

out about town

PUBLIC INTEREST

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

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

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, OR 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.)

SPIRITUALITY

Sisterspirit events

Friday, May 6: Metropolitan Community Church Northwest District Women's Retreat presents "In God There Is No Fear." (Continues through Sunday, May 8, at Camp Gualala, Annapolis, California, Frodo, 282-8615.)

Wednesday, May 11: Planning meeting for May ritual. (7:30 pm, 2804 NE 42nd Ave.)

Sunday, May 15: Ritual circle for healing. (282-8615.)

Monday, May 16: Video night. (2804 NE 42nd Ave., 282-8615.)

Wednesday, May 18: Wiccan group, (7:30 pm, *Old Wives' Tales*, 1300 E Burnside St., Pat, 234-3599.)

Thursday, May 19: Healing circle. (Frodo, 282-8615.)

Healing Crystals workshops

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

Thursday, May 7: "Journey to Meeting One's Guides." (7-10 pm.)

Friday, May 13: "Mandala/Shield Building Series." (7-9:30 pm.)

Saturdays, May 14 and 21: "Shamanic Drumming Journey I." (7-9:30 pm.)

Saturday, May 21: "Introduction to Crystals." (Noon-6 pm.)

Tuesday, May 31: "Open Women's Full Moon Circle." (7:15 pm.)

All workshops will be held at Healing Crystals, 8215 SE 13th Ave. (J'aime or Winkie, 234-2224.)

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

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



E. Ann Hinds

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, OR 97240.)

THEATER

The Firehouse Theater presents **Close Ties**, a family drama by Elizabeth Diggs. This play deals with three generations of a family coming to grips with how to care for its aging matriarch. (8 pm, Fridays and Saturdays, May 13 through June 12, 1436 SW Montgomery St., \$7 adults, \$6 seniors, 248-4737.)

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