



Christian Pastor Hopes God “Finishes The Job” And Kills Orlando Survivors

By Derek De Koff

One of the many unfortunate aspects of the Pulse nightclub massacre is the number of antigay wingnuts and all-around creepos crawling out of the woodwork in order to capitalize on the attack and make a name for themselves as timely hate merchants.

A recent case in point: Pastor Donnie Romero of Stedfast Baptist Church, who Raw Story reports told his congregation he agrees “100 percent” with Roger Jimenez, the Baptist pastor whose recent sermon suggests taking the survivors out to a firing squad to “blow their brains out.”



Impossibly, Romero has added horrific new depths to this already inhuman sentiment: “These 50 sodomites are all perverts and pedophiles, and they are the scum of the earth, and the earth is a little bit better place now,” Romero said on Sunday.

“And I’ll take it a step further, because I heard on the news today, that there are still several dozen of these queers in ICU and intensive care. And I will pray to God like I did this morning, I will do it tonight, I’ll pray that God will finish the job that that man started, and he will end their life, and by tomorrow morning they will all be burning in hell, just like the rest of them, so that they don’t get any more opportunity to go out and hurt little children.”

In other key moments of Romero’s sanctimonious hate-mongering, he calls Sodom and Gomorrah the first ever “queer mass murder,” and says he thinks other mega-churches are soft-pedaling the antigay rhetoric and should step up on the unstoppable evil.

Unsurprisingly, The Southern Poverty Law Center has categorized Romero’s church as an anti-LGBT hate group.

“Angels” Protect Orlando Funeral Attendees From Westboro Baptist Church

By Derek De Koff

This Saturday, thousands of mourners congregated in Orlando, Florida to say their final goodbyes to Christopher Andrew Leinonen, one of 49 club-goers murdered by shooter Omar Mateen, the man who opened fire on the gay nightclub Pulse last weekend.



Predictably, there were also a handful of antigay activists in the crowd, including members of Westboro Baptist Church. Fortunately, their guttural gay hatred was successfully shielded by a team of intrepid counter-protesters from the city’s Shakespeare Theater, who succeeded in blocking their presence with their long billowy “angel wings.”

It’s a strategy that’s been used before, as early as 1999, when Westboro was effectively blocked from picketing the funeral of Matthew Shepard, a young man murdered in Laramie, Wyoming for being gay.

According to Jim Helsing, artistic direction of the theater, “Angel wings are meant as a loving support to the fallen, not to create more anger or violence.”

Other counter-protesters held signage that read “OrlandoStrong,” held up rainbow banners, or sang “Amazing Grace.”

As The Washington Post reports, the crowd cheered as the people dressed as angels made their first appearance.

“We couldn’t even hear WBC,” said one attendee on Facebook. “All you could hear was peace and love.”

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Man Claims He Had an Intimate Relationship With Orlando Shooter

BY YEZMIN VILLARREAL

Univision interviewed a man Tuesday who claims that he had a sexual relationship with Omar Mateen for two months, and that the shooter frequented Pulse because he was attracted to Latino men.

"He adored Latinos, gay Latinos, with brown skin — but he felt rejected. He felt used by them — there were moments in the Pulse nightclub that made him feel really bad. Guys used him. That really affected him," said the man, identified only as "Miguel." "I believe this crazy horrible thing he did — that was revenge."



The man wore a disguise while appearing on TV. He told Univision that Mateen, who left 49 victims dead at Pulse and 53 wounded, many of whom were Puerto Rican, held a grudge against Puerto Ricans because he felt "used" by them. Miguel claims Mateen once told him that he had sex with a man who waited until after they had intercourse to notify him that he was HIV-positive.

Mateen became paranoid that he had HIV, claimed Miguel. "I asked him, 'Did you do a test?' Yes. He went to the pharmacy and did the test ... it came out negative but it doesn't come out right away. It takes four, five months," Miguel told Univision.

"When I asked him what he was going to do now, his answer was 'I'm going to make them pay for what they did to me,'" said Miguel.

Miguel said he met Mateen on a gay dating site and the two quickly became "friends with benefits." Miguel described Mateen as "a very sweet guy" who "loved to be cuddled." "He was looking for love," said Miguel. The man said he was "stunned" when he heard about the shooting at Pulse because he never saw a violent side to Mateen.

Miguel claims that he met with Mateen at least 15 to 20 times but never knew his name. He only knew that Mateen was a 35-year-old married man with a child. The two last met in December, and Miguel contended that Mateen's wife knew that her husband was "100 percent" gay and that their marriage was a cover for his sexuality.



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The man reported that Mateen expressed resentment over his dad's views on LGBT people. He says Mateen's father believed that "gay people [are] the devil and gay people have to die."

Miguel told Univision that he's spoken with the FBI three times. Univision reported that the FBI confirmed to them that the agency had met with Miguel. But the FBI's lead investigator said Monday that "those allegations are still being vetted out as we speak and there's no determination to be made at this time." Attorney General Loretta Lynch, in a news conference today, wouldn't confirm reports that Mateen had frequented other gay bars in the area.

Mateen has been the subject of a lot of speculation over his sexual orientation. A man told MSNBC's Chris Hayes last week that he'd seen Mateen on Grindr. Another man told the Los Angeles Times a similar story and said he'd turned over his phone to the FBI. Yet another man, a former classmate, told The Palm Beach Post that Mateen had once asked him out. Three men in Fort Pierce, Fla., Mateen's hometown, told The Advocate that they'd recognized Mateen from Grindr. But in none of those cases did the men claim to have had a sexual relationship with Mateen.

Univision anchor Maria Elena Salinas asked him directly, "Why should I trust that you aren't lying to me or the FBI?"

"It's my responsibility as a citizen of the United States and a gay man," he told Salinas.

Jim Gray Is Testing Gun Control as Way to Unseat Republicans

By Lucas Grindley

Kentucky's U.S. Senate race could become a powerful study in whether doing nothing to close the so-called terrorist loophole in American gun laws is actually a liability in elections.

Jim Gray, the out man running to unseat Rand Paul in the U.S. Senate, is hammering his Republican opponent for allowing "suspected terrorists to buy guns."



Gray released a new digital ad attacking Paul over his view. A voiceover asks, "When will Rand Paul vote to prevent terrorists from buying dangerous weapons?" It ends with "Rand Paul isn't just wrong, he's dangerous."

Paul is one of the many from his party who voted Monday against California Sen. Dianne Feinstein's proposal to ban anyone on the terror watchlist from being allowed to buy a gun — an idea often called "No Fly, No Buy" because people who aren't allowed to board a plane shouldn't be allowed to buy guns, advocates say.

Gray told The Advocate ahead of the vote that "it's not that complicated. If you're too dangerous to buy an airplane ticket, you're too dangerous to buy an assault weapon."

Gray also took on Paul's usual tactic of cloaking himself in the Constitution: "When we talk about the Second Amendment — I support the Second Amendment — but the Second Amendment was created and designed to prevent tyranny and not to encourage terror. We are talking about terror here; we are not talking about compromising the rights of law-abiding citizens."

For his part, Paul hasn't been talking much about gun control since the Orlando massacre when a shooter killed 49 people and wounded 53 others. He told Roll Call that he supported an alternative that nobody has actually proposed in the Senate — including him.

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"I do think that there's one answer here that if we put it up, everybody could vote for it," he told Roll Call, saying advocated for the idea in his caucus. "That's the idea that if you have been investigated by the FBI, that your file remains open for five years. And that you would remain on the terror watch list."

Paul suggests that keeping a person's file open would have stopped Omar Mateen from shooting up an LGBT nightclub. Under current laws, the FBI had no warning that Mateen had purchased a semi-automatic rifle because investigators had already concluded their work. Mateen had been removed from a terror watchlist after being on it from 2013 to 2014, according to the FBI. Under those circumstances, Feinstein says her legislation would have barred Mateen from getting a gun because it included a provision that meant anyone who'd recently been on the list, even if they'd been removed, could be blocked.

Paul voted against that idea on Monday, along with 52 other senators. The only two Republicans to vote for Feinstein's proposal were Sens. Mark Kirk of Illinois and Kelly Ayotte of New Hampshire — both face reelection in close races.

Gray, the two-term mayor of Lexington, is trying to make his race closer.

"The greatest responsibility our elected officials in Washington have is to keep Americans safe," he said in a statement after Paul's vote. "Sen. Paul has repeatedly failed to meet his standard, and he did so again tonight by voting to keep open a

loophole that allows suspected terrorists to buy guns. This isn't the first time he's taken such a dangerous position but is the latest example of how out of touch Sen. Paul is with what's right for Kentucky. We need leaders who will do the right thing, not those who contribute to the dysfunction that has left Washington broken."

9 Truly Terrible Reactions to the Orlando Shooting

BY NEAL BROVERMAN

As empty as "thoughts and prayers" may be after the Orlando shooting that claimed 49 lives inside a gay nightclub, it's certainly better than the alternative. Nearly a dozen ministers, politicians, and service members have lined up to either protest support for victims, condone the massacre, and even pray for more victims — all because LGBT people were targeted. Here's what these hatemongers are saying:

Steven Anderson, Arizona

"The Bible says that homosexuals should be put to death in Leviticus 20:13," longtime Tempe, Ariz., hate pastor Steven Anderson said in a video, now removed by YouTube for violating rules against hate speech. "Obviously, it's not right for someone to just shoot up the place because that's not going through the proper channels. But these people all should have been killed anyway, but they should have been killed through the proper channels as in, they should have been executed by a righteous government that would have tried them, convicted them, and saw them executed. ... That's what the Bible says. Plain and simple."

Anderson added that "the bad news" was "that a lot of the homos in the bar are still alive so they're going to continue to molest children and recruit people into their filthy homosexual lifestyle."

Anderson also said the victims were going to die of AIDS anyway and added of the 50 dead, "At least they're off the streets. I'm just trying to look at the bright side."

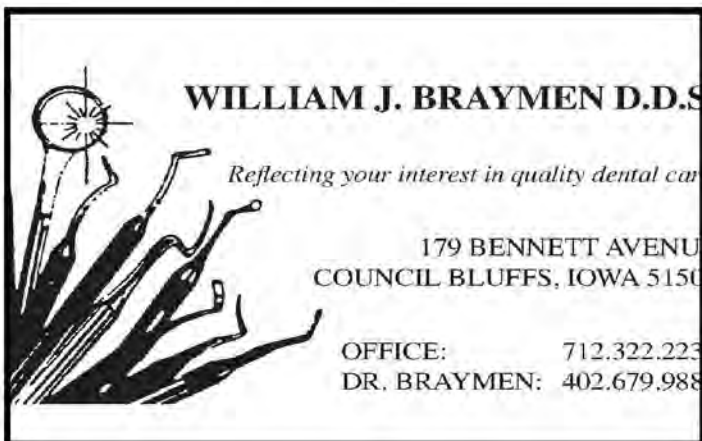
Roger Jimenez, California

Recently, the congregation at the Verity Baptist Church in Sacramento was a captive audience to a venom-filled rant from their misguided leader, Pastor Roger Jimenez. He called the Orlando victims "vile, perverted predators" and added, "Are you sad that 50 pedophiles were killed today? Um, no, I think that's great! I think that helps society. I think Orlando, Fla., is a little safer tonight. ... We don't need to do anything to help. As far as I'm concerned, Orlando is just a little safer tonight."

Donnie Romero, Texas

Jimenez has a fan in Donnie Romero, the pastor of Stedfast Baptist Church in Fort Worth. Romero told his followers he "100 percent" supports Jimenez's words and went even further:

"These 50 sodomites are all perverts and pedophiles, and they are the scum of the earth, and the earth is a little bit better place now. And I'll take it a step further, because I heard on the news today, that there are still several dozen of these queers in ICU and intensive care. And I will pray to God like I did this morn-



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Kenneth Lewis, Florida

This assistant state attorney for Florida's Ninth Judicial Circuit didn't go after LGBT victims directly; instead he just demonized the people of color who live in downtown Orlando and frequent its businesses, like the Pulse nightclub. The proud racist posted the following on Facebook shortly after the shooting:

"Downtown Orlando has no bottom. The entire city should be leveled. It is void of a single redeeming quality. It is a melting pot of 3rd world miscreants and ghetto thugs. It is void of culture. If you live down there you do it at your own risk and at your own peril. If you go down there after dark there is seriously something wrong with you. Disney does everything in its power to shield visitors of Disney from its northern blight. That doesn't change reality. Disney may be the happiest place on Earth but Orlando is a national embarrassment. If this is an act of a domestic terrorist it is so very important that we don't publish the religion, name, or motive of the terrorist as not to offend anyone."

In a second post, Lewis wrote, "All Orlando nightclubs should be permanently closed. With our without random gunmen they are zoos, utter cesspools of debauchery."

Lewis, who previously called women "crack hoes" on Facebook, was suspended for his latest rant.

Marines, San Diego

Marine Corps leaders are investigating an incendiary Facebook post posted by one Marine and featuring another — the image shows a service member pointing a gun at the camera and features the caption "Coming to a gay bar near you!" The man who posted the photo added, "Too soon?"

The image was shared on a closed, male-only Facebook group called CampMENDletownResale.



San Diego Threat

Also in San Diego, though likely unrelated to the Marines, was an Orlando-related threat on Craigslist. Now removed, the post was titled "We need more Orlando's" [sic] and read, "Orlando was long overdue. Cleanse your community of the filth that gives decent gay men and women a bad name. Those people were walking diseases, bug chasers, and thank god for AIDS and 9-11 and now Orlando. San Diego you are next."

Police are investigating.

Westboro Baptist Church, Kansas

The infamous hate church — run by a family of Kansas kooks — went crazy on Twitter following the Orlando tragedy. They sent tweets like "God Sent the Shooter to Orlando Fag Club" and even linked to a parody song called, "Shooters Keep Comin' Around." The tune contained the following lyrics:

"I ain't gonna be an optimist / You were caught up and lost in

rage and more crisis / Marry fags as the blood flowing around you / And the shooters keep coming around in the cities that you love / Much blood flowing in the streets bringing God's wrath from above / And then he blinds your eyes..."

Justin Rice, Brooklyn, N.Y.

Following the Orlando terror attack, this unhinged 40-year-old threatened a bouncer at Happy Fun Hideaway, a gay-friendly bar in the Bushwick neighborhood, calling him antigay slurs and saying the following: "I'm going to shoot this place up and get my 50 just like Orlando, Florida" and "I'm going to come back Orlando-style."

Rice was arrested and charged with assault, harassment, and criminal possession of a weapon.

Stacy White, Florida

This commissioner for Hillsborough County — which includes Tampa — is fuming after a Pride flag was raised outside county offices following the Orlando attack. White wrote a letter to human resources officials saying he received an "anonymous" call from a county worker who felt the flag created a "hostile" work environment. White insinuated the flag should be taken down until it can be proved no one will be offended by its presence. County officials are looking into the anonymous complaint but have not taken down the flag.

White previously fought to keep a Confederate flag at county offices following an effort to remove it after the shooting deaths of nine African-American church attendees in South Carolina.

(There's a lot of hate out there. Be careful... editor)

17 States Where Gay Sex Is Outlawed

There are still 17 states in the U.S. where gay sex is illegal. Incongruous as it may be in a country where same-sex marriage is legal in all 50 states, some of those states actually keep laws on the books that would criminalize relations between members of the same sex.



In 2003 the U.S. Supreme Court found sodomy laws, which criminalize certain types of sex among consenting adults, discriminatory and therefore unconstitutional in the case *Lawrence v. Texas*. Nevertheless, such laws persist in several Southern and Midwestern states — and, perhaps surprisingly, one Northeastern state. While it's all but impossible to convict a person for violating these archaic state laws, police officers still arrest people under the "authority" of statutes aimed at preventing "sodomy," because they either willfully ignore or are somehow unaware of the Supreme Court's decade-and-a-half-old ruling.

It's not difficult to imagine the myriad ways in which an arrestee's life might be affected when arrest records appear in

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background checks for employment, housing, scholarships, or other opportunities returning words such as "sodomy," "unnatural acts," or "unlawful intercourse." Those are the terms that recur across state lines in criminal codes in which state sodomy laws persist.

Here are the offending states that have failed to repeal their obsolete sodomy laws and some of the cringe worthy language those laws contain.

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The Cutest Thing Just Happened at the NYC Council

BY ELIZABETH DALEY

Children from a New York public school were honored by New York City Council members Tuesday for their fight for LGBT rights.



Fourth- and fifth-graders from the Earth School were invited to meet with council members after standing up for LGBT rights for the past year. They were assigned to do a report on LGBT

rights but found that one of their favorite educational resources, BrainPOP, didn't have any information on the subject. The students and their teachers then decided to start a group and launch a campaign to get BrainPOP to include information on the subject. They made a video and formed a group called Kids 4 LGBT Rights NOW.

After the children discussed the issue with BrainPOP, officials with the educational website announced that it would include mention of LGBT issues, writing, "We acknowledged the insufficient coverage of gay rights and milestones, and shared with the school our plans for addressing the gap."

Today, during LGBT Pride Month, the students were invited to attend a New York City Council meeting and given a proclamation recognizing their work.

"All children deserve to have LGBT role models and understand what it means to be LGBT without fear of discrimination," said out City Council member Daniel Dromm during the meeting.

The students even visited the historic Stonewall Inn, often credited with launching the modern LGBT rights movement when patrons stood up to police harassment, to make their video.

You Weren't Imagining It: More People Are Having Gay Sex

By Advocate.com Editors

A sweeping study of sexual behavior has found men and women are either having many more sexual encounters with the same sex than before or are just more comfortable reporting the activity.

Researchers at Widener, Florida Atlantic, and San Diego State universities queried nearly 34,000 people for the study, which has been conducted annually since 1973. Participants weren't asked questions about same-sex experiences until 1989, but the percentage of people copping to queer love has doubled since then.

In 1990, only 3.6 percent of women and 4.5 percent of men said they had had at least one same-sex sexual partner; the percentage would rise to 8.7 percent and 8.2 percent, respectively, by 2014. Those numbers include both people who exclusively have same-sex relations and those who had sex with both men and women. Bisexual behavior among men and women more than doubled over the past two decades, from 3.1 percent in the early '90s to 7.7 percent two years ago. The proportion of people who had only same-sex experiences remained relatively low during the time period, with 1.7 percent of men and 0.9 percent of women describing themselves in 2014 as exclusively gay or lesbian.

The study also looked at the sexual practices among age groups. Between 2010 and 2014, only 7.5 percent of people born before World War II said they had gay sex, and the percentage was the same for millennials. More baby boomers and members of Generation X reported such encounters, 8.2 percent and 9 percent, respectively. Looking at women specifically, both millennial

and Gen X women had high percentages reporting same-sex sex, with 12 percent and 11 percent, respectively.



“Lesbian sexual experience is highest when women are young, suggesting that today’s ‘hook-up culture’ may fuel same-sex experimentation among women,” researcher Brooke Wells said in a statement. “Female sexual behavior is partly about performing for men, whereas male sexual behavior is often driven by their own desire. This may help explain why we don’t see this same pattern for gay sexual experiences.”

There was much variation among regions, with 4.5 percent of men in Eastern states reporting gay sex, 7.1 percent in the West, 9.4 percent in the South, and 10 percent in the Midwest. Among Western women, 11.3 percent noted same-sex experiences, compared to 7.4 percent in the Midwest, 7.9 percent in the East, and 8.3 percent in the South.

The study also looked at attitudes toward the morality of gay sex. While only 13 percent found gay and lesbian behavior acceptable in 1990, the number skyrocketed to 49 percent in 2014.

Dear Creepy Heterosexual Men Guarding Our Bathrooms

By, Kasey Rose-Hodge

My entire life, I’ve been told to fear you in one way or another. I’ve been told to cover my body as to not distract you in school, to cover my body to help avoid unwanted advances or comments, to cover my body as to not tempt you to sexually assault me, to reject your unwanted advances politely as to not anger you. I’ve been taught to never walk alone at night, to hold my keys in my fist while walking in parking lots, to check the backseat of my car, to not drink too much because you might take advantage of me. I’ve been told what I should and shouldn’t do with my body as to not jeopardize my relationships with you.

I’ve been warned not to emasculate you, to let “boys be boys,” to protect your fragile ego and to not tread on your even more fragile masculinity. I’ve been taught to keep my emotions in check, to let you be the unit of measure for how much emotion is appropriate and to adjust my emotions accordingly. I’ve been taught that you’re allowed to categorize women into mothers/sisters/girlfriends/wives/daughters but any woman outside of your protected categories is fair game.

So to those of you who think you’re being helpful by “protecting” me and my fellow women, you’re like a shark sitting in the lifeguard chair. I wasn’t uncomfortable until you showed up at the pool and the only potential predator I see is you.




Your mothers, sisters, girlfriends, wives and daughters don’t need you to walk them to the bathroom for safety. Your fathers, brothers, friends and sons need to walk themselves away from their own double standards. Women are sexually harassed and sexually assaulted on school campuses, on the street, at their jobs, on the Internet, in their own homes, in ANY public place. And it has been excused or ignored for so long because of what you and I are taught from the first years of our interactions with each other: You, as a male, are not accountable for your own actions. It’s MY responsibility, as a female, to not “provoke” you. But then you get to knight-in-shining-armor your way through life for those in your protected categories and I am expected to applaud you. Why the outrage now over bathrooms? Why aren’t you outraged every single day?

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have bigger problems on our hands than bathrooms. The first problem would be your apparent lack of knowledge of how often it happens OUTSIDE of bathrooms, with no "loop holes" needed. This isn't about transgender bathroom access. This is about you not trusting the boys and men in your communities and/or fearing that they're all secretly predators. Why do you have this fear? How many fathers have panicked when their daughters started dating because they "know how teenage boys can be because they used to be one"? How many times have girls been warned "boys are only after one thing"? A mother can bring her young son into the women's restroom and that's fine but a father bringing his young daughter into the men's restroom is disturbing because men are assumed to be predators and "little girls" shouldn't be exposed to that.

So instead of picking up your sword and heading to Target or the girls' locker room to defend our "rights," why don't you start somewhere that could actually make a difference? Challenge your children's schools to end sexist dress codes and dress codes that sexualize girls as young as age 5. Advocate for proper (or any) sex education classes in all public schools by a certain grade level. Focus more on teaching your sons not to rape vs teaching your daughters how to avoid being raped. Stop asking "How would you feel if that was your mother or sister?" It shouldn't take the comparison to clue you in to what's right or wrong. Question why you're more worried about your daughter being around men than your son being around women in bathrooms and dressing rooms. Stop walking by Victoria's Secret with no problem but covering your son's eyes if a woman is breastfeeding in public. Stop treating your daughter's body as some fortress you're sworn to protect as if that's all she's got to offer the world.

Peace and love to you all

By now we've seen much regarding the shootings at Pulse nightclub in Orlando. Vigils have been had, therapies have been started, healing has begun, and community cohesion for the families of the lost and survivors fighting for recovery.



We learned much about the shooter and the unfortunate incongruence of his identity and his cultural/religious identities. We've prayed for the lost and we've prayed for the survivors but today I ask you to pray for the shooter. Pray with forgiveness to set anger free and to offer forgiveness to him for his acts of brutality. Forgiveness is one of the hardest of acts to do but because it's so hard it's so necessary. Lift the shooter up, and his family, in forgiveness and hopefully more healing may be achieved.

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Beneath Anger, There Is Always Sadness

In 1995, when I was a Middle School Counselor in San Francisco, I was asked to facilitate an "Anger Management Group" for the most out-of-control boys in the school. Most of the boys in this group were in trouble with the law: they stole cars, belonged to gangs, carried guns...you know, they were just the kind of people I usually hung out with.

One of the main things I learned from facilitating this group was that underneath anger, there is always sadness and hurt. ALWAYS. No exceptions.

When I was in middle school, in 1966, it wasn't safe to be gay in my small Ohio town. I felt so trapped and helpless there. I begged my Dad to move our family to a bigger town, where I might fit in (and I thought, desperately, that there might be more people "like me".) He refused, telling me, "You'll just have to wait 'til you go away to college."

So I was sad, hurt and, subsequently, very angry. What did I do with my anger? It wasn't safe to openly show it, so I started scratching my arms...until they bled. I wasn't exactly a "cutter", I was a "scratcher": same difference. And it did feel better: I had an external way to express my internal pain.

I also started driving very fast and recklessly. I would borrow my Mom's car and go 120 MPH on country roads. Sometimes I was going too fast to stop at stop signs.

The anger didn't stop when I got to college: I was afraid to come out there too. It was 1971 and, as an undergraduate at the University of Cincinnati, I began to sleep with other boys (clandestinely). I also bought a used Pontiac GTO (with a 396, V-8 engine) and I drove so wild and so fast that no one was willing to ride with me.

Fast-forward about 25 years.

I was facilitating the Anger Management Group for those middle school boys and they wanted to talk about cars. Sure, I said, go ahead. So they went around the circle and these tough, macho little guys talked about the cars they knew, loved and dreamed about. It was pretty typical stuff until one of the guys, the same guy who had been arrested the week before for stealing a car, said, "Yeah, I remember my uncle's Cadillac. It was pretty fine. Then one day, I saw someone shoot him dead in it."



The group went silent. This boy didn't cry. He just looked down at the floor. No one knew what to say.

Finally, the sadness and hurt came out. Slowly, one-by-one, all of the boys started to talk about people they knew who had been shot, killed or hurt.

A few months' later, I was driving home from the supermarket when I found myself becoming more-and-more angry at each stop sign. I started to curse other drivers, for no reason. I yelled inside my car (I'm glad the windows were up). After driving a few more blocks, I pulled the car over and looked at myself in the rear-view mirror. I asked myself, "What is going on with you?" as my therapist had encouraged me to do.

To my surprise, I began to cry. And cry. And cry. Sobbing in my car, I started to say, out loud: "I hate my job. My boyfriend doesn't really love me. I don't love him either. I don't like living in San Francisco. It's too crowded and gray here. And I feel so lonely I could die."

My sadness and hurt had finally broken through my anger. The boys had taught me well.

We can't take away other people's anger, but we sure can address our own. When you feel angry, I encourage you to dig a little deeper and find the hurt beneath it. Tend to your hurt and sadness, and I'll bet your anger and rage go away too. This is how we can take care of ourselves, and, by extension, take care of each other.

JAPANESE SEX

Adult Humour

A Japanese couple is arguing about how to perform highly erotic sex.

Husband: "Sukitaki. Mojitaka!"

Wife replies: "Kowanini! Mowi janakpa!"

Husband says angrily: "Toka a anji rodi roumi yakoo!"

Wife, on her knees, literally begging:

"Mimi Nakoundinda tinkouji!"

Husband shouts angrily: "Na miaou kina Tim kouji!"

I can't believe you just sat there trying to read this!

You don't know any Japanese!

You'll read anything as long as it's about sex....

Sometimes I worry about you.

You're in need of serious help!

GAYZETTE EVENTS



WEEKLY EVENTS

Every Sunday

WORSHIP SERVICES:

AUGUSTANA LUTHERAN CHURCH, ELCA, 3647 Lafayette Ave., Omaha GLBT friendly, www.augustanalutheran.com

DIETZ METHODIST 1423 S.10, Coffee-house casual downstairs at 9am, Traditional Worship at 11am

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

FIRST CENTRAL CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH, UNITED CHURCH of CHRIST, info at: www.firstcentral.org

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

FIRST UNITARIAN 3114 Harney, 9:30 a.m. "eclectic service" and 11:15 a.m. "traditional service"

GAY MEN'S ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS 4pm, Augustana Lutheran Church 3647 Lafayette Ave., Info call Mark 639-3055 **HASTINGS COLLEGE GSA** 8PM FFI: Judy Sandeen (402) 461-7372

HIV+ SUPPORT GROUP 7-8:30 pm at the NAP office located at 1921 South 17th Street in Lincoln, NE.

METROPOLITAN COMMUNITY CHURCH OF OMAHA 819 S. 22nd St., 345-2563 Sunday Worship 9:30am and 11:15am

ONE PROMISE GROUP, Narcotics Anonymous, every Sunday at 6PM, MCC-Omaha, 819 South 22nd St., for info contact Tamara B. at 714-8552

RIVER CITY MIXED BOWLING

LEAGUE, 3pm, Maplewood Lanes, at 402-572-9393

SECOND UNITARIAN, Sunday morning services, 3012 S 119th St., Omaha, info@2uomaha.org, 402-334-0537

UNITY CHURCH OF OMAHA, 3424 N. 90, Omaha, 10:30am service and Wednesday meditation service at 7pm

WIMMIN'S SHOW, KZUM 89.3 12:30pm

Every Monday

A A GLBT "RAINBOW GROUP"

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

GAY/BI/STRAIGHT SUPPORT GROUP

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

NA RAINBOW GROUP, Narcotics Anonymous, meets Fridays thru Mondays at 10pm, MCC-Omaha Church, 819 South 22nd St

RIVER CITY MIXED CHORUS RE-

HEARSALS, 6:45PM—9:15PM, First United Methodist Church, 7020 Cass St.

Every Tuesday

HASTINGS COLLEGE ALLIANCE

meet Tuesdays at 7PM (when college is in session), Please contact Dr Antje Anderson at aanderson@hastings.edu or Judy Sandeen at jsandeen@hastings.edu for further information.

METROPOLITAN COMMUNITY CHURCH

OF OMAHA 819 S. 22nd St., 345-2563—Bible Study at 7pm

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

Every Wednesday

AA FOURTH DIMENSION, 7pm, Open to men and women, 219 North 48th Street

FRONTRUNNERS RUN/WALK

6:30pm, Elmwood Park Parking Lot by softball field, Omaha (402-804-8720)

HIV TESTING LINCOLN, 4-7 pm, results in 20 minutes, 1921 So. 17th St. 402-476-7000

LGBT A A 7:30pm, Alcohol Ctrl., 2116 W. Faidley, Grand Island. Peggy (308) 226-8286, Center (308) 398-5427

Metro Omaha Prime Timers, 4:00-6:00pm Coffee with the Boys at No More Empty Cups, 1502 So. 10th St., In the Community Room. Meet up for coffee and conversation. Many of the guys go out for dinner afterwards. Everyone welcome to attend.

NAP HIV TESTING, 250 South 77th St., by appointment only on Wednesdays from 1:30 to 3:30pm

UNITY CHURCH OF OMAHA, 7pm

Every Thursday

NAP HIV TESTING 250 So. 77th., by appointment from 1:30pm to 3:30pm and Walk-In from 5pm to 8pm

Every Friday

LIVE & LET LIVE AA Meeting

8:15pm to 9:15pm, Open to men and women, at Underwood Hills Presbyterian Church, 851 North 74th Street

LIVE & LET LIVE AL-ANON, a group focused on support and recovery for the friends and relatives of alcoholics, 7pm to 8pm at the Underwood Hills Presbyterian Church, 851 North 74th Street

OUT & ABOUT SOCIAL CLUB

Open to everyone 21 and over, every Friday 6:30pm (time may vary), for more info email outandaboutsocialclub@gmail.com

Every Saturday

AA SATURDAY AFTERNOON

1:30pm, Open to men and women, 219 North 48th Street, call 402-558-0733 for more info

Metro Omaha Prime Timers, 9am—11am Coffee with the Boys at Paradise Café, Regency Court. Meet up for coffee and conversation. Good food and good coffee too. Everyone welcome to attend.

PROUD HORIZON YOUTH GROUP

4-6pm, First United Methodist Church, 291-6781 proudhorizons@yahoo.com

MONTHLY EVENTS

1st Monday

FREE RAPID HIV TESTING, 8pm to 10pm at Flixx Show Bar, STD testing also available for \$10, call 552-9260 ext. 113 or 142 or visit www.nap.org for more info

1st Thursday

GLBT PROFESSIONALS, meeting at 5:30pm in various locations. Email at: GOglbt@cfep-ne.org or see www.GOglbt.org for info

1st Friday

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

1st Sunday

Soka Gakkai International (SGI-USA), Lay Buddhist organization based on Nichiren Buddhism, World Peace Prayer the First Sun day of each month, 10am-11:30am, LGBTQIA Friendly, 1021 N 46th Street, Omaha, NE 68132, call 402-558-6148

SPIRITUAL FRIENDS OF LINCOLN

12-1pm Fellowship and 1p-2p worship Meets Lincoln at Bennett Martin Library info@inclusivelife.org and on Facebook

2nd Monday

NAP HIV TESTING

Respect Clinic, walk-in from 5:00pm to 7pm
—50th & Ames Ave.

2nd Thursday

HEARTLAND PRIDE, Board Meeting- at D Dale Clark Library, 215 S. 15th St. 6:30pm-8pm, Email: info@heartlandpride.org, or find us on Facebook

PFLAG- OMAHA, 6:30pm to 9pm, Country-side Community Church, 8787 Pacific Street Omaha, Nebraska

2nd Sunday

Metro Omaha Prime Timers, Monthly Meeting, Abrahams Library, 5111 North 90th St, Stop by our monthly get-together to hear about the great upcoming events, and spend time with good friends. 3pm to 4:30pm. Snacks and beverages provided. Everyone Welcome !!

3rd Monday

FREE RAPID HIV TESTING, 8pm to 10pm at Flixx Show Bar, STD testing also available for \$10, call 552-9260 ext. 113 or 142 or visit www.nap.org for more info

IMPERIAL COURT OF NE, Board of Governors meeting, 6:30pm, meeting at the MCC-Omaha, www.imperialcourtofnebraska.org

3rd Sunday

CBCA MEETING 5 PM until about 6:30 PM is our monthly meeting with potluck. We meet at St Paul's Episcopal Church in Council Bluffs – see website for more information at www.councilbluffscommunityalliance.org

4th Monday

NAP HIV TESTING

Respect Clinic, walk-in from 5:00pm to 7pm—50th & Ames Ave.

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

Groaner Alert !!

Two Eskimos sitting in a kayak were chilly, but when they lit a fire in the craft it sank-proving once and for all that you can't have your kayak and heat it too.

Did you hear about the Buddhist who refused his dentist's Novocain during root canal work? He wanted to transcend dental medication.

A group of chess enthusiasts checked into a hotel and were standing in the lobby discussing their recent tournament victories. After about an hour, the manager came out of the office and asked them to disperse. "But why?" they asked, as they moved off. "Because," he said, "I can't stand chess nuts

boasting in an open foyer."

There was a man who entered a local paper's pun contest. He sent in ten different puns, in the hope that at least one of the puns would win. Unfortunately, no pun in ten did.

A dyslexic man walks into a bra.

A man woke up in a hospital after a serious accident. He shouted, "Doctor, doctor, I can't feel my legs!" The doctor replied, "I know you can't - I've cut off your arms!"

What do you call a fish with no eyes? A fsh.

A woman has twins and gives them up for adoption. One of them goes to a family in Egypt and is named "Ahmal." The other goes to a family in Spain ; they name him "Juan." Years later, Juan sends a picture of himself to his birth mother.

Upon receiving the picture, she tells her husband that she wishes she also had a picture of Ahmal.

Her husband responds, "They're twins! If you've seen Juan, you've seen Ahmal."

Mahatma Gandhi, as you know, walked bare-foot most of the time, which produced an impressive set of calluses on his feet.

He also ate very little, which made him rather frail and with his odd diet, he suffered from bad breath. This made him. (Oh, man, this is so bad, it's good.) A super calloused fragile mystic hexed by halitosis.

Mother Superior called all the nuns together and said to them, 'I must tell you all something. We have a case of gonorrhea in the convent.' 'Thank God,' said an elderly nun at the back. 'I'm so tired of chardonnay.'

May the fleas of a thousand Afghan camels
Infest the crotch of the person
Who screws up your day and
May their arms be too short to scratch.

Nursing Home Speedster

Ethel was a bit of a demon in her wheelchair, and loved to charge around the nursing home, taking corners on one wheel and getting up to maximum speed on the long corridors. Because the poor woman was one sandwich short of a picnic, the other residents tolerated her and some of them actually joined in.

One day Ethel was speeding up one corridor when a door opened and Kooky Clarence stepped out with his arm outstretched.

'STOP!' he shouted in a firm voice. 'Have you got a license for that thing?'

Ethel fished around in her handbag and pulled out a Kit Kat wrapper and held it up to him.

'OK!' he said, and away Ethel sped down the hall.

As she took the corner near the TV lounge on one wheel, Weird Harold popped out in front of her and shouted 'STOP! Have you got proof of insurance?'

Ethel dug into her handbag, pulled out a drink coaster and held it up to him.

Harold nodded and said 'On your way, Ma'am.'

As Ethel neared the final corridor, Crazy Craig stepped out in front of her, Butt-Naked, and holding his 'You-Know-What' in his hand.

'Oh, good grief,' yelled Ethel, 'Not that Damn Breathalyzer Test again!'

Sperm Count

An 85-year-old man was requested by his doctor for a sperm count as part of his physical exam.

The doctor gave the man a jar and said, 'Take this jar home and bring back a semen sample tomorrow.'

The next day the 85-year-old man reappeared at the doctor's office and gave him the jar, which was as clean and empty as on the previous day.

The doctor asked what happened and the man explained, 'Well, doc, it's like this. First I tried with my right hand, but nothing. Then I tried with my left hand, but still nothing.'

'Then I asked my wife for help. She tried with her right hand, then with her left, still nothing. She tried with her mouth, first with her teeth in, then with her teeth out, still nothing. 'We even called up Arleen, the lady next door and she tried too, first with both hands, then an armpit, and she even tried squeezing it between her knees, but still nothing.'

The doctor was shocked! 'You asked your neighbor?'

The old man replied, 'Yep, none of us could get that damned jar open.'

Ponder This

Soldiers who are not afraid of guns, bombs, capture, torture or death say they are afraid of homosexuals.

Clearly we should not be used as soldiers; we should be used as weapons.

Letter to the Editor, The Advocate

GLBT RESOURCE LIST

OMAHA BASED

Beth El Synagogue, 14506 California St. A GLBT inclusive synagogue, same-sex marriages performed by their rabbis, provided both persons are Jewish. Call 402-292-8550 for more info.

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.firsttuomaha.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://omahalgbdemocrats.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, 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.

Metro Omaha Prime Timers, provides a

welcoming and supportive environment to mature gay and bi men and their fans to encourage participation in fun, cultural, educational or social activities. Email PrimeTimersEvents@gmail.com for more information & schedule. Also on Facebook as Metro Omaha Prime Timers Also see the Events list on page 10

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

NAMI - Community Mental Health Support for the LGBTIQ community 415 South 25th Ave, Omaha, NE 402-345-8101 or 877-463-6264

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., HIV testing and counseling

NebraskaEquality.org, Find out everything about Nebraska and the GLBT Community 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 / Non-traditional Family group), email to: Theohanagroup@msn.com

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

OUUT (Omaha Unitarian Universalists for Tolerance) First Unitarian Church, 3114 Harney, 68131, 345-3039, www.ouut.org

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 4pm to 6pm, for info: email proudhorizons@yahoo.com

River City Gender Alliance, PO Box 284, Boys Town, NE 68010, email president@rcga.co or call 402-541-5792, web site www.rcga.co

River City Mixed Bowling Sundays, Maplewood Lanes Omaha, at 3PM call 402-572-9393 for details

River City Mixed Chorus, Box 3267, Omaha, NE 68103, 402-341-SING Website: 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, 13111 Sterling Ridge Drive., 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.) and Y.E.S. Drop-in Center Offices: 2679 Farnam Street, Suite. 205 Omaha, NE 68131, 402-345-5187, see www.yesomaha.org for information

LINCOLN BASED

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

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>

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

Nebraska AIDS Project, 1120 K Street Suite 100, Lincoln, NE 68508, (402) 476-7000

Nebraska Trans* Community
This group is for individuals that identify with a nontraditional masculine or feminine sense of self (MtF, FtM and anywhere in between) and their Partners. Contact info can be found at : NebraskaTransCommunity.com

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

PFLAG Cornhusker Chapter, Box 30128, Lincoln 68508, Meet 4th Tues, Unitarian Church, 6300 A, email to Barbara Kimberly, jbkiber@hotmail.com. Website: <http://pflagcornhusker.org/>

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

Spiritual Friends of Lincoln.
Offering fellowship and worship for those seeking radical hospitality, openness, 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.tri-city-glb.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>

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The Hungry Homo

BAKED RAVIOLI

Ingredients:

- 1 25 oz. (1 lb) frozen cheese ravioli
- 1 24 oz. jar marinara or spaghetti sauce
- 1 1lb. ground beef
- 1 tsp. dried basil
- 1 T. minced garlic
- 1/2 tsp. dried parsley
- 8 oz. shredded mozzarella cheese
- 1/4 C. parmesan cheese

How to make it:

Brown ground beef and drain, add in 1 C. of the pasta sauce, garlic and basil. Remove from heat and set aside. Bring a large pot of water to a boil and cook ravioli according to pkg. directions. Drain and return to pot and add in remaining pasta sauce. Stir to combine. Spray a casserole dish with cooking spray and layer 1/2 of the ravioli in the bottom. Top with all the beef mixture and spread around. Top with 1/2 of the mozzarella cheese and 1/2 of the parmesan cheese. Layer the remaining ravioli on top and top with remaining cheeses. Sprinkle with parsley. Bake at 350 degrees for 20 minutes, turn on the broiler and broil for 2 minutes or until top is browned somewhat



Holy Cow Cake

- Chocolate Cake Mix (your preference), baked as directed
- 1-14 oz. can of sweetened condensed milk
- 8 oz. jar of caramel topping
- 4-5 Butterfingers candy bars, crushed
- 1-8 oz. cream cheese, softened
- 12 oz. Cool Whip

Prepare and bake cake as directed on package.

Meanwhile, blend caramel and sweetened condensed milk.

After removing cake from oven, use a skewer or fork to poke holes into the top of the cake.

Pour caramel mixture over cake.

Crush candy bars and sprinkle half of them over the warm cake. Chill.

Stir cream cheese and Cool Whip together until blended well. Spread over cooled cake.

Sprinkle with remaining candy.



Where Can You Find The Gayzette?

Omaha:

- Dixie Quick's Restaurant, 157 West Broadway 712-256-4140
- First Unitarian Church, 3114 Harney
- 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
- Rodeo Saloon & BBQ 164 W Broadway 712-256-0510

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

Kyle's Bed & Breakfast by Greg Fox



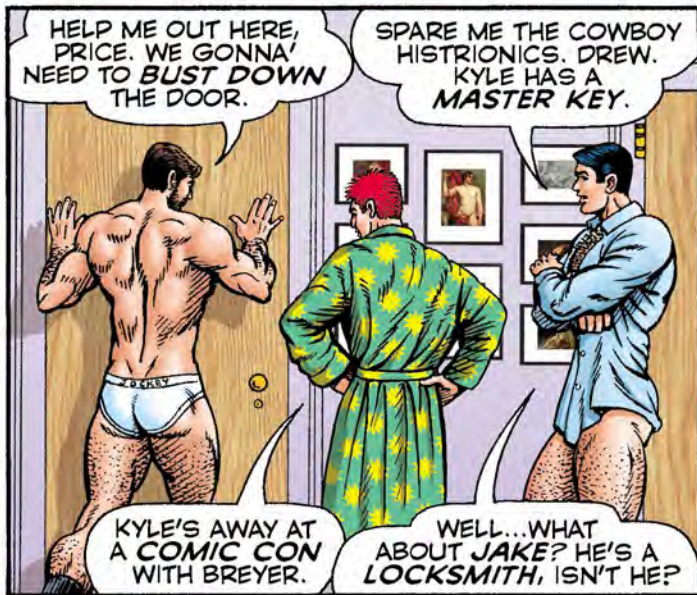
WHAT'S WRONG?
 RUDY DIDN'T SHOW UP FOR BREAKFAST.
 AND NOW HE'S NOT ANSWERING HIS DOOR!



IT'S ONLY 8 A.M....MAYBE HE'S STILL SLEEPIN'.
 I DOUBT IT. HE'S ALWAYS AT BREAKFAST AT 7 A.M. SHARP.



MAYBE HE'S DEAD.
 THANK YOU, PRICE. THAT'S... EVER SO HELPFUL.
 I'M JUST SAYING. HE'S NOT EXACTLY A SPRING CHICKEN.



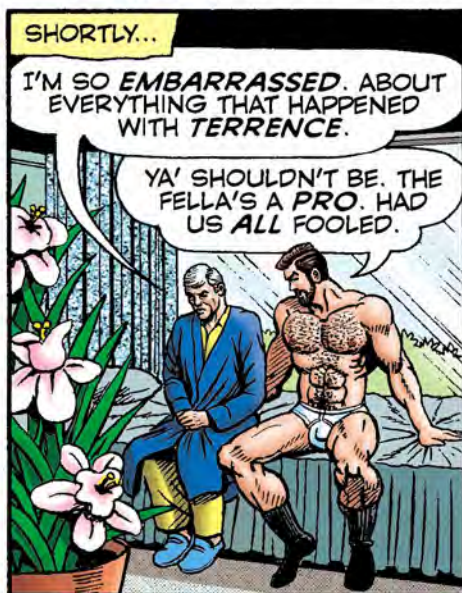
HELP ME OUT HERE, PRICE. WE GONNA NEED TO BUST DOWN THE DOOR.
 SPARE ME THE COWBOY HISTRIONICS. DREW. KYLE HAS A MASTER KEY.
 KYLE'S AWAY AT A COMIC CON WITH BREYER.
 WELL...WHAT ABOUT JAKE? HE'S A LOCKSMITH, ISN'T HE?



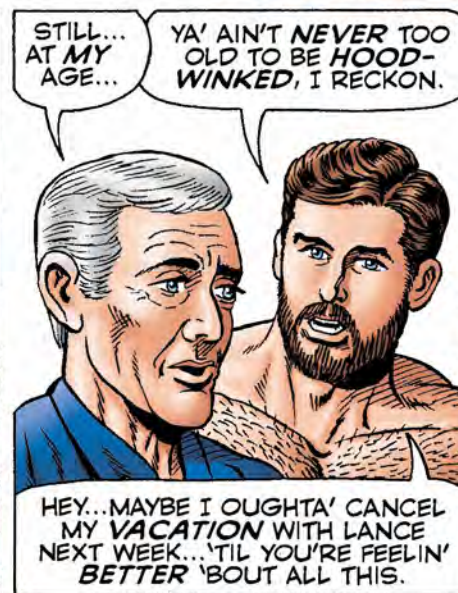
DON'T BOTHER. I'M ALL RIGHT.
 I JUST WANTED SOME PRIVACY.
 RUDY!



PRICE...RICHARD...WHY DON'T Y'ALL GO HAVE BREAKFAST.
 RUDY N' I GONNA HAVE US A LITTLE TALK.



SHORTLY...
 I'M SO EMBARRASSED. ABOUT EVERYTHING THAT HAPPENED WITH TERRENCE.
 YA' SHOULDN'T BE. THE FELLA'S A PRO. HAD US ALL FOOLED.



STILL... AT MY AGE...
 YA' AIN'T NEVER TOO OLD TO BE HOOD-WINKED, I RECKON.
 HEY...MAYBE I OUGHTA' CANCEL MY VACATION WITH LANCE NEXT WEEK... 'TIL YOU'RE FEELIN' BETTER 'BOUT ALL THIS.



DON'T BE SILLY. I KNOW HOW MUCH YOU'RE LOOKING FORWARD TO THAT.
 NOT TO MENTION ALL THE ARM TWISTIN' IT TOOK TO GET LANCE TO AGREE TO GO TO BEAR WEEK IN P-TOWN.
 I'M SURE YOU'LL HAVE A MARVELOUS TIME.
 TELL THAT TO LANCE...

Obama Proclaims LGBT Pride Month, Calls to Build on Progress President Obama

BY TRUDY RING

As he has in every year of his presidency, President Obama has proclaimed June as Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, and Transgender Pride Month.

The 2016 proclamation, the last for his administration, was issued today and noted the great progress made toward equal treatment of LGBT Americans — it's the first proclamation since last year's Supreme Court marriage equality ruling, which came down June 26 — but also pointed out that there is more work to be done.



"Last year's landmark Supreme Court decision guaranteeing marriage equality in all 50 States was a historic victory for LGBT Americans, ensuring dignity for same-sex couples and greater equality across State lines," the president wrote. "For every partnership that was not previously recognized under the law and for every American who was denied their basic civil rights, this monumental ruling instilled newfound hope, affirming the belief that we are all more free when we are treated as equals."

He noted his work on behalf of LGBT rights, including his 2014 executive order prohibiting companies doing business with the federal government from discriminating on the basis of sexual orientation and gender identity. He urged Congress pass legislation to this effect, "because no one should live in fear of losing their job simply because of who they are or who they love."

"LGBT individuals deserve to know their country stands beside them," Obama continued. "That is why my Administration is striving to better understand the needs of LGBT adults and to provide affordable, welcoming, and supportive housing to aging LGBT Americans. It is also why we oppose subjecting minors to the harmful practice of conversion therapy, and why we are continuing to promote equality and foster safe and supportive learning environments for all students. We remain committed to addressing health disparities in the LGBT community — gay and bisexual men and transgender women of color are at a particularly high risk for HIV, and we have worked to strengthen our National HIV/AIDS Strategy to reduce new infections, increase access to care, and improve health outcomes for people living with HIV."

The president further asserted that the need to combat discrimination "does not stop at our borders," and that "defending and promoting the human rights of LGBT individuals" is a priority in foreign policy. "In line with America's commitment to the notion that all people should be treated fairly and with respect, champions of this cause at home and abroad are upholding the simple truth that LGBT rights are human rights," he wrote.

"There remains much work to do to extend the promise of our country to every American," he went on, "but because of the acts of courage of the millions who came out and spoke out to demand justice and of those who quietly toiled and pushed for progress, our Nation has made great strides in recognizing what these brave individuals long knew to be true in their hearts — that love is love and that no person should be judged by anything but the content of their character." He closed with a call for all Americans "to eliminate prejudice everywhere it exists, and to celebrate the great diversity of the American people."

Adult Film Actor's Dog Stabbed to Death in Park, 'Jealous' Lover Arrested

BY BIL BROWNING

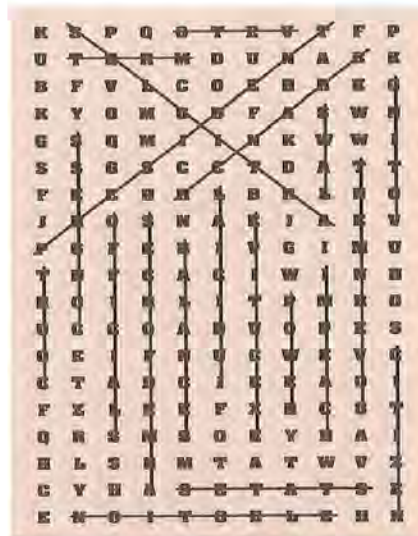
Randy Capehart was in Houston attending his grandmother's funeral when his jealous boyfriend, Jose Luis Rodriguez, allegedly stabbed his dog to death in a New York City park full of children. Rodriguez reportedly told officer who apprehended him a block away that he suspected Capehart of cheating, according to the Daily Mail.



Capehart, who performs in adult films, said he was woken up on Saturday by a phone call from police informing him his dog, Buddy, was dead. According to the Mail, Rodriguez was arrested a block away from the park covered in the dog's blood.

Rodriguez is charged with aggravated cruelty to an animal, criminal mischief and criminal possession of a weapon, the Mail reported.

Capehart paid tribute to his beloved pet on Facebook after the incident, writing: "It's with a heavy broken heart I have to announce to passing of my beautiful sweet innocent Buddy. He was senselessly killed earlier today by my partner of 13 years. I will spare you the horrific details and sorry to post this post on NationalLoveYourPet-Day? or anyday [sic] for that matter. Rest in peace my beautiful angel. I only wish I would have been there to save you REST IN PEACE BUDDY."





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