



# The Resource Line

A NEWSLETTER FOR THE G/L/B/T COMMUNITY AND FRIENDS

## 2002 General Membership Meeting and Board Elections

Sunday, October 28, 5:30 PM

GLRC members met Sunday at the Center to elect board members for 2002. Leading the GLRC into its tenth year will be some familiar faces and some new ones. Scott Alt, Jd Berryhill, Robin Raygor, Andy Harrison, and Chris Formanek were elected to serve on the GLRC Board for the coming year.

Congratulations to all of you. The community is looking forward to an exciting anniversary year under your guidance.

The GLRC is still looking for board members and will continue to accept nominations at monthly board meetings. If you are interested in becoming a board member, please write the GLRC at PO Box 1643, Cedar Rapids, IA 52406-1643. We can also be reached via e-mail at [info@crglrc.org](mailto:info@crglrc.org). To leave a voice message for a return call, contact us at 319-366-2055.

You're qualified to become a board member if you hold to the purpose

and objectives of the GLRC. Some of the responsibilities expected of a board member are to attend monthly board meetings, participate in GLRC functions, educate people on the role of the GLRC, assist with GLRC events, and assist with staffing of the GLRC office.

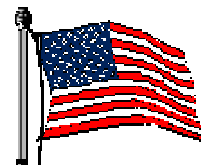
Newcomers to the area, and those who haven't been to GLRC functions in the past, are encouraged to call the GLRC offices for event information. *The Resource Line* will keep you up to date with information about GLRC events and activities. Call the GLRC to subscribe to this free newsletter.

We hope to see you at the GLRC in 2002!

### Your Vote – Your Choice!

Your right to vote is one of the fundamental rights of being an American citizen. By voting, you are playing an important role in shaping the future of our community. You can influence politics by supporting candidates who support your issues and views. Think your vote won't make a difference? Think about the last presidential election. Just one vote, your vote, can make a difference!

Take a look at the candidates, do your research, and make your choice. Get to the polls on Election Day, Tuesday, November 6. Poll hours are 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. If you don't know where your polling place is, call the Auditor's office at 892-5300.



Mark November 6 on your calendar. Take a friend or two! Just get out and vote!

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## October 2001 Board Meeting Minutes

### Attending Members:

Scott Alt, Linda Davenport, Andy Harrison, Tricia Kitzmann, Dave Shafer

### Secretary's Report:

The Board approved the minutes from the September meeting.

### Treasurer's Report:

Beginning Balance 9/1/01:	\$4860.34
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Expenses:	\$996.07
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### Programs:

Tricia reported that the August Men's Group with Iowa City went well, and was well attended. September Men's Group attendance was low, but Tricia stated that group attendance is down statewide for support groups in general. Groups will continue meeting on scheduled dates. Educational Meeting for November 15<sup>th</sup> from 7:00 PM – 8:30 PM for the Gay American Smoke Out. This year's theme is: "Take Your Last Drag." GLRC will provide Quit Kits at regular Open Houses, at the meeting on November 15<sup>th</sup>, and also at Club Basix.

### Town Meeting:

A town meeting has been set up for December 15<sup>th</sup> at Club Basix in Cedar Rapids from 7:00 PM – 8:30 PM. The meeting will be facilitated by Andy, aka PrettyBelle. Snacks will be served and miscellaneous prizes will be given out.

### GLRC Brochure Update:

Tricia reported that she will have the brochure complete and available at the GLRC General Meeting.

### Web Site:

Dave is going to put the GLRC Survey on the web site. When a survey is completed, responses are mailed to: [info@crglrc.org](mailto:info@crglrc.org). Dave also reported that the facelift to the web site is coming along. He stated he found a workaround with the software we are currently using, so he believes the web site will have a new look in the near future.

### Grants:

The Gill Foundation End of Year report for the matching grant is almost complete, and will be finished by its due date. We are writing a grant for 2002 from the Gill Foundation for Public Speakers and Pride Fest 2002. RAP will also be cutting a check to GLRC for \$1000.00 for use of the GLRC space, and for advertising we do for RAP.

### Newsletter:

The Board Of Directors decided that in order to make the newsletter more self-sustaining and competitive with other newsletters, it's time for an advertising rate increase. A letter will go out to all current advertisers, and the web site will be updated to reflect these rate changes. The new rates will take effect in January 2002. A discount will be offered to advertisers who choose to advertise the whole year.

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### General Meeting:

Food and refreshments will be provided by GLRC Board Of Directors. Dave will complete General Meeting Agenda.

**Meeting adjourned at 2:45 PM.**

Movie Night will not be held this month due to the Thanksgiving holiday. Check December's *Resource Line* for next month's Movie Night information.



# Rapids AIDS Project Hosts

## WORLD AIDS DAY BENEFIT

### Friday, November 30th

In observance of the 14th Annual World AIDS Day, the Rapids AIDS Project, a program of the American Red Cross Grant Wood Area Chapter, is hosting its fourth annual World AIDS Day Benefit on Friday, November 30th at the Crowne Plaza Hotel. The event is sponsored by KCRG-TV *Show You Care Sponsors* – *Hardee's, Alliant Energy, St. Luke's Hospital & U.S. Cellular*, Marketing and Communications Strategies (MCS), Rockwell, WMT Stations – Mix 96½ FM and AM 600, Club Basix, Guaranty Bank, Toyota Financial, and Stickle Enterprise.

The evening begins at 5:30 PM and includes dinner, music and a silent/live auction. A local celebrity from KCRG TV 9 will be the Master of Ceremonies. Auctioneers Dave Bolt and Don Zeller will be auctioning off a variety of items donated by many sponsors throughout our community. Some items include gift certificates to dinner, a "River Style Breakfast," a mink coat and stole, a one-week stay at a flat in London, a family membership to the YMCA, Michele watch, Charriol Diamond Collar, various pieces of art, and many other great items!

The evening includes an opportunity to view ten AIDS Memorial Quilt panels from the St. Louis Metro Names Project. A guest from the National Names Project Board will be present to accept two new Quilt Panels for the Names Project. This evening is sure to be a great time while raising much-needed funds for the Rapids AIDS Project.

Tickets are on sale now and can be purchased through the Rapids AIDS Project. Tickets are \$30 each or a table of 10 for \$300. Mastercard and Visa are accepted. The proceeds from this benefit go to RAP to enable continued educational programs and direct services to individuals in our community and surrounding areas.

For more information or to purchase tickets, contact the Rapids AIDS Project at 393-3500.



## Clare House? What is Clare House?

Some of you may not be familiar with Clare House and the service that it provides. Clare House is an independent living facility for those with HIV/AIDS, and their partner or significant other. Clare House is located in southeast Cedar Rapids, and has been in operation for six years.

Living at Clare House is more than just renting a room. Life at Clare House is part of a living program. Each resident has his/her own bedroom, with shared bathrooms, kitchen, and living areas. Currently, through a collaborative effort with Rapids AIDS, support group meetings are held at Clare House two times per month. Clare House residents also provide support for one another on a daily basis. Clare House might be of assistance for you or someone you know.

It has been a year since the Clare House Board of Directors and staff bought and moved into the current house. Progress on the physical structure has been slow due to limited funding. However, Clare House just completed rebuilding three of its four exterior porches with funding help from the Hall-Perrine Foundation. Clare House also received donations from Duball Electric, the Collins Employee Employees United Fund, and ICAP (Iowa Community AIDS Partnership).



If you want to help, Clare House has a wish list: window air conditioners –110 volt, paper towels, bed pillows, light bulbs, and can-size trash liners. If you can help with any of these items, please call 319-364-4101 or bring them to the Clare House Office at 1035 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue S.E. in the Ecumenical Center Building.

Clare House is also looking for people to serve on the Board of Directors. The requirements for board members are simple – Attend monthly board meetings and provide input for important decisions concerning the good of the organization. Clare House is also looking for volunteers to be on various committees such as building and grounds, fundraising, and public relations. Call or visit the Clare House Office for more information.

Please join us November 8, 2001 from 4:30 - 6:30 PM for Clare House Open House at Ecumenical Center 1035 3rd Ave. SE, Cedar Rapids. Join Clare house as we celebrate the life, history, and

progress of Clare House. Clare House will also be honoring past, present, and future board members, along with supporters and special friends. Clare House will provide a light buffet.

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## Woodland Fairies: Another Successful Retreat

by F. Joseph Wilson

The Third Annual Lives Worth Living one-day retreat for gay and bisexual men was, as in years past, a complete success! The retreat was held on Saturday, October 13, 2001, from 10:00 AM to 5:00 PM.

A total of 28 men, representing a diverse group ranging in age from mid-20s to late-60s, participated in the retreat. Most participants came from larger cities, including Cedar Rapids, Marion, Iowa City, Coralville, Waterloo, Davenport, Dubuque, Ames, and Des Moines. However, smaller towns such as Sumner were also represented. About one-quarter of the men openly self-identified as being HIV+. While all identified as gay or bisexual, each man was in a different stage of the coming out process. Most of the men were single, but several were involved in long-term relationships with other men. A few of the men had been married to women, a couple of men were still married, and several men had children. Old friends

spent some quality time together, and new friendships were forged. Among the featured presenters was David DeBlieck, a dancer and performance artist from Honolulu, Hawaii. DeBlieck, who also performed at CSPS October 11-13, led a workshop called "Claiming Our Stories," about



telling stories, making memories, and getting to know who (and how) you are. Also featured was Kevin Sitter, coordinator for Clinic 42 at Abbott Northwestern Hospital in Minneapolis, who led "Lives Worth Living," a workshop about how making choices that are good for you can also be good for your community. Retreat organizers John Herbert, Chris Taylor and I facilitated "Life Beyond the Bar," a

freewheeling group discussion of that elusive entity called "the gay community."

A tasty breakfast and lunch were provided, and all participants received a retreat packet featuring informational materials on local GLBT resources, HIV/AIDS services, health issues, etc. At the end of the day, along with the closing remarks, all participants got to choose from a fabulous array of door prizes, some of which were rather pricey, including gift certificates, professional massages, books, CDs, T-shirts, safer sex supplies, and much more. The entire retreat, including all prizes, materials, lunch, refreshments, and presentations were covered by the \$10 registration fee. A limited number of scholarships were available, and nobody was turned away due to inability to pay.

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## Are You Positive? What You Missed!!

by Traci Taylor

During October, which is HIV/AIDS Awareness Month, local members of the HIV/AIDS Alliance kicked off the "Are You Positive?" campaign. This year-long campaign strives to increase public awareness and education regarding the cause. The kick-off began with three sessions at Mercy Medical Center for physicians, health care providers, and others in the health care field.

About fifty people attended the first session, "Are You Positive?" on October 5<sup>th</sup>. Marna Rehage from the Iowa Community AIDS Partnership moderated this session. The discussion panel included Russ Brown, a psychologist from the Family Practice Residency Program; Vicky Smith from the Linn County Department of Public Health; and Tricia Kitzmann, Director of the Rapids AIDS Project (RAP). Russ discussed ways to train doctor residents to counsel patients on their sexual health without stereotyping the patient. Vicky delivered a presentation showing statistics and trends in Linn County in regard to sexually transmitted infections and HIV/AIDS. She discussed why it is important for physicians to ask their patients about these things. Tricia talked about RAP's services for clients and how physicians can get in touch with RAP for assistance if they have patients with HIV or AIDS.

The second session, "20 Years of AIDS," was held on October 9<sup>th</sup>. This session featured Dr. Jack Stapleton from the University of Iowa Hospitals, who informed us about the trends of HIV/AIDS in our country over the last 20 years. He also discussed medications available to those infected with HIV/AIDS. He encouraged physicians who have HIV+ patients to refer the patients to other resources if the physician is not knowledgeable on the subject and feels uncomfortable with it. Dr. Stapleton spoke highly of his two nurse practitioners in Iowa City and how health care providers do not need "MD" behind their names to give adequate care.

The third session, "World and Local View of AIDS, Infection and Treatment," was given on October 16<sup>th</sup>. Kris Davis, a nurse practitioner in the HIV clinic at the University of Iowa, discussed HIV/AIDS on a global level. She presented various statistics and discussed changes in specific areas worldwide.

Sessions such as these have been made possible for the last several years as part of AIDS Awareness Month. If you are interested in being a part of the HIV/AIDS Alliance, please call Traci Taylor at 363-8572.

## CommonbonD from Washington, DC - Live in Concert!

After a hugely successful Midwest premier in April 2001, CommonbonD returns to Iowa, making its debut in Iowa City for one night only. CommonbonD is the acclaimed acoustic partnership of female singer-songwriters Mary Beth de Pompa and Ashley Miller. Serving up an eclectic blend of blues-edged folk/rock, the DC-based duo has been compared to everything

from the Queen of Blues Bonnie Raitt to the Indigo Girls to the Barenaked Ladies.

Miller and de Pompa met in 1992 when de Pompa, then part of a lesser-known duo, passed through Miller's college town in the Blue Ridge Mountains. After the show, the two claim they found a common musical bond (hence the name), playing guitar and testing out harmonies till the break of dawn. Southern-bred Miller first began studying piano as a child then went on to study guitar at Appalachian State University. De Pompa, a DC native, started her musical career as a funk-rock drummer in the family band. The melding of these diverse backgrounds has lent to the development of a uniquely own sound that turns at once from sweet, lofty and lyrical to raw, energetic and soulful.

In 1994, Miller and de Pompa formally united and began touring and recording full-time. Since then, CommonbonD has released 3 full-length CDs and 1 single; their fourth - delayed to build their own recording studio - is due out in early 2002 and should be well worth the wait.

They've twice appeared live on national television, were spotlighted on FOX channel news, and have received airplay on over 100 radio stations across the U.S. Among their many kudos, CommonbonD has been nominated for Best Contemporary Folk Group, was selected as a finalist for Indie Band of the Year and the Lilith Fair Talent Search, and won Pop Song of the Year and Best Folk Album of the Year for their latest release, *naked soul dance*.



CommonbonD has played with some of the hottest artists on the circuit today, including Woodstock fame Richie Havens, Sophie B. Hawkins, Jill Sobule, Caroline Aiken, Cheryl Wheeler, eddie from ohio, Catie Curtis, Melissa Ferrick, and Pierce Pettis. And yet, the twosome

remains un-jaded, even "adorable" confides The Philadelphia Au Courant. Girlfriends Magazine calls the duo "dreamy." And their live show? The Dover Post raves, "CommonbonD jams, period. Take the two artists individually and you've got different styles in writing, singing and playing. But man! What gets delivered as the combo package will blow you away."

See CommonbonD's ad in this issue for performance information. For more information, call The Mill at 319-351-9529, or e-mail [mysistrsings@aol.com](mailto:mysistrsings@aol.com). Check out CommonbonD's wild website at [www.commonbondmusic.com](http://www.commonbondmusic.com).

# Fifth Annual Pride Fest 2002



*Planning Committee First Meeting  
December 9, 2001 ~ 5:00 - 8:00 PM.  
@ the Cedar Rapids GLRC  
Pride Fest is a GLRC Event*

## Planning Committee Members Needed!

**Location: Cedar Rapids GLRC 305 2<sup>nd</sup> Street S.E.  
in The Paramount Building, Suite 324**

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- At the first meeting we will map out our plan and develop committees.
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## Take YOUR Last DRAG" November 15, 2001

The Gay American Smoke Out is an opportunity for Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual and Transgendered (GLBT) individuals to challenge themselves to quit smoking. It is also an opportunity for GLBT organizations to provide resources for quitting, and host fun events to raise awareness about tobacco use.

Nearly every anti-smoking campaign has ignored the GLBT community - yet we have the HIGHEST RATE of smoking than any other minority population! (NY Times, December 21, 1999).

To counter high prevalence rates of tobacco use among the GLBT community, awareness and culturally relevant anti-smoking messages and intervention services must be initiated. The Gay American Smoke Out is an easy and low-cost project to adopt.

The "Gay American Smoke Out" was introduced in 1994 by the Billy DeFrank Lesbian and Gay Center in San Jose. Two years later it was put into action in Seattle to

coincide with the American Cancer Society's "Great American Smokeout" (third Thursday in November).

### **Smoking stats:**

- ◆ *About 56% of lesbians are current or former smokers compared with 36% of women in general.*
- ◆ *A 1999 household-based survey found that 48.5% of gay and bisexual men reported smoking! The national average for straight men is 28.6%.*
- ◆ *The CDC reported in their Youth Risk Behavior Survey that a whopping 59% of teenagers that classified themselves as GLBT reported using tobacco. The national average for straight teens is 35%.*
- ◆ *A recent survey of the transgender community in San Francisco suggests that smoking may be highly prevalent in this community, however more research is needed.*

The Gay American Smoke Out is not meant to compete with the ACS's "Great American Smokeout" but intended to dovetail efforts by targeting the GLBT community with culturally appropriate messages. Our goal is to stimulate awareness and provide resources for tobacco prevention among GLBT communities and reduce our disproportionately high rates of tobacco use.

The GLRC of Cedar Rapids is participating in this year's campaign, and will be providing an educational meeting on November 15<sup>th</sup> from 7:00 – 8:30 p.m. at the GLRC. The meeting will include speakers from the American Cancer Society, the American Lung Association, and the American Heart Association,

Stop Smoking Kits will be available at the Resource Center for all those who are interested in participating in the Gay American Smoke Out. Please join us November 15<sup>th</sup> for this free educational meeting.

## Iowa City Attracts Gay Couples

*Long before I moved to Iowa City in January 1994, I'd heard that Iowa City was a "Queer Mecca." Iowa City, some people claim, is not only one of the most queer-friendly cities in the country, but it also has one of the highest per capita populations of queer people. Even after living here for almost eight years, and making the same claims myself, I'd never seen statistical data to support them. That is, until I read the brief Reuters article by Andrew Quinn, reprinted below. Note the mention of Iowa City. ~ Joe Wilson*

From "US Census Finds Nearly 500,000 Gay Couples"  
Andrew Quinn, Reuters

SAN FRANCISCO -- New census figures give a fresh estimate of the number of gay and lesbian couples in the United States, showing same-sex households flourishing everywhere from big city centers to small towns and remote rural regions.

The 2000 figures, released [August 8, 2001] by the US Census Bureau, are the most comprehensive count of

same-sex couples in US history and reflect a change in polling questions that allowed gay and lesbian couples to identify themselves clearly to demographers.

"These numbers show us that gay and lesbian couples exist in virtually every county in the United States," said Gary Gates, a research associate at the Urban Institute in Washington who specializes in gay and lesbian population studies.

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An *educational meeting* will be held on *November 15th from 7:00 - 8:30 pm* at the GLRC.



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## Morris Campus Elects First Male Homecoming Queen

From The Minnesota Daily

Maggie Hessel-Mial - Staff Reporter

The nominations are in, the votes have been tabulated, and the University's Morris campus' students have tossed tradition out the window. For the first time in the history of the school, the homecoming queen is not a female.

Patrick Woods, a second-year theater and studio art major, was elected queen on Friday via popular vote on campus. Ryan Brux won the competition for king.

"I did it because it was fun," Woods said. "I wanted a tiara."

Publicity for the event has been somewhat overwhelming, Woods said. Reaction on campus — as with most controversial issues — is mixed.

"Some people thought it shouldn't have happened; some were angry," he said. "But a large population of the student body has been supportive. Everyone that I've talked to has been positive."

In what seemed like an unusual occurrence, the king and queen were not on the football field at halftime as they were in previous years, said UMM student Dave Fairbanks.



The men's wrestling team boycotted the annual pepfest and coronation activities.

Response from UMM alumni has also been varied, said Vivian Heltemes, director of alumni relations.

"Most understand that we're a liberal arts institution that is open to all types of diversity," Heltemes said. "Some think it's fine and some don't. I think the alumni reaction reflects the world."

Sandy Olson-Loy, vice chancellor for student affairs, said she has only received one telephone complaint from the community.

Woods, who is gay, was nominated by three student groups, E-Quality — the gay lesbian, bisexual and transgender organization —, the Women's Resource Center and the rock climbing

club, all groups in which he is involved.

Along with the crown, Woods was also given a pin with "Queen '01" on it.

"I didn't do this to make any kind of political statement," he said. "I just did it because it was fun."



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## National Gay and Lesbian Task Force Foundation 14<sup>th</sup> Creating Change Conference

**When: November 7 – 11, 2001**

**Where: Hyatt Regency in Milwaukee, Wisconsin**

Creating Change™, the premier national conference of the gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgender movement, will be held at the Milwaukee Hyatt Regency November 7 – 11, 2001. U.S. Rep. Tammy Baldwin and Anthony D. Romero, the newly appointed executive director of the American Civil Liberties Union, will be among the keynote speakers.

Creating Change begins with two days of pre-conference institutes on Wednesday, November 7 and Thursday, November 8. The institutes are all-day sessions devoted to one topic. The Conference itself opens with the Thursday evening plenary session. On Friday and Saturday, choose from 150 workshops, panels, caucuses, and meetings that enhance political skills and build confidence of activists and organizers. On Sunday morning, workshop sessions are followed by a brunch and plenary session.

Programming changes are currently underway to allow the conference to contribute to the national debate surrounding our current national crisis with details to be released soon. To register or get more information, please visit <http://www.creatingchange.org> or call 202-332-6483 x3301.

## Iowa City Attracts

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California continues to lead the pack, with more than 92,000 same-sex couples around the state, up threefold from 1990 and double the number reported in the runner-up state, New York.

But while well-known gay and lesbian destinations such as the San Francisco Bay Area continue to boast the highest percentage of same-sex couples -- more than 7 percent of all couples both married and unmarried in the case of San Francisco -- other regions of the country are also experiencing a boom in gay and lesbian pairings.

### Santa Fe ranks second

After the Bay Area, the second-highest percentage of same-sex couples was reported in Santa Fe, New Mexico, at 1.95 percent of all couples, while the third was Portland, Maine, at 1.6 percent.

Included in the top 20 metropolitan areas for same-sex couples were such heartland locations as Bloomington, Indiana; Iowa City, Iowa; and Asheville, North Carolina.

"These are not cities that are historically thought of as terribly gay or lesbian cities," Gates said. "But when we

look at these rankings, it shows that we have dramatically underestimated the presence of gay and lesbian families in these cities."

Even suburbs and rural areas are reporting rising numbers of gay and lesbian pairs. California's tiny Alpine County, in a remote mountain area near the Nevada border, reported two same-sex couples, while major concentrations of gay households are found in such places as suburban Akron, Ohio, and Atlanta's eastern suburbs.

"Same-sex couples really are everywhere, and this helps to dispel that myth that gay people all live in cities," said Kim Mills, education director at the Human Rights Campaign, the nation's largest gay and lesbian advocacy group.

While heartened by the rising numbers of openly gay and lesbian couples, activists said the data still represented a serious undercount of the nation's gay population, noting that it left out gays and lesbians who are single or do not live with their partners.

"More people are living their lives openly and honestly despite the lack of protection because of cultural changes," Mills said. "But many are also still afraid to answer these questions honestly. We could lose our jobs, we could lose our homes, we could lose our children because the laws don't treat us the same."



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## LWL Success

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"The weather outside was frightful, but the fire was so delightful." Participants were sheltered from the rain, kept warm and dry, and enjoyed the fire inside the Old Lodge at Wapsipinicon State Park. The rain let up during the lunch break, allowing some participants to check out the many features of the park, including Ice Cave and Horse Thief Cave, which was used many years ago to hide stolen horses. Wapsipinicon State Park is located just south of Anamosa on the Wapsipinicon River. Dedicated in 1923, the 400-acre site was one of Iowa's first state parks. Today its sandstone and limestone bluffs are covered with moss and columbine. The white pine forest, one of the oldest plantings in Iowa, creates a feeling of being way out west or far north.

There was some discussion that in the future the Lives Worth Living (LWL) retreat might be offered more than once a year. Many were interested in making it a biannual event, with retreats in the spring and fall. If two retreats per year were well attended, then a third retreat might be added in the summer. If you would like to be contacted about future retreats, contact the retreat's primary sponsor, Rapids AIDS Project (RAP), or look for retreat news in future issues of *The Resource Line*."

The LWL prevention program was launched in 1997 by RAP. Committed to revitalizing and reinventing HIV prevention for Men who have Sex with Men (MSM), the effort started at the grassroots level with surveys, focus groups, targeted events, discussion groups, safer sex workshops, and educational brochures. The LWL mission is to substantially reduce the number of new HIV infections in eastern Iowa MSM by building gay community and self-esteem, promoting communication, and nurturing a culture where MSM see their lives as worth living. LWL is funded in part by a grant from the Iowa Department of Public Health.

The Retreat Planning Committee included F. John Herbert of Legion Arts/CSPS, Tricia Kitzmann of Rapids AIDS Project (RAP), Kathy Luense and Vickie Smith of the Linn County Health Department, Dick Spurlock of

the GLRC of Cedar Rapids, Traci Taylor of Planned Parenthood of East Central Iowa, and F. Joseph Wilson (me) of Flierman Resources Ltd.

Finally, on a personal note, I'd like to extend special thanks to Tricia Kitzmann and Traci Taylor! These two women expend a great deal of time and energy to make this annual retreat a success, a retreat at which they can't even participate because it's for men only. They work tirelessly at their jobs, and also with the GLRC and other agencies and organizations, helping to provide services for gay and bisexual men. Sometimes, when not enough gay and bisexual men are involved in their own communities, straight women step in to provide services. Not all straight women have enough insight to provide quality resources, but Tricia and Traci are wonderfully insightful! I think they should be made honorary gay men!





**Tell us what you think!**  
**The GLRC wants to hear from you!**

*Please circle all that apply. You can also fill out this survey online at <http://www.crglrc.org/survey>.*

**1. What do you feel the GLRC does?**

- |                        |                         |
|------------------------|-------------------------|
| A. Community Awareness | C. Prevention Education |
| B. Fundraising         | D. Advocacy             |

**2. What do you feel is the most important thing the GLRC does for the GLBT community?**

- |                        |                         |
|------------------------|-------------------------|
| A. Community Awareness | C. Prevention Education |
| B. Fundraising         | D. Advocacy             |

**3. What GLRC events/programs have you participated in?**

- |                                       |                   |
|---------------------------------------|-------------------|
| A. HIV Programs                       | E. AA / NA Groups |
| B. Men's Group                        | F. Stop Smoking   |
| C. Women's Group                      | G. None           |
| D. Special Monthly Education Programs |                   |

**4. What types of events/programs would you like the GLRC to host?**

- |   |                                 |
|---|---------------------------------|
| A. National Speakers on a variety of topics | E. AA / NA                      |
| B. Laws for the GLBT Community              | F. Stop Smoking                 |
| C. Health Concerns for GLBT Community       | G. None                         |
| D. Community Building                       | H. Other (Please specify _____) |

**5. What types of events would you attend if the GLRC were to have one?**

- |                       |                 |
|-----------------------|-----------------|
| A. National Speakers  | E. Potlucks     |
| B. Political Speakers | F. Movie Nights |
| C. Health Forums      | G. None         |
| D. Fundraising Events |                 |

**6. What would like to see the GLRC do in the future?**

**7. Would you consider volunteering at the GLRC?**

Yes                      No

**8. Would you consider joining the GLRC's Board of Directors?**

Yes                      No

**Thank you for your time!**

Please fold in thirds and mail to the GLRC or  
drop off at the Center or  
simply give to PrettyBelle @ Club Basix!

**Your feedback is greatly appreciated!**

**GLRC of Cedar Rapids  
PO Box 1643  
Cedar Rapids, IA 52406-1643**

# WORLD AIDS DAY BENEFIT



a program of  American Red Cross Grand Wood Area Chapter





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5PM to 2AM

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Cedar Rapids, Iowa 52402  
319.363.3194

www.clubbasix.com



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**Male Strippers**

Saturday, Nov. 10  
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Hosted by  
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**Special Guest:**



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Friday, November 9  
Special Guest:  
Carissa Carmichael  
PrettyBelle  
Gladiola ThunderPussy

Saturday, November 24  
Special Guests:  
Venisha & Minnie Blinds  
PrettyBelle  
Mr. Ron Raymond



### STAR SEARCH WEDNESDAYS

Week 3: Nov. 7  
Week 4: Nov. 14  
Week 5: Nov. 21  
Week 6: Nov. 28

### PJ/ Underwear PARTY

Saturday, November 17

2006 AIDS DAY BENEFIT



**World Aids Day Benefit @ Basix**  
Friday, November 30, following the Crowne Plaza

A benefit variety show including Drag Queens, Drag Kings, and  
Live Vocalists! All proceeds are being donated to the Rapids  
AIDS Project for HIV/AIDS Education Programs.



FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 30, 2001 10:45 PM

# WORLD AIDS DAY BENEFIT SHOW AND AUCTION @ BASIX

Will take place at Club Basix following the World AIDS Day Benefit Dinner at the Crowne Plaza!

## Including:



*Pretty Belle*



*Mokha Montrese*



*Anyila Cavalier*



*Ron Raymond*



*Summer Knight*



*Rachael Richards*

Additional performances by Gladiola ThunderPussy, Venisha & Minnie Blinds, Dylan Michaels, JD Lesbiani, and live vocal talents of "Val" and "Joe!"



*Clarissa Cavalier*

All proceeds from this benefit will be donated to the Rapids AIDS Project in the memory of Clarissa Cavalier/Andre Spencer and all those who have lost in the fight against HIV and AIDS.

Club Basix  
3916 First Avenue NE  
Cedar Rapids, Iowa 52402  
319.363.3194  
[www.clubbasix.com](http://www.clubbasix.com)



Rapids AIDS Project  
3601 42nd Street NE  
Cedar Rapids, Iowa 52402  
319.393.3500

*Working together to provide a safer, healthier, and a more educated community!*

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**Saturday, December 8, 9 p.m.**

**The Mill Restaurant**

**120 E. Burlington St., Iowa City, IA**

**Phone for more info: 319-351-9529**

## ENTERTAINMENT

### Club Basix

3916 1st Ave NE  
Cedar Rapids, IA 52402  
319-363-3194

### CSPS (Community Arts Center)

1103 3rd St SE  
Cedar Rapids, IA  
319-364-1580

### The Metro

GLBT Bar  
510 Mulberry (Between 4th & Park)  
Waterloo, IA  
319-232-2239

### The Alley Cat

GLBT Bar 13 S. Linn St  
(in the alley between Linn & Dubuque)  
Iowa City, IA  
319-356-6969

### One Flight Up

44-48 Main St  
Dubuque, IA  
319-582-8357

## HEALTH

### AIDS Interfaith Network of Eastern IA

1621 E 4th St.  
Waterloo, IA 50703

### Iowa Center for AIDS Resources & Education

321 E. First St.  
Iowa City, IA 52244  
319-338-2135  
www.icare-ia.org  
info@icare-ia.org

### Linn County Health Dept.

*Free Anonymous HIV Testing*  
501 13th St. NW  
Cedar Rapids, IA  
319-892-6000

### Iowa City Free Medical Clinic

*Free Anonymous HIV Testing*  
120 N. Dubuque  
Iowa City, IA  
319-377-4459

### Planned Parenthood of East Central Iowa

*Confidential STD Testing & Treatment for Men and Women*  
*Full Gynecological Exams for Women*  
1500 2nd Ave SE Suite 100  
Cedar Rapids, IA 52403  
319-363-572  
www.plannedparenthood.org

### Rapid AIDS Project

#### Lives Worth Living Program

#### Women's Voices Program

3601 42nd St. NE  
Cedar Rapids, IA 52402  
319-393-9579  
E-mail: rap@crossnet.org  
www.redcross.org/ia/cedarrap/rap.html

## PUBLICATIONS

### ACCESSLine

*Iowa's Newspaper for LGBT*  
c/o ACCESS in Northeast Iowa  
PO Box 1282  
Waterloo, IA 50704  
319-232-5805  
access@home.com

### Resource Line

GLRC Monthly News letter  
PO Box 1643  
Cedar Rapids, IA 52406-1643  
319-366-2055  
Info@crglrc.org

## BUSINESS SERVICES

### Kathy Hall (Realtor)

Marian Arens & Associates  
319-362-9111 (Business)  
319-269-0024 (Home)

### Hanna B. Weston (Atty-at-Law)

305 2nd St. SE, Suite 420  
Cedar Rapids, IA 52401  
319-366-7796

### Brian E Martin, WHYUSA Broker

Office: 319 393 9070  
Cell: 319 360 5335

## SOCIAL/SUPPORT

### Coe Alliance

*Weekly Meetings & Events*  
www.coe.edu/organizations/alliance  
jchaimov@coe.edu  
319-399-8594

### OWLs

Older & Wiser Lesbians  
Monthly Potluck & Social  
319-366-2055

### GLRC of Cedar Rapids

Open House Every Mon & Thurs Night  
305 2nd St. SE, Suite 324  
Cedar Rapids, IA 52401  
319-366-2055  
info@crglrc.org  
www.crglrc.org

### GraDykes

Iowa City, IA  
For bi/les/queer/dyke identified women  
in Grad School  
319-337-7661

### SpiritHill Women's Retreat

*Info, counseling, Women's Dance on*  
*1st Sat each month*  
319-643-2613

### UNITY

*GLBT Club for Students at Kirkwood*  
*Community College in CR*  
Julia Haseleu  
Jhasele@kirkwood.cc.ia.us

**Please visit our "Rainbow Pages Directory" at [www.crglrc.org/rainbow](http://www.crglrc.org/rainbow) for a more complete listing.**

## SUPPORT

### Men's Support Group

*2nd & 4th Tuesday of every month*  
*6:30-8:30 p.m. at GLRC*  
305 2nd St SE, Suite 324  
Cedar Rapids, IA 52401 319-366-2055

### Women's Chat Support Group

*1st & 3rd Tuesday of every month*  
*6:30 - 8:30 p.m. at GLRC*  
305 2nd St SE, Suite 324  
Cedar Rapids, IA 52401 319-366-2055

### Clare House Catholic Worker

*Independent Living for people with HIV/AIDS*  
PO Box 1183  
Cedar Rapids, IA 52406-1183

### PFLAG

*Parents & Friends of Lesbians & Gays*  
*4th Tuesday of every month*  
Faith United Methodist Church  
1000 30th St NE  
Cedar Rapids, IA 52402  
PFlagcr@yahoo.com  
319-399-2543

### Iowa Artistry

Transgender Support  
PO Box 11093  
Cedar Rapids, IA 52410  
iowaArtistry@tgforum.com  
www.transgender.org/ioar/index.html

## SPIRITUAL / WORSHIP

### Faith United Methodist Church

*A Reconciling Congregation Worship*  
*Service at 11:00 am*  
1000 30th St NE  
Cedar Rapids, IA 52402  
319-363-8454  
<http://soli.inav.net/~faithumc>

### Pathways of Light Spiritual College

Rev. Lorma Lang, O.M.C.  
Ordained Minister available for:  
Unions & other ceremonies  
Relationship Counseling, Couples  
& Individuals  
Study Groups  
319-447-5729



### Peoples Church Unitarian Universalist

*A Welcoming Congregation Forum at*  
*10:00 AM, Worship Service at 11 AM*  
600 3rd Ave. SE  
Cedar Rapids, IA 52403  
319-362-9827  
www.peoples.cedarrapids.uus.org

### Unity Center of Cedar Rapids

Rev. Thelma Hembroff  
Sunday Service 10:00 am  
3791 Blairs Ferry Road NE  
Cedar Rapids, IA 52402  
319-393-5422 or  
319-393-6837 (*dial-a-prayer*)  
www.unitycr.org

# November 2001

<i>Sunday</i>	<i>Monday</i>	<i>Tuesday</i>	<i>Wednesday</i>	<i>Thursday</i>	<i>Friday</i>	<i>Saturday</i>
<p><b>Not all events are GLRC sponsored. This is a GLBT community events calendar! If you would like a GLBT-related event listed, please contact the GLRC at 319-363-2055.</b></p> <p><small>* For more information about events at CSPS, call 319-363-1850 or visit their web site at <a href="http://www.legionarts.org">http://www.legionarts.org</a></small></p>				<p><b>1</b> 7-9 PM GLRC Open</p> <p><small>* Lila Downs CSPS 8 PM</small></p>	<p><b>2</b>  * CSPS: Exhibit inspired by Sister Corita Through Dec. <b>Wed-Sun 11-6</b></p>	<p><b>3</b></p>
<p><b>4</b> 1 PM GLRC Board Meeting at the Center</p>	<p><b>5</b> 7-9 PM GLRC Open House</p>	<p><b>6</b> 6:30-8:30 PM Women's Chat Support Group at GLRC</p> <p> <b>Don't forget to vote!</b></p>	<p><b>7</b></p>	<p><b>8</b> 7-9 PM GLRC Open</p>	<p><b>9</b></p>	<p><b>10</b></p>
<p><b>11</b></p>	<p><b>12</b> 7-9 PM GLRC Open House</p>	<p><b>13</b> 6:30-8:30 PM Men's Support Group - GLRC</p>	<p><b>14</b></p>	<p><b>15</b> 7-9 PM GLRC Open</p>	<p><b>16</b></p>	<p><b>17</b></p>
<p><b>18</b></p>	<p><b>19</b> 7-9 PM GLRC Open House</p>	<p><b>20</b> 6:30-8:30 PM Women's Chat Support Group at GLRC</p>	<p><b>21</b></p>	<p> <b>Happy Thanksgiving!</b></p>	<p><b>23</b></p>	<p><b>24</b></p>
<p><b>25</b></p>	<p><b>26</b> 7-9 PM GLRC Open House</p>	<p><b>27</b> 6:30-8:30 PM Men's Support Group - GLRC</p> <p><b>PFLAG 7 PM</b> Faith UMC</p>	<p><b>28</b></p>	<p><b>29</b> 7-9 PM GLRC Open</p>	<p><b>30</b> <b>World AIDS Day Benefit</b> Crowne Plaza Cedar Rapids Doors Open at 5:30 PM</p>	<p><b>OWLs</b> (Older Wiser Lesbians)</p> <p>For monthly potluck information, please call 319-365-2529.</p>

\* Moscow Boys' Choir  
7:30 PM St. Paul UMC



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## GLRC Mission Statement:

Our purpose is to provide an information and referral center for the mutual support of gays, lesbians, bisexuals, and transgendered persons, their families, friends, and allies, and the community at large.



## THE GLRC

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