**DATE WITH DESTINY**

**Quakers to battle UM**

*By Matt Kelly*

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**We Have Contact**

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In Brief

Spike Lee speaking tonight at Temple

Spike Lee speaking tonight at Temple University this evening.

He was well regarded, including Do the Right Thing and Jungle Fever, with issues facing the black community.

The lecture is scheduled for 7:30 p.m. in Temple's McGonigle Hall, located at Broad Street and Main.

Lee had been scheduled to speak at Temple earlier this semester, but he was canceled after he had weather stranded him in Boston.

--- Heidi Gelt

Harvey Fierstine to perform at Irvine

Four-time Tony Award-winner Harvey Fierstine will perform tonight at 7 p.m. at Weir Auditorium. 

Heavily influenced by BLINDSIDE, the performance will include a "multi-media presentation" including clips from the documentary Paycheck (1999). 

Although Fierstine's all male troupe is not well known, the University officials are happy with his appearance.

He was looking forward to his arrival on campus.

University officials said earlier this week that they were looking forward to Hale's arrival on campus.

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City Limits

A look at issues facing Philadelphia

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A university attended follow-up lecture on the Freedom Summer Teaching Program attracted some of the students who were involved in that program. The students who attended the initial discussions could have brought their insight.

By SABRA BEITINSTEIN  

Bobby Pennsylvania Staff writer

The lecture was well attended, according to the director of the Academic Programs. Christopher Dennis explained that students advertising the lecture were not able to attend due to last weekend's blizzard.

Wednesday night's turnout appeared to come from members of the Reading Program's program and its ability to attract student interest.

This year has been a mixed picture," said Dennis. "Those that have engaged in the text have come away with a rewarding experience.

He added that everyone affiliated with the program has observed the outcome.

It requires a heuristic effort to understand and to attend the discussions," Dennis added.

Dean Matthew Saenz

sanctions that the class of 1997 will "read" for Mary Shelley's Frankenstein.

Along with the text, there will be an audiovisual presentation on the Frankenstein's main characters. The presentation will be given by the Penn Wilkins website, which features the work of the group.

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All Welcome

Few attend reading project follow-up lecture

The first-year students who attended the initial discussions could have brought their insight.

Crystal Lucky  

English major and the initial discussions could have brought their insight. 

Aside from the law firm, Wednesdays night's program was seen as enlightening.

Bernard English professor

Robert O'Connell wrote about the Narrative of the Life of Frederick Douglass. He took the book in the frame of the University freshman and summer. He highlighted the much of the famous writer.

"Douglass' story becomes our author's identity," O'Connell said. "We body tried to safeguard the Mayflower tradition."
They had a whole lot of things to do for the settlement. They've held up their end of the deal.

Morris Maxson, IFC president.

"We are exploring moving one [staging] out of the building into the classroom. A lot of people don't think there are two sides to the problem. They think there are two sides to the problem. You know, it was ridiculous and it scared a lot of people off. It's been better in recent weeks but it's still crowded."

Jacobs said TEP has been required to perform an education program for its members.

The fraternity returned to its pre-probation status on March 19th, according to University Rabbi Howard Alpert. Jacobs said the fraternity has been acting "like that it's been a long process," Jacobs,

and Alpha Chi Rho brother Morris Phaup during spring break that TEP's social probation had been lifted. Place did not return a call placed to her office yesterday.

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Shall We Dance?

First, they massacred Princeton. Then, they swept the Ivy League. Now, it’s time for the Big Dance. As one of 64 men’s basketball teams in the country to participate in what is arguably the most exciting sporting event in the world, Penn has the opportunity to shine on the national stage.

Today, they face the University of Massachusetts Minutemen, an up and coming basketball power. As all eyes turn to Springfield Sunday, it is certain to prove themselves to the basketball world.

By upsetting UCLA, they can prove to Penn’s detractors that our basketball program and our athletes can play in the Ivy League, but can hold their own with any basketball team.

But more importantly, Penn can show the rest of the NCAA what college athletics can be.

They can show them what it means to be a scholar and an athlete, to study and practice with equal vigor, and to embrace back-to-back games in order to minimally disrupt academic life.

And when a player does not meet academic standards, he is asked to leave the program, not to concentrate on basketball studies.

We are proud of the Quaker basketball team’s recent successes. Whether they win or lose today, Penn will prove that a Big Dance wouldn’t necessarily mean a national title. The other basketball teams seem to spend more time on Air than on the court.

And by the way, kill UMass.

Dear Editor,

Letters to the Editor

To the Editor:

A majority of the African-American community at the University of Pennsylvania feels that, while it is important to promote the spirit of sportsmanship and fair play, it is equally important to maintain the spirit of community that has defined our University for so many years.

We feel that the recent events involving the African-American community at the University have been handled in a manner that has neither taken into consideration the needs of the community, nor respected the rights of individuals.

It is important to note that the African-American community has been an integral part of the University’s history, and has contributed significantly to its diverse and unique character.

We believe that the University should ensure that its policies and practices are inclusive and reflective of the needs and perspectives of all members of the community.

Sincerely,

[Student's Name]
W. Lax to take on Harvard

**By LUCIE DEOCK**

On the PSS 3-2 (1) Conta's a long, long ago, a hilly-willed onec-hopped a haddled in a thermos of hard-spirited and there it was on the floor. It shattered into bits of tiny pieces.

The 1-4 Penn softball team will try to avoid the kind of mandate in ex-

The Quakers' victory over Villa-

The Penn men's tennis team, led by No. 1 seed Joel Tanner, swept St. Joe's and Georgetown yesterday at Leary Courts. The Quakers shutout their opponents in both matches by identical scores of 7-0.

**Baseball**

**FLORIDA, FROM BACK PAGE**

But the Quakers knew that they cannot afford to make up ground if they desire to get to Florida to take an nifty senior class. The first game in the pre-ACC/MAC competition will be played tomorrow, on Tuesday, vs. Boston University.

"We have to play our game," Sage said. "We're not a pretty team that the Baltimore Orioles will play this year. We're still trying to improve," Penn coach Linda Carothers said.

The Fighting Irish are already in the middle of their season and have played two games against Florida Atlantic, who are not considered to be a major threat.

"We hope to continue the up-

Penn will complete its season sweep against Florida Atlantic on Saturday. The Golden Panthers are 5-10 and will need a win to stay in the running for a trip to Florida. The Quakers and Panthers are both looking to get to Florida to escape the cold weather.

Finally, Penn will complete its regular season circuit at Temple on Sunday. The Golden Owls are 10-6 in their pre-ACC/MAC competition and will need a win to stay in the running for a trip to Florida. The Quakers and Temple are both looking to get to Florida to escape the cold weather.

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The 1-6 Perm Softball team will try to put on three pairs of long underwear and chill, a regular component of the

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Cernobyl nuclear reactor shut down

WASHINGTON — The United States has closed the book on reports yesterday by embattled President Clinton of new spending to create jobs, plus long-term budget cuts and tax increases to wipe off the deficit.

On a virtual party-line 140-10 vote of the House, the Democrat-dominated chamber approved a realistic deficit-reduction plan that would hit trillion-dollar deficits sharply by 2018, with tax cuts falling over the next five years. Only 11 Democrats opposed it and three Republicans supported it, while 233 Republicans voted against it.

"It is clear that the time has come to make a funda-
mentally new deal with the American people," Presi-
dent Clinton announced. "It is time for Congress and the Treasury employees as he headed a last-minute cam-
paign to secure passage of a fiscal package that would have eliminated $682 billion in deficit increases. Just three Democrats supported the measure on both the House and Senate side.

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True to their word, party leaders showed they could hold their rank-and-file together. For the Republicans, party discipline also held. Democrats defeated, 53-46, a Republican plan that would have eliminated $682 billion in deficit increases. Just three Democrats supported the measure on both the House and Senate side.

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WILLIAMSBURG, Va. — President Clinton today pushed his $16.3 billion economic stimulus package through the House on a 240-185 vote of approval. With a near party-line vote, he could then pursue Senate passage this week, he said.

"We were told it would take 10 or 15 minutes of our time," Mrs. Clinton said yesterday, "but it would not be permitted."
M. Track looks to repeat

BY JANIE HAVSY
Daily Pennsylvanian Wire

Last year, the Penn men’s outdoor track team comprised the Ivy League, winning both the indoor and outdoor titles. That’s a tough standard to follow, but this year’s squad appears to be up to the task.

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Season Preview

The Quakers have already done half the job, winning the indoor Ivy League, and they are looking to repeat for the outdoor title. The team members are focused on another Ivy League title, and the success of junior co-captain and distance runner Francis Harper, who set the Ivy League record at Heps.

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Gabby Yearwood

In track season, there are always a few question marks. "There are no throwing events (such as discus, javelin, and hammer)," Penn assistant coach Nicholas Taylor said. "In the throwers (among them sophomore Cameron Harris and Dan White), we have two hammer throwers."

But with no other event at all and with a slightly reduced number of athletes, Penn is anxious to rebound from a poor winter performance. Penn has no indoor facility for track and field, so the Quakers practice outside streets of Philadelphia year round.

The team feels that this gives them an advantage, especially for the outdoor season. "It’s the Quaker way to cap off the year," senior co-captain Mamadou Saidou said.

"We’re looking forward to having a testing ground to see where we stand individually, and as a team. We need to see what we need to work on."

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Three Penn gymnasts at ECACs in Towson

BY RACHEL CYTRON
American Heart Association

The outcome is bitterness. Better than the whole Penn gymnastics squad did not qualify for the final internationals of Towson State tomorrow? 7 p.m.

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TONIGHT'S GAMES

The carriers broke the game open with an 11-2 run in the first half and held the Hawgs (18-13) to seven points in the first 11 minutes. St. Joseph's is a 21-point favorite vs the Hawks.

Pro Basketball

Knicks 115, Cavaliers 95

The Lakers took the lead for good with 12:45 to play when guard James Worthy hit a 15-foot jumper from the foul line. Worthy had 11 of his team-high 21 points on the play.

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Winning streak Earlier this season, Michigan (26-4) had beaten 22nd-ranked Carolina (22-9). Martha Adams had 19 points, including the tiebreaking 3-pointer with 11 seconds remaining.

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PENN TO PLAY IN COLLOSAL, UGLY DOME

BY MATT KELLY

SYRACUSE, N.Y. — If you’re seeking comforts, you’d better look somewhere else. For this game, you’re stuck in a dome that’s ghastly, sad and ugly. UMass forward Harper Williams was asked his impression of the place. “Real big,” grumbled Calipari.

The 20,000-seat, multi-purpose facility, home to the Syracuse football team, resembles a hollowed-out little cozier. That ploy doesn’t work. All eight teams playing here conducted one-hour practices yesterday. A week ago, the Minutemen spent Spring Break in sunny Florida, the Sunshine State with one goal, and it was obvious immediately, as the Quakers lost three consecutive games following Breier’s injury. "We’re approaching this in much the same way as we do all our games," Dunphy said. "But the reason is obvious today. We can’t have one of our teams come up with a low-scoring game in this kind of a setting." Dunphy was referring to the Penn and UMass males. Last year, the Minutemen met the Quakers in the Atlantic 10 regular season and postseason tournaments. The other meeting was in 1993, when the Quakers went 5-1 last year in the league and fifth-place finisher UMass was canned. "We’re not going to change anything today," he said. "We’re attacking them with the low-to-man and we’ve got the low-to-man game on our side too." "I think in all of the years, we’ve only qualified for bigger games," Calipari said. "My biggest fear is that they can possibly play that way. We’ve tried to guard them. They have two terrific guards (Moe and Allen) who can play anywhere in the country. (The Minutemen) scare me because of their athleticism, they scare me because they are physical. We have about 25 to 30 three-pointers a game and they’re not going to shoot better than .34.

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"The best thing I ever did in my life was come out.
- Singer k.d. lang

"When a straight guy meets a gay guy, right away he thinks to himself that the gay guy wants to suck his dick. I say, Doll, don't flatter yourself."
- Actor Scott Valentine, (Nick, *Family Ties*)

"I do have a great relationship with my boyfriend, and I am very happy."
- Musician Elton John

"When you're brought up, like the rest of us in this country, rich or poor or yell or green, there's not a whole lot of discussion about homosexuality or alternative lifestyles. As a kid, you're taught right away that queers are weird, queers are funny; they're a danger to kids, they're afraid to fight, and they all want to cop your joint. And that pretty much sums up the general thinking out there, if you want to know the truth."
- Denzel Washington in the Jonathan Demme's upcoming film *Philadelphia*

"Feminists proudly called each other hags and witches to show everyone that it's okay to be hated because you're a woman--the same way people use the word queer today. Celebrate the fact that you're outside a pathetically ugly definition of what's normal. Reclaim the word--take it back."
- Singer Tom Bailey of the Thompson Twins

"They're worried about allowing people like us in the military. But I'm concerned about people like this."
- Crae Pridgen, victim of a gaybashing by three marines in North Carolina

"Notice that your sister's boyfriend is nowhere near as cute as yours."
- Christian McNeight, How to Avoid Holiday Havoc; Bringing Your Boyfriend Home

"My view is that you need to use all tactics available, even when you know that some of the things you do will antagonize even your potential supporters."
- BGLAD Keynote Urvashi Vaid

"When we're free to love anyone we choose, then we shall be free."
- Country Singer Garth Brooks' song: "We Shall Be Free"
What's In an Acronym?
Welcome to BGLAD 1993!

BGLAD! Cute Acronym. Leads to a lot of smart remarks like, "Be glad, we are." But there's actually a lot more to the week.

One of our goals is to make the University more aware of issues facing the lesbian, gay, and bisexual community. To achieve this, our programs this year address topics such as religious gay-bashing, dual minority identities and gays in the media. If any of these topics appeal to you, stop by. You might learn something. Or maybe we will. Like the button says, "Are you still sure you've got an open mind if you can't change it?"

Just as importantly, we reflect on issues within the community. So, while we think it's important to educate others, we also want the week to reflect on our pride and our diversity. Pride in our accomplishments, whether those of a black, lesbian poet, a South Asian lesbian activist, or a gay Broadway playwright. And just saying that we're gay is only part of the picture; we're African-American, Asian, Latino, Jewish, Catholic, Puerto Rican, Irish, Democrat, and even Republican. In the 24 years since the Stonewall Riots, we've come a long way to achieve recognition. And there's still a long way to go.

Talking to people who are questioning their sexual orientation is another component of the week. People think that it's easy to come out and then that's the end of it. Unfortunately, things aren't quite that simple. Coming out seems to be a never-ending process which is filled with questions which we hope to answer during the week with programs like Parents and Friends of Lesbians and Gays and GSAC's "My Best Friend is Gay."

So, if you're straight, come out with your insight, your participation, and your support. Wear Jeans next Wednesday and a Pink Triangle Pin.

But more importantly, if you're gay, come out of the closet! Whether it's wearing a button or telling someone (and that doesn't mean the whole campus), every step makes coming out that much easier. Tell anyone: a friend, an RA, a roommate, a sibling. Call or stop by the LGBA office. No matter how small an act of courage, do something to show pride in yourself.

A lot of people have put many, many, many hours into organizing this week, and we hope everyone gets something out of it.

Be glad. We are.
Jodi Bromberg
Michael Sluchan
Jason Walthall
BGLAD Co-ordinators

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Top 10 Reasons to Come Out of the Closet:
1. It's dark in there.
2. It's the trendy thing to do.
3. They don't card at gay bars.
4. Become closer with your friends.
5. It's time you were honest with yourself.
6. Isn't it time you had a meaningful relationship?
7. Just to see your mom's expression.
8. Become a generally happier person.
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We Are Family
Common Agenda Unites Penn Sexual Minority Community

By Maria Doyle
Program Office Assistant

There are at least twelve groups on the University campus for members of the sexual minority community and their supporters. Many of these groups are featured in the pages of this supplement, or their names are listed around campus and in the pages of the Daily Pennsylvanian as program sponsors, dance givers, or lunch eaters. Despite the fact that all of these groups address different audiences, they share a commitment to the dignity of the sexual minority experience. With an identified issue which might be the focus of future Common Agenda efforts. Presently the Common Agenda is in the process of organizing its structure. Groups use the Common Agenda for various purposes. Some choose to bring their concerns to the forum whereas others use the Common Agenda to keep up with new programs in the community.

The Common Agenda has provided an opportunity for its participants to develop respect and show support for the diversity within Penn's sexual minority community - an important task for lesbian, gay, and bisexual communities everywhere.

Groups or individuals seeking further information regarding the work of the Common Agenda should call the Program office at 888-5044.
Straight Facts
Common Myths About Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual People

#1: "Nobody I know is gay, lesbian, or bisexual."

If you know 10 people, then the odds strongly favor your knowing someone who is gay, lesbian, or bisexual. Studies and current estimates indicate that at least ten percent of the population can be classified as bisexual or homosexual.

#2: "It's easy to spot a gay, lesbian, or bisexual."

NOT! We look like everybody else. We cannot be classified or stereotyped because we are the majority minority on the planet. We span every country and continent, all languages and cultures, all races and ethnic backgrounds, all economic groups and political perspectives, and all religions. Remember that ten percent of the general population is gay/lesbian/bisexual: not just ten percent of a certain group. Our diversity reflects the diversity of the entire globe.

Some of us may fit the familiar stereotypes, but most do not. Remember, many heterosexual people sometimes fit "gay" stereotypes. There is simply no way to know for sure a person's sexual orientation unless he or she tells you.

#3: "Homosexuality is unnatural."

Nobody knows conclusively what causes homosexuality or bisexuality any more than anyone knows what causes heterosexuality. However, much evidence points to the idea that homosexuality is as natural as heterosexuality. As was mentioned before, homosexuality occurs all over the globe, in every culture, in every race. Gays, lesbians, and bisexuals also have a long and proud history reaching all the way back to ancient Greece and Rome. Thus, the idea that homosexuality is caused by brain abnormalities or that it is a psychological disorder seems doubtful.

Furthermore, if animals are considered more "natural" than humans, it is interesting to note that explicit homosexual behavior and bonding has been documented among many animal groups in the wild.

#4: "Homosexuality is an illness and should be cured." The American Psychiatric Association and the American Psychological Association have repeatedly countered the assertion that homosexuality is a psychological disorder or problem. Gay and bisexual people are not sick and there is no evidence that they are less stable, caring, or responsible than heterosexual people.

Evidence is mounting that sexual orientation is determined before birth or very early in life. This makes it basic to a person as height or eye color.

It is possible to change behavior, but not someone's basic orientation, and any attempt to do so generally causes the individual a great deal of suffering. Therapists now generally try to help a person accept who they are instead of trying to change them into something they're not.

#5: "It's just a phase: One good man/woman would change him/her." People sometimes experiment with homosexuality at different points in their lives. Many discover they prefer heterosexual over homosexual activity. Others find that they are homosexually oriented. Keep in mind that sexual orientation is a fundamental part of a person, and cannot be "cured" or "changed." When in doubt, reverse the state- ment: "Any good man/woman would help me/him/her to be heterosexual!"

#6: "Bisexual people just can't make up their minds."

While many people who will be eventually identified as gay or lesbian initially label themselves as bisexual as a method of transition, there are many people whose orientation is bisexual.

Studies indicate that sexuality is more of a continuum than three distinct classifications; most of us have both heterosexual and homosexual impulses, and this is perfectly natural. Many people have personally experienced homosexual or purely heterosexual impulses and this enables us to be identified as homosexual or heterosexual.

Bisexual people do not choose their orientation any more than anyone else does. Nor does their being bisexual imply that they are any more promiscuous than others.

Though a bisexual person may have a long-term relationship with someone of the same or opposite gender, this does not mean that they are not gay or straight. Sexual orientation does not change with one's actions.

Does it make any sense to say, "One good man/woman would make him/her a homosexual!"

#7: "It's OK to be gay, but why do you have to flaunt it so much?"

What exactly is "flaunting?" Many people find it outrageous to accept and express any combination of the same sex holding hands in public, much less kissing in plain sight. Yet a man and a woman can publicly embrace and kiss and no one thinks twice. Obviously, it will take time for society to accept becoming of same sex relationships, but in the meantime, remember that what many consider flaunting or even obscene for same sex couples is commonplace and completely 100% for granted by heterosexual couples. Why should there be a different set of standards for gay people?

It is true that being gay, lesbian, or bisexual is only one part of who we are, but it is an important part. In an ideal world, we would be able to love whomever we choose, but in reality, many feel it necessary to make an additional effort to challenge people's perceptions that same sex relationships are wrong.

#8: "Gays hate straight members of the opposite sex."

Not being sexually attracted to someone does not imply hatred! Many gay, lesbian, and bisexual people are bitter about the amount of oppression and homophobia in society, but this does not mean that we shut out the rest of society. Remember that gay, lesbians, and bisexuals are always your friends, teachers, neighbors, etc. Most of us would not want that friendship to dissolve if the heterosexuals who found out we were gay. Would you?

- Adapted from the 1992 LGBA Brochure, "Straight Facts"
The Other Side of the Closet
It's Not Easy, But For Most, It's the Best Move They'll Ever Make.

by Jason Walthall

Coming out of the closet was the most terrifying, difficult, painful, and wonderful thing I have ever done in my life. The process is hard for most people to conceptualize, but this is how it went for me.

back, it's almost humorous, but at the time I was absolutely terrified. I went up to his door, was about to knock, but then at the last minute fled into the stairwell. Kicking myself for my cowardice, I returned and this time knocked loudly - only to find no one home. To make a long story short, upon returning half a hour later, I found Kirk standing at my door and said, "I'm gay and I need your help." Kirk was absolutely wonderful, I introduced myself to him, and we were able to go from there. I found nothing but support from the gay community at Penn.

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(1) Telling Yourself
Many people can pin down the exact moment when they finally admitted to themselves, "I'm gay." I'm not quite sure when that moment was for me. All I know is that by puberty it was becoming pretty clear that my sexual attraction was to men instead of women. My response to this was denial and paranoia. I did everything I could to convince myself I was straight, including dating women. I became terribly uptight that something I would do would betray my secret and became appallingly homophobic in response. I figured that if I was the one who always told the latest fag joke, no one would suspect that I was the fag.

By freshman year in college I was pretty much ready to burst with having kept this secret for eight years. At this point, I finally broke down and admitted that I was gay. Simply saying those words to myself - "I'm gay" - was an unbelievable relief that I cannot describe. It was a giant step forward in coming to terms with who I was.

(2) Telling Your First Person
I went to Giovanni's Room, a gay/lesbian/bisexual book store in Center City, and buying some books to read. I had no expectation that I would actually read them. I figured that if I was the one who always told the latest fag joke, no one would suspect that I was the fag.

As it turned out, I had no problems. In fact, my friends were absolutely wonderful. They provided understanding and support. The only way my relationship with them changed was that we all became much closer friends. Before, I had been holding a pretty fundamental part of myself from them. Besides, I became a thousand times less uptight and grumpy than I had been when trying to hide my sexuality. I am incredibly lucky in that I have never had a bad reaction when I have told a friend that I'm gay. I know there will be a rejection out there at some point, but for now I have confirmed that I simply make very good friendships.

(3) Telling Your Friends
Several months later, I felt I could begin to tell my friends. In retrospect, it was stupid of me to think that they would react badly. I knew my friends to be open-minded and willing to help me through any difficult time, but I worried nonetheless. I was simply too early, because I had just signed a one-year lease to live off-campus with them next year so a bad reaction could have caused some complications.

I finally went to tell someone. I decided I wanted to tell a gay man first. I reasoned he would understand what it meant to be gay. Homosexuality is a topic which society avoids discussing at all costs. For example, I realized that in the three sex education classes I'd had in grade school, the word gay or homosexual was never mentioned. As a result, I had a lot of questions I wanted answered and reading about the subject was my way of learning.

When I finally was ready to tell someone, I decided I wanted to tell a gay man first. I reasoned he would understand what it was going through, and was very right). The trouble was, I didn't know anyone who was gay. I only knew very few kids at school, and I still remember vividly the day I climbed the stairs to Kirk's room. I don't think my heart ever beat so quickly. Looking means that people like me who decide they want to come out will know who to turn to. It means that the administration and faculty will know that, yes, there are gay people out there, and maybe they should treat gay students on an equal basis with all others. Being out at work means that employers will realize that they really do have gay employees and perhaps they should offer domestic partner benefits so that they aren't discriminated against. Being out to the people you know means that they will realize the importance of equal rights and nondiscrimination legislation.

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Suggested Reading:
Beyond Acceptance, by Carolyn Welch Griffin, et al.
Now That You Know, by Beyt Fairchild, and Nancy Hayward
Reflections of a Rock Lobster, by Aaron Pricke

PHILADELPHIA GAY NEWS
HONESTY, INTEGRITY and PROFESSIONALISM
Week After Week
Finding Inclusive God
A Reverend Reexamines Her Spiritual Identity

by Rev. Beverly Dale
Director, Christian Association

Secrecy tucked away in rural mid-America, we could safely create God in the
by Rev Beverly Dale
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heterosexuals. These god/men had a well
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Having a lover in the closet is almost
difficult as being in the closet yourself.
Relationships are delicate, emotional,
most painful to all lovers. For some,
the closet is the only place where they
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amplified the problem. Not only could I
private environment, I

Judgment and count on their support.
Friends is insufficient when lovers meet,
But for my boyfriend, the closet door
But the most pain comes when I

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how we are expected to love others. God's
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He is in the closet? I don't fault him; I
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I am grateful to my lesbian sisters for

100 bell bottoms and knit ties to

"We try to get the best products we can.

Hiler is always looking for warres to sell. Thrift
for AIDS welcomes any donations, including
artwork, furniture, and jewelry, just to name a
few goods.

"Like any thrift store," Hiler says, "we try to get the best products we can.
Everyone has things in their closet that they can live without."

With the success of the store, Hiler says that he has already covered his
initial expenses. The money the store currently generates goes towards local
Philadelphia organizations including ActionAIDS and Metropolitan AIDS
Neighborhood Network Alliance (MANNA) which delivers 100 meals a day
to homeless PWAs. Twice a year a board of directors which groups will
receive donations.

Overall, Hiler has no reason to complain. Even without any paid
advertising, "the store has been growing slowly, but there's been a great response," Hiler says. In fact, Hiler is now thinking
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Coming Out Bi
Best and Worst of Both Worlds

Being bisexual is not easy, though many believe differently. In fact, while the lesbian and gay movement has organized itself, the bisexual community is still finding its collective voice. In the meantime, they often receive criticism and ridicule from both the heterosexual and homosexual community.

Bisexual people are accused of "fence sitting," not being able to make up their mind about whether they are straight or gay. They are subsequently ostracized by both communities. Some gay men and lesbians accuse bisexuals of blending into the straight world, taking advantage of heterosexual privilege and refusing to acknowledge their "true self." Heterosexuals, on the other hand, are sometimes uncomfortable with any person who is not "completely straight"; they run away at the mention of bisexuality.

Responses to bisexuality, like the aforementioned, are typical in our all-or-nothing society. We tend to characterize things as black or white, good or bad, this way or that. We run into tremendous trouble when something is this and that, as is the case with bisexuality. The very fact that there are gays as well as straights in the world proves that love does not necessarily have to be directed from one specific gender to another.

Why, then, is it so difficult to understand that I can love both men and women? As a bisexual, I am both gay and straight. I could end up in a life-long relationship with either a man or a woman.

Some gays and lesbians are wary of entering a relationship with a bisexual person for fear of being left for someone of a different gender. If you look in the personals, some ads declare, "no Bis need reply." This sort of biphobia is an offspring of earlier homophobic stereotypes which assert that gays cannot have stable, long-term relationships because they are inherently promiscuous. Now, bisexuals are the target. No bisexual can have a stable, long-term relationship because they will eventually "need" to have sex with the other gender.

Infidelity is a risk in any relationship, but as a bisexual, I am no more likely to engage in it than a homosexual or heterosexual, and I find it insulting that people would distrust me more.

The bisexual movement has been picking up steam in the past five years or so. There have been several excellent books written on the bisexual experience. Bi Any Other Name edited by Loraine Hutchins and Lani Kaahumanu and Closer to Home: Bisexuality and Feminism edited by Elizabeth Reba Weise are good books to read if you are questioning. They are all personal accounts of being bisexual in today's society.

In sum, being bisexual means loving all people, regardless of gender. Isn't that really all that complicated?

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Secretary of Defense
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Some cities just started, and Colorado just stopped. The military is being dragged kicking and screaming towards it. Schools are too afraid to do it. Banana Republic did it. So did Roseanne and Melrose Place. Jonathon Demme’s new film Philadelphia will do it.

Wherever you turn, the gay, lesbian and bisexual rights movement is emerging with a new vengeance.

For a group that has been marginalized for decades and still faces institutionalized homophobia everywhere, the gay, lesbian and bisexual community rebounded into the ’90s as their issues appeared on the national forefront. But as more gay, lesbian and bisexual community leaders emerged, the Taces institution-sues appeared on the national forefront. But as more sexual community leaders rebounded into the ’90s as their issue was now a major policy address during the campaign and the military debates.

Within his own party (Georgia Senator Sam Nunn) and a phobia that awaited Clinton. Encountering hostility responded swiftly and viciously. Never mind the fact that the military spends $27 million a year weeding out some of its best soldiers just because they said they were gay or lesbian. Never mind the support Clinton got from conservative New York Senator Al D’Amato (he cancels Nunn’s vote). Never mind the Department of Defense’s own research organization concluded that “the preponderance of evidence presented in this study indicates that homosexuals show pre-service suitability-related adjustment that is as good or better than the average heterosexual.” No, the opposition threatened to tack a provision making the ban into a law within the Family Leave Act. Although this attack did not work, Clinton was forced to delay his decision by six months.

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Meanwhile, gays and lesbians in the military became the hot topic on call-in radio shows and the TV talk-show circuit. The arguments ranged from the ignorant to the absurd. Here’s a sampling:

Martin Jones, a 22-year old airman, would not be able to sleep at night because he would be “worried that some homosexual is going to sneak over and make a pass” (“Between Fear and Fantasy,” New York Times, Ken Corbett, 2/5/93).

An anonymous 25-year old Navy cook at Mayport says, “If they keep it under control, I’ve got no problem with it. But now they’re going to be able to walk it and talk it and there’s no place in the service for that” (“Clinton Accepts Delay in Lifting Military Ban,” New York Times, Gwen Hill, 1/30/93: B1).

Vernon Smith, a 40-year old ship repair inspector mentions that, “The Navy has policies against people who are obese. So why shouldn’t they be able to get rid of homosexuals. If you want to know my opinion, I’d rather have a fat guy than a homosexual working next to me” (“Coastal Hostility to Homosexuals Outside Navy Base,” New York Times, Larry Rhorer, 1/13/93: D10).

Robert Namer, host of a talk show in Louisiana, began a show by saying, “This arrogant Clinton—this guy is so insensitive. I have figured out. Either his wife is a lesbian, or he’s homosexual” (“The People Are Heard at Least Those Who Call Talk Radio,” New York Times, Elizabeth Kolbert, 1/28/93).

David Minner, a gay corporate consultant in Los Angeles who advises the White House, sums up the armed forces debate, “This isn’t about just the military. This is about homophobia in America” (“Homosexuals Wake to See A Referendum: It’s On Them,” New York Times, Jeffrey Schmalz 1/31/93: 3).

Obviously 53% of Coloradans subscribed to this homophobia and homophobia ignorance when they passed the infamous Amendment 2 which repealed gay rights across the state and amended the state constitution so that gay rights laws could never be passed. The vote came as a surprise to activists and politicians who anticipated an easy win in Colorado, but a tougher one in Oregon. Oregon’s Amendment 9 puts Amendment 2 to shame with its likening of homosexuality to “sadism, masochism and pedophilia.” In addition, had it passed, the Amendment would have mandated that the state teach that homosexuality was “abnormal, wrong, unnatural and perverse.” Opponents defeated Amendment 9, but did not have the same luck in Colorado, a state traditionally unfriendly to gays, lesbians and bisexuals.

Three cities, Boulder, Aspen and Denver already had gay-rights laws on the books. Both the battle is just heating up. A boycott of the state has already resulted in a $32 million loss in revenue for the state as conventions, tourists, entertainers and investors have gone elsewhere. And the losses keep mounting. Meanwhile, gay activists (including Martina Navratilova, a Colorado Springs car dealer who is a chief financial supporter of the measure, argues that being homosexual is a legitimate cause for losing an apartment or a job. You can be fired for being fat, skinny, ugly, any reason,” Perkins declared. (“Anti-Gay Backlashes Are on 3 States Ballots,” New York Times, Timothy Egan, 10/4/92: A1.)

And Bay Buchanan, sister of everyone’s favorite presidential candidate and another supporter of the Amendment, told Barbara Walters on Nightline that people should have the right to choose who lives in their neighborhoods. When Walters labeled such action as simple discrimination, Buchanan stumbled for an answer. After all, why is this any different from refusing to let African-Americans into a neighborhood?

“The religious right’s view is that after abortion and the fall of Communism, homosexuality is the next item on the agenda.”

The Colorado debate has had significant effects outside the state. William Schneider, a political analyst at the American Enterprise Institute, a Washington, D.C. policy-research group, says, “The religious right’s view is that after abortion and the fall of Communism, homosexuality is the next item on the agenda” (“Colorado Goes Straight to Hell,” Advocate, John Gallagher, 2/23/93: 36). Indeed, the right was fueled by the vote and is working on similar measures in at least 13 other states. If you live in California, Georgia, Idaho, Iowa, Maine, Minnesota, Montana, Ohio, and Washington, then your state is being targeted.

At the same time, having the experience of Colorado and Oregon under their belts, the gay, lesbian and bisexual movement has mobilized and is prepared to take on those who preach bigotry under the guise of family-values. As Lambda Legal Defense and Education Fund board member and attorney Lynn Palma comments, “The debate over Amendment 2 is in some ways bringing our issue to the forefront, which can only help us if we get our act together” (“Colorado Goes Straight to Hell,” Advocate, John Gallagher, 2/23/93: 42).

In order to succeed, the gay, lesbian and bisexual movement has to censure gay, lesbian and bisexual movement has to strive at the common stereotypes. First on list is that all gays are out to convert little children into the ‘homosexual lifestyle.’ A 1992 Gallup poll found that while 74% of respondents said that gays and lesbians should have equal job opportunities, only 41% thought that gays and lesbians should be hired as elementary school teachers. “For our Military at least a long battle against other gay issues,” Philadelphia Inquirer, Charles Green, 1/13/93: E2).

it was potentially unconstitutional. One month later, voters in the mountain resort of Telluride defied the state by passing an anti-discrimination law which included protection for homosexuals.

Dubbed the Hate State by boycott promoters, it’s easy to see why. Will Perkins, a Colorado Springs car dealer who is a chief financial supporter of the measure, argues that being homosexual is a legitimate cause for losing an apartment or a job. You can be fired for being fat, skinny, ugly, any reason,” Perkins declared. (“Anti-Gay Backlashes Are on 3 States Ballots,” New York Times, Timothy Egan, 10/4/92: A1.)
Gays, lesbians and bisexuals are hyper-sensitive to this criticism, often remaining silent rather than risk accusations of indoctrination. Where does this leave gay, lesbian and bisexual youth? With no positive role models and a bombardment of negative images by societal accusations of indoctrination, does this mean that gay, lesbian and bisexual youth will necessarily become activists? How does my individuality have to be so different from everyone else? (The Silence of the Liberal.)

In New York City, the battle came to a head over School Chancellor Joseph Fernandez's attempts to implement The Rainbow Curriculum. Although the curriculum focused on tolerance and inclusion of all minorities, one school board in Queens jumped on the fact that gays, lesbians, and bisexuals were included in this multi-cultural education. Cummins objected to the use of two books, Heather Has Two Moobs and Daddy's Roommate.

By positive change seems to be coming from an unexpected direction: corporate America. As of March, 1993, Levi's (the makers of the jeans that you should wear on Wednesday). Has Development, Stanford University, and New York City have all enacted policies to extend benefits to partners in same-sex relationships. This reform is a critically important step towards recognizing the legitimacy of gay relationships. Gays, lesbians and bisexuals have been criticized for being unable to form long-term relationships, yet society refuses to recognize gay or lesbian marriages or give them the same benefits that heterosexuals enjoy. The advent of the cumbersome phrase "lesbian, gay, and bisexual," it is usually easier to say queer, which is certainly changing and continues to do so with the addition of queer politics.

While those who call themselves lesbian, gay, or bisexual frequently work within the established system for change, and just as often find themselves frustrated with the slow pace of bureaucracy, those who call themselves queer often choose direct action as their mode of communication. As a whole, the queer movement believes that the heterosexual community must be confronted with its prejudices first hand. Sometimes accomplished through kiss-ins or protests, the queer movement works to be at the forefront in grass-roots politics, often ignoring criticism in the process for being too "radical." But it is differences such as sexual orientation that queers want to emphasize and are indeed proud of.

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The Mayer of Castro Street, a project about Harvey Milk - the first openly gay man in politics (with Van Sant also directing), Becoming Collette and Claire of the Moon feature major bisexual characters. John Malkovich has signed onto Christopher Hampton's Total Eclipse which is dubbed a gay version of his Dangerous Liaisons. Barbra Streisand's next film might be Larry Kramer's The Normal Heart, and Disney just purchased the rights to Tom Robbins' Even Cowgirls Get the Blues which has a strong lesbian theme, Oliver Stone wants to produce the critically acclaimed Longtime Companion was "turned down by almost every name in actor in Hollywood," says screenwriter Craig Lucas (The Necessary Fear of Playing Queer). Outwest, Bruce Steels, 5/19/91: 35).

Homophobia is still in a presence in Hollywood. Despite popular success, members of the lesbian, gay and bisexual community had problems with the depiction of characters in Silence of the Lambs and Basic Instinct. The latter film stirred tremendous debate; the source of contention stemmed not from the fact that the killer was a bisexual woman, but rather that there are no positive gay images on the big screen. Author Armistead Maupin, whose book Tales of the City is being made into a television show, notes, "What stinks in my mind was a dinner I had with a potential screenwriter who heaped praise on the property but concluded that the gay gynecologist should be a serial killer" (Maupin's Dream of the Future, Set in the Past, New York Times, Betsy Sharkey, 2/26/93: H27).

If the characters are not to be sexualized, then the gay theme often gets sanitized out of the mainstream film. When The Color Purple and Fried Green Tomatoes hit the big screen, few audiences guessed that the main characters were lesbians.

The controversy surrounding Lamb's surviving di- rector Jonathan Demme. "I got woke up. I came to real- ize the popular norm is a tremendous absence of positive gay characters is movies" (From Vision of Paradise to Hell on Earth, New York Times, Jeffrey Schmaltz, 2/26/92). Despite the first big-budget film to link AIDS and homophobia. The film, starring Tom Hanks and Denzel Washington, follows a professional legal case, rehabilitation, and recovery, after being fired from a prestigious law firm for being HIV+. Washington's character cuts the heart of the case in a trial sequence. "Let's talk about what this case is all about... "courage, public's hate... our loathing, our fear... of homoeosexuals."

Hot Hollywood commodities have jumped onto the bandwagon of the AIDS epidemic. While most films of industry indifference, Randy Shilts. 1987 book And The Band Played On. is finally in production with an all-star cast that includes Richard Gere, Whoopi Goldberg, Lily Tomlin, Matthew Modine, Angelica Houston, Howie Mandel and Alan Alda. Tomlin also lent her support to the production of a documentary based on Vito Russo's The Celluloid Closet which traces the history of gays, lesbians and bisexuals in film. Gay and lesbian organizations, such as the Gay and Lesbian Bisexual Alliance. QUIP hopes to further politicize Penn's sexual minority community and act as a watchdog of administration and campus media.

While with the creation this year of QUIP (Queers Inventing Penn), the University's gay and bisexual community has taken a step in the right direction. This organization's goal is to provide an alternative to other lesbian, gay, and bisexual groups on campus. While the group is quite simply, a matter of semantics. What counts is that the word "queer" is clearly being used to describe some form of sexual minority, or, at the very least, it is being used as a catchy term for "lesbian, gay, bisexual," it is usually easier to say queer, which is all-inclusive. This is, anyone can be queer - lesbians, gay men, bisexual people, transvestites, transgendered people, the word queer has no limitations.

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(Continued from previous page) Stephen Carrington on Diversity dated both men and women (though most of his male lovers died). Today, perhaps the most gay- positive view is to turn to living rooms by millions of viewers across ten cities every week. A top-rated show, Roseanne had a gay man and a lesbian in prominent recurring roles. For two seasons, Martin Mull played Roseanne's boss at the diner. This season, Sandra Bernhard, Roseanne's neighbor, has come out as a lesbian and is dating Morgan Fairchild. Two years ago L.A. Law showed promise with its bisexual lawyer CJ. After a kiss on the lips with Abby and some coy references to her sexuality, the writers wrote her out of the show.

For all of its raunchiness, the upstart Fox network has attempted to confront gay and lesbian head-on. Its highest rated movie Doing Time on Maple Drive powerfully dealt with a dysfunctional family whose son was gay. Fox's Melanie Place received a tremendous boost of publicity because of its recurring gay character; unfortunately, he has done little except wear Keith Haring T-shirts and make oblique references to his sexuality to wanting to find "someone" to love. In fact, his only friend on the show seems to be the other "marginalized character"—an African-American woman.

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Unlike the squeamish United States, Britain willingly and unflinchingly addresses gay and lesbian topics on television. The BBC brought Jonathan Winters's autobiography coming-of-age tale Oranges Are Not the Only Fruit to a small screen as well as David Levitt's The Last Language of the Cranes. But when the American America's Funniest Home Videos Playhouse in the states, Dallas pulled its funding for Playhouse. The same scenario happened several years earlier, when advertisers pulled out of a thirty-eighth episode which showed two men lying in bed, deep in mind that the men never touched.

Clearly, Hollywood is not ready for men in seminal Bennington Longtime Companion, believes that "it is probably more shocking to see intimacy between two men than it is to see sex between two men." ("Moving Picture," Entertainment Weekly, March 22, 1989, 49). Add Maupin, whose Tales of the City is being adapted by Britain's Channel 4. One of the things that enragles me is that 17 years after this appeared in a daily newspaper, Hollywood finds it too controversial. Tales of the City begins with the premise that gay people are a part of life, part of the canvas. We just couldn't find an American broadcaster to come in...they are deeply nervous about anything that is contentious." (Maupin's Dream of the Future, Set in the Past, New York Times, Tuesday, March 22, 1994, H27). And CBS airs another import which barely squeezes by American censors. Kids in the Hall, the Canadian comedy troupe, depicts gay characters in many of their sketches.

Gay culture is reaching out to everyone in all forms of American culture. Five shows currently are broadcast on Broadway: gay-themed Angels in America and Falsettos on Broadway and The Night Larry Kramer Kissed Me, The Destiny of Me, and Jeffrey off. Lesbian author Del Rey's All across the country, GARTH BROOKS HOPES FOR an ad campaign featuring an ad of gay actors as foreplay and the ad copy reads, "We shall be free." Comic superheron Northstar came out in Alpha Flight #106. Last year, the Great Games in 1994 in New York City will bring millions of dollars of revenue into the city. One of the form of pop culture that is almost inescapable, that reaches out to all communities, is advertising. This season, Sandra Bernhard has increasingly addressed the gay, lesbian and bisexual community. In June, 1993 K-Mart, home of the Jackass collection, featured two men who, while shopping for furniture, were shopping for their own home. Not to suggest that K-Mart is on the cutting edge of advertising (in fact, they deny the ad was meant to portray a gay couple), but the television spot was easily coded as gay.

Print ads often depict two men or two women together. On their own, these cannot be seen as "gay," but once the captions are added, the ad can take on a whole new meaning. A Johnny Walker ad depicted two men playing squash. The ad copy reads, "He works as hard as he plays. And he drinks Johnny Walker." In an ad for La Grande Passion, two young women touch as the ad copy blazes, "In Love. But Only One Grande Passion." The President of this company, Michel Roux, denies the lesbian theme, despite the fact that the advertisement ran in "The Gay Book," a gay guide to San Francisco.

Elton John's current hit, 'The Last Song' is "about two men because I am a gay man.

How [do] straight men deal with it? Marky Mark on the bus, 50-foot Marky Mark in Time Square, all these queer images. Does it scare them?

Calvin Klein releases perhaps the most homophobic ads. Though Klein dismisses the fact that he targets a gay audience, Marky Mark readily admits that "If it wasn't for them [the gay followers], wouldn't be as popular as I am." (Philadelphia Gay News, 3/9/93). In fact, Marky's chest-grabbing images cover most of New York City. Columnist Guy Trebay notes a conversation he overheard, "I was talking to a friend on the other side and he was saying he wondered how straight men deal with it. Marky Mark on the bus, 50-foot Marky Mark in Time Square, all these queer images. Does it scare them? Or do they find it empowering?" (Marky's Mark, Village Voice, Guy Trebay, 2/12/93: 18).

Some say the gay debate will replace abortion as the defining issue of the '90s. Gay, lesbian and bisexual issues have entered into the mainstream dialogue as gays are no longer willing to blindly accept the discrimination, biasing, homophobia, and negative images thrust upon them. They want validation—in the army, in the schools, in the media, and in popular culture.

In 1987, on the first March on Washington, the press did not cover the event, despite the numbers of people. When the anticipated 750,000 gay, lesbian and bisexual people and their friends descend on Washington on April 25 for the March, America will really see that gay has gone mainstream.

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The town of Llanw, Pennsylvania will never be the same.

Billy Douglas -- the good-looking, popular captain of the swim team -- came out to his friends, his family, and his entire church this summer. Of course, it happened on the ABC hit soap One Life To Live.

Wanting her storylines to stand out from the rest of the mind-numbing soaps, executive producer Linda Gottlieb hired Michael Malone, a former Penn professor, and decided to confront socially relevant topics head on.

One Life To Live revamped its look with more realistic sets, sounds, characters and plots. Gone are the days of one-dimensional good/bad characters. Malone's characters have depth. And they also have real life problems. In the year and a half that Malone has been on the soap, the characters have dealt with drug addiction, racism, hate, and his boldest move -- homosexuality. As Gottlieb said in an interview with The Village Voice, "The story is about everybody's freedom to love the way they want to love it.

In the past, soaps have attempted to introduce gay characters, but they never lasted. All My Children's lesbian doctor appeared briefly in 1985 and another. The World Turned had a gay character, but no plot.

One Life To Live's summer plot transcends having a gay character, but no plot. Malone's characters have depth. And they also have real life problems. In the year and a half that Malone has been on the soap, the characters have dealt with drug addiction, racism, hate, and his boldest move -- homosexuality. As Gottlieb said in an interview with The Village Voice, "The story is about everybody's freedom to love the way they want to love it.

Different characters in the storyline have come to terms with their sexuality. Ryan Phillippe, the actor who plays Allie, is gay. He didn't want to play a gay character. In the storyline, he comes to Penn on Sunday, March 21 to discuss the show. An all-day viewing of the edited gay-storyline will be available in Annenberg on Saturday, March 20.

Although not a lesbian-movie per se, features Cher as the lesbian friend of Kate Jackson, Harry Hamlin, Michael Ontkean is a successful married woman who slowly realizes she is gay and comes to terms with her sexuality. As Gottlieb said in an interview with The Village Voice, "The story is about everybody's freedom to love the way they want to love it.

At first, Ryan Phillippe, the actor tapped to play the confused Billy Douglas, seemed rather uncomfortable about the notion of playing a gay character. In the interviews he conducted as the storyline got underway this summer, Phillippe always mentioned that he was straight and that Billy would not have a boyfriend. But then across America wrote to him, came out to him. The visible Billy Douglas had an effect on American gay youth as a positive role model. Although the storyline culminated with a visit to the AIDS quilt in September, Billy returned in February with a boyfriend, and it looks like he'll be back this summer.

ANOTHER COUNTRY
British spy Guy Burgess' early life growing up in a strict male boarding school where his discreet affair with another student leads to humiliation.

THE BOYS IN THE BAND
First mainstream motion picture to deal with the topic of homosexuality. Emphasizes stereotypes and unhappiness in the gay community.

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Derek Jarman's interpretation of Christopher Marlowe's classic play about the monarch who rebelled his wife Isabella for a young man.

THE EVERLASTING FAMILY SECRET
A gay child in an Australian family.

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The lesbianism is sanitized in the movie version, but it's still there to the with-it viewer. Look for Tomatoes on UTV this week!

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A cult film among lesbians for its electric depiction of the relationship between two young women who meet in a mental hospital and later escape together.

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TAXI ZUM KLO
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TIMES SQUARE
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In addition, there are also numerous national publications including The Advocate, Christopher Street, Downey, Genre, Out, and Outlook. Although the Village Voice is not a gay newspaper, it is extremely gay-positive. Also check out a copy of the Shocking Grays Catalogue which is gay-owned and specifically targeted for the lesbian, gay and bisexual community.

Most of these publications are available in the LGFA office, Afterwords and Giovanni's Room.
A Look at University and City Resources for the Lesbian, Gay and Bisexual Community and Their Friends

CAMPUS LESBIAN, GAY, AND BISEXUAL GROUPS

GAY AND LESBIAN ALUMNI
801-4261
PennGALA provides social and educational events for lesbian, gay and bisexual alumni as well as support for current students. The group maintains a confidential mailing list and hosts a semi-annual newsletter.

GAY AND LESBIAN BISEXUAL
UNION AT THE UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA MEDICAL CENTER
896-9533, PO Box 118 Medical Education Building, 36th and Hamilton Walk
Open to students, house staff, physicians and other affiliated faculty and staff, the group meets for pot-luck dinners and discussions, works to represent the concerns and lesbian, gay and bisexual students about the curriculum and the academic environment, and sponsors educational programs throughout the year. All contact with the group is on a strictly confidential basis.

GAY AND LESBIAN LAW STUDENTS ASSOCIATION
896-5444
Tries to combat the sense of isolation which many gay/lesbian/bisexual law students feel. Holds informal meetings with other lesbian, gay and bisexual law school students.

GRADUATE AND PROFESSIONAL WOMEN’S ORGANIZATION
896-5611
A social, academic and political support network for graduate/professional women, the GPWO holds bi-monthly meetings and sponsors a feminist, graduate/professional women’s social gathering place and tries to increase visibility of sexual minority people at the school.

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SISTER-SISTER
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This is a social and educational organization for black woman, students, staff and faculty. Contact Gloria Gay at the Women’s Center in Houston Hall.

HEALTH, COUNSELING, AND SUPPORT SERVICES

OFFICE OF AFFIRMATIVE ACTION
892-4692, 892-7603 (TDD) Suite 113B, 4020 Spruce St
This office monitors the University’s equal opportunity and affirmative action policy and programs. The staff is available for consultation in regard to the application or possible violation of the policy.

FACILITIES LEARNING ABOUT
SEXUAL HEALTH (FLASH)
533-3252, Office of Health Education, 3rd Floor, Houston Hall
Provides educational group focusing on issues of sexuality transmitting diseases, AIDS, awareness, and contraception. To schedule workshops or for more information, contact Kate Webster, Advisor.

GAY AND LESBIAN PEER COUNSELING (GLPC)
896-5845 or 336-6110 Christian Association, 3601 Locust Walk, Room 4 Mon. - Thurs., 4:00 - 10:00 p.m. Friday, 4:00 - 7:00 p.m.
Strictly confidential, fee and telephone in counseling, provided by trained and supervised peer counselors. Referrals for professional counseling available. Call the office for information or coming out or other issues of lesbians, gay, and bisexual concern.

LESBIAN, GAY, BISEXUAL ALLIANCE
896-5270, 243 Houston Hall
A group consisting primarily of undergraduates, the LGBA provides a supportive environment for those questioning their sexual identity. The group meets every Thursday at 7:30 p.m. in the Graduate Lounge (announcements are followed by informal discussions about contemporary issues in the lesbian, gay, and bisexual community and socializing). The place to be on the third Friday of every month is the LGBA Dance at the Gold Standard Café (9 p.m. - 2 a.m.). Mark your calendars now for the remaining dances (March 19, April 16, May 21). We also serve as a link to the University for issues concerning the lesbian, gay and bisexual community. Everyone is invited to stop by our office in Houston Hall (Room 243) or give us a call to find out about upcoming events or just to talk.

LESBIAN, GAY, BISEXUAL SOCIAL WORKERS AT PENN
896-5444
LGB-SWAP holds periodic meetings and discussions about issues facing lesbian, gay, and bisexual social workers and clients. They also address the sexual minority content in the School of Social Work’s curriculum. The group also serves as a social gathering place and tries to increase visibility of sexual minority people at the school.

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Buddhist Study Group of PANJ
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A small, non-sectarian group interested in exploring the entire range of Buddhist teaching and its relevance to our lives. Although the focus of the group is on the gay and lesbian community, we welcome anyone with an interest in Buddhism is welcome. A bi-monthly newsletter is available.

Calvary United Methodist Church
724-1702, 815 S. 48th St.
A welcoming community welcoming of lesbian and gay members. Calvary UMC also sponsors Morain’s Tambourine Coffee House for women.

Church of St. Luke and the Epiphany
723-1702, 350 S. 18th St.
Episcopal.

Congregational Beth Ahavah
923-5603, PO Box 7656, Philadelphia, PA 19101 or 8010 St. Kitts Walk at noon to go out for lunch and Pine Social hour follows mass. Second Sunday of each month, “Focus on Women Sunday.”

Emergence International
(415) 685-1881, PO Box 581, Kenfield, CA 94914-0581
A support and educational organization of lesbian and gay Christians. Bi-monthly publication Emerge!

Evangelical Concerned
752-3882, 1730 Webster St.
Evangelical.

First Unitarian Church
563-3980, First Unitarian Church, 2125 Chestnut St.
Unitarian. Large contingent of lesbian, gay and bisexual members as well as affirmative action outreach programs. Sunday service at 11:00 a.m.

Integrity
382-0794, Church of the Holy Trinity, 1904 Walnut St.
Episcopalian.

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537-8893, PO Box 8893, Philadelphia, PA 19144
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Metroitan Community Church
563-6601, 2125 Chestnut St.
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Religious Institutions

Affirmation
335 Grove Road, East Aurora NY 14052
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Harrisburg, PA 17102
United Methodist for Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual and Lesbian organizations in the 1950s, 1960s is the tenth anniversary of the founding of the Union.

Brehm/Mennonite Council for Lesbian and Gay Concerns
844-2882
A support/social group for lesbians and gays with religious or ethnic connections to the Mennonite, Brethren, and other Anabaptist-rooted denominations.

Dignity
546-5545, PO Box 5345, Philadelphia, PA 19105
Catholic.

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First Unitarian Church
563-3980, First Unitarian Church, 2125 Chestnut St.
Unitarian. Large contingent of lesbian, gay and bisexual members as well as affirmative action outreach programs. Sunday service at 11:00 a.m.

Integrity
382-0794, Church of the Holy Trinity, 1904 Walnut St.
Episcopalian.

Lutheran Concerned
537-8893, PO Box 8893, Philadelphia, PA 19144
Lutherans.

Metroitan Community Church
563-6601, 2125 Chestnut St.
Christian. Sunday worship at 7:00 p.m. “Where God’s people do not discriminate.”

Resource Guide
PHILADELPHIA YEARLY MEETING
985-1456. PO Box 58484 Philadelphia, PA 19102-8484
An educational group supporting freedom from religion and promoting the constitutional principle of separation of religion and government.

TABBERNACLE UNITED CHURCH
386-4100. Tabernacle United Church, 3700 Chestnut St. Philadelphia.
Welcomes all into full participation. Sunday service at 11:00 a.m. at 5100 Chestnut St.

UNITARIAN UNIVERSALISTS FOR LIBERATION AND GAY CONCERNS
872-6733
UNITED CHURCH COALITION FOR GAY CONCERNS
787-7714. PO Box 24005. Philadelphia, PA 19118
United Church of Christ.

YOUNG MEN AND WOMEN CHRISTIAN AND SPIRITUAL CLUB
735-2833

ADVOCACY AND POLITICAL ACTION
AMERICAN CIVIL LIBERTIES UNION (ACLU)
592-1513. (Fax: 592-1543). For AIDS Project. Ask for ext. 17. PO Box 1121, 125 South 9th Street, Suite 701
A non-profit, non-partisan organization devoted to protecting the basic civil liberties of all Americans. The ACLU has worked on behalf of gay, lesbian, and bisexual communities to promote equality and to protect the basic civil liberties of all Americans. It is the only organization that has been successful in all areas of the Supreme Court.

CUSTODY ACTION FOR LESBIAN MOTHERS
667-7508.

EAST COAST BISEXUAL NETWORK, INC.
617-247-6693. 338 Newbury St., Suite 23C, Boston, MA 02115
An umbrella organization for East Coast bisexual groups, providing referrals to local groups and publishing an International Directory, brochures, and bibliographies.

HUMAN RIGHTS CAMPAIGN FUND
(215) 564-3451 or (202) 638-4160
1012 14th Street NW, Suite 600, Washington, DC 20005
The nation's largest lesbian and gay rights organization. HRCF is engaged in political action, lobbying, and coalition mobilization at the federal level.

LESBIAN AND GAY PRIDE OF THE DELAWARE VALLEY, INC.
829-9275. PO Box 395, Philadelphia, PA, 19105
Producers of the Philadelphia Pride Parade and Festival in June and the Coming Out Day Block Party in October.

LOG CABIN
563-8283
A national organization of gay Republicans, the Log Cabin Club fights for gay rights and other issues within the Republican Party.

MAYORS COMMISSION ON SEXUAL MINORITIES
686-2171. 1220 Sansom Street
A city department which seeks to combat prejudice and discrimination against sexual minorities both within the City government's governmental process and in society at large.

MEN OF ALL COLORS TOGETHER
244-2216

NATIONAL GAY AND LESBIAN TASK FORCE
202-323-6483. 1734 14th Street NW, Washington DC 20009
NGLTF lobbies, organizes, educates, and demonstrates for full Gay and Lesbian civil rights and equality.legism's keynote speaker. Urshelle Vaid, was the former executive director of this organization. Vaid speaks on Thursday, March 25 at 7:30 p.m. in Logan 17. Admission is free. For more information about Vaid, see page 3.

NATIONAL ORGANIZATION FOR WOMEN (NOW)
212-962-6049. 1218 Chestnut Street, Suite 308
NOW is the nation's largest women's rights organization. Its purpose is to attain full equality for women through legislative work, education, and community organizing.

PARENTS AND FRIENDS OF LESBIANS AND GAYS (PFLAG)
573-1836. PO Box 15711, Philadelphia 19103
A support and educational group for parents and friends. Coming out workshops, a newsletter, and numerous publications are offered. This is a wonderful place for parents of gays, lesbians, and bisexuals to discuss their feelings with people sharing experiences and life stories. We welcome and encourage you to attend a meeting and see if this is what you need.

PRIDE OF PHILADELPHIA ELECTION COMMITTEE
625-9477. 254 South 11th St. • 2216
A political action committee for the political empowerment of gays and lesbians in Philadelphia. Call for date and location of meetings.

SEXUAL MINORITY YOUTH
RUNDOWN OF THE FOLKLADE YOUTH ORGANIZATION
545-8585. CO Philadelphia Community Health Alternatives, 1642 Pine St.

TEENAGERS' ACTION GROUP OF PHILADELPHIA
575-9700

UNITY, INC.
977-7062. (Fax: 977-8565). 119 North Broad St.
Established to serve as a positive voice for self-empowerment for the African-American gay, lesbian, bisexual, and transgendered communities of the Philadelphia area.

VOICES OF DIVERSITY
646-2297
A volunteer gay lesbian bisexual and transgendered speaking group dedicated to dispelling the myths and stereotypes perpetuated by homophobia and heterosexism.

WAGES DUE LESBIANS
1-800-1066
PO Box 11795, Philadelphia 19107
An international movement of women campaigning for recognition of and an end to the discrimination experienced by women whose earnings are not covered by laws amending the Fair Labor Standards Act.

WOMEN'S ALLIANCE FOR JOB EQUALITY
561-1873
1422 Chestnut Street, Suite 1100
A non-profit organization dedicated to improving economic and workplace conditions for women in the Delaware Valley by direct service, public education, peer support, and advocacy.

BOOKSTORES
AFTERWORDS
735-2393. 218 South 12th Street
A gay-owned book, magazine, and card shop.

BORDERS BOOK SHOP & ESPRESSO BAR
568-7460/Fax: 568-7466. 1727 Walnut St.
Borders keeps growing! Over 2,700 titles and periodicals in stock and offers an extensive collection of gay and lesbian literature.

GIOVANNI'S ROOM
625-9477. 254 South 11th St.
Gay positive bookstore near Penn Campus.

UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA BOOKSTORE
568-7556. 2729 Locust Walk
Our own bookstore has an extensive lesbian, gay, and bisexual studies section.

WOODEN SHOE BOOKS
569-2477. 112 South 26th St.
An all-volunteer, anti-profit, queer-friendly book and magazine shop. Hours of operation fit the schedule of the volunteer staff.

BARS AND CLUBS
BACKSTAGE
627-9887. 4th and South St.
BIKE STOP
627-1962. 206 S. Quince St.
Leather Dance Bar.
BLACK BANANA
925-4453. 3rd and Race St.
BJ's
747-4953. 53rd and Market St.
CR BAR
352-9762. 6405 Market St.
HEPBURNS
545-8808. 254 S. 11th St.
Women's dance bar and restaurant.
KEY WEST
545-1756. 207 S. Juniper St.
Dance Bar.
MBA Club
352-9846. 6405 Market St.
Private after hours.
POST
985-5720. 1705 Cheltenham St.
RAFFLES
545-9846. 243 S. Camden St.
Pico country dance bar.
REVIVAL
627-4825. 22 S. 3rd St.
RODZ
546-1900. 1418 Rodman St.
Restaurant, piano bar.
247 BAR
545-9779. 247 S. 17th St.
TWO FOUR CLUB
732-4377. 204 S. Camac St.
Private after hours dance bar.
TYZ
546-1495. 1418 Rodman St.
Private after hours.
UNCLES
546-6660. 1220 Locust.
VENTURE INN
545-8371. 255 S. Camden St.

SOCIAL, SUPPORT, AND SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS
ADODI
PO Box 15912, Philadelphia, PA 19143.
A black gay men's support group.

ALLEGRO
PO Box 4245. Philadelphia, PA 19144-0245.
An Italian-language lesbian and gay social organization.

ARTEMIS MOTORCYCLE CLUB
326-8112
Women's motorcycle club.

BIUNTY
781-FONE. PO Box 42106, Philadelphia, PA 19106.
A social group for bisexual men and women and friends which sponsors outings, dances, discussion groups, and a newsletter.

BUILDING PERSPECTIVES
790-0192
Gay and lesbian architects, designers, and building professionals.

CITY OF BROTHERLY LOVE SOFTBALL LEAGUE
238-2424. CBHL. PO Box 53836, Philadelphia, PA 19105
10th anniversary season. Over 150 gay and lesbian players and fans. New players of all skill levels are invited for games, social events, or other activities.

DELAWARE VALLEY COUPLES
639-0144. PO Box 553, Collingwood, NJ 08215
A social and education group which provides space for homogamous, long-term couples to interact.

DESERESTADOFROMTHISSIDE
455-0157. 732 West Nedro Avenue
A gay/bisexual Latinate writers' collective and annual journal of the same name. The objective is to promote Latin-American literature from emerging writers in Latin America in the U.S.

DEUTSCHE GRUPPE
625-4874
A German language gay and lesbian social organization.

FEMALE TROUBLE
782-6808. PO Box 2284. Philadelphia, PA 19103
A social and educational group for women interested in S&M and leather. Safe, sane and consensual.

FRONTRUNNERS
545-6090. PO Box 30115. Philadelphia, PA 19103
Philadelphia branch of the International Network of Gay and Lesbian Runners. Fun running every week up to five milers as well as other running events and social activities.

GAMMA (GAY AND BISEXUAL MARRIED MEN'S ASSOCIATION)
878-5909. PO Box 2137. Bala Cynwyd, PA 19004
A peer support group for gay and bisexual men who are now in, have been in, or contemplating a relationship with a woman. Peer support group meets second and fourth Wednesday of each month at 7:30 p.m. at George Place (201 S. Camac St.).

GLOW
487-7737 or (609) 993-2947. PO Box 33154. Philadelphia, PA 19128
A social organization for lesbians over age 35.

GREATER RUNDOWN OF WOMEN PROFESSIONALS (GROWP)
PO Box 4257. Philadelphia, PA 19144
A social organization for lesbian professionals.
TEA TIME 552-8700 (multilingual). C/O Asian Americans United. 601 Arch St.

WOMEN INVOLVED WITH GAYS 732-5400

AIDS SERVICES

ACTIONAIDS 981-0088. 1216 Arch Street, 4th Floor. A French-language group with a newsletter. 2030 Fitzwater Street.

AIDS ACTIVITIES COORDINATING OFFICE 606-1860. 1206 Sansom Street, 7th Floor. A group for black individuals.

AIDS COALITION TO UNLEASH POWER (ACT UP) 372-7121. PO Box 1591, Midtown Station, Philadelphia. 19103. ACT-UP is a non-profit organization which provides services to individuals with AIDS in the Philadelphia area. It was established in 1987.

ALIANCE: MANNA 486-2562. PO Box 3019, Philadelphia, PA 19103. MANNA provides a hot, nutritious meal each weekday free of charge to homopaphile people with AIDS in Philadelphia.

THE NAMES PROJECT 965-1390. PO Box 12955, Philadelphia, PA 19103. The project seeks to illustrate the enormity of the AIDS epidemic, provide a positive and creative means of expression, raise vital funds and encourage support. General meetings are every second Thursday of each month from 6:30 to 6:00 PM. Noms are held at The People (1233 South Broad Street).

PHILADELPHIA AIDS TASK FORCE 545-6866. 1642 Pine St. Provides client services, intervention, and educational services (case management, referrals, testing, counseling, and risk education programs).

PHILADELPHIA ENDOWMENT FOR AIDS 569-1444.

PROGRAMA ESPERUEZ 228-3580.

PLANIFIED PARENTHOOD 351-5500. 1144 Locust St. Extensive range of services and books.

PROGRAMA ESPERUEZ DE CONGRESO DE LATINOS UNIDOS, INC. 763-8870. 713 W. Thompson St. Latin AIDS outreach program

SAFEguardS 923-5937. 31 North 3rd St.

A volunteer organization created to increase AIDS awareness via safer sex workshops and distribution.

THRIFT FOR AIDS 992-9014. 530 S. 5th St. 12:00-6:00 p.m., every day. Volunteers staff this store in which the proceeds are distributed among AIDS organizations in the Philadelphia area. Services include testing, counseling and referrals. Call to volunteer your time or pick up and don some shopping. See Page 6.

U.S. DEPT. OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES - OFFICE OF CIVIL RIGHTS (AIDS PROJECT) 596-0814

WE THE PEOPLE LIVING WITH HIV/AIDS of the Delaware Valley 545-6868. 425 South Broad St. We The People's services include a PWABiz Project, support group, and encouragement. Contact them to learn more about HIV/AIDS.

ANKONOMICAL HIV TESTING SITES

The University - Student Health Services - does not currently offer free anonymous testing, only confidential testing which means that anyone with access to your medical record would see that you had an HIV test performed, but could not know the result. We strongly encourage everyone who would like an HIV test to go to one of the centers listed below where your identity can remain unknown. Student Health can also refer you to an anonymous site.

BEBASHI NORTH 546-4140. 1206 Walnut St.

CONSORTIUM 596-8077. 451 University Ave (Across from the VA Hospital)

DISTRICT HEALTH CENTER 1 875-6560. 500 South Broad Street (at Lombard)

PHILADELPHIA COMMUNITY HEALTH ALTERNATIVES 735-1911. 1642 Pine Street.

PHILADELPHIA/FLIGHT 593-2672. 419 South 19th Street.

PROGRAMA ESPERUEZ DE CONGRESO DE LATINOS UNIDOS, INC. 763-8870. 713 W. Thompson St. Latin AIDS outreach program

HOTLINES

GAY SWITCHBOARD OF PHILADELPHIA 546-7100

INFORMATION ABOUT GAY OWNED AND OPERATED BUSINESSES, REFERRALS FOR MEDICAL, LEGAL, AND OTHER SERVICES.

GAY AND LESBIAN PEER COUNSELING 898-8888 or 368-6110

CHOICE HOTLINE 992-0588 Information about birth control, AIDS, and other sexually transmitted diseases.

HOTLINE FOR ABUSED WOMEN 739-9999

LESBIAN HOTLINE OF PHILADELPHIA 222-5110

Mon-Thu 6:00-9:00 p.m.

NATIONAL AIDS HOTLINE 1-800-342-AIDS

NATIONAL GAY AND LESBIAN TASK FORCE AIDS Information Line 1-800-221-7044

PENNSYLVANIA AIDS HOTLINE 1-800-492-7254

PHILADELPHIA AIDS TASK FORCE 545-6866

PHILADELPHIA GAY AND LESBIAN TASK FORCE - ANTI-VIOLENCE HOTLINE 563-4511

SUICIDE CRISIS INTERVENTION 600-4420

TEL-A-WOMAN 563-5859

Information regarding events and services of interest to women.

WOMEN AGAINST ABUSE 386-7777

WOMEN IN TRANSITION 829-1976

WOMEN ORGANIZED AGAINST RAPE (WORA) 922-3341

WOMEN'S SWITCHBOARD 543-8599

US PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICE AIDS HOTLINE 1-800-342-AIDS

COMMUNITY BULLETIN BOARD SYSTEMS

CLUB 69 BBS 533-6902

HOTLINE BBS 625-3859

STREET ACADEMY BBS 551-0557
# CALENDAR OF EVENTS

For more info, stop by the LGBA office at 243 Houston Hall or call 898-5270.

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<td><strong>Harvey Fierstein</strong>&lt;br&gt;Playwright, actor, director, activist, four-time Tony Award Winner kicks off the week with his performance, &quot;Oy Vey! My Son is Gay!&quot; 7:00 pm Irvine Auditorium 34th and Spruce. Free to all students and PennCard Holders, $5 general admission. Save your ticket stub for $1 off at the LGBA Dance to follow.</td>
<td><strong>&quot;One Weekend to Live&quot;</strong>&lt;br&gt;Saturday: Marathon screening of the summer storyline dealing with coming out, gay bashing, discrimination, AIDS and homophobia in the hit ABC daytime drama &quot;One Life to Live.&quot; 9 am to 9 pm, Annenberg School, Room 109&lt;br&gt;Sunday: Discuss the issues surrounding the plot with head writer and former Penn professor Mike Malone and stars Ryan Phillippe (Billy) and Wortham Krimmer (Rev. Andrew). 1 pm, Annenberg 109.</td>
<td><strong>Jewish Lesbians: Integrating Identities</strong>&lt;br&gt;A workshop led by Irena Klepfisz on the multiple loyalties facing Jews and lesbians and other minority cultures. Klepfisz will draw upon her own experiences as a Jewish lesbian in America. 4:30 pm, Smith Penniman Room Houston Hall. Reception to follow.</td>
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<td><strong>Kickoff Dance Celebration</strong>&lt;br&gt;Continue the night’s festivities from 9 pm 'til 2 am at the LGBA Dance at the Gold Standard Cafe (36th and Locust) following Fierstein's speech. Admission $5, $4 for all students. Save your Fierstein ticket stub for $1 off.</td>
<td><strong>Movies, Movies, Movies</strong>&lt;br&gt;Watch for movies all week long on UTJ!</td>
<td><strong>Protecting Ourselves</strong>&lt;br&gt;A workshop led by an Amulis Women's Self Defense Group Instructor for lesbian, gay and bisexual people. 6:00 pm, Irvine Auditorium Lobby.</td>
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<td><strong>&quot;My Best Friend is Gay...&quot;</strong>&lt;br&gt;Members of the Greek community at Penn discuss how to foster a supportive atmosphere for lesbian, gay and bisexual friends. 8:30 pm, The Castle (36th and Locust).</td>
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<td><strong>Penn Women’s Dinner</strong>&lt;br&gt;PEARL and the Penn Women's Center serve a catered vegetarian dinner to be followed by a women's movie night for lesbian, bisexual and questioning women. 6:00 pm, Bowl Room Houston Hall. RSVP in advance to Women's Center 898-8611.</td>
<td><strong>Jeans Day!</strong>&lt;br&gt;All faculty, staff, and students are asked to throw on their favorite pair of jeans in support of equal rights for gay, lesbian, and bisexual people.</td>
<td><strong>Women's Safer Sex / S&amp;M Workshop</strong>&lt;br&gt; Thursday: Female Trouble presents a seminar on safe sex and S&amp;M techniques. 5:30 pm, Houston Hall.</td>
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<td><strong>Religious Gaybashing</strong>&lt;br&gt;Rev. Beverley Dale of the Christian Association leads a discussion about the rise of homophobia from the religious right. 7:00 pm, Christian Association (36th and Locust)</td>
<td><strong>RALLY ON COLLEGE GREEN!</strong>&lt;br&gt;Hear students, faculty, staff, and alumni speak out for lesbian, gay and bisexual rights. Noon on the Green.</td>
<td><strong>Keynote Urvashi Vaid</strong>&lt;br&gt;Thursday: The former executive director of the National Gay and Lesbian Task Force will speak on the state of our struggle for equal rights. 7:30 pm, Logan Hall Room 17.</td>
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<td><strong>Frank Browning</strong>&lt;br&gt;Hot off the press! The Lesbian and Gay Academic Union and Giovanni's Room present author Browning's discussion of whether gay men really have their own culture. 7:30 pm, Ben Franklin Room Houston Hall.</td>
<td><strong>Audre Lorde: A Celebration of Her Life and Work</strong>&lt;br&gt;Join emcee Cheryl Clarke and poets Julie Blackwomon and Becky Birtha for memorial tribute to Audre Lorde: black lesbian feminist activist. Panelists will read from their own works as well as Lorde's. Discussion and reception to follow. 7:00 pm, Bowl Room Houston Hall.</td>
<td><strong>Wrap Up Celebration</strong>&lt;br&gt;Friday: The LGBA office (243 Houston Hall) will be open 9 to 5 for anyone with any questions. Stop by for details of the party this evening.</td>
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