The GayZette



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Pride Prom Was a Ball

Carrie Spencer

On Saturday, May 15, local LGBT youth and their allies celebrated at the sixth annual Tom Mahony Pride Prom.

This year's theme was Black & White Ball. We were once again thrilled to see an increase in attendance. Three hundred and fourteen youth from surrounding high schools, colleges and middle schools came to the prom, a five percent increase over last year.

Once again performers from the Imperial Court of Nebraska (ICON) entertained at the prom. ICON, led by the efforts of Macy Riley, as in past years, raised money all year for Pride Prom and PFLAG's youth group, Proud Horizons.

Music at this year's prom was again provided by DJ Jim Kaup and professional photos were taken by Lisa Welch.

Additionally, four off-duty Omaha police officers generously gave up their Saturday nights to make sure the prom was safe for all.

I have the privilege of serving on the Pride Prom committee. This year I spent some time accessing the crowd. I noticed the single girl, newly out, who came to the prom just to check it out and stayed to chat with chaperones. I noticed a few boy-girl couples who were there having fun with their gay friends. I saw lots of kids who I have a pretty good feeling would never go to their school's prom. These kids inspire me and I'm so proud to be a part of a group that can give them a place to completely be themselves for a few hours.

Thank you to all the generous sponsors and hard-working volunteers and committee members who made it all possible. You can all take great pride in being a part of this wonderful event for our youth. The Pride Prom committee includes representatives from Proud Horizons, PFLAG Omaha, GLSEN Omaha, ICON, the metropolitan Omaha gay straight alliances and other community groups.

Imperial Court of Nebraska Receives International Recognition

On June 4. The Imperial Courts of Canada, Mexico and The



United States of America came together in Lexington, Kentucky, to celebrate the 45th Anniversary of the founding of the first Imperial Court in San Francisco, California. At that celebration, the Imperial Court of Nebraska was singled out to receive recognition as the 2010 Court of Distinction. This award recognized ICON for thirty years of progressive fundraising and human rights activism. Accepting the Court of Distinction Award for the Imperial Court of Nebraska were Empress 29 Holly Day, Member of the Board of Governors and Event Coordinator Tegan, Emperor Emeritus 9 Carla Petersen, and Empress Emeritus 17 and Queen Mother Sharon Van Butsel.

Also receiving awards at the 45th Anniversary Celebration were Carla Petersen and Sharon Van Butsel who were recognized as one of ten "Royal Couples of the Decade," couples who have been together at least twenty years and have demonstrated dedicated service to their court and communities. Sharon Van Butsel also received recognition as one of the "ICONs and Legends" of the Court as she was named "Queen Mother of

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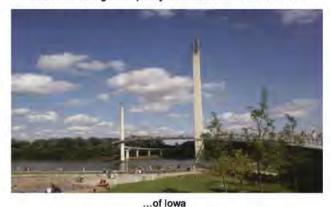


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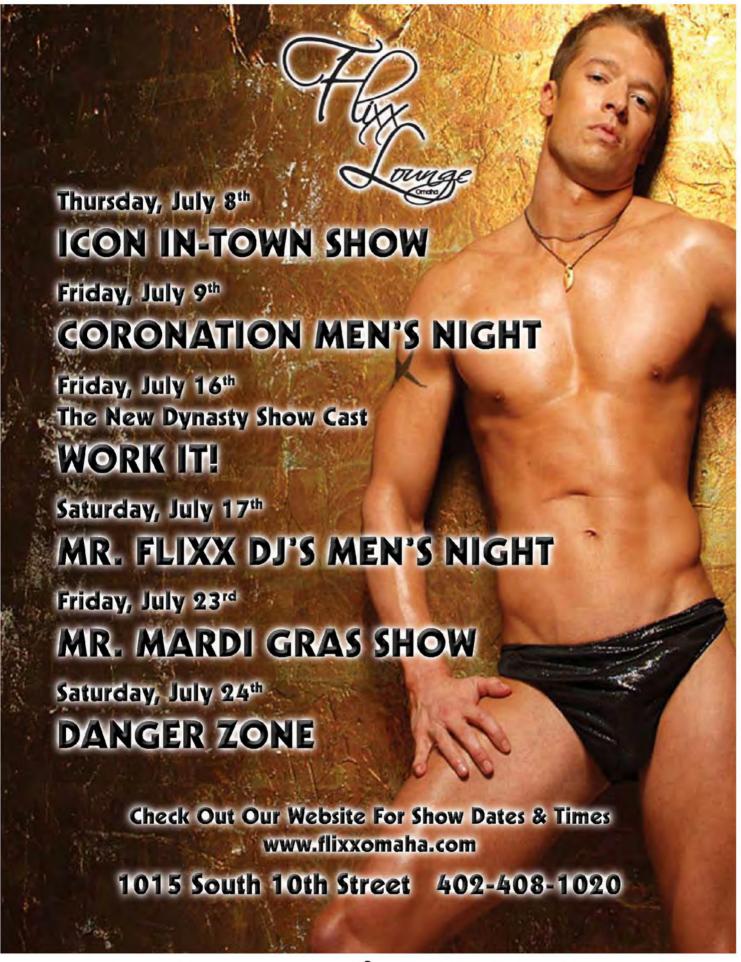
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all of Nebraska for Life."

The Imperial Court of Nebraska will celebrate its 30th Anniversary at Coronation 30 "Diamonds are Forever," which will be held July 10 at the TipTop Ballroom, 15th & Cuming.

Don't Wait

Royal D. Bush

I attended a funeral for an associate this week. I am sure I share the same thought as many, I do not necessary enjoy attending funerals, perhaps that is why I don't go to many. Last year a family hosted a Life Celebration instead of traditional funeral. I enjoyed that; sharing stories, family memorabilia, refreshments and power point photo presentation. That was comfortable and familiar.

While at the funeral this week it was clear, to each person there, how much love, respect and hurt for her-loss was in that room. She was a beloved daughter, wife, mother, grandmother, and friend. While listening, feeling and watching others cry I wondered if "we" did a good enough job telling, reminding and showing our friend how much we loved her and how much she meant to us while she was alive.

I think about people that I have lost touch with, but at one time or another had a great impact in my life. Do they know how



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A LOW STRESS LIFE

By Michael Kimmel [beyondtherapy@cox.net]

Today I got a call from a new client, who asked me, "Can you help me lower my stress and anxiety? I don't want to take medication. Oh, and by the way, I'm kinda depressed too." This is a common request. Despite TV commercials that show relaxed, happy people running in fields, blessed out on their new antidepressants or anti-anxiety medications, many people don't want



to take pills. Many pills have a lot of side effects, some of which may be worse than the anxiety or stress itself. And many people don't want to feel "dependent" on pills. I am not an MD, so I don't prescribe medication for my clients. For some people, medication works. For the rest of you who prefer to lower your stress and anxiety without medication, this column is for you. Here are some suggestions for reducing your stress, anxiety, panic and worry without taking medication.

Try a simple 3-5 minute meditation: sit comfortably in a chair or sofa and let your feet rest easily on the floor. Relax and allow the chair to hold you up; you don't have to do anything. Let your eyes gently close. Put your hands on your stomach and begin to breathe deeply and easily. As you breathe in, say to yourself, "I am breathing in." As you breathe out, say to yourself, "I am breathing out." Notice the easy rising and falling of your stomach as you breathe. If thoughts come into your mind, let the thoughts be like clouds: they float into your mind and easily float out. Enjoy your breathing.

Get away from people on a regular basis. Even if you adore your partner or you are the mother of 5 fabulous kids, you need to periodically get away from people. One client I know – a stay-at-home dad - leaves his beloved partner and their son and goes to a coffee shop, reads the paper and people-watches at least once a week. Another client of mine takes a bubble bath and locks the door. Her partner and kids are not allowed to disturb her during her 30 minutes in the tub.

Create a relaxing morning and evening routine. When you wake up and just before you fall asleep are two times of day when your conscious is very receptive to positive (or negative) thoughts. Even if you're super-energetic, don't leap out of bed and try to control your day from the get-go. Let yourself wake up gradually...you might even make a statement of gratitude like "Thank you for another day." This sets the tone for your day. You can also do the 3-minute meditation (see above) when you wake up.

Before going to sleep, don't read the newspaper or watch the news; you don't want to take all those disasters to sleep with you. Instead, create a simple routine for yourself that calms you and sets the tone for the kinds of dreams you want to have.

Get enough sleep. Experiment: find out how many hours of sleep really makes your body happy. What time is it best for you to go to bed/wake up? Don't compare yourself with other people, your body is unique. Once you find what works, stick with it as much as possible. A predictable sleep schedule promotes deep, stress-reducing sleep.

Moderate your sugar, caffeine and alcohol intake. Sugar and caffeine highs and the crashes that follow make it hard to stay relaxed and grounded. Alcohol can temporarily relax you, but you pay a price later...usually in lousy sleep or low energy the next day. If you know you're going to be drinking a lot, keep the next day as undemanding as possible.

Find outlets for your anger and frustration. You can't live in this world without getting pissed off at times. Even the Dalai Lama loses his temper and Mother Teresa was no pushover. For some of us, this means a physical outlet. I used to have a punching bag suspended in my bedroom, and I'd hit it with boxing gloves when I was frustrated or annoyed. Writing can be a good way to discharge intense emotions. So can music: find yourself a nice, aggressive and angry song to sing along with when you're irritated and pissed off. Some people go dancing at Rich's or Urban Mo's and sweat through their clothes, thoroughly discharging all the negative emotions they've held onto all day.

Know your limits. Sometimes, feelings of anxiety, panic or depression are too much for us. If you have suicidal feelings, pay attention: this may be a sign that you need professional help. Call your doctor, therapist or go to the nearest hospital emergency room and ask for help from the on-duty psychiatrist.

In this world, living a low-stress life is an ongoing challenge. Whether you live in a fabulous mansion or a tiny studio apartment, there's no escaping stress, anxiety and worry. The above ideas are a start. This stuff works when they do it, but it's hard to do it all the time. Not to worry: the goal is a long-term, sustainable reduction of stress and anxiety in your life. Try these ideas and see if they work for you, keep the ones that do and let the others go.



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much they mean to me? Do they know how much I appreciated them? Do they know I love them?

Today with email, texting, social networks, and everything in between, communication face to face is becoming a lost art! It is faster to text someone or email someone rather then call or better yet, look at them face to face and tell it like it is!

Be generous with your energy. Be generous with your smiles, don't wait to share that with others. Don't ever assume that someone knows how you feel about them and what they mean to you, Tell them. Tell them often! Don't Wait!

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An Interview with Joy Behar

by Lauren Neal, MatthewsPlace Youth Correspondent

Joy Behar's new show on the HLN network was nominated for a GLAAD Media Award, and Behar would "rather have it than [the Emmy]." Seriously. In one of the comedian's markedly abundant moments of sincerity, she confirmed her claim by noting that the GLAAD award seemed to privilege the "heartfelt" and deep-rooted appreciation for entertainers and media makers catering to and being open supporters of the LGBTQ and other communities grossly underrepresented by much of mainstream media. This is indeed a far cry from the

now-cliché "favorit[ism]" of many other awards and ceremonies entrenched in American popular culture.

Joy Behar is incredibly popular; yet, she consistently roots for the "underdog" -- or, persons in the "minority" who are often silently subject to "majority" opinions and restrictions. Hers is a powerful allied voice for a number of marginalized communities; she



supports LGBTQ-identified persons especially.





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Even with the remarkable reach and impact of her voice in media and culture, Joy Behar appreciates the dialogue and discussion elicited by persons of divergent opinions sitting together in the same room. This has been her experience on the Emmywinning talk show The View, and it is an experience she values greatly, particularly because there isn't "any pretense on the panel": each voice on The View, including Ms. Behar's, knows its own tones and timbre. Each voice appreciates the musical and productive conversation made possible by the collection of diverse sounded opinions, and each voice knows when silent, engaged listening is best for the development of an idea or for the voice's understanding.

It is the exchange of knowing herself, listening to others, and voicing her concerns -- as they are filtered through her personal experiences and careful reading of others' particularities -- that combine to make Joy Behar such an engaging and resounding presence. We, as humans, have our personal histories/pasts, our ears, and our words. They are tools which become very powerful when used in combination to promote productive discussion in constructive spaces. Clearly, when Behar speaks, others listen.

Kagan: DADT "Unjust and Unwise"

By Advocate.com Editors

Supreme Court nominee Elena Kagan didn't miss a beat when

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Thank You

Nebraska AIDS Project would like to thank all the members of the community, MCC and Flixx Lounge for helping us raise \$560 for Camp Kindle! The money raised will go directly to providing a lunch for campers with all remaining money donated straight to Camp Kindle. To show our support and continue to build partnerships in the community, NAP Staff also will be volunteering to serve lunch that day in order to give camp staffers a much needed and well deserved break. Thank you again to everyone in the community for showing such great support for Camp Kindle and all the wonderful work they do for children living with or affected by HIV and AIDS.



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Sen. Jeff Sessions demanded to know her position on "don't ask, don't tell" Tuesday morning during day 2 of her confirmation hearing.

Kagan said she felt the ban on open service by gays and lesbians in the military "was unjust. I believed it then and I believe it now."

Sessions confronted Kagan during the hearing with a string of questions on the restrictions on military recruiting at Harvard when she was the dean of the law school because she believed the "don't ask don't tell" policy violated the school's antidiscrimination code.

Fort Worth Police Remember Gay Bar Raid

By Dan Meyer

The owner of Rainbow Lounge, along with members of the Fort Worth, Texas, Police Department, met with patrons of the bar for dinner June 28 on the one-year anniversary of a police raid in which a man was critically injured. Several patrons were arrested during the raid, which occurred on the 40th anniversary

of the Stonewall riots. Police Chief Jeff Halstead was among the guests invited by owner David Schrock, according to the Associated Press.

In response to the violence, there were numerous rallies across the nation, leading to the firing of two officers who refused to follow protocol during the raid. The dinner was part of an ongoing effort by police officers to improve relations with the local LGBT population.



Police Chief Jeff Halstead



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Worship 9am and 11am & Wednesday Worship
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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, starting again after Labor Day

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

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Every Monday 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

NA RAINBOW GROUP, Narcotics Anonymous, meets Fridays thru Mondays at 10pm, MCC-Omaha Church, 819 South 22nd St

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1st Thursday GLBT PROFESSIONALS, meeting at 5:30pm in various locations. Email at: GOglbt@cfep-ne.org or see www.GOglbt.org for info

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

1st Saturday
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RIVER CITY GENDER LLIANCE, at 7:00 pm . See www.rivercitygenderalliance.org

2nd Thursday
MCCO DISCUSSION GROUP, 7p.m. and shares a light meal. Normally ends at 9p.m. Spirituality, faith, religion, world issues, life issues are just some of our topics. Contact Royal for more information: roy-alb@mccomaha.org or 516-2759

PFLAG-OMAHA, 7pm to 9pm, First United Methodist Church

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

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

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

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3rd Monday
IMPERIAL COURT OF NE, Board of Governors meeting, 6pm, meeting at the Rainbow
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PFLAG SOUTH CENTRAL
(HASTINGS, NE), Meeting on 3rd
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3rd Thursday
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0:30pm,
Unitarian Church, 6300 A, Lincoln

3rd Sunday

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YOUTH HIV TEST Lighthouse, 2530
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4thThursday
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4th Friday
LEO - LEATHER ENGINEERS OF
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I noticed his DDS diploma, which bore his full name. Suddenly, I remembered a tall, handsome, dark-haired boy with the same name had been in my high school class some 40-odd years ago. Could he be the same guy that I had a secret crush on way back then?

Upon seeing him, however, I quickly discarded any such thought. This balding, gray-haired man with the deeply lined face was way too old to have been my classmate.

After he examined my teeth, I asked him if he had attended Morgan Park High School.

"Yes. Yes, I did. I'm a Mustang," he gleamed with pride.

"When did you graduate?" I asked.

"In 1965," he replied. "Why do you ask?"

"You were in my class!" I exclaimed

He looked at me closely ... and then that ugly, old, bald, wrinkled, fat ass, gray-haired decrepit son-of-a-bitch asked, "What did you teach?"

I Want Cyanide

A nice, calm and respectable lady went into the pharmacy, walked up to the pharmacist, looked straight into his eyes, and said, "I would like to buy some cyanide."

The pharmacist asked, "Why in the world do you need cyanide?"

The lady replied, "I need it to poison my husband."

The pharmacist's eyes got big and he exclaimed, "Lord have mercy! I can't give you cyanide to kill your husband. That's against the law! I'll lose my license! They'll throw both of us in jail! All kinds of bad things will happen. Absolutely not! You CANNOT have any cyanide!"

The lady reached into her purse and pulled out a picture of her husband in bed with the pharmacist's wife.

The pharmacist looked at the picture and replied, "Well now, that's different. You didn't tell me you had a prescription.

Old Classmates

Many of us are guilty of looking at others our own age and thinking, "Surely, I can't be that old". If you've ever done this, then you'll appreciate the following.

My name is Alice Smith and I was sitting in the waiting room for my first appointment with a new dentist.

GLBT RESOURCE LIST

OMAHA BASED

Alphabet (ABC) Soup at UNO, http://groups.yahoo.com/group/uno_abcsoup, 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

Citizens for Equal Protection 1105 Howard St. Suite 2, Omaha NE 68102, 398-3027 www.cfep-ne.org, email to: Michael@cfep-ne.org

Diamond Foundation, making a difference through music and education, call 877-87-DIAMOND/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, GLBT-affirming

First Lutheran Church, 542 So. 31st St., 402-345-7506, GLBT Friendly www.firstlutheranomaha.org

First Unitarian Church, 3114 Harney Street, 402-345-3039, www.firstuuomaha.org, GLBT Welcoming Congregation

First United Methodist Church, 7020 Cass St., 402-556-6262, 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 5:30PM. Email at: GOglbt@clep-ne.org or see www.GOglbt.org for info

Heartland Gay Rodeo Association, see 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 3rd Monday, Rainbow Outreach GLBT Center, www.icon.impcourt.org

Inclusive Life Care & Service Group 105 S, 49th Street Omaha 68132 Spiritual-Interfaith-Secular Care & Service for all Individuals, Couples and Families www.inclusivelife.org 402-516-8475

Learning to Exchange Power, L2EP@aol.com; Social, educational group novices in Leather, S/M, B/D Lifestyle

Leather Engineers of Omaha (LEO) Box 8101, Omaha, 68108-8101 Gay men in leather lifestyle, not currently meeting LinOma Bares, for more Info email linomabares@yahoo.com or mail to P.O. Box 24547, Omaha NE 68124

Metropolitan Community Church of Omaha, 819 S. 22 St., Omaha 68108 345-2563, mccomaha@mccomaha.org Website: www.mccomaha.org Sunday Worship 9am and 11am, Wed. Worship at 7pm

NA Rainbow Group, Narcotics Anonymous, meets Friday thru Monday at 10pm, MCC-Omaha Church, 819 South 22nd St

Nebraska AIDS Project, 250 So. 77th St., testing Wed from 1:30-4PM by appointment only, Thurs & Fri 5PM-9PM with 20 minute results Call 402-552-9255 for info

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

Nebraska GLBT Events, Community Events Calendar web site, see www.NebraskaGLBTEvents.com

Nebraska Pride IDOL, PO Box 241733, Omaha NE 68124, 866-4-NE-IDOL, www.NebraskaPrideIDOL,com

Nebraska Zen Center, Soto Zen Buddhist, 3625 Lafayette Ave., 402-551-9035, www.prairiewindzen.org GLBT inclusive

North Side Christian Church 5555 Larimore Ave., Contemporary service Saturday night at 5:30pm

The 'Ohana Group, (GLBT / Nontraditional Family group), email to: 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 or ongp1@cox.net

Omaha GLBT Professionals, Contact omahaglbtprofessionals@cox.net for more info.

Omaha Metro GLBT Sports League, See 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 Email: NeOutAbout@vahoo.com

OUUT (Omaha Unitarian Universalists for Tolerance) First Unitarian Church, 3114 Harney, 68131, 345-3039, www.ouut.org

Parents and Friends of Lesbians And Gays (PFLAG) Omaha Chapter Box 390064, Omaha, 68139-0064 291-6781 Website:www.pflagomaha.org, email info@pflag-omaha.org, meet at 7pm, 1st United Methodist Church, 7020 Cass

Proud Horizons Youth Group, Sat Afternoon, info: (402) 291-6781 or email proudhorizons@yahoo.com Prairie Bares, male nudist group, no further info available

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

Rainbow Celebrations, PO Box 8488, Omaha, 68108, call 866-NE-PRIDE toll free, sponsors of annual Gay Pride & National Coming Out Day, for complete info see www.rainbowcelebrations.org

River City Gender Alliance, for info see www.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

SECOND UNITARIAN CHURCH, 3012 South 119th Street, 402-334-0537, www.secondunitarianomaha.org, GLBT

Welcoming Congregation SNAP Productions, Box 8464, Omaha, NE 68108 www.snapproductions.com

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

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

Unity Church of Omaha 3424 N. 90, Omaha, Sunday worship: 10:30am Wednesday meditation service 7pm; 571-1344; www.unityomaha.org

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

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 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 4th Tues, Unitarian Church, 6300 A, email to Barbara Kimberly, 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 **SAGE,** Box 22043, Lincoln 68542 Coffee House 2nd 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-glbt.com/

UNL Committee on GLBT Concerns, Contact Pat Tetreault, (402) 472-1752 or email: ptetreault1@unl.edu/www.unl.edu/cglbtc Women In Trades/YWCA, 1432 N St., Lincoln 68508; 434-3494, Youth Support Group, (402) 434-9880

Iowa Based

Council Bluffs Community Alliance

www.councilbluffscommunityalliance.org

Council Bluffs Pride, 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

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

Where Can You Find The Gayzette?

Omaha:

Broadway Joe's Bar, 35th & Broadway Council Bluffs IA Connections, 1901 Leavenworth 933-3033 DC's Saloon, 610 South 14th Street 344-3103 Dixie Quick's Restaurant, 1915 Leavenworth 346-3549 Flixx, 1015 South 10th Street Omaha 408-1020 The Max, 1417 Jackson St. 346-4110 Metropolitan Community Church, 819 South 22nd Street Mystery Bookstore, 1414 South 13th St. 342-7343 Nebraska AIDS Project, 250 South 77th St 552-9260 Omaha Mining Co., 1715 Leavenworth 449-8703 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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Judge Agrees to Hear DADT Case

Advocate.com Editors

A federal judge agreed Monday to hear a challenge to the military's "don't ask, don't tell" policy that the Obama administration had sought to have thrown out.

The case, Log Cabin Republicans v. The United States of America, challenges the constitutionality of the military ban. A lawyer for LCR confirmed that the challenge would be heard next month.

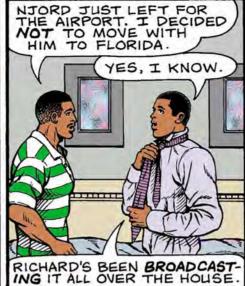
According to the Associated Press, "Lawyer Dan Woods says U.S. District Court Judge Virginia A. Phillips in Riverside, Calif. agreed Monday to send the case to trial July 13."

The challenge puts the Obama administration in the position of defending the "don't ask, don't tell" policy in court while Congress attempts to accomplish repeal. The Justice Department has asked the judge to put the case on hold while the issue moved through Congress, according to the San Francisco Chronicle.

"Since the House has already voted to add a repeal of the policy to the military appropriations bill, and the Senate is preparing to consider the same step, a little patience might spare the judiciary from the time and expense of a trial, government lawyers argued in court papers," reported the Chronicle. "Besides, they said, the Supreme Court has recognized that judges don't know much about the military, and Congress is much more qualified to make these kinds of decisions."

Kyle's Bed & Breakfast by Greg Fox







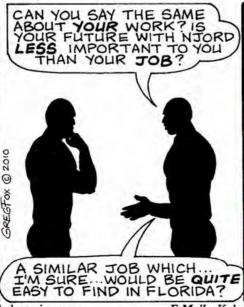
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Fitness Corner

By Ron Blake

There's a fork in the road. What do you do?
Pick it up so as not to injure your tires. Then
figure out what road you are going to take to get to where you
are going. There are plenty o' forks out there just waiting to put
their tines into you. Pick your road correctly and Handel's Alleluia chorus serenades you to health and wellness. Choose unwisely and Bach's Toccata and Fugue in D minor walks you

The Showtime movie of the night is beginning and you look inside the fridge for some form of dinner. That icebox is empty with the exception of some chilled condiments and bottled water. A quick scan of the countertops reveals some pumpernickel bread and crumbs from the repast from last night. Further reconnaissance discovers a bag of potato chips awaiting your arrival in the pantry. A bag of chips for dinner and you make the movie in time. Out the door for a healthy meal and you miss the movie. Is it gonna be Handel or Bach?

away from health and fitness. On with the decisions!

The old neighborhood gang is back in town. The seven of you haven't been back together since Robbie died six years ago. A night at the bars and the stories from those glory days pour faster than the bartender's gun! Y'all smoked cigarettes back in those high school and college days and it sure would be nice to fire up the old Marlboros once again. It has been fifteen years since you went cold turkey. Is it gonna be Handel or Bach?

It's the pool party of the summer and you finally got the first Saturday off work in three months! Your best paisanos are there too and they introduce you to that recently single man who is quite the cat's meow! You are only more than happy to be the object of affection once again after playing Old Maid for one hand too many! One thing leads to another and you both follow the yellow brick road to his bedroom. There isn't a condom to be found and he's selected the bareback option behind curtain number two. Is it gonna be Handel or Bach?

The drive to and from work is 25 miles in each direction. The freeway is always full of madcap mayhem to keep you entertained on your one hour commute. Things became even more interesting last week when your seatbelt was cut in half while helping that friend move into his new home. It would be nice to have the air bag as a contingency plan; but those were only optional when your '82 F150 was built. Jesse the mechanic quoted you \$105 to install a new seat belt. It would require a couple hours out of your day to get your safety back in order. Is it gonna be Handel or Bach?

We all have those health and fitness forks to consider each day. We all have chosen badly at some point in time and we've probably paid the price. If you make enough mistakes then you are likely to start learning from those Bach moments. Stop at the next fork in your road and just listen to reason and common sense. It should sound a lot like Handel!

This health and fitness article is brought to you by the guy with

the gigabyte girth. That guy is Ron Blake and his width is usually found in his tall tales. You can measure his success at rblake5551@hotmail.com.

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