

# The GayZette



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## Ron Paul's '90s Newsletters Spew Antigay Sentiment

By Neal Broverman

The New Republic has uncovered newsletters from current presidential candidate Ron Paul that are loaded with antigay and racist rants.

The newsletters dealing with gay content came from the Ron Paul Political Report or the Ron Paul Survival Report and were released in the 1990s (the entirety of the newsletters date back to the '70s). Many of the homophobic diatribes blame gay men for AIDS. An issue of the Ron Paul Survival Report from 1994 states that "those who don't commit sodomy, who don't get blood a transfusion, and who don't swap needles, are virtually assured of not getting AIDS unless they are deliberately infected by a malicious gay."



A newsletter from 1990 waxed nostalgic for the days when gays were shamed into living in the closet.

Paul's newsletters often attacked African-Americans, as well; one issue claimed Martin Luther King, Jr. was a pedophile. It's not yet clear if Paul himself wrote the articles.



## Best of Gay Omaha 2011 Nominees Announced

LC Entertainment, Inc is pleased to announce the nominees for the 2011 Best of Gay Omaha Awards Show to be held at Flixx Lounge on Saturday, February 11, 2012. Nominees are selected from local entertainers and supporters of the GLBTS community by a panel of judges.



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Nominees are all invited to perform in the Nominee Show at Flixx Lounge on Saturday, January 21 starting at 10:00PM so they can spin one final time for the judges. For more details and to confirm your spot in the line-up, please contact Lana Caine via e-mail at [LCEntertainInc@aol.com](mailto:LCEntertainInc@aol.com) no later than Wednesday.

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## Imperial Court of Nebraska Open Board Positions

The Imperial Court of Nebraska (ICON) will have several board positions up for election at our February 20, 2012 Board of Governors meeting.

The following positions will be up for election and are for a term of 2 years:

- President
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## Real Estate Green Living Tips: Save Money with a Sustainable Home

Reducing the amount of materials and energy required to build or maintain a home can help to substantially reduce your carbon footprint. At the same time, a green approach to home ownership ensures greater peace of mind, physical comfort, and preservation of a sustainable investment over the lifetime of the home.

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The use of recycled materials; formaldehyde-free insulation, nontoxic paint, and intelligent energy-aware construction methods are just a few of the ways to create a more Earth-friendly home.

Optimum Value Engineering (OVE) techniques are those design and framing strategies for wood or "stick-built" construction that were developed by the Forest Products Laboratory in collaboration with the National Association of Home Builders. Buildings employing OVE practices use less lumber and achieve higher insulation values without compromising structural integrity.

That translates into lower construction costs and less energy consumption over the life of the home. The amount of lumber bought, transported, wasted due to overage, and transported away from the site as trash is greatly reduced, while thermal and acoustic insulation is boosted.

A study conducted by the National Association of Home Builders Research Center (NAHBRC) found that OVE framing techniques can potentially save as much as \$1.20 per square foot when compared with conventional wood framing methods.

Pre-fabricated architecture is also making progressive strides forward. An entire generation of green designers is offering aesthetically award-winning houses and condos that can be built quickly in a modular manner, because much of the work is done off-site. That not only reduces environmental impact but also saves the homebuyer substantial expense.

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## Systems and Appliances

There are a variety of ways to harness green energy as a homeowner, and one of the best is to install appliances rated with the Energy Star designation. Some states even offer "healthy home" certification for energy efficiency that can qualify the homeowner for tax rebates or other perks.

Passive heating and cooling techniques can be also employed by almost any homeowner to capture or deflect solar heat with a reflective roof, intensive insulation, or just strategically placed old-fashioned ceiling fans. An open floor plan with good cross-ventilation, in fact, can actually reduce energy bills significantly by making a home easier to cool in summer – so green options do not necessarily have to be radically futuristic.

For those who decide to install solar panels or wind turbines, there is an increasing amount of government support being offered. Both state and federal tax incentives are available, depending upon where you live, and many local utility companies also provide assistance.

The utility company may, for example, help install the equipment or share the cost of the system. Homeowners who tie their panels and turbines into a public grid can also "run the meter backwards" by selling the excess energy that they produce back to the utility company. Then the power will be redistributed so it can be used by other customers who share the grid.

## Green Products for the Home

Homeowners can also choose more environmentally safe and beneficial products such as "on-demand" water heaters, energy efficient light bulbs, low-VOC paints, and flooring or counter top products made from renewable materials like bamboo, cork, and recycled plastic or glass.

Conventional house paints contain toxic Volatile Organic Compounds (VOC). But low or zero-VOC paints and finishes perform just as well and they are more pleasant to use because they do not have the strong odors associated with high-VOC paints.

Cork bark can be sustainably harvested without damaging the health of the cork tree. Then it grows back within a year or two. Cork is a great insulator and is unusually resilient – making it exceptionally comfortable underfoot. It also cleans up easily and is acoustically superior, so it is a quiet choice for any room in the house.

Bamboo is harder and more durable than many varieties of hardwood, yet it also happens to be the fastest growing plant on the planet. As one of the most rapidly renewable sources of potential building materials on Earth, it is also beautiful to look at and gives off a warmth and glow that will enhance any ambience at a highly competitive price.

If you decide to build an outdoor deck, check out the newer decking materials made from recycled plastics. They look and perform like wood but have none of the harsh chemicals and annoying splinters that are found in conventional pressure-treated lumber. Maintain a healthy canopy of trees outside to shade the home and reduce air conditioning costs, keeping in mind that trees and plants clean the air – making the environment better for everyone.

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## Same-Sex Couples Pay More Taxes

By Winston Gieseke

CNNMoney reports that the federal government's lack of recognition of same-sex marriages, which forces legally married couples to file separately on their federal returns, results in as much as \$6,000 per year in additional taxes.

Not only are these couples losing out because they can't take advantage of the lower tax rates that come from combining incomes and deductions, says the article, it's "also harder for them to qualify for certain tax breaks because the credits phase out sooner for single filers."

"It's costing these families thousands of dollars a year, as well as the emotional pain and suffering," said Ken Weissenberg, a partner at accounting firm EisnerAmper and one-half of a same-sex married couple.

CNNMoney based their information on a series of same-sex versus opposite-sex tax scenarios it presented to H&R Block. A seemingly equal household with one working parent earning \$100,000 per year and one stay-at-home parent earning nothing produced radically different results when toggled between opposite-sex and same-sex situations.

While a heterosexual couple can file jointly and divide their assets, the homosexual couple must file separately, the bread-winning spouse as "head of household" and the non-earning spouse as "qualifying relative."

In this particular scenario, says the article, the same-sex household would owe \$4,543 more tax than the opposite-sex household. This is because the "head of household" designation pushes more income into a higher tax bracket and the individual filings provide lower standard deductions than "married and filing jointly." The gay head of household is also subjected to a tax on the stay-at-home spouse's health insurance premiums that the heterosexual breadwinner isn't responsible for.

In addition to lowered benefits, same-sex couples who live in a marriage equality state often end up having to fill out twice as many forms when filing their state and federal returns. The additional — and generally more complicated — filings result in higher fees from their tax preparers.

Not that it's not worth it, says Weissenberg, who says, "If I had to pay twice as much in taxes to be married to my husband, I would."

## Let Your Money Talk to Help LGBT Organizations

A new report shows that less than 3% of LGBT adults in the U.S. gave money to any national LGBT organization, but that hasn't stopped those who don't donate from criticizing.

By Jimmy Nguyen, op-ed contributor

I repeatedly hear and see criticism of LGBT organizations and their leaders. The chatter machine gripes about why the Defense of Marriage Act hasn't been repealed yet, why transgender persons are not always included in proposed legislation, and even why there is a glut of gay charity summer pool parties.

LGBT people sure like to talk about the work of gay social justice groups; but far too often, they criticize without doing much to help.

While serving on the board of directors for Equality California for the last few years, and while helping support other groups financially or otherwise, I found myself immersed in dialogue about the LGBT rights movement. I'm all for constructive criticism. No entity or person is beyond reproach, and feedback from the community is always good. But much criticism comes from people who donate no money to any LGBT group (let alone contribute time to serve).

In 2010, less than 3% of LGBT adults in the U.S. gave money to any national LGBT organizations; the number of donors who gave \$35 or more to LGBT non-profits dropped 12%. These disheartening statistics were reported by the Movement Advancement Project in its recently released 2011 National LGBT Movement Report. (Fortunately, the report found LGBT organizations remain fiscally healthy due to support from other sources.) If the LGBT community wants progress toward full equality, the other 97% of us need to financially support the organizations that fight our fights.

With the holiday season and tax year-end upon us, now is the perfect time to contribute and let your money talk for you.

Why don't LGBT people give money? Let's debunk the most



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common reasons I hear.

### **I can't afford it.**

That's a legitimate concern in today's tight economy. And most people cannot afford the larger amounts that LGBT organizations historically favor for their marquee fundraising events. But certainly far more than 3% of the LGBT adult population can afford to give \$35, \$50 or even \$100 a year. Give up a few more cocktails; your waistline will appreciate it and so will your local or national LGBT group. With the rise of email and online solicitations, organizations welcome small donations.

### **I give with my time, not with my money.**

Let's fully applaud everyone who gives their time to serve LGBT rights in some fashion. Our movement needs passionate volunteers, and there's a good argument that donating time is more meaningful than just writing a check. But if you can give time and cash, that's even better. No matter how many volunteer hours an LGBT organization receives, it still needs money to do its work.

### **Someone else will give.**

This notion rests on civic laziness, the belief that someone else will create for you the world that you want. It's a sad state of affairs when we ask our straight allies to donate to our cause while less than 3% of LGBT adults do the same. It's even a sadder state when you realize that antigay opponents routinely outspend (by multiples) our LGBT groups.

### **My contribution to certain organizations is**

### **not tax deductible.**

Some of the most important work to advance LGBT equality is done by political advocacy groups that do not qualify as 501(c)(3) charitable organizations. For these entities, raising money can be more difficult but they need our monetary support to fight at the legal and political front line. Moreover, the political advocacy groups typically have a tax-exempt sister entity. (For example, the Human Rights Campaign has the HRC Foundation; Equality California has its Equality California Institute.) Still, gay dollars still do not flow enough to the tax-exempt organizations. And for the many LGBT groups that do in fact hold 501(c)(3) status (such as the Gay, Lesbian & Straight Education Network), there is little excuse for not donating to their charitable work.

## **Gay Couples Expected To Turn Out For Orlando's Domestic Partner Registry**

By Winston Gieseke

The City Clerk's Office in Orlando, Florida, is expected to receive a rush of gay couples next month when the city's new domestic-partnership registry goes into effect.

The Orlando Sentinel is reporting that all 16 available appointments are filled.  
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# Growth is a Decision

Michael Kimmel  
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I was listening to a CD by Texas Enneagram teacher Suzanne Stabile and she made the above statement. I think it's particularly relevant as the new year approaches and many of us aspire to changing our lives in 2012.

As a psychotherapist to the LGBT for many years now, I've observed a few developmental growth patterns in our community:

Age 18-27: I like being young, cute and desirable. I'm experimenting and exploring and getting a sense of who I am. On the outside, it looks like I'm having a lot of fun, but, on the inside, I often feel insecure and hide it really well.

Age 27-35: I am beginning to have a more solid sense of myself. I may even try meditating, yoga or something like that. I am still young and cute, but I am leaving my twink identity behind, which is both sad and a big relief. I'm starting to make more money, and this feels good.

Age 35-45: My young and cute phase is ending; I may start buying anti-wrinkle products from Nordstrom and asking my hair stylist about "color" to hide my gray. I'm considering settling down with one partner and one career, for a while, anyway.

Age 45-55: Panic: omigod, I'm really getting older. I'm half-way through life and the first half wasn't so great. What do I want the second half to be? I want to make some changes, but I don't know how to do it. I don't want to have a Midlife Crisis, but I think I'm having one anyway.

Age 55-65: Well, here I am. I'm older. How do I feel about it? What can I do about it? I have too many wrinkles to fight, too much gray hair to dye and my stomach will probably never be flat again. Can I make peace with all of this, or am I going to fight tooth-and-nail?

Age 65 and over: Do I want to retire? How am I going to spend my time? I'm facing some physical challenges: how do I live in this aging body when it won't do what I want it to? I may be lonelier than when I was younger: I often feel invisible in the LGBT world.

These are generalizations, of course, but can you relate? As we age, we are given new gifts, talents and opportunities. Growth never ends and a new year often brings a desire to change things. But, do you really expect that a "new" year is going to change your life?

When I have a new client who says, "I want to change so many things in my life, but how do I start?" I encourage him or her to



do the following:

Make a list of all the things that bother you and rate these problems (on a scale of 1 to 10) by how much pain each one brings you. For example, "I hate my job" is a 7, "I feel so lonely" is a 9, "I don't like my body" is a 3.

Start to work on the most painful stuff first, focusing on one problem at a time, breaking it down into small, do-able action steps. For example, saying "I hate my job" over-and-over is only going to bring you misery. Instead, ask yourself questions like: "What about my job bothers me the most? What do I like about it?"

Any seemingly unsolvable problem can be broken down into a series of "smaller", more easily solved problems.

Want to really speed the change process up? Be kinder to yourself starting right now. This may sound counter-intuitive if you want to change, but it isn't. Most of us have beaten ourselves up mentally for years; has this gotten us where we want to be? That's not the way to do it. To help yourself, try this:

Make a list of 10 ways that you can be kinder to yourself. It doesn't matter how "big" or "small" your kindnesses are, write 'em down.

Beginning today, start to do some of them. I recommend you start with 3 a day and see how that goes.

You can always add to your list. Post it somewhere you'll see it frequently, like on your refrigerator or bathroom mirror. I guarantee you that by being kinder to yourself, any changes you want to make in your life will happen more quickly and painlessly.

I wish you a 2012 full of conscious, joy-producing changes!

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ments for January 12, the day the registry officially opens, have already been booked.

"I think there's going to be incredible interest," Equality Florida field director Joe Saunders said. "We're going to see a big surge in the beginning."

Orlando became the first city in Central Florida to recognize the relationships of same-sex couples when it unanimously approved a domestic-partnership registry earlier this month. And while the registry won't provide the legal benefits of a civil union or a marriage, it will allow registered partners hospital visitation, healthcare decision-making privileges, and the right to make funeral arrangements at institutions within Orlando city limits.

"It's not as many rights as marriage, but it helps couples during very difficult times," said Orlando Commissioner Patty Sheehan, who pushed for the law and who, along with partyer Jocelynn White, is slated to be an early signer of the registry.

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

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**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

**KARAOKE W/ STACY** 9:00 pm, at DC's Saloon

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

**NAP HIV TESTING**, 250 South 77th St., by appointment only on Wednesdays from 1:30 to 3:30pm, Walkin from 5pm to 8pm

**UNITY CHURCH OF OMAHA**, 7pm

**WORSHIP SERVICES**

**MCC OMAHA**, Bible Study, 7pm

**Every Thursday**  
**DANCE LESSONS WITH GORDON** 7pm, free, DC's Saloon, Classes run from Sept 9th thru May 20th annually

**KARAOKE W/ STACY** 9:00 pm, at DC's Saloon

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

**OMAHA GLBT SPORTS LEAGUE**, playing Softball every Thursday 6-10pm, at Churchich park (50th and C). Games will be played through August 12th

**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)

**DJ & LIVE ENTERTAINMENT** at Connections Bar, theme nights and shows

**GLBT CENTER YOUTH NIGHT**, 6PM to 11PM, for ages 13 to 23. Youth sponsored and organized activities, under adult supervision. Every Friday, excluding holidays. 1719 Leavenworth Street, snacks, soda's provided

**Every Saturday**  
**AA SATURDAY AFTERNOON**, 1:30pm, Open to men and women, 219 North 48th Street, call 402-558-0733 for more info

**DJ MUSIC AND DANCING** 10PM, Connections Bar (open Thurs., Fri., Sat. nights from 6PM to 2AM)

**PROUD HORIZON YOUTH GROUP** 4-6pm, First United Methodist Church, 291-6781 [proudhorizons@yahoo.com](mailto:proudhorizons@yahoo.com)

**Every Other Friday**  
**CBCA SOCIAL GET-TOGETHER** at Broadway Joe's (34th & Broadway in CB) starting at 5:15pm every other Friday

## MONTHLY EVENTS

**1<sup>st</sup> Monday**  
**HEARTLAND PRIDE**, meeting 1st Monday of each month at Element Hotel, Omaha. Email: [info@heartlandpride.org](mailto:info@heartlandpride.org), or PO Box 8273, Omaha, NE 68106

### 1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday

**FREE RAPID HIV TESTING**, 8pm to 10pm at Flix Show Bar, STD testing also available for \$10, call 552-9260 ext. 113 or 142 or visit [www.nap.org](http://www.nap.org) for more info

### 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday

**GLBT PROFESSIONALS**, meeting at 5:30pm in various locations. Email at: [GOglbt@cfep-ne.org](mailto:GOglbt@cfep-ne.org) or see [www.GOglbt.org](http://www.GOglbt.org) for info

### 1<sup>st</sup> Friday

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

### 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday

**RIVER CITY GENDER ALLIANCE**, at 7:00 pm . See [www.rivercitygenderalliance.org](http://www.rivercitygenderalliance.org)

### 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday

**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

### 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday

#### **NAP HIV TESTING**

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

### 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday

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

### 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday

**TOP TRANSGENDER DROP-IN**, 6 to 9pm at Rainbow Outreach GLBT Center, 1719 Leavenworth St.

### 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday

**IMPERIAL COURT OF NE.** Board of Governors meeting, 6pm, meeting at the Rainbow Outreach GLBT Community Center, [www.imperialcourtofnebraska.org](http://www.imperialcourtofnebraska.org)

### **PFLAG SOUTH CENTRAL (HASTINGS, NE)**

Meeting on 3<sup>rd</sup> Mondays at First Congregational United Church of Christ, 7th and Marian St., 7PM, email to [jsandeen@inebraska.com](mailto:jsandeen@inebraska.com) or call 402.462.2961 or 402.460.8696

### 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday

**COFFEE HOUSE** Unitarian Church, 6300 A, Lincoln

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

### 3<sup>rd</sup> 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

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

#### **NAP HIV TESTING**

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

### 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

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

**LEO - LEATHER ENGINEERS OF OMAHA**, Not currently meeting.

**Email Your Event to: GAYZETTE@COX.NET**

## The Mole Hole

A papa mole, a mama mole, and a baby mole, all live together in a little mole hole.

One day, papa mole sticks his head out of the hole, sniffs the air and said, ' Yummy! I smell maple syrup!'

The mama mole sticks her head out of the hole, sniffs the air and said, 'Oh, Yummy! I smell honey!'

Now baby mole is trying to stick his head out of the hole to sniff the air, but can't because the bigger moles are in the way.

This makes him whine, 'Geez, all I can smell is MOL ASSES !'

## Stamps

A blonde goes to the post office to buy stamps for her Christmas cards. She says to the clerk, "May I have 50 Christmas stamps?"

The clerk says, "What denomination?"

The blonde says, "God help us. Has it come down to this? Give me 22 Catholic, 12 Presbyterian, 10 Lutheran and 6 Baptists."

## MY DAD IS A DANCER

One day a fourth-grade teacher asked the children what their fathers did for a living. All the typical answers came up - fireman, mechanic, businessman, salesman... and so forth.

However, little Justin was being uncharacteristically quiet, so when the teacher prodded him about his father, he replied, "My father's an exotic dancer in a gay cabaret and takes off all his clothes to music in front of other men and they put money in his underwear. Sometimes, if the offer is really good, he will go home with some guy and stay with him all night for money."

The teacher, obviously shaken by this statement, hurriedly set the other children to work on some exercises and took little Justin aside to ask him,

"Is that really true about your father?"

"No," the boy said,

"He works for the Democratic National Committee and is helping to get Obama re-elected, but it is just too embarrassing to say that in front of the other kids."

## Dynamite

The body builder takes off his shirt and the blonde says, "What a Great chest you have!"

He tells her, 'That's 100 lbs. of dynamite, Baby.'

He takes off his pants and the blonde says, ' "What massive calves you have!'

The body builder tells her, 'That's 100 lbs. of dynamite, Baby.'

He then removes his underwear and the blonde goes running out of the apartment screaming in fear.

The body builder puts his clothes back on and chases after her. He catches up to her and asks why she ran out of the apartment like that.

The blonde replies, 'I was afraid to be around all that dynamite after I saw how short the fuse was!'

## Sensible Observations

When I die, I want to die like my grandfather-- who died peacefully in his sleep. Not screaming like all the passengers in his car."

--Author Unknown

# 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](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)

**Diamond Foundation**, making a difference through music and education, call 877-87-DIAMOND/[www.diamond-foundation.org](http://www.diamond-foundation.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

**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](mailto:GOglbt@cfep-ne.org) or see [www.GOglbt.org](http://www.GOglbt.org) for info

**Heartland Pride**  
PO Box 8273 Omaha, NE 68108, email: [info@heartlandpride.org](mailto:info@heartlandpride.org)

**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, Board Meets 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday, Rainbow Outreach GLBT Center at 6pm, [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.

**Learning to Exchange Power**, no current info available

**Leather Engineers of Omaha (LEO)** not currently meeting

**LinOma Bares**, for more Info email [linomabares@yahoo.com](mailto:linomabares@yahoo.com) or mail to P.O. Box 24547, Omaha NE 68124

**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, Wed.  
Worship at 7pm

**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., testing Wed from 1:30-4PM by appointment only, Thurs & Fri 5PM-9PM with 20 minute results Call 402-552-9255 for info

**NebraskaEquality.org**, Find out everything about Nebraska and the GLBT Community

**Nebraska Pride IDOL**, PO Box 241733, Omaha NE 68124, 866-4-NE-IDOL, [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., Contemporary service Saturday night at 5:30pm

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

**Omaha NE Gay Pride Web Page**  
<http://ONGP.com>; email to: [omahanegaypride@cox.net](mailto:omahanegaypride@cox.net) or [ongp1@cox.net](mailto:ongp1@cox.net)

**Omaha Metro GLBT Sports League**, See [www.omahaglbtsportsleague.org](http://www.omahaglbtsportsleague.org) 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)

**OUTLinc**, group to put together a community center in Lincoln. PO Box 84253, Lincoln, NE 68501-4253, [www.outlinc.org](http://www.outlinc.org)

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

**Parents and Friends of Lesbians And Gays (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, info: (402) 291-6781 or email [proudhorizons@yahoo.com](mailto:proudhorizons@yahoo.com)

**Rainbow Outreach GLBT Resource Ctr**, 1719 Leavenworth, Omaha, 341-0330

**Rainbow Pride/Rainbow Celebrations**  
PO Box 8273 Omaha, NE 68108, See [www.rainbowpride.org](http://www.rainbowpride.org) for info

**River City Gender Alliance**, for info see [www.rivercitygenderalliance.org](http://www.rivercitygenderalliance.org)

**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 South 119th Street, 402-334-0537, [www.secondunitarianomaha.org](http://www.secondunitarianomaha.org), GLBT Welcoming Congregation

**SNAP Productions**, Box 8464, Omaha, NE 68108 [www.snapproductions.com](http://www.snapproductions.com)

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

**TOP, Taking Our Places**, meets 2nd Saturdays at 6pm at Rainbow Outreach Center

**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.)** Offices: 2679 Farnam Street, Suite. 205 Omaha, NE 68131, 402-345-5187, email to [info@yesomaha.org](mailto:info@yesomaha.org)

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

## LINCOLN BASED

**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>

**Queer Student Alliance, UNL**, contact [unlqsa@yahoo.com](mailto:unlqsa@yahoo.com) for info

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

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

**Nebraska AIDS Project**, Lincoln, 1921 S. 17th St. (402) 476-7000

**Omaha Women's Riverboat Cruise**, 4949 N. 73rd, Lincoln, 68507 467-5737

**Parents, Friends of Lesbians & Gays, 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/>

**Planned Parenthood, F2M and Questioning Support group & Partners of FTM Support Group**, meet monthly at 10am Saturday, for info call Ryan Sallans at 441-3321 or email [sindu.s@gmail.com](mailto:sindu.s@gmail.com)

**SAGE**, Box 22043, Lincoln 68542 Coffee House 2<sup>nd</sup> 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](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-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 Community Alliance**

[www.councilbluffscommunityalliance.org](http://www.councilbluffscommunityalliance.org)

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

## Gay Marriage Repeal a Top Issue in New Hampshire

Norma Love, Associated Press

Repealing New Hampshire's gay marriage law, legalizing casinos and changing the constitution to bar an income tax are among the hottest topics facing the Legislature heading into 2012, but lawmakers might not vote on these issues until after the Jan. 10 presidential primary.

House Republican Leader D.J. Bettencourt says the House most likely won't cast its votes until Jan. 11 or Jan 18. Bettencourt says the presidential candidates should have the spotlight until after the primary.

"The presidential candidates have a hard enough time getting their message out. This is the time for them to shine. We want them to get all the attention possible," said Bettencourt, of Salem.

When the Legislature convenes Jan. 4, it will instead take up a handful of vetoed bills before taking up legislation held over the summer and fall.

Both sides of the gay marriage debate expect the Republican-controlled House to pass the bill that would replace the law legalizing same-sex marriage with civil unions for any unmarried adults, including relatives. The measure would allow anyone to refuse to recognize civil unions.

The Republican-controlled Senate also is expected to support repealing gay marriage, but Senate Republican Leader Jeb Bradley said he can't predict if there will be the votes needed to override a veto.

Democratic Gov. John Lynch promises to veto the bill if it reaches him.

Since the same-sex marriage law took effect last year, more than 1,800 gay couples have gotten married in New Hampshire, the state Division of Vital Records shows.

Though advocates of the repeal bill say those marriages would remain legal under the measure, critics aren't so sure. They argue the bill is so flawed that existing marriages may not be recognized by the courts.

"Civil unions has to be in the bill if we're going to pass something and marriages that occurred while legal have to be grandfathered," Bradley said. "My understanding is the bill doesn't do either of those things. For me, that is a problem, personally."

The House put off voting on the bill last session to keep the focus on the state budget. Republicans campaigned on promises they would pass legislation resulting in more jobs and GOP leaders did not want other issues to be a distraction.

But despite efforts to tamp down the debate, Republican presidential candidates were put on the spot to give their positions on gay marriage, not just the economy.

And a bipartisan group supporting the gay marriage law is soon launching a television ad defending it and urging lawmakers not to vote to repeal it. The 30-second ad shows people saying New Hampshire believes in freedom for everyone.

## Where Can You Find *The Gayzette*?

### Omaha:

Connections, 1901 Leavenworth	402-933-3033
DC's Saloon, 610 South 14th Street	402-344-3103
Dixie Quick's Restaurant, 157 West Broadway	402-346-3549
Flixx, 1015 South 10th Street Omaha	402-408-1020
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
Rainbow Outreach Metro Omaha GLBT Resource Center, 1719 Leavenworth St. (home of The Gayzette)	402-341-0330

**Would you like to have the Gayzette at your  
Place of business? Email your request to:  
[Gayzette@cox.net](mailto:Gayzette@cox.net)**

# Kyle's Bed & Breakfast by Greg Fox

A PARK BENCH IS KIND OF AN ODD PLACE TO SPEND CHRISTMAS EVE.

CHRISTMAS EVE. HA!

YOU KNOW WHERE I SPENT THE LAST TWELVE CHRISTMAS EVES?

IN THAT GAY BAR DOWN THE STREET... SPARTACUS...

...SHAKIN' MY ASS ON A PLATFORM IN A G-STRING ... SOMETIMES LESS...

...FOR A BUNCH OF HORNY, GROPIN', DRUNKEN GAY GUYS.

THAT'S DEDICATION.

BUT TONIGHT... WHEN I SHOWED UP FOR MY THIRTEENTH ANNUAL CHRISTMAS EVE PERFORMANCE...

...I GOT THE AXE. OWNER SAYS I'M TOO OLD. THE CROWDS WANT FRESH MEAT TO LOOK AT. AND I...

...I AIN'T FRESH ENOUGH ANYMORE.

I'M SORRY.

YEAH, WELL... I KNEW THIS DAY WAS COMING.

DIDN'T THINK IT'D COME SO SOON, THOUGH.

YOU SEE THAT TREE OVER THERE? IT'S A BLUE SPRUCE.

YEAH? SO WHAT?

A TREE LIKE THAT DOESN'T EVER LOSE ITS "FRESHNESS". EVERY YEAR IT JUST GROWS BIGGER, GRANDER, MORE BEAUTIFUL.

IT'S TIME YOU FOUND A CAREER THAT LETS YOU DO THAT. AND YOU CAN...

...ONCE YOU LOOK INTO YOUR HEART AND REALLY THINK ABOUT WHAT YOU WANT TO DO WITH THE REST OF YOUR LIFE.

LOOK AT THIS CHRISTMAS LIKE IT'S A NEW BEGINNING.

THANKS, I... I WILL. YOU KNOW, YOU COULD BE A STRIPPER.

BELIEVE ME... I'VE HAD OFFERS...

# Fitness Corner

By Ron Blake



Santa has finished his shopping list and now it's your turn to make your list. What do you want to do in the coming year to improve your life? A pad of paper, a Ticonderoga #2, and some brainstorming should get you on the way to those New Year's resolutions.

Make it realistic Roger! Resolutions are goals that you aim to achieve. It's buckets of fun to imagine losing 300 pounds over the next six months and snagging that hot young guy for a date to your class reunion. There's never anything wrong with having an escapist moment and dreaming in Dolby surround sound! Just have a back-up plan; one that includes a realistic goal that will fit nicely on your shelf of resolutions.

Keep it simple Simon! It's quite possible to have twenty resolutions for the New Year. It's also quite possible to get overwhelmed with that many goals to focus upon. If you spread yourself too thin you will probably not complete anything. Think it through and choose three to five main resolutions that will garner your attention in 2011.

Put it on paper Paula! It isn't good enough to announce your resolution list to the frothy mob from atop the banquet table at four minutes past midnight. There isn't a soul that will remember your blustery bravado and hold you to those good intentions. If you want to do it right then print out your resolution list and hand them out to your friends and family at a sober hour. Your odds of achieving your goals significantly increase when paper meets pen!

Create some challenges Charlie! There isn't much excitement in attaining something easily! Going to the gym once a month is better than not going at all. Going to the gym at least once a week seems to be a bit more challenging and might even spur you to go more frequently than that. Resolutions should get you out of your comfort zone. If it was too easy, you were too comfortable! Try again!

Allow it to continue Carla! There's no shame in not achieving your resolutions from 2010. Keep 'em going again over the next year. If it was important to you last year then I will place good odds that it is important to you this year too! Continue moving toward those goals and make the necessary adjustments. Rome wasn't built in a day!

Sign up your friends and family Frank! There is always strength in numbers. You are more likely to realize success when working with others in your quest to achieve your resolutions. Social networking makes it much easier to find others with similar resolutions. Find a companion or two and support each other on the journey.

That famous lanky statesman with the stove-pipe hat and the full beard once stated, "Always bear in mind that your own resolution to succeed is more important than any other." Those are honest words from an honest man and you'd be wise to heed them! Happy New Year to you all!

This health and fitness article is brought to you by that knight in shining armor. That noble regent is Ron Blake and he can be reached at [rblake5551@hotmail.com](mailto:rblake5551@hotmail.com).



## Want to Make a Difference?

### Volunteer

**Volunteers Needed For:**  
*Administrative  
Client Support  
Special Events*

Nebraska AIDS Project is currently looking for volunteers who want to make a difference in our community. Call Kyle today to find out how you can help.

250 South 77th St  
Suite A  
Omaha, NE 68114

Phone: 402-552-9260  
E-mail: [kyleb@nap.org](mailto:kyleb@nap.org)



**250 South 77th Street, Suite A  
Omaha, NE 68114**  
(Located behind McDonald's at 77th & Dodge Street)

[www.nap.org](http://www.nap.org)  
402-552-9260

**Free anonymous or confidential rapid HIV testing.  
Chlamydia & Gonorrhea testing also available for \$10.00**

<b>NAP:</b> 77th & Dodge St.	<b>Wednesday</b> 1:30 to 3:30 pm (appointment only) 5:00 to 8:00 pm (walk-in)
	<b>Thursday</b> 1:30 to 3:30 pm (appointment only) 5:00 to 8:00 pm (walk-in)
<b>Flix Lounge:</b> 10th & Pacific St.	<b>1st &amp; 3rd Mondays of each month</b> 8:00 to 10:00 pm (walk-in)
<b>RESPECT Clinic</b> 50th & Ames Ave. <small>(Located in Baker Square Plaza)</small>	<b>2nd &amp; 4th Mondays of each month</b> 5:00 to 7:00 pm (walk-in)



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# JANUARY 2012 **the max**

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**SUNDAY, 8TH - 10PM**

**"Interview with a Diva"**

Presented by  
Nicolette NuVouge

**SATURDAY, 14TH - 7PM**

**"E&E Ball"**

Presented by ICON

**SUNDAY, 15TH - 10PM**

**"TLC"**

Presented Miss Max 27  
Tharin Crase

**SATURDAY, 21ST - 7PM**

**"Mardi Gras Step Down"**

Presented by Mama Berry

**SUNDAY, 22ND - 10PM**

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