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Volume 13 No. 10

A Calendar of Events, for and by Womyn

October, 1995

A special note of thanks to all of you who supported the Judy! Judy! benefit variety show at the Valencia Ballroom on August 25. We raised \$4200., which was shared equally between the YWCA of York (for a Women's Health Fair) and OPENL for services to persons living with AIDS and their families). Sincerely, Peg Stoppard, president of York Area Lambda.

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 4

9-mid... Bobbi Carmitchell in concert at the Historic Blue Star, King St., Lancaster. (This will be every Wednesday in October!) Call (717) 872-4512 for details.

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 6

7pm... Lancaster Area Ladies Night Out. Meet for dinner and great conversation. Call Jean at (717) 392-0441 by Wed., Oct. 4.

8:30-10:30pm... Bobbi Carmitchell in concert at the What If... Cafe. N. 6th St. Hbg. Call (717) 872-4512 for details.

"Lavender Cinema" in the Gallery Theatre, 3rd fl. Langone Center, Bucknell University. "Boys on the Side" at 8pm & "The Adventures of Priscilla: Queen of the Desert" at 10pm.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 7

7pm... Annual Lavender Letter Night at Rudy's Haunted Farm. Meet at Summerdale Plaza in front of K-Mart. Please call (717) 732-8010 for reservation by Thurs., Oct. 5th.

8pm... OUT IN AMERICA: A Multimedia Portrait of Gay and Lesbian Diversity with the editors of OUT MAGAZINE, Michael Goff and Sara Pettit, at the Forum of Bucknell University (2nd fl. of Elaine Langone Center). For more info. call Cindy Peltier at the Center Gallery (717) 524-3792. Mixer/Reception to follow.

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 8

6-9pm... All You Can Eat Spaghetti Dinner to benefit the Central PA Womyn's Chorus at the Paper Moon Restaurant. North St., Hbg. Tickets are \$7.00 and include spaghetti, salad, bread & dessert. Call (717) 732-2798 for tickets and info.

11am... 2nd Annual GALABI Homecoming Brunch, Bucknell Univ. Presenting the First Lavender Heart Awards for outstanding contributions to Lesbian, Gay & Bisexual awareness at Bucknell Univ. \$12.00. RSVP by Oct. 4th. (717) 524-3792.

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 12

8pm... The Jewish Working Group on AIDS presents Julie Gold in a benefit concert with Ken Ulansey Klezmer Ensemble at the Tin Angel 20 S. 2nd St., Phila. Admission \$12 advance & \$16 at door. Call (215) 928-0770 for tickets. Proceeds benefit the Phila. AIDS Walk.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 14

6pm... York Area Women's Potluck in West York. Call Cindy or Kate at (717) 848-9142 or Gloria at (717) 792-1082 for details/directions.

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 15

Join the York Area Singles at the Adams Co. Apple Festival, call Peg at (717) 225-6042 for time/place.

noon... Cornerstone Coffee House 1st Birthday party. A day long celebration of music, games, raffles, and fun! \$1.00 drink specials - all day. Music by Lisa Barter, Steve Jewett, Craig Kelley, & Bobbi Carmitchell. 2014 Market St., Camp Hill. Call (717) 737-5026 for details.

7pm... **The Flirtations & Suede will perform at the Rose Lehrman Arts Center, at Harrisburg Area Community College.** General Admission \$15.00, Students, Staff & Faculty \$5.00. Call (717) 231-ROSE for tickets.

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THURSDAY, OCTOBER 19

6:30pm... Harrisburg Area Ladies Night Out. Meet for dinner and great conversation at a local restaurant. Call (717) 732-8010 for reservation by Tues., Oct. 16.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 21

8pm... **Comedian Maggie Cassella and singer/recording artist Suede will appear in concert at the Capitol Theater in York.** Sponsored by Her Story Women's Bookstore, Maggie has appeared on Comedy Central's "Out There II" and the Geraldo Show. Her comedy is big, sometimes bawdy and always smart! Suede, whose music is a blend of popular, jazz and blues, is always a hit! Tickets available at Her Story or by calling the Strand Capitol Box Office at (717) 846-1111. This event is not part of the regular Strand-Capitol Season, and is presented by Her Story Women's Bookstore. All ticket sales are at the discretion of Her Story.



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SATURDAY, OCTOBER 21 (cont.)

10am-6pm... **Bobbi Carmitchell's Fall Guitar Workshop** to be held at the farm. \$45/womyn (limit: 10 womyn). The evening will end with a potluck dinner & bon fire sing-a-long. Call (717) 872-4512 for reservation by by Sat., 10/14.

8pm... Free Spirit, Bloomsburg Univer's Organization for Lesbian, Gay & Bi persons/family/friends/supporters, etc. will sponsor a masquerade mixer and costume ball at the Knights Inn, north of Danville at Exit 33, off Rt. 80. \$5.00 cover. For more info call Dr. Wendy Lee-Lampshire at (717) 389-4332.

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8:30am-4:30pm.. SUN County's NOW will sponsor "Women's Journeys," at its 10th annual NOW Day in Lewisburg. Workshop topics include issues on politics, art, croning, Lesbian relationships, community, and others. The day will be a celebration of the 75th anniversary of women's suffrage. Location: 116 N. 2nd St., Lewisburg. Call Carroll at 717-286-1214 for a brochure or more info. Brochures also available at Her Story in Hallam.

9am-noon... Dr. Virginia Uribe, founder of Project 10, a high school support program for gay and lesbian youth, will present a workshop entitled "Supportive Environments for Gay, Lesbian and Bisexual Youth". Wildwood Conference Center of HACC, Hbg. Also, a Lecture "The Future - Is there liberty and justice for all?" at 7pm. Fee: \$15 for adults, \$5 for students. Call Sharon at (717) 236-8110 or GLSH at (717) 234-0328.

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 22

7:30pm... Kate Millet, one of the great feminist intellectuals of our time, will be reading and signing copies of her latest book, *A.D. A Memoir* at Her Story Women's Bookstore. The book is a tribute to her glamorous Aunt Dorothy - A.D., who was a volatile, brilliant and enigmatic woman. A.D. is also a moving contemplation of the nature of family, love and identity, and the coming of age story of Millet herself. Kate is also the founder of the Women's Art Colony in Poughkeepsie, NY. Refreshments will be accompanied with the music of Barb Barton. The event is free of charge and open to all interested women.

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FRIDAY, OCTOBER 27

8:30-10:30pm... Bobbi Carmitchell in concert at the What If... Cafe. N. 6th St. Hbg. Call (717) 872-4512 for details.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 28

York Area Singles Dinner, call Peg at (717) 225-6042 for time/place
Susan Herrick in concert at the Tin Angel in Philadelphia. Call (215) 928-0978 for details.

Lebanon Valley College will sponsor a concert at the newly remodeled theatre in Annville. All you ex-hippies will love this one! the music of the 60's will be the theme. Call Bobbi at (717) 872-4512 for details.

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SUNDAY, OCTOBER 15 ■ 7pm

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...**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).

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...To get on the mailing list for the **Business and Professional Women's Group**, call: (717) 234-0461.

...**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 calendar.

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...**Susquehanna Lambda** regular monthly meeting (2nd Sunday of the month) 507 W. 4th Street, AIDS Resource Office (look for blue lights in the window). 6pm (Officers meet at 5:30pm) For info. write P.O. Box 2510, Williamsport, PA 17703, or call (717) 327-1411.

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...**YAL (York Area Lambda)** Educational, Political & Social Group of Lesbian/Gay & Bi people in the York area. Dues - \$6 individual, \$10 couple, includes newsletter. For more info write P.O. Box 2425, York, PA 17405 or call (717) 848-9142.

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...**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. (610) 868-7183.

...**Ladies (Parties for Women by Women) First Saturday Party**. Every 1st Saturday of the month at the 24th Ward, Saint James St., Phila. New look, new attitude. 9pm w/\$1 drinks till 10pm. You must be in the club before 1am unless you have private club membership. Call (609) 784-8341 for info.

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...Penn State has formed a Gay, Lesbian & Bi-sexual Alumni Group. The purpose is to promote the general welfare and self-affirmation of Lesbian, Gay & Bi-sexual students and alumni and to promote interaction with allies and friends. Anyone interested in more info, or joining, call Kyle Richards at (814) 863-7696.

...We are interested in starting a Lesbian & Gay Support Group for employees of the Hershey Medical Center. Contact Katrina (717) 964-1871, or Mary (717) 228-1326. Or write: L&G Support Group, P.O. Box 507, Mt. Gretna, PA 17064.

...**ACOA ACCEPTANCE GROUP** — Sundays, 9:00-10:00 am at the What If... Cafe, 3424 N. 6th St., Uptown Hbg. near WINK 104. Open to all Lesbian, Gay, Bi-Sexual and Straight Adult Children of Alcoholics and ANYONE raised in a dysfunctional home.

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...**Lehigh Valley's Gay & Lesbian Task Force**. If you are interested in getting involved, send your name, address & phone # to: LVGLTF, Box 20253, Lehigh Valley, PA 18002-0253.

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

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...**Lambda AA Lancaster** - meets Tuesday: 8 pm at the Friends Meeting House.

...**Lambda AA York** - meets Tues. 8pm at Trinity Lutheran Church 415 N. West St; Thurs. 8pm at Otterbein UM Church, 301 W. Phila. St.; and Sat. 8pm at Trinity Lutheran Church, N. West St.

...**As We Are, Gay Alcoholics/Narcotics Support Group**. 7:00pm Wednesdays. Temporary meeting location: 2nd Fl., 320 Court St. Allentown. Call Pat for more info. (717) 323-3641.

...**Susquehanna Lambda** meets the 2nd Sunday of each month at 507 W. 4th St. Williamsport at 6pm. Call (717) 327-1411 for info.

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...**MOIRA**, a Support group for Gay, Lesbian & Bi Youth in York meets the 1st Monday & the 3rd Tuesday of each month at 6:30pm. (717) 854-6613 or (717) 292-5368 or (717) 244-5264. MOIRA was developed by a group of concerned young people to provide a supportive network for Gay, Lesbian and Bi-sexual youths ages 14 to 24. Their intention is to meet locally in the York area on a regular basis to address the needs of L/G/Bi Youths. If you or someone you know would benefit from this support, please join them.

...**Bi-GLYAH** support group for Bi, Gay & Lesbian Youths ages 14-25 meets at the Planned Parenthood Bldg, 1514 N. 2nd St. Hbg. at 7pm the 1st & 3rd Fri. of the month. Call (717) 652-7683.

Parents & Friends of Lesbians and Gays...

...**PFLAG**, Central Susquehanna Chapter meets the 4th Monday of each Month at Faith Tressler Lutheran Church (route 45 near Brookpark Farm, Lewisburg), at 7pm. For info call (717) 742-9530.

...**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.

...**P-FLAG** of York now meets the 1st Tuesday of the month, 7-9pm at the Lutheran Social Services, 1050 Pennsylvania Ave. Everyone is welcome. Friendly & confidential. For more information and directions call Pat at (717) 843-3793 or Cheryl at (717) 846-3271.



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SUNDAY, DECEMBER 3

The 6th Annual Women's Christmas Dinner Party, hosted by Bobbi Carmitchell. Women singers & brass players needed. Info to come... Call (717) 872-4512 for details.

Spirituality...

SUNDAY SERVICES

The Roman Catholic Diocese of Harrisburg invites Gay & Lesbian Catholics to a Retreat Weekend, October 6th-8th and Parents of Gay & Lesbian Catholics to a Retreat Weekend, November 17th - 19th. These are separate and distinct retreat weekends, and names of participants will remain confidential. The cost of the weekends are \$75/person with a non-refundable reservation deposit of \$25.00. For more info call Father Wally Sawdy at (717) 238-5380.



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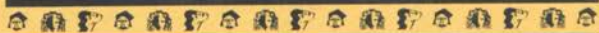
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