



Evangelical Pastor Franklin Graham Transfers Millions to Gay-Friendly Bank in Failed Boycott

BY DARREN WEE



Franklin Graham

US pastor Franklin Graham has transferred millions of dollars to a gay-friendly bank after calling for a boycott of businesses that 'promote sin' by advertising to LGBTI people.

Over the weekend, the president of his father's Billy Graham Evangelistic Association (BGEA) called on Christians to 'fight the tide of moral decay that is being crammed down our throats by big business, the media, and the gay and lesbian community.'

In a Facebook post, he singled out Tiffany & Co and Wells Fargo for featuring same-sex couples in their advertisements.

'This is one way we as Christians can speak out – we have the power of choice,' he told the more than 1.6 million people who like his page.

'Let's just stop doing business with those who promote sin and stand against almighty God's laws.'

Graham announced that the BGEA, which in 2014 received contributions and other income totaling \$107.7 million, would move its accounts from Wells Fargo to another bank.

He revealed on Tuesday (9 June) that that bank was North Carolina-based BB&T – sponsors of this year's Miami Beach Gay Pride Parade.

The bank also hosted a Miami fundraiser for gay 'legacy couples' and was awarded a 'high' rating in the Human Rights Campaign's 2015 Corporate Equality Index.

Graham explained his decision in a statement: 'The decision to move the Billy Graham Evangelistic Association's banking business away from Wells Fargo is based on the bank using corporate advertising to promote lifestyles that are counter to what God's Word teaches.'

'This is not about a business being gay friendly, it's about whether the business is using stockholder's money to promote a lifestyle that is not biblical.'

It is not clear if he knew about BT&T's sponsorships before making the transfer and he declined to comment on whether he would remain with the bank.

Graham is also CEO of evangelical humanitarian organization Samaritan's Purse, which last year had revenues of \$461 million.

Judge Orders Arkansas To Recognize In-State Same-Sex Marriages

By Paige Lavender, The Huffington Post



A judge said over 500 same-sex marriages that took place in Arkansas last year must be recognized by the state, according to the AP.

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Pulaski County Circuit Judge Wendell Griffen validated marriage licenses that were issued to same-sex couples after another judge struck down the state's gay marriage ban, the AP reports.

The state's gay marriage ban was struck down in May 2014 by Pulaski County Judge Chris Piazza, who tossed out the state's constitutional and legislative ban on same-sex marriage, but did not rule on a law regulating the conduct of county clerks, the AP reported earlier. Some clerks in the state began issuing marriage licenses to same-sex couples before the state Supreme Court issued a stay on Piazza's ruling.

Griffen was among those who officiated same-sex weddings in May 2014.

Within the next month, the U.S. Supreme Court is expected to issue a ruling on whether states are required to offer same-sex marriage licenses and recognize same-sex marriages performed in other states.

Christian Couple are Threatening to Divorce if Gay Marriage Comes to Australia

BY ANDREW POTTS, GayStarNews

An Australian Christian couple are threatening to divorce after what they say is 10 years of loving marriage if the right to marry is extended to same-sex couples in Australia.

'My wife and I just celebrated our 10-year anniversary. But later this year, we may be getting a divorce,' Nick Jensen



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wrote in a cover story published today by the Canberra CityNews.

'The reason has nothing to do with the state of our marriage. We were married at 21 after being high-school sweethearts for several years before that. In fact, my wife is the only woman I have ever loved, the mother of our children, my perfect match.'



However the couple say that while they will legally dissolve their relationship they will continue to live together, continue to have sex with each other and continue to refer to each other as 'husband' and 'wife.'

'God willing, we'll have more children.,' Jensen wrote. 'So why do this? ...The reason ... is that, as Christians, we believe marriage is not a human invention.'

'Our view is that marriage is a fundamental order of creation. Part of God's intimate story for human history ... My wife and I, as a matter of conscience, refuse to recognize the government's regulation of marriage if its definition includes the solemnization of same sex couples.'

Jensen claims that allowing same-sex couples to marry will fundamentally change the nature of the institution and that many Christian denominations will simply stop performing civil marriages all together if marriage equality is allowed in Australia.

'If our federal parliament votes to change the timeless and organic definition of marriage later on this year, it will have moved against the fundamental and foundational building block of Australian society and, indeed, human culture everywhere,' Jensen claims.

'This is why we are willing to divorce. By changing the definition of marriage, "marriage" will, in years to come, have an altogether different sense and purpose.'

'Many Christians, like my wife and me, as well as people of other faiths, will simply reject the need for the State to recognize their marriage. Instead they will look to the authority of their church, mosque or temple.'

However what the Canberra CityNews and Jensen fail to disclose in the article is that he is an employee of the Australian Christian Lobby – the main group campaigning against the legalization of same-sex marriage in Australia.

The article was not received well by readers who roundly rejected it online, with one reader writing, 'Why the CityNews thought one couple's narrow-minded hate-filled opinion piece is a news item in 2015 is beyond me.'

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I have been involved in the community since 2005 and I have been on several Royal families as well as the I.C.O.N. board and have held several pageant and bar titles. I have helped raise many dollars for many different charities. Such as Nebraska Pride, NAP, ICON, the Rainbow Out Reach Center, Heartland Gay Rodeo, PFLAG Omaha, MCC Church, Proud Horizons, the Wounded Warriors Project, Sammy's Super Hero's, Susan G Komen Foundation, Nebraska Human Society, Star City Pride, and many more.



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I have been a part of the LGBTQ community for many years in my previous state of Colorado and now in Nebraska. I have held a few pageant titles and have been on three Imperial Court System families. I have also had an opportunity to hold board positions on couple organizations as well. I have the privilege of being inducted into the current ICON reign as a family member.



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My name is Kevin Steward.

I was raised in Lisben, IA. And I graduated from Lewis Central High school in the top 6% of my class. I attended the University of Iowa in pursuit of my degree in elementary education and theatre performance.



I have been an active member of the GLBTQ community for going on 20 years now.

It has been an eye opening and very rewarding experience in my life. I have had the honor of serving as a past Mr. Mardi Gras two years in a row, was a past Mr. DC's Saloon, Duke XXXI, Grand Duke XXXII, and Prince Royal XXXIII for the Imperial Court of Nebraska.

I was also one of the founding designers for Omaha Fashion Week and have been in the costume and fashion design industry for more than 16 years.

I find great joy in contributing my time and energy raising money and awareness for the concerns and needs of not only the GLBTQ community, but for all of Nebraska as a whole.

I am aspiring to become Emperor XXXV of the Imperial Court of Nebraska, so that I may continue my service to the community, and expand awareness not only within our wonderful state, but to our neighboring states.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,
Kevin Steward

Mahony Pride Prom a Success

By Ferial Pearson

This year brought 241 youth to the 11th Annual Tom Mahony Pride Prom! Many of the youth who came had attended the second annual LGBTQ Emerging Leaders Summit known as Corn this Way earlier that day at the University of Omaha's Community Engagement Center. Heartland Pride welcomed



Proud Horizons and Tom Mahony Pride Prom into their organization last year, and Prom was held this year on May 16th 2015 at the newly remodeled First United Methodist Church; the theme was "Space Prom".

We were delighted to see youth creatively dressed to the nines according to the theme, eager to have their picture taken by our photographer, Lisa Welch, in front of a beautiful galaxy backdrop. Youth were treated to snacks and beverages donated by ConAgra Foods, cake from our favorite cake lady Sharon Broadway, music by our fantastic DJ Jim Kaup, were chaperoned by our dedicated volunteers, and protected as always by volunteers from the Omaha Police Department. Finally, the youth and volunteers were treated to wonderful drag performances from Macy Riley, Madame X, and Phil Latio from the Imperial Court of Nebraska; they have always been very generous supporters of Proud Horizons and Pride Prom.

We honored Bob and the late Betty Dorr at Prom for their support and commitment to LGBTQ youth; words cannot express how much the Dorr's mean to our entire community. Many of the youth I interviewed were at Pride Prom for the first time, and were beaming as they talked about how friends who had gone to Pride Prom had gushed about it, and that is why they came. Others had been to prom for many years in a row. As usual, they came from many school districts, including Omaha Public Schools, Millard, Ralston, Bellevue, Council

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Bluffs, and some even came from local colleges and universities. They all talked about how comforting it was to be open about who they are.

Tiauna Lewis from Lincoln said, "I would say that pride prom means a lot to me because it is one of the only places where LGBTQ youth and their allies can come together and have fun in an environment where there is no judgment. My favorite parts of the night are seeing all of the work adults put into creating such an awesome event for us and not only seeing, but experiencing how much they care."

Shane Litton said, "Pride Prom was an amazing experience for me because I got to be around people who were like me. I'm one of the only out trans* people in my school, so I never really have anyone to connect with. So, it felt nice to have people there who understood what I was going through." Andrew O'Donnell felt, "It was extremely nice to feel a safe, accepting atmosphere where I was surrounded by supporters and individuals who are like me."

An adult on the Tom Mahony Pride Prom page told us, "I transported 4 young adults to the Pride Prom this year, for two of them it was their first one.... the best conversation on the way home..... Why is it that Pride Prom is SOOOOOO much better than regular school prom?"

Because for high school prom you're expected to look perfect, dress perfect and play that part... at Pride Prom everyone is accepted just they way they are. Congrats on mission accomplished! I'm so glad you all had such a great turn out tonight! I'm already looking forward to next year!" We are also looking forward to next year, and many more years in the future.

We would like to thank the following sponsors for their generous support of the 2015 Tom Mahony Pride Prom: Bob and Betty Dorr, George Klein and Tom Knox, Michael Jones, George Broadway and Jay Tremont, Macy Riley, Tricia Suchland, Linda Kastning, Lynne Mytty, Michael Farquhar, Tom Liefer, Bob Anderson, Teagan Thomas, Wendy Francis, Omaha L.E.A.D. Officers, Heartland Pride, The Imperial Court of Nebraska, ConAgra Foods, GLSEN Omaha, PFLAG Omaha, Cox Communications, First United Methodist Church, and IGBO Omaha.

The poster features a vibrant yellow and red background with a large, stylized graphic of a red ribbon or banner. At the top, the River City Mixed Chorus logo is displayed, including the text "River City Mixed Chorus" and "OMAHA'S GLBTA CHORUS". The main title "C'MON, GET HAPPY!" is written in large, bold, black letters. Below the title, the date and time "JUNE 27 AT 7:05 PM" are prominently shown, with a small "69" logo next to the time. A circular badge on the left side states "TICKETS START AT \$20!". At the bottom, it says "UNDER THE DIRECTION OF DR. A. BARRON BRELAND". Logos for "TICKET OMAHA" and "HOLLAND PERFORMING ARTS CENTER" are also present.

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Along with Harold Arlen's concert title piece, musical selections include Sweet Charity's "The Rhythm of Life," as well as "The Nearness of You" by Hoagy Carmichael and "Anything Goes" from the Cole Porter musical of the same name. Additional pieces, from Broadway or popular collections, were specifically selected for their messages of inclusion, hope and empowerment.

The River City Mixed Chorus is in its 31st season and includes 100 singers. RCMC is one of the longest-running gay, lesbian, bisexual, transgender and ally (GLBTA) mixed choruses in the United States and is under the direction of Dr. A. Barron Breland. This will be the first time RCMC has performed at the Holland Performing Arts Center.

"The River City Mixed Chorus is a long-established fixture in the local LGBT community," said Breland. "We are especially excited to bring Omaha's favorite choir to Omaha's premier concert venue, the Holland Performing Arts Center. It will be a thrill for our record-number of singers and will help introduce us—and our message of inclusion and acceptance—to a broader audience."

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Auditions will consist of cold readings from the script. Callbacks (if necessary) will be determined at the auditions. The Grown-Up will be directed by Susan Clement-Toberer.

Auditions for The Grown-Up will be Sunday, June 28 from 4 p.m. -6 p.m. and Tuesday, June 30 from 6pm-8pm

Performances for The Grown-Up run September 24 through October 18, 2015. Rehearsals are scheduled to begin in mid-August, 2015.

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How to have a Happy Summer

Summers are supposed to be happy, right? Carefree, easy, laid-back...and, yet, so often, they're not. This column is about how to make this summer one of your best ever.

Let's start with:

Lower your expectations...of everyone. For example: don't think you have to lose weight to go swimming, or that if you don't get laid during Pride that you're a loser. Don't expect your friends to be perfect. In other words, welcome reality. Know that some days will feel better than others, some people will disappoint you and some days you'll disappoint yourself. Forgive yourself (and others) and do your best to move onto something else.

This may not be your best time to take a vacation. If you prefer avoiding high season hotel rates, swimming pools full of screaming children and swarms of other tourists, summer may be a good time to stay in town and do stuff you've always wanted to do (museums, nice restaurants, exploring the East Village or North County). Try some mini-vacations, like going to LA or Palm Springs for long weekends. Fall, Winter and Spring tend to be easier times to travel, with fewer kids, cheaper hotels and less traffic. Why not have a relaxing summer here in amazing San Diego and then go to Europe or New York City or Japan in September or October?

If you do go to a Pride celebration – San Diego, Long Beach, LA – how can you maximize your happiness? Get clear about what to get from it. Do you want fun? To get laid? To show off your beautiful body? Let's be real: often, we go into things without any idea what we'd like to experience. This may work out, but, often, we end up getting something we didn't want. For many of us, Pride celebrations bring a LOT of unspoken expectations that often leave us feeling disappointed when it's all over. Take a moment before you join in any of these celebrations and ask yourself: "What do I want from this?" and listen to yourself. I promise you that this will improve the odds that you'll get the most enjoyment possible.

Summer romances are a cultural phenomenon, rife with their own songs, vibes and stories. Do you want one? If so, go for it. If you want more than a bunch of fun hookups, tell yourself the truth about it. Know what you want and don't settle for less.

Let's move from the big picture to the details: I was reading a professional journal that talked about happiness and how to get more of it in your life. One research study found that happiness isn't linked to big, dramatic events or buying expensive stuff



like a new car/house/furniture, instead, it's about learning to savor life's small pleasures. Sounds a bit overly-simplistic, right? Well, in my experience, it actually works. So here are some ideas on how to experience more happiness this summer on a daily/hourly/moment-to-moment basis:

Do kind things for people you know (and those you don't): as an experiment, try to do 3 good things every day. They needn't be big or obvious: Yesterday, I let a guy go in front of me at Vons because I had a lot of stuff in my cart and he only had a few things in his. It felt good. This kind of stuff adds up. If you see someone who looks sad, just say "Hello". No big deal. They may not respond, but you've put good energy out there in the world and it will always make YOU feel better.

Volunteer doing something (anything) that you feel good about. Call The Center (they can always use good folks) or go to volunteermatch.org or doinggoodtogether.org to see what's going on near you that you can plug into. It's not a lifetime commitment, just give it a try and see if it makes you happy.

Let yourself be goofy/silly/weird: Freud called this, "Regression in the service of the ego", a fancy name for letting yourself be happily, temporarily, childlike. If this is too daunting, watch a goofy/silly movie and enjoy watching other people do weird stuff. Life is far too hard to be serious all the time, and summer is a good time to lighten up.

Eat happy food. Yes, there is such a thing. Dr. Drew Ramsey, author of "The Happiness Diet" encourages us to consume more Omega 3's, B-12, B-9, Vitamin E and magnesium in our diets if we want to feel happier. Google these nutrients or ask someone at Sprouts or Whole Foods how to get more of these happy foods into your diet.

Unplug from technology: connect with real people face-to-face. Psychological research shows that the key to happiness cannot be found on your ipad/iphone screen. It lies in your relationships with other people. Give yourself a tech-free day/morning and see what happens.

Go outside: our gorgeous city is envied by most of the world, and it's free for us who live here. Walk the beach, a park, Torrey Pines, the Laguna Mountains or the streets of Hillcrest. Notice flowers, plants, and trees. Let them give you a bit of happiness every time you pay attention.

Be physically active and you'll be happier: research shows that even five minutes of physical activity in nature boosts self-esteem and mood.

Find things to be grateful about. You woke up. You saw the sun. Your dog/cat loves you. Your friends love you. You live in San Diego. You can see well enough to read this. Many studies have found strong correlations between gratitude and happiness. Start with noting 3 things you're grateful for and see where it takes you.

Summer CAN be a happy time, it just takes a little awareness and effort. I hope that the ideas in this column help you to make this summer your best ever.

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**GAY MEN'S ALCOHOLICS ANONY-
MOUS** 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 Anony-
mous, 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 Anony-
mous, 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 SUP-
PORT 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, 4:30-6:30pm
Coffee with the Boys at Howlin' Hounds Café,

712 South 16th St. Meet up for coffee and
conversation. Many of the guys go out for
dinner afterwards.

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

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: GOg-lbt@cfep-ne.org or see www.GOglt.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 Meet-
ing, 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 bev-
erages provided.

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 Gov-
ernors meeting, 6:30pm, meeting at the MCC-
Omaha, www.imperialcourtofnebraska.org

3rd Sunday

BCA 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, Lin-
coln, ages 13 to 18, FFI: 475-3220. 3-5:30 pm

Email Your Event to:
GAYZETTE@COX.NET

EMBARRASSING MEDICAL EXAMS

1.. A man comes into the ER and yells...'
My wife's going to have her baby in the cab.'

I grabbed my stuff, rushed out to the cab,
lifted the lady's dress and began to take off
her underwear.

Suddenly I noticed that there were several
cabs and I was in the wrong one.

Submitted by Dr. Mark MacDonald ,
San Francisco

2. At the beginning of my shift I placed a
stethoscope on an elderly and slightly deaf
female patient's anterior chest wall.
'Big breaths,' . . . I instructed.
'Yes, they used to be,' . . . replied the patient.

Submitted by Dr. Richard Byrnes ,
Seattle , WA

3. One day I had to be the bearer of bad news
when I told a wife that her husband had died
of a massive myocardial infarct.

Not more than five minutes later, I heard her
reporting to the rest of the family that he had
died of a 'massive internal fart.'

Submitted by Dr. Susan Steinberg

4. During a patient's two week follow-up
appointment with his cardiologist, he in-
formed me, his doctor, that he was having
trouble with one of his medications.

'Which one?'. I asked. 'The patch...
The Nurse told me to put on a new one every
six hours and now I'm running out of places
to put it!'

I had him quickly undress and discovered
what I hoped I wouldn't see.

Yes, the man had over fifty patches on his
body!

Now, the instructions include removal of the
old patch before applying a new one.

Submitted by Dr. Rebecca St. Clair ,
Norfolk , VA

5. While acquainting myself with a new
elderly patient, I asked, 'How long have you
been bedridden?'

After a look of complete confusion she an-
swered
'Why, not for about twenty years - when my
husband was alive.'

Submitted by Dr. Steven Swanson-
Corvallis , OR

6. I was performing rounds at the hospital
one morning and while checking up on a
man I asked . . . 'So how's your breakfast this
morning?' 'It's very good except for the
Kentucky Jelly. I can't seem to get used to

the taste'. Bob replied.

I then asked to see the jelly and Bob produced
a foil packet labeled 'KY Jelly.'

Submitted by Dr. Leonard Kransdorf ,
Detroit ,

7. A nurse was on duty in the Emergency
Room when a young woman with purple hair
styled into a punk rocker Mohawk, sporting a
variety of tattoos, and wearing strange cloth-
ing, entered . . . It was quickly determined
that the patient had acute appendicitis, so she
was scheduled for immediate surgery. When
she was completely disrobed on the operating
table, the staff noticed that her pubic hair had
been dyed green and above it there was a
tattoo that read . . . 'Keep off the grass.'
Once the surgery was completed, the surgeon
wrote a short note on the patient's dressing,
which said 'Sorry... had to mow the lawn.'

Submitted by RN no name,

AND FINALLY!!

8. As a new, young MD doing his residency
in OB. I was quite embarrassed when per-
forming female pelvic exams.. To cover my
embarrassment I had unconsciously formed a
habit of whistling softly.

The middle-aged lady upon whom I was per-
forming this exam suddenly burst out laugh-
ing and further embarrassing me. I looked up
from my work and sheepishly said. 'I'm sorry.
Was I tickling you?' She replied with tears
running down her cheeks from laughing so
hard

'No doctor but the song you were whistling
was 'I wish I was an Oscar Meyer Wiener.'

Dr. wouldn't submit his name....

On Sale

A husband and wife are shopping in their
local Wal-Mart. The husband picks up
a ...case of Miller Lite and puts it in their cart.

'What do you think you're doing?' asks the
wife. 'They're on sale, only \$10 for 24 cans',
he replies. 'Put them back, it's a waste of mon-
ey', demands the wife, and so he does and
they carry on shopping.

A few aisles further on along, the woman
picks up a \$20 jar of ...face cream and puts it
in the basket.

What do you think you're doing?' asks the
husband.. 'It's my face cream. It makes me
look beautiful,' replies the wife.

Her husband retorts: 'So does 24 cans of Mil-
ler Lite and it's half the price....'

Assistance needed..... HUSBAND DOWN
IN AISLE 7 !!

GLBT RESOURCE LIST

OMAHA BASED

BiMenNebraska, Social Support for Bi and BiCurious Men <http://groups.yahoo.com/group/BiMenNebraska> and <http://groups.yahoo.com/group/Bi-MEN-MIDWEST>

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

Citizens for Equal Protection 1105 Howard St. Suite 2, Omaha NE 68102, 398-3027 www.cfep-ne.org, email to: Michael@cfep-ne.org

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

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

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

First Unitarian Church, 3114 Harney Street, 402-345-3039, www.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://omahalgbtDemocrats.wordpress.com> - contact Ken @ 402-686-6389 See also <http://ProgressiveOasis.com>

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

Ice Bowl Invitational Bowling Tournament (IBIT) P.O. Box 31838, Omaha, 68131 R. Hollendieck (402) 556-5556

Imperial Court of Nebraska, Box 3772, Omaha 68103, www.imperialcourtofnebraska.org

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

Learning to Exchange Power, no current info available

Leather Engineers of Omaha (LEO) not currently meeting

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 NE Gay Pride Web Page <http://ONGP.com>; email to: omahanegaypride@cox.net or ongp1@cox.net

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

Onyx Images, Box 31026, 68131-0026 Social/Support Organization for African American Males age 21 and over

Out and About in Nebraska, website: www.travel.to/outabout
Email: NeOutAbout@yahoo.com

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 Web-site: www.rcmc.org

Second Unitarian Church, 3012 S 119th St., Omaha, www.2uomaha.org, 402-334-0537, LGBTQ Welcoming Congregation

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

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

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

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

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

LINCOLN BASED

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

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

Spiritual Friends of Lincoln
Offering fellowship and worship for those seeking radical hospitality, 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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Where Can You Find The Gayzette?

Omaha:

Dixie Quick's Restaurant, 157 West Broadway 712-256-4140
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

The Hungry Homo

Broccoli and Bacon Salad

Ingredients

Salad:

6 cups fresh raw broccoli florets
1/2 cup raisins
2 tbsp. red onion, chopped
12 slices bacon, cooked and crumbled

Dressing:

2 tbsp. vinegar
3 oz. cream cheese
2 tbsp. granulated sugar
Dash of pepper
1/8 tsp. garlic salt
1/4 tsp. salt
1 tsp. mustard
1 egg
2 tbsp. vegetable oil

Methods/Steps

Combine all dressing ingredients in blender except the vegetable oil. Blend until well mixed. Add the vegetable oil and blend. Serve over the salad ingredients.

Makes 6 servings



Almond Bread

Ingredients

3 egg whites
1/2 cup superfine sugar
1/2 tsp. vanilla extract
3 oz. plain flour
3 oz. almonds

Methods/Steps

Preheat the oven to 350 degrees. Lightly oil a small loaf tin. Beat the egg whites until stiff and gradually add the sugar and vanilla; continue beating until all is incorporated. Fold in flour and almonds. Bake for 50 to 60 minutes. Cool, wrap in foil and allow standing for 3 to 4 days. Slice the loaf very thinly with an electric knife. Place the slices on a baking tray and dry out in an oven preheated to 300 degrees for 30 minutes.

Ready in 2 hours

Makes 24 servings / 24 slices



Kyle's Bed & Breakfast by Greg Fox

SO... BRAD REJECTED THE WARDROBE OF FINE CLOTHING YOU BOUGHT FOR HIM?

EH? HOW DO YOU KNOW ABOUT THAT?

RICHARD MENTIONED IT.

RICHARD.

DOES THAT SEWER RAT HAVE NOTHING BETTER TO DO THAN SPREAD GOSSIP ABOUT MY PERSONAL AFFAIRS?

AH. SO YOU AND BRAD ARE HAVING AN AFFAIR?

NO. I'M ATTEMPTING TO ESTABLISH A FRIENDSHIP WITH HIM. WHICH, APPARENTLY...

...IS A BIT MORE COMPLICATED THAN A SEXUAL RELATIONSHIP.

I'VE NEVER BEEN ALL THAT SKILLED AT MAKING FRIENDS.

A FRIENDSHIP CANNOT BE PURCHASED, PRICE... NOR CAN IT BE RUSHED.

IT NEEDS TO BE CULTIVATED.

I'M NOT A VERY PATIENT PERSON, RUDY.

PERHAPS THIS IS BEYOND MY CAPABILITIES.

YOU GRADUATED DARTMOUTH, PRICE. I'M SURE YOU CAN LEARN THE ART OF FRIENDSHIP.

JUST BE KIND... BE A GOOD LISTENER... AND BE THERE FOR BRAD WHEN HE NEEDS YOU.

THANK YOU, RUDY, I... APPRECIATE THE ADVICE.

AND I SUPPOSE I SHOULD APOLOGIZE TO YOU.

I KNOW YOU FIND MY LACK OF TROUSERS IN THE MORNING OFFENSIVE.

THAT'S ALL RIGHT, PRICE. I BELIEVE I'VE GROWN ACCUSTOMED TO THE SIGHT OF YOUR BARE, BRAWNY THIGHS... THE HINT OF BUTTOCKS...

... AND THE WAY YOUR DRESS SOCKS CARESS YOUR MEATY, MUSCULAR CALVES.

MY GOODNESS. WOULD YOU LIKE ME TO START WEARING MY SHIRTS A BIT SHORTER?

THAT... WOULD BE SCANDALOUS.

I DIDN'T HEAR A "NO" IN THAT SENTENCE...

Fitness Corner

By Ron Blake



PERFECT PRIDE HEALTH

June is the start of summer and a reminder to you to be proud of who you are. You are an amazing model of health and well-being. You've worked so hard to get straight A's on your fitness report card. Let's take a walk through the Pride festival and show off your great work.

Those six pack abs are just the reason to take off your T-shirt. Sit ups and crunches have done wonders for your midsection. Whether you're 62 years young or 22 years old everyone likes to look at a nice set of abdominal muscles.

Go ahead and order that juicy hamburger and those golden fries from that greasy spoon vendor. You've been careful to eat plenty of nutritious meals over the last year. That is evident from your low cholesterol level. You've earned a good day to eat some bad food. And don't forget the deliciously delightful dessert. You really were good these last twelve months. Have a lot of food fun!

Get on that dance floor and bust a move. The pied piper is playing the great hits from the 1980s and it is futile to resist. You've got this and the endurance too. All that jogging on the treadmill and all those hikes on the trails have given you the stamina to cut a rug for many a song.

Show the world your wonderful smile as you meander through the crowds of festival goers. A great set of chompers is a great display of wellness. Dental health is very much an indicator of your overall health. A super scintillating smile can say sexy is here.

Flex those arms as you curl that cup of beer to your lips. My what beautiful biceps you have. It seems that all those curls with the dumbbells have had quite an impact on shaping your arms into fantastic form. Be proud of those awesome guns.

Even your wallet is healthy and happy. You can afford to get those back stage passes to meet with the headliner entertainer for this year's Pride. How excellent that you gave up your pack a day smoking habit last June. You like totally saved over \$2,500 by taking cigarettes out of your life. Cowabunga dude!

The post Pride party takes you to your friend's swimming pool. Time to show the folks around the pool your toned legs. You've worked so hard on creating a nice set of legs to get you from point A to point B in amazing style. All those exercises have done the job just right. There were the lunges, the leg presses, and the squats. Hike up those board shorts and show those lovely legs.

If this health and fitness doesn't sound like it's you... then that's OK. There's always time to make changes and it starts right now and it starts with you. Get excited and get some wellness goals for next year's Pride time. Never stop being

proud of who you are. But never never never stop being proud of who you can become. Here's to a healthy and hopeful Pride season for all of us!

This article of well is brought to you by that guy of piercing and plentiful Pride. That prolific guy is Ron Blake and he can be found in playful partaking at rblake5551@hotmail.com.



250 South 77th Street, Suite A
Omaha, NE 68114

(Located behind McDonald's at 77th & Dodge Street)

www.nap.org

402-552-9260

Get Smart, Get Tested

Are You Ready For Pride Week? Come Join Us!



**June 12, 2015
Night On The River
River City Star**

**June 18, 2015
Harvey Milk Candlelight Vigil
Stinson Park @ Aksarben Village**

**June 19, 2015
Heartland Youth Pride
Stinson Park @ Aksarben Village**

**June 20, 2015
PARADE
Downtown Council Bluffs, IA**

**June 20, 2015
FESTIVAL
Stinson Park @ Aksarben Village**

**FOR MORE INFORMATION ABOUT
ANY OF THESE EVENTS VISIT:
www.heartlandpride.org/events**