

The HERLAND VOICE

June, 1998

UNITY THROUGH DIVERSITY

Oklahoma Pride events will reflect the theme "Unity Through Diversity" chosen by the International Coalition of Lesbian and Gay Pride Committees.

Pride events are scheduled for the week beginning Saturday, June 20 and ending on Sunday, June 26 in Tulsa and Oklahoma City.

The Tulsa Pride Picnic and Pride Parade kicks off the week of events. Sponsored by Tulsa Oklahomans for Human Rights (TOHR), the Pride Picnic is a long-standing tradition for Pride Week. The picnic has moved to Veterans Park in Tulsa. Anyone interested in having a booth at the Tulsa Pride Picnic can call Greg Gatewood at (918)743-4297. A march to Veterans Park will also be held on June 20. For more information call the Pride Center at (918)743-4297.

Elizabeth Burch, Executive Director of the Human Rights Campaign (HRC) will be Grand Marshal of the OKC Parade and the keynote speaker for the Oklahoma City Pride Parade Rally. Ms. Burch will be accompanied by Betty Degeneres, Ellen Degeneres's mother, who will participate in the pre-parade rally. Paul Barby and M.C. Smotherman, candidates for the U.S. Congress from Oklahoma, will also speak at the rally.

The pre-parade rally will start at 2:00 PM in Memorial Park at N.W. 36th and Western. Parade lineup is scheduled to begin at 3:00 PM and the Parade will step-off at 4:00 PM.

Burch and Degeneres will attend a regional fundraising event for HRC at Angles at 6:00 PM on Sunday, June 26. □

HERLAND PRIDE PICNIC

Herland will celebrate Pride '98 with our annual community picnic on Saturday, June 26 starting at 6:30. The picnic reflects the 1998 Pride theme of "Unity Through Diversity." Everyone -- men, women and children are welcomed at the event.

Hamburgers (including veggie burgers) and the fixin's will be served. Soft drinks will also be available.

OKC's finest male and female entertainers will be performing. The lineup is still being finalized as the Voice goes to press.

A \$5.00 donation is requested. □

Pride '98

TULSA PRIDE PICNIC

NOON -- 5 PM
SATURDAY, JUNE 20
VETERANS PARK

HERLAND PRIDE PICNIC

6:30 PM
SATURDAY, JUNE 27
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OKC PRIDE PARADE

SUNDAY, JUNE 28
MEMORIAL PARK
NW 36TH AND CLASSEN, OKC
2 PM OPENING CEREMONIES
4 PM PARADE STEP-OFF

39TH STREET ARTS FEST

SUNDAY, JUNE 28
1:00 PM -- 9:00 PM
BEHIND THE CENTER
39TH AND BARNES

ETHNIC WOMEN'S HEALTH FORUM

An Ethnic Women's Health Forum will be presented in Oklahoma City June 10 through June 12 at St. Luke's Methodist Church, 222 NW 15th, OKC. The forum will offer opportunities for health care providers, health care advocates, policy makers, and health care consumers to discuss issues relating to ethnic women's health.

Some of the scheduled workshops are "Women and Sexuality," "Sharing the Community Health Representative Experience - A Model for Ethnic Communities," and "Gender Inequality and HIV disease."

The Forum is presented by the Ethnic Women's Planning Committee of Oklahoma; the Oklahoma State Department of Health, Office of Minority Health, and the Office of Women's Health, Washington, D.C.

Registration for the forum is \$35. Contact the Office of Minority Health at (405)271-8458 for more information. □

NOLOSE

Dot Tunier has announced the formation of the National Organization of Lesbians of Size (NOLOSE). She describes NOLOSE as "A support, social and networking group for women who identify as lesbians and who are fat, or fat positive. Although the Size Acceptance movement strives to embrace all people of size and their allies, there are needs which can only be met from within the lesbian community, and this is the challenge which NOLOSE is set to meet"

NOLOSE will offer a sympathetic and empathetic network through which women can connect locally and nationally to seek support, friendship, and empowerment—even romance—through a variety of programs.

Programs offered by NOLOSE include a quarterly newsletter, a pen-pal program, a national directory of lesbian and lesbian-friendly support groups and resources and national personal ads.

More information about NOLOSE can be found at their web site www.breakinc.com/nolose.html or by writing NOLOSE at 245 Eighth Ave, #107, New York, NY 10011 or by phone at (201)843-4629. □

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IN REVIEW

by Jill Gamer

Wow, what a month for music! Here are a few of the happenings you might want to know about.

June 11th - Alison Krauss and Union Station - Brady Theater, Tulsa

If you're an Alison Krauss fan, you should catch this show. I've seen Alison and her band perform live a couple of times, and besides all being very talented musicians, they're fun to watch. All the band members are accomplished musicians in their own right and if you listen to any of Alison Krauss' CDs, you'll see why. She has a beautiful voice and is a great fiddle player, but she shares the spotlight on CDs and in live shows with the rest of the band, which is often rare in many genres of music. They're all a team, and should all get attention. If you like bluegrass even just a little, you'll love this show. Alison has delved into country a little bit but her heart lies in bluegrass and she and her band are good at it!

June 12 - Sara Hickman - Rockys, OKC

The Blue Door is bringing Sara Hickman to Rocky's in Bricktown in support of her new release, *Two Kinds of Laughter*. I've seen Sara perform live a couple of times and she draws quite an enthusiastic crowd, and for good reason! Sara is warm and funny and she puts on an entertaining show. And with her wonderful voice and great songwriting, what more could anyone want?

June 13 - Caroline Aiken - City Arts Center

Atlanta based performer Caroline Aiken will perform at the City Arts Center. Credited with inspiring the Indigo Girls to make their profession in the music business, Aiken has a voice reminiscent of Janis Joplin (without the screaming) and it's wonderfully rich. She has a way of saying things simply in creatively, unique ways. Don't miss it, unless you'll be out of town like me. One of the best shows to come to OKC in a while, and I'll miss it. Oh, life isn't fair!

June 27th - Carrie Newcomer at City Arts Center

Don't miss this show! Carrie Newcomer is one of those talented women who writes beautiful songs and has a voice to die for. She is now backed up by a wonderful band and is touring in support of her new album, *My True Name*. I've seen her live before and she had me mesmerized, melting into her words and oh, that voice. Wow.

July 1 - Lilith Fair - All Sports Stadium

Indigo Girls, Sarah McLachlan, Natalie Merchant, Me'Shelle Ndegeocello, Sinéad O'Connor, and Martina McBride. Sounds like a night to remember to me! I've been told the concert will start around 4 pm and go on through most of the night. You've seen it on VH1, now see all these performers right here in OKC!

Check the *OK Gazette* for phone numbers to get more information about any of these shows. □

Herland Sister Resources

June, 1998

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2	3	4	5	6 MARIAN WRIGHT EDELMAN-1939-1st Black Woman admitted to the Bar in Maine
7	8	9	10	11 JEANETTE RANKIN (1880-1973) 1st woman in US Congress (1916), Women's Rights and Anti-child labor activist, Pacifist	12	13 AcaDykes-call Gail 521-8447 for time and place 7:00 PM HSR Backyard Concert with Jan Rosenberg
14 12:00 PM - 4:00 PM Clean-Up day at HSR 4:30 PM HSR Board Mtg.	15	16	17	18	19	20 12:00 PM - 5:00 PM Tulsa Pride Picnic PRIDE WEEK
21 Father's Day	22	23	24	25	26	27 6:30 PM Herland Picnic
PRIDE WEEK						
28 2:00 PM Pre-Parade Activities 4:00 PM OKC Pride Parade at Memorial Park PRIDE WEEK	29	30				

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