# about town

# GROUPS

Phoenix Rising is a lesbian and gay service center providing professional counseling (on a sliding scale fee), information and referrals, social growth activities, an education program and speakers' bureau. (Suite 404, 333 SW 5th Ave., Portland, OR 97204, 223-8299.)

Portland Central America Solidarity
Committee is a group of people, some of whom are gay, who share a concern about Central America. (PO Box 6443, Portland, OR 97228.)

Portland Community Bowling Association is a bowling league with 180 gay and lesbian members. Events include "Bowling for Dollars," ABC/WIBC sanctioned, fun events and International RoseBowl Tournament. (Tom, 293-0438 or PCBA, PO Box 851, Portland, OR 97207.)

Portland Frontrunners is a running group open to all runners regardless of gender or running ability. (Weekly runs: Tuesdays, 6:30 pm, chin-up bars at Duniway Park by YMCA, Barbur Blvd.; Thursdays, 6 pm, Mt. Tabor, 232-6004; Saturdays, 9 am, chin-up bars, Duniway Park.)

Portland Gay Men's Chorus urges men who like to sing to audition. (Auditions, contact David York, 235-4241; rehearsals, Mondays, 6:30-9:15, 453 Cramer Hall, Portland State University.)

Portland Jacks is a group of local men who meet twice monthly for safe, hot masturbation. (Write: PDXJ, PO Box 19161, Portland, OR 97218-0161.)

Portland Lesbian Choir accepts new members at the beginning of each season in September. Non-singing Friends of the Choir are always needed to assist with productions. (Karen, 254-5109 or write PO Box 8212, Portland, OR 97207.)

Portland Lesbian Hotel provides safe, inexpensive lodging for women. (Portland Lesbian Hotel at Urban Art Retreat, for reservations, call Ginger, 281-5386.)

Portland Women's Crisis Line is available 24 hours a day for women dealing with rape issues who need crisis counseling, information and referrals, and for victims of rape, sexual assault, domestic violence, child sexual abuse, incest and sexual harassment. PWCL also provides transportation for victims from a dangerous situation to a safe place. (235-5333.)

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

Radical Women meets monthly. (Multnomah County Library, 249-8067.)

Reed College Lesbian/Gay/Bisexual Union is for all students, faculty, staff and other Reed Community members. (LGBU, Reed College, 3203 SE Woodstock, Portland, OR 97202.)

Second Sunday Brunch Group is for lesbian college faculty, staff and scholars. Monthly meetings include socializing, networking and discussions. (11 am-1 pm, Banquet Room, Dakota Café, 239 SW Broadway.)

Sex Addicts Anonymous, is a 12-step support group for those who desire to be

free of compulsive sexual behavior. Two groups meet weekly. (Hope and Recovery Group, 7:30-9 pm, Mondays, Live and Let Live Club, 2403 SE Ankeny; There is Hope Group, 7:30-9 pm, Thursdays, First Immanuel Lutheran Church Annex, Northwest 18th Avenue and Irving Street.)

Sex and Love Addicts Anonymous,
Portland Chapter, is a 12-step program for
people who want to stop living out a
pattern of sex and love addiction. (Sundays, 5-6:30 pm, Live and Let Live Club,
2403 SE Ankeny, 6-7:30 pm, Thursdays,
Northwest Service Center, 1819 NW Everett,
Lower Level Conference Room, 231-1838.)

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.)

Third Sunday Lesbian Brunch holds monthly potlucks. Open to all lesbians. (236-3048 for location.)

Windfire is a social and support group for people under 21 who are gay, lesbian, bisexual, or unsure. (Thursdays, 7-9 pm, Multnomah County Central Library, 801 SW 10th Ave.; Saturdays, 2:30-4:30 pm, call for Saturday meeting location or for information, 223-8299.)

Women's Book Discussion Group meets once or twice a month to discuss current feminist titles and women's issues that relate to that book. (Sarah, 284-1110.)

Women with Adolescents Support Group meets monthly. (Linda, 249-8411.)

Women with Women and Children is a social networking group for lesbians who have or want to have children in their lives, whether as mothers, mother's partners, "Big Sisters" or adoptive mothers. (Monthly activities flyer: WWWAC, 1300 East Burnside, Maureen, 231-7383.)

Womenwriting: Journalwriting Workshops for Women is for women who write or want to in a nurturing, explorative environment using journalwriting as a means to develop self-intimacy. (For workshop information, call Wendy Judith Cutler, 232-2655.)

# SPIRITUALITY

Affirmation is a nationwide support organization for lesbian and gay Mormons, their families and friends. (Portland/Vancouver group, (206) 696-9396.)

Blue Earth Legends (formerly Healing Crystals.) (Call for class information and schedule, 8215 SW 13th Ave., 234-2224.)

Community serves for the spiritual growth of gay and lesbian Buddhists, acts as a medium for the exchange of ideas and experiences about the unfolding of the Buddhidharma, and believes that the Buddha, Dharma and Sangha have special relevance to lesbians and gay men. (PO Box 1974, Bloomfield, NJ 07003.)

Crown of Praise is a Charismatic Church serving the entire community. (Sunday School, 10 am, morning services, 11 am, evening services, 6 pm, Sundays; Wednesday services, 7 pm, 2300 NW 30th Ave., Pastor Nita, 287-7759 or Pastor Judy, (206) 892-6861.)

Dignity is a Catholic support group for lesbian and gay Roman Catholics, their friends and family. (Mass and social, third Saturdays, 7:30 pm, St. Francis Church, Southeast 12th Avenue and Pine Street.)

Living Communion Church stresses the "whosoever" of John 3:16 which includes gays and lesbians. Sunday school for children during morning services. (Services: 10 am and 6 pm, Sundays, 3830 SE 62nd Ave., 777-8577.)

Mass in Time of AIDS is held weekly at Portland State University, Communion calls



Maria Ortiza and Bj Castleman perform at Café Mocha, Jan. 20.

are made for housebound individuals. (6 pm, Mondays, Campus Ministry, Southwest Broadway and Montgomery Street, Fr. Gary McInnis, 245-0339.)

Metropolitan Community Church of Portland is an Ecumenical Christian church open to all people. (Worship services, 10 am and 6 pm Sundays, quiet time for silent prayer and meditation, Mondays, 7-9 pm, Choir rehearsals, Tuesdays, 7:30 pm, 1644 NE 24th, 281-8868.)

Metropolitan Community Church of the Gentle Shepherd is a Christian congregation with a positive/supportive outreach to the lesbian and gay community. (4:30 pm, Sundays, 4505 E 18th St., Vancouver, mailing address, PO Box 5094, Vancouver, WA 98668, (206) 253-8401.)

Quaker Friends for Gay and Lesbian Concerns holds a silent worship meeting. All are welcome. (11:45 am, first Sunday of each month, 4312 SE Stark (upstairs), 253-2685.)

The Sacred Band is a spiritual brotherhood providing fellowship and support to gay and pagan men. (Box 13072, Portland, OR 97213.)

SDA Kinship is a support and fellowship group for lesbian and gay Seventh Day Adventists. (Meets monthly, PO Box 33104, Portland, OR 97233, 244-0286.)

SisterSpirit is women sharing spirituality. All women welcome. Wheelchair accessible. (Call for information and event schedule, 287-3379.)

United Methodists for Gay and Lesbian Concerns (Affirmation) meets monthly for potlucks and fellowship. (PO Box 12673, Portland, OR 97212, Dick, 692-9019.)

### **CENTRAL OREGON**

Central Oregon AIDS Support Team (C.O.A.S.T.), offers physical and financial help to people with AIDS, support for families and significant others, and a biweekly HIV support group. (Meetings, 4th Tuesday, Barb or Phyllis, 388-6616, weekdays, 9-5.)

Connexion is a gay and lesbian monthly potluck in Sumpter, Ore. (Information, PO Box 2, Sumpter, OR 97877.)

Eastern Oregon Connection holds monthly meetings in Baker. (Box 382, Baker, OR 97814.)

Gay, Lesbian and Bi Information Line is available anytime for information and referrals. (388-2395.)

HIV Support group is for people with AIDS or ARC and meets every other week. (Barb or Phyllis, 388-6616.)

The Other Side is a Gay and Lesbian Service Organization. It hosts a party every Saturday night at the Other Side Club. The Club is available for any gay- or lesbian-related event. Business meetings the second Friday of each month. (PO Box 5672, Bend, OR 97708.)

### SOUTHERNOREGON

AIDS-helpline is a 24-hour AIDS information switchboard providing peer counseling, information and referrals. (672-3000.)

Douglas County Gay Archives is a repository for materials relevant to the rural homophile. (PO Box 942, Dillard, OR 97432, 679-9144.)

Gay and Lesbian Alcoholics Anonymous meets weekly. (Thursdays, call GALON AIDS Hotline, Bruce or Lee, 269-4183.)

Gay and Lesbian Alliance meets monthly. (7:30 pm, second Thursdays, Gay and Lesbian Community Center (GLCC) 3856 Carnes Road, Roseburg, 679-9144.)

Gay and Lesbian and Community
Alliance (GALACA) in Ashland is a student organization which actively seeks to educate the non-gay community on lesbian and gay issues while providing support and services to gay and lesbian students. (Thursdays, Jon or Thom, 482-1247, or Toni, 482-1105.)

Gay and Lesbian Outreach Network (GALON) supports a gay and lesbian rap group. (7 pm, Tuesdays, Room 205, 371 Anderson, Coos Bay.)

Gay and Lesbian Support of Southern Oregon, offers support and information for lesbians and gay men. (PO Box 43, Klamath Falls, OR 97601.)

Gay and Lesbian Youth Group meets weekly. (1-3 pm, Sundays, Gay and Lesbian Community Center (GLCC) 3856 Carnes Road, Roseburg, 679-9144.)

Gay and lesbian discussion group meets weekly. (7:30 pm, Tuesdays, First United Methodist Church, 1771 West Harvard Blvd., Roseburg, 679-9144.)

HIV-Positive support group in Coos Bay is accessible by calling GALON's AIDS Hotline. (Steve, 269-4183.)

Lavender Steppers is a gay and lesbian Narcotics Anonymous group that meets weekly. (7 pm, Thursdays, Community Services building, Room 106, Grants Pass, enter through the 6th and "C" streets alley.)

Lesbian and Gay Hotline in Medford provides information and referrals on local resources and events, AIDS information, as well as supportive listening. (7-11 pm, every night, 773-8146.)

Medford Gay Men's Support Group meets weekly. (Wednesdays, Bob, 779-7324.)

Metropolitan Community Church of Roseburg celebrates Sunday services with the Rev. Jody Ahlstedt. (11 am, Sundays, and 7:30 pm, Wednesdays, PO Box 2125, Roseburg, OR 97470, 679-9144.)

Parents and Friends of Lesbians and Gays (PFLAG) helps people deal with issues related to their gay and lesbian children and friends. (First Tuesdays, Candace or Chuck, (Ashland), 482-4017.)

**Ruby House** is a residence in Douglas County for people with AIDS. (679-9913.)

Sex and Love Addicts Anonymous (SLAA) is for lesbians and other women in the Rogue Valley. (For time and location, send a SASE to SLAA, PO Box 929, Talent, OR 97540.)

Southern Oregon Lambda Association is a Rogue Valley-based organization of lesbians and gay men with a newsletter, fund-raising parties, AIDS education outreach, rap groups, outdoor activities and an annual statewide campout. (Hotline, 773-8146, 7-11 pm, PO Box 4387, Medford, OR 97501, 773-8146.)