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OUR TURN: Opinions of New Voice Staff

WE'RE "GRANDPARENTS" AGAIN!

By Sharon Van Butsel

Well, just guess what! Some of you may remember the articles we wrote about losing our beautiful Siamese/Himalayan cross, Kadie, and about the follow-up story that told how cross-eyed Tillie came into our house hold, soon followed by a mischievous stray that we named Samuel.

Well, about 7 weeks ago Tillie went to spend a "wild weekend" with a little male Himalayan named "Gremlin," and, as should be expected when fertile females do not practice "safe sex", our little girl kitty turned up pregnant.

These last few weeks she has really looked like she had swallowed a cantaloupe, but this cantaloupe had legs and heads that could move around and kick at your hand when you felt her tummy.

Whenever she would come into the room, Carla would burst into song "Roll Out The Barrel," but Tillie was not insulted, she just hopped up and insisted on being held and petted.

Then yesterday, Tillie began acting strange, restless and meowing almost constantly. So, when we went to work this morning, we locked her and her box and her litter box and food and water into the office and we went off to work. And, as you might have guessed, when we came home tonight it was to find 5 tiny, white baby kittens cuddled up in the box. Tillie was at the door, meowing loudly, wanting out of the office to tell us all about her accomplishment. We

allowed her her moment of glory and then told her to get to work feeding these babies so they could grow big and strong.

We will get to watch the babies grow and play for about 6-8 weeks and then we will find buyers for them (except the one we have promised to Gremlin's owners). It was a long search to find a "gentle but dominant male" to mate with our Tillie, but it was definitely worth the search.

Oh, speaking of grandchildren, I suppose I should fill you in on the latest happenings of the family. My daughter is office manager for a commodities company, her husband is a professional painter and the grandchildren are just fine. Kathy is almost 17 and working part time and getting ready for her senior year at Central. Tim is 14 and has his first girlfriend and is playing basketball and running track. And little John Pierre is almost 4, and still crazy about Power Rangers and Batman. He had a lot of simis and ear infections as a toddler and his hearing was impaired often enough that he doesn't pronounce words clearly, but he goes to speech classes through Omaha Public Schools and is getting a lot better about making sounds correctly.

Carla is a great aunt twice over, Ashley is one year old and Amanda is about one month old. We'll be making a trip to Kansas to visit them in early July.

Well, that's the update on our "grandkids" and assorted relatives. Until next time, take good care of each other.

HOW ABOUT A WEB SITE?

Dear Editor,

I've been reading *The New Voice* since I've moved to Nebraska, back in 1989. While I'm not a subscriber, I make sure I go out of my way to get a copy every month.

From 1991-1993, I was the faculty advisor for the Gay and Lesbian Student Organization at UNO. When I went back to school, I had to give up that position. But if offered me a chance to really get into the Telecommunication age.

I've established a home page on America On-Line and include a lot of information as I find it out on the various sites in Omaha; this includes theatre, opera, symphony, as well as gay and lesbian issues.

I was wondering if you have ever considered taking *The New Voice* in this direction. I realize that with copyrights, not all material could be included on the site, but many things like pages 31 through 35 of the May issue would lend itself to a web page.

If you've contemplated taking this step, but don't have the time or knowledge to do this, I'd gladly volunteer my time and if necessary the computer space on my account here to open up such a site. If you've thought about it and decided against it, is there any way that I can include the directory of services, and various calendars of events on my personal site without violating any copyright laws, giving proper credit to the editorial staff at *The New Voice*.

Thanks for taking the time out of your busy schedule to read my mail, and look forward to next month's issue, as well as a reply.

PS It was great to see a wedding announcement in the magazine. I'm contemplating the same actions myself in a year or so.

Sincerely,
Scott Hays

Editor's Note: What about it, readers? Should we pursue setting up a web site for the New Voice and the calendars and other community information? I'm pretty illiterate about such things, but it sounds like we have a wonderful offer here. Should we look into it?



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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

THANKS FOR SUPPORTING NAP

Dear Friend,

My name is Joseph Conrad and I am a person living with AIDS in Nebraska. I am also a client of the Nebraska AIDS Project (NAP).

I realize that most of you do not know me, but I wanted to thank you for your support of NAP. When I was diagnosed with HIV, I thought the end had come. Then something special happened. I found the Nebraska AIDS Project. I am writing this letter to ask that you consider making a gift to NAP today.

It is difficult for me to describe the overwhelming sense of isolation that I experience with this disease. Few people understand what we are going through and others even try to find ways to blame you for "catching" AIDS. They condemn you for having a virus.

I am really very lucky. I am surrounded by a loving family and good friends. However, I find that I still need help to overcome many obstacles. Other clients I know have no one to whom they can turn, that is except for NAP. For these people, there are volunteers from the Buddy and Practical Support programs that come into our homes and unselfishly offer emotional and day-to-day support: cooking, cleaning, laundry, shopping, or someone to simply sit and listen. I have friends who would have lost their home had it not been for the financial and legal assistance from NAP. This agency is a tremendous source of support for the 300+ men, women and children they serve.

I know you understand: AIDS does more than rob us of our health. All too often, AIDS cuts us off from the outside world, takes our jobs,

bankrupts our finances, and tears at our spirit. NAP can't cure this disease, but they do everything they can to protect the quality of life for people like me thus providing the means to maintain our independence and our dignity.

I am honored that I have this opportunity to write to you, because I know you recognize the value of a place like NAP. It is my sincere hope that your answer will be a generous contribution.

Because there are people like you who care, people living with AIDS in Nebraska and southwest Iowa know that there is an entire group of committed professionals there with us. Your continued support is critical if the Nebraska AIDS Project is to continue providing services.

Perhaps the most amazing thing about NAP is that direct client services is only a part of the work they do. Shortly after coming to NAP, I joined their Speaker's Bureau. When I have the chance to share my story with others and help them understand what they must do to protect themselves I know that I am saving lives.

Most of the speeches I give these days are to young people. I see what a tremendous threat AIDS is to the future of our youth. Without NAP, many (if not most) of these kids would never have a chance to learn that they can live free of HIV and AIDS.

Each year, NAP education programs reaches out to tens of thousands of people across the state. Your support makes this possible. So please, won't you sit down right now and make as generous a contribution as you can to NAP.

Because of your financial support, I know that you are there with me as I face the daily challenges of living with AIDS. When I need help with Medicaid and Medicare — you are there. When I need a ride to the doctor — you are there. When I attend client luncheon — you are there. We are facing this disease together.

I once thought that my life was over. Now I know that — like so many of the people touched by the programs of the Nebraska AIDS Project — AIDS can rob me of my health but it will never take my spirit. NAP is a place that has made it possible for me to understand this. Thank you for your support of NAP.

There is no sign of a cure for AIDS. Your continued support will help guarantee that others like myself who must face this disease will not have to do so alone.

Sincerely,
Joseph J. Conrad, Jr.

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A DAY I'LL ALWAYS REMEMBER

Dear Editor,

Every day is a special day in our lives. Some are more memorable than others. The most memorable day for me, and one I'll always remember, was Saturday, December 2, 1995.

My family is very active in volunteering for the Nebraska AIDS Project. We've been involved with the delivering of Christmas and Easter baskets and Thanksgiving meals to clients of NAP. We have held many garage sales to raise money for them. We have also had the pleasure of hosting dinners for "Night of 1,000 Stars." It is an evening filled with glamour, glitz and celebrities.

While all of the above may sound like unforgettable events, the one that had the most impact on me was the day I volunteered to work at the Civic Auditorium. It was the weekend the AIDS Quilt was on public display. My main reason for being there was to check in volunteers and give them their assigned areas. During my three hour shift, I watched many volunteers come in and out, some even in tears. Everyone was moved in a different way. The one thing about sadness is that it has no race, religious or gender boundaries. I knew I was going to see the quilt at the end of my shift, but at this time I didn't know what to expect.

The time had come for me to leave my post and proceed to the main floor. This was an area that I had been in many times before. Only this time instead of clowns, animals and a ringmaster, these things were replaced with giant panels of

people's lives. The ringmaster was replaced by readers who read the names of the unfortunate "stars" whose panels were on display. The clowns were replaced by volunteers all in white, who comforted visitors and protected the panels.

As I walked around the room looking at each of the panels, I realized that each one had its own special story. As I stopped and looked, I tried to imagine what their lives must have been like. As we reached the end, we saw the familiar name of a very dear friend who had his own special place. At that moment instead of reaching for cotton candy or pop, I reached for comfort and a tissue.

Before we left, there was one special panel. It was one where we could leave a special message. I knew what I wanted to say because it came from the bottom of my heart and soul. For you see the day I'll always remember ended on the panel where I wrote, "May God bless and protect my uncle Joey".

Sincerely,
Angela S.
St. Bernadette
Grade 8

ONYX IMAGES TO CELEBRATE 5TH ANNIVERSARY

April 19, 1996

Carla,

How are you and the rest of the staff of the Voice doing? Based on my observations of the Voice, everything seems to be just humming along.

Sorry I haven't personally been out and about to see and greet you all lately but I have kept a constant watch and interest in our community's very fine magazine.

I would like to request that the following information regarding our fraternity's 5th anniversary be included in the new calendar of major events during the coming year section of the Voice.

October
11, 12, 13 — ONYX IMAGE

5th Anniversary

Your brothers of ONYX IMAGES are most appreciative of your exhaustive efforts, through *The New Voice*, to provide a medium in which all the various groups of our illustrious community may participate.

Thank You,
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TAKE A FEW MINUTES FOR A SURVEY

Lambda, the GayLesBiTrans Student Association of the University of Nebraska (formerly GLSA) is putting up a site on the World Wide Web.

Remember how scared and lonely you were? As a resource used anonymously, this site will help hundreds, possibly thousands of people come to terms with their sexuality or gender identity. And guess what? We want your help!

We're trying to provide diverse information on people who have come out in the Midwest (especially Nebraska) including UNL students and alumni, religious figures and famous gay people. However, the profiles of accepting straight people are also welcomed, and some straight people may have received this form.

How can you help? Just take 5 minutes to answer the following questions. All questions are optional, take as much space as you want to answer the questions. Please read the disclaimer at the end of this document.

Date:

Name:

Where are you from?

Where do you live now?

Racial/ethnic background:

Age:

Age you came out:

Original anatomical gender:

Gender identity:

Current gender:

Sexuality:

Occupation:

College:

Major:

College degrees held, from where and the class of:

Do you plan to have children? how?

Are you dating anyone? How long and what gender is that person?

Do you plan to marry in your lifetime?

Do you think it should be illegal for same-gender couples to marry?

Does your religion recognize same-gender unions?

Religion you grew up with:

Current religion:

Does your religion accept you the way you are?

Do you think that the queer aspects of your life make you a sinner?

If so, do you think God will punish you?

Do you distinguish between God and religion?

Are you out to your family?

... your work?

... your straight friends.

Did you lose many friends, family, jobs by coming out?

Do you feel comfortable talking with most straight people about your life?

Do you feel expected not to talk about your lie around straight people while they endlessly chatter on and on about their lives?

Do you think it should be legal for you to be fired because of your gender or sexual identity?

Do you feel more comfortable when around mostly gay people?

When did you first realize you are queer?

Did you come out to yourself or others after first realizing this?

Was coming out difficult for you?

Do you think your sexuality or gender identity is an innate characteristic or is it learned?

Do you think that there is a reason queer people exist? If so, why?

Could you change your sexuality or gender identity if you wanted to?

If there were a pill you could take that would make you straight, would you take it? If not, would you have taken it at some other point in your life?

Can people be "cured" of their queerness?

Do you speak with a lisp?

Would you say you have a different "style", perhaps in interior design or fashion than the general population? If so, do you think that this is an innate characteristic among gay people or do you think it is learned?

Do you wear makeup?

Are you satisfied with how queer people are portrayed in the media (especially the local media)?

Where do you go to meet other queer people?

Are you seeing anyone?

What do you think the top priorities of the "gay agenda" should be?

Do you consider yourself an activist? If so, what sort of things do you do?

Are you "butch", "fem" or unconcerned with living up to gender roles?

Are you left handed?

Have you ever had a sexual experience with a person of the opposite sex? (If so, please elaborate)

How concerned are you about AIDS?

Has the AIDS epidemic changed your sexual behavior?

Do you plan to stay in the Midwest all of your life?

Many gay people are eccentric or neurotic, are you?

Thank you for taking the time to fill this out. If you have coming out stories, memoirs, etc. already prepared, please feel free to send them to me (preferably on floppy disk in MS Word or via e-mail).

Hey, why not provide a photo? We're trying to use this page to establish our humanity. Besides, everyone knows how boring a page of nothing but text can be. E-mail me your .peg or .gif files here, or I can scan them for you by mailing them to me. (Send return envelope to have the picture returned). You may also arrange for me to take a picture of you.

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TROY PERRY, MCC FOUNDER, AT MCC-OMAHA

The Reverend Elder Troy Perry, founder of the Universal Fellowship of Metropolitan Community Churches, will speak at Metropolitan Community Church of Omaha, on Thursday, June 27. Rev. Perry is including Omaha as part of a nationwide tour to raise funds for the purchase and renovation of a multi-million dollar complex which will house the International Offices of UFMCC and also the "mother church" MCC of Los Angeles which was destroyed in an earthquake during recent years. Rev. Perry has been a leader in the fight for gay, lesbian, bisexual, and transgender rights since he founded UFMCC in 1968 (a year before the Stonewall Riots.) The public is invited to come hear this dynamic, inspired speaker. Call the church office at 345-2563 for details.

IGRA DANCE COMPETITION TO BE HELD AT DC'S SALOON

By Shelley Foster, Correspondence Secretary

The 12th annual International Gay Rodeo Association Convention is being held in Omaha this year. It will be at the Red Lion Hotel, July 25 - 28 and will include a dance competition. Contestants from all the other rodeo associations across the country and Canada will be competing for the best in each of 4 divisions. In order for HGRA to send contestants to this competition, we will be hosting our own local competition on Saturday, June 1st, at DC's Saloon.

The divisions range from Beginners (for new dancers) to Intermediate and Advanced (Teachers of C & W Dance). You will be judged in the 2 step, waltz, and a freestyle dance of your choice. Stop in and watch the video of last year's competition held in Chicago and get an idea of what you can expect. You do not have to be a Rodeo member to participate in this contest, but we will be asking the winners to join HGRA so that they can compete at the International Contest in July.

Entry forms are available at DC's Saloon or catch David Brady for more info. I see all of you out there on the dance floor every weekend and know we have lots of dancers who could compete, so come on out and participate on Saturday, June 1st at 8pm. Preregistration is necessary, so hurry up and sign up!!

NAP ON THE NET

The Nebraska AIDS Project is now on the Internet. E-mail address is info@nap.org. The Web Site is <http://www.nap.org>

LETTER TO KOLN/KGIN TV LINCOLN

I recently wrote a thank you note regarding your series on "Lincoln's Gay Community". Had I actually seen the final edition, I would have written the note to you differently. I was very offended to watch the final edition which implied that the only social life for a gay man is to have sex in a public place. What a poor way to end such a wonderful series. Me and my partner have been together for two and a half years and many other couples a lot longer than that. Our social life would be similar to anyone else's in the general public. We go out for dinner, theater, or spend quality time with friends and family. If you are looking for a specific gay life there are gatherings other than a public forum of sex. We have a club in town, a neighborhood bar, and many other organizations and groups. As a gay community we also have a higher than average rate of alcohol/drug abuse and our youth are at a great risk of suicide. However it would not be fair for one to state that gays and lesbians are all abusing substance and all our youth are suicidal. I cannot deny the fact that gay sex does occur in public places. Many do it for the thrill or enjoy the risk involved. IN this case there probably no cure or resolution. The other side of this issue is even thought it may be wrong (public sex acts) I cannot but wonder if the our society does not create this situation by pushing people into a situation of isolation and desperation that they feel there is not other outlet for there sexual feelings. You may remember a article about a Lincoln teacher who was caught a second time for a public sex act. The first time he was brushed under the rug. However the second time was most likely to be made more public in the papers and media. The man, who was probably desperate, isolated and feared for his job killed himself. This left an elementary school full of kids and the whole city wondering why someone would kill themselves. As a member of this society I do not want to be responsible for this type of tragedy. Many who do not identify as gay also resort to having sex in a public place because fell they have no other forum. They also do not have any positive role models and if they did they probably would be found having sex in a public place. I again thank you for your continued support of the gay and lesbian community. However in the future a little more research and tactfulness would be appreciated.

Sincerely,
Tim Hopkins
Lincoln

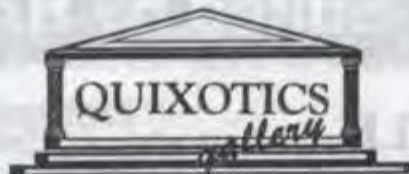
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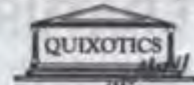
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"ANOTHER LITTLE LESSON IN THE LITERATURE OF LIFE"

Good morning, all my little fans of the words poetic! I would like to start off this month's missive by thanking a very nice cab driver for a wonderful ride home (now if that isn't enough to get a few tongues wagging, I don't know what will!) a few weeks ago. I also want to thank all those who took time to tell me that they really liked my poem last month (in fact, there is a whole group at The Run who were worked into tears over it! Bwahh-ha-ha-ha!! My evil plan has worked!!) It's always nice to hear from fans, and it helps to relieve my fears that no one reads this page.....

And now, onto the meat of the page.

Presenting another installment in the "You too can be a poet" series: Alliteration, and the Cinquain

Alliteration (also called **head rhyme**, or **initial rhyme**) is best defined as "the echo of the first sound of several words in a line." In other words, this is the process of using words that have the same sound (either with the starting syllable, or the same ending sounds) within a line, though these words do not have to totally rhyme. Alliteration is a method of adding melody and rhythm to a line in a poem. Advertisers use it all the time; think about the jingle you cannot get out of your head. Words that sound the same are easier to remember in a group. These examples of alliteration were given to me by my fellow guru, Mickel Jon Wilson, who will please forgive me for the cuts I had to make.

Bosley B. Bunny, while giving himself a blowjob and bouncing on my balls, rides a bike with a bunny named Bertha in Belgium.

Countess Carlotta Cockateil heads out to the cabaret to cruise and cocktail it. After countless cocktails, Carlotta runs into Cleo, the calico cat coke dealer; they put down a c-note and carry on.

After a short stay with the navy, Admiral Abbot Armadillo sets off for a holiday in the darkest Africa where he meets the armadillo of his affections, Annastassia.

(Thanks again Mikel for the assist!!)

A **Cinquain** can best be defined as an American form of the Haiku (created by Adelaide Crapsey according to Babette Deutsch's *Poetry Handbook*.) It contains five lines, the first line has two syllables, the second has four, the third has six, the fourth has eight, and the last line has two.

Just like the haiku, a cinquain paints a picture, usually with a reflected meaning for the reader to study and think about after the initial reading has been done. Here is an example of a Cinquain I wrote last week.

Breathing

By Brian E. Bengtson

I breathe.
Air soaks my lungs
like rain on the garden
filling the soil with one more gift
of life.

Okay, now you all know what to do - try it yourself, and send me the ones that don't make you sick!!! C'mon!! I need the mail!

Anyway, a few months ago, I asked all you true believers to send me some haiku. Well, Omaha's own Terry Sweeney decided that it's better late than never, and sent me some (actually he sent me thirteen, hence the numbers for titles!!) So let's all bask in his karmic soothings, and until next month, take care of each other.

Brian

FIVE HAIKU

By Terry Sweeney

One

The temple bell rings.
Men meditate in silence.
All is well with God.

Six

A fish swims upstream.
The crane flies high through the clouds.
Man walks on the earth.

Three

Take time to listen,
the land has stories to tell.
Dig deep, and slowly.

Four

Time, an illusion;
we are born, grow, and soon die.
Life is magical.

Twelve

Oh, Mother nature,
your springtime melody beats
awake in its time.

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ON THE *LEGAL FRONTLINE*

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SAME-SEX MARRIAGES

One of the most contested debates in gay law is whether states should recognize same-sex marriages. Many states, such as California, offer limited recognition and benefits to same sex couples. Colorado recently enacted legislation that allows same-sex couples to publicly document their commitment to each other. However, all states have denied gay couples the right to state sanctioned marriage with all the rights and liabilities that go with that institution. That may change soon.

Hawaii may become the first state to legalize same sex marriages. The great white hope of gay marriage has become the landmark case of *Baehr v. Lewin*, 74 Haw. 530 (1993). In *Baehr*, three same sex couples applied for marriage licenses. When the Department of Health denied their application on the basis of the Hawaii marriage law, they filed their lawsuit. The trial court rules that gay marriage was not authorized under Hawaii's law. They appealed, and the appellate court ruled that it is illegal, under the Hawaii

Constitution, to deny same sex applicants a marriage license. The court sent the case back to the trial court for further proceedings which were scheduled for trial on September 25, 1995. This has been delayed due to interventions by several fundamentalist groups. The case may now come up for trial soon.

The impending argument of *Baehr* seems to have been a call to arms for every right wing faction to rally against the impending decision. It seems that these groups are admitting that this type of discrimination cannot pass constitutional scrutiny so they are attacking it in different ways. Bills prohibiting same sex marriages have already been introduced in some 20 states and more are in the works. Although most bills are blatantly anti-gay, some are even clever and try to disguise discrimination in legitimate clothing. Ironically, California introduced legislation a month ago to nullify same sex marriages performed elsewhere.

In May, Republicans introduced a bill in

Congress that would prevent states from being forced to recognize same-sex marriages. The bill says that each state may decide for itself whether to acknowledge gay marriages and would define marriage under federal law as a legal union between one man and one woman.

Even more alarming is that President Bill Clinton, who campaigned on the gays in the military platform and then waffled, supports the anti-gay bill. White House spokesperson Mike McCurry said, "The President's against same-sex marriage. We'll have to look carefully at the legislation that's under consideration. He believes this is the time when we need to do things to strengthen the American family, and that's the reason why he's taken this position." Mark this down as one where President Clinton and Senator Dole agree. Senator Dole voiced his support for the bill as well.

It seems that the right wing is all rallied for the fight over gay marriages. Are gay leaders also ready? Openly gay and lesbian state legislators are doing everything they can to prevent enactment of these bills. However, out of 7,600 elected officials currently serving in state legislatures, only 17 are openly gay or lesbian.

The challenge that gays and lesbians face is unprecedented. They are on the verge of gaining greater recognition under the law. Certain groups will do anything to prevent these "hippies" of the 90's from succeeding. If there were ever a time to rally, organize, demonstrate, and initiate change, this would be it.

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ROBERTS' RULES: Married. With Husbands.

by Shelly Roberts

Are we running out of lesbians?

Is there a shortage?

Lately, I've had cause for concern.

Last week I was having lunch with an interesting woman. She was bright, talented, cute, prematurely (as it turned out) gray in an adorable fashion, and volunteering for something I was hoping soon to Chair. We were in the process of the usual "Hi-Who-Are-You's." And had somehow (gosh, how did that happen?) managed to include zodiac signs, employment history, and, (as it turned out), unfortunately, ages (well, at least *hers*). Internally calculating the 12 year difference, and, remembering Roberts' first Rule of future U-hauling, (With any more than a 10 year difference, they'll think of your *nostalgia* as antiques.) I pretty much ruled out an after lunch invitation to anything, and shifted to filling out the "Potential Friendship" application.

"How's your ailing grandmother?" I interrogated, noting with wistfulness how much I approved of her answer. The right amount of caretaking, responsibility, and independence. Qualities I prize highly. Sigh. Oh, well.

"Uh, I saw you and Diedre the other day, are you...uh?"

"Just playing. She knows my situation."

"Situation?" Oh-oh. What's this "situation" thing? Another chapter of the never-ending lesbian soap opera? "Yes...?"

Well, you see, My situation is kind of stalled at the moment. But, I'm sure, only temporarily. I'm in love with this married woman...

Oh, no. Not again.

That makes three women I have heard this

story from *this month*. "I'm in love with a married woman. And we will be going off into the sunset just as soon as a) hubby grants an amicable divorce with lots of alimony and an even division of property and assets, b) they settle just a few, tiny details about custody of the children, and/or c) she actually *tells* him that she's leaving..."

Yeah, sure. One of the women is *still* waiting after two years. The other laid down an ultimatum she has no intention of living up to. Do the words: "an *affair* to remember." Ring any bells?

I repeat my question: *Are we running out of lesbians?* Aren't there enough already-declared, practicing, female, homo-orientations running around to the meet the demand?

A long time ago, I speculated that in the property settlement over what to call ourselves, the guys got the term that means *happy*. And we got the one that means, "*Joan Crawford is after your wife*." It got a big laugh. But, hey, things have changed from the '70's when zillions of lesbians found out that they didn't have to stay with whatzizname after they'd seen GiGi. Those were glorious years. Woman meets woman. Woman falls in love with woman. Both women leave Hector and Homer and the farm to take off in a rusting VW bus for Oregon to bake bread and read chapters of *Patience and Sarah* aloud to each other, between chopping logs and rough hewing planks for the cabin.

By now, it seemed to me, we had pretty much freed the wives. I didn't think there were any left in the ranks who didn't want to be there, that we'd gotten all the ones who only needed the love of a good woman to break free.

Hey, guess I was wrong. Guess we have pretty much used up our supply of available, desirable single lesbian women. There is, of course, our predisposition to couple, uncouple and recouple, within 36, 37 seconds flat from the time one of us first utters the fateful phrase "Honey, do you *have* to chew your gum like that?" Which means that at any given time there are not a lot of us available to those of use who are available at any given time. It has been scientifically calculated by the Bureau of Lesbian Statistics that the average time span between lesbian relationships is approximately a *minus* 3.746 minutes. Which does make the pickin's kinda slim, it seems.

Apparently we *are* having to recruit from the outside again. Unfortunately, if my tiny, sample is any kind of accurate, we seem to have used up the good, desirable, available married ladies too. You know, the ones who came willingly. And stayed. Now we are left with the ones who are clear that they *aren't* lesbians, they just *happened* to fall in love with a woman. (As though that weren't the actual Oxford English definition.) Only for them it isn't a phase.

Isn't it fun to rediscover the old myths...and realize there might be some truth in them? Wait till you hear what's happening with Butch/Femme!

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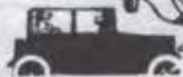
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RUN TO THE BORDERS

STEPHEN McCauley's
THE MAN OF THE HOUSE

By Denise Horn

Okay, okay, this isn't a book solely for women of our persuasion, but I liked it anyway. Besides, gay men just have that way of saying things, don't you think?

Stephen McCauley's first book, *The Man of the House*, addresses the all too common personal problems our community faces — how our homosexuality affects our families, the way we feel about ourselves and the relationships we form to fill the gaps in our lives.

A sense of ennui is pervasive throughout. The narrator, Clyde, is in a rut, and that rut is magnified, revealing the pain and fear which has paralyzed him. His career is at a standstill, his relationship with his father is a constant source of painful headaches and he can't seem to get over the man who left him years ago.

Clyde is in his mid-thirties and has realized that the "lean and hungry, unkempt and addled look I'd cultivated throughout my twenties was beginning to read like desperation and indigence...At a certain age, the unkempt and hungry look is attractive only if you're neither, and the truth is, I was at least a little of both." Clyde lives in a converted attic apartment near Harvard with an aging playboy (of the hetero bent) who can't quite get started on the dissertation he's been researching for the past decade. Watching the stream of young graduate students his roommate woos and hoping to spy Julia Childs in the gourmet food store prove to be the most exciting topics in Clyde's lonely life.

Luckily for Clyde (and the reader) there is an undercurrent of change in his life. Clyde's old friend, Louise, returns to Boston to reunite her son, Ben, with his father. Louise has been in constant motion for the past thirteen years and has found moderate success as a writer. She provides a contrast to Clyde's sedentary life, but also reveals that both extremes can be just as damaging. Through his relationship with Ben (no, he's not the dad — that's another subplot), Clyde is able to muster the courage to face life again, with renewed confidence and excitement.

McCauley has written a funny, touching novel. Although a bit narcissistic at times, I couldn't help but see so much of what we are — often lonely, confused, afraid, but ultimately given to joy, courage, and resiliency.

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PAST/OUT

BY DAVID BIANCO

A reader from Hialeah Gardens, Florida writes: **How and why is it that the U.S. military will not knowingly accept gays voluntarily but they have not problem with drafting gays during a war?**

It is true that during wartime, the military has often allowed gays and lesbians to serve, only to discharge them when the war ends. During World War II, there were dozens of cases of the army overlooking evidence of homosexuality among otherwise-wanted military personnel. In perhaps the most famous example, Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower ordered Johnnie Phelps, a sergeant in the Women's Army Corps, to produce a list of lesbians in her battalion. When Phelps warned the general that the list would be quite long and begin with her name at the top, Ike replied, "Forget the order."

During the Vietnam War, increased acceptance of homosexuality within society led to what the armed forces saw as a new problem: straight recruits pretending to be gay to avoid the draft. The solution was to demand "proof" from potential inductees who insisted they were gay — a psychiatrist's note or sworn statements from sexual partners. Of course, since sodomy was a felony in nearly every state, both straight and gay malingerers looked for other ways to resist the draft.

Journalist Randy Shilts documented many instances of military personnel sent to the Middle East to fight in the Gulf War who returned to face discharge proceedings. Indeed, beginning in September 1990, the Department of Defense's "Stop/Loss" policy phased out nearly all discharges of personnel the army deemed useful, and lesbian and gay soldiers (some relatively out) fought and risked their lives in the Persian Gulf.

The Defense Department's policy in the Reagan and Bush years insisted that homosexuality is incompatible with military

service for a host of reasons — from good order and discipline to security. But under what many gay military insiders jokingly called the "Queen for a Day" clause, commanders who had evidence of a servicemember having engaged in homosexual behavior were allowed to NOT discharge him or her as long as the behavior occurred only once and the individual regretted it. Needless to say, this policy gave the military the discretion to keep some gay and lesbian soldiers and discharge others (and to let "wayward straights" off with just a warning if they misbehaved only once).

The Queen for a Day clause and the fact that gays and lesbians have rarely been discharged when the army needs them to point to a clear contradiction in the military's policy. If gay people are a threat to security, good order and discipline, then wartime should be the time when gays are ferreted out most meticulously. Indeed, by the early 1990's, most supporters of the military's ban on gays and lesbians admitted that homosexuals had the capability of being excellent soldiers. Even pro-ban Sen. Sam Nunn, who until 1995 was the chair of the Senate Armed Services Committee, indicated that it was only open homosexuality that was a threat to the military, and that discreet lesbian soldiers and celibate gay sailors were all right by him.

The current policy of "Don't Ask, Don't Tell" was supposed to have rectified the situation as outlined above, by allowing gays to serve as long as they did not engage in same-sex behavior or share their sexual orientation with anyone. But recent reports show that this policy has resulted in more witch hunts and discharge proceedings against gays and lesbians, rather than fewer. If history is any guide, the discharges are likely to proceed until the United States goes to war again and gay and lesbian servicemembers are needed to defend the country.

What did gays and lesbians write President Reagan about?

While many lesbian and gay Americans vilified President Ronald Reagan for his right-wing politics and inaction during the AIDS epidemic, Reagan received more than just hate mail from America's lesbian and gay citizens during his presidency. A Freedom of Information Act request produced a variety of letters to President and Mrs. Reagan on lesbian and gay concerns, some of which were quite poignant. A Florida man wrote the President in 1988 about being fired for being gay, then finding that he had no legal recourse to get his job back. The White House's response was to pass the letter along to the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission (even though firing gay employees has never been against federal law). A young man dying of AIDS in 1983 wrote the President anonymously, and a note in the Reagan files indicates the letter was considered "extremely sensitive" and passed on to the Secret Service presumably because the young man was considered a threat to the President's safety in some way.

Other letters were more friendly. One, from Houston's Gay Political Caucus, invited President Reagan or a representative to speak at the 1983 Gay Pride Week rally in Houston. In a similar vein, a director of the International Gay Bowling Tournament, held in Washington in May 1988, requested a letter of welcome from Reagan to be distributed to the 1,500 gay bowlers who came to the nation's capital from all over the world.

It is difficult to say whether these letter-writers were aware of the irony of requests to an administration that vilified gays and lesbians. The Reagan White House would never have considered allowing the President to address a gay pride event or welcome gays of any persuasion to Washington. But perhaps such requests were a self-conscious political maneuver to remind Reagan that he was the President of a country which included gay and lesbian Americans too.

David Bianco, MA, teaches gay and lesbian history and politics at the Institute of Gay and Lesbian Education in West Hollywood. If there's anything about the history of gays and/or lesbians you've always wondered about, contact him in care of the New Voice or through his e-mail address: arbianco@aol.com

DENVER PRIDEFEST JUNE 29-30

Mark your calendars for 1996's national GAY PRIDE WEEK. This year's theme will be PRIDE WITHOUT BORDERS. PGLSS will be walking in Denver's pride parade for the second year. A group will be traveling from the panhandle on Saturday morning June 29 to Denver.

If you would like to go with the group, contact the organization to arrange a ride. We will be staying at the Super 8 on 120th Street (subject to change).

The parade will start at 10AM on Sunday morning June 30th, leaving Cheeseman Park on 12th Street and ending up at the Civic Center Park across from the Capital. If you wish to join the group in marching from Cheeseman Park, please be there before 9:30 AM.

Please remember that it will be hot, so dress appropriately. PGLSS will be marching just behind United Gay's and Lesbians of WY.

The parade may be watched along Colfax Ave. Denver's PRIDEFEST is the fourth largest parade in the nation.

The parade will be followed by a rally. There will be many food vendors along with lots of business and organizational booths in the Civic Center Park.

Last year, 10 adults and 8 children marched in the parade for PGLSS. News crews will videotape about 10 seconds of the parade.

Don't worry! They only show leather drag queens with whips. Not people from Nebraska with their children (sorry). Also, during pride week will be "Gay Day" at Elitch Gardens on Thursday June 27.

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HGRA RAFFLES BOOMBOX

By Jim Bohrer, Entertainment/Fundraising Chairperson

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RODEO TEA DANCE & OPEN HOUSE

By Shelley Foster

What a great time I had at Blazing Saddles in Des Moines last month! Those people really know how to party! From the moment we walked in the door, and Chuck offered all of us from Omaha a free drink, I knew we would have fun. Rick, the DJ, played such great music that we all had to dance, even though they really don't have dance floor. After a few drinks, some of us were dancing on the stage.

Jerry sold raffle tickets all afternoon, while Diane & Terry handled the keg for the beer bust. Mongo, the owner of Blazing Saddles, donated some prizes to the raffle and matched all the tips made by the "Omaha Kid" (none other than DC's manager Ashley.)

It's amazing how many people they could fit into that bar!! Gene, the bar manager, had to get behind the bar to help Chuck and Ashley. I heard we raised around \$700 - \$800 that day. Way to go, Des Moines Bunkhouse!!



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FROM THE POOP SHEET

by Ace Lunden, Nationally Syndicated Columnist



Why would anyone want to move to the Black Hills of South Dakota? Time and again that question was thrown at me as I prepared to move from Reno, Nevada to the Black Hills.

Many aside comments were haughtily offered like: "Be sure to bring extra-heavy long-johns or you'll freeze your butt off." "Are you really prepared for that kind of humidity?" "You'll be lucky to get work; it's a depressed area, you know." "The only income for the area comes from tourism and that SAC Air Force Base; that's really shaky economically." "I hear it's red-neck country and they'd like to build a fence around the state to keep folks like you out."

Yes, many comments. Comments which I admit were humorously enjoyable, a bit mentally titillating, and even a bit ludicrous. I suppose all of us have "friends" who offer such "advice" when they learn we are moving to another state.

One may ask however: Isn't there a kernel of truth in the ludicrous comments friends offer? For instance, the "extreme" hot and cold weather conditions are "existent" in the Black Hills. Think

how bad it could be if they didn't call this the "banana belt"! As far as freezing my butt off? Unlike the big-buttied commentators, I can't freeze mine off 'cause I've got a cute little cowboy butt.

And yes, even as I sit here writing now, I am amazed by this "kind of humidity"! Having lived in such strange humid areas like Chicago, L.A., Truckee, CA, Laughlin and Reno, Nevada, I really wasn't prepared for "this kind of humidity".

And: "a depressed area". Scary comment. What if?! So here I am in this 19% "depressed area" and I actually found a job... matter of fact, two jobs, so there might be a kernel of truth in the comment, huh? We have a ways to go in bringing up the standard of the living wage! It's not only in the Black Hills this exists. Poor slobes working at Reno casinos worked their butts off for minimum wage also and had to work two jobs to keep their family in food, shelter and clothing.

More than a kernel of truth is that the main income for this area is tourism dollars and Ellsworth AFB. Absolutely true. But, "shaky economically?" Maybe that's debatable. Possibly the tourists might stop coming. It could happen. And, who knows? Possibly my Republican cohorts in D.C. might decide the AFB is no longer needed in our program of military preparedness. This could happen. What then? Would we be prepared because we'd built up profitable local businesses which weren't dependent upon the kindness of Uncle Sam or the whims of travelers who spend their dollars only once at our stores?

And! How about all those red-necks and Hill-billies! So what's new? At least I'm not moving to Idaho where I usually put a pointed

white hood over my head while driving through the state to insure the police won't stop me. Sure, I've met some red-necks here, but hey! This is America and no one ever told me everyone would be intelligent, educated and erudite. Besides: it's my personal opinion that encounters with alien or subcultures are an opportunity for personal growth and educational opportunity for them.

As for folks wanting to build fences around South Dakota to keep folks like me out? What can I say? Cousin Dollie in Sioux Falls wants to do this, I think, and she's not a red-neck either. I think it's just that when folks have something beautiful and wonderful; they're afraid. Afraid? Sure. I can remember LA in the 50's. You could still smell orange blossoms. You could still see surrounding mountains. You could walk its streets safely day or night. You didn't have to lock your house up or your car when you went shopping.

What LA would be today if a fence had gone up? Now, half a century later, there are still breeders and baby-machines who do not believe the #1 problem in the world is over-population. Where do they think all those folks in overcrowded LA came from!!!!

Yes, we need to be aware and elect local, county, state and national folks who will protect us from the foibles of ourselves. I'm glad to have moved to a spot of Eden so misunderstood about, that it is still a bit of Eden. *Mr. Lunden is former Mg. Editor of Zipper Magazine and The Coast to Coast Times. His autobiographical legacy: The Closets Are Empty... The Dining Room's Full is in hardcover by Ponderosa Publishing House. Visa/MC orders: 800-356-9315.*



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CAMPAIGN FOR EMPEROR AND EMPRESS IS UNDERWAY

By Sharon Van Butsel

May 10 was a whirlwind night as the Imperial Court of Nebraska introduced this year's candidates for Emperor and Empress XIV to the Omaha community. Following a cocktail party and hors d'oeuvres at The MAX, the candidates for Emperor and Empress, Mr. Royal Bush and Miss Phoenix Fallentino, along with several members of the Board of Governors of ICON, visited every gay/lesbian bar in Omaha.

First was a visit to the Infield and some time getting acquainted with the very hospitable bartender and customers there. Next was some country-western music and a quick cocktail at DC's, then off to the Diamond for more introductions and another quick cocktail.

From there the group stopped at Babe's, the Chesterfield, and Gilligans, ending up at The New Run Bar for introductions and a final nightcap.

By 12:30 the entire crew was ready to call it a night so they could repeat the performance the next night in Lincoln.

Saturday, May 11, took ICON and the candidates to Lincoln for a cocktail party and show at the Panic and a quick trip to Q for introductions and visiting with old friends.

The festivities were still going on on Sunday when the candidates headlined a show at DC's. It was a great show with some of your favorite performers.

ICON gives a special thanks to all the bar owners and managers and staff for welcoming us so warmly when we visited each establishment. We were always made to feel at home and welcome.

VOTING FOR EMPEROR AND EMPRESS OF ICON

The community will have an opportunity to vote "Yes" or "No" on each of the candidates, Royal Bush and Phoenix Fallentino, on June 8.

Voting in Omaha will be held at Metropolitan Community Church of Omaha, 819 S. 22nd Street, from 9 a.m. until 7 p.m.; and in Lincoln voting will be downstairs at The Panic from noon to 5:30 p.m. The ballot boxes will then be sealed and counted just prior to Coronation XVI.

If you are a member of the Imperial Court, a ballot will be mailed to your home. This ballot must be returned by June 6 if it is to be counted with the other votes.

Remember, there is no longer a residency requirement in order to be eligible to vote for Emperor and Empress, but you must have identification and must sign the voting register so we can be sure that each person votes just once.

There are steps at both voting sites but if you have a physical limitation which prevents you from handling the steps, an ICON Board member will bring a ballot outside to you to be completed.

PLEASE REMEMBER, NO WRITE-IN VOTES ARE ALLOWED.

EACH CANDIDATE MUST MEET CERTAIN QUALIFICATIONS AND BE APPROVED BY THE ICON BOARD.

ANY WRITE-INS OR OTHER MARKS ON YOUR BALLOT WILL DISQUALIFY YOUR VOTE.

CORONATION IS JUNE 15

Reign XV of the Imperial Court is winding down and Emperor Annie and Empress Josephine have done an excellent job this year. Along with the members of the Board of Governors and the Royal Families, they have raised nearly \$14,000 and given it back to the community in the form of grants to such organizations as NAP, the PWA Emergency Assistance Fund, the American Cancer Society, MCC-Omaha, the Motherhouse, ANGLE and the Pride Festival Committee, AIDS Art Awareness, Gay and Lesbian Association of Greater Nebraska, the All-Iowa AIDS Benefit, the River City Mixed Chorus, and many more.

Annie and Josephine will say good-bye to their subjects as they enjoy the pomp and pageantry of Coronation 16, "The Roaring Twenties: Whatever Happened to Buggy Malone?" They will be congratulated by local businesses and organizations and by members of other Courts from across the nation. The cost for Coronation is \$20 per person. Tickets are available from ICON board members or at the door.

Coronation Weekend covers 4 full days, beginning with the in-town show in Stosh's Saloon on Thursday. This event features the past monarchs of the Court. On Friday night the Out of Town Show will be held at Ramada Inn Airport. Tickets are \$5. Saturday is the Coronation itself, also held in the ballroom of the Ramada Inn Airport. Sunday morning is the Victory Brunch at the Ramada Inn and Sunday night is the Victory Show at The MAX. For more information on any of these events, please call 556-9907.

ANGLE INFORMATION UPDATE

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The PRIDE Team would like to thank Phoenix, and all the performers for the terrific job on fund raising for PRIDE. You are great assets to our community...THANK YOU!

Sheeza Man and the Ladies of LinOma will raiser dollars for Pride at the Q June 16, 9 p.m.



PRIDE '96!!! Celebrate "A New Era of Pride"

"OUT IN THE STARS" Astrological Forecast for June 1996

by C. Lichtenstein

It's June, which can only mean one thing - Pride Month. And what a fine out and about month it can be! The planets go all for us with some beneficially nifty aspects for even our old Pluto and stern old Saturn. All the heavens seem to be in greater harmony and celebration. My advice: Be proud, be wise, be smart but don't behave.

ARIES (March 21 - April 20) Feisty rambunctious Rams may surprise themselves when their careful and calculated actions produce far reaching, impactful results. Although the path of true love may not run as smoothly as you may wish (beware the unintended slip of the lip...) platonic relationships are the source of extremely pleasant surprises and a sense of affirmation.

TAURUS (April 21 - May 21) Wild daydreams can lead to true lust for a proud Bull who lets the imagination run amok. Dig deep and dirty into the murky psychological depths to discover the true lavender you. It's all-out or bust. Don't wear your hot pink chaps to work; professional surprises are best met in something a little less drafty. Unless, of course, some bosses like it that way...

GEMINI (May 22 - June 21) Often a choice between friends or partners, but this prideful month brings temporary truce to warring factions. Proud Twins can play the angles to make both sides feel needed and inspired. How? Be a true birthday diva to your adoring fans. Shine, shine, shine but don't wear your heart on your sleeve. Playing hard to get will get others a little hard.

CANCER (June 22 - July 23) Queer Crabs will have to admit that this Pride Month offers ample payoff and a bounty of good cheer for all past hard work. Allow some celebratory slack and let your

imagination run wild. It will prove lucky: You never know who you'll meet in those dark, damp, throbbing recesses. What the heck, take to the streets in a dramatic way. It pays to advertise...

LEO (July 24 - August 23) I can't help but think of Leos as the leaders of the pride parade. June should be no exception, unless they get sidetracked at the nearest party or bar. Proud, regal Lions wave the rainbow flag and turn on the charm. You'll attract a bevy of fans and followers. My crystal ball sees an exotic foreigner in a delicious outfit, ready to be eaten. Or is it a sushi dinner?

VIRGO (August 24 - September 23) Queer Virgins may find lovers provide you with the impetus and incentive to open your lifestyle to family. This Month, resolve to never let anyone rain on your gay parade. I always say life is too short to compromise and defer to other's values. Dramatic transformations are possible if willing to take up the banner. You will not carry it alone.

LIBRA (September 24 - October 21) Live and learn. A little sweet talk has a way of moving mountains or causing earthquakes. Keep in mind this Pride Month provides an extra bonus in gab so rather than blow hot air or even kisses, put pen to paper or lips to megaphone and blast Out a manifesto. Don't forget to put sugar on top.

SCORPIO (October 22 - November 22) Gay Scorpions are not the dreamiest or creamiest of the signs, but they sure know how to pour on the charm when they are inspired. Do I smell inspiration?? Make sure this Pride Month comes in hot, heavy and lusty. There are almost too many planets spicing up your sexuality. Well, there can never be too much of a good thing...

SAGITTARIUS (November 23 - December 22) Relationships become the be all and end all for all gay Archers this Pride Month. Partners have a way of transforming how you appear to others either by suggesting some much needed style changes or providing you with that confident spring in your step that can beat down the world. Make your mark, but share the glory. They say two heads are better than one and I must agree.

CAPRICORN (December 23 - January 20) Gay Caps have their work cut out for them. Be prepared to be the power behind the throne this month as what needs to be done winds up on your plate. Get involved in one of our charitable efforts; it may seem insurmountable but will eventually transform you. Take heart, dear friend, even a proud tribe needs an administrative arm.

AQUARIUS (January 21 - February 19) It's hard to imagine more creative individuals than Aqueerians. Are those planets heating up partying instincts or is it lucky Jumper blasting open your closet? If underwear comes flying out and off or if most nights you've tested limits of your consumption, chalk it up to being out loud proud and leave it at that.

PISCES (February 20 - March 20) Pink Fish are advised to expect a surprise or two in secretive areas. If still in the closet, expect to be pushed out. If quietly toiling in a self sacrificing way for one of our charities, prepare to (finally) receive the recognition so richly deserved. Pride Month provides professional opportunities and rewards for past efforts. Them's that deserves, gets.

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OLYMPIC TORCH PULLED FROM COBB COUNTY

To the relief and gratification of gay and lesbian people everywhere, the Olympic torch will not pass through Cobb County, Georgia. The Atlantic Committee for the Olympic Games stunned the gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgender community last summer when it announced the torch relay would pass through Cobb County which, in 1993, passed a resolution condemning the "gay lifestyle" as incompatible with the community's standards. County officials have refused to rescind the measure despite mounting opposition against it.

The announcement last year that the torch would pass through Cobb County sent gay activists reeling. Only a year had passed since ACOG finally agreed, after an intense and protracted battle with Olympics Out of Cobb Coalition, a group of activists, and NGLTF, to move the preliminary competition volleyball games from Cobb County.

OCC quickly regrouped and began its campaign once again to prevent an official Olympic event from occurring in a county that officially condemns gay people.

ACOG released the following statement:

"ACOG has decided not to run the Torch Relay through Cobb County.

The decision is based on the fact that the Cobb County Commission has not changed its non-binding resolution since July 1994 when ACOG relocated the preliminary volleyball venue from Cobb County to Athens, Georgia.

"It is our goal to make the torch relay an exciting and memorable experience. We want to focus on the excitement of the event and not to be distracted by other issues. The torch relay will arrive in Georgia on July 9, and for 10 days it will traverse the state, allowing hundreds of torch bearers to participate in this great occasion, including many from Cobb County."

THE ABC'S OF ICTLEP MEETING THE RCGA

Phyllis Frye Visits Omaha

Kind of sounds like the title of a bad Japanese horror movie, when in fact it was the coming together of the Omaha GLBT community with some of the national leaders in our community. Phyllis Frye and Dee McKellar spoke to a crowd of over 30 people at the MCC Church in March.

ICTLEP stands for International Conference on Transgender Law and Employment Policy. Here's their statement of purpose: *Dedicated to education concerning legal and human rights issues related to persons identifying as transgendered — both masculine and feminine gender identities and expressions — lesbian, gay and bisexual, and welcoming the diversity of people of all racial, ethnic and religious belief categorizations.*

Phyllis is a working lawyer from Houston and the founder and Executive Director of ICTLEP. Phyllis is an activist who has been working for over 20 years for transgender rights.

She was one of the few key people in organizing National Gender Lobbying Days last October, where we all know that over 100 transpeople from all over the country invaded Washington and lobbied almost every senator and congressman they could. All this in the hopes of pushing the ENDA bill and trans acceptance in general with out national leaders. Gloria wrote all about that last year.

Phyllis has worked very hard and continues to do so for our rights as citizens of this country. She has laid so much groundwork and is now to the point that she can no longer do this by herself. ICTLEP was formed and has an office and a full time employee, Dee McKellar to assist in the cause.

For the 5th year in a row, ICTLEP is hosting its law conference in Houston. This year's law conference is July 3-7 and anyone can attend. Not only lawyers but lay people with transgender issues are welcome and encouraged to attend.

During the meetings, stenographers record the meetings in detail and sometime after the Law Conference the official "proceedings" are made available. The purpose of these massive documents is to give us, and the outside world, a written document that deals with transgender legal issues. We were presented a set of the previous proceedings by ICTLEP and the three volumes are now part of the RCGA library.

Phyllis has given a great deal of time and effort to our causes but she needs our help. With the acquisition of the office and assistance from Dee there are monthly expenses that ICTLEP needs to cover. For this reason ICTLEP is asking for monthly pledges from anyone and everyone throughout the country. They currently do not have enough pledges to ensure that ICTLEP will continue. Therefore any monthly pledge you can make will be greatly appreciated. The RCGA will take a monthly collection at our meetings and make a group donation every month (give your donations to Doris at the meetings. I know she'll track you down anyway).

Aside from the group donation, I would ask any of you who can afford a monthly pledge (large or small) to mail the information to: ICTLEP, PO Drawer 35477, Houston, TX 77235.

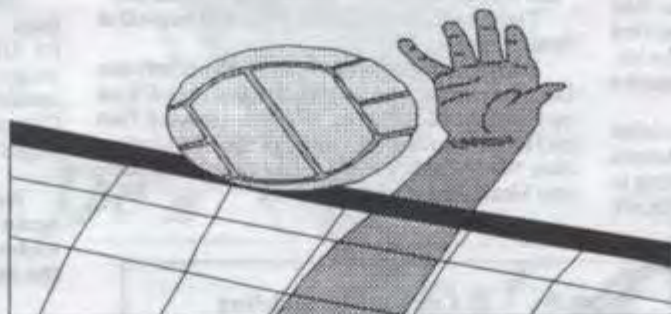
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LOCAL NEWS

A NEW ERA OF PRIDE

1996 Pride Parade and Rally

Even though the 1996 Pride Parade and Rally is Omaha's twelfth, it has many firsts; the first centering on Heartland of America Park, the first to proceed through the heart of the old Market, and the first to provide nationally known entertainment.

The Pride Team has planned this highly visible parade and gathered a line-up of nationally known speakers and entertainers for the rally hoping to motivate members and supporters of the GLBT community to join in *A New Era of Pride*.

Parade Route to Go Through Old Market

The parade, Sunday June 30th, will step-off at 3pm.

From the staging area on Eighth Street between Douglas and Farnam Streets, it will proceed West on Farnam to 14th Street, South to Howard, East on Howard through the heart of the Old Market, then North back to the staging area to disperse into Heartland of America Park.

Rally features

Red Wing, McGivern, Greenspan

The rally begins at 4 p.m. around the triangular stage. Donna Red Wing, national spokesperson for GLAAD, will address the crowd. John McGivern and Robin Greenspan, gay and lesbian comedians who have appeared on VH-1 and Comedy Central, will entertain, along with local singers and performers.

Note: *The New Voice of Nebraska* will again provide Ollie the Trolley for those who wish to be in the parade but are unable to walk the distance required.

PFLAG AT THE PRIDE PARADE

Plans are underway for PFLAG's participation during Omaha's Pride Celebration and parade. We will have a display with PFLAG information available, the book *Uncommon Heroes* will be for sale, and Phillip Sherman, the book's editor, will be with us.

We will also be selling tickets to our next Putt-Putt outing on Friday, September 6th. These tickets will be honored at either the Center Street or Maple Street locations of Putt-Putt. We hope you can join us for an evening of fun at the Center location on September 6th. But if you cannot, tickets you purchase will be honored any time at either of the two locations. So help support the chapter and Putt-Putt your way through an evening or day of fun.

Finally, the "Hug Booth" returns. Stop by this year and get a hug from a PFLAG Mom or Dad. We won't tell you everything about the booth, but see what we come up with for a booth. Just remember, hugs help chase the blues away and are good therapy.

For all this to happen, we need volunteers to help staff our display and booth. We are asking members to volunteer for two hours to help us be a part of Omaha's Pride Celebration. Betty and Sally are co-chairing this event. Get in touch with them to volunteer your time and talents.

SHERMAN FAMILY VALUES ICE CREAM

PFLAG's Flavor of the Month, Family Values, will be featured at an ice cream social on Friday June 28th from 7:00 until 9:00 PM at Mead Hall. In addition to the ice cream, toppings, and cookies, Phillip Sherman will also be present to talk about his new project, not surprisingly entitled *Family Values*. Make your plans now to set aside this evening to join us for a cool time as we celebrate another family tradition — having a good time with friends and family over ice cream.

ANGLE GOES INTERNET

ANGLE has a new address on the World Wide Web. A domain name has been licensed as ANGLE.ORG for the Web Site. Information on the Omaha GLBT community can now be perused through the Internet.

The Web Site address is WWW.ANGLE.ORG. Also, the organization can be sent e-mail at angle@angle.org

The Web Site contains information on organizations and events in Omaha and the surrounding areas in Nebraska and Iowa.

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SATIN AND LENA BOYER TAKE 1ST & 2ND IN CLOSET BALL

By Sharon Van Butsel

The Imperial Court of Nebraska presented the 12th annual Closet Ball at The MAX during April. This contest, specifically for those who have never performed on stage in "drag" before, is one of the most popular of ICON's events and this year was no different. Four very talented contestants with four very talented sponsors entertained the audience and impressed the panel of judges with their style and appearance during the initial walk-on in their birth gender role. This year, all four contestants were males being transformed into female "drag queens," but last year the winner, Rusty Shield, was the male alter ego of former International Miss Leather Cindy Bookout. Cindy impressed last year's judges with the quality of her male impersonation (complete with several rolled up socks stuffed into her button fly jeans and extending down her leg!) Last year's runner up to Mr. Closet Ball has gone on to become a favorite with area audiences as she performs as the petite, energetic, and very

sensual Miss Ashley Simone.

This year's contestants included: James Wilson of Omaha, sponsored by Monica West who transformed her contestant into a perfect representation of a bold and brassy hooker with extravagant costume and arrogant, defiant attitude; Leslie Street of Omaha, sponsored by Barbra Love, who created a gorgeous and very wholesome look for the redheaded April Dawn; Kirk Boyer, sponsored by Easy Does It who is a relative newcomer to the world of female impersonation herself but created a charming yet elegant replica of Barbra Streisand with Miss Lena Boyer; and Wayne G., sponsored by Velvet, who transformed this popular stand-up comic into the exotic and glamorous Satin who stole the show her live impersonation of Eartha Kitt doing the song that starts "With My Champagne Taste and Your Beer Bottle Budget..." Satin's impersonation was flawless as she trilled her R's for an impossibly long time and maintained the proper accent and

attitude with never a break. Her costume was exotic and her make-up was flawless. But perhaps one should have expected such quality from both the first and second place finishers because Wayne does perform as a professional stand-up comic and does amateur theater, including one role as a transgender person under the direction of local favorite Gary Eilts. The second place finisher, who did a flawless Barbra Streisand in the park lip sync is also a regular in local amateur theater, including performances at the Dundee Dinner Theatre. As you can see from the photos, all four contestants did a fabulous transformation into females — each one quite different and quite unique, but each one absolutely fabulous.

At the end of the evening Rusty was proud to step forward to crown Satin as Miss Closet Ball '96 and return to her first love as a charmer in black leather. A salute to all the performers and all the contestants who made this year's closet ball an overwhelming success.



Photos: Top Left: Lena Boyer, Top Right: Vince & Satin
Bottom Left: Vanity Fair, Bottom Right: Andrew and April Dawn

CFEP EYES AMENDMENT 2 DECISION

by Scott Winkler

As reported in last month's *New Voice*, the U.S. Supreme Court will soon hand down its decision on Colorado's Amendment 2. Four possible dates remain in June for the decision: June 3, 10, 17 or 24 at 10AM. The Court may already have issued its decision in May, prior to the deadline for the June edition of the *New Voice*.

Amendment 2 is a ballot initiative that sought to amend Colorado's constitution to prohibit state and local lawmakers from ever passing laws that protect lesbians, gay men and bisexuals from discrimination. In addition, the measure was designed to repeal any existing civil rights laws that cover lesbians, gay men and bisexuals.

Citizens for Equal Protection invites you to either celebrate or demonstrate on the Tuesday following the decision at 10AM on the west side of the State Capitol Building in Lincoln. Watch news reports and papers or call the CFEP phone line at 398-3027 for the results each Monday after 11AM or you can access this information on the Internet at WWW.ANGLE.ORG

Whatever the court's decision, it will have significant impact on the lesbian, gay and bisexual community and on all Americans. If allowed to stand, Coloradans will be barred from the democratic process and be required to play by different political rules before they can secure anti-discrimination laws.

If Amendment 2 is struck down, it would be a profound victory not only for lesbian, gay and bisexual Americans, but also for the constitutional right of all Americans to have the equal

opportunity to participate in all facets of government.

However, a victory only secures the rights of gays and lesbians to play by the same political rules as others — it does not move us forward toward equal civil rights, but simply keeps religious political extremists from dragging us backwards. Neither will a victory stop future anti-gay/lesbian/bisexual initiatives nor make them "court proof".

Whatever the outcome of this case, the lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender community must continue its fight for equality and the basic right to be protected from discrimination.

Sine *Bowers v. Hardwick*, this is probably the most significant case affecting gay, lesbian and bisexual Americans on which the Supreme Court will rule. Make every effort to be in Lincoln on the Tuesday following the decision to let your voice be heard.

MCC IN WYOMING & SOUTH DAKOTA

The Metropolitan Community Churches, founded by the Reverend Troy Perry, author of, *The Lord Is My Shepherd and He Knows I'm Gay*. Mission churches have been set up in both Cheyenne, WY and Rapid City, SD. The name for MCC of Rapid City is Metropolitan Community Church of the Black Hills. The fellowship meets at the Quest in downtown Rapid City, phone 343-7933 days, 394-3068 evenings.



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A NEW ANGLE IN NEWS

By Stan Brown

June is here and it's time to show your **Pride** here in Omaha, Nebraska! The place to be on Sunday, June 30th will be the Heartland of America Park as we step-off at 3:00 p.m. for the 12th annual Pride Parade and Rally. It is sure to be an exciting day with a terrific line-up of speakers and entertainers for our rally after the parade. Even if you choose to not march in the parade, please come to the rally to show your support of our diverse community. Look for more information about this event in other articles in this issue. Also look for your free Pride Guide available at all the bars, MCC, NAP, and at organizations' meetings.

Phoenix Fallentino and her friends have done an exceptional job of raising money for these Pride events with \$303 from a show at The New Run Bar in April and another great show in May also at The Run. Thanks to Phoenix and all the entertainers who helped with the three shows.

Now it's my turn to produce my 6th Annual Pride Show for ANGLE, "Inga Does Pride", on Sunday, June 9th at 9:30 p.m. at The MAX. Please note the later time since I will be jetting down to The MAX from the River City Mixed Chorus Concert that evening. Don't worry, Inga will not be opening the show, but many of her friends will be ready to entertain early. I've got a fantastic line-up of title-holders and friends to perform for you that evening so don't miss this show to benefit ANGLE.

The following Sunday, June 16th, the Q Bar in Lincoln will also be hosting a benefit show for Pride. Join the Lincoln entertainers as well as some of the Omaha girls for a night of Pride entertainment at the Q.

Please plan to attend our monthly meeting on

Tuesday, June 4th, at 7:00 p.m. We will meet with the Community Resource Center Steering Committee to discuss the two organizations and where we go next as we plan for the future. We will be meeting at a new location, 3925 Farnam for this meeting and possibly others in the future. Please contact the G/L Information and Referral Line (558-5303) for more information. See you at the Pride Parade & Rally June 30th!

CELEBRATE FATHERS' DAY WITH YOUR DAD..... AT MCC-OMAHA

Sunday, June 16, is the day set aside to remember and honor our fathers, and Rev. Lewis and the congregation at MCC-Omaha invite YOU and YOUR DAD to join us at MCC, 819 S. 22, Omaha, for a special Fathers' Day service followed by a Fathers' Day Dinner in the Social Hall. The Fathers' Day dinner will be hosted by Dale and John and will feature their superb cooking skills. The menu includes homemade meat loaf, potatoes, vegetable and salad and the cost is only \$5 per person. Dinner will be served immediately after the 10:30 service ends (approx. Noon). Our Mothers' Day dinner saw nearly a dozen mothers attending church with their adult children! Let's do it again for Fathers' Day! After all, being part of a family is what life is all about — we've just expanded our definition of family.

INFIELD IS ALIVE AND WELL AND STILL STANDING BEHIND THE PINK TRIANGLE ON THEIR ENTRANCE

I'm afraid that I had heard several rumors going around that the Infield had closed, or that it was turning into a "girlie" bar again, but when I stopped to check it out, I discovered that the Infield is still a quiet neighborhood bar where a group of friends can stop in for a drink and some conversation and won't have to yell to be heard above the music. The manager is warm and welcoming, glad to visit with the gay/lesbian community and eager to provide an alternative to the loud music and crowds at the clubs and discos. The Infield couldn't be more centrally located (it's on the corner of 14th and Jackson) and there are plenty of tables and chairs with adequate space between them to allow you to move around comfortably and to visit without having to feel like the people at the next table are part of your conversation. If you haven't been to the Infield lately, we encourage you to stop by and check it out. And be sure to tell the manager that you read about it in *The New Voice*.

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It's time to show Omaha your Pride as gay men, lesbians, bisexuals, transgender people and supportive friends. Please join me and some of the best live and lip-sync performers in the area as we celebrate Pride at my 6th Annual Pride Show for ANGLE at The MAX June 9.

I have asked titleholders and friends from throughout the community to be part of this show so you are sure to be totally entertained. Entertainers confirmed so far include Emperor XV, Annie Welty, Empress XV, Josephine Williams, HGRA Royalty; Miss DC's, Aramis; Mr. DC's, Ron; Miss Gay Omaha, Roxy; Miss Run, Muffy Rosenberg; Miss River City, Sammi Bennett; Miss Ice Bowl, Monica West; Miss Closet Ball, Satin; Mr. Nebraska Fantasy, Rick Noss; Miss Suicide, Katrina Kane; Mr. MAX, Tim Pedersen; Miss Gay Nebraska USA, Laura Gray; Madame X, R.N. Hedges; and emcees, Mr. Desert Plains Drummer, Jim Gau; ICON's co-Emperor IX, Carla Petersen, and Sharon Van Butsel.

We'll have a Pride raffle for prizes as well as cash, so bring those dollar bills and support this event and the entertainers who represent our community throughout the year.

Remember, Sunday, June 9th, The MAX, 9:30 PM, Inga does Pride like nobody else can!

PRIDEFEST

WomenSpace's 4th Annual **PrideFest Heartland Women's Music Festival** will be held at the Terra Jane on Saturday, June 22, from 3:00pm to Midnight. **Jamie Anderson**, lesbian singer/songwriter and comedian, will headline the entertainment. Lincoln's **Alias Jane** will provide live music for a dance in the evening. The night will be topped off with an "under the stars" viewing of the movie **"The Incredible True Story of Two Girls in Love."** Though you may have seen this movie, there's nothing like watching it outside under the stars with your sweetie.

Other activities include workshops, board games, sand volleyball, and shopping the "lesbian mall" of women artists and craftswomen. Those attending may bring food and beverage, as long as it is not alcoholic. Food is not included in the admission price. Snacks, soft drinks, beer, and wine will be for sale throughout the afternoon.

You may wish to bring lawn chairs or blankets to sit on for the concerts and movie which will be held outside. Tickets are \$16 through June 21, and \$18 at the gate. Tickets are available at New Realities in the Old Market, The way Home Book Store or by mail from WomenSpace at PO Box 24712, Omaha, NE 68124-0712.

IT'S A MONTH OF SUNDAYS AT "Q"

June 2nd brings the Step-Down Show for Mr. Q, featuring performances by Miss Q 96-97 De De Karr, Brooke Owens, and Sheza Mann. De De, Brooke, & Sheza return June 9 with a benefit to help defray the medical costs incurred by Lincoln Favorite Tasha DeVore. Also in this Benefit for Tasha are Barbie Q and Mercedes.

June 16 brings a Gay Pride Benefit show All-Stars from Omaha and Lincoln, headlined by Jennifer Jett and Sheza Mann. June 23 you'll see The Best of The Q Revue. The month ends with Jerry Halliday and his wild puppet impersonators including Mae West, Carol Channing, Katherine Hepburn, and Bette Davis.



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NEWS FROM THE MAX

What a great season of entertainment we've had. The Imperial Court Candidates, Phoenix & Royal have been very busy visiting The MAX and we're very happy to see their dedication to continuing the Imperial Court Traditions. The MAX has always been a big supporter of ICON and we look forward to hosting the shows for Reign XVI.

Before the new reign takes over we must first bid farewell to Reign XV. The farewell show of Empress XV Josephine and Emperor XV Annie Welty will be hosted by The MAX on Sunday, June 2. We all know Annie as our happy hour bartender at the MAX and Josephine, aka Ed, is part of our security personnel. They've spent a year supporting Omaha's Gay & Lesbian Community and we think they've done a great job.

Have you ever wondered how Inga became so popular? It all started five years ago with a benefit for Omaha's Gay Pride Weekend. Now she's become a legend in the benefit biz and her show has become an annual tradition. Be a part of it on Sunday, June 16, as Inga hosts her Fifth Annual Gay Pride Benefit Show. This year's proceeds will go to the ANGLE Pride Fund. I can't wait to see what Madame X comes up with this time!

The MAX encourages every to vote for the Emperor and Empress candidates on June 8 at MCC in Omaha and at the Panic in Lincoln. You'll find our the winners at The MAX on Sunday, June 16 as ICON sponsors the Victory Show of Reign XVI. Annie and Josephine will probably be glad it's all over but I'm sure we'll be seeing them again in future events.

Leather men from 8 states will converge on The MAX on Saturday, June 22, as six men compete for the title of Mr. Desert Plains Drummer. Omaha's own Jim Gau will be giving up his title. Jim has represented the title and the Midwest across the United States. Jim's 3rd Runner-Up finish at the International contest was one of his proudest moments. Join the men of the Midwest and Southwest as they salute Jim and select their new Mr. Desert Plains Drummer.

Miss MAX 12, Dietra Snow, and Mr. MAX 4, Tim, will host The Men of The MAX on Sunday, June 23. As a prelude to our Mr. MAX contest on July 14, we'll have a show full of our favorite men. Omaha has some very talented men and we're excited for one of them to become Mr. MAX. This show is a great way for them to show why each one is a winner.

After we've teased you with the hot local men, we're going to give you a super hot man from out of town. Adult film star J.T. Sloan makes his only Midwest appearance at The MAX on Sunday, June 30. J.T. recently won pornodom's top title as Star of the Year. He told me that he's ready to show the men of Omaha how he won that title and what makes him such a "BIG" star. I can't think of a better way to celebrate Gay Pride. Can You?

One of Omaha's original female impersonators returns to The MAX stage. Sunday, July 7, Laura Lee hosts the Great Plains Entertainer of the Year Pageant. Laura Gray, Entertainer of the Year 1995 will hand her crown to one of the Midwest's best.

We've got everything it takes to make your summer great. We're the ONE. We're the ORIGINAL. We're The MAX.



DE DE DEKARR CROWNED NEW MISS Q

The 2nd Annual Miss Q pageant was held at Q in Lincoln on Sunday, April 28. Contestants were Mercedes, Andrea, and De De DeKarr. It was a close contest with Mercedes emulating Chi Chi Rodriguez from "To Wong Foo.....", and Andrea doing a flawless Bette Midler, but De De DeKarr stole the show by carrying a Marilyn Monroe theme through her evening wear, sportswear, and talent numbers. Expect to see De De out and about this next year being an ambassador for Q.

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WHY A COMMUNITY RESOURCE CENTER?

This is the Mission Statement: The Resource Center provides education, information and services in a neutral and safe environment and foster understanding, personal growth and development for all people, primarily, gay, lesbian, bisexual, and transgender.

Can you think of a time when you as an individual needed some or at least one of those needs met? I think most of us would agree there has been a time in our lives when this was important. Those needs can only be met when people like yourself make the sacrifice to become a part of an important work.

The GLBT Community is needed as we near the 1996 opening of the Community Resource Center. An ability or an interest makes you a wonderful candidate for this important work. There is a job for everyone. Any time that you can commit is extremely important.

HOW DO YOU BECOME INVOLVED?

I am glad you asked! There are several ways to become involved.

1. You may join us on the Third Sunday of the month for the Steering Committee Meeting at Metropolitan Community Church, 819 South 22nd Street, Omaha, NE. **The next meeting will be June 16 at 2:00 until 5:00 p.m.**
2. You may send correspondence to GLBT Community Resource Center, P.O. Box 8343, Omaha, NE 68108.
3. Or call A.N.G.L.E. Information and Referral Line at 402-558-5303 and leave a message for Darrin.

We hope that you will become a part of the **Work in Progress.**



Community Resource Center Steering Committee:

ICON'S FOURTH OF JULY PICNIC AT PROGRESSIVE PARK, COUNCIL BLUFFS

The Fourth of July Picnic will be held on, guess what, The Fourth of July! But the July 4th picnic will be at Progressive Park, just south of Council Bluffs, Iowa.

To get there, take the South Omaha Bridge Road, go just past Screemers and turn right. Then follow the gravel road (be sure to turn left when the road turns — otherwise we don't know where you'll end up!) until you get to the gate to Progressive Park. There will be rainbow flags and a sign at the gate to help you find your way.

This riverfront park is quiet, secluded and has lots of activities available with horseshoes, volleyball, basketball, and the river only a hundred yards away! The admission price is \$5 for members, \$7 for non-members, \$3.50 for children under 10.

Your admission price includes soda pop and beer (be sure to have your ID with you — they'll be checking ID's and issuing wrist bands to those of legal drinking age at the Beer Wagon.) Remember, no pets are allowed and food will be available for sale on the grounds.

And when it comes to the Big Labor Day Blowout, we'll be back at Vennelyst Park again. The Labor Day picnic will be a fast paced day with raffles all day long.

After all, this is our traditional AIDS fundraiser and we want to give you lots of FUN ways to help meet the needs of our brothers and sisters with AIDS.

Remember, admission to each and every picnic will be \$2 off with your ICON Membership. In addition, I would suggest you start thinking about those "members only" raffles and cocktail parties that ICON is planning.

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GAY/LESBIAN PROGRAMMING ON NEBRASKA ETV DURING JUNE

Recognizing Gay/Lesbian Month, the statewide Nebraska ETV Network will broadcast four informative programs for and about gays, lesbians, bisexuals, and heterosexuals.

Produced from the vantage point of people living daily with the HIV virus, the final two programs in the POSITIVE: LIVE WITH HIV series are broadcast Fridays, June 7 & 14 at 9 p.m. "Care," June 7, looks at how HIV/AIDS is changing priorities of the American health care system. The program visits Washington, D.C., Atlanta, San Francisco, and Queens, New York, to observe how HIV+ individuals are impacted by health care. The final program, "Fighting for Our Lives," airs June 14. Activism exists because people continue to die. Concerns about death, grief and commemoration are explored, as well as the ways many are making a difference in the battle against HIV/AIDS and in our society.

All four episodes of POSITIVE: LIVE WITH HIV will be rebroadcast on NETV's cable service, EduCable, Sundays at 7 p.m., beginning June 9. POSITIVE: LIVE WITH HIV is telecast with closed captions for hearing-impaired. The EduCable broadcast will be with Spanish subtitles.

(Videocassettes in English or English with Spanish subtitles are available by calling KQED video at 1-800-358-3000. The cost for the entire series is \$23.70 with shipping and handling included.)

Brian McNaught, an award winning freelance writer, educational consultant, and lecturer hosts two specials. In "Homophobia in the Workplace" (June 21) McNaught presented a skilled explanation of the losses to everyone when homophobia exists in the workplace, at school or anywhere. He defines homophobia and draws from his personal experiences to point out some of the difficulties of living and working as a homosexual in today's world.

How does it feel to hear parents make fun of gays, or to hear negative comments from teachers, or have to endure words like "sissy," and "faggot?" "Growing Up Gay" (June 28) is a gentle initiation into seeing gay and lesbian lives in non-threatening ways and breaks through misconceptions about homosexuality. Drawing from expertise as a sex education specialist and his own personal story, McNaught weaves a story of growing up gay in a heterosexual world.

THE RUN SCORES BIG WITH SHOWS

The New Run Bar has been host to some of the best drag shows in town during recent weeks. Miss Gay Omaha 95 Phoenix Fallentino, has held two benefit shows to raise funds for this year's Pride Celebration. Both shows featured the very best of Omaha's entertainers, including Miss Run Muffy Rosenberg, Miss River City Sammi Bennett, the talented "Pride Stripper" Eric, Ashley Simone, and a host of other performers both seasoned and newcomers to the Omaha scene.

The Run was also the site for an ICON Benefit held by Emperor XV Annie Welty who was joined by her friends, Mona, Sammi, Rita, Trina, Dana Dahl, and Ashley Simone. The show was fast paced and great fun, as is usually true of shows held at The Run.

With the constant remodeling going on at the Run, you never know what will be new and different the next time you go in. Terry seems to have a boundless amount of energy, especially when it comes to fixing up his bar.

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June

- 1 - PFLAG Linc. Wine/Cheese Pty
- 1 - Gay Pride at K & Q - Sioux City
- 1 - HGRA Dance Competition
- 2 - Lutherans Concerned
- 2 - ICON Stepping Down Show
- 2 - Mr Q Stepping Down
- 6-9 - Nat'l Women's Music Festival
- 7 - NETV Life with HIV
- 8, 9 - RCMC Concert
- 9 - Inga's Annual Pride Benefit
- 9 - Q Benefit for Tasha DeVore -
- 13 - ICON In Town Monarchs Show
- 14 - NETV Life with HIV
- 14 - ICON Out of Town Show
- 15 - ICON Coronation
- 15 - RCMC Garage Sale
- 16 - ICON Victory Brunch
- 16 - ICON Victory Show
- 16 - Pride Show at Q - Lincoln
- 21 - NETV Homophobia Workplace
- 21-22 - Mr. Desert Plains Drummer
- 22 - PrideFest Women's Festival
- 23 - Mr. MAX Tim Pedersen Show
- 23-30 - Gay Pride Week at Touchez
- 27 - Troy Perry at MCC-Omaha

June (Continued)

- 28 - NETV Growing Up Gay
- 28-29 - Nat'l GLBT Labor Conf
- 28 - PFLAG "Family Values"
- 30 - Pride Parade & Rally - Omaha
- 30 - Pride Parade & Rally - Denver

July

- 4 - ICON Picnic - Progressive Prk
- 7 - Entertainer of the Year Contest
- 7 - Mr. MAX Contest
- 7-15 - RCMC at GALA Festival
- 14 - Mr. MAX Contest
- 20, 21 - Int'l Ms Leather
- 25-28 - Int'l Gay Rodeo Convention-
- 28 - ICON Investiture

August

- 2-4 - Rendevous '96 - Laramie
- 4 - ICON "Women on Center Stage"
- 13-18 - Michigan Women Music Fest
- 15-18 - "Old Lesbians" Gathering -
- 16-18 - Int'l Mr. Fantasy Contest

September

- 4 - ICON Labor Day Picnic
- 19 - NAP AIDS Walk

October

- AIDS Awareness Month
- TBA AIDS Awareness Art Show
- 5 - HGRA Awards Banquet
- 5 - Suzane Westenhoefer Concert
- 6 - Lutherans Concerned
- 10, 11, 12 - ONYX Images
- 5th Anniversary Party

October (Continued)

- 11 - National Coming Out Day
- 12 - HGRA Royalty Contest
- 31-Nov 2 - Transgender Festival

November

- 3 - ICON Food 4 Thought - Lincoln
- 10 - ICON Food 4 Thought - Omaha
- 10 & 17 - All Iowa AIDS Benefit

December

- 1 - Lutherans Concerned
- 1 - PFLAG Holiday Gathering
- 7 - Night of 1000 Stars
- 8 - ICON Toyz 4 Totz - Omaha
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Norfolk, Norfolk Regional Ctr, Adm
Bldg #16, (402) 370-3395

NorthPlatte, Craft St. Office Bldg,
200 So. Silber, 69101 (308) 535-8133

Nebr Regional Hemophilia Center,
UNMC, 600 S. 42, Omaha (402) 559-4227.

Nemaha County Health Department,
1824 N. Auburn, 68305 (402) 274-4549

ScottsBluff Co Health Dept,
Gering, NE 69341 (308) 635-3866

Siouxland AIDS Coalition, meets 2nd Tuesdy
at 12 noon at Siouxland Chapter of American
Red Cross, 1512 Pierce St., Sioux City, Iowa.
Call (712) 252-0722

Veterans Admin Medical Center, 42 & Wool-
worth, Omaha 346-8800; Dean Pierce, x 4119

HOME HEALTH CARE

LINK-ON, 1318 S. 16, Lincoln, 68502, (402)
477-8439, Mon-Fri 8am-4:30pm, counseling,
teaching of HIV infected individuals, people
with AIDS, and others, Rick Swaink, Director.

RESIDENTIAL HOSPICE

The Franciscan Motherhouse, 1052 Park
Avenue, P.O. Box 8393, Omaha, NE 68108-
0393, Telephone (402) 344-4557, Residential
Hospice Care for Persons With AIDS

COUNSELING & SUPPORT

AIDS Care, The Mercy Center, 427 E.
Kanesville Blvd, Council Bluffs, IA 51503, att:
Colleen Kibbe-Vest (712) 328-2609

AIDS Support Group: Sponsored by PFLAG,
Box 4374, Lincoln, 68504, 7pm, 475-2437

Calico II HIV-AIDS Support Group, Meets
1st & 3rd Tues. 7pm, Alliance For info call:
(308) 762-8259

Family AIDS Support Group: Sponsored by
PFLAG-Omaha, Meet 1st Sunday, 2p.m. First
United Methodist, 7020 Cass, Omaha

**Grand Island Area HIV/AIDS Support
Group,** Meets 3rd Tuesday, (308) 385-5175

Harambee Mental Health Services, Business
& Technical Center, 2505 N. 24, Omaha, NE
68110 (402) 451-3913. Mental Health Services
to people of color who are infected with HIV,
their partners, and their families. A program
developed by Charles Drew Health Center.

Kearney Area HIV/AIDS Support Group, 1st
Monday, info, phone Barb (308) 865-5610

Nebraska AIDS Project
{statewide} (800) 782-AIDS [2437] or
info@nap.org <http://www.nap.org>

Omaha Office: 3610 Dodge, Suite 110, 68131
Volunteer Services & Administration 402-342-
6367; AIDS Hotline 402-342-4233, HIV tests,
AIDS awareness, practical support, counseling

Lincoln Office: 3818 Sheridan Blvd 484-8100
Central Nebraska Office: 3423 2nd Ave

Kearney, NE 68847, (308) 865-5610
Northeast Nebr Office: 304 N. 5 St, Ste C,
Norfolk, NE 68701, (402) 370-3807

Western Nebraska Office: 3707 Ave. D,
Scottsbluff, NE 69361 (308) 635-3807

North Platte Area Support Grp,
Call: (308) 535-8133

**Western Nebraska HIV/AIDS Support
Group,** Scottsbluff, Call (308) 635-3606



THE NEW VOICE

RESOURCE DIRECTORY

*****LINCOLN*****

Alcoholics Anonymous, Meetings:

**Thurs. 7:30pm, Unitarian Church, 6300 'A', Lincoln. Info contact V.J. at 477-3526

**Fri. 8pm, 1st Plymouth Church, 20 & D, Lincoln, 438-5214

BIPALS (Bisexual People/Alternate LifeStyle) Box 80913, Lincoln, 68501, 1st Mon. 7:30pm, Cornerstone (upstrs) 640 N 16. All sexes welcome.

Gay Men's Support Group, c/o Counseling & Psych Services, Rm 213, Univ. Health Ctr, UNL, Lincoln, 68588-0618, 472-7450. Confidential

Lambda Business Association, PO Box 6341, Lincoln, NE 68506-0341 (402)-483-6183, Meet 4th Sunday, 3pm, Location Varies

Lesbian Discussion Group, Womens Resource Ctr, Room 340 Neb Union, UNL, Lincoln, 68588, 472-2597, Call for meeting information

Lincoln Women for Sobriety Mtg, Saturdays, 10am, Gathering Place, 15th & "E", Lincoln, Contact Judith at 472-2598 for information

National Org. for Women (NOW) Lincoln - activist org. issues of full equality for women, Box 80172, Lincoln, NE 68501, 477-1226

Parents-Friends of Lesbians and Gays (PFLAG), Box 30128, Lincoln, NE 68503-0128, 434-9880. 4th Tuesday, 7pm, Unitarian Church, 6300 'A', Group for family of people with HIV, and G/L Youth Group meet same time & place.

SAGE, Box 22043, Lincoln 68542-2043, For older Gay people, Intergenerational Coffee House 2nd Saturday, 6-9pm, Lesbian Videos at 7:15pm, at 3319 S. 46th, Lincoln. All welcome.

UNL Gay/Lesbian Resource Ctr, Rm 234 Nehr Union, 14 & R, Lincoln 68588-0455, 472-5644, Social, info, referral, library, General meetings Tuesdays, 7pm, during school year

The Wimmin's Show, 12-3pm Sunday, KZUM, 89.3 FM stereo, Lincoln.

A Woman's Place, Box 67035, Lincoln, 68506, nonprofit org dedicated to empowering women.

Youth Talkline 473-7932, Friday & Saturday 7pm-Midnite, Lincoln. Emotional support, referrals, AIDS info for callers Age 23 and under. Project of Coalition for G/L Civil Rts

YWCA Counseling & Education Department, 476-2802, Lincoln. Information and Referral.

*****OMAHA*****

Alcoholics Anonymous,

**Stonewall Grp, Wed, 7:30pm, Mercy High

**Gay Mens Stag "An Alternative", Fri, 7pm,

**Live & Let Live Group, Friday 8:15pm

A.N.G.L.E. (Achieving New Gay/Lesbian Endeavors), Box 8343, Omaha 68108-0343 Phone: 558-5303, Networking, consciousness raising, PRIDE activities, Internet www.angle.org

Citizens For Equal Protection, Box 55548, Omaha, 68155 (402) 398-3027, Legislative action - eliminate discrimination for g/l/b 1st Thursday, 7pm, 1st Unitarian, 3114 Harney

EAGLE-Omaha, Employee Assoc. of Gays & Lesbians. US WEST Contact Pat Phalen, 1299 Farnam, 11th Flr, Omaha 68102 (402) 348-8569

Frontrunners/walkers, Box 4583, Omaha 68104, HOTLINE 496-3658, Running/Walking Club (SASE for info)

Gay & Lesbian Organization of UNO (GaLo), UNO Students/sponsors Monday Milo Bail Ctr, 3rd Floor Board Room, Info call Jonathan Raymond 571-8518 or Diallo Mudd 554-3492

Gay And Lesbian Parents Group (G.A.L.P.), 1st Thurs, 7:30pm, MCC-Omaha, 819 S. 22, 345-2563. Emphasis on Gay/Lesbian Parent & significant other. Mtgs open to anyone.

Gay/Lesbian Information & Referral Line, A service of A.N.G.L.E., Inc., (402) 558-5303

Gay Lesbian & Affirming Disciples (GLAD) G/L/B/Affirming Disciples of Christ 553-2386

ICE BOWL Invitational Bowling Tournament, Box 3622, Omaha 68103-0622, Tournament is held President's Day Weekend each year.

L.E.O. - The Leather Engineers of Omaha, An educational and social group for Gay Men with an interest in the Leather Lifestyle. For info write: L.E.O., P.O. Box 8181, Omaha, 68108

Lutherans Concerned, 453-7137, 7pm, Mar. 3, June 2, Oct. 6, Dec. 1, 1st Lutheran Omaha

Metropolitan Club, PO Box 31484, Omaha, NE 68131-0484, Meet third Thursday of month. For gay and lesbian professionals to meet, socialize, and network with others.

Men's Support Group, Meet Tuesdays 7:30pm, MCC-Omaha, 819 S. 22 St. Call 345-2563

Metropolitan Community Church of Omaha, 819 S. 22 Street, Omaha, 345-2563, Send mail to: Box 3173, Omaha, 68103, Children/Adult Christian Ed.; Worship Service 9 & 10:30am

New Realities, Books, Tapes, Gifts, Old Market Passageway, 1026 Howard, 68102, 342-1863

National Org. for Women (NOW) Omaha - political & grassroots activist org. issues of full equality for women- Omaha NOW, Box 3325, Omaha 68103-0325, (402) 391-7303, Meets 3rd Tuesday, 7pm, 1st Unitarian, 3114 Harney

Omaha Meatpackers, AIDS fundraising organization. Call: (712) 366-1791

Omaha Players Club (OPC), PO Box 34463 Omaha 68134, (402) 451-7987. Leather/SM education & play group. Men's & women's group.

Omaha Women for Sobriety meet Tuesdays, 5:30pm, Omaha YWCA, 222 S. 29 St., Contact Judith at 472-2598 for more info.

ONYX IMAGES, Box 31026, Omaha, NE 68132-9998. Support/Social Fraternity for African American men. Age restriction for membership. Support for brothers of all ages.

Parents-Friends of Lesbians And Gays PFLAG 2912 Lynnwood Dr., Omaha, 68123, 291-6781. Meets 1st Methodist, 7020 Cass, Mead Hall, West End, 2nd Thurs, 7 pm, "Program & Sharing"; 4th Sunday, 2pm, "Sharing"

Presbyterians for Lesbian & Gay Concerns, 733-1360: Cleve, Omaha.

River City Mixed Bowling League, Sundays, 1 & 3pm, Skylanes, Center Mall, Omaha

River City Gender Alliance, Box 680, Council Bluffs, IA 51502. Hotline: 398-1255, leave message. For crossdressers, transsexuals, & those wishing to know more. All orientations. Newsletter. Meet 1st Saturday, Omaha

River City Mixed Chorus, Box 3267, Omaha, 68103-0267. 341-SING (341-7464). Volunteer chorus for Gay/Lesbian/Sensitive people.

7th Day Adventist Kinship Inc, Support/Info Les/Gay College Student 800-4-GAY-SDA

Straight Spouse Support Grp 7-9pm, 1st Methodist 7020 Cass, Room 209, 291-6781

Women of the Plains, Box 24355, Omaha, 68124, Bring women's culture back to Omaha

Women's Support Group, MCC-Omaha, 819 S. 22nd, 345-2563. Meets Saturdays 11am

WomenSpace, Box 24712, Omaha 68124-0712, Quarterly newsletter for lesbian voices & events

Youth Support Group, sponsor: PFLAG. For gay, lesbian youth & those questioning sexuality, age 13-21. Meets Sat., Omaha, Call 291-6781.

REGIONAL/STATEWIDE

American Business & Professional Guild, Box 142, Sioux City, IA 51102, Network of gay business/professional men from IA, MN, SD, & NE, Meet last Sat. of each month, Write for info

Chadron State College Alliance of Lesbian, Gay, & Bisexual Students, Faculty & Staff, PO Box 924, Chadron, NE 69337, 308-432-4047

Coalition for Gay/Lesbian Civil Rts, Box 94882, Lincoln 68509 Advocacy, newsletter

Community Alliance, 1301 Villa Ave, Sioux City, IA 51103 (712) 258-4704

Fellowship of Believers, 812 North 10th, #7, Norfolk 68701, Ph: 402-379-9935 Home-based church meets Wed 7pm, Sun 10am Open to all

GLB Alliance, c/o Health Ctr, Hastings, College, Hastings 68901. Call Judy 402-461-7372 (Health Ctr) 402-462-2961 (home). For G/L/B Students & Friends - safe place to meet, discuss & learn.

Gay & Lesbian Assoc. of Greater Nebr., Support, social events, newsletter. Info: GLAGN, Box 2401, Kearney, NE 68848-2401 or call (308) 472-3249

Heartland Gay Rodeo Association (HGRA), Box 3354, Omaha, 68108-9998. Info: Dan 344-3103. All who enjoy support rodeos & country activities. Meets 1st Saturday DC's, Omaha

Imperial Court of Nebraska, Box 3772, Omaha 68102 Org. for advancement of G/L/B/T society, Board Meets 1st Monday each month

Integrity Prayer Service, Wed, 6pm, St. Thomas Episcopal, 12 & Douglas, Sioux City, IA, Call Al (712) 276-8369 or Rev. Kerr (712) 258-0141

Lincoln/Lancaster Drug Projects, 610 "J", Lincoln, 475-5161, Dennis Hoffman, Case Mgr. O/P chemical dependency treatment while affirming sexuality, Sliding Fee

LinOma Bares, P.O. Box 8493, Omaha, NE 68108. Nudist/Naturalist Clubs for gay/bi men

The New Voice of Nebraska, Box 3512, Omaha 68103, Subs. \$19/year. Deadline: 10th of month

Internet Address: tjrr05c@prodigy.com

Panhandle Gay & Lesbian Support Services, Box 1046, Scottsbluff, NE 69363-1046 Telephone: (308) 635-8488

Parents-Friends of Lesbians and Gays *PFLAG, Kearney: meet 3pm, 3rd Sun, St Luke's Epis. (308) 382-0752 or 995-5490. Mail: PFLAG, 1320 8th Ave., Holdrege, NE 68949

*PFLAG, Sioux City, IA 2nd Sun, 2pm, Mayflower Congregational Church, 1407 W. 18

PRIDE Group, c/o Counseling Ctr, Wayne State College, Wayne, NE 68787. Info: Karen or Virginia (402) 375-7321. G/L/B Students. Meet people, discuss issues, provide community service, educate, raise awareness.

University of Nebr-Kearney GLBT Support Group, Meet Thursdays, 4pm, Student Affairs Bldg, Call Ronnie 308-865-8488 or 308-236-5312, e-mail reid@platte.unk.edu

JUNE CALENDAR

EVERY SUNDAY

Worship Services, 9 & 10:30a.m.
MCC- Omaha, 819 S. 22, 345-2563
Gay /Lesbian Walking Club, 10am, 38th & South, Lincoln, by tennis courts

EVERY MONDAY

GalLo UNO Student Grp, 4-6pm
Milo Bail, 3rdFloor Board Rm, 571-8518/554-3492
HIV Tests, NAP, 3610 Dodge, Suite 110, Omaha 7-9:30pm
River City Mixed Chorus Rehearsals, 1st Methodist, 7020 Cass, Omaha, 7:15pm

EVERY TUESDAY EVERY WEDNESDAY

Women for Sobriety 5:30pm
YWCA, 222 S. 29, Omaha, Call Judith 472-2598
Mens Support Group 7:30pm
MCC, 819 S. 22, Omaha

Gay Men Disc Grp, Lincoln 6pm, Contact Luis 472-7450
Frontrunners Run, 6:30pm, Brownell-Talbot, Omaha
PFLAG AIDS Support Grp, Lincoln 7pm, call 475-2437
Alcoholics Anonymous, 7:30pm, Mercy High, Omaha
Integrity Prayer Svc, 6pm, St. Thomas Episc, Sioux City, IA

SUNDAY

MONDAY

TUESDAY

WEDNESDAY

June 2 (1st Sunday)

Frontrunners, 10am, Keystone Trail, Aksarben, Omaha
Family AIDS Support, 2-4pm, 1st Meth, Om
"ICON Stepping Down Show" The MAX, Omaha
Mr Q Step Down Show at "Q" Lincoln

June 3 (1st Monday)

ICON Board Mtg, 7pm,
Stosh's Saloon at the MAX, Omaha

June 4 (1st Tuesday)

AIDS Healing Service, 7pm, St. Francis Chapel, South & 11th St., Lincoln
ANGLE Meeting, 7pm, UNO Religious Center, 110 N. Happy Hollow, Omaha

June 5 (1st Wed)

June 9 (2nd Sunday)

Frontrunners, 10am, Mt. Vernon Gardens, Omaha
PFLAG, Mayflower Congregational Church, 1407 W. 18, Sioux City, IA, 2-4pm
Inga's Pride Show, The MAX, Omaha
Benefit for Tasha at "Q" Lincoln

June 10 (2nd Monday)

AIDS Interfaith Service, 7pm, St Cecelias, Omaha

June 11 (2nd Tuesday)

Siouxland AIDS Coalition, 12n, Red Cross, Sioux City, IA
Free/Confidential HIV Tests by Lancaster Co Health Dept 5-7pm The Panic, Lincoln

June 12 (2nd Wed)

Pride Team Mtg, 7pm, 3923 Farnam, Omaha
Everyone Welcome!

June 16 (3rd Sun)

Frontrunners, 10am, Gene Leahy Mall, Meet at Arch, Omaha
Community Resource Center Development Mtg, MCC-Omaha, 819 S. 22, 2-5pm
PFLAG/Kearney, St Luke Episcopal, 3pm, 2304 2nd Ave, (308) 382-0752/995-5490
Panhandle Mens Group (308)635-8488
ICON Victory Show, 8:30pm, The MAX
Pride Benefit Show, Q, Lincoln

June 17 (3rd Monday)

June 18 (3rd Tuesday)

NOW-Nat'l Org for Women
Lincoln: 7pm, Women's Club, 407 S. 14th, 477-1226
Omaha: 7pm, 1st Unitarian, 3114 Harney, 391-7303
Grand Island HIV Support Grp, 7pm, (308) 385-5175

June 19 (3rd Wednesday)

June 23 (4th Sunday)

Frontrunners, 10am, Towl Park, Omaha
Lambda Business Assoc, 3pm, Lin 483-6183
MCC PSC Circle, 6pm, 477-3215, Lincoln
The Men of The MAX, The MAX, Omaha
Miss Q Benefit for Youth TalkLine, Lincoln
Golden Cabaret Awrds, Touchez, Sioux Fall
Best of Q Review, Lincoln

June 24 (4th Monday)

June 25 (4th Tuesday)

PFLAG, 7pm - Unitarian Church, 6300 A, Topic "Gay Marriage" Lincoln, 467-4599
Straight Spouse Support Group 7pm, Unitarian Church, 6300 A, Lincoln
Frontrunners Monthly Mtg, 6:30pm, Omaha, 496-3658

June 26 (4th Wednesday)

Pride Team Mtg, 7pm, 3923 Farnam, Omaha
Everyone Welcome!

June 30 (5th Sunday)

Frontrunners, 10am, Ford Birthsite, Omaha
A New Era of Pride: Parade & Rally, Step off at 3pm, Rally at 4pm, Heartland of America Park, Downtown, Omaha
J.T. Sloan, Video Star, The MAX, Omaha
Puppeteer Jerry Halliday at Q in Lincoln

July 1 (1st Monday)

ICON Board Mtg, 7pm,
Stosh's Saloon at the MAX, Omaha

July 2 (1st Tuesday)

ANGLE Meeting, 7pm, 3923 Farnam, Omaha
AIDS Healing Service, 7pm, St. Francis Chapel, South & 11th St., Lincoln

July 3 (1st Wednesday)

JUNE CALENDAR

EVERY THURSDAY

HIV Test Site, NAP, 3610 Dodge, Ste 110, Omaha 7-9:30pm
G/L Alcoholics Anonymous, 7:30pm, Unitarian Church, 6300 "A" Lincoln, Call V.J. 477-3526
Univ. of Nebr-Kearney GLBT Support Grp, 4pm, Student Affairs Bldg, info Call Ronnie at 308-865-8488 or 236-5312

EVERY FRIDAY

Outreach Center, HIV Info/Tests, 1-4pm, 1723 Leavenworth, Omaha
Lesbian Discussion Grp Lincoln 7pm 488-2043
Network Q, 9pm, Cable Channel 20, Lincoln
Alcoholics Anonymous Omaha: "An Alternative" Mens Stag 7pm, Lowe Ave "Live & Let Live" 8:15pm Pella Lutheran, 303 S. 411
Lincoln: 8pm, Plymouth Congregational, 438-5214
Youth Talkline, 7pm-12m, Support/ Info for callers up to age 23, 473-7932.Lincoln

EVERY SATURDAY

Lincoln Women for Sobriety, 10am, Gathering Place, Lincoln, Judith 472-2598
Womens Support Grp, 11am, MCC-Omaha
Youth Support Grp, 291-6781, age 13-21 gay, lesbian, or questioning sexuality, Omaha
Youth Talkline, 7p-12m, 473-7932, Lincoln

THURSDAY

FRIDAY

SATURDAY

June 1 (1st Saturday)
River City Gender Alliance, for Transgender community, Box 680, Council Bluffs 51502
Heartland Gay Rodeo Assoc, 5pm, DC's Om
HGRA Dance Contest, DC's, Omaha
MCC Bingo Night, 819 S. 22nd, Omaha
Wine & Cheese Party, PFLAG-Lincoln
Celebrate Gay Pride at K & Q, Sioux City

June 6 (1st Thursday)
Gay & Lesbian Parents Support Group, 7:30pm, MCC-Omaha
Citizens for Equal Protection, 7pm, 1st Unitarian, Omaha
NOW Program Night, 7pm, 1st Unitarian, 3114 Harney, Omaha

June 7 (1st Friday)
NETV: Positive: Living with HIV: Caring 9pm

June 8 (2nd Saturday)
Fronrunners, 9am, Ford Birthsite, Omaha
SAGE Coffee House 6-9pm, Lesbian Videos, 7:15pm, 3319 S. 46, Lincoln, 488-4178
ICON Voting for Emperor & Empress-- 9am - 7pm, MCC, 819 S. 22, Omaha
 12 noon - 5:30pm, Panic, Lincoln
River City Mixed Chorus Pride Concert, 7:05pm, UNO Strauss Performing Arts Ctr

June 13 (2nd Thursday)
P-FLAG 1st Methodist-Mead Hall, 7020 Cass Omaha 291-6781 7pm
Straight Spouse Suppt Grp 7-9pm, Mead Hall, 1st Methodist 7020 Cass, Room 209, 291-6781
ICON IN-Town Show, The MAX

June 14 (2nd Friday)
Outreach Center, HIV Info/Tests, 1-4pm & 10pm - 2am, 1723 Leavenworth, Omaha
Fronrunners Friday Afternoon Club, The Diamond, 6:30pm
ICON Out of Town Show, Airport Ramada Inn Omaha
NETV: Positive: Living with HIV: Caring 9pm

June 15 (3rd Saturday)
ICON Coronation 7pm, Airport Ramada Inn Omaha

June 20 (3rd Thursday)
Metropolitan Club, 6:30pm, Neon Goose, 10 & Pacific, Omaha
GLAGN Support Group, Grand Island, (308) 384-7235

June 21 (3rd Friday)
Womyn's Book Discussion Group, Call Laurie 556-0937 or Beth 435-2418
NETV: Homophobia in the Workplace 9pm

June 22 (4th Saturday)
Fronrunners, 9am, Ford Birthsite, Omaha
American Professional & Business Guild, Sioux City, IA, For Information, write: ABPG, Box 142, Sioux City, Iowa 51102
Pridefest Womyn's Festival, 3pm - 12midnite, Terra Jane, Council Bluffs, IA
Mr. Desert Plains Drummer Contest, The MAX, Omaha

June 27 (4th Thursday)
Troy Perry, founder of MCC, speaks at MCC-Omaha, 819 S. 22, Call 345-2563 for details

June 28 (4th Friday)
Outreach Center, HIV Info/Tests, 1-4pm & 10pm - 2am, 1723 Leavenworth, Omaha
PFLAG Ice Cream Social with Phillip Sherman, Editor of *Uncommon Heroes*, 7-9pm, 1st Methodist, 7020 Cass, Mead Hall, Omaha
NETV: Growing Up Gay 9pm

June 29 (5th Saturday)

July 4 (1st Thursday)
ICON 4th of July Picnic, 12n-5pm, Progressive Park, Council Bluffs, IA, Adm. \$5 for members, \$7 for non-members
CFEP, 7pm, Omaha
G/L Parents, 7:30pm, Omaha
NOW Program Night, Omaha

July 5 (1st Friday)

July 6 (1st Saturday)

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WANTED:

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GLBT Resource Center needs Chairperson of Fiscal Development. Experience in fiscal planning and accountant appreciated but not required. Call Darrin 558-5303. (Ju96)

ALL WOMEN

SUPERTUBE/CAMPING WEEKEND

August 16, 17, 18, Valentine, NE. Come on, join the fun. For tickets or info call Linda 734-9556. Deadline, July 15. (Ju96)

WANTED: FUNDRAISING WIZARDS

GLBT Resource Center needs people with fundraising expertise or ideas. Experience appreciated by not required. Call Darrin 558-5303 (Ju96)

WANTED:

PUBLIC RELATIONS & MARKETING
GLBT Resource Center needs workers with public relation & marketing abilities or interests. Experience appreciated but not required. Call Darrin 558-5303. (Ju96)

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GWM, HIV Neg, 39, 190#, 6', looking for GWM 25-40 for fun, safe times. 402-455-2511 (Ju96)

Handsome GWM 165 lbs, 6-0, seeks GBM or well endowed GWM for fun. Pls reply P.O. Box 27552, Omaha, NE 68127 (Ju96)

GWM 39, HIV Neg, 6', 170#, Looking for males 25-40 for safe, fun times - Looking for well endowed men. I'll be waiting to hear from you. 402-457-4271 (Ju96)

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GWM, 180, well built, brown hair, blue eyes, smoke and drug free, alot of varied interests, seeks bottom guys who are masculine and straight acting. Let me hear from you. (Omaha) #1746

THIS IS CODY

GWM, 30, 5'9", brown hair, green eyes, very hairy, seeks others for more than one niters. If this is you, call me. (Omaha) #2372

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Bi Curious WM, 57, 180, no experience, seeks some, young and slim only, for learning experiences. Call me and let's learn together. (Omaha) #49042

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GWM, bottom, seeks top men, well endw'd only, for pleasure. Give me a call. (Omaha) #30105

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GWM, 30's, 5'9", brown hair and eyes, medium build, hairy body, varied interests, seeks some with similar qualities. Let's talk! (Omaha) #48203

THIS MAY BE IT!

GWM, 35, 5'7", 165, not into smoke or bar scene, seeks others for fun, friendship and possibly more. Please leave a message. (Omaha) #31249

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GWM, 5'9", brown hair, green eyes, hairy, into camping, cuddling, movies and more, seeks others for fun, friendship and more. Please leave a message. (Omaha) #32252

PLEASURE PATROL

GWM, 32, 5'10", 175, seeks others for fun and adventure. Please leave me a detailed message. (Omaha) #33147

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Bi Curious WM, not really sure, 5'9", 180, seeks others with similar feelings and tendencies. Please be discreet, drug/disease free, young and slim. Please leave a message. (Omaha) #32982

Kansas

BOTTOM'S UP!

GWM, bottom boy, 6'2", 270, very straight acting and appealing, seeks masculine top men for whatever happens. Give me a call. (Kansas) #33440

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GWM, 20, 6', 185, clean shaven, dark hair, smooth, HIV-, varied interests, casual drinker, seeks others, under 25, for mutual pleasure. Give me a call. (Kansas) #8443

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GWM, 23, 6'1", 155, blonde hair, green eyes, varied interests, new to area, seeks others for fun, friendship and more. (Kansas) #26747

LET'S HAVE A PARTY

GWM, 5'9", 170, blonde hair, green eyes, varied interests, seeks others for fun and more. Give me a call. (Marion) #47975

BOTTOM'S UP

GWM, 30, 6', 155, brown hair and eyes, smooth and attractive bottom, seeks masculine and dominant men for fun and pleasure. Couples a plus! Give me a call. (Overland Park) #22055

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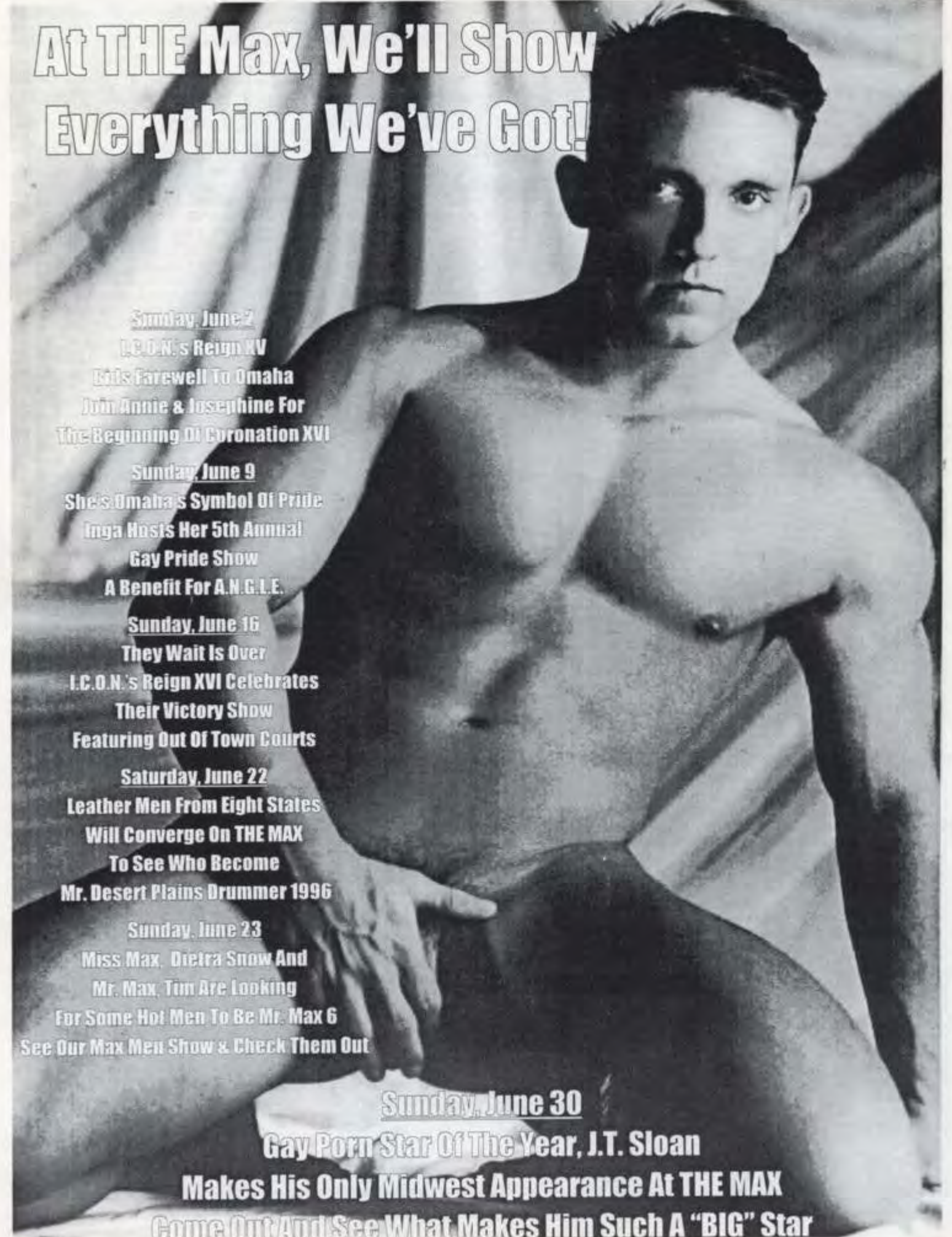
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