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A Calendar of Events, for and by Womyn

March 1996

# Announcement...

Due to the continuing increases in paper prices (almost double since December, 1995) and postage costs (went from .29 to .32 over a year ago), we must regretfully increase our subscription Rates. We can no longer afford to absorb these dramatic cost increases.

### Starting May 1st,

New Subscription Rates will be:

1 Year ..... \$15.00

2 Years ..... \$25.00

There will be no additional charges to have a 2nd person listed on your mailing label. If payment is postmarked before April 1st, you may extend your current subscription for 1 year at the \$10 rate. Send check with the mailing label from this letter, or your address & phone# with a written request for an extended subscription. If received after April 1st, we will only add 8 months.

Note: Advertising will remain the same, however, to insert a flyer with the mailing is \$35.00 (Rate changed 1/1/96). The only size accepted will be 3.5 x 8.5. You may provide 600 flyers, or we can design and/or print them for an additonal charge. A maximum of 3 flyers may be inserted per month, so it's first come first serve.

### SATURDAY, MARCH 2

B-TLS First Year Anniversary Party. Join us for Fun - Entertainment -Prizes - and Great Specials!!!! 891 Eisenhower Blvd, Hbg. Call (717) 939-1123 for details!

6:30pm... York Area Women's Potluck. Call Cindy or Kate at (717) 848-9142 for details/directions.

### SUNDAY, MARCH 3

4pm... Ladies of Phila. party at the Den, 700 Hamilton St., Somerset, NJ. Call (609) 784-8341 for details.

6-8pm... Bobbi Carmitchell in concert at Border's Books in Lancaster (across from Park City). Call (717) 872-4512 for details.

### MARCH 7 - APRIL 11

The Art of Empowerment, the moving force of Women's Creative Expression ... a six week exploration of the power of creative energy and self-expression to change women's lives, moving them from a state of isolation, fragmentation and oppression to a position of wholeness and self-determination in which they can connect in positive ways with themselves, others and the world they live in. Led by Patriot-News arts writer Sandy Cullen with area women artists. Presented at HACC. Cost: \$45., to register call (717) 780-2414. Art Exhibit at Encore Books, Carlisle Pike, Mechanicsburg, March 1st thru 31st. For more info call (717) 238-7112.

#### FRIDAY, MARCH 8

8-mid... Bobbi Carmitchell in concert at Take Five Espresso Bar, 55 W. Market St., York. Call (717) 872-4512 for details.

9pm-1am... Change of Heart in concert at the Dew Drop Inn, Spry, PA.

### SATURDAY, MARCH 9

noon... Pool Tournament at B-TLS. \$10/person, draft & soda specials & free pizza all afternoon. Details at the Bar.

### SUNDAY, MARCH 10

1pm... Harrisburg Area Women's Bowling. Call (717) 732-8010 for reservation. Location to be announced.

5-8pm... Central PA Womyn's Chorus Spaghetti Dinner at Heaven Lounge. 703 N. 3rd St. (Stallion's building) \$5.95 includes all you can eat spag. plus salad, beverage and dessert. Tickets available at the door or call Rose or Donna at (717) 730-9392.

#### FRIDAY, MARCH 15

7pm... Harrisburg Ladies Night Out. Meet for dinner and great conversation. Call (717) 732-8010 or E-Mail LL60184@aol.com for reservation by Wed., March 13.

### SATURDAY, MARCH 16

3pm... Lesbian Writers Success Team. A new group is coalescing in Lancaster for writers, publishers, poets, editors, journalists and public relations specialists. The focus of the group is networking, social exchange and goals support. The membership is open to professionals; those who worked in these professions in the past; and women with degrees in these fields. Call (717) 392-3540 for details and directions.

7pm... The Gay & Lesbian Switchboard of Hbg will hold its 9th Annual Volleyball Tournament at the HACC Gymnasium. Players are asked to obtain a minimum pledge of \$10.00 to play, prizes for the highest total dollars in paid pledges. Call (717) 234-0328 to obtain pledge forms, register players or teams, or receive additional info.

D.J. Heidi at B-TLS... tonight!!!

### SUNDAY, MARCH 17

4pm... Ladies of Phila. St. Patty's Day Party at the River Deck Cafe & Dance Club, 4100 Main St. Manayunk, PA. Info: (609) 784-8341.

### FRIDAY, MARCH 22

9-mid... Bobbi Carmitchell in concert at Jam 'n' Java, Newark, DE. Call (717) 872-4512 for details.

10pm-1am... Change of Heart in concert at Dewey's Dry Dock, Hbg. Miller Lite Sumo Wrestling at B-TLS.

### SATURDAY, MARCH 23

6-10pm... Shaking Of The Winter Blues Bingo & Boogie. 6-8 Bingo, Dance afterwards with the D.J. from Eva's Ordination. He was great. Sponsored by MCC of the Spirit. Location to be announced. Call (717) 236-7387.

6:30pm... GLORA sponsored Game Day Potluck at Diane & Janet's. Bring a dish to share & a game. Call (610) 868-7183.

7pm... York Area Singles Dinner Night Out. Call Peg at (717) 225-6042 for reservation by Thursday, 21.

9-mid... Change of Heart in concert at Take Five Espresso Bar, York. 10:30pm-1:30am... Bobbi Carmitchell in concert at The Fenwick Tavern, Lebanon. Call (717) 872-4512 for details. D.J. Jazzy Joyce at B-TLS ... tonight!!!

New Hours: M.-F.: 9:30 am - 5:30 pm Wed .: 9:30 am - 8 pm Sat.: 9:30 am - 5 pm Owners: Jude Sharp & Sue Martin Handcrafted jewelry & custom designs 21 W. King Street, Lancaster, PA 17603

(717) 291-1611

### SUNDAY, MARCH 24

10:30am... Lancaster Ladies Night Out Brunch. Call Jean at (717) 392-0441 or E-Mail Quiktan@aol.com by Friday, March 22.

### FRIDAY, MARCH 29

8-10pm... Bobbi Carmitchell in concert at Encore Books, Carlisle Pike, Mechanicsburg. Call (717) 872-4512 for details.

8pm... An Evening with JoAnn Loulan - an outrageous Lesbian psychocomedian, bestselling author and sex therapist at the Keswick Theatre, 291 Keswick Ave., Glenside, PA. Tickets \$20 through 24 hr phone charge (215) 572-7650 or from Giovanni's Room, Phila. (215) 923-2960. 8:30-11pm... Kate & C.J. in concert at B-TLS. Oldies with Jim afterward



### SATURDAY, MARCH 30

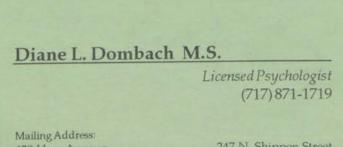
WITF presents the "Chords are Stacked Live" at the Hershey Theater. Bobbi Carmitchell, Jay Unger & Molly Mason (a duo), a women's Celtic Group called "Cherish the Ladies", and one other local artist will perform live and be simulcast on WITF FM Radio 89.5. For tickets call (717) 236-6000. This is Folk Music History in the making!!!

8am-4:30pm... "Our Journey in Sisterhood", a Columbia-Montour Women's Conference at Bloomsburg Univ. Featuring over 90 workshops by & for women. Feature speaker: Marjorie Margolies-Mezvinsky. Registration fee is \$22 & includes lunch. For additional info call Wendy Lee-Lampshire, Dept. of Philosophy, Bloomsburg Univ. (717) 389-4332 or E-Mail lampshire@planetx.bloomu.edu.

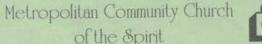
1pm & 6pm... 2nd Annual Womyn's Film Festival at York College of PA. There will be 5 short films: "One Fine Day", "Motherlove", Guerrillas In Our Midst", "The F-Word", and "The Match That Started My Fire" & 1 feature length film: "Warriormarks" based on the book with the same name by Alice Walker. Tickets are \$5.00 in advance from Her Story Women's Bookstore, or \$6.00 at the Door.

5pm... Susquehanna Club annual potluck dinner meeting. Bring your favorite covered dish and any researched trip proposals for the upcoming camping season. Dues are \$10/person. For info on this Lancaster area meeting call Chuck at (717) 548-2006.

8pm... Sponsored by Interweave, 3 New York based musicians and recording artists will present a special concert at the Unitarian Church of Hbg, 1280 Clover Lane off Eisenhower Blvd, Hbg. "Chosen Family: an Intimate, Acoustic Evening of Solos and Collaborations" will be presented by Dan Martin, Grant King and percussionist-singer Robin Burdulis. Tickets \$10. For info/reservation call (717) 564-4761.



428 Herr Avenue Millersville, PA 17551 247 N. Shippen Street Lancaster, PA 17602





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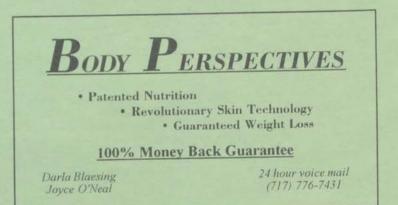
Service: Sunday, 7:00 p.m. 6th & Herr Sts. Harrisburg Pastor Eva O'Diam (717) 236-7387

# Upcoming Events...

### TUESDAY, APRIL 9

Bobbi & Anne Carmitchell will be the Guest Chefs at Marion Courtyard, Lancaster. No, they won't be cooking, but if you dine at the Marion Courtyard today, and order their menu selection, 30% of your meal will be donated to the Women's Breast Cancer Research Benefit. (April 12) For dinner reservations call (717) 399-1970

8pm... Caitlin Ryan, quite literally the architect of modern Lesbian and Gay health plans, and founder of the National Gay and Lesbian Health Foundation and National Association of People with AIDS, will deliver a lecture on the topic of HIV Policy and Prevention at the Forum of Bucknell University. Call Cindy Peltier, Center Gallery, Bucknell U., (717) 524-3792 or E-mail at peltier@bucknell.edu.



#### FRIDAY, APRIL 12

8pm... "Raise Your Voice For A Cure" a special benefit concert for Women's Breast Cancer Research will be held at the Forum in Hbg. Featuring: Bobbi Carmitchell, The Central PA Women's Chorus, the New World Ensemble and Beth Williams, a Phila. singer/songwriter . Tickets \$10, in advance or at the door. Call Bobbi at (717) 872-4512. Anyone interested in volunteering to help set up for the benefit, please call Bobbi. Thank you!!!

### FRIDAY-SUNDAY, APRIL 12-14

Wild Hearts Adventures presents the 5th Annual Lesbian Dude Ranch Weekend in the Poconos. Enjoy indoor & outdoor activities all weekend long, a wine & cheese reception, nightly dancing to C/W & Contemp. Music, hours of horseback riding, organized sports and games, hayrides, bonfires, rodeo, indoor pool & sauna, and more. Cost \$189-\$235/person (includes all meals and activities). Call (610) 268-3572 for brochure.

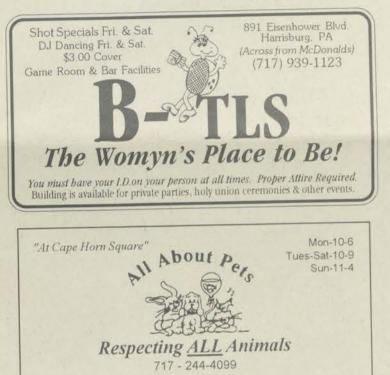
### SATURDAY, APRIL 20

8pm... the Women's Theatre Guild presents "The Phase" (The Other Table) and "A Summer Outing" at the YWCA, York. Tickets: \$8 reserved, and \$10 at the door. For more info call (717) 737-7104.

8pm... Lea DeLaria in concert at the Keswick Theatre, Glenside, PA. Tickets \$18 through 24 hr phone charge (215) 572-7650 or from Giovanni's Room, Phila. (215) 923-2960.



# Center Piece Lavender Letter



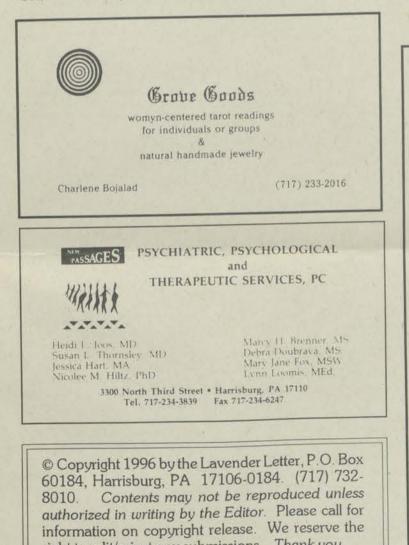
Anne V. Scerbo Tammie J. Arnold

### THURSDAY-SUNDAY, MAY 16-19

633 Lombard St.

Red Lion, PA 17356

"In Gaia's Lap" Maryland Womyn's Gathering. A long soul-soothing weekend on the beautiful Chesapeake waterfront. Enjoy concerts with Ubaka Hill, Pat Humphries, Kathryn Warner & Sandy Ayala, as well as drumming, dance and craftswomyn. With over 30 workshops celebrating the Sacred Feminine; South American Shamanism, Bridges to Community, Eco-feminism, Herbs, Healing, Storytelling and more. \$170 by 4/15/96 covers everything. \$145 for campers. (410) 329-6708.



right to edit/reject any submissions. Thank you.

### Spirituality...

### APRIL 4TH & 5TH

March, 1996

MCC of the Spirit Maunday Thursday & Good Friday Services (respectively. Both services start at 7:30pm & will be at the Friend's Meeting House. 6th & Herr Sts., Hbg. Call (717) 236-7387 for details.

...Unitarian Universalist Church of Lanc. Services: 9am and 11am on Sundays Vesper Meditative Service: Tues. Evenings at 7pm. 538 W. Chestnut St., Lanc. (717) 393-1733.

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

...Vision of Hope MCC, 130E. Main St., Mountville, PA17554. 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., (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, every Sunday Service: 7:00 pm. Singspiration starts at 6:50 pm. 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 7:30 pm 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).



An intimate evening of acoustic solos & collaborations by 3 recording artists

DAN MARTIN SINGER/SONGWRITER/PLANIST

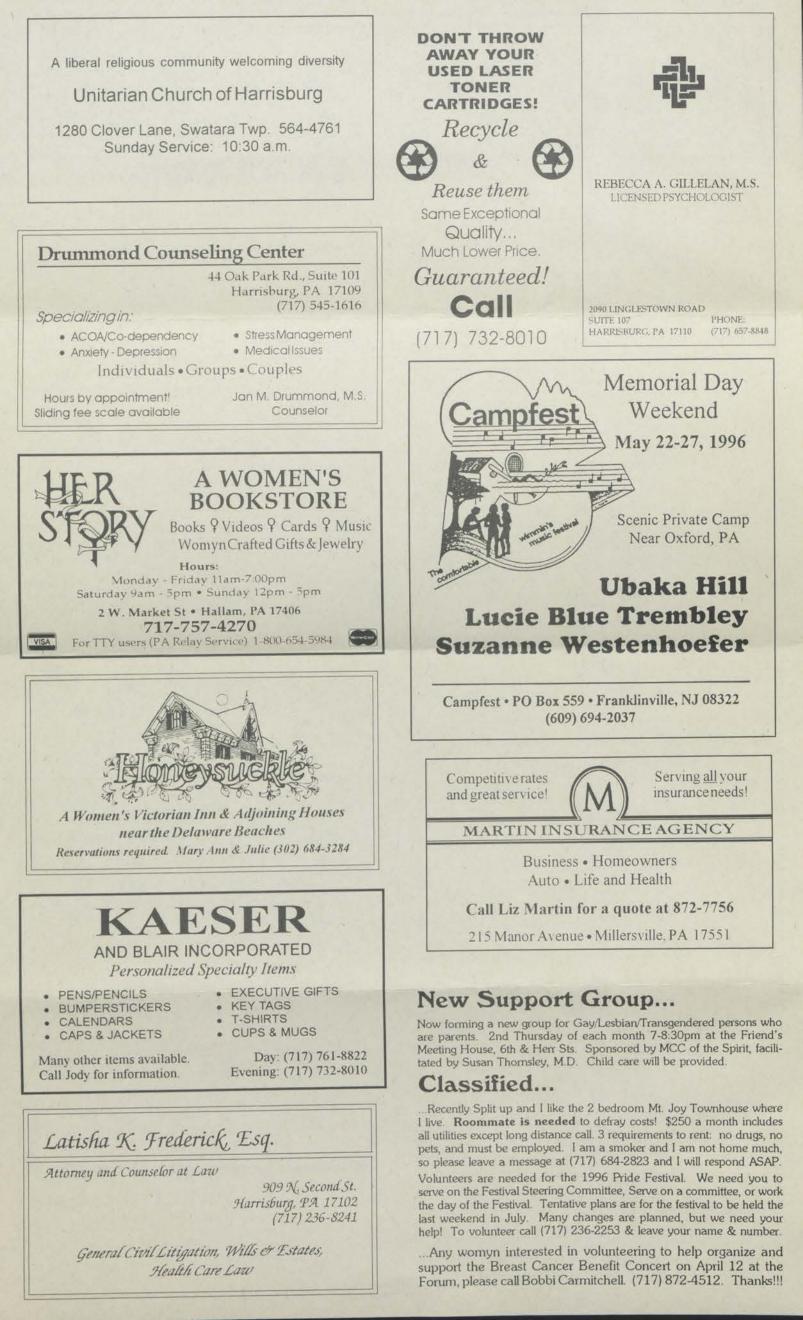
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"Extraordinary...moving and exciting." -Provincetown Magazine

# SATURDAY, MARCH 30 · 8 pm UNITARIAN CHURCH OF HARRISBURG

1280 CLOVER LANE (Swatara Township) \$10 • INFO/RESERVATIONS: (717) 564-4761



# Social Groups...

**The Central Pennsylvania Womyn's Chorus**, the musical voice of the Lesbian and Feminist Community, rehearses on Monday nights in Harrisburg. New members are admitted twice each year. For information, call President Rose Samuel at (717) 730-9392 or artistic director Margi Pietsch at (717) 896-8941.

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



To geton 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.

... Triangle Interests... A not-for-profit, Lesbian membership association offering financial and business networking opportunities, educational seminars and social activities. Forming a Lesbian Credit Union & Retirement Communities (+much more). For more info call: (215) 487-3736.



...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.

...The Center for Women Students at Penn State, Univer. Park sponsors many film series/discussion groups on women & Lesbian concerns. For more info/brochure call (814) 863-2027 or write: Ctr for Women Students, 102 Boucke Building, Penn State Univ., University Park, PA 16802.

...York Area Singles has something to do on the weekends!! A great way to meet other women. Dinner every-other Sat. nite; call Peg at (717) 225-6042 for reservations by the Thurs. before.

...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.

PHOENIX RISING	Psycho Therapy Clinical Training
Rosemary Madi, Ph Madi & Asso	
1407 N. Front Street Harrisburg, PA 17102	717-234-4148

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.

# Support Groups

Women's Support Group at the MCC of the Spirit Church office the 2nd & 4th Sunday of each month. 1818 Green St., Hbg. Call (717) 236-7387 for details.

...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.

...Group in the Philadelphia area for **Women Survivors of Sexual Abuse** by Women Perpetrators. Co-facilitated by Ellen Mitchell, Ph.D. & Marta Zehner, M.S.S., for more info call Marta at (717) 755-7431 or Ellen at (215) 849-7945.

...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.

...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. Hog.

...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.



STH ANNUAL LESBIAN DUDE RANCH WEEKENE APRIL 12-14, 1996

### IT'S A RUSTIC & ROMPIN'GOOD TIME Malibu Ranch, Milford, PA (Poconos)

Meet other guests at the wine & cheese reception

Special Weekend Guest Host and Special Weekend Guest Host and JULIE WHEELER formerly of the Lesbian Lounge Lizards)

- Enjoy nightly dance parties something for everyone—country, contemporary and oldies!
- Revel in hours of horseback riding and a Sunday rodeo
- Square dancing & Country Western dancing
- · Enjoy the crisp night air on hayrides or at the bonfires
- Relax inside... at the pool or sauna, play games, or enter the ping pong & billiards tournaments
- Play in organizaed sports...softball, volleyball, basketball and football games;

plus, there's riflery, archery and skeet shooting!

Do it all, or kick back and relax... this weekend is yours to enjoy!

EARTS OMEN AN IDEAL WEEKEND FOR SMALL GROUPS, COUPLES AND SINGLES!

## -LODGING-

Rooms are assigned on a first-come, first-served basis; and according to the number of women in your party. Accommodations in the Main Lodge are larger, private motel-type rooms; other rooms and cabins around the grounds vary in size some rooms are nicer than others, so sign up early.



Price includes lodging, meals, and all activities. Check-in begins Friday morning (lunch served): checkout is Sunday. 4 pm.

□2/rm-\$235pp □3/rm-\$199pp □4/rm-\$189pp (Add 6% hotel tax)

### - REGISTRATION -

A nonrefundable deposit of \$100 per person is required to reserve your room. This weekend sells out! Reserve early and avoid disappointment.

Details and directions will be sent upon receipt of deposit.

Names:

### CONTACT INFORMATION

Address:

Home Phone:

Work Phone:

We accept VISA or MasterCard, money orders and personal checks.

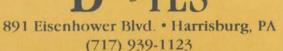


Card #:

Exp. Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Amount Enclosed: \$\_\_\_\_\_

Signature:

Mail reservation, with check payable to Wild Hearts, to the following address: RR 2, Box 443-B • Lake Road • Avondale, PA 19311 610.268.3572



Designed for & by Womyn!

> D.J. Dancing - Fridays & Saturdays: \$3.00 Cover You must have your I.D. on your person at all times.

SATURDAY, MARCH 2 Anni Versary Party Join D.J. Heidi for our 1 Year Anniversary Fun • Dancing • Prizes • much more!!! Building is available 6 days a week for private parties, holy union ceremonies, and special events.

March I	Zvents 🕉	<b>Hours:</b> Thursday - Saturday 7 p.m 2 a.m.	
Every Thursday Hourly Draft Specials & Backgammon & Game Night	Friday 1st D.J. Heidi Entertainment Co. Featuring: Alan Norton	Saturday 2nd Ariniversarg Partg with D.J. Heidi	
Thursday 7th B-TLS T-Shirts Now on Sale!!!	Friday 8th D.J. Heidi Entertainment Co. Featuring: D.J. Alan Oldies Night	Saturday 9th Afternoon Pool Tournament D.J. Heidi Entertainment Co. Featuring: D.J. Alan	
Thursday 14th Men's Night Out 2nd & 4th Thursday	Friday 15th D.J. Heidi Entertainment Co. Featuring: D.J. Jim	Saturday 16th D.J. Heidil!!! 9:30-10:30pm - The Dating Game Afternoon - Scavenger Hunt	
Thursday 21st Men's Night Out 2nd & 4th Thursday Thursday 28th	Friday 22nd Kate Miller Lite D.J. Jim & C.J. 8:30-11 Sumo Oldies w/Jim 11pm Friday 29th	DICau	

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(717) 939-1123 D.J. Dancing - Fridays & Saturdays: \$3.00 Cover You must have your I.D. on your person at all times.	Thursday 11th Men's Night Out 2nd & 4th Thursday	Friday 12th D.J. Heidi Entertainment Co. Featuring: D.J. Jim	Saturday 13th D.J. Heidi Entertainment Co. Featuring: D.J. Cruz
Saturday, April 27 Afternoon Pool Tournament	Thursday 18th B-TLS T-Shirts Now on Sale!!!	Friday 19th D.J. Jazzy Joyce	Saturday 20th D.J. Jazzy Joyce
\$10.00/person Free Pizza • Draft & Soda Specials Building is available 6 days a week for private parties, holy union ceremonies, and special events.	Thursday 25th Men's Night Out 2nd & 4th Thursday	Friday 26th D.J. Heidi Entertainment Co.	Saturday 27th Afternoon Pool Tournament D.J. Heidi