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Letters

Ben Phillips Announces Run for SMUD Board

Dear Outword,

I wanted to reach out to *Outword's* readers to inform them that I am launching my campaign for SMUD Board Ward 5, which is being vacated by Rob Kerth.

For over three years, I served on the SMUD Community Advisory Panel; and, it is an honor to serve a second term as the panel's vice chair.

My goal is to expand on what we have accomplished, benefiting the local economy and to focus my SMUD Board service towards all of Sacramento's ratepayers - commercial and residential.

I am honored to have earned the early support of State Insurance Commissioner Dave Jones, Assemblymember Roger Dickinson, Assemblymember Richard Pan, SMUD Board President Nancy Bui-Thompson, SMUD Director Genevieve Shiroma, SMUD Director Rob Kerth, Pat Fong Kushida, Azizza Davis Goines, Alice Perez, Sergey Terebkov, Mai Nguyen and the leaders of numerous business and community groups.

I will run a lean and effective campaign, and with your help, I look forward to victory in November.

Sincerely,

Ben Phillips

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Author Wants to Hear Your History for New Book

Dear Outword,

The Lavender Library recently hosted David Reichard, a history professor at CSU Monterey Bay in Seaside, CA.

David is writing a book about those active in the awakening LGBT movement in the 1970s. He found some of the Lavender Library's holdings interesting.

If any of *Outword's* readers were active in gay politics or student organizations in the 1970s, David would love to hear from you.

His email address: dreichard@csumb.edu
Thank-you!

Buzz Haughton
The Lavender Library

Throw a Fabulous Party and Support LGBT Youth

The Sac. G&L Center is looking for dedicated supporters who want to entice

their friends and family to also support The Center's mission of safe space for LGBT youth and vision of LGBT equality.

By hosting a "Dinner with David and the Director," you commit to gathering friends who want to learn about The Center and possibly donate to keep the doors open through 2012.

Call The Center at 916-442-0185 if you are interested in hosting one of these monthly events.

B.R.A.V.E. Calls for Schools to Implement Seth's Law

Here in Sacramento, one anti-bullying organization is planning on taking an active role in making sure schools adhere to Seth's Law to protect students against harassment based on sexual orientation, gender expression, religion and ethnicity.

B.R.A.V.E. (Bullies Really Are Violating Everyone) Society is a grassroots movement led by Lisa Ford-Berry who founded the non-profit after her youngest son, Michael, became a victim of a "peer-abuse driven bullycide" due to cyber-bullying.

The main intent of the task force will be to work together to actively bring awareness of the peer-abuse problem to the public

at-large, especially during October, which has been deemed National Anti-Bullying Awareness Month.

For more information about attending the first meeting of the B.R.A.V.E. task force on July 12, visit their web site at www.BraveSociety.org or RSVP Lisa Berry at lisafordberry@bravesociety.org.

SVARW Begins Registration

Dear Outword,

Registration for the 2012 Sacramento Valley AIDS Run/Walk is now open.

Go to our newly redesigned web site, sacvalleyaidsrunwalk.org from which you can register online today.

Last year was a great success, and with hundreds of prospective new runners and walkers, this year looks to be bigger and better than ever.

Don't miss out on an opportunity to get healthy and improve the health of our community.

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FDA Approves Over-The-Counter Home HIV Test Kit

The U.S. Food and Drug Administration has approved the OraQuick In-Home HIV Test, the first over-the-counter, self-administered HIV test kit to detect the presence of antibodies to human immunodeficiency virus type 1 and type 2.

HIV is the virus that causes acquired immune deficiency syndrome (AIDS).

The OraQuick In-Home HIV Test is designed to allow individuals to collect an oral fluid sample by swabbing the upper and lower gums inside of their mouths, then

undiagnosed HIV infections, especially if used by those unlikely to use standard screening methods.

"Knowing your status is an important factor in the effort to prevent the spread of HIV," said Karen Midthun, M.D., director of the FDA's Center for Biologics Evaluation and Research. "The availability of a home-use HIV test kit provides another option for individuals to get tested so that they can seek medical care, if appropriate."

Clinical studies for self-testing have shown that the OraQuick In-Home HIV Test has an expected performance of 92 percent for test sensitivity, the percentage of results that will be positive when HIV is present. This means that one false negative result would be expected out of every 12 test results in HIV-infected individuals.

Clinical studies also have shown that the OraQuick In-Home HIV Test has an expected performance of 99.98 percent for test specificity, the percentage of results that will be negative when HIV is not present. This means that one false positive would be expected out of every 5,000 test results in uninfected individuals.

OraSure Technologies, the manufacturer of the OraQuick In-Home HIV Test will have a consumer support center that is available via phone and will be open 24 hours a day, seven days a week to educate users with information about HIV/AIDS, the proper method for administering the test and guidance on what to do once results have been obtained once the manufacturer makes the product available for sale to the public.



place that sample into a developer vial and obtain test results within 20 to 40 minutes.

A positive result with this test does not mean that an individual is definitely infected with HIV, but rather that additional testing should be done in a medical setting to confirm the test result.

Similarly, a negative test result does not mean that an individual is definitely not infected with HIV, particularly when exposure may have been within the previous three months. The test has the potential to identify large numbers of previously

NOH8 Photo Campaign Comes to Sacramento

The world-famous NOH8 Campaign will come to Sacramento for the first time on Tuesday, July 17, setting up its mobile photography studio in the Metropolitan Terrace at The Citizen Hotel, in conjunction with the Sacramento Rainbow Chamber of Commerce July business networking mixer.

The NOH8 campaign will contribute a portion of the proceeds from the July 17 event to the Rainbow Chamber Foundation, which provides scholarships and supports programs and services for LGBT youth.

The photo shoot will overlap with the Sacramento Rainbow Chamber of Commerce July networking mixer from 6 to 8 p.m., also in the Metropolitan Terrace. Chamber members and guests are invited to be photographed and enjoy the mixer, which will feature the NOH8 Campaign co-founders as special guests.



Dawn Richard photographed by Adam Bouska for NOH8.

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HIV/AIDS and The Challenge of Aging

Commentary by Boyce Hinman

In the early years of HIV, being diagnosed as HIV positive was an almost instant death sentence. Now, with the advances in treatment options, for most people, HIV infection is a manageable chronic infection, presenting new challenges as those with HIV also face the consequences of aging.

Part of the reason for the vast increase in the number of people living with HIV is that the medical system has gotten much better at treating it. People are growing old with HIV, but there is growing evidence that the typical ailments of the elderly are occurring earlier in HIV positive people than in the general population.

For example, the May, 2012 edition of the *Journal of the American College of Cardiology* reported on a study that found people infected with HIV have more heart attacks than the general population, and they have them earlier. According to the report, this was true even of people whose HIV loads were well controlled by medications.

Other studies have suggested that HIV positive people, on average, develop high cholesterol, and blocked arteries, about a decade before the general population. These studies suggest that HIV positive people should be checked early and often for blood pressure, cholesterol and any



Richard Kearns, 58, is a poet, journalist, activist and a long-term HIV/AIDS survivor living in Los Angeles. See his story, and those of other seniors surviving with HIV, at www.GrayingOfAIDS.org.

associated heart problems.

HIV infection also appears to be related to other conditions of aging. For example, in the general population, women tend to live an average of five years longer than men. However, according to the CDC, HIV infected women have the same life expectancy as men.

Certain cancers, such as Kaposi's Sarcoma, have long been associated with HIV infection. However, other cancers, not traditionally associated with HIV infection, appear to be more common among HIV positive

people, including: cervical cancer, anal cancer, liver cancer, lung cancer and Hodgkin's lymphoma. So it is important for HIV positive people to get regular screening for these diseases.

The CDC also reports that HIV positive people are more likely to

have co-morbidities, some other illness along with the HIV infection. They are more likely to have diabetes, liver disease, anemia and osteoporosis; Osteoporosis is more common in both men and women who are HIV positive.

All in all, it is important for HIV positive people to have regular screening for all these ailments.

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

Boehner Appeals DOMA Cases to Supreme Court

Speaker of the House of Representatives John Boehner has announced that, by a party-line vote of 3-2, he would instruct the House's "Bipartisan Legal Advisory Group" (BLAG) to ask the Supreme Court to review two appeals court decisions which found that the Defense of Marriage Act (DOMA) is unconstitutional.

The two cases are *Gill v. Office of Personnel Management* and *Commonwealth of Massachusetts v. Department of Health & Human Services*.

"Speaker Boehner's abuse of taxpayer money to again appeal marriage discrimination that has

been found unconstitutional in six successive federal court rulings is shameful," said Evan Wolfson, founder and President of Freedom to Marry. "Same-sex couples have waited long enough for the federal government to treat their lawful marriages with the respect and



Boehner

fairness every American wants and deserves, especially in tough economic times.

The First Circuit Court of Appeals ruled at the end of May that DOMA is unconstitutional in both cases. The Obama administration stopped defending cases against DOMA in February 2011 on the basis that it is unconstitutional.

"Judges appointed by Presidents Nixon, Reagan, Clinton, Bush I, and Bush 2, among others, have all agreed that there should be no 'gay exception' to the normal practice of the federal government honoring the marriages celebrated in the states, and providing the 1138+ federal protections and responsibilities accorded all other married couples," said Wolfson. "It is time for the Speaker to respect basic American values of equal protection under the law, personal freedom and treating others as you'd want to be treated – and save us all the money he is wasting on running up lawyers bills, too."

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Men on Sports: An Interview with Ben Cohen

by Eric Carlyle & Matt Fish

In June, some of the most influential movers and shakers of LGBT equality met at Nike World Headquarters in Beaverton, Oregon for the first-ever LGBT Sport Summit. Men on Sports sat down with international rugby star, Ben Cohen, who attended the event.

How did the Nike LGBT Summit come about?

It was the result, really, of the leadership of Cyd Zeigler of OutSports and Robert Goman from Nike, who hosted the event. There was a need for more coordination among all the groups addressing homophobia and bullying in sports, and the

With nearly 20 organizations present, the mission was to define a common goal and develop a unified plan to end LGBTQ bullying, discrimination and homophobia across all levels of sports. We really focused on how to help redefine an athletic champion as a person of character and leadership who will welcome all to sports and stand up with or for LGBTQ people.

What can we expect in the next 12 months from the participants?

Participants will each take on specific aspects of our shared goals, depending on what their strengths and resources allow. StandUp, for example, will focus on relationships with sports organizations, public visibility and consumer awareness. The specific goals for all participants in the next 12 months are:

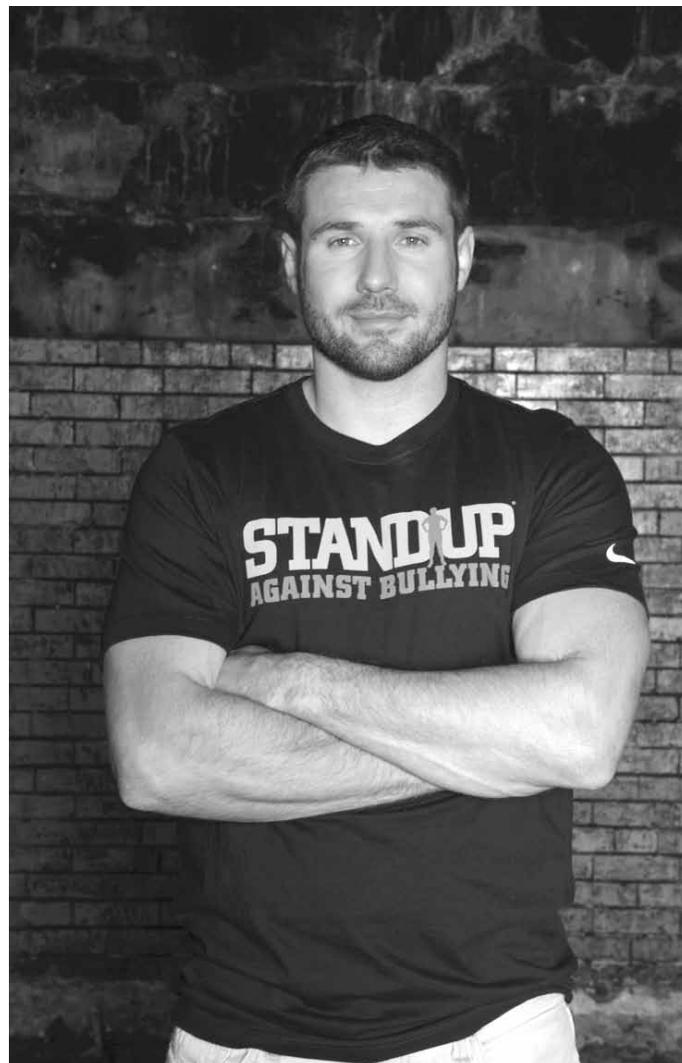
- Each of the major American professional sports leagues will be engaged to work with our member organizations toward inclusion in their league.
- The visibility of out collegiate athletes, coaches and allies will be increased through a multi-pronged approach.
- The national youth and adult recreational leagues will receive a LGBTQ inclusive model policy, and at least five leagues will have adopted such a policy.
- Two million young people

will have heard a new, inclusive definition of "athletic champion," and their physical education teachers and coaches will have received inclusive training resources.

What is the most valuable tool or lesson you took away from the Summit?

The incredible importance of collaboration in creating cultural change. We certainly needed it going into the Summit, and we made a great start. There is more work to do, though. We must all pull in a single direction, and in my view we must speak not just to LGBTQ people but also to a broader audience. Real change requires taking the message more broadly than ever before.

Men on Sports is a collaboration between Compete Sports Media co-founder, Eric Carlyle, and former NBA athlete and LGBT sports ally, Matt Fish. You can reach Men on Sports directly by emailing them at mos@mediaoutloud.com.



International rugby star Ben Cohen. Photo by Bret Grafton

Summit was a response to that need. I think we were all quite excited to be together and find common ground on such important issues.

What was StandUp Foundation's role in this year's Summit?

Our role was like that of other organizations involved. We were there to share our perspective and contribute our resources. StandUp is unique in some ways, though, given our profile and my ability to have a voice in global media. Plus, our StandUp brand is gaining real marketplace power, so we can start to fund some of the important work the Summit identified. Our role always is to collaborate with and help fund the work of others, so the Summit was a great way to move further down that path.

What was the mission of this year's Summit?

In some ways the mission of the Summit was to define the mission of the Summit!

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Karger Ends Bid for White House



Fred Karger, believed to be the first openly gay man to run for U.S. President, has pulled out of the race, ending his bid as an Independent on June 29. Pictured here at a campaign stop in Utah, Karger said that "I plan to rest up for awhile and then I will be back at it to help in the fight for LGBT equality." One of his last actions as a candidate was to air in Utah the hard-hitting commercial *STOP THE HATE*, aimed at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints (Mormon Church).



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U.S. Attorney General Meets with LGBT Community



Benjamin B Wagner, U.S. Attorney General for the California Eastern District, met with members of Sacramento's LGBT community on Wednesday, June 26 at a townhall meeting hosted by the Rainbow Chamber of Commerce, The Stonewall Democrats and the Sac. G&L Center. Wagner, center, discussed and answered questions about hate crimes, bullying, DOMA, DADT, mortgage and other fraud and medical cannabis. Pictured with Wagner are Rainbow Chamber members Dr. Darrick Lawson, Michael Sestak, Bonnie Osborne, Cecilia Tsang, Stefan Murphy and Ben Phillips-Leseñana.



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Out & About

SVGLS Wraps Up Spring/Summer League

The Sacramento Valley Gay & Lesbian Softball League Spring/Summer Season was a great success, congratulations to all the teams and players for a fun season. The Divisional Winners were: The Bolt in Division B; Men @ Play - Outword in Division C; and Men @ Play D in Division D. Next up for the League is hosting the The Gold Rush Classic which will bring players from all over California to Sacramento August 31 through September 2. Visit svgls.org. Photos by Daniel Villanueva.



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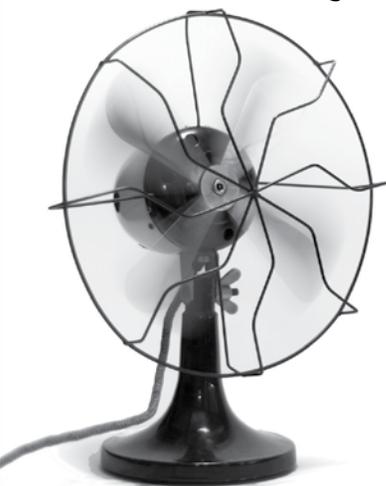
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Bill to Include LGBT-Owned Businesses in State Contracting Advances

A bill that would require information about LGBT owned business enterprises is included along with information about minority, women, and disadvantaged business enterprises as reported by the California Department of General Services has been approved by the Senate Governmental Organization Committee.

Assembly Bill 1960, introduced by Assemblymember Roger Dickinson (D-Sacramento) was passed on a 8-5 vote on June 26, and will next be heard by the Senate Appropriations Committee.

“Minority-owned, women-owned, and disadvantaged business enterprises, along with LGBT-owned businesses, make up a large share of the small businesses that are major economic drivers and job creators for our state,” said Assemblymember Dickinson. “With this bill, California is the first state to have a bill dedicated to the advancement of LGBT-owned businesses.”

Under existing state law, the Department of General Services is required to make available a report on contracting activity containing information on the level of participation of business enterprises by race, ethnicity, and gender of owner. California law prohibits contracting preferences or quotas for minority, women, and disadvantaged business enterprises; however, data about those enterprises is collected for statistical and reporting purposes.

AB 1960 would add LGBT owned businesses to the list of small businesses which may voluntarily report on contracting activity with the state. Having access to accurate information about small business owners will help inform the state on how to best serve small businesses that are vital to our economy, as well as lay the groundwork for future growth. AB 1960 would provide valuable information for policymakers, marketers, researchers, individuals, and businesses hoping to support LGBT-owned businesses.

AB 1960 is sponsored by the Sacramento Rainbow Chamber of Commerce.

Victory in Fight for G&L Binational Couples

In four separate rulings, the Board of Immigration Appeals has rejected the U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services’ “DOMA Denials” of green card petitions filed by four married, gay couples residing in Florida, New York, Pennsylvania and Canada.

In all cases, the BIA ordered the USCIS to complete full fact-finding to determine whether the marriages are legally valid and whether, notwithstanding DOMA Section 3, the spouse would qualify for a green card under the Immigration & Nationality Act.

In one case, the ruling re-opened removal proceedings for the spouse of a gay American who had an outstanding deportation order. The Board of Immigration Appeals has never before re-opened removal proceedings or remanded green card petitions back to USCIS after denials based solely on DOMA Section 3.

“We are elated that the Department of Justice has ordered USCIS to treat the marriages of each gay binational couple with respect by requiring that a complete record of eligibility be



Tom Smeraldo and Emilio Ojeda, who live in “DOMA exile” in Canada were one of four DOMA Project couples to receive the unexpected ruling from the BIA.

created,” said attorney Lavi Soloway of Masliah & Soloway, the law firm that represents all four couples and launched Stop The Deportations – The DOMA Project.

Outword Salutes Sacramento's Rainbow Chamber of Commerce

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Great Entertainment Highlights Reno Rainbow Fest

The biggest little city is gearing up for the biggest little pride celebration, Reno Rainbow Fest 2012, two fun days of celebration, entertainment, community booths and more at the largest and most spectacular showcase of diversity in Northern Nevada.

Gay Reno will explode with world-class entertainment at Wingfield Park on Saturday, July 28. Entertainment at the festival includes country music recording artist Lacy J. Dalton, Billboard Dance Sensation Matt Zarley and Tasha Kame. The thunderous booms of Reno Taiko Tsurunokai will be heard as the Fest opens and you check out the various exhibitor booths, Artists Row and Youth Dance Tent.

The Build Our Center's COMMUNITY Pride Parade will lead participants into the Festival grounds at 10:30 a.m.

All six popular Reno gay bars are also hosting special events and Out & Proud parties. Leading off will be the Rainbow Fest free Welcome Party at Harrah's at 7 p.m. on Friday, July 27. Then Tronix is host to the 18+ Official Rainbow Fest Kick off V-PARTY at 10 p.m. You can cool off after the festival at the SPLASH Pool Party featuring Rendezvous w/Cool Beans, Xavier Toscano and The Ethel Merman Experience at 5 p.m.



Country music recording artist Lacy J. Dalton will headline this year's Reno Rainbow Fest.

and The 5 Star Saloon's Rainbow Party will feature rockin' DJ Haute Mess, Brett and their exotic San Francisco GoGo Dancers starts at 10:30 p.m.

Reno Rainbow Fest 2012 will be in downtown Wingfield Park, from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. and there is a \$5 entry fee. For more information, visit www.RenoRainbowFest.com or call 775-742-9953.

Bill Introduced to Protect Married Military

Representative Adam Smith (D-WA), the ranking member on the House Armed Services Committee, has introduced a bill to clarify and extend the definition of "spouse" to same-sex couples in areas of the U.S. Code related to recognition, support and protections for married service members and veterans.

"With 'Don't Ask, Don't Tell' off the books, most Americans think our troops are serving freely and fairly alongside each other, but this is not the case," said Evan Wolfson, founder and President of Freedom to Marry. "Federal law still discriminates against married gay and lesbian service members, veterans and their families by denying them crucial protections and creating two classes of service members in our armed forces."

The legislation would affect Titles 10, 32, 37, and 38 of the U.S. Code, which determine eligibility for equal recognition, support and protections for military spouses.

The bill contains the same language as that of the Respect for Marriage Act, which repeals the so-called Defense of Marriage Act (DOMA) and ends federal marriage discrimination for same-sex couples.

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Yes, Dad. It's a Subaru. by Ron Tackitt

I remember the advertisement back in the early 90s. "Yes, Dad. It's a Subaru." or something like that, was the tagline for a sports car that was shown driving around on a farm. Back then Subaru brought the SVX to market with hopes of bolstering its image with a sexy, Giugiaro-designed two door coupe.

Things didn't go very well then, but for 2013 Subaru has re-worked this idea and introduced a stunningly good new car they are calling the BRZ.

It's been a long time since Toyota stopped selling Celicas, Mazda killed the RX-8, Nissan axed the 200SX and Honda dropped the CRX, so this just might be the right time for Subaru to step in and rekindle the affordable sport(y) car market. After all, not everyone wants to drive SUVs.



The new Subaru BRZ.

With the new from the ground up BRZ, Subaru has an impressive front engine, rear drive sport coupe with a brand new boxer engine mated to a six speed manual or automatic transmission that is sure to make it a fantastic driver's car.

The interior is functional and not terribly flashy, although leather seats with red piping is available in the Limited model. The dash is clean and simple and all the controls look to be right where they belong. Voice-activated GPS is one of the few options available. The BRZ is available in two trim levels, Premium and Limited, starting at \$25,495 and \$27,495 respectively.

At those starting prices the BRZ stands a much better chance than the \$36,000 SVX ever did. This time around Subaru has a perfectly devised car, engineered impeccably, and priced right. I would think their biggest problem will be making enough of them.

To schedule a test drive, give the folks at Elk Grove Subaru a call. They are a part of the family-owned and operated Lasher Auto Group, which has been serving Sacramento for over 55 years. You can contact them at 887-360-0259 or check them out online at www.elkgrovesubaru.com

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Bio Fuel Is the Way to Go

by Handyman Brandon

Regardless of the controversy surrounding "global warming," most everyone can agree that the U.S. is too dependent on fossil fuel. I became acutely aware of this and the cost of our dependency right before the 2008 presidential election when we were all paying nearly \$5 a gallon for gasoline.

I am self-employed as a handyman and my client base spreads all over Sacramento, Placer and El Dorado counties, so all that driving to my client's homes liberated over \$500 a month from my wallet. I was tired of grabbing my ankles at the gas pump, so something had to change.

In looking at alternatives, I found the new hybrid trucks were out of my price range, so I started a rather extensive research process on alternative fuel vehicles. I discovered that diesel fuel has more energy stored in each molecule than gasoline does, which equates to more power and better MPGs.

Furthermore, diesel fuel can be made out of the oils from peanuts, soybeans and even

turn on in the morning before I left for work and have biodiesel waiting for me when I got home.

That required a little more prep work to the oil, so I bought a laboratory centrifuge off of eBay for \$350 and modified it to spin heated waste-veggie oil at high RPMs which filters out all of the water and impurities.

The actual chemistry is rather simple: About 22 percent of each batch of oil is methanol, race car fuel, and 5-10 grams of lye (drain cleaner) per liter of oil.

I know it sounds like some sort of hillbilly moonshine experiment, but thousands of people have made quality fuel that actually passes government quality tests. If I can get



Handyman Brian with a sample of biodiesel fuel that can be used in any diesel engine.

algae. Canola and soybean oil is used extensively in restaurants to fry all the yummy stuff that our doctors tell us not to eat, and most restaurants use 5-8 gallons of veggie oil every couple of days. Once they are through with it, that oil, which would normally be tossed out, can be converted into biodiesel.

That convinced me to buy a diesel pickup. I found a 2002 Ford F-250 with a 7.3 liter engine near Portland in October of 2008. As soon as I got home, I started building a biodiesel processor. I had an old rusty water heater that I hauled off for a client, and a collection of old pipe fittings and hoses laying around my garage to get me started.

About midway thought that project, I found a purpose-built processor on Craigslist for \$500. I abandoned my project and bought that one, which would have been enough to get me started, but I wanted a completely automated system that I could

the waste veggie oil for free, which is most often the case, production costs average about 60-75 cents per gallon.

Using biodiesel significantly reduces one's carbon footprint, as well greenhouse gas emissions which include carbon dioxide, methane and nitrogen oxide. This is especially true if the biodiesel is produced from crops harvested from fields that were already designated for cooking oil production.

Perhaps the greatest thing about biodiesel is that it can be used in ANY diesel engine. Biodiesel is more slippery than petroleum diesel, which makes a very noticeable difference in how smooth my engine runs.

Diesels in general have been given a well-deserved rap over the years for being gross polluters, but technology advancements

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The Little Mermaid Swims into Sac Plus The Full Monty Wonkas His Willy

Two family shows and a Tony-nominated musical about male strippers are among the eclectic entertainment offerings on Sacramento stages this month.

The Little Mermaid

The recent Broadway version of the hit Disney film has been restaged in the round for Music Circus and plays through July 22 at The Wells Fargo Pavilion.

The new production is a Sacramento premiere for the musical, which includes the songs "Under the Sea" and "Part of Your World."

A family favorite that features classic

seems perfectly timed to coincide with the darker, dramatic depiction of the same milieu currently onscreen in Steven Soderbergh's *Magic Mike*.

The feel-good musical follows six unemployed steelworkers in New York who set out to make some quick cash as exotic dancers and discover that male bonding begins with a thong.

The Full Monty features a live orchestra

"The Full Monty" at Runaway Stage.



Disney storytelling, *The Little Mermaid* also boasts a juicy role for Music Circus fave Vicki Lewis as the villainess, Ursula, who wants the voice of the mermaid heroine, Ariel.

Ariel, meanwhile, longs to experience the human world above the sea and embarks on a journey to discover her true self.

\$30 tickets for *The Little Mermaid* will be available in all sections for children ages 4 - 12 for this show only. Visit www.calmt.com for more information.

The Full Monty

Runaway Stage Productions has revived the durable "male stripper" musical, which

and plays through July 29 at 24th Street Theatre in Sacramento. Visit www.runawaystage.com.

Willy Wonka

If you've never experienced theater under the stars, you have until July 22 to catch this fun family show at the Veterans Memorial Amphitheatre in Old Fair Oaks.

The musical adaptation of Roald Dahl's beloved story about a famous candy maker who seeks an heir to his chocolate factory is a presentation of Fair Oaks Theatre Festival, now celebrating its 30th Anniversary.

Visit www.fairoakstheatrefestival.com.

Gone Debuts on DVD

Continuing a line of provocative DVD documentaries, Breaking Glass Pictures has released *Gone: The Disappearance of Aeryn Gillern*.

Centered on the tragic mystery surrounding the fate of former "Mr. Gay Austria" Aeryn Gillern, *Gone* follows his mother's desperate search for answers when even the authorities have given up.

Though her son's disappearance had been ruled a suicide, his mother suspects there is more to the story.

This haunting documentary seeks to unravel the mystery of Aeryn's whereabouts and uncover the reasons for the Viennese police's failure to assist his mother as she outwardmagazine.com

searches for Aeryn and the truth.

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Former "Mr. Gay Austria" Aeryn Gillern in a still from *Gone: The Disappearance of Aeryn Gillern*.

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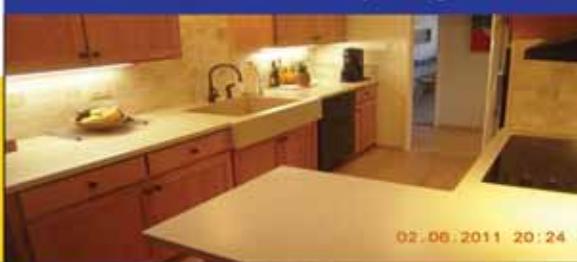
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Seven Tips For Saving at the Gas Pump

by Ken Pierce

A recent trip to my neighborhood gas station was an unusual surprise, the price of gas has actually dropped, and while that is a good thing, remember when we were all so upset when it went over \$3 a gallon? Should we really rejoice then that it has dropped below \$4?

While gas prices seem to be finally coming down, it's just a matter of time before we will be facing higher prices once again, and somehow, when they go up it doesn't take long before we are cursing at the pump once again.

I can't do anything about that, however I have also noticed my Subaru Outback wasn't getting the MPG (miles per gallon) I was getting several months ago. I had to have some answers as to why, so I asked Stephan White, Owner of Stephan's Auto Haus, what is going on and how can I save on fuel?

"While there are the obvious answers to your question, like driving slower and cutting down on non-important trips, taking public transportation or riding a bike, there are a few things most people don't think about when it comes down to finding ways to reduce fuel consumption when using a vehicle," answered White.

Here are some tips to improve your mileage:

- 1 - If your wheels are not aligned properly, they are fighting against themselves and causing wear as they "scrub" the road. This causes more rolling resistance, and higher rolling resistance uses more fuel.
- 2 - Shocks and struts are important too, keeping the tires "on the road" instead of bouncing which causes uneven wear of your tires. Once this happens, there will be high and low spots created on your tires, better known as "chopped" tires. Replacing worn shocks and struts will help save fuel.
- 3 - Tire rotation saves fuel too. Keeping your tires wearing evenly helps to ease road resistance, thus saving on gas use.
- 4 - Regular changing of your oil and air filter. Changing your



engine oil gets rid of fuel robbing deposits that your engine creates under normal driving conditions and replacing your engine air filter saves your engine from struggling to pull air through the dirty air filters.

5 - Tire pressure is the tip most suggested by experts. A tire properly filled to the correct pressure will help reduce rolling resistance of your tires. Once again, the lower the rolling resistance, the less fuel consumption you will experience.

6 - Back in the day, they used to be called tune ups, but today they are maintenance services that are done at certain mileage intervals, mostly at 20/40/60k miles. These services are required to protect your new car warranty, but they also save fuel.

7 - My own suggestion is to get a GPS device for your car as I recently did. When I calculate a trip I mostly use the "Shortest Distance" calculation and was surprised to find shortcuts I never knew about before. Cutting down the distance to and from places I travel to should show a vast improvement at the gas pump.

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Entertainment by Chris Narloch

Woody Allen Travels *To Rome With Love* Plus *The Dark Knight Rises* at the IMAX

Any summer movie season that boasts the return of both Batman and Woody Allen would appear to have something for everyone. Here then are my tips on what to see at the cinema this month.

The Multiplex

Is Matthew McConaughey's character in *Magic Mike* secretly gay, or bisexual? I think he's supposed to be straight, but you could have fooled me in the scene where the actor appears, wearing only a skin-tight yellow half-shirt and barely-there black shorts, to teach his latest recruit how to "take it off" for the ladies.

McConaughey, bumping and grinding, slides in behind actor Alex Pettyfer and all but mounts him during the scene, which made me wonder if perhaps McConaughey's club-owner character had a crush on his newest male stripper.

That teasing prospect would have been far more fascinating than the rest of *Magic Mike*, which is essentially a very well directed but clichéd story about the supposedly sordid world of strippers.

The men are hot, the skin is plentiful, and the story is darker than expected, but I still got bored when the guys were not on stage. Channing Tatum is a mesmerizing dancer – and he can act – but *Magic Mike* is way too predictable.

A better bet is Oliver Stone's latest film, *Savages*, a stylish, sexy and very violent tale about a trio of potheads who take on a Mexican drug cartel. Aaron Johnson and Taylor Kitsch play the potheads, and Blake Lively is their love interest.

That threesome is awfully pretty to look at, but it's the "adults" in *Savages* – John Travolta as a double-dealing DEA agent, Salma Hayek as the queen of the cartel and Benicio del Toro as her sadistic

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employee – who make the movie a must-see.

The Crest

If *Headhunters* is still playing at this theater when you read this, go see it. A huge hit in Norway, the white-knuckle thriller about an employment recruiter who moonlights as an art thief has already been tapped for an upcoming American remake. See the real thing before Hollywood screws it up.

Also screening at the Crest in July, the return of TFO (Trash Film

costars Alec Baldwin, Jesse Eisenberg, Ellen Page, Penelope Cruz, Judy Davis, Greta Gerwig and Roberto Benigni. Page, Baldwin and Benigni are especially good, and Allen somehow keeps all the characters (and storylines) aloft in this charming cinematic valentine to Italy.

The Esquire IMAX

Since over an hour of Christopher Nolan's final *Batman* film was actually filmed with IMAX cameras, you will want to see *The Dark Knight Rises* on this theater's really big screen, after it opens on Friday, July 20. Tickets are going fast so you might need to plan ahead – the midnight showing on Thursday, July 19 is already completely sold-out. For information, visit www.imax.com/



Tom Hardy as Bane and Christian Bale as Batman in Warner Bros. Pictures' and Legendary Pictures' action thriller *The Dark Knight Rises*, a Warner Bros. Pictures release. TM & © DC Comics. Photo by Ron Phillips.

Orgy), which will feature *Army of Darkness*, *Battle Royale* and *The Terminator* on three successive Saturdays at midnight, followed by several more titles in August.

If, like me, you are a fan of the great Japanese animator Hayao Miyazaki, don't miss a rare opportunity to see one of his finest films, *Porco Rosso*, on the big screen during this year's Sacramento Japanese Film Festival, which runs July 13-15. Visit www.thecrest.com.

The Tower

Woody Allen is back with his second homerun in a row, after last year's Oscar-winning hit, *Midnight in Paris*. Allen travels to Rome this time out and writes, directs and stars in *To Rome With Love*, which

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San Francisco Silent Film Festival

With all of the film fests Sacramento now claims, we still don't have a full-fledged silent film festival. Luckily, perhaps the finest silent film fest in the world is only a short drive away, in San Francisco. Running July 12-15, this year's S.F. Silent Film Festival features the classic *Pandora's Box*, silent versions of *The Mark of Zorro* and *Stella Dallas*, Buster Keaton in *The Cameraman*, and *Felix the Cat* cartoons. Visit www.silentfilm.org.

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Music

Joan Jett Set to Rock the State Fair Free Concerts Return to Cal Expo

From her pioneering work with The Runaways in the '70s to her long-standing collaboration with current band The Blackhearts, Joan Jett has never been anything but a rock star. Music trends (and music acts) come and go, but Jett soldiers on, true to her punk rock roots.

In the '80s, Jett ruled the charts with the hard-rockin' hits "I Love Rock 'n' Roll," "Crimson and Clover," "I Hate Myself for Loving You," "Do You Want to Touch Me" and "Light of Day." Jett still looks and sounds great, and she plays the guitar as if her life depended on it.

You can see Jett at Cal Expo this summer, on Friday, July 27, at 8 p.m., as part of the State Fair's diverse lineup of free concerts.

Other acts appearing on the Golden1 Stage during the run of the Fair include Rick Springfield, Scotty McCreery, Dave Mason and Hot Chelle Rae.

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The *Scottsboro Boys* Soars at A.C.T. Plus *Marat/Sade* Opens at Brava

The Bay Area premiere of the final musical by Kander and Ebb and a rare staging of *Marat/Sade* are the must-see theatrical events in San Francisco this month.

The *Scottsboro Boys*

I may have to return a second time to this new musical, which marks the final collaboration between the legendary Broadway team of John Kander and Fred Ebb (*Cabaret*, *Chicago*). That's how much I enjoyed this gutsy, groundbreaking work.

Kander and Ebb have never shied away from risky material, and *The Scottsboro Boys* may be their edgiest work ever. Reclaiming the framework of a minstrel show, the musical – through high-energy dance numbers and upbeat music – courageously addresses one of the most abhorrent episodes in American history.

The musical transforms the true story of nine young African-American men – unjustly accused of raping two white girls – into a mesmerizing theatrical event that was nominated for twelve 2011 Tony Awards, including Best Musical.

Hal Linden effectively plays the clueless, white master of ceremonies, but it's the African-American cast-members – triple threat talents who can sing, dance and act – that pull at your heartstrings in this surprisingly entertaining musical, which is conceived as ironic, pitch-black tragicomedy.

Directed and choreographed by the great Susan Stroman, *The Scottsboro Boys* plays through July 22 at the American Conservatory Theater. Visit www.act-sf.org.

Marat/Sade

While you're in the Bay Area, you can also see a rare staging of this Tony Award-winning theatrical classic by Peter Weiss.

Marat/Sade involves a play-within-a-play performed by the inmates of Charenton Asylum, under the direction of the Marquis de Sade, who was housed within its walls.

With its bloody depiction of class struggle and human suffering, hope and disillusionment, *Marat/Sade* is a slyly humorous feast for the mind and eye that asks the age-old question whether true revolution comes from changing society or changing oneself.

Marat/Sade plays through July 29 at the Brava Theatre in San Francisco. Tickets are available by calling (415) 863-0611.



The *Scottsboro Boys*

The *Voice*'s Jamar Rogers Talks About Disclosing His HIV Status

Earlier this year during auditions for the second season of the popular singing competition *The Voice*, Jamar Rogers disclosed to producers that he was HIV-positive. Throughout the run of the show and up until his elimination during the semi-finals, Rogers spoke very openly about his HIV status as well as his struggles with crystal meth addiction.

Rogers had previously discussed his experiences with addiction and recovery with *American Idol* producers while auditioning for seasons eight and nine of *Idol*, but at the time was not yet ready to talk about the fact that he was HIV-positive. His willingness to open up about his HIV status during auditions for *The Voice* was something that Rogers had decided he was finally ready to do.

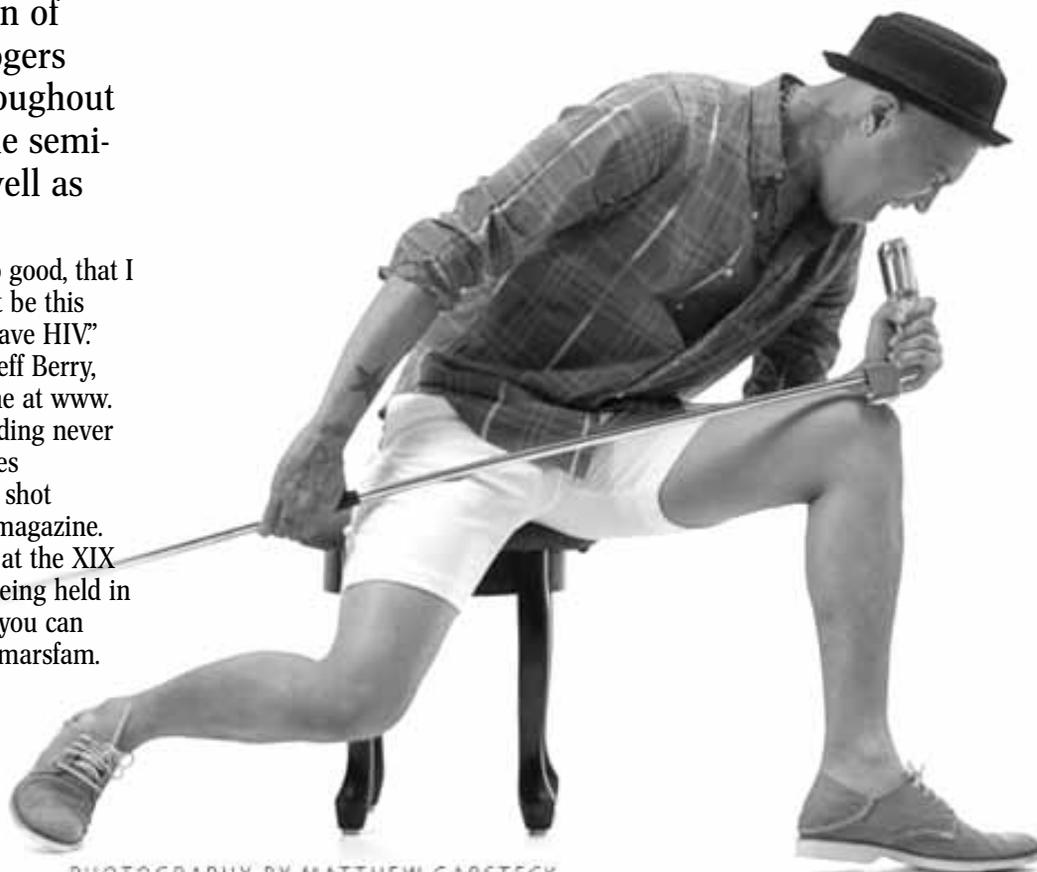
"I decided a while ago to live for something greater than myself," says Rogers in a 30-minute interview with *Positively Aware* magazine, "me just being famous for the sake of being famous wasn't enough. I wanted to make an impact on the world, and I wanted to really help people."

While he doesn't like the term celebrity, Rogers says he is embracing it if it means he can use his celebrity for his own good. "What

I'm hoping is that my music is so good, that I won't be the HIV guy, but I'll just be this amazing artist who happens to have HIV."

The full interview, written by Jeff Berry, audio and transcript is now online at www.positivelyaware.com/jamar, including never before seen photos by Los Angeles photographer Matthew Garsteck, shot exclusively for *Positively Aware* magazine.

Rogers is also slated to appear at the XIX International AIDS Conference being held in Washington, D.C. July 22-27, and you can learn more about him at www.jamarsfam.com



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Calendar

July

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Thursday, 12

VALLEY BEARS NIGHT OUT

Join the Sacramento Valley Bears for dinner, good conversation and friendship. 7 - 8:30 p.m. Chevy's on the River, 1369 Garden Highway. Info: SacBears.org

CENTER'S ARTIST RECEPTION

Meet Danielle Janov and view her large-scale paintings with whimsical detail, color blocking, and textured surfaces, plus Kelly Rogers on the acoustic guitar. 6 - 8 p.m. G&L Center, 1927 L St. Info: 916-442-0185 SacCenter.org

ECLECTIC TRASH BOOK CLUB

Join this LGBT book club for a lively discussion of *Bring Up the Bodies* by Hilary Mantel. 7 p.m. Lavender Library, 1414 21st St. Info: 916-492-0558 LavenderLibrary.com

B.R.A.V.E. SOCIETY

Help create a task force to organize events surrounding October's National Anti-Bullying Awareness Month and serve as a watchdog to make sure schools are following AB-9, Seth's Law. Two meetings, 10 a.m. - noon or 6-8 p.m. 8350 Auburn Blvd. #105, Citrus Heights. RSVP Lisa Ford-Berry at lisafordberry@bravesociety.org

STATE FAIR CONCERTS

The Fab Four. 8 p.m. Plus all the animals, carny food, exhibits, rides and more. CalExpo. Info: BigFun.org

TWILIGHT MUSIC AT SACZOO

Live music with East Wind, car show featuring low riders and dinner special for \$9.95: Barbecue Chicken served with House Potato Salad. 5:30 - 8 p.m. Sac Zoo. Info: SacZoo.org

Friday, 13

OUTWORD'S HAPPY HOUR

It's been a long week, so come and unwind with a very special Summer Smooth Happy Hour with great raffle prizes, and of course, TJ has some great drink specials. 5:30 - 7 p.m. The Depot, 2001 K St.

STATE FAIR CONCERTS

Happy Together Tour. 8 p.m. Plus all the animals, carny food, exhibits, rides and more. CalExpo. Info: BigFun.org

CONCERTS IN THE PARK

Featured bands include Another Damn Disappointment (ADD), The Walking Dead, A Single Second, The Left Hand and Blackheart, plus fresh air, good food and the famous beer garden. Free. 5 p.m. Cesar Chavez Plaza, 10th & J Sts. Info: DownTownSac.org

BEER, BABES AND BRAWLS

An adult evening of beer, wine, live entertainment and listening to stories of early Sacramentans with checkered pasts as you stroll through the Old City Cemetery. \$25 (includes two drink tickets.) 7, 7:45, 8:30 & 9:15 p.m. 1000 Broadway. Info: 916-264-7839 www.oldcitycemetery.com.

Saturday, 14

RAINBOW READERS

You can borrow a copy *The Lover's Dictionary* by David Levithan at The Center and then be ready to discuss it at the meeting. 10 a.m. G&L Center, 1927 L St. Info: Jessica at azaker@saclibrary.org

Sunday, 15

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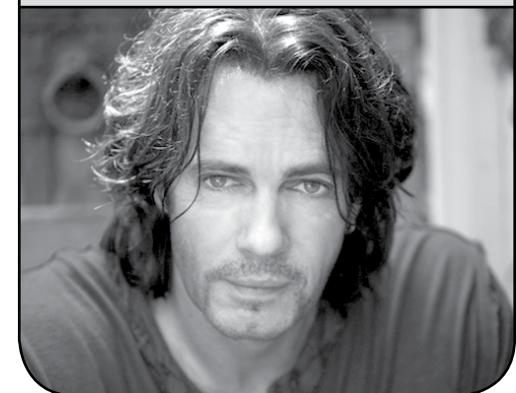
Social, so come cool down from the summer heat, chat with friends and enjoy some delicious Clover Ice Cream and River City Root Beer! 4 - 6 p.m. Taylor's Market & Kitchen, 2900 Freeport Blvd.

SACRAMENTO PRIME TIMERS
Men 50+ (and their friends/admirers) are invited for brunch and conversation. Noon - 2 p.m. Old Spaghetti Factory, 1910 J St. Info: PrimeTimersSacramento.com

Gay Day at the State Fair

OK, it's unofficial, but doesn't that make it more fun? Besides, Rick Springfield is going to be in concert, and what could be more fun than that? Well maybe the Magical Midway, all those treats on a stick, the Monster Trucks or the Stilt Circus. No red shirts required, just come out and have a fun day at the Fair! See:

July 19



Monday, 16

SAC VALLEY VETS MEETING
Join this LGBT veterans and active duty group for their monthly meeting and get together. 6:30 - 8:30 p.m. The Lavender Library, 1414 21st St. Info: 916-436-7676 www.sacvalleyvets.com

Tuesday, 17

PFLAG SACRAMENTO
Support group for parents and friends of LGBT. 7:30 p.m. St. Marks UMC, 2391 St. Marks Way. Info: pflagsacramento.org

RAINBOW CHAMBER MIXER
Join members of Sacramento's LGBT business group at their monthly mixer, for socializing and networking. 6 - 8 p.m. The Citizen Hotel, 926 J St. Info: RainbowChamber.com

NO HATE PHOTO SHOOT
Some of the biggest stars and ordinary heroes have been captured in the NOH8 campaign, now it is your turn. Wear white and come camera ready. \$40. 4 - 7 p.m. The Citizen Hotel, 926 J St. Info: www.noh8campaign.com

Wednesday, 18

STATE FAIR CONCERTS
Cody Simpson. 8 p.m. Plus all the animals, carnies, food, exhibits, rides and more. CalExpo. Info: BigFun.org

Thursday, 19

GAY DAY @STATE FAIR
This is unofficial, but day or night, let's head to the State Fair. Rick Springfield will be in concert, so wear something fun and colorful or rainbow beads, wristband or something and let's have a gay ol' time! CalExpo. Info: BigFun.org

CROCKER COURTYARD JAZZ
Get jazzed for this concert under the stars with the Gonzalo Bergara Quartet. 6 p.m. \$12. Crocker Art Museum, 216 O St. Info: CrockerArtMuseum.org

STATE FAIR CONCERTS
Rick Springfield. 8 p.m. Plus all the animals, carnies, food, exhibits, rides and more. CalExpo. Info: BigFun.org

TWILIGHT MUSIC AT SACZOO
Live music with The Nickel Slots, car show featuring kustoms and rat rods and dinner special for \$9.95: Grilled Italian Sausage on Hoagie Roll Served with Rosemary Potatoes. 5:30 - 8 p.m. Sac Zoo. Info: SacZoo.org

Friday, 20

COUNTRY NIGHT
Join Capital Crossroads Gay Rodeo for a social, free nachos and soda/beer bust. 7 p.m. The Bolt, 2560 Boxwood St. Info: 916-649-8420 capitalcrossroads.org

STATE FAIR CONCERTS
Landau Eugene Murphy, JR. 8 p.m. Plus all the animals, carnies, food, exhibits, rides and more. CalExpo. Info: BigFun.org

CONCERTS IN THE PARK
Featured bands include Walking Spanish, Jack and White, Autumn Sky and CrookOne, plus fresh air, good food and the famous beer garden. Free. 5 p.m. Cesar Chavez Plaza, 10th & J Sts. Info: DownTownSac.org

Saturday, 21

COASTAL ADVENTURE
Enjoy an easy 4 mile hike to Tennessee Valley Beach in Marin County, lunch in Sausalito, and a visit to the amazing Bay Model, a 2 acre scale model of the Bay and Delta waterways. G&L Sierrans. Info: 916-381-6181

ARTBEAST AT THE CENTER
A day of exploration with creative play, art

activities, and enrichment classes for children ages 2-12. Hosted by The Queer Women's Event Committee and artBEAST. 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. \$6. G&L Center, 1927 L St. Info: 916-442-0185 SacCenter.org

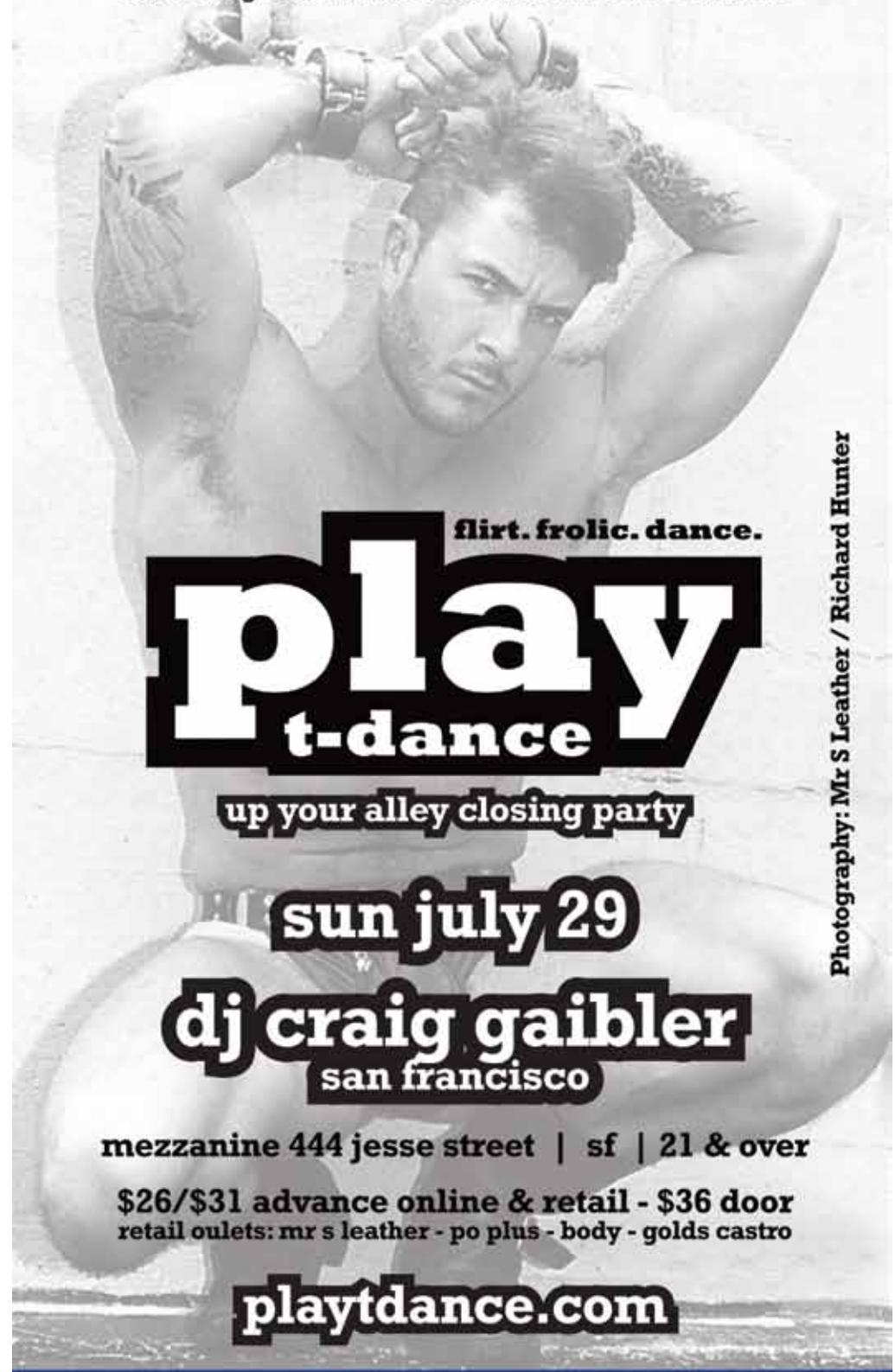
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New Helvetia Theatre Presents Sacramento New Works Festival

New Helvetia Theatre has found a new home at the Studio Theatre in Sacramento and will inaugurate the new space, in collaboration with The Eureka Project, with the first annual Sacramento New Works Festival.

"Moving into the Studio Theatre could not have come at a better time: we're honored to join other businesses that are committed to the preservation and growth of R Street," says Producing Artistic Director Connor Mickiewicz.

The Eureka Project is a developmental theatre lab that seeks to cultivate original works for the stage and the Sacramento New Works Festival will present two of those works, *One Good Day* and *Schooled*.

The selections for the 2012 Eureka Project/SNWF are:

In, it's another day in Manhattan as plucky Janey Hanks attempts to right her romantic frustrations and failures. A show about hope, *One Good Day* is a contemporary romantic musical comedy that asks us to believe that one good day can change your life.

One Good Day, with book and lyrics by Elizabeth Suggs, music by Rona Siddiqui, will be directed by Connor Mickiewicz with musical direction by Graham Sobelman. Performances are Thursday, July 26 at 8 p.m. and Saturday, July 28 at 8 p.m.

Schooled is a biting drama with surprising humor, that follows two grad students as they vie for a competitive grant from their roguish professor in a taut threesome that tests their romantic relationship and their ethics.

Schooled is written by Lisa Lewis, directed by Matthew Schneider and performances will be on Friday, July 27 at 8 p.m. and Saturday July 28 at 2 p.m.

Performances are free at NHT's new home at The Studio Theatre on 10th and R Streets. Seats are available on a first-come, first-serve basis.

To conclude the festival, the company will host the NHT 2.0 Benefit Bash on July 29 at 6 p.m. The evening will include the announcement of the 2012-2013 season, along with live performances of material from the upcoming shows, and a brief cabaret featuring songs from up-and-coming theatre writers.

General admission to NHT 2.0 is \$40; VIP packages are available for \$100 and above, which include preferred seating, a private tour of the new theatre and admittance to a Meet-and-Greet with SNWF's writers.

Tickets can be purchased online at www.newhelvetia.org or by calling 916-469-9850.




Russian River Wine Tour

Sunday, July 22nd
9:30am – 7:00pm

This all-day adventure includes: Mimosas and a light continental breakfast; transportation to and from the tour including three tastings at local wineries and estates; a delicious lunch to please your palate; and discounts for a lovely dinner in Midtown Sacramento.

Meeting Location
Sacramento Gay and Lesbian Center, 1927 L Street

Tickets
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animals, carny food, exhibits, rides and more. CalExpo. Info: BigFun.org

VALLEY BEARS POOL PARTY

Join the Sacramento Valley Bears for food, games and movies with the bears pool side. Bring some food to share. 1 - 5 p.m. Info: SacBears.org

Sunday, 22

VALLEY BEARS BRUNCH

Join the Sacramento Valley Bears

for breakfast and socializing. Black Bear Diner, 2700 El Centro Rd. 10 - 11:30 a.m. Info: SacBears.org

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Monday, 23

STATE FAIR CONCERTS

Dave Mason. 8 p.m. Plus all the animals, carny food, exhibits, rides and more. CalExpo. Info: BigFun.org

Tuesday, 24

STATE FAIR CONCERTS

Hot Chelle Rae. 8 p.m. Plus all the animals, carny food, exhibits,

Reno Rainbow Fest

The parties start Friday night and end with a splash in the pool on Sunday, and in between there's a parade and an all day festival on Saturday, featuring non-stop entertainment with Lacy J. Dalton, Matt Zarley and one of Sacramento's favorite bands, Rendezvous with Cool Beans performing their original rock, blues and hip hop music. See:

July 28



rides and more. CalExpo. Info: BigFun.org

Thursday, 26

ECLECTIC TRASH BOOK CLUB

Join this LGBT book club for a lively discussion of *The Song of Achilles* by Madeline Miller. 7 p.m. Lavender Library, 1414 21st St. Info: 916-492-0558 LavenderLibrary.com

Wednesday, 25

WOMEN'S BOOK CLUB

Bring a dish to share over a discussion of *I can't think Straight* book/DVD. 6 p.m. Lavender Library, 1414 21st St. Info: 916-492-0558 LavenderLibrary.com

TWILIGHT MUSIC AT SACZOO

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in the field have greatly improved modern diesels. True enough, they are not for everyone; I use my truck daily to haul tools and materials for work, pull the occasional trailer, and of course, help every single one of my friends and family move, which I'm sure all truck owners can relate to. Regular commuters or the occasional traveler could probably find a better alternative to a pumped-gas vehicle.

Considering how important my truck is to my business, the cost savings and carbon reduction is just added benefits to an already fun hobby.

Handyman Brandon is a local handyman who has served on the Sacramento Pride Organizing Committee as the Logistics Manager for several years. You can contact Brandon at handymanbrandon@sbcglobal.com.



NOH8

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The NOH8 Campaign is a photographic silent protest created by celebrity photographer Adam Bouska (www.bouska.net) and partner Jeff Parshley in direct response to the passage of anti-gay marriage Proposition 8 passed by California voters in November 2008. Photos feature subjects with duct tape over their mouths, symbolizing the silencing of their voices by Prop 8 and similar legislation around the world, with "NOH8" painted on one cheek in protest.

To participate in the July 17 photo shoot, simply arrive at the Citizen Hotel, Metropolitan Terrace, 926 J St., between 4 and 7 p.m. Please wear a plain white shirt to match the look of the signature

NOH8 photos.

Costs of posing for an official NOH8 portrait are \$40 for solo portraits, \$25 per person for couples or group portraits. The NOH8 Campaign accepts cash, most major credit cards, and checks made out to 'NOH8Campaign'. Fees cover services and processing for one retouched digital print only, cost does not include physical prints.

Bouska will photograph five to ten frames for each participant and the final selection Bouska chooses will be retouched and made available to participants in about eight weeks through the web site: www.NOH8Campaign.com

To register for the RCC monthly mixer, visit RainbowChamber.com.

Movies

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Fathom Events

This big screen series continues with special events in July that should appeal to *Star Trek* fans and fans of rock music. *Star Trek: The Next Generation 25th Anniversary Event* will feature two of the most popular *Next Generation* episodes on the big screen, for one night only, on Monday, July 23.

Not to be outdone, fans of The Who can enjoy *Quadrophenia - Can You See The Real Me?* the next night, Tuesday, July 24 and get the story behind that classic Who album. Visit www.fathomevents.com to find a theater near you.

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Team NY made a spectacular showing at this year's International Gay & Lesbian Aquatics championships in Reykjavík, winning the large-team swimming medal, the water polo tournament and the Pink Flamingo competition. They also won medals in diving, and many swimmers turned in huge swims in their races, medal-winning or otherwise. Extra points for you if you picked out Jack Mackenroth (top row, second from right) who competed in the fourth season of *Project Runway* and was the first openly HIV-positive contestant in the show's history. Visit tnya.org

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