



The Lesbian Avengers at the Portland bus mall, Sept. 10.

New bus line? Tri-A-Dyke

The Lesbian Avengers offered alternative evening rush-hour transportation in downtown Portland, on Sept. 10, in the form of a large cardboard bus. The event was intended to call attention to the apparent indifference of Tri-Met personnel to harassment of lesbians and gay men while riding the bus. The Homophobic Violence Reporting Line documented 14 such cases last year. The most recent incident occurred in July, when a woman was verbally assaulted and struck in the face. The driver did nothing to assist her.

Commuters were handed leaflets during the action, but seemed generally impassive, said observer Ani Haines. The Avengers are calling on Tri-Met to offer anti-homophobic workshops to its employees and to develop and enforce a harassment intervention policy.

Mixner is coming!

David Mixner, gay activist and President Clinton's Senior Campaign Advisor, is the guest speaker for the Right To Privacy Political Action Committee's Lucille Hart Dinner on Oct. 16. Right To Privacy PAC advocates for equality for Oregon's gay men, lesbians and bisexuals, endorses political candidates and contributes to campaigns supporting gay and lesbian civil rights. The Lucille Hart Dinner is Right To Privacy's principal fundraiser.

Mixner's involvement in the gay and lesbian civil rights movement is both political and personal. He will bring a combination of private and public agendas to his speech at the dinner. In addition to Mixner, this year's entertainer is Latina comedian Marga Gomez. Gomez has been recently featured in *Vogue*, *The New Yorker* and *The NY Times*.

Tickets to the Lucille Hart Dinner are \$125 per person. To reserve your ticket please call (503) 228-5825.

Seattle lesbian and gay youth center publicized

Lambert House, the innovative gay, lesbian and bisexual community youth center on Seattle's Capitol Hill, has been reaching out this summer to sexual minority youth with two professionally produced ads and an accompanying series of public service announcements, aired on popular music stations KUBE and KNND.

The ads serve to increase awareness among sexual minority youth that the adult gay and lesbian community will support them. The ads also publicizes resources available to gay, lesbian and

bisexual youth. The purchase of air time is funded by a grant from the Seattle-based Pride Foundation, dedicated to strengthening the gay and lesbian community throughout the Northwest.

For information on Lambert House, contact their Gay, Lesbian and Bisexual Youth Info Line at (206) 322-7900. Information on the Pride Foundation can be obtained by writing the organization at 2820 East Madison, Seattle WA 98112-4841. Or call (206) 323-3318.

"Fight the Right" Day on KBOO

Tuesday, Oct. 5, KBOO Community Radio will present lectures, panel discussions and special programs focusing on the agenda of, and struggles against, the Christian Right. Coverage will run from 7:30 am to 4:30 pm. Featured programs include a series of five half-hour documentaries entitled "In Jesus' Name: The Politics of Bigotry." It is produced by Barbara Bernstein, and will air between 9 am and 1 pm. The first segment presents voices of proponents of the Christian Right, recorded at events such as the Family Congress held in California in 1993. Juxtaposed with these voices is commentary by Berkeley writer Sara Diamond, author of *Spiritual Warfare: The Politics of the Christian Right*, and Jerry Sloan, a Sacramento gay rights activist. Other segments look at events surrounding Ballot Measure 9, Colorado's Amendment 2, the aftermath of Measure 9 and the techniques and ideology of the Christian Right.

Also planned is a two-hour segment hosted by Linda Shirley, with discussion by local activists about the issues and strategies involved in preparation for the next wave of battles with the Oregon Citizens Alliance. The program will begin at 1 pm

She's 'a fine lady'

Randy Miller, chairman of the Oregon Republican Party, is reportedly issuing a formal statement distancing the party from remarks made by vice chairwoman Marilyn Shannon. At a fundraising banquet of the Oregon Citizens Alliance, Shannon stated that she was not related to Shelley Shannon, the woman charged with shooting a Wichita doctor who performs abortions. She went on to say, "I think she's a fine lady."

Miller's disclaimer follows complaints from many Republicans critical of the remarks and of the growing influence within the party of the OCA.

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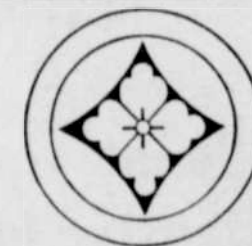
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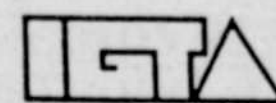
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