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Lavender Letter

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-Since 1982-A Calendar of Events for and by Women in Central Pennsylvania

August, 1992

In Review: The Olivia Cruise to Alaska left Vancover, Canada, Friday, June 19 with 800 + women aboard the S.S. Costa Riveria. For 1 week, the women were pampered, wined, dined & entertained. They learned the two-step with Donna E.; laughed to comediennes Margaret Cho, Karen Williams, Marga Gomez; swooned to Chris Williamson, Tret Fure, Deidre McCalla; rocked to Dianne Davidson, Tressa Trull and Linda Tillery. Did I forget anyone? Probably! Between the hot tub parties for singles, the movies, teas, piano bar, contests & Lip-sync, some activities may have been overlooked. Never to be overlooked was the spectacular scenery. The backdrop for the gayety was the Alaskan Glaciers & Mountains of Sitka, Ketchikan, Juneau (where the town women met the ship at the dock) and Skagway. On land, decisions needed to be made for hikes, helicopter or train rides. Does all this sound too good to be true? It was! Look for a showing of the video in the fall. Interested in other Olivia Tours? Write: 4400 Market St., Oakland, CA 94608. Call: (800) 631-6277.

SATURDAY, AUGUST 1

8:30am... Lambda Alive's (Reading) Lavender Breakfast at Dempsey's. (Rts. 222 & 724) Call 944-8214 for info.

10pm-Midnight... State of Mind, Harrisburg's Own all women band, is performing at Mackley's Mill, Hellam.

8pm... Ladies for the 80's First Saturday party at 2-4 Club. Must be in the Club by midnight w/out a 2-4 Club Membership Card. Call (609) 784-8341 for info.

SUNDAY, AUGUST 2

6-9pm... Lewisburg Social (1st Sunday of each month) at Lewisburg Hotel, Market & Second Sts. Lewisburg.

SUNDAY-FRIDAY, AUGUST 2-7

Earthwise, Adventures for Women is sponsoring "Journal Writing: A Tool For Women's Development" w/Susan Wadis-Ellis (based on the writings of Louise Dickinson Rich. A Camp and Hike along the Lower Richardson Lake. Canoeing. Writing in our journal within a group setting. (\$575/person. tentative) (203) 426-6092 or write 23 Mt. Nebo Rd., Newtown, Conn. 06470.

FRIDAY, AUGUST 7

7pm... Pull on your boots & get ready for some great footstompin' fun at the "Three Town Hoe Down" at Altland's Ranch. Featuring Donna E. a dynamic Western Dance instructor from Seattle, Washington. \$5.00 admission.

THURSDAY-SATURDAY, AUGUST 6-8

Camping/Canoe Adventure with the Wilderness Womyn on the Delaware River. A day on the river, then camping, cook over an open fire, share stories/songs and relax. \$120 includes food, canoes. Call (215) 483-7937 for info.

SATURDAY & SUNDAY, AUGUST 8 & 9

2-4pm... Bobbi Carmitchell to appear at the Grand Opening of *Herstory, A Women's Bookstore*. N. Front Street, Wrightsville, PA. (On route 30 between York & Lancaster on the York side of the river.)

SATURDAY, AUGUST 8

2pm... The Support Group for Women over 50 will be meeting in Lancaster this month. For more information call 225-5563 (Barb) or 299-4615. We are very excited with the turn out from last month, and welcome newcomers this month.

7pm... York Women's Potluck. This month in Lancaster... (ya don't hafta be from York County to attend), bring lawn chairs, food to share & non-alcoholic bev. 392-2399 (Lanc.) 848-9142 (York).

7pm-mid... Ladies for the 80's party at The Strand in Rehoboth Beach. Proceeds to benefit The Phila. Aids Library. Call (609) 784-8341.

10pm... Janice Delozier in concert at Mackley's Mill, Hellam. Call 370-9133 for details.

SUNDAY, AUGUST 9

 $6{:}30 pm\dots$ Mary Perez in concert at The Scarlet D in Mifflinburg. Blues, folk & rock.

9am... Reading Bike Tour at 19th & Fairview Sts. with Lambda Alive. Call 373-7939. 2 hour ride and cover 8 miles moderate pace.



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SUNDAY, AUGUST 9- (CONTINUED)

3pm... Ladies for the 80's party at the Cartwheel in New Hope, PA. Hundreds of women/open bar from 3-4pm. Call (609) 784-8341.

4pm... York Area Singles Bike Ride. Call Peg 225-6042.

6pm... Susquehanna Lambda regular meeting 2nd Sunday of each month) St. Mark's Lutheran Church, 142 Market St. Williamsport. Sally Butterfield to speak (former NOW President running for a State Rep. seat in PA.)

TUESDAY-SUNDAY, AUGUST 11-16

Michigan Womyn's Music Festival! 10,000 women share 100's of workshops, dances, bands, concerts, entertainers, crafts, movies and much more!!! For more info/cost write: W.W.T.M.C. Box 22, Walhalla, MI 49458.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 13

Noon-1pm... Bobbi Carmitchell in concert for lunchtime music in Elizabethtown call (717) 872-4512 for more info.

FRIDAY, AUGUST 14

8:00pm... Coffee House at the York YWCA. The Third Eye, (women performers from Hbg), will join blues & folk group Terra Nova (from Baltimore) for a delightful evening of acoustic music that's good for the soul! Tickets \$5 before Aug. 1; \$7 in advance, and \$10 at the door. (Proceeds benefit York YWCA - call Peg, 845-2631, for more info.)

FRIDAY & SATURDAY, AUGUST 14 &15

10pm... Janice Delozier in concert at Nostalgia in Reading. Reservations Required. Call 372-5557 for info.

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...5th Annual Women's Herbal Conference. \$195 includes meals. Camping is \$8 per night. Blazing Star Herbal School, Box 6, Shelburne Falls, Mass 01370. (413) 625-6875.

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SATURDAY, AUGUST 15

1pm... Swim party at Jane's. Bring munchies and pool toys. Call 938-8943 for directions. Lewisberry Area.

10pm-1am... Bobbi Carmitchell in concert at the Historic Blue Star, Lancaster. Call (717) 872-4512 for more info.

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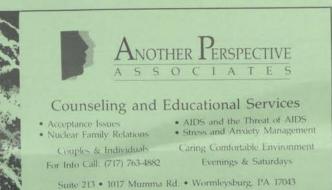


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♀ SATURDAY, AUGUST 29 ♀

Women's Equality Day, Seneca Falls, New York. Bobbi Carmitchell, Anne Carmitchell & Mary Gage to perform. Call (717) 872-4512 for more info.

SUNDAY, AUGUST 30

4pm... York Area Singles Bike Ride. Call Peg 225-6042.

Church...

MONDAY, AUGUST 10

7:00pm... Dignity Board Meeting. 1514 N. 2nd St. Hbg. Deadline for *The Keystone* Articles.

SUNDAY, AUGUST 23

12noon... Dignity Picnic. Pine Grove Furnace State Park. (at the creek near the Ironmaster's Mansion) Hot dogs & tableware provided, please bring side dish, dessert or beverage, and picnic games.

SUNDAYS

...Vision of Hope MCC 110 Tullane Terrace, Lancaster, Service on Sunday at 7pm, 392-2729.

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...Dignity of Central PA Services First Sunday of each month, 5pm, Mass followed by Potluck Dinner and Program. Friends Meeting House, 6th and Herr Sts. Harrisburg, 652-7683.

...Grace Covenant Fellowship, 10th and Chew Sts., Allentown (215) 740-0247. Pastor Bryan Rowe. Services on Sunday 10:45am and 6pm.

MONDAYS

7:30pm... Dignity sponsored Dialogue Discussion Group, 1514 N. 2nd St., Hbg. (side entrance, lower level).



Upcoming Events...

THURSDAY-MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 3-7

Lesbian Separatists only! 1992 Annual Lesbian Separatist Gathering in south central Wisconsin. Write to The Annual Gathering, P.O. Box 1203, St. Augustine, FL 32085.

SEPTEMBER 11-13

The Susquehanna Club is sponsoring a trip to Assateaque Island, MD. Body surfing, beach walks, hiking & biking are among the many activities planned. \$25 deposit must be sent to P.O. Box 10122, Lancaster, PA 17605 by August 22.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 12

4th Annual Ohio Lesbian Festival in Kirkersville, OH. Performers, market area, workshops, child care, & fun!!! \$12 in advance \$15 at door. Send to LBA, P.O. Box 02086, Columbus, OH 43202 by Aug. 25th.

SUNDAY-SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 13-19

Earthwise, Adventures for Women is sponsoring a Camp and Hike in the Adirondacks Central Mountain Region (Indian Lake). Hear coyotes, see loons and a variety of flora. \$550/person. (203) 426-6092 or write 23 Mt. Nebo Rd., Newtown, Conn. 06470.

SEPTEMBER 14-19 & SEPTEMBER 28-OCTOBER 3

Off the Beaten Path (a group of women who are adventure seeking journeyers) are sponsoring several transformational wilderness journeys for women. The next trips are Sailing the San Juan Islands in an oar driven boat. 10 women will join Carol Hasse to learn the fundamentals of boat handling aboard a longboat. No experience is necessary and women will get practice in safety, knot tying, coastal navigation, sailing, anchoring and beaching. The boats will be anchored each night and there will be plenty of shore time for hiking and exploring the islands. The Six day sailing adventure is \$500 which includes meals, camping equip. and sailing instr. Call (503) 896-0222 or write Off the Beaten Path, PO Box 83, Vida, OR 97488.



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SEPTEMBER 18-19-20

Rainbow Mountain Resort Weekend with Ladies for the 80's. Call 717-223-8484 for reservations & rates. R.D.8, Box 8174, Stroudsburg, PA.

Social & Support Groups...

FACT (Fighting Aids Continuously Together) has formed a chapter in Bucks County. For more info call (215) 598-0750 or write Box 516, Buckingham, PA 18912.

WANTED... Volunteers to work on the SCAAN Client Advocacy Committee. Purpose: To focus on monitoring legislation related to HIV and AIDS. Franklin David (coordinator) will organize letter campaigns and address gaps in services for people with HIV. call SCAAN at 238-2437 for more info.

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19143, or call (215) 476-2424. Brochure May '92.



...The volunteer AIDS program of the York Area, **GUSH** is offering free counseling Wed. nights to women who are HIV positive or living with someone with AIDS. Open from 7-9pm Wednesday nights. Call 848-2437 or 235-3603.

...Lesbian Parenting/ Support /Discussion Group: 1st Wed. and 3rd Sat. (Potluck) 7:00 pm... Lancaster Area. Meet women who are considering pregnancy or adoption as well as those who have already experienced parenthood and would like to share that experience with others. Call (717)-786-9294.



7:30-8:30 pm...Gay and Lesbian Sex and Love Addiction Anonymous support group. 1st & 3rd Mondays. Meets at the Unitarian Church, 538 W. Chester St., Lancaster. Discussion for those dealing with love, sex or relationship addiction.

...Williamsport Switchboard is now training volunteers for their phone lines. Write Box 2510, Williamsport, PA. 17703.

...LAMBDA AA - meets Monday at 8-9pm and Friday at 8:30-9:30pm at Friends Meeting House (social room) 6th and Herr Sts. Hbg.

... As We Are, Gay Alcoholics Group, 7:00pm Wednesdays. St. Mark's Lutheran Church, 142 Market St. Williamsport.

...LAMBDA AL-ANON (friends of alcoholics)-meets Wednesdays at 8pm at Friends Meeting House, 6th and Herr Sts. Hbg., in the library.

...ACOA (Lesbian & Gay Adult Children Of Alcoholics) meets Thursday at 7:30pm at the Friends Meeting House, 6th & Herr Sts., Hbg. Persons of any 12 step program are welcome. Call 232-4391 for more info.

...Overeaters Anonymous for Gay and Lesbian people-Thursdays, 8pm, Grace Covenant Fellowship Church, 10th and Chew Sts., Allentown. (215) 740-0247.

Free Ads for Job Seekers

The Lavender Letter is offering to print a free ad (up to 40 words) for women who are seeking jobs in the Central PA area.

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Interested in helping protect Lesbians and Gay people from Hate Crimes? Call or write to your PA House Representative and ask him/her to pass HB 1353 which amends the Hate Crimes law to include sexual orientation. To get the name of your Rep. call 787-2372. It was now voted out of Committee and is on its way to the House. "We won the first round, but we still need more support, so... Keep Calling!!"

SATURDAYS & SUNDAYS

York Area Singles has something to do every weekend!! A great way to meet other women. (for dinner Sat. night, call by Thurs, before for location.) Call for Calender of Other Events. Contacts: (Lanc.: Nancy 394-3621.) (York: Peg 225-6042, Pat 767-4721, or Kit 252-4454.)

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Anyone wishing to attend the Sisterspace Weekend, September 11 and wanting to share a cabin with Lanc., York and Hbg area women, call Peg (York) before Aug 10 for applications and to reserve a spot. (717) 225-6042.

SATURDAYS

3pm... Gay Women's Social Group, at the Grace Covenant Fellowship, 247 N. 10th St., Allentown. (215) 740-0247. A safe place to make friends.

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SAT. AUG. 8 - Janice Delozier & Band" - 10:00 - Cover \$5.00 - \$.75 drafts SAT. AUG. 15 - "Karaoke" - The stage is all yours. - 9:00 till 1:00 - Cover

\$5.00 FRI. AUG. 21 - "Beaded Elegance, Funky Divas and then some" Central PA's best drag queens, er...uh...female impersonators. Show starts at 11:30 Cover \$3.00 All door money goes to York Hospice House. Don't miss it!

SAT. AUG. 22 - Techno Night - Dance your ass off to the hottest techno music in the area. 11:00 till 2:00 - \$.75 drafts - No Cover

SAT. AUG. 29 - "Achey Breaky Heart" night - Country music at its finest. 11:00 till 2:00 - \$.75 drafts - No cover

SUN. SEPT. 6 - Watch for details on our "Summer Blow Out" beach party.

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Sports and Outdoors...

5:30 pm... Mondays, Women Runners in Hbg Area. 2-3 miles get together to run on River. Call 234-1593 for location.

8am & 1pm Saturdays & 5pm Wednesdays... Frontrunners meet at Front and Walnut, Hbg, 3 easy miles.

9am Sundays...York Area Runners meet at York Area High School tennis courts for 2 mile walk-run. Time 30 min. Get in shape with good company. For info. call 846-3271.

1pm Sundays... Interested in Volleyball, Basketball, Touch Football, and Softball? Meet at Brightbill Park, Colonial Park Area, Hbg. Call 540-5539 or just show up.

... Capital Area Women's Rugby Football Club: Plays local colleges. Call Sherri, 561-0099. Meets at Fort Hunter, Hbg.

... Outdoor Volleyball (weather permitting). The Velvet Spikers, is a Gay & Lesbian volleyball league in the Lehigh Valley (Reading/Allentown area) . For more info call (215) 434-0379.

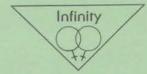
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SUNDAY, AUGUST 16

9:30am... York Area Singles trip to Inner Harbor for the day. Meet at North Gate Mall on Rt. 30. Call Peg - 225-6042.

12-6pm... York Support Picnic. John Rudy Park, North of York, Red Pine Pavilion.

1pm... Lambda Alive's meeting. (Reading) Swim party to follow at 2pm. Rain or Shine. Call (215) 921-8770.

2pm... GLORA's (of Reading/Allentown) Game day. Bring a snack, friends & games. Call (215) 372-1671 for directions.

Mt. Gretna Arts Festival - Get a group together & check it out!

3-4:30pm...Bobbi Carmitchell in concert at the Mt. Gretna Arts Festival. Call (717) 872-4512 for more info.



SUNDAY-WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 16-19

Women's Motorcycle Festival '92. Wells College in New York. Dorm rooms, tennis, bowling, volleyball, dancing, bike entertainment show, motorcycle workshops (Group riding techniques, 4 stroke engine theory, to name a few) Write: WMF, 7 Lent Ave. Leroy, NY 14482 or call (716) 768-6054.

SUNDAY-FRIDAY, AUGUST 16-21

Earthwise, Adventures for Women is sponsoring a Camp and Hike in the Adirondacks with Anne Labastille, Author & Ecologist. One night at Anne's wilderness home, hike to Beaver River & Learn about the Adirondacks. This was a sell out last year. (New places this year). \$750/person. (203) 426-6092 or write 23 Mt. Nebo Rd., Newtown, Conn. 06470.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 20

11:30am-1pm... Bobbi Carmitchell in concert at Cherry Lane, York. (lunchtime music) call (717) 872-4512 for more info.

FRIDAY, AUGUST 21

7:30pm... A Midsummer Night's Dream Party in York. The Women's Roundtable is having a fund-raiser party for pro-choice political candidates. This is the 'year of the woman' in politics, and our support is needed. Come dressed as a character (person or creature) form your favorite past life. Suggested donation \$10, it's O.K. to give more or less according to your budget. Reservations by Aug. 20.

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SATURDAY, AUGUST 22

9:30pm-1:30am... Bobbi Carmitchell in concert at Bube's Brewery, Mt. Joy. (It's Bobbi's Birthday Celebration... 35???) Call (717) 872-4512 for more info.

4pm... Ladies for the 80's Hot Summer Party at The Loading Dock, Asbury Park, NJ. Call Ladies Hotline for more info (609) 784-8341.

SUNDAY, AUGUST 23

Afternoon movie with the York Area Singles. Call Peg 225-6042 or Kit 252-4454 for time, place & show.

FRIDAY, AUGUST 28

7pm... Batting Practice (for Lambda Alive's 10th Annual Picnic) at Family Grand Prix Raceway in Leesport (Rts. 61 & 73) (Mini-Golf & Go-Carts for those who don't want to bat.) Call 921-8770 for info.

9:30pm... Live, In Concert, Natalie Darkes at Infinity. Come see this outstanding performer!!!

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In Review:

July 26

"Celebrating Pride" at Harrisburg's Reservoir Park was a major success!!! Undaunted by rain showers & overcast skys, over 1000 people mingled on the lovely hillside of Reservoir Park. The park was circled by 48 venders and had lively entertainment throughout the day. Hundreds of balloons, a general merriment, a sense of spirit, and the support from everyone, delighted those of us who attended. Thank you to everyone who took part in the Pride Festival and we are looking forward to seeing you all again next year!

