

the Pride Center

Tulsa Oklahomans for Human Rights

December 1997

New Program Director, Clinic Director for H.O.P.E.

Effective December 15th, HOPE has a new Director of HIV Programs. Kristi Frisbie comes to the position after having worked on the Ryan White HIV Home Health Program and the Flu campaign through the Visiting Nurses Association.

Prior to that, she worked as a National AIDS Fund Team Coordinator with the DC Needle Exchange Program out of Whitman-Walker Clinic in Washington, DC. She has also served on the Washington AIDS Partnership Steering Committee for distributing HIV monies to non-profit organizations. Kristi will be a great asset to H.O.P.E. by continuing our women's outreach programs and coordinating the activities of the other H.O.P.E. employees.

Greg Hisaw begins as the new HIV Clinic Coordinator on December 19. He has volunteered for several years at the clinic and has helped develop the testing

program for the state through the Health department. He brings management experience to the program and will be a great asset to the testing clinic.

Greg will be based out of the clinic at

TOHR Membership Meeting

**Tuesday, January 13th
7:30 PM**

**Social hour before the meeting
begins at 6:30 PM**

Admiral & Harvard. Kristi will be based out of the H.O.P.E. offices in the Pride Center. If you see Kristi or Greg, please offer them your congratulations and best wishes.

**Happy Kwanzaa! Happy Hanukkah!
Merry Christmas! Happy New Year!**

New TOHR Officers

TOHR officer elections were held at the fourth quarter meeting held on Friday, December 5th, at the Pride Center. The meeting was held in conjunction with Interfaith AIDS Ministries' Red Ribbon Holiday Bazaar. Those of you who weren't there missed out on a lot of great craft items and a lot of terrific food. Officers elected for 1998 are:

Steve Horn - President
Rob Hill - 1st Vice-President
Jonathan Stanley - 2nd Vice-President
Dennis Arnold - Secretary
Tom Neal - Treasurer

Steve will be naming the At-Large board members at the January 6th board meeting for general membership approval at the January 13th meeting. Thanks go to all of those who served on the board this past year.

Pride Center / HelpLine : 743-4297

H.O.P.E. : 712-1600

Newsletter : pride_center_news@pobox.com

1998 Meetings and Activities

1998 is shaping up to be a great year for TOHR. We will return to monthly general membership meetings the 2nd Tuesday of each month at 7:30 PM with a social hour at 6:30. Board meetings will be held the 1st Tuesday at 7:30 PM.

We are looking at possibilities for special events this year. Look for the Pride Picnic to be held in June as usual. In addition, we're looking at bringing back the TOHR Follies and other special events for this year. Contact the Pride Center if you have ideas or you want to be involved.

Interested in Volunteering??

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Community Coffee House - Held the 2nd Friday of each month starting at 7:00 PM. An informal chance to socialize with others in the community: meet new friends, chat with old ones, read a book, watch some TV, etc.

Community Movie Night - Held the 4th Friday of each month starting at 7:00 PM. Movies of interest to the community will be shown.

December - Moved to 3rd Friday, Dec. 19 - The Sum of Us - 7:00 PM,

The Incredibly True Adventures of Two Girls in Love - 9:00 PM

January 23 - French Twist - 7:00 PM Beautiful Thing - 9:00 PM

Coming Out Support Group - Support group to help deal with issues and fears faced at any stage of coming out. Bi-weekly on Tuesdays at 6 PM.

Primetimers - Social group for gay and bi-sexual men ages 40 and over.

Associate memberships for men 21-39 years old. 3rd Tuesday at 7 PM.

Safe Haven - An unstructured "safe place" gathering for young adults between 18 and 30 to meet and socialize. 1st Friday at 8:00 PM.

SuperBowl Watch Party - Sunday, January 25, beginning at 4:00 PM.

T.U.L.S.A. - Tulsa Uniform and Leather Seekers Association - Jan 5

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Pride Center Pledge Drive

The Pledge Drive continues for the Pride Center. Our community center is now a reality, but your financial support is still needed. We have on-going monthly expenses to keep the Pride Center in operation, as well as the need for resources to finish work on several rooms. Please consider making a monthly pledge to help with these monthly operating expenses. Any assistance will most certainly help.

Are You the Victim of Discrimination or a Hate Crime?

The Pride Center is taking reports of discrimination to collect info from those who might not make a report otherwise. Volunteers and staff can also refer you to agencies/people who might help regarding the complaint. 743-4297.

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