



RESOURCE LINE

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GLRC 2003 Board of Directors

Let's take a moment to thank those who contributed last year as GLRC Board of Directors members. Niki Martin, Chris Formanek, Dot Sheldon, Duane Foster, Jay Mc Atee, Linda Davenport, Scott Alt, Trish Hyde, Lorma Lang, and Tony Hansen. Thank you for your contributions.

On Sunday, January 12, 2003, the elected GLRC Board of Directors met for the first time this year. Board members are Nancy Bernardi, Linda Davenport, Doug Davidson, Trish Hyde, Lorma Lang, Deb Loftsgard, John Sealy, Dot Sheldon, Gary Van Fleet, and Ryan Wheeler.

One of the agenda items for this meeting was to elect the officers from the pool of board members. It began with the following nominations:

Nominations for President:

Lorma Lang and Linda Davenport

Nomination for Vice President:

Gary Van Fleet

Nomination for Secretary:

Dot Sheldon

Nominations for Treasurer:

Deb Loftsgard and Doug Davidson

And the elected officers are... Linda Davenport was re-elected president. Gary Van Fleet was elected vice president. Dot Sheldon was elected secretary. Deb Loftsgard and Doug Davidson were elected co-treasurers. Congratulations to all of you!

Note that another decision made in the meeting was to move the regular Board meetings to the second Sunday of each month. There will also be a special meeting following the February meeting to discuss the possibility of quarterly having quarterly general meetings.

We have a really first-class Board of Directors this year. It is a very broad cross-section of our community with an air of enthusiasm about meeting the needs and wants of our local GLBT community. We are extremely well represented. Expect exciting things!

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GLRC Board of Directors

President: Linda Davenport

Vice President: Gary Van Fleet

Secretary: Dot Sheldon

Treasurers: Deb Loftsgard

Doug Davidson

Members at Large: Nancy Bernardi

Trish Hyde, Lorma Lang

John Sealy, Ryan Wheeler

GLRC February Resource Line

Scott Alt, Kendy Wazac

The **Resource Line** is a monthly publication of the GLRC of Cedar Rapids, IA, a non-profit organization under IRS code 5011. Articles and advertisements are welcome from anyone, and are subject to editing as needed. Mail or e-mail submissions to the attention of the Editor, GLRC **Resource Line**.

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.

January Board Meeting Minutes

The January Board Meeting was called to order at 2:10 PM. Board members attending were Linda Davenport, Trish Hyde, Lorma Lang, Dot Sheldon, Gary Van Fleet, Nancy Bernardi, Doug Davidson, Deb Loftsgard, John Sealy, and Ryan Wheeler

The minutes were read by Trish Hyde and unanimously approved.

Linda Davenport gave the treasury report. There will be an update sent to the Board as the full report was not available at the board meeting.

Treasurer's Report:

Beginning Balance:	12/01/02	\$4,867.58
Income:		\$ 480.67
Expenses:		\$ 453.00
Ending Balance:	12/31/02	\$4,839.91

Old Business:

Grants –

ICAP – approved \$500 to be used directly for covering costs of the newsletter. Paperwork has been completed and submitted. To fulfill the ICAP requirement, we must continue to publish articles on HIV/AIDS in the *Resource Line*.

Philanthrofund – We received another letter. They have a celebration in Minneapolis. In the past, no one has represented the GLRC. This year the celebration will be on Tuesday, February 4, 2003 at 7:00 PM. Linda Davenport will take time off work to attend. If anyone else would like to attend, please see Linda.

Movies – “Trembling Before G-d” – Dates for showing are January 23, 24 and 25. Showings will be held at Kessler Auditorium at Coe College. The check was priority mailed on Friday, January 10, 2003. We have the volunteers for the following tentative schedule:

Thursday – Jennifer Williams, Lorma Lang, Dot Sheldon, (backups John Sealy, Casey): Friday – Linda Davenport, Lorma Lang: Saturday – Ryan Wheeler, Trish Hyde, and possibly Nancy Bernardi.

The volunteers will need to know what time to arrive and if there is any type of dress code to be observed.

Scott had submitted a cost sheet to Linda regarding advertising costs through *The Gazette* and *Penny Saver* for this movie. It was determined this advertising was not cost effective. An alternate advertising venue of submitting an article to the religion section was suggest by Kate Varnum. Linda will contact the religion editor at *The Gazette* and write up an article for board approval prior to submission.

Also, the board discussed whether a discussion following the movie showings would be possible or feasible. Linda will contact Dr. Susan Hill as a possible facilitator. If she agrees, the board will look into a date and time for such a discussion.

“Padrian” – Saturday, February 8, 2003 at 3, 5, 7, and 9 PM.

Volunteers are:

3 PM – Deb Loftsgard, Gary Van Fleet
5 PM – John Sealy, Lorma Lang
7 PM – Linda Davenport, Trish Hyde
9 PM – Nancy Bernardi, Linda Davenport

Holiday Dinner – Approximately 23 people attended even though there were only three RSVPs. Jennifer will forward all donations to Linda. Due to the success of this year's dinner, Jennifer would like to do it again next year. Linda advised to have *Resource Line* articles ready for September, October and November newsletters to get the word out to more members of the community.

As a side note, Linda wants to be sure that whenever possible, the board publishes notices in the *Resource Line* two to three months prior to events.

The door downstairs is not being left open for after hour events at the center. AA was unable to meet due to the inability to get into the

building. We need to get more outside door keys. Linda indicated this would not be a problem with the new management team. We need to be sure to keep track of the keys and who has them. Doug can have keys made. It was suggested that all facilitators as well as all board officers have front door keys.

Rainbow Writes – There will not be a mass mailing. All readers must subscribe to the publication since a separate issue will be sent for those who would prefer to receive the additional erotic material.

An editorial board of Nancy Bernardi, Ryan Wheeler and Rita Wall was created to review the accepted material. Linda moved that Rainbow Writes move forward with all materials to be considered at the discretion of the editorial board. It was unanimously approved.

PrideFest – Paperwork for the entertainment has been received and must be returned with a post mark date no later than January 31, 2003. Confirmation will be sent within two days after receipt of the packet by the entertainment group. Have narrowed down the venue to two locations. We need to provide an estimate of donations versus cost.

Rita is organizing the parade. The parade route application will include the same route as the Christmas parade. An established route is more likely to be approved.

Chili Supper Fundraiser – We need volunteers to help set up and provide chili. Chili has been volunteered by Casey, Trish and Nancy. Rita has crackers and oyster crackers she is willing to donate.

Adopt-a-Highway – PFLAG has obtained a one-mile section of I-380. The GLRC can take the other section or PFLAG will take both

Movie Night & Potluck

February 27, 2003 - 7:00 PM



Featuring: **Out of the Past**

This documentary compares a young woman's attempt to form a Gay/Straight Alliance in her high school with prior

struggles of gay and lesbian activists. It is moving material for school kids and documentary fans. The film features Gwyneth Paltrow and Stephen Spinella.

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 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).

Spring 2003 Features Women's Festival Fundraisers

In the spring of 2003, the city of Cedar Rapids and surrounding Eastern Iowa communities will be treated to two major fundraising events featuring several nationally

recognized entertainers from the women's festival, folk music, and comedy circuits. The fundraisers will benefit organizations that produce regional festivals for the promotion and support of women in the arts.

National Women's Music Festival (NWMF), scheduled for June 5-8 in Indiana, and Iowa Women's Music Festival (IWMF), tentatively scheduled for September 13 in Iowa City, will both hold spring fundraisers in Cedar Rapids to support production of their festivals in 2003. Women In The Arts, Inc., producer of NWMF, and Prairie Voices Productions, producer of IWMF, both rely on financial support from the community, as well as participation from an army of volunteers, to keep their festivals alive and affordable to attend.

Comedy Benefit for the National Women's Music Festival, March 15

Coe College, under the sponsorship of Coe Alliance and the Student Activities Committee (SAC), will host a night of comedy starring national comedienne Vickie Shaw and Iowa's

own professional musical theater/ performance art troupe, Graffiti Theatre. Proceeds from the comedy show, scheduled for Saturday, March 15 at 8 PM in Cherry Auditorium of Coe College's Peterson Hall, will benefit the 29th Annual National Women's Music Festival (NWMF).

Comedienne Vickie Shaw looks like the woman next door, an all-American with blonde hair, lipstick, and polished nails. Born and raised in Texas (yes, she's got the accent), Vickie Shaw's hilarious brand of comedy addresses the triumphs and trials of being a woman, a mother, and gay in America. Vickie's own life provides the best material for her show. She's a recovering SOB (Southern Baptist), raising three kids (as an out lesbian mother), and learning to date. This show is part of Vickie's new "Sick and Wrong Tour." Merely hearing her explain what that means will crack you up, and you'll never stop laughing!

Vickie has performed in almost every state in the US over the last five years. In addition to headlining at numerous big-name comedy clubs,

Vickie has performed at the Michigan Women's Music Festival, National Women's Music Festival, Monterrey Beach Women's Festival, the Dinah & Lina Shore Golf Tournament in Southern California, on several Olivia Cruises, and at Club Med Resorts. Learn more about Vickie Shaw at www.vickieshaw.com.

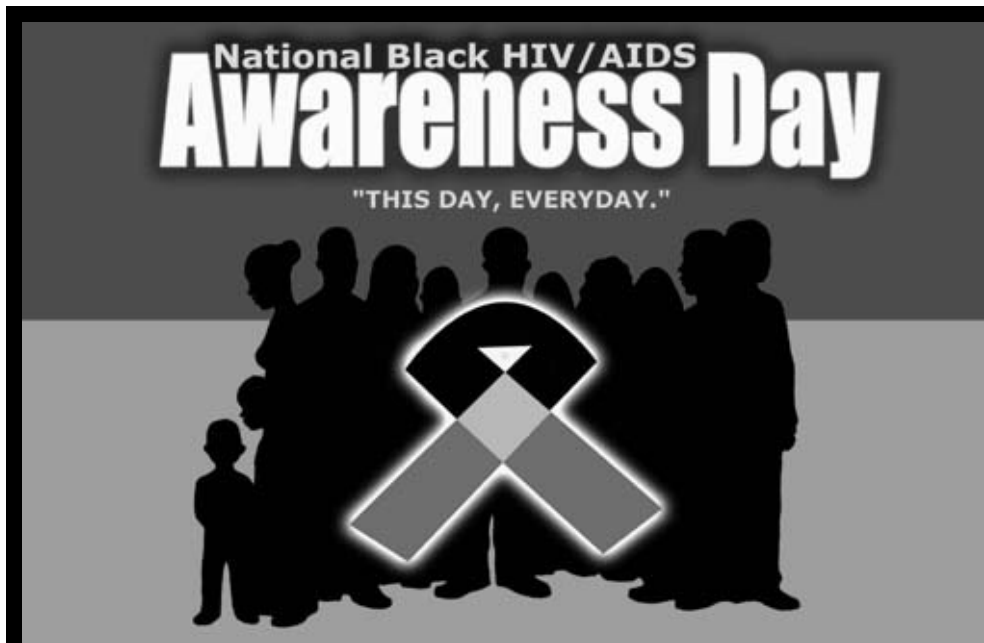
Graffiti Theatre, which will open the March 15 comedy show, is a professional theatre company based in Iowa City. Established in 1997, Graffiti Theatre formed with the purpose of giving life to words and stories that are otherwise untold and unheard. The troupe's mission is to "engage audiences with innovative theatre, sparking dialogue that creates lasting transformative movement." Graffiti Theatre presents a regular season of touring productions that combine quick-witted comedy, live music, and high energy. Performance themes are drawn from insights into common social conditions, with topics ranging from gender to race to s-e-x.

Graffiti Theatre has performed across the country, from Chicago to St. Louis to New Orleans, and in a variety of venues that includes festivals,



Comedienne Vickie Shaw





February 7, 2003
For More Information:
<http://www.blackaidsday.org>

Women's Festival (Continued from page 3)
 businesses, conferences, universities, schools, shelters, and theatres. The company has been featured on Iowa Public Television and 'Smart Women,' a television news series that has aired in 90 major cities across the United States. Read more about Graffiti Theatre at www.graffiti-theatre.com.

Tickets for the comedy benefit on March 15 at Coe College are \$10 in advance and \$12 at the door (day of show). Advance tickets are available in person or by phone. Visit the Coe College Box Office in Gage Memorial Union, open Monday through Friday, Noon to 7 PM, and one-hour prior to the performance. Call the Box Office at 319-399-8600 for directions, more information, or to charge tickets.

Women In the Arts, Inc., pioneering producer of NWMF, relies on donations from the community (and fund-raising income from a show like this!) to largely supplement festival ticket sales. The four-day

festival, which will be held on the



Wishing Chair in Concert at 2002 NWMF

campus of Ball State University in Muncie, Indiana, June 5-8, features national musical and comedy acts and provides a forum for women in

the arts via four full days of performances and workshops. More information about the festival, a list of performers, and registration details are available by going to www.wiaonline.org, or by calling 317-927-9355.

Concert Benefit for 10th Anniversary Iowa Women's Music Festival, April 5

CSPS (Legion Arts, Inc.), a trail-

blazing arts venue in Cedar Rapids, will host the spring benefit concert for the Iowa Women's Music Festival on Saturday, April 5, at 8 PM. This event will spotlight a diverse mix of women's music, musical comedy, and amazing musicianship. The show features national singer-songwriters Wishing Chair, singer-songwriter-belly-dancer-baton-twirler-comedian-parking-lot-attendant Jamie Anderson, and beloved local performer, BeJae Fleming. More information about each of the artists will be included in the next issue of the *Resource Line*.

Tickets for the April 5 benefit concert at CSPS are \$12 in advance and \$15 at the door on the day of show. Beginning in March, advance tickets will be available at CSPS, 1103 3rd Street SE, Cedar Rapids or by calling CSPS at 319-364-1580. Tickets will also be available at several ticket outlets in Cedar Rapids and Iowa City.

Women's Festival - (Continued on page 7)

PFLAG Lobby Day in Des Moines



PFLAG Iowa will be sponsoring a Lobby Day at the Iowa Capitol in Des Moines on Wednesday, February 26. PFLAG members and other interested parties will be lobbying their state senators and representatives to encourage their support of a state-wide non-discrimination bill. For more information, please contact PFLAG Cedar Rapids at: pflagcr@yahoo.com, attend the February 25 PFLAG Cedar Rapids meeting at 7PM at Faith UMC, or call 319-399-2543.

GLBT & Friends A.A. Support Group

Here is an A.A. group
that meets the special needs of
our community.

Where:
305 2nd Street SE, Suite 324
Cedar Rapids
319-366-2055

When:
Every Friday
7:30 PM - 9:00 PM
Let's Stay Sober Together

Meeting Outline:

1. Meeting begins at 7:30 PM.
2. Moment of silence.
3. Announcements.
4. A.A. Preamble read.
5. Read from the A.A. "Big Book."
6. Smoke break at 8:15 PM.
7. Open discussion (no crosstalk).
8. Inspirational reading or A.A. twelve steps and traditions.
9. Group ends at 9:00 PM.
10. Serenity Prayer.



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sections. There is no cost to the organization for this and the city does provide all materials as well as signage to include the organization's name. The signage is two lines with ten characters each. John moved to join PFLAG in Adopt-a-Highway. Unanimously approved.

Regular board meetings have been

moved to the second Sunday of each month. There will be a special meeting after the February meeting to discuss the possibility of quarterly general meetings.

Election of Officers:

Nominations for President:
Dot Sheldon and Linda Davenport
Nominations for Vice President:
Gary Van Fleet
Nominations for Secretary:

Dot Sheldon
Nominations for Treasurer:
Deb Loftsgard and Doug Davidson

Linda Davenport was elected President.
Gary Van Fleet was elected Vice - President. Dot Sheldon was elected Secretary. Deb Loftsgard and Doug Davidson were elected Co-Treasurers.

Meeting adjourned 4:30 PM. Next board meeting will be Sun., Feb. 9 at 2 PM.

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.

Please make checks payable to: **GLRC of Cedar Rapids**
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GLRC of Cedar Rapids
P.O. Box 1643
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PrideFest 2003: Pride Through Unity

Planning for the sixth annual Cedar Rapids PrideFest is well under way. The committee is hard at work making plans for fundraisers and activities that help build unity - not only in our community but in the entire Cedar Rapids area. The theme for this year's event is "Pride through Unity."

PrideFest is scheduled for Saturday, June 7, 2003. Most of the day's events will take place in Green Square Park in downtown Cedar Rapids. New for this year is the first PrideFest Parade. The parade is tentatively scheduled to start at 10:00 AM and will wind through the downtown area, finishing up at Green Square Park. Any organization or group is invited to bring a float, band, or walkers to show off your pride to the community. There will be more information coming about the parade, including where to submit your entries.

The entertainment committee is looking for performers for the day at the park (see application below). Fill it out, clip and mail as directed.

Upcoming fundraising events include a Valentine Dinner and Show February 16 (see page 17), the Road Rally announced here, and a Pancake breakfast in April. More details will be coming out on all the PrideFest Activities and **we will need lots of volunteers** – so stay tuned for more information.



PrideFest Fundraiser

March 16, 2003

Watch for March

Resource Line & GLRC Website

For More Details!

Cedar Rapids Pride Stage

GOT TALENT? If so, the 2003 PrideFest Committee is looking for you. June 7, 2003 is the 6th annual PrideFest, which will again be held in Green Square Park. If you would like to perform, please contact us with the following information:

Name: _____

Address: _____

Contact Phone No. _____

E-mail (optional): _____

Type of Entertainment: _____

Please submit to: CR PrideFest Talent, PO Box 10181, Cedar Rapids, Iowa 52410-0181 or e-mail information to crpridefest@crglrc.org by March 15, 2003.

RAPIDS AIDS PROJECT TO HOST A SAFER SEX PARTY!

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 13

7:00 - 9:00 PM

AT THE GLRC

GAMES!

PIZZA!

DEMONSTRATIONS!!

The Rapids AIDS Project, (RAP) and local bars, team up to honor National Condom Week. Friday February 14th, Valentines Day, RAP and volunteers will be passing out safer sex kits to local bars and their patrons. RAP receives funding from the Iowa Department of Public Health, (IDPH) in order to purchase the supplies needed for the distribution. RAP also passes out the kits in October for AIDS Awareness Month.

Women's Festival - (Continued from page 4)

More information regarding tickets will be included in an event update in the March *Resource Line*. Until then, mark your calendars for April 5.

Prairie Voices Productions, the non-profit organization that produces IWMF, relies mostly on local business

support, sponsorship by organizations such as the Women's Resource and Action Center of the University of Iowa and the Iowa Arts Council, and donations from individuals in the community to present IWMF each year as a free-admission, public event. Prairie Voices Productions, in association with WRAC and other

community organizations, also presents various events during the week leading up to the festival. IWMF will be celebrating its tenth anniversary in 2003! More information about the festival will be available in the spring by visiting the web site at www.prairievoices.net or e-mailing iwmfest@prairievoices.net.

CSPS Calendar of Events ~ February, 2003

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

All events at CSPS unless otherwise noted.

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|--------------------------|--|
| Tuesday, Feb. 4 | In concert, singer-songwriter Mark Erelli, 8 PM. |
| Friday, Feb. 7 | In concert, New England folk-rockers Nerissa and Katryna Nields, 8 PM. |
| Sunday, Feb. 9 | In concert, singer-songwriter Jess Klein, 7 PM. |
| Tuesday, Feb. 11 | Legion Arts Board of Directors meets, 5:30-7 PM. |
| Tuesday, Feb. 11 | In concert, Texas singer-songwriter Ruthie Foster, 8 PM. |
| Friday, Feb. 14 | Graffiti Theatre in <i>The V-Zone</i> , a new performance with music, 8 PM (tentative). |
| Saturday, Feb. 15 | Graffiti Theatre in <i>The V-Zone</i> , a new performance with music, 8 PM (tentative). |
| Friday, Feb. 21 | Artist reception for the exhibits Units: New Sculpture from Iowa and Illuminated Landscapes, photographs by Bill Jorden, 5-7 PM (tentative). |

Des Moines Gay Men's Chorus Sings for Governor's Inauguration

(see related article on page 14)



The Des Moines Gay Men's Chorus (DMGMC) performed during the Inauguration Ceremony of the honorable Governor Thomas Vilsack of Iowa on Friday,

January 17, 2003, at Drake University's Knapp Center. The DMGMC was selected as the exclusive performing group.

The performance marked the first time a gay organization in Iowa has participated so visibly during a high-profile state government event. The inauguration committee extended the

invitation after Governor Vilsack had previously attended a concert and was impressed by the musical professionalism of the DMGMC.

The chorus performed four numbers, including "The Promise of Living" by Aaron Copland, accompanied by a chamber orchestra.

The DMGMC reorganized three years ago after disbanding from performance during the mid-1980s, when there was fear among its members of retaliation against them



Des Moines Gay Men's Chorus Rehearsal

because of sexual orientation. The newly organized DMGMC is 75 men strong, all of whom are striving to touch hearts and create pride and unity through the musical experience.



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*"We proclaim that all persons are individuals
of sacred worth in the sight of God."*

HIV Research: The Year in Review

By: Randy Dotinga
Gay.com/PlanetOut

AIDS remains stuck between a rock and a hopeful place. No cure is on the horizon, but scientists in 2002 did develop greater insight into understanding the disease and its effects on people. Here's a summary of what researchers learned over the past year:

As many as 80 percent of HIV patients may suffer from depression and anxiety, according to an October report in the *Journal of the International Association of Physicians in AIDS Care*. Doctors appear to be missing the severity of the problem. A survey suggested that physicians failed to ask six out of every 10 HIV patients about their mental health.

On the bright side, 2002 did bring one less reason for HIV patients to be depressed: a common sexual activity might be less risky than previously thought. To many people, the idea of oral sex -- a blow job -- with a condom, well, sucks. But researchers in Spain looked at 135 heterosexual couples who had unprotected oral sex an estimated 19,000 times during a 10-year period. One partner -- male or female -- in each couple was HIV-positive, but no one became infected, according to the journal *AIDS*.

"I'm not going to say people can't get

HIV from oral sex, but it's a low-risk activity," said a California researcher.

Ten percent of young gay men in the United States may be infected with HIV, and nearly 80 percent of them have no idea they're sick, according to a study released at the 14th International AIDS Conference in Barcelona, Spain, in July. Blacks and Latinos were at the highest risk of being oblivious, but whites weren't far behind.

Scientists continue to test HIV vaccines, and they expect results of the most advanced study sometime this year. More tests are expected in countries across the world. But researchers at the U.S. Conference on AIDS in September said they fear that gay men, blacks and IV drug users in the United States will be resistant to vaccine tests because many distrust the government.

"There are social and political challenges," a federal official said.

More HIV patients are developing resistance to AIDS drugs, requiring doctors to tinker with their "cocktails" to keep them alive, according to a July report in the *Journal of the American Medical Association*. Researchers found that 27 percent of HIV patients were resistant to at least one drug, but the rise of a "superbug" -- immune to all three main types of AIDS medications -- appears to still be on the horizon.

"barebacked") with another HIV-positive person. Apparently, reinfection can indeed happen: researchers have reported three cases of men who came down with second strains of HIV.

"The bottom line is that even consenting partners who are both infected should practice safe sex," said a Harvard Medical School doctor in a letter to the journal *Nature* in November.

Two out of three HIV patients are turning to some form of alternative medicine, according to research released at the annual meeting of the American Psychological Association in August. Half of those surveyed said they were taking alternative multivitamins, 24 percent used Chinese herbs or botanicals, 17 percent used mineral supplements and 7 percent took garlic. Experts warned patients to be up front with their doctors about what they're taking.

In September, transgender people made their first appearance ever in front of the microphones at a national HIV conference. Before an attentive audience, activists called for more attention to the HIV risks facing the transgender community.

"There are no funds to target transgenders, there's no data, there's no tracking," one activist said. "We don't know how big or small the numbers are. It's a population that doesn't exist."



Pathways of Light Spiritual College

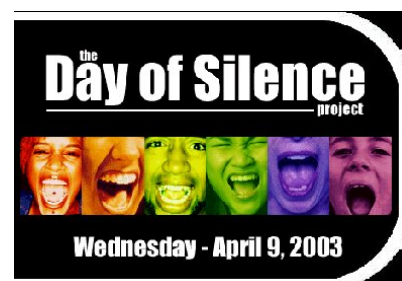
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While some AIDS patients and activists scoff at the idea, doctors have warned for years that HIV patients could "reinfect" themselves if they had unprotected sex (or



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www.dayofsilence.org

83 New Medicines in Development for HIV/AIDS

Washington, D.C., Dec. 13: The pharmaceutical industry is continuing its effort to develop more effective ways to prevent and treat HIV/AIDS, with 83 new medicines in development, a new survey by the Pharmaceutical Research and Manufacturers of America (PhRMA) shows.

"In addition to the 74 medicines already approved, these new medicines in the pipeline demonstrate our industry's total commitment to combat this terrible scourge that is afflicting patients all over the world," said PhRMA President Alan F. Holmer. "We'll continue full speed ahead until we've conquered the disease."

The medicines in development, all of which are either in human clinical trials or are awaiting approval by the FDA, include 14 vaccines and 33 antivirals, many of which attack HIV in new ways. For example, while currently approved medicines stop the virus from replicating after it has

entered a patient's cell, a promising medicine under review by the FDA blocks the virus from entering the cell. Other antiviral medicines in development block the entry of the virus at other points in the process. Another medicine in the pipeline – the first in a new class called integrase inhibitors – is designed to block an enzyme that the virus needs to make copies of itself.

The first AIDS medicine was developed in 1987, four years after the HIV virus was identified. Since the early 1990s, medicines have helped to reduce mother-to-child transmission of HIV by two-thirds. And since the mid-1990s, when the first protease inhibitors were launched and combination drug therapy was introduced, the U.S. death rate from AIDS has dropped about 70 percent. New treatments have also reduced hospitalization and the total cost of care. Despite the progress, AIDS remains a devastating and growing worldwide

health problem, generally in developing countries, particularly in sub-Saharan Africa, and in China, Russia, and India. An estimated five million new HIV infections occurred worldwide during 2001 – about 14,000 each day. In 2001 alone,

pharmaceutical companies contributed \$564 million to improve health care in the developing world. Projects include building HIV/AIDS clinics,

AIDS education and prevention programs, and programs to prevent mother-to-child transmission of HIV as well as donations of medicines for AIDS and related diseases. Companies are also selling AIDS drugs at significantly reduced prices in 18 countries. In addition to pharmaceutical company contributions, a massive international effort is needed to cope with the pandemic. PhRMA represents the country's leading research-based pharmaceutical and biotechnology companies, which are devoted to inventing medicines that enable patients to live longer, healthier, and more productive lives. The industry invested more than \$30 billion in 2001 in discovering and developing new medicines. PhRMA companies are leading the way in the search for new cures. PhRMA Internet Address: <http://www.phrma.org>

Selected Medicines in Development Shutting the Door on HIV

Existing antiviral drugs stop the AIDS virus from replicating after it has entered the cell. Now, pharmaceutical scientists are working on even more effective ways to stop the virus. One medicine in development is the first in a new class of drugs known as fusion inhibitors. By binding to a part of a specific HIV protein, the medicine blocks the morphing process the virus has to undergo to fuse with the cell. As a result, the virus can't get into the cell to release its genetic material.

Engineering Resistant Cells

An antisense gene therapy medicine in development uses two novel technologies to boost immune responsiveness against HIV. One involves the insertion of a new type of genetic material into blood cells to inhibit the growth of the virus. The



HIV Medicines - (Continued on page 11)

AIDS Symptoms Create Double Threat

By Randy Dotinga
Gay.com / PlanetOut.com Network

New research suggests that AIDS presents a double threat when it attacks the brains of patients: Besides wiping out the ability to think clearly,

the virus can also prevent them from remembering to take the drugs that could keep the disease from getting worse.

"Whenever possible, doctors need to opt for simpler medication regimens

over more complex ones," said Dr.

Charles Hinkin, an associate professor of psychiatry at the University of California at Los Angeles School of Medicine.

Hinkin and colleagues studied 137 patients in the Los Angeles area who were taking the AIDS "cocktail," also known as HAART (Highly Active Anti-Retroviral Therapy). Some patients had developed AIDS,

while others were only HIV-positive.

The findings of the study appear in the Dec. 24 issue of the medical journal, *Neurology*.

One in three of the patients had cognitive impairments, and they took their medications as directed only 70 percent of the time. By contrast, the patients without cognitive problems managed to take their drugs correctly 82 percent of the time.

Missed doses are important because doctors fear that the virus can mutate into new, more powerful forms when it's not being attacked by drugs.

Researchers found that patients with cognitive decline had an especially hard time remembering to take three doses of pills each day. They did so only 52 percent of the time, compared to 79 percent among the other patients.

Patients can usually remember to take doses in the morning and at night, but

AIDS Symptoms - (Continued on page 13)

Home is where your heart is



Need help finding a home for you and your Sweetheart?
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second involves inserting new genes into target cells and integrating the gene into the chromosome of the cell. The cells containing the new genes are then transferred to the patient.

Blocking a Key Receptor

Studies show that some people aren't infected with HIV despite repeated exposure to the virus. Some of these people have a variant of the protein known as CCR5, which sits on the surface of their cells. To infect a cell, HIV must first bind to the CCR5

the CCR5 receptor so the virus can't enter the cell.

Targeting an Essential Enzyme

Existing drugs block one of two enzymes the virus needs to reproduce, reverse transcriptase and protease. But HIV also needs an enzyme known as integrase in order to make more copies of itself. A new medicine in development is the first to try to block the integrase enzyme.

Inoculating Against HIV

One preventive vaccine in development is designed to induce

receptor. Since it can't bind to the variant protein, HIV can't enter the target cells. A medicine in development uses this knowledge to block HIV. It binds to

different types of immune responses, enhancing the overall immune response. The first dose primes the body to induce cellular immunity. The booster dose, consisting of genetically engineered HIV subunits, induces neutralizing antibodies.

Fighting Fungal Infections

Deadly fungal infections often attack the weakening immune systems of AIDS patients. A medicine in the pipeline is the first in a new class of antifungal medicines known as an echinocandin. The medicine targets the wall of invasive fungal cells.

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Gays and Lesbians Targeted by Tobacco Industry

Contributed by Elise Linborg
The Gay American Smoke Out

We are a marketing dream. A distinct community with a strong identity that is easily identified. A long untapped pool of disposable income not occupied to the same degree as the straight community. After years of being ostracized from society we support and identify those companies who take the risk and market their products to us. For them the equation is simple: risk = money. For us it means both of identifying ourselves by making this product "our own" while at the same time participating with the larger community using the same things they do. "I AM the same as you" (even if I have a more highly developed sense of fashion!). Bottom line is that money is the

decisive factor – the great equalizer.

The tobacco industry (and alcohol industry) has recognized the buying power of the LGBT community and is exploiting us to the fullest extent. The industry knows very clearly who we are. Cigarette ads targeting the LGBT community seek to exploit both the pride and fear we have in ourselves for being different. They use images that appeal to us; women flirting with women, men flirting with men, phallic shaped race cars, images of wealth and fashion and so on.

Not all of their marketing is that flashy – a more subtle approach is the presence of tobacco ads in the alternative weekly newspapers we read. Schedules of local events and activities bottom lined by a small

Camel or Marlboro logo on a back drop that is vaguely reminiscent of the angular red, black and white design of a cigarette pack to let us know that they support us, want us to have a good time and are worthy of their attention. And don't forget their donations to AIDS research – on one hand the tobacco industry is "helping" our community fight AIDS – yet on the other hand they addict and kill us with tobacco.

In their efforts to increase cigarette sales in the mid-1990s, Tobacco Company RJ Reynolds hit on a novel bit of niche marketing in San Francisco. According to recently uncovered documents, it created a campaign focused mainly on two groups of smokers: gays in the Castro and homeless in the Tenderloin. RJ Reynolds called its

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What's In a Name?

Are you a casualty of legalized discrimination? If so, we would like to hear your story.

The Get All Your Ducks In A Row (GAYducks) campaign is looking for names and real-life stories of gays and lesbians who have been denied the right to their partner or property by biological families, hospitals or by the legal system.

Organizing the GAYducks campaign are lesbian civil rights activists, Carrie Stone, JD, and Elisia Ross, RN. Stone and Ross are life partners, who own and operate RainbowLaw.com, an online service providing estate planning information to the LGBT community.

The campaign's mission is to call attention to the gross inequality suffered by same-sex couples whose relationships are not legally recognized. According to Stone, "It is vital to make others aware that real people are suffering horrible indignities because most states

have no laws to protect gay and lesbian relationships." Ross adds that, "Even in states like California, Hawaii and Vermont, the legal protections granted to gay and lesbian couples are not equal to those granted to heterosexual, married couples."

To inspire activism and spread the word about the GAYducks campaign, Stone and Ross are riding their bicycles on a coast-to-coast Rainbow Ride Across America. The ride begins in St. Augustine Florida on March 1st 2003 and ends in San Diego California on May 24th, 2003.

Stone and Ross believe the Names Project Quilt revealed the staggering truth about the numbers of people afflicted with the deadly virus that causes AIDS. Thousands of names carved into the Viet Nam Memorial serves as a poignant reminder of the horrible toll the war took on human lives.

The names collected by GAYducks

will be inscribed on a banner that will be unfurled at community centers, speaking events and rallies in the towns they visit on the ride. "We believe that when people actually see how many have suffered from injustice and discrimination the enormity of the problem will really hit home" explains Stone. Ross and Stone hope the visual impact will encourage the LGBT community and our allies to become more involved in the political process resulting in laws that create equal protections for same-sex couples.

Names will be collected before, during and after the ride. To tell your story and add your name (pseudonyms, initials and first names only are okay), log onto www.GAYducks.org. You may also e-mail Carrie and Elisia at info@GAYducks.org or call Elisia Ross, 716-435-0965 elisia@GAYducks.org January 14, 2003 -- Tampa, FL

Seven of Ten Gay Adults Willing to Pay Extra for Smoke-free Bars

Witeck-Combs Communications/Harris Interactive® survey also shows that 34% of gay adults continue to smoke cigarettes compared to 24% of heterosexual adults

Rochester, NY-January 13, 2003- When asked in a recent survey whether or not they would prefer smoke-free bars and clubs, 59% of adults nationwide, including those who are gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgender (GLBT), said they preferred a smoke-free environment. According to these latest survey results released by Witeck-Combs Communications and Harris Interactive®, when asked if they would be willing to pay an additional cover charge for their favorite bar or club to be smoke-free, 70% of GLBT respondents who indicated that they prefer smoke-free bars and clubs said they would be willing to pay more for that environment. In contrast, only 52% of heterosexual respondents who indicated the same preference said they would be willing to pay an additional cover charge.

"The good news is, lesbians and gays seem willing to put their money where their mouths are when it comes to eliminating smoke in bars and clubs not yet covered by smoke-free laws," said Colleen Dermody, vice president of Witeck-Combs Communications. "The bad news is that 34% of gays are still smoking cigarettes despite 2001 survey results which showed 98% of GLBT

smokers and tobacco chewers understand that smoking increases their risk of lung cancer and heart disease. They know smoking is unhealthy, but, according to these latest results, a third of them continues to smoke."

Some key findings from this survey include:

- Overall, 89% of the GLBT adults surveyed said they have not seen an anti-smoking education or awareness campaign targeted toward them. · 34% of GLBT adults surveyed said they smoke cigarettes, as compared to 24% of heterosexual adults.
- Of those who said they smoke cigarettes, 47% of GLBT adults and 36% of heterosexual adults smoke more than one pack each day.
- Only seven percent (7%) of GLBT adults and eight percent (8%) of heterosexual adults said that they smoke a pipe or cigars or use chewing tobacco.

"This survey underscores the critical need for anti-smoking awareness and education campaigns developed by and targeted to the GLBT community," said Kathleen DeBold, executive director of the Mautner Project**, the national lesbian health organization.

"Until as much effort is put into GLBT smoking cessation as the tobacco companies devote to getting people hooked, gay adults will continue to die from tobacco-related diseases

and our young people will continue to fall prey to tobacco industry greed," concluded DeBold.

As the number of smoke-free public spaces grows, Delaware has become the latest state and New York City the latest major city to enact comprehensive restrictions on smoking, including in bars and restaurants. As of December 2002, two states and 1,595 municipalities (including all municipalities in California and Delaware) prohibit smoking in freestanding bars, four states ban smoking in restaurants, and four states ban smoking in enclosed workplaces.*

*Municipalities with 100% Smoke-free Ordinances, December 9, 2002. American Nonsmokers' Rights Foundation, <<http://www.no-smoke.org/>>, Copyright 1998-2002.

**The Mautner Project will be conducting further research on lesbians who smoke and will lead an anti-smoking campaign for lesbians aged forty and over in 2003.

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AIDS Symptoms - (Continued from page 11)
a mid-day dose can throw them a curve, Hinkin said.

The researchers did not rely on reports from the patients, but instead placed tiny electronic devices in pill bottles to track when they were

opened.

Even in the age of powerful AIDS treatments, cognitive decline is still common. Patients continue to report difficulties with concentration and memory.

Cognitive problems can appear even if opportunistic infections have not started to attack the body. Scientists suspect the villain is inflammation in the brain caused by the immune system's attack on the virus.

Vilsack Makes Pitch for Gay Civil Rights

By Lynn Okamoto
Register Staff Writer

In a surprise bid for compromise, Gov. Tom Vilsack used his inaugural address Friday to make another pitch for extending civil rights protections to gays and lesbians.

Linking two seemingly disparate issues, Vilsack said if GOP lawmakers want faith-based groups to get more involved in delivering social services, they should consider extending protections to gays and lesbians in return.

"Perhaps we can find a middle ground to do both," he told a crowd of about 2,000 at Drake University's Knapp Center in Des Moines, where he was sworn in to a second term in office.

Vilsack departed from his prepared text to make the offer during a day dominated by pomp and circumstance. After his speech, he held open houses at Terrace Hill and the Capitol.

Hundreds of supporters danced and celebrated Friday night at a black-tie ball at the Polk County Convention Complex, completing the day's inauguration activities.

The governor spent much of the evening talking to friends and supporters, stopping every few feet to pose for photos.

Senate Majority Leader Stewart Iverson of Dows, one of 23 Republican legislators who

successfully took Vilsack to court in 2000 to overturn his gay civil-rights executive order, did not seem inclined Friday to take Vilsack up on the offer.

"I've never been real thrilled about giving special rights to special people," Iverson said.

Gay civil rights has been a point of contention between the Democratic governor and the Republican-controlled Legislature. In 1999, Vilsack issued an executive order forbidding discrimination against gays, lesbians and transsexuals in state government employment. A Polk County judge said in December 2000 that Vilsack exceeded his authority in issuing the order.

In March 2001, the governor issued another executive order, pledging his commitment against discrimination of state employees. Since then, he has been mostly silent on the issue, until Friday.

"I thought it was an excellent speech, especially before the Gay Men's Chorus, talking about equal protection and anti-discrimination," said Shaine Rasmussen, 39, a member of the chorus. "It sent a very clear message to the state of Iowa."

Rasmussen said he felt Vilsack was being supportive by even allowing the Gay Men's Chorus to sing at the inaugural ceremony.

"But for him to actually come out and make a statement, I thought

that was great," Rasmussen said.

The Rev. Wayne Kamm of Salem, retired rector of St. Michael's Episcopal Church in Mount Pleasant where the governor's wife, Christie, is a member, agreed that inclusion of the chorus was significant.

"I was refreshed by the fact that there could be a presence of the gay and lesbian community . . . that we were able to listen to it," Kamm said.

But advocates for more faith-based involvement in social services were uncomfortable with linking the issue to gay civil rights.

Chad Thompson, a spokesman for the Iowa Family Policy Center, said many conservatives are pleased that Vilsack is talking about faith-based organizations having a role in providing social services, because he said in many cases they are more capable than the government.

But those initiatives shouldn't be used "as a trading tool to pursue other legislation," including gay rights, Thompson said.

He said: "They are two issues that are very important to the state of Iowa and because of that deserve a fair hearing on their own terms." In an interview after Friday's speech, Vilsack said his effort to reach an accommodation with social conservatives is another opportunity for Iowa to break down barriers.

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new project "sub-culture urban marketing" and gave it a memorable acronym: Project S.C.U.M.

Project S.C.U.M. details how RJ Reynolds hoped to capitalize on groups it termed "consumer sub-cultures". The cigarette maker wanted to improve the presence of

its venerable Camel brand among gays in San Francisco, amid the relaunch of its retro Red Kamel spin-off in 1996.

The Tobacco Industry knows we are some of their best customers. Isn't it ironic that they think of us as "scum" – something filthy and untouchable – yet they still reach

out to us as a group they consider vitally important to their profit margin. They see us as another set of disposable consumers to addict and dehumanize. It's one thing to go after a particular group to extract its money – but it's another to be derogatory while you do it.

L.A. Gay & Lesbian Center Saddened By Death of Morris Kight

Los Angeles, Jan. 21, 2003 -



Rebecca Isaacs, interim executive director of the L.A. Gay & Lesbian Center, expressed sadness at the death of pioneering gay rights activist

Morris Kight and gratitude for his leadership and foresight. Kight, 83, who died Sunday morning, was a co-founder of the Gay & Lesbian Center, then known as the Gay and Lesbian Community Service Center. Established in 1971 in an old house on Wilshire Boulevard, the organization was the first gay and lesbian center in the world. It later became the first gay and lesbian organization to receive non-profit status from the U.S. Internal Revenue Service. Today it is the largest organization of its kind in the world, continuing to play a

leadership role among gay and lesbian community centers everywhere.

"With Morris's death, our community has lost a leader and a visionary," Isaacs said today. "Today, we can only stand in awe of his lifetime of activism and accomplishments, including the co-founding of the Gay & Lesbian Center. For a young gay man in the 1970s and a handful of fellow activists to have had the foresight and the commitment to create an organization that has improved thousands of lives over three decades is truly remarkable. Morris never faltered in his course. When I met with him just last week, he expressed unwavering pride in the movement and its accomplishments and enthusiasm for the good fight. He will be missed."

The L.A. Gay & Lesbian Center-the

world's largest gay and lesbian organization-provides the broadest array of lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender services available anywhere and welcomes nearly a quarter-million client visits from ethnically diverse youth and adults each year. Through its Jeffrey Goodman Special Care Clinic, on-site pharmacy, and many other programs designed specifically for the community, the Gay & Lesbian Center is home to a spectrum of free and low-cost health, mental health, HIV/AIDS treatment and prevention, advocacy, legal, social, cultural, and educational services-and provides unique programs for youth and seniors. Information about the Gay & Lesbian Center and its programs and services is available at www.laglc.org.

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He said he raised the issue in his inaugural speech in hopes of "planting the seed that gives this legislative session an opportunity for us to break those barriers down, to develop relationships and friendships that will allow us to do the hard work that needs to be done."

State Sen. Jack Hatch, a Des Moines Democrat, praised the governor for raising the gay civil-rights issue.

"He handed the Legislature an opportunity, a compromise," Hatch said. "If we believe in faith-based education and faith-based services, then it has to be open for every Iowan. That was a strong message to both parties."

In his 20-minute speech Friday, Vilsack also called for taking risks, embracing change and being "one

harmonious people." He said change should come with a new economic development effort, by continuous improvement in education, and through better public-private partnerships.

Debbie Daleiden of Oskaloosa, a Drake University student studying to become a special education teacher, said she was inspired.

"I liked the fact that he emphasized things like education and economic development, because I think it's really very important to the state," she said.

Kamm, the minister from Salem, said Vilsack's message resonated with him.

"If there was one sentence in his speech that stood out for me, it was the one that said, 'We will either manage change or we will be managed by change,' " said Kamm, who added that southeast Iowa has

lost hundreds of jobs within the past few months. "That's where we are now. We are being wrestled to the ground by change."

Republican lawmakers said overall, they found Vilsack's speech to be upbeat and optimistic.

"The good thing is, we're not only in the same book, we're on the same page," Iverson said. "That's something that has not happened before. Quite frankly, I've seen a huge change in the governor over the last year and I feel the governor's headed the right direction. I'm optimistic."

Vilsack became Iowa's first Democratic governor in 32 years when he was elected in 1998. He won re-election in November by defeating Republican Doug Gross. He has said this second term in office will be his last.

Comedy Benefit March 15

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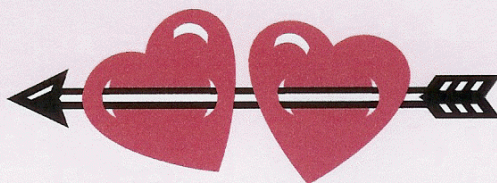
Tickets are \$10 in advance, \$12 at the door. Call the Coe College Box Office at 319-399-8600. The Box Office is located on the upper level of Gage Memorial Union and is open M-F, Noon-7 p.m. and 1 hour before the show. This show is co-sponsored by Coe Alliance and SAC. More info about NWMF: wiaonline.org.

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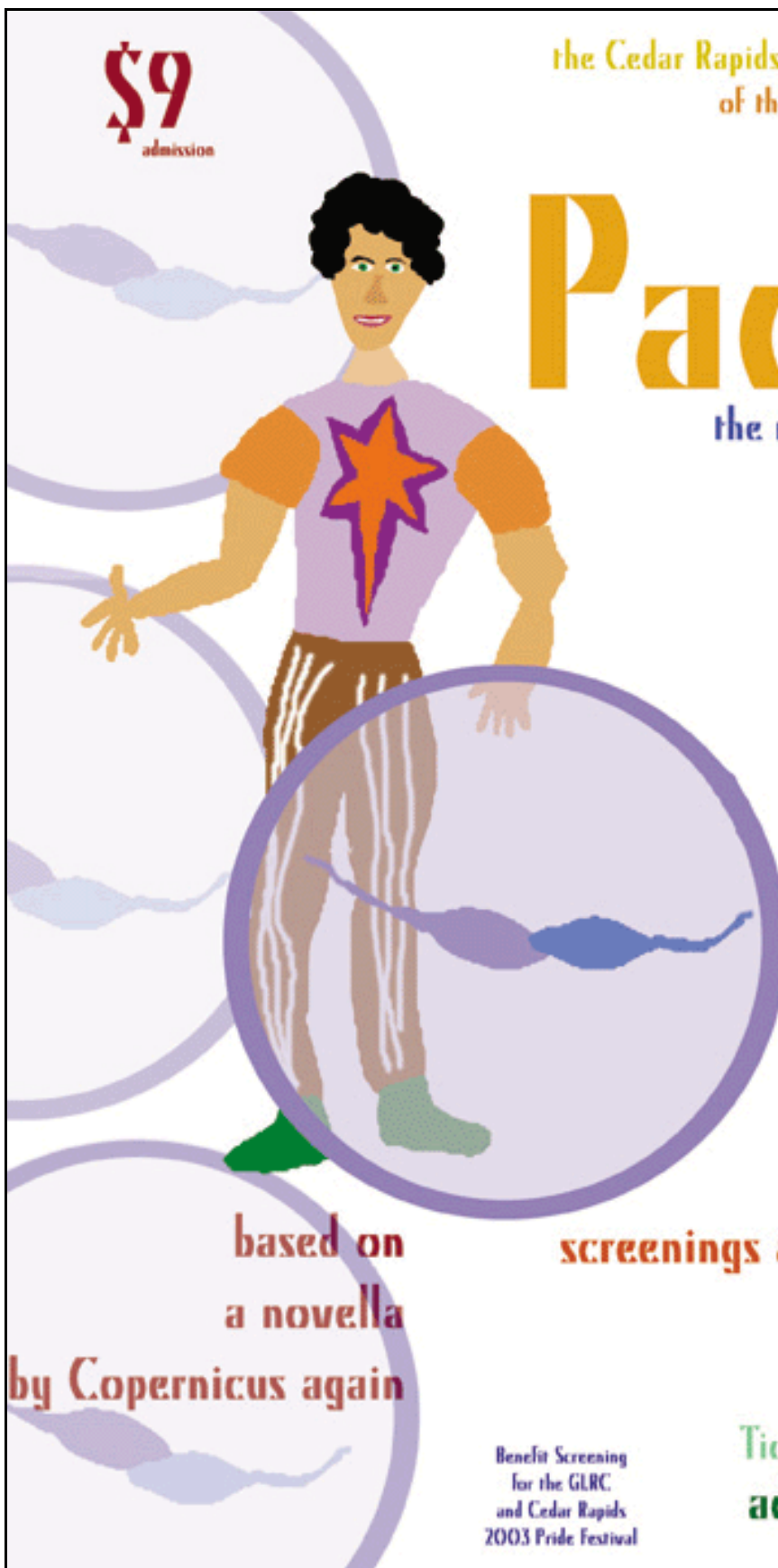
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February 2003

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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.

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GLRC Fun Night is postponed until further notice. Access the <i>Resource Line</i> on the web at www.crglrc.org						1
2 This Way Out AM 910 WSUI 10 PM	3 Open House hosted by Sue Hickerson 7- 9 PM	4	5 Women's Group hosted by Lorma Lang 6:30 - 8:30 PM	6 Open House hosted by Alan Fredericksen 7- 9 PM	7 GLBT AA Meeting 7:30 - 9 PM	8 PrideFest/GLRC Fundraiser Padrian Digital Film Sketch 3, 5, 7, 9 PM
9 GLRC Board Meeting 2 PM This Way Out AM 910 WSUI 10 PM	10 Open House hosted by Sue Hickerson 7- 9 PM	11	12	13 Safer Sex Party hosted by RAP 7- 9 PM	14 GLBT AA Meeting 7:30 - 9 PM	15 OWLs in Cedar Rapids. Hostess Needed
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Dubuque, IA 52001
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The Metro
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Iowa City, IA 52240
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www.icare-ia.org

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Iowa City, IA 52245
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319-393-6837 (*dial-a-prayer*)
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Transgender Support
PO Box 11093
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www.transgender.org/iao/index.html

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National AIDS Hotline
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PFLAG
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Faith United Methodist Church
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www.geocities.com/pflagcr

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