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**Hate Potion No. 9**

Defeating the Student Protection Act will require teamwork

**B**allot Measure 9 is back. How ironic is this? I think it safe to say all of us were fervently hoping the Oregon Citizens Alliance's latest proposed anti-gay legislation would fail to qualify for the ballot. Unfortunately, the measure did qualify, and Oregonians will be voting on the Student Protection Act in November.

Previous OCA-sponsored ballot measures have failed at the polls but by uncomfortably close margins. This proposed legislation must be taken seriously, and there absolutely will be a role for everyone to play in the next three months as we set forth to defeat this initiative.

This new and not improved Ballot Measure 9 can and will be defeated also...but it won't be easy, and success must not be considered a given. Here's what it's going to take for a successful outcome in November. It's going to take money, time, energy, positive attitude, cooperation, leaders, followers and dedication to the task at hand. It is also going to require for some of us the ability to tell when we need to lead and when we should follow another's leadership. This is not always easy but will be crucial to the success of the campaign.

Gay and lesbian votes alone cannot win this election. Gay and lesbian voters can, however, provide the impetus and stamina to ensure our families, friends, neighbors, co-workers and communities at large rally to our support. This is how we will win this election.

Basic Rights Oregon and the Gay, Lesbian, Straight Education Network are taking the lead in establishing a winning campaign. They will be supported by a statewide network and coalition of groups, organizations and individuals. While the Portland and Eugene areas are of obvious importance, it is also imperative that we have voter support in Klamath Falls, Ashland, Coos Bay, Baker City, Pendleton, The Dalles and Dufur.

Support for gays and lesbians will come from many directions. Already, the religious community has organized an interfaith service Oct. 4 to express opposition to the Student Protection Act.

"The presence of the public and clergy at this event will set the record straight and send a signal to people of faith across our state that all forms of discrimination are wrong," says Kate Lore, director of social justice at First Unitarian Church. "Furthermore, it will send a reaffirming message to gays and lesbians that here in Oregon the religious community stands with them."

This statement of support, which came one day after the announcement of qualification, is sure to be just the first of many such rallies, gatherings and services to be held during the course of the coming three months. Support will come from many fronts. Positive examples of teamwork between the gay and lesbian community and our friends and supporters are frequent and encouraging.

Congratulations are in order to the Rose City Softball Association for the tremendous partnerships it formed while making its bid to bring the Gay Softball World Series to Portland. Partnering with the Portland Hilton and the Portland Oregon Visitors Association created an alliance that will benefit the gay and lesbian community far beyond the softball diamonds. The impact of its work brings us closer to defeating the tactics of those who seek to oppress the rights and lives of others. Kudos to the RCSA; you are an asset to our community.

All of us will be called upon to contribute to the campaign to defeat Ballot Measure 9. There will be house parties, canvassing, mailings and a seemingly endless need for funds. Volunteer opportunities will abound.

This urgent need for cohesiveness and organization will be good for our community. We will need to set aside other difficulties and squabbles and concentrate on working together to achieve one greater goal for the good of the entire community.

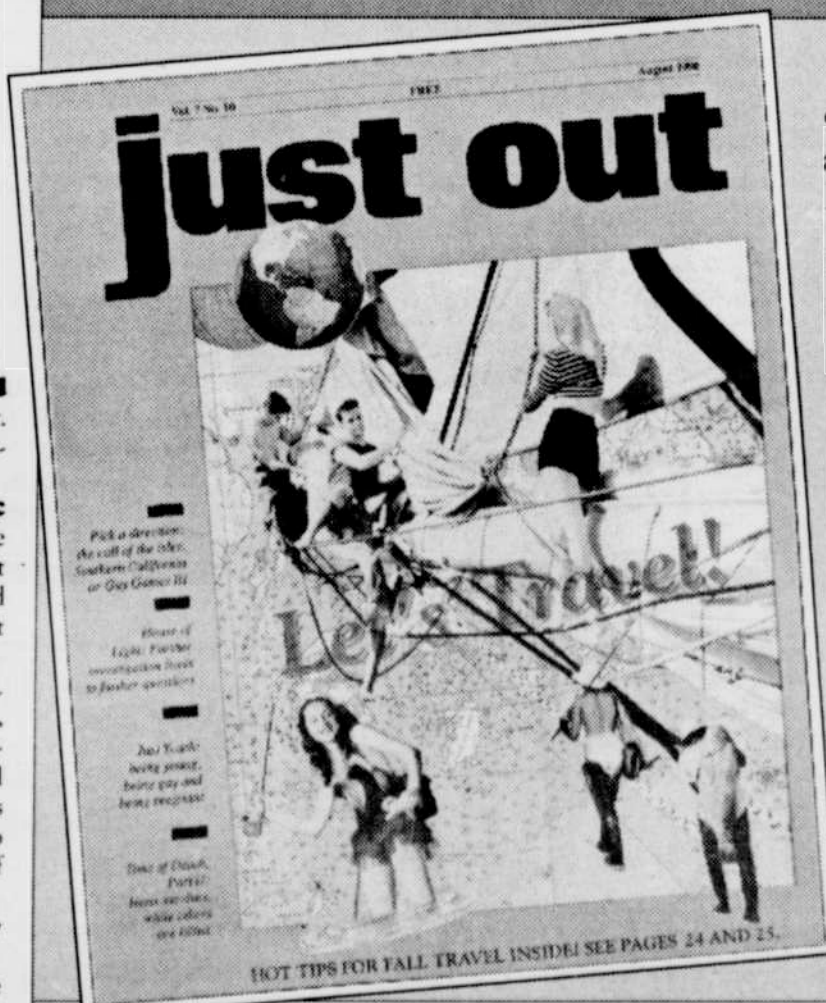
When this is all over in November, we will be able to look back at a job well done. Ballot Measure 9 was defeated before, and it will be defeated again...by all of us working together.



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**REFLECTIONS**

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- A record 1,750 people attended the fourth annual Peacock in the Park benefit June 24. Darcelle made a debut performance, and Misty Waters, an ever-popular crowd pleaser, lent her talents to the show.

- After seven months of organizing, Boise political activists did the impossible: They pulled off the first gay parade in Idaho. Despite initial fears in the gay community that marchers would wear paper bags on their heads to hide their faces and public predictions that people would be shot if they attempted to exercise their civil rights, an estimated 350 men and women marched through the main streets of Boise.

- The Portland Gay Men's Chorus shared a booth at Artquake with the Portland Lesbian Choir, which participated for the first time.

- Minni Bruce-Pratt, award-winning author of *Crimes Against Nature*, read her work and discussed lesbian censorship issues. Her poetry had been attacked by U.S. Sen. Jesse Helms.

- A Cascade AIDS Project representative attended the Super Jacks Party to answer safe-sex questions. All proceeds from the event went to the Beat Jesse Helms campaign.

- The Pride Foundation in Seattle promoted a credit card program allowing Seafirst Bank to channel a percentage of charges back into the nonprofit to fund local gay and lesbian charities.

- Terry Boughner, Ph.D., presented Part II of the article "A Time of Death: The Origin of the Pink Triangle."

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