



THE GAYZETTE

EVENTS OF INTEREST TO METROPOLITAN OMAHA & LINCOLN



NEIL MILLER CHRONICLES SIOUX CITY ANTIGAY WITCH HUNT

Will Appear Tuesday, March 26 at Borders

Neil Miller, author of the new book, *Sex-Crime Panic: A Journey to the Paranoid Heart of the 1950s* (Alyson Books), will be in Omaha on Tuesday, March 26, to read from his new book. The reading will be at 7pm at Borders, 13105 Birch St. The book, *Sex-Crime Panic*, is a piece of investigative journalism that recounts the true story of the 1955 antigay witch hunt in Sioux City, Iowa, in which 20 gay men were rounded up and incarcerated in the locked ward of a state mental hospital following the murders of two

little kids. (They had nothing to do with the crimes). The Advocate called it "compelling and chilling." The book has various Omaha connections. Some of the arrested men were from Nebraska, and one of them-- a victim of a second roundup-- took refuge in Omaha. Miller is also the author of the prize winning book *In Search of Gay America* and a book of gay history called *Out of the Past*. Both of these books are available in the Rainbow Outreach GLBT Resource Center Library. Library privileges are free to members of the Resource Center.

MCC HOLY WEEK SERVICES & ACTIVITIES

Holy Thursday: March 28 7:00pm at Dietz Methodist, 1423 S. 10th Street, Omaha

"Hope and Healing in a Broken World" Shared Worship with Dietz Methodist Church

Good Friday: March 29 7:00 pm, at Metropolitan Community Church of Omaha, 819 South 22 St.

"Into the Void" (The drama of the Crucifixion as experienced by those that loved Jesus)

An original play by Gay playwright Eric Buter (Communion will be served)

Holy Saturday: March 30 2:00pm at MCC-Omaha

Easter Egg Hunt for the Children of our Community, Open to all children

Easter Sunday: March 31 at MCC-Omaha

Sunrise Service 6:30am,

Early Worship 9:00am, Celebration Worship 11:00am



GAY ADOPTION BEFORE NEBRASKA SUPREME COURT AGAIN

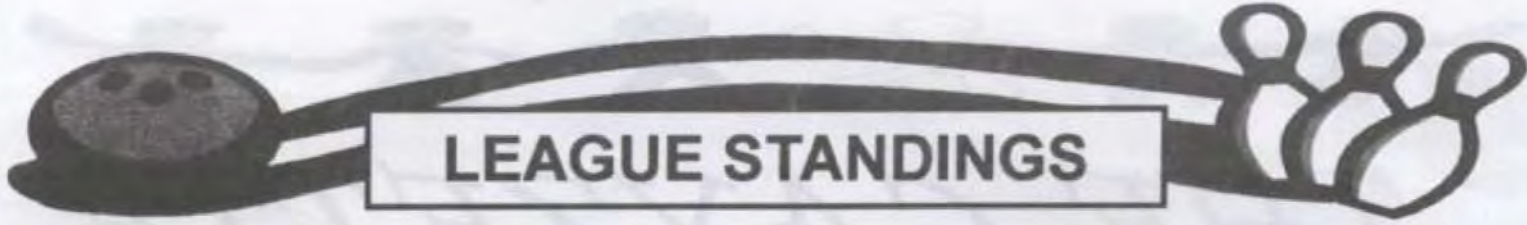
In a copyrighted article by Joseph Morton, World-Herald Staff Writer, the Omaha World-Herald noted that the Nebraska Supreme Court is getting ready to consider another adoption case involving two women. This case is an appeal of a ruling by Judge Troia who found that the woman's joint adoption of a boy with her partner in Pennsylvania five years ago was found to be invalid. Joan Bridgens adopted a baby boy in 1996. The following year, she and her partner, Serenna Russell, officially adopted the boy together with Russell named as a co-parent. The two women separated in 1999, with Joseph making his home with Russell, who moved to Omaha in August 2000. Russell filed suit a few months later in Douglas County District Court, asking a judge for sole custody of Joseph and for child support. Judge Joseph Troia found that Russell's adoption was invalid because it should not have been approved under Pennsylvania adoption law. Joseph went to visit Bridgens in Michigan about the time of Troia's order and has not returned to Omaha.

The court will hear oral arguments in the case April 4 on the Creighton University campus in Omaha.



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LEAGUE STANDINGS

RIVER CITY II

BROADWAY BOWL WEEK 22

TEAM STANDINGS	W	L	PINS
GILLIGANS	59	29	40279
CHICKEN & HER NOODLES	55	33	36447
OMAHA HOSPITALITY	53	35	43431
THE COCKS	48	40	40104
JUST THE BEAST 47	41	43444	
OOUTLAWS	46.5	41.5	37141
THE BOWLING BITCHES	46	42	39836
OMAHA MINING COMPANY	43	45	40847
GILL'S CHOKE ARTISTS	43	45	40621
CARLSONS QUEENS	43	45	38958
LINOMA	43	45	35048
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HIGH SCRATCH GAME (MEN)

276 - B. Andresen
258 - M Wierzbicki
254 - G Whitmore

(WOMEN)

197 - P Thayer
184 - T Chapen
182 - R Walston
182 - M Chapin

HIGH SCRATCH SERIES (MEN)

683 - S Delp
657 - S Hayes
641 - G Perrin

(WOMEN)

590 - N Harrison
508 - K McCall
457 - D Whittlesey

HIGH AVERAGE (MEN)

195 - M Wierzbicki
181 - S Hayes
177 - K McConnahey

(WOMEN)

174 - N Harrison
140 - K McCall
136 - D Whittlesey

HIGH SCRATCH TEAM SERIES

2269 - OMAHA HOSPITALITY
2031 - GILLIGANS
2015 - OMAHA MINING COMPANY

HIGH SCRATCH TEAM GAME

809 - JUST THE BEAST
756 - GILL'S CHOKE ARTISTS
739 - THE COCKS

RAINBOW BOWLERS

Maplewood Lanes Week 18

TEAM STANDINGS	W	L	PINS
OVER OUR HEADS	100	44	25670
MAN HOLE	90	54	25715
TAKING UP THE REAR	88	56	25313
MOUSTACHE RIDERS	72	72	24827
X-MEN	66	78	24491
IT'S ALL GOOD	66	78	22742
TEAM SEVEN	62	82	21211
BACK ALLEY BOYS	46	98	18882

HIGH GAME SCRATCH

267 - JR Brown
255 - S Delp
254 - D Cohen
254 - J Sanders

HIGH SERIES SCRATCH

712 - JR Brown
683 - D Cohen
638 - R Hollendieck

HIGH AVERAGE

197 - D Cohen
175 - JR Brown
170 - R Hollendieck

HIGH SCRATCH GAME (TEAM)

597 - TAKING UP THE REAR
595 - TEAM SEVEN
595 - OVER OUR HEADS

HIGH SCRATCH SERIES (TEAM)

1683 - OVER OUR HEADS
1622 - TEAM SEVEN
1583 - MAN HOLE

MCC-O HOSTS HEALTH FAIR

The Health Fair is April 14th from 10am - 2pm. Free screenings will be provided by many local charities and Health Care providers. Services include Blood pressure testing, Blood sugar testing, HIV Information, Health and Nutrition information, Glaucoma testing, and lots more. Lots of fun and drawings for free gifts all day!

ADOPTION RIGHTS SUPPORTED

The widely respected American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP) has issued a policy statement supporting legal and legislative efforts to provide second parent or co-parent adoptions to same-sex couples. The academy based its position on a review of scientific literature, which led it to conclude that such adoptions are in the best interests of children. For more information, visit <http://content.health.msn.com/content/article/3606.1217>

JOIN RAINBOW CELEBRATIONS FOR A PRIDE 2002 RECEPTION!

Rainbow Celebrations would like to invite you to join us on March 24th at the PRIDE 2002 Reception: "Hooray for Hollywood"! The reception will begin at 6:00 p.m. at The MAX, 1417 Jackson Street. Be the first to learn everything you need to know about PRIDE 2002.

Rainbow Celebrations will announce the nominees for PRIDE Grand Marshall, unveil the new PRIDE 2002 logo and reveal details about the PRIDE parade and festival. Plus there will be an important surprise announcement you won't want to miss!

KANSAS SUPREME COURT INVALIDATES TRANSSEXUAL MARRIAGE

In a copyrighted article by John Hanna, the Associated Press reported that the Kansas Supreme Court rejected a transsexual widow's claim for part of a \$2.5 million estate. In the ruling in the J'Noel Gardiner case the high court, in a unanimous opinion, said J'Noel Gardiner is not a woman and therefore cannot marry a man. "The Legislature has declared that the public policy of this state is to recognize only the traditional marriage between two parties who are of the opposite sex," and all other marriages are against public policy and void," Justice Donald Allegrucci wrote. "We cannot ignore what the Legislature has declared to be the policy of this state."

The sex change operations took place years before her 1998 marriage to Marshall Gardiner. He died a year later, and his son, Joe, challenged the validity of their marriage after discovering the sex change. Kansas law declares same-sex marriages invalid, but it does not address marriages involving transsexuals. Attorney Sanford Krigel had warned the court that concluding J'Noel Gardiner's marriage invalid would leave her the right to marry only women. "You're creating a situation where you would essentially be approving what would appear to be a homosexual marriage," Krigel said. The court didn't address that possibility in its ruling. On the Net: Supreme Court, case No. 85,030: <http://www.kscourts.org>

PETROW'S DINER DINNER IS BEARS' FRIDAY FETE; COLUMBUS BOWL APRIL 20

The year 1914 found the Petrow family opening their diner in "rural Omaha." Fri. evening Mar. 22d Flat Water Bears will chow-down in this Omaha dinner spot still popular and going strong nearly 90 years later.

To allow Lincoln and rural Nebraska and Iowa members travel time, the Bears will dine at 7:30 p.m. They invite hairy men and anyone interested in the hirsute to join them, gathering at 7 p.m. or shortly after at the restaurant, 5914 Center st, just east of 60th and Center. Diners will make their own selections from Petrow's menu. Dessert may be a certainty. Petrow's is particularly known for its homemade ice cream.

On the Flat Water Bears event calendar is 2:30 p.m. Sat. April 20 bowling at Westbrook Lanes, Columbus, NE and 1:30 p.m. Sat. May 18 Henry Doorly Zoo outing.

The Bears bowled last year at Schuyler, NE, having a great time and bringing in some new members and friends from rural Nebraska. The May zoo outing will include the new Desert Dome which by then may be slightly less crowded. It is due to open late this month.

Confirmed for Jun. 14-16 is the hairy men and friends annual summer weekend at Raccoon River Retreat Van Meter, IA.

The Bears meet at 7:30 p.m. the second Wednesday of each month at the Max. Visitors are welcome.

OUT AND ABOUT IN NEBRASKA MEETING AT RESOURCE CENTER

"Out and About in Nebraska" a group for people interested in outdoor activities, is now meeting at the Rainbow Outreach GLBT Resource Center every Wednesday night from 7-9pm for discussion. Everyone is welcome!

KICK UP THOSE HEELS

Prince to the Empress, Paul, invites you to DC's Saloon on Sat., March 23, for a knee-slapping good time, an evening sure to entertain you! The proceeds from the show will help ICON support the Rodeo through the purchase of Belt Buckles.

GAYZETTE AD RATES

Whole Page	7 1/2 X 10	\$100.00	Half Page	7 1/2 X 4 3/4	\$ 50.00
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All ads must be camera ready. !0% Discount for on-going ads of any size. Payment must accompany ad. Checks should be made payable to Rainbow Outreach GLBT Resource Center. Payment and ads should be delivered to the Rainbow Outreach GLBT Resource Center 1719 Leavenworth St. on or before the deadline date. Ads may also be emailed to Advertising@rocc.org. A phone call notifying us that the ad is coming should be made to (402) 341-0330, attention Sharon.

Ad Deadlines are:

Friday, March 29 for April 5 Publication **Friday, April 12** for April 19 Publication

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LEO SEEKING CONTESTANTS FOR DATING GAME



Are you single? Ready to have some fun? Willing to take a chance on a date? If you answered yes to the above questions, then LEO wants you. We are looking for single men and single women to compete in our version of the Gay Dating Game to be held at the Max in June, 2002.

Just because the event is sponsored by LEO does not mean you have to have a leather interest to apply.

If you are interested in applying, please go to www.menofleo.com and fill out the entry form. There is no cost to you to compete for a dream date and LEO will pick up the tab. Individuals will be contacted in late May with information regarding what promises to be a fun night for all involved - both spectators and contestants.

More details on this fun night will follow, but for now - we need contestants. So what are you waiting for? Go to the website and fill out the information. We look forward to a fun night at The Max.

ONLY 91 DAYS UNTIL PRIDE 2002!

The PRIDE and Rainbow Celebrations committees are working hard to prepare for the June 22 parade and festival. The Parade, Festival, PRIDE Guide, Grand Marshal, Website, and Public Relations committees are in full swing and in need of volunteers. Visit Rainbow Celebrations' website at rainbow-celebrations.org to get more information, volunteer and get up-to-date event details.

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402.345.2563

mccomaha@radiks.net

www.mccomaha.org

METROPOLITAN COMMUNITY CHURCH OF OMAHA
819 S. 22nd St.



OMAHA PFLAG

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

Location: First United Methodist Church
7020 Cass, Omaha, Nebraska

P.O. Box 390064
Omaha, NE 68139-0064

HELPLINE
(402) 291-6781

QUESTIONS ABOUT HIV OR AIDS?

Call the Nebraska AIDS Hotline

1-800-782-2437

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Sunday-Friday: 10 am-10 pm

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LESBIAN GOSPEL SINGER IN OMAHA

Born again lesbian Evangelist, Marsha Stevens, will perform her original music at Metropolitan Community Church of Omaha on Friday, April 13, at 7 PM. Admission is free; a love offering will be collected.

Marsha Stevens is the famed composer of *For Those Tears I Died (Come to the Water)*, a standard of Christian hymnals since 1972. Since coming out as a lesbian and experiencing the rejection and scorn of a homophobic society—most fiercely expressed by the church she so devoutly served—she has focused her talents on evangelizing the lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgendered community through her gospel music.

Highly respected throughout the Universal Fellowship of Metropolitan Community Churches (UFMCC), she is the first lay recipient of the prestigious Purple Grass Award for excellence as an evangelist. She has recorded eleven solo albums and a concert video on her independent BALM (Born Again Lesbian Music) label and she performs between 150 and 200 concerts a year. The Gay Music Guide rates two of her releases as among the top 20 albums of 1995 and 1996. Considered shocking by some and comforting to others, she performs *The Body of Christ Has AIDS* and *Love Is the Only Law*, as well as many other selections that express her distinct Christian views.



Marsha Stevens in Concert MCC-Omaha

7 PM, Fri., April 12

No Admission Charge — Love Offering Taken

Volunteers Needed

To Staff Resource Center
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341-0330**

GAYZETTE EVENTS

SATURDAY, MARCH 23

PRINCE PAUL BENEFIT SHOW

8pm DCS Benefit Rodeo Belt Buckles

SUNDAY, MARCH 24

PRIDE 2002 RECEPTION,

6pm, The MAX

MR GAY PRIDE ACADEMY

AWARD SHOW The MAX

OSCARS CELEBRATION JOY

TUESDAY, MARCH 26

NEIL MILLER READING FROM

HIS NEW BOOK "Sex-Crime

Panic" 7pm, Borders, 13105 Birch St.

THURSDAY, MARCH 28

MAUNDY THURSDAY SERVICES

MCC & Dietz Meth @ Dietz Meth

READING & DISCUSSION

"miscegeNations: queer mixed race

visions" Ahimsa Timoteo Bodhrán and

Qwo-Li Driskill, 6:00-8:00 p.m. Dudley

Bailey Library/Andrews Hall 228/229

UNL Campus

FRIDAY, MARCH 29

GOOD FRIDAY DRAMA "INTO

THE VOID" - a recounting of the cru-

cifixion by five eyewitnesses, 7pm at

MCC-Omaha, 818 S. 22 St.

BABY ANN FROM FLORIDA TO DJ

AT CLUB JOY

SATURDAY, MARCH 30

EASTER EGG HUNT FOR THE

CHILDREN OF OUR COMMU-

NITY - All Children are Welcome,

2pm, MCC-Omaha, 818 S. 22 St

SUNDAY, MARCH 31

MCC-OMAHA EASTER SERVICES

Sunrise Service 6:30am

Early Worship 9:00am

Celebration Worship 11:00am

MCC-Omaha, 819 South 22 St.

MISS GAY OMAHA MONTANA: A

STATE OF ART 10pm, The MAX

SUNDAY, APRIL 7

MISS NEBRASKA NATIONAL PAG-

EANT 10pm The MAX

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 10

HUMAN CHAIN AROUND THE

STATE CAPITOL 3pm-5pm

FRIDAY, APRIL 12

MARSHA STEVENS IN CONCERT

Metropolitan Community Church of

Omaha, 819 S. 19 St.

SUNDAY, APRIL 14

MCC-OMAHA HEALTH FAIR

10am - 2pm.

ICON CLOSET BALL The MAX

SATURDAY, APRIL 20

FLAT WATER BEARS BOWLING

2:30pm, Westbrook Lanes, Colum-

bus, NE

FRIDAY, APRIL 26—

SUNDAY, APRIL 28

HEARTLAND AA & AL-ANON

ROUNDUP, Park Inn, I-680 & Pa-

cific, Doug 493-2282 or RJ 346-5308

SATURDAY, MAY 4

ICON PR BALL, 6pm, The MAX

SATURDAY, MAY 18

FLAT WATER BEARS ZOO TRIP,

1:30pm, The Henry Doorly Zoo

MONDAY, MAY 27

ICON MEMORIAL DAY PICNIC,

Vennelyst Park, 1 - 6pm

SATURDAY, JUNE 8

VALHALLA 2002 8pm, Siouxland

Convention Ctr, South Sioux City, NE

FRJ. JUNE 14 - JUNE 16

FLAT WATER BEARS "BEARS

AT THE RIVER" RACCOON

RIVER RETREAT Van Meter, IA

SAT. JUNE 15 & JUNE 16

RIVER CITY MIXED CHORUS

"Reach for the Rainbow" 7:05pm,

UNO Strauss Performing Arts Center

SAT. JUNE 22

PRIDE PARADE, OMAHA

SAT. JUNE 29 — JUNE 30

HEARTLAND REGIONAL RODEO,

Sarpy Co. Fairgrounds, Springfield, NE

SAT. JULY 13

ICON CORONATION 22, 6pm, Sokol

Hall, 13 & Martha, Omaha

SAT. NOV. 16

FLAT WATER BEARS'

"THANKSGIVING FEED" &

ANNUAL MEETING, 5 p.m.,

MCC-O Social Hall.

FRJ-SUN, Dec. 6-8

FLAT WATER BEARS' "BEARS'

RIVER CHRISTMAS," Raccoon River

Retreat, Van Meter, IA

FEB. 14, 15, 16, 2002

ICE BOWL

WEEKLY EVENTS

Every Sunday

WORSHIP SERVICES:

DIETZ UNITED METHODIST

1423 S. 10, 11AM

1ST UNITED METHODIST

7020 Cass, 8:30 & 10:45am

METROPOLITAN COMMUNITY

CHURCH OF OMAHA

819 S. 22, 9am & 11am

HEARTLAND UNITED METH

at Union United Methodist 27 & R,

Omaha, ultra-casual worship 9:30am;

Sunday School 10:45 Phone: 682-9552.

FIRST UNITARIAN

3114 Harney Street, 11am

LOWE AVE PRESBYTERIAN,

1023 N. 40, Omaha 10am

UNITY CHURCH OF OMAHA,

3424 N. 90, Omaha, 9am, 11am

HASTINGS COLLEGE GSA 8PM

Hastings, NE. FFI: Judy Sarideen

(402) 461-7372

LAMBDA TV NETWORK Q.

Lincoln Cable Channel 13. 12 a.m.

LINCOLN WOMYN'S POTLUCK

Cheryl 474-1937 11:30am-4pm

THE WIMMIN'S SHOW

KZUM 89.3. 12:30-3 p.m.

CABARET, Q, 226 S. 9th St., Lincoln

GAYZETTE EVENTS

RIVER CITY MIXED BOWLING

Broadway Bowl

QUEER AS FOLK 9pm, The MAX, DC's

Every Monday

SAGE POTLUCK DINNER 6 - 9pm,
ROCC, 1719 Leavenworth, 341-0330

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

ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS GLBT

"RAINBOW GROUP" Meeting Place,
28 & S, Lincoln, 7:30 p.m.

Every Tuesday

UNL LESBIAN/BI/QUESTIONING SUPPORT GROUP 7-8:30pm, Women's Center, Back Room, Nebr Union, 12 & R, Lincoln, 472-9428

OMAHA MEN'S SUPPORT GROUP

MCC-Omaha, 819 S. 22, 7:30pm

OMAHA WOMEN'S SUPPORT GROUP

Rainbow Outreach Center, 1719 Leavenworth, 341-0330, 7:30pm

Every Wednesday

WORSHIP SERVICES

METROPOLITAN COMMUNITY

CHURCH OF OMAHA, 7pm

UNITY CHURCH OF OMAHA, 7pm

HIV TESTS, 1-4 pm NAP, 139 S. 40

FRONTRUNNERS RUN/WALK

6:30pm AkSarBen Lot 5, Omaha

"OUT AND ABOUT NEBRASKA"

7pm Discussion Group, Rainbow Outreach GLBT Resource Center, 1719 Leavenworth Call 341-9339 for info

LGBT ALCOHOLIC ANONYMOUS

7:30pm Basement, Alcohol Treatment Ctr 2116 W. Faidley, Grand Island. Peggy (308) 226-8286, Center (308) 398-5427

KARAOKE W/ STACY 8:30pm DC's

RAINBOW BOWLERS LEAGUE

9pm, Maplewood Lanes

Every Thursday

GLBT FELLOWSHIP, 6:30pm, Trinity

Cathedral Clarkson Center, 109 N. 18
Info: 391-1950; dknoxsae@qwest.net.

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

KARAOKE 9pm,

Connections, Club OLIS

Every Friday

LAMBDA TELEVISION LOCAL

EVENTS Lincoln Cable Ch 13. 3pm

HIV TESTING, 5 - 10 pm, NAP

Outreach Center, 1723 Leavenworth

RAINBOW BIBLE STUDY 6-7:30pm;

Lowe Ave Presby Church, 1023 N. 40

FREE FRIDAY MOVIE 7:45PM,

Rainbow Outreach GLBT Resource Ctr

LGBT AA 8pm, Boys & Girls Home

Sioux City, IA (712) 252-4272,

Q DREAM BOYZ, Q, 226 S. 9 Lincoln

Every Saturday

LAMBDA TELEVISION

Lincoln Cable Channel 13. 3 p.m.

PROUD HORIZON YOUTH GROUP

4-6pm, 291-6781,
proudhorizons@yahoo.com

KARAOKE 9pm, The Panic, 200 S. 18,

Lincoln

MONTHLY EVENTS

1st Saturday

RIVER CITY GENDER ALLIANCE

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

GAY/BI SUPPORT GROUP FOR HIV+

MEN, 6-8pm, NAP, 220 S. 17, Lincoln
FFI: Mark Giesler 476-7000.

2nd Friday

FREE, CONFIDENTIAL, ANONY-

MOUS HIV TESTING UNL campus
FFI: 476-0355. 1-3:30 p.m.

SUDS RAPID HIV TESTING,

(2 hour results) 5 - 10 pm, NAP
Outreach Center, 1723 Leavenworth

2nd Saturday

LEATHER ENGINEERS—OMAHA

Meeting 7pm, Gilligan's

2nd Sunday

LEARNING TO EXCHANGE

POWER L2EP@aol.com Novice S/
M,B/D Grp. 1pm; DCs

INTEGRITY GROUP 6-7:30pm,

St. Marks Episcopal, 13 & "R" Lincoln

2nd Wednesday

FLAT WATER BEARS 7:30pm

The MAX, Omaha

2nd Thursday

PFLAG—OMAHA

7pm 1st United Meth, Mead Hall

2nd Saturday

GLSEN OMAHA, Board Mtg.

9-11am, South High School

GAY-FRIENDLY FOOD-NET Quaker

Meeting House, 3319 S. 46, Lincoln
Free Food, no obligation 11am-12n

3rd Sunday

SOUL FOOD SUNDAY CANCELLED FOR MARCH & APRIL

3rd Monday

IMPERIAL COURT OF NEBR MTG

MCC-O, 819 S. 22nd St., 6:30pm

GAY/BISEXUAL SUPPORT GROUP

FOR HIV+ MEN, 6-8pm NAP, 220 S.
17, Lincoln . Mark Giesler 476-7000.

4th Tuesday

PFLAG-CORNHUSKER Unitarian

Church, 6300 A St., Lincoln, 7 p.m.

YOUTH HIV TESTING Lighthouse,

2530 N St, Lincoln For ages 13 to 18
only. FFI: 475-3220. 3-5:30 p.m.

4th Friday

HIV TESTING Walkins welcome. UNL

campus. 476-0355. 1-3:30pm

4th Saturday

QUAKERS FOOD-NET Quaker Meeting

House, 3319 S. 46, Lincoln 11am.- noon

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EMAIL: NEWS@ROCC.ORG

"miscegeNations: queer mixed race visions"

The UNL Committee on GLBT Concerns and The UNL Human Rights and Human Diversity Initiative invite you to an evening of:

"miscegeNations: queer mixed race visions"
Ahimsa Timoteo Bodhrán and Qwo-Li Driskill
a reading and discussion
Thursday, March 28
6:00-8:00 p.m.
Dudley Bailey Library/Andrews Hall 228/229
UNL Campus

All are welcome. This evening is free and open to the public.

Ahimsa Timoteo Bodhrán is a queer mixed race writer, dancer, performance artist, and activist of Moroccan Sefardi (Spanish Arab African Jewish) and other bloods. His award-winning work has appeared in over 50 publications, including LUNA, Mizna, maganda, Response: A Contemporary Jewish Review, The Raven Chronicles, Male Lust: Pleasure, Power, and Transformation, Revolutionary Voices: A Multicultural Queer Youth Anthology, and A Different Path: An Anthology of the Radius of Arab American Writers. Currently an M.F.A. candidate at City University of New York's Brooklyn College, he received his B.A. in Women Studies from San Francisco State University. Co-founder of Tranny Fest, the U.S.'s first multicultural transgender film and video festival, he was the opening poet for Trans World II: The 2nd Annual Transgender People of Color Conference, organized by the Audre Lorde Project in Nueva York.

Qwo-Li Driskill is a Cherokee Two-Spirit/Queer also of African, Irish, Lenape and Lumbee *ascent.) S/he is the founder and director of Knitbone Productions, an ensemble of First Nations people of the Americas and Hawai'i using writing, theater and story as tools for healing, continuance, and decolonization, as well as the co-organizer/co-founder of the Seattle chapter of RESYST (Resources for Youth, Students and Trainees) and co-organizer for Curio Productions, a cultural group for Queer people of color. A director, writer, actor, and performance artist as well as a poet, scholar, and activist, Driskill's work has appeared in numerous Native, Queer, people of color, scholarly, and general literary publications. Hir first volume of poetry, *Ghost Dances*, is forthcoming. S/he lives, loves, and teaches in Seattle, Washington.

For more information, contact Daniel at: e-mail (outlandcherokee@hotmail.com) and phone (489-9612).

WOMEN'S SUPPORT GROUP

MEETS TUESDAYS AT 7:30PM

**RAINBOW OUTREACH
GLBT RESOURCE CENTER
1719 LEAVENWORTH**

BARS

Connections, 933-3033
1901 Leavenworth, Omaha
Club Olis, 934-4030
2801 N 16 St, Omaha
The Diamond, 342-9595
712 S. 16th St., Omaha
DC's Saloon, 344-3103
610 S. 14th Street, Omaha
Gilligan's Pub, 449-9147
1407 Harney, Omaha
JOY, 341-7337
1516 Jones, Omaha
The MAX, 346-4110
1417 Jackson, Omaha
Omaha Mining Co., 449-8703,
1715 Leavenworth, Omaha
Panic, 435-8764, 200 S. 18th Lincoln
Q, 475-2269, 226 S. 9th St, Lincoln

CLOSET BALL

April 14 at The MAX 9 PM

First timers—male or female impersonators—Here's an opportunity to become a part of the community that puts on a dress or glues on facial hair week after week to fund raise for the GLBT community. All contestants must have a sponsor and if you've performed in another gender in any genre, you're just not eligible, but you can sponsor someone wanting to make their debut performance. Complete rules will be available soon. Check the local bars or contact any member of the ICON Board of Governors. Whether you come to compete, sponsor, or enjoy the pageant, Closet Ball is always a memorable evening. Come early for the best seats in the house!

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ICON FOUNDATION

5 YEAR REPORT

Formed in 1997, the ICON Foundation purpose is three-fold: educational, charitable, and the scholarship fund.

Income: 1997 1998 1999 2000 2001
\$5,084 \$3,555 \$4,278 \$3,417 \$2,892

Expenses:

Iris Phoenix Scholarship Fund

1997—Jon Holloway—\$800
Michelle Ellison—\$800
1998—Nicholas Ellingson—\$600
Jamara Snipe—\$1,400
Bradley Z. Haumont—\$700
Skylar Hunt—\$1,000
1999—Kim Aken—\$300
Jonathan Raymond—\$750
Annette Dickman—\$250
Pam Bosley—\$750
2000—Barbara Cheshire—\$1,000
Kris Gandara—\$1,000
Dean Brame—\$750
Matt Finken—\$250
2001—Christa Smith—\$500
Brett Stewart—\$1,000

Charitable Donations

1998—\$2,000
1999—\$250

ICON Foundation Administrative Expenses \$185

Current Balances: Bank—\$1,642 CD—\$3,666

Carla Petersen, Treasurer

SPLENDORA

SNAP Productions presents the musical *Splendor*. Based on the 1978 cult novel of the same name by Edward Swift, the story takes place in Splendor—a small town in East Texas. People there still talk about Timothy John Coldridge, the young man who ran away from the town fifteen years ago, never to be heard from again. They also talk about Splendor's new arrival, Miss Jessica Gatewood, a lady of Victorian dress and speech, hired to run the county bookmobile and taking up residence in the house of Timothy John's deceased grandmother, Esther Ruth. Within weeks, Jessica captivates the town; her style is emulated by the Splendor Ladies Study Group, and she is lauded for her municipal restoration efforts. Only one person, Sue Ella Lightfoot, suspects "there's something mighty slippery beneath those frills and slippery," and makes a startling discovery; that Jessica and Timothy are one and the same person. But, for how long? As Timothy John begins to fall in love with Brother Leggett, Splendor's assistant pastor, it's clear that he must reconcile himself with his hurtful past so that he can finally leave Jessica. And Splendor.

SNAP! Productions presents *Splendor* thru March 31 at 3225 California. Curtain times: 8PM Thurs-Sat, 6 PM Sun. Theater opens a half hour before curtain time. Reservations: 341.2757 or the SNAP! Website: www.snapproductions.com. Tickets: \$15—general admission; \$10—students, senior citizens, and TAG members. SNAP! Productions is a nonprofit theatre organization with the mission to provide Educational and Humanistic Support of AIDS-Related Programs and to Promote Understanding and Acceptance of All Members of the Community Through Artistic Expression.

MARCH FOR JOY

Friday, March 22

They're back and hotter than before! Strippers! (Hot men removing their articles of clothing beginning at 9 PM.

Sunday, March 24

One of the biggest gay events ever held. No, not Gay Days at Disney World, and no, not Madonna's new CD release part. It's the Oscars! Come out and enjoy hors'd' oeuvres, prizes, and all the Swan dresses you can handle.

Friday, March 29

East Coast vs West Coast! Baby Ann has rescheduled to prove that Florida breaks will reign supreme over the nu energy sound of LA's Jan Bishop. Omaha, NE, will be the judge. Club Joy will be the ring, a do-not-miss-must-see-event.

Sunday, March 31

Happy Easter!

REPORT ALL HATE CRIMES

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IF Motivated because of

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RAINBOW OUTREACH GLBT RESOURCE LIST

OMAHA BASED ORGANIZATIONS

- BiChoice Nebraska**, 9504 R, Plz #106, Omaha 68127, 592-4250; QUEST15@juno.com
- Citizens for Equal Protection** Box 55548, Omaha 68155, 398-3027 <http://www.geocities.com/~cfep> equal rights for all
- Flat Water Bears**, Box 3751, Omaha 68103 flatwaterbears@geocities.com For hirsute men and admirers, 2nd Wednesday, The MAX, 7:30pm
- 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 "Building Bridges Through Education and Acceptance" or SPO (Student Organizations) at 554-2711.
- Gay, Lesbian & Straight Education Network-Omaha**, Box 641676, Omaha 68164, 596-2596
- Heartland Gay Rodeo Association** Box 3354, Omaha 68103 800-561-6918
- Ice Bowl Invitational Bowling Tournament (IBIT)** P.O. Box 31838, Omaha, NE 68131, e-mail icebowlomaha@hotmail.com
- Imperial Court of Nebraska**, Box 3772, Omaha 68103 556-9907, Board Meeting 3rd Mon, 819 S. 22
- Learning to Exchange Power**, L2EP@aol.com; Social, educational group novices in Leather Lifestyle
- Leather Engineers of Omaha (LEO)** Box 8181 Omaha 68108 Gay men interested in leather lifestyle, Meetings 2nd Sat @ Gilligan's 7pm
- LinOma Bares**, Box 8493, Omaha 68108 Nudist/Naturist Club for gay/bi men Info: Eric (402) 553-5944; Jerry (402) 553-6626
- Mpower**, c/o Nebr AIDS Project, 139 S. 40, Omaha 68131 www.mpower-nap.org. Men teaching men about HIV
- Men's Support Group-Omaha**, c/o MCC-Omaha, 819 S. 22 St., <http://www.radiks.net/mike2tom/msgomaha> 345-2563; Tuesday 7:30pm
- Metropolitan Community Church of Omaha**, 819 S. 22 St., Omaha 68108 345-2563, mccomaha@radiks.net Website: www.mccomaha.org Sunday Worship 9 & 11am, Wed Eve 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 Advocates for Justice & Equality**, PO Box 55548, Omaha 68155, 402.346-5960 naje_now@hotmail.com

- Nebraska Gay Dads** group list exchange emails posted to the list for discussion <http://www.radiks.net/mike2tom/nebraskagaydads>
- Omaha Nebr Gay Pride WebPage** <http://members.cyberwolves.com/omahanegaypride> PO Box 4154, Omaha, 68104-4154 402-502-9195 omahanegaypride@home.com
- Onyx Images**, Box 31026, 68132-9998 Onyximages@hotmail.com Fraternity for African American Men
- Out and About in Nebraska**, Social group for those who enjoy the outdoors outabout@worldshare.net or <http://travel.to/outabout>
- Parents and Friends of Lesbians And Gays (PFLAG) Omaha Chapter** PO Box 390064, Omaha, 68139-0064 291-6781 Website: www.pflag-omaha.org, email info@pflag-omaha.org Meet 2nd 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, Web Site: www.ROCC.org, email: rainbow@rocc.org Info Line, Library, Movies, Gayzette
- Rainbow Bible Study**, Fridays, 6-7:30pm, Lowe Ave Presbyterian, 1023 N. 40 St.
- Rainbow Celebrations**, Box 8583, Omaha, 68108 402.502.1577 Pride Parade & Festival, National Coming Out Day (NCOD) Event info@rainbowcelebrations.org
- Pride 2002** Box 8583, Omaha, 68108 pride2002@rainbowcelebrations.org
- National Coming Out Day 2002** P.O. Box 8583, Omaha, 68108 NCOD2002@rainbowcelebrations.org
- River City Mixed Chorus**, Box 3267, Omaha, NE 68103, 402-341-SING Website: www.rcmc.org
- River City Gender Alliance**, Box 8076, Omaha 68108, 402-991-8845, email: rcga@tgforum.com, Website: www.genderalliance.com Social/Support Group for transgender/transsexual/cross-dressers and supporters
- River City Mixed Bowling I**, 12:45pm, Sundays, Mockingbird Bowl, Omaha:
- River City Mixed Bowling II** 3pm, Sundays, Broadway Bowl, Council Bluffs, IA: Dan White (402)734-7055
- 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

- Women's Support Group**, Meets Tuesday 7:30pm, Rainbow Outreach Center, 1719 Leavenworth, 342-0330
- WomenSpace**, Box 24712, Omaha 68124 Newsletter, Concerts

LINCOLN BASED ORGANIZATIONS

- Alias Jane Band**, (402) 435-8764 Kara & Kelly at The Panic
- Boonodgges** 120 N. 14 St. (the Ozone) shop online <http://www.ideviate.net> Email boonodgges@ideviate.net Pride merchandise, books & more.
- Gay/Lesbian/Bi/Straight Alliance** 2229 J St., Lincoln 68510 (402) 436-1301 ext. 232 Ruth Kupfer
- Gay/Lesbian Film Fest**, Mary Ross Film Theater, Lincoln, Deanna Zaffke, cea@unlserve.unl.edu
- 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**, Women's Resource Ctr, UNL Health Ctr, Rm 340, Lincoln 68558 (402) 472-2597
- Nebraska AIDS Project**, 220 S. 17th St. Lincoln, NE 68508. (402) 476-7000
- Nebraska Coalition for LGBT Civil Rts**, 122 S. 11 St, Ste 200, Lincoln, 68508, Stacie 499-3671, Kris or Traci 438-7810
- Omaha Women's Riverboat Cruise**, 4949 N. 73, Lincoln, 68507 467-5737
- Parents, Friends of Lesbians & Gays, Cornhusker Chapter**, Box 30128, Lincoln 68508, Meet 4th Tuesday, Unitarian Church, 6300 A, Barbara Kimberly jkimber@email.msn.com, Website: <http://pflag.incb.org/>
- Plainsmen**, Support group for FtM's (Female to Male), Drag Kings TV Butches, 402-820-1267
- SAGE**, Box 22043, Lincoln 68542 Coffee House 2nd 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** 489-9088
- 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



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