

# OUT *About Town*

## PUBLIC INTEREST

**Windfire** is a gay, lesbian and bisexual youth group. It is one of the most exciting things in Portland if you're 20 years old or younger. Growing up gay in a heterosexual environment is very difficult. Windfire provides peer support in a non-judgmental atmosphere. Besides peer support, if you're looking for fun, Windfire is most definitely for you. Windfire sponsors picnics, parties, pot lucks, special events and weekend camping trips.

Meetings are held on Thursday evenings at the Multnomah County Library, meeting room E, 801 SW 10th, from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. The second weekly meeting is on Saturday at Old Wives Tales restaurant, 1300 E. Burnside, from 2:00 to 4:00 p.m.

If you need more information, call 233-1169.

**Parents Flag** meets the fourth Wednesday of each month at the Justice Building, 1111 SW 2nd Ave., at 7:30 pm.

**The Bisexual Community Forum** meets the second and fourth Monday of each month, at Old Wives Tales at 8 pm in the Banquet Room. Exploration, rap, and social group open to women and men.

**Ongoing Lesbian Therapy/Support Group** meets Monday, 7:30-9:00. For more information, call Laney, 234-5124.

The **Lesbian Forum** is a women-only event offering free supervised childcare, wheelchair access (the 16th Street



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entrance is attended from 7:00 to 7:25 p.m.), and is interpreted for the deaf and hearing impaired. Suggested donation is \$2 to help defray costs (more or less is O.K.)

**Gay Men Together** meets Wednesdays to discuss issues pertinent to gay men at 7 pm in the Smith Center at Portland State University.

The **Live and Let Live Club** at 28th and SE Stark is a meeting place for several self-improvement groups for lesbians and gay men.

**Gay Alcoholics Anonymous** meetings are Monday-Saturday at noon and 5:30 p.m. Sunday at 5:30 and 8 p.m. Men only meetings are at 8 p.m. Tuesday, and women only meetings are Monday, Thursday, and Friday at 8 p.m. Non-smokers only meet Wednesday at 8 p.m.

**Narcotics Anonymous** meetings are Thursdays and Fridays at 7 p.m., and Saturdays at 4:30 p.m.

**Gay Alanon** meetings are Wednesdays at 8 p.m.

**Adult Children of Alcoholics** meet at 8 p.m. Sundays.

**Overeaters Anonymous** meets for men only on Tuesdays at 7:30, and for men and women on Thursdays at 7:30 p.m.

**Phoenix Rising Foundation**, Portland's lesbian/gay social service organization since 1973, sponsors seasonal and weekly programs and support groups.

**October 11 — On Being a Single Lesbian**, an all-day workshop to help look at both the good and difficult things about being single. How to nurture yourself, what to do with anger, how to deal with loneliness, and more. Tuition \$45. Led by Susan Bryer, M.S.W. Preregistration required. Call Phoenix Rising at 223-8299 for more information.

**October 31 — Witches, Warlocks and Other Assorted Homosexuals** (WWHOH!), a Halloween weekend retreat for gay men and lesbians on the coast at Camp Westwind. Preregistration required. For more information call Phoenix Rising at 223-8299.

**Every Monday and Tuesday — Lesbian Incest Survivors Therapy Group**, focus on gaining information about sexual abuse and the effects of such abuse on present-day functioning. Therapy changing self image from victim to survivor. Mondays, led by Kao Rhiannon, Ph.D. Tuesdays, led by Pam Perry, M.A. Sliding scale \$10-43 per session. Preregistration required. For more information, call Phoenix Rising at 223-8299.

**Every Thursday — Gay Men's Support Group**, an ongoing group for getting and giving support on personal issues. Fee \$25 per month. Facilitated by Chuck Nance, M.A. Preregistration required. For more information, call Phoenix Rising at 223-8299.

**Second Sunday every month — Metro Club**, an ongoing social support organization for gay men age 40 or older. Call Phoenix Rising at 223-8299 for more information.

**November — Lesbian Incest Survivors Orientation Group**, a time-limited, structured group with focus on information giving and group support of childhood sexual abuse trauma. Sliding scale \$10-43

per session. Led by Kao Rhiannon, Ph. D. Date to be established. Preregistration required. For more information, call Phoenix Rising at 223-8299.

**Imperial Sovereign Rose Court** meets the first Monday of each month at 7:30 pm at the Embers Avenue.

A class on **Socially Responsive Investing** will be held Monday, October 13th at Sunnyside Community School, 3421 S.E. Salmon. Fee is \$10 for singles or \$15 per couple. Jim Spencer is the instructor. The class will deal with introductory discussion areas of socially responsive investing, reviewing the ten categories for the socially responsive investor. For more information, contact Bob Morris, 280-6228.

**Cascade Union Of Educators (CUE)**, a social/support group for gay and lesbian teachers, and others involved in or interested in education, meets each second Thursday throughout the school year. Potlucks, parties, and interesting speakers and programs provide a congenial atmosphere. For further information call Kathy Bambeck at 245-2634.

**The Gay Bridge Club**, a rap and social group for young adults 18 and up, meets every Wednesday at the First Congregational Church on SW Madison and Park at 7:30p.m. Use side entrance on Madison. Call 244-3225 for more information.

Bradley-Angle House is pleased to announce the formation of a **support group for battered lesbians**.

For more information, call 281-3540, and leave a name and number where you can be reached.

**Feminist Gay Men:** Here's a chance to meet men like yourself and to discuss issues relating to the gay male experience from a feminist perspective. Our potluck and discussion group meets every third Friday at 7 pm. Call 233-4148 or 284-2134 for location information.

**Gay Students of Southern Oregon**, (GSSO) is a social/support group in Klamath Falls, and serving all of Southern Oregon. For further information, send SASE to GSSO, PO Box 43, Klamath Falls, OR 97601.

## SPIRITUALITY

**Pagan Spiritual Group**, Gay, Bi, Straight. Meetings first and third Tuesdays each month. Box 13072, Portland, OR 97213 for information, location."

**United Methodists** who are concerned about the full inclusion of lesbians and gay men in the church have now organized to create a support network and fellowship group.

"Affirmation: United Methodists for Lesbian and Gay Concerns" includes family and friends of gay and lesbian persons, others who support the struggle for justice, as well as gay men and lesbians.

Interested persons may write to Affirmation, P.O. Box 12673, Portland, OR 97212; or call (503) 790-0698.

**SisterSpirit** invites all women to join

their study group! They will be discussing Rosemary Ruether's new book **Woman-Church**. The study group will meet on Sunday, October 5 and Sunday, October 19 at 2:30 p.m., 2804 N.E. 42nd.

Also join them for a celebration of women's spirituality Sunday, October 12 at 6:00 pm, at the Echo Theater, 1515 S.E. 37th.

**SisterSpirit** celebrates Halloween Sunday, October 26, 6:00 p.m., at the Echo Theater. If you'd like to help plan this celebration, come to a planning meeting Wednesday, October 15, 7:30 p.m., 2804 N.E. 42nd.

For more information about **SisterSpirit** events, call Frodo at 282-8615 or write SisterSpirit, P.O. Box 9246, Portland, OR 97207.

**Metropolitan Community Church (MCC)** has services Sundays at 10 a.m., and 5:45 p.m. the church is located at 24th and NE Broadway.

**Dignity**, a Catholic organization for gays and lesbians meets at St. Francis Church, 330 SE 11th Saturdays at 7:30 p.m. Call 243-6344 for more information.

**Unitarians** for Gay and Lesbian Concerns holds monthly social and support meetings. Call 231-1135 or 232-3403 for more information.

**Mass in Time of AIDS**, Mondays at 6 p.m. at the Campus Ministry at PSU, 633 SW Montgomery and Broadway. All are welcome.

## SPORTS

**Portland Frontrunners**, a gay/lesbian running group meets for a weekly run at 6:30 p.m. on Tuesdays by the chinning bars at Duniway Park.

**Ample Opportunity**, a health organization for fat women, sponsors swimming or just playing around in the water every Tuesday and Thursday evenings from 7-8 p.m. at the Metropolitan Learning Center at 2033 NW Glisan. \$2 per session. Fat women only

### Forest Group

**October 3:** Forest Group Potluck, 6:30 for dinner, 7:30 for meeting. Bring ideas for fall events. Call 232-8237. All women welcome.

**October 11:** Forest Group Hike to Memorial Lake. Easy hike, 1-1/2 miles each way. Picnic at lake. Call 232-8237. All women welcome.

**October 12:** Forest Group Paddle on Willamette. Paddle about five hours. Easy. Enjoy urban landscape from a river perspective. Call Dee at 775-2683.

**October 17:** Forest Group Full Moon Paddle. See the Willamette under natural illumination. Call Jean at 287-7181. All women welcome.

**October 18:** Forest Group hike to Angel's Rest Summit. Eight miles round trip, medium difficulty. Call Stephanie at 235-1712. All women welcome.

**October 19:** Forest Group Bike Trip. In Washington County or Estacada area. About 40 miles. Call Donna at 288-9510. All women welcome.