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GAYZETTE

News and Events for the GLBTA Communities

GLBT CENTER OPEN HOUSE

Hey all of you "Snowflakes & Snowpeople", come to the GLBT Center Open House. Join us for free cookies and cocoa at the GLBT Center Open House on Sunday, January 16, from 2-7PM.

Drop in, hang out, socialize, and snack. A variety of treats and beverages will be provided. The GLBT Center is located at 1719 Leavenworth in the Old Market District of Downtown Omaha. You can park anywhere in the Old Market and easily walk to the Center (which is less than 3 blocks from other GLBT establishments including the JOY, DC's Saloon, the MAX, Omaha Mining Company, the Diamond, and Connections). We look forward to seeing you at the Center Open House!

Thanks From L2EP

Even though the Christmas season is over the members of L2EP wish to thank all of the people who attended Toyz 4 Totz on Dec. 1st. Even though the event happen on the same time as Night of a Thousand Stars many people helped to make the night a success. From the performers who found the energy to entertain, the establishments that made donations for raffles and

auctions, the Monarchs that found time between events to attend and to the people who paid a cover to see the show. All of this plus the generosity of D.C.'s to let the event be held there allowed L2EP to present \$1700 to I.C.O.N. Thank you all for making Christmas happen for others.



Gay Organization Helps in Tsunami Relief Efforts

Larry Buhl, PlanetOut Network

As the death toll from Sunday's earthquake and tsunamis rockets past 100,000, dozens of relief organizations are working overtime to provide immediate and long-term relief to survivors. One of the organizations raising money is the Rainbow World Fund (www.rainbowfund.org), the first LGBT world relief agency.

Jeff Cotter, a San Francisco psychiatric social worker, says he started Rainbow World Fund (RWF) four years ago because none of the traditional relief organizations were developing philanthropy and consciousness in the LGBT community. It is that dual mission -- direct relief hand in hand with changing opinions and beliefs -- that moves RWF. Cotter calls it a solidarity model, rather than a charity model.

"As with our community's response to HIV, we can't wait for the rest of the world to take leadership," Cotter said. "And as a gay man, I thought, if I want to change the world, I should start where I'm at, in the community I live in. And the gay and lesbian community was a huge untapped market."

In the past year, RWF has teamed up with relief organizations to increase access to safe drinking water in Central America, eradicate land mines in Cambodia, provide food for victims of hurricane Jeanne in Haiti and save the next generation of Africans from HIV/AIDS. The group works closely with larger charity organizations (such as CARE) to give aid immediately, where it's needed.

Cotter balances his time between Rainbow and his "day job": counseling rape victims and gunshot wound survivors for the city of San Francisco. He has spent the past three years building the infrastructure for RWF, and has begun helping victims around the world this year.

Because administrative costs are covered by the board of directors and grants from various organizations (including the Catholic Church), RWF can ensure that 100 percent of every

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January 7, 2005—January 21, 2005



The boys are back. Jan 14th & Feb 11th Owen Hawk & Brad Benton

IOpm autographs
IIpm strip show
Midnight: 2nd strip show





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charitable dollar goes directly to field service work overseas. In the case of Sunday's quake and tsunami survivors, aid will go to food, water, vitamins and medical supplies for many months, and possibly years, to come.

But why doesn't an LGBT relief organization give to LGBT causes? Why enlist gays and lesbians to help victims they know nothing about? The question, Cotter says, should really be: why not?

"Suffering is universal, and the LGBT community knows more than a little bit about that," Cotter says. "When we took the aid trip to Guatemala earlier this year, it was clear that we (the LGBT community) had a shared history of oppression with the Mayan population there. There was a systematic genocide there, and the government invalidated their marriage relationships, among other atrocities."

The excursion to Guatemala had another benefit as well. In the primarily Catholic and socially conservative country, Rainbow's outreach was the first contact most citizens had with gays or lesbians. Promoting tolerance and understanding of differences among people and cultures, and at the same time providing much-needed assistance to impoverished and developing areas, is a win-win, according to Cotter.

"We're about changing attitudes toward gays and lesbians," Cotter said. "Many of the places we visit and help have very little LGBT presence. Everyone we've worked with has been surprised by our commitment, and very open and accepting to our presence."

Conversely, the organization, by encouraging "closet philanthropists" to move into action, is helping LGBT people see themselves in a different light, Cotter said.



"We have tended to define ourselves too narrowly in the LGBT community. The very act of giving helps reinforce the idea that we're not just about sex or partying, or Madonna. We are a community that cares about human suffering anywhere, and does something about it."

YMCA Scheduling Snafu Pits Tots Against Trannies

Associated Press

A Chicago YMCA director has been fired and overnight facility rentals banned after the parents of young children arriving for a morning swim meet clashed with participants in an overnight transgender fashion show and ball.

Greg Weider, who had been acting director of the New City YMCA for two years, was fired Wednesday. Programming manager Michael Horton, who oversaw scheduling at the center, resigned two days earlier.

"We've taken very swift, decisive action, and we will do everything we can in order to restore the integrity of our organization for those that we serve," said Steven Dahlin, executive vice president and chief operating officer of the YMCA of Metropolitan Chicago.

Authorities said a YMCA member had reserved the entire facility from 11 p.m. Saturday to 8 a.m. Sunday for the fashion show and ball. The YMCA rented out the rooms, although families were scheduled to arrive at 7 a.m. to use some of the same rooms for a swim meet.

Police and private security guards were called after some parents used sexual slurs and scuffling broke out, authorities said. No arrests were made.

Quote of the Day

Our lives begin to end the day we become silent about things that matter.

Martin Luther King Jr.

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Ad Deadlines: Friday, Jan. 14, for Publication Jan. 21st

Friday, Jan. 28 for Publication Feb. 4th

Kyle's Bed & Breakfast by Greg Fox























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Gav Chatroom Meeting Ends In Murder

by 365Gay.com Newscenter Staff

(Des Moines, Iowa) Des Moines police are searching for a motive in the killing of a Nebraska man who was found stabbed to death in suburban motel.

Terry Graham, 52, of South Sioux City, NE., was in Des Moines on business. A second man, Jon Matthew McGee, 23, of Urbandale, Iowa was arrested in Graham's room. Police said McGee had called 911. He has been charged with killing Graham, but police say what led up to the slaying is not known.

Investigators say that the men met that night in a popular internet chat site and arranged to meet.

McGee's attorney, Peter Berger, said his client had been invited to the hotel room by Graham.

Berger said McGee had been hospitalized at a U.S. Air Force base in Europe before being honorably discharged for psychological reasons.

Those psychological reasons have "a significant impact on what happened at the hotel and this case as a whole," Berger said.

Graham's brother-in-law, Ron Ellefson, arrived in town and picked up Graham's vehicle. He told the Des Moines Register that inside the vehicle he found papers downloaded from the Internet about homosexuality and religion.

Ellefson said Graham, a former minister, still worked as a counselor, and he thought that Graham may have been counseling McGee.

McGee is in Polk County Jail on \$500,000 cash-only bond. He is scheduled to be arraigned on Feb. 11.

Greg Fox, the creator of Kyle's B&B, has graciously allowed us to continue running his comic strip until we can find a sponsor. If you have a business and would like to sponsor one or more issues at \$25 per issue (plus you get ad space) please email: news@rainbowoutreach.org and we will get you set up.



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Ages 5 - 105.

Parents bring the kids down and play or read some of the books in our Library while they play.

QUESTIONS ABOUT HIV OR AIDS?

Call the Nebraska AIDS Hotline. 1-800-782-2437 (in Omaha, 552-9255) Sunday-Friday: 10 am-10 pm

IOWA EQUALITY DAY 2005 UPDATE

We want to encourage you to attend Iowa Equality Day on Thursday, February 3, 2005.

This day of education is being sponsored by the LGBT Community Center of Central Iowa at the State Capitol for LGBTQA people of all generations.

No official schedule is available vet, however attendees will be provided with training, an opportunity to talk/lobby elected officials, and a chance to network with other LGBTQA people from across the state.

Everyone is being asked to bring Family Photos. The photos can be shown to legislators as we tell them our stories or larger photos can be displayed in the Rotunda.

All LGBTOA groups are asked to bring a table and display information about their organization.

Equality Iowa PÔ Box 1797 Des Moines, IA 50306

Or call: 515-243-1276 515-280-8048 (fax)

You can learn more about Iowa Equality Day by visiting www.iowaequality.org.

Where Can You Find The Gayzette?

Omaha:

Ace's Only, 1263 South 16th Street Connections. 1901 Leavenworth The Diamond, 712 South 16th Street DC's Saloon, 610 South 14th Street Dixie Quicks, Restaurant 20th Leavenworth First Unitarian Church, 3114 Harney Flixx 1019 South 10th Street Omaha Gilligan's Pub. 1407 Harney Street The Joy, 1516 Jones Street The Max. 1417 Jackson Metropolitan Community Church, 819 South 22nd Street Omaha Mining Co., 1715 Leavenworth Mystery Bookstore, 1422 South 13th St Nebraska AIDS Project, 139 South 40th St Next Millennium. 2308 North 72nd Street Rainbow Outreach GLBT Resource Center, 1719 Leavenworth Stage Right Coffee and Tea House, 16th and Harney

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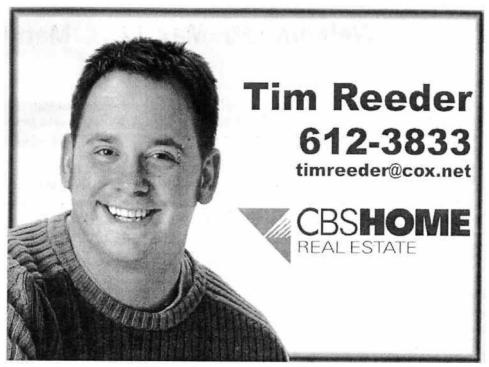
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Center Wish List

Do you have something that the Center could use? Contact one of our board members. Please call (402) 341-0330 or email wishlist@rainbowoutreach.org.

Some items on our Wish List:

Copy Machine

DVD Player

Games (board games, card games, role playing games etc.)

Laminator (8.5" by 11" or larger)

Laser Printer (600 dpi or greater resolution, PC compatible)

Library Materials (Books, Magazines, etc.)

Monetary Donations (fully tax deductible)

Overhead Projector and/or Slide Projector

Paper Shredder (commercial grade)

Public Address System

Tables (three collapsible, 6-8 ft, long)

TDD/TTY (Teletypewriter Devices for the deaf)

TeleBraille (TB) machines for the blind

Toolbox

Video Cassette Recorder (VCR)

Cleaning Supplies

Florescent Light Bulbs (T12, 40 watt, 48", cool light)

Manila Envelopes (6"x9")

Paper Towels/Toilet Paper/Copier-Printer Paper

Postage Stamps (packets of 20, rolls of 100, any denomination) Trash can liners (13 Gal.)

Wish List Contributors: Bob Ewing and Printing Plus—2 cases of 6 by 9 envelopes, Flatwater Bears-Bookcase, James Lunbeck -Vacuum Cleaner, Judy Hancock-Broom & Dust Pan, Coat Hooks, Ceiling Light Lenses and Games, Marcus Fender-Floor Fan, Ceiling Tiles, Fluorescent Bulbs and Trash Bags, Sarah-Coffee Maker, Cleaning Supplies and Magazines, Sharon VanButsel & Carla Peterson-Books

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RIVER CITY MIXED LEAGUE STANDINGS

	Maplewood Lanes	We	ek 13
Place	Team Name	Won	Lost
1	Team 15	44	8
2	DC's Saloon	41	11
3	Lords & Ladies	37	15
4	Chicken & Her Noodles	35.5	16.5
5	Bowling With Antlers	33	19
6	Flixxation	31.5	20.5
7	Old Market Candy Shop	31	21
8	Omaha Hospitality	31	21
9	About That Dirt	30	22
10	I Got 8	29	23

12	Max-A-Millions	27	25
13	Oh Flixx It!	27	25
14	Liksalotagilly's	26	26
15	Frank and Beans	26	26
16	Here 4 Beer	25.5	26.5
17	Omaha Ball Busters	24.5	27.5
18	SPLASH	23.5	28.5
19	Gilligans CCB	21	31
20	AJT Dubb	21	31
21	Bowler Sisters	20	32
22	Gino's Bobbleheads	16	36
23	Sausage and Eggs	14	38
24	4 The Beer 2	14	38
25	Myers Electric	10.5	41.5

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298 - D Cohen

278 - J Schomer

High Average Women	High Average Men
197- R Richardson	217 - G Schoenfeld
182- T Shellenberger	206 – J Schomer
176- H Kovanda	202- D Cohen
High Series Women	High Series Men
668 - R Richardson	796 - G Schoenfeld
667– T Shellenberger	770 – J Schomer
603 - N Rogers	715 - A Randazzo
603 – H Kovanda	
High Game Women	High Game Men
259-T Shellenberger	299 - G Schoenfeld

High Game Team 880-Lords & Ladies 826-DC's Saloon 826-Old Market Candy Shop High Series Team 2421-Lord's & Ladies 2366-Team 15 2349-Old Market Candy Shop

Auditions for "A New Brain"

SNAP! productions will hold auditions for William Finn and James Lapine's musical "A New Brain", January 24 and 25 at 7PM at SNAP!/Shelterbelt Theatre, 3225 California St. The ensemble show is nearly completely sung, in a style similar to Finn's "Falsettos". This energetic, witty and touching tale takes us on a surreal semi-autobiographical tour of a songwriter's struggle to find meaning in his life when confronted with the possibility of terminal illness. As the songwriter fights to survive, he's supported by his lover and a neurotic best friend, doted on by his very Jewish mother, surrounded by disgruntled nurses and animated hospital staff, and tormented by a sadistic frog. Go figure. Ultimately, the songwriter finds salvation in art and music, allowing us to us see that humor and joy co-exist in our darkest moments.

Please bring a prepared song. An accompanist will be provided. Cast includes adult roles for 5 men (2 of which can be cast



258 - R Richardson

252 - N Rogers

African American), and 4 women (1 role is for a mature actress, 1 role can be cast African American/gospelbelter). The show will run Thurs, Sun., March 3-27. For more info, email director, Roxanne Wach: roxwach@aol.com



Monthly Meetings: Second Thursday 7:00 P.M. Location: First United Methodist Church 7020 Cass, Omaha, Nebraska Web Site: www.pflag-omaha.org

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The River City Mixed Chorus presents:

February 5 & 6, 2005 Performance begins at 7:05pm First United Methodist Church, 7020 Cass St.







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Ticket Information: Adults - \$15.00 Students/Seniors - \$12.50 At the Door - \$17.00 Season Tickets are still available. Only \$25 for both the winter & summer concerts.

River City Mixed Chorus is a leading regional gay-lesbian-ally music group.

(402) 341-SING RCMC, PO Box 3267, Omaha NE 68103 www.RCMC.org
River City Mixed Chorus is a member of GALA - Gay & Lesbian Association of Choruses.

GAYZETTE EVENTS

SATURDAY JANUARY 87HHGRA ROYALTY CONTEST., DC's
Saloon, contact Paco at 402-203-4680 or
email mrhgra@hgra.net for more information

E&E BALL, at The Max, 5PM doors open, show begins at 6PM

FRJDAY JANUARY 147H
FREE FRIDAY MOVIE, AT THE glbt
Center, 7:30PM. Bring a snack to share.

SATURDAY JANUARY 157HOMAHA INVADES LINCILN, at The Q.
Omaha & Lincoln favorites raise money for PFLAG Cornhusker, Lincoln

SUNDAY JANUARY 167H GLBT CENTER OPEN HOUSE, 1719
Leavenworth, 2-7PM. Free cookies and beverages

SATURDAY JANUARY 22ND CASINO AFTERHOURS BREAKFASTat DC's Saloon, 1-4AM

FRJDAY JANUARY 287H
FREE FRIDAY NIGHT MOVIE, at the
GLBT Center, 7:30 pm. Bring a snack to
share.

SUNDAY JANUARY 307H 2005 MISS MAX PAGEANT, at The MAX, 1417 Jackson St., 8PM to Midnight

THURSDAY FEBRUARY 3RD IOWA EQUALITY DAY 2005, at the State Capitol in Des Moines. See Iowaequality.org for details.

SATURDAY FEBRUARY 57H PR23 BENEFIT FOR LEAD, (Law Enforcement Against Discrimination), at The Max. 6PM doors open, 7PM show

\$A7., & \$UN., FEBRUARY 57H AND 67HRCMC PRESENTS GREAT WOMEN OF
SONG, 7:05PM, First United Methodist
Church, 7020 Cass St., Omaha

SUPERBOWL PRIDE BENEFIT, hosted by Destiney, at The Q, Lincoln, 9:30PM

TUESDAY FEBRUARY 87H FAT TUESDAY FEAST, at The Max, 6-8PM. Hosted by ICON and Sally Presby.

SUNDAY FEBRUARY 137H 5TH ANNUAL BLACK HEARTS BASH, at The Max, 9:45PM. Hosted by Matt Finken. Benefit for Proud Horizons Youth Group.

NEBRASKA PRIDE IDOL 05, Prelim #1, 9PM at Club Joy

Monday February 14th ICON EMPRESS'S V-DAY DINNER, 6PM at The Max.

THURSDAY FEBRUARY 17 HIV/AIDS DAY ON THE HILL, 11AM to 1PM, Iowa State Capitol, E. 9th St. and Grand Ave., Des Moines IA

SATURDAY FEBRUARY 197H ICY HOT PRIDE, Hosted by Lady D'Vore, DC's Saloon at 8PM

SUNDAY FEBRUARY 274TH ANNUAL HOORAY FOR HOLLY-WOOD BENEFIT, at The Max, hosted by Mr. Gay Pride Nebraska 2001 Troy Haasis

FRJDAY MARCH 47H
PRIDE BENEFIT AT THE DIAMOND, Hosted by Linoma Bares, 8PM

FRJDAY MARCH 11TH <u>NEBRASKA PRIDE IDOL 05</u>, Prelim #3, at DC's Saloon, 8PM

SATURDAY MARCH 12THNEBRASKA PRIDE 2005 RECEPTION, at the Redick Plaza Hotel, 7PM

SUNDAY MARCH 13TH NEBRASKA PRIDE 2005 RECEPTION, at Lazlo's in the Haymarket Square, Lincoln, 2PM

SATURDAY MARCH 197H NEBRASKA PRIDE IDOL 2005, Prelim #4, at The Q, Lincoln, 8PM

SUNDAY MARCH 207H NEBRASKA PRIDE IDOL 04 MISTY, hosts a Pride Benefit at The Q, Lincoln, 9PM

THURS THRU SAT, MARCH 24-267H ICONS: the lesbian and gay history of the world, Vol. 1 & 2, the Millennium Theater, 601 S. 16th St. Omaha. Info: www.ICONSinNebraska.org

SATURDAY APRJL 9 OMAHA PEACE & JUSTICE EXPO, 1PM to 6PM, Lewis and Clark Middle School, 6901 Burt St., Omaha NE

SUNDAY APRIL 101H NEBRASKA PRIDE BENEFIT, at The Q, Lincoln, 9PM

NEBRASKA PRIDE BENEFIT, hosted by Miss Fanta Cee, DC's Saloon, 9PM

FRJDAY APRJL 167H NEBRASKA PRIDE IDOL 05, Prelim #6, at FLIXX, 8PM

SATURDAY APROL 23RD NEBRASKA PRIDE BENEFIT, hosted by Jazz, at the Panic, Lincoln, 9PM

SUNDAY MAY 187 NEBRASKA PRIDE IDOL 05, Prelim #5, at Club Joy, 9PM

FRJDAY MAY 67H NEBRASKA PRIDE IDOL 05, Prelim #8, at the MCC Omaha, 8PM

SUNDAY MAY 87H NEBRASKA PRIDE BENEFIT, at DC's Saloon, 9PM

SATURDAY MAY 147H NEBRASKA PRIDE IDOL 05, Prelim #9, at the Panic, Lincoln, 9PM

FRJDAY MAY 277H NEBRASKA PRIDE IDOL 05, Wild Card Prelim, at The Max, 8PM

SUNDAY MAY 297H NEBRASKA PRIDE IDOL FINALS, at Club Joy, 9PM

SUNDAY JUNE 57H 2005 PRIDE PAGEANT, Club Joy, 8PM

7HURS—SUN, JUNE 9 7HRU 127H NEBRASKA PRIDE 2005, 20th Anniversary Pride Celebration

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Weekly events

Every Sunday

WORSHJP SERVJEES:
DIETZ METHODIST 1423 S.10, Heartland
Casual Coffeehouse 9:30am, Traditional

Worship 11am

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

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

<u>FIRST UNITARIAN</u> 3114 Harney, 11am services

LOWE AVE PRESBYTERIAN, 1023 N 40 10am service

METROPOLITAN COMMUNITY
CHURCH OF OMAHA 819 S. 22, 345
-2563 Worship: 9am & 11am

Sunday School: 11am

SECOND UNITARIAN, 10:30am Sunday service, 3012 South 119th St., Omaha NE UNITY CHURCH OF OMAHA,

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

HASTINGS COLLEGE GSA 8PM FFI: Judy Sandeen (402) 461-7372

LINCOLN WOMYN'S POTLUCK Cheryl 474-1937 11:30am-4pm

WIMMIN'S SHOW KZUM 89.3 12:30pm

RIVER CITY II MIXED BOWLING, 3pm, Maplewood Lanes,

GAMES DAY AT THE GLBT CENTER, 1719 Leavenworth, Noon to 3PM

GAY MEN'S ALCOHOLICS ANONY-

MOUS 4pm Lowe Avenue Presbyterian, 1023 N. 40 St Info call Mark 639-3055

Every Monday

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

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

RIVER CITY MIXED CHORUS RE-HEARSALS, 6:45PM—9:15PM, First United Methodist Church, 7020 Cass St.

A A GLBT "RAINBOW GROUP"

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

Every Tuesday

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

WORSHIP SERVICES
MCC OMAHA, Bible Study, 7pm

UNITY CHURCH OF OMAHA, 7pm

HIV TESTS, 1-4 pm NAP, 13

FRONTRUNNERS RUN/WALK

6:30pm, Elmwood Park Parking Lot by softball field, Omaha

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

KARAOKE W/ STACY 8:30pm DC's

Every Thursday

AA MEETING, NON SMOKING, 7PM, MCC -Omaha, 819 So. 22nd St.

GILLIGAN'S PUB OPEN MIC NIGHT,

sing to your hearts content, be a comedian for a night, it's an open mic night

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

KARAOKE 9pm, Connections

Every Friday

GLBT AA 7PM to 8PM, Lowe Avenue Presbyterian, Call 556-8364, ask for Sanford

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HIV TESTING, RESULTS IN 20 MINUTES, 5 - 10 pm, NAP Outreach Center, 1723 Leavenworth

LAMBDA TV, Lincoln Cable Ch 13. 9pm

LGBT AA 8pm, Boys & Girls Home Sioux City, IA (712) 252-4272,

Every Saturday

GILLIGAN'S PUB KARAOKE NIGHT, have fun from 9 pm to 1 am

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GLBT BICYCLING CLUB OMAHA, For details call Jeri at 614-6145

LAMBDA TV Lincoln Cable Ch 13. 3 pm

PROUD HORIZON YOUTH GROUP 4-6pm, 291-6781 proudhorizons@yahoo.com

MONTHLY EVENTS

1st Friday

LINCOLN MIXED CHORUS 6:30pm, Unitarian Church, 6300 A, Lincoln

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

1st Saturday

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

1st Sunday

GAY GUÝS SPAGHETTI NIGHT, at a Lincoln restaurant, call 402-483-6183 to reserve a seat up until the day before

CENTER ACTIVITY PROGRAMMING
COMMITTEE, Come help plan Center
activities, 7PM, GLBT Center, 1719 Leavenworth St.

2nd Thursday

PFLAG-OMAHA, 7pm, First United Methodist Church

2nd Friday

FREE CONFIDENTIAL ANONYMOUS HIV TEST, UN-L 476-0355, 1-3:30pm

2nd Saturday

<u>LEATHER ENGINEERS—OMAHA</u> Meeting 7pm, Gilligan's

HIV TESTING UNL campus.

Cornerstone, 16th & U, Lincoln, 476-0355 or 472-7447. 1:30-3:30pm

L2EP@aol.com 2pm; DC's Saloon

2nd Sunday

INTEGRITY 6-7:30pm, St. Marks, Lincoln

OUUT SECOND SUNDAY SCREENING

(glbt film shown at 6:30pm followed by discussion) First Unitarian, 3114 Harney

3rd Monday

<u>IMPERIAL COURT OF NEBR</u> 6:30pm, MCC-O, 819 S. 22 St., icon.impcourt.org

3rd Thursday

LES/BI/GAY BOOK DISCUSSION

GROUP, Village Inn, 78th & Dodge, 7 PM

3rd Friday

GAY/BI SUPPORT GRP FOR HIV+

MEN 6-8pm NAP, 220 S. 17, Lincoln, 476-7000.

LINCOLN MIXED CHORUS 6:30pm, Unitarian Church, 6300 A, Lincoln

COFFEE HOUSE Unitarian Church, 6300 A, Lincoln

3rd Saturday

FLAT WATER BEARS 7:30pm, at the Rainbow Outreach GLBT Resource Center

4th Tuesday

PFLAG-CORNHUSKER Unitarian Church, 6300 A, Lincoln, 7 p.m.

YOUTH HIV TEST Lighthouse, 2530 N, Lincoln, ages 13 to 18, FFI: 475-3220. 3-5:30 pm

4th Saturday

HIV TESTING Cornerstone, 16th & U, Lincoln, 476-0355 or 472-7447. 1:00-3:00pm

LAST Sunday

REAL FAMILIES Omaha-area families headed by gay/lesbian parents, Margaux at 561-6738 or email MargauxPolo@aol.com

RAINBOW OUTREACH 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
- Citizens for Equal Protection 1102 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
- Flat Water Bears, Box 3751, Omaha 68103 flatwaterbears@yahoo.com Hirsute men and admirers group
- Front Runners/Walkers, 6:30pm, Elmwood Park Parking Lot by softball field, Omaha
- GALO (Gay & Lesbian Org at UNO) www.angelfire.com/home/GALO contact: unogalo@hotmail.com or SPO (Student Organizations) at 554-2711.
- Gay Lesbian Straight Education Network -Omaha, Box 641676, Omaha 68164, 596-2549 http://www.glsenomaha.org
- GayLibrary.com, World Wide Resources Heartland Gay Rodeo Association Box 3354, Omaha 68103 402-203-4680
- 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 556-9907, Board Meets 3rd Monday, 819 S. 22 www.icon.impcourt.org
- Learning to Exchange Power, L2EP@aol.com; Social, educational group novices in Leather, S/M, B/D Lifestyle
- **Leather Engineers of Omaha (LEO)** Box 8101, Omaha, 68108-8101 Gay men in leather lifestyle, Mt 2nd Sat Gilligan's 7pm
- LinOma Bares, Box 24547, Omaha 68124 Nudist/ Naturist Club for gay/bi men Info: Linomabares@yahoo.com or call Eric at (402) 553-5944 or Tim S (712) 527-5887
- Mpower Program, 139 S. 40, Omaha 68131 email: mpower@nap.org website: www.mpower-nap.org phone: 402.552.9260x20, Holistic Gay Men's Health Program
- Metropolitan Community Church of Omaha, 819 S. 22 St., Omaha 68108 345-2563, mccomaha@mccomaha.org
 Website:www.mccomaha.org Sunday
 Worship 9 & 11am, Sunday School 11am,
 Wed Evening Bible Study at 7pm
- Nebraska AIDS Project, 552-9260 Watanabe Wellness Ctr, 139 S. 40, Omaha 68131, Testing Mon, Thurs Eve, Wed aft
- NAP Outreach Center, 1723 Leavenworth, Testing & Counseling: Fri Nights
- Nebraska Equality.org, Find out everything about Nebraska and the GLBT Community
- Nebraska Advocates for Justice & Equality, 1102 Howard, Suite 2, Omaha 68102, 402.346-5960 naje_now@hotmail.com
- Nebraska Gay Dads group list exchange emails posted to group list for discussion http://mike2tom.home.radiks.net/ nebraskagaydads/
- Nebraska GLBT Events, Community Events Calendar web site, see www.NebraskaGLBTEvents.com

- The 'Ohana Group, (GLBT / Nontraditional Family group), theohanagroup@cs.com
- Omaha Bi Married Men Yahoo Group http://groups.yahoo.com/group/ OmahaBiMarriedMen
- Omaha Nebr Gay Pride WebPage http://ONGP.com; email to: omahanegaypride@cox.net or ongp@cox.net
- 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@vahoo.com
- OUUT (Omaha Unitarian Universalists for Tolerance) First Unitarian Church, 3114 Harney, 68131, 345-3039, www.ouut.org
- Parents and Friends of Lesbians And Gays (PFLAG) Omaha Chapter Box 390064, Omaha, 68139-0064 291-6781 Website:www.pflag-omaha.org, email info@pflag-omaha.org Meet 2nd Thurs, 1st United Meth, 7020 Cass
- Proud Horizons Youth Group, Sat Afternoon, info: (402) 291-6781 or email proudhorizons@yahoo.com
- Rainbow Outreach GLBT Resource Ctr, 1719 Leavenworth, Omaha, 341-0330
- Rainbow Bible Study, Fridays, 6-7:30pm, Lowe Ave Presbyterian, 1023 N. 40 St.
- Rainbow Celebrations, Box 8583, Omaha, 68108, 402-212-6302 locally, 866-NE-PRIDE toll free, sponsors of annual Gay Pride & National Coming Out Day,
 - www.rainbowcelebrations.org
- Real Families, Omaha-area families headed by gay/lesbian parents, meet last Sunday of every month. Info: Margaux at 561-6738 or email MargauxPolo@aol.com
- River City Gender Alliance, Box 8076, Omaha 68108, www:genderalliance.com Social/Support Group for transgender/ transsexual/cross-dressers and supporters
- River City Mixed Bowling II 3pm, Sundays, Maplewood Lanes, Omaha Norma Harrison (402) 731-5706
- River City Mixed Chorus, Box 3267. Omaha, NE 68103, 402-341-SING Website: www.rcmc.org
- Single Lesbians Group, Expanding My Horizons, Call 731-0206 or email devlnhalo2@aol.com, meets 1st or 3rd of each month
- **SNAP Productions,** Box 8464, Omaha, NE 68108 www.snapproductions.com
- Unity Church of Omaha 3424 N. 90, Omaha, Sunday worship: 9am, 11am Wednesday evening worship 7pm; 57 -1344; www.unityomaha.org
- WomenSpace, Box 24712, Omaha 68124 Newsletter, Concerts

LINCOLN BASED

GLBT and Ally Programs and Services at UNL, D. Moritz, Assistant Director, 402-472-1752 email: dmoritz2@unl.edu Located in Student Involvement Office of

- the Nebraska Union, Room 200. **Gay/Lesbian/Bi/Straight Alliance** 2229 J St., Lincoln 68510 (402) 436-1301 ext. 232 Ruth Kupfer
- **Gay Men's Support Group**, UNL Health Center, Counseling & Psychology, Rm. 214, Lincoln 68588-0618 472-7450
- Lesbian, Bisexual and QuestioningWomen's Discussion Group, University of Nebraska, Lincoln Women's Center (sponsor), Room 340, Nebraska Union, Lincoln 68588-0446. 402/472-5644.
- Nebraska AIDS Project, 2147 S. 15th St. Lincoln, NE 68502. (402) 476-7000
- Mixed Chorus, Rehearse 1st & 3rd Fridays, Unitarian Church, 6300 A, No auditions, Just a desire to sing, info contact Scott at sdorchid@neb.rr.com
- Omaha Women's Riverboat Cruise, 4949 N. 73, Lincoln, 68507 467-5737
- Parents, Friends of Lesbians & Gays, Cornhusker Chapter; Box 30128, Lincoln 68508, Meet 4th Tues, Unitarian Church, 6300 A, Barbara Kimberly jbkimber@msn.com, Website: http:// pflag.ineb.org/
- **Plainsmen,** Support FtM's (Female to Male) Drag Kings TV Butches, 402-820-1267
- SAGE, Box 22043, Lincoln 68542 Coffee House 2nd Sat, 6 – 9pm, Lesbian Videos 7:15pm, 3319 S. 46
- Sexuality Education eXchange, University Health Ctr, 15th & U, Rm.12h, 472-7447 or email: ptetreault1@unl.edu Comprehensive, inclusive sexuality/sexual health info, resources/referrals including sexual orientation, ally and diversity training.
- Straight Spouse Support Grp 402-429-6094 Women In Trades/YWCA, 1432 N St., Lincoln 68508; 434-3494,
- UNL Committee on GLBT Concerns, Contact Pat Tetreault, c/o University Health Center, 15th & U Streets, Rm. 12h Lincoln, NE 68588-0618, (402) 472-7447 or email: ptetreault1@unl.edu
- Youth Support Group, (402) 434-9880 Trevor-24-hour National Suicide Hotline for GLBT and Questioning Youth 1-800-850-8078 or email: http:// www.thetrevorproject.org/helpline.html
- **TriCity GLBT**, serving Central Nebraska, web site at http://www.tri-city-glbt.com/

Iowa Based

- 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

South Dakota Based

- Black Hills Pride Committee, for information visit http://blackhillspride.org
- Black Hills Gay and Lesbian Youth And Resource Center, for more information

Let Us Know if You Want Your Organization Listed Here !! Email to: news@rainbowoutreach.org



Sunday 9:00 AM & 11:00 AM Wednesday 7:00 PM

819 South 22nd Street (Just south of Leavenworth Street)
Omaha, Nebraska 68103 Phone: 402-345-2563
Web site: www.mccomaha.org

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River City Mixed Chorus Audition Notice

You, too, can become a part of Omaha's most interesting chorus! The River City Mixed Chorus will begin rehearsals for our summer concert on Monday, February 14, 2005.

New member auditions will be held on February 7 from 7pm-9pm and on February

14 from 6pm-7pm. An audition appointment can be scheduled by calling the Chorus sing line at #402-341-7464 or by e-mail at info@RCMC.org to setup a day and time.

All new members are required to complete an audition with the Musical Director. While some musical experience is helpful, all that is required for membership is enthusiasm and willingness to invest the time and effort required to learn the music. The River City Mixed Chorus encourages you to schedule your audition as soon as possible.

The River City Mixed Chorus of Omaha, Nebraska presents "Great Women of Song"

Throughout the 20th Century, there have been many unforgettable women singers who have inspired audiences through their larger than life personalities. From Billie Holliday, Judy Garland and Bette Midler, to Liza Minnelli, Melissa Etheridge and the Indigo Girls.

Come hear music that has inspired "Friends of Dorothy" everywhere!

February 5 & 6, 2005 at 7:05 pm First United Methodist Church 7020 Cass St.

Ticket Information: Adults: \$15.00

Students/Seniors: \$12.50 At the door: \$17.00

Season Tickets are also available. \$25 for both the Winter and Summer concerts. Best Value!

How to order: Sing Line #402-341-7464 Website: www.rcmc.org

Rainbow Celebrations Announces 2005 Board Members

At the Rainbow Celebrations Annual Meeting on December 21st, the general membership gathered to hold elections for the new officers for the upcoming year. Rainbow Celebrations is proud to announce the following individuals who were elected to the 2005 Executive Board:

President - Jason Fienhold Vice-President - Kevin Marik Member-at-Large - Monty McClean (Interim Treasurer) Member-at-Large - Jenn Points Member-at-Large - Dino Andrate

Member-at-Large - W. Meredith Bacon

These individuals will be joining the 2005 Pride Chair - Troy Haasis, the Pride Title Holder - John Burns and the Public Relations Chair - Michelle Timm.

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We would like to welcome these individuals to the Rainbow Celebrations Executive Board. We would also like to thank all of the Executive Board Members that served during 2004 including W. Meredith Bacon, George Broadway, John Burns, Marcus Fender, Jason Fienhold, Greg Gifford, Bob Gittins, Troy Haasis, Kasey Harrison, Chris Sowards, Michelle Timm, Roy Wright and Brian Wyant.

Rainbow Celebrations is currently seeking individuals interested in the positions of Secretary, Treasurer and National Coming Out Day Chair. If there are any other individuals interested in joining the Executive Board in any capacity or just want to know how to get involved with Rainbow Celebrations, Nebraska Pride or National Coming Out Day, please e-mail info@rainbowcelebrations.org or visit our website at www.rainbowcelebrations.org.

Nebraska Pride Needs You!

In six short months, the GLBT Community of Nebraska will celebrate 20 years of Gay Pride! Nebraska Pride 2005 – the 20th Anniversary Celebration is fast approaching and Rainbow Celebrations' Nebraska Pride Committee needs your help.

If you've ever wanted to be involved with the planning and production of the biggest Gay Pride Celebration in the state, now is the time to step forward. Rainbow Celebrations invites you to attend the next meeting on Tuesday, January 11 at 7 pm. The committee meetings include discussions, votes and information about all of the events which will lead up to and encompass the Pride Celebration this June. The Planning Committee meets every two weeks beginning on January 11th through May 3rd (then meetings move to every week).

The Pride Committee also is actively involved in fundraising, benefits, Nebraska Pride IDOL and other special events which are related to Nebraska Pride. All are welcome, and everyone is encouraged to get involved. Nebraska Pride does not happen without the help and support of many people in our GLBT Communities. There are positions open on the fundraising, parade, festival, pride guide, volunteer committees and well as several Committee Chair positions.

Pride Committee meetings are now being held at the Citizen For Equal Protection offices in the Old Market. The NEW MEETING address is 1105 Howard Street, Suite 2 (go to the top of the stairs, turn left and go forward through the iron gates). There is also an elevator for those who would rather not use the stairs. If you need additional directions, please call 402.415.8769.

The 2005 meeting schedule is: January 11 & 25; February 8 & 22; March 8 & 22; April 5 & 19; May 3, 10, 17, 24 & 31; and June 7. As Nebraska Pride draws closer, some committees may meet outside the regularly scheduled Pride Committee meetings, but those dates and times have not been determined.

Nebraska Pride is a great event to become involved with throughout the year! The Planning Committee is made up of dedicated and valued volunteers – all of whom believe in helping to provide the best Pride Celebration as possible. We want YOU to get involved now! We look forward to seeing you at the January 11th meeting at 7 pm.

For more information regarding Nebraska Pride 2005, please email PRIDE@rainbowcelebrations.org or call 402.212.6302.

Spain: Cabinet OKs Gay Marriage Bill

Spain took another step toward equal marriage rights on Thursday, when the Socialist government approved a bill that would allow same-sex couples to marry.

The legislation was approved during a weekly Cabinet meeting under Prime Minister Jose Luis Rodriguez Zapatero. Members of Parliament will get a chance to debate the bill in February, according to European news reports.

The bill, which Spain's powerful Catholic Church opposes, would modify 14 articles of the 1889 Civil Code, Agence France-Presse reported. Same-sex couples would be allowed to adopt children and inherit retirement benefits, among all the other rights enjoyed by married heterosexual couples.

If the legislation is enacted next year, Spain will become the

third country in Europe -behind the Netherlands and Belgium -- to permit same-sex couples to marry,

"The right to marry is a right for everyone, without distinction. It cannot be



understood as a privilege," Deputy Prime Minister Maria Teresa Fernandez de la Vega told reporters after the Cabinet meeting. "The recognition of homosexuals' rights eradicates an unjustified discrimination."

Prime Minister Zapatero has been the driving force behind the marriage bill, as he promised during his successful election campaign last spring that he would enact liberal social changes.

Catholic bishops in the country reserved last Sunday as a national day of protest against legalizing same-sex marriage. In a published statement, the bishops said that "homosexual tendencies, even if not a sin, must be considered objectively as troubling."

Fall into flixx for fun!

<u>Sunday</u>

5pm - 9pm Stage & Screen showing your favorite movies

9pm - 1am Retro Replay playing your favorites from the past

TUESDAY

Topless Tuesday
Jerret leads the gang of
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WEDNESDAY

"Papi Chulo" Latin Night 9-1

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Drink Specials
All Night Long

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Midnight Madness

Everynight 12am - 1am \$1 Off Wells \$1.50 Domestic Long Necks





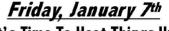
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A RENAISSANCE DECADE RENEWAL...
A Second Honeymoon In Ancient Greece
The Emperor & Empress Ball
Cocktails 6pm - Show 7pm In Stosh's Saloon

Saturday, January 15th

CHANDLER Takes On THE MAX Part 1
Starring Miss Max Chandler
With Special Guest
Miss National 2002 Monica Van Pelt
Featuring Ammie Zahn, Laura Grey,
Ashley Simone, Fantasia, Destiny,
Skylar Aspen Brooks,
Jazmin & Shayla Slate

Sunday, January 16th...9:30pm

She's Such A Diva She Needs
ONE MORE NIGHT To Say Goodbye...
CHANDLER Takes On THE MAX Part 2
Featuring Miss National 2002
Monica Van Pelt
With Special Guests
Mr. Max Brandon Higdem,
Miss Gay Omaha. Michele Michaels
Matt Finken, Jennifer Jett, Katrina Kane,
Faleasha Savage, Montana, Selena Zahn,
Roxy Malone & The Princess

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