

THE GAYZETTE

EVENTS OF INTEREST TO METROPOLITAN OMAHA & LINCOLN

THE TV AD THAT DIDN'T HAPPEN

Nebraskans AGAINST 416

Michael Jones, Treasurer

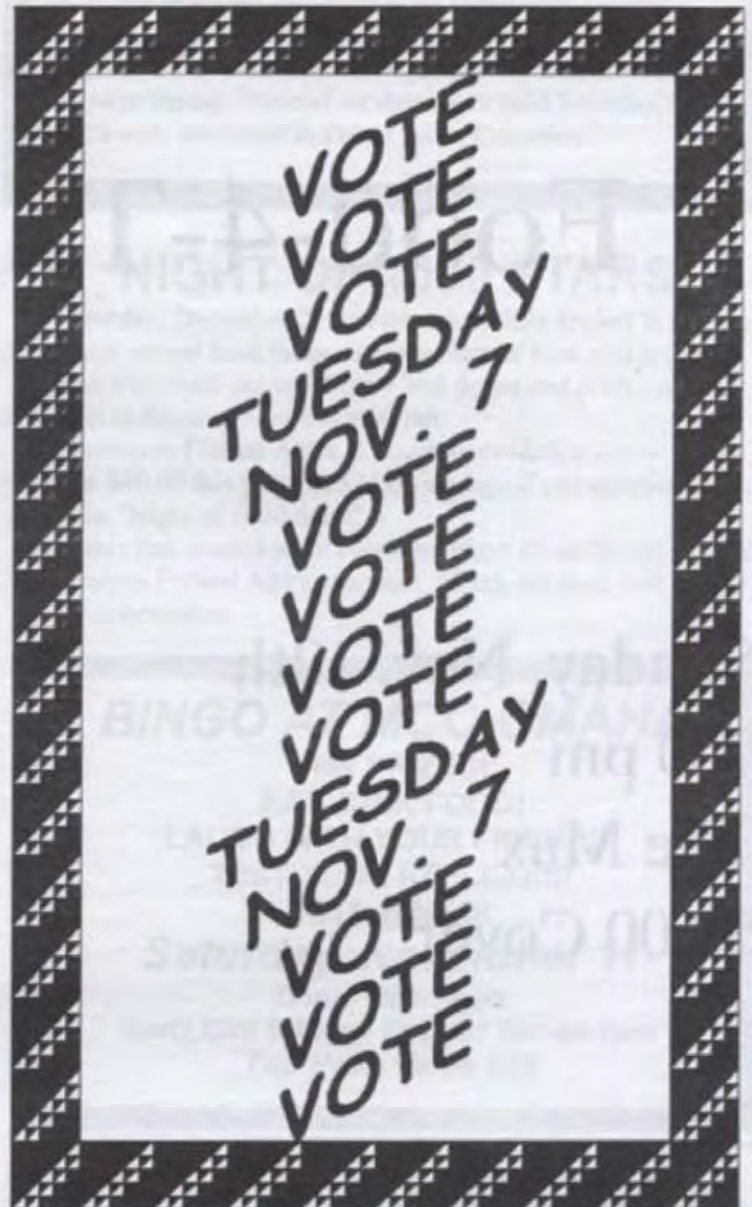
As you may already know, we developed a television ad to run once during the Nebraska Oklahoma game last weekend. After accepting our money, Channel 7 in Omaha and the Kearney station have chosen not to air the commercial. This ad depicted our state motto "Equality Before the Law" being rewritten to "Equality for Some Before the Law". The ad then goes on to state that this has happened before in our history and ends with a swastika.

This single act of censorship is a grave danger to our efforts. However, it may also be our single greatest achievement. It is forcing people to see how gays are often silenced. We are taking every step to have our voices heard. We have been in contact will numerous news media in the state. The censorship is becoming the top news story.

To give you some background on this: In preparation for the commercial, we held a press conference to show the historical significance and relationship to what Nebraskans are facing today. "Nearly 70 years ago, a nation was led to believe a minority was undermining their traditional values thus destroying their society. Today, in the United States, gays are being demonized. We are being called evil, wicked, immoral and are being blamed for the destruction of our society.

Nearly 70 years ago, a nation was led to believe they had to start restricting the rights of that minority. Laws were passed to prohibit them from working in government. Laws were passed denying them civil and political rights. Laws were passed restricting their marriages."

Please pass this information along to others. Keep up the faith, it is far from over. Stand by for information on how you can help.



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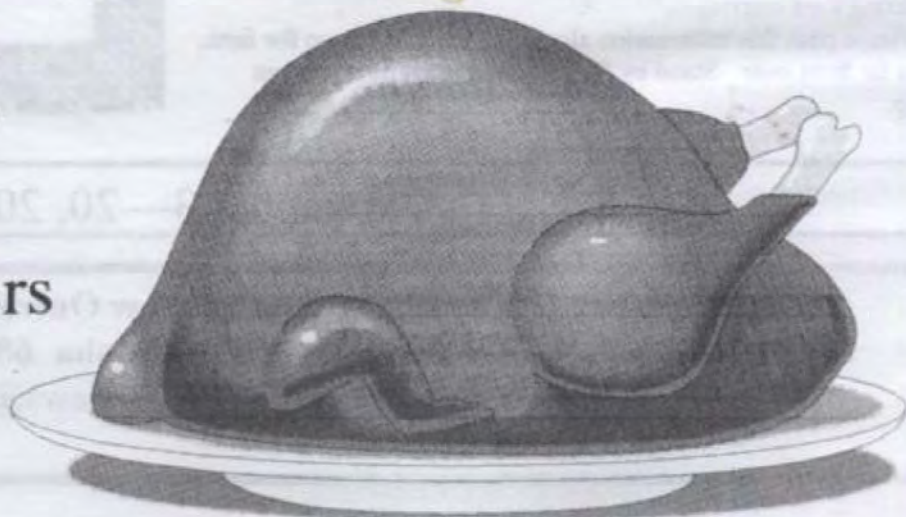
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Emperor Paco and
Empress Feleena along
with the Imperial Court of
Nebraska Present...

Food-4-Thought 2000

Sunday, Nov. 12th
900 pm
The Max
\$3.00 Cover

All monies raised to
benefit PWA
Thanksgiving Dinners



LEO MEET & GREET DC'S NOV. 11

The Leather Engineers of Omaha will be hosting their Fall Meet and Greet at DCs on November 11th, including food, fun, and frolic. The evening will also feature a raffle drawing for two round trip airline tickets for two to Chicago. Raffle tickets are on sale now from LEO members. Those attending the meet and greet are encouraged to bring a donation of canned food for the MCC food pantry.

NEBRASKANS AGAINST 416 NEEDS YOU! WHAT CAN YOU DO?

4 to 6 p.m. next Monday, November 6. We are LINING DODGE STREET from 72nd to 90th. We need 300 people! Meet at Crossroads parking lot under the electric sign at 72nd and Dodge.

Help with phone calling from our Omaha office EVERY DAY now until the Election! Organized phone banks are Saturday 9 to Noon, Noon to 3 p.m., & 3 to 6 p.m.; and Sunday 1 to 3 p.m., 3 to 6 p.m. & 6 to 9 p.m. Or call us if week-day daytime hours are best for you.

Saturday November 4 at 9 a.m. and Sunday November 5 at 1 p.m. door-to-door literature drops. Meet at our Omaha campaign office, 1105 Howard Street.

Saturday November 4 and Sunday November 5 from 1 to 3 p.m. and 3 to 5 p.m. Visibility in the Old Market.

Monday and Tuesday November 6 and 7 (day-before and day-of Election) Phone calling all day from our office, doing visibility around town, giving rides to the polls, etc. When are you available?

We need YOU to DEFEAT 416! Call 346-5960 TODAY!

This is a letter to the editor that appeared in the Cleveland Plain Dealer. This is the letter in its entirety. For those in need of a reason to vote on November 7, here are two:

1. Because Matthew Shepard cannot.
2. Because Dr. Laura can.

COMMUNITY MOURNS LOSS OF LEADER

The Omaha GLBT Community mourns the loss of one of its leaders. Marshall Burnham, jr., age 36, died unexpectedly October 22. Marshall had been active in Pride activities in the Omaha community since 1990 and was one of the early Board Members of ANGLE (Achieving New Gay and Lesbian Endeavors) and of the Rainbow Outreach GLBT Resource Center. In 1991 Marshall spearheaded efforts which resulted in the formation of the GLBT Information Line which has provided information on community resources and activities. This action forced US West to offer for the first time a Gay and Lesbian Organizations section in its yellow page listing. Funeral services were held Saturday, October 28 with interment in Forest Lawn Cemetery.

NIGHT OF 1000 STARS

Saturday, December 2, the Nebraska AIDS Project is putting on their annual fund raiser. Each volunteer host will provide dinner from 6:00 pm to 9:00 pm and desert and drinks will be served at Regency Court at 9:00 pm.

Thomcyns Formal Attire at Southroads Mall will rent you a tux for \$40.00 this year. A \$25.00 savings if you mention the benefit "Night of 1000 Stars". Pass this link around to let everyone know about the discount at Thomcyns Formal Attire Discount. Check out their web site for more information.

BINGO AT MCC-OMAHA

WIN PRIZES!
EAT JUNK FOOD!
LAUGH WITH YOUR FRIENDS!
TEST YOUR REFLEXES!
YELL BINGO!

Saturday, November 11

Doors Open 6pm
Early Bird 6:45pm Regular Games 7pm
Top Prize Value \$25

FREE/ANONYMOUS HIV TESTING

No appointment needed
Monday and Thursday, 7 pm - 9:30 pm

NEBRASKA AIDS PROJECT

139 South 40th Street
Omaha, NE 68131-3003
www.nap.org



Buy - Sell - Rent - Invest - Manage



Tim Reeder
415-6595

Proudly Serving Omaha's
GLBT Community!



SOUTH DAKOTA STUDENTS CONTINUE TO FIGHT DISCRIMINATION

By Barb Himmel-Roberts, president SEGLC

"It's too late to make Megan feel safe..."

These are words Augustana College President spoke during his meeting with representatives from the student OUT! group at 9am on Monday Oct 16. To summarize what I have been told

- The students asked about including sexual orientation in the student handbook. The President's response was "it will never happen" but then rebutted later to say he would have the lawyers look at it again BUT because of SD law (non-recognition of sexual orientation etc., etc)...
- The President's stance was that the college doesn't tolerate discrimination against anyone so you (i.e. GLBTQ students) are protected just as all students, but then went on to say nothing is enforceable until something happens.
- An interesting issue for the President to raise was his inquiry into each student's year. Upon his learning that all students in attendance were very near graduation, the President asked--so why are you pushing for this so hard, you all will be gone before anything is ever implemented.

All in all, it doesn't seem like the response we were hoping for/ thought was forthcoming ever arrived!

In the interest of being as accurate and factual as possible, I am also forwarding messages from the Associate Dean of Students and another from two of the students. I also received a brief message from another student which merely said "everything went well." I will be making every attempt possible to talk to others who were present so as to get the clearest picture possible.

Quite frankly, the Sioux Empire Gay and Lesbian Coalition is disturbed and alarmed. We are concerned that the Augustana College administration did not meet our expectations of resolution. We are concerned that what is happening on the college campus could very well spread to the entire city of Sioux Falls.

PLEASE COME! We are inviting one and all to Sioux Falls on Saturday, December 9th for what we are declaring a "national summit." The air must be cleared...there must be awareness and education put into place immediately. While we realize the short notice, we hope everyone recognizes the urgency!!

These "kids" took a great risk by allowing a local reporter

talk to them and print their story of National Coming Out Week. And now we as a community can not let the door slam in their faces. They are being persecuted. Their college education is being jeopardized.

Please come-from all walks of life, from across the nation-so that awareness and education may begin with the sight of our numbers and solidarity. Anyone wishing to make monetary contributions (because the question has been asked) may forward them to

SEGLC/OUT! PO Box 1716
Sioux Falls SD 57101

Send inquiries to the above address or e-mail seglc@hotmail.com or dizzie@dtgnet.com or out@inst.augie.edu

RESPONSE FROM UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH DAKOTA ADVISOR

As one of the advisors to the GLBA group here at USD, I want to express my dismay and outrage at not only the "incident (s)" regarding Augie's Coming Out celebration, but at the uneducated and unenlightened responses of their administration. Sad to say, I'm not surprised, though. To say that the students willing to stand up will be gone before the President of Augie is willing to make changes is to ignore the much larger number of students who are GLBT at Augie, and who are now fearful of coming out into the environment he is allowing to exist. The number of students (faculty & staff) who are willing to come out at campuses in the conservative upper great plains is small compared to the number of students (faculty & staff) who are gay, lesbian, bisexual, or transgender and aware of their orientation. They are afraid to come out and experience in person the kind of hate incidents detailed with this event. A lack of visible, public support by the institution's administration tells those in the closet that they were right to stay there.

Congratulations and attaboy/girls are in order for the students who were willing to be out and take the heat. It takes an enormous amount of courage to do that in a hostile environment.

When USD had similar incidents during Coming Out week a few years ago, we had notices posted by central administration on all doors at the U stating that sexual orientation is covered by our non-discrimination policy and, as such, will be protected on campus. We had administrators participate in a march on campus in support of GLBT persons and administrators who spoke at the rally at the end of the march. That kind of supportive environment must exist for GLBT students, staff and faculty to feel we can function, with our spirits whole, to the best of our abilities on this campus, whatever our role. It is extremely unfortunate that Augie's administration hasn't been able to come to that understanding.

I want to commend SEGLC for getting involved and for publicizing the situation with other education institutions and regional community groups.

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cflum@usd.edu



**METROPOLITAN
COMMUNITY CHURCH
OF OMAHA**

Alive in Christ!

Worship Every Sunday
819 S. 22nd St., Omaha
8:50 & 10:20 AM

In Lincoln
at St. Mark's
1309 "R" St.
6:30 PM

402.345.2563
mccomaha@radiks.net
<http://www.radiks.net/mccomaha>
P.O. Box 3173, Omaha, NE 68103

COLLECT THOSE CANS!

Princess Royale 20 Michele of the Imperial Court of Nebraska invites you to start collecting cans now for the annual "Food 4 Thought" Show, which provides Thanksgiving Dinner (in the form of grocery gift certificates) to 100+ PWA's across the state of Nebraska and in SW Iowa. Bring your cans to The MAX on Sunday, Nov. 12. Show time is 9 PM. The cover is \$3. The show will be great! Michele has arranged for a \$1 donation to be made to "Food 4 Thought" for every can collected. Her goal is 1000 cans! Can she do it?

She can if you will! All cans collected will be donated to the MCC-O Food Pantry, which supplies Food Pantries for clients of the Nebraska AIDS Project. See you Nov. 12 with a can in hand!

MR/MISS/MS HGRA

STEP DOWN SHOW NOVEMBER 17

The HGRA Royalty team will be performing their step down at Dally's in Des Moines on November 17th. This year HGRA was represented by:

Diana K - Ms HGRA

Susie Bowman - Ms HGRA 1st Runner up

Kevan M. ala Ms Billie - Miss HGRA

David P. ala Fancy - Miss HGRA 1st Runner up

This will be their final performance as Royalty so plan on coming to Dally's to show your appreciation

2001 HGRA ROYALTY COMPETITION

This years Mr./Ms/Miss HGRA 2001 competition is already heating up with several folks who have expressed great interest in competing. The contest will be held in Des Moines November 18th at Dally's. If you are interested in running and have been a member of HGRA at least 90 days prior to the contest, please contact Kevan M at 515-263-0025 prior to November 8th. You must register 10 days prior to the event.

ENTERTAINMENT BOOKS AVAILABLE THRU MCC-O

Metropolitan Community Church of Omaha is selling the Entertainment Book. Go to the website www.entertainment.com and check out how the book works and get up to three free coupons. Just enter on as a Visitor and follow the instructions on the screen. This year's book offers thousands of dollars worth of savings for only \$20. Books for over 100 American cities can be purchased through MCC-O sales representatives. To order your book, call 345-2563 or email us at mccomaha@radiks.net.

BENEFIT SHOWS ABOUND

There should be no lack of entertainment during the upcoming weeks thanks to local performers. Following is a listing of Benefit Shows planned during the next month.

Thursday, Nov. 9 (9:30pm) Omaha Mining Company, 1715 Leavenworth Benefit for Food 4 Thought

Omaha Mining Company & Miss OMC Barbra Love

Friday, Nov. 10 (9:30pm) Connections, 1901 Leavenworth "Scarecrows, Turkeys, & More"

ICON's Baroness Maddison Benefit for Food 4 Thought

Sunday, Nov. 12 (9:30pm) The MAX, 1715 Jackson

ICON presents "Food 4 Thought" to Provide Thanksgiving Food Vouchers for Persons Affected by HIV

Thursday, Nov. 23 (9:30pm) DC's, 610 South 14th Street "Stuff Your Bird"

ICON's Grand Czarina Barbra Love hosts Benefit for Rainbow Outreach Center

Friday, Nov. 24 (9:30pm) DC's, 610 South 14th Street

"Time B Your Teacher"

ICON's Grand Czarina Barbra Love hosts Benefit for Iris Phoenix Scholarship Fund

Sunday, Dec. 3 (9:30pm) The MAX, 1715 Jackson

Dorian Drake hosts Benefit for Breast Cancer Awareness

GAYZETTE AD RATES

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

All ads must be camera ready. !0% Discount for on-going ads of any size. Payment must accompany ad. Checks should be made payable to Rainbow Outreach GLBT Resource Center. Payment and ads should be delivered to the Rainbow Outreach GLBT Resource Center 1719 Leavenworth St. on or before the deadline date. A phone call notifying us that the ad is coming should be made to (402) 341-0330, attention Sharon. **Ad Deadlines are:**

Friday, Nov. 10 for Publication Nov. 17

Friday, Nov. 24 for Publication Dec. 1

Friday, Dec. 8 for Publication Dec. 15

Friday, Dec. 22

Publication date Dec. 29

OMAHA AREA COMMUNITY CALENDAR

FRIDAY, Nov. 3

TRET FURE IN CONCERT,
8pm, Unity Church of Today,
3715 N. 104 Ave, Omaha

SATURDAY, Nov. 4

HGRA AWARD BANQUET,
Angies, 1001 Pacific, Omaha

SUNDAY, Nov. 5

HARD BODY'S The MAX

TUESDAY, Nov. 7

ELECTION DAY

THURSDAY, Nov. 9

MISS OMC BENEFIT FOOD 4
THOUGHT, 9:30pm, Omaha
Mining Co, 1715 Leavenworth

FRIDAY, Nov. 10

BARONESS MADDISON
"SCARECROWS, TURKEYS &
MORE", 9:30pm, Connections,
1901 Leavenworth

SATURDAY, NOV. 11

BINGO AT MCC-OMAHA
Food Served Beginning at 6pm,
Early Bird at 6:45, 819 S. 22 St.

LEO MEET & GREET, DCs
Saloon, *Bring a can of food for
MCC Food Pantry*

SUNDAY, NOV. 12

ICON FOOD 4 THOUGHT,
9PM, THE MAX, 1719 Jackson
Provide Thanksgiving Grocery
Vouchers for Those Living with HIV

FRIDAY, Nov. 17

MR/MS/MISS HGRA
STEPDOWN, Dally's Des Moines

SATURDAY, NOV. 18

HGRA ROYALTY PAGEANT
Dallys, Des Moines, Iowa

SUNDAY, Nov. 19

INTERNATIONAL MALE,
The MAX, 1715 Jackson

WEEKLY EVENTS

EVERY SUNDAY

WORSHIP SERVICES:
1ST UNITED METHODIST
7020 Cass, 8:30 & 10:45am
METROPOLITAN COMM.
CHURCH OF OMAHA 819 S.
22, 8:50 & 10:20am
HEARTLAND UNITED
METHODIST Bellevue West
High School; 10:30am
FIRST UNITARIAN
3114 Harney Street, 11am
UNITY CHURCH,
3424 North 90, Omaha
LINCOLN MCC,
St. Mark's, 1309 R St, 6:30pm

Every Sunday (Cont)

RIVER CITY
MIXED BOWLING I & II,
12:45pm, Mockingbird Lanes
2pm Broadway Lanes, CB

Every Monday

HIV TESTING, 7- 9 pm
NAP 139 S. 40th, Omaha

Every Tuesday

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

Every Wednesday

HIV TESTING, 1 - 4 pm
NAP Outreach Center,
1723 Leavenworth, Omaha

FRONTRUNNERS RUN/WALK

6:30pm AkSarBen Lot 5, Omaha

Every Thursday

HIV TESTING, 7- 9 pm
NAP, 139 S. 40th, Omaha

LESBIAN CENTERED

6:30 - 8pm For Info:
Lesbiancen@ivillage.com /
LesbianCen@aol.com

KARAOKE W/ STACY,

9pm, Connections

Every Friday

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

HIV TESTING, 7 - 12 pm
NAP Outreach Center,
1723 Leavenworth

FRIDAY NIGHT MOVIE
Rainbow Outreach GLBT
Resource Center, 7:45pm

PROFESSIONAL STRIPPERS
7 & 9pm, The MAX

Every Saturday

PROUD HORIZONS YOUTH
GROUP 4 -6pm
Sponsor: PFLAG: 291-6781 or
proudhorizons@yahoo.com

MONTHLY EVENTS

1st Saturday

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

2nd Saturday

LEATHER ENGINEERS OF
OMAHA, 7pm, Gilligan's

2nd Sunday

BI CHOICE NE, BRUNCH
DISC, McFoster's Upstairs,
1-3 pm, Marcella: 592-4250

LEARNING TO EXCHANGE
POWER L2EP@aol.com

Novice S/M,B/D Group; 1pm; DCs

2nd Wednesday

FLAT WATER BEARS 7:30pm
Diamond Bar, 712 S. 16th Omaha

2nd Thursday

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

2nd Friday

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

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OMAHA AREA COMMUNITY CALENDAR

2nd Saturday

GLSEN OMAHA, Board Mtg.
8:30am, Planned Parenthood

3rd Monday

IMPERIAL COURT
OF NEBR MCC-O, 6:30pm

3rd Saturday

BI-CHOICE NE SOCIAL
7pm, Teri Ann, 491-0238

4th Sunday

PFLAG - OMAHA 2pm
1st United Meth, Mead Hall

4th Tuesday

NAMES PROJECT OF
HEARTLAND E-mail:
AIDSQuiltOmaha@aol.com

UPCOMING EVENTS

THURSDAY, Nov. 23

THANKSGIVING DAY DINNER
MCC-OMAHA, 819 S. 22,
The Community is Invited
RSVP to 345-2563

"STUFF YOUR BIRD" 9:30pm,
DC's, Grand Czarina Barbra Love
Benefit for Rainbow Outreach
Resource Center

"TIME B YOUR TEACHER"
9:30pm, DC's, Grand Czarina
Barbra Love Benefit for Iris Phoenix
Scholarship Fund

SUNDAY, Nov. 26

MR. MAX STEVE & FRIENDS
The MAX, 1715 Jackson

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 1

WORLD AIDS DAY

FRI. DEC 1 - SUN DEC 17

NAMES PROJECT QUILT
DISPLAY, Unity Church of
Omaha, 3424 N. 90th. 571-1344

SATURDAY, DEC 2

NIGHT OF 1000 STARS

SUNDAY, DEC. 3

DORIAN DRAKE BENEFIT
FOR BREAST CANCER
AWARENESS, The MAX

Fri, DEC 8 - Sun, DEC 10

FLAT WATER BEARS "BEARY
RIVER CHRISTMAS" Raccoon
River Retreat, Des Moines, IA,
Reservations: PO Box 3751,
Omaha, NE 68103 or
www.geocities.com/flatwaterbears

SATURDAY, DEC 9

LEARNING TO EXCHANGE
POWER BENEFIT FOR TOYZ 4
TOTZ, Demonstrations, Raffles,
Workshops & Show, DC's Saloon

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 10

ICON TOYZ 4 TOTZ The MAX

SUNDAY, DEC. 17

EMPEROR 20 PACO
PRESENTS "TURN-ABOUT"
SHOW The MAX

SATURDAY, JANUARY 20

RIVER CITY MIXED CHORUS
CONCERT, 7:05PM,
First United Methodist, 7020 Cass

SUNDAY, JANUARY 28

MISS MAX PAGEANT

FRI, FEB. 16 - 18

ICE BOWL TOURNAMENT
Mockingbird Lanes, Omaha.

LINCOLN EVENTS

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 7

"PEPPERMINT SODA" 3pm. Mary
Riepma Ross Film Theater, UNL. Free,
open to the public.

WEDNESDAY, NOV 8

"PEPPERMINT SODA" 1pm. Mary
Riepma Ross Film Theater, UNL. Free,
open to public.

WEDNESDAY, NOV 8

CHICANA LESBIAN AUTHORS
PAT ALDERETE & AMELIA
MONTES 3:30pm, Bailey Library, 228-
9 Andrews Hall, UNL. Free, 472-1828.

THURSDAY, NOV 9

PAT ALDERETE & AMELIA
MONTES, 7:30 p.m., Nebraska Union,
Room to be announced, 472-1828.
Free, open to public.

TUESDAY, Nov. 14

"MA VIE EN ROSE" 3pm, Mary
Riepma Ross Film Theater, UNL. Free,
open to public.

WEDNESDAY, Nov 15

"MA VIE EN ROSE" 1pm, Mary
Riepma Ross Film Theater,

NOVEMBER 19

LESBIAN WOMYN'S POTLUCK
Unitarian Church, 6300 "A" St. 5:30
p.m. 434-9880

TUESDAY, Nov. 14

"LOVE & DEATH ON LONG
ISLAND" 3pm, Mary Riepma Ross
Film Theater, UNL Campus, Free, open
to the public.

WEDNESDAY, Nov 15

"LOVE & DEATH ON LONG
ISLAND" 1pm, Mary Riepma Ross
Film Theater, UNL. Free, open to
public

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NEEDED: VOLUNTEERS

The need for volunteers at the GLBT Resource Center continues. We currently need volunteers in the following:

- **VOLUNTEER COORDINATOR**

Responsible person needed to work with our volunteers on scheduling, training, and staff development. Strong people skills needed.

- **STAFF TO UPDATE OUR RESOURCE INFORMATION**

This could be done from home. Responsibilities would include contacting area businesses and organizations to add them to our resource list and to verify contact information.

- **STAFF TO DISTRIBUTE / MAIL GAYZETTE**

Several Individuals needed for every other week to take new Gayzette to local bars, restaurants and businesses. Distribution would normally be on Friday night or Saturday. It's a great chance to promote the Resource Center and to meet lots of people.

- **PRODUCTION STAFF FOR GAYZETTE**

Several Individuals needed to gather information, write articles, do typing, do lay-out or become the Editor of the Gayzette. Enthusiasm much more important than experience.

- **CUSTODIAL STAFF**

Staff to clean the Resource Center on a regular basis.

- **LIBRARY STAFF**

Staff to organize the library, catalog donations, contact people with overdue books, and correspond with publishers to get promotional copies of new books.

- **PHONE LINE STAFF**

Staff to answer the phone line on weekends, either in person or by checking the voice mail on a regular basis and returning calls from home.

If you are interested in volunteering with the Rainbow Outreach GLBT Resource Center in any capacity, or if you have an idea for a new program for the Resource Center and are willing to take responsibility for it, email us at Volunteers@ROCC.org or call 341-0330. If you have called in the past or have filled out an application in the past, contact us again. We are still in the process of reorganizing but there are still a few rough spots.

Rapid HIV Testing — 2 hour results

The 2nd Friday of each month at the

NAP Outreach Center

1723 Leavenworth

*(Between Absolutely Fresh Seafood and
the Rainbow Outreach Center)*

5 PM until 10 PM

Call the Nebraska AIDS Hotline

for more info 552-9255

Early Detection - the KEY to Life!

Early detection saves lives.
FREE or low-cost Mammograms
from Every Woman Matters.
Call to learn more.

1-402-345-6555

NEBRASKA HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES SYSTEM



Sign-up Opens Soon for

'Beary River Christmas'

Registration forms will be available soon for Flat Water Bears' winter outing set for Dec. 8, 9 and 10 at Raccoon River Retreat near Des Moines, IA. The "Christmasy, Kwanzae, Chanukahy" event, this year entitled "A Beary River Christmas," will start mid-afternoon Friday Dec. 8 as registered participants start arriving. The Bears are known for having scrumptious victuals available throughout the weekend. The Saturday dinner promises a drool-evoking cherry and pineapple glazed, cloved baked ham.

Flat Water Bears opens this fun-filled outing to non-members, assessing \$55 for the three-day, two night weekend including lodging, meals and munchies. Charge for members is \$45. Registration form submitted or postmarked after Dec. 1 will incur an additional \$5 charge.

Flat Water Bears can be contacted through P O Box 3751, Omaha 68103, or their website www.geocities.com/flatwaterbears

Besides the Santa or authorized helper visit, a variety of activities and entertainment will round out the weekend. The ever-popular hot tub [Bear Soup!] and sauna will be fired and cozy.

The group for hirsute men and enthusiasts will continue its now four-year tradition as the group that puts Raccoon River Retreat "to bed" for the winter. After enjoying whatever "winter scene" Mother Nature provides, the Bears will help tidy the grounds and close the log lodge for the rest of the winter.

NAMES Project QUILT DISPLAY PLANNED by Rick A. Worman, President

Do you remember someone who has died of AIDS? This December, Unity Church of Omaha is participating in an ongoing effort to keep the NAMES alive of those family members and friends who have left us because of this terrible disease. Starting December 1st, we will host a display of 9 of the 12' x 12' panels of the NAMES Project AIDS Memorial Quilt. Volunteers will be needed to hang them for display, to remove them after December 18th, and to answer questions about the panels, about AIDS, and about what we can do to stop the spread of this disease. There may be new 6' x 3' panels submitted at that time in December, also.

The display will be assisted by The NAMES Project of the Heartland/Omaha Chapter. The local chapter is currently quite small and in need of more volunteers and board members. Every six months, the local chapter has a different set of panels on loan from the national office in San Francisco. Currently, Unity Church of Omaha is acting as the repository for the panels on loan, which is a tremendous help for the local chapter.

For those who are interested in making a panel to memorialize a loved one who has died of AIDS, panel-making workshops are held periodically to provide ideas, techniques, and support. Each panel is 3' x 6', designed either vertically or horizontally, and there are some guidelines as to construction. They are sometimes displayed outdoors, and are moved and sent all over the country, so they must be durable.

If you would like help with a panel memorializing a loved one who has died of AIDS, call Helen Jordon, 556-3595, or HSJordon@aol.com.

**RAINBOW OUTREACH
GLBT RESOURCE CENTER-
BOARD MEETING
Monday, November 13
7 p.m.**

**JOHN G. TAYLOR
Attorney at Law**

TAYLOR LAW OFFICE

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P.O. Box 82272 fax: (402) 475-0955
Lincoln, NE 68501-2272
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**To List Your Event
In the Community Calendar**

- Call 341-0330
- Email news@ROCC.org
- Write: Box 8583, Omaha, 68108

Deadline is the Friday Before Publication.
Next Deadline is November 10

QUESTIONS ABOUT HIV OR AIDS?

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

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

NEBRASKANS AGAINST 416

"TEN TRUTHS ABOUT 416"

By popular demand, here are the "Ten Truths" that we (Nebraskans AGAINST 416) have been distributing. Feel free to share these with your friends:

The Truths Behind Initiative 416

Actual Initiative 416 Wording: "Only marriage between a man and a woman shall be recognized in Nebraska. The uniting of two persons of the same sex in a civil union, domestic partnership, or other similar same-sex relationship, shall not be valid or recognized in Nebraska."

1. 416 is a proposed Constitutional Amendment to Nebraska's Bill of Rights-not an Act or a Law. Proponents say they leapfrogged the legislative process because the Nebraska legislature would not prioritize their Bills four years in a row. We agree with Nebraska's legislature-Nebraskans do not want unnecessary laws and do not believe in outlawing a group of its citizens.
2. 416 is so badly written that it has severe consequences. It intentionally discriminates against gay families, and it accidentally invalidates business partnerships between ANY two people of the same sex including father-son family farm partnerships. Proponents did not do their homework on the legal meaning of domestic partnership in Nebraska.
3. 416 is bad for business in Nebraska. It would tie the hands of businesses wanting to offer same-sex benefits for gay families and prevent daughters from providing health insurance coverage for their mothers. 416 would scare new businesses away from Nebraska and further burden our statewide labor shortage. Proponents do not believe in progress; they want religious traditions before the law.
4. 416 is extreme and would label Nebraska as the most intolerant state in the Nation. Nebraska would be the FIRST state to add exclusionary language to its Constitution's Bill of Rights. State Constitutions are honored because they grant rights and never exclude rights. Proponents are trying to invalidate our Constitution by using it as a weapon against one group of Nebraskans.
5. 416 is NOT about defending marriage. It doesn't help lower divorce rates, reduce domestic violence, provide a fair family wage or anything else that could help defend marriages in Nebraska. Proponents blame gay families for the number of marriages ending in divorce. We recommend community and religious support for ALL committed and loving relationships between couples.
6. 416 would sweep away all current legal protections for gay families in Nebraska. It would invalidate healthcare powers of attorney, wills, planned medical directives and any other binding contracts between two same-sex people. Proponents say nothing will change if 416 passes-lawyers say this is the definition of the slippery slope and to strongly guard against attempts to make a single group of Nebraskans strangers to the law.
7. A vote AGAINST 416 will not legalize gay marriage. Gay marriages are not legal in Nebraska and the question of allowing gay marriage is not on the ballot. However, the passage of 416 would sweep away Nebraskas ability to validate or recognize gay families before the law. Proponents know 416 is a solution in search of a problem.
8. 416 is bigoted anti-gay legislation. Bigotry is a behavior based on irrational fear. Bigotry begets intolerance, intolerance fosters hate and hate leads to violence. Proponents are irrationally afraid of gay families having equal rights, protections and access under the law.
9. 416 is discrimination. Proposed Amendments are discriminatory when they: target any one group of people, make any one group of people strangers to the law, or deliberately call into question anyone's ability to access their overnment. 416 is unconstitutional, and if passed, would cost Nebraska taxpayers millions of dollars to test, try and throw out.
10. Vote AGAINST 416-it's a BAD Amendment.

RAINBOW OUTREACH GLBT RESOURCE LIST

BARS

- Connections**, 933-3033
1901 Leavenworth, Omaha
- DC's Saloon**, 344-3103
610 S. 14th Street, Omaha
- Gilligan's Pub**, 449-9147
1407 Harney, Omaha
- JOY**, Open Halloween
The **Diamond**, 342-9595
712 S. 16th St., Omaha
- The MAX**, 346-4110
1417 Jackson, Omaha
- Omaha Mining Co.**, 449-8703,
1715 Leavenworth, Omaha
- Panic**, 435-8764
200 S. 18th Lincoln
- Q**, 475-2269
226 S. 9th Street, Lincoln

OMAHA BASED ORGANIZATIONS

- BiChoice Nebraska**, 9504 R
Plaza #106, Omaha 68127
592-4250: QUEST15@juno.com
- Citizens for Equal Protection**
PO Box 55548, Omaha 68155,
402-398-3027
<http://www.geocities.com/~cfep>
Working for equal rights for all
- Flat Water Bears**, PO Box 3751,
Omaha 68103 or
flatwaterbears@geocities.com
Group for hirsute men and their admirers, meet 2nd Wednesday at Diamond Bar, 7:30pm
- Front Runners/Walkers**, Box 4583, Omaha 68104 (402) 496-3658
Fun Run/Walks 10am Sun, 6pm Wed
- GALO (Gay & Lesbian Org at UNO)**
Alchisti55@aol.com or contact SPO (Student Organizations) at 554-2711.
- Gay, Lesbian & Straight Education Network-Omaha**, Box 641676, Omaha 68164, 596-2596
- Heartland Gay Rodeo Association**
Box 3354, Omaha 68103 For those who enjoy rodeo & country ways (402) 597-1689
- Ice Bowl Invitational Bowling Tournament (IBIT)** P.O. Box 31838, Omaha, NE 68131, e-mail icebowlomaha@hotmail.com
- Imperial Court of Nebraska**, PO Box 3772, Omaha 68103 (402) 556-9907, Board Meeting 3rd Mon, MCC-Omaha, 819 S. 22
- Learning to Exchange Power**, L2EP@aol.com, Social, educational group novices in Leather LifeStyle
- Leather Engineers of Omaha (LEO)** Box 8181 Omaha 68108
Gay men interested in leather lifestyle, Meetings 2nd Tues @ Gilligan's 7pm

- Lesbian Centered**; Social, discussion group for Lesbians; Meet Thurs. Info: Lesbiancenc@ivillage.com
- LinOma Bares**, PO Box 8493, Omaha 68108 Nudist/ Naturist Club for gay/bi men
- Mpower**, c/o Nebraska AIDS Project, 139 S. 40, Omaha 68131 Men teaching men about HIV
- Men's Support Group-Omaha**, c/o MCC-Omaha, 819 S. 22 St., <http://www.radiks.net/mike2tom/msgomaha> 345-2563; Tuesday 7:30pm
- Metropolitan Community Church of Omaha**, 819 S. 22 St., Omaha 68108 345-2563, mccomaha@radiks.net
Sunday Worship 8:50 & 10:20am,
- Names Project of the Heartland**, AIDSQuiltOmaha@aol.com,
- Nebraska AIDS Project**, 552-9260
Watanabe Wellness Ctr, 139 S. 40 St., Omaha 68131, Testing Monday and Thursday Evenings
- Nebraska Advocates for Justice & Equality**, PO Box 55548, Omaha 68155, 402.346-5960
naje_now@hotmail.com
- Nebraska Gay Dads** group list exchange emails posted to the list for discussion <http://www.radiks.net/mike2tom/nebraskagaydads>
- Omaha Nebr Gay Pride WebPage**
<http://community.webtv.net/OMAHA/NEGAYPRIDE/OmahaNebraskaGay>
- Onyx Images**, PO Box 31026, Omaha 68132-9998 Fraternity for African American Men
- Out and About in Nebraska**, outabout@worldshare.net or <http://travel.to/outabout> Social group for those who enjoy the outdoors
- Parents and Friends of Lesbians And Gays (PFLAG) Omaha Chapter**
Call (402) 291-6781 Meetings 2nd Thursday & 4th Sunday, First United Methodist, 7020 Cass, Omaha
- Pride!, Inc.** Box 8583, Omaha 68108 341-0330 Produce Pride Parade; National Coming Out Day
- Proud Horizons Youth Group**, Sat Afternoon, info: (402) 291-6781 or email proudhorizons@yahoo.com
- Rainbow Outreach GLBT Resource Center**, 1719 Leavenworth, Omaha, 341-0330, Web Site: www.ROCC.org
Info Line, Library, Movies, Gayzette
- Rainbow Bible Study**, Fridays, 6-7:30pm, Lowe Ave Presbyterian, 1023 N. 40 St., Omaha
- River City Mixed Chorus**, Box 3267, Omaha, NE 68103, 402-341-SING
- River City Gender Alliance**, Box 8076, Omaha 68108, 402-991-8845, email: rcga@tgforum.com Social/Support Group for transgender/transsexual/cross-dressers and supporters

- River City Mixed Bowling 1**, 12:45pm, Sundays, Michael Jones (689-0534)
- SNAP Productions**, Box 8464, Omaha, NE 68108 www.snapproductions.com
- WomenSpace**, PO Box 24712, Omaha 68124 Newsletter, Concerts (402) 588-4529

LINCOLN BASED ORGANIZATIONS

- Alias Jane Band**, (402) 435-8764
Kara & Kelly at The Panic
- Committee for GLBT Concerns**
218 Andrews, UN-L, 68588 472-1880
Deanna Zaffke & Pat Tetreault
- Gay/Lesbian/Bi/Straight Alliance**
2229 J St., Lincoln 68510 (402) 436-1301 ext. 232 Ruth Kupfer
- Gay/Lesbian Film Fest**, October 19-28,
Mary Ross Film Theater, Lincoln,
Deanna Zaffke, cea@unlserve.unl.edu
- Gay Men's Support Group**,
Counseling & Psychology,
Discussion Group for Gay Men,
UNL Health Center, Rm. 214,
Lincoln 68588-0618 472-7450
- Lesbian Discussion Group**,
Women's Resource Center,
UNL Health Center, Rm 340,
Lincoln 68558 (402) 472-2597
- Omaha Women's Riverboat Cruise**, 4949 N. 73 St, Lincoln, 68507 (402) 467-5737
- Parents, Friends of Lesbians & Gays, Cornhusker Chapter**, Box 30128, Lincoln 68508, Meet 4th Tuesday, Unitarian Church, 6300 A, Barbara Kimberly jbkimber@email.msn.com
- Plainsmen**, Support group for FtM's (Female to Male), Male Identified Females, Drag Kings TV Butches, 402-820-1267
- SAGE**, Box 22043, Lincoln 68542
Coffee House 2nd Sat, 6 - 9pm,
Lesbian Videos 7:15pm, 3319 S. 46
- Stepping Out GLBT Newspaper**,
PO Box 30950, Lincoln, 68503-0950
Julie: 402-325-0338, Kathy @ bluzzdiva@aol.com
- Straight Spouse Support Grp** 489-9088
- Women In Trades/YWCA**, 1432 N St., Lincoln 68508; 434-3494
Martha Hakenkamp/Barb Cheshier
- Youth Support Group**, (402) 434-9880
- Youth Talkline**, Lincoln 473-7932,
Friday & Saturday 7pm - Midnight
- ## OTHER
- Trevor-24-hour National Suicide Hotline for GLBT and Questioning Youth** 1-800-850-8078

Strippers

THIS FRIDAY

**7 PM
MAIN BAR**

**9 PM
STOSH'S**

SUNDAYS

Nov. 5

Hot Body's

Nov. 12

Food 4 Thought

Nov. 19

International Male

346.4110

The MAX

1417 Jackson

