



THE GAYZETTE

EVENTS OF INTEREST TO METROPOLITAN OMAHA & LINCOLN

RAINBOW CELEBRATIONS UPDATE CAN YOU HELP?



Rainbow Celebrations (formerly Pride, Inc.), the community-based organization which sponsors the annual Pride Parade & Festival and the National Coming Out Day (NCOD) Festivities, needs help from the community. Rainbow Celebrations is looking for the following:

Lawyer—to donate services to assist in refilling Incorporation papers

Web Designer—to donate services to design and update web sites

If you can help, please contact Rainbow Celebrations right away at 402.502.1577 or email us at info@rainbowcelebrations.org

Rainbow Celebrations will be filling two additional positions on its Board: Publicity and NCOD Chairperson. The Publicity Chair would promote Rainbow Celebrations and its two major activities throughout the community and the region. This position would run from March 1 through December 31, 2002. The Chairperson for NCOD would oversee the planning of that Oct. 11 event. The position would run from March 1 through Dec. 31, 2002. Individuals interested in either position should contact Rainbow Celebrations before March 1 at 402.502.1577 or email us at info@rainbowcelebrations.org



ICE BOWL INVITATIONAL 2002

Ice Bowl Invitational Tournament 2002 starts the second ten years of existence on February 15-17, 2002. Registration for the tournament kicks off on Friday evening of the 15th at 5:30 PM, Mockingbird Lanes in Omaha. We are additionally having a pre-tournament warm-up 9-PIN No Tap starting at 6:00 PM - 9:00 PM in conjunction with the registration.

A hospitality suite is being provided at the Sheraton Downtown this year for all tournament bowlers. It will be open throughout the tournament at various times. The hotel will also provide shuttle service for out of town bowlers with times to be provided at registration. Saturday continues registration and will feature the Singles and Doubles competition starting at 9:00 AM. Sunday completes the tournament with the Team event again starting at 9:00 AM. The tournament banquet will be held this year at the Peter Kiewit Plaza in downtown Omaha. Cocktails will be from 5:30 PM to 6:30 PM followed by the dinner and awards ceremony. Please join us in welcoming all the bowlers for this special event. If you have any questions or are interested in participating in the tournament please call (402) 556-5556 or (402) 553-6626.

ICE BOWL 2002 BOARD OF DIRECTORS.

WOMEN'S SUPPORT GROUP BEGINS

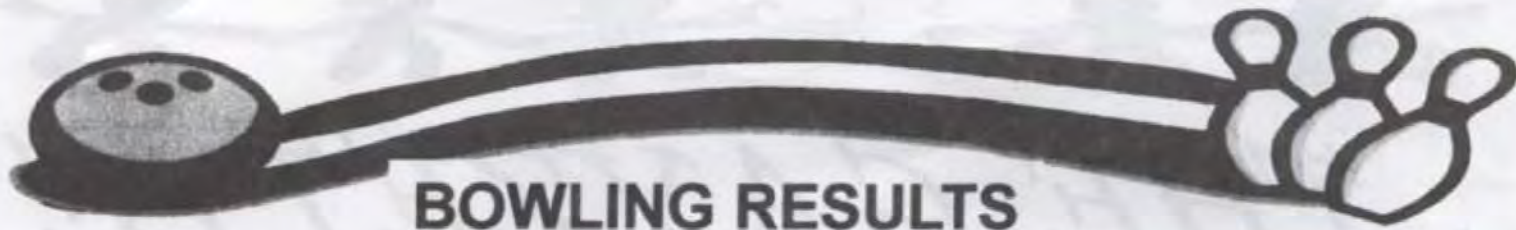
A new Omaha Women's Support Group has formed and meets on Tuesday nights at 7:30 pm at Rainbow Outreach GLBT Resource Center, 1719 Leavenworth. Sandy Riesberg acts as facilitator with a confidential and informal approach that is open to women of all ages in the community.

Group discussions address a variety of topics as addressed by those attending. Relationship issues, coming out, job discrimination, and coping with loss are among subjects discussed. Volunteers are needed during the meetings to help operate the Center computers, phone lines and reception area. More information is available at ROC's information line, 341-0330.

Omaha Men's Support Group continues to meet at Metropolitan Community Church on Tuesdays at 7:30 pm.

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BOWLING RESULTS

RAINBOW BOWLERS Maplewood Lanes

TEAM	W	L	PINS	High	Game/ Series
Over Our Heads	64	32	16976	577	1561
Taking Up the Rear	64	24	16984	597	1521
Man Hole	60	36	17048	565	1521
Moustache Riders	48	48	16404	504	1460
It's All Good	46	50	15770	515	1464
X-Men	44	52	16443	552	1485
Team Seven	40	48	13123	595	1622
Back Alley Boys	26	70	13760	522	1520

High Game Scratch	High Series Scratch	High Average
255 - S Delp	683 - D Cohen	199 - D Cohen
254 - D Cohen	638 - R Hollendieck	175 - J R Brown
244 - J R Brown	609 - S Delp	175 - B Andresen

RIVER CITY II Week 15 - Broadway Bowl

TEAM	W	L	PINS
Gilligan's	47	13	28044
Chicken & Her Noodles	39	21	23908
The Cocks	36	44	27381
Omaha Hospitality	35	25	28856
Gill's Choke Artists	34	26	27923
Ouutlaws	32.5	27.5	24554
Beauty & Beasts	32	28	29291
Omaha Mining Co	31	29	27873
The Bowling Bitches	30	30	26108
Carlsons Queens	28	32	26507
Trick Masters	27	33	25645
LinOma	27	33	24042
Rick's Painting	24	36	24311
Gary's Gutter Gashes	24	36	23540
Max Factors	19.5	40.5	26236
Dad & Kids	17	43	21250

High Scratch Game (MEN)	High Scratch Game (WOMEN)
258 - B Andresen	203 - K Barnes
258 - M Wierzbicki	197 - P Thayer
254 - G Whitmore	182 - R Walston

High Scratch Series (MEN)	High Scratch Series (WOMEN)
657 - J Schomer	570 - N Harrison
657 - S Hayes	508 - K McCall
650 - M Wierzbicki	470 - T Chapin

High Average (MEN)	High Average (WOMEN)
192 - M Wierzbicki	170 - N Harrison
184 - S Hayes	159 - K Barnes
183 - J Schomer	140 - K McCall

Interested in learning more about effective activism? Want to work to advance gay rights? The ACLU has a website to provide you with the tools you need. Go to: Toolkit, www.aclu.org/gayrights

If you're a man who has sex with men or identifies as gay or bisexual and are willing to consider taking the survey, please go to the link below, which describes the purpose of the project in a little more detail. The link will also take you to the survey, which you can read over before you submit any responses. The survey is short and shouldn't take too long to complete.

To read about and take the survey, go to the following:
http://people.hofstra.edu/staff/James_A_Garland/survey.html

RAINBOW OUTREACH GLBT RESOURCE CENTER

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Rainbow Outreach GLBT Resource Center 1719 Leavenworth, Omaha, NE 68102

(Please Print ALL Information) Name: _____
Mailing Address: _____
City, State, Zip: _____
Telephone (optional) : _____ Email (optional) : _____

"ALL ROADS LEAD HOME"

On January 26, 2002, An Ecumenical Women's Spirituality group is sponsoring an all day retreat/workshop/renewal- entitled 'All Roads Lead Home'. It will be from 8:00-4:00 at First United Methodist and is described as a 'beautiful day a-part, a day of listening and sharing, of praying-in music and in word, of opening our hearts to the Sacred Spirit, featuring the faith story and insights of: Sojourner and Modern Visionary Virginia Ramey Mollenkott, Ph D. Virginia Mollenkott is the author of 12 books including Women, Men and the Bible, The Divine Feminine, Sensuous Spirituality, and the one which caused controversy years ago "Is the Homosexual my Neighbor?" The cost is \$40.00 + a small lunch fee if you want to eat on site. In addition there will be a women's choir for those interested in singing that day, and an Art Show will run in conjunction with the all day event.

"HUMAN CHAIN" AROUND STATE CAPITOL

The Nebraska Coalition for Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, and Transgender Civil Rights is sponsoring a Human Chain Around the Capitol April 10, 2002, Wednesday from 3pm-5pm to supporting human and civil rights. A human chain around the capitol has only taken place one other time in Nebraska history. Help make history once again...to find out the where, what, when and why come to:

1102 Howard Street,
Above Spaghetti Works in the Old Market
Saturday, January 26, 1pm

'BOTANICAL BEARS' TO BROWSE AMONG FLOWERS, GREEN PLANTS

Even with the region's mild winter so far, members of Flat Water Bears will welcome moist earth, humid air, green plants and bright flowers as they tour Omaha's Botanical Gardens Jan. 26. The group for hirsute men and admirers of the hairy will meet at 2:45 p.m. Sat. in the Botanical Gardens parking lot at 100 Bancroft St. Bancroft extends east from 13th St. just north of I-80 Following a leisurely afternoon in the still-new Botanical Gardens building, the Bears will head to El Alamo, a favorite Mexican restaurant at 4917 S. 24th St, South Omaha between N and O Sts. The Bears invite anyone interested in seeing the Omaha Botanical Garden to join them at 2:45 p.m. Sat. Jan. 26 at the Gardens parking lot, or to meet them by 6 p.m. at El Alamo for a scrumptious dinner from the authentic menu. Even the Coca-Cola "hecho en México" as is of course la Corona and the exquisite Margaritas ingredients. Members will be bringing a variety of "Nebraska/Western Iowa" items to put into a Bear Basket. A Bear will take the basket to be auctioned at International Bear Rendezvous mid-February in San Francisco, CA.

The Bears' regular business meeting is the second Wednesday of each month in Stosh's' Saloon at the Max. The next meeting will be at 7:30 p.m. Wed. Feb. 13. Prospective members and visitors are invited to attend.



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28TH ANNIVERSARY METROPOLITAN COMMUNITY CHURCH OF OMAHA

Sunday, January 27, Metropolitan Community Church of Omaha (MCC-O), pastored by Rev. Barbara S. Sagat, will celebrate its 28th Anniversary as a chartered church in the Universal Fellowship of Metropolitan Community Churches (UFMCC). Honored guest preacher for the 9am and 11am worship services will be Rev. Jan D. Kross, formerly a pastor of MCC-O, currently on the pastoral staff at Spirit of Hope MCC in Kansas City, Missouri.

Following the 11am service there will be an Anniversary Dinner in the Church Social Hall. Everyone is Welcome. Please RSVP the church office at 345-2563.

Rev. Kross pastored the Omaha church from January 1982 through January 1989. She is known throughout the gay/lesbian/bi/trans community for her spirit of community. During her pastorate the church acquired its first property at 420 S. 24 Street. The church became the meeting space for many local groups.

UFMCC was founded in 1968 by Rev. Troy D. Perry in Los Angeles, CA. The largest gay and lesbian organization in the world, currently has 300 churches worldwide with 40,000 adherents.

For additional information on the 28th Anniversary Sunday, contact Rev. Barbara S. Sagat at (402) 345-2563.

OLYMPIC TORCH "COMES OUT" AS IT IS CARRIED THROUGH OMAHA

A FEW WORDS OF THANKS

Over the last 6 months, there have been several occasions which I would like to thank the Omaha GLBT Community for their support!

Since winning the 2001 Pride Title last June, I have worked hard to raise consciences about Pride activities as well as National Coming Out Day events this past fall. I hosted several successful benefits this past fall which helped to fund the NCOD Week long event and had a chance to get to know the community better. I would like to thank the Max as well as DC's Saloon for letting myself and Pride come into their businesses and raise funds.

I would also like to thank the Omaha Community at large for helping to support each benefit as well as our very successful raffle for NCOD 2001. You helped make our week long celebration a huge success. We look forward to presenting NCOD 2002 this fall.

Most recently, as many of you know, I was honored to be chosen for a chance of a lifetime event - carrying the Olympic Flame as it traveled through Omaha on January 10. To say that that day will always live in my memory is an understatement. The emotions and feelings of that moment are too hard to put on paper.

But, to this day, I have never been informed as to who or whom was special enough to nominate me to Chevrolet as a Torchbearer. If that person was you, please know you have my undying gratitude for that act of kindness. To know that someone out there in the Nebraska or Iowa communities of which I have lived - felt that I was an "inspiration" to them or others has made the 15 years of fundraising well worth while for me. By nominating me - you gave me a chance that only 1/100th of 1% of the American population were given. For that I humbly say thanks!

To my many friends here in the Omaha GLBT Community who made the effort to line the route from Cass & 21 Streets all the way to 18 Street - you helped make my segment even more memorable! Thank you for bringing out the rainbow flags, banners and other things to let the Olympic Committee and Torch Relay know that the Olympic Flame truly has touched every walk of American Life this time! To know that an openly gay American can be nominated and chosen for this honor is a sign that in small ways -

attitudes are slowly changing. I hope that each of you who were on the sidelines that evening were touched by the chance to have the Olympic Flame so close to us for such a short time.

I would also like to personally say thanks to my family, friends and businesses - David, Carrie and Suzy and Lita for your donations to help me in being able to purchase my Olympic Torch as a lasting memory of this moment in history. I cannot say thanks enough for your kindness and support!

In closing, I invite each and every one of you to step up to the plate and get involved - not only with Pride 2002, but with any volunteer organization you know of. Through our volunteerism, we each can make this city, state, country and eventually the world a much better place to live. And remember, commUNITY means all of us working together for a common goal.....UNITY for everyone!

In Unity and Pride,

Troy Haasis,
Mr. Gay Pride Nebraska 2001,
Grand Duke 21 of ICON
Olympic Torchbearer 2002



WELCOME BOWLERS TO ICE BOWL 2002



February 15-17, 2002

***Mockingbird Lanes
Host Hotel - Sheraton Downtown***

***For further information contact:
(402) 556-5556 or (402) 553-6626***

GAYZETTE EVENTS

FRIDAY, JANUARY 25

JOY PRESENTS DJ SENSATION

BABY ANNE 18+ over welcome
9pm - 4am \$15 cover

SATURDAY, JANUARY 26

FLATWATER BEARS OUT AT OMAHA BOTANICAL GARDENS.
2:45pm, Botanical Gardens, 100 Bancroft, Followed by Dinner at El Alamo

SUNDAY, JANUARY 27

METROPOLITAN COMMUNITY CHURCH OF OMAHA 28TH ANNIVERSARY. Rev. Jan D. Kross, Guest Speaker, 9am, 11am, Worship Services, Celebration Dinner follows 11am Service, Everyone Welcome

MISS MAX PAGEANT "MOULIN ROUGE a la MAX" 9pm The MAX

SUNDAY, FEB. 3

TURNABOUT SHOW, 10pm,
The MAX, 1417 Jackson, Omaha

SATURDAY, FEB. 9

HEARTS OF FIRE, TriCity GLBT,
Sundowner, Grand Island

MAJESTIC KINGS, From the Gay
90's in Minneapolis Perform at JOY

SUNDAY, FEB. 10

BLACK HEARTS BASH, 10pm,
The MAX, 1417 Jackson, Omaha

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 12

SALLY'S FAT TUESDAY CELEBRATION, Cajun Food, Patio Bar,
The MAX, 1417 Jackson, Omaha

WEDNESDAY, FEB. 13

ASH WEDNESDAY SERVICE,
Metropolitan Community Church of
Omaha, 819 South 22 St., Omaha

THURSDAY, FEB. 14 —

SUNDAY, MARCH 17

GODSPELL, Thurs - Sat 7:30 pm, Sun
2:30pm website: www.StagesofOmaha.com. The Millennium Theatre, 16th &
Jackson, (402) 345-8166

FRIDAY, FEB. 15

LATE NIGHT PANCAKE FEED,
10pm—2am, Rainbow Outreach,
1719 Leavenworth, Omaha

FRJ. FEB. 15 —

SUN, FEB. 17

ICE BOWL INVITATIONAL BOWLING TOURNAMENT Info:
(402) 556-5556 or (402) 553-6626

SUNDAY, FEB. 17

A NIGHT OF ROMANCE WITH THE RIVER CITY MIXED CHORUS, 8pm, The MAX

SUNDAY, MARCH 3

ICON SNOW BALL 10pm The MAX

FRIDAY, MARCH 8 —

SUN, MARCH 10

DREAMS TO REALITY, <http://www.dsfun.com/dreams-to-reality/>

SUNDAY, MARCH 10

YOUNKERS SPRING BENEFIT SALE 5—10pm, Private Sale,
\$5 Tickets from River City Mixed
Chorus, 341-7464

NOT SO MISS GAY STATES,
10pm, The MAX, 1417 Jackson

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 10

HUMAN CHAIN AROUND THE STATE CAPITOL 3pm-5pm
supporting human and civil rights

SUNDAY, APRIL 14

ICON CLOSET BALL The MAX

SUNDAY, APRIL 24

ICON GONG SHOW JOY

FRIDAY, APRIL 26 —

SUNDAY, APRIL 28

15TH ANNUAL HEARTLAND AA & AL-ANON ROUNDUP,
Park Inn, I-680 & Pacific, Contact
Doug 493-2282 or RJ 346-5308

SATURDAY, MAY 4

ICON PR BALL, 6-8:30pm, The MAX

MONDAY, MAY 27

ICON MEMORIAL DAY PICNIC,
Vennelyst Park, 1 - 6pm

JUNE 15 & JUNE 16

RIVER CITY MIXED CHORUS "Reach for the Rainbow" 7:05pm,
UNO Strauss Performing Arts Center

SAT. JUNE 22

PRIDE PARADE, OMAHA

SAT. JULY 13

ICON CORONATION 22, 6pm, Sokol

WEEKLY EVENTS

Every Sunday

WORSHIP SERVICES:

DIETZ UNITED METHODIST

1423 S. 10, 11AM

1ST UNITED METHODIST

7020 Cass, 8:30 & 10:45am

METROPOLITAN COMMUNITY

CHURCH OF OMAHA

819 S. 22, 9am & 11am

HEARTLAND UNITED METH

Bellevue West High School; 10:30am

FIRST UNITARIAN

3114 Harney Street, 11am

LOWE AVE PRESBYTERIAN,

1023 N. 40, Omaha 10am

UNITY CHURCH OF OMAHA,

3424 N. 90, Omaha, 9am, 11am

HASTINGS COLLEGE GSA 8PM

Hastings, NE. FFI: Judy Sandeen

(402) 461-7372

LAMBDA TV NETWORK Q.

Lincoln Cable Channel 13, 12 a.m.

LINCOLN WEEKLY WOMYN'S

POTLUCK VARIOUS HOMES.

FFI: Cheryl 474-1937 11:30am-4pm

THE WIMMIN'S SHOW

KZUM 89.3. 12:30—3 p.m.

CABARET, Q, 226 S. 9th St., Lincoln

RIVER CITY MIXED BOWLING

Broadway Bowl

GAYZETTE EVENTS

"QUEER AS FOLK" 9pm,
The MAX, DC's

Every Monday

SAGE POTLUCK DINNER 6-9pm,
ROCC, 1719 Leavenworth, 341-0330

HIV TESTING, 7-9:30pm,
NAP, 139 S. 40th, Omaha

ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS GLBT
"RAINBOW GROUP" Meeting Place,
28 & S, Lincoln, 7:30 p.m.

Every Tuesday

UNL LESBIAN/BI/QUESTIONING
SUPPORT GROUP 7-8:30pm,
Women's Center, Back Room, Nebr
Union, 12 & R, Lincoln, 472-9428

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

OMAHA WOMEN'S SUPPORT GROUP,
Rainbow Outreach Center, 1719
Leavenworth, 341-0330, 7:30pm

Every Wednesday

WORSHIP SERVICES
METROPOLITAN COMMUNITY
CHURCH OF OMAHA, 7pm
UNITY CHURCH OF OMAHA, 7pm

HIV TESTING, 1-4 pm
NAP, 139 S. 40

NINTENDO WEDNESDAYS,
6-9 pm, Rainbow Outreach Center

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

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

KARAOKE W/ STACY 8:30pm DC's

RAINBOW BOWLERS LEAGUE,
9pm, Maplewood Lanes

Every Thursday

GLBT FELLOWSHIP, 6:30pm, Trinity
Cathedral's Clarkson Center, 109 N. 18
St. Info: 391-1950; email: dknnox-
sae@qwest.net.

HIV TEST 7-9:30 pm, NAP, 139 S. 40th

KARAOKE 9pm,
Connections,
Club OLIS

Every Friday

LAMBDA TELEVISION LOCAL
EVENTS Lincoln Cable Ch 13, 3pm

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

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

FREE FRIDAY MOVIE 7:45PM,
Rainbow Outreach GLBT Resource Ctr

LGBT AA MEETING, 8pm
Boys & Girls Home Sioux City, IA
(712) 252-4272,

O DREAM BOYZ, Q, 226 S. 9 Lincoln

Every Saturday

LAMBDA TELEVISION
Lincoln Cable Channel 13, 3 p.m.

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

KARAOKE 9pm, The Panic, 200 S. 18,
Lincoln

MONTHLY EVENTS

1st Saturday

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

GAY/BI SUPPORT GROUP FOR HIV+
MEN, 6-8pm, NAP, 220 S. 17, Lincoln
FFI: Mark Giesler 476-7000.

2nd Friday

FREE, CONFIDENTIAL, ANONY-
MOUS HIV TESTING UNL campus
FFI: 476-0355, 1-3:30 p.m.

SUDS RAPID HIV TESTING,
(2 hour results) 5-10 pm, NAP
Outreach Center, 1723 Leavenworth

2nd Saturday

LEATHER ENGINEERS—OMAHA
Meeting 7pm, Gilligan's

2nd Sunday

LEARNING TO EXCHANGE POWER
L2EP@aol.com Novice S/M,B/D Grp,
1pm; DCs

INTEGRITY GROUP 6-7:30pm,
St. Marks on the Campus Episcopal
Church, 13 & "R" Streets, Lincoln

2nd Wednesday

FLAT WATER BEARS 7:30pm
The MAX, Omaha

2nd Thursday

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

2nd Saturday

GLSEN OMAHA, Board Mtg,
9-11am, South High School

GAY-FRIENDLY FOOD-NET Quaker
Meeting House, 3319 S. 46, Lincoln
Free Food, no obligation/paperwork.
11am-12n

3rd Sunday

SOUL FOOD SUNDAY, Club OLIS,
2801 N 16, Sponsor: ONYX Images

3rd Monday

IMPERIAL COURT OF NEBR MTG
MCC-O, 819 S. 22nd St., 6:30pm

GAY/BISEXUAL SUPPORT GROUP
FOR HIV+ MEN, 6-8pm NAP, 220 S.
17, Lincoln. Mark Giesler 476-7000.

4th Tuesday

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

YOUTH HIV TESTING Lighthouse,
2530 N St, Lincoln For ages 13 to 18
only. FFI: 475-3220, 3-5:30 p.m.

4th Friday

FREE, CONFIDENTIAL, ANONY-
MOUS HIV TEST Walkins welcome.
UNL campus. 476-0355, 1-3:30pm

4th Saturday

QUAKERS OFFER GAY-FRIENDLY
FOOD-NET Quaker Meeting House,
3319 S. 46, Lincoln 11 a.m.—noon

PREPARE YE THE WAY FOR GODSPELL!!!

Stages of Omaha Theatre Company is excited to announce the opening of one of the most well-known stories of the life of Jesus Christ. While written as an uplifting comical musical, *Godspell* also holds a very important message, particularly potent during this time of strife and grieving in the world today.

While we must try to focus on our daily lives, it is so hard to know that for hundreds of people, daily life has been so severely and permanently altered. It is important at this point to produce a show not only to entertain, but to also instill in people a sense of hope in the decency of humankind.

There are many interpretations of *Godspell*. It has been done many times in many different settings, styles, languages and time periods. This production will no doubt be unique! The planned setting is such to not only allow the audience to have fun and enjoy the show, but also to make their own personal interpretations of this age-old story.

When we look at the show on a conceptual level, throw out all preconceived notions of religion, politics, and all the other things in our day to day lives that influence our opinions and views of each other, we are left with a story.

It is the story of a man who tried to teach love and understanding, and help humankind exist on this planet together in a peaceful, respectful way.

Stages of Omaha takes these characters and wipes away those factors that so often blind us to the basic qualities we, as members of the human race, share. This will be unlike any production of *Godspell* you have ever seen!

The CAST for this musical includes Jerry R. Ditter, D. Kevin Williams (last seen as Frank-n-Furter in *The Rocky Horror Show*), Jason Rogers (played Sister Amnesia in *Nonsense, A-Men!*), Tim Reilly (last seen as Eddie in *Rocky*), Kevin Buswell (last seen as Riff-Raff in *Rocky*), Amber Ruffin (featured in the play *Hellcab*), Emily Jane Thompson, Sue Wagle, Melanie Walters, and Rachel Wood. Jerry R. Ditter is the Artistic Director, with Nichole Nelson directing and Ryan Pivonka music directing.

This uplifting show runs February 14 - March 17, Thurs thru Sat nights at 7:30 pm, and Sundays at 2:30 pm. For more information or to make reservations, please call (402) 345-8166 or visit our website at www.StagesofOmaha.com.

The Millennium Theatre is located on the first floor of the Union Plaza Building on the corner of 16th and Jackson Streets at 601 South 16 St., two blocks south of the Orpheum Theatre.

RCMC NIGHT OF ROMANCE

Help support The River City Mixed Chorus by attending the benefit show, "A Night of Romance" on Sunday, February 17, 8:00 p.m. at The MAX. Your hosts for the evening will be River City Chorus members Joe Reed and Inga (aka Stan Brown). Join the Chorus and members of the community as we celebrate and sing about many aspects of love and romance.

"DAY AT LEGISLATURE"

Over 20 people attended "A Day At The Legislature", an event sponsored by Citizens for Equal Protection held last week in Lincoln. Participants included former State Senator Selley Kiel, lobbyist Judy Monaghan, Nancy Brink, Pastor at Northside Christian Church, Virginia Walsh of Nebraskans for Peace, and Michael Gordon from CFEP.

Following an introduction by state Senator Lowen Kruse of Omaha, the group was given information regarding legislation that would benefit the GLBT community. An information packet for LB-19 was distributed and members of the group were advised how to find their state Senator to discuss the bill, which would prohibit discrimination in employment solely on the basis of sexual orientation. The group then had meetings as individuals with their elected representatives. CFEP provided information on which state senators have been supportive of the Community through recent positive votes on issues of importance. They encouraged the Community to express our thanks for their support, an action that can help counter the criticism legislators regularly receive when they support GLBT causes. Speakers also encouraged letting friends know of those legislators who have been supportive to encourage them to also make contact.

Current legislation was discussed, including non-discrimination in housing which passed the legislature and, to the surprise of some observers, almost overrode the Governor's veto. The bill-making process was described, including coalition building and how the Speaker of the Unicameral sets the agenda, pushed by the bill's sponsor, affecting priority status if the bill makes it out of committee.

Discussion was held regarding public accountability, especially when legislators sleep through committee hearings. Attendees were advised to get on mailing lists for Legislative Update and Legislative Journal to keep apprised of what is happening in the Unicameral on a regular basis.

Citizens for Equal Protection received a grant from the Human Rights Campaign (HRC), a portion of which helped organize the event. CFEP has over 10,000 members statewide, and can be reached at their Omaha office at Box 55548, Omaha, 68155, or www.geocities.com/cfep.

TriCity GLBT Presents
"Hearts of Fire" Dance & Show
February 9, 2002
Door open 7:30pm, Show at 9:00pm
Sundowner, Grand Island, NE
on S. Highway 281, North of I-80

Raffle & Door Prizes
Grand Prize: Gambling Trip to Elko, NV
3 Day & 2 Nights, Airfare & Hotel Accommodations

If Interested in performing, please contact:
TriCityGLBT@yahoo.com

IDs will be checked at the door

GLBT FELLOWSHIP

Dr. Kathy Hankins, M.D. in family practice, and the Rt. Rev. James E. Krotz, Bishop of the Episcopal Diocese of Nebraska, announce an outreach to the community - the Episcopal GLBT Fellowship. Dr. Hankins, concerned by the fact that a large percentage of youth suicides are caused by despair from having to repress their homosexuality, and noting the AMA's warning: "stigmatizing homosexuality contributes to major depression and suicide among gay youth," initiated the outreach.

This is an inclusive fellowship for all GLBT & straight of all faith traditions, or no church. Its context is pastoral & medical, not political or social action - its goals are:

- To proclaim Christ's compassionate Good News to Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual, and Transgender persons, families, and friends.
- To promote education & understanding - in individuals, families, the church, and the community at large.
- To work to prevent youth suicide & depression - to reach out, mentor, and support homosexual youth as they grow from adolescence to adulthood.

The GLBT Fellowship meets downtown weekly on Thursdays at 6:30pm at Trinity Cathedral's Clarkson Center, 109 N. 18th St. (18th & Capitol). For further information please contact Dr. Hankins or Doug Knox c/o St. Andrew's Episcopal Church - telephone: 391-1950; email: dknoxsae@qwest.net. Come! - The Episcopal Church Welcomes You -

DREAMS TO REALITIES BRINGS LEATHER FOLK TO OMAHA

This is the time of year we all start looking for events to attend for the year. Dreams to Reality is looking really good this year. Our theme this year is Title Holders in the Leather Community. We have Joni Pierre, International Ms Leather 2001, Pat Baillie, International Ms Leather 1995, Megan Meek-DeJarlais, International Ms Leather 1998 & Amy Marie Meek-DeJarlais, International Ms Leather 1993 joining us.

While this is our main theme we also have a lot of other workshops and fun for everyone. There will be vendors, a HOT Leather show and open dungeon time. Gays, Hets, Lesbians, Drag Queens, Kinky and Non Kinky people all living in the same community and getting along.....biggest fantasy of the weekend right? It is time we made that Fantasy into a Reality. That was a quote from 1994 when I ran for International Ms Leather. My goal is still "Lets start to make it happen."

It is time that we, as the Midwest Leather Community, get together, produce title contests and get title holders to represent us in the International Leather Community. Let's network with the older leather groups, provide more unity to our communities and make our presence known. Unity makes us all strong! Come join us for Dreams to Reality, March 8-10 2002 in Omaha Nebraska <http://www.dsurn.com/dreams-to-reality/>

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819 S. 22nd St.

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1901 Leavenworth, Omaha

Club Olis, 934-4030
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The Diamond, 342-9595
712 S. 16th St., Omaha

Dawg House Sports Cafe, 572-6722
8947 Fort St., Omaha

DC's Saloon, 344-3103
610 S. 14th Street, Omaha

Gilligan's Pub, 449-9147
1407 Harney, Omaha

JOY, 341-7337
1516 Jones, Omaha

The MAX, 346-4110
1417 Jackson, Omaha

Omaha Mining Co., 449-8703,
1715 Leavenworth, Omaha

Panic, 435-8764, 200 S. 18th, Lincoln

Q, 475-2269, 226 S. 9th St, Lincoln

PLAN FOR A LATE NIGHT PANCAKE FEED

RAINBOW OUTREACH GLBT RESOURCE CENTER

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 15 10PM TO 2AM

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Whole Page	7 ½ X 10	\$100.00	Half Page	7 ½ X 4 ¾	\$ 50.00
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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. Ads may also be emailed to Advertising@rocc.org. A phone call notifying us that the ad is coming should be made to (402) 341-0330, attention Sharon.

Ad Deadlines are: Friday, Feb 1 for Feb. 8 Publication Friday, Feb 15 for Feb. 22 Publication

RAINBOW OUTREACH GLBT RESOURCE LIST

OMAHA BASED ORGANIZATIONS

- BiChoice Nebraska**, 9504 R, Plz #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
For hirsute men and admirers,
2nd Wednesday, The MAX, 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)**
www.angelfire.com/home/GALO contact: unogalo@hotmail.com "Building Bridges Through Education and Acceptance" or 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 800-561-6918
- Ice Bowl Invitational Bowling Tournament (IBIT)** P.O. Box 31838, Omaha, NE 68131, e-mail icebowlomaha@hotmail.com
- Imperial Court of Nebraska**,
Box 3772, Omaha 68103 556-9907, Board Meeting 3rd Mon, 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
- LinOma Bares**, PO Box 8493, Omaha 68108
Nudist/ Nudist Club for gay/bi men
- Mpower**, c/o Nebr AIDS Project, 139 S. 40, Omaha 68131 www.mpower-nap.org.
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
Website: www.mccomaha.org
Sunday Worship 9 & 11am, Wed Eve 7pm
- Nebraska AIDS Project**, 552-9260
Watanabe Wellness Ctr, 139 S. 40, Omaha 68131, Testing Mon, Thurs Eve, Wed aft
- NAP Outreach Center**, 1723 Leavenworth, Testing & Counseling: Fri Nights
- 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://members.cyberwolves.com/omahanegaypride> PO Box 4154, Omaha, 68104-4154 402-502-9195
omahanegaypride@home.com
- Onyx Images**, Box 31026, 68132-9998
Onyximages@hotmail.com Fraternity for African American Men
- Out and About in Nebraska**, Social group for those who enjoy the outdoors
outabout@worldshare.net or <http://travel.to/outabout>
- Parents and Friends of Lesbians And Gays (PFLAG) Omaha Chapter** PO Box 390064, Omaha, 68139-0064 291-6781 Website: www.pflag-omaha.org, email info@pflag-omaha.org Meet 2nd 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,
Web Site: www.ROCC.org,
email: rainbow@rocc.org
Info Line, Library, Movies, Gayzette
- Rainbow Bible Study**, Fridays, 6-7:30pm,
Lowe Ave Presbyterian, 1023 N. 40 St
- Rainbow Celebrations**, Box 8583, Omaha, 68108 402.502.1577 Pride Parade & Festival, National Coming Out Day (NCOD) Event
info@rainbowcelebrations.org
- Pride 2002** Box 8583, Omaha, 68108
pride2002@rainbowcelebrations.org
- National Coming Out Day 2002**
P.O. Box 8583, Omaha, 68108
NCOD2002@rainbowcelebrations.org
- River City Mixed Chorus**, Box 3267,
Omaha, NE 68103, 402-341-SING
Website: www.rcmc.org
- River City Gender Alliance**, Box 8076,
Omaha 68108, 402-991-8845, email: rcga@tforum.com,
Website: www.genderalliance.com
Social/Support Group for transgender/transsexual/cross-dressers and supporters
- River City Mixed Bowling I**, 12:45pm,
Sundays, Mockingbird Bowl, Omaha:
- River City Mixed Bowling II** 3pm,
Sundays, Broadway Bowl, Council Bluffs, IA: Dan White (402)734-7055
- SNAP Productions**, Box 8464, Omaha, NE 68108 www.snapproductions.com
- Unity Church of Omaha** 3424 N. 90,
Omaha, Sunday worship: 9am, 11am
Wednesday evening worship 7pm;
571-1344; www.unityomaha.org

- Women's Support Group**, Meets Tuesday 7:30pm, Rainbow Outreach Center, 1719 Leavenworth, 342-0330
- WomenSpace**, Box 24712, Omaha 68124
Newsletter, Concerts

LINCOLN BASED ORGANIZATIONS

- Alias Jane Band**, (402) 435-8764 Kara & Kelly at The Panic
- Boonodoggles** 120 N. 14 St. (the Ozone) shop online <http://www.ideviate.net>
Email boonodoggles@ideviate.net
Pride merchandise, books & more.
- Gay/Lesbian/Bi/Straight Alliance**
2229 J St., Lincoln 68510
(402) 436-1301 ext. 232 Ruth Kupfer
- Gay/Lesbian Film Fest**, Mary Ross Film Theater, Lincoln, Deanna Zaffke, cea@unlserve.unl.edu
- Gay Men's Support Group**, UNL Health Center, Counseling & Psychology, Rm. 214, Lincoln 68588-0618 472-7450
- Lesbian, Bisexual and Questioning-Women's Discussion Group**, Women's Resource Ctr, UNL Health Ctr, Rm 340, Lincoln 68558 (402) 472-2597
- Nebraska AIDS Project**, 220 S. 17th St. Lincoln, NE 68508. (402) 476-7000
- Nebraska Coalition for LGBT Civil Rts**,
122 S. 11 St, Ste 200, Lincoln, 68508,
Stacie 499-3671, Kris or Traci 438-7810
- Omaha Women's Riverboat Cruise**,
4949 N. 73, Lincoln, 68507 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), 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
- 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** 489-9088
- Women In Trades/YWCA**, 1432 N St., Lincoln 68508; 434-3494,
- 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
- Youth Support Group**, (402) 434-9880
- Trevor-24-hour National Suicide Hotline for GLBT and Questioning Youth**
1-800-850-8078



HIT The MAX

Feb. 3 -- Turnabout Show

Feb. 10--Black Hearts Show

Feb. 12--Fat Tuesday

Feb. 17--RCMC Benefit

Feb. 24--Paco's Show

1417 Jackson St.

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