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A Calender of Events, for and by Womyn

October, 1998

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 2

7pm-'til whenever... Singer Songwriter Extrordinaire **JAMIE ANDERSON** at **Her Story Women's Bookstore**. With a voice as smooth as Mary Chapin Carpenter and a sense of humor as wacko as Suzanne Westenhoefer, JAMIE ANDERSON has performed at the National March On Washington and just about every women's music festival in existence. Join us for a delightful, fun evening of women's music and comedy! \$5.00 cover. more info/dir. 757-4270.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 3

8pm... **Jamie Anderson** in concert at the **Wire**, 216 4th St., New Cumberland. Seen at Campfest, Jamie is know for her songwriting and engaging stage presence, and has been touring coffee houses, clubs & festivals nationally since 1987.

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 4

1 pm... Singer Songwriter **KIM HUNT** at **Her Story Women's Bookstore**. Perhaps best known for writing the words and lyrics for some of Crazy Susan's songs, KIM HUNT has stepped forward to showcase her own original work as well as those of Shania Twain, Shawn Colvin, Elton John and many more. Join KIM HUNT for a fine afternoon of easy listening acoustical music at your local women's bookstore, Her Story. No Cover. more info/directions 757-4270.

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 8

9pm-mid... **Bobbi Carmitchell** in concert at the **Gingerbread Man**, Hershey. Call (717) 872-4512 for details.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 10

10:30am... **Hike to Flat Rock** in Col. Denning State Park. Meet in Harrisburg & carpool to the park outside of Newville area. Call the L.L. at (717) 691-5577. *Weather permitting.*

Noon... **Helen Krauss Pet Walk** at City Island. Walk 1 to 5 miles to the Governor's Mansion & back. Bring your pet or walk alone. Call (717) 697-3377, ext 3.

Ncon-6pm... **Gaytoberfest** sponsored by the Central PA Pride Festival in conjunction with Mary's Brownstone Cafe, the Neptune Lounge, Stallions/Twin Peaks, and the Strawberry Cafe will be held in the Harrisburg's Downtown District in the Third & North Streets areas. Merchandise ranging from Food to jewelry, pride items, pottery & clothing booths.

7:00 pm... **Lancaster Ladies Night Out** will meet for dinner and great conversation. For your reservation, call Shirley at (717) 397-1915 or e-mail to snoac@Gateway.net.

8pm... **The Carmitchell Sisters** live recording of their new CD "Live Wire" at the **Wire**. 4th St., New Cumberland. Call (717) 872-4512 for details.

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 18

4pm... **Lebanon County Lesbian Social Group and Potluck**. Call Marie at (717) 865-6944.

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 22

9pm-mid... **Bobbi Carmitchell** in concert **Paddy O' Sheans**, Myerstown. Call (717) 872-4512 for details.

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 23

7pm... **Hbg Area Ladies Night Out**. Meet for Dinner & great conversation at a local restaurant. Call (717) 691-5577 or e-mail to lavlet@panetwork.com. Please RSVP by Wed., Oct 21. Thanks!

9:30pm-1am... **The Carmitchell Sisters** in concert at the **Lanc. Malt Brewing Co.** Call (717) 872-4512 for details.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 24

9pm... **The Carmitchell Sisters** in concert at the **Symposium**, Centerville Rd., Lancaster. Call (717) 872-4512 for details.

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 25

1pm... Singer Songwriter **CHRISTINE MOLL** w/ **percussionist Jackie Baxter** at **Her Story Women's Bookstore**. CHRISTINE currently receives airplay on WXPB 88.5. CHRISTINE's will be performing her first CD entitled "Losing Ourselves" is an emotionally moving album with powerful lyrics. The title track "Losing Ourselves" is an upbeat kind of song dealing with the sense of finding one's self and happiness in freedom of the soul. CHRISTINE's voice only enhances the mood of songs like "Murder Me" and "Six Years of Love" that talk of betrayal and loss in an honest and powerful way. This CD is one where all of the songs stand alone as wonderfully written songs and because of this, there is not just one or two songs that have received airplay, but 5 out of the 8 songs have been played over the past year: Losing Ourselves, Murder Me, Angels on Her Back, Easy Weather and Feel It. Join us in welcoming CHRISTINE MOLL to the Central Pennsylvania Women's Music community. \$4.00 cover. more info/directions..757-4270.

2-4pm... **Bobbi Carmitchell** in concert for **Hunter's Valley Winery's Wine Tasting Open House**. North of Hbg, on 11/15. Call (717) 872-4512 for details.

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 29

9pm-mid... **Bobbi Carmitchell** in concert at the **Gingerbread Man**, Hershey. Call (717) 872-4512 for details.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 31

9pm-1am... **The Carmitchell Sisters** Halloween Party at **Bully's - Columbia**. Call (717) 872-4512 for details.



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SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 14

The 3rd Annual FAB Banquet at the Hershey Lodge and Convention Center. Details in the next issue.

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...**MCC OF THE SPIRIT**, 2973 Jefferson St., Hbg. Every Sunday 10:30 am & 7:00 pm. Call 236-7387 for information. We offer Christian educational sessions that nurture the whole person.

...**Dignity/Central PA** meets the 1st Sun. of every month at 6:00 p.m. at the Friends Meeting House (lower level), 6th and Herr Streets in Harrisburg, for a potluck dinner and discussion. Dignity provides fellowship for gay and lesbian Catholics, and supportive non-Catholics. All are welcome. Dinner nights out and other events are also held throughout the year. Call 652-7683 for info.

...**INTERWEAVE** is a group supported by the Unitarian Universalist Church, for those people who are concerned with Gay, Lesbian or Straight issues. Meeting is the 1st Sunday of each month, call for times (usually 6:30pm). Hotline: (717) 859-4481.

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...**UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST CHURCH OF LANCASTER**, Sunday, 9am & 11am. Rev. M. Susan Milnor. 538 W. Chestnut St., Lancaster. (717) 393-1733. Interweave Gathering, a new social group focused on the gay & lesbian community of Lancaster County will be meeting on the last Sun-day of each month at 6pm at the Church. For info call (717) 393-1733.

...**UNITY CENTER FOR SPIRITUAL GROWTH**. 4695 Charles Rd., Mechanicsburg. (Behind Trindle Bowling Alley on Trindle Rd.) Services: Sundays 9am & 11am. (717) 691-0300. Unity is a culturally diverse spiritual community, promoting positive life transformation and recognizing that all people are one in God.

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...Anyone 60+ is invited to join **OLOC, Old Lesbians Organizing for Change**. For membership and 4 issues of the OLOC Reporter, send \$15 to P.O. Box 98042, Houston, TX 77098. for more info.

Her Story Women's Bookstore book discussion group meets on the third Wednesday of each month @ 7 pm. We invite you to join us, meet like-minded women and expand your literary horizons. This month's book is: Inside MS. 25 Years of the Magazine and the Feminist Movement. Next month we delve into our first mystery: Silent Words. No need to pre-register! Just join in the fun and lively discussion.

...**Shippensburg Circle Group** meets in the Shippensburg, Carlisle and Chambersburg Areas for networking & social events. Brunch/potlucks in Shippensburg. Call (717) 530-1743 for the next event.

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...**PFFLAG** of Central PA meets at Tressler Lutheran Services, 960 Century Dr., Mechanicsburg. Call (717) 795-0330.

...**HEALINGS: Helping Every Adolescent In Need Group Support**, for gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgender youth. Meetings are the 2nd & 4th Friday of each month at 7pm in the Gettysburg Area. For more info/location call (717) 630-5292 or (717) 338-1694.

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...**The Center for Women Students at Penn State, Univ. Park** sponsors many film series/discussion groups on Women & Lesbian concerns. For more info/brochure call (814) 863-2027.

...**Gay & Lesbian Book Discussion Group at Borders Books** in Lancaster. Meets the 3rd Thursday each month at 7pm.

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...**YAL (York Area Lambda)** Educational, Political & Social Group of Les-bian/Gay & Bi people in the York area. Newsletter with paid dues. For more info write P.O. Box 2425, York, PA 17405 or call (717) 848-9142.

...**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 national nonprofit, Lesbian membership organization working to build the economic strength, and improve the quality of life, of the Lesbian community. TI is the sponsor of Triangle Interests Federal Credit Union (TIFCU), the first national credit union formed to benefit Lesbian Women. TI also offers financial seminars, business networking, social activities and health insurance. For membership info call: (215) 487-3736. VM#1; E-mail: ti@triangleinterests.org; website: www.triangleinterests.org.

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...**Full Bloom Women** is a group for fat women of all sexualities (Lesbian, Bi & Straight) and all sizes of large who are on the path towards self acceptance. We are not a group focused on weight loss. We believe in leading full, productive & enjoyable lives, no matter our size. We meet together as women to share support, have fun, network, put forth a positive size acceptance message, and to change the world. Call (609) 797-0114.

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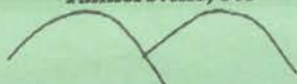
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