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#### **Pride 2011 Needs a Few Good Performers!**

With two stages going during the day-long Sacramento Gay Pride Festival on Saturday, June 4, organizers are looking for singers, dancers, musicians and other entertainers.

Street performers such as magicians, jugglers, stilt walkers and acrobats are also welcome.

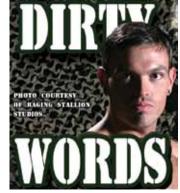
Send links to samples of your work, website, relevant information and contact person by March 25 to pride@sacramentopride.org.

For 26 years, Sacramento Pride has been the main fund-raising source for local gay services such as the Sacramento Gay & Lesbian Center's legal clinic, Lavender Angels, Q-Deaf, homelessness and Speaker's Bureau as well as peer programs for families, youth, 20-somethings, transgender, people with HIV/AIDS, men, women and bisexuals.

The Sacramento Gay & Lesbian Center serves the lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender community of the greater Sacramento region by providing space, diverse programming, advocacy and awareness in an affirmative and safe environment.

For more information, contact the Center at 916-442-0185 or pride@sacramentopride.org.

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#### Dear Outword.

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**Clint Vigen, Board President Lavender Library, Archives & Cultural Exchange** 

## **Sacramento G&L Center Announces Interim Executive Director**

he Sacramento Gay and Lesbian Center Board of Directors has announced the appointment of Sara Freid as the interim Executive Director of the Center.



Freid has recently served as the Treasurer of the Board and has stepped down from this position to serve as interim Executive Director, replacing the current executive director Wendy Rae Hill.

Freid has worked exclusively with nonprofits for the past 14 years and has extensive experience in development, budgeting, program planning and oversight, volunteer coordinating, organizational and policy development, writing and editing and outreach.

"I am honored to be named the interim Executive Director and am appreciative that Wendy has done so much work moving the Center forward during her time as Executive Director. I will work diligently to ensure that this forward momentum is maintained," said Freid.

Freid lives in Midtown Sacramento with her wife, Marlene Shire-Anderson.

"Sara Freid is very qualified to take on this role and the Board has confidence in her experience and track record as a nonprofit staff member and consultant," said Gail Mancarti, the center's board president. "The Board of Directors was happy to have someone with Sara's qualifications on the board and appreciate her willingness to fill this interim role."

For more information about the Center please visit www.saccenter.org .



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# Calif. AG Says Lift The Stay On Decision Overturning Prop 8

Commentary by Boyce Hinman

n a very interesting development, California Attorney General Kamala Harris has submitted La brief to the 9th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals asking it to lift its stay on a U.S. Circuit Court Judge's decision regarding Proposition 8.

Early last year, U.S. Circuit Judge Vaughn Walker overturned Proposition 8. He said its ban on same-sex marriage violates the U.S. Constitution and ordered the State of California to immediately start issuing marriage licenses to same-sex couples.

However, the supporters of Prop 8 appealed to the 9th U.S. Circuit of Appeals asking it to overturn Walker's decision, and urging it to put his decision on hold (to stay the decision) until all the appeals in the case had been completed. The Court of Appeals did issue a stay on the lower court's decision.

Several parties that support same-sex marriage (San Francisco, among others) urged the court to remove the stay. That was expected, but this brief from the Calif. Attorney General adds a whole new element to the case.

Ierry Brown, when he was Calif. Attorney General, refused to intervene in the case. The supporters of Proposition 8 thought he should have since it is part of the state constitution. They have made some efforts in court asking the court to require California's Governor and Attorney General to support the proposition. So far, that has not happened.

They have also introduced a bill (SB 5) in the California legislature to require the Attorney General to defend initiative statutes, such as Proposition 8.

In her brief, Harris notes that the 9th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals has asked the California Supreme

Court to advise it on one aspect of the case: who has standing to appeal Vaughn's ruling? The California Supreme Court does not even plan to hold hearings on that issue until next September.

In her brief, Harris noted that President Obama and the U.S. Attorney General think the U.S. Defense of Marriage Act, which bans recognition of same sex marriage by the U.S. government, is unconstitutional. That, says Harris, adds to the likelihood that Proposition 8, which bans same-sex marriage in California, will eventually be overturned completely by the courts.

Harris also maintained that the stay on the lower court's decision is not needed because no tangible harm will be done to those who support Proposition 8 if the stay is lifted. Nor will any tangible harm be done to opposite sex married couples if the stay is lifted.

On the other hand, leaving the stay in place does harm same-sex couples. It denies them their constitutional right to marry. Given all the above, she says, same-sex couples should not be asked to wait while the courts likely come to that conclusion.

It will be interesting to see how the 9th U.S. Court of Appeals responds to this brief.

Boyce Hinman is the founder of the California Communities United Institute. He can be reached at b. hinman@calcomui.org or calcomui.org

#### **Vandals Deface Hollywood UMC Sign – Again**



For the second time in just over a month, vandals have tried to take the equality out of marriage by defacing a sign outside the United **Methodist Church in** Hollywood. Church members vow to continue their fight for marriage equality, reiterating that you can cut equality out of their sign, but not out of their message. Visit HollywoodUMC.org

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# **Putting on the Ritz**

Sacramento celebrated the Oscars in high fashion on Sunday, Feb. 27. Hosted by the Capital City AIDS Fund, it was with one of the most successful Oscar Night Sacramento in many years, and was emceed by Melissa Crowley & Guy Ferris of News10's Sacramento & Co. Photos by Larry Lauszus, Photography by Larry, and Charles Peer.











## **15th Annual HIV Drug Guide Now Available**

The 15th Annual Positively Aware HIV Drug Guide, widely recognized throughout the Lecountry as the "must-have" reference tool for HIV service providers and consumers alike, is now available.



There are 28 FDA-approved HIV therapies to choose from, and finding the right regimen is more important now than ever before. The Positively Aware HIV Drug Guide provides vital information to individuals living with HIV as well as their caregivers on how best to manage their treatment.

This issue of *Positively Aware* 

includes a full page devoted exclusively to each approved HIV medication, along with two experimental medications expected to be approved later this year.

The Positively Aware HIV Drug Chart is sponsored once again this vear by Walgreens, and includes dosing information as well as food and liquid requirements for each

drug. Readers will also find tips in the Drug Guide on how to take the medications, plus detailed information on side effects, drug interactions, HIV drugs in the pipeline and more.

This year's HIV Drug Guide also has an updated and expanded article on HIV drug co-pay and patient assistance programs being offered by many pharmaceutical companies, including an easy to read chart, plus information on AIDS Drug Assistance Programs, Medicare and Medicaid.

"It's so vitally important that people know that there is help available when accessing and paying for treatment," says Positively Aware Editor Jeff Berry. There is no reason in this day and age why someone should ever have to go without or interrupt their treatment solely based on an inability to pay for their prescription drugs or co-pays, or because they cannot afford health insurance."

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# **SVGLS Sets Plans for Next Season**

The Sacramento Valley Gay and Lesbian Softball League (SVGLS) is well underway L for their new season, having elected a new Board of Directors and announcing plans for several upcoming softball clinics and fundraisers.



The Sacramento Valley Gay and Lesbian Softball League's new Board (I-r) Bob Moore, Dan Hernandez, George Raya, Robby Woodward, Adam Hennessy, Loren Magana, Doug Tucker, Bradley Tompkins and Devina Sloan (not pictured.)

The League held elections for the new board on Saturday, February 26. and the new Directors and Officers are: Commissioner Bob Moore; Vice Commissioner Dan Hernandez; Treasurer Robby Woodward; Secretary Bradley Tompkins; Membership Coordinator Douglas Tucker; and Board Members Loren Magana, Devina Sloan, Adam Hennessy and George Raya.

The Board is currently preparing for the upcoming spring/summer league, and have scheduled their first clinic for new and returning players at Grant Park on March 26, from 9 a.m. to noon. All new players should plan on attending this clinic.

The League will also hold its first "Bases Loaded Beer Bust" fundraiser and meet and greet at The Bolt on March, 19, from 2 - 5 p.m. Everyone is welcome to attend and support the league. The charge for the beer bust/soda bust is \$10 and thanks to the generosity of Kenny and his staff at The Bolt, includes a free all you can eat BBQ.

You can find out more about the League on their Facebook page.

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# **Bill Introduced To Create Tiered Sex** Offender Registration

bill creating a tiered registration system for sex research both agree that not all sex offenders in California has been introduced by Assemblymember Tom Ammiano (D-SF) and is based on the recommendations of the California Sex Offender Management Board.

California is one of only four states (Alabama, Florida, South Carolina) that require lifetime registration for all convicted sex offenders regardless of offense. Ammiano's bill, AB 625 is designed to address that problem and other issues regarding the registration of sex offenders.

The members of the California Sex Offender Management Board, created in 2006 by Governor Schwarzenegger to improve policies and practices regarding the management of sex offenders, have recommended that California rethink its registration policies and move toward a smarter approach

based on solid information about what is effective in managing sex offenders.

"With the skyrocketing costs of corrections in California, we need to base our management and enforcement of sex offenders on the research and data available rather than emotion," said Ammiano in a released statement. "This means focusing our efforts and resources on the most dangerous offenders to ensure that the registry achieves its primary goal - to keep our children and communities safe."

According to the Board's statement, common sense and solid

offenders pose the same degree of risk of re-offending and many pose verv little risk.

"California needs to modify its current policy and start devoting our limited resources to those individuals who pose the greatest risk of re-offending," said Tom Tobin, Ph.D., California Sex Offender Management Board Vice-Chair. "Unless one accepts the myth that 'all sex offenders are alike,' there can be no defensible justification for treating them all the same and requiring lifetime registration for each and every convicted sex offender. This puts an increasing burden on law enforcement and does not make our communities any safer."

For the full Sex Offender Management Board report, visit www.casomb.org and click on

# **New Bill Seeks to Strengthen Protections for Transgenders**

new bill that would strengthen employment, housing and other nondiscrimination laws **▲**by amending existing state laws to explicitly enumerate protections based on gender identity and gender expression has been introduce in the Assembly.

AB 887, was introduced by Assemblymember Toni Atkins (D-San Diego) on Feb. 18, and is sponsored by Equality California and the Transgender Law Center.

"California's non-discrimination laws guarantee equal protection under the law for all people," said Atkins. "It is critically important for employers, housing authorities and everyone to have clear guidance on California codes.

how these protections are implemented."

AB 887 takes existing protections based on gender identity and expression and enumerates them as protected categories in nondiscrimination laws. In addition, the bill clarifies that gender identity and expression are included in the definition of gender and sex in all

"Existing non-discrimination laws are confusing and vague for employers, housing authorities and others who bear the responsibility of ensuring that the laws are enforced," said Equality California Executive Director Geoff Kors. "This bill would reduce the harms caused by discrimination by inserting language into state law that is direct and easily understood. In addition, by being clear about what the law requires, it will reduce litigation and costs to employers, landlords and others." California non-discrimination

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## **Help Offered for Single Men Considering Fatherhood**

ll too often, single men discount and write off their dream of parenthood: "I gave up that dream;" "I can't adopt as a single man." However, a new program is offering information and support for single men who want children.

411-4-Dad is a program providing toll-free support to single men who are interested in becoming a father. After years of hearing from men who gave up the dream of parenting based on false information, founder and CEO Brian I. Tessier established the Portland, Maine based toll-free support line.

There is far too much systemic

misinformation about single parent adoption, which has become urban myth," said Tessier. "These systemic legends now are an impediment to single men who want to adopt and don't know how, or think it is simply not an option."

411-4-Dad is meant to address those issues with answers from volunteer single dads who are

parenting. Additionally, with legislation before at least two states seeking to ban single parent adoption, correct information is imperative.

"As gender roles and norms change, many men who are single find themselves in a position of wanting to parent but thinking they can't," said Tessier. "Nothing could be further from the truth. There are many children awaiting loving homes. These children are of all ages, genders, races and abilities."

For more information, visit Tessier's non-profit WeHearTheChildren.org or call 411-4-Dad (1-855-411-4-DAD.

# Community Profile words and photo by Bonnie Osborn

Orientation Not An Obstacle for San Diego Senator

**▼**n 2000, voters sent Christine Kehoe, a lesbian and longtime LGBT activist, to Sacramento to **L**represent what is usually perceived to be one of the most conservative parts of the state in the California Assembly. She's still here, now serving her second term as a State Senator from San Diego.

Many out-of-towners still think of and starting brand new San Diego as a conservative, Republican Navy town. In fact, registered Democrats outnumber Republicans in the metro area, and even the predominantly conservative county went for Obama in 2008.

In 1993, Kehoe became the first openly LGBT person elected to public office in San Diego County, serving on the San Diego City Council for seven years. Her Third District Council seat has since been held by lesbian Toni Atkins, now a freshman Assemblymember, and currently is held by Todd Gloria, an openly gay man whom Kehoe describes as a "real star."

Before going into politics, Kehoe was a pioneering activist for equality and civil rights. In 1980, she chaired the San Diego County campaign to defeat an initiative by anti-gay extremist Lyndon LaRouche that would have forced people living with HIV/AIDS into quarantine.

She served as editor of the San Diego Gayzette from 1984 to 1986, and served as a director of the AIDS Assistance Fund, which later became the San Diego AIDS Foundation. In 1987, she served as campaign chair for Neil Good, an openly gay City Council candidate. "He lost, but he ran a great race," she recalls. "That experience exposed me to a viable political campaign, and I wound up running myself six years later."

Looking back, she is aware of how far the LGBT community has come in its push for equality. "At the time I got elected to the City Council in 1993, same-sex marriage was barely on the map. We were fighting for employment rights and housing rights, against gay violence and, of course, AIDS. You cannot talk about civil rights for our community without remembering that our first lesson in political organization was gaining attention for the fight against AIDS.

"We were raising money in bars

organizations to help primarily men who were dying at home alone. That organizing helped me understand a lot about how to leverage political power, how to

raise money, frame issues and

build coalitions.

will be perfect. But the process is worth it."

From her first campaign for San Diego City Council, Kehoe was upfront about her sexual orientation. Even so, she found herself having to repeatedly come out. "I thought everyone knew. But sure enough, I would meet people all the time, and they would ask if I was married or whatever. You could tell they didn't know. Coming out is a process that never ends."

In Sacramento, she was founding chair of the California LGBT Legislative Caucus in 2002 and



Sen. Kehoe with art created by her longtime partner Julie Warren. Photo by WriteAway Communications Services.

When I think back on all the progress that has been made now since the '80s, I am stunned and proud of the work we have done."

Today, she notes, there are lesbian or gay elected officials in every corner of California. "I realize we have still got a long way to go," she says. "We do not have full equality. I don't want to be too Pollyanna-ish, but I am proud of what our community has done and the strides toward equality we have made. The way I look at it is, it's a process. There's no finish line. It's not that if we do one more thing it

currently is serving her third term as caucus chair.

For the past three years, as representative to a region with tens of thousands of military personnel and retirees, Kehoe carried the California resolution to end "Don't Ask, Don't Tell." When Congress overturned the law, she was thrilled to be included in a Washington *Post* slideshow marking the historic

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Miss Felicity Diamonds and Do Me Moore, along with Hamburger Patties and *Outword*, hosted a fabulously successful night of Drag Queen Bingo on Wednesday, Feb. 23 to help fund the Queer Youth Prom being hosted by the Sacramento G&L Center. Thanks to the overwhelming generosity of all you Bingo Players, \$1,328.47 was raised for the Prom – and that's a lot of balloons and punch! Not only that, but you have now raised nearly \$31,000 for Sacramento charities and non-profits one B-17 at a time! The next Drag Queen Bingo is on March 30 to benefit the UC Davis Pediatric HIV Clinic, Join us for the fun and help us do some good.





# **NorCal AIDS Cycle is Teaming Up for 2011**

by Jeff O'Connor

Teams, teams and more teams! It's not a novelty concept when it comes to raising charity dollars. Drawing strength in numbers, allying forces and forming teams creates not only a more fun and competitive atmosphere, but also adds up to greater success and more money raised.

So, whether it be veteran teams like Team Space 07 or Team Kaiser Permanente, consider joining a team this year and ride with them in the 2011 NorCal AIDS Cycle. Other teams you could consider joining are Team CARES, Team Breaking Barriers, the moneymaking dynamic machine of Team One, Team Badlands/SacGLBT, the Pavement Posse or just plain Team Awesome.

Whichever team you join – or even accept the challenge on your own - the 2011 NorCal AIDS Cycle (NCAC) has more to offer this year than ever before. More people means more parties, more fun, and most importantly raising more dollars. And, yes, that often includes more cocktails, wine, beer, appetizers, raffle prizes and free giveaways when it comes to the NCAC spirit.

The charity bike ride, formerly

known as the NorCal AIDS Challenge, is the premiere cycling fundraising event for HIV/AIDS service providers in the Northern California region. Since 2005, the grassroots organization has raised nearly \$900,000 for friends, family and loved ones affected by HIV/ AIDS living in the greater Sacramento area.

Year seven is taking place May 12-15, and NCAC participants are well on their way to eclipsing the \$1 million mark. For those of you who may not feel up to the challenge, you do not have to get on a bike to support this extraordinary cause. God knows you wouldn't want to be caught dead in a pair of spandex biking shorts – or would you?

The route itself consists of a four-day 330 mile counterclockwise journey traveling north beginning on Day 1 at Beals Point in Folsom and traveling 95 miles along the rolling terrain of the foothills near Lincoln, Loomis, and Auburn before finishing the day at Gridley in the heart of the Central Valley.

On Day 2, Cyclists will be able to

camp in Colusa.

The more challenging option takes cyclists up Table Mt. and adds a steep climb and ten miles to the day. Cyclists seeking less challenging terrain will circle around Table Mt., still enjoying



choose between two different 90-mile routes. Both options include cycling the historic towns of Oroville and Durham before ending the day with a pleasant cruise along the banks of the Sacramento River and evening

some rolling hills around the mountain's base.

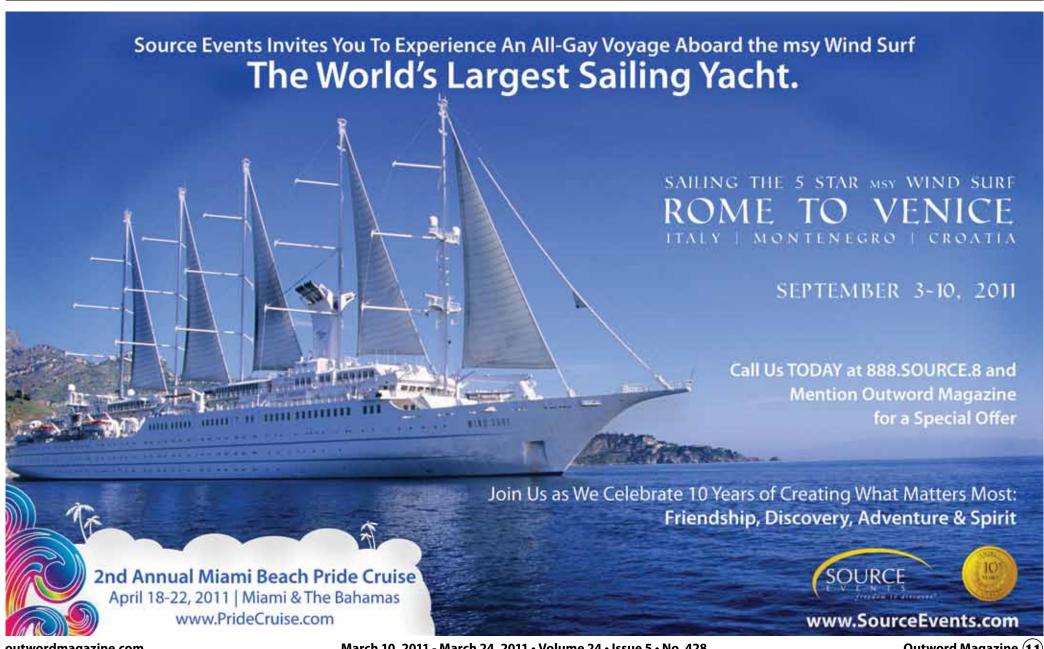
Day 3, arguably the most gorgeous scenic day, is an 85 mile trek that begins on the flats and breaks away into rolling hills followed by a seven mile climb out

of the valley. From there, it's a mostly-downhill ride along Cache Creek as it empties out into the Sacramento Valley. We'll ride by the newly expanded Cache Creek Casino Resort before stopping for the night in Woodland.

Day 4 is the easiest, most memorable day of the ride and the final stage is completed with a flat 50 mile ride from Woodland to Winters to Davis, then back to Sacramento.

Those potential cycling participants that are interested but do not have the time or might be intimidated by the four-day event, can consider the "Weekender." This is a great option where cyclists can join camp in Colusa on Friday night, May 13, and ride the approximately 140 miles of the Day 3 and Day 4 NCAC route on May 14 and 15. The ride ends in dramatic fashion at the West Steps of the State Capitol where families, friends and other community members provide a warm and inspiring welcome

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# A Day Trip to Jackson Offers a Successful Blend of Old And New

by Carol Cook

Testled around the 1,400 foot level in the Sierra Nevada Foothills (above the fog and below the snow) in Amador County, the Heart of the Mother Lode, you'll find the small city of Jackson. Teaming with the rich history of days gone by, Jackson has successfully blended the old and the new.

What began as a gold mining camp in 1848 is today the hub of commerce and seat of government in Amador County. It blends the ambiance of a gold rush-era downtown district and Victorian era neighborhoods with modern shopping centers. Church spires and oak tree covered hillsides lend to the community's rural charm. Numerous local restaurants offer fine ethnic dining.

The Shenandoah Valley is just a short drive for lovers of premium wines. The area is well known for its Zinfandel, many grown from vines over 50 years old. With over 30 wineries to visit, it's easy to make a full day of wine tasting.

Amador County hosts a number of well attended seasonal events and festivities that are famous

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throughout Northern California including Dandelion Days, a giant outdoor bazaar and flea market in downtown Jackson on March 19 and 20, and 49er Treasure Trail, an interactive adventure involving clues and challenges throughout Amador County on March 26 and 27

Don't miss the 33rd annual Mother Lode Hot Jazz Party featuring Cool Blues with Tommy Castro and Maxx Cabello Jr. on April 30, and Hot Jazz on May 1 featuring Tom Rigney & Flambeau plus six other bands, all at the Jackson Rancheria Hotel.

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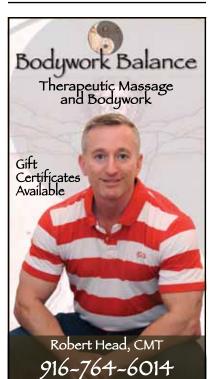
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## **Stepping** *Out of the Wild* **to Help Gay Youth**

The Discovery Channel's original series *Out* Of The Wild: Venezuela is now being aired, **L** and prominently features Rob Lacombe from Rockland, who quit his job as a manager at a marketing company to redefine his life and to bring a message of hope to gay youth.



Rob Lacombe in a still from Out Of The Wild: Venezuela where he is contemplating a snack of termites.

Lacombe, 36, is openly gay and decided to participate in *Out Of* The Wild: Venezuela, in support of LGBT youth in crisis with the message that it may seem difficult at times with where your life is at, but you only need to work a little harder to get to somewhere better and that the struggle is ultimately worth it.

Having grown up as gay youth himself, Lacombe, is no stranger to the difficulties of growing up as an LGBTQ youth and is promoting the Trevor Project as a means to help other LGBTQ youth.

"The Trevor Project is the leading national organization focused on crisis and suicide prevention efforts among LGBTQ youth," said Lacombe. "Throughout my journey I'll be wearing a bandana to show LGBTQ youth everywhere that struggles can be overcome and life can be amazing if you just hang on."

You can read more about Lacombe's amazing journey on AfterElton.com.

Out Of The Wild: Venezuela can be seen on The Discovery Channel on Thursdays at 10 p.m.



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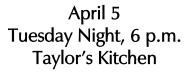




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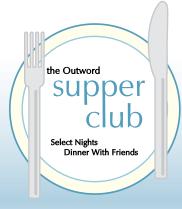


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# Music

## **Linda Eder Reteams with Frank Wildhorn**

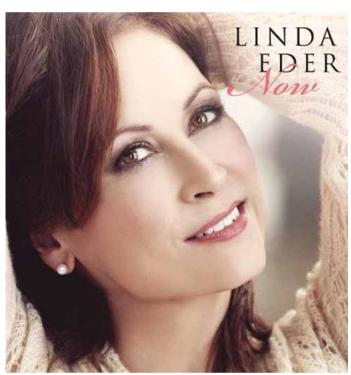
inda Eder, a popular recording artist and live performer, as well as the Drama Desk-winning star of *Jekyll & Hyde*, crowns her two-decade music career by reuniting with prolific Broadway and pop composer Frank Wildhorn.

The pair, formerly married, have teamed up on the new album, *Now*, available from Sony Masterworks.

The new release marks the musical return of this successful team, and it features a dozen tracks, including "Mad Hatter" from Wildhorn's highlyanticipated Broadway musical, Wonderland.

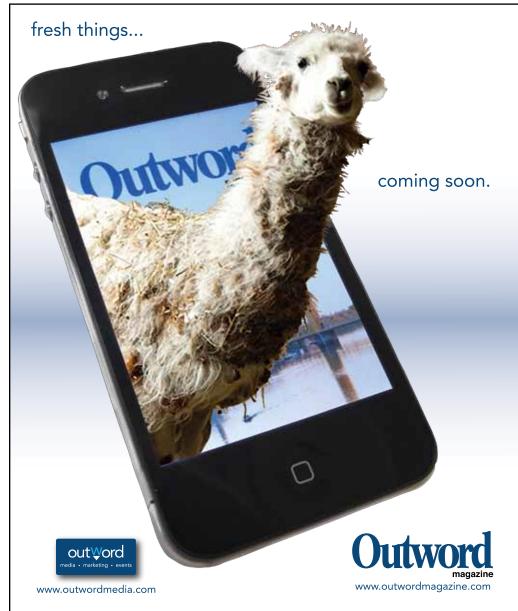
A former *Star Search* winner, Eder has launched a series of concert appearances in conjunction with the release of her new CD, that will bring her to San Francisco's Marine memorial Theatre on April 22-23.

Visit www.LindaEder.com.









# **Faith Matters – A Common Journey**

by Kathleen Montgomery

useums, galleries and monuments captivate me. However, I am most drawn to places of worship when traveling. I want to connect with the people of a given locale.

I can think of no better place to do so than places they regard as sacred – a cathedral in France, a mosque in the Netherlands, a chapel in Scotland, a synagogue in Spain, a temple in Germany.

I may not know the language of the liturgy or the specifics of the rituals, but I absolutely know what is taking place. People of faith are seeking to draw closer to God and discover how to better

respectively. They were united in their faithfulness and love, but separated by an ocean and a continent. For six years, their relationship was one of brief visits and long separations, joyful reunions and tearful goodbyes.

Four years ago, my son made the painful decision to leave the family and country he loves and establish residency in Europe where the just people of the European



demonstrate God's eternal love in the world.

Did the Virgin really appear to the children at Fatima? Was St. Peter really held captive in the Mamertine Prison? I don't know – and it doesn't matter. What matters is that those sites are revered by the faithful as places of pilgrimage.

Regardless of the faith tradition or spiritual expression of a given place, I am linked with the people present, those who have come before and those who will follow. We join in worship and are connected in a common journey of faith.

I go to Europe often, as it is where my son, Ian, and his husband, Ricardo, make their home. They live there not out of choice, but necessity. Ricardo is Portuguese and is unable to immigrate to the United States as policies restrict spousal immigration to married couples of the opposite sex.

Their relationship began a decade ago when they were studying at the University of Amsterdam. At the end of the year, they returned to the United States and Portugal

Union recognize and welcome Ian as Ricardo's legal spouse. They live in London where Ian works as a fundraiser for non-profit organizations and Ricardo pursues his career as a celebrated film historian.

Those who would deny equal treatment to people they perceive as different often use the term "family values." My valuable family has been torn apart and hurt by their position. I miss my sons terribly. I pray they will be allowed to return to live in this county. I am optimistic that day will fast approach.

In spite of setbacks, it is clear to me that the world is filled with faithful people who love God and seek justice and mercy for all.

Kathleen Montgomery is a member of Trinity Episcopal Cathedral, past president of Sacramento PFLAG (Parents, Families and Friends of Lesbians and Gays) and works to organize the faith community contingent in the annual Sacramento Pride Parade each year.





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# Go Back in Time at the Castro's New GLBT History Museum by Chris Narloch

espite those insane gas prices, I can't think of a better day trip for cash-conscious gay folks than a drive over to check out San Francisco's brand new GLBT History Museum, the first of its kind in the United States.



Admission is only \$5, and the first Wednesday of the month is absolutely free. Located at 4127 18th Street in the Castro District, the museum includes 1,600 square

feet of gallery and program space.

A long-held dream of the GLBT Historical Society, which maintains one of the largest archives of GLBT historical materials in the world, the GLBT History Museum opened in mid-January of this year and currently features two exhibitions.

In the main gallery through December of this year, *Our Vast Queer Past: Celebrating GLBT History* offers a kaleidoscopic view of nearly a century of queer experience in San Francisco and the Bay Area.

The curators of *Our Queer Past* burrowed into every corner of the society's extraordinary archives and picked an object from virtually every year the society has been acquiring collections.

In the front gallery, *Great Collections From the GLBT Historical Society Archives* is on display through May 2011.

The latter exhibition highlights the history of the institution itself, the ways in which researchers have used its archives, and their meaning for GLBT people and for society as a whole.

For more information, visit www. glbthistory.org.

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# Around the World in 2070 Days and Running Pirate Alley

Phileas Fogg's goal was speed when the character in Jules Verne's *Around the World in 80 Days* attempted to circumnavigate the globe. Larry all the local sailors talked about. Sometimes, different navies woul help as an escort for ships, but the day there were no escorts. Jacobson was going more for quality when he set sail for his trip, taking more than six years to live out an adventure he dreamed of as a child.

"When I was 13, I shattered both bones in my right leg while skiing, and was laid up for more than three months in a complete hip-to-toe cast," remembered Jacobson, author of *The Boy Behind The Gate* (www.larryjacobson.com), his chronicle of his 2,070 days on the open sea. "When I was finally free of the cast, I remember hobbling around as my brother brought home an eight-foot

Patrick, Larry and Ken beaming after their arrival in Tahiti.

money to make my dream trip happen, with just a bit left over when I got back," he added. "In reality, I spent just about every dime I had and then some, but I can't think of any better use for money than making your life's dream come true.

Jacobson, who now lives in San Francisco with his companion Ken, now has over 50.000 blue water miles to his

Sometimes, different navies would help as an escort for ships, but that

"The only protection was a small convoy of private vessels, some of them friends of ours, who were going to make the run together. The only problem was that we left the dock late, and missed the

to be, they devised a risky plan.

"Let's hide valuables and leave out what we don't mind them taking. Stuff that will hopefully satisfy them," Jacobson told his crew, admitting later that it never occurred to them that they might be held hostage for ransom. "No running lights, no deck lights, and below deck, red lights only. No

> outgoing radio traffic either. And I want weapons ready. That means both flare guns,

evidently shot and killed two of the pirates, and the Gandalf rammed one of the attacking boats," Jacobson recalled. "Both yachts escaped without injury but everybody was quite shaken up, and now there is fear of retribution from friends and relatives of the attackers." '

Jacobson said they steered clear of all boats and ships, not knowing if they were friend or foe. They didn't want anybody reporting their position to their "pirate friends."

"On Day 4, there was a palpable sense of relief," he said. "At 6:30 a.m., a prime time for pirate attacks, we heard a voice in a

Cooks Bay, Moorea, with the Goddess Leli in the background (tilt

your head to the right



Styrofoam Sea Snark dinghy he had rescued from a garbage pile. Most people would have seen trash, but I saw a super yacht. We repaired it and I painted it yellow, and began dreaming that one day I'd sail around the world."

For most people, a childhood dream that grand would have remained just that - a childhood dream. Not for Jacobson, however. He began sailing as a teenager, against the wishes of his father who would have preferred he had taken up golf instead.

By the time he was in high school, he began racing sailboats competitively, and was well on his way to making his dream come true. After getting his education and owning a travel business, he saw an opening to act on his dreams when his business was sold.

"As I analyzed the money I'd get for my share of the business, I realized I might have enough

name. He admits now that he didn't have a clue just how much danger he and Ken, who crewed with him on the trip, were sailing into, as evidenced by the murders of four Americans aboard a yacht that was seized by Somali pirates on February 18, 2011.

It was March of 2005, and Ken and Jacobson in there refitted Stevens 50 cutterrigged sloop had one run they still had to make - Pirate Alley.

"In retrospect, we were a little naïve about how to handle a potential pirate attack," said Jacobson. "Back then, everyone in those shipping lanes between The Arabian Sea and Yemen knew of the pirates and the dangers - that's convoy. So, we were going to make the run, and we were going to do it alone."

mes Bond Island in Phuket, Thailand, where "The Mar

The conversation with the crew prior to making the run was as surreal a day as they had experienced on their voyage.

"Okay, guys," Jacobson told his crew. "What are we going to do if we're attacked?"

If the worst case scenario came

and move four more fire extinguishers here into the main salon. Everybody knows how to use them and shoot the chemical right into someone's face, right?

"One more thing: We are

a big boat; 25 tons is bigger than most pirate boats. Let's use that to our advantage. If a pirate boat is heading for us, be prepared to turn and ram them."

Later, they heard on the radio net that only three days ago a pair of pirate boats with machine guns had attacked two boats they knew, the Mahdi and the Gandalf.

"Our friend Rod, aboard Mahdi,

heavy French accent say, 'Little boat, little boat, little boat at position N 12°43' E 45°38.4, please identify yourself.' It was a French warship requesting our identification. Needless to say, we were only too happy to oblige."

Looking back, Jacobson believes he was lucky to make the run and live to tell about it. There was much more to the trip than the threat of pirates though, including sailing into some of the most beautiful and exotics ports in the world, with stunning scenery and incredibly warm people around the world.

The Boy Behind The Gate is a spectacular 372 page hard bound book, with 32 pages of full color photos. A limited edition of the book is available that includes a 30 minute DVD of the cruise and is personally signed to you by Jacobson. Both can be ordered online at larryjacobsonauthor.com



# Entertainment

## Sacramento Ballet Presents *Icons & Innovators*

The Sacramento Ballet will continue its season of "Coloring Outside of the Lines" in a program with international flair *Icons and Innovators*, devoted to a diverse repertory from some of the nation's most recognized choreographers and created to music of some of the world's best-known composers.

This year, the program will feature *The Four Temperaments*, *Bolero* and *Celts* featuring choreography from George Balanchine, Ron Cunningham and Lila York to music by Paul Hindemith, Maurice Ravel and traditional Irish tunes, respectively.

World-renowned choreographer George Balanchine choreographed *The Four Temperaments* for the opening program of Ballet Society, the forerunner of his New York City angular style.

The Four Temperaments was recognized immediately as a work without precedent in choreographic history. At its premiere, the great critic Edwin Denby recalled that he sat "spellbound by the constant surprise of the dance development, by the denseness and power of the dance images."

The Four Temperaments' composer, Paul Hindemith (1895-1963), is considered one of the greatest German composers

violinist, violist, pianist and composer, he was a professor of music at Yale from 1940-1953.

Ron Cunningham's ballet *Bolero*, to the Ravel music of the same name, is one of his most dynamic pieces of choreography, reflecting the ever-increasing passion of the Spanish-themed music with the rising intensity of dance movement.

Maurice Ravel (1875 - 1937) wrote the composition as a commission for an original ballet. It was a sensational success when it was premiered at the Paris Opera in 1928, with choreography by Bronislava Nijinska.

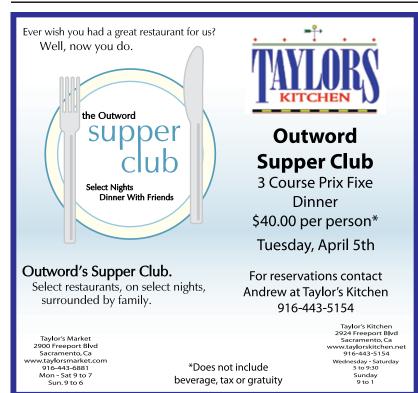
Lila York is a former principal dancer with the Paul Taylor Dance Company, and her piece *Celts*, utilizes a score of



Ballet. It is one of his earliest experimental works, fusing classical steps with a lean and of the 20th century, but fled Germany and the Nazis who banned his music. A conductor, both traditional and contemporary Irish folk tunes that guarantees to keep the audience's toes tapping.

Performances of *Icons & Innovators* are at the Community Center Theater, 1301 L Street in Sacramento; on Thursday, March 24; Friday, March 25; and Saturday, March 26 at 7:30 p.m.; and on Sunday, March 27 at 2 p.m. Tickets are on sale through the Community Center Theater Box Office, 916-808-5181, or through Tickets.com, 800-225-2277 (additional convenience fees apply).

Tickets for the April 9 performance at Three Stages, the new \$50 million arts center on the campus of Folsom Lake College, may be purchased by calling their box office 916-609-6888, or visit their website at: www.threestages.net.



# Theatre

# *9 to 5 the Musical* Clocks In & *Brighton Beach Memoirs*

ord knows we could use a lift, what with all the gloomy headlines in California. If the economy has you down, pool your "pennies" and check out one (or both) of these "feel-good" shows, now playing in Sacramento.



#### 9 to 5 the Musical

It's hard to believe that it's been over 30 years since Jane Fonda, Lily Tomlin and Dolly Parton got even with their boss in the smash comedy, 9 to 5.

Fans of that 1980 film (and Parton's memorable title song) will want to check out its theatrical adaptation, which plays through March 20 at the Community Center Theater.

The new musical features a book by the film's original writer, Patricia Resnick, and over a dozen additional songs written by Parton. *9 to 5 the Musical* ran for six months on Broadway and featured Allison Janney as Violet (Lily Tomlin's role).

That part will be played by Dee Hoty in Sacramento, and she will be joined by another Broadway veteran, Mamie Parris, who will assume the role of Judy (the Jane Fonda part).

American Idol alum Diana DeGarmo has big shoes (and big cups) to fill in the plum part of Doralee, the role that made Parton a movie star. Visit BroadwaySacramento.com.

#### **Brighton Beach Memoirs**

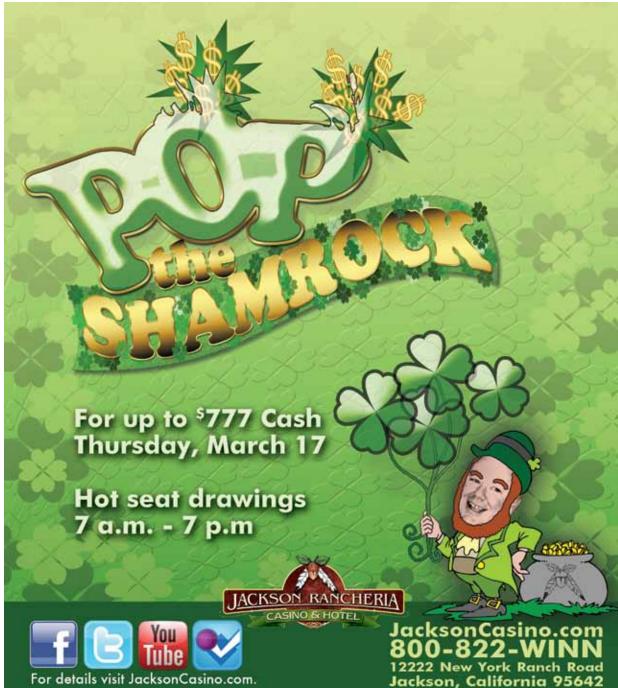
Sacramento Theatre Company's Matt K. Miller takes the reins to direct Neil Simon's award-winning play detailing a Brooklyn boy's rocky journey to adulthood in the late 1930's.

Simon's script speaks to the timelessness of the struggles, and humor, linked to adolescence and family in this heartwarming coming-of-age comedy about the ties that bind.

*Brighton Beach Memoirs* plays through March 27. For more information on STC's 2010-2011 "A Return to the Classics" Season, visit www.sactheatre.org.

# LISA LAMPANELLI





# Calendar

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## Thursday, 10

#### **WOMEN & GIRLS HIV DAY**

**Sherla Cannon speaks on** growing up HIV+ and surviving for 25 years at this forum hosted by Sunburst Projects and UC Davis AIDS Education. 2 p.m. UCD Med Center, 4150 V St., G-300. Info: 916-440-0889

#### **ART MIX**

Gray Matter says farewell to "Inferno of the Innocents" with a collaborative art project and live entertainment. Free with museum admission. 5 - 9 p.m. Crocker Art Museum, 216 O St. Info: 916-808-7000 CrockerArtMuseum.org

## Friday, 11

#### **TOGA PARTY**

Friends, Romans, countrymen, put on your togas and join the fun. Clothing check available and no loin cloths required. \$100 prize for best toga. 9 p.m. midnight. Bolt Bar, 2560 Boxwood St. Info: 916-649-8420 SacBolt.com

# Saturday, 12

#### ST. PATRICK'S DAY PARADE

Over 50 units celebrate all things Irish at this free parade with Irish dancers, bagpipes, Celtic costumes and more. Old Sacramento. 1 p.m. Info: OldSacramento.com

## Sunday, 13

#### **GLS URBAN WALK**

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## Sunday, 13

#### **ALMOND FESTIVAL**

Five Capay Valley towns join together for this day in the country celebrating the spring almond blossoms with live music, wine tasting, great food, crafts and more. Start in Rumsey and head up scenic Hwy. 16. Info: BlossomTrail.org

#### **PPC2 - The Velvet Mafia**

The sexy men of the Poughkeepsie Porn Company are back - this time fighting off the Velvet Mafia in this adult comedy with plenty of laughs and plenty of, well we all know what porn stars do. Through April 2. Lambda Players, 1127 21st. St. Tickets at 916-444-8229 or LambdaPlayers.com

## Monday, 14

#### STONEWALL DEMOCRATS

Join the LGBT Democrats for their monthly meeting with guest speakers and discussions of current political events. Social, 6 p.m., meeting, 6:30 p.m. Radisson Hotel, 500 Leisure Lane. Info: 916-441-1787 SacStonewall.org

# Tuesday, 15

#### **RAINBOW CHAMBER MIXER**

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#### Sister Spit

**Queer luminary Michelle Tea** headlines a multimedia explosion of taste-makers, novelists, fashion plates, painters, performance artists, poets and fancy scribblers in a queercentric night you wont soon forget, with special guest Katie Kaapcke. See:

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monthly mixer for socializing and networking. Hosted by Rainbow Pages. 6 - 8 p.m. Three Fires Lounge at Residence Inn, 1121 15th St.. Info: RainbowChamber.com

# Wednesday, 16

#### **SAC PRIDE PLANNING**

Help makes this year's Pride and Parade the best ever. Volunteers are needed in all areas. 6:30 - 8 p.m. Sac G&L Center, 1927 L St. Înfo: 916-442-0185 SacCenter.org

#### **ELEVATION MAMMOTH**

Five full days of non-stop fun on the slopes at this annual gay-ski week, with plenty of parties and activities to go along with great skiing and boarding. Info: mammothgayski.com

#### **INFERNO OF THE INNOCENTS**

Curator Diana L. Daniels discusses the exhibit Gottfried Helnwein: Inferno of the Innocents. 7 p.m. Crocker Art Museum, 216 O St. \$12 Info: 916-808-1182 CrockerArtMuseum.org

## Thursday, 17

#### **GREEN TIE FUNDRAISËR**

A reception and silent auction to benefit The LaKish Hayworth Memorial Scholarship Fund. 6 - 8 p.m. Kennedy Art Gallery, 1114 20th St. Info: 916-226-7796

#### ST. PAT'S DAY AT THE BOLT

Everyone is Irish today, so come in for some free corned beef & cabbage, drink specials and a wee bit of green beer. 5 p.m. Bolt Bar, 2560 Boxwood St. Info: 916-649-8420 SacBolt.com

#### **PLAYLIST**

With velvety rich vocals and fresh and honest lyrics, Kate Gaffney blends a sound steeped in classic roots rock with a dash of folk sweetness, with guitarist Steve Randall. \$12. 6 p.m. Crocker Art Museum, 216 O St. RSVP: 916-808-7000 CrockerArtMuseum.org

#### **CELTIC CONNECTIONS III**

A range of music, from 8th century sacred texts to modern popular Celtic tunes, and much in between. With guest bagpiper and harp music by Aileen Kelley. **Sacramento Master Singers.** Through Sunday. First United Methodist Church, 21st & J. Info: MasterSingers.org

## Friday, 18

#### **70'S ICP BALL**

Sacramento's Imprial Crown **Princes and Princesses are** flashing back to the 70s for their ICP Ball, with a Largest Afro Contest, light appetizers and plenty of show stopping songs and pageantry, 7:30 p.m. \$15. FACES, 2000 K St. Info: cgnie.org

#### FRIDAYS ARE A DRAG

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## Saturday, 19

#### **CODFISH FALLS HIKE**

Come enjoy a fairly easy hike in the Auburn area to see a pretty waterfall and spring wildflowers. We will lunch at the bottom of the falls. G&L Sierrans. Info: Lee, 916-737-2152

#### **BASES LOADED**

The Sacramento Valley Gay & Lesbian Softball League is hold a meet & greet and beer/soda bust. come meet the players, and learn about the league. Bolt Bar, 2560 Boxwood St. Info: 916-649-8420 SacBolt.com

#### THE GREEN PARTY

The Sac Bears have their own schedule, so it's the Day of the Irish for them. Wear your green or get a bear pinch. Soda/Beer bust to benefit the Leukemia Society. 8 p.m. Bolt Bar, 2560 Boxwood St. Info: 916-649-8420 SacBolt.com

#### **VERDI REQUIEM**

Verdi's monumental work of terror and transcending beauty makes its Mondavi premiere, performed by the Sacramento Choral Society and Orchestra. 8 p.m. Mondavi Center, UCD. Info: 866-754-2787 sacramentochoral. com

# Sunday, 20

#### **UC DAVIS ARBORETUM WALK**

Come and enjoy spring as it blossoms along Putah Creek in Davis, on a self-paced easy walk and picnic lunch. G&L Sierrans. Info: 916-381-6181

#### **SISTER SPIT**

Sister Spit is on their National Literary Performance Tour, a



Lady Gaga wanted her pumps back, so Rusty Nails had to reschedule this month's Drag Queen Bingo until tonight. But don't worry, this is going to be a fun night of Bingo, and it's all to benefit the UC Davis Pediatric

AIDS Clinic. See: Mar. 30

night of Queer Centric art featuring Michelle Tea, Kirk Read, Ali Liebegott, transmale Amos Mac and special guest Katie Kaapcke. \$10. 7 - 8:30 p.m. The Calif. Stage, 1723 25th St. brownpapertickets.com/ event/153652

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# **Two Cute Comedies on DVD**

wo funny films from last year make their way on to DVD this month. Neither of them set the box office on fire, but they deserve to be seen. Check them out and make up your own mind.

#### Love & Other Drugs

Jake Gyllenhaal and Anne Hathaway are very naked (and also very good) in this odd mixture of broad romantic comedy and melodrama about a young couple that meet cute and then find themselves in rough waters.

Gyllenhaal plays a Viagra salesman (no jokes, please), and Hathaway is the object of his affection, a young woman who gets some bad news that I won't divulge here.

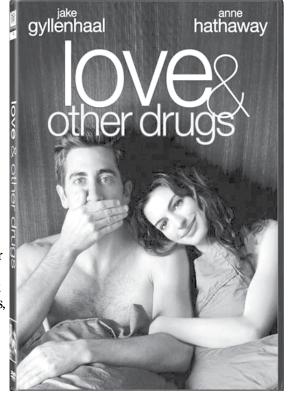
The movie starts out too broad and then gets too serious, but if you can get past the extreme shifts in tone, the two leads have remarkable chemistry.

#### **Morning Glory**

The main reason to see this newsroom comedy is for its fine cast, which includes Rachel McAdams, Harrison Ford, Diane Keaton, Patrick Wilson and Jeff Goldblum.

Goldblum is particularly funny and seems to be having a great time playing a really snarky boss.

The movie doesn't have as much depth or realism as, say, *Broadcast News*, but it does have its moments, including some fun scenes of feuding between the aging anchors played by Keaton and Ford.





# Word on the Street

# What Do You Think About The Kings Possibly Leaving Sacramento?



**April Pierce** Oh, really? Who gives a shit!



Phillip Pope Good riddance and thank God, get rid of them.



They do bring good business to Sacramento, and it would be sad if they left.



Angelo Babe It would be bad for business and sad if our city did not have a team.

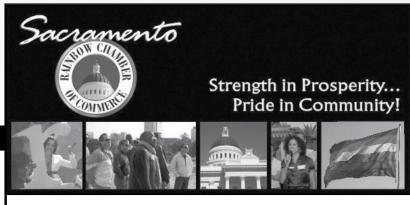


Janelle Henry I think it sucks. It's a fun thing to do and a lot of people will lose their jobs. It will affect our local economy.

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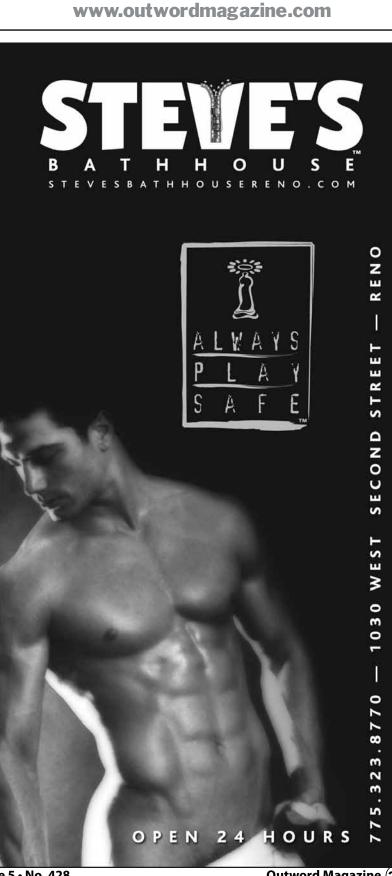
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home to the cyclists, crewmembers and all participants that support the event.

All cyclists, including weekenders, are required to raise a minimum of \$1,600 and pay a registration fee of \$75. Participants that raise over \$2,000 will receive a free NCAC 2011 jersey. Training is well underway for the May 2011 event, and organized rides are held every weekend through Apri; helmets are required. There is still time to join up though, and make a difference!

Of course, you do not need to actually ride in order to participate during the actual four days of the event. Crewmembers are critical in making NCAC operate successfully and a number of Crew activities are available including Support and Gear (SAG), Rest Stop & Lunch, Route Marking and Gear and Campground Services.

Each crewmember is required to raise a minimum of \$250. Motorcycle (Moto) crew help is also needed, and while they may have the luxury of a comfortable ride, they also have the responsibility of escorting cyclists out on the roads.

The primary beneficiaries of this year's Ride are CARES, Breaking Barriers and the Sacramento Gay and Lesbian Center. Mini-grant recipients include Minor Shasta Trinty Tehama HIV Food Bank (Redding), Golden Rule Services, Caring Choices (Chico), HARM Reduction Services and the Sierra Foothills AIDS Foundation.

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There is still time to train and register for this amazing lifetime experience of a Ride. To register, donate, or find out more about NCAC visit their website at www. NorCalAIDSCycle.com.

Keep an eye on the website Training and Events Calendar as well. Chances are you might have a lot more cocktail and dinner parties and wine and beer tasting events to go to from now until May 12.

Support your favorite rider, your favorite team and most importantly, support HIV/AIDS agencies here in your local community. They need it now more than ever before.

#### **Black History Month Celebration Fundraiser**

Black History Month was celebrated with a Celebration Fundraiser on Sunday, Feb. 20 at Faces with a BBQ dinner and show hosted by CGNIE to recognize the historical contributions of African-Americans throughout U.S. history and was a fundraiser for Golden Rule Services. Photos by James Dusch.







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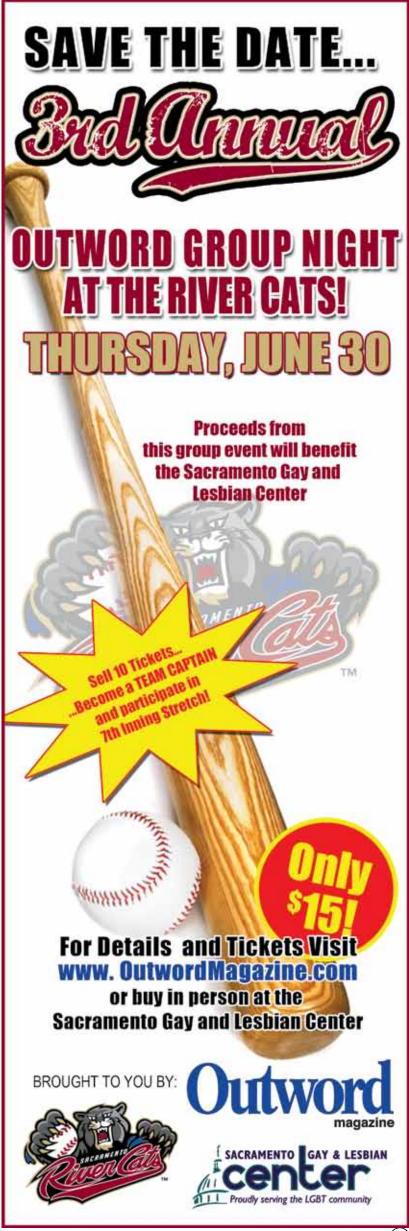
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laws already define "gender" to include a person's gender identity (how they see themselves) and gender expression (how other people see them). AB 887 specifically enumerates gender identity and gender expression in order to simplify compliance with existing legal protections.

"The discrimination that transgender people face is life threatening," said Masen Davis, Executive Director of the Transgender Law Center. "It affects our physical and economic security by denying us opportunities in everything from basic housing to gainful employment. The Gender Nondiscrimination Act would make California's non-discrimination laws clearer and stronger."

For more information, visit www. transgenderlawcenter.org or eqca.org.

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Kehoe has been a champion for education, redevelopment reform and environmental protection. Last session her bill to ban the use of copper in brake pads, a source of water pollution, was passed, and she has introduced a bill to ban copper in boat hull paint.

She also chairs the powerful Senate Appropriations Committee. "I get to see every piece of legislation that is spending money in the state," she says. "It gives me a great overview to see how we Californians are prioritizing our policy issues."

Although the state faces grave challenges, she remains optimistic about its future and believes Governor Jerry Brown has "set a whole new tone in the Capitol."

Kehoe's advice for young LGBT people who want to get into politics - get active. "Be involved and participate in your community; get to know your gay center, participate, volunteer. Join your gay pride organizations. Work on a campaign for any candidate especially a gay candidate. You will learn a lot. I loved city politics and community organizing, and I did a whole lot of it. But if you are the academic type or the legal type, or want to be in the military, just go forward. See what makes you happy, what you find rewarding, and that's where you will find success."

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