



THE GAYZETTE

EVENTS OF INTEREST TO METROPOLITAN OMAHA & LIN-

MEMORIES ON WORLD AIDS DAY

World AIDS Day has come and gone. But over the years I have known a number of people with HIV or AIDS that have played important rolls in my life. I can still remember Walter laughing and expressing his mood with adorable facial expressions when we were kids. At 13, Walter and I were best friends. Walter was three years younger than I was. But we hung out together every weekend with the rest of our friends. And of course all the girls thought he was so cute. We had some great times together. Our lives were filled with fun and friends. And during that time neither of us knew the word Gay. But growing up in South Mississippi, the heart of the Baptist bible belt, we knew the word Queer. When I turned 18, I left that small town after joining the Air Force. Walter stayed in Mississippi and graduated later. I tried to keep in touch with him and his family, but we were so busy. Every chance I got home, I would stop in and spend some time with him and his family.

Walter was HIV infected at 19, the beginning of his life. At a time when most of us are starting to build our lives, Walter was to end his. Walter sunk into a depression and attempted suicide a couple of times. He was in and out of hospitals. He took anti-depressants so he could face himself and his family each day. He felt that he let his family and friends down.

His family had to hide his sickness. It was a small town. And of course every other home had a police/ambulance scanner. Small towns aren't known for their understanding of people with AIDS and this town wasn't about to be the first to make an exception. When Walters family would bump into their friends on the sidewalk or in a store the question would always come up. "How is Walter?" The family would say that he is doing much better. But in reality, Walter had several nervous breakdowns and couldn't control his anxiety attacks. But the truth about Walter having AIDS did get out. And a lot of people in that small community in Winona, Mississippi felt that they had been lied to by the family. That they had a right to protect their children and themselves.

I saw Walter for the last time in 1992. He was in terrible pain. He would take his pain medicine and bite it before he swallowed it. He said that he couldn't wait for the pill to dissolve. Walter died in a Hospice about a year later from complications of AIDS. He was alone. His family couldn't visit as often as they would of liked because of the distance of the Hospice from home. There was no Hospice in his small home town. He was 22. When word spread around town, their was nothing the family could do. No cemetery in town would sell the family a place to bury Walter because he died of AIDS. The family had to bury him in town almost 100 miles away. That day Walters mother lost her son. Her son dies alone far from home and now she couldn't visit his grave when she wanted because it was just as far from home.

Walter gives me many reasons to remember those living with HIV/AIDS on World AIDS Day and of course those that have died of AIDS. I hope that if you know someone with HIV/AIDS, you thought about them and their families on December 1st. For those that have died, we can keep their memory alive by educating others in their name about this disease. And hopefully those people will tell others.

Happy World AIDS Day, Walter. Say hello to Matthew.

Mike Orr. MSGOmaha

OMAHA QUILT DISPLAY THROUGH DEC. 17

NAMES Project of the Heartland is hosting a display of 9 of the 12' x 12' panels of the NAMES Project AIDS Memorial Quilt at Unity Church of Omaha, 3424 N. 90th St., Omaha, NE 68134 phone 402-571-1344 until December 17. Please tell your friends to come and experience this moving tribute to those who have fallen.

December 15 — December 31, 2000

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"TWO LEFT FEET" DANCE LESSONS ARE BACK

Country western dance lessons for BEGINNERS will begin Friday, December 15 at 7pm at MCC-Omaha and will continue every Friday until further notice. These dance lessons were a huge success when held last year and prepared many dancers to take to the polished hardwood floor at DC's. You are guaranteed to learn!

The instructors are patient with beginners. In fact, the organizer of the dance lessons claims that she started classes because she couldn't keep up with the fast paced lessons at DC's, so she got permission to video tape the lessons so they can be played back at slower speeds while students learn the steps.

Remember, dance lessons, Friday Nights, 7pm, MCC-Omaha, 819 S. 22 Street.

ICE BOWL 2001 FEBRUARY 9 FISH FRY

Ice Bowl 2001 is co-hosting a BEER BUST and FISH FRY, Friday February 9th, 2001 to promote the upcoming 10th ANNUAL ICE BOWL TOURNAMENT, February 16-18, 2001.

The party starts at 6:00 PM upstairs at Gilligan's Pub. You can have all the beer you can drink and all the fish you can eat for an entry price of \$15.00.

Tickets will be available through the Ice Bowl Board Members and Gilligans Pub.

Additionally, there will be a drawing for a free entry to ICE BOWL and cash prize drawings.

Please come out and support ICE BOWL. You'll have lots of fun!

MINNESOTA LUTHERAN CHURCH ORDAINS OPEN LESBIAN AS PASTOR

In its December 5, 2000, issue, the Saint Paul Pioneer Press reports that, by a vote of 176 to 0, the congregation of Saint Paul Reformation Lutheran Church, Saint Paul, Minnesota, has voted to ordain Anita Hill, an open lesbian, who has served as a minister at the church since 1983.

Saint Paul Reformation had asked the Church Council of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America to approve Anita Hill's ordination, but the council declined, since she would not pledge to be celibate.

The resolution passed by the Congregation indicated that the church "can no longer, in good conscience comply with the ELCA's policy because it is unjust [and] at odds with the message of the Gospel."

The Rev. Paul Tiedemann, Pastor of the church, stated: "Full participation is not possible so long as the ELCA excludes calling and ordaining qualified gay and lesbian candidates in committed relationships. Today's vote signals our congregation's commitment to living the Gospel and ensuring full participation for all its members."

The St. Paul Pioneer Press reports that approximately a fifth of the congregation is gay, lesbian, bisexual, or transgendered. It was founded in 1883 and has 673 baptized members.



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PRIDE SPEAKS OUT

A few words from your current Mr. Pride 2000:

Hello everyone. I have been really busy and you know the saying, better late than never. So I am ready to start up my "Faux" advice column and I need your help. This column will be all about fun, and in order to make it fun, I need input from you. Are there any questions you would like answers to? Is there anything you were wondering about? I will try and put forth my best efforts to answer any of and all questions, in a manner in which it is fun. Now the stipulations. It can not be harmful in anyway towards another person (there is enough hate out there, we don't need to contribute). Myself and the editor of the Gayzette reserve the right to edit, and/or not "print" anything we feel is slanderous, or defaming towards any group, organization, bar, or the like. I want this to be something that will make people laugh, and sometime ponder for a while. Anyway, to get this started I need you and your questions. You can send them to me via email: at mrpride2000@home.com, or you can send them Pride Inc, 1719 Leavenworth, Omaha, NE 68108. Hurry, before my fingers fall off.

Mr. Pride 2000,
Tom.

RODEO ASSOCIATION INVITES COMMUNITY TO "UNIVERSITY"

The Heartland Gay Rodeo Association will be hosting "University 2001" in Omaha, Ne February 16-18, 2001. More information, such as location, cost, hours, etc., will follow.

IGRA University 2001 is a workshop that is designed to teach the basics in the following tools. They are not limited to producing a rodeo, but to produce any event.

1. Negotiating Contracts
2. Public Relations
3. Marketing
4. Merchandising
5. Corporate Sponsorships
6. Budgeting
7. Fund Raising
8. Royalty Ideas

The classes have an instructor, but as a participant, you are not sitting and taking notes for eight (8) hours. They are very interactive between the instructor and the members of the class and the sharing of ideas. The workshop is designed to help the members of rodeo associations that fall under the umbrella of the IGRA, however, the basics of the workshop can be applied to any organization or to any individual in their daily lives. Contact us at Heartlandrodeo@aol.com or 1-800-561-6918 (leave message).

Please join us for our annual...

Christmas Eve Service

10:30 PM
Sun., Dec. 24, 2000

Metropolitan Community
Church of Omaha

819 S. 22nd St.
345.2563



Bears Again Stuff Baskets for NAP

Flat Water Bears again this year filled and donated "Bear Baskets" to the Nebraska AIDS Project for distribution to NAP clients. They did this at their monthly meeting earlier this month, holding it at Rainbow Outreach Center in order to use the Center's conference area and tables.

In its four-year history this was the group's fourth year of provisioning baskets for NAP. Bears members, with outstanding response from cooperating shops and businesses, filled baskets with both practical and "frivolous" items; toothpaste, soap, shampoo, aspirin, canned goods, coloring books, puzzle books, Christmas ornaments and other "goodies." The baskets themselves are reusable for storing toiletries or small items.

The Bear organization for hairy persons and enthusiasts will hold its next regular meeting 7:30 p.m. Wed. Jan. 10 at the Diamond Bar, Omaha. The group meets once monthly for "business" but the intent of the club is to hold some "fun" event monthly such as attending a show, play, museum visit, bowl, etc.

BRITAIN PASSES EQUAL AGE OF CONSENT

The age of sexual consent was finally equalized between gay and non gay individuals Thursday, November 30, after British Prime Minister Tony Blair rejected a last-ditch plea from religious leaders to abandon the move. The UK's Equal Age of Consent is now 16, regardless of gender or sexuality.

Equal-rights campaigners were delighted, as the Government pushed through the historic legislation after two years of bitter parliamentary wrangling and relentless opposition from the House of Lords. But the Bill was mired in controversy right up until the last minute, as the Archbishop of Canterbury, the Archbishop of Westminster and other clerics declared their "strong moral and health objections". Jack Straw, the Home Secretary, invoked the rarely used Parliament Act to ensure the changes reached the statute book. Under the Act, any legislation that has been rejected by the Lords can automatically become law one year later, if it reflects the wishes of the House of Commons.

FREE/ANONYMOUS HIV TESTING

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

NEBRASKA AIDS PROJECT

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

CANADIAN CHURCH TO LEGALLY MARRY SAME-SEX COUPLES

The Metropolitan Community Church of Toronto (MCC Toronto), part of the Universal Fellowship of Metropolitan Community Churches (UFMCC), headquartered in West Hollywood, CA, will be performing legal same-sex marriages beginning in January 2001. UFMCC is an inclusive worldwide fellowship of Christian congregations with a special outreach to the world's gay, lesbian, bisexual, transgendered communities. Since its founding in 1968 by Rev. Perry, UFMCC has grown into a denomination of approximately 45,000 members in 300 churches in 18 countries.

At an MCC Toronto church service held on December 3, 2000, Senior Pastor Rev. Brent Hawkes made the following announcement "MCC Toronto is proud to announce that beginning in January 2001 we will be issuing marriage licenses for same sex weddings. Until now, we felt restricted from acting on our beliefs by what we thought was a legal impediment regarding same sex weddings. Being called by God to marry same sex couples, we recently sought legal advice and as a result, we have changed our position on the legality of same sex marriages.

"In keeping with the ancient Christian tradition of banns of marriage we will now be issuing marriage licenses for same sex weddings. We believe we will be the first to issue these licenses anywhere in the world. As you may know, the issue of same sex marriage is currently before the courts and we are seeking to participate in those court proceedings and we have retained Douglas Elliott, of Elliott and Kim to act on our behalf."

Mr. Elliott has advised the church that pursuant to Section 5 of the Ontario Marriage Act, the church has the authority to follow ancient Christian tradition of publication of banns of marriage instead of requiring couples to obtain a marriage license.

Under Ontario law, couples who wish to marry can either obtain a license from a local municipal clerk or they can have banns published in a church they regularly attend. The municipal clerks in Ontario have declined to issue marriage licenses to same-sex couples and this is the subject of a current court case in the Ontario Divisional Court. Until now, no church in Ontario has offered to marry same-sex couples by publishing banns of marriage.

Banns of marriage consist of an audible announcement of the intention to marry at a church service in accordance with that church's practice, usually each Sunday for three Sundays preceding the wedding. It is the church that issues the marriage certificate following the wedding ceremony.

"We were delighted with the overwhelming response of our congregation and several couples have already expressed interest in being married in our church" says Rev. Hawkes. >

Ice bowl 2001



Where: Omaha, Ne

When: February 16-18, 2001

E-mail us at: <http://www.icebowlomaha@hotmail.com>

For More information call: Jerry Sanders

(402) 553-6626

Russ Hollendieck

(402) 556-5556

OMAHA AREA COMMUNITY CALENDAR

FRIDAY, DEC. 15

NUNSENSE A-MEN, 7:30pm,
Millenium Theatre, 16 & Jackson

SATURDAY, DEC. 16

NUNSENSE A-MEN, 7:30pm,
Millenium Theatre, 16 & Jackson

SUNDAY, DEC. 17

NUNSENSE A-MEN, 2:30pm,
Millenium Theatre, 16 & Jackson

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

WEDNESDAY, DEC. 20

"WINTER SOLSTICE"
PERFORMED BY CENTRAL
DANCE THEATER, First United
Methodist, 7020 Cass, Omaha
Through Dec. 31

DECEMBER 21 - 28

HANUKKAH

THURSDAY, DEC. 21

NUNSENSE A-MEN, 7:30pm,
Millenium Theatre, 16 & Jackson

FRIDAY, DEC. 22

NUNSENSE A-MEN, 7:30pm,
Millenium Theatre, 16 & Jackson

SATURDAY, DEC. 23

NUNSENSE A-MEN, 7:30pm,
Millenium Theatre, 16 & Jackson

SUNDAY, DEC. 24

NUNSENSE A-MEN, 2:30pm,
Millenium Theatre, 16 & Jackson

CHRISTMAS EVE WORSHIP

SERVICE, 10:30pm, Metropolitan
Community Church of Omaha, 819
S. 22nd St., 345-2563

SATURDAY, DEC. 30

FRANK'S CHILI COOK-OFF 6-
8pm, DC's Saloon, Chili: \$2/bowl
Proceeds benefit Pediatric HIV
Clinic and ICON

WEEKLY EVENTS

EVERY SUNDAY

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

Every Sunday

RIVER CITY
MIXED BOWLING I & II,
I -- 12:45pm, Mockingbird Lanes,
Omaha
II -- 3pm Broadway Bowl, CB

KARAOKE, 9pm, Connections

Every Monday

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

MONDAY NITE TRIVIA,
10:30 pm, The MAX

Every Tuesday

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

Every Wednesday

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

FRONTRUNNERS RUN/WALK
6:30pm AkSarBen Lot 5, Omaha

KARAOKE W/ STACY,
8:30pm, DC'S Saloon

Every Thursday

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

LESBIAN CENTERED

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

KARAOKE W/ STACY,
9pm, Connections

KARAOKE W/ LARRY D.,
9pm, Gilligan's

Every Friday

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

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

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

KARAOKE W/ LARRY D.,
9pm, Gilligan's

Every Saturday

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

KARAOKE W/ LARRY D.,
9pm, Gilligan's

MONTHLY EVENTS

1st Saturday

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

2nd Saturday

LEATHER ENGINEERS OF
OMAHA, 7pm, Gilligan's

2nd Sunday

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

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OMAHA AREA COMMUNITY CALENDAR

LEARNING TO EXCHANGE

POWER L2EP@aol.com

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

2nd Wednesday

FLAT WATER BEARS 7:30pm

Diamond Bar, 712 S. 16th Omaha

2nd Thursday

PFLAG - OMAHA 7pm

1st United Meth, Mead Hall

2nd Saturday

GLSEN OMAHA, Board Mtg.

8:30am, Planned Parenthood

3rd Monday

IMPERIAL COURT

OF NEBRASKA BOARD MTG

MCC-O, 819 S. 22nd St., 6:30pm

4th Sunday

PFLAG - OMAHA 2pm

1st United Meth, Mead Hall

4th Tuesday

NAMES PROJECT OF

HEARTLAND E-mail:

AIDSQuiltOmaha @aol.com

SUNDAY, JANUARY 28

MISS MAX PAGEANT

FRI, FEB. 16 - 18

ICE BOWL TOURNAMENT

Mockingbird Lanes, Omaha.

SATURDAY, JUNE 16

RIVERCITY MIXED CHORUS

PRIDE CONCERT

FRI, JUNE 29 - JULY 1

HEARTLAND REGIONAL

RODEO, Sarpy County

Fairgrounds, Springfield NE.

SATURDAY, JULY 6

CORONATION 21 OF THE

IMPERIAL COURT OF

NEBRASKA Sokol Hall, Omaha



DO YOU REMEMBER THIS ART WORK?

DO YOU KNOW THE ARTIST?

HINT: SHE WAS A VOLUNTEER AT THE
RESOURCE CENTER UNTIL HER SCHOOL
SCHEDULE CHANGED.

**WE WOULD
LIKE TO
KNOW:**

When are the OMC and
Miss River City
Pageants?

When is
Miss Parallel Galaxy?
Beauty & the Beast?
Miss Q?

When is the 2001 Pride
Parade?

If You can provide any
of this information,

send it to PO Box 8583,
Omaha, NE 68108 or
email:
events@ROCC.org.

UPCOMING EVENTS

SATURDAY, JANUARY 20

RIVER CITY MIXED CHORUS

CONCERT, 7:05PM,

First United Methodist, 7020 Cass

SUNDAY, JANUARY 14

MISS MAX STEP DOWN SHOW

THURSDAY, JANUARY 19

"PRIDE PLAYERS",

Performances by GLBT youth,

The Rose Theatre,

January 19 Performance

Benefit for GLSEN

Performances through Jan 21,

SUNDAY, JANUARY 21

MCC SPONSORS THANK YOU

SHOW, 8pm, The MAX,

No Cover,

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ICON, L2EP, & MORE RAISE \$4,500+ FOR AREA CHILDREN

The Imperial Court of Nebraska, in conjunction with Learning To Exchange Power and local bars, is pleased to announce that they met their 2000 goal of \$4,500 for Toyz for Totz, a benefit providing toys for children affected by HIV/AIDS. Toys will be provided for 144 children from newborn to 18 years of age who live in Omaha, across Nebraska to the western border, and SW Iowa. A similar event is done in Lincoln by entertainers in that area for children in Lincoln affected by HIV/AIDS.

A variety of events help ICON meet their goal, including candy cane sales by Frank and Michele, which raised \$430; Barbra & Michele's Show at Connections (\$133); Michele's raffle (\$211); Learning To Exchange Power's Show at DC's (\$1,620), and Emperor Paco & Empress Feleena's, along with the Royal Families of Reign 20, main event: Toyz for Totz at The MAX (\$2,000+, which included over \$200 from The MAX employees, a \$100 donation from LEO, and \$50 from the Imperial Court of Iowa, and numerous individual donations).

Following Sunday night's show, members of ICON went toy shopping Tuesday for the 81 local children, and Thursday they wrapped the gifts, so that they could be distributed in time for Christmas. What a tremendous effort from so many community individuals and organizations!

"Winter Solstice" by Central Dance Theater

The Central Dance Theater, headed by Bryon Heinrich, presents Winter Solstice, which it will perform Dec. 20-31 in First United Methodist's sanctuary. Ticket prices for the Dec. 29-31 Winter Solstice performances range from \$5 to \$25.

SIOUX FALLS GLBT CENTER

The goal of The Center is to provide the resources, education, and networking necessary to enhance the lives of diverse groups of people, with special outreach services to the gay, lesbian, and transgendered community, including their friends and families.

The Center advocates for equality -- proving a safe and inclusive environment for all, both straight and gay.

Services:

- Adult and Youth and Sexual Orientation, Spirituality, Relationships, Self
- Esteem, "Coming Out", Children of GLBT parents,
- Counseling:
Individual, Couples, Family, Couples Meditation
- Education:
Safe Sex (HIV AIDS)
- Resources on GLBT (Book and Video)
- Workshops and Inservice on GLBT Issues
- Same-Sex Domestic Violence
- Adult Support Group meets every Wednesday at 8:00PM
- Youth Support Group meets Mondays at 7:00 PM
- Support Group for Transgendered (Starts in January)
- Support Group for Kids with GLBT Parents
(Times to be announced)

Pride Players

The Pride Players, a group of middle school and high school age youth, will be creating and performing their own theatre production on being LGBT in high school. The production will consist of musical numbers, solliques, comedy sketches and dramatic skits. Performance dates are scheduled for January 18, 19, 20 and 21st at The Rose Theatre. The Rose Theatre has graciously allowed the Gay, Lesbian, and Straight Education Network (GLSEN) to use the performance on the 19th as a fund Raiser for GLSEN, for FREE. Last year they sold out 3 nights at the upstairs theatre at The Rose without any real networking or involvement from GLSEN, P-FLAG or Proud Horizons. This year Brian Guehring, the director, will work with the facilitator of Proud Horizons to fully involve both GLSEN-Omaha and Proud Horizons.

GAYZETTE AD RATES

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

All ads must be camera ready. !0% Discount for on-going ads of any size. Payment must accompany ad. Checks should be made payable to Rainbow Outreach GLBT Resource Center.

Payment and ads should be delivered to the Rainbow Outreach GLBT Resource Center 1719 Leavenworth St. on or before the deadline date. A phone call notifying us that the ad is coming should be made to (402) 341-0330, attention Sharon.

Ad Deadlines are:

Friday, Dec. 22 for Publication Dec. 29

Friday, Dec. 29 for Publication Jan. 5

Friday, Jan. 12 for Publication Jan. 19

CHILI COOK OFF AT DC'S DEC. 30

The Imperial Court of Nebraska and Duke Frank will host a Chili Cook Off at DC's Saloon on December 30 from 6pm—8pm. Delicious bowls of chili will be just \$2. Proceeds will benefit the Imperial Court and The Pediatric HIV Clinic. Come out for steaming chili and help take care of the kids who live with HIV.

RIVER CITY MIXED CHORUS CONCERT JAN. 20

The River City Mixed Chorus will present their winter concert under the direction of Brian Jay on January 20, 2001 at First United Methodist Church, 7020 Cass Street, Omaha, NE. As always, the concert will begin at 7:05pm. For ticket information call (402) 341-SING.

NUNSENSE A-MEN AT MILLENIUM THEATRE

The delightful romp of "Nunsense" takes on a whole new look as Stages of Omaha presents an all male cast in Nunsense A-Men, at the Millenium Theatre, 16th & Jackson, now through December 24. Performances are Thursday, Friday, and Saturday Nights at 7:30pm and Sunday Afternoons at 2:30pm. Call 345-8166 for reservations.

NEW HAPPENINGS AT RAINBOW OUTREACH

Check out what's new at Rainbow Outreach:

- Board Member Lynn is busy at the Center during the day. So stop in during daytime hours and see the new look.
- Volunteer Bill Ideker donated a Rainbow Color Message Board that boldly proclaims the hours the Center is open. It's especially striking at night.
- New magazines including *Images*, a publication of the Gay Lesbian Alliance Against Defamation, have appeared on the shelves.
- There are at least 30 new titles in the Library and several new videos.
- Plans are underway to offer subscriptions to the Gayzette with your membership.
- Stop by and check us out. The Center has a whole new look and a new smiling face to greet you during the day.

**RAINBOW OUTREACH
GLBT RESOURCE CENTER-
BOARD MEETING
Monday, January 8
7 p.m.**

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

QUESTIONS ABOUT HIV OR AIDS?

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

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

SOULFORCE & DIGNITY WILL TAPE DEMANDS TO DOOR OF VATICAN

Soulforce and Dignity/USA leaders have announced plans to take their nonviolent campaign against centuries of spiritual violence and anti-gay teachings of the Roman Catholic Church to the Vatican on January 5- 6, 2001. Supporters of Soulforce and Dignity/USA plan to tape their specific demands for inclusion for all people in the Church on the doors of the Vatican.

"As we begin the new millennium, we will risk misunderstanding and arrest in Rome to help end centuries of spiritual violence against God's lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender children," declared Rev. Mel White, Executive Director of Soulforce. "Although some bishops met with us last month during the National Council of Catholic Bishops meeting, they refused to denounce Vatican policies denying Dignity Catholics the right to meet on Church property or be served Eucharist by a priest. Therefore we have no choice but to go to the Vatican with our demands."

Soulforce, an interfaith network of GLBT individuals and their families, friends, and allies, committed to applying the principles of nonviolent resistance as taught by Gandhi and Martin Luther King to the liberation of sexual and gender minorities, and Dignity/USA, the oldest and largest independent national lay movement of GLBT Catholics, families, and friends, joined their formidable voices last month during the National Council of Catholic Bishops meeting to confront the anti-gay teachings of the Catholic Church. 104 people were subsequently arrested in an act of non-violent civil disobedience to block the entrance to the largest Cathedral in North America. Both Catholics and Non-Catholics from Soulforce plan to stand vigil outside the Vatican for several days before holding a national press conference and taping their demands to the door of the Vatican on January 5, 2001.

MCC CONTINUES INFORMAL PRAISE SERVICE FIRST WEDNESDAY OF EACH MONTH

The Praise Service held December 6 received such a positive response that Metropolitan Community Church of Omaha will continue offering an informal Praise Service on the first Wednesday of each month.

The service will begin at 7pm and will include singing, testimonies, readings, and communion. Doors will open at 5:45pm so those attending the praise service can enjoy a time of fellowship and share a light supper before the service.

BOWLING STANDINGS RIVER CITY II WEEK #13

TEAM STANDINGS	Won	Lost	Pins
1. The Max	32	16	23794
2. Omaha Mining Co	30	18	23033
3. Max Factors	30	18	21366
4. Drunk Pins	30	18	21178
5. Cum/Go	28.5	19.5	22552
6. The Cocks	28.5	19.5	22311
7. Grandmothers	28	20	22844
8. Over Our Heads	26	22	22576
9. Darrah's Total Team	25	23	21496
10. Carlson's Queens	24	24	20651
11. Harvey's Casino	24	24	19659
12. R2 D2	22	26	20289
13. Gills Choke Artists	21.5	26.5	22364
14. Gilligan's #1	21	27	20622
15. Manwhore 4	18	30	18519
16. All Fall Down	17	31	21118
17. Dog Pack	15.5	32.5	20797
18. Flat Water Bears	10	38	18067

HIGH SCRATCH GAME

MEN	WOMEN
288 Dan White	259 Norma Harrison
277 Dan Cooper	211 Kerry Fleek
256 Sterling McCarthy	207 Tammie Krzeminski
256 Mike Wierzbicki	
256 Dan White	

HIGH SCRATCH SERIES

MEN	WOMEN
689 Sterling McCarthy	677 Norma Harrison
672 Dan Cooper	527 Tammie Krzeminski
653 Dan White	515 Jennifer Johnson

HIGH AVERAGE

MEN	WOMEN
198 Sterling McCarthy	188 Norma Harrison
196 Jerry Shomer	146 Kerry Fleek
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RAINBOW OUTREACH GLBT RESOURCE LIST

BARS

- Connections**, 933-3033
1901 Leavenworth, Omaha
- DC's Saloon**, 344-3103
610 S. 14th Street, Omaha
- Gilligan's Pub**, 449-9147
1407 Harney, Omaha
- The Diamond**, 342-9595
712 S. 16th St., Omaha
- The MAX**, 346-4110
1417 Jackson, Omaha
- Omaha Mining Co.**, 449-8703,
1715 Leavenworth, Omaha
- Panic**, 435-8764
200 S. 18th Lincoln
- Q**, 475-2269 --216 S. 9th Street, Lincoln

OMAHA BASED ORGANIZATIONS

- BiChoice Nebraska**, 9504 R
Plaza #106, Omaha 68127
592-4250: QUEST15@juno.com
- Citizens for Equal Protection**
Box 55548, Omaha 68155, 398-3027
<http://www.geocities.com/cfep>
Working for equal rights for all
- Flat Water Bears**, PO Box 3751,
Omaha 68103 or
flatwaterbears@geocities.com
Group for hirsute men and their admirers, meet 2nd Wednesday at Diamond Bar, 7:30pm
- Front Runners/Walkers**, Box
4583, Omaha 68104 (402) 496-3658
Fun Run/Walks 10am Sun, 6pm Wed
- GALO (Gay & Lesbian Org at UNO)**
Alchisti55@aol.com or contact SPO
(Student Organizations) at 554-2711.
- Gay, Lesbian & Straight Education Network-Omaha**, Box 641676,
Omaha 68164, 596-2596
- Heartland Gay Rodeo Association**
Box 3354, Omaha 68103 For those who enjoy rodeo & country ways
800-561-6918 (Leave Message)
- Ice Bowl Invitational Bowling Tournament (IBIT)** P.O. Box
31838, Omaha, NE 68131, e-mail
icebowlomaha@hotmail.com
- Imperial Court of Nebraska**,
PO Box 3772, Omaha 68103
(402) 556-9907, Board Meeting
3rd Mon, MCC-Omaha, 819 S. 22
- Learning to Exchange Power**,
L2EP@aol.com; Social, educational group novices in Leather LifeStyle
- Leather Engineers of Omaha (LEO)** Box 8181 Omaha 68108
Gay men interested in leather lifestyle, Meetings 2nd Sat @ Gilligan's 7pm
- Lesbian Centered**; Social, discussion group for Lesbians; Meet Thurs.
Info: Lesbiancen@ivillage.com

- LinOma Bares**, PO Box 8493,
Omaha 68108 Nudist/ Naturist Club for gay/bi men
- Mpower**, c/o Nebraska AIDS Project, 139 S. 40, Omaha 68131
Men teaching men about HIV
- Men's Support Group-Omaha**,
c/o MCC-Omaha, 819 S. 22 St.,
<http://www.radiks.net/mike2tom/msgomaha> 345-2563; Tuesday 7:30pm
- Metropolitan Community Church of Omaha**, 819 S. 22 St., Omaha 68108
345-2563, mccomaha@radiks.net
Sunday Worship 8:50 & 10:20am,
- Names Project of the Heartland**,
AIDSQuiltOmaha@aol.com;
- Nebraska AIDS Project**, 552-9260
Watanabe Wellness Ctr, 139 S. 40 St.,
68131, Testing Mon. & Thurs Evenings
- NAP Outreach Center**, 1723
Leavenworth, Testing & Counseling:
Wed. Afternoon, Fri Night
- Nebraska Advocates for Justice & Equality**, PO Box 55548, Omaha
68155, 402.346-5960
naje_now@hotmail.com
- Nebraska Gay Dads** group list exchange
emails posted to the list for discussion
<http://www.radiks.net/mike2tom/nebraskagaydads>
- Omaha Nebr Gay Pride WebPage**
<http://community.webtv.net/OMAHA/NEGAYPRIDE/OmahaNebraskaGay>
- Onyx Images**, PO Box 31026,
Omaha 68132-9998 Fraternity
for African American Men
- Out and About in Nebraska**,
outabout@worldshare.net or
<http://travel.to/outabout> Social group
for those who enjoy the outdoors
- Parents and Friends of Lesbians And Gays (PFLAG) Omaha Chapter**
Call (402) 291-6781 Meetings 2nd
Thursday & 4th Sunday, First United
Methodist, 7020 Cass, Omaha
- Pride!, Inc.** Box 8583, Omaha 68108
341-0330 Produce Pride Parade;
National Coming Out Day
- Proud Horizons Youth Group**,
Sat Afternoon, info: (402) 291-6781
or email proudhorizons@yahoo.com
- Rainbow Outreach GLBT Resource Center**, 1719 Leavenworth, Omaha,
341-0330, Web Site: www.ROCC.org
Info Line, Library, Movies, Gayzette
- Rainbow Bible Study**, Fridays,
6-7:30pm, Lowe Ave Presbyterian,
1023 N. 40 St., Omaha
- River City Mixed Chorus**, Box 3267,
Omaha, NE 68103, 402-341-SING
- River City Gender Alliance**, Box 8076,
Omaha 68108, 402-991-8845, email:
rcga@tgforum.com Social/Support
Group for transgender/transsexual/
cross-dressers and supporters

- River City Mixed Bowling I**, 12:45pm,
Sundays, Mockingbird Bowl, Omaha:
Michael Jones (689-0534)
- River City Mixed Bowling II** 3pm,
Sundays, Broadway Bowl, Council
Bluffs, IA: Contact: Dan White (402)
734-7055
- SNAP Productions**, Box 8464, Omaha,
NE 68108 www.snapproductions.com
- WomenSpace**, PO Box 24712,
Omaha 68124 Newsletter, Concerts
(402) 588-4529

LINCOLN BASED ORGANIZATIONS

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

New Year's Eve



The MAX

402.346.4110

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