



RESOURCE LINE

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Cedar Rapids Gay & Lesbian Resource Center Awarded Scholarship

The National Association of LGBT Community Centers awarded the Cedar Rapids GLRC a full scholarship to send one board



member to the 15th Annual Conference for Creating Change in Portland, Oregon. The scholarship includes

round-trip flight, meals, traveling expenses, and hotel accommodations. The board unanimously approved board Vice President Scott Alt to go to the conference, which is being held November 6–10, 2002.

Building An Anti-Racist Movement

Now in its fifteenth year, for the first time the Creating Change Conference highlights a theme: Building An Anti-Racist Movement: Working For Social and Economic Justice.

The National Gay and Lesbian Task Force is firmly committed to addressing the impact of racism in this country and in the GLBT political movement. To this end, we dedicate the 2002 Creating Change Conference to the goal of bringing anti-racism front and center in the conference program.

How We Got Here

Early in 2002, NGLTF's Deputy Executive Director and Director of the Creating Change Conference, working in collaboration with noted people of color activists, convened three very significant, ground-breaking, regional consultation meetings in Los Angeles, New York, and Chicago. The goal was to initiate an open dialogue about how to respond to a growing number of

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critical concerns and requests that Creating Change and NGLTF vigorously address race and racism in our movement. Bringing together 50 gay, lesbian, bisexual, Two Spirit, transgender people of color activists from around the U.S., these three historic daylong roundtable meetings, which included over 18 hours of discussion, generated many ideas and recommendations. But, most passionately asserted was the failure of this movement and its organizations to address race and racism. This failure to address racism separates people of color and white people, isolates the GLBT movement

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GLRC Resource Line

Scott Alt, Kathy Towe, Kendy Wazac

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October Board Meeting Minutes

The October Board Meeting was called to order at 6:40 PM. Attending were Linda Davenport, Scott Alt, Trish Hyde, Tony Hansen, and Lorma Lang. Duane Foster was absent.

Secretary's Report

Minutes from the previous Board meeting were read and approved with two corrections.

Treasurer's Report

Beginning Balance: 09/01/02 \$8,681.21
Income: \$759.55
Expenses: \$1,774.40
Ending Balance: 09/30/02 \$7,666.36

The treasurer's report was read by Trish Hyde and unanimously accepted.

Agenda Items

The board voted unanimously to accept the resignations of Chris Formanek, Jay Mc Atee and Dot Sheldon.

The board unanimously accepted the withdrawal of Linda Davenport's resignation. She will continue her duties as President of the Board.

The board unanimously approved to budget \$200 for the Coming Out Day Dance. Proceeds from the door will return to the GLRC. For the Coming Out Day Dance, the board also voted unanimously to donate \$50 to Faith United Methodist Church for use of its facility.

Linda moved to obtain the movie, "Trembling Before G*d" and work with Coe College for screening purposes. Scott has someone he can contact about screening it at Kirkwood as well. Scott will obtain further information and present it to the board at the November meeting.

The board unanimously agreed to table remaining agenda items until after regular meeting for board elections.

General Meeting

The General meeting was called to order and Linda Davenport read the "Purpose and Obligations of the GLRC" as well as the "Board of Directions Structure, Terms and Duties" from the by-laws. She then read the nomination process and qualifications.

Nominees in alphabetical order were: Scott Alt (declined), Nancy Bernardi, Linda Davenport, Doug Davidson, Chris Formanek, Trish Hyde, Lorma Lang, Deb Loftsgard, Casey Kielholtz, John Sealy, Dot Sheldon, Antwoine Smith, Patsy Thimmig (declined), Gary Van Fleet, Rita Wall, Ryan Wheeler

Nominees were allowed to speak briefly to introduce themselves to the community members who were in attendance at the General Meeting. Ballots were created and

distributed. Votes were tallied and 2003 board members were announced. New board members, who will assume their duties on January 1, 2003, are: Nancy Bernardi, Linda Davenport, Doug Davidson, Trish Hyde, Lorma Lang, Deb Loftsgard, John Sealy, Dot Sheldon, Gary Van Fleet, Ryan Wheeler.

The General Meeting was adjourned at 8:07 PM, and the board continued with remaining agenda items.

The Creative Writing Proposal Committee, Gina Tanksley, Jennifer Williams and Trish Hyde, presented the board with their formal proposal. The first issue will be ready for printing on December 15, with a submission deadline of December 5. There will be an article in the November *Resource Line* outlining submission guidelines. Also, the committee members will contact advertisers to promote the additional advertising opportunity. They will also contact literary sources in the community to seek upcoming literary events that may be of interest to the community. The GLRC will provide funds for publication costs that may exceed advertising income. The board unanimously approved the proposal.

Update on Alcoholics Anonymous was given by Jennifer Williams. Thanks to donations, the group is financially independent and has no need for funds from the GLRC at this time. Jennifer will let the board know should that status change.

Scott Alt was unanimously approved to attend the Portland Conference. The conference will be on tobacco. Discussion followed on the Gay American Smokeout. The GLRC for the Smokeout also made the National Stop Smoking campaign and their packets. There will be a conference at the center for the Gay American Smokeout Wednesday November 20, 2002 7:00 PM where there will be stop-smoking packets available. Scott is also looking into having a hypnotist available. Also, it was unanimously approved to provide \$35 per diem to Scott Alt for the conference. This money will be provided in advance, and Scott will return the unused portion, along with his receipts, upon his return.

The board re-opened the motion to provide a meal to the Metro Gay Alliance. This motion has been tabled until a response is received from the Alliance.

The status of co-sponsorship with PFLAG-Cedar Rapids is pending the next PFLAG board meeting.

The GLRC brochure file will be put on FTP as a publisher file by Scott Alt. Tony Hansen will create it as a PDF file and send it to the Board. This file can be read with the free Adobe Acrobat Reader.

Anything further on Policies for Fundraises has been tabled until the new Board is sitting.

Tony and Scott presented their findings on Internet DSL lines for the GLRC office. MSN Broadband can provide DSL for \$49.95 with free activation and 10 hours of dial up. Qwest can offer DSL for \$44.00 with free activation. Discussion followed on firewalls and security issues. The system will not be accessible when the computer is off, and the computer remains off when there is no one using it. The Board unanimously approved to have Qwest provide DSL at the GLRC. There will be a log sheet for Internet usage.

Jennifer Williams will no longer be available for office hours beginning in November.

Linda Davenport will continue with GLRC Fun Nights on the third Saturday of the month. Fun Nights will resume in November.

Tony Hansen distributed a proposal with two items that he would like to have considered and reviewed with decisions made next month. He specifically requested attention to Section II. This will receive high priority at the next board meeting.

The Women's Retreat has been moved to April 5, 2003.

PrideFest 2003 planning meeting has been set for December 10, 2002. Advertising for volunteers will begin, as well as a design contest. The GLRC still does not have the PrideFest 2002 pictures. Linda Davenport will contact Todd Oetken for follow up.

The meeting adjourned at 9:19 PM. The next general board meeting will be Monday, November 4 at 7:00 PM at the GLRC.

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.



Movie Night & Potluck

November 21, 2002 ~ 7:00 PM

The Boys in the Band



"Seven tired screaming fairy queens and one anxious queer" - our beloved boys are all dressed up and back on screen!

Initial reaction to **The Boys in the Band** was mixed at best. Critics mostly approved, with the

notable exception of the arguably homophobic Pauline Kael, who

inexplicably hated Friedkin and rejected anything he did. *Variety*, which usually applied commercial rather than critical criteria in its reviews, said it "drags" but thought it had "perverse interest." A measure of some of the confusion around the marketing of homosexuality at the time can be gleaned from the reaction of the *Los Angeles Times*. While a critic there praised it as "unquestionably a milestone," the advertising department refused to accept its ads. ("It's not a musical" was the threatening tagline.) For *Time* magazine, more liberal then

than now, **The Boys in the Band** was a plea for tolerance, a "humane, moving picture."

Join the fun! Bring your favorite dish to share and bring a hearty appetite. The GLRC will furnish plates, utensils, and napkins. Soda is available for 50 cents a can at the Resource Center.

Movie night, hosted by Alan Frederickson, is FREE. Why not bring a friend? This is an "open event" and all ages are welcome! The GLRC is located at 305 2nd St. SE, Suite 324 (take elevator to 3rd floor).

Creating Change—(Continued from page 1)
from natural allies, and limits work to achieve social and economic justice.

Recognizing Creating Change as a unique annual gathering of progressive gay, lesbian, bisexual, Two Spirit, transgender, intersex activists in the country, the consultation meetings focused on the conference as an important opportunity to build strategies that grow a truly multiracial, anti-racist GLBT political movement. While we know that this will take much time and many resources, we believe that we can take important steps towards the more immediate fulfillment of that commitment.

The Creating Change Program Highlights the Theme

The conference program includes many different sessions that provide space and time for anti-racism/anti-discrimination trainings, discussions and skills building. Beginning with the pre-conference institutes on Wednesday, proceeding through the opening plenary session on Thursday until the closing plenary on Sunday, our conference program highlights our thematic focus of building an anti-

racist movement.

- The Pre-Conference Institutes include two days of the People of Color Institute, an anti-racism institute, an anti-classism institute, and an institute about dismantling institutional racism, a focus on transgender people of color in Gender Splendor, and the integration of the conference theme into other Institute sessions;
- The opening plenary on Thursday evening takes up the conference theme with A Rap on Race, featuring two leaders in a dialogue on their personal and work-based experiences with race and anti-racism;
- On Friday morning, all conference attendees are urged to attend one of 17 simultaneous workshop sessions on race and anti-racism, called "Starting the Conversation";
- Friday's plenary session presents the thinking of a half dozen movement leaders and organizers who reflect on the challenges and opportunities in multi-issue, multiracial community-based organizing;
- Saturday's plenary opens with

exciting messages of international solidarity from two leaders who work in community contexts in other countries, as well NGLTF's executive director will share her perspective on the curtailment of civil liberties and freedoms in our own country over the past year;

- On Sunday, Paul Akio Kawata closes our conference with his thoughts and reflections on advocating with communities of color in the context of the AIDS crisis. NGLTF takes up this work looking full force ahead while remembering that the roots of our movement are intertwined with a century and more of liberation movements on behalf of people hurt by racism in the United States, as well as immigrants, women and working people.

We invite and encourage all participants to make full use of the conference as a resource for ideas, action items, and technical assistance in ongoing efforts to challenge racism and to build an anti-racist movement by, for and about gay, lesbian, bisexual, Two Spirit, transgender, and intersex people.

Coming Out Day Dance Scores a Hit!

While the leaves were turning red, gold and orange on the outside, on the inside, we were having a rockin' luau! On Saturday, October 12th, PFLAG Cedar Rapids and the GLRC hosted a Hawaiian-themed dance in honor of National Coming Out Day at Faith United Methodist Church. Some folks danced the night away while others simply enjoyed the relaxing, smoke free atmosphere and some great refreshments such as pineapple, punch and other assorted snacks.

PFLAG sold soft-drinks and bottled water for fundraising and also held a silent auction. Attendees were greeted with a flowered lei and a

kiss on the cheek in traditional Hawaiian fashion. Some guests even wore Hawaiian shirts, sunglasses, hats, and grass skirts!

As October is a month of many important events in the LGBT community, area organizations provided information for guests. The Human Rights Campaign provided HRC brochures, stickers and coming out resources. The Gay and Lesbian Resource Center provided assorted books pertaining to LGBT history from their lending library. The GLRC also provided brochures and funds for refreshments. Planned Parenthood brought breast cancer

facts, and self-exam guides. Rapids AIDS Project provided safe sex kits. From Des Moines, we had voter registration, absentee ballot request forms and PFLAG brochures.

PFLAG Cedar Rapids and GLRC of Cedar Rapids would like to thank Faith United Methodist Church for the use of their facility for the dance, the Episcopal Diocese of Iowa for the use of their sound system, every one who provided items for the information table, and all the volunteers who gave of themselves to ensure the success of the dance! It was a great event, and we couldn't have done it without you!

The Gay and Lesbian Resource Center of Cedar Rapids is a 501(c3) non-profit organization. As a sponsor of the GLRC, you can help us to continue providing information, referral, and support services to Cedar Rapids and surrounding communities. Become a part of the GLRC by sending your tax-deductible sponsorship donation today. In return, you will receive the GLRC's community newsletter, the *Resource Line*, delivered to your home or office each month to keep you informed of the latest community news.

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GLRC Annual Meeting & Elections Held



The GLRC Annual Meeting was held October 7, 2002 at the center. The board reported on progress at the GLRC and provided the financial report which can be found in the October Meeting Minutes on page 2 of this newsletter.

The Election: Nominations were taken from the floor as no one turned in any nominations in advance. Nominees were Nancy

Bernardi, Linda Davenport, Doug Davidson, Chris Formanek, Trish Hyde, Casey Kielhotz, Lorma Lang, Deb Loftsgard, John Sealy, Dot Sheldon, Antwoine Smith, Gary Van Fleet, Rita Wall, and Ryan Wheeler. Since the board is limited to ten members, a vote was required.

The Winners: Members elected for the 2003 GLRC Board of Directors are Nancy Bernardi, Linda Davenport, Doug Davidson, Trish Hyde, Lorma Lang, Deb Loftsgard, John Sealy, Dot Sheldon, Gary Van Fleet, and Ryan Wheeler. Congratulations to the new board of directors. Their one-year term

begins January 1, 2003.

If a board seat becomes vacant during the year, requirements according to the bylaws for filling the vacancy are as follows:

Replacement: The Board of Directors will proceed to fill the vacancy with an election at the first general membership meeting following notice in the newsletter. The term of the newly elected director will expire when the vacated term would have ended.

New members' biographies will be available in the December issue of the *Resource Line*.



WORLD AIDS DAY BENEFIT

Friday, November 22nd
Doors open at 5:30 p.m.
Crowne Plaza Hotel
Cedar Rapids

Dinner and Music
Live and Silent Auctions
showcasing hundreds of items,
including more than 50
pieces of local artwork.

Quilt panels from
the Names
Project

Recognize
those fighting HIV
and AIDS, and honor
those who have lost their fight.

Tickets are \$40 and must be purchased
in advance. For tickets call the Rapids AIDS

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AIDS Memorial Quilts on Display

This year on Sunday, December 1, RAP (Rapids AIDS Project) will have four quilts on display at Lindale Mall from Noon - 5:00 PM in the food court. RAP is also collaborating with ICARE (Iowa Center for AIDS Resources &

Education), and providing them with four panels to be on display in Iowa City.

December 1, 2002 is World AIDS Day. This year's theme is *Live and Let Live*, which focuses on eliminating stigma and discrimination. World AIDS Day is observed annually to strengthen global efforts and to recognize the challenges of the AIDS

epidemic that continues to spread throughout every region of the world.

Currently, 22 million people have died of AIDS-related illnesses, and 36.1 million people are infected. These are the numbers of a national disaster, and we need to respond as we would to any other epidemic. Support World AIDS Day – for life.

Calling All Scribes!

Are you a writer looking for an audience? We may have just the thing for you! The GLRC's "Rainbow Writes" (tentative name) is looking for some submissions for our new creative writing publication.

You may submit original items in the following categories: short stories, poems, editorials and/or essays. At this time, short stories, essays and editorials are limited to 1500 words.

Poems are limited to 900. Deadline for submission is December 5, 2002. The first release is set for December 20, 2002.

Please submit soft copies by e-mail as the body of the message. No attachments will be accepted. If you are without Internet access, you may submit a hard copy by mailing it to the GLRC at PO Box 1634, Cedar Rapids, IA 52401.

Erotica will not be published. Please leave sex scenes to the readers' imaginations. All submissions are subject to editorial review, and all submissions must have writer's name, address and a contact number. If you have further questions, please call the GLRC at 366-2055.

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Mission Statement

This site is intended for the support and entertainment of gays, lesbians, bisexuals, transgendered and allies in Cedar Rapids, Iowa and surrounding areas. Our purpose is to provide an information and referral center for the mutual support of gays, lesbians, bisexuals, transgendered persons, their families, friends, allies and the community at large.

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TREMBLING BEFORE G-D

Cedar Rapids GLRC is working on bringing this film to Cedar Rapids, Iowa. We are currently talking with Coe College about the use of facilities there. Nothing has been confirmed yet, but the 2002 GLRC Board of Directors has approved the funds to make this happen and is looking to making it a reality in January.

Watch the Resource Line for location, date, and show times.

Here is a synopsis of the film: "Trembling Before G-d" is an unprecedented feature documentary that shatters assumptions about faith, sexuality, and religious fundamentalism. Built around intimately-told personal

stories of Hasidic and Orthodox Jews who are gay or lesbian, the film portrays a group of people who face a profound dilemma - how to reconcile their passionate love of Judaism and the Divine with the drastic Biblical prohibitions that forbid homosexuality. As the film unfolds, we meet a range of complex individuals - some hidden, some out - from the world's first openly gay Orthodox rabbi to closeted, married Hasidic gays and lesbians to those abandoned by religious families to Orthodox lesbian high-school sweethearts.

Many have been tragically rejected and their pain is raw, yet with irony, humor, and resilience, they love, care, struggle,

and debate with a thousand-year old tradition. Ultimately, they are forced to question how they can pursue truth and faith in their lives. Vividly shot with a courageous few over five years in Brooklyn, Jerusalem, Los Angeles, London, Miami, and San Francisco, "Trembling Before G-d" is an international project with global implications that strikes at the meaning of religious identity and tradition in a modern world. For the first time, this issue has become a live, public debate in Orthodox circles, and the film is both witness and catalyst to this historic moment. What emerges is a loving and fearless testament to faith and survival and the universal struggle to belong.



Take your Last Drag! November 21, 2002

**Educational Meeting will be November 20, 2002
7:00 PM at the GLRC**

The Cedar Rapids Gay and Lesbian Resource Center is again participating in the Annual Gay American Smoke Out. Last year's event drew eight participants. This year, the Center's educational meeting will be held the day before the event so participants have the option to establish a support group in advance. Area Substance Abuse Council (ASAC) will provide a speaker on the dangers of tobacco usage, and Scott Alt will share insight he gained from the National Tobacco Prevention workshops he attended while in Portland, Oregon. "Commit to Quit" kits are available now at the GLRC.

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 among minority populations! (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).

The Gay American Smoke Out is not meant to compete with the "Great American Smokeout," but intended to dovetail efforts by targeting the GLBT community with culturally appropriate messages. Our goals are to stimulate awareness, provide resources for tobacco prevention among GLBT communities, and

reduce our disproportionately high rates of tobacco use.

"Stop Smoking" kits will be available at the Resource Center for all those interested in participating in this year's Gay American Smoke Out on November 21.

Puff on these statistics:

- ◆ 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 its 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.

Graffiti Theatre Premiering Newest Play in Iowa City

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

Contact: Megan Levad,
Development Director, Graffiti
Theatre, 319-400-2401,
meg@graffiti-theatre.com

Graffiti Theatre, a nonprofit feminist theatre company in Iowa City, is premiering its newest play, *Pray for Rain*, at CSPS in Cedar Rapids' historic Czech Village this November 14-16. *Pray for Rain* will also be touring across Iowa and the greater Midwest throughout 2003.

The loss of the small farm has affected the livelihood of rural communities, our environment, the food that we eat. It's everyone's concern, and *Pray for Rain* intends to bring farming stories, and all that they can show us about our interconnectedness and the reaches of human spirit, to the stage.

Pray for Rain tells the story of Maggie Rose Walters, an Iowa farmer dealing with the challenges and celebrating the triumphs of running a small farm. This Graffiti Theatre performance is a multimedia collaboration between installation artist Michal Hampton and performance artist Mara

McCann, with musical composition by Maggie Grosvenor, and special guest musicians Trailer Records recording artist Kelly Pardekooper and long-time Iowa City folk/bluegrass guitarist Jay Knight.

Graffiti Theatre has traveled across



the country with original performances and workshops that address current social issues, and particularly how these issues affect women and girls. The company is currently featured in a spread about women's theatre companies in "Bitch: Feminist response to pop

culture," a national journal. Graffiti Theatre's mission is to "engage audiences with innovative theatre, sparking dialogue that creates lasting transformative movement."

To prepare for *Pray for Rain*, Graffiti Theatre's Artistic Director, Mara McCann, and Managing Director, Michal Hampton, interviewed folks that have been involved with farming in Iowa. Of her work on the project, Hampton says: "At the Appanoose County Fair, I spoke with a longtime farmer who believes that in 20 years there won't be a single farmer left. He told me 'farming as we know it will never be the same.' *Pray for Rain* is Graffiti Theatre's attempt to preserve and pay tribute to the spirit of the independent Iowa farmer."

"Another farmer mentioned the old line that there are only two ways to get into farming - 'you're either born to it or you marry it.' That is a telling statement in these days when the average aged farmer is 54! *Pray for Rain* will appeal to anyone who purchases food at the local grocery store - all of us have a stake in the future of farming and agriculture.

Graffiti Theatre—(Continued on page 9)

CSPS Calendar of Events ~ November, 2002

1103 Third Street SE ~ Cedar Rapids, IA 52401-2305 ~ 319-364-1580

Friday, Nov. 1

In concert, *Zrazy*, 8 PM.

Sunday, Nov. 3

In concert, singer-songwriter *John Wesley Harding* with *Josh Ritter*, 7 PM.

Thursday, Nov. 7

In concert, *Dan Bern and the IJBC*, 8 PM.

Friday, Nov. 8

Opening of exhibits by *Gerald Guthrie* and *Eduardo De Soignie*, reception 5 - 7 PM.

Saturday, Nov. 9

In concert, *Andrew Bird*, 8 PM.

Sunday, Nov. 10

In concert, songwriter *Vance Gilbert*, 7 PM.

Tuesday, Nov. 12

Legion Arts Board of Directors meeting, 5:30 - 7 PM.

Wednesday, Nov. 13

In concert, singer and songwriter *Kris Delmhorst* with *Alastair Moock*, 8 PM.

Thursday, Nov. 14

Graffiti Theatre premiere of *Pray for Rain*, new performance with music, 8 PM.

Friday, Nov. 15

Graffiti Theatre, 8 PM.

Saturday, Nov. 16

Graffiti Theatre, 8 PM.

Sunday, Nov. 17

In concert, *Kim & Reggie Harris* [tentative].

Wednesday, Nov. 20

In concert, folk and blues legend *Geoff Muldaur*, 8 PM.

Friday, Nov. 22

In concert, *Laura Love*, 8 PM.

Saturday, Nov. 23

Private party.

About Face Theatre Performs November 6 at Loras College

As part of this year's FACES AND VOICES multicultural event, the About Face Theatre will present a skit about GLBT issues as experienced by teens and young adults. The performance, titled *First Breath*, will be November 6, at 7:00 PM, in the ballroom at Loras College.

About Face is a professional theatre group based in Chicago, composed

of actors and actresses between the ages of 14 and 20. The group did two performances last spring for the Dubuque Community School District's workshop about GLBT issues. It was well received by staff and teachers.

First Breath presents a glimpse at life through the experiences of out and proud teens in the new millennium.

From funny stories about senior prom to powerful accounts of hate crimes and gay bashing to surprising first-hand testimony about HIV and AIDS, the script offers a hip, fresh, intelligent perspective for gay and straight teens to better understand their lives and the lives of their peers. A discussion with the audience follows the performance.

Graffiti Theatre—(Continued from page 8)

This performance will be an inspiring celebration of Iowa farmers and their struggle to make a life for themselves."

Graffiti Theatre has so far gotten endorsement and support for *Pray for Rain* from the Women, Food & Agriculture Network, Practical Farmers of Iowa, the Leopold Center for Sustainable Agriculture at Iowa State University, individual Graffiti Theatre supporters, and the Iowa Department of Cultural Affairs. As the company's artistic director and resident playwright, Mara McCann comments, "We're very fortunate that the Department of Cultural Affairs was still allocated a small budget with which to give grants this year. It is frightening to see that many states are cutting their arts funding altogether. I believe in living in Iowa, and telling the stories of Iowans, and our new performance, *Pray for Rain*, will be integral to growing Iowa's cultural landscape."

As a spokesperson from the Leopold Center writes in an endorsement for the project, "The use of the arts, and in particular theatre, plays a key role in conveying the importance of bringing a more sustainable agriculture to our state. Urban and rural residents alike can appreciate the symbolism and metaphors used in theatre to convey important messages."

Theatre Cedar Rapids Presents

The Wizard of Oz

November 29 - December 15

7:30 PM Thursday, Friday, and Saturday
2:30 PM Sunday

Fly with us on a Technicolor adventure somewhere over the rainbow—to a universe of wild imagination where the Lollipop Guild reigns supreme, evil westerly witches don't stand a chance against the ultimate power of ruby slippers, and dreams really do come true.

**Corporate Tickets (\$20 each) will be available through the GLRC. To order tickets, contact Linda Davenport by November 15 at 319-223-5630
Or order by e-mail at: ldavenport@crglrc.org**

To learn more about *Pray for Rain*, or Graffiti Theatre, contact Megan Levad, the company's Development Director, at 319.400.2401 or meg@graffiti-theatre.com, or visit their

website at www.graffiti-theatre.com. To contact CSPA for tickets to *Pray for Rain*, call Legion Arts at 319-364-1580, or e-mail info@legionarts.org.

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PRIDE WORLDWIDE



SATURDAY, JUNE 8, 2002
GREEN SQUARE PARK
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**2003 Pride Fest
Planning Committee
Set to Meet:**

Date:
December 10, 2002

Time:
7:00 PM

Location:
GLRC
305 2nd Street SE
Cedar Rapids

GLRC

Fun Night

Returns Returns

November 16th
7:00 – 11:00 P.M.

You would like to get out of the house, but what do you do? You're not in the mood for a busy bar or going to the movies alone. Is there anything out there for you to do?????

The GLRC has an answer for you! We're hosting a fun night on November 16th, where adults can get together for snacks, to watch movies, or play games. This is a time to meet new friends and share ideas with each other.

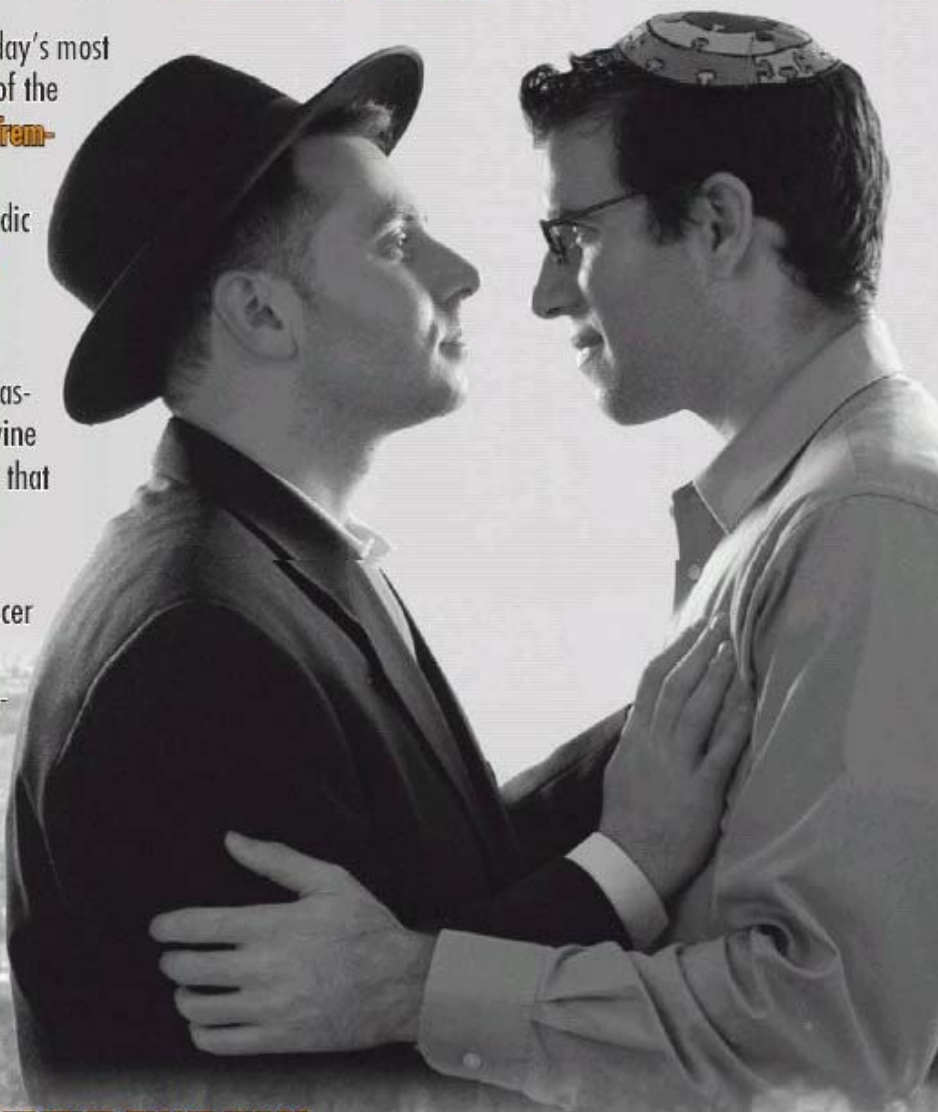
**305 2nd Street SE
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Everyone is welcome to bring a snack to share.

TREMBLING BEFORE G-D

Religion and Sexuality—two of today's most divisive issues—are the backdrop of the award-winning documentary film, **Trembling Before G-d**. Built around intimately-told personal stories of Hasidic and Orthodox Jews who are **gay or lesbian**, the film portrays a group of people who face a profound dilemma—how to reconcile their passionate love of Judaism and the Divine with the drastic Biblical prohibitions that forbid homosexuality.

Sandi DuBowski, director and producer of *Trembling Before G-d*, brings a greater understanding of these complex issues to his audiences. Breaking down barriers and shattering stereotypes, he generates a dialog that helps **transcend our sexual and religious differences** and connect with one another on a human level. His lectures also include a screening of his controversial award-winning film.



**Director and Producer
Sandi DuBowski**

*** AUDIENCE CHOICE AWARD**
for Best Documentary
at the Seattle Lesbian and
Gay Film Festival

*** THE MAYOR'S PRIZE** for Jewish Experience
at Jerusalem Film Festival

*** GOLD PLAQUE** for Best Documentary
at Chicago Film Festival

*** THE TEDDY AWARD**
for Best Documentary
at Berlin Film Festival

*** THE GRAND JURY PRIZE** for Best Documentary
at OUTFEST Los Angeles



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Join our mailing list! Call the GLRC at 319-366-2055 and leave your name, address, city, state, and Zip code.



OR

Go online at www.crglrc.org. Click the link that states "Join Our Postal Mailing List." Follow the easy instructions to start receiving the **Resource Line** by mail.




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Cedar Rapids Gay & Lesbian Resource Center presents

GAY AMERICAN SMOKE OUT

November 21



Take
Your
Last
Drag

The Gay American Smoke Out is an opportunity for Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual and Transgendered (GLBT) individuals to challenge themselves to quit smoking.

Stop Smoking Kits will be available at the Resource Center for all those who are interested in participating in the GAY American Smoke Out.

An *educational meeting* will be held
November 20, 7 PM at the GLRC

Check the November issue of the Resource Line or
call the GLRC for more information

(319) 366-2055

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November 2002

GLRC and Community Events

All calendar events are held at the GLRC unless otherwise specified.
See the Area Resource List for other location addresses.
CSPS events are listed on Page 8.

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
GLRC Office Hours for November: Tuesday & Thursday 1-3 PM					1 AA Support Group 6-7:30 PM	2
3 This Way Out AM 910 WSUI 10 PM	4 GLRC Board Meeting 7- 9 PM	5  Election Day Make your voice heard. Get out and vote!	6 Women's Group hosted by Lorma Lang 6:30 - 8:30 PM	7 Open House hosted by Alan Fredericksen 7- 9 PM	8 AA Support Group 6-7:30 PM	9
10 This Way Out AM 910 WSUI 10 PM	11 Open House hosted by Sue Hickerson 7- 9 PM	12	13	14 Open House hosted by Alan Fredericksen 7- 9 PM	15 AA Support Group 6-7:30 PM Movie Night Faith UMC 7 PM	16 OWLs Meet in Iowa City Fun Night Returns 7- 11 PM
17 This Way Out AM 910 WSUI 10 PM	18 Open House hosted by Sue Hickerson 7- 9 PM	19 PFLAG Meeting Faith UMC 7 PM	20	21 Movie Night and Potluck 7- 9 PM	22 World AIDS Day Benefit at Crowne Plaza 5:30 PM AA Support Group 6-7:30 PM	23
24 This Way Out AM 910 WSUI 10 PM	25 Open House hosted by Sue Hickerson 7- 9 PM	26	27	28 Happy Thanksgiving 	29 AA Support Group 6-7:30 PM	30

Area Resource List

See our Rainbow Pages (<http://www.crglrc.org/rainbow>)

for more listings for counselors, restaurants, youth information, other social support offerings, and miscellaneous organizations.

BUSINESS SERVICES

Kathy Hall, Realtor
Marian Arens & Associates
319-362-9111 (Business)
319-269-0024 (Home)

Brian E. Martin, Realtor
WHY USA – Advantage Realty
319-393-9070 (Business)
319-364-3777 (Home)
WHYUSA1@aol.com

Hanna B. Weston, Attorney-at-Law
305 2nd St. SE, Suite 420
Cedar Rapids, IA 52401
319-366-7796

ENTERTAINMENT

Alley Cat
13 South Linn St. (in the alley between
Linn & Dubuque)
Iowa City, IA 52240
319-356-6969

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

CSPS (Community Arts Center)
1103 3rd St. SE
Cedar Rapids, IA 52401
319-364-1580

One Flite Up
44-48 Main St.
Dubuque, IA 52001
563-582-8357

The Metro
GLBT Bar
510 Mulberry (between 4th & Park)
Waterloo, IA 50703
319-232-2239

HEALTH

AIDS Interfaith Network of Eastern IA
1621 East 4th St.
Waterloo, IA 50703

Cedar Rapids Clinic for Women
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women. Serving Cedar Rapids and
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exams, STD testing and treatment. All
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4089 21st Ave. SW Suite 211
Cedar Rapids, IA 52404
319-390-4342

**Iowa Center for AIDS Resources &
Education (ICARE)**
321 East First St.
Iowa City, IA 52240
(319) 338-2135 or info@icare-ia.org
www.icare-ia.org

Iowa City Free Medical Clinic
Free Confidential HIV Testing
120 North Dubuque St.
Iowa City, IA 52245
319-377-4459

HEALTH

Linn County Health Department
Free Confidential HIV Testing
501 13th St. NW
Cedar Rapids, IA 52405
319-892-6000

Planned Parenthood 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
319-363-8572
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 or 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 1682
Waterloo, IA 50704
319-232-6805 or access@forbin.net

Resource Line
GLRC Monthly Newsletter
PO Box 1643
Cedar Rapids, IA 52406-1643
319-366-2055 or info@crglrc.org

SOCIAL/SUPPORT

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

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

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

OWLS
Older & Wiser Lesbians
Monthly Potluck & Social
319-366-2529

SpiritHill Women's Retreat
Info, counseling, Women's Dance on
1st Saturday of each month
319-643-2613

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

SPIRITUAL / WORSHIP

Faith United Methodist Church
A Reconciling Congregation Worship
Service at 11 AM
1000 30th St. NE
Cedar Rapids, IA 52402
319-363-8454
www.crfathumc.org

Pathways of Light Spiritual College
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Peoples Church Unitarian Universalist
A Welcoming Congregation Forum at
10 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 AM
3791 Blairs Ferry Road NE
Cedar Rapids, IA 52402
319-393-5422 or
319-393-6837 (*dial-a-prayer*)
www.unitycr.org

SUPPORT

Clare House
Independent Living for people with
HIV/AIDS
PO Box 1183
Cedar Rapids, IA 52406-1183
319-364-4101

GLBT AA Meeting
Fridays 6-7:30 PM at GLRC
305 2nd St. SE, Suite 324

Iowa Artistry
Transgender Support
PO Box 11093
Cedar Rapids, IA 52410
IowaArtistry@tgforum.com
www.transgender.org/iaar/index.html

Men's Support Group
Call 319-393-9579 for information.

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

Women's Chat Support Group
1st Wednesday of every month
6:30 - 8:30 PM at GLRC
305 2nd St. SE, Suite 324
Cedar Rapids, IA 52401
319-366-2055

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