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# Lavender Letter



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A Calendar of Events for and by  
Lesbian Women in the Central Pennsylvania area.

APRIL, 1985

SUNDAY, MARCH 31 - 10:30 AM...Unitarian Church of Harrisburg. Sermon by Sylvia Howe on Homosexuality, 1280 Clover Lane. A-frame church, Eisenhower Blvd. By Hbg. East Mall.

FRIDAY, APRIL 5...The Avengers perform at the SCORPION in State College.

SATURDAY, APRIL 6...Another Avengers concert at the State College SCORPION.

SUNDAY, APRIL 7.....MCC of the Spirit - AM Easter Sunrise Service on City Island, Followed by Potluck Breakfast.

SUNDAY, APRIL 7 - 5:00 PM...Dignity's monthly Sunday Mass for the Lesbian and Gay community. Followed by a Potluck Supper (6:00) and a Movie (7:30). Film title not yet known. Meet at Friends Meeting House, 6th & Herr Sts., Hbg.

THURSDAY, APRIL 11 - SUNDAY, APRIL 14 - Tenth Annual Southeastern Conference for Lesbians and Gay Men. "Here Today Here to Stay". Entertainment, Exhibits, Workshops, etc. University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. Write P.O. Box 344, Chapel Hill, NC, 27514.

FRIDAY, APRIL 12 - 7:30 PM...Lavender Letter evening of games. Just bring a beverage (munchies provided) and come enjoy the company of women for a night of cards, trivial pursuit, or other games. Good music, too. Call 367-8776 for location.

SATURDAY, APRIL 13 - 9-11PM...Bobbi Carmitchell, formerly of Wind n' Wood live in concert at La Bear Cafe in Lancaster. \$1 Cover. Reservations will only be taken for dinner - so plan ahead!

SUNDAY, APRIL 14 - 7:00 PM...MCC Harrisburg Worship Service. Friends Meeting House, 6th & Herr Sts., Hbg.

SUNDAY, APRIL 14 - 7-9PM...An encore performance by Bobbi Carmitchell at La Bear Cafe in Lancaster, \$1 Cover. Reservations for dinner only!

SUNDAY, APRIL 14 - 7:30 PM...Harrisburg Women's Discussion Group exchange of ideas and opinions. This month's topic "Women's Support Systems", Call 564-9710 for location.

FRIDAY, APRIL 19 - SUNDAY APRIL 21...Women's Inter-seminary Conference at Pittsburgh Theological Seminary. Theme: Birthdance; Godsong. Speaker, Judith Plaskow, author of *Sex, Sin and Grace*. Worship, Workshops, food, games, and fun. Write: Chairperson, WIC, 616 N. Highland Ave., Box 29, Pittsburgh, Pa. 15206.

FRIDAY, APRIL 19...Come hear the Avengers live in concert at HOGAN'S located in Lebanon, PA.

SATURDAY, APRIL 20 - 7:30 PM... HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO US! Lavender Letter's Second Birthday Party Potluck. You're all welcome to join the staff in celebrating our existence and our hopes for an exciting future and continued service and the gathering of the Women in the Harrisburg-Lancaster Area. Bring a covered dish, something to drink. Birthday cake provided. Call 232-7144 for location.

SATURDAY, APRIL 20 - 2:00 PM..."A Christian View of Sexuality" workshop led by a noted Catholic Theologian. A session on "Love of Body", and "Sin, Death and Judgement" will be held from 2:00 to 4:15 followed by a 4:30 to 5:45 session addressing "Freedom of Conscience". Each session consists of a presentation followed by group interaction and general discussion. Following all workshop sessions, Mass will be celebrated by the Guest Speaker at 6:00. Then at 7:00 soup and bread are provided for supper. Bring fruit, cheese, or dessert. Call 236-1081 for location. Sponsored by Dignity.

SATURDAY, APRIL 20 - 7PM...GAME NIGHT at Dave's (737-6644). Sponsored by MCC. A good time outside of the bars.

SATURDAY, APRIL 20...A second chance to see the Avengers in Lebanon at HOGAN'S.

SUNDAY, APRIL 21 - 8:30 AM - 4:00 PM...NOW Mid-Atlantic Region Lesbian Rights Conference. Evening entertainment. Workshops on Aging, Lesbian Mothers, Political Organizing, Straight Lesbian Talk, Legal Protection for Lesbians, Local, State and National Legislation. YWCA, 624 9th St., N.W., Washington, D.C. \$10 for NOW members, \$15 for non-members. Call 202-638-2100 for more information.

SUNDAY, APRIL 21 - 10:30 AM... Women's Center sponsored Feminist Brunch. Bring fruit, bread, cheese, a friend. Call 233-4004 for location.



SUNDAY, APRIL 21 - 2:00 PM...Dignity's Book Discussion Group gets together again to discuss their latest literary finds. Call 957-4982 for location and more information.

SUNDAY, APRIL 21 - 7:00 PM...MCC of the Spirit Worship Service. Friends Meeting House, Hbg.

MONDAY, APRIL 22 - 7:30 PM...York Area. Social Support Group. Meet some new people, have some good conversation, open-ended. Call 848-9142 for location.

TUESDAY, APRIL 23 - 7:30 PM...Word is out. Sensitive movie of the lives of several gay people. A classic. Popcorn and punch provided. Sponsored by Parents' of Gays and L.L. \$1.50 at door. Friends Meeting House, 6th & Herr Sts., Hbg.

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APRIL IS NATIONAL SECRETARY'S WEEK...On Tuesday, April 23, the Greater Harrisburg Chapter of the Coalition of Labor Union Women will sponsor a "59¢ Get Together" at the Caucus Restaurant, 706 North 3rd St., Hbg. after the 9 to 5ers get off work for a dinner to celebrate the many un-noticed accomplishments women have made in this career field. Come join in with CLUW to continue the struggle for RAISES NOT ROSES!!

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WEDNESDAY, APRIL 24 - 7:30 PM...Lavender Letter Organizational Meeting. All welcome with new ideas, suggestions. If you see something you enjoy, we'll let you do it. We want your input to grow. Call 232-7144 for location.

WE WANT YOU TO SEND IN THIS COUPON ONCE, SO YOU WILL BE SURE TO RECEIVE THE LAVENDER LETTER EACH MONTH. TO ASSURE YOUR PRIVACY, IT WILL ARRIVE IN AN UNMARKED, SECURITY ENVELOPE. A DONATION OF \$4.00 (MORE IF YOU CAN, LESS IF YOU CAN'T) WOULD HELP COVER POSTAGE & PRINTING FOR THE YEAR.

PLEASE SEND CHECKS IN THE NAME OF "CASH". THANKS!

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If you have any news of events that others should know about, send them to: P.O. Box 1527, Harrisburg, PA 17105

APRIL, 1985

**THURSDAY, APRIL 25...**The COUNTRYSIDE of Mechanicsburg hosts the Avengers for an evening concert.

**FRIDAY, APRIL 26...**Come watch the Avengers perform at VAN ZANDT'S in Hummelstown, PA.

**SATURDAY, APRIL 27 - 7:30 PM...**Lancaster Potluck. Come enjoy some new women's faces, wonderful food and good conversation. Call Helpline for location at 397-0691.



**SATURDAY, APRIL 27 - 7-11PM...**Film Festival sponsored by the Lesbian Rights Workshop of N.O.W. of Phila. 5 films. First Unitarian Church of Phila., Chestnut Street. \$6.00 at Door.

**SATURDAY, APRIL 27...**An encore performance by the Avengers at VAN ZANDT'S in Hummelstown. Come enjoy the concert.

**SATURDAY, APRIL 27 - 8:00 PM...**The Harrisburg Women's Center sponsors Ronnie Gilbert (formerly of the WEAVERS) in concert at the Forum, Commonwealth Avenue and Walnut Street, Harrisburg. Political activist, cultural worker and feminist, Gilbert's voice will soar to the rafters. Tickets - \$7.00/advance, \$8.00/door. Available by mail order from The Women's Center, PSSU Building, Room 204; 1037 Maclay Street, Harrisburg, PA, 17103 (Mail orders must be received by 4/13/85; make checks payable to: Women's Center). Also available at The Ticket Place, Strawberry Square, Harrisburg. Reservations may be made by calling the Women's Center at 717-233-4004. Concert is wheelchair accessible and interpreted for the hearing impaired. Free childcare - call 233-4004 for information.

**SUNDAY, APRIL 28 - 7:00 PM...**MCC of the Spirit Worship Service. Friends Meeting House, Harrisburg.

Enjoy going to the Movies with Friends? There's still time to join the new Lavender Letter Movie Club. We'll send you some names and numbers of other women who enjoy the movies. When you want to go see a film, just call a few names on the list to find someone else wanting to see the same movie. First names will be listed by general geographic area since we have responses from several different areas. To get your name on the list and receive a copy, call 232-7144 or send name, address and phone number to L.L., P.O. Box 1527, Harrisburg, Pa. 17105.

**NOW FORMING...**A Lesbian Mothers Group. A place to socialize and/or share common experiences with other Lesbian Mothers. Anyone interested in helping to organize this group or anyone interested in meeting other Lesbian Mothers please write: P.O. Box 1527, Harrisburg, PA 17105.

**"DIVORCED"** (newly separated) Wimmin of Wimmin seeking to share experiences, strengths, and hopes; identify and relate to other wimmin coming from a similar space in the Lancaster-Harrisburg area. Call the Lancaster Helpline at 397-0691 for more information.

**MCC LANCASTER...**Services each Sunday at 7PM. Meets at the Unitarian Center, Lancaster, PA.

The women's bowling league had their roll off for final positions on March 18. The first half winners faced the second half winners in a close battle. Bowlers of all skill levels had an enjoyable time. We're looking forward to seeing you on the lanes next fall.



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50 N. QUEEN ST., LANCASTER 17603  
291-1611 M,WTH 10-5:30/T&F:10-9/S:10-5

**WOMEN'S STUDIES INSTITUTE...**Summer programs in 1985. Visit and Study places where women's history began. Tours, courses, workshops and more. Greece-Kenya-Israel. For further information write: International Women's Studies Institute, 1230 Grant Avenue, Box 601, San Francisco, CA 94133.

**HARRISBURG AREA WOMENS CENTER...**Information and referrals. Wednesday Evenings 6:00-9:00 PM. Call 233-4004.

**CAMPFEST '85**  
A CELEBRATION OF WOMYN  
Memorial Day  
Weekend  
MAY 24 to 27, 1985  
in NEW JERSEY

FOR INFORMATION  
CampFest '85  
P.O. Box 30381  
Phila., PA 19103

**ALSO IN MAY...MAY 31-JUNE 2...**National Womens' Music Festival. Workshops, Spirituality Conference, Artisans, Craftswomen, Tret Fure, Cris Williamson, June Millington, Alive, and many more. Write: WIA/NWMF, P.O. Box 5217-NA, Bloomington, IN. 47402.

**SATURDAY, JUNE 1...**White Water Rafting down Lehigh Gorge. \$36.00, wet suit, if needed. \$5.00 extra. Camping available the night before. \$10 deposit needed by April 15. Balance due May 7. For further information call, 238-3974.

**SUNDAY, JUNE 2 - 2-8PM...**Harrisburg Outdoor Festival sponsored by Harrisburg Gay Coalition. Time for great fun together. M-F. Games, free beer, good stands, crafts, book and record sales. \$7, \$9 at gate. Tickets may be purchased through the L.L. or by calling the Hbg. Gay Switchboard at 234-0328.

**COMING IN AUGUST...**Women's Motorcycle Festival '85, AUGUST 23-26. Write: WMF '85, 7 Lent Ave., Leroy, N.Y. 14482 or call 716-768-6054.

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