

1983 — The year in retrospect

5th gay civil rights law defeated in 1983

In all legislative sessions since 1973 proponents of gay civil rights in Oregon have attempted to force passage of legislation extending guaranteed civil rights on the basis of sexual orientation.

In the 1983 session, during debate on SB 319, this session's omnibus gay civil rights bill, Senator Walt Brown (D.-Milwaukie) said the bill should be defeated because gay people "already had adequate protection under current law, since existing statutes prohibit discrimination against the *physically and mentally handicapped*."

That Senator Brown was able to feel safe in saying what he did must be of intense concern to every person who believes in fairness and equality in this state. It has been rumored that Senator Brown is thinking about running for Congress in the Fifth Congressional District.

1983 is an election year, the first of which will be a state-wide special election on a sales tax in late March.

To help keep an eye on who's where the following is the result of the decisive vote on SB 319 in the Oregon State Senate on April 11, 1983:

Senators voting in favor of SB 319:

Joyce Cohen (D-Lake Oswego)
Edward Fadeley (D-Eugene)
Jim Gardner (D-Portland)
Jeanette Hamby (R-Hillsboro)
Margie Hendricksen (D-Eugene)
John Kitzhaber (D-Roseburg)
Bill McCoy (D-Portland)
Ruth McFarland (D-Gresham)
Frank Roberts (D-Portland)
Nancy Ryles (R-Portland)
Steve Starkovich (D-Canby)
Clifford Trow (D-Corvallis)
Jan Wyers (D-Portland)

Senators voting against SB 319:

Walt Brown (D-Milwaukie)
L.B. Day (R-Salem)
William Frye (D-Eugene)
Charles Hanlon (D-Cornelius)
Lenn Hannon (R-Ashland)
Fred Heard (D-Klamath Falls)
C.T. Hauck (R-Salem)
Dell Isham (D-Lincoln City)
Kenneth Jernstedt (R-Hood River)
Anthony Meeker (R-Amity)
Rod Monroe (D-Portland)
E.D. Potts (D-Grants Pass)
Jack Ripper (D-North Bend)
Jim Simmons (R-Washington County)
Michael Thorne (D-Pendleton)
Eugene Timms (R-Burns)
Mae Yih (D-Albany)

And don't forget to register and vote this year.

Oregon activist takes D.C. job

After seven years of activity for gay civil rights and political strategy working with gay civil rights workers in Oregon, former director of the now defunct Portland Town Council and former director of Phoenix Rising, Jerry Weller left Oregon last summer to take a job with the Gay Rights National Lobby in Washington D.C.

Weller had been active in national politics for a good part of the years he lived in Ore-

gon. Weller was one of the founders of the annual Lucille Hart Dinner held each October in Portland. The Lucille Hart Dinner is sponsored by the Right to Privacy, PAC, and was able to raise about \$23,000 last October. The money raised will be distributed to candidates who are committed to gay civil rights.

Weller has been credited with keeping Oregon in the forefront of gay political activism during most of the past decade. His lobbying efforts kept the gay civil rights issue continually before legislators in and out of session.

So far, no one has stepped forward to fill the gap left by Weller's departure.

Abortion ads due on Tri-Met

After an 18 month dispute with Tri-Met and Winston Network Inc., Tri-Met's advertising agency, the Portland Feminist Women's Health Center can now advertise abortion services on Tri-Met buses.

In July, 1982, the Health Center was told that Tri-Met could not accept Health Center ads for abortion services because "abortion is a sensitive issue." In November, 1982, the

Health Center filed a suit against Tri-Met and the advertising agency, arguing that abortion services were not political and should be allowed.

In the settlement, all parties agreed that advertising abortion services does not constitute political advertising, and the suit has been dismissed. Initially, the Health Center will be allowed to advertise at the public service rate for 90 days, then at the same public service rate on a month-to-month basis.

Important People and Places

Health Concerns

AIDS National Hotline	1-800-342-AIDS
CAPS (Cascade AIDS Project)	223-8299
Outside-In	223-4121
Child Abuse & Neglect Hotline	238-7555
Women's Crisis Line	235-5333
CODA (Comprehensive Options for Drug Abusers)	257-0534
Metro Crisis Line	248-5430
Mult. Co. V.D. Clinic & Public Health	248-3700
NGTF (National Gay Task Force)	1-800-221-7044
Portland Naturopathic Clinic	255-7355
Sexually Transmitted Disease Clinic	254-7964
Portland Feminist Women's Health Center	777-7044
Kevin C. Wilson M.D.	231-8475
Geoffrey Hyde M.D., Psychiatry	292-9201
Barbara Jean Byron, Counseling	231-0519

Organizations and Groups

Gay Al-Anon	Kay, 256-4894
Gay Fathers	656-6526
N.O.W. (National Organization for Women)	295-2550
Overeaters Anonymous	Kay, 256-4891
Parents & Friends of Gays	252-7886
Lesbian Mother Support Group	Donna, 775-1875
Lesbian Forum	Willow, 232-2251
Live and Let Live, Gay AA	231-3760
Lesbian SM Support/Social Group	Michelle, 232-5344
Physicians for Social Responsibility	239-8556

Political Groups

Oregon Women's Political Caucus	224-2588
Right to Privacy, PAC	Keeston, 224-4369
Gay Mayor of Portland	Sandy, 223-1679

Religious Groups

Dignity	636-0356
MCC of Portland	281-8868
West Hills Unitarian Center	246-3351
William Temple House	226-3021

Resource Centers

A Woman's Place Bookstore	236-3609
Counseling Center for Sexual Minorities	228-6785
Job Bank	281-8868
Men's Resource Center	235-3433
Phoenix Rising	223-8299
Workshops for Lesbians	777-6653
YWCA Women's Resource Center	ext 70, 223-6281

Sports & Activities

Ballroom Dancing	230-4869
Bicycling	224-6222
Pool League (Nov-April)	Bob, 659-7344
Portland Gay Men's Chorus	232-1858
Square Dancing	288-4903
Lesbian and Gay Marching Band	287-3260

Youth

Harry's Mother	283-3317
National Runaway Hotline	1-800-621-4000
Windfire	244-3225

Specialty Shops

Essential Lotions	248-9748
A Woman's Place Bookstore	236-3609
Twenty-third Ave. Books	224-5097

Secretarial Service

Carrsyn Associates	224-0068
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Bars/Taverns

Judy's	284-1485
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Tax and Investment Services

Personal Tax Service	777-3840
Joanne Kraft	249-3894

Attorneys

Alan Coogan	231-2933
Cynthia Cumfer	295-2456

Insurance

Downey Insurance Agency, Inc.	228-8329
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Real Estate

Bridgetown Realty	775-1875
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Travel

In-Touch Travel	225-0064
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Theaters

Portland Civic Theatre	226-3048
Critical Mass	224-9481
NW Film Study Center	221-1156
The Roseway	281-5713

Photography

Sherri Riggs	282-2474
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