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A Calender of Events, for and by Womyn

September, 2000

### Activities

### WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 6

Bobbi Carmitchell in concert at York Residents, Gay York Live. Call (717) 872-4512 for details.

#### SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 9

1pm - 4 pm . . . Bobbi Carmitchell in concert at Strasburg Heritage Days in downtown Strasburg. Call (717) 872-4512 for details and directions.

#### **SEPTEMBER 8-10**

Sister Space Weekend 2000, A celebratation of women's space, women's music, and lesbian community. Ramblewood Camp in Darlington, Maryland. To register call 215-546-4890.

#### SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 10

4pm... Lebanon County Lesbians Social Group and Potluck, call Marie at 717-865-6944 for more information.

6 pm - 7 pm. . . Stone Soup in concert at the 12th Annual Harrisburg Gallery Walk. Event runs 11 am - 6 pm at the Broad Street Market on North Third Street in Harrisburg.

#### MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 11

7 pm . . .Open House, Central PA Womyn's Chorus, Harris St. United Methodist Church (2nd floor Sunday School) at the corner of 3rd and Harris in Harrisburg. Come meet us and experience the joy of singing with women. For more information call Cathy Nelson at 975-3441, Email ICANCAN@aol.com or see our web site at www.cpwchorus.org.

#### 'FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 15

7pm...Lancaster Ladies Night Out is back! Meet us for good food and fun and a chance To meet some great women. Call Shirley (yes I'm back too) at (717) 560-6817 (new number) Or email snoac@aol.com for your reservations.

9:30 pm - 12:30 am . . . Bobbi Carmitchell in concert at Coakley's in New Cumberland. Call (717) 872-4512 for detail and directions.

### SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 16

6 pm ...The Lesbian Alliance of South Central Pennsylvania Pot Luck dinner. Call 767-2105 for directions.

#### SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 17

11am... Shippensburg Circle Brunch. Get together for a great meal and good conversation. Call 530-1743, for location. Sign up to be on our e-mail list to stay connected. <u>lkuj125@innernet.net</u>

#### **THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 21**

7pm... Third Thursday of each month, Gay & Lesbian Book Discussion Group at Borders Books across from Park City, Lancaster.

Light the Night Walk for the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society, rain or shine at City Island Harrisburg, PA We are looking to form a team for this event. Anyone interested call 975-0464.

### WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 27

York area Dine-Out- Over a dozen restaurants in York and Hanover will be participating. Participating restaurants contribute a portion of their profits to the benefit of OPEN (Ordinary People Extraordinary Needs). Enjoy a wonderful meal at a favorite restaurant and help contribute to the work of OPEN.

#### SEPTEMBER 28 - 30

Harley Davidson Open House at their York Plant. Check out this year's new cycle selection.

### FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 29

7pm... Harrisburg Ladies Night Out. Meet for dinner and great conversation. Call (717) 975-0464 for details by Wed, 27th.

### **Upcoming Events..**

### SUNDAY, OCTOBER 1

11 am . . . Brunch with Rainbow Lighthouse. Call Janet at 728-9587 for details.

#### SATURDAY, OCTOBER 7

9:30 pm - 1 am ... Bobbi Carmitchell and her sister Ann in concert at the Lancaster Dispensing Company. Call (717) 872-4512 for details and directions.

#### OCTOBER 9-15

It's the 16th Annual Women's Week at Provincetown.

#### FRIDAY, OCTOBER 20

8 pm ... Holly Near in concert in the Weis Center for the Performing Arts. at Bucknell University. This event is free and open to the public. Sponsored byL/B/G/T Awarness Office at Bucknell. For more information call (570) 577-3303 or the Weis Center Ticket Office: (570) 577-3700.

#### FRIDAY, OCTOBER 27

8 pm . . . Lucie Blue Tremley in concert in Bucknell Hall at Bucknell University. This event is free and open to the public. Sponsored by L/ B/G/T Awarness Office at Bucknell. For more information call (570) 577-3303 or The Weis Center Ticket Office: (570) 577-3700.

#### SATURDAY, OCTOBER 28

6 pm . . . The Lesbian Alliance of South Central Pennsylvania Pot Luck dinner. Call 755-3643 for directions.

### SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 4

6 pm . . . FAB 2000 The 5th Annual Fall Achievement Benefit at the newly renovated Radisson Penn Harris Hotel and Convention Center in Camp Hill. The dinner/dance raises money for area lesbians and gay organizations. Award winning writer and comedian Bob Smith is the featured Speaker this year. To order tickets call 1-800-406-3321. For information about opportunities to support FAB through advertising, sponsorship or silent auction, donations call (717) 732-2067 before October 1, 2000.





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### Spirituality...

### WORSHIP SERVICES

...DIGNITY OF CENTRAL PA meets the 1st Sun. of every month at 6pm, at the Friends Meeting House (lower level), 6th & Herr Sts. Harrisburg, for a potluck dinner and discussion. Fellowship for gay and lesbian Catholics, and supportive non-Catholics. All are welcome. Call (717) 652-7683.

... 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 5pm). Hotline: (717) 859-4481.

...MCC OF THE SPIRIT, 2973 Jefferson St., Hbg. Every Sunday 10:30 am & 7:00 pm. Call 236-7387 for information. We offer Christian edu-

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... UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST CONGREGATION OF YORK, 925 South George St. (717) 845-8212. Services Sunday 10AM. Rev. Jennifer Justice, Childcare and religious education for youth provided. A Welcoming Congregation.

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

...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 (717) 285-9070.

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We are looking for participants who would like to have a 'BUDDY' and for those who would like to be 'BUDDIES'. Please contact Natalie Damrauer at 540-7725 or email her at <u>LoonSng@aol.com</u> for more information, to request a BUDDY or to volunteer to be a BUDDY!

...NOW, York Chapter, (National Organization for Women) meets on the 3rd Wed, of odd-numbered months at the YWCA, E. Market St., at 7:30pm. and on the 3rd Saturday of even-numbered months at various locations at 10am. Call Cindy at (717) 848-9142 or Janice at (717) 259-6092 for info/directions & location of the Saturday meeting.

... 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.

...GLSEN (Gay, Lesbian, Straight Education Network) meets in Carlisle at the YWCA. Mission Statement: GLSEN strives to assure that each member of every school community is valued and respected, regardless of sexual orientation. We welcome as members individuals, regardless of sexual orientation or occupation, who share this philosophy.

### Social Groups...

Announcing THE LESIAN ALLIANCE OF SOUTH-CENTRAL PENNSYL-VANIA. Activities will include potlucks, bi-monthly newsletter, media liason, and any other event that the group is willling to take on. Membership dues is \$10 per household. To get on the mailing list or for more information, call Kate or Cindy at 848-9142.

The Central Pennsylvania Womyn's Chorus brings together a diverse group of women, united by the joy of singing, to celebrate and empower women, and to affirm a positive image of lesbians and feminists. P.O. Box 60426, Harrisburg, PA 17106-0426. Chorus voice mail system but the truth is we don't always check it: 717-234-4825. Chorus web site: http://www.cpwchorus.org. Chorus e-mail address: ICANCAN@aol.com. Our Artistic Director: Alissa Plant, 213 N. Duke St. Hummelstown PA 17036. (717) 566-2856, E-mail imamezzo@aol.com.

The Central Pennsylvania Womyn's chorus resumes weekly rehearsals this fall with an Open House on Monday, September 11 at 7 pm at the Harris Street United Methodist Church (second floor Sunday School) at the corner of Third and Harris in Harrisburg. Come meet us and experience the joy of singing with women. For more information call Cathy Nelson at 975-3441, or E-mail ICANCAN@aol.com or see our web site at www.cpwchours.org. ...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 info call: (215) 487-3736. VM#1; E-mail: ti@triangleinterests.org; website: www.triangle interests.org.

...Interested in meeting people in the Carlisle, Shippensburg, Chambersburg area? The **Shippensburg Circle** is the connection. Monthly Brunches and other get togethers. To get on the e-mail list or for info on our next get together. 530-1743 or e-mail: LKuj125@innernet.net.

...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. To contact GLORA write: P.O. Box 1952, Allentown, PA 18105, or E-mail: GLORAinPA@aol.com.

...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 meeting place.

The Pride Festival of Central Pennsylvania is sponsoring a 4-day group cruise to Key West and Cozumel on February 1-5, 2001. PRIDE partnered with Omega World Travel(the largest cruise travel agency and owners of cruise.com) and Carnival Cruise Lines to offer you this relaxing get-a-way vacation package at a great price. Sorry...Kathie Lee not included. For additional information and itinerary details contact: Jeffery or Denise at Omega World Travel 1-800-955-2582 9:00A.M. - 5 P.M. EST (Monday-Friday) E-mail: jalmoney@owt.net or E-Mail: dzortman@owt.net



### NFL Region Football Schedule for September

### SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 3

Baltimore at Pittsburg	1:00 pm
Carolina at Washington	1:00 pm
New York Jets at Green Bay	3:15 pm
Philadelphia at Dallas	3:05 pm
Tennessee at Buffalo	8:35 pm
SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 10	
Green Bay at Buffalo	1:00 pm
Jacksonville at Baltimore	1:00 pm
New York Giants at Philadelphia	1:00 pm
Washington at Detroit	4:15 pm
MONDAY SEPTEMBER 11	
New England at New York Jets	9:00 pm
SUNDAY, SEPTE	MBER 17
Buffalo at New York Jets	1:00 pm
New York Giants at Chicago	3:15 pm
Philadelphia at Green Bay	12:00 pm
Pittsburgh at Cleveland	1:00 pm
Baltimore at Miami	8:35 pm
MONDAY SEPTEMBER 18	
Dallas at Washington	9:00 pm
SUNDAY, SEPTE	MBER 24
Cincinnati at Baltimore	1:00 pm
New York Jets at Tampa Bay	4:15 pm
Philadelphia at New Orleans	12:00 pm
Tennessee at Pittsburgh	1:00 pm
Washington at New York Giants	8:35 pm
MONDAY SEPTEMBER 25	
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This group would meet once a week in the evening for discussion and socialization at a predetermined SMOKE-FREE location. This is not a support group or dating service, but rather an opportunity for womyn to gather and form a community in a social, safe and SMOKE-FREE environment.

Based on my experiences with a similar group in my hometown, this gathering of womyn could decide to participate in a number of activities on a voluntary basis such as:

\* Weekly discussion (topics to be determined by the group)

- \* Lesbian culture/womyn's herstory, etc.
- \* Womyn's music
- \* LGBT Community and Politics
- \* Book discussion and exchange

\* Planned, NON SMOKING group events (e.g., movie nights, hiking, potluck dinners, cultural events, road trips, etc)

If this sounds like something you'd like to check-out, please feel free to contact me and/or leave a message. Non-smoking, lesbian identified, singles and couples welcome! Contact Carol Nodgaard at (717) 721-7493 or E-mail: c.nodgaard@att.net.

#### WELCOME FRIENDS

First of all we would like to thank Jody for her 8 years of service and dedication to the Lavender Letter and to the womyn's community. Bravo! Well Done!

As the new Editors, we are looking forward to serving the womyn's community through the Lavender letter. We bring with us a new energy, new ideas, and sponsoring more activities as we enter the new millenium. We will also be sponsoring joint activities with our sister newsletter, The Rainbow Lighthouse.

If anyone has ideas for activities or anything else, please feel free to contact us with ideas. Remember it's your Lavender Letter!

Judy and Ann

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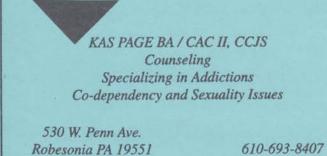
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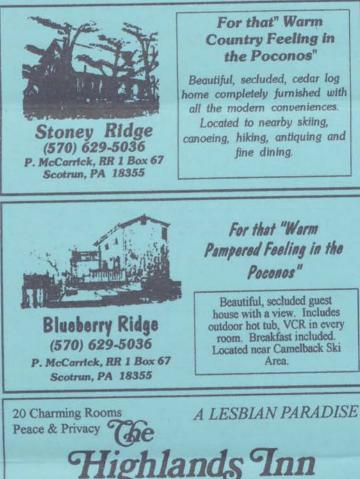
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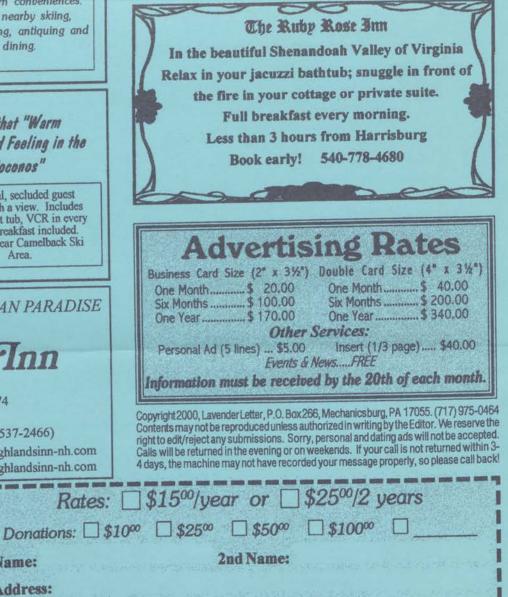
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September is Ovarian Cancer Awareness Month

About 1 in every 57 women in the U.S. will develop ovarian cancer. Most cases occur in women over the age of 50, but this disease can also affect younger women. Talk to your doctor about testing for ovarian cancer and get aheads up on the disease.

For more information about ovarian cancer and other women's health issues, check out the website at the National Womens Health Information Center at www.4woman.org.

LIGHT(Lesbian Initiative on Good Health and Togetherness), a project of AIDS Community Alliance, represents a communitywide effort to bring attention to issues of health pertaining to lesbian and bisexual women in the South Central Pa region. The project addresses issues of wellness and health, providing a forum for discussions, questions and possible answers. Phone: 717-233-7190 Website: www.ACA-PA.com



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