about town

COMING UP

Dance the night away in a benefit for A Woman's Place Bookstore and the Portland Lesbian Choir, featuring door prizes, refreshments, a special performance by the Portland Lesbian Choir, and more. (8 pm-midnight, Saturday, May 7, Echo Theatre, 1515 SE 37th Ave.)

THEATER

\$14.50, 224-4001.)

Arthur Miller's powerful drama, "The Crucible," opens this month at the Columbia Theater Company. This moving story is set in Salem Village, Massachusetts, in 1692. Using the tragedy of the Salem witch trials as a backdrop, Miller's play examines the ultimate price of power corrupted and the nobility of will that challenges the forces of darkness. (8 pm, Thursdays-Saturdays, and 2 pm, Sundays, through April 23, Columbia Theater Company, 2021 SE Hawthorne Blvd., \$8, 232-7005.)

Storefront Theatre presents "On the Verge, or,
The Geography of Yearning," by Eric Overmyer.
The New York Times calls this exhilarating tale of
three Victorian "lady explorers" "a mirthful safari
... joyfully feminist... a frolicsome jaunt through
a continuum of space, time, history, geography,
feminism and fashion." (Wednesdays-Sundays,
April 22-June 5, days and times vary, Dolores
Winningstad Theatre, Portland Center for the
Performing Arts, 1111 SW Broadway, \$12.50 and

PUBLIC INTEREST

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. (7-8:30 pm, Tuesdays, Holladay Park Medical Center, fifth floor, #5, 200 NE Multnomah St., Jeff, 635-1592.)

A support group for women with adolescents meets monthly for a potluck and discussions on parenting. (5 pm, third Sundays, Stevie or Marge, 282-2956.)

Women with elementary-age children take a fishing trip this month. (Nancy, 234-6620.)

A support group for **women without custody** meets regularly. (*Edna*, 234-0002.)

Women with Women with Children is a social networking group for lesbians who have or want to have children in their lives, whether as mothers, mothers' partners, "Big Sisters" or adoptive mothers. (Monthly activities flyer: 2717 NE Hancock St., Portland, OR 97212, Holly, 282-1529.)

Juggling Jam meets at Echo Theatre. All levels welcome. (2:30-4 pm, Saturdays, 1515 SE 37th Ave., \$2, 231-1232.)

The "We'moon Almanac '89," an astrological moon calendar, appointment book and daily guide, is soliciting contributions from artists, writers and healers with the theme "Spirit Healers." Cover artwork due April 15, all other camera-ready art and written materials due May 15. (Mother Tongue Ink, 37101 SE Snuffin Road, Estacada, OR 97023, Musawa, 630-7848.)

HerBooks, a lesbian feminist press in Santa Cruz, is seeking contributions for an anthology about women who didn't find out they were Jewish until they were adults. Was your Jewish family history kept from you? Does your family deny they are Jewish? Do you feel like a fake Jew?

What is a real Jew? (Send contribution with SASE by June 1 to HerBooks, PO Box 7467, Santa Cruz, CA 95061.)

Forest Group events are open to all women interested in hiking, bicycling and other outdoor activities. Participants must provide their own equipment.

Friday, April 1: Potluck at 6:30 pm; meeting at 7:30 pm. (Shari or Catherine, 238-2759)

Sunday, April 3: 20-25 mile bicycle tour at Vancouver Lake, may be preceded by breakfast. (Catherine, 238-2759.)

Sunday, April 10: 30-mile bicycle tour of Grand Island. (*Kathy*, 233-2569.)

Saturday, April 16: 30-mile Mountaindale bicycle day trip. (Donna, 777-2339.)

Sunday, April 17: Silver Falls State Park hike. (Terry, 245-1196.)

Sunday, May 1: Float down the Clackamas River from McIver Park to Barton. Wetsuits suggested. (Sarah, 282-6391.)

The Portland Women's Crisis Line has announced openings for its spring volunteer direct-service worker training. PWCL is a feminist organization that serves Multnomah, Washington and Clackamas counties and is committed to ending violence against women and children. Volunteer positions are available in all aspects of crisis-line work. No experience is necessary, but only a limited number of spaces are available. Practicum students are welcome to apply; credit is available. PWCL is an equal opportunity employer. Survivors of violence and women of color are particularly encouraged to apply. (Training begins May 2, interviews begin April 18, 232-9751.)

Roseburg resources: Gay and Lesbian Youth Group meets weekly. (1-3 pm, Sundays, Gay and Lesbian Community Center [GLCC], 3856 Carnes Road, Roseburg, 679-9144.) HIV Support Group. (7:30 pm, Mondays, GLCC, 3856 Carnes Road, 697-9144.) Gay and lesbian discussion group meets weekly. (7:30 pm, Tuesdays, First United Methodist Church, 1771 West Harvard Blvd., 679-9144.) Gay and Lesbian Alliance meets monthly. (7:30 pm, second Thursdays, GLCC, 3856 Carnes Road, 679-9144.)

Tea and Lesbians provides a monthly chance to ponder, meditate, muse and ruminate over those timely topics of our lives in a thoroughly genteel environment. (*Pat*, 775-5888.)

Westside Organization of Women is a social group for west-side women who identify as gay and lesbian. A seasonal newsletter announces the group's events. (\$5 subscription, 4770 SW 165th Ave., Beaverton, OR 97007, 643-9345.)

Cascade Guild — Health Care Chapter is a networking group for medical, social, and mental-health workers that meets monthly. (Hazel, 636-0509, or Chris, 297-4314.)

The **Bisexual Community Forum** is a rap and social group open to men and women. (8 pm, second and fourth Mondays, Old Wives' Tales banquet room, 1300 E Burnside.)

A support group for abused lesbians meets regularly at Bradley-Angle House. It is facilitated by lesbians and is confidential; childcare is provided, donations are accepted. (232-7805.)

A support group for single parents meets weekly for discussions on parenting, referrals, resources, discipline techniques and finding adequate day care. (Sue Kaastad, 238-8819, or Debi McFeron, 249-2825.)

The **Gay Bridge Club** is a weekly rap and social group for young adults 21 and over. (7:30 pm, Wednesdays, First Congregational Church, Southwest Madison Street and Park Avenue, use Madison Street entrance, 244-3225.)

Gay and Lesbian Support of Southern Oregon offers support and information to lesbians and gays. (PO Box 43, Klamath Falls, Ore. 97601.)

The Portland Professional Organization of Women provides gay women with the opportunity to meet others in social and special events throughout the year. (PO Box 22821, Milwaukie, Ore 97222.)

Windfire, a gay, lesbian and bisexual youth group, is one of the most exciting things in Portland for those 20 years old or younger. Because growing up gay in a heterosexual environment can be difficult, Windfire provides peer support in a non-judgmental atmosphere. Windfire also sponsors picnics, parties, potlucks, special events and weekend camping trips. (7-9 pm, Thursdays, Outside In, 1236 SW Salmon St.; 2:30-4:30 pm, Saturdays, Old Wives' Tales, 1300 E Burnside, Ann Shepherd, 244-3225.)

Portland Leathermen is an informal social group that gathers regularly to wear and enjoy black leather. (10 pm, Fridays, Dirty Duck Tavern, 439 NW 3rd Ave.)

Portland Power and Trust is an informal monthly support group for lesbians interested in safe, consensual S and M. (PO Box 3781, Portland, Ore. 97208.)

Portlandia's Pride is a monthly social group of gay and lesbian employees of the City of Portland and Multnomah County. (245-2634.)

A **transsexual support group** is open to maleto-female, female-to-male, androgynous persons, crossdressers, transvestites and supporters. (284-9531.)

Lesbians Enjoying the Sciences is a nontechnical field trip—oriented group interested in both life and physical sciences. (Lynn, 777-2339.)

SPIRITUALITY

Sisterspirit events

Saturday, April 2: Passover seder. (6 pm, Shulamit, 232-8237.)

Sunday, April 3: Easter sunrise celebration. (*Frodo*, 282-8615.)

Thursday, April 7: West-side discussion group on shamanic and metaphysical studies. (7430 SW 172nd Ave., Aloha, Sallie, 591-7008.)

Wednesday, April 13: Planning meeting for ritual circle. (7:30 pm, 2804 NE 42nd Ave., 282-8615.)

Sunday, April 17: Ritual circle — "Flowers, Feelings and Sensuality." (6 pm, Echo Theatre, 1515 SE 37th Ave., 282-8615.)

Monday, April 18: Wiccan discussion group. (7:30 pm, banquet room, Old Wives' Tales, 1300 E Burnside, 234-3599.)

Thursday, April 21: West-side discussion group. (7430 SW 172nd Ave., Aloha, Sallie, 591-7008.)

Healing Crystals workshops

Every Sunday: Women's meditation circle. (1-2 pm.)

Tuesday, April 5: "I Am Healing." (7-9:30 pm.) Wednesday, April 13 and 27: "Energy Healing Through Touch." (7-9:30 pm.)

Thursday, April 14: "Journey to Meeting One's Guides." (7-9:30 pm.)

Saturdays, April 16 and 21: "Goddesses of the Four Elements." (7-9:30 pm.)

Thursdays: Tarot readings. (2-5 pm, by appointment.) All workshops are held at Healing Crystals, 8215 SE 13th Ave., J'aime, 234-2224.

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 withchcraft and divination. (Raven, PO Box 40533, Portland, Ore. 97240.)

Affirmation is a social and support group for lesbian and gay Mormons, their families and friends. (Portland/Vancouver Group, PO Box 2917, Vancouver, Wash. 98668, [206] 696-9396.)



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