

Clark Co. YWCA offers individual peer counseling and advocacy for sexual minority women who are survivors of domestic abuse. Drop-in support group begins in March. (sexual minority advocate, [360] 906-9142.) (3/3/00)

Parents, Families and Friends of Lesbians and Gays (PFLAG) provides support, education and advocacy. (7 pm first Tuesday at First Congregational Church, lower level conference room, 1220 NE 68th Street, Vancouver, Wash. [360] 695-2200.) (5/00)

Willamette Valley: Community

5015 COYOTE is an association for sex workers in Eugene. (PO Box 12244, Eugene, OR 97401.) (11/99)

AFTER 8 works for political change and provides information and referral for lesbians, gay men, trans and bisexuals in Benton and Linn counties and sponsors an annual Harvey Milk Awards Dinner in November. (7 pm second Tuesday, 101 NW 23rd St., Corvallis, PO Box 1828, Corvallis, OR 97339. [541] 752-8157.) (5/00)

Imperial Sovereign Court of the Willamette Empire meets the first and third Tuesday of each month at 7:30 pm. (Bob [503] 371-8395, Lydia, Imperial Crown Princess IX [503] 463-8585.) (11/99)

Lesbian and Gay Parenting Group, for parents of children ages 0-3 years, meets the second Saturday of each month in Eugene. (Aquene: [541] 344-5847.) (5/00)

Parents, Families and Friends of Lesbians and Gays (PFLAG) provides support, education and advocacy. (6:45 pm third Monday at First Congregational Church on E 23rd Ave., Eugene. [541] 346-4239.) (11/99)

Men's Support Group, sponsored by Sweet Spirit Metropolitan Community Church (MCC), meets every Thursday at 7 pm to share concerns, discuss gay issues, and support the MCC community. Open to the public. (David: [503] 363-4828, Joseph: [503] 363-3392.) (5/00)

HEALTH

Metro: Anti-violence

Bradley-Angle House provides emergency shelter for female-identified domestic violence survivors and a support group for women battered by women. ([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. ([503] 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)

Metro: Mental Health

Helios Counseling 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)

Metro: Recovery

Live and Let Live Club holds 12 step meetings and social activities for the lesbian and gay recovery community. Call for current meeting times and activities. (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 noon except Sundays at 1 pm. (Metropolitan Community Church of Portland, 2400 NE Broadway, enter on the north side of the building.) (5/00)

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 Church, NW 24 Ave. and Broadway. ([503] 222-5756.) (5/00)

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.) (5/00)

The **Portland Lesbian Choir** welcomes supportive members and volunteers. ([503] 241-8994.) (5/00)

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 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)

Rose City Gay Freedom Band is a concert band open to lesbian, gay, transgendered, bi and supportive musicians and friends. (PO Box 1082, Portland, OR 97207. [503] 790-2170.

http://community.oregonlive.com/cc/rcgfb.) (11/99)

Metro: General

Bisexual Community Forum is an age- and gender-inclusive 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.) (11/99)



Feel the rhythm when Homowo African Arts & Cultures presents a free concert of African music and dance under the artistic direction of Obo Addy Feb. 24

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 cruising with them. (Rachel [503] 735-1184, Devienne [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 [503] 701-8302.) (11/99)

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.) (11/99)

An informal **Leather Night** and **Red Hanky Social** are held the first and third Friday of each month. (9 pm

12 am at the Dirty Duck Tavern, 439 NW Third Ave. [503] 224-8446, PDXSaltyDg@aol.com.) (5/00)

Jewish Gay Men's Group—call for meeting time and place. ([503] 246-5939, efrimlevi@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/lairthe/wolf.html.) (5/00)

Lesbians Enjoying the Sciences is a fun-loving group of women who enjoy exploring all aspects of the environment. Activities include bird watching, nature walks, archaeology, rock collecting, camping, kayaking, star gazing, an occasional "lecture" and a monthly planning potluck. No experience necessary. (7-9 pm fourth Thursday planning meeting. [503] 280-0168.) (5/00)

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. ([503] 963-1841 or [503] 735-9425, lypdx@aol.com.) (5/00)

Lulu's Pervy Playhouse is a social group for self-identifying women who are into SM. Play parties are held on the second Saturday of the month. (lululist@hotmail.com, www.jps.net/wynter/luluspage.html, [503] 231-3992.) (5/00)

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.) (11/99)

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-for-profit 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.) (5/00)

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, pdx-primetimers@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: queer-sandalles@mail.pdx.edu, www.ess.pdx.edu/sfscg/queersandalles. [503] 725-5681.) (11/99)

Rose City Discussion Club, the largest open pansexual club in the Northwest, is open to all orientations, fetishes and lifestyles that are safe, sane and consensual. Monthly meetings, workshops, and newsletter. ([503] 650-7052, rcdc@teleport.com, www.teleport.com/~rcdc.) (11/99)

Together Works, a confidential group for lesbians, gays, bisexuals, and friends, meets for socials and discussions of topics of mutual interest. Meets second and fourth Mondays. (7:30 pm May-Sept., 7 pm Oct.-April. First Baptist Church, 125 SE Cows St., McMinnville. Don [503] 434-6266.) (11/99)

Metro: Physical Recreation

The Adventure Group, Portland's gay and lesbian outdoors group, organizes a variety of activities and social events including hiking, skiing, mountain biking, camping and rafting. ([503] 452-5680, www.adventure-group.org.) (5/00)

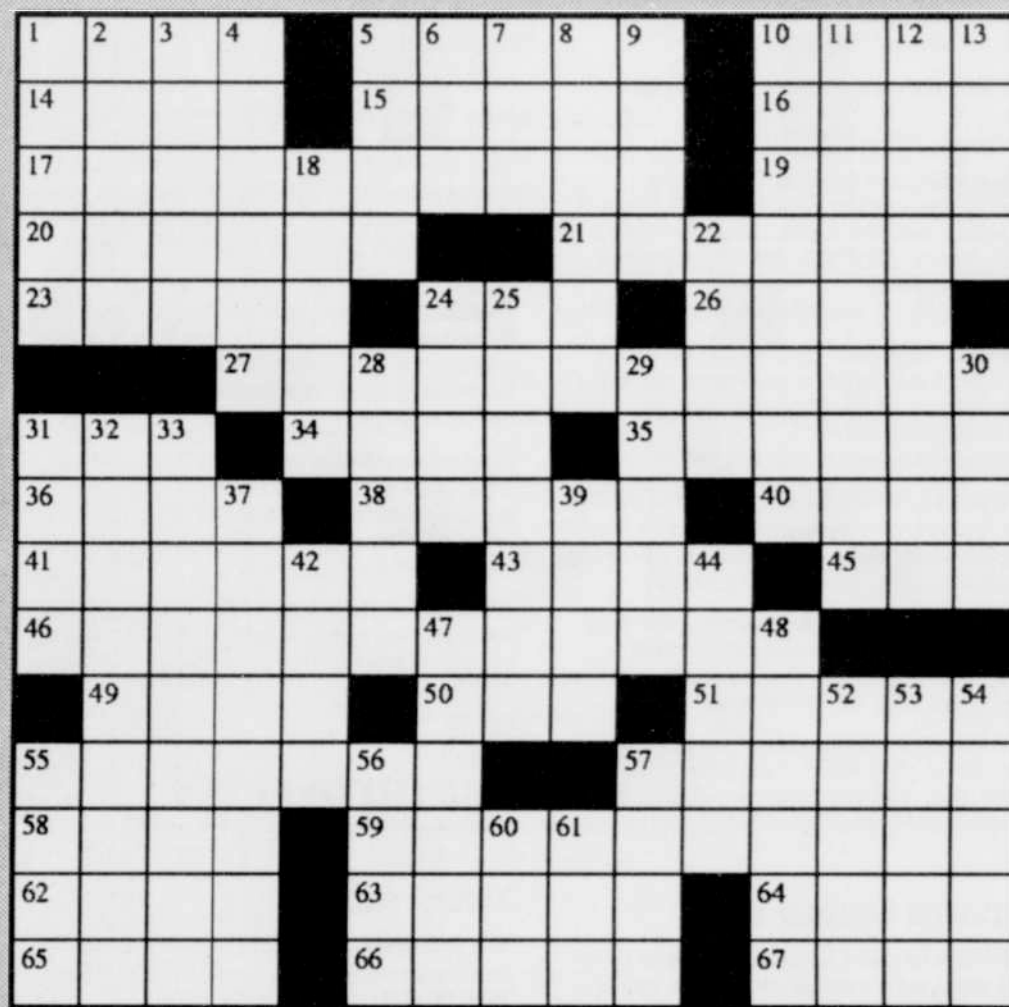
Border Riders Motorcycle Club, the largest motorcycle club for gay men and friends in Western Canada and the Pacific Northwest, hosts day runs and camping events. (bcbiker@yahoo.com, www.borderriders.org.) (11/99)

FOREST Group outings are cooperative adventures for women. Participants are responsible for providing their own equipment and choosing outings appropriate for their skill and fitness level. All skill levels welcome. ([503] 286-5382, www.odin.cc.pdx.edu/~gjm/) (5/00)

Community Crossword

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"Potential Porn Stars"



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ACROSS

- 1 You might get dates from it
- 5 What you do after you drop the soap in the shower
- 10 Donned
- 14 Tennis-shoe brand
- 15 Explorer ____ de Leon
- 16 It's measured using length and width
- 17 Talk show host with porn-star potential?
- 19 Little boys
- 20 Leaf gatherers
- 21 Crucial part
- 23 Come next
- 24 One who's under the "don't ask, don't tell" rule: Abbr.
- 26 Therefore
- 27 French detective portrayed with porn-star potential?
- 31 Beatified Fr. woman
- 34 Clinton of comedy
- 35 The Patsy actor Everett ____
- 36 Vacationers in South Beach usually come home with them
- 38 Fictional blaxploitation detective with porn-star potential?
- 40 German-Polish border river
- 41 Vehicle drawn by Bunyan's Babe
- 43 Trickle through the cracks
- 45 The Gay '90s, for one
- 46 Country music star with porn-star potential?
- 49 19th-century women's rights advocate Lucretia ____

50 Supper scrap

51 Pigeon's hangout

55 Like breasts that have been implanted with silicone?

57 Like a saint's head

58 Blow away

59 Eerie tale producer with porn-star potential?

62 Captain in Benjamin Britten's *Billy Budd*

63 "____ Pretty" (*West Side Story* song)

64 "Would ____ to you?"

65 David Geffen, vis-a-vis Geffen Records: Abbr.

66 *The Deep Six* actor Zimbalist

67 Kim Cames's "Bette Davis ____"

DOWN

- 1 San Diego baseballer
- 2 Concerning tits, dickies, etc.
- 3 Takes advantage of a sucker?
- 4 What a couple might do after kissing
- 5 Places where women might sweat together
- 6 "Mazel ____!" (song from *Carousel*)
- 7 "You're a Queer ____" (song from *Carousel*)
- 8 Some Schubert chamber pieces
- 9 Engages in foreplay
- 10 1974 Abba hit
- 11 Fruity drink

12 1997 film starring Richard Gere and Bai Ling

13 "____ on Down the Road" (tune from *The Wiz*)

18 Dawson's ____

22 Hawk, but not chicken hawk

24 *Idle Hands* actor Green

25 Crisco applicer, e.g.

28 Sample some buns, e.g.

29 ____ Park, Colorado

30 Repeated word in a Doris Day song title

31 What dockers do

32 Fare displacer

33 Prison cell, for one

37 Soup crackers

39 Made it to second base, so to speak

42 1976 comedy set in a gay bathhouse, with "The"

44 Kind of bear

47 Insensitive thing to do after sex

48 Nervous gay man?

52 Small lace mat

53 It may come out after some rubbing

54 Rims

55 Say whether or not you're coming

56 Canal traveled by New York ferries

57 Ship's wheel

60 James Van ____ Beek (star of *18-Down*)

61 Go out with