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A Calender of Events, for and by Womyn

September, 1999

THURSDAY-SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 2-5

Quaker Lesbian Conference: Located near Philadelphia. Contact (610) 734-0415 or QLConf@aol.com for more information.

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 10

7pm... **Lancaster Ladies Night Out.** Meet for dinner and great conversation at a local restaurant. Call Shirley at (717) 397-1915 or e-mail at Snoac@aol.com.

SEPTEMBER 10-12

The Sisterspace Weekend, featuring women's music, entertainment, sports, workshops, speakers, dances, food and fun. The Womyn of Color Forum will once again be a central part of the Weekend. For the first time, the Weekend will feature a lesbian celebration of Rosh Hashanah. Cost for the festival is based on a sliding fee. Cabins and tenting space will be available, as well as great food and swimming! Contact Sisterspace at (215) 546-4890 or for details at www.sisterspace.org.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 11

11am... **Par 3 Golf Outing** for the not so serious golfer. We're going to Rocky Meadows (Between Carlisle & Newville)... & when I say Rocky.... well just watch your ball bounce around the fairway. I need RSVP's by Wed., Sept. 8th. Call the L.L. at (717) 763-7494. P.S. This outing is for beginning golfers. If you're used to nice fairways & greens... this isn't the place, but it's a lot of fun for the rest of us duffers... oops.. I mean golfers.

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 12

6-10pm... **Bobbi Carmitchell** in concert at Bube's Brewery, outside in the Beer Garden, Mt. Joy. Call (717) 872-4512 for details.

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 16

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

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 18

9am-5pm... **Mini Golf Tournament.** Join the Central Pennsylvania Womyn's Chorus and Harrisburg Men's Chorus for their first annual mini-golf tournament at Bumblebee Hollow Golf Course in Mechanicsburg. Prizes awarded for golfing feats! (Rain Date - Sunday, September 19)

9:30pm-12:30am... **Bobbi Carmitchell** in concert at Coakley's Tavern, New Cumberland. Call (717) 872-4512 for details.

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 20

7:30-mid... **Monday Night Football** Begins at the Pink Lizard. Eisenhower Blvd., Hbg. We'll continue all season. Call (717) 939-1123 for details.

FRIDAY-SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 24-26

Womyn's Wilderness Weekend, at Cowans Gap State Park, hosted by the Susquehanna Club. 2 nights/3 days camping, Friday night social/buffet, Breakfast Saturday & Sunday & Dinner Saturday. Everyone must bring a food item for one of Saturdays meals. Please call Rob (717) 626-7836 or Charlie (717) 612-9531 for more details. E-mail: csmith@paonline.com. Reservation form may be printed from their web site: www.paonline.com/outdoors.

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 24

7pm... **Harrisburg Ladies Night Out.** Join us for dinner and great conversation. Call (717) 763-7494 for reservation by Wed., 22nd.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 25

Potluck at DJ and Sandy's in Allentown... Contact **GLORA**, PO Box 1952, Allentown, PA 18105-1952 or email to GLORAinPA@aol.com.

2pm... Scavenger Hunt at The Pink Lizard. Eisenhower Blvd., Hbg. Prizes. Call (717) 939-1123 for details.

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 30

7:30pm... Pool League begins at The Pink Lizard. Eisenhower Blvd., Hbg. Sign up at the Bar.

Upcoming Events . . .

FRIDAY-SUNDAY, OCTOBER 1-3

GLORA Camping Weekend... Spend the weekend at Oneida Campground in New Milford, PA (about 1 1/2 hours north of Allentown, off Rt. 81). Contact Steve or Robert at (610) 821-0578 for more details or reservations.

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 5

7:30pm... Karen Williams at Bucknell University for a Free Concert in the Forum at the Langome Student Center. Call (570) 577-1609 for details.

OCTOBER 29-31

8th Annual Highlands Inn Murder Mystery Weekend. Guests assume the roles of suspects, murderers, even victims and every one plays detective. \$35/person plus room, includes dinner. We'll end with a dance.

FRIDAY-SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 12-14

The 5th Annual Witches Gathering For Hallows: a Conference for womyns' personal spiritual growth in southwestern Wisconsin. This year's focus is "Turning of the Wheel: Sacred Magic." Workshops, Goddess Renaissance Faire, Market and an outdoor Labyrinth. Vegetarian meals served daily. No dinner Friday. Fee: \$125 to \$155, Write with SASE for free brochure. Gathering of Priestesses '99, RCG, Box 6677, Madison, WI 53716; (608) 257-5858.

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FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 12

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SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 13

Mark your calendar for FAB. Last year the Gala raised \$17,500 which was donated to several gay & lesbian organizations in the Central PA area. This years speaker: Suzanne Westenhoffer.

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 16

8:00p.m... The Central Pennsylvania Womyn's Chorus Fall Concert, "How Can I Keep From Singing", at the Harrisburg Unitarian Church. Enjoy listening to the sounds of the Womyn's Chorus singing folk songs, works composed or arranged by contemporary female composers, and Christmas carols with a twist!

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nity provides fellowship to gay and lesbian Catholics, and sup-
portive non-Catholics. All are welcome. Dinner nights out and
other events are also held throughout the year. Call (717) 652-
7683 for info.

...INTERWEAVE is a group supported by the Unitarian Univer-
salist Church, for those people who are concerned with Gay, Les-
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... PFLAG York meets at 750 Kelly Dr. (the former Lutheran Home building) at 7pm on the first Tues. of the month. Call Don and Pat (717) 843-3793 or Charles and Judy at (717) 846-7633 for directions or to be placed on the mailing list.

...FREE SPIRIT is Bloomsburg University's Community for Lesbians, Gay Men, Bisexuals, as well as friends and family. We offer support, info, discussion, and activities to create awareness, advocate social change... and just have fun! For info call Wendy Lee-Lampshire, Ph.D., Dept. of Philosophy, (717) 389-4332 or e-mail at lampshire@planetx.bloomu.edu.

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6PM-12AM

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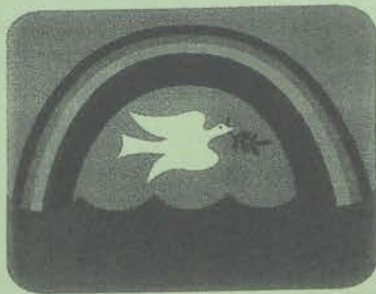
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...VISION OF HOPE MCC, 130 E. Main St. Mountville, PA 17554. Services: Sunday at 10:30am & 7pm. Morning Children's Sunday School. VOH has several small groups including a 12 step Bible Study currently meeting. Call the Church for details. (717) 285-9070.

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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. Call Diane for more info, (610) 868-7183.

...**Book Discussion Group.** If you like to read,...join our book club. We meet the 2nd Sunday of the month at 6pm. Call Caroline (717) 545-4494 for this month's book and the location of the meeting.

...**The Central Pennsylvania Womyn's Chorus.** Rehearsal at 7pm, Harris Street United Methodist Church on the corner of Harris & 3rd Sts, Harrisburg. (Second floor Sunday School Room) For more info call the chorus voicemail at (717) 234-4825 or Conductor Alissa Plant at (717) 566-2856..

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

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