

out about town

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OUT ABOUT TOWN is provided as a free community service by **just out**. Listings of events, announcements and groups that are specifically relevant to gay men, lesbians and bisexuals of every color in Oregon are provided free of charge.

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Send submissions to just out Calendar, PO Box 14400, Portland, OR 97214-0400; or fax to 236-1257.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

It's My Pleasure presents workshops to the community, designed to educate and inspire. A fee of \$3-\$5 will be charged for most workshops, on a sliding scale. All funds will go directly to the group presenter. **Metro Bi and Bi-Curious** support group for women meets every other Friday (May 20, free). **Network and discuss** with other gay men and lesbians how to purchase goods/services at lower costs, to create a better life. All welcome (Tuesday May 24, free). **Stopping Sexual Harassment:** legal remedies by Portland attorney Deni Starr. All women welcome (Friday May 27, free). **Sex Toys 101:** A safe, comfortable "show and tell" for women of all ages (Tuesday May 31, free). (Unless otherwise noted, all classes start at 7 pm, 4526 SE Hawthorne Blvd., must preregister, 236-0505.)

Golden Threads, an organization dedicated to celebrating lesbians over 50, invites lesbians of all ages to a celebration in Provincetown, Mass. Women from the U.S., Canada and other countries will meet for entertainment, socializing and workshops. Attendance limited to 250. (June 24-26, Provincetown Inn, write for reservation information, Christine Burton, Golden Threads, PO Box 60475, Northampton, MA 01060-0475.)

Stonewall 25: The International March on the United Nations to Affirm the Human Rights of Lesbian and Gay People. The entire spectrum of lesbian and gay people worldwide will be involved. Contact your local organizing committee to help. (Sunday June 26, New York City, N.Y., 1-800-216-1880.)

Join the Freedom Day Committee for **Seattle's Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender Pride Parade, March and Freedom Rally!** (Sunday, June 26, Seattle, Wash.)

Do Jump Movement Theatre School is offering four sessions of **Summer Camps for Kids** (ages 3 and up) in circus and performance skills. The focus is to encourage physical confidence, freedom of expression and grace, in a creative and sane atmosphere. Camps are June 20-24, July 5-15 (advanced, audition only), July 25-29, and August 15-19. (Echo Theatre, 1515 SE 37th Ave., call 231-1232.)

"Best Friends Walk for Friends," a benefit dog walk for the Friends of People with AIDS Foundation. The Foundation wants you and your "best friend" to put on your walking shoes, and your best collar and leash, and come on out to help people with AIDS. The Foundation helps people with AIDS with their everyday and emergency needs for food, transportation, medication, furniture, entertainment and love. Hosted by Darcelle XV. (9 am, Sunday July 17, East Delta Park, Portland, preregistration requested by June 15, 245-7428.)

SisterSpirit is proud to announce **Sunfest V: Dancing Under the Solstice Sun**. This annual summer solstice camp-out offers rituals, workshops and wonderful vendors. Open to all in the community. (Friday-Sunday, June 17-19, 294-0645.)

The **National Association of Black and White Men Together 1994 Convention** will be held in Washington, D.C., July 16-24. The '94 convention theme will be "Breaking the Chains of Isms." NABWMT was formed in 1980 as a "gay, multi-racial, multi-cultural organization committed to fostering supportive environments wherein racial and cultural barriers can be overcome and the goal of human equality realized." The convention will explore the many ways the gay and lesbian community can work to overcome racism, ageism, sexism and homophobia. (Write to NABWMT Convention '94, 1747 Connecticut Ave. NW, 3rd Floor, Washington, D.C., 20009-1108, or call 202-462-3599 or 1-800-624-2968.)

The **Pacific Northwest Women's Music and Cultural Jam-boree** will take place on the Western Washington University campus in Bellingham, Wash. Activities include four concerts, two dances, a workshop series, softball, volleyball, tennis, swimming, movies and a crafts fair! Cris Williamson and Tret Fure, June and Jean Millington, and the Washington Sisters are just a few of the performers. (Friday-Sunday, July 1-3, room and board on campus are available on Friday and Saturday nights, call 281-3874 or fax 281-3881.)

Fly Away Home Workshops for Women, with Bethroot Gwynn and Hawk Madrone, will be held again this summer on beautiful rustic lesbian land in southern Oregon. Learn a short form of Tai Chi in the **Tai Chi Workshop** (July 21-25). The **Personal Theater Workshop** invites women to create an "inner character" based on personal material, in a safe, enthusiastic atmosphere. The focus is not on performing but on stretching and deepening personal truths—discovering parts of ourselves that need imaginative exercise (Sept. 2-5). Fees include vegetarian meals. (Tai Chi, \$115-\$200; Theater, \$100-\$200, registration information: Fly Away Home, PO Box 593, Myrtle Creek, OR 97457.)

This year's **International Conference on AIDS**, to be held in Yokohama, Japan, marks the first time that researchers, public health officials, service providers, activists and people with HIV/AIDS will gather in an Asian nation for the conference. Locating the conference in Japan is expected to focus global attention on the explosive growth of the epidemic in Asia. (Sunday-Friday, Aug. 7-12, contact the Ministry of Health and Welfare in Tokyo, Japan, 011-81-3-3504-1079.)

The **Women's Mountain Bike and Tea Society Summer Camp**, with founder Jacquie Phelan, a.k.a. Alice B. Toeclops, will take place Aug. 19-23 at the Mazama Country Inn, located near Winthrop, Wash. Phelan will conduct coaching clinics in uphill riding and descending. (\$425 per person, contact Lynn Nicholson, Bike Treks International, 13106 NW Germantown Rd., Portland, OR 97231, or call 286-0233.)



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Bebe Miller's work is part of the American Choreographer's Showcase at OBT through May 22.

The Cascade Bears announce their mid-summer prowl, a gathering of bears and their friends, called "Bearz 'n' Roses." The prowl will include a "bear-be-cue," several bar parties, a river boat cruise, "bear" sunbathing at a nude beach, and the infamous "Butt, Gut, Chest and Back Contest." (Friday-Sunday, Aug. 5-7, Red Lion Inn at the Coliseum, \$55 members before July 15, \$65 non-members before July 15, 635 SW 10th Ave., Portland, OR 97205-2788, 323-6071.)

Support group forming for lesbian couples or single lesbians who are expecting or planning a child. (282-9884.)

Volunteers, English/Spanish translators, and ASL interpreters are needed for Cascade AIDS Project client service programs to provide practical support and advocacy. Volunteers are asked to make a commitment to the program and will receive training. (Contact Melissa 223-5907, ext. 115.)

Right to Privacy Political Action Committee is now accepting applications for its board of directors. RTP PAC formed in 1981 and is dedicated to advocating full civil and human rights for lesbians, gay men and bisexuals. Board applicants will be considered for geographical, racial and experiential diversity. Board members agree to serve a two-year term; meetings are monthly. (Write for application, 921 SW Morrison, Suite 518, Portland, OR 97205, or call 228-5825.)

Sisters of Providence Health System Gay, Lesbian and Bisexual Employees Group now organizing. Interested employees from St. Vincent's, Providence, Providence-Milwaukie, the Health Plans, Primary Care Division and Shared Services are encouraged to make confidential contact. (Bob 236-6915, or Susan 239-4336.)

Request for submissions for **Arab Lesbian and Bisexual Women Tell Their Stories**, an anthology of writings by Arab lesbians and bisexual women from around the world. The purpose of the book is to break the silence about Arab lesbian and bisexual women. Submissions are sought from women of all generations, countries and socio-economic backgrounds. Writings may be in any form including poetry, letters, essays, journal entries, short stories and plays, and must in some way touch on being Arab and lesbian or bisexual. You may write in Arabic or English; you may write under a pen name. (Deadline June 15, send a self-addressed, stamped envelope with your material to: PO Box 460526, San Francisco, CA 94114, USA.)

Lesbians Off the Rag! A Menopausal Anthology is seeking personal narratives from women, including experiences of real or fictional lesbians who found the menopausal experience to be positive, who found ways to alleviate unwanted symptoms and/or who never had children. Subjects of particular interest are the effects of the process on relationships and sexuality, menopause as a fact (not a problem), and butch/femme experiences with menopause. (Send submissions to Lee Lynch and Akia Woods, c/o New Victoria Publishers, Box 27, Norwich, VT 05055.)

Tomboys Dyke Derring-do, short fiction, essays, and personal accounts wanted for an anthology on tomboys and lesbian identity, to be published by Alyson Publications. Poetry considered. Looking for literate, imaginative, engaging writing. Attitude encouraged. (Deadline June 1, send typed, double-spaced submissions with SASE to: Tomboys, Alyson Publications, 40 Plympton St., Boston, MA 02118, 617-542-5679.)

Dyke Review Magazine, a San Francisco underground national publication, is seeking writers to do features on local lifestyles, happenings, local lesbian plays, films, books, etc. Positions unpaid, however, you will be supplied generous space in the issue in which you appear. (Free sample issue available, send six first class stamps to cover postage, 584 Castro, #456, San Francisco, CA 94114 or call 415-621-3769.)

AIDS & HIV

AIDS Hotline (1-800-777-AIDS.)

The **Aries Project** offers free group counseling by phone for men concerned about AIDS and unprotected sex. Confidential, anonymous groups of men share their experiences. (1-800-999-7511.)

Benefits Advocacy Clinic is held every Monday to assist HIV-positive people with governmental benefits and housing forms. Sponsored by the Cascade AIDS Project and Multnomah County HIV Clinic. (10:30 am-noon, Cascade AIDS Project, Suite 300, 620 SW 5th Ave.) Client service advocates can also assist HIV-positive people by appointment (223-5907).

The **Buddy Network** is a non-profit personal aid service for HIV-positive people only. (Send a SASE to PO Box 23251, San Diego, CA 92193.)

Cascade AIDS Project provides counseling, support groups, advocacy, activities and information for people with AIDS/HIV and friends and family. The **Plus Club Social Hour** provides a relaxing space for people with HIV/AIDS to meet in a social setting. It is held the first and third Fridays of the month. May 20, the group will meet at Espresso It coffee house (5-8 pm, 2nd floor, 1038 SW Stark). The safer sex workshop **Speaking of Sex...** is offered the first and third Thursdays of every month. Open to all gay and bisexual men, the free workshop focuses on negotiating skills and eroticizing safer sex (6-9:30 pm, offices). (CAP offices, Suite 300, 620 SW 5th Ave., 223-5907.)

CAP Support Group Program hosts a Tuesday afternoon and Monday evening Family and Friends group; and Friday afternoon and evening Gay and Bisexual Men's Symptomatic and Asymptomatic groups. New groups are continually forming, based on interest. Potential topics include: Women's Symptomatic and Asymptomatic groups, HIV-Positive Caregivers group, and a Heterosexual Couples group. If you are interested in joining a support group or have an idea for a group you'd like started, call client services (223-5907). The following are ongoing groups: a free **grief support group** for people who have experienced any type of loss due to HIV/AIDS is being offered weekly (7-9 pm, Thursdays, offices). A drop-in group for **HIV-negative gay and bisexual men** offers support and provides a safe place for HIV-negative men to communicate their needs around such issues as dating and intimacy, safe sex, and feelings of survivor's guilt. Meets every other Monday, May 16 the topic will be "Taking Care of Yourself: Care Giving, Support Giving and Volunteer Activism" (7-9 pm, offices, call Graham for details). (CAP offices, Suite 300, 620 SW 5th Ave., 223-5907.)

Clackamas AIDS Relief Effort is a new community-based organization forming in Clackamas County. Programs include HIV prevention education and support services for people with HIV/AIDS. Currently, volunteers are being recruited to provide clients with emotional support, transportation and assistance with light housekeeping. (Call Dawn Martinez, 655-8471, ext. 7946.)

Computerized AIDS Ministries Network is a computer network designed to provide a medium through which people may obtain current information and resources to assist in ministering to persons impacted by HIV disease. A project of the Health and Welfare Ministries Program Department of the General Board of Global Ministries of the United Methodist Church. A modem is required to access this service. (212-870-3953 or 800-542-5921.)

Esther's Pantry is a food bank for persons disabled due to AIDS. (5-7 pm, Tuesdays and Thursdays; office hours, 12-3 pm, Mondays and Fridays, 12-5 pm, Tuesdays and Thursdays, Suite 123, 1101 NW Hoyt St., 274-0711.)

For the Women is a new education project offered by Cascade AIDS Project. This program is aimed directly at women and people that work with and for women. The program will provide home parties and staff education focusing on: women's issues, transmission risks, prevention, testing information, and local HIV and AIDS resources. (Ask for Caleb or someone in the CAP speakers bureau, 223-5907.)

Friends of People with AIDS Foundation is a non-profit organization offering assistance to people with AIDS. (245-7428.)

HIV Day Center offers unique hospitality, information and a variety of services to all persons with HIV/AIDS to help them cope intellectually, emotionally, spiritually and socially with the virus. Dinner is offered on Monday; lunches Tuesday through Friday. Specialized services include: Daily Bread Express for the homebound; Monday evening support group/relaxation techniques; Monday evening "Mass in the Time of AIDS" with the Rev. Gary McInnis; Tuesday morning spiritual issues discussion/support group; Wednesday afternoon AA meeting; Thursday morning stress management/support group. Additionally, the Day Center offers "Friday Flicks," Tuesday YMCA health/fitness classes, and seasonal parties and field trips. Nursing is available. The Day Center is interfaith sponsored. (2-8:30 pm, Monday; 9am-4pm, Tuesday through Friday, 3835 SW Kelly St., 223-3444.)

HIV 12-step meetings apply the 12-step principles to coping with the epidemic. For persons with HIV or AIDS, support persons, friends, partners and caregivers. (7 pm, Thursdays, 2005 SE 11th Ave., 293-9270.)

Living with HIV is a safe place to share and gain support. Weekly meetings sponsored by Phoenix Rising. (223-8299.)

The NAMES Project shares information about making quilt panels. Educational materials and a speakers bureau are also available. (650-7032.)

Ministry to People Living with HIV/AIDS seeks to provide for the spiritual needs of families and individuals affected by the epidemic through prayer, worship and educational experiences. (Milwaukie Church of Christ, 4790 SE Logus Road, call M. Lee Burleson, 654-6770.)

Multnomah County HIV Clinic gives anonymous HIV antibody tests by appointment only (248-3775). County services also include an HIV outreach program (248-5020).

Northwest Genesis Community is a new non-profit designed to provide compassionate care for people living with AIDS, in an adult foster care setting. Members of the community are invited to volunteer or make a contribution to this new organization. (Terri Loubey, Business Manager, 626-3605.)

Oregon AIDS Hotline, a service of the Cascade AIDS Project, provides information and referral, treatment information, health provider resources and free theater tickets for people with HIV/AIDS. (223-AIDS or 1-800-777-AIDS.)

Oregon Minority AIDS Coalition. (3415 NE Broadway, 293-5870.)

Our House of Portland is a non-profit, residential-care facility for men and women with AIDS. This agency provides 24-hour nursing care and quality living services to residents. Volunteer opportunities abound. (Call or drop by during business hours, 2727 SE Alder St., 234-0175.)

Project Quest, a non-profit HIV and AIDS self-empowerment program, offers workshops in basic and advanced guided imagery, therapeutic touch, and other immune function enhancement programs. (Call to receive schedule and preregister for workshops, 241-6448.)

Positive Link connects people who have tested HIV positive with trained HIV-positive volunteers for telephone support and information.

Sponsored by Cascade AIDS Project. (223-2437 or 1-800-777-2437, ask for Positive Link.)

Shalom Ministries, a United Methodist outreach to the gay and lesbian community, sponsors an **HIV/AIDS support group** the second and fourth Tuesdays of every month. (7:30 pm, United Methodist Church, 5145 SE Lincoln St., 760-4215.)

Tod's Corner provides free clothing for people with AIDS. A service of the Friends of People with AIDS Foundation. (HIV Day Center, 3835 SW Kelly St., 245-7428.)

Trinity Episcopal Church invites all who are affected by or concerned about HIV/AIDS to attend a monthly **Healing Service and Evensong**. The service, which follows the Episcopal tradition, lasts 35 minutes and is followed by a free, simple evening meal and social time. Wheelchair accessible. (5 pm, second Sunday of each month, 147 NW 19th Ave., 222-9811.)

Central Oregon
Central Oregon AIDS Support Team provides emotional and practical support services for people with HIV/AIDS and education and outreach to the Central Oregon area. (Write to: PO Box 9184, Bend, OR 97708, or call 389-4330.)

Coastal Oregon
Clatsop County AIDS Coalition is a community-based organization formed to educate and give support to persons who are HIV-positive and their families and loved ones. (PO Box 445, Astoria, OR 97103, or call 338-7501.)

Coastal AIDS Network is a group of HIV-positive and HIV-negative people who meet twice a month for support. (Tillamook, 842-4375; Lincoln City, 997-4694.)

Eastern Oregon
Blue Mountain AIDS Task Force. (PO Box 701, Pendleton, OR 97081, 278-1529.)

Columbia AIDS Resources serves the Mid-Columbia in Oregon and Washington. Support groups, advocacy, information, referral and education. (386-3881 or 296-3700.)

Southern Oregon
Douglas County AIDS Council sponsors meetings and educational activities. (3035 Laurel Springs Drive, Roseburg, OR 97470; 440-2761.)

OnTrack/The Allan Collins AIDS Project. (221 W Main St., Medford, OR 97501; 776-3021.)

Rogue AIDS Awareness Network offers an HIV and AIDS support group at 7:30 pm Tuesdays as well as a gay and bisexual support group at 7:30 pm Wednesdays. (1215 SW "G" St., Grants Pass, OR 97526; 471-0979.)

Ruby House is a residence in Douglas County for people with AIDS. Housing, energy assistance and other services are provided. A project of the Douglas County AIDS Council. (3035 Laurel Springs Drive, Roseburg, OR 97470; 440-2761.)

Southern Oregon Lambda Association is a Rogue Valley-based organization of lesbians and gay men that does AIDS education outreach. (Hotline, 773-8146, 7-11 pm; PO Box 4387, Medford, OR 97501; 773-8146.)

Willamette Valley
HIV Open Community of Life is an AIDS support group. (7:30-9 pm, Fridays, Room 273, Building 3, Chemeketa Community College, Salem; Pat, 393-1520, or Ron, 472-2480.)

HIV and AIDS Support Group for Women meets at The Center in Eugene for discussion of the physical, social and economic issues involved. (363-4963.)

Mid-Oregon AIDS Support Service provides information and support to men and women with HIV/AIDS, and to their friends, family and caregivers. Support groups include: "Shoulders" for friends, family and caregivers (7 pm, Mondays); "Open Door" for persons with HIV/AIDS (7 pm, Thursdays); "Women Positive" for women with HIV/AIDS (7 pm, Fridays); "Friday Affair" (10 am-3 pm, Fridays). (1410 SE 12th St., Salem, OR 97302, 363-4963.)

Shanti in Oregon provides free emotional and non-medical practical support services to persons living with HIV, their family and friends, and those grieving. (3477 E Amazon Drive, Eugene, 342-5088.)

This Moment is a support group meeting in a home setting in Salem, open to people with HIV or AIDS and their families. Social, emotional and referral support are provided. This program is an outreach of the Sweet Spirit Metropolitan Community Church. (375-0671.)

Valley AIDS Information Network operates a 24-hour AIDS hotline for information and support, and provides referrals, informative brochures, speakers, and support groups for persons with AIDS and their families. (128 SW 9th Street, Corvallis, 752-6322.)

Washington state
Cowlitz-Wahkiakum Health District AIDS Program provides services for people with AIDS or HIV. Included are counseling, testing and support groups. Call to arrange a screening interview. (C. Clark Geer, 206-425-7400.)

Southwest Washington Health District HIV/AIDS Program offers a range of services to Clark, Skamania and Klickitat counties. These include anonymous testing and counseling, case management, client advocacy, one-to-one counseling, community and professional education. (2000 Fort Vancouver Way, Vancouver, WA 98668; for confidential HIV testing and counseling, call 206-696-8425; for referrals regarding information and assistance, etc., call 206-696-8098.)

BROADCAST

AIDS Forum presents programming for people with AIDS. Tune in on Portland Cable Access, Channel 11 (Channel 2 in parts of Clackamas County). (8-9 pm, the second Wednesday of each month.)

Detour is a weekly radio program by and about gay men and lesbians, featuring the nationally syndicated *This Way Out*. (4 pm, Wednesdays, KB00 90.7 FM.)

Gay and Lesbian Video Access Report. (Jack Cox, 284-6807.)

The Heart of Portland: A Capitol Report is a monthly show hosted by state Rep. Gail Shibley. A variety of timely news issues are discussed. (Shown on: Channel 11, 7 pm, third Fridays; Channel 33, 7:30 pm, third Mondays.)