5592 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
- 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-glbt.com/

#### **Iowa Based**

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

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# Bush Says States Can Recognize Gay Couples

by Paul Johnson 365Gay.com Newscenter Washington Bureau Chief

(Washington) In a bid to recapture the middle ground from Democratic presidential candidate John Kerry President Bush now says states can provide legal recognition to gay and lesbian couples with civil unions. But, he continues to call for an amendment to the US Constitution to bar gay marriage.

"That's up to states," Bush told CNN's Larry King Thursday night. "If they want to provide legal protections for gays, that's great. That's fine. But I do not want to change the definition of marriage. I don't think our country should."

When asked about federal benefits for same-sex couples Bush pointed to inheritance taxes which are lower for people who are married Bush said gays should support Republican moves to get of inheritance taxes altogether.

The president told King that gay couples should work with Congress not depend on 'activist judges'.

It is the first time that Bush has said he could support states enacting civil union legislation and the first time he has hinted he might support providing limited rights.

Bush's new 'kinder gentler' position comes as polls show the race is razor close, but Kerry with a slight lead.

The president's words were dismissed by gay activists as nothing more than a callous move to appear to be a moderate.

"I think the president may be feeling a backlash, Human Rights Campaign spokesperson Steven Fisher told 365Gay.com.

"The American people reject discrimination and want him to concentrate on issues they care about, the war and the economy."

Fisher said that as long as Bush continues to support a constitutional amendment "that would be with us for generations he cannot claim to be a moderate."

Kerry also opposes gay marriage but is against amending the US Constitution. However, Kerry has also indicated his support for an amendment to the Massachusetts state constitution to ban gay marriage. The Democratic nominee says he supports legal rights for same-sex couples including civil unions.

(This sure sounds like a flip flop on his position to me. Could it be that Bush is concerned that his hard right religious base may not be as supportive as he had imagined?.......Editor)

#### Where Can You Find The Gayzette?

#### Omaha:

Ace's Only, 1263 South 16th Street
Body Mods, 61st and Military
Connections, 1901 Leavenworth
The Diamond, 712 South 16th Street
DC's Saloon, 610 South 14th Street
Dixie Quix, Restaurant 20th Leavenworth
First Unitarian Church, 3114 Harney
Flixx 1019 South 10th Street Omaha
Gilligan's Pub, 1407 Harney Street
The Joy, 1516 Jones Street
Liquid Courage Custom Tattoo, 2936 South
84th Street

The Max, 1417 Jackson

Metropolitan Community Church, 819 South 22nd Street

Omaha Mining Co., 1715 Leavenworth Mystery Bookstore, 1422 South 13th St Nebraska AIDS Project, 139 South 40th St Next Millennium, 2308 North 72nd Street Rainbow Outreach GLBT Resource Center, 1719 Leavenworth

Stage Right Coffee and Tea House, 16th and Harney

Youth Emergency Services, 3910 Harney

#### Lincoln:

Panic Bar. 200 South 18th Street

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