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on diversity, homophobia, psychosocial AIDS issues, public speaking, mind-body medicine and team building for schools, universities and corporations. He works with clients of all orientations on issues involving relationships, sexuality, abuse, depression, self-esteem, addictions and anger.

The sliding-scale cost, which includes lodging and meals, is \$250 to \$450. Scholarships are available.

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PFLAG PLANS FALL GATHERING

The Parents, Families and Friends of Lesbians and Gays Schools and Youth Team has extended an invitation to students, teachers, parents, administrators, gay/straight alliance advisers, nurses, diversity specialists, activists and counselors for a fall gathering Nov. 13. The event will be held from 6:30 to 8 p.m. at Amazon Community Center, 2700 Hilyard St. in Eugene.

The gathering will feature a free workshop led by Eliza Roaringsprings, director of Encore Theatre. However, no experience is needed, and no performing will be expected.

Organizers say the event will be a great opportunity to promote connection, inspiration and fun. They hope people will get to know each other, get energized and have a few laughs together, too.

The team's mission is to make schools safe and fair for everyone regardless of sexual orientation or gender identity. It provides community events,

support, trainings, networking and advocacy in Eugene, Springfield and the surrounding area.

For more information call 541-242-2746 or visit the Internet site www.pflag.org.

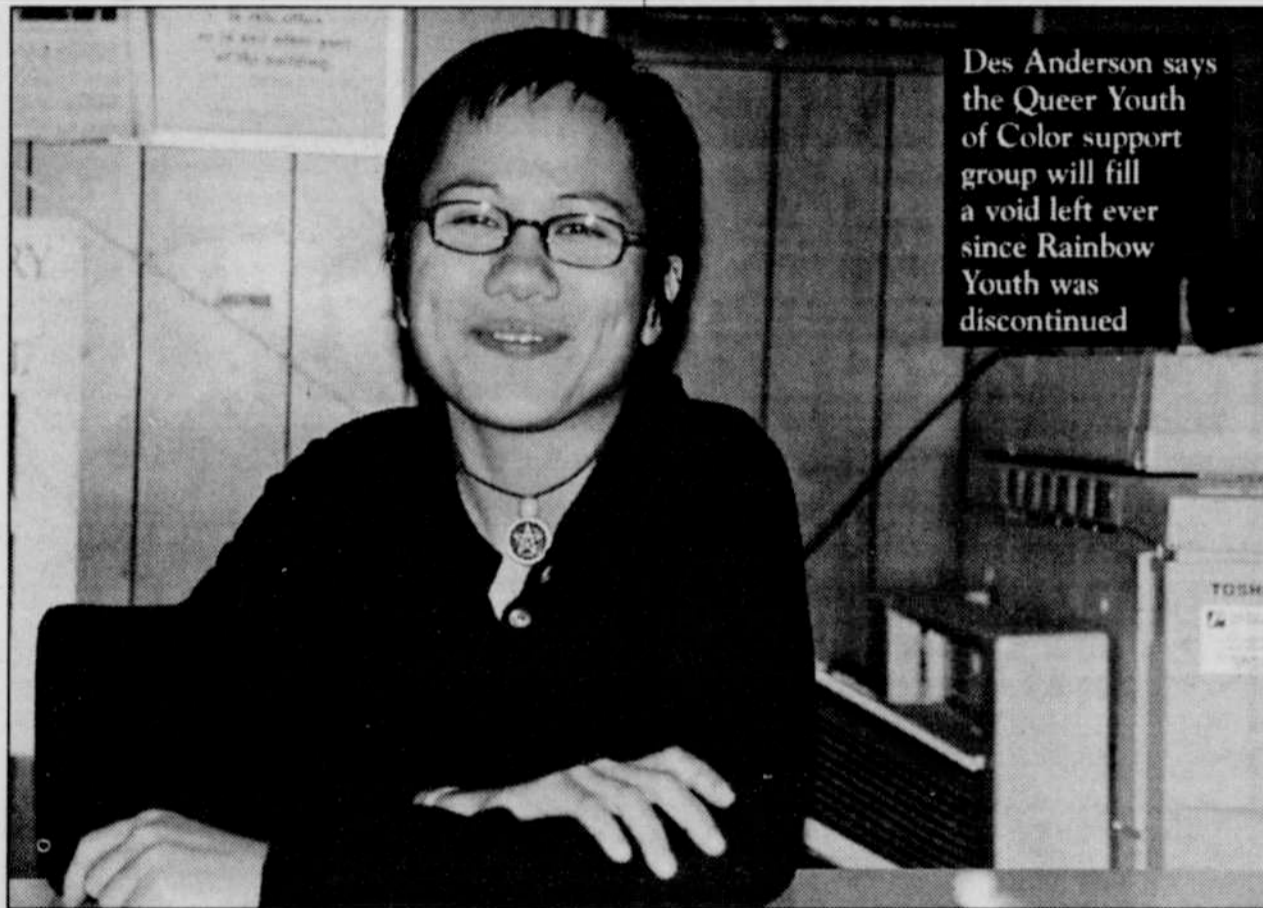
YOUTH OF COLOR ORGANIZE

Love Makes a Family and Brother to Brother recently launched the Queer Youth of Color support group. It replaces Rainbow Youth, the only program of its kind in Multnomah County, which was discontinued

at the end of the summer when it lost the support of its sponsoring agency.

Sexual minority and questioning youth of color, their allies and representatives of agencies serving them are invited to a planning meeting from 3 to 5 p.m. Nov. 10 in Room 256 at Union Station, 800 N.W. Sixth Ave. Food and drinks will be provided.

The new project will be staffed by Des Anderson, Love Makes a Family youth and schools organizer, and Stephan Herrera, Brother to Brother HIV and youth coordinator. Both worked with Rainbow Youth during the past year.



Des Anderson says the Queer Youth of Color support group will fill a void left ever since Rainbow Youth was discontinued

PHOTO BY MARTIN DAVIS

EVENT BENEFITS LESBIAN POLITICIAN, LIVABLE COMMUNITIES

U.S. Rep. Tammy Baldwin, the first openly lesbian member of Congress, will be in town Nov. 4 for a fund-raiser aimed at curbing urban sprawl.

The event will benefit both the Wisconsin Democrat's campaign for re-election as well as the Committee for a Livable Future. It will be held from 5:30 to 7 p.m. at the Natural Capital Center, 721 N.W. Ninth Ave.

The committee, founded in 1996 by U.S. Rep. Earl Blumenauer, D-Ore., is part of a national effort to reorganize how the federal government spends money, makes decisions and organizes growth to ensure healthy and safe metropolitan areas. During its first four years of operation, it has assisted more than 50 candidates in their congressional elections.

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