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LAVENDER LETTER

Happy 
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Volume 11 No. 8

A Calendar of Events, for and by Lesbian Womyn

August, 1993

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In Review... Cheers to all the men & women responsible for the Gay & Lesbian Pride Day held on July 25, 1993. The day brought beautiful weather, wonderful entertainment, informative booths, pride-filled merchandise and thousands of supportive spectators together. The amount of effort involved to pull off such an event was greatly appreciated by all who attended. If you missed it, we'll see you there next year!!!

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SATURDAY, JULY 31

5pm... Picnic & potluck with TLC of State College. (Grill provided for the potluck) Call (814) 238-2885 for location.

FRIDAY-SUNDAY, AUGUST 6-8

Canoe down the Delaware River with the Wilderness Womyn. After a day on the river, camp under the stars, cook over an open fire, share stories & songs around a campfire. \$150 includes food, canoes, transportation & shuttle to bring gear each night. Call (215) 483-7937 for more info.

FRIDAY, AUGUST 6

7:30... Video Night with TLC of State College. Call (814) 238-2885 for location.

9pm-Mid... Bobbi Carmitchell in concert at the Grey Dog in Leola. Call (717) 872-4512 for details/directions.

Anniversary Happenings at Her Story a Women's Book Store

SATURDAY, AUGUST 7

1-7pm... **Bobbi Carmitchell** in concert at Emig Park on Prospect St. in Hallam, (Between Her Story & Mackley's Mill). Pack up your picnic baskets, lawn chairs and blankets & come together to help us set the precedent for continuing social events. Advanced tickets from Her Story: \$5.00. At the gate: \$6.00.

SUNDAY, AUGUST 8

Noon - 5pm... Her Story's 1st Anniversary Celebration. Stop by & have refreshments on us, & tell us what you'd like to see happen at Her Story in the future. We'll have entertainment, music, food, friends & lively conversation. All we need to complete the event is you! (Suede & Bobbi Carmitchell will be at the store to sign autographs) Call (717) 757-4270 for more information.

7pm... **Suede** in concert at Mackley's Mill, Advanced tickets available from Her Story for \$10. At the door: \$12. Call (717) 757-4270 for more information.

SATURDAY, AUGUST 7

Noon... Join Lambda Alive (Reading) at Knoebel's Grove in Elysburg. Rides, games, pool, water slide. Meet in front of the pool entrance. Call (215) 589-4533 for directions/info.

SUNDAY, AUGUST 8

6pm... Susquehanna Lambda's (Williamsport) regular meeting (second Sunday of each month). St. Mark's Lutheran Church, Middle Lounge, 142 Market St., Williamsport. Open Topic.

TUESDAY-SUNDAY, AUGUST 10-15

Michigan Womyn's Music Festival will hold its 18th Annual Celebration. This 6 day event is the oldest and largest all-Womyn camping event in the US & is attended annually by over 7-8000 Womyn. 300 workshops, Womyn's craft faire w/over 140 artisan booths, sports, dances, nature walks, & over 40 performances. Accommodations for differently-abled, over 50, of color, recovery & w/children available. Write: WWTMC, P.O. Box 22, Walhalla, MI 49458, (616) 757-4766.

FRIDAY-MONDAY, AUGUST 13-23

Hike the Northern Maine part of the Appalachian Trail with the Wilderness Womyn. Spend 10 days on the trail. (You must be able to walk/jog a 10 minute mile to keep up with the group) Roundtrip van transportation, food, equipment, instruction included. \$399/person. Call (215) 483-7937 for more info.

SATURDAY, AUGUST 14

1pm... Picnic & potluck with TLC of State College. (Grill provided for the potluck) Call (814) 238-2885 for location.

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SUNDAY, AUGUST 15

Noon-6pm... York Area Lambda Potluck/Picnic at Sam Lewis State Park, near Wrightsville. Pav. B. To join YAL send, \$6 individual, \$10 couple to P.O. Box 2425 York, PA 17405-2425.

4pm... Join Lambda Alive's Lavender Supper Club, (Reading) at the Silverspoon (Old Perkins) on rt. 61. Call (215) 944-6183.

3pm... Party at the Cartwheel in New Hope on rt. 202. One hour open bar & complimentary buffet. Call (609) 784-8341 for details.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 19

6pm... Lambda Alive's regular meeting, bring a covered dish and all your friends to help plan our fall events. Call (215) 670-1274 for directions.

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FRIDAY, AUGUST 20

10pm-1am... Bobbi Carmitchell in concert at Gran Falloons in York. Call (717) 872-4512 for details/directions.


SATURDAY, AUGUST 21

10am... Join the Lavender Letter in a trip to the Mt. Gretna Arts Festival. We'll meet in Harrisburg & car pool to the Festival. Call (717) 732-8010 for details & place to meet.

2-4pm... Bobbi Carmitchell in concert at the Mt. Gretna Arts Festival. Call (717) 872-4512 for information.

SUNDAY, AUGUST 22

Deadline for reservations for the York Area Singles 3rd Anniversary party... See Sept. 25th for details!

9:30am...  Bicycle ride on the Riverside. Join us for a leisurely ride along Riverfront Park & City Island. Meet at City Island near the Bike Rental Shop (on the Walnut St. Bridge). Call (717) 732-8010 to let us know you're coming. Plan to stay & play Volleyball on the Island. (Or just show up around 11am to play.

10:30am & 7pm... Vision of Hope MCC begins a new worship service at their new facility in Mountville. MCC encourages all to attend. In the afternoon there will be an open house & activities are planned for the day. 130 E. Main St., Mountville. Call (717) 285-9070 for more information. (Services will be held on Aug. 8 at the Friend's Meeting House in Lancaster as usual, call for location of the August 15th service.

Bobbi Carmitchell in concert at the Boat Basin in Downtown York. This is an outdoor event. Call (717) 872-4512 for time/directions. (This is also Bobbi's Birthday... Have a good one, Bobbi!)

2pm... Meet York Area Lambda at the Northgate Shopping Center in York on rt. 30 to go to Hershey Park. For info write: YAL, P.O. Box 2425, York, PA 17405-2425.

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 25

7:30 1pm... TLC of State College Regular meeting. Call (814) 238-2885 for location.

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FRIDAY, AUGUST 27

6:30pm... Harrisburg Area Ladies Night Out. Meet for dinner & conversation at a Local Restaurant. Call (717) 232-1201 by Wed. August 25, 6:30pm.

SATURDAY, AUGUST 28

10am-12:30pm... **RELATIONSHIP BUILDING WORKSHOP.** This workshop is for anyone already in a relationship, or looking for a relationship. This is an opportunity to learn more about yourself and build stronger partnerships. So, whether your relationship needs a boost, or your relationship is already strong, or if you're still searching for the right person, check out this seminar. Couples \$35, Individuals \$20. Refreshments provided. Will be held in Enola, near Hbg. Presented by: Jan Drummond, M.S. Jan has several years exper. presenting seminars & workshops and is currently working in a general psych. practice in the Hbg. area. Call (717) 732-8010 for more information/directions. Reservations needed by Wed., Aug. 25th.

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Noon-9:30pm... Reading Area Pride Celebration, Picnic & Dance organized by Berks Gay & Lesbian Coalition. No admittance without ticket. \$15/person. Make check payable to Jen Eisenhower and send c/o Lambda Alive, P.O. Box 4313, Reading PA 19606. Or call Tom at (215) 948-4756. Deadline: **Aug. 18.**

Bobbi Carmitchell in concert at Women's Equality Day in Seneca Falls, New York. Call (717) 872-4512 for info/directions.

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Southern Connecticut State University's Women's Studies Program will hold its 3rd Annual Conference, "Women Building Community: Crossing the Boundaries of Race, Religion, Class, Gender..." The conference is expected to attract over 300 women in many fields from across the country & Canada. Topics include women and literature, incest, fat oppression, women and science, women's health, and feminist finance. A Performance by Cris Williamson & Tret Fure, with Deidre McCalla is scheduled for Sat. evening. There will be a Women's Fair in conjunction with the conference on Oct. 1 & 2. This will feature women-owned business, women-oriented services, women-made products, etc. For information contact Debbie Fuchs at (203) 397-7020.



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Sisterspace Weekend... Sports, workshops, entertainment, films & much more. For info send SASE to: Sisterspace of Phila., 351 S. 47th St., B101, Phila, PA 19143 or call (215) 476-2424. York/Hbg, Lancaster Womyn are joining together for a cabin, call Peg Harper for more details. (717) 225-6042. Or just use her name on your registration material.

**York Area Singles
3rd Anniversary Dinner/Dance**

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 25

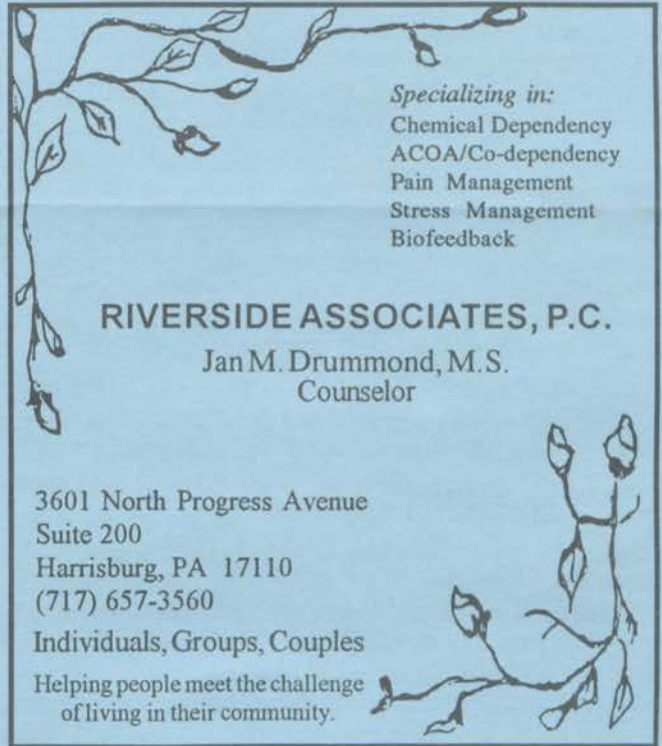
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SATURDAY, OCTOBER 2

5pm... Annual Cultural Event/Potluck Evening. (Hbg. area near Linglestown) Join us for this wonderful evening of entertainment. Please bring your own Lawnchairs, lawn & outdoor games, as well as your artwork, skits, poems, or any other talents you have. Call Natalie at (717) 540-7725 for directions & to see what we need for the Potluck. See you there!



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Women's Spirituality Group. Sundays at 5pm... An Open Circle for women wanting to explore their spirituality. Call Kim at (717) 697-8066 for the topic of the week.

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...For this month's **Business and Professional Women's Group** get together, call: 234-0461.

GLORA (Gay & Lesbian Organization of Reading & Allentown) is a group that gathers at least 2x/month to do fun activities and make new friends. We sponsor a broad range of events: potlucks, mini-golf, bowling, dances, road trips, hiking, skiing, movies, etc. Call Diane for more info. (215) 868-7183.

...**Ladies for the 80's First & Third Saturday Party.** Every 1st & 3rd Saturday of the month at the 2-4 Club in Phila. 8pm w/ \$1 drinks till 9pm. \$5 admission before 10:30pm - \$7 admission after 10:30pm no admission after 12:30 am w/out a 2-4 club membership. Call (609) 784-8341 for info.

...**Ladies for the 80's Sunday Brunch Bunch.** Every 1st Sunday after the 1st Saturday Party. Noon-4pm open seating. \$12.95 includes mimosa, bloody mary or champagne. Cafe Elana - 414 S. 2nd St., Phila. (215) 574-1687. Only open to the "Ladies" on these dates. Call (609) 784-8341 for info.

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The **Women's Resource Center at Bucknell University** sponsors various events throughout the month. Poetry readings, self defense classes, art exhibits, discussion groups, etc. Call (717) 524-1375 for their monthly calender.

SUPPORT GROUPS...

The Lehigh Valley is in the process of forming a Gay & Lesbian Task Force. Anyone interested in participating may contact the Grace Covenant Fellowship Church, Allentown. (215) 740-0247.

For a complete calender of Lesbian health services & counseling events at the Whitman-Walker Clinic in Washington, D.C. Call (202) 797-3585 V/TTY. Offering a wide variety of services including Alternative Insemination, Black Lesbian Support Groups, Building Stronger Self Esteem, etc.

...**Victim Assistance Project**, at the Whitman-Walker Clinic, Wash. D.C. This program provides peer counseling & referrals for Gay, Lesbian & Bisexual victims of hate crimes, sexual assault, domestic violence & discrimination due to sexual orientation. Feel free to call to participate in these programs or to volunteer for training programs. (202) 797-3518.

...**GAY/LESBIAN/BI-YOUTH SUPPORT GROUP** meets 1st & 3rd Fridays of each month at 7pm in the Planned Parenthood Building, 1514 N. 2nd St. Hbg. The group offers support for youth ages 14 to 25. Call (717) 652-7683 for more info.

...**LESBIAN RESOURCE AND COUNSELING CENTER (LRCC)** Open every Monday night for peer counseling, support and information at Whitman-Walker Clinic, 1407 S Street, NW, Wash, DC. Call (202) 332-5935 for more info. Phone support lines: Mondays 7-9:30pm.

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...**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.

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

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

...**Riverside Gay & Lesbian CODA** meeting. 6:30-7:45pm, Tuesdays at 3601 N. Progress Ave. Hbg. For info call (717) 732-8010. (Note: the meeting place is still available - however, attendance is low. If attendance doesn't increase, the meeting will close.)

... **Gay & Lesbian SLA** (Sex & Love Addicts) support group, 11am Saturdays. MCC of the Spirit Church Office 1818 Green St. Hbg.

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MCC Women's Support Group the Women's Support Group meets on the 1st & 3rd Monday of each month at 7pm, at the Church office. 1818 Green St., Apt 1. Call Eva at (717) 236-7387 for more info.

...**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.

...**Lesbian Parenting/Support/Discussion Group:** 1st Wed. and 3rd Sat. (Potluck) 7:00 pm... Lancaster Area. Meet women who are considering pregnancy or adoption and those who have already experienced parenthood. Call (717)-786-9294.

... **Gay, Lesbian & Bisexual Youth Alliance** meets 1st & 3rd Tuesday each month at the VOH MCC office Lanc. 53 N. Duke St. Lower Level. Youth hotline & contact with High School students thru counselors & posters. If you are between the age of 15 & 24 stop by or call the Hotline: 397-0691 or Vision of Hope MCC: 392-2729.

...**P-FLAG** of Lancaster (Parents & Friends of Lesbians & Gays) meets 7-9pm every 2nd Tuesday at the 1st Reformed UCC, 40 E. Orange St., Lancaster. Call the Lancaster Help line for more info. (717) 397-0691.

...**P-FLAG** of Harrisburg meets on the 3rd Monday at 7:30 pm at Tressler Lutheran Services. 960 Century Dr. off Wesley Dr., Mechanicsburg. For more info call (717) 795-0330. (There will be no meeting in August)

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You won't want to miss their fantastic show!!!

...**Capital Area Women's Rugby Football Club**, is looking for people for the Spring Season. Call Sherri, 561-0099. (We play local women's college teams).

Do you enjoy Rock Climbing, Cave Exploring, Backpacking, Canoeing or Tubing? Then join the Wilderness Womyn & experience the endorphin rush of these exciting adventures. To receive a detailed Adventure Calender for 1993 call: (215) 483-7937, FAX: (215) 487-0148 or write: **Wilderness Womyn**, 6914 Ridge Ave., Phila, PA 19128.

Anyone interested in Motorcycle trips in the Harrisburg area call (717) 728-9064. We'll ride 1 hour, stop for lunch & then ride back. Or if you have any suggestions call!!!

ANNOUNCING...

Dr. Elaine Wasilewski has recovered from her recent surgery and is now accepting new patients. The Lavender Letter welcomes her back & wishes her the best of Luck!!!

Anyone interested in joining the York Area Singles in a Cabin at Sisterspace, call Peg at (717) 225-6042 (she has forms available). If you want to send the registration on your own, you can also request Peg Harper's Cabin, this way you will be put with this group.

CLASSIFIED...

The Women's Theatre Guild will be holding auditions for future performances. Anyone interested should call (717) 737-7104.

The **D-Gem** is now available for private parties, birthdays, receptions & reunions during the upcoming summer months. Call (717) 255-9488 for info. Ask for Helen or Pat.

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Barsel & Brown Productions will be hosting Women's Music Night on the first Tuesday of each month in order to promote and support Women's Music in the Philadelphia area. Kicking off this monthly event will be the Lesbian-Feminist bena, DESTINY on September 7 at 7:30 pm. For location call Deb at (215) 844-0316 ext. 2. (*Musicians interested in consideration for future months should send demo materials to: Barsel & Brown Productions, c/o FESTIVAL STAGE, P.O. Box 2165, Upper Darby, PA 19082.*)

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SUNDAY, AUGUST 29

11am... Join the Lavender Letter & the Hbg. Area Business and Professional Womyn at the Renaissance Faire. Meet at Colonial Park Mall (Near the Texaco in front of Boscovs) at 10am & car pool to the Faire. Call (717) 732-8010 for details/reservations.

CHURCH...

SUNDAY SERVICES

...Vision of Hope MCC at Friends Meeting House 110 Tullane Terrace, Lancaster, Service on Sunday at 7pm, 392-2729, Starting August 22, Service will meet at their new building, 130 E. Main St. Mountville, PA. The new ph# will be (717) 285-9070.

...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.

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