

# The GayZette



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## Obama Backs Pentagon Report

By Advocate.com Editors

President Obama has issued a statement backing the Pentagon report that repeal of “don’t ask, don’t tell” would not disrupt unit cohesion.

The statement reads: As Commander in Chief, I have pledged to repeal the “don’t ask, don’t tell” law because it weakens our national security, diminishes our military readiness, and violates fundamental American principles of fairness and equality by preventing patriotic Americans who are gay from serving openly in our armed forces. At the same time, as Commander in Chief, I am committed to ensuring that we understand the implications of this transition, and maintain good order and discipline within our military ranks. That is why I directed the Department of Defense earlier this year to begin preparing for a transition to a new policy.



Today’s report confirms that a strong majority of our military men and women and their families—more than two thirds—are prepared to serve alongside Americans who are openly gay and lesbian. This report also confirms that, by every measure—from unit cohesion to recruitment and retention to family readiness—we can transition to a new policy in a responsible manner that ensures our military strength and national security. And for the first time since this law was enacted 17 years ago today, both the Secretary of Defense and the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff have publicly endorsed ending this policy.

With our nation at war and so many Americans serving on the front lines, our troops and their families deserve the certainty that can only come when an act of Congress ends this discriminatory policy once and for all. The House of Representatives has already passed the necessary legislation. Today I call on the Senate to act as soon as possible so I can sign this repeal into law this year and ensure that Americans who are willing to risk their lives for their country are treated fairly and equally. Our troops represent the virtues of selfless sacrifice and love of coun-

try that have enabled our freedoms. I am absolutely confident that they will adapt to this change and remain the best led, best trained, best equipped fighting force the world has ever known.

## ACT AWARE

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December 1st, 1988 is the first time the world celebrated World AIDS Day. In 1993, President Bill Clinton made an official proclamation that December 1st each year would recognize World AIDS Day and urged us all to reaffirm our commitment to combating HIV/AIDS and to helping those living with this disease. Since 1988 each World AIDS Day has had a theme. This year’s theme is Act Aware.



I don’t know how HIV and AIDS has impacted your life, I can share with you that it has a great impact on my life. Not just fundraising, not just being an advocate for social justice, not just being a voice to help educate. But being aware. Aware that AIDS is a social epidemic affecting every country, every race, every sex, every where.

I graduated Omaha North High in 1985. I just started to volunteer with the Imperial Court of Nebraska. I remember having meetings at the Nebraska AIDS Project office on Leavenworth around 35th Street. As I continued to volunteer and “grow up” in the Omaha GLBT community, I too started to learn of people I know becoming infected with HIV. And then I started having friends die of AIDS. We all react differently to grief and death, and that is okay. I chose not to attend funerals and memorials, at that time I wanted to remember them as I last saw them.

I urge each person to share. Share your time or your talent or your treasure with organizations that support those affected by HIV/AIDS. In Omaha/Lincoln we are lucky to have several great organizations that make life in earth as it is in heaven for many individuals, couples and families. It does not take days each week to volunteer, perhaps a few hours. It does not take your life savings, perhaps what you spend on coffee, a meal or... It does not drain you of all your resources, perhaps a bit of wisdom, training or expertise could go a long way with an or-

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## University of Colorado Employees vs. Antigay Coach

By Louis Lucero II

A coalition of University of Colorado employees has formed to oppose the rehiring of Bill McCartney as the school's head football coach, alleging McCartney is homophobic and sexist.

Despite leading the Buffaloes to a national championship in 1990, McCartney has drawn disapproval from some of the antigay stances he's taken behind the lectern and inside the locker room. Some 15 to 20 letters have been received voicing opposition to McCartney's hiring, reports the Boulder, Colo., Daily

Camera.

In 1992, McCartney referred to homosexuality as "an abomination against almighty God" and was a vocal advocate of the state's Amendment 2, which specifically prohibited the creation of antidiscrimination laws to protect gays and was passed by voters but later struck down by the U.S. Supreme Court.



Those opposed to McCartney filling the newly vacant coaching position also cite his founding of a male Christian group called the Promise Keepers as a violation of a university policy that "coaches should not organize or conduct religious activities, including promotion of prayer or Bible readings by players or coaches." The policy was enacted in response to complaints about team prayers organized by McCartney.

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## United Nations Advocates Killing of Gays?

By Advocate.com Editors

Last week the United Nations adopted an amendment striking sexual minorities from a resolution protecting the right to life for a number of minority groups historically subject to execution.

With 79 votes in favor of the amendment and 70 votes against, Human Rights Foundation president Thor Halvorssen (pictured) writes on The Huffington Post that the UN is sending the message that it's all right to kill gays and lesbians.



He writes, "The UN has a remarkable track record of doing virtually nothing when presented with mass killings or genocide. "Never again!" was the cry after the holocaust.

Since then, the world has witnessed a dozen more never agains with strong condemnation from the UN coming after the corpses pile up. A resolution of the sort that was voted on in the General Assembly is significant for its clarity of message: "It's okay to kill the gays."

## ACLU of Florida Files Lawsuit Against Police Officers

MIAMI BEACH, Fla. – The ACLU of Florida today filed a lawsuit in federal court against the City of Miami Beach and two of its police officers on behalf of Harold Strickland, a gay former Miami Beach resident who was wrongfully arrested in March 2009 in retaliation for calling 911 to report that two Miami Beach police officers were beating and kicking a man who lay handcuffed on the ground near Flamingo Park.

While the lawsuit focuses specifically on Strickland's arrest and violations of his civil rights by two Miami Beach Police Officers, the lawsuit highlights two systemic issues that reach far beyond this case: the practices of unlawfully targeting gay men for arrest without probable cause and harassing and arresting people who observe, document, and/or report police misconduct.

"For years the ACLU has received reports that Miami Beach police have targeted gay men near Flamingo Park for nothing more than being gay," said Shelbi Day, an attorney with the ACLU of Florida's LGBT Advocacy Project. "When the police become the problem rather than part of the solution, the entire community suffers. It is time for the City to end the discriminatory policies and practices of its police force."

The complaint alleges that the City and arresting officers, Frankly Forte and Elliot Hazzi, violated Strickland's rights under federal and state law. Specifically, the complaint seeks damages for violation of Strickland's First and Fourth Amendment rights and false arrest. The evidence, including the offic-



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ers' sworn deposition testimony, the tape recording of Strickland's 911 call, Strickland's cell phone record, and the officers' own arrest affidavits, indicates that the officers lied in their report of the incident in order to cover-up their misconduct. Strickland was charged with "loitering and prowling."

"The issue here goes far beyond the violation of Mr. Strickland's rights as a gay man. In addition to targeting gay men, the Miami Beach police have an alarming history of arresting individuals who attempt to document police misconduct," said Ray Taseff, ACLU cooperating attorney. "All individuals have a constitutional right and a civic duty to report police misconduct. When the police arrest people for reporting police misconduct, as they did in this case, they damage the public's faith in law enforcement."

More than six months ago the ACLU gave notice of its intent to sue (as required by state law), and provided the City with detailed information evidencing gross misconduct by the police department and the officers in this case. At that time, the ACLU demanded that the Miami Beach Police Department institute immediate remedial action to halt the harassment, intimidation, and arrest of gay men near Flamingo Park and individuals who observe, document or report police misconduct. The ACLU also called on the City to discipline officers Hazzi and Forte for their misconduct. To date, the investigation remains open and no corrective action has been taken.

"While the Strickland incident has already sparked some reforms by Police Chief Noriega, including improved communi-

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cation between the gay community and the police department by the appointment of Sgt. Juan Sanchez as a liaison to the gay community, retaliation for reporting police misconduct prevents civilian oversight of the police and cannot be tolerated” said Howard Simon, Executive Director of the ACLU of Florida.

“Although it was widely reported that, upon receipt of our letter in February, the two officers were placed on desk duty and an internal investigation was launched,” explained Day, “it is our understanding that the investigation remains open, the officers have not been punished.” Day continued, “With this lawsuit we hope to vindicate Mr. Strickland’s rights and send the message to the City and the police that it will be held responsible for misconduct and discrimination.”

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## **How the New Foreclosure Scandal Impacts LGBT Borrowers**

Taking away someone’s home is serious business, and throughout most of United States history the court system has ensured

that borrowers cannot be forced from their homes without a powerful legal reason and an abundance of supporting evidence. But during the past 2-3 years foreclosure courts have been allowing hundreds of thousands of evictions to go ahead based on apparently inadequate documentation which includes such things as fraudulent paperwork and forged signatures. In the offices of some lawyers hired by mortgage companies, for example, a single individual might sign as many as 1,000 foreclosure documents per day. That’s an average of about one every 20 or 30 seconds, meaning that they cannot possibly read or scrutinize for accuracy the papers they are signing. The phenomenon has given rise to the moniker “robo-signing” – a term that has become synonymous with this latest chapter in the on-going foreclosure crisis.

The disturbing lack of legal protocol has tens of thousands of LGBT borrowers wondering what it means to them. The biggest question on everyone’s mind is whether or not foreclosures that were allowed under questionable circumstances will now be overturned. As might be expected, it all depends on each individual situation. Many people, including those in high government offices, believe that there is no excuse for sloppy documentation.

“These people think they can play by a different set of rules,” said Ohio Attorney General Richard Cordray in an interview with Bloomberg Television, referring to big banks and other major mortgage lenders who cannot produce the required paperwork to validate foreclosure actions. He called the use of flawed affidavits – which have justified hundreds of thousands of foreclosures – a “business model for fraud.”

But it still may be quite difficult for LGBT homeowners to get their foreclosures reversed in court. When there is compelling



evidence, for example, that the borrower missed the monthly payments on a verifiable mortgage a judge will be reluctant to overturn the foreclosure. It is highly unlikely in those circumstances that the court will throw out a mortgage company's claim to repossess property in favor of the borrower simply because there are some supporting documents or authorized signatures missing. Required mortgage payments that are obviously unaccounted for will normally carry more legal weight than a few missing loan documents – shifting the burden of proof to the borrower. In some ways, in fact, that legal territory has already been tested. Courts have, for instance, accepted thousands of affidavits that attest to the fact that banks cannot find all the paperwork required.

These affidavits, signed by the banks themselves, basically say that although some documents are missing the bank still testifies that it does have the authority to proceed with the foreclosure – and that it did at one time have all the proper paperwork. Many judges have ruled that such affidavits are valid, and it is hard to believe that the court system will now do an abrupt about-face at the risk of causing economic chaos and legal pandemonium.

There may be some exceptions, of course, and it is worth it for LGBT borrowers to fight to get their property back if they feel they have been treated unfairly.

Those with the best chance of winning a reversal are borrowers who qualify in two significant ways. First they need to show that the mortgage lender failed to follow standard protocol during the foreclosure process. But it is also just as important to demonstrate that they were never delinquent on their payments. If those two things are true then the mortgage company was clearly at fault and a foreclosure judge may decide to unwind the foreclosure and give the borrower back their property – even if it has subsequently been sold to somebody else. Since most people who have been foreclosed on have already moved into another residence and may not be interested in getting their old house back, the majority of these cases are resolved through a cash settlement paid by the lender to appropriately compensate the borrower.

But those LGBT homeowners who are facing imminent foreclosure and have not yet lost their homes may be in the most encouraging position in the midst of all this drama. Before going forward with new foreclosure cases the courts will be much more cautious and strict, and many mortgage companies have already instituted temporary moratoriums on foreclosures until these new allegations are resolved.

The Sheriff of Cook County, Illinois, for example – who has jurisdiction over the entire city of Chicago – stopped serving eviction notices on approximately 1,500 loans managed by companies including J.P. Morgan Chase, Bank of America, and Ally Financial. The sheriff explained his drastic action to reporters by saying, "I can't possibly be expected to evict people from their homes when the banks themselves can't say for sure everything was done properly." He said he will only resume foreclosure evictions when he is assured that the foreclosures

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## Antigay Violence on the Rise in Senegal

By Advocate.com Editors

Antigay violence is on the rise in the western African nation of Senegal, likely the result of political scapegoating in the run-up to the 2012 presidential election, according to a new report by Human Rights Watch.

Beatings, arrests, and lynching's have increased significantly over the past two years in Dakar, the Senegalese capital, according to the New York-based organization.

"When elections are coming up and politicians are under scrutiny, all of a sudden there is more focus on homosexuality, because that's a very easy target," Boris Dittrich, acting director of Human Rights Watch's LGBT rights program, said in an interview with Bloomberg.

## Chris Hughes's New Cause

By Advocate.com Editors

Chris Hughes, a cofounder of Facebook and chief digital organizer for Barack Obama's presidential campaign, launched a new venture today — Jumo.com — which aims to use social net-

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## DRAMA QUEENS (and KINGS)

Michael Kimmel  
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In a perfect world, drama belongs on stage, not in your daily life. Don't you agree? Think about it: do you ever find yourself overly reactive, theatrical or emotional? By choice? By desperation? Unless you have a true personality disorder (see a good psychotherapist if you have questions about this) I'm here to tell you: you DO have control over the drama in your life.

What is your drama doing for you? Where is it taking you? And this isn't just for so-called "hysterical" over-the-top emotion. It's time for that stereotype to die. "Macho" men (and women) do drama too, only they play it out in slightly different ways, e.g., "egomaniac", "power-hungry" or "king of the mountain". Whether it's more "Streetcar Named Desire" or Donald Trump, drama is drama, and it's not good for your mental health.

There is nothing wrong with living large if that's truly who you are. When I lived in Paris (France, not Texas), I noticed that Parisian women often wore large, attention-getting jewelry...and did so quietly and elegantly. They walked softly and carried a big bracelet. Being real doesn't mean being mousy and boring, it does mean being true to yourself...and when you're true to yourself, the drama quotient in your life inevitably goes down. Why? Drama is a cry for help: Help! No one loves me! Help! No one cares! Help! No one thinks I'm hot! Someone pay attention to me, please!

If you're a fabulous drag queen performing at a night club, then drama and hyperbole are to be expected. If you're a "regular" LGBT person living your life and feeling unloved, unappreciated or disconnected, then perhaps you've lost sight of who you are and are focusing too much on your "image". I wish that a buff body, great hair and beautiful clothes would bring happiness. If that was so, we could all be happy all the time, once we found the right trainer, haircutter and wardrobe. Unfortunately, it doesn't work this way.

Drama is not the voice of your best friend, it is the voice of your deepest fears...the ones that plagued you as a child but no longer need to dominate your adulthood. Most of us, as we enter our late 20's or early 30's, start to leave drama behind. The insecurity that gives birth to drama thankfully diminishes as we age. We gain a sense of who we really are, as opposed to who we have been told we should be. Finding out who we really are is no small task; it goes on our whole lives.

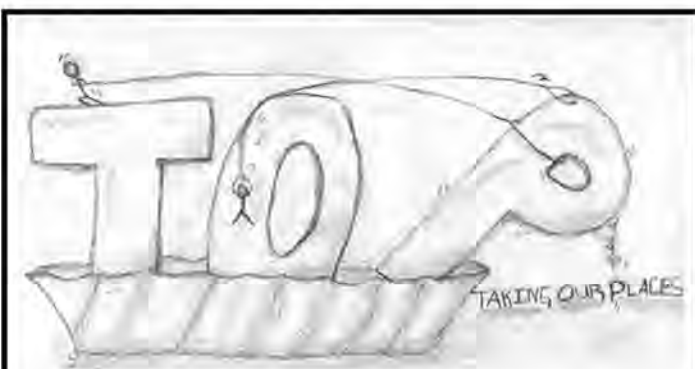
Many people in their 70's and 80's are still discovering new and surprising aspects of themselves...and feel more alive than they ever did in their 20's. No one tells us much about this, but if you hang out with LGBT elders, you'll see that we don't all become cynical and bitter. Many of us become happier and more playful! If this were broadcast on CNN - instead of Jessica Simpson's latest dilemma - we'd all have a helluva lot less fear of aging and I'd hear fewer cli-

ents tell me, "I don't want to get old; no one's going to want me". This kind of neurotic self-talk encourages drama...and lots of it.

There's an ad out for a moisturizer whose copy reads, "I'm 40, but I look 10 years' younger." This is the kind of fear that makes us afraid to be ourselves and pushes us toward the drama of panic and insecurity. Is it really a surprise that so many LGBT people today have panic attacks? Never before has the pressure been so intense for us to try to become someone we're not...someone who looks younger, seems happier, has more money than we really do. Ugh.

The antidote: look beneath your drama and see what you're avoiding. Usually, it's a fear of feeling small, unimportant or ignored. Really confident people have less drama; they simply don't need it. They have the strength and power INSIDE themselves. They don't need to proclaim it on the outside. By all means, protest injustice and put your time and energy into causes and activities that are meaningful to you. But if you find you like to be the center of attention - whether you are or not - maybe you're a bit too dramatic.

The antidote to: "No one loves me! No one cares! No one thinks I'm hot!" isn't panic, anxiety or drama. The way to feel loved, connected and attractive is to find it inside yourself. Drama doesn't like a quiet self-confidence. It hates a genuine sense of humility and gratitude. Focus your energy on developing these qualities and watch your confidence grow and your drama fade away. And don't be surprised how easily it may happen: you simply won't need it anymore.



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working tools to connect people to the nonprofit causes and charities important to them.

The Advocate interviewed Hughes about his plans for the site earlier this year. Today, as it launches, Hughes tells The New York Times that Jumo.com will "do what Yelp did for restaurants" and extend it to charities "to help people find and evaluate them."

Jumo.com has profile pages for various charities, and users can follow those pages, where relevant news articles and videos about the individual charity's work will be posted. Users can also utilize the site to learn more about the causes and interests their friends follow.

"The more connected that individual is to an issue they care about, the higher probability there is they will stay involved over a longer period of time," Hughes told the Times.



The Jumo.com launch comes just a day after Hughes and his partner, Sean Eldridge, announced there are matching donations until the end of the year to gay rights causes Freedom to

Marry, Empire State Pride Agenda, Gay & Lesbian Advocates & Defenders, and Equality Maryland.

## D.C. Marriage Bureau Rejects Skype Wedding

By Julie Bolcer

The Washington, D.C., marriage bureau has declared invalid the marriage between two men who wed in Texas last month with help from a D.C.-based officiate via Skype. According to the Washington City Paper, last week the marriage bureau sent Mark Reed and Dante Walkup of Dallas a letter saying their marriage is not legal. Sheila Alexander-Reid of the Washington City Paper officiated the wedding.

"The return is invalid because it has come to the attention of the court that the subject contracting parties to the marriage and you, the officiant, did not all personally participate in a marriage ceremony performed within the jurisdictional and territorial limits of the District of Columbia," said the letter.

After receiving the letter, the couple looked into legal options to challenge the decision, Alexander-Reid said. They were told they didn't have a strong case and will try to fly back to D.C. this weekend to be legally married.

## Depp: Disney Hated "Gay" Pirate



By Advocate.com Editors

In a new Vanity Fair interview, Johnny Depp says that Disney was not enthusiastic about his flamboyant portrayal of Captain Jack Sparrow in Pirates of the Caribbean, with one person from the company even asking whether the actor was gay.

According to the Associated Press, "Depp talked about it in an interview with rocker Patti Smith for the January edition of Vanity Fair magazine. Depp said Disney 'couldn't stand' his Sparrow and one person there even asked if Sparrow was gay. Depp told the Disney executive 'all my characters are gay,' and he said that 'really made her nervous.'"

Depp's performance in the film was nominated for an Oscar. His next film, The Tourist, with Angelina Jolie, opens December 10.

## Elton John to Perform for Prop. 8 Case Benefit

By Advocate.com Editors

Elton John will perform at a private event on



January 19 in support of the federal lawsuit against Proposition 8, the American Foundation for Equal Rights, which organized and funds the case, announced Tuesday.

The event will be held at the Beverly Hills estate of supermarket magnate Ron Burkle; ticket prices have not yet been disclosed.

In the case, attorneys representing two California gay couples will argue next week that the U.S. court of appeals for the ninth circuit should let stand U.S. district judge Vaughn R. Walker's August ruling striking down the antigay ballot measure as unconstitutional.

## Illinois Civil Unions Measure Advances

By Julie Bolcer

Illinois Governor Pat Quinn The Illinois house of representatives passed a civil unions bill Tuesday afternoon by a vote of 61-52, and the state senate, where the bill was moved out of committee earlier in the day, was set to take up the matter immediately.



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The legislation would provide some of the rights and responsibilities of marriage to both same-sex and unmarried opposite-sex couples. Gov. Pat Quinn has already pledged to sign the bill into law.

Rep. Greg Harris, the gay Chicago Democrat sponsoring the bill, invoked past discrimination against women and minorities in urging his colleagues to support the measure.

"Those traditions and those laws have changed. And I think we all believe that it changed for the better," he said, according to the Daily Herald. "Those who stood for justice, for fairness, have been remembered by history as great leaders. They've been remembered by history as being on the right side of justice. Each of us has the chance to be remembered on the right side of justice."

## DADT Remarks From Gates, Mullen

By Advocate.com Editors

In prepared remarks released Tuesday with the Pentagon Working Group study on "don't ask, don't tell," Defense secretary Robert Gates and Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff Adm. Mike Mullen praised the report's findings and pushed Congress to act on repealing the 1993 law.



Below are excerpts from Secretary Gates's and Adm. Mullen's remarks, delivered on Tuesday at a Pentagon briefing with reporters:  
Secretary Gates:

This past February, I established a high-level working group to review the issues associated with implementing a repeal of the "Don't Ask, Don't Tell" law regarding homosexual men and women serving in the military and, based on those findings, to develop recommendations for implementation, should the law change. The working group has completed their work and today the Department is releasing their report to the Congress and the American public. ...

The findings of their report reflect nearly ten months of research and analysis along several lines of study, and represent the most thorough and objective review ever of this difficult policy issue and its impact on the American military.

First, the group reached out to the force to better understand their views and attitudes about a potential repeal of the "Don't Ask, Don't Tell" law. As was made clear at the time, and is worth repeating today, this outreach was not a matter of taking a poll of the military to determine whether the law should be changed. The very



idea of asking the force to, in effect, vote on such a matter is antithetical to our system of government and would have been without precedent in the long history of our civilian-led military. The President of the United States, the commander in chief of the Armed Forces, made his position on this matter clear — a position I support. Our job, as the civilian and military leadership of the Department of Defense, was to determine how best to prepare for such a change should the Congress change the law.

Nonetheless, I thought it critically important to engage our troops and their families on this issue, as ultimately it will be they who will determine whether or not such a transition is successful. I believed that we had to learn the attitudes, obstacles and concerns that would need to be addressed should the law be changed. We could do this only by reaching out and listening to our men and women in uniform and their families. The working group undertook this through a variety of means — from a mass survey answered by tens of thousands of troops and their spouses to meetings with small groups and individuals, including hearing from those discharged under the current law. ...

The findings suggest that for large segments of the military repeal of "Don't Ask, Don't Tell," though potentially disruptive in the short term, would not be the wrenching, traumatic change that many have feared and predicted.

With regards to readiness, the working group report concluded that overall, and with thorough preparation — and I emphasize thorough preparation — there is a low risk from repealing Don't Ask Don't Tell. However, as I mentioned earlier, the survey data showed that a higher proportion — between 40 and 60 percent — of those troops serving in predominantly all-male combat specialties — mostly Army and Marines, but including the special operations formations of the Navy and Air Force — predicted a negative effect on unit cohesion from repealing the current law. ...

In my view, the concerns of combat troops as expressed in the survey do not present an insurmountable barrier to a successful repeal of "Don't Ask, Don't Tell." This can be done, and it should be done, without posing a serious risk to military readiness. However, these findings do lead me to conclude that an abundance of care and preparation is required if we are to avoid a disruptive — and potentially dangerous — impact on the performance of those serving at the tip of the spear in America's wars.

Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff Adm. Mike Mullen:

Let me state right up-front that I fully endorse their report, its findings, and the implementation plan recommended by the Working Group.

The Working Group was given a tall order. Indeed, nothing less than producing the first truly comprehensive assessment of not only the impact of repeal of the law governing Don't Ask, Don't Tell, but also about how best to implement a new policy across the Joint Force.

As the Secretary indicated, the Working Group surveyed our troops and their spouses, consulted proponents and opponents of repeal and examined military experience around the world. They also spoke with serving gays and lesbians.

The result is one of the most expansive studies ever done on

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# GAYZETTE EVENTS

**Rainbow Outreach**  
**Metro Omaha GLBT Center**  
**1719 Leavenworth, Omaha**  
(mail address: PO Box 8583 Omaha NE 68108)

## NEW WALK-IN HOURS

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**(402) 341-0330**  
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**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.**

## WEEKLY EVENTS

### Every Sunday

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

**DIETZ METHODIST** 1423 S.10, Coffee-house 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, 9:30 a.m. "eclectic service" and 11:15 a.m. "traditional service"

**GAY MEN'S ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS** 4pm, Augustana Lutheran Church 3647 Lafayette Ave., Info call Mark 639-3055

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

**HIV+ SUPPORT GROUP** 7-8:30 pm at the NAP office located at 1921 South 17<sup>th</sup> Street in Lincoln, NE.

**METROPOLITAN COMMUNITY**

**CHURCH OF OMAHA** 819 S. 22nd St., 345-2563 Sunday Worship 9am and 11am & Wednesday Worship at 7pm

**ONE PROMISE GROUP,** Narcotics Anonymous, every Sunday at 6PM, MCC-Omaha, 819 South 22nd St., for info contact Tamara B. at 714-8552

**RIVER CITY II MIXED BOWLING,** 3pm, Maplewood Lanes, starting again after Labor Day

**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

**WIMMIN'S SHOW,** KZUM 89.3 12:30pm

**Every Monday**  
**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

**NA RAINBOW GROUP,** Narcotics Anonymous, meets Fridays thru Mondays at 10pm, MCC-Omaha Church, 819 South 22nd St

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

**Every Tuesday**  
**HASTINGS COLLEGE ALLIANCE,** meet Tuesdays at 7PM (when college is in session), Please contact Dr Antje Anderson at [anderson@hastings.edu](mailto:anderson@hastings.edu) or Judy Sandeen at [jsandeen@hastings.edu](mailto:jsandeen@hastings.edu) for further information.

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

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

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

**HIV TESTING LINCOLN,** 4-7 pm, results in 20 minutes, 1921 So. 17th St. 402-476-7000

**KARAOKE W/ STACY** 9:00 pm, at DC's Saloon

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

**NAP HIV TESTING,** 250 South 77th St., by appointment only on Wednesdays from 1:30 to 4:00pm, Thursday and Friday Walk-In from 5pm to 9pm, & at the Respect Clinic walk-in from 5:30pm to 7pm

**UNITY CHURCH OF OMAHA,** 7pm

**WORSHIP SERVICES**  
**MCC OMAHA,** Bible Study, 7pm

**Every Thursday**  
**CONNECTIONS THIRSTY THURSDAYS**  
Club Passion Party

**DANCE LESSONS WITH GORDON** 7pm, free, DC's Saloon, Classes run from Sept 9th thru May 20th annually

**KARAOKE W/ STACY** 9:00 pm, at DC's Saloon

**NAP HIV TESTING** 5pm- 9pm walk-in, 250 So. 77th, Same day results

**OMAHA GLBT SPORTS LEAGUE,** playing Softball every Thursday 6-10pm, at Churchich park (50th and C). Games will be played through August 12th

**Every Friday**  
**LIVE & LET LIVE AA Meeting,** 8:15pm to 9:15pm, Open to men and women, at Underwood Hills Presbyterian Church, 851 North 74th Street

**LIVE & LET LIVE AL-ANON,** a group focused on support and recovery for the friends and relatives of alcoholics, 7pm to 8pm at the Underwood Hills Presbyterian Church, 851 North 74th Street

**OUT & ABOUT SOCIAL CLUB**  
Open to everyone 21 and over, every Friday 6:30pm (time may vary), for more information call 402-384-8014

**DJ & LIVE ENTERTAINMENT** at Connections Bar, theme nights and shows

**GLBT CENTER YOUTH NIGHT,** 6PM to 11PM, for ages 13 to 23. Youth sponsored and organized activities, under adult supervision. Every Friday, excluding holidays. 1719 Leavenworth Street, snacks, soda's provided

**NAP HIV TESTING** 5pm- 9pm walk-in, 250 So. 77th, Same day results

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

**DIXIE AFTER DARK,** Enjoy Breakfast at Dixie Quicks Restaurant, 12AM to 4AM, every Saturday night, 1915 Leavenworth St., Proceeds benefit local GLBT organizations

**DJ MUSIC AND DANCING** 10PM, Connections Bar (open Thurs., Fri., Sat. nights from 6PM to 2AM)

**PROUD HORIZON YOUTH GROUP** 4-6pm, First United Methodist Church, 291-6781 proudhorizons@yahoo.com

**Every Other Friday**



**CBCA SOCIAL GET-TOGETHER** at  
Broadway Joe's (34th & Broadway in CB)  
starting at 5:15pm every other Friday

## MONTHLY EVENTS

### 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday

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

### 1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday

**FREE RAPID HIV TESTING**, 8pm to 10pm  
at Flix Show Bar, STD testing also available  
for \$10, call 552-9260 ext. 113 or 142 or visit  
www.nap.org for more info

### 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday

**GLBT PROFESSIONALS**, meeting at  
5:30pm in various locations. Email at: [GOglbt@cfep-ne.org](mailto:GOglbt@cfep-ne.org)  
or see [www.GOglbt.org](http://www.GOglbt.org) for  
info

### 1<sup>st</sup> Friday

**FIRST FRIDAY COFFEE HOUSE** 8pm,  
Musicians, poets, open mic, First Unitarian  
Church, 3114 Harney, Omaha

### 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday

**HEARTLAND GAY RODEO ASSOCIA-  
TION**, Meeting days and times may vary,  
call 402-505-3331 for info or see [www.hgra.us](http://www.hgra.us)  
for meeting schedules etc.

**RIVER CITY GENDER LLIANCE**, at 7:00  
pm . See [www.rivercitygenderalliance.org](http://www.rivercitygenderalliance.org)

### 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday

**PFLAG- OMAHA**, 7pm to 9pm, First United  
Methodist Church

### 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday

**LEARNING TO EXCHANGE POWER**  
[L2EP@aol.com](mailto:L2EP@aol.com) 2pm; DC's Saloon

**TOP TRANSGENDER DROP-IN**, 6 to 9pm  
at Rainbow Outreach GLBT Center, 1719 Leav-  
enworth St.

### 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday

**IMPERIAL COURT OF NE**, Board of Gov-  
ernors meeting, 6pm, meeting at the Rainbow  
Outreach GLBT Community Center,  
[www.imperialcourtofnebraska.org](http://www.imperialcourtofnebraska.org)

### PFLAG SOUTH CENTRAL (HASTINGS,

**NE)**, Meeting on 3rd Mondays at First Con-  
gregational United Church of Christ, 7th and  
Marian St., 7PM, email to  
[jsandeen@inebraska.com](mailto:jsandeen@inebraska.com) or call 402.462.2961  
or 402.460.8696

### 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday

**COFFEE HOUSE** Unitarian Church, 6300 A,  
Lincoln

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

### 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday

**CBCA MEETING** 5 PM until about 6:30 PM  
is our monthly meeting with potluck. We meet  
at St Paul's Episcopal Church in Council Bluffs

### 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday

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

**YOUTH HIV TEST** Lighthouse, 2530 N, Lin-

coln, ages 13 to 18, FFI: 475-3220. 3-  
5:30 pm

### 4<sup>th</sup> Friday

**LEO - LEATHER ENGINEERS OF  
OMAHA**, Not currently meeting.

**Email Your Event to:  
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## Breeding Sheep

A Nebraska man buys several sheep,  
hoping to breed them for wool. After  
several weeks, he notices that none of the  
sheep are getting pregnant, and phones a  
vet for help.

The vet tells him that he should try arti-  
ficial insemination.

The farmer doesn't have the slightest idea  
what this means but, not wanting to dis-  
play his ignorance, only asks the vet how  
he will know when the sheep are preg-  
nant.

The vet tells him that they will stop  
standing around and instead will lie down  
and wallow in grass when they are preg-  
nant.

The man hangs up and gives it some  
thought.

He comes to the conclusion that artificial  
insemination means he has to impregnate  
the sheep himself.

So he loads the sheep into his Land Rov-  
er, drives them out into the woods, has  
sex with them all, brings them back, and  
goes to bed.

Next morning, he wakes and looks out at  
the sheep.

Seeing that they are all still standing  
around, he deduces that the first try didn't  
take, and loads them in the Land Rover  
again.

He drives them out to the woods, bangs

each sheep twice for good measure, brings  
them back, and goes to bed exhausted.

Next morning, he wakes to find the sheep still  
just standing round.

"Try again" he tells himself, and proceeds to  
load them up, and drive them out to the woods.

He spends all day shagging the sheep and  
upon returning home, falls listlessly into bed.

The next morning, he cannot even raise him-  
self from the bed to look out of the window.

He asks his wife to look, and tell him if the  
sheep are lying in the grass.

"No," she says, "they're all in the Land Rover,  
and one of them is beeping the horn".

## BLONDE ON THE SUN

A Russian, an American, and a Blonde were  
talking one day.

The Russian said, 'We were the first in space!'

The American said, 'We were the first on the  
moon!'

The Blonde said, 'So what? We're going to be  
the first on the sun!' The Russian and the  
American looked at each other and shook their  
heads.

'You can't land on the sun, you idiot! You'll  
burn up!' said the Russian.

To which the Blonde replied, 'We're not stu-  
pid, you know. We're going at night!'

## IN A VACUUM

A blonde was playing Trivial Pursuit one  
night.. It was her turn. She rolled the dice and  
she landed on Science & Nature. Her question  
was, 'If you are in a vacuum and someone calls  
your name, can you hear it?' She thought for a  
time and then asked, 'Is it on or off?'

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*No sheep were harmed by these jokes nor was  
the Land Rover (but the mess they made in it  
took a week to clean up). The farmer, his wife,  
the American and the Russian survived these  
jokes without so much as a scratch. The  
blondes, however, well..... Let's just say that  
they are doing fine.*



# GLBT RESOURCE LIST

## OMAHA BASED

**Alphabet (ABC) Soup at UNO**,  
[http://groups.yahoo.com/group/uno\\_abcoup](http://groups.yahoo.com/group/uno_abcoup),  
Phone Student Organizations at 554-2711.

**BiMenNebraska**, Social Support for Bi and BiCurious Men <http://groups.yahoo.com/group/BiMenNebraska> and <http://groups.yahoo.com/group/Bi-MEN-MIDWEST>

**Camp Kindle**, Nebraska based summer camp for kids affected by HIV/AIDS, 877.800.CAMP, [www.CampKindle.org](http://www.CampKindle.org)

**Citizens for Equal Protection** 1105 Howard St. Suite 2, Omaha NE 68102, 398-3027 [www.cfep-ne.org](http://www.cfep-ne.org), email to: [Michael@cfep-ne.org](mailto:Michael@cfep-ne.org)

**Diamond Foundation**, making a difference through music and education, call 877-87-DIAMOND/[www.diamond-foundation.org](http://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](http://www.firstcentral.org), GLBT-affirming

**First Lutheran Church**, 542 So. 31st St., 402-345-7506, GLBT Friendly [www.firstlutheranomaha.org](http://www.firstlutheranomaha.org)

**First Unitarian Church**, 3114 Harney Street, 402-345-3039, [www.firstuomaha.org](http://www.firstuomaha.org), GLBT Welcoming Congregation

**First United Methodist Church**, 7020 Cass St., 402-556-6262, [www.fumcomaha.org](http://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

**Gay Lesbian Straight Education Network - Omaha**, Box 641676, Omaha 68164, 712-325-0117 <http://www.glsenomaha.org>

**GayLibrary.com**, World Wide Resources

**GLBT Professionals**, meeting at 5:30PM. Email at: [GOglbt@cfep-ne.org](mailto:GOglbt@cfep-ne.org) or see [www.GOglbt.org](http://www.GOglbt.org) for info

**Heartland Gay Rodeo Association**, see [www.hgra.us](http://www.hgra.us) for information

**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, Rainbow Outreach GLBT Center, [www.icon.impcourt.org](http://www.icon.impcourt.org)

**Inclusive Life Care & Service Group** 105 S. 49th Street Omaha 68132  
Spiritual-Interfaith-Secular Care & Service for all Individuals, Couples and Families [www.inclusivelife.org](http://www.inclusivelife.org) 402-516-8475

**Learning to Exchange Power**, [L2EP@aol.com](mailto: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**, for more Info email [linomabares@yahoo.com](mailto:linomabares@yahoo.com) or mail to P.O. Box 24547, Omaha NE 68124

**Metropolitan Community Church of Omaha**, 819 S. 22 St., Omaha 68108 345-2563, [mccomaha@mccomaha.org](mailto:mccomaha@mccomaha.org)  
Website: [www.mccomaha.org](http://www.mccomaha.org) Sunday Worship 9am and 11am, Wed. Worship at 7pm

**NA Rainbow Group**, Narcotics Anonymous, meets Friday thru Monday at 10pm, MCC-Omaha Church, 819 South 22nd St

**Nebraska AIDS Project**, 250 So. 77th St., testing Wed from 1:30-4PM by appointment only, Thurs & Fri 5PM-9PM with 20 minute results Call 402-552-9255 for info

**NebraskaEquality.org**, Find out everything about Nebraska and the GLBT Community

**Nebraska GLBT Events**, Community Events Calendar web site, see [www.NebraskaGLBTEvents.com](http://www.NebraskaGLBTEvents.com)

**Nebraska Pride IDOL**, PO Box 241733, Omaha NE 68124, 866-4-NE-IDOL, [www.NebraskaPrideIDOL.com](http://www.NebraskaPrideIDOL.com)

**Nebraska Zen Center**, Soto Zen Buddhist, 3625 Lafayette Ave., 402-551-9035, [www.prairiewindzen.org](http://www.prairiewindzen.org) GLBT inclusive

**North Side Christian Church** 5555 Larimore Ave., Contemporary service Saturday night at 5:30pm

**The 'Ohana Group**, (GLBT / Non-traditional Family group), email to: [Theohanagroup@msn.com](mailto:Theohanagroup@msn.com)

**Omaha Bi Married Men** Yahoo Group <http://groups.yahoo.com/group/OmahaBiMarriedMen>

**Omaha NE Gay Pride Web Page** <http://ONGP.com>; email to: [omahanegaypride@cox.net](mailto:omahanegaypride@cox.net) or [ongp1@cox.net](mailto:ongp1@cox.net)

**Omaha GLBT Professionals**, Contact [omahaglbtprofessionals@cox.net](mailto:omahaglbtprofessionals@cox.net) for more info.

**Omaha Metro GLBT Sports League**, See [www.omahaglbtsportsleague.org](http://www.omahaglbtsportsleague.org) for more information

**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](http://www.travel.to/outabout)  
Email: [NeOutAbout@yahoo.com](mailto:NeOutAbout@yahoo.com)

**OUUT (Omaha Unitarian Universalists for Tolerance)** First Unitarian Church, 3114 Harney, 68131, 345-3039, [www.ouut.org](http://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](http://www.pflag-omaha.org), email [info@pflag-omaha.org](mailto:info@pflag-omaha.org), meet at 7pm, 1st United Methodist Church, 7020 Cass

**Proud Horizons Youth Group**, Sat Afternoon, info: (402) 291-6781 or email [proudhorizons@yahoo.com](mailto:proudhorizons@yahoo.com)

**Rainbow Outreach GLBT Resource Ctr**, 1719 Leavenworth, Omaha, 341-0330

**Rainbow Celebrations**, PO Box 8488, Omaha, 68108, call 866-NE-PRIDE toll free, sponsors of annual Gay Pride & National Coming Out Day, for complete info see [www.rainbowcelebrations.org](http://www.rainbowcelebrations.org)

**River City Gender Alliance**, for info see [www.rivercitygenderalliance.org](http://www.rivercitygenderalliance.org)

**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](http://www.rcmc.org)

**SECOND UNITARIAN CHURCH**, 3012 South 119th Street, 402-334-0537, [www.secondunitarianomaha.org](http://www.secondunitarianomaha.org), GLBT Welcoming Congregation

**SNAP Productions**, Box 8464, Omaha, NE 68108 [www.snapproductions.com](http://www.snapproductions.com)

**Temple Israel Synagogue**, 7023 Cass St., 402-556-6536, member of the Union for Reform Judaism, GLBT inclusive

**TOP, Taking Our Places**, meets 2nd Saturdays at 6pm at Rainbow Outreach Center

**Unity Church of Omaha** 3424 N. 90, Omaha, Sunday worship: 10:30am Wednesday meditation service 7pm; 571-1344; [www.unityomaha.org](http://www.unityomaha.org)

**WomenSpace**, no current info is available

**Youth Emergency Services, Inc. (Y.E.S.)** Offices: 2679 Farnam Street, Suite. 205 Omaha, NE 68131, 402-345-5187, email to [info@yesomaha.org](mailto:info@yesomaha.org)

**Y.E.S. Drop-in Center**, 2057 Harney Street Omaha, NE 68102, 402-505-6922

## LINCOLN BASED

**LGBTQ and Ally Programs and Services Resource Center**, Pat Tetreault, LGBTQ Resource Center Director, <http://involved.unl.edu/lgbtqa> - 402.472.1752 or 402-472-1652

<http://www.unl.edu/health/sexuality>

**Queer Student Alliance, UNL**, contact [unlqsa@yahoo.com](mailto:unlqsa@yahoo.com) for info

**GLBT and Allies coffee house**, 3rd Fridays, Unitarian Church, 6300 A, 7:30 to 10:30pm

**Lincoln Women's Center**, Lincoln 402/472-2597.

**Nebraska AIDS Project**, Lincoln, 1921 S. 17th St. (402) 476-7000

**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](mailto:jbkiber@hotmail.com). Website: <http://pflag.ineb.org/>

**Planned Parenthood, F2M and Questioning Support group & Partners of FTM Support Group**, meet monthly at 10am Saturday, for info call Ryan Sallans at 441-3321 or email [sindu.s@gmail.com](mailto:sindu.s@gmail.com)

**SAGE**, Box 22043, Lincoln 68542 Coffee House 2<sup>nd</sup> Sat, 6 - 9pm, Lesbian Videos



7:15pm, 3319 S. 46

**Straight Spouse Support Grp** 402-429-6094

**TriCity GLBT**, serving Central Nebraska, web site at <http://www.tri-city-glbtc.com/>

**UNL Committee on GLBT Concerns**, Contact Pat Tetreault, (402) 472-1752 or email: [ptetreault1@unl.edu](mailto:ptetreault1@unl.edu) / [www.unl.edu/cglbtc](http://www.unl.edu/cglbtc)

**Women In Trades/YWCA**, 1432 N St., Lincoln 68508; 434-3494,

**Youth Support Group**, (402) 434-9880

## Iowa Based

**Council Bluffs Community Alliance**

[www.councilbluffscommunityalliance.org](http://www.councilbluffscommunityalliance.org)

**Council Bluffs Pride**, [www.councilbluffspride.org](http://www.councilbluffspride.org)

**Iowa Equality**, GLBT -allied against change to the state and federal Constitutions, <http://www.IowaEquality.org>

**Sioux City, Iowa Resource Web Site**: [www.siouxlandpride.net](http://www.siouxlandpride.net)

## Nationally Based

**Trevor-24-hour National Suicide Hotline for GLBT and**

**Questioning Youth** 1-800-850-8078 or see web site at

<http://www.thetrevorproject.org/helpline.html>

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military personnel issues, and I applaud the time that was taken to arrive at solid, defensible conclusions.

More critically, I was gratified to see that the Working Group focused their findings and recommendations rightly on those who would be most affected by a change in the law: our people. All of our people.

And so for the first time the Chiefs and I have more than just anecdotal evidence and hearsay to inform the advice we give our civilian leaders. We have discussed this issue extensively amongst ourselves and with the Secretary. And the Chiefs and I met with the President as recently as yesterday. ...

Should repeal occur, I share the Secretary's desire that it come about through legislation; through the same process with which the law was enacted rather than precipitously through the courts.

I further hope that such debate in the Congress will be as fully informed by the good work done in this report as my advice to the Secretary and the President will be.

## Where Can You Find *The Gayzette?*

### Omaha:

Broadway Joe's Bar, 35th & Broadway	Council Bluffs IA
Connections, 1901 Leavenworth	933-3033
DC's Saloon, 610 South 14th Street	344-3103
Dixie Quick's Restaurant, 1915 Leavenworth	346-3549
Flixx, 1015 South 10th Street Omaha	408-1020
The Max, 1417 Jackson St.	346-4110
Metropolitan Community Church, 819 South 22nd Street	
Mystery Bookstore, 1414 South 13th St.	342-7343
Nebraska AIDS Project, 250 South 77th St	552-9260
Omaha Mining Co., 1715 Leavenworth	449-8703
Rainbow Outreach Metro Omaha GLBT Resource Center, 1719 Leavenworth St. (home of The Gayzette)	341-0330

### Lincoln:

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

**Would you like to have the Gayzette at your Place of business? Email your request to: [Gayzette@cox.net](mailto:Gayzette@cox.net)**



# Kyle's Bed & Breakfast by Greg Fox

**KYLE?! YOU... YOU'RE BACK?!  
BACK AND DOING LAUNDRY. HOW ARE YOU, RICHARD?**

**HOW AM I?! HOW ARE YOU? AND YOUR MOTHER... HER HEART SURGERY--  
SHE'S FINE.  
SHE'S ALREADY UP AND WALKING AROUND.**

**BUT, WHAT ABOUT--  
HOLD THAT THOUGHT.  
I HAVE TO RUN THESE FRESH TOWELS UPSTAIRS. BE BACK IN A MINUTE!**

**YOU DIDN'T TELL HIM.  
NO, I DIDN'T.  
THANK GOD.**

**BREYER, I--  
DON'T PLEASE. THIS WASN'T FOR YOUR BENEFIT.  
KYLE'S GOT ENOUGH GOING ON RIGHT NOW...**

**...WITH HIS MOM JUST OUT OF THE HOSPITAL.  
HE DOESN'T NEED TO KNOW HIS BEST FRIEND MADE A PASS AT HIS BOYFRIEND.**

**BREYER, I PROMISE... IT WILL NEVER HAPPEN AGAIN.  
IT DAMN WELL BETTER NOT.**

**YOU HAVE TO UNDERSTAND... I WAS DRUNK... I WAS HURTING... AND I FELT SO ALONE.  
YOU JUST HAPPENED TO BE THERE. I WASN'T THINKING.**

**MY FATHER USED TO GIVE ME THE SAME KIND OF EXCUSE WHEN HE'D BEAT THE CRAP OUT OF ME IN ONE OF HIS DRUNKEN RAGES.  
I DIDN'T BUY IT THEN... AND I DON'T BUY IT NOW.**

**BREYER, I...  
...WHAT CAN I DO TO MAKE THIS UP TO YOU?  
YOU CAN STAY THE HELL AWAY FROM ME.  
THAT'S GOING TO BE DIFFICULT... BEING THAT YOU'RE MY BEST FRIEND'S BOYFRIEND!  
NOT MY PROBLEM...**



# Fitness Corner

By Ron Blake



It often takes a source of inspiration, or a muse, to get you moving in the right direction in life. Muses come in all shapes, sizes, or personalities. The holiday season has a sleigh full of muses waiting to be unwrapped and used to aid and abet you toward better health.

A fantastic muse is Robbie at the office holiday party. His skin looks so soft and supple and he glows happiness. He must be 30 years old. Nope! He must be 35 years old. Nope! He's 41 years lived on this planet and he does really look like a glamour boy. His secret to his beauty is his 41 years without a cigarette. Cigarettes just earn you numerous wrinkles over time. Use this muse to crush your pack!

Another nifty muse is Donna down the hall of your building. She shows up at the condo holiday soiree and she's looking great in her tight outfit. She's an hour late for the festivities but you're glad she's arrived. Duty called and she had to run her six miles on the treadmill after work before she could frolic in the fun. Her discipline and hard work keep her stunning in that size four. Use this muse to create your curves!

An awesome muse is the UPS driver Brandon. He's quick with a joke and fast with the wit. He's even quicker and faster with his deliveries each day. His legs are amazing and you and your office compatriots are always around the reception desk at 10AM for his daily packages. Constant movement keeps him toned and terrific in his brown uniform. Use this muse to add some pep to your step!

The mighty muse Kellam helps you carry those Christmas boxes from the garage into your living room. Those boxes seem to get heavier with each passing season and it's lucky for you that Kellam's strapping physique is there to assist you in moving these containers of joy. He works out six days each week and has all the hallmarks of the strongest mythological gods. Use this muse to strengthen your body!

An additional muse for you is the combination of people you see while out shopping at the mall. There is always plenty of eye candy to keep you entertained and excited as you make your way through the warren of stores at the local outlet mall. He looks good in those jeans, she looks good in those heels, and he looks even better in that tight shirt. It's fun to just sit and watch all the stunning bodies as they sashay past you with their presents in tow. Combine this experience of voyeurism as your muse. Use this muse and get ready to start spreading the news! It happens each day. We all see what we like and we try to emulate it. Keep looking this holiday season for your perfect muse. It is out there and it could be that shining red nose that will guide your sleigh tonight...and into the coming year! This health and fitness article is brought to you by that guy who still leaves a plate of cookies out for Santa. That kid at heart is Ron Blake and he can be reached at [rblake5551@hotmail.com](mailto:rblake5551@hotmail.com).

## BLUEBARN Sets Audition Date for Edward Albee's THREE TALL WOMEN

BLUEBARN Theatre is holding auditions for Edward Albee's Pulitzer Prizewinning drama, *Three Tall Women*. Audition dates are set for Sunday, December 12th at 2 p.m. and Monday, December 13th at 6 p.m. Needed are 3 females: A young woman in her 20s, a middle-aged woman between late 30s to mid 50s, and a woman who can play 90 years old. Auditions will be held at the Downtown Space, 614 S. 11th St. Auditions will consist of cold readings from the script. Callbacks may be held at a later date if needed. Please call (402) 345-1576 for more information. Shows run March 10 - April 2, 2011; hursdays-Saturdays at 7:30 p.m. and Sundays at 6 p.m.

### About *Three Tall Women*

Wickedly funny, and told with uncompromising truth, Albee's Pulitzer Prize-winning drama takes a long, hard look at the arc of one human life from the perspectives of three different generations—one woman in youth, one woman in middle age, and one woman lying on her death bed. As the elder woman reflects on her life, she develops clarity of mind that transcends her debilitated body. "A perfect illustration of why theater is an indispensable art." —NY



## Want to Make a Difference?

### Volunteer

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Needed For:  
Administrative  
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Nebraska AIDS Project is currently looking for volunteers who want to make a difference in our community. Call Kyle today to find out how you can help.

**Phone: 402-552-9260  
E-mail: [kyleb@nap.org](mailto:kyleb@nap.org)**

250 South 77th St  
Suite A  
Omaha, NE 68114



# DECEMBER @ THE MAX

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**SUNDAY DEC 12TH - 9pm**

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**SUNDAY DEC 19TH - 10pm**

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**SUNDAY DEC 26TH - 9pm**

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