# The GayZette



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# Groups Say U.S. HIV Rate Being Revised Upward

Federal health officials are revising their estimate of how many people are infected by HIV each year, and advocacy groups say the number could rise by 35 percent or more.

The U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention said the numbers are not final and won't be released until early next year.

The CDC has been estimating about 40,000 new HIV cases occur in the nation each year. At a national HIV prevention conference in Atlanta this week, however, advocates claimed the new estimate is 55,000 or higher.

It's not clear if the rate of HIV infection has been rising, or whether it's been steady but previous estimates were off, said Julie Davids, spokeswoman for the advocacy group Community HIV/AIDS Mobilization Project.

"But either way, this shows that prevention efforts are insufficient." Davids said.

The new estimates are based on new testing technology and statistical assumptions still being reviewed, said Dr. Kevin Fenton, director of the CDC's Center for HIV/AIDS, Viral Hepatitis, STD and TB Prevention.

"The estimates have been submitted for further analysis and rigorous scientific review to ensure the accuracy of the complex new methods and of the estimates themselves," Fenton said in a statement.

The figure is to be released early next year, after it is carefully evaluated by a peer-reviewed medical journal, CDC officials said.

This would not be the first time the statistics of HIV and AIDS prevalence have shifted. Last month, the United Nations AIDS agency slashed its estimate of the number of people living with HIV, to 33 million from 40 million. The change mostly was a result of new research and analysis methods. (Mike Stobbe, AP)

# Eight Men Claim Encounters with Sen. Larry Craig

Eight men say they either had sex with Sen. Larry Craig or were targets of sexual advances by the Idaho lawmaker at various times during his political career, a newspaper reported Sunday.

One of the men is the former escort whose allegations disgraced the Rev. Ted Haggard, former president of the National Association of Evangelicals, the Idaho Statesman reported.

The newspaper identified four men and reported details of the encounters they say involved Craig. It also reported the accounts of four other men who did not agree to be identified but who described sexual advances or encounters involving the conservative Republican, who opposes same-sex marriage and has a strong record against gay rights.

Craig pleaded guilty to disorderly conduct after being accused by an undercover officer of soliciting sex at the Minneapolis-St. Paul airport and later called a news conference to deny that he is gay.

The newspaper acknowledged that its report was not based on definitive evidence but said it also found no evidence to disprove the accounts of the four identified men. It said it reviewed the senator's travel records, which put him where the sex is alleged to have taken place, and did background checks on those making the allegations.

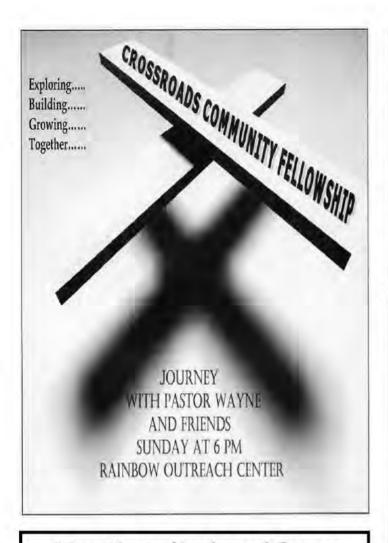
Craig and members of his staff declined to comment to the newspaper.

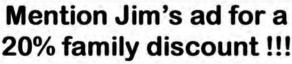
But in a statement e-mailed to The Associated Press on Sunday, the senator said the newspaper's report was "completely false" and he accused the paper of careless journalism.

"It is unfortunate that the Idaho Statesman has chosen to continue to lower itself to the standards of what can best be described as tabloid journalism." Craig said in the statement.

"Despite the fact the Idaho Statesman has decided to pursue its own agenda and print these falsehoods without any facts to back them up, I won't let this paper's attempt to malign my name stop me from continuing my work to serve the people of Idaho."

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December

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Kid's Activity Day



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December

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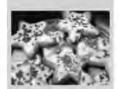


6:00 p.m.- Soup, 6:30 p.m.- Movie: One Night with the King- the story of Esther. Enjoy delicious soup and a free movie with old and new friends.

December

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Boutique and Bake Sale



Before and after 11:00 a.m. service- Christmas decorations, gifts, and baked items will be on sale.

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7:00 p.m- This weekly service includes meditation, candles, silence, song, and reflection. Following the service at 7:30 p.m. is an opportunity to experience Christmas Scripture, again, for the first time.

December

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Christmas Eve Services



6:30 p.m.- Children's Service 8:00 p.m.- Christmas Eve Service: "Can You Find the Star?" 9:00 p.m.- Christmas Eve Reception 11:00 p.m.- Christmas Eve Service

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Christmas Day Service and Breakfast



10:00 a.m.- Christmas Morning Reflections 11:00 a.m.- Christmas Pancakes



(Sen. Craig story, Continued from page 1)

The report is the Statesman's latest on allegations about Craig's sexual background since his June arrest in an airport men's room sex sting operation was reported in late August.

Statesman Editor Vicki Gowler said the newspaper spent several months checking the backgrounds and details of the men's stories.

"We believe it's important for you to know what we've learned and to hear the men's own words," Gowler said.

Two of the identified men and one of the unidentified men told the newspaper they had sex with Craig.

One of the men identified in the report, Mike Jones, 50, described as a former male escort, was the focus of the sex scandal involving Haggard, the disgraced leader of Colorado's New Life Church.

Jones said Craig paid him \$200 for sex in late 2004 or early 2005. The encounter took place at a studio apartment in downtown Denver, Jones said.

Jones told the Statesman that he did not recognize Craig until his arrest made the news. The newspaper reported that Jones went on the record after Craig appeared in a television news report in August to address the arrest and his future in politics.

Jones has written a book about his experience with Haggard and acknowledged to the Statesman that his allegation about Craig might help sales. A message left for Jones by The Associated Press through his publisher Sunday evening was not immediately returned.

Current phone numbers could not be found for the three other men identified in the Statesman's report.

Amid pressure from top GOP leaders in Washington, Craig announced his intent to resign from the Senate. He later changed his mind, deciding to finish his term, which expires in January 2009. He is also appealing in Minnesota courts to have his guilty plea overturned.

The undercover police officer who arrested Craig said the senator moved his foot next to the officer's foot and tapped it in a way that indicated he wanted sex. He also alleged the senator sent a signal by swiping his hand under the divider between men's room stalls.

Craig has said the officer misconstrued those motions. (AP)

# **Omaha Takes on AIDS**

By Nicole Higginbotham

"People should get tested to help stop the spread of HIV," said Ben McDonald, member of the gay community. "That way, you can feel good about yourself and the person you're with. There's a worse thing than rejection; infection." December 1st commemorated World AIDS Day, the first international health awareness day. World AIDS Day was created by a group of ministers in 1988 in order to take a world stance on the AIDS crisis. To support this global effort, people all around the world wear a red ribbon on this day. The red ribbon symbolizes peace and fights the discrimination that affects people that live with the HIV and AIDS viruses.

According to the Nebraska AIDS Education and Training Center, AIDS can be spread sexually, through birth and through

sharing needles. "More than 40,00 new infections occur in the U.S. every year, and there are ten new HIV infections per minute worldwide"(http://www.nap.org/).

There are three tests that are used to test for AIDS. The first one is the Enzyme-Linked ImmunoSorbent Assay (ELISA) Test. The second is the SUDS Rapid HIV Test, and the third is the OraSure Test. More information on testing can be found by contacting the Nebraska AIDS Project Omaha Office at (402) 552-9260.

Testing isn't the only thing offered by the Omaha community. Different organizations in Omaha are showing their support in the fight against AIDS by holding events on this day. The Nebraska AIDS Project, for instance, is having the One World Under the Stars event. This event was held on December 1 and ran from 9:00p.m. to 1:00a.m. There was desert, dancing, and evening appetizers. There was also a special performance by Session 7. This all take place at the Holiday Inn Central on 72 and Grover. All of the proceeds for this event go to the Nebraska AIDS Project.

SNAP! Productions also has a performance that fits right in with World AIDS Day. Angels in America will run Thursday to Sunday on November 15 through December 9. This play focuses on the hardships of the AIDS epidemic and how relationships are affected by it. Tickets are \$15 for adults and \$12 for students, seniors and TAG members. Production information can be found by going to www.snapproductions.com. The most significant event that is being held in Omaha for World AIDS Day is the return of The AIDS Memorial Quilt. This artifact serves as a tribute to all of the people that have lost

their lives to AIDS and hasn't made a début in Omaha for 10 years. The AIDS Memorial Quilt will be at the Metropolitan Community Church 82 South 22nd Street, for 6 days.

More information on the events that are to be held on these days is available at www.aidsquiltomaha.com. "We understand AIDS and HIV the way no other church can," said Pastor Tom. "We believe AIDS day and the quilt educate people, so we can help fight this disease better."

# MCC Shows "One Night with the King" Dec. 14, 2007 Metropolitan Community Church of Omaha

Esther was an orphaned peasant girl who rose to be Queen of the Persian Empire and saved her people from genocide. This story is brilliantly retold in the movie "One Night with the King" which played in mainline theaters just last year. Peter O'Toole, Omar Sharif, and Tiffany DuPont star in this film. See the triumph of freedom as this young girl goes against the tradition of her time and seeks to win the heart of the King ra-



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Metropolitan Community Church of Omaha will be showing this film on Friday. December 14 in the Social Hall of the church at 819 South 22 Street in Omaha. Admission is free and includes a free soup supper before the film. Come for soup at 6pm and see the movie at 6:30pm.

You will also have the opportunity to shop at MCC's Christmas Boutique before the Boutique officially opens on Sunday, December 16. As a Prestige Shopper you get first choice of the delightful Christmas bargains.

Join us at MCC-Omaha for this festive event!

# MCC-Omaha Christmas Boutique And Bake Sale

Right now - calling all shoppers - yes, calling all shoppers -we know you are out there! Read on!! Metropolitan Community Church of Omaha is having a spectacular Christmas Boutique and Bake Sale on Sunday, December 16th. This year, we are combining our First Sunday Bake Sale with the Boutique to make this event even more fun and rewarding than it was last year as separate events. This will be held in the Social Hall at the church, located at 819 South 22nd Street - just south of 22nd and Leavenworth Street. Mark down these times --- we will begin at 9:00 a.m. and continue again following the Worship Service,, which begins at 11:00 a.m. You can buy early or take your chances and wait until after church is over!!! This would be a great time for you to visit MCC-Omaha if you have not already - or a great chance to see many of your friends who regularly attend our worship services! Everyone is welcome --and we ALWAYS have an Open Communion - you do not need to be a member of MCC-Omaha OR of any church to participate in communion - it is available for everyone.

We will have all kinds of Advent items, and a great many other Boutique items as well --- candles, pottery etc. etc. We already have had a lot of items brought to the church – and YOU

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We will also be having a fabulous Christmas Bake Sale! What a great time to purchase some holiday cookies, cakes other truly tasty treats for your family or friends – or even pamper yourself and buy them for YOU!

We extend this invitation to the entire GLBT community to come join us in the MCC-Omaha Social Hall on Sunday, December 16th. (It is even possible to purchase items as early as Friday evening, December 14th.)

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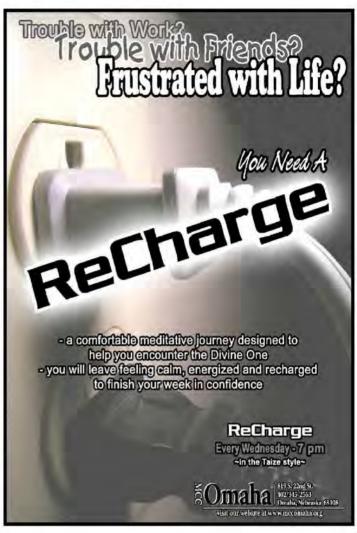
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# Relationships Are Hard and It's Harder To Be Gay...

Guest Commentary by by Robi Zahrus (OmahaFag@excite.com)



Bill Cosby was recently seen on Oprah. He was criticizing, constructively, how some black people live and raise their children. I would like someone from the Gay community to do the same to hurt gay men and immature gay boys.

If you have been in three or more relationships in a short time span that last a few months that end with either you getting hurt or your partner you probably need to stay away from relationships for a while.

Do you want to be hurt or to hurt someone else? We refer to each person who is lesbian or gay as "family". Do we really want someone treating our family members, a brother or sister, the way we treat each other?

Why is it very few realize relationships are hard work? They are never perfect and happy all the time. There will come times of hardship, and that's when you work together through it. If you can't work through it you may not be worth it. I mean if you are unwilling to try that is.

Look into yourself and see what you want in a relationship and partner, be flexible, and be real. There are too many hurt men at the bars and too many callous boys who just go from relationship to relationship like it was nothing. Give your live meaning find someone and hold onto them.

Storms will come up during your time together. It is in these times that you hold on tighter. When the storm passes you loosen up and the love will grow. If you can get through something rough, forgive each other, and still be in love you just made your relationship stronger. If you keep thinking of the bad that happened in the relationship you ought not be in any... at least for a while. You have love issues. If you bounce from relationship to relationship think about what you are teaching yourself. One of the best things to do before entering into a new relationship is forgive the past relationship. This, if you can honestly forgive them, removes the pain and the issues from the past one from interfering with new relationships. Learn from the past but don't let it ruin you.

Treat each other with love, respect, and kindness. Each person is still a living person and they have value.

It is sad to go to bars, I drink mostly water now days, and look around at all the people just looking for a lay that night. I see too many people tired of relationships. Past partners either were too afraid to be honest or too selfish to want to work it out. Others take another route and just go from relationship to relationship never realizing they keep repeating themselves and they never find their Mr. Perfect or don't realize they did. We as a gay community need to first learn to love ourselves, respect ourselves, and treat others with kindness. This will go a long way to getting those who oppose us to accept us. Don't use the idea that straight relationships aren't any better to not try and better ourselves. It would be awesome if we could be the example of a great and healthy relationship for those who don't like our lifestyle.

/I would love to have included an exception to someone who cheats on another, but I was once told by someone who was in a relationship for over forty years that they did cheat occasionally on each other. He went on to say that gay relationships are about more than sex. I would wish so dearly that something like this wouldn't happen. That we as homosexuals could control our natural urges better than this, but I leave that up to each individual to decide./

I understand too that it is hard in the "gay world" to date or even have a long relationship. It seems whenever we hang out with someone and have fun somewhere along the way someone wants sex. Don't get me wrong I like sex, but what I like the most is to love someone. Sadly many people after having sex with someone believe now it's a relationship and try and make it work as one. This isn't always the case and it shouldn't be. These relationships are usually not good for either of the two. One usually tries to make it work and another might try to control. They both do this because deep inside they know it will never work out in the end. Look at yourself. Do you change your personality when in a relationship to hold onto someone who isn't' right for you? Do you, and this is big, avoid your friends because you are dating someone? This is a good sign you ought not be in the relationship you are in. Those who like

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

ONE PROMISE GROUP, Narcotics Anonymous, every Sunday at 6PM, MCC-Omaha, 819 South 22nd St., for info contact Tamara B. at 714-8552

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

UNITY CHURCH OF OMAHA, 3424 N. 90, Omaha, 10:30am service and Wednesday meditation service at 7pm

GAMES DAY AT THE GLBT CENTER, 1719 Leavenworth, 2PM to 4PM

GAY MEN'S ALCOHOLICS ANONY-MOUS 4pm Lowe Avenue Presbyterian, 1023 N. 40 St Info call Mark 639-3055

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

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

WIMMIN'S SHOW, KZUM 89.3 12:30pm

Every Monday
A A RAINBOW RECOVERY", an AA group meeting at the MCCO Church at 6pm. Call 612-4648 for more info. Starting April 10th 2006

A A GLBT "RAINBOW GROUP" Meeting Place, 28 & S, Lincoln, 7:30 pm

GAY/BI/STRAIGHT SUPPORT GROUP HIV+ MEN 7pm every Monday, NAP, 2147 S. 15th St., Lincoln NE, contact Nick or Rick at 402 -476-3144

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

WOMEN'S SUPPORT GROUP Confidential, meeting at the MCCO Church, 819 S. 22nd St, call 345-2563 for meeting times, all women are welcome

Every Tuesday HASTINGS COLLEGE ALLIANCE, meet Tuesdays at 7PM (when college is in session). Please contact Dr Antje Anderson at <u>aanderson@hastings.edu</u> or Judy Sandeen at <u>jsandeen@hastings.edu</u> for further information.

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

Every Wednesday

AA FOURTH DIMENSION, 7pm, Open to men and women, 219 North 48th Street

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7-9pm, DC's Saloon

GAY & BISEXUAL MEN'S SUPPORT AND DISCUSSION GROUP 7–8:30pm, Meeting in Lincoln first and third Thursdays of the month. Call 434-9880 / 476-9668, held at the Unitarian Church, 6300 A Street, Lincoln

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KARAOKE 9pm, Connections Bar

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AA ALTERNATIVE MEETING, 7pm, open to men and women, at Lowe Avenue Presbyterian Church in the basement, 1023 North 40th Street

AA LIVE & LET LIVE, 8:15pm, Open to men and women, at Underwood Hills Presbyterian Church, 851 North 74th Street

GLBT CENTER YOUTH NIGHT, 6PM to 10PM, for ages 13 to 23. Youth sponsored and organized activities, under adult supervision. Every Friday, excluding holidays. 1719 Leav-

enworth Street

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

GLBT SEXUAL COMPULSIVE ANONY-MOUS, (SCA), A program of recovery, 8pm to 9pm, call Kirk at(402) 403-0277

HIV TESTING 5-7PM walk-in, NAP, 139 S. 40<sup>th</sup> Same day results

NAP OUTREACH CENTER HIV TESTING 7 TO 10PM, walk-in, 2202 St. Marys Ave., Same day results

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RAINBOW BIBLE STUDY, 6 to 7:30PM, Lowe Ave. Presbyterian, 1023 No. 40th St.

**Every Saturday AA SATURDAY AFTERNOON**, 1:30pm,
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Street, call 402-558-0733 for more info

**OLDER ADULT DROP-IN**, 4 TO 6PM, at the GLBT Center, 1719 Leavenworth St., for older adults age 50+, single or partnered, Free

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

### **MONTHLY EVENTS**

1st Tuesday LINCOLN MIXED CHORUS 6:30pm, Unitarian Church, 6300 A, Lincoln

**1st Thursday GAY & BISEXUAL MEN'S SUPPORT AND DISCUSSION GROUP** 7 to 8:30pm,
Meeting in Lincoln first and third Thursdays of the month. Call 434-9880 / 476 9668 for location and information.

<u>GLBT PROFESSIONALS</u>, meeting at 6PM. Email at: omahaglbtprofessionals@cox.net

1st Friday FIRST FRIDAY COFFEE HOUSE 8pm, Musicians, poets, open mic, First Unitarian Church, 3114 Harney, Omaha

1st Saturday OR Sunday HEARTLAND GAY RODEO ASSOCIA-

**TION**, Meeting days and times may vary, call 402-505-3331 for info or see www.hgra.net for meeting schedules etc.

**1st Sunday GAY GUYS SPAGHETTI NIGHT**, at a Lincoln restaurant, call 402-483-6183 to reserve a seat up until the day before

TRANSGENDER DROP-IN, 2 to 4pm at Rainbow Outreach GLBT Center, 1719 Leavenworth St. 2nd Wednesday ACTS II WORSHIP SERVICE, 7pm, MCC Omaha. 819 S. 22nd Street

**2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday PFLAG- OMAHA,** 7pm, First United Methodist Church

2nd Saturday
LEARNING TO EXCHANGE
POWER L2EP@aol.com 2pm; DC's
Saloon

**2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday** <u>INTEGRITY</u> 6-7:30pm, St. Marks, Lincoln NE

OUUT SECOND SUNDAY SCREEN-ING (glbt film shown at 7pm followed by discussion) First Unitarian, 3114 Harney

3rd Monday
PFLAG SOUTH CENTRAL
(HASTINGS, NE), Meeting on 3rd
Mondays at First Congregational United
Church of Christ, 7th and Marian St.,
7PM, email jsandeen@inebraska.com or
call 402.462.2961 or 402.460.8696

**3rd Tuesday IMPERIAL COURT OF NE**, Board of Governors meeting, 7:15pm, meeting at the Rainbow Outreach GLBT Community Center, www.imperialcourtofnebraska.org

HIV TESTING AT THE PANIC, Lincoln NE, 7-10PM walk-in, same day results, 200 South 18th Street

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<u>LES/BI/GAY BOOK DISCUSSION</u> <u>GROUP,</u> Village Inn, 78th & Dodge, 7 PM

3rd Friday
GAY/BI SUPPORT GRP FOR HIV+
MEN 6-8pm NAP, 220 S. 17,
Lincoln, 476-7000.

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4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday <u>PFLAG-CORNHUSKER</u> 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 Friday
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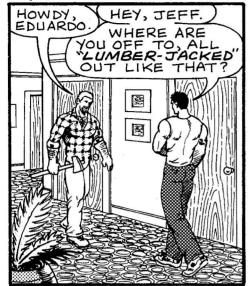
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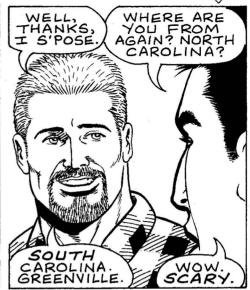
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George W. Bush reads the Gayzette.
(Ok, he just looks at the pictures.)

# Kyle's Bed & Breakfast by Greg Fox







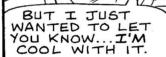




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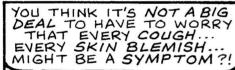






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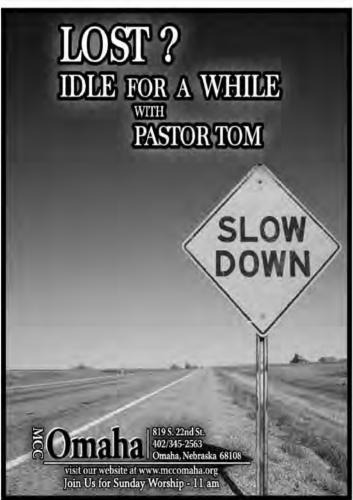
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# Community Announcements

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If you have a life event, birth, death, adoption, anniversary, wedding, graduation, memorial or other special announcement that you would like to see in the Gayzette, send it to Gayzette@cox.net and we'll be happy to publish it here for free.





(Relationships Are Hard, Continued from page 10)

to have many partners and not be in a relationship should be careful that the next person they are with won't think that after having sex they are now a partner for life. This is hurtful to those who don't get into relationships with a healthy start. Don't act out selfishly and hurt them. Don't allow your lust to control you to a point where you hurt others in such a way. It's because of this that makes dating or partnering with other gay men so hard. Anytime one of the two leaves town or is away there will always be someone after your significant other. It's easy to spot these. They appear helpful but don't communicate with both of you. They often times trick one of you into being around them. They usually do this when one of you is vulnerable and needs help. They do this not out of love but desire. Desire is a huge issue in the gay community. It is something way too many of us give into. We don't consider anyone else when we try to fulfill these desires. It often hurts one of our family members and is unhealthy for the predator or his prey. We as gay men must learn to control urges and learn the difference from friends and lovers.

I too have been hanging out with people and have found myself wanting to fool around, but I can't. Sex has crossed my mind quite a bit. It's just I can't do it. One reason might be self respect another might be my fear of aids, but mostly I think it's because for the first time in my life I actually fell in love. I know it's over now, but if I were to give into everyone of my bodies desires I probably will never be in a relationship as good or better again. There is something to be said for waiting till you find that special someone. Right now I'm somewhat content with going out with friends and having a good time without any sexual contact. I enjoy laughing and meeting people. Man, have I met a lot of people.

It's difficult but I understand much better that when gay men hang out, have fun, talk and get to know each other sex crosses their minds. It's what they finally decide on that makes a difference. Whether to hook-up or date or just remain friends. Our decisions make us who we are. We all have the potential for greatness and we have the potential for ruin.

Date, fool around, or just remain friends. These things are your decision and don't make you a bad person. It's just in my case I can't do some things no matter how much I want to.

Here's just a few ideas of how to tell if your guy is a "loser guy" This was taken from several articles by psychiatrists and I made them shorter and easier. If you want I'll give you the long list just e-mail me.

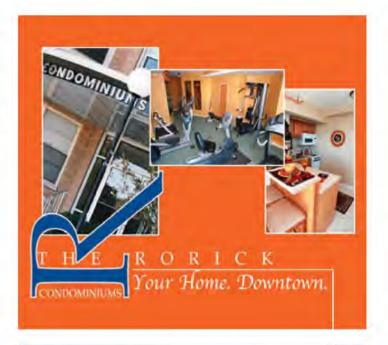
It's pretty easy to tell he's a loser when he hits you, makes you feel insecure, makes you feel like you need him more than anything in the world, calls constantly, doesn't trust you, and or has a terrible temper. However, some of the not so clear ways to tell are if you can't be yourself. You change yourself to fit "his" image of a boyfriend. You don't hang out with your friends and family anymore or go out to places you enjoy anymore. This is probably because your friends and family might influence you or offer negative opinions about the relationship.

If you find your friends and family don't like the guy you are with because they see a change in your personality or your withdrawal then the relationship is a bad relationship. If you can't bring him to see your family or friends then it's a bad relationship. If he doesn't want to be around your friends and family then again it's bad.

Often times if you just sit and listen to stories of someone about their past relationships you can tell what kind a person they are. If they tell funny stories about themselves or their past they are a humorous individual, good and decent. If they tell stories of

violence and aggression a flag should shoot up on this one. He's not someone to get into a relationship with. If they tell you of past relationships and how perfect they themselves were and their ex's were terrible then a flag should go up too. In the way and what is in the stories about themselves reveals who they are. If they tell stories of their lives with humor and jokes while being serious they are a humorous person. If they tell stories involving violence, aggression, being insensitive to others, rejecting others, etc then they are what their stories contain. They may be violent, aggressive, and so on. Listen to the stories they tell you.

People define themselves with their stories; they will tell you how you will eventually be treated and what's coming your way.



# **WANTED:**

Energetic, outgoing, and friendly persons to join this year's Pride 2008 "Pride Army of Volunteers" We will work with your flexible schedule. Many opportunities to help Rainbow Celebrations (Pride) besides Pride weekend. If interested email volunteer@rainbowcelebrations.org or fill out a form at http://www.rainbowcelebrations.org/NPvolunteers.htm

# Retired Military Officials Denounce "Don't Ask, Don't Tell"

Twenty-eight retired generals and admirals released a letter Friday urging Congress to overturn the ban on gays serving openly in the military, according to The New York Times. The letter cites information showing that 65,000 gay men and lesbians are currently serving in the military and that there are more than 1 million gay and lesbian veterans who have "served our nation honorably."

"We respectfully urge Congress to repeal the 'don't ask, don't tell' policy," the letter says. "Those of us signing this letter have dedicated our lives to defending the rights of our citizens to believe whatever they wish."

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# **Fitness Corner**

By Ron Blake **Certified Personal Trainer** 

I have been indulging myself lately with the finer aspects of food and beverage. I have acquiesced with my body's cravings for rectangular chocolate delights that are known to the masses as Snickers, Three Musketeers,

and Whatchamacallits. I have given in to the luscious temptations of the all-powerful supreme pizza with its smothering array of toppings and guilt. I have even fallen prey to the hypnotic sexual commercial suggestions of the beer and booze barons of this fair land. Yes, I have been greedily imbibing the works of the great fermentation experts such as Adolph Coors and August Busch. How can I possibly engage in such extreme epicurean behavior and still manage to put on my jeans without a forced smile? Of course I will disclose the many and varied means by which I make this feasible.

Each day I lace up my sneakers and head out on a seven mile romp through my neighborhood streets and enjoy the festively adorned homes. This provides me the opportunity to clear my mind and breathe in all those particulates from city living. It also affords me the chance to count the expanse of calories I burn off in the process. I usually get credit for 800 calories each day from this physical activity mode.

I am that guy who finds the parking space on the periphery of the mall parking lot. This is not a forced choice in response to all the holiday shoppers. I actively seek out the spot that is closer to the frontage road than the stores' entrances. This gives me the excellent opportunity to partake in the lost art of walking somewhere. Chalk up another couple hundred calories burned in a week's time.

Every other day I don my favorite ripped Guns N Roses T-shirt and my faded periwinkle Russell Athletic shorts and ease into my workout routine. I set my bicep, quadriceps, and triceps muscles into a sweet synergistic syncopation. I dedicate thirty minutes for every session and I am proudly able to record several hundred singed calories for that day's effort.

Some of my other calorie consuming moments has involved the firm scolding of my car and leaving him alone in the garage while I set out down the block to get the mail. I have often abandoned the comforts of my plush settee and even ignored the puppy dog eyes from my cuddly ottoman so that I could walk around the living room while discoursing with the likes of my Aunt Chilada on the telephone. Friends have even chided me for spending disproportionate time with the steps and hand railings of building stairwells than with the numbered buttons and "The Girl from Ipanema" music from elevators. Thankfully for me, these mundane activities afford me a cornucopia of numerous extra burned calories.

I am able to consume more of the Food Network creations than the average Punch and Judy because of my lifestyle. My gourmand way of life would soon dissipate if I would slink into the slothful practices of most of my fellow brethren. Free will gives you that chance to change it all starting today. I could certainly use some company on those lonely stairwells!

This health and fitness column is brought to you by that guy who likes to count the times people say the phrase "you know" in their conversations. That guy is Ron Blake and he can be unwrapped at www.goblakefitness.com

# Where Can You Find The Gayzette?

#### Omaha:

Connections, 1901 Leavenworth 933-3033 344-3103 DC's Saloon, 610 South 14th Street Dixie Quick's Restaurant, 1915 Leavenworth 346-3549 Flixx, 1015 South 10th Street Omaha 408-1020 Gnome's Bar, 1951 Saint Marys Ave The Max, 1417 Jackson St. 991-6470 346-4110 Metropolitan Community Church, 819 South 22nd Street Omaha Mining Co., 1715 Leavenworth Mystery Bookstore, 1422 South 13th St 449-8703 342-7343 Nebraska AIDS Project, 139 South 40th St 552-9260 Rainbow Outreach Metro Omaha GLBT Resource Center. 1719 Leavenworth St. (home of The Gayzette) 341-0330

#### Lincoln:

Panic Bar, 200 South 18th Street (as available) 435-8764 Q Bar, 226 South 9th Street (as available) 475-2269

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The pressure to repeal the ban is on members of Congress, as the Department of Defense is on record saying it will uphold whatever legislation Congress passes on the subject.

Each of the Democratic candidates running for president has pledged to end the "don't ask, don't tell" policy should they become president. In contrast, Republicans are unwilling to overturn the ban, citing, among other reasons, that wartime is not the right time to make changes and that repeal will hinder the unit cohesion of troops.

Friday marks the 14th anniversary of the policy's enactment by former president Bill Clinton. (The Advocate)

# Philly Boy Scouts Let Deadline Pass in Dispute Over Gay Policy

The Philadelphia chapter of the Boy Scouts of America could be forced to leave its city-owned headquarters after ignoring a request to either reverse the group's anti-gay policies or pay \$200,000 in rent, according to the Associated Press.

The Cradle of Liberty Council now pays \$1 a year for rent, but the city told the scouts last year that it could not continue to offer such a small fee to a group that discriminates. City Solicitor Romulo Diaz Jr. gave the chapter until Monday to announce its plans but received no response.

Jeff Jubelirer, a spokesman for the scouts, said that although the group can't afford \$200,000 in rent, they also can't contradict the national organization's policy.

"We do not feel obliged to respond to that date," Jubelirer told the AP, adding that the scouts are prepared to take the issue to court. "We didn't feel it was urgent to respond."

In a statement delivered Monday afternoon, Diaz said the city will "respect the right of the Cradle of Liberty Council to respond to the city's notice before the city considers appropriate next steps," according to the AP.

The U.S. Supreme Court ruled in 2000 that, as a private group, the Boy Scouts of America have a First Amendment right to turn away gays. (The Advocate)

# RIVER CITY BOWLING LEAGUE FILLS MCC PANTRY

The annual food drive for the MCC pantry was held November 18th, at Maplewood lanes. This year was a huge success. The bowlers brought more than 800lbs of food items and donated over \$500 in money donations.

We want to personally thank everyone involved in this success. Metropolitan Community Church is not only a wonderful place of worship it is a part of our community that helps so many. Without the River City Bowlers this would not have been the success it was.

We want to also take this opportunity to thank our community sponsors that provided the prizes for this drive: Ice Bowl, M's Pub, Vivace, Spezia Restaurants, Gnomes, DC's Saloon, Flixx, Rose n Crown Pub, Hair for More, Old Market Candy Shop, Danny Zczeblewski, and Maplewood Lanes. If We have missed someone we apologize.

Pastor Tom and the MCC community has passed along their warm wishes and many thanks to all of you!

# Uruguay to Allow Civil Unions

Uruguay will become the first country in Latin America to allow gay and lesbian couples to engage in civil unions nationwide as a result of legislation passed Thursday.

Though the senate has already approved the measure, revisions made to the bill since then require review by the senate, the San Diego Union-Tribune reports.

The legislation would grant same-sex couples the same social security, pension, inheritance, and parenting rights that heterosexual couples enjoy, though civil unions will not be called marriage.

Edgardo Ortuno, a member of the center-left ruling party, said the law could take effect as early as mid December.

"This recognition of the legal status of couples ... recognizes the legal status of homosexual couples, which gives it a completely new dimension," Ortuno said to the Union-Tribune. (The Advocate)

# Rye Bread

Two old guys, one 80 and one 87, were sitting on their usual park bench one morning.

The 87 year old had just finished his morning jog and wasn't even short of breath.

The 80 year old was amazed at his friend's stamina and asked him what he did to have so much energy.

The 87 year old said, "Well, I eat rye bread every day. It keeps your energy level high, and you'll have great stamina with the ladies."

On his way home, the 80 year old stops at the bakery. As he was looking around, the lady asked if he needed any help.

He said, "Do you have any rye bread?"
She said, "Yes, there's a whole shelf of it. Would you like some?"

He said, "I want 5 loaves."

She said, "My goodness, 5 loaves, by the time you get to the fifth loaf, it'll be hard."

He replied, "I can't believe it, everybody in the world knows about this shit but me."

# **Christmas With The Crawfords**

She's back...Joan Crawford, that is. Why snuggle close to the fire with someone you love, sipping egg nog and stealing a kiss under the mistletoe, when you are invited to Joan Crawford's house on Christmas Eve?

SNAP! Productions and Shelterbelt Theatre have teamed up again this year to give you the drag romp that the Omaha World -Herald says is "... one of the hottest tickets for the Holiday Season." Christmas With The Crawfords is sort of a "Mommie Dearest: The Musical" with a holiday theme and the show is back for it's fourth hilarious year.

This fundraiser sold out completely the first three years, so you won't want to miss your chance to spend Christmas With The Crawfords. Hedda Hopper will be there to telecast a live radio broadcast from Joan's living room. Hollywood elite will surely drop by to help keep the festivities interesting.

Christmas With The Crawfords is a refreshing antidote for the anxiety-prone times that the holidays are for so many. Perhaps the show's appeal is that it is just a lot of fun. Where else these days can you see the likes of Joan Crawford singing "Oh, Chirstmas Tree " as she wields an axe, or a grinning, gregarious Ethel Merman leading a rousing Jerry Herman song or Judy Garland offering "Have Yourself a Merry Little Christmas?" Christmas With The Crawfords may be the seasonal tonic you need.

Directed by Michal Simpson and musically directed by Todd Brooks, Christmas With The Crawfords features a top notch cast, and as in any musical, there's a lot of singing and dancing which anyone can enjoy, even those unfamiliar with the people and era covered. The fact that it is mostly men impersonating Hollywood's leading ladies adds a certain "extra dimension" to the roles. And there are all the bitchy lines one would expect in a show like this.

SNAP! Productions and Shelterbelt Theater are pleased to present Christmas With The Crawfords, December 13 - 16, 19-23, and December 26-30, 2007 at 3225 California Street. □ Curtain times are 8:00 pm for every night except Sunday which has a curtain time of 6:00 pm. The theater opens a half hour before curtain time. Reservations are strongly encouraged and may be made by calling 402-341-2757 or on the SNAP! website: www.snapproductions.com. Tickets prices for this fundraiser are \$20.00 and go on sale Thursday, November 15, 2007.

### I SPY.....

Hello there reader.

My name is Chris Orr and I am
doing an opinion column of just
whatever. Sometimes I'll be
expressing views or giving a
heads up on persons, places, or
things that need to be men-



tioned at all or more of. Remember this is an opinion column and does not reflect the opinions of those who are responsible (staff, owners, persons etc.).

I was told the other day that I was controversial. I just smiled and said thank you, not really thinking about it at the time. Then I did a photo shoot with a couple scenes in a way that I would do it, near naked and doing a parody of a scene. Also when I exit off the ramps to go onto Omaha streets nothing is green really. It's just maybe grass and a couple of trees or, mostly, what I see are pigweed and other unsightly weeds growing. What a way to really ensure the tourists we are in a cowpoke state. Yes there are some great structures on some downtown exits but not many. The great Old Market has half of the historic markings damaged or needing to be updated. Hey what about all those condos going up and nowhere to shop unless you're a woman. Look at the businesses, that's what most of them are geared after. Let's move Pride 2008 to a green space area to make it more family friendly and have room to move around instead of being cramped on a crappy ass brick street where the only relief is to go to a bar. Does Omaha need to clean up its image more? Does Pride need to be more family oriented? Do more men's stores besides suit shops need to be in the old market? Do the men who pose for pictures for the Max always need to be showing skin? You see, for a subject to be controversial it has to have opposing views. Sometimes it is "yes" that something needs to be improved or "yes" I am sick of this "one way and that's it" view or could it be the "let's face it" view. Let's face it, sex and skin sells, so The Max is right on having near naked men on its posters. Downtown Omaha isn't as beautiful as you think. They spark talk about political parties when it needs to be mentioned. Pride is trying to reach out to GLBT families and needs a different playground. Don't worry, the cruisers will still see men and booze and be on both quite a bit. You know that some of the things stated are right

and some in your view are not. That is why it is controversial, opposing views. So thank you for that comment and to now know, that I am a controversial person writing an opinion column to maybe see if a few people can think outside of the box and be themselves, controversial.

We need a miracle! Well we are getting one on December 9<sup>th</sup> @ 9:00 p.m. at The Max. Miracle on Jackson Street will be hosted by ICON and will be benefitting Toys 4 Tots. It will be a close race on seeing if it can top its last fundraiser Food 4 Thought, which raised \$4,600. Different money raising activities have been going on to help the benefit like candy cane sales and the angel raffle. There will be another raffle the night of Toys 4 Tots to help boost money donations with over \$500 of donated raffle prizes.

Brrr it's getting pretty cold outside! Coat check is open down at DC's Saloon and the coat check is a great fundraiser. ICON and Pride will be alternating weekends with coat check raising money for their causes. If there is one way to help out before this year ends, it is go down there and get your coat checked! After losing your coat, get your insides warmed up with DC's specials Bacardi on Friday and Jose on Saturday.

MCC-Omaha has quite a bit going on. They are displaying the AIDS Memorial Quilt the week of December 2<sup>nd</sup> – December 7<sup>th</sup>. Diamond Foundation and NAP are also helping them present it. If you see Rick Clark of Flixx Video Bar out and about make sure to give him a nice thank you for playing a significant role in bringing the Quilt to Omaha. The River City Mixed Chorus will be helping on the 7<sup>th</sup> with the closing ceremony. There will be a presentation of new panels and reading of names. The staple of Diamond Foundation, Kids of Camp Kindle, will be speaking out that week too. MCC-Omaha is giving parents some relief from their kids when they will have an activity day for the kids while their parents go shopping for their Christmas gifts or a peaceful afternoon at home. Remember that if you get lost, you could also idle for a while with Pastor Tom.

Websites of the bi-week: www.mccomaha.org // www.diamond-foundation.org // www.rainbowoutreach.org // www.rainbowdepot.com. So any gripes, comments, or having me check something out? Email me at: orrthumper83@yahoo.com



## **OMAHA GLBT SPORTS UPDATE**

By Chris Orr

Dodgeball is right around the corner! It will be one of the sports league's fundraisers. This event will be held on Saturday December 8<sup>th</sup> from 2 p.m. to 5 p.m. at Christie Heights Rec. Center. There will be two divisions of this one day tournament. First will be GLBT bars/organizations battling to be #1 and then individual groups of four will be competing. To find out more information about this and how to get involved check out www.omahaglbtsports.net for info.

Its time to start creating teams for softball! Softball will be held April through July, day and time to be posted with online registration. Online registration will start here in about a month so start recruiting! This season will be better than last with an kept up field, lights, and restrooms! More info at www.omahaglbtsports.net.

Below are scores from volleyball and the standings as of 11/29. Make sure to come cheer the ten teams on Sundays 6-8 p.m. @ Westroads Club. Free admission to spectators.

#### November 18th

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BROWN	21	21	21
GREY	5	14	11
PURPLE	21	21	21
RED	20	14	21
YELLOW	22	21	17
GREEN	21	25	23
ORANGE	15	23	21
WHITE	13	19	7
BLUE	21	21	21

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2	BLUE	3	0	8	- 1
3	PURPLE	2	1	7	2
4	YELLOW	2	1	5	4
5	RED	1	2	4	5
5	GREEN	1	2	4	5
7	BLACK	1	2	3	6
8	WHITE	1	2	2	7
8	OR- ANGE	1	2	2	7
10	GREY	0	3	1	8

### FRIDAY DEC 7TH

Amateur Strip Contest 7pm NO Underwear Party

Annie's Jazz 8pm - 9:30pm

Stella Dallas Presents:
"CHRISTMAS IN MAYBERRY R.F.D."
9:30pm

## SATURDAY, DEC. 8TH

Empress Madeline Feinstein Presents:
"A WINTER'S EVENING
IN IMPERIAL RUSSIA"
6pm

### SUNDAY DEC. 9TH

ICON Presents: "TOYZ4TOTZ" 9PM

## SATURDAY, DEC. 15TH

"NOT ANOTHER HOMO HOLIDAY?!?!"
Presented by Macy
& Teagan
6pm

## SUNDAY DEC. 16TH

"XXX-MAS THE TRUE CHRISTMAS STORY" Presented By: Rainbow Celebrations 9:30pm

## SUNDAY DEC. 23RD

"A NAUGHTY and NICE CHRISTMAS" Hosted By: Miss Max Reyna & Mr Max Jeffrey 10pm

# Monday, Dec 31st The Biggest Party In The Midwest!!! NEW YEARS EVE 9PM

