

# The GayZette



## Scotland, Unlike England, Will Pardon Gay, Bi Men

BY NEAL BROVERMAN

The Scottish government announced this week that men convicted of consensual gay sex when it was illegal will receive a full pardon.



The Scottish "Turing law," named after gay British code-breaker Alan Turing, "will automatically pardon gay and bisexual men convicted of sexual offenses that are no longer criminal," The Guardian reports.

The law is set to apply to both living and dead individuals and should affect thousands — Scotland criminalized consensual gay sex until 1980 and didn't standardize the age of consent between gay and straight sexual relations until 2001.

Meanwhile, England and Wales recently scuttled a similar "Turing law" after a conservative politician claimed it would pardon certain sexual crimes that remain illegal. The British government is proposing another version that would only pardon dead men convicted of now-overturned crimes.

The differences between England and Scotland — two separate countries that are part of the British sovereign state — were highlighted in June when the Scottish people overwhelmingly voted against exiting the European Union (the English voted for "Brexit" in larger numbers, helping ensure its passage). The differences over the "Turing law" seem to exacerbate the different directions between the two neighbors.

## Brits Kill 'Turing' Law That Would Have Pardoned Gay, Bi Men

BY NEAL BROVERMAN

Convictions of "buggery" and "indecency" will remain for now, thanks to wrangling in London.

A British bill that would have granted pardons for men convicted of gay sex is not moving forward, the BBC reports.



The "Turing Bill" — named for World War II code-breaker Alan Turing, who was subjected to chemical castration because of his homosexuality — would have removed the criminal records of thousands of gay and bi men, both living and dead.

After emotional testimony from the bill's author, member of Parliament John Nicolson, and shouts of "shame" from sympathetic politicians who saw the legislation dying a slow death, the "Turing Bill" was withdrawn. The conflict was over a companion bill introduced by the Ministry of Justice, which would only pardon dead men convicted of sex crimes. The government believes Nicolson's Sexual Offences (Pardons) Bill could lead to the clearing of convictions for behavior that remains criminal.

Nicolson's bill would overturn the convictions of men charged under a 1956 "buggery" law and an 1885 sexual "offences" act, assuming all those involved were consensual partners and over 16 at the time.

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An estimated 49,000 British men have been convicted for consensual gay sex. Support for overturning such convictions came after the 2014 release of *The Imitation Game*, which centered on Turing's tortured life. The mathematical genius was officially pardoned by Queen Elizabeth that same year.

## Log Cabin Republicans Refuse to Endorse Trump

BY NEAL BROVERMAN

After endorsing John McCain in 2008 and Mitt Romney in 2012, the Log Cabin Republicans are declining to endorse the Republicans' 2016 nominee for president, Donald Trump.



The nation's most prominent LGBT Republican organization released a statement on Saturday that acknowledged the conflicting nature of Trump's LGBT positions.

"Mr. Trump is perhaps the most pro-LGBT presidential nominee in the history of the Republican Party. His unprecedented overtures to the "LGBTQ community"—a first for any major-party candidate in our nation's history—are worthy of praise, and should serve as a clarion call to the GOP that the days of needing to toe an anti-LGBT line are now a thing of the past.

But Log Cabin Republicans have long emphasized that we are not a single-issue organization, nor are our members single-issue voters. Even if we were, rhetoric alone regarding LGBT issues does not equate to doctrine. As Mr. Trump spoke positively about the LGBT community in the United States, he concurrently surrounded himself with senior advisors with a record of opposing LGBT equality, and committed himself to

supporting legislation such as the so-called "First Amendment Defense Act" that Log Cabin Republicans opposes." Trump has avoided using opposition to LGBT rights as a rallying cry for the GOP's right-wing base, instead whipping up resentment for Muslims, Mexicans, and immigrants. During both the Republican National Convention and the third presidential debate, Trump acknowledged the violence that LGBT people face in the Middle East, but his words were widely seen as a cynical plea for gay votes and dollars, and possibly female support.

As Log Cabin pointed out, Trump supports "religious discrimination" legislation that would allow LGBT people to be refused service based on religious grounds. Trump also picked the man associated with Indiana's "turn away the gays" bill, antigay governor Mike Pence, as his running mate. Unlike Hillary Clinton, Trump is opposed to marriage equality and has been silent on the so-called Equality Act, which would ban housing and employment discrimination against LGBT people.

## Trump Employee Suing for Antigay Discrimination

BY YEZMIN VILLARREAL

Only a day after the Log Cabin Republicans announced they are not endorsing Donald Trump for president, news has surfaced that a former employee at one of Trump's golf courses is suing for antigay harassment and discrimination.

Eleazar Andres was a maintenance worker in 2014 at New Jersey's Trump National Golf Club, where he alleges that his coworkers often



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used slurs such as "faggot" and "maricón" toward him, reports Slate. Andres says one particular coworker went so far as to throw a rock at his head, resulting in an injury that required hospital treatment.

Andres filed suit in a New Jersey state court for harassment and discrimination. In his suit, Andres claims that his supervisor witnessed his coworkers harassing him and did nothing to stop the behavior. After his trip to the hospital for the rock injury, Andres says, he went to one of the managers to put in a complaint. Andres says that the manager assured him that he would deal with the issue, but when Andres went to him to get more information for the police report he was filing against the man who attacked him, the manager would not participate. When Andres complained that he didn't feel safe going to work after being physically assaulted, he was fired, he claims in the suit.

Slate explains more about the suit, which is now in court-ordered mediation:

Andres is now suing Trump National Golf Club under New Jersey's robust nondiscrimination law, alleging that he experienced sexual orientation harassment, a hostile work environment based on sexual orientation, discrimination based on sexual orientation, and unlawful retaliation. He is also suing for assault and battery. He argues that the club is liable "for the acts constituting hostile work environment" and "sexual orientation harassment" because it "failed to properly address" his complaints and "failed to implement any preventative or remedial measures to protect against unlawful harassment" and discrimination. Andres then lists a variety of training programs

and policies recognized by the courts as effective tools for combatting discrimination.

Trump's attorneys have denied Andres's charges thus far, except that they do confirm Andres was attacked with rocks by his coworkers. Trump's lawyers are using a defense known as the "Doctrine of Unclean Hands," meaning that Andres is the guilty party because he "somehow fostered or provoked the discrimination against him," writes Slate.

Trump himself has been accused of sexual harassment by more than 11 women. The Republican presidential nominee continues to deny all allegations, instead blaming his Democratic opponent, Hillary Clinton, saying she is planting these women to speak against him in order to sway the election.

## Trans Woman Murdered in Alabama in Deadliest Year on Record

BY TRUDY RING

A transgender woman was found shot to death in late September in Birmingham, Ala., and the number of known murders of transgender people this year is officially the highest ever.

The victim, initially misgendered by police and media, was found dead at the Kings Inn in Birmingham September 23. Her sister identified her as Jazz Alford, 30, of High Point, N.C. Like many trans murder victims, she was African-American.



"Her death was a huge hit for the LGBT community," her sister Toya Milan, also a transgender woman, told AL.com, a website for several Alabama newspapers. "There was another transgender shot multiple times somewhere else recently. People think transgenders are monsters, when really we just want to be accepted."

Milan further said of her sister, "She was such a loving person, and we didn't know anybody that would want to hurt her. It's been a hard pill to swallow."

Alford is the 22nd transgender person known to have been murdered in 2016, surpassing 2015's total of 21. This, however, does not include those whose deaths have not been reported or who have been misgendered.

Police are questioning a man in connection with the recent shooting of another trans woman in Birmingham, and they are trying to determine if he was involved in Alford's death, they told AL.com. The second woman, who was shot in the face but survived, was attacked Monday during a home invasion.

The woman, whose name has not been released, was on the porch of her home screaming "Help me!" when her boyfriend, Darius Foster, came back from shopping about 10 a.m.,

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AL.com reports. The victim, 24, was conscious but not responsive when police arrived. She was taken to UAB Hospital, on the campus of the University of Alabama at Birmingham. AL.com was not able to obtain information on her condition.

Foster arrived home in time to see the attacker flee the scene in a white truck, and he told the website he believes the assailant was the same man who robbed a friend of the couple's at a motel in Homewood, a suburb of Birmingham. A gun was stolen in the Homewood incident, and Foster said he thinks that gun was used to shoot his girlfriend, who was also robbed of cash and credit cards.

## 2017 Brings Continued Progress on LGBTQ Health

By Stephene Moore

More than a year after marriage equality became the law nationwide, President Obama, Secretary Sylvia Burwell, and my colleagues and I at the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services continue to seize opportunities to bring of LGBTQ Americans.

We do so because the sad reality is that LGBTQ people still face discrimination in many areas of life, including health care. This discrimination worsens the very real health disparities that LGBTQ people face, such as higher rates of depression, smoking, HIV, and experiences of violence.

The Obama Administration has made historic advancements for the LGBTQ community, yet as we celebrate that progress, we know there is still more to do. We've proudly required all hospitals receiving Medicare or Medicaid funds (nearly every hospital in America) to allow visitation rights for LGBT patients, funded the first national resource center for older LGBT individuals, and released the nation's first comprehensive National HIV/AIDS Strategy, among many other initiatives.

But when I'm asked about the most important thing we've done for LGBTQ health, the answer is always the same: the Affordable Care Act.

You may know some of the law's benefits—like financial aid that helps eligible consumers afford health insurance, certain preventive care such as cancer and HIV/STI screenings without cost sharing, and coverage for preexisting medical conditions.

But many do not realize just how much the law offers for LGBTQ individuals. Why? Because LGBTQ people are more likely than their straight, cisgender peers to be uninsured. In fact, because of the Affordable Care Act, the uninsured rate for low- and middle-income LGBTQ people dropped by nearly half from 2013 to 2015.

Thanks to the Affordable Care Act, more LGBTQ people have health insurance than ever before. And even more have the opportunity to get covered by visiting HealthCare.gov beginning on November 1.

But that's not the only thing that the law offers LGBTQ communities. In May, my colleagues at the HHS Office for Civil Rights spelled out significant new nondiscrimination protections for LGBTQ people under the Affordable Care Act.

The new rules mean that all LGBTQ people—whether lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, non-binary, gender non-conforming, or intersex—are protected from discrimination just for being who they are. These protections apply in every state and mean that:

- Health insurance plans sold through HealthCare.gov can no longer have categorical exclusions for services related to gender transition.
- A hospital or clinic that receives federal funds cannot turn you away because you are transgender or in a same-sex relationship.
- You have the right to be placed in a hospital room or ward based on your gender identity.
- You should not face harassment from a health care provider, such as a doctor or nurse intentionally refusing to use your correct name and pronoun.

This means that even more LGBTQ people have the opportunity for more meaningful health insurance coverage starting January 1.

If you face this or any other type of discrimination, we urge you to file a complaint with the regional Office for Civil Rights at [www.hhs.gov/ocr](http://www.hhs.gov/ocr).

We know more can be done to improve LGBTQ health and we will continue to build upon the strides we have already made together. But now we need your help to make these protections a reality for millions of LGBTQ people across the country.

Beginning on November 1, visit HealthCare.gov to enroll, and talk to your loved ones about doing the same. If you pick a plan by December 15, 2016, your coverage may begin as early as January 1, 2017. Financial help is available to make insurance more affordable for those eligible. In 2016, nearly 7 in 10 people could have selected a plan for less than \$75 per month. And you can sit down or call to make a free appointment with an LGBTQ-friendly expert who can help you understand your options.

With financial help, new nondiscrimination protections, and better quality coverage, there's never been a better time to be out, be healthy, and get covered.

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## STUDY: Married Gay Dads Make the Most Money

BY DANIEL REYNOLDS

A new research paper from the Treasury Department has revealed a significant wage difference between married same-sex and different-sex couples.

Joint tax returns for 2014 revealed that the average household earnings of a male same-sex couple is \$176,000. Comparatively, this figure is about \$52,000 more than a female same-sex couple and \$63,000 more than a different-sex couple.



The New York Times points to a number of factors that may account for this wage difference, including the gender pay gap, the cost of child care, and location. Same-sex couples are likelier to live in coastal areas with higher wages — and a higher cost of living.

The study, which estimated there were 183,280 same-sex marriages in 2014, also revealed differences in where gay couples versus lesbian couples tend to cluster.

In descending order, male same-sex couples are concentrated in San Francisco (3.2 percent), Washington, D.C. (2.7 percent), New York (2.4 percent), Palm Springs, Calif. (1.7 percent), Seattle (1.4 percent), Oakland, Calif. (1.4 percent), Los Angeles (1.1 percent), Long Beach (1 percent), Fort Lauderdale, Fla. (1 percent), and Boston (1 percent).

Female same-sex couples are concentrated in Oakland (2.1 percent), Seattle (1.3 percent), San Francisco (1.1 percent), Springfield, Mass. (1.1 percent), Long Beach, Calif. (1 percent), Washington (0.9 percent), Boston (0.9 percent), Portland, Ore. (0.9 percent), and Madison, Wis. (0.8 percent).

The study also revealed another noteworthy statistic: The demographic with the highest household income is male same-sex couples with children. With an average pretax income of \$275,000, these households reported more than twice the earnings of female same-sex couples and different-sex couples. This is likely due to the high cost of surrogacy and adoption, which can be a deterrent to less affluent male same-sex couples seeking to grow their families.

Since the data reported is from 2014, this study likely underrepresents same-sex couples across the United States, which did not have marriage equality nationally until 2015. But as the Times notes, "Maybe the best way to think about these Treasury numbers is as a floor, lower than the hypothetically perfect count of gay marriage but the closest we've ever come to one."

## 12 Countries That Will Kill You for Being LGBT

Call them the Dirty Dozen: They are the 11 countries and one militant extremist political jurisdiction where the death penalty applies to the "crime" of loving someone of the same sex.

Extremist religiosity of primarily the fundamentalist varieties of both Islam and Christianity drive enough legislators, religious leaders, and laypeople in these societies to keep their "kill the gays" laws and cultural practices alive. Execution methods and motivations in these 12 countries include beheadings and so-called honor killings, the latter committed against LGBT people by none other than their own family members.

While data collection is difficult because of the opaqueness of prosecutions in these countries, it's clear that Iran and Saudi Arabia are the two governments most guilty of killing people for being gay. However, the self-proclaimed Islamic State in Iraq and Syria has likely executed more people for being gay or for being accused of being gay than any recognized state has done in recent years.

International LGBT rights advocate and blogger Colin Stewart has been monitoring the plight of lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender people around the world for several years. His Erasing 76 Crimes blog keeps a tally of nations that criminalize gay and trans people for their mere existence. Stewart said he sees both positive and negative trends surrounding acceptance and oppression of LGBT people worldwide.

"From 2012 to the present, the situation has been fluid," Stewart told The Advocate, referencing the year he retired from a lifelong career in journalism to begin publishing Erasing 76 Crimes. He's hesitant to say things are clearly improving.

"[They're] possibly improving, with a modest reduction in the number of enforced anti-LGBT laws," Stewart said. "Mozambique repealed its law, as have tiny Palau, Lesotho, and São Tomé and Príncipe. Malawi has a moratorium on enforcement of its law during court deliberations on whether it is constitutional."

As he further notes, Uganda's 2014 "jail the gays" law, once billed as a compromise away from an earlier-proposed "kill the gays" law, lasted only a few months before it was overturned.

The following list of countries around the world where you can be sentenced to death just for being LGBT was compiled with information from the U.S. Department of State, Erasing 76 Crimes, and the just-released 2016 edition of the International Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Trans and Intersex Association's annual survey, titled State Sponsored Homophobia 2016: A Wrl'd Survey of Sexual Orientation Laws: Criminalization, Protection and Recognition.

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**Sudan**  
**Yemen**  
**Nigeria**  
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**Pakistan**  
**Iraq**  
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**"Islamic State"-controlled territories of Iraq and Syria**  
**United Arab Emirates**

# Why Was There No LGBT Questions in the Debates?

BY LUCAS GRINDLEY

After three debates, including the one vice-presidential debate, there had not been a single question about LGBT people. Even with notoriously homophobic Indiana Gov. Mike Pence onstage, the topic never came up.

Then it happened again Wednesday. Or, more precisely, it didn't happen again.

We're left to wonder what this all means. Maybe LGBT Americans ought to move on, as if truly nothing took place. Or maybe with that unasked question, the nation silently crossed a threshold into the future, one in which LGBT people are no longer considered so contentious that we're a topic of debate at the highest levels of politics. The next presidential debate won't happen until 2020. My better half imagines how vastly the world could evolve by then.

The realist in me says, mockingly, that maybe in 2020 the Republican Party (or whatever party replaces it) won't nominate a candidate like Donald Trump who opposes marriage equality, who is considering barring transgender people from the military, who is OK letting states ban transgender people from using the bathroom that matches their gender identity, who wants to let business owners turn away LGBT customers by citing their religion. The official Republican Party platform of 2016 condones reparative therapy and a litany of other LGBT civil rights abuses.

From one angle, it seems we're on the precipice of a Zen-like irrelevance. Then turn your head ever so slightly, and it seems nothing has changed and that not being asked about in a debate isn't a happy sign of the changing times because the candidates and platforms are the same old, same old.

I'd like to believe that esteemed moderators Lester Holt, Elaine Quijano, Anderson Cooper, Martha Raddatz, and Chris Wallace never raised any of the myriad of issues we face because they're nonissues.

Admittedly I'm skeptical. The candidates don't agree, so it's hard to believe the nation does. So what happened? Why were LGBT people overlooked?

We were asked about indirectly. There were questions on the Supreme Court, which for LGBT people is inherently about reversing marriage equality. And there were questions about gun control, which sometimes meant answers invoking the Pulse shooting. There was a lot of talk about Vladimir Putin, who has the distinction of being named The Advocate's Person of the Year in 2014, because he lent a worldwide platform to homophobia.



Maybe Trump neutralized us with his strategy of ostensibly courting LGBT voters. He regularly claims to be the true ally to LGBT people, but he does it by using some backward logic about hating Muslims equating to loving LGBT people.

And that tactic is what's got me thinking there were actually a lot of LGBT questions this election season. There's been a lot of demagoguing, after all.

Not having an LGBT question doesn't mean the country has moved on or that our issues are over, but that Trump and his ilk have substituted one minority for another, hoping Muslims are easier to bully, with fewer allies. The haters will return the moment LGBT people show any sign of weakness.

Sexism instead of homophobia seems more the rage in the GOP these days. The mainstream thought that had been over and done with too.

While I'm relieved to finally watch a presidential election without feeling that LGBT people are being dragged into the fight, it's also felt like a test. Do we relate to the question about police brutality against people of color because we were brutalized for so long?

Isn't a question about immigration an LGBT question? It's about who is "normal" and who is "other." It's about who gets included. The arguments against immigrants come with the kind of fearmongering that LGBT people have been subjected to for years.

Trump says "we won't have a country anymore" if we don't have tough borders. Our marriages, don't forget, were also supposedly going to bring about the end of our country.

Whether it's Muslims, Jews, the disabled, immigrants, women, or another group, we're all victim to what Clinton described as "a pattern of divisiveness." If Trump were elected, it would mean the success of what Clinton calls "a very dark and in many ways dangerous vision of our country." And it's time we woke up, even if there's no question at the debates with our name in it.

## Caitlyn Jenner Would Have to use Men's Shower in North Carolina, Says Governor

by Greg Hernandez

If Caitlyn Jenner is planning on spending time in North Carolina, she might want to shower before she arrives in the Tar Heel state.

The state's Republican governor says that even a world famous fellow Republican has to adhere to the rules of HB2, the controversial law that requires transgender people to use the bathroom facility matching their gender at birth.

'If (Jenner) is going to shower at a facility at UNC-Chapel Hill after running around the track, she's going to use the men's shower,' Governor Pat McCrory said during a gubernatorial debate on Tuesday (11 October) against Attorney General Roy Cooper.

McCrory finds himself locked in a tough re-election battle after signing HB2 into law last June.

Since coming out as a transgender woman in 2015, Jenner has staunchly remained Republican despite a party platform that embraces discrimination against LGBTI people.

While her political views have hurt her popularity – the reality show I Am Cait was canceled after two seasons – Jenner has spoken out against discrimination.

Most famously she used the women's restroom inside Trump Tower without incident.

The building is, of course, owned by Republican presidential nominee Donald Trump.



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By Michael Kimmel

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## Why I'm an Optimist

by Michael Dale Kimmel

You might think with so much ugliness, cruelty and fear in the world, that optimism would be foolish or naïve.

Nope.

The ugliness has always been there; but, now, it's there for us to see it. These days, the ugliness is coming out of the closet.

I grew up in small-town Ohio and most of my relatives are voting for Trump. People make fun of Trump supporters, but Trump supporters deserve to be heard too. Folks back in my hometown are scared: their factory jobs are disappearing, they are afraid us queer folks are making fun of their marriages (which don't do well when jobs are scarce) and the mostly-white community I grew up in is afraid that people of color are doing better than they are.

I am not here to discuss politics or economics, but I believe that all people – whatever their point-of-view - deserve to be respected and their fears need to be heard and addressed.

I read exhaustively from a variety of points-of-view. I hear people bemoan the increase in child abuse, domestic violence, racial discrimination, date rape and a whole lot of other really bad stuff. But, in my experience, this stuff has ALWAYS been there. Now, it's being brought out of the closet to be heard, seen and addressed.

I was born in 1953 and, for many of my early years, child abuse, racism, domestic violence and homophobia weren't talked about. I remember witnessing and experiencing plenty of examples of these "evils" and being told to "Mind your own business" and "Nice people don't talk about things like that".

I am very pleased to be living in 2016 where these things ARE talked about so we can't ignore them anymore. I never thought I'd live to see legal same-sex marriage, an African-American president or a woman president (I hope). I am pleasantly surprised to be wrong.

Only when we tell the truth about what's happening can we begin a change process. For many of us, the change process is happening too slowly. I count myself in that camp, yet, I see that change IS happening. I have long-admired President Obama's long-term strategy: change is a process and – if it's going to "stick" - it happens gradually. To me, the President has consistently and persistently plugged away at making changes



whenever he could. When he hit a roadblock, he tried to find another way to proceed. To me, the passage of Obamacare is a miracle. Sure, it's not perfect. But it's a huge step in the right direction of affordable health care for us all.

I used to wash pots and pans in a restaurant. At the end of the night, I got the crustiest pots with burnt-on potatoes or gravy and had to get them clean for the next day's shift. When I filled up these huge pots with soap and water and stuck my hand in to begin to scrub, it was gross. My whole arm was covered by disgusting pieces of food coming loose and floating upward.

If I stopped there, because it was too disgusting, the pot never would have gotten clean. So, I kept going and – eventually – those floating pieces of food stopping covering my arm as the pot got cleaner and cleaner.

I think that the state of the world is like those crusty old pots. If we stop now and give up, when the disgusting stuff is floating to the surface, we lose. There is plenty of disgusting stuff in the news these days. But, all this formerly-hidden stuff is now coming out of the closet. And it's a good thing. We can't clean it up unless we know it's there.

People blame the media for creating such a bleak image of the world. I acknowledge that the media focuses on highly sensational stories to boost their ratings, but I also am grateful to the media for showing us all the disgusting stuff that needs to be cleaned up.

Things ARE changing. Greed, abuse and cruelty are coming out of the closet. Now that we see them clearly, we can do the hard work of change. And it IS hard work; but we can do it. Indeed, we've already started...

...and that's why I'm an optimist.

## Major Investors are Joining the Fight Against North Carolina's Anti-LGBT Law

By MARTHA WAGGONER

RALEIGH, N.C. (AP) — About 60 investors representing \$2.1 trillion in managed assets are joining the NCAA, entertainers and more than 200 businesses in calling for North Carolina to repeal its law limiting LGBT protections against discrimination.

Trillium Asset Management CEO Matt Patsky said at a news conference Monday that North Carolina appears headed for a "state-government-inflicted recession" while the economy of the rest of the country improves.

Trillium has more than \$2 billion in assets under management.

The investors are seeking a full repeal of the law, which excludes gender identity and sexual orientation from statewide anti-discrimination protections. It also requires transgender people to use public restrooms matching their birth certificates.

A spokesman for Gov. Pat McCrory didn't immediately return an email seeking comment.

# GAYZETTE EVENTS

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## WEEKLY EVENTS

### Every Sunday

#### WORSHIP SERVICES:

**AUGUSTANA LUTHERAN CHURCH**, ELCA, 3647 Lafayette Ave., Omaha GLBT friendly, [www.augustanalutheran.com](http://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](mailto:EpiscopalGLBT@yahoo.com)

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

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

**FIRST UNITARIAN** 3114 Harney, 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

**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](mailto: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

**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](mailto:aanderson@hastings.edu) or Judy Sandeen at [jsandeen@hastings.edu](mailto: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 [barbqbill@aol.com](mailto:barbqbill@aol.com)

**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.

**UNITY CHURCH OF OMAHA**, 7pm

### 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](mailto: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](mailto:proudhorizons@yahoo.com)

## MONTHLY EVENTS

### 1st Thursday

**GLBT PROFESSIONALS**, meeting at 5:30pm in various locations. See [www.GOglbt.org](http://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 Sunday 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](mailto:info@inclusivelife.org) and on Facebook

### 2nd Thursday

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

**PFLAG- OMAHA**, 6:30pm to 9pm, Countryside 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

**IMPERIAL COURT OF NE**, Board of Governors meeting, 6:30pm, meeting at the MCC-Omaha, [www.imperialcourtofnebraska.org](http://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](http://www.councilbluffscommunityalliance.org)

### 4<sup>th</sup> 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

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## HIV Testing Info

NAP is located at 250 S. 77th St

The Omaha NAP office offers the following hours for HIV and STI testing:

Monday: 9:30-11:30; 1:00-3:30 appointment testing - 5:00-8:00-walk-in testing

Tuesday: 9:30-11:30; 1:00-3:30 appointment testing - 5:00-8:00-walk-in testing

Wednesday: 1:00-3:30 appointment testing - 5:00-8:00-walk-in testing

Thursday: 9:30-11:30; 1:00-3:30 appointment testing

Lincoln NAP offers HIV and STI testing by appointment. To schedule call (402) 476-7000. Also the new Lincoln address is 1120 K. St.

For more information call:  
Dara Pagano, PLCSW (She/Her/Hers)  
Prevention & Support Services Manager  
Nebraska AIDS Project  
(402) 552-9260 ext. 105

Or see [www.NAP.org](http://www.NAP.org) for information.

## WALKING THE DOG

A woman was flying from Seattle to San Francisco. Unexpectedly, the plane was diverted to Sacramento along the way.

The flight attendant explained that there would be a delay, and if the passengers wanted to get off the aircraft the plane would re-board in 50 minutes.

Everybody got off the plane except one lady who was blind.

A man had noticed her as he walked by and could tell the lady was blind because her guide dog lay quietly underneath the seats in front of her throughout the entire flight.

He could also tell she had flown this very flight before because the pilot approached her, and calling her by name, said, "Kathy, we are in Sacramento for almost an hour. Would you like to get off and stretch your legs?"

The blind lady said, "No thanks, but maybe Buddy would like to stretch his legs."

Picture this:

All the people in the gate area came to a complete stand still when they looked up and saw the pilot walk off the plane with a guide dog for the blind!

Even worse, the pilot was wearing sunglasses! People scattered.

They not only tried to change planes, but they were trying to change airlines!

## What starts with F and ends with K?

A first-grade teacher, Ms. Brooks, was having trouble with one of her students. The teacher asked, "Harry, what's your problem?"

Harry answered, "I'm too smart for the 1st grade. My sister is in the 3rd grade, and I'm smarter than she is! I think I should be in the 3rd grade too!"

Ms. Brooks had had enough. She took Harry to the principal's office.

While Harry waited in the outer office, the teacher explained to the principal what the situation was. The principal told Ms. Brooks he would give the boy a test. If he failed to answer any of his questions he was to go back to the 1st grade and behave. She agreed.

Harry was brought in and the conditions were explained to him, and he agreed to take the test.

Principal: "What is 3 x 3?"

Harry: "9."

Principal: "What is 6 x 6?"

Harry: "36."

And so it went with every question the principal thought a 3rd grader should know.

The principal looks at Ms. Brooks and tells her, "I think Harry can go to the 3rd grade."

Ms. Brooks says to the principal, "Let me ask him some questions."

The principal and Harry both agreed.

Ms. Brooks asks, "What does a cow have four of that I have only two of?"

Harry, after a moment: "Legs."

Ms Brooks: "What is in your pants that you have but I do not have?"

The principal wondered why would she ask such a question!

Harry replied: "Pockets."

Ms. Brooks: "What does a dog do that a man steps into?"

Harry: "Pants."

Ms. Brooks: What starts with a C, ends with a T, is hairy, oval, delicious and contains thin, whitish liquid?"

Harry: "Coconut."

The principal sat forward with his mouth hanging open.

Ms. Brooks: "What goes in hard and pink then comes out soft and sticky?"

The principal's eyes opened really wide and before he could stop the answer, Harry replied, "Bubble gum."

Ms. Brooks: "What does a man do standing up, a woman does sitting down, and a dog does on three legs?"

Harry: "Shake hands."

The principal was trembling.

Ms. Brooks: "What word starts with an 'F' and ends in 'K' that means a lot of heat and excitement?"

Harry: "Firetruck."

The principal breathed a sigh of relief and told the teacher, "Put Harry in the fifth-grade. I got the last seven questions wrong."

# 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](http://www.CampKindle.org)

**Citizens for Equal Protection** 1105 Howard St. Suite 2, Omaha NE 68102, 398-3027 [www.cfep-ne.org](http://www.cfep-ne.org), email to: [Michael@cfep-ne.org](mailto:Michael@cfep-ne.org)

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

**First Central Congregational Church UCC**, 421 South 36th St., 402-345-1533, [www.firstcentral.org](http://www.firstcentral.org), GLBT-affirming

**First Lutheran Church**, 542 So. 31st St., 402-345-7506, GLBT Friendly [www.firstlutheranomaha.org](http://www.firstlutheranomaha.org)

**First Unitarian Church**, 3114 Harney Street, 402-345-3039, [www.firstuomaha.org](http://www.firstuomaha.org), GLBT Welcoming Congregation

**First United Methodist Church**, 7020 Cass St., 402-556-6262, [www.fumcomaha.org](http://www.fumcomaha.org), GLBT-affirming

**Front Water Bears**, (group disbanded)

**Front Runners/Walkers**, Wednesdays at 6:30pm, Elmwood Park Parking Lot by softball field, Omaha [barbqbill@aol.com](mailto:barbqbill@aol.com)

**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. See [www.GOglbt.org](http://www.GOglbt.org) for info

**DCDP LGBT Democrats**, <https://www.facebook.com/DCDPLGBTDemocrats>, Contact Ken - 531-205-3193

**Heartland Pride** [www.heartlandpride.org](http://www.heartlandpride.org), email: [info@heartlandpride.org](mailto: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

**Imperial Court of Nebraska**, Box 3772, Omaha 68103, [www.imperialcourtofnebraska.org](http://www.imperialcourtofnebraska.org)

**Inclusive Life** 402-575-7006 [www.inclusivelife.org](http://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](mailto: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](mailto:mccomaha@mccomaha.org) Website: [www.mccomaha.org](http://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](http://www.NebraskaPrideIDOL.com)

**Nebraska Zen Center**, Soto Zen Buddhist, 3625 Lafayette Ave., 402-551-9035, [www.prairiewindzen.org](http://www.prairiewindzen.org) GLBT inclusive

**North Side Christian Church** 5555 Larimore Ave., Sunday service at 9:30am, see [www.NorthSideOmaha.org](http://www.NorthSideOmaha.org)

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

**Omaha Metro GLBT Sports League**, See [www.oglbtsports.com](http://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](http://www.travel.to/outabout) Email: [NeOutAbout@yahoo.com](mailto:NeOutAbout@yahoo.com)

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

**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](mailto:proudhorizons@yahoo.com)

**River City Gender Alliance**, PO Box 284, Boys Town, NE 68010, email [president@rcga.co](mailto:president@rcga.co) or call 402-541-5792, web site [www.rcga.co](http://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](http://www.rcmc.org)

**Second Unitarian Church**, 3012 S 119th St., Omaha, [www.2uomaha.org](http://www.2uomaha.org), 402-334-0537, LGBTIQ Welcoming Congregation

**SNAP Productions**, Box 8464, Omaha, NE 68108 [www.snapproductions.com](http://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](http://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](http://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. Wednesdays 4pm to 7pm. Walk-in ok.

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

**OUTInc**, a nonprofit organization that engages in and fosters the well-being and advancement of the LGBT community, [www.outinc.org](http://www.outinc.org), Lincoln NE

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

**Queer Student Alliance, UNL**, contact [unlqsa@yahoo.com](mailto: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](mailto: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-glbtc.com/>

**UNL Committee on GLBT Concerns**, Contact Pat Tetreault, (402) 472-1752 or email: [ptetreault1@unl.edu](mailto:ptetreault1@unl.edu) / [www.unl.edu/cglbtc](http://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](http://www.councilbluffscommunityalliance.org)

**Council Bluffs Pride, [www.councilbluffspride.org](http://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](http://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

## Old New Mexico Casserole

**Ingredients**

- 1 lb. ground pork sausage
- 4 scallions, diced, reserving 2/3 of the diced green tops
- 2 (7 oz.) cans diced mild green chilies
- 6 slices approximately sourdough French bread
- 1 1/2 cups Colby Monterey jack cheese
- 1 small roma tomato, seeded, diced into 1/4-inch dice
- 10 eggs
- 1 cup half-and-half

**Steps**

Fry sausage until browned and almost cooked through. Add scallion bottoms along with 1/3 of the green tops and cook until meat is thoroughly cooked and turn off heat. Add chilies and mix well. Spray a 9X13 inch-baking dish with cooking spray. Place the bread slices into the dish to cover bottom and pour sausage mixture evenly over bread. Spread cheese evenly over sausage and sprinkle reserved diced green scallion tops and tomato over cheese. In a separate bowl, beat eggs and add half-and-half and pour over casserole. Cover with plastic wrap and refrigerate overnight.

Preheat oven to 350 degrees and bake casserole for 35 minutes. Cover with aluminum foil and continue to bake another 15 minutes.

Remove from oven and let stand for 5 minutes before serving.

Makes 6-8 servings



## Multi-Level Mexican Dip

**Ingredients**

- 1 cup beans, unsalted
- 1 1/4 cup sour cream
- 1/4 tsp. cumin, ground
- 1/4 tsp. Tabasco
- 1/3 cup onion, finely chopped
- 1 tsp. lime juice
- 1/4 tsp. red pepper flakes
- 1/3 cup green onions
- 2 tomatoes, chopped
- 1 cup cheddar cheese, shredded

**Steps**

In bowl, blend together beans, 1/4 cup of sour cream, cumin and hot pepper sauce. Spread evenly on tray 12 inches in diameter and at least 1 1/2 inch deep. In bowl, mix remaining sour cream, chopped onion, lime juice and red pepper flakes; spread over refried bean layer.

Garnish with rings of green onions on outside, tomatoes and cheese in center. Cover and refrigerate till serving time.

Makes 8 servings



## 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
- 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](mailto:Gayzette@cox.net)**

## Relatives of Gay Man Who Passed Away Seek to Evict His Partner of 55 Years

BY NICO LANG

Tom Doyle lived with his partner, Bill Cornwell, in a three-story West Village brownstone for 55 years. Over their six decades together, the couple watched the neighborhood transform into a safe haven for the city's artists and gay population to one of the most expensive locales in the city.

Doyle, however, could find himself homeless. Cornwell died in 2014, and his family is contesting the will, a legal battle that could force Doyle out of the home the men shared.



Cornwell, who passed away at the age of 88, left Doyle everything in his will. There was, though, just one problem: The document was only signed by one person—Doyle's niece, Sheila McNichols. Without a second signature on the will, it's legally invalid. That means that claims on the home goes to his next of kin.

Cornwell's nieces and nephews, thus, argue that they have a legal right to own, operate, and even sell the building, whose appreciated worth is estimated at \$7 million.

"He had 50 years to put Tom's name on any of these papers," Carole DeMaio, Cornwell's niece told The New York Times. "The will was never a valid will." DeMaio further claimed that the two—despite their many years of cohabitation—were never a couple. She said that they were just "friends" or "great companions."

Another issue is that the men, who lived most of their life together at a time when same-sex marriage was illegal, never wed.

"We were talking about getting married," Doyle said. "Bill even sent away for two rings. But we'd have to make two trips, one for the license and one for the ceremony, and we were both north of 85. And after a lifetime together, marriage doesn't mean that much."

But when it comes to property rights, it does. Doyle's lawyer, Alan Schwartz, is arguing that the couple's relationship constitutes a common law marriage. Although such unions are recognized in the state of New York, these partnerships were recognized in Pennsylvania until 2005. The two traveled to the Keystone State in 1991, where they frequently vacationed, to adopt a dog.

"New York Courts will recognize common law marriages if they would be recognized in a state where a couple visited, even if the visit was brief," Schwartz has said.

Cornwell's relatives have attempted to offer a compromise deal to Doyle: He can live in the building for five years at a rent of \$10. They believe that deal should suffice, as they don't expect Doyle—who is 85—to live much longer than that. Doyle, though, has refused the offer.

"I'm not so concerned about the money," Doyle told the Times. "I'm more concerned about a roof over my head for the rest of my life, and I wouldn't have to be in a nursing home. As long as I am here, I have all the familiar surroundings. It's almost as if Bill is still here."

## Trump Supporter: Making America Great Again Means Reversing LGBT Gains

BY TRUDY RING

While Donald Trump's slogan "Make America Great Again" means different things to different people, to some it means reversing LGBT people's progress toward equality — among them, a woman interviewed by CBS News after last week's presidential debate.



Barbara, one of a group of Nevada voters interviewed by CBS's John Dickerson after the debate, said she considers "morality and values" the most important issues in politics, and that she would like to see the U.S. go back to "what the country was based on."

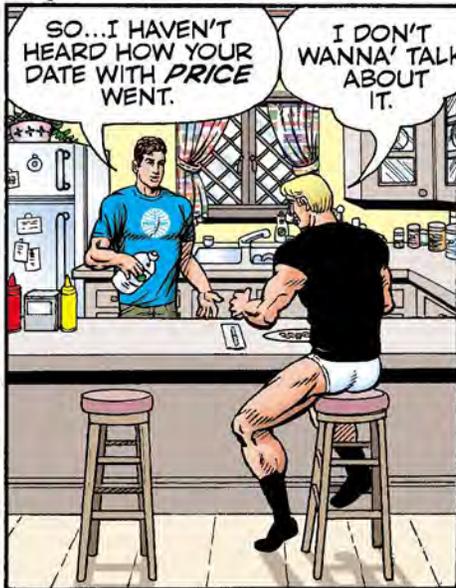
"I think that the laws that Obama has passed, the way the country has — I call it downturning," she told Dickerson in the segment, broadcast Sunday on Face the Nation. "Some of the other people are proud of it and happy for it. I personally am against it, the homosexuals, the abortions. All the stuff, I am against."

She didn't cite specific policies, but President Obama has signed into law an LGBT-inclusive hate-crimes bill and one repealing the military's antigay "don't ask, don't tell" policy. He also has signed executive orders prohibiting discrimination against federal workers because of their gender identity (sexual orientation was already covered) and prohibiting companies with federal contracts from discriminating based on either factor. (Trump has pledged to reverse many of Obama's executive orders.)

Barbara undoubtedly objects to marriage equality as well, but that came about because of the Supreme Court, not Obama. Trump also has promised to appoint justices who would overturn marriage equality if they are presented with such a case, and he supports a proposed federal law that would allow businesses and individuals to cite religious beliefs as legal cover



# Kyle's Bed & Breakfast by Greg Fox



SO...I HAVEN'T HEARD HOW YOUR DATE WITH PRICE WENT.

I DON'T WANNA' TALK ABOUT IT.



OH. OKAY--

NO...I DO WANNA' TALK ABOUT IT, KYLE. I...NEED TO TALK ABOUT IT.

MY GOODNESS. WHAT HAPPENED?



WELL, IT STARTED OUT GREAT.

DINNER AT SCORPIO'S WAS GREAT... THE MOVIE WAS GREAT...

...THE CONVERSATION WAS GREAT...

...OUR FIRST KISS OUT ON THE DRIVEWAY WAS REALLY GREAT.



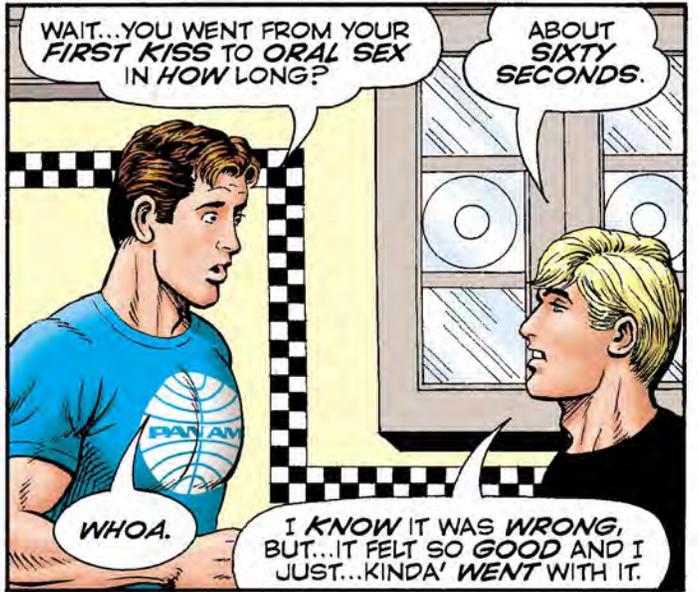
BUT, THEN, LIKE... RIGHT AFTER OUR FIRST KISS, HE, UM...

HE WHAT?



HE...GOT ORAL WITH ME. IT HAPPENED SO FAST...

...I DIDN'T HAVE TIME TO STOP HIM!



WAIT...YOU WENT FROM YOUR FIRST KISS TO ORAL SEX IN HOW LONG?

ABOUT SIXTY SECONDS.

WHOA.

I KNOW IT WAS WRONG, BUT...IT FELT SO GOOD AND I JUST...KINDA' WENT WITH IT.



DID YOU RECIPROCATE?

NO. GEEZ. AND HE SEEMED OKAY WITH THAT.

AFTER IT WAS DONE, I JUST WANTED TO GET THE HELL OUTTA' THERE. I FELT...DIRTY.



AND NOW...I DON'T KNOW WHAT I'M SUPPOSED TO DO WHEN I SEE HIM. DO I TALK TO HIM ABOUT IT?

DO WE PRETEND IT DIDN'T HAPPEN?

DO I EVEN WANNA' BE AROUND THIS GUY ANYMORE?



THE REAL QUESTION IS...DID HE SWALLOW OR SPIT IT OUT?

RICHARD!

I DIDN'T... YOU KNOW... IN HIS MOUTH.

WELL, GOOD. AT LEAST HE'S NOT STUPID...