



## PFLAG Condemns "Ex-Gay" Conference Endorsed by Palin's Church

Parents, Families, and Friends of Lesbians and Gays condemned an "ex-gay" conference taking place Saturday in Anchorage, Alaska. Love Won Out, which claims to "cure" conferencegoers of homosexuality, has been endorsed by Republican vice presidential nominee Sarah Palin's church, the Wasilla Bible Church, according to a PFLAG press release.

Jane Schlittler, president of PFLAG's Anchorage chapter, said in the release that the conference is bad for families.

"The conference's organizers maliciously target often well-meaning parents who are dealing with a difficult issue in their lives, and in the process put their kids' well-being at risk," Schlittler said. "Make no mistake: There is far more 'preying' than 'praying' taking place at these meetings, and far more harming than healing in the doctrine of Love Won Out."

The group asked Palin in the statement to stand up against the conference.

While PFLAG Anchorage did not want to peg Palin as someone who believes that a person could stop being gay, it called on her to "make clear that she, as a mother and a public servant, will not condone, either explicitly or implicitly, such attempts at dividing our families and hurting our kids." (The Advocate)

## Support for Florida Marriage Ban Holding Steady

Once thought to be a strong contender for the vice presidential slot on the McCain ticket, long-rumored-to-be-gay Florida governor Charlie Crist is watching his approval ratings soar throughout Florida, according to a new Quinnipiac University poll.

The Palm Beach Post reports that approval for Crist has soared to 61% throughout Florida. The surge in Crist's poll numbers comes on the heels of two announcements: He's engaged to be married, and he supports a Florida ban on same-sex marriage.

Crist told reporters in early August that he supports Amend-

ment Two, which would constitutionally ban same-sex marriage throughout the state of Florida. At the time, Crist was still thought to be a top contender for the VP slot on McCain's ticket.

The Florida governor's support for Amendment Two was an about-face from his previous position on the issue of gay marriage. Though Crist had long shied away from commenting either way on the topic of gay marriage, reporters had credited him with a "live and let live" attitude.

As approval for Crist surges throughout the state, so does support for Amendment Two.

According to a recent article in the Miami Herald, 55% of voters throughout Florida support a ban on same-sex marriage. While that is short of the 60% approval needed to amend the constitution, recent polls suggest that number is holding.

Earlier this month, the blogs had a field day with Crist's announcement that he is engaged to be married -- to the head of one of the nation's largest Halloween costume manufacturing companies.

According to TowleRoad.com: "The woman marrying the gayish governor from the sultry Southern state actually makes beards." (The Advocate)

## HIV-Positive Man Sues McDonald's for Wrongful Termination

A man is suing a McDonald's restaurant in Dyersville, Iowa, allegedly it fired him because he is a gay man with HIV. Daniel Carver claims he was promised a promotion and a full-time schedule, which he did not receive, according to the Dubuque Telegraph Herald newspaper. A manager punched him in the stomach, and another employee called him a "faggot rat" and slapped him with a slice of cheese, Carver alleges. Additionally, he claims he received death threats from other employees. Though he reported the problems to a manager, the incidents continued. He was fired in February 2008, after almost four months of employment.

He has filed his claim with the Iowa Civil Rights Commission. The commission has sent Carver, 46, a right-to-sue letter, prompting him to file suit in the Dubuque County district court.

Iowa law prohibits workplace discrimination based on sexual

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orientation or gender identity. Since the law was enacted in 2007, the Iowa Civil Rights Commission has received six complaints for gender identity discrimination and eight for sexual orientation discrimination, according to the Telegraph Herald. State law also bans discrimination against an employee who is HIV-positive. The state's department of health reports that nearly 2,000 Iowans have HIV. (The Advocate)

## Judge Upholds Paterson's Marriage Recognition Order

The New York supreme court ruled Tuesday that Gov. David Paterson acted within his gubernatorial powers when he issued an executive order requiring state agencies to recognize same-sex marriages performed in other states and countries. The New York Times reports. Same-sex marriage has yet to be legalized in New York State.

Justice Lucy Billings wrote in her opinion, "When partners manifest the commitment to their relationship and family, by solemnizing that commitment elsewhere, through one of life's most significant events, and come to New York, whether returning home or setting down roots, to carry on that commitment, nothing is more antithetical to family stability than requiring them to abandon that solemnized commitment." She added, "Nothing is more antithetical to family stability than requiring [couples] to abandon that solemnized commitment."

Paterson issued the executive order on May 14. The Alliance

Defense Fund, a conservative group based in Arizona, represented 18 New York lawmakers and other opponents in filing a suit against the order in June, claiming that the order illegally bypassed the legislature's role in issuing the law. In July, Paterson and state attorney general Andrew Cuomo filed a motion to dismiss the case. Paterson said the order was to protect the state from being sued by New York couples who got married in other places and who would then seek recognition of their marriages upon their return.

The state assembly passed a bill to allow same-sex unions in 2007, but the bill has yet to come up for a vote in the senate, according to the Times.

Jim Campbell, a spokesman for the Alliance Defense Fund, said the group would appeal the court's ruling. "We believe that the trial court's ruling is incorrect and that the governor has in fact usurped his authority by overriding the people's decision to define marriage in New York as the union of one man and one woman," he said in a statement.

Lambda Legal represented state employees Peri Rainbow and Tamela Sloan, who married in Canada and wanted their home state to recognize their marriage. The court allowed the couple to intervene in the case.

"The court said that respect for out-of-state marriages of same-sex couples is the law in New York," Susan Sommer, senior counsel at Lambda Legal, said in a statement. "There has been a steady drumbeat of courts recognizing long-standing New York law as it applies to same-sex couples; we are very pleased. This

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is yet another example of the Alliance Defense Fund's failed attempts to challenge well-established New York law."

Paterson praised the judge, according to Newsday. "This ruling is an important affirmation that states are expected to recognize same-sex marriages legally performed in other states, unless existing laws prevent it," he said in the article. "New York has no such prohibition." (The Advocate)

## Dubai Detains Lesbian Couple for "Indecent Acts"

A lesbian couple vacationing in Dubai face imprisonment and subsequent deportation for "indecent acts in public," according to Menassat.com. The sentencing of a Lebanese lesbian and her Bulgarian companion to one month in jail for kissing and fondling each other on a public beach is stirring debate in the Arab media. Dubai's court of appeal has upheld the jail sentences, reports Dubai newspaper 7Days.

The women, ages 30 and 36, were, according to police reports, spotted being "intimate" with each other at Al Mamzar public beach in April. "The Lebanese woman was lying on top of the Bulgarian, and the two were cuddling and kissing each other in front of us," a shocked witness told 7Days.

Both women pleaded not guilty.

The "lesbian indecency" case is the first of its kind in the United Arab Emirates, a federation of seven states, including Dubai.

While Dubai is a popular destination for tourists, with a majority of its 5.6 million residents being foreigners, Islamic law is still the rule. So homosexuality is considered a crime, punishable by jail, deportation, or execution, according to Pinknews.com.

Forty men were arrested in July for not respecting "social values" and behaving "like the opposite sex," Dubai police lieutenant general Dahi Khalfan Tanim said in a statement. He said they were dressed as women. (The Advocate)

## Missoula Police Beef Up Outreach to Gays

The GLBT Community Liaison program in Missoula, Mont., is getting a makeover. With a website, posters, radio spots, and billboards, the Missoula Police Department and community partners are campaigning to stop bias and report it when it occurs, according to New West Missoula.

The effort has its roots in the work of a Missoula police officer who reached out to GLBT Missoulians in 2005 after some gays - and young men and women perceived to be gay -- were brutally beaten in unprovoked attacks. The officer drew up a form for reporting hate crimes and bias, said Missoula police chief Mark Muir.

Since the program began, only two complaints of bias harassment have been filed, and Muir is concerned that residents are unaware of available resources, according to New West.

The program was thrust into the limelight after being featured in a documentary on Logo in January 2007, but its visibility has since waned. (The Advocate)

## HRC Denounces Log Cabin Endorsement of McCain

Human Rights Campaign president Joe Solmonese released a statement Wednesday taking Log Cabin Republicans to task for its endorsement of Republican presidential hopeful John McCain and his running mate, Sarah Palin.

In the public statement, sent to all HRC members via e-mail and posted on HRC.org, Solmonese clearly outlined McCain's contribution to "writing discrimination into" the Constitution.

"John McCain claims to be a maverick who breaks with his party, but on matters of LGBT equality, he's shown that he's anything but," Solmonese said.

Responding to the Republican platform, which was officially laid out on Monday at the party's national convention, Solmonese used marriage, military service, and faith-based organizations as firepower against Log Cabin's endorsement.

"The Republican Party, McCain and Palin's party, has declared in its platform that they want to pass the Federal Marriage Amendment," Solmonese said in the statement. "Their party's platform also calls gay and lesbian Americans unfit for military service, supports policies that would allow faith-based organizations to deny us jobs and services using federal dollars, and attacks judges who acknowledge our equality under the law."

The Republican platform also endorses the renewal of the E-Verify employee verification system, which potentially creates chaos for transgender individuals whose documents may not be consistent, as well as abstinence-only sex education programs, according to PinkNews.UK.

The platform calls for "the continuation of failed abstinence-only-until-marriage sexuality education programs, which exclude and even demonize GLBT people," Solmonese added. (The Advocate)

## Hundreds Arrested for RNC Protest

More than 300 people were arrested for protesting in St. Paul, Minn., at the Republican National Convention since its start, two of them younger than 18. As of September 2, 120 of those individuals were arrested for felonies, while 12 were arraigned.

"With no provocation, police have indiscriminately used rubber bullets, concussion grenades, and chemical irritants to disperse crowds and incapacitate protesters," the Coldsnap Legal Collective, an activist-based legal collective supporting the arrestees, said in a statement.

Protesters were arrested during anti-poverty and antiwar rallies. (Continued on page 9)

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### Sexuality & Spirituality

Now, most liberal pastors will tell you that sex is a gift from God and that sex is holy. That's it. They're done. Then we have the conservatives. (Yikes!) For them sex is a sin unless your straight, married, you don't do it often and you don't enjoy it. What we get out of that is a lot of shame and confusion.

There is something else that we get out of it. We keep our spirituality and our sexuality separate. That's so unhealthy.

It's ok to have the words "God" and "sex" in the same sentence.

You're not going to believe this, but I had a boyfriend, over 10 years ago, the guy, in fact, that introduced me to MCC, insisted that we pray before sex. It would start out something like, "God, I pray that we have awesome sex, we thank you for this gift." I know, totally weird, huh. For a lot of us, that could kill



the moment and it gave me pause. Guess what? That was some of the best sex I have ever had and all I had to do was to invite God into my sexuality, into my intimacy and into my orgasm. To this day I often, not always, say a little silent prayer before getting down to it. It makes it more real.

Imagine for a moment what the world would look like if we were all saved sexually. Now, when I talk about sexual salvation I mean that none of us carried around baggage or brokenness around our sexuality in any way. Sexual salvation offers true sexual freedom for all of God's children allowing us to be our authentic selves without living into brokenness. I believe that it would mean there would be no more sexual exploitation of people for the "pleasure" of others, no more child porn or sexual abuse, no more men going on the "down low," and it does not stop there. Sexism and misogyny would begin to vanish and I believe that the ripples from that wholeness would also have an impact on reducing the effects of classism and racism. You see, our sexual brokenness is systemic. That's a fancy way to say that the shame we feel about our sexuality is passed around to others in seemingly unrelated ways. Fact, we all have some shame around our sexuality. Fact, sex is a kick-ass beautiful gift from our parent in heaven.

Sexual salvation means that each of us engages in a journey with God and with our partners to create our "sexual moral compass" that we might never live in regret or shame. So, now, go and invite God into your sex life, into your entire life. Be whole. Be healed.

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Police told the Associated Press that splinter groups of protesters have tried to get past security fencing, harassed delegates, and thrown bottles.

"Based on the vagueness of their charges and the program of police intimidation currently under way, these individuals understand how they will fare if they don't stick together," said Rick Kelley of Coldsnap Legal Collective.

Two unidentified minors were sentenced to 30 days in an adult jail on September 2 for refusing to divulge their identity

Marchers and protesters must be released within 36 hours of being detained if the courts cannot prove probable cause for their charges. However, Coldsnap claims medical attention is being withheld as punishment for refusal to provide identification. Detainees who refuse to identify themselves are refused medical prescriptions and charged with the maximum \$2,000 bail bond.

One arrestee with hemophilia and another with asthma were denied medication while being detained. An arrestee with a broken finger is being refused medical care, as is a person who has been coughing up blood, according to Coldsnap. (The Advocate)

## Man Confesses to Killing Gay NYC Student

Police have a confession from a 22-year-old man who claims he

was behind the slaying of gay student Kevin Pravia, 19, over the weekend in New York City. The body of the Pace University student was discovered by his roommate early Saturday morning.

Suspect Jeromie Cancel confessed to police Monday, telling them he punched the sleeping teen in the face, wrapped an electrical cord around his neck, stuffed a plastic bag in his mouth, and then smothered him with a pillow. He told police he then sat down next to the body and watched Saw on his television.

"He's mentally imbalanced," Cancel's father, Jesus Soto, told the New York Post. "He seemed off-balance. He didn't seem right."

According to Cancel, he met Pravia following a party at about 6 a.m. Saturday morning in New York's Union Square. Cancel claims he bought drugs from Pravia -- an allegation police told reporters they doubt -- before accompanying him back to his Chelsea apartment.

Cancel says the two were hanging out when Pravia fell asleep.

Police reported that Cancel made stole a cell phone, iPod, and laptop, which were later sold on the street. Cancel confessed to police after he was arrested Monday at his father's home in Queens.

Soto told police he had been estranged from his son for more than a decade before Cancel made contact earlier this summer. After staying at his home briefly, Soto said, Cancel robbed him and disappeared. He says he didn't see him again until Monday, when he arrived, bragging about killing someone.

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Only after Susan's parents arrived was I able to see her. Thankfully, they were caring people who accepted our relationship. The doctors predicted that Susan would not make it through the night. She died within the next hour. All that time had been wasted as I sat in that dark waiting room. She had been slowly dying alone, when I should have been holding her hand and couldn't."

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"He said, 'I just killed someone,'" Soto said. "He had no remorse. He had a big smile. Then he told me again he killed someone. I called the cops, and when they pulled up — and he just turned to cops and told them he just killed someone."

Police told reporters Soto had said his son was with someone shortly before the cops arrived. That man took off on foot, and reporters say they're uncertain whether police have any leads on that individual's identity. (The Advocate)

## **Gay Couple Reaches Settlement With University of Hawaii**

A gay couple who were denied housing for married couples at the University of Hawaii have settled their dispute out of court, the Associated Press reported Sunday. Plaintiffs Joseph O'Leary and Phi Ngo said the school wouldn't allow them to return to the same housing area they had previously occupied because it was reserved for married couples. However, the university has now revised its family housing policies to include same-sex couples for this school year. Ngo and O'Leary have also received a \$5,000 settlement from the school.

Lambda Legal, which represented the couple, argued that the state supreme court previously ruled that denial of marriage-type benefits to same-sex couples was a violation of the Hawaii constitution. (The Advocate)

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## Improvements Continue at MCC

Preparations are underway at MCC for the installation of the deck and ramp that will allow easy access to the sanctuary door level for people of all abilities. The city permits have finally been obtained and construction should be underway as you read this article. We invite you to drop by and see the progress we've been making!

In addition, a generous donor has constructed a retaining wall just to the east of the new ramp and deck. This beautiful rock wall provides a striking backdrop to the entry pad that will be installed at the



southwest door of the church. Extensive landscaping will continue to allow a gentle slope leading from the church to the large lawn on the south lots. This new open space has already provided a place for neighborhood children to play and by next summer will be the site of a Church Festival for the entire community.

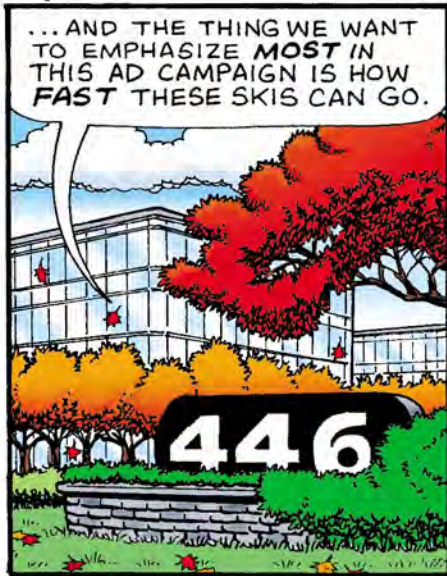
## PANTRY GETS BOOST

Thanks to the encouragement of Don Randolph, longtime friend of the church, MCC-Omaha is now a member of the Food Bank. What a wonderful experience this is turning into. Last week we shopped at the Food Bank for the very first time. Our first trip provided us with about 140 pounds of food for just over \$21. After a tour of the facility, we returned to MCC, where we helped Office Manager Troy Fienhold-Haasis shovel the canned goods we purchased. Then we sat down to construct our first order of food from the Food Bank. This was an adventure in itself as we tried to decipher all the coding and remember all the explanations we'd been given. In the end, we called in an order for 17 cases of meat, pasta, fruit, cereal, and other canned items. Thursday we did our first pick-up, and with 17 cases, yes, we needed a pickup!



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HEHE. **RIGHT.**



EXCUSE ME? DID I SAY SOMETHING **HUMOROUS**?

UH... **NO,** IT'S JUST...



... **SPEED ISN'T** THE MOST **IMPORTANT** THING IN A SKI. IT'S **CONTROL.**

ALL SKIS CAN GO **FAST**... IT'S THE **LEVEL OF CONTROL** A SKIER HAS OVER IT THAT MAKES THE **DIFFERENCE.**



WHY ARE WE WASTING OUR TIME LISTENING TO THE **COMPUTER REPAIR FREAK**?

AND WHAT DOES A GUY IN A **WHEEL-CHAIR** KNOW ABOUT **SKIING**, ANYWAY? THIS IS **ABSURD.**



I GREW UP IN SUGAR HILL, NEW HAMPSHIRE. RIGHT IN THE HEART OF NORTHEAST **SKI COUNTRY.**

I WAS ALSO A **DOWN-HILL RACER** ON THE **WORLD CUP CIRCUIT** BEFORE I... LOST THE USE OF MY LEGS.



**SERIOUSLY?**

YEAH. I USED TO RACE AGAINST GUYS LIKE **BODE MILLER** AND **STEFAN BENNETT.**

I PROBABLY WOULD'VE MADE THE **OLYMPIC TEAM**... IF NOT FOR...



SO, YOU'RE SAYING **CONTROL** IS THE KEY FACTOR IN A **DOWNHILL SKI**?

YUP. AND **SOLID EDGES.** THEY HAVE TO CUT THE ICE RIGHT, OR YOU'RE **SCREWED.**

LET ME WRITE THIS DOWN.



YOU ALSO MIGHT WANNA' CONSIDER A **CELEBRITY ENDORSER.** THAT'LL GET SKIER'S **ATTENTION.**

WE TRIED TO GET **STEFAN BENNETT.** HE'S **IMPOSSIBLE** TO EVEN **REACH**



I HAVE HIS NUMBER ON **SPEED DIAL.**

WHO ARE YOU?

I'M JUST THE **COMPUTER REPAIR FREAK**...

# GAYZETTE COMING EVENTS

**Rainbow Outreach  
Metro Omaha GLBT Center  
1719 Leavenworth, Omaha**  
(mail address: PO Box 8583 Omaha NE 68108)

## WALK-IN HOURS

Sundays 2:00PM - 6:00PM  
Tuesdays closed temporarily  
Thursdays 7:30PM - 9:00PM  
Fridays 6:00PM - 11:00PM

**\*Closed Most Major Holidays  
(402) 341-0330  
www.rainbowoutreach.org**

**The GLBT Center welcomes gay, lesbian, bisexual, transgender, and allied persons; we encourage all to attend GLBT Center events and activities. We celebrate unity and diversity - sexual orientation, gender identity, sex, race, religion, age, ability, ethnic and national origin.**

## October is GLBT History Month

### WEEKLY EVENTS

#### Every Sunday

**WORSHIP SERVICES:**  
**AUGUSTANA LUTHERAN CHURCH,**  
ELCA, 3647 LaFayette Ave., Omaha GLBT  
friendly, www.augustanalutheran.com

**CROSSROADS COMMUNITY FELLOWSHIP,** Meeting at the Rainbow Outreach GLBT Community Center, 1719 Leavenworth St., Fellowship starts at 6PM, services begin at 6:30PM, Everyone Welcome!

**DIETZ METHODIST** 1423 S.10, Coffee-house casual downstairs at 9am, Traditional Worship at 11am

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

**FIRST CENTRAL CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH, UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST,** info at: www.firstcentral.org

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

**FIRST UNITARIAN** 3114 Harney, 11am services

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

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

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

**HIV+ SUPPORT GROUP** 7-8:30 pm at the NAP office located at 1921 South 17<sup>th</sup> Street in Lincoln, NE.

**LOWE AVE PRESBYTERIAN,** 1023 N 40  
10am service

**METROPOLITAN COMMUNITY CHURCH OF OMAHA** 819 S. 22, 345-2563 Sunday Worship 9am and 11am & Wednesday Worship at 7pm

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

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

**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

**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 REHEARSALS,** 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 [aander-son@hastings.edu](mailto:aander-son@hastings.edu) or Judy Sandeen at [jsandeen@hastings.edu](mailto:jsandeen@hastings.edu) for further information.

**UNL LESBIAN/BI/QUESTIONING SUPPORT GROUP.** 7-8:30PM, Women's Center,

Nebraska Union, Lincoln, 472-5644

#### Every Wednesday

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

#### FRONTRUNNERS RUN/WALK

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

**HIV TESTING LINCOLN,** 4-7 pm, results in 20 minutes, 1921 So. 17th St. 402-476-7000

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

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

**NAP HIV TESTING,** 1:30pm to 4 pm by appt. ONLY, 139 S. 40 St., same day results, call 402-552-9260 for info

**UNITY CHURCH OF OMAHA,** 7pm

#### WORSHIP SERVICES

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

#### Every Thursday

**DANCE LESSONS WITH GORDON** 7-9pm, DC's Saloon

**FREE CONFIDENTIAL ANONYMOUS HIV TEST,** UNL 472-7447, 2:30 to 4:30pm, University Health Center Room 164 (next to Pharmacy on the first floor), Orasure test, no needles, Lincoln NE, results in one week - will close most of May and reopen May 30th 2008 - call for more info

**KARAOKE** 9pm, Connections Bar

**NAP HIV TESTING** 5pm- 9pm walk-in, 139 S. 40<sup>th</sup> Same day results,

#### Every Friday

**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

**FREE CONFIDENTIAL ANONYMOUS HIV TEST,** UN-L 472-7447, 2:30 to 4:30pm, University Health Center Room 164 (next to Pharmacy on the first floor), Orasure test, no needles, Lincoln NE, results in one week

**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 Leavenworth Street

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

**NAP HIV TESTING** 5pm-9PM walk-in,

NAP, 139 S. 40<sup>th</sup> Same day results

**NAP OUTREACH CENTER HIV TESTING**

7 TO 10PM, walk-in, 2202 St. Marv's Ave.,  
Same day results

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

**Every Saturday**

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

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

**MONTHLY EVENTS**

**1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday**

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

**1<sup>st</sup> 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 loca-  
tion and information.

**GLBT PROFESSIONALS**, meeting at 6PM.  
Email at: glbtprofessionals@cfep-ne.org or see  
www.omahaglbtprofessionals.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 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.

**1<sup>st</sup> Sunday**

**GAY GUYS SPAGHETTI NIGHT**, at a Lin-  
coln 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 Leaven-  
worth St.

**2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday**

**ACTS II WORSHIP SERVICE**, 7pm, MCC  
Omaha, 819 S. 22nd Street

**2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday**

**PFLAG- OMAHA**, 7pm, First United Meth-  
odist Church

**2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday**

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

**2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday**

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

**OUUT SECOND SUNDAY SCREENING**

(glbt film shown at 7pm followed by discus-  
sion) First Unitarian, 3114 Harney

**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

**PFLAG SOUTH CENTRAL**

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

**3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday**

**GAY & BISEXUAL MEN'S SUPPORT  
AND DISCUSSION GROUP**

7- 8:30pm, Meeting in Lincoln on the  
third Thursday of the month. Call 434-  
9880 / 476 9668, held at the Unitarian  
Church, 6300 A Street, Lincoln NE

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

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

**3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday**

**FLOWER OF HOPE** Transgender  
Group, Meeting on the 3rd Saturday of  
each month at the Rainbow Outreach  
GLBT Center, 1719 Leavenworth St.,  
Omaha NE. from 6PM to 9:30PM

**3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday**

**TRANSGENDER DROP-IN**, 2 to 4pm  
at Rainbow Outreach GLBT Center, 1719  
Leavenworth St.

**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—  
OMAHA**

Not currently meeting.

**Last Saturday of the Month**

**NAP HIV TESTING**, 11AM-3PM,  
WALK-IN, 139 SOUTH 40TH ST.

**Look at This Wasted Space**

**Your Event Could Be Listed**

**Here For Free!!**

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

**DO NOT TALK TO  
MY PARROT!!!**

Wanda's dishwasher quit working so she  
called a repairman.

Since she had to go to work the next day,  
she told the repairman, "I'll leave the key  
under the mat. Fix the dishwasher, leave  
the bill on the counter, and I'll mail you a  
check."

"Oh, by the way don't worry about my dog,  
Spike. He won't bother you. But, whatever  
you do, do NOT, under ANY circumstanc-  
es, talk to my parrot!" "I REPEAT; DO NOT  
TALK TO MY PARROT!!!"

When the repairman arrived at Wanda's  
apartment the following day, he discovered  
the biggest, meanest looking dog he has  
ever seen. But, just as she had said, the  
dog just lay there on the carpet watching  
the repairman go about his work.

The parrot, however, drove him nuts the  
whole time with his incessant yelling, curs-  
ing and name calling. Finally the repairman  
couldn't contain himself any longer and  
yelled,

"Shut up, you stupid, ugly bird!"

To which the parrot replied, "Get him,  
Spike!"

# GLBT RESOURCE LIST

## OMAHA BASED

**Alphabet (ABC) Soup at UNO**, [http://groups.yahoo.com/group/uno\\_abcoup](http://groups.yahoo.com/group/uno_abcoup), Phone Student Organizations at 554-2711.

**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 or see [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 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

**Gay Lesbian Straight Education Network - Omaha**, Box 641676, Omaha 68164, 712-325-0117 <http://www.glsenomaha.org>

**GayLibrary.com**, World Wide Resources

**GLBT PROFESSIONALS**, meeting at 6PM. Email at: [glbtprofessionals@cfep-ne.org](mailto:glbtprofessionals@cfep-ne.org) or see [www.omahaglbtprofessionals.org](http://www.omahaglbtprofessionals.org) for info

**Heartland Gay Rodeo Association**, see [www.hgra.net](http://www.hgra.net) for information

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

**Imperial Court of Nebraska**, Box 3772, Omaha 68103 556-9907, Board Meets 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday, Rainbow Outreach GLBT Center, [www.icon.impcourt.org](http://www.icon.impcourt.org)

**Learning to Exchange Power**, [L2EP@aol.com](mailto:L2EP@aol.com); Social, educational group novices in Leather, S/M, B/D Lifestyle

**Leather Engineers of Omaha (LEO)** Box 8101, Omaha, 68108-8101 Gay men in leather lifestyle, 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

**Lowe Avenue Presbyterian Church**, 1023 No. 40th St., fully open to GLBT's,

**Mpower Program**, 139 S. 40, Omaha 68131 email: [mpower@nap.org](mailto:mpower@nap.org) website: [www.mpower-nap.org](http://www.mpower-nap.org) phone:

402.552.9260x20, Holistic Gay Men's Health Program

**Metropolitan Community Church of Omaha**, 819 S. 22 St., Omaha 68108 345-2563, [mccomaha@mccomaha.org](mailto:mccomaha@mccomaha.org) Website: [www.mccomaha.org](http://www.mccomaha.org) Sunday Worship 11am, Wed. Worship at 7pm

**NA Rainbow Group**, Narcotics Anonymous, meets every Sunday at 6pm, MCC -Omaha Church, 819 South 22nd St

**Nebraska AIDS Project**, 552-9260 Watanabe Wellness Ctr, 139 S. 40, Omaha 68131, Testing Wed from 1:30-4PM by appointment only, Thurs 7PM-9PM results in a week, Fri 5PM-10PM with 20 minute results Call 402-552-9255 info

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

**Nebraska GLBT Events**, Community Events Calendar web site, see [www.NebraskaGLBTEvents.com](http://www.NebraskaGLBTEvents.com)

**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

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

**Omaha Bi Married Men** Yahoo Group <http://groups.yahoo.com/group/OmahaBiMarriedMen>

**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 GLBT Professionals**, Contact [omahaglbtprofessionals@cox.net](mailto:omahaglbtprofessionals@cox.net) for more info.

**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)

**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** Box 390064, Omaha, 68139-0064 291-6781 Website: [www.pflag-omaha.org](http://www.pflag-omaha.org), email [info@pflag-omaha.org](mailto:info@pflag-omaha.org) Meet 2<sup>nd</sup> Thurs, 1st United Meth, 7020 Cass

**Proud Horizons Youth Group**, Sat Afternoon, info: (402) 291-6781 or email [proudhorizons@yahoo.com](mailto:proudhorizons@yahoo.com)

**Prairie Bares**, nudist group, no further info available

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

**Rainbow Bible Study**, Fridays, 6-7:30pm,

Lowe Ave Presbyterian, 1023 N. 40 St.

**Rainbow Celebrations**, PO Box 8488, Omaha, 68108, 402-212-6302 locally, 866-NE-PRIDE toll free, sponsors of annual Gay Pride & National Coming Out Day, for complete information see [www.rainbowcelebrations.org](http://www.rainbowcelebrations.org)

**River City Gender Alliance**, P.O. Box 4083 Omaha, NE 68104, for info call 402.813.1842 or Email: [info@rivercitygenderalliance.org](mailto:info@rivercitygenderalliance.org)

**River City Mixed Bowling II** 3pm, Sundays, Maplewood Lanes, Omaha Norma Harrison (402) 731-5706

**River City Mixed Chorus**, Box 3267, Omaha, NE 68103, 402-341-SING Website: [www.rcmc.org](http://www.rcmc.org)

**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

**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)

**WomenSpace**, no current info is available

**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://pflag.ineb.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

**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**, Con-

tact 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 Pride, [www.councilbluffspride.org](http://www.councilbluffspride.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>

# Omaha GLBT Sports

Chris Orr

Volleyball sign ups are underway for the sports league! All information is available on our web-site

[www.omahaglbtsportsleague.org](http://www.omahaglbtsportsleague.org).  
Deadline to be registered is October 26th! Here is some brief information about volleyball. Volleyball will be played Sundays November 2nd thru February 22nd. Game time is 6 p.m. - 8 p.m. The cost per player for the season is \$20. Volleyball will be played at The Volleyball Center located inside The Westroads Club (1212 North 102nd Ct.)



The last two weeks of games played have been amazing. The weather has been the best it could be, except 9/4's second game, you needed a jacket or hoodie if you were busy being a spectator. Speaking of spectators, thanks to all of you who has shown up to see us! The games have just been keeping everyone guessing on what is going to happen next. At least one game of the night from the last two weeks have ended up as a tie. Some players have made some miracle catches, runs, or getting up after running into another player or taking a fast fall. Starting with the 8/28 games, they were as close as close could get. First game of the night had Blue Vs. Black. Black had used many passing plays to advance the ball. Blue kept up by doing only a little handful of passing plays and doing extra running plays. Blue had one interception but got called on a penalty to lose it. Black also received some yardage on a clean interception. The game was tied at the end of the second half to go into overtime. After four downs per team neither one scored to have the game won, they remained tied. Second game of the evening was Green VS. Red. The game had gone off with a battle of the running plays. Red had seemed to find the room on the bounds lines for laterals and moving the ball or sweeping for a hand off and up the outs. Green used a mixed bag of both with having short passes working out for the best. It was in the last minutes of the second half that Green had won the game with three touchdowns and no extra points for the evening. The

### One Liners We Like.....

A group of chess enthusiasts checked into a hotel and were standing in the lobby discussing their recent tournament victories. After about an hour, the manager came out of the office and asked them to disperse. "But why," they asked, as they moved off.  
"Because", he said, "I can't stand chess-nuts boasting in an open foyer."

Two fish swim into a concrete wall. The one turns to the other and says "Dam!"

### Community Announcements

**Post your  
announcement  
here!**

**It's FREE!**

**Send it to  
[gayzette@cox.net](mailto:gayzette@cox.net)**



**Did you know that you can see the entire *GAYZETTE* on our web site?**

**Go to:**

**[www.rainbowoutreach.org](http://www.rainbowoutreach.org)**

**And click on the Publications link.  
George W. Bush reads the Gayzette.  
(Ok, he just looks at the pictures.)**



9/4 games was interesting to say the least. First game of the night was Blue VS. Red. Red team was dominating in the interception arena catching three for the evening. Blue kept trying all sorts of passing plays that didn't work in the first half. In the second half Red team had some long yardage passes that worked out well. Blue had decided to try some deception of ball carrying. Blue team also had one player who played with a wrapped thumb. It really was an interesting game. Red takes this one for the evening. Game two of the night was Green VS. Black. Both teams had some lofty passes and players reaching for the stars to receive them. It was when the tallest players tipped the ball and the ones below were there to catch it off of the tip. Green had scored one of their touchdowns this way and Black got an interception off of an attempted catch. Players also had a little difficult time staying on the feet when Green tried to catch a touchdown pass and just didn't have the footing. Black again had some wheels and got some long distance complete passes. This game had also went into overtime with the score tied at the end of the second half. The score was tied at 20. Both teams scored on their extra four downs to try and win the game. Both had scored again and also didn't receive any extra points. The game ended in a tie.

You can come see all the excitement of the games every Thursday until the last game of the season on September 25th. Game time is at 7 p.m. & 8 p.m. We play at Churchich Park on 50th & "C" Street. You may want to bring a chair or blanket to sit on.

August 28th

Blue 26 VS. Black 26 OT  
 Green 18 VS. Red 14

September 4th

Blue 6 VS. Red 16  
 Green 26 VS. Black 26 OT



## Where Can You Find The Gayzette?

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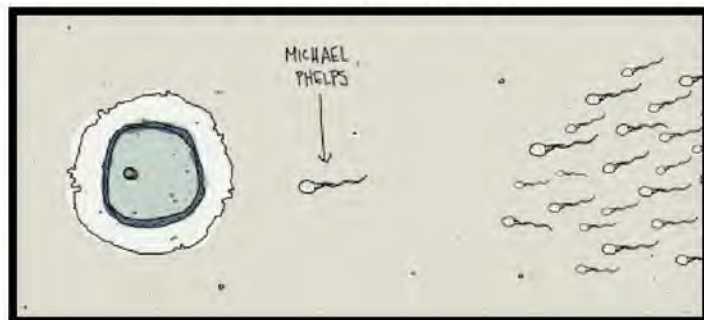
Connections, 1901 Leavenworth	933-3033
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Flixx, 1015 South 10th Street Omaha	408-1020
Gnome's Bar, 1951 Saint Marys Ave	991-6470
The Max, 1417 Jackson St.	346-4110
Metropolitan Community Church, 819 South 22nd Street	
Omaha Mining Co., 1715 Leavenworth	449-8703
Mystery Bookstore, 1422 South 13th St	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

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Panic Bar, 200 South 18th Street (as available)	435-8764
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**Would you like to have the Gayzette at your Place of business? Email your request to: [Gayzette@cox.net](mailto:Gayzette@cox.net)**

**Michael Phelps started swimming at a VERY young age.**



# Fitness Corner

By Ron Blake  
Certified Personal Trainer



I accomplished so much this week. I deserve a few gold stars and a heaping helping of ice cream with chocolate syrup.

I turned my back yard into a back yard again. I finally got grass to grow and weeds to die. The bushes were all neatly trimmed and the birdbath was restored to its natural luster. The lawnmower was jolted from hibernation and I found the neighbor kid's cluster of kick balls somewhere in the floral mayhem.

I lassoed my dug Buddy and frog marched him to the bath tub. He got the imperial rinse and wash. He was then escorted to the vet for an afternoon of nail clipping, shots, and the look around those big ears. I then made good on my promise of beef flavored doggy treats on the way home.

I cleaned out the closet and got rid of those shirts from my college days. It's not so bad if you graduated a few years ago. It's a whole other story when you were summa cum laude in 1991. Four Hefty bags of preppy striped polos and alligator shirts made the Trail of Tears to the Goodwill drop box.

The attention turned to the kitchen and the crowd gasped. I donned the latex gloves and became intimate with my bleach and bucket duo. We saw things that are better left untold. Two hours and four sponges later, the operation was a success. I was happy to inform the ketchup and mayonnaise that they could breathe once again without worry.

The cries from my garage were loud and ghastly. I threw open the sash and what did I see? Two horribly filthy cars and a grandiose job awaiting me! On Comet! On Cupid! On Donner! On Blitzen! I tried to conjure up their help but they just wouldn't listen! It was just me and my environmentally friendly chemicals to restore those autos for a beautiful glisten.

The honey do list proliferated as my week chugged into third gear. The next item on my list had started in third place and was now staring me down at its procrastinated spot of number nine. I could shove it further down the list but did I really want the wrath of a partner that could withhold bedroom pleasures. I scratched my head, furrowed my brow, and ultimately painted the accent wall with those five gallons of magpie magenta.

I didn't run or workout the entire week. I just couldn't find the time; I was busy with work too. Should I capitulate to the gods of fitness and prepare for the twenty lashes with a wet noodle? Naw! Life happens and you are gonna have some detours. I did however engage in plenty of good hard physical work this week and I will get back to my regular routine real soon. As for all that hard work...the in-laws are coming, the in-laws are coming! Anyone have a spare bedroom!

This column is brought to you by that guy who wants to name his first son Bris. This guy is Ron Blake and he can be chastised about his silly ways at [blake.fitness@yahoo.com](mailto:blake.fitness@yahoo.com)

## MCC-Omaha To Host Baby Shower

Senator Gwen Howard, the Health/Wellness and Community Service ministries are sponsoring a baby shower for the Youth Emergency Service (YES) Maternity Group Home opening in Bellevue, NE.

This event will take place on Sunday September 28, 2008 from 2-5pm in the social hall at MCC-Omaha, 819 S. 22nd St., Omaha, NE.

Donations are needed to get this group home opened. Items needed are children's dishes, baby bottles, cribs, baby swings, Sippy cups, baby towels and many other items. If anyone wants to donate any items please contact Connie at 402 391-2292 or Kevin Marik at 402 658-8494. Donations will also be picked up.

There is a drop box at the church in the social hall for donations.

Special thanks to a kind donation from the Zeta Anderson Auxiliary VFW Post 2503 to help support this project.

Everyone is invited to attend this special event on September 28, 2008.



## MCC-OMAHA HOSTS ITALIAN NIGHT

September 20, 2008 will mark the annual spaghetti dinner held at MCC-Omaha. This event will feature a delicious Italian meal with all the trimmings.

The event will be held at the social hall at MCC-Omaha 819 S. 22nd St. Omaha, Nebraska.

Mark your calendars, this is an event you won't want to miss.

Tickets are on sale now. Contact Tony Harris, Monty McClean or Kevin Marik at 402 553-3204 or 402 658-8494. Tickets are also available at the church 402 345-2563. Tickets will cost \$7.00, which includes spaghetti, garlic bread, salad, dessert, beverage and 1 raffle ticket to win a great prize. For anyone 12 and under the tickets will be \$4.00.

This event will be hosted by Monty McClean, Tony Harris and Kevin Marik. All the proceeds will go the Accessibility and General Fund so that MCC-Omaha can continue to outreach to all those in the community.

Join all your family and friends at MCC-Omaha on Saturday September 20, 2008 from 4:30pm to 7pm. Don't miss this event, you never know who you might see there. There will be a live auction, raffles and some great entertainment.



# 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 mentioned 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.).

Disguises can bring a lot of meaning to many different things. Disguises are sometime a good thing or a bad thing. When you color your hair you disguise its real natural appearance. An individual, who chats online and censors their face but shows the rest, is a disguise of identity. Well, unless you have that tattoo. What about a person who seems close to you but when shit hits the fan, they are nowhere to be seen? That is a disguise of a possible ulterior motive or it could be the disguise of attempting to be a human being with feelings.

Disguises come and go in society. I mean Sarah Palin is wearing Ann Coulter, or maybe the other way around. John McCain got a facelift to hide his old ways of government. If I was him though, I'd sue the doctor because he still has flaws showing.

Could the media be disguising Obama? They keep relating him to the Kennedys and we know what happened to two of them.

What about the disguise of Omaha's new ball park we are going to have built? It seems like a disguise for top businesses in cahoots in Omaha to jump back into bed together.

Sometimes disguises are silly. The President tries to appear as a leader when you can see him being a jack ass everyday on multiple websites and television. It makes you want to disguise yourself as anything but American. Wouldn't it be funny if a movie about him did as well at the box office as his approval rating in the U.S.?

The other funny and silly disguises were the Bosom Buddies, Grace's water bra, and Salty Balls from SNL. Other times disguises are nothing but a scheming trick to the mind.

Family values wears a disguise pretty well when you are a bible thumping Republican. We have out of wedlock babies, shunned family members, and multiple divorces. These people are twice as crazy as homos running around saying they are a Republican.

The FISA bill is a great disguise of the fight against terrorism. Because you know, we have terrorists communicating with the Americans on a U.S. network that these terrorist don't think they will get caught. But has anyone else noticed how many high profile people are starting to get arrested, jailed, or damaged information about them?

If you look closer and in-between the lines, these are people who are on our side of the color blue. If you like disguises, make sure you wear them well but don't wear them out. Once yours is gone, we get to see the what's really underneath it all.

Now for a fun disguise. Sunday September 21st will be the Gay Heroes show down at DC'S Saloon. This will be a 50/50 split fundraiser for Nebraska Pride 2009 and Gay American Heroes. The show starts at 9:30 p.m. with a variety of performances. To learn more about Gay American Heroes and it's cause, please visit [www.gayamericanheroes.com](http://www.gayamericanheroes.com).

History will be made Saturday September 13th. At 9:00 p.m. a ceremony will begin and the pedestrian bridge connecting Council Bluffs to Omaha or Iowa to Nebraska will be lit. It is only this pedestrian bridge that will connect two states in the United States. It has been announced that they will name the bridge after Bob Kerry. The actual bridge will be open in October.

So any gripes, comments, or having me check something out? Email me at [orrrthumper83@yahoo.com](mailto:orrrthumper83@yahoo.com)

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