

Lesbian Community Project update

by Cathy Siemens

Take Me Out to the Ball Game

You're invited to the L.C.P. Invitational Softball Tournament. Come and root for your favorite teams! Two games will be played simultaneously throughout the day, so bring friends and picnic lunch. Trophies and other prizes will be awarded. We'll close with a watermelon feed. The action starts at 10:00 a.m. — Sunday, September 7, Lents Park (92nd and S.E. Holgate, off Foster Road).



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Lesbian Community Conference November 8th & 9th, P.S.U.

What's "community" all about? Let's look at the changes, the challenges, and the choices ahead for Portland Lesbians.

You can make a difference. We need your support and energy. Take advantage of our no-meeting option and work only on specific tasks; or become a committee member. Committees now forming are: Hospitality, Childcare, Support Services (first-aid and accessibility), Security, Out-reach, New Games (large group, non-competitive interactive play).

We are also soliciting proposals for workshops. Call us for information and an application.

Kelly, our volunteer coordinator is waiting to hear from you. Call her at 233-9079.

Like to Get to Know You

Are you a member of the Lesbian Miniature Golf Society? Or perhaps, the Lesbian Literary Salon? L.C.P. would like to meet you. We're trying to involve as many different groups and Lesbians with different interests as possible. The conference will be structured to afford plenty of opportunity for groups and individuals to network, call a caucus, have a discussion group, and present statements at a plenary session. Give us a call so we can include you.

Calling All — Lesbian Artists, Writers, Musicians, Performers and Film Buffs

Help make art happen at the conference. Exhibit your work. Sell your wares. Share your perspective. Call us now to reserve space and workshop time.

Lesbian Youth

A new Lesbian Youth Group is forming. Adult advisors are needed. Call Sue or Cathy at 233-9079.

The street youth program at Outside-In helps young lesbians transition off the streets into lives with a more promising future. Their drop-in center needs Lesbian/Gay books and magazines. L.C.P. is coordinating a book drive. Take the time to sort through your bookshelves and donate those old books you won't read again. Drop them off at 1236 S.W. Salmon. Monetary donations will be accepted by A Woman's Place Bookstore, 1431 N.E.

Broadway, Portland, OR 97232 or L.C.P., P.O. Box 5931, Portland, OR 97228. Make checks payable to LCP-Book Drive. If you'd like to provide support or temporary housing to a young Lesbian in transition, call Barb Sussex at 223-4121. She'll tell you about volunteer opportunities as a Big Sister/Advocate. Watch for the upcoming article on Lesbian Youth in next month's *Just Out*.

Lesbians in the Year 2000

"Women in the Year 2000: A Futures Conference" will be held September 19-21 at Mt. Hood Community College. An array of featured speakers including Sonia Johnson and Ursula LeGuin. Holly Near and Sweet Honey in the Rock will be performing.

L.C.P. will be presenting a workshop in *Building Lesbian Community*, Friday and Saturday. Join us. Call 235-0439 or write WY2000, P.O. Box 14936, Portland, OR 97214 for more info. Unfortunately, this conference conflicts with the Parents & Friends of Lesbians and Gays Convention at the Benson that same weekend.

Cool School

Sarah Cook will again offer her *Women Identified Women: History, Culture and Community*, this fall term at P.S.U. This course provides a unique opportunity to survey the history of Lesbian lives, culture and community. Emphasis on 20th century U.S. Class discussion will focus on readings from essays, novels, biographies, short stories and poems.

Beginning September 21
Tuesday eves 6:40-9:20
Neuberger Hall 373
Call 229-3516 or 229-4865

Back by popular demand is Sue St. Michael's *Women & Writing*. This course will offer a chance to explore the personal and social aspects of women as writers. Students will engage in the writing process as well as discuss readings in a playful yet serious small group format. Hierarchy of expertise will not be encouraged; discovery will be.

October 1 — December 17
Wednesday eves 6:40-9:20
to register: phone 229-4865

Lesbians and the AIDS Crisis

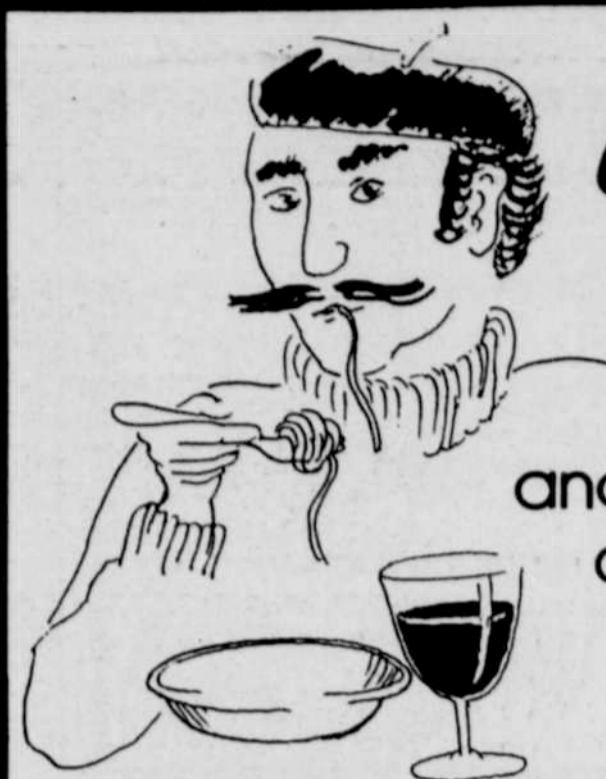
Lesbian communities have yet to develop a coherent response to the AIDS crisis. Many of us have responded personally, as individuals. Yet we have not talked among ourselves collectively about how we feel, what we think and what we should do.

The Lesbian Community Project is providing Lesbians with an opportunity to do just that. "Lesbians & the AIDS Crisis — Fact, Feelings and Politics" will be an afternoon gathering just for Lesbians. The program will include speakers, small group discussions and a strategy session. Please plan to attend.

October 4
Saturday, 1 p.m.-4:30 p.m.
The church at 101 SW 12th.
For more information, and to reserve childcare by Oct. 1, 233-9079.



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Secretary of State
Norma Paulus, 1979



The Right to Privacy Political Action Committee
invites you to an early evening with
gay rights supporter and
gubernatorial candidate

Norma Paulus

in downtown Portland at the
Sivers Center of the
American Plaza Condominiums
2310 S.W. First Avenue
5:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.
Thursday, September 25, 1986
\$15⁰⁰ per person