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● PUBLIC INTEREST

The **Big Sister** program will host a party for women who are considering becoming "Big Sisters" and for children and mothers who would like "Big Sisters." Children should bring a game for informal socializing. (4-6 pm, Saturday, Feb. 20, *Old Wives' Tales*, 1300 E Burnside, Susan, 287-9697.)

Half-price dinner for mothers without partners and other single women followed by *The Second Coming* Or *Joan Of Arc* (see Feb. 5 listing for details) (5:30 pm, Saturday, Feb. 13, *Old Wives' Tales*, 1300 E Burnside. Buy your own ticket in advance and meet for dinner.)

A **buffet brunch for women and children** of all ages will be held; adoption information will be available. (10 am-1 pm, Feb. 7, Northwest Service Center, 1819 NW Everett St., \$2-5 sliding scale, Holly, 282-1529.)

A **support group for women** with elementary school children will meet without their children. (Monday, Feb. 8, 3114 SE Alder Court, Nancy, 234-6620.)

Women with infants and toddlers will have a potluck dinner. (3:30 pm, Sunday, Feb. 21, 2315 N. Willamette Blvd., Sue or BJ, 285-6571.)

A **support group for women with adolescent children will meet for a potluck dinner.** (5 pm, Sunday, Feb. 21, 3633 NE 17th Ave., Stevie or Marge, 282-2956.)

Women with preschool children will meet for support and children's group playtime. (Holly, 282-1529.)

Moms and Dads! Now you'll have time to browse! **Children's story time** at A Woman's Place Bookstore. (4 pm, Tuesdays, 1431 NE Broadway, 284-1110.)

Debtors Anonymous is a 12-step recovery program for compulsive debtors and overspenders. Using methods similar to Alcoholics Anonymous, thousands of people nationwide have recovered from the disease of compulsive debting. (7-8 pm, Thursdays, Live and Let Live Club, 2403 SE Ankeny St., Jeff, 635-1592.)

Dance, music and theater groups are invited to apply to participate in the **39th annual Washington Park Summer Stage**, sponsored by the Portland Bureau of Parks and Recreation. Deadline to apply is 5 pm, March 10. (Applications: Room 502, 1120 SW 5th Ave., 786-6972.)

A **Women in Sexual Transition** — heterosexual/homosexual/bisexual/unsure — support group meets weekly. (7-9 pm, Wednesdays, Jesse, PO Box 22703, Portland, Ore. 97222.)

Gay Men Together meets weekly. (7-10 pm, Wednesdays, Room 230, Smith Memorial Center, Portland State University.)

● GALLERIES

The **Art Down the Alley Gallery** has become Percy's Liveable Art Studio. Shows this month include "Local Artist Under One Roof," "Furniture Pieces," and the second "Communities of Women Art Show." A closing party is planned for March 10; Percy's will relocate and reopen on April Fool's Day. (3764 SE Hawthorne Blvd., 235-0654.)

The **Annual Lesbian Art Movement Show** is approaching; submissions are being accepted. Deadline is May 1. Send SASE for guidelines. (LAM/Long, PO Box 42624, Portland, Ore. 97242.)

The **Carter Arcand Gallery** presents "Nudes and Flowers," a Valentine's group show featuring Mayumi Oda and Sarah Brayer. (Noon-5 pm, Tuesday-Saturday, Feb. 4-27, 1318 NW 23rd Ave., 274-0121.)

The **Photographic Image Gallery** will be showing the works of Jerry Uelsman during the month of February. Uelsman is considered the modern master of "combination printing" of multiple negatives. (Feb. 4-27, 208 SW 1st Ave., 224-3543.)

● SPIRITUALITY

The **Metropolitan Community Church** will sponsor a special Lenten season study program meeting weekly in private homes to discuss the question, "Who am I to God?" (9 am-5 pm, Mon.-Thurs., 281-8868.)

Sisterspirit events

Sisterspirit creates space where women of all spiritual backgrounds and traditions can share and celebrate the common bond of spirituality. Rituals, workshops and other activities are used to manifest dreams into a shared peaceful and loving reality. (PO Box 9264, Portland, Ore. 97207, 282-8615.)

Feb. 4: Westside discussion group on metaphysical studies and shamanic teachings. (7430 SW 172nd Ave., Aloha, Sallie, 591-7008.)

Feb. 8: Wiccan group in southeast Portland. (7 pm, 234-3599.)

Feb. 10: Ritual planning meeting. (7:45 pm, 2804 NE 42nd Ave. 282-8615.)

Feb. 14: Ritual circle — "From the Heart: A Celebration of Love." (6 pm, Echo Theatre, 1515 SE 37th Ave., 282-8615.)

Feb. 18: Westside discussion group. (7430 SW 172nd Ave., Aloha, Sallie, 591-7008.)

Healing Crystals workshops

Healing Crystals offers a variety of workshops: Perceptions, Feb. 25; Journey to Meeting One's Guides, Feb. 20; Sound Healing, Feb. 16; Seth Groups, Feb. 9 and 23; Introduction to Crystals, Feb. 20 and 24; Laying on of Hands: Massage And Energy Work I, Mar. 2; The Triple Goddess: Reclaiming the Virgin, the Mother, and the Crone, Feb. 11; The Major Arcana Series, Feb. 7, 14, 21 and 28; Chakra Psychology, Mar. 19; Chakra Charging Meditation, Feb. 26; Beginning Channeling, Feb. 20; Channeling II, Feb. 27; Shamanic Drumming Journey I, Feb. 21 and 28; Shake, Rattle and Roll, Feb. 20; and Sunday Mediations, 1-2 pm. (8215 SE 13th Ave., 234-2224.)

"**Changing the images**" is a cable television show presenting transsexual evangelist Sister Paula Nielsen. (Channel 21 — 7:30 pm, Mondays; 4 pm, Wednesdays, 6:30 pm, Thursdays; Channel 11 — 11 pm Fridays.)

A "**Lesbian Witchcraft Weekend Intensive**" will be presented by Pandora O'Mallory and Carol McAnnally of Reclaiming Collective, a San Francisco coven. Topics will include the use of twelve-step programs in conjunction with witchcraft, the nuts-and-bolts of ritual-making and issues pertinent to lesbians. (\$50-75 sliding scale, Friday evening through Saturday morning, April 1-3, 2514 SE Ankeny St., #2, Portland, Ore. 97214, Sierra, 234-2322.)

United Methodists for Gay and Lesbian Concerns (Affirmation) meets monthly for potluck and fellowship. (Affirmation, PO Box 12673, Portland, Ore. 97212, Paul, 287-6719.)

A **Gay Wiccan Support Group** is forming for men only but not gays only. Learn about earth's energies and nature spirits, find and create male mysteries, support each other in learning about witchcraft and divination. (Raven, PO Box 40533, Portland, Ore. 97240.)

Mass in Time of AIDS is a weekly Catholic service for those touched by the AIDS crisis. (6 pm, Mondays, Koinonia House, Southwest Broadway and Montgomery Street, 226-7807.)