

#### **Erie Gay News**

# Calendar

This calendar is also online at www.eriegaynews.com/calendar.html

Apr 21 - Performance: Folk Singer Ellis (Slippery Rock University, Slippery Rock PA) the LGBA at Slippery Rock University will by sponsoring a performance by the folk singer Ellis. This event will by held at the university Email: Jazzie1@zoominternet.net.

Apr 24 - Erie Sisters meets (Erie PA) Transgender/crossdresser support group. Contact for location of meeting by email, phone or write to LEG, PO Box 1131, Erie PA 16512-0131 Phone: (724) 368-3793. Email: eriesisters@eriesisters.org. Browse to http://www.eriesisters.org.

Apr 24 - Performance: Two Girls Alone at Two Friends Italian Market 25 E 10th St, Erie PA 8 PM - 10:30 PM. The evening will include a special guest, Donna Sawver, producer of the upcoming Women's International Music Festival (August 6-8). Women interested in the festival can come out and get tickets, more information about the festival, and even promotional items. Email for more information about the evening, or for a pizza coupon good for that night. Email: twogirlsalone@att.net.

Apr 25 - Eighth Annual Buffalo Brunch for Empire State Pride Agenda At 12 noon, Hyatt Regency, Buffalo. Assemblymember Daniel O'Donnell Info: Jeffrey Platt, (716)881-7766, or plattjh@dyc.edu.

Apr 25 - March to Save Women's Lives (Washington DC) Information in last issue. Organizers: Feminist Majority, NARAL Pro-Choice America, National Organization for Women, Planned Parenthood Federation of America Contact: Rebecca Pruveadenti. Phone: (814) 838-9034.

**Apr 27 - Pennsylvania Primary Election** Don't Forget to Vote!!!

Apr 28 - Beltane (Unitarian Universalist Congregation of Erie, 7180 New Perry Highway, Erie PA) 7 PM. Open circle event hosted by Brighidshaven

#### Menspace smiles



Pat Hiller, Bob Lytle and Jeff Burt having a good time at April's Menspace. Menspace is a monthly gay/bi men's social club.

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(GLBT friendly Pagan group.) This will be an outdoor event, weather permitting, including a traditional maypole. Gathering begins at 7 PM for social time, rite to begin as close to 7:30 as possible! We need to take advantage of the daylight as much as we can, so be there and be ready for frolic and magical maypole fun! Feast to follow immediately thereafter. TJ will

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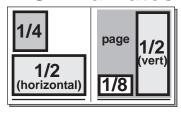
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Pat, Bob & Jeff at
Menspace
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# Calendar

lead us in a rite to embrace the threshold of the joyful time that is summer, and the union of the Lord and Lady in the dance of life. Bright colors that you're not afraid to get dirty are suitable garb, and bring a dish to pass for the reliably excellent potluck feast afterwards and please note that a three-dollar donation is requested to help defray the cost of renting the space. Doors open: 7 PM, Ritual time: 7:30 PM, Food time: Immediately following the rite Contact: Jeremy. Email: prosperotter@yahoo.com.

Apr 30-May 2 - Rainbow Wranglers Round-Up (Cleveland) Annual LGBT country dancing event (216) 961-5817, www.rainbowwranglers.org.

Apr 30-May 2 - Cleveland Leather Annual Weekend (Cleveland) Parties, receptions, forums, cabaret, stage show and auction party, vendor and education mart. More at www.clawinfo.org

May 1 (Sat) - 2nd Annual Mother's Day Charter Art Auction at Matthew's Trattoria & Martini Lounge 6 PM - 11 PM. Sponsored by The Erie Art Museum & Matthew's Trattoria & Martini Lounge, 153 E 13th St, Erie PA. Tickets \$20. Enjoy an evening of Gourmet Food, Celebrity Bartenders, Live Entertainment, Art & Chinese Auction. See "Community Announcements" page 13 for more info. Phone: (814) 459-6458. Email: matthews@matthewstrattoria.com. Browse to www.matthewstrattoria.com.

May 1 - Performance: Distinguished Iron City Kings (The Village Supper Club, 133 W 18th St, Erie PA) "The Distinguished Iron City Kings will be appearing at the Village. (Note the acronym.) The drag kings that will be performing are Stan D. Rect, Macum Dizzy, Sir Lix-A-Lot, Peter Maximus, and Eddie Cavalier. The theme will be safe sex." Phone: (814) 452-0125. Browse to www.thevillageerie.com.

May 1 - Jocelyn Porter project at Rock the Block Festival Jocelyn Porter Project will perform at Rock the Block Festival on the Gannon campus. For more details listen to WERG or visit www.wergfm.com or email werg@gannon.edu.

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May 5 - Always Our Children meets (Erie PA) For Catholic parents of GLBT children Catholic Charities, 329 W 10th St, Phone: (814) 456-2091.

May 8 - Rainbow Cinema: The Trip (Peter and Tim's, Erie PA) 8 PM. Comedy/Drama/Romance about 2 young men set in 1973. See IMDB entry at www.imdb.com/title/tt0250067/ Contact: Michael Mahler. Phone: (814) 456-9833. Email: paguy@gmx.net.

May 10 - PFLAG Meeting (Erie PA) Unitarian Universalist Congregation of Erie, 7180 New Perry Highway, 7 PM - 9 PM. Regular monthly meeting Contact: Maureen Koseff. Phone: (814) 898-8341. Email: pflagerie@adelphia.net.

May 15 - PFLAG Outrageous Bingo Party At Unitarian Universalist Congregation of Erie, 7180 New Perry Highway 6 PM to 9:30 PM See article page 8. May 15 - Deadline for June 2004 edition of Erie Gay News (Erie Gay News, 1115 W 7th St, Erie PA) Contact: Mike Mahler. Phone: 814-456-9833.

Email: info@eriegaynews.com.

May 15 - Leather/Levi/Fetish Night at The Zone (Erie PA) Zone Dance Club, 1711 State St, Phone: (814) 459-1711.

May 15 - Fantasy Island at Rascals (Jamestown NY) 701 N. Main, (716)484-3220.

May 15 - Imperial Court of Buffalo Coronation Ball (Buffalo) Weekend of events. Proceeds to benefit WNY charities. http://icob.impcourt.org/

May 16 - Jazz Brunch at The Village Supper Club, (Erie) 12 PM. Doors open at noon, start serving at

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May 20-30 - 14th Annual Inside Out Lesbian & Gay Film Festival (Toronto) Browse to http://www.insideout.on.ca.

May 22 - Erie Sisters meets (Erie PA) Transgender/crossdresser support group. Contact for location of meeting by email, phone or write to LEG, PO Box 1131, Erie PA 16512-0131 Phone: (724) 368-3793. Email: eriesisters@eriesisters.org. Browse to http://www.eriesisters.org.

May 22 - 3rd Annual Miss Village Pageant at The Village (Erie) Miss Ginger presents a spicy array of talent competing for this year's Crown. 133 W 18th St, phone: (814) 452-0125. Browse to www.thevillageerie.com.

May 22 - Menspace meets (Peter and Tim's, Erie PA) Contact: Michael Mahler. Phone: (814) 456-9833. Email: info@eriegaynews.com. Browse to http://menspace.eriegaynews.com.

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May 22 - Workshop: Overcoming the Closet (Jamestown NY) The Judson Center, 516 E. 2nd St., 10 AM - 4 PM. 716-665-4132 to reserve a spot. See article on page 12. Contact: Beth Robson and Kate Ebersole. Phone: (716) 665-4132.

May 29 - Human Rights Campaign Cleveland Dinner and Dance (Cleveland OH) Playhouse Square Center, 1501 Euclid Ave, 5:30 PM.

May 31 - Pittsburgh Memorial Day Festival (Pittsburgh) North Park Lodge, 11:30 AM-6:30 PM. "Please note that the Zone will have a bus available to take you in style and comfort to the Picnic. Contact the Zone at (814) 459-1711 for fee/details. Proceeds from the event benefit SCSL and the Borrelli Aids Fund." Phone: (412) 683-7676 Ext. 3. Email: MemorialDayPicnic@comcast.net. Browse to http://members.aol.com/scslpgh. See ad on back page.

Jun 1-7 - Gay Days Orlando (Orlando FL) Browse to www.gaydays.com.

Jun 2 - Always Our Children meets (Erie PA) Catholic Charities, 329 W 10th St. For Catholic parents of GLBT children Phone: (814) 456-2091.

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Jun 5 - UU Annual 125+ Family Garage Sale At Unitarian Universalist Congregation of Erie, 7180 New Perry Highway 9 AM - 3 PM. "This is the sale that you love—We have almost everything!"

Jun 6 - The Village Sunday Jazz Brunch (note date change) 133 W 18th St, phone: (814) 452-0125. www.thevillageerie.com.

Jun 11-13 - (GIFT) Gay Invitational Fellowship Tournament (Cleveland), Annual bowling tournament, www.clevelandgift.org, (216)631-9811, (330)535-6724, jjskibro@mail.com

Jun 12 -GIFT Cruise (Cleveland), 216-6319811, Aboard the Goodtime III www.clevelandgift.org

Jun 12 - Erie Pride Picnic (Presque Isle State Park, Rotary Pavilion) 2 PM - 6 PM. Annual Picnic Email: info@eriegaynews.com.

Jun 14 - PFLAG Meeting (Erie PA) Unitarian Universalist Congregation of Erie, 7180 New Perry Highway, 7 PM - 9 PM. Regular monthly meeting Contact: Maureen Koseff. Phone: (814) 898-8341. Email: pflagerie@adelphia.net.

Jun 15 - Deadline for July 2004 edition of Erie Gay News Erie Gay News, 1115 W 7th St, Erie PA Contact: Michael Mahler. Phone: 814-456-9833. Email: info@eriegaynews.com..

Jun 19 - 10% Network meets: Ice Cream Social (Jamestown NY) Unitarian Church of Jamestown, 1255 Prendergast Ave, 7:30 PM. Contact: Don. Phone: (716) 484-1661. Email: donjaye@hotmail.com. Browse to http://jamestowntenpercent.tripod.com

Jun 20 - Gay Day at Cedar Point (Sandusky OH) Jun 25- Miss Erie Pageant at the Zone (Erie PA) Zone Dance Club, 1711 State St, (814) 459-1711.

**Jun 27 - National HIV Testing Day** (see article on page 15).



# On stage

Selected area events that may be of interest to GLBT audiences Lily Tomlin will be in Greensburg PA April 23 and 24 at the Palace Theatre.

Visiting Mr. Green Buffalo United Artists April 22-May 23 Main Street Cabaret 672 Main Street Buffalo (716)886-9239.

Erie Broadway Series: *The Sound of Music* At the Warner Theatre, 811 State St, Erie PA. April 29, 2004. Phone: (814) 452-4857. Browse to www.erieevents.com/warner.html.

Evening of One Acts at Directors Circle Theatre 1001 State St, 2nd Floor, Erie PA. April 30 - May 23. "Toyer" is a psychological thriller whose next Good Samaritan might be a serial killer. Stars Scott Frisina. Directed by Jenn Highfill. "Sister Mary Ignatius Explains It All for You" is the Christopher Durang black comedy. Stars Jo Laurie. Directed by Michael Weiss. (Latter play includes gay character.) Shows will run for four weeks at 8 PM nightly, except for Sunday matinees at 2 PM. Show times will be Fri / Sat on the first week, Thu-Sat on the second, Thu-Sun on the last 2 weeks. Season tickets are on sale now at \$56, \$37 for seniors Phone: (814) 451-0036.

Erie Broadway Series: *Fame: The Musical* May 20 at Warner Theater, 811 State, Erie Phone: (814) 452-4857. Browse to http://www.erieevents.com/warner.html.

Margaret Cho at the Improv in Homestead PA May 28-29 Ticket Info: 412-462-5233

# Websites and email lists for appearances by area performers:

Greg Ropp www.gregropp.com
Jocelyn Porter Project www.playerie.com/artists/
jocelyn\_porter/

Leah Zicari www.leahzicari.com

Two Girls Alone http://twogirlsalone.iuma.com email list: twogirlsalone@att.net.

# **Pride 2004**

Dates for Pride events in the region are here. If you have an area Pride event that is not listed here, please let us know about it. Smaller events like picnics or parties belong here along with the larger festivals:

**June 4 - June 6 Pride Buffalo** www.pridebuffalo.org (716) 879-0999

June 12 - Erie Pride Picnic Presque Isle (New location—Rotary Pavilion!) More info at: info@eriegaynews.com, (814)456-9833, or www.eriegaynews.com

June 17-20 - Hamilton Pride Festival (Hamilton ON)\* www.hamiltonpride.com

June 19 - Pittsburgh PrideFest Street fair and parade www.glccpgh.org

June 19 - Cleveland Pride Parade and Festival, (216) 371-0214, www.clevelandpride.org.

June 21-27 - Toronto Pride\* www.pridetoronto.com June 26 - Columbus Pride Parade and Festival (614) 299-7764.

July 9-11 Rochester Pride Basics Tim Rhoades@usa.xerox.com

July 31 - PrideFest 2004 Central PA (Harrisburg PA) Riverfront Park. www.harrisburgpride.org

\* U.S. citizens traveling into Canada must have two forms of ID: birth certificate (or passport), plus driver's license (or other government photo ID.)

# ERIE PRIDE PICNIC 2004

Saturday, June 12
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(note change in location)
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# **PFLAG News**

by PFLAG-Erie Chapter

#### **Outrageous BINGO - May 15th**

We invite everyone to join us for an evening of great fun at our OUTRAGEOUS BINGO Party, Saturday, May 15th, from 6 to 9:30 PM, at the Unitarian Universalist Congregation of Erie. (Route I-90, exit 27, north on route 97; church is about a half mile on the left.)

There will be *great cash prizes*; refreshments to purchase; interesting bingo games and, of course, *drag queens*!!!! Instant Game Tickets will be available for fun and luck! It's Spring! Be lucky! Win at our Bingo Party! Support PFLAG! We look forward to seeing you.

#### **PFLAG Activities**

PFLAG continues to work with the Erie Health Department to reach out to students. We plan to address a group at Edinboro University during the next few weeks.

PFLAG members lobbied their state and national representatives to urge them to reject antigay marriage legislation. We remind everyone to keep in contact with your representatives. It works!! The many calls to PA legislators by everyone supporting the gay community was instrumental in rejecting one attempt to add antigay amendments to an adoption bill in the PA house in March. But, one call is not enough! You need to call your U.S. representatives periodically to remind them that there is opposition to the proposed constitutional amendment banning gay marriage, and voice reasons why it should be rejected. The U.S. Congress held hearings recently on the proposed constitu-

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tional amendment. Representatives John Lewis, (D-GA), and Barney Frank, (D-MA), spoke against it. Media coverage of the hearings indicated that many compare the issue to the civil rights issue, from the standpoint that we may need to legislate civil rights a little ahead of popular opinion, as we did in the earlier civil rights legislation. This view rejects the idea that judges who permit civil unions are "activist" judges, as conservatives claim, but are merely adjudicating what some of the population has not yet come to appreciate. However, the Black Caucus is still wrestling with the decision whether to agree with that comparison. We should contact members of the Black Caucus to let them know some of the reasons why we see gay rights as part of the march for ordinary civil rights. They are open to our ideas, they just need us to hear them!

Representative Artur Davis, (D-AL) is one member of the Black Caucus who has not yet decided. It would be good also, to contact John Lewis and thank him for not supporting the constitutional amendment. Georgia is considering adding a referendum to this fall's election ballot, banning gay marriage.

Rep. Lewis will have a tough fight during this period.

#### **Meeting Notes**

Our Next PFLAG meeting is, as usual, the second Monday of the month: May 10th, at the UU Church on Route 97, Erie, from 7-9 PM.

Parents, Families and Friends of Lesbians and Gays (PFLAG) support group meets the 2nd Monday each month, 7-9 PM at Unitarian Universalist Congregation of Erie, 7180 New Perry Hwy (Rte 97), Erie, PA. In addition, separate, smaller, support group meetings are sometimes held. (For example, for parents who have just recently been informed that their child is gay, or for spouses of GLBT people). Call Maureen (814-898-8341) for information. To contact PFLAG, you may also email us at pflagerie@adelphia.net, or write to P.O. Box 133, Harborcreek, PA 16421.

Stay informed—Subscribe to the Erie GLBT email list email info@eriegaynews.com

# **National News Briefs**

by Bob

#### **Political Leader Comes Out**

The national debate over gay marriage zoomed in on Rhode Island recently when Gordon Fox, the Majority Leader of the state House, announced he is gay and supports same-sex marriage.

Fox, a Democrat from Providence, made the surprise announcement under the state Capitol dome during a rally of about 150 supporters of same-sex marriage. The crowd burst into applause.

"It's an important message to get out," Fox said. "We are in these (elected) positions to lead." Fox is now the highest-ranking openly gay state government official in Rhode Island history.

His announcement was made right before a House committee hearing to discuss bills reflecting opposing views on same-sex marriage.

One bill that was introduced would allow samesex marriages. A competing bill would define marriage as between a man and a woman. Both bills were debated following Fox's announcement.

# Georgia Moves Against Gay Marriage

A Georgia state Senate resolution which would ban gays from marrying, was recently approved by the Georgia House 122 to 52. The vote came as a big disappointment to gay men and lesbians who had been lobbying legislators who were on the fence.

The vote means Georgia residents will decide in November if their state Constitution should be amended to prohibit marriage for same sex partners.

Many state legislators cited pressure from their churches and from members of the Christian Coalition, which has closely allied with the Georgia Republican leadership, including Republican Gov. Sonny Purdue.

"We cannot let judges in Boston or officials in San Francisco define marriage for the people of Georgia," the GOP sponsor of the legislation, Bill Hembree, told the House chamber.

Like 37 other states, Georgia has already defined marriage as an institution between a man and a woman. State lawmakers argue the amendment to the state

Constitution would cement the deal, if approved by the voters. The amendment will prohibit the state from recognizing any legal marriage license a same-sex couple obtained out of state.

# **Top Democrat Supports Marriage Effort**

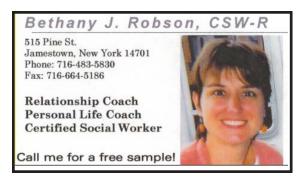
Nancy Pelosi, Minority Leader of the U.S. House of Representatives, has become the first high-ranking Democrat to publicly support civil marriage for samesex couples.

Pelosi, who represents San Francisco, made the statement is response to a question posed to her by the host of a Fox News program. Pelosi answered "yes" when asked if same-sex couples should be allowed to marry and if she supported San Francisco Mayor Gavin Newsom's action of granting licenses to same-sex couples. The most powerful Democrat in the House has been an outspoken critic of the proposed constitutional amendment that would prevent same-sex couples from marrying. However up until now, she had not specifically addressed the same-sex marriage issue in San Francisco.

# Fewer Gays Dismissed from Military During War

During war, the military's "don't ask, don't tell" policy seems to be taking a back seat to manpower needs, at least that's what critics claim after a report was released showing the armed forces dismissed in

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#### National News Briefs

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2003 the lowest number of gay and lesbian personnel since 1995.

"You have to ask yourself, and you have to ask the Pentagon, why are the discharges going down?" C. Dixon Osburn, executive director of the Servicemembers Legal Defense Network (SLDN), told the Associated Press.

"When they need people, they keep them. When they don't, they implement their policy of discrimination with greater force," he charged.

According to SLDN figures, the military discharged 787 gays and lesbians last year, a 17 percent decrease from 2002 and a 39 percent decrease from 2001. The time period coincides with the conflicts in Iraq and Afghanistan.

SLDN's report noted, "Gay discharge numbers have dropped every time America has entered a war, from Korea to Vietnam to the Persian Gulf to present conflicts."

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# **Books**

# On the Down Low: A Journey into the Lives of "Straight" Black Men Who Sleep with Men

By J. L. King (Broadway Books, \$21.95) On sale May 11, 2004

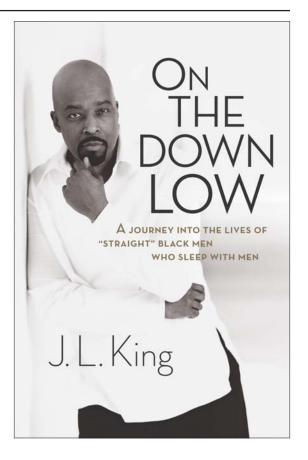
"A survey by the Centers for Disease Control in Atlanta found that nearly a quarter of black HIV-positive men who had sex with men consider themselves heterosexual." Essence

According to the Centers for Disease Control (CDC), the AIDS rate among black women is three times higher than Latina women and eighteen times higher than among white women. And what's most astounding is that 75 percent of black women who have contracted the disease have gotten it from heterosexual sex.

Drawn from hundreds of interviews, statistics, and the author's firsthand knowledge of DL behavior, On the Down Low: A Journey into the Lives of "Straight" Black Men Who Sleep with Men delivers the first frank and thorough investigation of life "on the down low" (the DL). AIDS/HIV activist J. L. King exposes a closeted culture of sex between black men who lead "straight" lives and reveals the warning signs and protective measures every African American woman needs to know. This dangerous trend is proving to have skyrocketing health consequences for wives and girlfriends unwittingly caught in the double lives of their men: African American women represent 68 percent of new HIV cases, and an alarming one out of 160 black women carries the virus, compared to one in 3,000 white women. This constitutes a healthcare crisis in the African American community.

Another CDC study of 8,780 HIV-positive men who said that they were infected by having sex with other men, found that 25 percent of African American respondents identified themselves as heterosexual. In contrast, the number of white men who identified themselves as heterosexual while having sex with men was only 6 percent.

Providing a long-overdue wake-up call, J. L. King bravely puts the spotlight on a topic that has until now remained dangerously taboo. Volatile yet vital, **On the** 



**Down Low** is sure to be one of the most talked-about books of the year.

J. L. King is an HIV/STD prevention activist, educator, and author. His expertise has been cited in national publications such as *The New York Times* and *Essence*, and his television appearances have ranged from *The News Hour with Jim Lehrer* to Black Entertainment Television. The father of three, he lives in Chicago.

For more information on the DL, advice to black women, workshops and appearances, prevention materials, and more visit J.L. King's informative Living Down Low website at www.livingdownlow.com

# What did you leave hanging in the closet that you came out of?

#### by Kate Ebersole and Beth Robson

Workshop at the Judson Center 516 E Second St., Jamestown, NY Saturday, May 22, 2004; 10 AM to 4 PM To register call (716) 665-4132 or email: brobson515@msn.com.

What a great thing to celebrate – the liberation and empowerment of coming out! Of course, this is a gradual process and we don't always come *all* the way out. There are always good reasons for keeping some degree of privacy, or discreetness about our selves. And yet, we may notice there are times when we would *like to* be more out, or just be more *real* about who we are being. So many things in the media and culture give us messages about ourselves, positive and negative. Lately we hear and read a lot of negative opinions about us in the debate about gay marriage. It causes an insidious drain to hear ourselves degraded in this and other debates.

The negative voices that we have within us can come from many different sources. They may be the result of aspects of our upbringing, the expectations we put on ourselves, or the result of our experiences.

For people within the GLBT Community, there is the added negative voice of a society that does not fully accept us. Being consciously aware of our own inner negative voices and of those inner voices that echo what we hear in society, can allow us to start externalizing those voices. The ability to do this then leads to making better decisions and choices for our lives and our relationships from a place of greater positive belief in ourselves.

One example of the effects of negative voices would be the experience for many of us coming out of the closet yet still having aspects of ourselves that still dwell in the closet. It's as if we have come out the closet as a person, yet there are still articles of clothing that we leave hanging there. For me (Kate), for example, despite being fully out to my family and friends with my life partner, when I used to put on my business suit as an executive, I would not talk freely

about my life and my partner. I would not deny any aspect of my life, but I also did not feel fully comfortable to talk of my life as my fellow executives talked of their spouses and families. There was still this fear and belief within me that being so utterly open may have repercussions on my career.

As an otherwise open GLBT person, what are the articles of clothing that you still have hanging in your closet? Where do you find yourself not completely owning your identity as person because of our society's unwillingness to recognize us as complete functioning members of society? What is the impact on your life of these negative voices? What might your life look like if you could free yourself from your negative voices?

Within the realm of Life Coaching there is recognition that these negative voices can hold us all back. We use methods to coach you in recognizing your own personal inner voices and making decisions without letting these voices have a say in it. For GLBTs there is an added value in learning to recognize where the negative voice of society holds us back. The act of learning how to externalize the negative voices, our own and the culture's, opens up room within our inner decision making processes for our own positive voice to have a much greater say. Being aware of ways to really start listening to your positive voice can lead anybody to a greater, more powerful life.

As Life Coaches, we work with people one to one, to help them recognize and externalize their own inner negative voices. We have now developed several workshops for the GLBT community. The first of these workshops will be hosted at the Judson Center for Creative Change in Jamestown, NY on May 22 to start learning about all the different impacts of internalized negative voices, wherever they come from, and reduce their influence. Through discussions, fun interactive exercises, imagery, and dialogue, you will come away from this workshop with a new way to empower the most positive aspects of yourself. Stay tuned for future workshops to be described in coming *Erie Gay News*.

# **Community Announcements**

#### **Pittsburgh Memorial Day Festival**

from Steel City Softball League

The Steel City Softball League is a very beneficial and upstanding presence in our Pittsburgh and makes contributions to some very notable charitable events and organizations such as the Pittsburgh Art for Aids event, Shepherd Wellness, and various other causes.

To add to their repertoire of services they provide to the gay community, the SCSL is proud to announce that their organization is sponsoring the annual Pittsburgh GLBT Memorial Day Picnic. This year they're looking to polish and illuminate the potential of this diamond in the rough, turning the 29th annual "picnic" into the first annual "festival." But, as this year's theme promises: "Not just the name has changed!"

The Festival will have quite a few changes this year!! Most notable will be the addition of Live Musical Entertainment held on the outside deck. Local artists Mish and the Undeniable Reverend Robbert J (don't worry...no hymns) will be joined by Jenna Metro, from Columbus, OH. The Headliner for the event will be announced at a later date.

Realizing that the community was looking for a change, the SCSL has made extensive plans to enhance this year's event by creating a festival: complete with the booths, bands, food, music, and booze-- all of the "colors of the rainbow" that any good festival should have! There is a rumor that there will even be Drag Queens and Bar Owners waiting to test your accuracy on a Dunking Machine. Who knows what else you might see.

The 2004 Memorial Day Festival is scheduled for Monday, May 31 from 11 AM to 6:30 PM at North Park Lodge, Pittsburgh. The proceeds from the event will benefit the SCSL and the Borrelli Aids Fund. For more information, please contact the committee at 412-683-7676, Ext. 3 or email memorialdaypicnic@comcast.net. Information and directions to the park can also be located on the SCSL Web: http://members.aol.com/scslpgh

Please note that there will be bus organized by the Zone. Contact the Zone at (814) 459-1711 for fee/details.

# May 1 Mothers Day Art Auction at Matthew's Trattoria

Info from Matthew's Trattoria

Please join us on Saturday May 1 from 6-11 PM for the Second Annual Mother's Day Charter Art Auction at Matthew's Trattoria & Martini Lounge. This dinner cocktail party will feature the following celebrity bartenders: State Rep. Linda Bebko-Jones, Councilman Joe Sinnott, DECD Director Chris Mong, coowner of Calamari's Squid Row Marci Honard, Salon H2O owner Michael Yost and many more.

Celebrity Chef's will feature Mayor Rick Fillippi, Chef Rob Evers of Lake View Country Club and of course, Erie Art Museum Board Member Chef Matthew Sarbak. Featured artists include Art Becker, Michael Tkacic, Evan Everhart, Brad Lethaby, Camille James, Karen Dodson, Millie Pechinsky, Devin Manco and many others.

Musical entertainment will be provided by the jazz band, "Cat's A Bear". They will play throughout the evening in the Trattoria courtyard. Our Chinese auction will consist of over seven local businesses with an array of stunning baskets to tempt all tastes. The art auction will start at 8 PM in the atrium with auctioneers Mark Tannenbaum and Ken Honard.

New this year will be a Texas Hold'em poker tournament with the winner taking home the Art Museum Cup and title of Erie's Best Poker Player. Tickets are only \$20.00 per person so call to RSVP at Matthew's Trattoria at 459-6458 or the Erie Art Museum at 459-5477 and mark those calendars for Saturday, May 1st because you won't want to miss this.

Information: (814) 459-6458. Email: matthews@matthewstrattoria.com. Browse to www.matthewstrattoria.com



# **LGLV Folds**

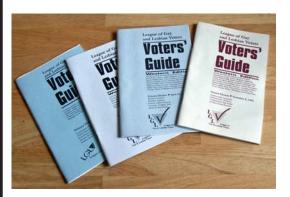
Editor's note: The following is reprinted with permission from Greg Valiga's blog at www.gregunderwater.com Greg served as organizational coordinator of the Erie Chapter of LGLV from 1992 to 1996.

#### by Greg Valiga March 15, 2004

I got an email over the weekend from Mike informing me that the League of Gay and Lesbian Voters—an organization with roots in Pittsburgh that grew to include many areas of the state—was closing its doors after 17 years. Chris Young, a truly good guy, was the drive behind the League but I think it got away from him. Chris was always overworked, the office always underfunded, and the enormous backlog of work never finished.

I believe that our Erie Chapter did a number of good things including a billboard project, fundraisers/social events, producing the Voters' Guide, voter registration and hate crime advocacy, lobbying, and holding a meet-the-candidate fundraiser.

It was actually the League that got activism started here in Erie back in the early 90's and to tell the truth, Chris was a large part of my motivation. I wish him all the best.



LGLV published Voters Guides for a number of years. One of the first activities for the Erie Chapter in 1992 was a coordinated effort to collate Voters Guides for the entire organization.



Among the many accomplishments of the Erie Chapter of LGLV was to pay for four billboards in Erie County in April 1996. This one was on Route 20. For more on the Erie Chapter, visit the History section of the Erie Gay News website and select "1990s". The address is www.eriegaynews.com/history.



These members of LGLV's Erie chapter made the billboards possible. From left to right: Larry Sawdy, Greg Valiga, Elaine Hill, Chris Sargent, Heidi Streich, Dave Mulholland, Jeff Hill, Laura Suroviec, Ray Blount, Floyd H

# **HIV/AIDS** testing

by Patty Puline, Health Educator Erie County Dept. of Health

National HIV Testing Day is June 27th, and the Erie County Department of Health would like to encourage oral antibody testing for those who are currently at risk, or who have put themselves at risk in the past.

There are many reasons to be tested for HIV, such as recent exposure, unprotected sexual activity, injecting drugs or decorative ink into your veins. Sure, it is difficult to face the fact that you may have been exposed to viral infections such as HIV, but having an HIV test will help alleviate those fears and educate you to the risks.

Several tests are now available:

- 1. The ELISA test, which is a standard blood draw, and was the very first HIV test developed to detect the antibodies to the virus.
- 2. The Western Blot, a confirmatory blood test, used to verify the presence of the HIV antibodies.
- 3. The OraSure® HIV-1 Oral Fluid Specimen Device that collects oral fluid to test for antibodies to the HIV-1 virus.
- 4. The OraQuick® Rapid HIV-1 Antibody Test is the only FDA approved and <u>CLIA</u> waived rapid point-of-care test to aid in the diagnosis of infection to HIV-1 using a fingerstick and venipuncture whole blood specimen.

(Editor's note: The OraQuick is not currently available through the Erie County Department of Health)



# HIV testing is available at the following sites:

#### ERIE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

606 West 2nd Street, Erie, PA 16507

(814) 451-6700

Monday: 12 Noon - 3:30 PM Tuesday: 9:30 AM - 1:00 PM

Erie Office, Outreach Services (814) 451-6727 Corry Office 43 East Washington Street, Corry, PA

16407 (814) 663-3891

# MULTI-CULTURAL HEALTH EVALUATION DELIVERY SYSTEM (MHEDS)

2928 Peach Street, Erie, PA 16508 (814) 453-6229 or (814) 453-4728

#### HISPANIC AMERICAN COUNCIL

554 East 10th Street, Erie, PA 16503 (814) 455-0212

### MENTAL HEALTH ASSOCIATION OF NORTHWEST PA

1101 Peach Street, Erie, PA 16501-1812 (814) 452-4462

The Mental Health Association website is at www.mhanp.org.

We would like to emphasize that in addition to our free services at HIV and STD clinic, the Erie County Department of Health offers Hepatitis immunization free if you meet certain requirements. If you have ever abused drugs and alcohol during any prior relationship or current association, you may qualify for free Hepatitis B vaccine. Call the Erie County Health Department @451-6700 for more information.

This summer, you will see the Health Department Street Outreach Prevention Team (STOP) providing street outreach prevention for HIV/AIDS. We intend to make a visible presence in the community, especially at GLBTQ events.

Our STOP team is comprised of HIV networking agencies, and community based organizations in rural and urban areas. We currently hold monthly meetings, and invite you to join our team. Please contact us at 451-7875 (Steve), 451-6543 (Patty) or 451-

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6732 (Susan) if you are interested in being a part of the STOP team.

When you see us in the community, stop and talk to us. We are friendly, interested in your needs, requests and questions. Despite whatever stigmas exist out there, we realize that one of the ways of knocking down bridges is to demonstrate unity in our presence together. Some individuals will remain in the closet or go underground who fear discrimination. We want to be realistic and maintain that visibility is important among all organizations that want to work together as a team.

Our next HIV Instructor training is scheduled for May 13-14. Call Patty Puline @451-6543 for reservations. This class will allow you the opportunity to teach basic HIV to friends, families, or other organizations. The Erie County Department of Health will work with you to maintain HIV updates.



*The following article is from* \_ www.gayhealth.com.

#### Queer as Folk: HIV Test Hysteria

by Stephen E. Goldstone, M.D., F.A.C.S.

While browsing in a pharmacy, Ted points out a hot looking guy he slept with, and Emmett begs for details. Ted glows with memories of the hot sex (which was a little like aerobics) until he overhears the guy mention something about Crixivan — an HIV medication — to the pharmacist. "You were safe, weren't you?" Emmett asks Ted. The ghostly expression on Ted's face says it all.

Next scene: Ted, with his sleeve rolled up, gives a sample of blood to be tested for HIV. <u>Anxiety</u> jumps from the screen. No matter how safe you've been, even the most routine HIV test is bound to stir up fear. But, as in Ted's case, sometimes the fear is more founded than others.

Most HIV tests are performed on a sample of blood (though an oral test, which takes a painless sample of tissues from your gum line, is an alternative). The testing begins with an ELISA (Enzyme-Linked Immunosorbent Assay), which screens for antibodies to HIV in your system. If you have antibodies, you have HIV. While the ELISA is fast, it can occasionally produce a false positive result. Therefore, if an ELISA turns out positive, the lab will do another test called a Western Blot to be absolutely sure.

Most people (probably 90 percent) will develop antibodies within three to four weeks after infection. An HIV test done sooner may be falsely negative because your body hasn't had time to make antibodies. Most doctors advise repeating a negative HIV test three to six months after unsafe sex to be sure that you aren't in that small group of people who take longer to produce antibodies.

Some physicians combine an HIV antibody test with a viral load measurement. A viral load test checks for actual virus particles in your blood and doesn't have to wait for your body to make antibodies. This test should be positive almost immediately after infection.

Fortunately for Ted, his test came out negative. He was very lucky. Since the encounter with Mr. Hot had been six months earlier (and I doubt worth the subsequent anxiety), he can assume he's fine. Too bad Ted let himself get into this situation in the first place. No guy, no matter how hot he seems, is worth the risk of HIV.

# **Michael Dithers**

by Mike Mahler

I hope that everyone has been having a good month. Please note that the Pennsylvania Primary Election is April 27. Please vote! If you are not registered to vote, you can register the day after the election. This election is vital for what will happen to our community!

The Erie Pride Picnic continues to shape up well. Those of us on the organizing committee are really excited and enthused about the new Rotary Pavilion. Lots more space, electricity. The dining area is enclosed, so we will be having it rain or shine. There are a few new things for this year. In addition to bringing a dish to pass for the actual picnic, we ask that you also consider bringing a nonperishable food item for the Second Harvest Food Bank of Northwest Pennsylvania.

We will also have a check in table, which should be inside in the dining area. This way we can count to see how many people are joining us, sign up those who aren't registered to vote yet, answer questions and in general, start off the picnic with a smiling face to greet you! One of the things that has always been the most important to me about the Erie Picnic is the warm and friendly feeling we try to foster. It is great that people feel comfortable enough to bring their children, parents and friends, and that we get so many different segments within our community happily sitting side by side, or playing volleyball together or whatever. The important thing is that we get along and enjoy the diversity within our own community.

My puppy, Hecate, is doing well, and I am toying with the idea of bringing her along to the Pride Picnic as well.

I am still working a bit on the history section at the web site, which is at www.eriegaynews.com/history. We have some entries dating back to the late 1960's. The early days are (surprise!) harder to document, but I feel really strongly that we should remember where we came from.

Kudos to MAL, who has been doing some wonderful work with layout and graphics for the newsletter. We had a sudden rush of last minutes ad for this issue, and he did some beautiful work under tight deadlines.



#### **HIV COUNSELING & TESTING**

#### WALK-IN CLINIC

No Appointment Necessary

#### Erie County Health Department 606 West Second Street

(Corner of West 2nd & Cherry Streets) Monday 12 noon - 3:30 pm Tuesday 9:30 am - 1:00 pm

#### STD TESTING

WALK IN CLINIC
No Appointment Necessary

#### **Erie County Health Department**

Monday 9:00 am - 11:00 am Wednesday 1:00 pm - 3:30 pm Thursday 3:00 pm - 5:00 pm

## Appointments can be made at the following locations:

Erie County Health Department Erie Office, Outreach Services (814) 451-6732

Erie County Health Department Corry Office - (814) 663-3891

Hispanic American Council (814) 455-0212

Multi-Cultural Health Evaluation Delivery System (MHEDS) (814) 453-6229 or (814) 453-4728

All services are free and confidential.

Specially trained outreach workers are available for in home appointments (HIV testing only).

# What do you say?

We asked the Erie GLBT list:

#### When you visit nearby cities, what sorts of things do you like to do?

When I visit nearby cities I like to check out the local eateries (no chains) and the local gay scene like restaurants, galleries (if any) and shops and the bars (if in the mood). It's nice to make contacts to where I'm going so they can show me the hot spots. /Dave A.]

I like to go shopping, theatre, concerts, and clubbing. /Mark S./

Well recently I went to New Orleans. I of course saw the sites of interest. I then looked around and found many rainbow flags hanging from various shops, boutiques and clubs. During the day I went to the shops and looked around, bought some great things. At night I hit the clubs. What a difference! It's great to see what other cities do as far as gay community, social events, even drag shows. [Ryan O. aka Rhiannon Anglina, Miss Village 03]

Shop for books and/or antiques /Bill/

I know this sounds strange, but as an activist who is also a musician, I enjoy visiting local affirming churches whenever I'm in a strange town on a Sunday morning. It's a easy step connecting persons of faith in the efforts of obtaining full civil rights for our community in an inclusive manner. [Scott Conlan]

I like to go to restaurants and out to bars and shopping. Just like any red-blooded homosexual. [MAL]

Usually, like to find out of the way places like cafes, restaurants, bars. What cultural events are happening. [Don]



The things I like to do when visiting other cities is to visit my gay friends and party. Some like to camp out and I am all for that. Socialize and get to know other gay men that are present. I enjoy the group gatherings, talking with other gay men and just having a great time. [Gay Dude69]

Buffalo - the Galleria and shop til I drop. Also a great pet supply store on the way (Geneva Feed and Pet Supply). I can buy all sorts of new and exciting goodies for Aeva, my Rottweiler. Cleveland - Visit the Cleveland Zoo. Geneva on the Lake - hit the wineries, walk down to the marina and through the park. They also have a cool old fashioned drive-in kinda thing to eat at. Closer by: Saegertown has a great state park (dog friendly, too) called Woodcock Dam. Camping, wildlife, water, all around great place. Westfield, NY is FULL of cute antique shops (and again.... the WINE!) Meadville: GREAT junk/antique store along Route 322 (I think it's owned by a Troyer?) Three barns FULL of great stuff! [Jayne May]

To go to bars in Cleveland or Pittsburgh that aren't filled with back stabbing game playing gay men...To attend various gay related functions that are attended by gay professionals. [Mark M]

I like to see some of points of interest. Go to some second hand / antique stores. Go to a shopping mall or flea market. Check out the library and night clubs. [James von Loewe].



# This & That (formerly Entertainment Notes)

by Deb Spilko

#### Music

Details for venues, concerts and tickets listed here can be found at www.pollstar.com

Important information for **under 21** folks: Some venues hosting performers are 21 and over. This is usually an issue related to establishments that serve alcohol, like nightclubs. On non-weekend nights, they may offer shows for people under 21. If you aren't sure about what the policy is, it's always a good idea to call them to make sure.

Note that **Sophie B Hawkins**' Pittsburgh show at The Rex is May 6 ... Also on May 6 Sweet Honey in the Rock will be at the Byham Theater in Pittsburgh . . . Joan Jett & the Blackhearts will be in Cleveland at Tops Great American Rib Cook-Off and Music Festival, Tower City Amphitheater on May 30 and at Seneca Niagara on June 12... Discomania comes to the Post-Gazette Pavilion in Burgettstown, PA June 12 and Cleveland's Tower City Amphitheater June 13 with KC & the Sunshine Band, Village People, Evelyn "Champagne" King, Martha Wash, and the **Trammps** . . . **Joan Armatrading** is at the 3 Rivers Arts Festival in Pittsburgh June 6... Melissa **Ferrick** is at Pittsburgh's Club Cafe on June 14 . . . **Indigo Girls** will be in Cleveland June 24 at the Tower City Amphitheater . . . Christina Aguilera is at Toronto's Molson Amphitheatre June 21, Post-Gazette Pavilion in Burgettstown PA June 25 and Cleveland's Gund Arena June 28 . . . On July 9 the Village People with the Contours will be at the Chautauqua Amphitheater, Chautauqua NY (716)357-6250 . . . Shawn Colvin will be at Cain Park in Cleveland Heights July 15... **Madonna** will be at Toronto's Air Canada Centre August 18, 19 and 21 . . . Sarah McLachlan is in Buffalo August 22 at HSBC Arena and Cleveland's Gund Arena on August 26.

#### Art

Just a reminder that Italian cameo artist **Franco Monastero** will be at **Glass Growers Gallery** on April 24. I had the opportunity to see some of his work, and it *really* is quite remarkable. He'll have pieces on display, but if you would like to have a photograph or picture carved into cameo, bring it to the show, where he can take your order.

#### Television

Here! TV will provide 24/7 GLBT interest programming starting October 1. The satellite channel has committed to providing 200 hours per year of original programming per year, including 12 original movies and four original series. They've also made deals for 200 GLBT independent titles with Wolfe Video, with TLA Releasing, Strand Releasing, and Regent Worldwide Sales. On June 1, the company will introduce a video-on-demand service and will become available to cable operators via pay-per-view or video-on-demand. For more information regarding Here! TV, contact Alana Watkins of October Strategies, Inc., Alana@octoberstrategies.com.

#### Radio

Are you one of those people who thinks you'd like talk radio if it weren't dominated by rightwing ranters? If so, you might find Air America Radio is worth a listen. The station launched in late March. Calling itself "a smart voice with a sense of humor," Air America features talk about politics, sports and culture with a more liberal outlook. It's not available on any local stations yet, but you can pick it up on the Internet at www.airamericaradio.com or by satellite. Writer and Saturday Night Live alum Al Franken is the anchor host, and his show ("The O'Franken Factor") airs at the same time that Rush Limbaugh's show airs on other stations (noon to 3 PM). Only fitting, since Franken authored the book Rush Limbaugh is a Big Fat *Idiot.* They have over a dozen hosts, including out lesbian and AIDS activist Rachel Maddow, Chuck D, Randi Rhodes, Janeane Garofalo and Sam Seder.

#### **ERIE PRIDE PICNIC 2004**

Saturday, June 12
Presque Isle
ROTARY PAVILION

(note change in location) **Bring a dish to pass!** 

More info from info@eriegaynews.com (814)456-9833, or www.eriegaynews.com

# Monday Not Only Did The Name Change

The 1st Annual

MEMORIAL DAY FESTIVAL Rain Or Shine

Monday, May 31st, 2K4 11:00AM TO 6:30PM Located At

NORTH PARK LODGE

McCandless, PA

Pre-Sale Tickets \$20.00 Gate Admission: \$25.00

#### TICKETS CAN BE PURCHASED AT THE FOLLOWING VENUES:

Greater Pittsburgh Area Blue Moon, Brewer's Hotel, Club Pittsburgh, Donny's Place, Holiday, Images, Liberty Avenue Saloon, The Link, Murray Avenue Grill, New York New York, Pittsburgh Eagle, Pittsburgh Press Deli, Pleasant Present, Real Luck Gafé, Zebra Lounge

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