

# **LGBT History Project of the LGBT Center of Central PA**

**Located at Dickinson College  
Archives & Special Collections**

**<http://archives.dickinson.edu/>**

## **Documents Online**

**Title:** *Lavender Letter (Harrisburg, PA)*

**Date:** October 1985

**Location:** LGBT-009 Lavender Letter Collection

**Contact:**

LGBT History Project  
Archives & Special Collections  
Waidner-Spahr Library  
Dickinson College  
P.O. Box 1773  
Carlisle, PA 17013

717-245-1399

**[archives@dickinson.edu](mailto:archives@dickinson.edu)**

# Lavender Letter

VOLUME 3, No. 10

A CALENDAR OF EVENTS FOR AND BY LESBIAN WOMEN IN  
CENTRAL PENNSYLVANIA

OCTOBER, 1985

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 2 - 7:30... "Divorced" (newly separated) Women of Women. We are an ongoing support group of lesbian women, working through separation/divorce from partners. Our goal is to help each other heal through the process of sharing, sorting and growing. Call Lancaster Helpline at 397-0691 for more information.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 5 - 9AM-5PM... "Women's Health Day, Making Choices". Day of workshops on a variety of issues having to do with Women's health. Registration fee \$3. Deals with P.M.S., Alcoholism, Loss, Therapist, Family Planning, Weight, Menopause and Sexuality. Sponsored by National Organization for Women, held at Lewisburg Community Center, North Second Street, Lewisburg. Call M. Mumford at 717/524-1304 for registration.

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 6 - 5PM... Dignity sponsored Mass at Friends Meeting House. 6th & Herr Sts., Hbg. Potluck at 6PM, meeting at 7:30. (M-F)

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 6 - 3PM... MCC of the Spirit Worship service, City Island, Hbg.

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 6 - 7PM... MCC Visions of Hope worship service, Unitarian Church of Lancaster, 538 West Chestnut Street. (Womyn together Sunday)

MONDAY, OCTOBER 7 - 8PM... May Sorton poetry reading. "A Celebration of Women". Reception to follow lecture. Book signing at reception. Penn State Campus, 121 Sparks Building.

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 8 - 8PM... May Sorton poetry reading "The Delights of the Poet". Reception to follow lecture. Book signing at reception. Bucknell Campus, The Forum, University Center, Moor Avenue & 7th St., Lewisburg.

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 9 - 7:30PM... "Divorced" (Women of Women) support group. See October 2.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 12 - 8PM-12 Midnight... Game Night sponsored by Reading area Lambda Alive at the Nostalgia. Call Helpline at 374-3000 for location. (M-F)

SATURDAY-SUNDAY, OCTOBER 12-13... Dignity sponsored weekend in the Perry County hills. Fr. McNeill S.J., teacher, writer, priest and psychotherapist will lead the group to some self awareness. For details call 238-4368. (M-F)

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 13 - 3PM... MCC of the Spirit Worship service, City Island, Hbg.

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 13 - 7PM... MCC Vision of Hope Worship service, Unitarian Church of Lancaster, 538 West Chestnut Street.

MONDAY, OCTOBER 14 - 5:30 to 7PM... Women only bowling, second year of fun. Novice bowlers to experts welcome. Two spots left open. Call Pat at 233-3035 or at 236-9555. Keep trying.

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 16 - 7:30... "Divorced" (Women of Women) support group. See October 2.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 19 - 7:30... Lancaster Women's Potluck. Good company, wonderful food, a night on the town worth having. Call Helpline for location at 397-0691.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 19 - 8PM... Alix Dobkin in Concert. St. Mary's, 39th & Locust Walk, Fundraiser for Campfest '86. \$8. Write: P.O. Box 30381, Phila., PA 19103. Call 352-7748.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 19 - 6PM... Dignity sponsored mass at Friends Meeting House, 6th & Herr Sts., Hbg., followed by dinner at the Coronet, 21 South 2nd St., Hbg. (Jazz lounge upstairs). Call 234-4550 by Thursday, October 17 for reservations. (M-F)

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 18 - 6PM... Lambda Alive sponsored Casino Bus Trip to Atlantic City. Bus leaves from Scarab, 724 Franklin St., Reading. \$10 with \$5 rebate on arrival. Write: Bus Trip, P.O. Box 4313, RDG., 19606. (M-F)

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 20 - 2PM... Dignity sponsored book discussion group. Call 766-0819 for info. (M-F)

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 20 - 3PM... MCC of the Spirit Worship service, City Island, Hbg.

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 20 - 7PM... MCC Vision of Hope Worship service, Unitarian Church of Lancaster, 538 West Chestnut Street.

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 20 - 10:30AM... Women's Center sponsored Feminist Brunch. Start the day off with conversation and good food. Bring something brunchy. Eggs and coffee provided. Call Women's Center at 233-4004 for location or 232-7144.

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 20 - 1:30PM... Pick-up football game - touch. Meet at William Penn High School, off 3rd and Division Sts., Hbg. Be there or be square!

MONDAY, OCTOBER 21 - 5:30 to 7PM... Women only bowling. Come and watch. See October 14.

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 23 - 7:30PM... "Divorced" (Women of women) support group. See October 2.

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 24 - 7:30PM... Dignity sponsored Evening Prayer service combining psalms, scripture, discussion and prayer. Refreshments. Call 234-8179. (M-F)

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 25 - 8PM... Karen Mackay in concert and Bobbi Carmitchell. A night of wonderful music, refreshments and socializing. Penbrook United Church of Christ of Harrisburg, 56 Banks Street. \$4. Bring a pillow! Tickets available from L.L. or the Women's Center, 1037 Maclay Street or call 233-4004 (also at door).

THANK YOU ALL for your many encouraging letters and interest in the L.L. Our success is your success; as we expand, your community expands. THANK YOU ALSO for your contributions with your subscriptions. Your response has been heartening and we see a strong financial base forming. THANK YOU.

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<sup>00</sup> (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!

(OVER)



# Lavender Letter

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

OCTOBER

**FRIDAY, OCTOBER 25-26-27...5th Annual Halloween Get-Away and Masquerade Ball.** For Women only at Pinegrove Resort Ranch, Kerhonkson, NY. Food, Films, Parties, Balls, Pools, Games, Horses and Pizza all included. Rates from \$169-\$199. Write: Women on the Move, P.O. Box 1317, Scarsdale, NY 10583 or call 914/693-8922.

**SATURDAY, OCTOBER 26 - 12 Noon...**Dignity sponsored hike in Perry County. Covered bridge, nature trail, old mill. 3-3 1/2 hours. Easy trail. (M-F). Meet at Hikers' Parking lot (Little Buffalo State Park). Call 236-1091 for more information.

**SUNDAY, OCTOBER 27 - 3PM...**MCC of the Spirit Worship service, City Island, Hbg.

**SUNDAY, OCTOBER 27 - 7PM...**MCC Vision of Hope Worship service, Unitarian Church of Lancaster, 538 West Chestnut Street.

**MONDAY, OCTOBER 28 - 5:30-7PM...**Women only Bowling. Come ant watch. See October 14.

**MONDAY, OCTOBER 28 - 7:30PM...**York Area Support Group A social group with an opportunity to meet people and enjoy good conversation. Call 848-9142 for location.

**WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 30 - 7:30PM..."Divorced" (Women of women) support group.** See October 2.

**THURSDAY, OCTOBER 31 - BOO! HAPPY HALLOWEEN!!**

**SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 2-3...**Lambda Alive sponsored Womyn's Camping weekend. Bring bag lunch for Saturday, other meals provided. 20 minutes from Reading. Indoor facilities. \$10 to Lambda Alive. Mail a self-addressed stamped envelope by October 14 to Camping, 1423 North 12th Street, Reading, PA 19604. Call Helpline for information at 374-3000.

**SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 3 - 5PM...**Dignity sponsored Mass, potluck, movie night. Friends Meeting House, 6th & Herr Sts., Hbg.

**NOVEMBER 8-9...**Harrisburg Area Community College (HACC) presents "The Year of the PA. Writer" conference. Rita Mae Brown will be the keynote speaker. More details as we learn them.

**SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 30...**Amazon Autumn...New Jersey. A day long conference of workshops, speakers, movies, crafts and entertainment for Lesbians. Held on a college campus. Registration \$10-\$15. More info. to follow.

**MOVIE CLUB...**Enjoy the flicks? Hate to go alone? We now have 20 people on our movie club list. Just call someone from your area on the club list and off you go, popcorn in hand. Call and give your name, address & telephone number to get on the list. (Only first names used on the list), 234-8835.

**ADVERTISING SPACE AVAILABLE** for \$5 a column inch. Submit copy by 20th of each month.

**READING AREA WOMYN...**interested in a support group (non-smokers) for pot-luck dinners and socializing, call 944-8214.

**CRISISLINE** - to report anti-gay violence, call toll-free 1-800-221-7044.



**SHARP JEWELERS**  
50 N. QUEEN ST., LANCASTER 17603  
291-1611 M, W, Th 10-5:30 / T, F: 10-9 / S, 10-5

FINE FEED AND SEED SERVICE AND SUPPLIES

PROPRIETORS  
BETH ABRAMS and JUDITH WEARLEY

3963 N. SIXTH STREET  
HARRISBURG, PENNSYLVANIA 17110  
TELEPHONE (717) 232-3963



**CONTACT PERSON FOR LEWISBURG AREA...**Possibility of forming group for social events, potluck or just conversation. Call Jaime at 523-0415. We know you're out there!

**M&S Body Shop & Repairs**, 1186 South Cameron Street, HBG., 17104. 234-7023 - Garage - American and Foreign Cars. Welcome - Prices REASONABLE! M&S Your One Stop Car Shop!

**INTERESTED IN WRITING, POETRY, PLAYS, SHORT STORIES?** Perhaps doing a little acting? Get together to share and have fun with our work. Call: Ro after 6PM at 737-1356.

**LANCASTER GAY/LESBIAN HELPLINE** - 397-0691

**T-W-TH-SUN, 6:30-9:30 PM**

**GAY SWITCHBOARD OF HARRISBURG** - 234-0328

**M-F, 6-10 PM**

**WILLIAMSPORT HELPLINE** - 323-8555

**GAY AND LESBIAN SWITCHBOARD OF STATE COLLEGE AREA**  
814/237-1950 (6-9PM Daily).

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

**HARRISBURG AREA WOMEN'S NEWS (HAWN)...**A monthly newspaper for all women of the Harrisburg area. \$7 for 11 issues. Write: HAWN, Room 204, PSSU Building, 1037 Maclay Street., Harrisburg, Pa. 17103.

**HARRISBURG GAY A.A...**Fridays 8:30 at Friends Meeting House, 6th and Herr. For additional info., call the Gay Switchboard, 234-0328.

**I am looking for roommates!** I am renting a 4 bedroom house on 5 acres of land. It is located in Enola. Parties interested can contact me at 691-1399 after 5PM, ask for Kate.

**NEW BUSINESS** - I have an idea for home-based business. Need a partner who is Lesbian and can sew well! Contact: Jo Ann at 717/264-2540.

Proclaim your membership in our Lesbian family by wearing the "WE ARE FAMILY". T-shirt \$8.95, Sweatshirt \$17.95, Sweatpants \$14.95, Painters caps \$3, Baseball caps \$5. All items in lavender, pink with black print or black or purple with white print. Sm., Med., Lg., Exlg. Sent 50¢ to cover mailing cost to L.L., P.O. Box 30381, Phila., PA 19103.

**INTERESTED** in connecting with Catholic Lesbians? Write to the Conference of Catholic Lesbians for info. CCL Membership, P.O. Box 134, Highspire, PA, 17034.

**JUST US**  
is a dating magazine exclusively for women wanting to meet women. First Ad FREE, free forwarding \$5 for sample copy and details to  
JU  
PO Box 80521 - JD  
Chamblee GA 30341

name: \_\_\_\_\_ address: \_\_\_\_\_

MAIL To: P.O. Box 1527  
HARRISBURG, PA.  
17105

zip: \_\_\_\_\_

phone: \_\_\_\_\_