



THE GAYZETTE

EVENTS OF INTEREST TO METROPOLITAN OMAHA & LINCOLN

LB 19 DERAILED BY FILIBUSTER

Due to the actions of one homophobic state senator, LB 19 is now history. Senator Foley chose to filibuster our bill in an attempt to quash a vote. It seems the Family First council realized they did not have the votes to kill LB 19 on first reading. They chose Senator Foley to attack Senator Chambers. Foley added about 25 amendments to the bill. The first amendment called for a language change from "sexual orientation" to "sexual preference". Then, all of the other amendments were a mere word change to stall for time. Sen. Foley used his time to stall the senate until there was a call to adjourn.

Unfortunately, that was the last day that LB19 could have been voted on for first reading so that it would have advanced onto Select file (second reading) and then on to final vote. The Family First was there in some force and operating with Senator Foley and others (Tyson, Erdman, Smith, Stuhr, Quandahl) to keep this from coming up for a vote.



We learned a lot from that day. We are stronger and wiser. WE WILL RETURN NEXT YEAR and start all over again.

We need your help. I am looking for legitimate cases of harassment and discrimination on the job. If you are too scared to be known, call me anyway. I can use your story next year to make our case stronger. You can call our office at 398-3027. Leave a message and we will respond. I would urge you to call Senator Chambers and thank him for all of his help. And, contact your own state senator and express your concerns about the tactics used by Sen. Foley. And then, contact Sen. Foley and say what you wish to him. I anticipate we will have a meeting of our supporters in the near future. In the meantime, call our office and let us know how you can volunteer. As always, you can visit the unicameral website for information on how to contact your senator, the governor, and for the current events: <http://www.unicam.state.ne.us/>

Thanks, Michael Gordon, Citizens for Equal Protection, Nebraska Advocates for Justice and Equality

IN CONCERT AT CONNECTIONS, SAT., MAY 11

SUZANNA MALLOW OF RED LETTER DAY

SUZANNA MALLOW of RED LETTER DAY will appear Saturday, May 11 9pm at CONNECTIONS, 1901 Leavenworth St, 933.3033 with a \$5 cover. For regional RED LETTER DAY fans who have experienced SUZANNA live at the many National Music Festivals, this will be an up close & personal treat during her first ever performance in Nebraska.

MALLOW, known as the "Chick who plays everything," puts on a show that is much more than a concert; it's a refreshing folk-alterna-pop-vaudeville experience! Her monumental solo performance is a multi-instrumental experience incorporating rousing vocals, acoustic & electric guitars, bass, mandolin, harmonica, and percussion in muscular folk, alternative rock, bluegrass, blues & even country spirited music! Lyrics are clever and evocative, profound yet equally irreverent, personal but never melodramatic with a fondness for humor that takes the listener on a journey of emotions that rollercoasters over quixotic hills of love, through valleys of emptiness, around curves of hysterical satire, and through straight-aways of hope.

This award-winning artist has recently received national recognition with a nomination for BEST POP-FOLK SONG OF 2001 by JUST PLAIN FOLK for Loser (track 3 on the latest release BEEFCANDY). Concert highlights include performances with ELTON JOHN, DAR WILLIAMS, INDIGO GIRLS, EDWIN McCAIN, LITTLE FEAT, DIANA ROSS and MELISSA ETHERIDGE, as well as years of touring the national music festivals & NACA college circuit.



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CALL FOR GLSEN-OMAHA BOARD OF DIRECTORS FOR 2002-2003

Join the GLSEN-Omaha Board of Directors! We are looking for people who are committed to stopping anti-gay bias in our schools. We need people who will commit one hour per month to attend a Board meeting and who will work on tasks for the organization outside of regular Board meetings. We need people who can work as a group and who believe in collaborative efforts with other groups.

Sound interesting? You will need to attend a GLSEN-Omaha Board meeting on May 11, 2002, 9:00 a.m. at South High School. You can also visit our website at www.glsenomaha.org for more information.

BRADLEY HAUMONT TO RECEIVE DEGREE FROM UNO

Bradley Haumont, former recipient of an Iris Phoenix Scholarship from the ICON Foundation and developer of the original Website for the Rainbow Outreach GLBT Resource Center, will receive his Bachelor of Science in Economics degree from the University of Nebraska at Omaha on Saturday, May 10. Congratulations, Bradley!

Memorial Day Picnic

Mon.
May 27
Sponsored
By ICON



Vennelyst Park
1—6 pm, Adm. \$10
ID Required — No Pets

Free Food, Beer, & Pop
Volleyball, Music, Friends, Fun!

Mark Sunday, May 5 on your calendar
Mr Gay Pride Nebraska 2002

Presents

"Poodle Skirts and Pompadours"

The 50's & 60's Revisited!

A Benefit for Pride 2002

Sunday, May 5th
The MAX 9:30 PM

SUGAR COATED POISON

By Sharon Van Butsel

"There is nothing on my website about homosexuality or EXODUS because the homosexuals know who I am and I want them to come to my Website so I can talk to them about what I want to — not about changing orientation but about being reconciled to God." These words rang alarms as I attended the FatherHeart workshop, "Redeeming the Sexual Generation: Understanding Sexuality and Relationships: A Christian Perspective." Sy Rogers, self-proclaimed redeemed homosexual, lay counselor, former President of the Ex-Gay EXODUS, spent 12 hours repeating his story: the death of his alcoholic mother, rejection by his father, sexual abuse by an uncle, harassment by school mates, his decision he must be homosexual since others said so, 7 years as a gay man, and 18 months living as a woman preparing for a sex change. Then he says he found Jesus and realized his heterosexual male identity never had a chance to develop. He presents himself today as a happily married man and father of a 16 year old daughter. His ministry tries to bring those who struggle with sexual issues into a relationship with God where they can know God's intent for their lives, which is to be a healthy heterosexual.

Rogers' mannerisms are exaggerated, reminding you of "Jack" on *Will and Grace*, his material interspersed with jokes and asides. All in all, a gentle approach. "We must not greet the homosexual with contempt but rather with love." One has to listen carefully to hear the message about the path to recovery. Each step of this path should guide the homosexual to submit to the authority of God which means living in a heterosexual marriage or remaining celibate. He does not recognize homosexual relationships as positive in any context, and if one comes under the authority of God, one will leave that relationship behind. Rogers bragged of a post-surgical female to male transsexual who left his wife of several years so he could again live as a woman despite the surgical changes.

When Fred Phelps spews his hatred, it does not present a risk for those who read his signs. His extremism repels both straights and gays. However, the FatherHeart ministry which was formed out of group at King of Kings Lutheran Church is very dangerous. Their messages are subtle, in terms the Christian has trouble disputing. As a Christian, can you refuse to submit to the authority of God? Can you deny that Scripture says your body is the Temple of God? Can you resist those who offer fellowship in a loving Christian manner? Can you extract yourself from the quicksand that is slowly drawing you down and down?

At no point during the conference did Rogers present an example of a healthy homosexual relationship. Homosexuality was linking with child sexual abuse and issues of gender identity. Lesbian issues were barely mentioned. Among those attending the conference were two men who stated they were in "Sexual Recovery" programs. One expressed concerns that he was being "hit on" by male members of his new church. Another asked if he would need support groups for his entire life. Neither was relaxed nor happy.

For those concerned if they can follow God as a GLBT person, I would encourage you to talk to a minister at one of the churches listed in the Calendar of Events on pages 6 & 7. You are the person God made you to be.

14 TAG Award Nominations:

THE FANTASTICKS

RETURNS TO STAGES OF OMAHA

Stages of Omaha announces *THE FANTASTICKS* which opens **May 1st**. Written by Tom Jones and Harvey Schmidt, *The Fantasticks* closed at the Sullivan Street Playhouse on January 13, 2002 after more than 17,000 performances since 1960 as the longest-running musical in the world. The show tells a sweet and simple story of young love: a boy and girl fall in love, Romeo and Juliet-like, when their fathers pretend to feud; later, they fall out of love, seek their fortunes, learn some painful lessons, and come to appreciate a real, more mature kind of love at the end.

The 2000 and 2001 productions by Stages of Omaha each received 7 Omaha Theatre Arts Guild Nominations, including **Best Actor, Best Featured Actor, Best Actress, Best Supporting Actress, Best Youth Actress, Best Youth Actor, Best Director, and Outstanding Production of a Musical**. The Omaha World Herald called this a "family-friendly show that should not be missed." This production features **Jerry R. Ditter, Lindsey Wilkerson, Greg Montgomery, David Sims, Tim Reilly, Kevin Bensley and Nichole Nelson** with **Ryan Haas** joining the cast. This production is directed by **Debi Gaver**, based on the original concept by **Kathleen Bagby**, with musical direction by **Darius Makaitis**.

This enduring musical runs **May 1 – May 19, Wed. thru Sat** at 7:30 pm, **Sundays** at 2:30 pm. Ticket prices: \$15-adult, \$12-military, students & senior citizens, \$10-groups of 10 or more. Reserve your tickets by calling **402-345-8166**, or online at **www.StagesofOmaha.com**. The Millennium Theatre is located on the first floor of the Union Plaza Building on the corner of 16th and Jackson Streets at 601 South 16th St., two blocks south of the Orpheum Theatre.

"I LOVE YOU!"

God

Come and See This Sunday!

Worship at 9 & 11 AM

Rev. Barbara Sagat, Pastor

402.345.2563

mccomaha@radiks.net

www.mccomaha.org

METROPOLITAN COMMUNITY CHURCH OF OMAHA
819 S. 22nd St.



OMAHA PFLAG

Monthly Meetings: 2nd Thursday 7:00 P.M.

Location: First United Methodist Church
7020 Cass, Omaha, Nebraska

P.O. Box 390064
Omaha, NE 68139-0064

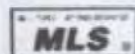
HELPLINE
(402) 291-6781

CFEP Board Member is Candidate

Tim Grollmes, Citizens For Equal Protection board member, is running for Omaha Public School Board District #7.



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GLBT Community!
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timreeder@cox.net**



RICHTER
REAL ESTATE



WOMEN'S SUPPORT GROUP

MEETS
TUESDAYS
7:30PM

RAINBOW
OUTREACH
GLBT
RESOURCE
CENTER
1719 LEAVENWORTH

341-0330

IRIS PHOENIX SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

The Iris Phoenix Scholarship Fund was established to provide scholarships for individuals who self-identify as gay, lesbian, bisexual, transgendered, or as children of gay, lesbian, bisexual, or transgendered persons.

Each year there will be at least one scholarship awarded in each category (gay, lesbian, bi, transgendered or child of a GLBT person) in which there are applicants who meet established criteria. The total number and the dollar amount of the scholarships will be determined by the Scholarship Committee based on the number of successful applicants and the funds available for distribution.

Equal consideration will be given to any program of post-high school education, including but not limited to college, technical, and trade schools. Monies from the Scholarship Fund may be used for tuition, housing, books, and /or supplies (copy of contract or lease may be required).

Recipients must enroll in a program of higher education within 6 months of the announcement of the award. All monies awarded must be used within one calendar year of the award or the money will revert to the Scholarship Fund and, at the discretion of the Scholarship Committee, may be awarded to other applicants or may be held for future use.

Eligibility Criteria:

- 1) Resident of Nebraska or Iowa or be registered to attend a school in Nebraska or Iowa
- 2) Self-identify as gay, lesbian, bisexual, or transgendered or as the biological, adopted, step, or foster child of a gay, lesbian, bisexual or transgendered person.

Enclose with Application Form:

- 1) Proof of residency or a letter of acceptance from a school in Iowa or Nebraska
- 2) A signed statement self-identifying as gay, lesbian, bisexual, transgendered or as the child of a GLBT person. (If applying as a child of a gay, lesbian, bisexual, or transgendered parent, include a statement from the GLBT parent. If the GLBT parent is deceased or otherwise unable to sign such a statement, include a statement signed by a gay, lesbian, bisexual, or transgendered person who was personally acquainted with the parent and is able and willing to certify that the parent self-identified as a gay, lesbian, bisexual, or transgendered person.)
- 3) A Personal Statement that includes a personal history and a description of any community service or involvement.
- 4) A statement describing your Educational Goals.
- 5) Letters of recommendation from 3 persons not related to you. At least one (1) of these letters of recommendations must be from an individual who self-identifies as gay, lesbian, bisexual, or transgendered.
- 6) A statement of Financial Need such as those utilized by the particular school or university.

Return the completed application form and required attachments to:

ICON FOUNDATION
c/o Rainbow Outreach Center
1702 Leavenworth
Omaha, NE 68102

All Applications MUST be received by the ICON Foundation no later than June 10.

APPLICATION FORM

Identifying Information:

Name: _____

Social Security Number: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Telephone : _____

Email: _____

I hereby request that you consider my application for an Iris Phoenix Scholarship. I have enclosed all required forms and supporting information.

I give my permission for my name to be made public as indicated below.

Yes	No	
___	___	You may use my full legal name.
___	___	You may use my first name and last initial.
___	___	You may use my first name only.

You may make my name public in the following manner:

Yes	No	
___	___	You may print my name in written material for distribution at the Award Ceremony.
___	___	You may publish my name in local/regional GLBT publications
___	___	You may release my name to the general media.
___	___	I will attend the Award Ceremony (Date and location of Award Ceremony to be announced.)

Signed: _____

Date: _____

YOU MAY USE THIS APPLICATION FORM
OR PICK ONE UP AT

THE RAINBOW OUTREACH GLBT
RESOURCE CENTER

1719 Leavenworth
Omaha, NE 68102

GAYZETTE AD RATES

Whole Page	7 ½ X 10	\$100.00
Half Page	7 ½ X 4 ¾	\$ 50.00
Fourth Page	3 ¾ X 4 ¾	\$ 25.00
Business Card		\$ 15.00

All ads must be camera ready. 10% Discount for on-going ads of any size. Payment must accompany ad. Checks should be made payable to Rainbow Outreach GLBT Resource Center. Payment and ads should be delivered to the Rainbow Outreach GLBT Resource Center 1719 Leavenworth St. on or before the deadline date. Ads may also be emailed to Advertising@rocc.org. A phone call notifying us that the ad is coming should be made to (402) 341-0330, attention Sharon.

Ad Deadlines are:

Friday, May 10 for Publication May 17
Friday, May 24 for Publication May 31
Friday, June 7 for Publication June 14

GLSEN-OMAHA REMINDERS

- ***May 11 GLSEN-Omaha Board meeting
South High School, 9:00 a.m.
- ***June 1 GLSEN-PFLAG Speakers' Bureau Training
First Methodist Church, Mead Hall
8:30 a.m. to noon
Call Betty Doerr, 333-7064
- ***June 8 GLSEN-Omaha 6th Annual Meeting
South High School
Time TBA
Keynote speaker: Ferial Person
- *** Website: www.Glsenomaha.org

SOUL FOOD SUNDAY WILL RETURN TO CLUB OLIS ON MAY 19TH..5-9PM.

PLEASE TELL YOUR FRIENDS

QUESTIONS ABOUT HIV OR AIDS?

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

IN MEMORIUM JEFF JOHNSON

aka LAURA LEE LYONS

Jeff Johnson aka Laura Lee died unexpectedly this last weekend while at the home of friends here in Omaha. Memorial Services are pending as of this writing. Jeff Johnson has



served as President of the Imperial Court of Nebraska for the last 18 months but his involvement with the Imperial Court goes back 17 years. As Miss Laura Lee she served as Empress 5 and 19 of the Imperial Court and was pictured in the *Omaha World Herald* in 1985 as she walked in the very first Pride Parade held in Omaha. Laura Lee has held many titles in the Omaha area including Miss Ice Bowl. She

was the show director at DC's and the current reigning Miss DC's. She was a nominee for the PRIDE Grand Marshall in 2001 and was to be the Grand Marshall for the 2002 Heartland Regional Rodeo. Laura Lee was a regular bowler in the River City Mixed Bowling League and an avid supporter of Ice Bowl.

Laura Lee led the community in fundraising and in her dedication to serving the community. She had a special interest in the annual Toyz 4 Totz fundraiser which provides toys for children affected by HIV or AIDS. She not only performed but also shopped for toys and wrapped the presents. She was a current volunteer at the Nebraska AIDS Project.

Friends will always remember her yellow fringed dress, her striking voice and her special way of calling out "GIRRRRRRL!" Laura Lee was a significant presence in our community and will be sorely missed.

BE PART OF A WINNING TEAM!

PICK UP A
VOLUNTEER APPLICATION
ANYTIME
DURING REGULAR
BUSINESS HOURS,
OR CALL 341-0330

GAYZETTE EVENTS

SATURDAY, MAY 4

ICON PR BALL, 6pm, The MAX

SUNDAY, MAY 5

"POODLE SKIRTS & POMPADOURS" THE 50'S & 60'S REVISITED BENEFIT for PRIDE 2002
The MAX

ICON Monarch Applications Due,
P.O. Box 3772, Omaha 68103

SATURDAY, MAY 11

MIDTOWN MADNESS/AIDS Walk/Run, 7:30pm—10:30pm, Elmwood Park, Benefit Nebraska AIDS Project

SUZANNA MALLOW of RED LETTER DAY CONNECTIONS, 1901 Leavenworth St, 9pm \$5 cover.

SUNDAY, MAY 12

HANDY HANDS BENEFIT,
The MAX.

THURS., MAY 16

PRIDE 2002 Meeting 7 PM at Rainbow Outreach, 1719 Leavenworth

FRJ MAY 17- SUN, MAY 19

EXCEL SPIRITUAL RETREAT FOR COUPLES, Creighton Retreat Center, Griswald, IA Info: Karla Oliver at 402-292-3602 or email a note to: themissycharm@aol.com

SATURDAY, MAY 18

FLAT WATER BEARS ZOO TRIP, 1:30pm, The Henry Doorley Zoo

WOMYN'S RIVERBOAT DINNER CRUISE FEATURING ALEX DOBKIN 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. boarding at 6:00, \$25 advance tickets. Send to: OWRC, 4949 N. 73rd Street, Lincoln, Nebraska 68507 For more information, contact Tauni or Sheryl at 467-5737.

SUNDAY, MAY 19

SOUL FOOD SUNDAY, 5—9pm,
CLUB OLIS

BACHELOR AUCTION, 6:30 pm The MAX, Iris Phoenix Scholarship Fund Benefit. Followed by a show.

PRIDE 2002 GRAND MARSHAL BALLOTS Due (See Related Article)

MONDAY, MAY 27

ICON MEMORIAL DAY PICNIC,
Vennelyst Park, 1—6pm, \$10 adm.

THURS, MAY 30

PRIDE 2002 Meeting, 7 pm, Rainbow Outreach, 1719 Leavenworth

THURS, MAY 30

GLSEN-PFLAG SPEAKERS' BUREAU TRAINING, First Methodist Church, Mead Hall, 8:30 a.m. to noon, Call Betty Doerr, 333-7064

SATURDAY, JUNE 8

GLSEN-OMAHA 6TH ANNUAL MEETING, South High School, Time TBA, Keynote speaker: Ferial Person

VALHALLA 2002 8pm, Siouxland Convention Ctr, South Sioux City, NE

THURS., JUNE 13

PRIDE 2002 Meeting, 7 PM, Rainbow Outreach, 1719 Leavenworth

FRJ. JUNE 14 - JUNE 16

FLAT WATER BEARS "BEARS AT THE RIVER" RACCOON RIVER RETREAT Van Meter, IA

SAJ. JUNE 15 & JUNE 16

RIVER CITY MIXED CHORUS
"Reach for the Rainbow" 7:05pm,
UNO Strauss Performing Arts Center

THURS., JUNE 20

PRIDE 2002 Meeting 7 PM, Rainbow Outreach, 1719 Leavenworth

SAJ. JUNE 22

PRIDE PARADE & FESTIVAL, OMAHA

SAJ, JUNE 29 — JUNE 30

HEARTLAND REGIONAL RODEO, Sarpy Co. Fairgrounds, Springfield, NE

THUR., JULY 4

ICON PICNIC at Hill Haven, 1-6 PM, \$10 adm.

THURS., JULY 11

ICON'S IN-TOWN SHOW, Omaha Mining Co., Time to be announced

FRJ., JULY 12

ICON'S OUT-OF-TOWN SHOW, 7pm,
DC's Saloon, \$5 adm.

SAJ. JULY 13

ICON CORONATION 6pm, Sokol Hall.
Doors open at 5. Voting 5-7pm

SUN., JULY 14

ICON VICTORY SHOW The MAX

SAJ. NOV. 23

FLAT WATER BEARS' "THANKSGIVING FEED" & ANNUAL MEETING, 5 p.m.,
MCC-O Social Hall.

FRJ-SUN, DEC. 6-8

FLAT WATER BEARS' "BEARS' RIVER CHRISTMAS" Raccoon River Retreat, Van Meter, IA

FEB. 14, 15, 16, 2003

ICE BOWL

WEEKLY EVENTS

Every Sunday

WORSHIP SERVICES:

DIETZ UNITED METHODIST
1423 S. 10, 11AM

1ST UNITED METHODIST
7020 Cass, 8:30 & 10:45am

METROPOLITAN COMMUNITY CHURCH OF OMAHA
819 S. 22, 9am & 11am

HEARTLAND UNITED METH
at Union United Methodist 27 & R,
Omaha, ultra-casual worship 9:30am;
Sunday School 10:45 Phone: 682-9552.

FIRST UNITARIAN
3114 Harney Street, 11am

LOWE AVE PRESBYTERIAN,
1023 N. 40, Omaha 10am

UNITY CHURCH OF OMAHA,
3424 N. 90, Omaha, 9am, 11am

HASTINGS COLLEGE GSA 8PM
Hastings, NE. FFI: Judy Sandeen
(402) 461-7372

LAMBDA TV NETWORK Q,
Lincoln Cable Channel 13. 12 a.m.

GAYZETTE EVENTS

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

THE WIMMIN'S SHOW
KZUM 89.3. 12:30—3 p.m.

CABARET, Q, 226 S. 9th St., Lincoln

QUEER AS FOLK 9pm, The MAX, DC's

Every Monday

SAGE POTLUCK DINNER 6 - 9pm,
ROCC, 1719 Leavenworth, 341-0330

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

ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS GLBT
"RAINBOW GROUP" Meeting Place,
28 & S, Lincoln, 7:30 p.m.

Every Tuesday

**UNL LESBIAN/BI/QUESTIONING SUP-
PORT GROUP** 7-8:30pm, Women's
Center, Back Room, Nebr Union, 12 &
R, Lincoln, 472-9428

OMAHA MEN'S SUPPORT GROUP,
MCC-Omaha, 819 S. 22 , 7:30pm

OMAHA WOMEN'S SUPPORT GROUP,
Rainbow Outreach Center, 1719
Leavenworth, 341-0330, 7:30pm

Every Wednesday

WORSHIP SERVICES
METROPOLITAN COMMUNITY
CHURCH OF OMAHA, 7pm
UNITY CHURCH OF OMAHA, 7pm

HIV TESTS, 1-4 pm NAP, 139 S. 40

FRONTRUNNERS RUN/WALK
6:30pm AkSarBen Lot 5, Omaha

LGBT ALCOHOLIC ANONYMOUS
7:30pm Basement, Alcohol Treat-
ment Ctr 2116 W. Faidley, Grand Is-
land. Peggy (308) 226-8286, Center
(308) 398-5427

KARAOKE W/ STACY 8:30pm DC's

Every Thursday

GLBT FELLOWSHIP, 6:30pm, Trinity
Cathedral Clarkson Center, 109 N. 18
Info: 391-1950; dknxsae@qwest.net.

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

KARAOKE 9pm,
Connections, Club OLIS

Every Friday

LAMBDA TV LOCAL EVENTS
Lincoln Cable Ch 13. 3pm

HIV TESTING, 5 - 10 pm, NAP
Outreach Center, 1723 Leavenworth

RAINBOW BIBLE STUDY 6-7:30pm;
Lowe Ave Presby Church, 1023 N. 40

FREE FRIDAY MOVIE 7:45PM,
Rainbow Outreach GLBT Resource Ctr

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

Q DREAM BOYZ, Q, 226 S. 9 Lincoln

Every Saturday

LAMBDA TELEVISION
Lincoln Cable Channel 13. 3 p.m.

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

KARAOKE 9pm, The Panic, Lincoln

MONTHLY EVENTS

1st Saturday

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

**GAY/BI SUPPORT GROUP FOR HIV+
MEN**, 6-8pm, NAP, 220 S. 17, Lincoln
FFI: Mark Giesler 476-7000.

2nd Friday

**FREE, CONFIDENTIAL, ANONY-
MOUS HIV TESTING** UNL campus
FFI: 476-0355. 1—3:30 p.m.

SUDS RAPID HIV TESTING,
(2 hour results) 5 - 10 pm, NAP
Outreach Center, 1723 Leavenworth

2nd Saturday

LEATHER ENGINEERS—OMAHA
Meeting 7pm, Gilligan's

2nd Sunday

LEARNING TO EXCHANGE
POWER L2EP@aol.com Novice S/
M,B/D Grp; 1pm; DCs

INTEGRITY GROUP 6-7:30pm,
St. Marks Episcopal, 13 & "R" Lincoln

2nd Wednesday

"OUT AND ABOUT NEBRASKA"
7pm Discussion Group, Rainbow Out-
reach GLBT Resource Center, 1719
Leavenworth Call 341-9339 for info

FLAT WATER BEARS 7:30pm
The MAX, Omaha

2nd Thursday

PFLAG—OMAHA
7pm 1st United Meth, Mead Hall

2nd Saturday

GLSEN OMAHA, Board Mtg,
9—11am, South High School

GAY-FRIENDLY FOOD-NET Quaker
Meeting House, 3319 S. 46, Lincoln
Free Food, no obligation 11am-12n

3rd Sunday

SOUL FOOD SUNDAY 5—9pm,
CLUB OLIS

3rd Monday

IMPERIAL COURT OF NEBR MTG
MCC-O, 819 S. 22nd St., 6:30pm

GAY/BISEXUAL SUPPORT GROUP
FOR HIV+ MEN, 6-8pm NAP, 220 S.
17, Lincoln . Mark Giesler 476-7000.

4th Tuesday

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

YOUTH HIV TESTING Lighthouse,
2530 N St, Lincoln For ages 13 to 18
only. FFI: 475-3220. 3-5:30 p.m.

4th Friday

HIV TESTING Walkins welcome. UNL
campus. 476-0355. 1-3:30pm

4th Saturday

QUAKERS FOOD-NET Quaker Meeting
House, 3319 S. 46, Lincoln 11am.- noon

GOODWILL DRIVE

At NAP-Sat., May 25

9AM — 3 PM

*Furniture, Clothes, Knick-Knacks,
Books, CD's, Kitchen Items, Blan-
kets, Drapes, Etc.*

139 S. 40th St., Omaha

Casting Call: Pride Festival Entertainers

Rainbow Celebrations will hold a talent competition this month.

Winners of the competition will be invited to take the stage at the June 22 Pride celebration and entertain an expected audience of over 3,000! One lucky winner will be selected as the opening act for our headline entertainer, Deborah Cooper, the diva voice of C&C Music Factory's greatest hits. Those wishing to participate can request information via e-mail from festival@rainbowcelebrations.org or by telephone at 402.502.1577 or 402.415.8769.

Pride Packets Now Available: Pride Guide submissions due May 10

The deadline for inclusion in Rainbow Celebrations Pride 2002 guide is Friday, May 10. Rainbow Celebrations has sent Pride participation packets to many local business and organizations. An online version of the Pride Guide advertising form along with parade and festival participation forms are available from Rainbow Celebrations' Web site: www.rainbowcelebrations.org. Requests for packets can also be made via e-mail from pride2002@rainbowcelebrations.org or by telephone at 402.502.1577 or 402.415.8769.



Show Your Community Support! Become a Pride 2002 Sponsor!

What better way to gain business, support your community and help establish Rainbow Celebrations' Pride celebration as an event not to be missed?

Sponsorship levels range from Friend of Pride at \$25 to Rainbow Sponsor of \$2,000+. Be a part of history, be a part of Pride 2002. Contact Rainbow Celebrations' sponsorship representative via e-mail at sponsorship@rainbowcelebrations.org or by telephone at 402.415.8769.

Rainbow Celebrations Needs Your Help With Pride 2002!

Rainbow Celebrations needs volunteers to help with Pride 2002. Examples of duties include: vendor area setup, registration and tear down; rally stage hands; parade monitors and line up attendants; and crowd control. Volunteers will be needed throughout the day from 7AM to 10PM. To volunteer please e-mail Rainbow Celebrations at volunteer@rainbowcelebrations.org or telephone 402.502.1577 or 402.213.8526.

Rainbow Celebrations is in search of a classic convertible

Our Pride entertainment emcee, the fabulous Kansas City Flo, needs a proper ride for the Pride parade. Please contact Pride chair, Troy Haasis, at 402.415.8769 if you have a classy convertible you'd like to loan for a few hours.

PRIDE Meetings Announced

Mark your calendar for these upcoming dates and come be a part of the biggest PRIDE Celebration yet:

Thurs., May 16

Thurs., May 30

Thurs., June 13

Thurs., June 20

All meetings are at 7 PM at the Rainbow Outreach GLBT Resource Center, 1719 Leavenworth St. Everyone is welcome! There's still time to get involved in one of the many committees working on the parade, the festival, etc. Become a part of the 2002 Rainbow Celebration!



OMAHA WOMYN'S RIVERBOAT DINNER/CONCERT CRUISE PRESENTS:

**ALIX DOBKIN in concert
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For more information, contact Tauni or Sheryl at 467-5737.

Grand Marshall Update: Get your votes in by May 18!

Grand Marshall ballot boxes have been placed at The Max, Club Joy, DC's Saloon, Gilligan's, Omaha Mining Company, Connections, Club Olis, The Diamond, MCC, Rainbow Outreach Center and other business throughout the Omaha area. Online voting is also available; only one vote per e-mail address please. Visit www.rainbowcelebrations.org to cast your vote.

Grand Marshall Nominees

Rainbow Celebrations announces the following community-elected Pride 2002 Parade Grand Marshal nominees: John F. Carroll, Dave England, Paul Luckhurst, Mike Orr, and The MAX (short bio's follow). The community was asked to nominate individuals, organizations or businesses which have shown leadership, commitment and dedication to the many issues and facets of the Nebraska gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgender community. The 2002 Grand Marshal will lead the Pride Parade on June 22. Rainbow Celebrations has posted the complete bios on our website, www.rainbowcelebrations.org. *Please vote once for the nominee of your choice.*

John F. Carroll—Born in Texas, but raised in Omaha, John spent 8 years working with PWAs in LA. Here, known as a Survivor contestant, he has worked with NAP on fund raisers

Dave England—10+years of work in various GLBT organizations in the Omaha area, including PFLAG, ANGLE, RCMC, CFEP, PRIDE, NCOD, ROCC, NAMES Project, etc.

Paul Luckhurst—Fours years involvement in the Omaha GLBT Community. He is an ICON royal family member, a Pride volunteer here & in Lincoln, & MCC-O supporter.

Mike Orr—NAP volunteer for 8 years, including 4 Night of 1000 Stars Dinners, Co-Chair of Pride 2001, Sec. of ROCC, and for 5 years the moderator of the Gay Men's Support Group.

The MAX—18+ years of community support through donations of cash or the use of space for meetings and for fund raisers for nearly every GLBT group in the community

BARS

Connections, 933-3033
1901 Leavenworth, Omaha

Club Olis, 934-4030
2801 N 16 St, Omaha

The Diamond, 342-9595
712 S. 16th St., Omaha

DC's Saloon, 344-3103
610 S. 14th Street, Omaha

Gilligan's Pub, 449-9147
1407 Harney, Omaha

JOY, 341-7337
1516 Jones, Omaha

The MAX, 346-4110
1417 Jackson, Omaha

Omaha Mining Co., 449-8703,
1715 Leavenworth, Omaha

Panic, 435-8764, 200 S. 18th, Lincoln
Q, 475-2269, 226 S. 9th St, Lincoln

QUESTIONS ABOUT HIV OR AIDS?

Call the Nebraska AIDS Hotline
1-800-782-2437
(from Omaha 552-9255)

Monday—Friday: 9am—11pm
Weekends: 6pm—11pm

Official 2002 Pride Parade Grand Marshal Ballot

CIRCLE ONE

PLEASE CIRCLE YOUR CHOICE FOR GRAND MARSHAL:

JOHN F. CARROLL

DAVE ENGLAND

PAUL LUCKHURST

THE MAX

MIKE ORR

PLEASE MAIL YOUR BALLOT TO RAINBOW CELEBRATIONS, PO BOX 8583, OMAHA, NE 68108, USE OUR INTERNET BALLOT OR PLACE YOUR BALLOT IN THE OFFICIAL GRAND MARSHAL VOTING BOX
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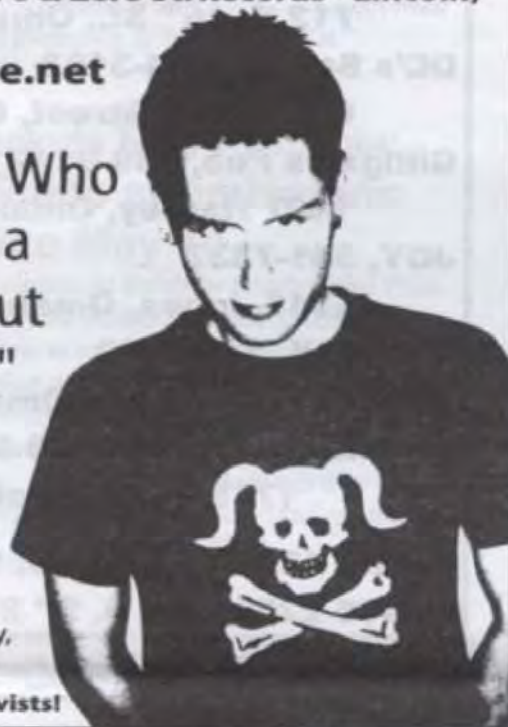
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Did you know that JOY is available for special events?

That's right. You can rent the entire club on a weekday or hold a special event there on the weekends. Birthdays, weddings, hair shows, corporate events, anniversary parties, surprise parties, etc. Make JOY part of your plan. Contact Eric at eric@omahajoy.com or log on to our website www.omahajoy.com

Prayer Is Topic of Wednesday Services in June at MCC-Omaha

Praying all ways and praying always will be the topics for the Wednesday Worship Services at MCC-Omaha, 819 S. 22nd St., during June. The Wednesday Service is a lay-led service featuring discussion and communion. The service begins at 7 PM each Wednesday. The service is open to everyone; you need not be a member to attend!

Midtown Madness

AIDS Walk/Run Nebraska

A 5k run/walk supporting the Nebraska AIDS Project, will be held at Elmwood Park on May 11, beginning at 7:30pm, concluding at 10:30pm "Midtown Madness/AIDS Walk/Run Nebraska is an event that offers something for everyone from the serious athlete to the smallest racer in the stroller competition. Wandering entertainers will wow attendees with stilt-walking, juggling, incredible yo-yo trickery, and fun with fire," remarked Michael Jones, Director of Development. Anticipating 300-500 runners, race-walkers, dog walkers, and wheelchair racers, Nebraska AIDS Project hopes that Midtown Madness will become one of the premier 5k races in Omaha. Those interested in registering or seeking more information may contact Jean Imray at 402.552.9260 or Nebraska AIDS Project's website at www.nap.org Even if you don't compete, join us for a night of pure fun.

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RAINBOW OUTREACH GLBT RESOURCE LIST

OMAHA BASED ORGANIZATIONS

- BiChoice Nebraska**, QUEST15@juno.com
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 Box 55548, Omaha 68155, 398-3027 <http://www.geocities.com/~cfep> equal rights for all
Flat Water Bears, Box 3751, Omaha 68103 flatwaterbears@yahoo.com Hirsute men and admirers, 2nd Wed, The MAX, 7:30pm
Front Runners/Walkers, Box 4583, Omaha 68104 (402) 496-3658 Fun Run/Walks 10am Sun, 6pm Wed
GALO (Gay & Lesbian Org at UNO) www.angelfire.com/home/GALO contact: unogalo@hotmail.com "Building Bridges Through Education and Acceptance" or SPO (Student Organizations) at 554-2711.
Gay, Lesbian & Straight Education Network-Omaha, Box 641676, Omaha 68164, 596-2596
Website: <http://www.glsenomaha.org>
Heartland Gay Rodeo Association Box 3354, Omaha 68103 800-561-6918
Ice Bowl Invitational Bowling Tournament (IBIT) P.O. Box 31838, Omaha, NE 68131, e-mail icebowlomaha@hotmail.com
Imperial Court of Nebraska, Box 3772, Omaha 68103 556-9907, Board Meeting 3rd Mon, 819 S. 22
Learning to Exchange Power, L2EP@aol.com; Social, educational group novices in Leather Lifestyle
Leather Engineers of Omaha (LEO) Box 8181 Omaha 68108 Gay men in leather lifestyle, Meet 2nd Sat Gilligan's 7pm
LinOma Bares, Box 8493, Omaha 68108 Nudist/ Naturist Club for gay/bi men Info: Eric (402) 553-5944; Jerry (402) 553-6626
Mpower, c/o Nebr AIDS Project, 139 S. 40, Omaha 68131 www.mpower-nap.org. Men teaching men about HIV
Men's Support Group-Omaha, c/o MCC-Omaha, 819 S. 22 St., 345-2563; Tuesday 7:30pm <http://mike2tom.home.radiks.net/msgomaha/>
Metropolitan Community Church of Omaha, 819 S. 22 St., Omaha 68108 345-2563, mccomaha@radiks.net
Website: www.mccomaha.org
Sunday Worship 9 & 11am, Wed Eve 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 Advocates for Justice & Equality, PO Box 55548, Omaha 68155, 402.346-5960 naje_now@hotmail.com
Nebraska Gay Dads group list exchange

- emails posted to the list for discussion <http://mike2tom.home.radiks.net/nebraskagaydads/>
Omaha Nebr Gay Pride WebPage <http://members.cyberwolves.com/omahanegaypride> PO Box 4154, Omaha, 68104-4154 402-502-9195 omahanegaypride@cox.net
Onyx Images, Box 31026, 68132-9998 Onyximages@hotmail.com Fraternity for African American Men
Out and About in Nebraska, those who enjoy outdoors, Meet Wednesday 7pm, Rainbow Outreach Center, outabout@worldshare.net or <http://travel.to/outabout>
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, Web Site: www.ROCC.org, email: rainbow@rocc.org
Info Line, Library, Movies, Gayzette
Rainbow Bible Study, Fridays, 6-7:30pm, Lowe Ave Presbyterian, 1023 N. 40 St.
Rainbow Celebrations, Box 8583, Omaha, 68108 402.502.1577 Pride Parade & Festival, National Coming Out Day (NCOD) Event
info@rainbowcelebrations.org
Pride 2002 Box 8583, Omaha, 68108 pride2002@rainbowcelebrations.org
National Coming Out Day 2002 P.O. Box 8583, Omaha, 68108 NCOD2002@rainbowcelebrations.org
River City Mixed Chorus, Box 3267, Omaha, NE 68103, 402-341-SING
Website: www.rcmc.org
River City Gender Alliance, Box 8076, Omaha 68108, 402-991-8845, email: rcga@tgforum.com, Website: www.genderalliance.com
Social/Support Group for transgender/transsexual/cross-dressers and supporters
River City Mixed Bowling I, 12:45pm, Sundays, Mockingbird Bowl, Omaha:
River City Mixed Bowling II 3pm, Sundays, Broadway Bowl, Council Bluffs, IA: Dan White (402)734-7055
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; 571-1344; www.unityomaha.org
Women's Support Group, Tuesdays

7:30pm, Rainbow Outreach Center, 1719 Leavenworth, 342-0330
WomenSpace, Box 24712, Omaha 68124
Newsletter, Concerts

LINCOLN BASED ORGANIZATIONS

- Alias Jane Band**, (402) 435-8764 Kara & Kelly at The Panic
Boonodoggles 122 N. 14 St. (under Zero Street Records, Entrance in alley) shop online <http://www.ideviate.net>
Email boonodoggles@ideviate.net
Gay/Lesbian/Bi/Straight Alliance 2229 J St., Lincoln 68510 (402) 436-1301 ext. 232 Ruth Kupfer
Gay/Lesbian Film Fest, Deanna Zaffke, cea@unlserve.unl.edu
Gay Men's Support Group, UNL Health Center, Counseling & Psychology, Rm. 214, Lincoln 68588-0618 472-7450
Lesbian, Bisexual and Questioning-Women's Discussion Group, University of Nebraska, Lincoln Women's Center (sponsor), Room 340, Nebraska Union, Lincoln 68588-0446. 402/472-2597.
Nebraska AIDS Project, 220 S. 17th St. Lincoln, NE 68508. (402) 476-7000
Nebraska Coalition for LGBT Civil Rts, 122 S. 11 St, Ste 200, Lincoln, 68508, Stacie 499-3671, Kris or Traci 438-7810
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 Tuesday, Unitarian Church, 6300 A, Barbara Kimberly jbkimber@email.msn.com, Website: <http://pflag.ineb.org/>
Plainsmen, Support group for 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 489-9088
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

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