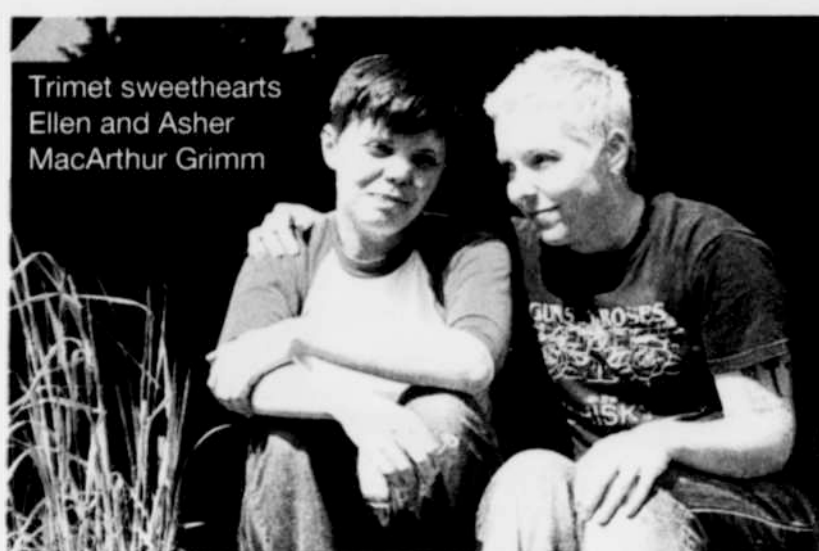


law students with aims to advance equal rights and justice for lesbians, gays, bisexuals and transgender individuals. Applicants who demonstrate this goal through the selection process and meet the criteria of eligibility will be considered for the scholarship, named after the founders of the Portland chapter of the International Federation of Parents, Families and Friends of Lesbians and Gays (PFLAG). The application is available online at equityfoundation.org/scholarships.



Trimet sweethearts
Ellen and Asher
MacArthur Grimm

• **Puddletown Publishing Group announced its formation January 24** under the lead of *Just Out* co-founder Renée LaChance. The publishing group plans to release multiple titles via cross-platform formats for digital readers and to create a market for new and established authors in e-publishing. Visit puddletowngroup.com for more information.

• **Ellen and Asher MacArthur Grimm, a Portland lesbian couple, were finalists in TriMet's search** for TriMet-inspired love stories. Just one couple of six, the Grimms responded to the query: "Did you meet your sweet in TriMet?" While the couple didn't win the grand prize—a night at the Hotel deLuxe in downtown Portland and a gift

certificate to the hotel's restaurant—TriMet Public Information Officer Bekki Witt said their story was definitely an inspiration.

• **In Other Words Feminist Community Center (14 Killingsworth St.) hosts a meet-and-greet event** with Portland documentary filmmaker Dennis Lavery on Saturday, February 19 from 2 to 4 p.m. Lavery's upcoming film, *...small world*—with help from Birch-Swinger Films and TransActive Education and Advocacy—explores the everyday lives of children, youth and families who happen to be gender non-conforming or transgender. The event includes excerpts of Lavery's prior documentary film *In the Shadow of the Temple*; a screening of TransActive's new video, "Unconditional"; an informational presentation by TransActive program managers Zena Bri-tadesco and Sheryl Rindel and an extensive

Q&A. Snacks and beverages will be provided. For more information, visit transactiveonline.org or call 503-252-3000.

• **Asian Pacific Islander Pride will ring in the Lunar New Year with its annual banquet and show February 19** at the Saucebox Annex (214 SW Broadway). Attendees will enjoy performances by members of the local API queer community, and the family-friendly event will also include a fundraising raffle with prizes donated by area businesses. A dance party will follow. Seating is limited; RSVPs are encouraged for the banquet and show, which runs 6-9 p.m. Saturday, February 19. The dance party runs 9:30 p.m.-midnight. Admission is \$10, \$1 for raffle tickets and is open to all ages. Visit api-pride.blogspot.com, email api.pride@gmail.com or call 503-877-9379.

• **Q Center (4115 N. Mississippi Ave.) will host the DHOR Fundraiser Variety Show** Saturday, February 19 from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. All proceeds from the event will benefit Deaf & Hearing OutReach. Aside from a raffle and silent auction, scheduled performances include a Step demo by Swagger, an ASL (American Sign Language) drag show by Sarah Westburg and much more. Interpreters will be present, and Zora Phoenix is slated to host. Donations will be based on a sliding scale at the door. Visit dhorpdx.blogspot.com for more information.

• **Actor George Takei, best known as Mr. Sulu on *Star Trek* and in recent years for his GLBT activism,** will appear at a special fundraiser Saturday, February 19 for the Oregon Nikkei Endowment (ONE). The Day of Remembrance Event and dinner featuring Takei, themed "Fighting for Civil Rights: The Japanese-American and GLBT Experience," begins at 5 p.m. at the Portland Marriott Downtown Waterfront (1401 SW Naito Parkway). Tickets to the event—which includes a chance to meet Takei, along with a special performance by the Portland Gay Men's Chorus—are \$100 a person, available at oregonnikkei.org or by calling 503-224-1458. Takei will also appear during a free community service event running 1-3 p.m. Sunday, February 20 at Portland State University's George C. Hoffmann Hall (1833 SW 11th Ave.). Visit pdxjacl.org for details.

• **It's My Pleasure continues its sex positive, feminist-based sexuality education workshops** beginning Thursday, February 24 at 7 p.m. with "Sex and Women Over 50." On Sunday, February 27, a class on "Women and Orgasm" takes place at 4 p.m., and later at 6 p.m. the topic will be "Open Relationships." A "G Spot and Female Ejaculation" class is scheduled for Wednesday, March 9. All classes require a \$15 registration fee and take place at the It's My Pleasure store located at 3106 NE 64th Ave. Visit itsmypleasurepdx.com for more information. ☐



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