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# LAVENDER LETTER

Hike to Rickets Glen will be on Saturday, June 17. We've had a few calls!!! Thanks for your interest! We'll see you there!

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Volume 13 No. 6

A Calendar of Events, for and by Womyn

May, 1995

In review... On May 13th I was privileged to see the Harrisburg Men's Chorus, with the Central PA Women's Chorus in "This is the Army Mr./Ms. Jones" at the Harrisburg Community Theatre. I was anticipating a pleasant evening, rubbing elbows with people I hadn't seen in months. What I got was food for the spirit! The Men's Chorus charmed me with "This is the Army..." and delighted me with "Boogie Woogie Bugle Boy" and a few very humorous dance steps.

The Women's Theater Guild did a bit after the intermission that left me laughing with the clever and sensitive portrayal of the fears and frustrations of three women at a Gay festival.

What left me speechless was the precision, wit and charm with which the Women's Chorus began the second half of the show. They drew two standing ovations from the mixed audience. Seeing the audience's delight after "Harriet Tubman," smiles appeared across the faces of the Chorus which added to the pleasure of the audience. They knew they were good.

On the whole, this was the breath of our Community at its finest.

The only flaw was after the Men's Chorus returned to the stage to sing "United We Stand" with the Women's Chorus. As a finale for the Men's Chorus, they elicited people from the audience to come up and sing "Over the Rainbow." The audience held its breath in amazement while the Women's Chorus was nudged off the risers and the men stood in front of them. The Women were gracious, but appeared confused, as we all were, at such an awkward ending. It was an otherwise flawless event.

If you did not attend this sold out concert, you missed a wonderful evening of entertainment and a step forward in the cultural life of this fine community.

Lorraine (previous editor of the L.L.)

#### THURSDAY, JUNE 1

noon-1pm... Bobbi Carmitchell in concert in Elizabethtown for Lunchtime Music. Call (717) 872-4512 for details.

#### FRIDAY-SUNDAY, JUNE 2-4

Join Mickey Mouse at Disney World for "Share the Vision Weekend"... a Gay & Lesbian day at Disney World. This will be the 5th year that Gays & Lesbians have met from all over the World to play at Disney. They are expecting to sell out by the middle of March so, get your reservations in early. Many events will be held at the Park & outside the Park. For tickets contact: Michael Nieland, Genesis Group Florida, P.O. Box 560213, Orlando, FL 32856. (407) 857-5444. Karen & Maggie would love all their Harrisburg friends to come and play!

#### FRIDAY, JUNE 2

9:30-11:30pm... Natalie Darkes in concert at the Courtyard. 706 N. 3rd. St. 4th floor, rear. Hbg.

#### SATURDAY, JUNE 3

7:30-10pm... MCC of the Spirit will hold a Square Dance at the YWCA, 320 E. Market St., York. \$3.00 adm.

#### SUNDAY, JUNE 4

10am - 3:30pm. Lesbian Seminar Series: Practitioners' Symposium: Enhancing Your Health Care Practice. A Symposium for health care practitioners', traditional and non-traditional, to network and explore new health care partnerships that holistically address the needs of the women's community as we age. Keynote speaker: Dr. Marla Gold, physician & member of the mayor's Commission on Sexual Minorities. Horticultural Center, Fairmont Park, Phila. Sponsored by Triangle Interests. Preregistration required, non-member: \$20, member: \$15. Call (215) 487-3736 for details.

#### TUESDAY, JUNE 6

7-9pm... Bobbi Carmitchell in concert at the Mermaid Inn, Chestnut Hill. Call (717) 872-4512 for details.

#### THURSDAY, JUNE 8

8-10pm... Bobbi Carmitchell in concert at B-TLS, Eisenhower Blvd, across from McDonalds. Call (717) 939-1123 for details.

9-11pm... Natalie Darkes in concert at the What If... Cafe. N. 6th St., Hbg.

#### FRIDAY, JUNE 9

8-10pm... Bobbi Carmitchell in concert at the What If... Cafe. Call (717) 872-4512 for details.

#### SATURDAY, JUNE 10

... York Area Singles Dinner Out. Call Peg at (717) 225-6042 for place/time by Wed., June 7.

9:30pm-1am... Bobbi Carmitchell in concert at Bube's Brewery, Mt. Joy. Call (717) 872-4512 for details.

8am-3pm... 4th Annual Justice For All Conference, "Building Bridges: Creating Change", sponsored by the YWCA of York. Keynote speaker is Angela Bowen, Black Lesbian-Feminist writer and activist. Her work has appeared in numerous newspapers, including: Sojourner, Gay Community News, and The Village Voice. Workshops on: Classism, privilege, stereotypes and cross-cultural communication. Conference fee is \$15, which includes lunch. For info contact the Community Department of the YWCA of York. (717) 845-2631

#### SUNDAY, JUNE 11

Call for time... Bobbi Carmitchell in concert at the Butcher Block, Lanc. Call (717) 872-4512 for details.

Noon... Baltimore Pride Festival, Towson State University, North of Baltimore.

3pm... Ladies of Philadelphia Summertime party at the Cartwheel, Rt. 202, New Hope. Call (215) 862-0880 for details.

12-6pm.. Lehigh Valley Pride Festival at Cedar Beach Park. Music, Fun & Entertainment. Free.

#### SATURDAY, JUNE 17

9am...Hiking at Ricket's Glen! We'll meet at the Colonial Park Mall by the Texaco Station in front of Boscov's. Bring your own picnic lunch/drinks. We'll hike for a while and then have lunch. Please call for a reservation by Thurs., June 15.

6:30pm... Lambda Alive's Lavender Supper Club (Reading) at the Crystal Spring's Barbecue, Rt. 422 West. Call (610) 944-6183 for details.



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#### SUNDAY, JUNE 18

... York Area Singles is planning a trip to Inner Harbor. Join us for a day of fun touring the Harbor, the Aquarium, Shopping or whatever. We can tour as a group or just wander individually & meet for dinner later. Call Peg at (717) 225-6042 to RSVP.

#### SUNDAY, JUNE 18

Bobbi Carmitchell with "Rosey & The Naturals" and in concert at the Lawn Concert at Long's Park, Lanc. Bring lawn chairs and picnics for this great outdoor event! Free admission! Call (717) 872-4512 for details.

4-6pm. With and Without Hats, an exhibit of broken-chain colour design art, paintings, poetry and jewelry by iolsta hatt. At the Stonewall/Moose Lounge, upstairs, 2830 10th Street. Call (610) 432-0706 or (717) 754-7744 for details. (A wine & cheese reception.)



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#### THURSDAY-SUNDAY, JUNE 15-18

Womongathering - Invites you to gather in Womon Only Space to explore and celebrate your own unique Spirituality and Connectedness as manifested in the Goddess. Held at a private camp near Poyntelle, PA. We are of all ages, colors and sexual preferences. Tent or stay in a cabin. The emphasis is always on "actively experiencing", for we believe that this is how we remember and resurrect the Goddess. Send a S. A.S. E. to Womongathering, RR5, Box 185, Franklinville, NJ 08322. (609) 694-2037.

#### THURSDAY, JUNE 22

6:30pm... Harrisburg Area Ladies Night Out! We're switching the nights around so we can accomodate everyone!!! Meet for Dinner and Great Conversation at a local restaurant. Call the L.L. (717) 732-8010 by Tues., June 20. See you there!

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#### FRIDAY, JUNE 23

...Change of Heart in concert at B-TLS, then D.J. Heidi from 12:30 - 2 am 8pm... Benefit for Planned Parenthood, "Sweet Honey in the Rock," a female a capella vocal group who sing chants, folk music, hymns, and blues. Adm. \$22-28. Call 845-9683 or 846-1111 for more info/tickets. Grand opening of the Jazz Lounge at the Stallions. 706 N. 3rd St. Rear. Call (717) 236-7555 for details.

#### FRIDAY-SUNDAY, JUNE 23-25

The Ninth Annual LESBIAN WOMEN ONLY Golden Threads Celebration at the Provincetown Inn, P-town, Mass. Lesbian women from all over the World will converge to celebrate their Lesbianism and their age, whatever it is. (Over 50 or women interested in women over 50) Entertainment by Alix Dobkin, and a Lesbian D.J. mixing pre-rock oldies For reservation info please write: Christine Burton, Golden Threads, P.O. box 60475, Northampton, MA 01060-0475.

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#### SATURDAY-MONDAY, JUNE 24-26

Annual New York City Gay Pride Parade.

#### SATURDAY, JUNE 24

York Area Singles Dinner Out. Call Peg at (717) 225-6042 for place/time by Wed., June 21.

9pm-1am... D.A.E. in concert at the Dew Drop Inn, York. Call (717) 741-1175 for directions/info.

#### LAURIE L. WILLIAMS

Counselor at Law post office box 147 hummelstown, pa 17036

(717) 533-5900

Pittsburgh Gay, Lesbian, and Bisexual Pride Celebration. "We Are Your Neighbors" is the theme this year. The parade will kickoff at noon (starting sight yet to be determined) and will end at the Mellon Park for the Festival. Entertainment from 1:30-4:30. With many vendors, info tables etc. Wheelchair accessible & activities will be sign language interpreted. Call (412) 422-0114 for directions after 6pm. Advertising in the Guide is available. Call for details: (412) 422-3060.

#### **SUNDAY, JUNE 25**

2pm... Picnic, Games and Theatre to benefit the York Hospice House at Altland's Ranch. 5pm... Lily White & Company presents "Poodles, Parking and Pigskin Preppies". Tickets \$15 available at the Ranch, 14 Karat, or the Hospice House.

#### FRIDAY, JUNE 30

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#### SUNDAY, JULY 16

York Area Singles Picnic/Potluck. Everyone who's ever been to a singles dinner is welcome & please bring your friend (partner... etc.) Bring a Covered Dish for the Potluck, must RSVP by July 10 to Peg (717) 225-6042.



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12 noon - 7pm.. The 1995 Central PA Pride Festival at Reservoir Park, Harrisburg! Join us in the biggest Lesbian/Gay/Bisexual/Transgendered Event of the year! Our festival committee's purpose is to mirror what the Community wants to do. We are in need of your involvement with the Pride Coalition and this year's Festival. So, if you'd like to become a volunteer, advertiser, vendor, entertainer or choose to make a financial contribution. Please call (717) 545-8411 to let us know just where you fit in!!! Thank you! Dr. Elaine Wasilewski, president, Pride Coalition & Ken Oakes, Festival Chairperson.

#### FRIDAY, AUGUST 25

York Area Lambda presents: Judy Judy, a benefit for AIDS & Breast Cancer at the Valencia Ballroom, York. Featuring many entertainers. For tickets/info call Cheryl at (717) 846-3271.



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Lutherans Concerned/Central PA. (Sunday, June 11... 2nd Sunday of the Month) 6:30pm. Messiah Lutheran Church, 6th & Forster Sts. Hbg.

...Vision of Hope MCC, 130 E. Main St. Mountville, PA 17554. Service on Sunday at 10:30am & 7pm. AM Children's Sunday School. Phone #: (717) 285-9070.

...Dignity of Central PA (Hbg) Services: First Sunday of month, 5pm, Mass followed by Potluck Dinner and Program. Friends Meeting House, 6th & Herr Sts. 1st & 3rd Monday, Dialogue & Discussion Group, 1514 N. 2nd St., (use side door), (717) 652-7683.

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

...MCC of the Spirit, at Friends Meeting House, 6th and Herr Sts. Hbg, Sunday. Service: 7:00 pm. Singspiration starts at 6:50pm. Call 236-7387 for information. We offer Christian educational sessions that nurture the whole person. Join us for our upcoming sessions on Wed.'s at 7:30pm in the Church office: 1818 Green St. #1, Hbg.

...Integrity, Lesbian & Gay Episcopalians meet in Bethlehem. Meetings are the 3rd Monday at 7pm. Trinity Episcopal Church, 44 E. Market St. Bethlehem. Call (215) 758-8642 for info (evenings).



### Social Groups...

Central PA Womyn's Chorus Rehearsals are on Mondays 7:15pm at the United Church of Christ, Green & Verbeke Sts. Hbg. We need womyn to share their voices and administrative talent, so if you love to sing and can make the commitment, call Rose or Donna at (717) 561-0365 or artistic director Margi Pietsch (717) 560-3997.

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