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LISTSERV FOR TRANSPeOPLE OF COLOR

TG POC is a discussion-oriented listserv for TransPeople of Color as well as our significant others and allies.

This listserv was created in 1998 by Nadyalec, an Arab/Muslim FTM activist, so TG/TS People of Color could "have a place for us to talk about the issues that we face, share support and information, and build communities."

To subscribe, send an empty email message to tgpsc-subscrib-@egroups.com from the email address that you will use to send and receive email or visit www.egroups.com and fill out the form there.

Confidentiality: Our policy of confidentiality is informed by our own experiences of oppression. We respect the confidentiality of all list members BUT as this is not a closed list, and as we do not have full control over who joins and what they do with the information they receive here, we cannot guarantee confidentiality of information shared on the list.

As such, we recommend that those concerned about confidentiality sign up for an anonymous email account and e-address with yahoo, hotmail, or another service before posting or subscribing to the list. Please note that all posts are archived and available to the list members at a later time.

Tuesday, March 7

Fat Tuesday at The MAX in the Upstairs Bar

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7 - 11 PM

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HIV/AIDS NEWS

The National Gay Men's Health Summit 2000 will be July 19-23, 2000 at the Regal Harvest House Hotel in Boulder, Colorado. To register for the National Gay Men's Health Summit and any Pre-Summit Institutes please contact the Boulder Colorado AIDS Project at 303.444.6121 or use their online registration form at www.bcap.org. Registration fee for the Summit is \$150.00 (This does not include pre-summit institutes -- see Pre-Summit Institutes below). Make checks payable to BCAP (Boulder County AIDS Project) and send to BCAP-Gay Men's Health Summit, 2118 Fourteenth Street, Boulder, CO 80302-4808. Registration due by Monday, July 3, 2000. Cancellation refunds for the Summit are as follows: cancel by June 1, \$74 returned, cancel by June 15, \$50 returned, and no refunds granted after July 1, 2000. For those needing financial assistance, there will be a limited number of registration scholarship available. Please contact BCAP for scholarship information.

Pre-Summit Institutes: There will be seven pre-summit institutes. These day-long institutes are intended to be specific to an issue or an area of interest and are designed to give concentrated attention to that issue or area of interest. The subject matter addressed in any of the institutes does not preclude the issue or area of interest from also being address during the summit itself. All of the institutes will be held concurrently from 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM on Wednesday, July 19, 2000, at the summit site. The pre-summit institutes will cost \$10.00 in addition to the general registration fees.

Hotel Information: Reservation may be made by calling the Regal Harvest House Hotel at 303.443.3850. Rooms are \$129.00 per night. Other lodging INFORMATION is available by calling BCAP at 303.444.6121 Monday - Friday 9:00 - 5:00.

METHODIST CONFERENCE LOCATION TARGETED

A unique experiment in nonviolence training and direct action will be held May 6-12, 2000, on the campus of Trinity Episcopal Cathedral in Cleveland, Ohio. Sponsored by Soulforce, Inc., the event will take place simultaneously with the General Conference of the United Methodist Church at the Cleveland Convention Center, just one mile from the Cathedral. People of faith from any faith tradition are invited to participate in all or part of the seven day event.

"Sometime during that historic week," explains Mel White, a co-founder of Soulforce, Inc., "one thousand clergy and lay delegates representing more than eight million United Methodists will make the most important decision they have made since slavery. They will decide to open their arms to God's lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgendered children or they will vote to turn

us away. That decision will have serious consequences not just for the Methodists but for millions of our sisters and brothers in North America and around the world. Soulforce will be there in the spirit of love and reconciliation to help our United Methodist friends see the truth and act upon it or to confront and condemn their untruth if they do not."

Gary Nixon, Mel's partner and a co-founder of Soulforce says, "UFMCC clergy and laity were at the heart of our recent Soulforce actions in Lynchburg (our dialogue with Jerry Falwell) and in Grand Island (our civil disobedience and arrest at the trial of Jimmy

Creech.) And though the Millennium March on Washington is just one week before our Soulforce direct action with the

United Methodists, we are hoping that UFMCCers will find a way to join us in Cleveland as well."

Soulforce is an interfaith, ecumenical network of people of faith committed to teach and apply the nonviolence principles of Gandhi and King on behalf of justice for all God's children. The Soulforce University in Cleveland is open to anyone interested in seeking justice for sexual minorities. Delegates will participate in worship, study, negotiation and direct action under the leadership of teachers and activists seasoned in the ways of nonviolence and spiritual renewal.

For further information contact: SFU@soulforce.org.

DAVENPORT'S FIGHT FOR GAY RIGHTS LEGISLATION

Rev. Stephen Moore and others in MCC of the Quad Cities in Davenport, Iowa, USA, have been working with city leaders to get a landmark anti-discrimination law passed in Davenport. This law would fight discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation. Davenport has come under the media glare as city leaders and MCC members unite to lobby with city government. The religious right is in full force and has been very vocal in speaking out against the amendment and MCC. During the first of 3 voting sessions last Wed., Feb. 9, the amendment passed with a 7 – 3 vote. The next voting session will be Wed., Feb. 16; the 3rd and final vote will be Feb. 23. All 3 votes must pass for the law to go into effect.

CONFERENCE ON LGBT AGING

Senior Action in a Gay Environment (SAGE), the nation's oldest and largest social services agency dedicated to LGBT seniors, is hosting its second national conference. The conference, co-sponsored by UFMCC, will be held at Fordham University's Lincoln Center Campus in New York city from May 5 - 6, and is entitled "Out of the Closet - Into the Future: Midlife and Aging in Gay America". The conference will heighten awareness of LGBT aging issues; challenge ageism and age-phobia in the gay community; showcase innovative outreach, service programs and activist initiatives; and develop a plan of action and identify strategies regarding LGBT aging issues. For more information on presenting or to register for the conference, call Jeneve Brooks at (212) 741-2247, ext. 229, or email: sageusa@aol.com

NGLTF LEGISLATIVE UPDATE OF 2000

The National Gay and Lesbian Task Force tracks and regularly reports on GLBT and HIV/AIDS-related state legislation considered in all 50 states. During the 2000 legislative sessions they will be producing regular legislative updates to keep you informed of critical developments regarding hate crimes, civil rights, marriage, families, domestic partnership, and other bills moving through state houses. The NGLTF legislative updates may be read by visiting www.nglftf.org/legupdate2000.

With 36 state legislatures currently in session, lawmakers across the country are considering 198 bills favorable to the gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgendered community and 146 bills unfavorable, according to the first National Gay and Lesbian Task Force Legislative Update of the year 2000.

The positive trend of favorable measures

outnumbering unfavorable measures means the year 2000 is picking up right where 1999 left off. Last year, NGLTF tracked 269 favorable bills and 205 unfavorable bills.

While some of the bills currently under consideration were "held over" from last year, many new bills have surfaced - some favorable, others unfavorable. Here are some of the highlights:

****In the wake of the landmark state Supreme Court ruling, Vermont legislators are considering a measure to amend its marriage laws to make them gender neutral, in effect allowing same-sex couples to marry. State lawmakers are also considering a comprehensive domestic partnership benefits bill for same-sex couples.

****In a positive development, the Roman Catholic Diocese of Portland, Maine recently announced its support for an amended version of a comprehensive civil rights bill banning discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation in employment, housing, public accommodations, and credit.

****As a backlash against last year's New Jersey Supreme Court decision ruling involving the Boy Scouts of America in the James Dale case, legislators have introduced a bill to exempt the Boy Scouts and other private clubs from compliance with the state's non-discrimination law.

"Civil rights -- including the freedom to marry -- and other important issues relating to the GLBT people are taking center stage in this election year," said NGLTF Executive Director Kerry Lobel. "Local activists are leading the fight for equality in this new year. It is important that we support their efforts by contacting local legislators, lobbying, organizing and registering as many people as possible to vote."

Metropolitan Community
Church of Omaha



**ASH WEDNESDAY
SERVICE**

7 PM — March 8

Sunday Services 9 & 10:30 AM
819 S. 22nd St., Omaha (402) 345-2563
mccomaha@radiks.net

FEMINIST EXPO 2000

Thousands of feminists, speakers, celebrities and performers from around the world will showcase the power of the feminist movement, its ideas and visions for the 21st century at the Feminist Expo 2000. The Expo will be held from March 31 – April 2, 2000 at the Baltimore Convention Center in Baltimore, Maryland. Contact the Feminist Majority Foundation by phone (703) 522-2214 or email at expo2000@feminist.org for hotel and registration information. Or check out Feminist Expo 2000 and register online on the web at

Hi! My name is Angela Clements & I'm a sophomore at UNL. I am in the process of getting a group from UNL together to go to D.C. in April. I was wondering if you knew of any Lincoln/Omaha that people would like to caravan with us or help to plan a Nebraska showing at D.C. So far, I have at least

a dozen students that are definitely going to be attending. It would be great to be in contact with others from NE so that we can coordinate! Hope to hear from you soon,

Angela Clements

University of Nebraska-Lincoln

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402-436-9353

MILLENNIUM MARCH ON WASHINGTON ISSUES CALL FOR RALLY

WASHINGTON, DC, Jan. 10, 2000 - Today, organizers of the Millennium March on Washington for Equality issued a call for nominations of individuals to speak at the Rally, as part of the Millennium March on Washington, scheduled for April 30, 2000. Organizers of the March encourage people to dream big and nominate individuals who will be inspiring, moving and empowering to them personally; and to encourage their friends and family to nominate prospective speakers as well. Nominations can run

the gamut - from local heroes to celebrities, parents to poets, athletes to activists or anyone who provides inspiration.

We are asking the community to assist the producers, organizers and board of the Millennium March by nominating individuals to speak at the Rally," said Dianne Hardy-Garcia, co-executive director of the Millennium March. "This is another way people from all over the country can provide input and help shape this historic March." "Addressing the thousands and thousands of March-goers is a unique honor and privilege," said Malcolm Lazin, co-executive director. "We are counting on our community to put forth individuals who will provide a powerful message as we gather at our nation's capitol."

Submissions may be made by e-mail to MMOW2000@aol.com, by faxing to (202)467-8102 or by mailing nominations to the Millennium March offices at 1000 16th St., NW, Ste. 300, Washington, DC 20036. Nominations should include a brief description of the person and contact information for both the person nominating and the person or persons being nominated. The nominations must include full name, address and phone number for verification.

The Millennium March on Washington, scheduled for April 30, 2000, will be the fourth national GLBT civil rights march to promote equal rights for all gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgender individuals. For more information on the March on Washington for Equality, visit the official website at www.mmow.org or write to MMOW2000@aol.com.

NEWS FROM THE MILLENNIUM MARCH ON
WASHINGTON

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What's Happening

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Sat, February 26

FRONTRUNNERS ANNUAL CHILI COOKOFF

5 TO 9 P.M. HOTLINE 402-496-3658

WOMEN LOVING WOMEN

POT LUCK DINNER AND SOCAIL

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5-9 P.M. FIRST UNITARIAN CHURCH

3114 HARNEY ST.

IF ATTENDING PLEASE CALL 345-2806

Sun, February 27

FRONTRUNNERS RUN/WALK

GENE LEAHY MALL

MEET AT THE ARCH 10 A.M.

BREAKFAST AT DIXIE QUICKS FOLLOWING

Every Tuesday

MENS SUPPORT GROUP

METROPOLITAN COMMUNITY CHURCH

819 S. 22ND ST., 8 P.M.

Every Wednesday

CHOIR REHEARSAL

METROPOLITAN COMMUNITY CHURCH

819 S. 22ND ST., 7 P.M.

Every Thursday

LESBIAN CENTERED, DISCUSSION GROUP

FOR INFO: LESBINCEN@VILLAGE.COM

OR CALL THE RESOURCE CENTER, 341-0330

6:30 TO 8 P.M.

Every Friday

FREE ANONYMOUS HIV TESTING

NAP OUTREACH, 1723 LEAVENWORTH

5 P.M. TO MIDNIGHT

TWO LEFT FEET, COUNTRY AND WESTERN

DANCE LESSONS

MCC-OMAHA, 819 S. 22ND ST.

7-9 P.M., \$1 DONATION REQUESTED

WILD ANNIE'S STRIP OFF

THE MAX 1417 JACKSON, 7-9 P.M.

FREE FRIDAY NIGHT MOVIES

RAINBOW OUTREACH RESOURCE CENTER

1719 LEAVENWORTH, 7:45 P.M.

Every Saturday

PROUD HORIZANS YOUTH GROUP

REGULAR MEETING, 4-6 P.M.

SPONSORED BY PFLAG, 291-6781

OR E-MAIL PROUDHORIZANS@HOTMAIL.COM

FOR DETAILS

PRAYER GROUP

METROPOLITAN COMMUNITY CHURCH

819 S. 22ND ST., 9-9:45 P.M.

Every Sunday

WORSHIP SERVICES, MCC-OMAHA

8:50 AND 10:20 A.M.

819 S. 22ND ST.

WORSHIP SERVICES, LINCOLN MCC

6:30 P.M., ST. MARK'S

EPISCOPAL CHURCH ON THE CAMPUS

RIVER CITY BOWLING LEAGUE

MOCKINGBIRD LANES, 12:30 P.M.

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Monthly Events

Upcoming Events

1st Saturday

RIVER CITY GEDER ALLINACE
MONTHLY MEETING CONTACT:
1-800-269-3444 ORRCGA@TGFORUM.COM
FOR DETAILS, ROOM OPENS AT 4 P.M.
MEETING STARTS AT 7 P.M.

2nd Wednesday

FLATWATER BEARS
THE DIAMOND BAR, 7:30 P.M.
FOR INFO PO BOX 3751, OR
FLATWATERBEARS@GEOCITIES.COM

2nd Thursday

PFLAG MEETING
FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
7020 CASS ST., MEAD HALL, 7 P.M.

2nd Sunday

BI CHOIC NE, BRUNCH AND DISCUSSION
BISEXUAL SOCAIL AND SUPPORT GROUP
MCFOSTER'S NATURAL KIND CAFE
UPSTIRS, 1-3 P.M. FOR INFO CALL
MARCELLA, 592-4250

3rd Sarurday

SOCAL NIGHT, BI CHOICE NE
IN MEMBERS HOME, 7-?? P.M. FOR INFO
CALL TERI ANN, 491-0238

4th Tuesday

NAMES PROJECT OF THE HEARTLAND
E-MAIL FOR LOCATION,
AIDSQUILTOMAHA@AOL.COM

4th Sunday

PFLAG MEETING
FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH,
MEAD HALL 7020 CASS ST. 2 P.M.

Sat, March 4th

HEALING SERVICE AND SHOWER OF
STOLES
FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
7020 CASS ST., 7 P.M.

Sun, March 19th

"NOT-SO" MISS GAY STATES PAAGENT
AT THE MAX

Sun, April 16th

CLOSET BALL, ICON
THE MAX, 1417 JACKSON, \$4 COVE

Sun, April 30th

MILLENNIUM MARCH ON WASHINGTON
SEE ARTICLE FOR MORE INFORMATION

Sun, June 11th

PRIDE FESTIVAL

June 23-25

HEARTLAND REGIONAL GAY RODEO

Sat, July 15th

CORONATION 20; A CRYSTAL NIGHT
MASQUERADE: A JOURNEY INTO THE
MILLENNIUM

IMPERIAL COURT OF NEBRASKA
SOKOL HALL 13TH AND MARTHA

Sat, October 7th

NATIONAL COMING OUT DAY
SOKOL HALL 13TH AND MARTHA



Wanted:
The dates & times of
your organizations'
events for publication in
the Gayzette!

Email them to — lastdwarf@aol.com

Drop them by the GLBT Resource Center, 1719 Leavenworth
Omaha, Monday through Friday between 6 and 9 PM! Have the
volunteer leave them in Bruce's box!

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THE DIVA COLLECTION

HMIM JEFF MCKENZIE

MARCH 12TH

MISS NEBRASKA NATIONAL

ALEXANDRA STONE

MARCH 19TH

NOT SO MISS STATES

PACO & TRINA

MARCH 26TH

MALE DANCERS

