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# GAYZETTE

News and Events for the GLBTA Communities

# South Africa Legalizes Gay Marriage

CAPE TOWN, South Africa -- With the deputy president's signature on a new law, South Africa on Thursday became the first country in Africa and only the fifth in the world to legalize same sex marriages.

The Civil Union Act entered into force on the eve of a Dec. 1 deadline set by the Constitutional Court for the government to change its marriage legislation to ensure full equality for gays and lesbians.

Gay rights groups have welcomed the law, although they criticized provisions allowing clergy and civil marriage officers to turn away gay couples if their consciences prevented them from marrying them.

Deputy President Phumzile Mlambo-Ngcuka signed the law in her capacity as acting president because President Thabo Mbeki is in Nigeria.

South Africa recognized the rights of gay people in the constitution adopted after apartheid ended in 1994, at a time when leaders were determined to bury all kinds of legal discrimination a thing. The constitution, the first in the world to prohibit discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation, providing a powerful legal tool for gay rights activists even though South Africa remains conservative on such issues.

The governing African National Congress had to push the legislation through despite reservations from some of its own members. Influential traditional leaders said the legislation violated African cultural norms. The Roman Catholic Church and Muslim groups -- and many other religious organizations -- denounced it as violating the sanctity of marriage between a man and a woman.

The Anglican church said it was up to individual ministers to decide whether to use the "opt out" clause, while liberal churches like the Metropolitan Churches Community were in favor.

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#### DON WE NOW OUR GAY APPAREL -GLBT CENTER OPEN HOUSE DECEMBER 16th

Come check out the changes to the GLBT Center! Make plans to attend the Center Holiday Open House on Saturday, December 16. Drop -in between 2PM - 5PM at 1719 Leavenworth, Just look



for the "rainbow people" on our front window. Eat, drink, and be merry! It's free and people of all ages are encouraged to attend. Food and beverages are provided. The Center Holiday Open House is a fun time for all, so whether you are gay, lesbian, bisexual, transgender or an ally, come out and enjoy a delightful time. And get a souvenir picture taken in front of the Center Xmas Tree, a great memento of the holidays. Everyone who stops in will be entered into our free raffle drawing for holiday prizes!

#### Learning to Exchange Power.....

.....is again planning its annual Toyz 4 Totz fundraiser. It will be an evening of entertainment with a Hot Leather Show-including raffles and auctions, followed by a night of dungeon play at DC's Saloon.

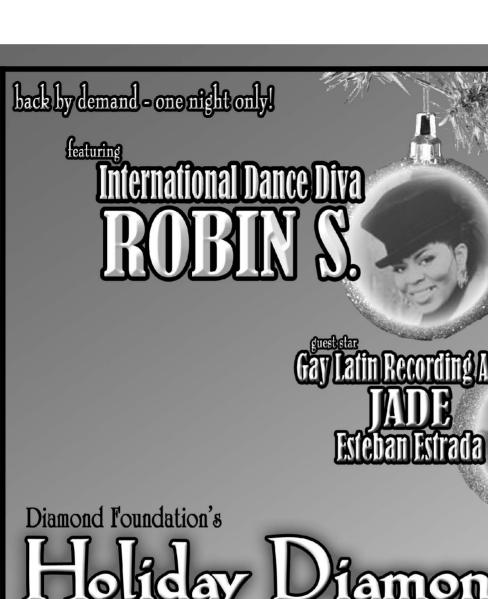
This annual event has proved to be a fun way to raise money for kids with or affected by HIV/AIDS. Join us for a fun filled day and a great way to network with others in the lifestyle.

During the November meeting Learning to Exchange Power will have a workshop on Pervertables. At that time we put together Christmas stocking or packages for raffle & auction items.

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# Holiday Diamonds... GLBT Scholarship Evening



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Sunday, December 10

6:30 pm

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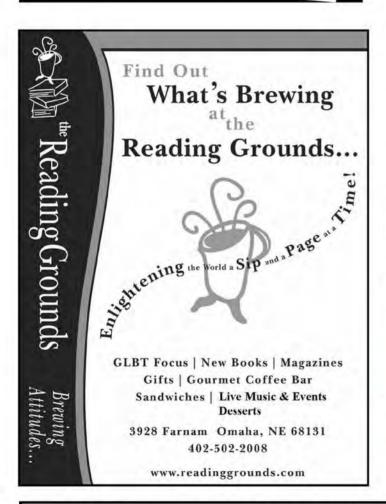
Sundays: 2:00pm - 4:00pm

Come down and check out the games we have available or bring your favorite game and show us how to play.

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#### Senior 50+ Group Meeting

\*\*\*Every Third Saturday except Holidays\*\*\*

A new group has begun regular social meetings at the Rainbow Outreach Metro Omaha GLBT Center at 1719 Leavenworth Street. The next get together is on Saturday. January 20th, from 7 until 10PM.

If you're 50 or older, or like to socialize with your older peers, share your experiences and viewpoints, then this group is for

you. Not into the bar scene? Then stop in for a visit, enjoy some great conversation, and make some new friends. The event is free and open to every-

Don't be an old Scrooge, come on down and socialize!



## Would you like a FREE Copy of the Advocate?

Stop in at the GLBT Community Center at 1719 Leavenworth and pick up a copy. Free while supplies last. Limit one copy per person while 50 copies of each issue lasts.



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South African Gay Marriage Story Continues from Page 1.....

The National Assembly passed the legislation earlier this month and the National Council of Provinces approved it on Tuesday. Mlambo-Ngcuka's signature was the final legal step.

"There will be a huge response from same-sex couples who have waited such a long time for their relationship to be recognized," predicted Melanie Judge of the lesbian and gay project, OUT.

Janine Pressman, a pastor with the Glorious Light Metropolitan Community Churches in the capital, Pretoria, said she hoped to marry a couple on Saturday, provided the paperwork could be rushed through.

Priests wanting to wed same-sex couples at a religious ceremony have to apply for permission from the Home Affairs Ministry and possibly undergo exams in order to get their license, said ministry spokesman Jacky Mashapu.

This could take two to three weeks, he said. But he added that the ministry wanted to speed through the applications.

Civil unions, without a religious component, could be performed virtually on the spot, subject to completion of the proper paperwork, he said.

"We are ready to go," Mashapu said.

The Civil Union Act provides for the "voluntary union of two persons, which is solemnized and registered by either a marriage or civil union."

Radio talk shows and newspaper columns have highlighted opposition to same-sex marriages in a country where gays and lesbians are victims of violent attacks because of their sexual orientation.

South Africa is only the fifth country in the world to legalize gay marriages. It is the first in Africa, where homosexuality is illegal in Zimbabwe, Kenya, Uganda, Nigeria, Tanzania, Ghana and most other sub-Saharan countries.

Ms. Judge, from OUT, said the public reaction had "forced us to confront the deep-seated prejudice and intolerance against gays and lesbians. It's a day to day reality," she said.

"It's been quite a frightening process to see the level of hatred that has been openly expressed against this minority," she said. (Clare Nullis, AP)

#### **L2EP Benefit Story** Continues from Front Page ... ...

Donations are also received from vendors and local retailers. We will gladly accept raffle/auction items before or during the event.

At 6PM, Saturday, Dec. 9, L2EP will host a streamlined fundraising event for "Toyz 4 Totz", featuring a show and dungeon party at DC's in Omaha. This event will provide toys and gifts for approximately 125 children served by the Nebraska AIDS Project. There will be a hot leather show, female impersonation, raffles and auctions.

If you would like to support this worthwhile cause, but will not be able to attend the event, donations may be sent to PO Box 11341, Omaha, NE 68111. All funds raised will be presented to ICON Toyz 4 Totz show on Dec 10th and combined will give the children with or affected by AIDS a better Christmas.

# MCC-Omaha Holiday Boutique Sunday, December 10

Mark you calendars for Sunday, December 10th and come to the Metropolitan Community Church located at 819 South 22nd Street and do some great shopping at our Holiday Boutique! We will have all kind of Boutique items for sale, including Advent items, which will be available for your shopping pleasure. We will offer such things as wall hangings, candles, pottery, etc. We will also have some fresh baked items, such as holiday cookies, for sale.

The hours for this holiday event will be 9:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. so come and join us on Sunday, December 10th. All proceeds will be provided to the church's General Fund.

Tell your friends, tell your neighbors, tell anyone you know who would like to get some really great holiday gifts early!

# A Very Merry Christmas Wish from Mr. HGRA

I want to thank everyone in the Heartland for supporting my reign these past 2 years, as I represented the Heartland Gay Rodeo Association. It has been a wonderful ride, attending rodeos around the country and performing at fundraisers for different rodeo associations and other local fundraisers.

I'd like to invite you all to attend my last show, as the current MR. HGRA. It will be held on Saturday December 16th at DC's Saloon in Omaha. The show runs from 8 - 10 pm. Besides myself, some of the performers are: Wayne Moore, Johnnie Richards, Aretha Spanklin, Miss Trina Tabloid, Fantasy and many more.

I would like to thank everyone at DC's, The Max, Connections, and The Panic for all their support during my reign. The Imperial Court of Nebraska has also been a lot of fun to work with. And thanks to all the people I've met along the way, for being such a big help in my endeavors.

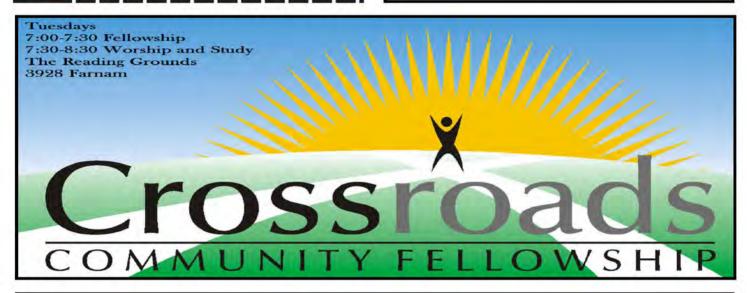
Pete Canfield, Mr. HGRA 2005-2006

# YOU'RE INVITED

# Something ON Salurday AT THE GLBT CENTER

There's something fun to do in Omaha each Saturday afternoon - something relaxing, something social, something for everyone. Every Saturday, excluding major holidays, drop down anytime between 1 pm - 6 pm to the Rainbow Outreach Metro Omaha GLBT Center at 1719 Leavenworth to enjoy Something On Saturday.







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# Homeowner Alert!

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"Unbelievable", said one homeowner. "I can't believe how this simple little trick is able to save me thousands of dollars a year." Banks and credit card companies hope you never read this report because they want to keep charging you interest on a balance that will take more than 30 years to pay off. Consumers have been fooled by offers of low teaser rates to induce them to transfer balances, only to see their rate double or triple a few months later. This report explains how to avoid being tricked by the tactics of these large banks and credit card companies and how to turn the table so you get the interest, not them.

NOTÉ: The revised version of this report was recently released and the response has been overwhelming. A toll-free 24hr/day recorded message hotline has been set up to handle the expected volume, but you are urged to call right away. Quantities are limited. Call 1-800-475-9610...press option 1...ext 8605, leave your name and address, and the report will be mailed to you.

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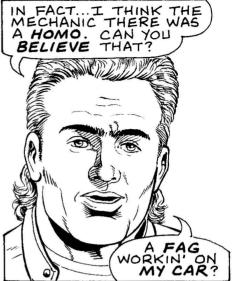
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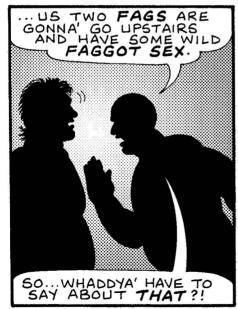
















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## **GAYZETTE COMING EVENTS**

The GLBT Center welcomes gay, lesbian, bisexual, transgender, and allied persons; we encourage all to attend GLBT Center events and activities. We celebrate unity and diversity - sexual orientation, gender identity, sex, race, religion, age, ability, ethnic and national origin.

Friday December 8TH

IT'S BINGO TIME AGAIN 6:30pm,

Doors open at 6 for Sloppy Joes, Hot Dogs,
Nachos, etc., Everyone is a winner at MCC

O Bingo

TUESDAY DECEMBER 12TH
2006 RAINBOW CELEBRATIONS ANNUAL MEETING, 6: 30PM, at the Reading Grounds bookstore, everyone welcome

Saturday December 16TH
GLBT CENTER OPEN HOUSE 2pm to
5pm, 1719 Leavenworth St., Come check out
the changes to YOUR GLBT Center!

TUESDAY DECEMBER 19TH 2007 PRIDE COMMITTEE, 7PM, at the CFEP/RC Office, 1105 Howard St, Suite 2, everyone welcome to attend

TUESDAY JANUARY 2ND 2007 PRIDE COMMITTEE, 7PM, at the CFEP/RC Office, 1105 Howard St, Suite 2, everyone welcome to attend

TUESDAY JANUARY 16TH 2007 PRIDE COMMITTEE, 7PM, at the CFEP/RC Office, 1105 Howard St, Suite 2, everyone welcome to attend

TUESDAY JANUARY 30TH
2007 PRIDE COMMITTEE, 7PM, at the
CFEP/RC Office, 1105 Howard St, Suite 2,
everyone welcome to attend

**TUESDAY FEBRUARY 13TH 2007 PRIDE COMMITTEE**, 7PM, at the CFEP/RC Office, 1105 Howard St, Suite 2, everyone welcome to attend

#### **WEEKLY EVENTS**

Every Sunday
WORSHIP SERVICES:
AUGUSTANA LUTHERAN CHURCH,
ELCA, 3647 LaFayette Ave., Omaha GLBT
friendly, www.augustanalutheran.com

<u>DIETZ METHODIST</u> 1423 S.10, Coffeehouse casual downstairs at 9am, Traditional Worship at 11am

EPISCOPAL GLBT FELLOWSHIP, St. Andrews Church, 84th & Pacific, 6-7PM, email: EpiscopalGLBT@yahoo.com FIRST CENTRAL CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH, UNITED CHURCH of CHRIST, info at: www.firstcentral.org

FIRST UNITED METHODIST 7020 Cass, 8:30 & 10:45am services

FIRST UNITARIAN 3114 Harney, 11am services

LOWE AVE PRESBYTERIAN, 1023 N 40 10am service

METROPOLITAN COMMUNITY CHURCH
OF OMAHA 819 S. 22, 345-2563 Sunday
Worship: 11am

NA-RAINBOW GROUP, Narcotics Anonymous, every Sunday at 6PM, MCC-Omaha, 819 South 22nd St., for info contact Kip K. at 612-4648

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

UNITY CHURCH OF OMAHA, 3424 N. 90, Omaha, 10:30am service and Wednesday meditation service at 7pm GAMES DAY AT THE GLBT CENTER, 1719 Leavenworth, 2PM to 4PM

GAY MEN'S ALCOHOLICS ANONY-MOUS 4pm Lowe Avenue Presbyterian, 1023 N. 40 St Info call Mark 639-3055

HASTINGS COLLEGE GSA 8PM FFI: Judy Sandeen (402) 461-7372

LINCOLN WOMYN'S POTLUCK Cheryl 474-1937 11:30am-4pm

RIVER CITY II MIXED BOWLING, 3pm. Maplewood Lanes,

WIMMIN'S SHOW, KZUM 89.3 12:30pm

Every Monday

A A RAINBOW RECOVERY", an AA group
meeting at the MCCO Church at 6pm. Call 612

-4648 for more info. Starting April 10th 2006

A A GLBT "RAINBOW GROUP"

Meeting Place, 28 & S, Lincoln, 7:30 pm

GAY/BI/STRAIGHT SUPPORT GROUP
HIV+ MEN 7pm every Monday, NAP, 2147 S.
15th St., Lincoln NE, contact Nick or Rick at
402-476-3144

RIVER CITY MIXED CHORUS RE-HEARSALS, 6:45PM—9:15PM, First United Methodist Church, 7020 Cass St.

Every Tuesday
CROSSROADS COMMUNITY FELLOWSHIP, meeting at 7:30pm at The Reading
Grounds, Rev. Wayne Moore is the facilitator

HASTINGS COLLEGE ALLIANCE, meet Tuesdays at 7PM (when college is in session), Please contact Dr Antje Anderson at aanderson@hastings.edu or Judy Sandeen at jsandeen@hastings.edu for further information.

UNL LESBIAN/BI/QUESTIONING SUP-PORT GROUP, 7-8:30PM, Women's Center, Nebraska Union, Lincoln, 472-5644

AA FOURTH DIMENSION, 7pm, Open to men and women, 219 North 48th Street

WORSHIP SERVICES
MCC OMAHA, Bible Study, 7pm

UNITY CHURCH OF OMAHA, 7pm

HIV TESTING, 1:30–4 pm NAP, 139 S. 40 St., results in one week

HIV TESTING LINCOLN, 4-7 pm, using Orasure, results in one week; results in 20 minutes on the last Wednesday of the month. 2147 South 15<sup>th</sup> #476-7000

FRONTRUNNERS RUN/WALK
6:30pm, Elmwood Park Parking Lot by softball field, Omaha

LGBT A A 7:30pm, Alcohol Ctr 2116 W. Faidley, Grand Island. Peggy (308) 226-8286, Center (308) 398-5427

KARAOKE W/STACY 8:30pm DC's

Every Thursday HIV TESTING 7- 9pm, NAP, 139 S. 40<sup>th</sup> Results available in one week

KARAOKE 9pm, Connections Bar

FREE CONFIDENTIAL ANONYMOUS
HIV TEST, UN-L 472-7447, 2:30 to 4:30pm,
University Health Center Room 164 (next to
Pharmacy on the first floor), Orasure test, no
needles, Lincoln NE, results in one week

AA ALTERNATIVE MEETING, 7pm, open to men and women, at Lowe Avenue Presbyterian Church in the basement, 1023 North 40th Street

AA LIVE & LET LIVE, 8:15pm, Open to men and women, at Underwood Hills Presbyterian Church, 851 North 74th Street

GLBT CENTER YOUTH NIGHT, 5PM to 9PM, for ages 13 to 23. Youth sponsored and organized activities, under adult supervision. Every Friday, excluding holidays. 1719 Leavenworth Street

GLBT AA 7PM to 8PM, Lowe Avenue Presbyterian, Call 556-8364, ask for Sanford

GLBT SEXUAL COMPULSIVE ANONY-

MOUS, (SCA), A program of recovery, 8pm to 9pm, call Tony at 933-1318

HIV TESTING 5-10pm, NAP, 139 S. 40th Results available in 20 minutes

FREE CONFIDENTIAL ANONYMOUS HIV TEST, UN-L 472-7447, 2:30 to 4:30pm, University Health Center Room 164 (next to Pharmacy on the first floor). Orasure test, no needles, Lincoln NE, results in one week

READING GROUNDS GAYME NIGHT,

Music, laughter & board games. 23yrs. Old & up, 40th & Farnam St., 502-2008

RAINBOW BIBLE STUDY, 6 to 7:30PM, Lowe Ave. Presbyterian, 1023 No. 40th St.

**Every Saturday** 

SOMETHING ON SATURDAY, 1 to 6PM, Rainbow Outreach GLBT Community Center, 1719 Leavenworth Street. Something to do on a lazy Saturday afternoon. Come on down and relax, socialize or just read a book.

AA SATURDAY AFTERNOON, 1:30pm, Open to men and women, 219 North 48th Street, call 402-558-0733 for more info

PROUD HORIZON YOUTH GROUP 4-6pm, 291-6781 proudhorizons@yahoo.com

#### **MONTHLY EVENTS**

1st Tuesday

CENTER LIBRARY FAIRIES, 7PM. Bookworms become butterflies. Stretch your wings helping the Center library. No experience necessary to volunteer.

Drop-in to the GLBT Center, 1719 Leavenworth.

VOLUNQUEER DROP-IN, at the GLBT Center. Be a "VolunQueer" and help out. Spend an hour or two volunteering at the Center -6:30PM No special skills or ongoing commitment required. VolunQueers have fun and make a difference.

1st Friday

LINCOLN MIXED CHORUS 6:30pm, Unitarian Church, 6300 A, Lincoln

FIRST FRIDAY COFFEE HOUSE 8pm,

Musicians, poets, open mic, First Unitarian Church, 3114 Harney, Omaha

1st Saturday

RIVER CITY GENDER ALLIANCE

No Current RCGA Information Available

1st Sunday

GAY GUYS SPAGHETTI NIGHT, at a Lincoln restaurant, call 402-483-6183 to reserve a seat up until the day before

2nd Tuesday

CENTER WESTERN IOWA COMMIT-TEE, 6:30PM at the GLBT Center, 1719

Leavenworth, Omaha. For details, visit RainbowOutreach.org

2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday

PFLAG-OMAHA, 7pm, First United Methodist Church

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

2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday

INTEGRITY 6-7:30pm, St. Marks, Lincoln

**OUUT SECOND SUNDAY SCREEN-**

ING (glbt film shown at 7:00pm followed by discussion) First Unitarian. 3114 Harney

3rd Monday

IMPERIAL COURT OF NEBR 6:30pm, Doubletree Hotel Downtown,

www.icon.impcourt.org

PFLAG SOUTH CENTRAL, Meeting on 3rd Mondays at First Congregational United Church of Christ, 7th and Marian St., Hastings NE, 7PM, email jsandeen@hastings.edu or pat@datacc.net

3rd Tuesday

VOLUNOUEER DROP-IN, at the GLBT Center. Be a "VolunQueer" and help out. Spend an hour or two volunteering at the Center - 6:30PM or 7:30PM, your choice, whenever it fits your schedule. No special skills or ongoing commitment required. VolunQueers have fun and make a difference.

3rd Thursday LES/BI/GAY BOOK DISCUSSION GROUP, Village Inn, 78th & Dodge, 7

3rd Friday

GAY/BI SUPPORT GRP FOR HIV+ MEN 6-8pm NAP, 220 S. 17, Lincoln, 476-7000.

LINCOLN MIXED CHORUS 6:30pm. Unitarian Church, 6300 A, Lincoln

COFFEE HOUSE Unitarian Church, 6300 A, Lincoln

4th Tuesday

PFLAG-CORNHUSKER Unitarian Church, 6300 A, Lincoln, 7 p.m.

YOUTH HIV TEST Lighthouse, 2530 N, Lincoln, ages 13 to 18, FFI: 475-3220. 3-5:30 pm

4th Friday

LEO LEATHER ENGINEERS—

Not currently meeting.

4th Saturday

FREE MATINEE MOVIE, at the GLBT Center, 1:30PM, Bring a snack to share, everyone is welcome, 2nd and 4th Saturdays every month

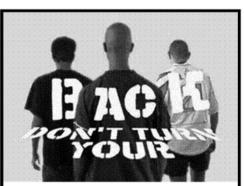
LAST Wednesday of each month READING GROUNDS NAKED WORDS

OPEN MIC POETRY NIGHT, The Reading Grounds, 40th & Farnam St., 7:00 PM

LAST Sunday of each month

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**Email Your Event to:** news@rainbowoutreach.org



Make the promise. Don't turn your back on HIV and AIDS

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> Friday, December 1st 4:30pm - after sundown Memorial Park Overpass

For more information on getting involved locally contact Nebraska AIDS Project www.nap.org

Did you know that you can see the entire GAYZETTE on our web site? Go to:

www.rainbowoutreach.org And click on the Publications link. George W. Bush reads the Gayzette. (Ok, he just looks at the pictures.)

## **GLBT RESOURCE LIST**

#### **OMAHA BASED**

- BiMenNebraska, Social Support for Bi and BiCurious Men http://groups.yahoo.com/ group/BiMenNebraska and http:// groups.yahoo.com/group/Bi-MEN-MIDWEST
- Citizens for Equal Protection 1105 Howard St. Suite 2, Omaha NE 68102, 398-3027 www.cfep-ne.org, email to: Michael@cfep-ne.org
- Diamond Foundation, GLBT Scholar ships, Mentoring and Leadership, call 877-87-DIAMOND or see www.diamond-foundation.org
- Family Foundations Therapy for individuals, couples or families, for info call 558-3856
- First Central Congregational Church UCC, 421 South 36th St., 402-345-1533, www.firstcentral.org, GLBT-affirming
- First Lutheran Church, 542 So. 31st St., 402-345-7506, GLBT Friendly www.firstlutheranomaha.org
- First United Methodist Church, 7020 Cass St., 402-556-6262, www.fumcomaha.org, GLBT-affirming
- Flat Water Bears, (group disbanded)
  Front Runners/Walkers, Wednesdays at
  6:30pm, Elmwood Park Parking Lot by
  softball field, Omaha
- GALO (Gay & Lesbian Org at UNO) www.angelfire.com/home/GALO contact: unogalo@hotmail.com or SPO (Student Organizations) at 554-2711.
- Gay Lesbian Straight Education Network Omaha, Box 641676, Omaha 68164, 712-325-0117 http://www.glsenomaha.org
- GayLibrary.com, World Wide Resources Heartland Gay Rodeo Association Box 3354, Omaha 68103
- Ice Bowl Invitational Bowling Tournament (IBIT) P.O. Box 31838,Omaha, 68131 R. Hollendieck (402) 556-5556
- Imperial Court of Nebraska, Box 3772, Omaha 68103 556-9907, Board Meets 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday, Doubletree Hotel Downtown, www.icon.impcourt.org
- Learning to Exchange Power, L2EP@aol.com; Social, educational group novices in Leather, S/M, B/D Lifestyle
- **Leather Engineers of Omaha (LEO)** Box 8101, Omaha, 68108-8101 Gay men in leather lifestyle, not currently meeting
- LinOma Bares, Box 24547, Omaha 68124 Nudist/ Naturist Club for gay/bi men Info: Linomabares@yahoo.com or call Eric at (402) 553-5944 or Tim S (712) 527-5887
- Lowe Avenue Presbyterian Church, 1023 No. 40th St., fully open to GLBT's,
- Mpower Program, 139 S. 40, Omaha 68131 email: mpower@nap.org website: www.mpower-nap.org phone: 402.552.9260x20, Holistic Gay Men's Health Program
- Metropolitan Community Church of Omaha, 819 S. 22 St., Omaha 68108 345-2563, mccomaha@mccomaha.org
  Website:www.mccomaha.org Sunday
  Worship 11am, Wed Evening Bible Study at 7pm
- NA Rainbow Group, Narcotics Anonymous, meets every Sunday at 6pm, MCC-

- Omaha Church, 819 South 22nd St **Nebraska AIDS Project**, 552-9260 Watanabe Wellness Ctr, 139 S. 40, Omaha 68131, Testing Wed from 1:30-4PM by appointment only, Thurs 7PM-9PM results in a week, Fri 5PM-10PM with 20 minute results Call 402-552-9255 info
- NebraskaEquality.org, Find out everything about Nebraska and the GLBT Community
- Nebraska GLBT Events, Community Events Calendar web site, see www.NebraskaGLBTEvents.com
- Nebraska Zen Center, Soto Zen Buddhist, 3625 Lafayette Ave., 402-551-9035, www.prairiewindzen.org GLBT inclusive
- The 'Ohana Group, (GLBT / Nontraditional Family group), email to: Theohanagroup@msn.com
- Omaha Bi Married Men Yahoo Group http://groups.yahoo.com/group/ OmahaBiMarriedMen
- Omaha Nebr Gay Pride WebPage http://ONGP.com; email to: omahanegaypride@cox.net or ongp@cox.net
- Onyx Images, Box 31026, 68131-0026 Social/Support Organization for African American Males age 21 and over
- Out and About in Nebraska, website: www.travel.to/outabout Email: NeOutAboout@vahoo.com
- OUUT (Omaha Unitarian Universalists for Tolerance) First Unitarian Church, 3114 Harney, 68131, 345-3039, www.ouut.org
- Parents and Friends of Lesbians And Gays (PFLAG) Omaha Chapter Box 390064, Omaha, 68139-0064 291-6781 Website:www.pflag-omaha.org, email info@pflag-omaha.org Meet 2<sup>nd</sup> Thurs, 1st United Meth, 7020 Cass
- Proud Horizons Youth Group, Sat Afternoon, info: (402) 291-6781 or email proudhorizons@yahoo.com
- Rainbow Outreach GLBT Resource Ctr, 1719 Leavenworth, Omaha, 341-0330
- Rainbow Bible Study, Fridays, 6-7:30pm, Lowe Ave Presbyterian, 1023 N. 40 St.
- Rainbow Celebrations, PO Box 8488, Omaha, 68108, 402-212-6302 locally, 866-NE-PRIDE toll free, sponsors of annual Gay Pride & National Coming Out Day, for complete information see www.rainbowcelebrations.org
- Real Families, Omaha-area families headed by gay/lesbian parents, meet last Sunday of every month. Info: Margaux at 561-6738 or email MargauxPolo@aol.com
- River City Gender Alliance, No Current RCGA Information Available
- River City Mixed Bowling II 3pm, Sundays, Maplewood Lanes, Omaha Norma Harrison (402) 731-5706
- River City Mixed Chorus, Box 3267. Omaha, NE 68103, 402-341-SING Website: www.rcmc.org
- SNAP Productions, Box 8464, Omaha, NE 68108 www.snapproductions.com Temple Israel Synagogue, 7023 Cass St.,

- 402-556-6536, member of the Union for Reform Judaism, GLBT inclusive
- Unity Church of Omaha 3424 N. 90, Omaha, Sunday worship: 10:30am Wednesday meditation service 7pm; 571-1344; www.unityomaha.org
- WomenSpace, no current info is available

#### LINCOLN BASED

- GLBT and Ally Programs and Services at UNL, D. Moritz, Assistant Director, 402-472-1752 email: dmoritz2@unl.edu Located in Student Involvement Office of the Nebraska Union, Room 200.
- Gay/Lesbian/Bi/Straight Alliance 2229 J St., Lincoln 68510 (402) 436-1301 ext. 232 Ruth Kupfer
- Gay Men's Support Group, UNL Health Center, Counseling & Psychology, Rm. 214, Lincoln 68588-0618 472-7450
- Lesbian, Bisexual and QuestioningWomen's Discussion Group, University of Nebraska, Lincoln Women's Center (sponsor), Room 340, Nebraska Union, Lincoln 68588-0446. 402/472-5644.
- Nebraska AIDS Project, 2147 S. 15th St. Lincoln, NE 68502. (402) 476-7000
- Mixed Chorus, Rehearse 1st & 3rd Fridays, Unitarian Church, 6300 A, No auditions, Just a desire to sing, info contact Scott at sdorchid@neb.rr.com
- Omaha Women's Riverboat Cruise, 4949 N. 73rd, Lincoln, 68507 467-5737
- Parents, Friends of Lesbians & Gays, Cornhusker Chapter, Box 30128, Lincoln 68508, Meet 4<sup>th</sup> Tues, Unitarian Church, 6300 A, email to Barbara Kimberly, jbkiber@hotmail.com. Website: http://pflag.ineb.org/
- Plainsmen, Support FtM's (Female to Male) Drag Kings TV Butches, 402-820-1267
- SAGE, Box 22043, Lincoln 68542 Coffee House 2<sup>nd</sup> Sat, 6 – 9pm, Lesbian Videos 7:15pm, 3319 S. 46
- Sexuality Education eXchange, University Health Ctr, 15th & U, Rm.12h, 472-7447 or email: ptetreault1@unl.edu Comprehensive, inclusive sexuality/sexual health info, resources/referrals including sexual orientation, ally and diversity training.
- Straight Spouse Support Grp 402-429-6094 Trevor-24-hour National Suicide Hotline for GLBT and Questioning Youth 1-800-850-8078 or email: http:// www.thetrevorproject.org/helpline.html
- TriCity GLBT, serving Central Nebraska, web site at http://www.tri-city-glbt.com/
- UNL Committee on GLBT Concerns, Contact Pat Tetreault, c/o University Health Center, 15th & U Streets, Rm. 12h Lincoln, NE 68588-0618, (402) 472-7447 or email: ptetreault1@unl.edu
- Women În Trades/YWCA, 1432 N St., Lincoln 68508; 434-3494,
- Youth Support Group, (402) 434-9880

#### **Iowa Based**

- Council Bluffs Equality, www.cbequality.org
- Iowa Equality, GLBT –allied against change to the state and federal Constitutions, http:// www.IowaEquality.org

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#### Omaha:

Connections, 1901 Leavenworth 933-3033 The Diamond, 712 South 16th Street 342-9595 DC's Saloon, 610 South 14th Street 344-3103 Dixie Quick's. Restaurant 20th Leavenworth Flixx 1019 South 10th Street Omaha 408-1020 The Max, 1417 Jackson 346-4110 The Reading Grounds, 3928 Farnam Street 502-2008 Metropolitan Community Church, 819 South 22nd Street Omaha Mining Co., 1715 Leavenworth Mystery Bookstore, 1422 South 13th St 449-8703 Nebraska AIDS Project, 139 South 40th St 552-9260 Next Millennium, 2308 North 72nd Street Rainbow Outreach Metro Omaha GLBT Resource Center. 1719 Leavenworth St.

#### Lincoln:

Panic Bar, 200 South 18th Street (as available) 435-8764 Q Bar, 226 South 9th Street (as available) 475-2269

#### lowa:

Adult Emporium, 1 blk. So. of 32nd & Broadway, Council Bluffs

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# The Fitness Corner

I have opted to be poetic this time with my foray into fitness. Enjoy this chef d'oeuvre titled "You Could."



#### YOU COULD!

You could run or bike on the sidewalk or street; I'll relax instead and just put up my feet.

You could break a sweat from exercise and smell really bad; No way! Not me! Do you fancy me for mad?

You could embrace cardio training until you're out of breath; I know that's crazy and would be my death.

You could take the stairs and forget about the elevator; That would require time and effort you meddling instigator.

You could watch a Richard Simmons video and perform an aerobics routine:

I'm not into exertion and certainly not with that queen.

You could play Frisbee or volleyball down at the beach; I'm sorry could you hand me my beer; it's just out of reach.

You could watch what you eat and start losing a few pounds; Just want to enjoy my cheeseburgers in paradise with Jimmy Buffet sounds.

You could take a walk on your lunch break and enjoy the weather;

I'm partial to kibitzing in the lounge with my best friend Heather.

You could burn calories in the gym while lifting those heavy weights;

If it were up to me that would be illegal in all fifty states.

You could begin stretching your muscles daily and make it a habit:

I've got a better chance of finding a hat and pulling out a rabbit.

You could find yourself a sports league and play adult soccer:

Not interested, I think I'll watch Meet the Parents with that adorable Focker.

You could! You could! You could!

Ron Blake is a Certified Personal Fitness Trainer and Owner of Blake Fitness in Phoenix. He can be reached at 480-759-0545 or on the web at www.blakefitness.com.

#### Ex-governor Says He'll Wed Boyfriend if State Allows

TRENTON, New Jersey (AP) -- Former Gov. James McGreevey, who resigned after acknowledging a gay affair, said he would tie the knot with his partner if state lawmakers decide to allow gay marriage.

"Marriage would offer the ability to bless our relationship in a committed way," McGreevey, 49, told The New York Times.

McGreevey's comments followed a state Supreme Court ruling Wednesday that samesex couples must be given the same rights as married people. The court left it up to the Legislature to decide whether to extend those rights under the structure of marriage or something else. (Watch gay couples explain why they want



the right to wed -- 2:01)

Some gay-rights advocates said the decision didn't go far enough. McGreevey, who told The Associated Press last month that he had publicly opposed gay marriage while in office as a way to keep his homosexuality hidden, hailed the ruling.

"I applaud the court's courage," McGreevey told the AP. "I regret not having had the fortitude to embrace this right during my tenure as governor."

The former governor stepped down in 2004 after announcing his homosexuality.

McGreevey now lives with Mark O'Donnell, a 43-year-old Australian businessman. Before they could marry, the former governor would have to finalize his divorce from his second wife.

# SICK LEAVE: "I'M NOT COMING TO WORK TODAY!!!"

Eddy calls into work and says, "Hey, I'm not coming in to work today, I'm really sick. I've got a headache, stomach ache and my legs hurt, so I'm not coming to work."

The boss says, "You know something Eddy, I really need you today. When I feel like this, I go to my wife and tell her to give me sex. That makes everything better and I go to work. You try that."

Two hours later Eddy calls again. "I did what you said and I feel great.

I'll be at work soon...... Oh, and you've got a nice house."

## OMAHA METRO GLBT SPORTS LEAGUE BENEFIT SHOW

The Omaha Metro GLBT Sports League Benefit Show will be Sunday December 17<sup>th</sup>. Show time is promptly at 8 PM at Connections located at 1901 Leavenworth. This show will help provide for the year round sports programs the league has to offer. Many performers are helping out with the benefit including drag and live singing. It is a \$3 cover charge to get in the door but there will be the beer bust drink special of \$3 for your first glass and .50 refills offered before, during, and after the show. Hope to see you there !!



#### OMAHA METRO GLBT SPORTS LEAGUE VOLLEYBALL!

Its volleyball season on the Omaha Metro GLBT Sports League and turnout has been great for the season's first year. This season will feature 6 teams with players having widely ranging volleyball skill levels. The first 13 weeks will be ranking games and the last 3 weeks will be the league tournament. The volleyball games are played every Sunday at 5 PM at the Downtown YMCA on 20th & Howard (except December 24th and December 31st). Admission to all games is free and spectators are encouraged to come watch and cheer friends on and make new ones. Each team will represent a color and all have chosen a name. The color black will be called the Omahellions. The red team has decided to call themselves the Handlers. Mount and Dew'm was the green team's name. Purple People Eaters was the name chosen by the purple group. Orange Crush was chosen for orange team. The blue color team decided to call themselves the Sextuplets

#### Omaha Metro GLBT Sports League Standings

Here are the scores from the Nov 19<sup>th</sup> & Nov. 26<sup>th</sup> evening of volleyball and the current standings of the teams as of Nov. 26<sup>th</sup>. Games are getting longer as well as getting harder to score on the court with out the ball going out of bounds. We would like to thank our volunteer referees for their assistance as well



as our score keeper. Also thanks to those spectators who come and watch a great day of volleyball. Hope to see you next week!! Remember Sundays 5 PM Downtown YMCA 20<sup>th</sup> & Howard and be early doors are locked at 5 PM (no game Dec 24<sup>th</sup> and Dec 31<sup>st</sup>). Admission to the games is free.

| Nov 19th               |                      |    |                            |
|------------------------|----------------------|----|----------------------------|
| Sextuplets             | 19                   | 21 | 21                         |
| Purple People Eaters   | 21                   | 14 | 17                         |
| Handlers               | 18                   | 11 | 17                         |
| Orange Crush           | 21                   | 21 | 21                         |
| Omahellians            | 21                   | 21 | 21                         |
| Handlers               | 19                   | 15 | 19                         |
| Mount And Dew'm        | 19                   | 21 | 21                         |
| Purple People Eaters   | 21                   | 13 | 14                         |
| Nov 26th               |                      |    |                            |
| Mount And Dew'm        | 21                   | 14 | 12                         |
| Orange Crush           | 23                   | 21 | 21                         |
| Purple People Eaters   | 21                   | 21 | 12                         |
| Omahellions            | 15                   | 18 | 21                         |
| Sextuplets             | 17                   | 13 | 21                         |
| Handlers               | 21                   | 21 | 18                         |
| Omahellions            | 21                   | 23 | 15                         |
| Mount And Dew'm        | 19                   | 21 | 21                         |
| Game Standings as of N | Nov 26 <sup>th</sup> |    |                            |
| The second second      | Wins                 |    | Losses                     |
| Omahellians            | 3                    |    | 2                          |
| Sextuplets             | 3<br>3<br>3<br>3     |    | 2                          |
| Handlers               | 3                    |    | 2                          |
| Orange Crush           | 3                    |    | 2                          |
| Purple People Eaters   | 2                    |    | 2<br>2<br>2<br>2<br>3<br>4 |
| Mount And Dew'm        | 1                    |    | 4                          |
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# SUNDAY DEC 10TH "CARE A LOT" **ICON's Toyz4Totz** 9PM SATURDAY DEC 16TH Madeline Feinstein's X-Mas Show "A Night In Imperial Russia" **Benefit for MCC-O** 6pm Doors open 7pm Show SUNDAY DEC 17TH Mr & Miss Max's Annual Christmas Show 10pm DECEMBER HOLIDAYS OPEN 4PM - 1AM Christmas Eve, Christmas Day, New Year's Eve, & New Year's Day Join us for THE LARGEST PARTY OF THE YEAR!!! NEW YEAR'S EVE Sunday, December 31st For details on all of our events.... Background: Mr Max Josh & Miss Max Robbi Jean WWW.THEMAXOMAHA.COM