out about town

First United Methodist Church is a reconciling congregation where you are invited to worship and serve God in every aspect of church activity. Off-street parking, wheelchair accessible. Nursery and Sunday School. Pastor Ross Miller, Wendy Woodworth, assoc. (10:30 am Sunday worship, 1838 SW Jefferson, 228-3195.) (2/17)

The God Connection Center for New Thought Christianity. Rev. Casey Chaney and Rev. Berdell Moffett, senior ministers. (10 am Sundays, Westgate Plaza, room 105, 3800 SW Cedar Hills Blvd., Beaverton, 643-7591.) (6/16)

Journey Catholic Community. Searching? So are we. Mass with the Rev. Gary McInnis. All are welcome. (6 pm Sundays, Southwest 13th Avenue and Clay Street, 245-0339.) (5/19)

Lesbian spirituality discussion group forming. (Nancy 236-1420.) (5/19)

Metanoia Peace Community is a Reconciling Congregation of the United Methodist Church that welcomes lesbians and gay men in its life and ministry. (Activity schedule: 284-7996; Co-pastors Joyce McManus, 284-3426 and John Schwiebert, 281-3697.) (5/19)

Metaphysical Study Group. Is there interest in the gay and lesbian community in studying such works as A Course in Miracles and other writings that liberate the spirit and free the soul? Contact the Rev. Ron Powell with questions and suggestions. (Rainbow of Truth, PO Box 6747, Portland OR 97228, 621-2246.) (2/17)

Metropolitan Community Church of Portland is a community coming together to proclaim through words and action the message of God's loving presence in all creation. The Rev. Roy A. Cole, pastor. (Worship: 10 am Sunday: 7 pm Wednesday, office hours: 9 am-2 pm Monday-Friday, 1644 NE 24th Ave., 281-8868.) (5/19)

Positive Presence is a gay, lesbian and bisexual spiritual discussion group that meets the first and third Sunday of every month for potluck, prayer, meditation and discussion of various spiritual issues. Varying forms of spiritual expression welcome and encouraged. (5 pm potluck, Loyola Retreat Center, 3220 SE 43rd Ave., 860-2798.)(5/19)

Potter's House is an evangelical and charismatic Christian church open to everyone, with special emphasis on meeting the needs of the community. Bill Roberts, pastor. (Bible study 9:30 am, worship 10:30 am Sunday; scripture study on homosexuality 7 pm Tuesday; worship/study 7 pm Wednesday, 3830 SE 62nd Ave., 775-5024.)(6/16)

Radical Facries co-create their spirituality with nature, subvert uniformity, and practice the politics of play. (235-0826.)(5/19)

Shalom Ministries is open to all gay- and lesbian-friendly persons. Vocal ensemble (6:30 pm Wednesdays). Worship (7:45 pm Wednesdays). Also Coming Out, Grief and Reconciling Religion and Homosexuality groups and counseling. United Methodist pastors, the Revs. Jeanne G. Knepper and Alice Knotts. (760-4215.) (5/19)

SisterSpirit is women sharing spirituality. All women welcome. Most events wheelchair accessible. (PO Box 9246, Portland, OR 97207, 294-0645.) (5/19)

St. Stephen's Episcopal Church is an open and affirming congregation. Rector, the Rev. Constance A. Hammond. Eucharist and Healing service (12:10pm Wednesdays). Inclusive Language Eucharist (5:30 pm Thursdays). Eucharist (7:45 pm Sundays). Eucharist with choir; Sunday



Sculptural pieces, such as the female torsos by Mary Walyer (pictured), and more utilitarian clay objects are on sale through Dec. 31 at Essence of Fire gallery

school and nursery (10 am Sundays). (1432 SW 13th Ave., 223-6424.)(5/19)

University Park United Methodist Church is a Reconciling Congregation which welcomes and affirms all persons regardless of sexual orientation. (Worship: 9:55 am Sundays, 4775 N Lombard St., Karen E. Crooch, pastor, 289-7843.) (5/19)



Amazon Dragons: Interested paddlers are welcome to sign up for the LCP-sponsored team. (287-4877.) (5/19)

The **Adventure Group** meets for regularly scheduled hiking, camping, skiing and other outdoor activities. (452-5680.) (5/19)

Bicycle Decide and Ride for men and women meets Saturday mornings for rides of 30-50 miles. (9 am, Wallace Park, Northwest Raleigh Street and 25th Avenue, weather permitting, 227-1756.X5/19)

Forest Group outings are cooperative adventures for women only. Participants are responsible for providing their own equipment and choosing outings appropriate for their skill and fitness level. (255-3378.)(4/21)

Portland Gay and Lesbian Community Bowling Association (11 am Sundays, Pro 300 Lanes, 3031 SE Powell Blvd., Tom 293-0438, or write: PCBA, PO Box 851, Portland, OR 97207.)(5/19)

Rosetown Ramblers, Portland's gay and lesbian square dance club, dances at mainstream, plus and advanced levels. (7-9:45 pm Wednesdays, lower level, Trinity United Methodist Church, Southeast 39th Avenue and Steele Street; PO Box 5352, Portland, OR 97228, Karin 232-7643; or Michael 297-6416.)(5/19)

Ski-O-Rama is Oregon's gay- and lesbian-friendly ski club featuring winter ski trips, monthly ski parties, newsletters and a members' ski

hotline. Ski-O-Rama is the community's opportunity to have fun meeting skiers from across the state and nation. (778-7563.) (5/19)

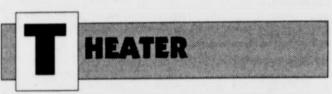
Swim OUT is a monthly swim hour for lesbian and gay families and couples at the YWCA. Volunteer lifeguards are on duty. (4-5 pm, every third Sunday, \$3.75 per family, 223-6281.)(6/16)

Team Portland Aquatic Club. An organized masters swim team for all swimming levels and interests. (*Practice 9-11 am Sundays, YWCA, 1111 SW 10th Ave., Jill 228-1596.*)(6/16)

Team Portland Tennis Association is a club for lesbian and gay tennis players of all levels. The club plays every Sunday morning, publishes a newsletter, and holds business meetings once a month. New members are always welcome. (Ed 233-8030.) (5/19)

Women's 35+ bike riding group, easy to moderate distance, difficulty and pace, evenings and Sunday mornings. Enjoy exercise, socializing and new friends. Join us! (285-1427 or 297-2453.)(2/17)

Women's touch football meets every Sunday. (10:45 am, Normandale Park, Northeast 57th Avenue and Halsey Street, Kate 282-7820.) (5/19)



Portland Women's Theatre Company presents Holiday Special by Cindy Tennant. Through Dec. 18. (1728 NE 40th Ave., call for times and reservations: 287-7707.)

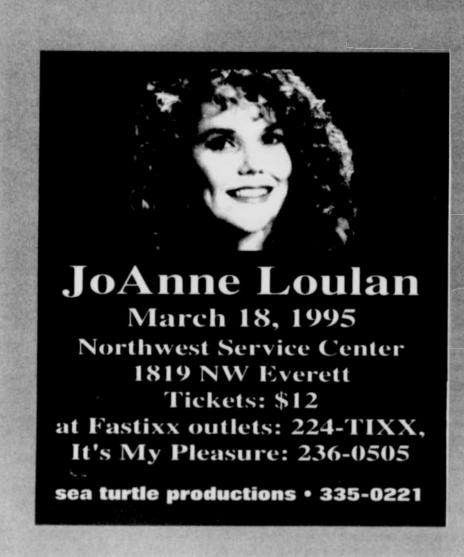
Keely Thrasher directs **Paula Productions**' staging of **Bronte**, a play about Charlotte Bronte. Sarah Cooke stars in this story of life, death, sorrow and strength. (8 pm Friday and Saturday, Dec. 16-17; and 8 pm Wednesday-Friday, Dec. 21-23, 527 SE Pine St., \$10, reservations: 238-9692.)

Northwest Children's Theater presents Winnie-the-Pooh: A Christmas Tail. Based on the stories of A. A. Milne, this new lighthearted musical continues the adventures of Christopher Robin and his friends. Through Christmas Eve. There will be an ASL interpreted performance (7 pm Friday, Dec. 16). (2 pm Saturdays and Sundays and Dec. 20-24; 7 pm Fridays and Saturdays and Dec. 20-23, Northwest Service Center, 1819 NW Everett St., \$9 general; \$7 children 12 and under, 222-2190.)

Join **Triangle Productions** for the 1993 Obie Award-winning play **Jeffrey**. Join this hilarious odyssey through bars, back rooms, trendy gyms, and fund-raisers. (8 pm Thursdays and Fridays, Jan. 6-Feb. 4, Portland Rep's Stage II, 615 NW 12th Ave., \$13 [tickets: Fastixx 224-8499, Jelly Bean, Triangle 246-8967].)

Raindog Playwrights Project presents Christmas at the Juniper Tavern, by Charles Deemer. It explores with humor and humanity the convergence of Eastern mysticism and Western ways and neighborliness on Christmas Day in Juniper. Runs through Dec. 17. (8 pm Friday and Saturday, \$7.50 adults; \$5 students and seniors, 8638 N Lombard, reservations: 644-3378.)

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