([503] 232-7805, [503] 289-6869 ext. 11.) (11/99)

Clackamas Women's Services offer shelter, support and resource referral services for survivors of domestic and sexual violence. (Office: [503] 722-2366. crisis line: [503] 654-2288.) (11/99)

Family Center Outreach Office, a program of Volunteers of America located in Southeast Portland, offers support groups and drop-in services to women and children who are survivors of domestic violence. (Natalie [503] 771-5503.) (11/99)

Portland Women's Crisis Line announces a new, confidential support group for gay and bi men who have been or who are being abused by their male partners. (For more information, leave a message for Craig at [503] 232-5103.) (11/99)

Portland Women's Crisis Line operates 24 hours a day. Interpretation services are available for women who speak limited or no English. (1503) 235-5333, 1-888-235-5333.) (11/99)

Roots and Branches and Bradley Angle House sponsor a support group for queer youth who have experienced emotional, physical or sexual abuse in an intimate relationship. Free, confidential and safe. ([503] 238-0780.) (11/99)

Survivor Project offers support for trans and intersex survivors of domestic violence. ([503] 288-3191.) (11/99)

### Metro: Mental Health

Phoenix Rising Foundation Inc. offers mental health services to the lesbian, gay, bisexual, and trans communities. (525 NE Oregon St., Suite 220, Portland, OR 97232. [503] 238-0780.) (5/00)

Church, NW 24 Ave. and Broadway. ([503] 222-5756).

## Willamette Valley: Health

Womenspace provides a 24-hour hot line and shelter for women and children who have been abused physically, sexually, or emotionally. Also hosts a lesbian and bisexual women's support group. (Crisis: [541] 485-6513, business: [541] 485-8232, lesbian alliance: [541] 302-2417.) (11/99)

## SOCIAL

## Metro: Arts & Music

First Wednesday Social is a potluck for HIV+ people and their friends. (Contact Phillip at [503] 234-1811.)

Lesbian writing group: journaling, poetry, fiction, beginner to published. (Judi [503] 245-3391, jchason@teleport.com.) (11/99)

Portland Gay Men's Chorus is open to singers, support members and volunteers. ([503] 460-3689. www.pdxgmc.org.) (11/99)

The Portland Lesbian Choir welcomes supportive members and volunteers. ([503] 249-0893.) (11/99)

The Real Connection is a social gathering for gay men who are artists, writers, musicians or who pursue some creative activity. Monthly potlucks on the second Friday. (Todd [503] 236-5763.) (11/99)

Brother to Brother is a family of African-American gay and bisexual men dedicated to the empowerment of, and improvement in the quality of life within our community. Activities include FRIENDS, a weekly support and discussion group that meets Wednesdays 5-7 pm. Board meetings every third Monday of the month at 5:30 pm. (Brian, PO Box 3182, Portland, OR 97208. [503] 417-7991.) (11/99)

Dipstick Lesbians and Dykes with Hot Rods invite women with cool cars to go cruisin' with them. (Rachel [503] 735-1184, Devioune [503] 289-3104.) (11/99)

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Gentle Giants of Oregon is a group dedicated to providing an accepting, social environment for chubby men, and the men who like them that way. ([503] 241-4535 or www.chubnet.net/gentlegiants ) (5/00)

Hoodland/Mount Hood womyn are building a personal and professional community. Alcohol and drug-free social activities and networking. (Kim I503) 701-8302.)

Imperial Sovereign Rose Court of Oregon is a nonprofit social organization dedicated to raising money for charities within the gay, lesbian, bisexual and trans community. ISRC Event Hotline lists upcoming events. ([503] 306-0700, ISRC@aol.com, www.geocities.com/WestHollywood/Heights/7887.)

An informal and unsponsored Leather Night and Red Hanky Social are held the first and third Friday of each month. (9-11 pm at the Dirty Duck Tavern, 439 NW Third Ave. [503] 224-8446. PDXSaltyDg@aol.com) (11/99)

Jewish Gay Men's Group—call for meeting time and place. (1503) 246-5939, efraimlevi@aol.com.) (5/00)

Lair Dungeon hosts monthly discussion groups and separate men's, women's and pansexual B/D/S/M parties. Refer to web site for schedule. (www.hawkenet.com/lairofthe/wolf.html.) (5/00)

Lesbians Enjoying the Sciences is a field trip-oriented group for lesbians who enjoy the natural sciences. e.g., geology, botany, bird-watching and astronomy. (7-9 pm fourth Thursday planning meeting. [503] 280-0168.)

Lesbian social group for women 50 and over meets on the third Saturday of the month. (4-7 pm. [503] 281-4424, [503] 331-0415.) (11/99)

Long Yang Club-Portland Chapter, a social group for Asian gays and lesbians and their friends, meets at 8 pm on the first Wednesday and third Sunday of each month at 3 Friends Coffeehouse. (1503) 963-1341 or [503] 735-9425. lycpdx@ados.com.) (5/00)

Lulu's Pervy Playhouse is a B/D/S/M group for self-identifying women. Informal socializing and play. (tankgirl@jps.net, www.jps.net/wynter/luluspage.htm, [503] 231-3992.) (11/99)

Northwest Gender Alliance is a social and support organization for cross-dressers and transsexuals. Monthly open meetings and socials. (PO Box 4928, Portland, OR 97208, [503] 646-2802. www.teleport.com/~nwga.) (11/99)

Oregon Bears is a social group for bears and their admirers. Newsletter, activities and monthly social gatherings. ([503] 240-2813, www.oregonbears.org.)

ORGAN (Oregon Regional Gay and Naked) is a social club for nude men who enjoy being gay. Monthly potlucks and events. Guests are invited to attend two events before deciding on membership. (ORGAN, PO Box 14174, Portland, OR 97293-0174.) (11/99)

Portland Bisexual Alliance hosts social and political events for bisexual and bi-friendly people. Organizes Portland Bi Day rally and publishes calendar of bi events. Mixed gender discussion groups are held 7 pm on the first and third Fridays of the month at Laughing Horse Books, 3652 SE Division St. Open to all. ([503] 775-9717, pba@biportland.org, www.biportland.org.) (5/00)

Portland Bisexual Women is a support and discussion group for bisexual and questioning women. Women of any race, age or national origin are encouraged to attend. (7-9 pm second Friday at Common Ground Wellness Center, 2926 NE Flanders St. 5:30-7:45 pm fourth Sunday at It's My Pleasure, 3106 NE 64th Ave. \$2 donation. [503] 283-6433.) (11/99)

Portland Leather Alliance is a pansexual, not-forprofit organization dedicated to fostering a positive community for safe, sane, and consensual alternative adult sexualities in general and S/M/leather/fetish in particular. ([503] 727-3148. www.pdxleatheralliance.org.)

Portland Metro Prime Timers meets from 3-6 pm every fourth Sunday of the month at Metropolitan Community Church Social Hall, 2400 NE Broadway. (PO Box 5884, Portland, OR 97228. [503] 625-8957. pdxprimetimers@yahoo.com.) (11/99)

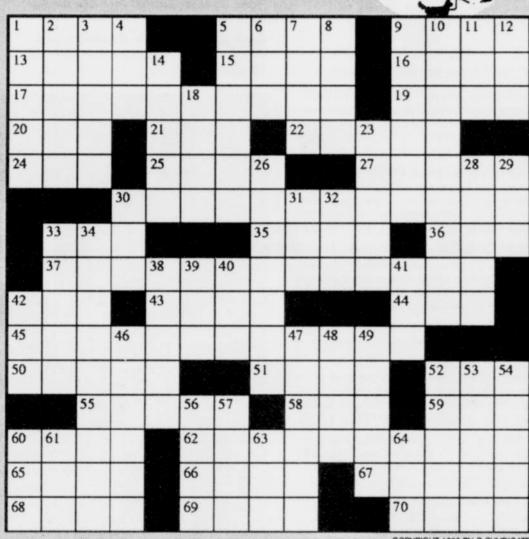
PSU Queers and Allies invites everyone to participate in activities and meetings. Educational and social programming, support and referral services for persons of all orientations and colors. (441A Smith Memorial Center, Portland State University campus. E-mail: queersandallies@mail.pdx.edu.

www.ess.pdx.edu/sfcsg/queersandallies. [503] 725-5681.) (11/99)

# Community Crossword

## By Q Syndicate

## "Converting the Heteros"



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## **ACROSS**

- 1 Place for a stud
- 5 Upholstery uglifiers
- 9 They're over cpls.
- 13 Exams on sexual technique?
- 15 1952 Olympics site where Dick Button won gold
- 16 Decorated man, maybe
- 17 Friend of Dorothy on the rifle range?
- 19 Keep \_\_\_ (persevere) 20 Pigged out
- 21 Mulder or Scully: Abbr.

22 Furry fellows

- 24 With 55-Across, openly gay composer of
- Miss Julie 25 Steel-band instrument
- 27 The Phantom Menace alien
- Jar-Jar \_\_\_
- 30 Own an Elton John mask?
- 33 "Two Little Girls"
- singer DiFranco
- 35 Rob (scotch manhattans)
- 36 Kit \_\_ (candy bar)
- 37 Solve this crossword
- puzzle?
- 42 Blow in a comic book 43 Went down
- 44 Takes too much, for short
- 45 Resembling a lesbian supermodel?
- 50 "You'll Never Walk \_\_ (song from Carousel)
- 51 Time between birthdays

- 52 Where to find San Francisco and Key West
- 55 See 24-Across
- 58 Inc., in England
- 59 Gardner of Show Boat 60 She sang "Don't Go Breaking My
- Heart" with Elton
- 62 Performs in the style of Liberace?
- 65 Youngest brother on
- Party of Five
- 66 Montreal baseballer
- 67 Bert's long-time companion
- 68 Word processor command
- 69 Neck and neck
- 70 Jodie Foster's alma mater

## DOWN

- 1 Airport which services Provincetown
- 2 Emulate William
- Jennings Bryan
- 3 Howled at the moon
- 4 Two-time U.S. Open winner Emie
- 5 Discover by digging with the nose
- 6 Suffix with sex
- 7 Naval Academy freshman
- 8 In need of Ben-Gay
- 9 Streisand's Funny Girl
- co-star 10 Prepares to skinny-dip
- 11 More than bi-

12 Boozer

14 Window covering

- 18 Fairy-tale monster
- 23 Immeasurably vast hole
- 26 Cosmetics queen?
- Chrysler models

28 Discontinued

- 29 Get hard 30 Do-it-yourselfer's purchase
- 31 "Don't \_\_\_ step further!"
- 32 Atlas Shrugged
- author Rand 33 Score \_\_\_ (get points)
- 34 Greenwich Village
- resident, e.g. 38 AIDS: Profile of an
- Epidemic narrator Ed
- 39 Wander aimlessly 40 The Brady Bunch actress
- B. Davis 41 Exclamation after
- explosive sex
- 42 Tiger Woods' org.
- 46 Apply holy oil to
- 47 Have faith in 48 Michael Jackson played
- with his in Ben
- 49 Do-\_\_\_ situation (crucial emergency)
- 52 \_\_ cum laude
- 53 To no \_\_ (useless)
- 54 Prostitute, to a john
- 56 Fencer's thruster 57 1,065, to Caesar
- 60 Some boxing wins, briefly
- 61 Sands of \_\_\_ Jima (classic WWII film)
- 63 Very hairy swinger
- 64 Take a whack at

For some lethal fun, haul yourself over to Boxxes on Wednesday nights for Poison Water's glam Karaoke night.

Metro: Recovery

Live and Let Live Club holds 12 step meetings and

social activities for the lesbian and gay recovery commu-

nity. Call for current meeting times and activities.

noon except Sundays at 1 pm. (Metropolitan

enter on the north side of the building.) (5/00)

(2940-A SE Belmont St. [503] 238-6091.) (11/99)

The Lunch Bunch hosts AA meetings for gays and

lesbians, but is open to everyone. Meetings daily at

Community Church of Portland, 2400 NE Broadway.

Rainbow Al-Anon meets twice a week: Saturdays at

5:30 pm at the Alano Club Board Room, 909 NW 24th Ave. (at Kearney St.); Thursdays at 6 pm at the MCC

musicians and friends. (PO Box 1082, Portland, OR 97207. [503] 790-2170. http://community.oregonlive.com/cc/rcgfb.) (11/99)

Rose City Gay Freedom Band is a concert band

open to lesbian, gay, transgendered, bi and supportive

Bisexual Community Forum is an age- and genderinclusive social, support and education network founded in 1980. Activities include dances, potlucks, field trips and a polyamory interest group. Meetings are held on the second and fourth Wednesdays. (7:30 pm at Utopia Cafe. 3320 SE Belmont St. Laury [503] 285-4848.)

Metro: General