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A Calender of Events, for and by Womyn

June, 2001

### Activities...

#### FRIDAY, JUNE 1

9pm-Midnight. . . Bobbi Carmitchell in concert at The Carribean Inn on the square in Manheim, PA. Call Bobbi for details and directions at 717-872-4512.

5pm - 8pm. . . It's the opening reception of "PAST & PRESENT". Polaroid and other creative photography works by Rebekah Schiller. Also exhibited will be works of her grandfather Albert Schiller (1898-1970), consisting of abstract expressionism and typography. The show will run through June 29, 2001 at: Mulberry Art Studios, 21 N. Mulberry St., Lancaster, PA (717) 295-1948 or e-mail Rebekah~polaroidarts@onemain.com. Check out her website at: www.polaroidarts.com.

#### SATURDAY, JUNE 2

Yard Sale at MCC of The Spirit, 2973 Jefferson St., Harrisburg. Call (717) 236-7387 for more information.

#### TUESDAY, JUNE 5

6pm... The Women's Circle Informational Meeting at the Institute for Cultural Partnership at 3211 N. Front St. Suite 104, Harrisburg. Entrance is at the rear of the building. We are in the planning stages to lay the ground work for a Women's Center in Harrisburg. We need your help! Let us all join together to make this a reality! For more information call Bobbi at (717) 872-4512.

#### THURSDAY, JUNE 7

9-Midnight. . . Bobbi Carmitchell in concert at The Gingerbreadman in Hershey. Call Bobbi for details and directions at (717) 872-4512.

#### FRIDAY, JUNE 8

6-9pm. . . Drumsong Workshop for Women with Ubaka Hill at the Center for Women's Creative Expression, 1507 N. Third St., Harrisburg, PA. For more information call (717) 238-6244 or e-mail womencreate@aol.com.

#### SATURDAY, JUNE 9

8pm. . The Central Pennsylvania Womyn's Chorus presents its first concert in a year and a half. This Land is OUR Land, at Harrisburg Unitarian Church. Tickets \$8 in advance, \$10 at the door. For tickets, directions or more info e-mai linfo@cpwchorus.org, call 234-4825, or see our web site at www.cpwchorus.org.

8-10pm...DAE, an acoustic trio featuring David, Amy and Elisa at Sparky and Clarks, 20 N. Market Square, Harrisburg, PA.

#### SUNDAY, JUNE 10

2pm. . . Coming Out Panel Discussion Sponsored by The Lesbian Alliance of South Central PA. at the Carriage House of the Unitarian Church in York. Three speakers will talk briefly about their own coming out experiences, then will entertain questions. It is a supportive environment for women who are dealing with coming out issues. The event is free and light refreshments wil be served. For more information, call (717) 846-2089 or send e-mail to <urbanite@aol.com>.

#### FRIDAY, JUNE 15

7 pm...Lancaster Ladies Night Out meets for good food with good folks. Singles and couples welcome. Call Shirley at 560-6817 or E-mail snoac@aol.com for reservations.

#### SATURDAY, JUNE 16

MCC of The Spirit is sponsoring a bus trip to see the Broadway Show, Les Miserables. Tickets in Orchestra seating and bus are \$85 per person. Call 236-7387 for more information.

#### SATURDAY, JUNE 16

Pridefest 2001 at Six Flags Great Adventure- Celebrate Gay Pride Month at the World's Largest Regional Theme Park. A Weekend of Activities has been planned. Call (914)923-6167 or E-mail PRIDEFEST2001@aol.com.

#### SUNDAY, JUNE 17

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

#### WEDNESDAY, JUNE 20

7 pm. . . Gay and Lesbian Switchboard of Harrisburg Monthly Meeting. If you are interested in working with GLSH in it's continuing stand for the community, I encourage you to get involved. For more information call 717-234-0328 or e-mail glsh@harrisburgpride.org.

#### SATURDAY, JUNE 23

Bobbi Carmitchell will be appearing with Lucie Blue Tremblay on stage at the 27th National Women's Music Festival at Ball State University in Muncie, Indiana. (http://wiaonline.org/nwmf/).

Chris and Janie(formerly with T.L.O. Stone Soup) have formed an acoustic guitar/vocals duo called Plan B, and will be performing at the Candlelight Vigil at the Relay for Life (American Cancer Society Annual Event) at Harrisburg's City Island. For more information you can email them at: planbhbg@cs.com.

#### THURSDAY, JUNE 28

Gay York Live is having a 5 hour special on The Cable Access Channel in York. Bobbi Carmitchell will be the host. Call Bobbi for details at 717-872-4512.

#### FRIDAY, JUNE 29

7 pm . . . Harrisburg Ladies Night Out. Join us for good food and good conversation and a night away from home. Call (717)975-0464 or E-mail Lavlet4wym@aol.com

# Upcoming Events...

#### SATURDAY, JULY 21

The Lesbian Alliance of South Central PA Women's Potluck and Swimming. York Location. Call (717) 792-7711.

#### SUNDAY - FRIDAY, JULY 22-27

Adventure in the Catskills! Women's Motorcycle Skills Week. A fun filled week in the Catskill Mountains of New York State. There will be workshops and a variety of activities to participate in. For more information call (845) 657-6227 or e-mail at womenride@aol.com

#### SATURDAY, JULY 28

12 noon-7 pm . . . Pride Fest 2001 is at Riverfront Park in Harrisburg. Website is www.harrisburgpride.org and phone 717-234-0328 or e-mail hbgpride@harrisburgpride.org.

#### SATURDAY, AUGUST 18

The Lesbian Alliance of South CentralPA Women's Potluck and Swimming, York location. Call (717) 792-7711.

#### SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 17

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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. . Call (717) 285-9070. E-mail: REVDCOGGIN@aol.com.

UNITARIAN CHURCH OF HARRISBURG Sundays 10:30 am 1280 Clover Lane, Harrisburg, PA 717-564-4761. We are a liberally religious "Welcoming Congregation". Our Interweave Committe promotes acceptance and affirmation of GLBT concerns. Please join us. E-mail: uch@paonline.com Website: http://www.paonline.com/uchuua/.

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# Support Groups...

"DON'T BE A BOOB - GET A BOSOM BUDDY" Are you concerned about the Procedure? Are you concerned about going alone? A volunteer network of 'BUDDIES' is being organized to accompany women who know the importance of a mammogram yet fear the mammogram procedure whether is the first or the 100th.

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 <a href="mailto:LoonSng@aol.com">LoonSng@aol.com</a> 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.

....ENCOREplus was established in 1994 to provide free clinical breast exams, Pap test and mammograms to women over the age of 40 who have annual incomes below \$15,448(add \$5,365 for each additional dependent). Clinical breast exams and Pap test are done at Sadler Clinic, 117 N. Hanover St, Carlisle, by a nurse-practitioner. Mammograms are provided by Carlisle Imaging at their Medical Arts Building location, Wilson St. Carlisle. Interested women should call ENCORE plus at the YWCA of Carlisle, 243-3818 or e-mail, dlantz@ywcaof carlisle.org.

....NETWORK and FORUM for lesbians of Catholic heritage. A Web Site of the "Conference for Catholic Lesbians" (CCL) is now up and running. CCL was organized in 1982, published a monthly newspaper, "Images" and held many national conferences in different parts of the country. IF YOU ARE SEEKING...to connect with others on a spiritual journey for strength and support...to learn how other women celebrate being Catholic and lesbian...to express what's on your mind and in your heart to others who have shared your experience and understand...please join us at catholiclesbians.org. For other information from a member in the Harrisburg area, you can send email to "cathles RU12@aol.com" or leave a message in the CCL "Guestbook".

# Social Groups...

THE LESBIAN ALLIANCE OF SOUTH-CENTRAL PENNSYLVANIA. Activities include potlucks, bi-monthly newsletter, media liason, and any other event that the group is willling to take on. Membership dues are \$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 rehearses Monday nights at 7:00 pm at St. John's Lutheran Church in Shiremanstown. There is still time to join and be in the spring concert. For more information, e-mail info@cpwchorus.org, see our web site at www.cpwchorus.org, or call Joanne and Linda at 761-6958.

Rainbow Riders-Gay and Lesbian Motorcyle Club forming for the South Central PA area. Scheduled rides and socializing. For more information call 717-229-2703.

.....Womynspirit -You are invited to a safe and sacred space where womyn may explore and express their own unique spirtuality. Where we may find strength in ourselves and each other. We meet the 3rd Friday of every month in Carlisle. For details call Jennifer Polhemun, 243-6585 or Joanne Kinsey, 337-1656.

...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

...Shippensburg Circle. Women from the Shippensburg, Carlisle, & Chambersburg area get together monthly. Connect through our e-mail list or phone. To get info or put yourself on our list, call (717) 530-1743 or 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) 545-3164 for this month's book and meeting place.



# Classified Ads

WANTED: House to rent. Looking for an unattached, two bedroom house that allows cats in Harrisburg suburbs and surrounding areas. Would like to be in by July 1st. Respond to ace@epix.net or 717-774-4464.

WANTED: Musicians just starting out, to audition for band into originals -Dance, Trance, and New Age type music. Call 570-429-1030 or e-mail: ALIVE52@ptd.net

## FYI . . .

MCC of the Spirit has begun an early service at 9:00 am that is only 50 minutes to an hour in length! Come share the Spirit!

The Midtown Cinema needs your help! They are in dire need of a heating/air conditioning system. They cannot open without it! They are looking for corporate and individual donors who will help the theater overcome this last hurdle. Your contributions are tax-deductible. Please sne your contribution to: MidtownMarket District Inc., 1230 N.Third St., Harrisburg, PA 17102.

Friday-Sataurday, June 22-23. . . Join Lavender Letter and HOWL (Hanging out with Lesbians) on a camping trip to Locust Lake State Park. If you would like more information about the camp out e-mail: sweethoneytowanda@yahoo.com. For more information about this park or all state parks visit this website: wwwdcnr.state.pa.us or call The Tuscarora/Locust Lake Park office at 570-467-2404.

HOWL (Hanging Out With Lesbians) has a website! It is: http:// howlofpa.homestead.com/index.html. This website is still a work in progress. The home page is really great! Kudos to HOWL!

Lavender Letter's website will be up and running sometime this month! Finally!



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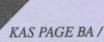
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