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Boy Scouts to Allow Gay Youths to Join

By Phil Gast, Greg Botelho and Devon M. Savers, CNN



(CNN) -- Openly gay youths will be allowed to join scouting, a historic decision the Boy Scouts of America says will keep it unclouded by "a single, divisive, and unresolved societal issue."

More than 60% of the group's 1,400-member national council voted Thursday at an annual meeting in Grapevine, Texas, for the change, which takes effect Jan. 1.

"No youth may be denied membership in the Boy Scouts of America on the basis of sexual orientation or preference alone," says the resolution.

The BSA, however, will maintain its ban on gay adult leaders.

"The resolution also reinforces that Scouting is a youth program, and any sexual conduct, whether heterosexual or homosexual, by youth of Scouting age is contrary to the virtues of Scouting," the 103-year-old organization said in a statement after the vote.

The BSA said there are no plans for further review of the issue.

BSA President Wayne Perry said the vote came after "an extensive dialogue within the scouting family (that) was exhaustive and ... very respectful."

"No matter how you feel about this issue, kids are better off in scouting," Perry told reporters. "Our mission is to serve every kid."

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"Unfortunately, the new policy does not go far enough, leaving adult Eagle Scouts, scout leaders, and parents behind," the group said.

Scouts for Equality and GLAAD lauded the BSA's "commitment to creating a more inclusive organization."

Matthew Phelps And Ben Schock, Gay Couple Engaged At White House, Marry In Seattle

The Huffington Post | By Curtis M. Wong

It was a fairytale-come
-true this weekend for
Matthew Phelps and
Ben Schock, who made
history in December
when they became the
first same-sex couple
to get engaged at the
White House.

Phelps, an active U.S. Marine, and Schock tied the knot in a stylish Seattle ceremony over Memorial Day weekend. As the photos by Dan Taylor and Seattle Gay News'



Nate Gowdy attest, Schock opted for a black tux while Phelps went in dress uniform for the occasion.

"Matthew has made me the happiest I've ever been and I am so fortunate that I get to spend the rest of my life with him," Schock told The Huffington Post last December when photos of the proposal went viral on the Internet after being praised as

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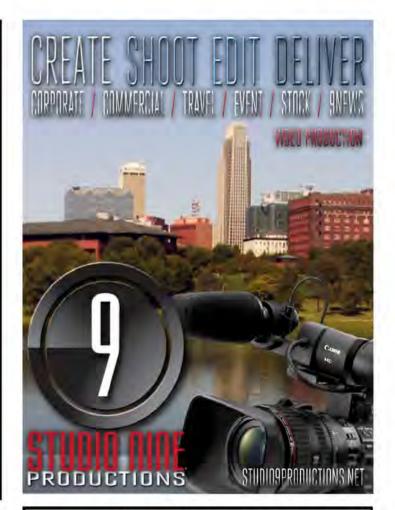
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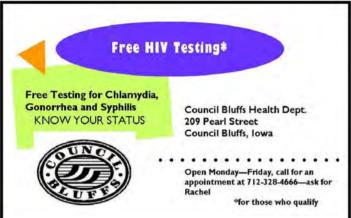
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sign by Carol Wisner, sound design by Miles Polaski and Martin Magnuson, and properties design by Amy Reiner. Shows run Thursdays-Saturdays at 7:30 p.m. and Sundays May 19th and June 2nd at 6 p.m. There is no show on Thursday, May 16th. Ticket prices are \$25 for adults; and \$20 for students, seniors 65+, TAG members, and groups of 10 or more.

The show features Omaha actors Ben Beck, Bill Grennan, Kirsten Kluver, and Ablan Roblin. The playwright, Patrick Barlow, credits the original concept of producing the play with just four actors to two British writers, Simon Corble and Nobby Dimon.

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The BLUEBARN Theatre continues its 2012-2013 Season with The 39 Steps adapted by playwright Patrick Barlow from the novel by John Buchan from the movie of Alfred Hitchcock. It opens Thursday May 9th and runs through Saturday June 15th. BLUEBARN Producing Artistic Director Susan Clement-Toberer directs, with scenic design by Martin Scott Marchitto, costumes by Lindsay Pape, lighting de-

BLUEBARN has produced over 100 plays and has established itself as Omaha's premier contemporary theatre company. Striving to bring artistically significant scripts and professional production values to Omaha and the surrounding region, BLUEBARN is known for high-quality entertainment and the fearless pursuit of stories that challenge both theatre artists and patrons. The BLUEBARN is currently raising significant funds to construct its future home at 10th & Pacific Streets in 2014, and will be celebrating its 25th season in the fall of 2013.

The Hungry Homo Broccoli Salad

By Lisa Broadway-Savage

This dish requires quite a bit of chopping, but is easy to throw together for your next backyard grill out or pot luck. For those who claim they cannot cook – I give you permission to use microwave bacon.

Ingredients:

4 c broccoli (chopped)
1/4 c purple onion (diced)
1/2 c raisins
8 slices bacon (cooked and crumbled)
Sunflower seeds (no shell)
1 c mayo
3 tsp red wine vinegar
1/2 c sugar

Directions:

Combine everything and chill at least 4 hours before serving.



ICON announces Monarch Candidates for Reign 33

The Board of Governors of the Imperial Court of Nebraska is pleased to announce the Monarch Candidates for Reign 33! The Emperor Candidates are John Burns and Shawn Shea. The Empress Candidate is Phoebe Duvet.

Please visit their Facebook page or their website www.imperialcourtofnebraska.org for a list of Campaign Events! Voting will take place on Sunday, June 23, 2013 in Omaha at the Rainbow Outreach Community Center (3620 Leavenworth) and in Lincoln at Panic from 1 to 5pm. Discount ticket packages for Coronation 33 are also available online until midnight the day of voting.

ICON to appoint a new Arch Bishop

The secular camp title of Arch Bishop for the Imperial Court of Nebraska is vacant. The Board of Governors will be appointing the new Arch Bishop at the June 17, 2013 Board Meeting at 6:30pm at MCC-Omaha.

Anyone interested in holding this position is invited to attend the meeting. More information regarding the position is available on their website www.imperialcourtofnebraska.org or you may contact Board President Teagan Thomas at iconeventcoordinator@gmail.com.

Iowa Proud

By Mike Yowell

Recently I had a lesbian couple as clients who were legally married in Iowa. They wanted to buy a home in Council Bluffs and they decided to make an offer on a home that was new construction. After we wrote up the offer, I met with the builder and his wife in their office.

Builders tend to be conservative business owners, and this couple was in their late 60s ... both groups which typically are not always gay-friendly. As I looked around their office, I noticed all the pictures on the walls of their six children and their 17 grandchildren. The wife was a few minutes late for our meeting due to a church gathering that ran over. I thought to myself, "This should be interesting."

I had never met the builders before. He and his wife didn't know who I was or what I do to promote civil rights for the gay community. As we started to go over the offer, the wife noticed that the buyers were both women. She turned to me and asked, "Is this a same-sex couple?" I said, "Yes." "And are they married?" Again I said, "Yes." The wife got a big smile on her face and turned to her elderly husband. She lifted her arms up in the air and, with glee in her voice, exclaimed, "This is our first same-sex couple!"

The wife then turned to me, and with pride in her voice she said, "This is IOWA. You know, it is legal here!"

Mike Yowell is a real estate agent, president of the CBCA and a board member of One Iowa

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Life Beyond Therapy

By Michael Kimmel

Love or Infatuation?

Remember back in Junior High. when you had a "crush" on some hot guy or girl? How you could barely breathe when they were close to you? You couldn't stop thinking of them. These "summer romances" weren't expected to last for long.



Indeed, they couldn't, because they weren't based in reality. You idealized this person and made them into something they were not. This is why it probably was so shocking when they fell off their pedestal and you saw them as who they really were: flawed, human and trying to survive, just like you.

As we get older, it's not always easy to tell love from infatuation.

Infatuation can grow into love, but don't count on it. Usually, infatuation turns into anger and disappointment when the glitter wears off and we see our idealized love object as he/she really is. Ugh, are we disappointed! Sometimes we wonder what we ever saw in this person. Many affairs are based on infatuation: your partner seems so boring after all these years, and this new person is so interested in you and interesting to you. If you consider leaving your partner for this person, however, often reality whomps you hard upside the head. You realize: I don't really know this person, I have projected all my fantasies and unmet needs onto them instead of bringing them to my partner and talking about them.

This is when most affairs end...and then I see the (un)happy couple in my office for couple's counseling. But, let's back up a bit. What is infatuation anyway?

Infatuation is based in fantasy. Hollywood movies with their happy endings are good examples of this kind of romantic fantasy. Swedish, French and Italian movies: not so much. They show the mess, the ambiguity and paradox of real love. Carl Jung believed that the first six months of most "love" affairs are largely infatuation: we project our need for an idealized lover onto someone else and work hard to "ignore" the reality of how flawed and human they actually are. If your relationships rarely make it past six months, you're stuck in infatuation mode.

Freud defined infatuation as "the overvaluation of the (love) object": everything about your new lover is great, and yet those red flags keep going off. Science has found that the brain scans of infatuated lovers look remarkable like the brain scans of co-caine addicts. Infatuation is an addiction, with measurable chemical effects on your brain. Infatuated lovers will work very hard to keep their addiction (and the good feelings it generates)

going. You feel so good you have a hard time focusing on anything else; you are "love sick". A perfect description.

"Love Sickness" is more common the more unsettled and unbalanced we feel: we need it, we want it, our life is pretty crappy and this new woman/man lifts us up out of depression into a kind of heaven. Who wouldn't want this? Unfortunately, like any addiction, it has its dark side: it's not based on reality, so, eventually, your new love (and your idealized vision of them) will crash and burn.

Some people – miracle workers of sorts – can transition from infatuation to real love. They do that by a slow process of replacing fantasy with reality. They get to know their new lover and stick around past the first argument, misunderstanding and disappointment. They keep going through the snoring and the bad morning breath and their lovers' awful best friend. They begin tip-toeing into real love and its three musketeers of affection, respect and reality.

The more you release your infatuation, the more clearly you see your loved one as they really are. No more delusions. You are willing to work on a relationship with this person, warts and all. We're all terribly flawed, but whose flaws can you accept and – someday – even find amusing?

In conclusion, consider this:
Love is hard work; infatuation is easy.
Love takes time; infatuation can happen quickly.
Love helps you find yourself; infatuation encourages you to lose yourself.
Love is based on reality; infatuation on fantasy.
Love can last; infatuation – by its very nature - cannot.

Live Proud: Heartland Pride's Commitment to Health

Eat well and exercise. They are easy tasks, right? Well, not really. It takes preparation. You need to look for realistic recipes that you can handle to make a healthy and not so strenuous meals. When it comes to getting active, you are constantly met with challenges, such as finding the time and the resources to get it done. With small and purposeful steps making healthy lifestyle changes is possible. The same can be said about smoking. Not everyone is thrilled about having to give up their cigarettes during a community event or ever, but overall it means cleaner, healthier air for everyone. Just telling people to not do it, is not going to create the foundation needed for individuals to know why it matters and why it really makes a difference.

After a community partner, UNMC Center for Reducing Health Disparities (UNMC CRHD), decided to bring up the topic of going smoke-free during PRIDE, Heartland PRIDE board members wanted to find out what was the best way to do so. Just as it is important to eat well and lead active lives, it is important to reduce risky behaviors that create unhealthy environments that could lead to preventable illness and disease. Heart-

land PRIDE Board members sat down with UNMC CRHD and expert/director of The Network for LGBT Health Equity, Dr. Scout, to discuss what steps Heartland PRIDE could take so that everyone would feel empowered to make healthier choices. Scout shared his own health measures that he takes in his own life and others from the board shared theirs. Discussions surrounding yummy healthy foods came up and fun activities to stay fit surfaced.

So what then could we do to incorporate some of this into PRIDE? The answer was creating a wellness fair. Many PRIDE festivals throughout the nation have adopted them, and they have proved to be successful in their communities. All it would take, on Heartland PRIDE's part is to bring together those organizations that are interested in educating the public on attaining their health goals, guiding them though preventative measures, and incorporating healthy policies and messaging into the event. Heartland PRIDE has committed to having limited designated smoking areas while the rest of PRIDE festivities will be smoke-free. This is following the national trend of smoke-free PRIDE's. Having access to more information and setting a good example, not only clears the air (literally), but combats the norm that smoking is acceptable regardless of the health implications. What a great opportunity to learn more about health, prevention, and overall community well-being. These efforts towards wellness will echo PRIDE's theme this year: Live Proud.

If your agency would like to participate during the wellness fair, please contact D. Ariss Rogel Mendoza at diana.rogelmendoza@unmc.edu

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emblematic of the nation's post-"Don't Ask, Don't Tell" mindset.

Added Phelps: "I wanted to propose to Ben at the White House because that's where we went for our first date, to the LGBT Pride Month Reception in June ... When we received an invitation from the Military Partners and Families Coalition to attend the White House holiday tour on Dec. 15, the coincidence that it would be the six-month anniversary of our first date -- and also to the White House -- was too big not to capitalize on."

Following the nuptials. Phelps and Schock departed for their honeymoon in Hawaii. according to their personal wedding blog.





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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

LEO - LEATHER ENGINEERS OF

OMAHA, Not currently meeting.

Stopped by Police @2am

An elderly man was stopped by the police around 2 am and was asked where he was going at that time of night.

The man replied "I'm on my way to a lecture about alcohol abuse and the effects it has on the human body, as well as smoking and staying out late."

The officer then asked "Really? Who's giving that lecture at this time of night?"

The man replied "That would be my wife."

Health and Safety Quiz

I failed a Health and Safety course at the Senior Center today.

One of the questions was: "In the event of a fire, what steps would you take?"

"F*cking' big ones" was apparently the wrong answer....

Senior Love

I was in my back yard trying to launch a kite.

I threw the kite up in the air, the wind would catch it for a few seconds, then it would come crashing back down to earth. I tried this a few more times with no success.

All the while, my wife Anne is watching from the kitchen windows, muttering to herself how men need to be told how to do everything.

She opens the window and yelled to me, "You need a piece of tail."

I turned with a confused look on my face and said.

"Make up your mind. Last night, you told me to go fly a kite."

Washing Dishes with Coldwater

Can Cold Water Clean Dishes? This is for all the germ conscious folks that worry about using cold water to clean. John went to visit his 90 year old grandfather in a very secluded, rural area of Saskatchewan. After spending a great evening chatting the night away, the next morning John's grandfather prepared breakfast of bacon, eggs and toast. However, John noticed a film like substance on his plate, and questioned his grandfather asking.

'Are these plates clean?'

His grandfather replied, 'They're as clean as cold water can get them. Just you go ahead and finish your meal, Sonny!'

For lunch the old man made hamburgers.

Again, John was concerned about the plates, as his appeared to have tiny specks around the edge that looked like dried egg and asked, 'Are you sure these plates are clean?'

Without looking up the old man said, 'I told you before, Sonny, those dishes are as clean as cold water can get them. Now don't you fret, I don't want to hear another word about it!'

Later that afternoon, John was on his way to a nearby town and as he was leaving, his grandfather's dog started to growl, and wouldn't let him pass.

John yelled and said, 'Grandfather, your dog won't let me get to my car'.

Without diverting his attention from the football game he was watching on TV, the old man shouted, 'Coldwater, go lay down now, yah hear me!'

Beer, Lots of Beer

Three Little Pigs went out to dinner one night. The waiter came and took their drink order.

I would like a Sprite,' said the first little piggy. I would like a Coke,' said the second little piggy. I want beer, lots and lots of beer,' said the third little piggy. The drinks were brought out and the waiter took their orders for dinner.. I want a nice big steak,' said the first piggy. I would like the salad plate,' said the second piggy. I want beer, lots and lots of beer,' said the third little piggy.

The meals were brought out and a while later the waiter approached the table and asked if the piggy's would like any dessert. I want a banana split,' said the first piggy. I want a cheescake,' said the second piggy. I want beer, lots and lots of beer,' exclaimed the third little piggy. 'Pardon me for asking,' said the waiter to the third little piggy,' But why have you only ordered beer all evening?' The third piggy says - 'Well, somebody has to go 'Wee, wee, wee, all the way home!

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

Camp Kindle, Nebraska based summer camp for kids affected by HIV/AIDS, 877.800.CAMP, www.CampKindle.org

Citizens for Equal Protection 1105 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

First Central Congregational Church UCC, 421 South 36th St., 402-345-1533, www.firstcentral.org, GLBT-affirming

First Lutheran Church, 542 So. 31st St., 402-345-7506, GLBT Friendly www.firstlutheranomaha.org

First Unitarian Church, 3114 Harney Street, 402-345-3039, www.firstuuomaha.org, GLBT Welcoming Congregation

First United Methodist Church, 7020 Cass St., 402-556-6262, www.fumcomaha.org, GLBT-affirming

Flat Water Bears, (group disbanded)
Front Runners/Walkers, Wednesdays at
6:30pm, Elmwood Park Parking Lot by
softball field, Omaha (402-804-8720)

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

GayLibrary.com, World Wide Resources GOglbt Professionals, meeting at 5:30PM. Email at: GOglbt@cfep-ne.org or see www.GOglbt.org for info

Greater Omaha LGBT Democrats

http://omahalgbtdemocrats.wordpress.com contact Ken @ 402-686-6389 See also http:// ProgressiveOasis.com

Heartland Pride

Www.heartlandpride.org, email: info@heartlandpride.org; meets on the 2nd Thursday of each month from 6:30pm to 8pm. @ D. Dale Clark Library

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, Board Meets 3rd Monday, Rainbow Outreach GLBT Center at 6:30pm, www.imperialcourtofnebraska.org

Inclusive Life

402-575-7006 www.inclusivelife.org
Offering religious and non-religious care and services to all without exception. Weddings, Funerals, Coaching and Pastoral Care.

Learning to Exchange Power, no current info available

Leather Engineers of Omaha (LEO) not

currently meeting

LinOma Bares, for more Info email linomabares@yahoo.com or mail to P.O. Box 24547, Omaha NE 68124

Metropolitan Community Church of Omaha, 819 S. 22 St., Omaha 68108 345-2563, mccomaha@mccomaha.org Website: www.mccomaha.org Sunday Worship 9:30am and 11:15am, Wed. Worship at 7pm

NA Rainbow Group, Narcotics Anonymous, meets Friday thru Monday at 10pm, MCC-Omaha Church, 819 South 22nd St

Nebraska AIDS Project, 250 So. 77th St., testing Wed from 1:30-4PM by appointment only, Thurs & Fri 5PM-9PM with 20 minute results Call 402-552-9255 for info

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

Nebraska Pride IDOL, PO Box 241733, Omaha NE 68124, 866-4-NE-IDOL, www.NebraskaPrideIDOL.com

Nebraska Zen Center, Soto Zen Buddhist, 3625 Lafayette Ave., 402-551-9035, www.prairiewindzen.org GLBT inclusive

North Side Christian Church 5555 Larimore Ave., Sunday service at 9:30am, see www.NorthSideOmaha.org

The 'Ohana Group, (GLBT / Nontraditional Family group), email to: Theohanagroup@msn.com

Omaha NE Gay Pride Web Page http://ONGP.com; email to: omahanegaypride@cox.net or ongpl@cox.net

Omaha Metro GLBT Sports League, See www.oglbtsports.com for more information

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: NeOutAbout@yahoo.com

OUTLine, a nonprofit organization that engages in and fosters the well-being and advancement of the LGBT community, www.outline.org, Lincoln NE

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, For confidential information or support, call: 402-291-6781, meeting at Countryside Community Church, 8787 Pacific Street Omaha, Nebraska

Proud Horizons Youth Group, Sat Afternoon, info: (402) 291-6781 or email proudhorizons@yahoo.com Rainbow Outreach GLBT Resource Ctr, 3620 Leavenworth, Omaha, 341-0330 Rainbow Pride/Rainbow Celebrations PO Box 8273 Omaha, NE 68108, See www.rainbowpride.org for info River City Gender Alliance, for info see www.rcga.org or call 402-291-6781 River City Mixed Bowling Sundays, Maple-

9393 for details

River City Mixed Chorus, Box 3267.

Omaha, NE 68103, 402-341-SING Web-

wood Lanes Omaha, at 3PM call 402-572-

site: www.rcmc.org Second Unitarian Church, 3012 S 119th St., Omaha, www.2uomaha.org, 402-334-0537,

LGBTQ Welcoming Congregation SNAP Productions, Box 8464, Omaha, NE 68108 www.snapproductions.com

Temple Israel Synagogue, 7023 Cass St., 402-556-6536, member of the Union for Reform Judaism, GLBT inclusive

Unity Church of Omaha 3424 N. 90, Omaha, Sunday worship: 10:30am Wednesday meditation service 7pm; 571 -1344; www.unityomaha.org

Youth Emergency Services, Inc. (Y.E.S.) Offices: 2679 Farnam Street, Suite. 205 Omaha, NE 68131, 402-345-5187, email to info@yesomaha.org

Y.E.S. Drop-in Center, 2057 Harney Street Omaha, NE 68102, 402-505-6922

LINCOLN BASED

LGBTQ and Ally Programs and Services Resource Center, Pat Tetreault, LGBTQ Resource Center Director, http://involved.unl.edu/lgbtqa - 402.472.1752 or 402-472-1652

http://www.unl.edu/health/sexuality

Queer Student Alliance, UNL, contact unlqsa@yahoo.com for info

GLBT and Allies coffee house, 3rd Fridays, Unitarian Church, 6300 A, 7:30 to 10:30pm

Lincoln Women's Center, Lincoln 402/472-2597.

Nebraska AIDS Project, Lincoln, 1921 S. 17th St. (402) 476-7000

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

Parents, Friends of Lesbians & Gays, Cornhusker Chapter; Box 30128, Lincoln 68508, Meet 4th Tues, Unitarian Church, 6300 A, email to Barbara Kimberly, jbkiber@hotmail.com. Website: http:// pflagcornhusker.org/

Planned Parenthood, F2M and Questioning Support group & Partners of FTM Support Group, meet monthly at 10am Saturday, for info call Ryan Sallans at 441 -3321 or email sindu.s@gmail.com

SAGE, Box 22043, Lincoln 68542 Coffee House 2nd Sat, 6 – 9pm, Lesbian Videos 7:15pm, 3319 S. 46

Spiritual Friends of Lincoln

Offering fellowship and worship for those seeking radical hospitality, openess, and inclusiveness. Meets the 1st and 3rd Sunday in Lincoln info@inclusivelife.org and on FaceBook

Straight Spouse Support Grp 402-429-6094

TriCity GLBT, serving Central Nebraska, web site at http://www.tricity-glbt.com/

UNL Committee on GLBT Concerns, Contact Pat Tetreault, (402) 472-1752 or email: ptetreault1@unl.edu/www.unl.edu/cglbtc Women In Trades/YWCA, 1432 N St., Lincoln 68508; 434-3494, Youth Support Group, (402) 434-9880

Iowa Based

Council Bluffs Health Department/Free STD Clinic

209 Pearl Street, Council Bluffs, Iowa 51503, 712-328-4666 – ask for Rachel, Monday – Friday by appointment, call to inquire about extended hours, FREE testing for HIV, Syphilis, Gonorrhea and Chlamydia Council Bluffs Community Alliance

www.councilbluffscommunityalliance.org

Council Bluffs Pride, www.councilbluffspride.org

First Congregational Church, United Church of Christ. GLBT friendly. 611 First Avenue, Council Bluffs, IA 51501, 712-322-5324 - http://www.cbfirstcongregational.org/

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

Nationally Based

Trevor-24-hour National Suicide Hotline for GLBT and Questioning Youth 1-800-850-8078 or see web site at http://www.thetrevorproject.org/helpline.html

TIME TO CHANGE By Royal D. Bush

Build it and they will come. I am not so sure that is how it works these days. When I was in the processes of coming out and of age (in the late 80's) the bars were THEE place to socialize, meet people, find dates, partners and gather in community.

At times, Omaha had at least 8 LGBT Bars, today half as many. And they are not the epicenter just for the LGBT community and friends, as they once



were. Today on most weekends you will find a fresh mix of young, new, long time customers and many people who don't identify as LGBT (and yes, I believe that IS a good thing.) It is integration, it is growth, it is what will help us achieve equality

Where Can You Find The Gayzette?

Omaha:

DC's Saloon. 610 South 14th Street 402-344-3103 Dixie Quick's Restaurant, 157 West Broadway 402- 346-3549 Flixx, 1015 South 10th Street Omaha 402-408-1020 Lover Luxuries, 6065 Maple St. 402-932-3377 The Max, 1417 Jackson St. 402-346-4110 Metropolitan Community Church, 819 South 22nd Street Mystery Bookstore, 1414 South 13th St. 402-342-7343 Nebraska AIDS Project, 250 South 77th St 402-552-9260 Omaha Mining Co., 1715 Leavenworth 402-449-8703 Rainbow Outreach Metro Omaha GLBT Resource Center. 3620 Leavenworth St. (home of The Gayzette) 402-341-0330

Would you like to have the Gayzette at your Place of business? Email your request to: Gayzette@cox.net

in Omaha and Nebraska one day.

There are still a few organizations and clubs that hold most of their functions at bars. That excludes so many people; those that don't drink, those that are under 21, those that may not live or want to travel to the downtown area on a weekend night.

Times are changing. How the LGBT community acts, interacts and socializes is not the same as it was 10 or even 5 years ago. Having Pride last year at Stinson Park is a great example of change. The first year it was held away from the downtown area. Many predicted "no one would go", and we know that simply was not the case!

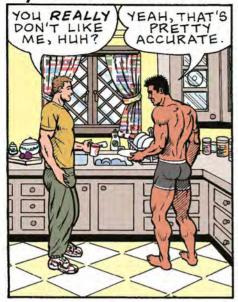
LGBT Organizations and clubs should take time to reexamine what their purpose is, what their mission will be and how they will get there. You have a better chance of growing, integrating, and sustaining if you leave the idea of having "them" come to you and conform to how you "do it."

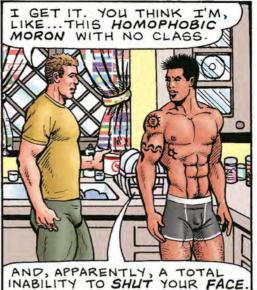
The other topic to consider is how does the "newer" generations of the GLBT community and our allies find you? Is your web presence, social media presence optimized for local searches? Is your site mobile ready for both iPhones and Droids? (at least 70% of first time views of web sites are done with hand held devices)

Times are changing and so must we. Our LGBT clubs and organizations should remain relevant, active and ever evolving to meet the needs of the community, not a committee.

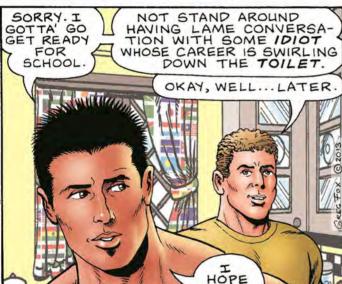
Kyle's Bed & Breakfast by Greg Fox









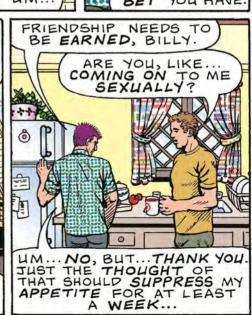












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Fitness Corner

By Ron Blake

HEALTHY INSPIRATION FOR THIS "LOST GENERATION"

Our stories of yesterday can inspire this new lost generation to get healthy and stay healthy. I walked uphill both ways to and from school and I'm ready to tell my story of how my pals and I did things when we were young and class was dismissed for summer. We actually did...wait for it... exercise back then!

It seems it was just the other decade that I would wake up late with early plans to get the day off to a good start. I'd eat breakfast and then head off for several games with my bat and glove. If baseball was king then my friends and I were members of the royal family during those summers of fun.

Half a dozen phone calls got the plans moving for the first game at about 10AM. It began as a daily event with a group of us neighborhood teenage kids, but soon word spread and we were getting ball players from all over our suburban Midwestern city. No one had their license yet so arrival to our daily games was a la Schwinn and Huffy.

Ground zero for the activities was an open field next to a church. There were several ready-made and ordinary baseball diamonds at the nearby school, but we chose to create our unique field of dreams adjacent to this house of worship. It seemed to work with that Dr. Seuss quote of "Why fit it when you were born to stand out."

I don't think anyone can really remember exactly when or why we started playing at this spot. It just happened one day and I believe that's part of what made it so magical. The playing field involved the usual grass and dirt and bases. It also involved bushes, sidewalks, an evergreen tree, and a towering rooftop of biblical proportions. The good Dr. Seuss would have wanted it no other way.

A homerun in center field was any ball that landed on the high slanted roof of the church. It was nothing short of awesome to watch a well-hit arcing fly ball plunk off the roof for a game winning shot in the bottom of the ninth inning. You could sometimes hear the church's organ playing Queen's We Are the Champions after those dramatic walk-off homers.

Some members of the church congregation caught wind of our nefarious acts of defiling the Lord by landing baseballs on his house. We would occasionally experience a minister showing up and giving us the ecclesiastical ejection for our choice of the disrespectful place of recreation.

We would scatter around the neighborhood until the coast was clear and we'd resume play after the brief abstain delay. It must have ultimately been God's will to let us play ball there; we spent several summer seasons on that Promised Land.

We didn't use a traditional baseball which likely explains why we never broke any stained glass windows. We used tennis balls instead.

We also eighty-sixed the wooden baseball bats and chose plastic bats reinforced with duct tape. There was no commissioner of our league to tell us the weight and size of an admissible homemade bat. If you made it and brought it; then it worked.

We'd play three games on some of those dog days of summer. Then we'd ride our bikes to our buddy's house to go swimming and finally call it a day.

Baseball, biking, and swimming ruled our days for those few years until girls and beer showed up and taught us strange new tongues. Please let your sons and daughters or nephews and nieces know that there is a world of exercise out there just beyond the reach of the internet and social media.

If you find that you ever need an extra player, you can put me in coach. I'm ready to play today. Look at me; I can be centerfield.

This article of balls and strikes is brought to you by that guy with no errors. That golden glove guy is Ron Blake and he can be found turning double plays at myblakefitness.com.

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Wednesday

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1:30 to 3:30 pm (appointment only)

5:00 to 8:00 pm (walk-in)

Thursday

1:30 to 3:30 pm (appointment only)

5:00 to 8:00 pm (walk-in)

Flixx Lounge: 10th & Pacific St. 1st & 3rd Mondays of each month

8:00 to 10:00 pm (walk-in)

RESPECT Clinic 50th & Arnes Ave. (Located in Baker Square Plaza)

2nd & 4th Mondays of each month

5:00 to 7:00 pm (walk-in)

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