

LGBT Resource Center Historical Collection

2004-2005

UCSD LGBT Resource Center Signature Events

Dates of events 2004-2005 Academic Year

Q Camp – Wednesday, September 22nd 2004, 9:00am-1:30pm

Our orientation for incoming LGBT students and our community potluck

Alumni Breakfast – Saturday, October 16th 2004, 9:30am-11:30am

Our annual reunion, bringing all our alumni home to the Resource Center

5 year Anniversary Celebration – Wednesday, November 17th 2004, 4pm–6pm Each year we celebrate our establishment on campus in the fall of 1999

World AIDS Day - Wednesday, December 1st 2004

Our newest signature event, recognizing the impact of HIV/AIDS

UCLGBTIA Conference

Friday, February 18th through Sunday, February 20th 2005 at UC Davis

UCSD has always been an integral part of this UC system-wide conference

Out and Proud Week – Monday, April 25th through Friday, April 29th 2005

Our week where we choose to be especially visible to the UCSD community

Rainbow Graduation – Saturday, June 4th 2005, 4pm-6pm

Our annual celebration of leaders, volunteers, donors and graduating seniors!

Participation in San Diego Pride

- Friday, July 29th 2005 through Sunday July 31st 2005



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CITY EDITION

SUNDAY August 1, 2004

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THE SAN DIEGO UNION-TRIBUNE

rew Young secured balloons to the encompass.com float before the start of yesterday's gay pride parade in Hillcrest. Sandy Huffaker photos

day parade struts with playful pride

The Son Diego Union-Teil Sunday, August 1, 2004 Pride 2004 write-up

30th year of festivities in Hillcrest attracts 140,000

By Amy Oakes

There they stood, three pairs of super heroes dancing on the bed of a truck, being married by Elvis.

And, there they went, past tens of thousands of cheering people lined up along University Avenue to watch yesterday's 30th annual gay pride parade in Hillcrest.

"It's a lot of fun," said Karen Brain, a 29-yearold San Diego woman attending her fifth pride parade. "I like celebrating diversity."

Marriage was a common theme throughout the parade, a major event of the yearly San Diego Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender Pride festival. The issue of same-sex marriages, with this year's developments in San Francisco and Massachusetts and a possible constitutional amendment to ban those unions, has often been front-page news nationally.

Many parade participants and spectators waved signs with such messages as "We all deserve the freedom to marry" and "Human Rights, Love, Freedom, Marriage."

"It's not the biggest issue in our community, but it's the issue the nation is focusing on,"

Chuck Aldrich got his face made up by his friend, Eddie Green (not shown), before the show began.

said Brian Schaefer, who with fellow UCSD students helped build the float featuring the weddings of Superman and Batman, Xena and Wonder Woman, Catman and Spider-Man.

Schaefer said the students wanted to use their float, one of 180 in the parade, to promote marriage in a fun-filled way with popular comic book and television characters.

"With the strength in our community, we can really make a difference," he said.

The weekend pride festival at Marston Point in Balboa Park, which ends today, was expected to draw more than 185,000 people. A mass commitment ceremony is scheduled at

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Many turned out early to secure a sideline spot

12:15 p.m. today.

A rally, "The Spirit of Stonewall," was held Friday night at the Organ Pavilion Balboa Park.

Yesterday's parade featured a little of everything, from politicians in luxury cars to church groups and floats sponsored by local bars. Nicole Murray-Ramirez, who was a part of the first pride march, served as grand marshal.

Police estimated the parade crowd, at some points six people deep along University Avenue, at 140,000 — the same number as last year. There were no arrests or incidents, said Lt. Michael Cash of the San Diego Police Department.

A group of about 10 protesters stayed within a designated demonstration space at University and Ninth avenues, he said.

"Everything went off nicely, without a hitch," Cash said.

The parade began at Normal Street and University Avenue and slowly made its way west on University Avenue and then south on Sixth Avenue to Upas Street.

Many people arrived early to claim spots along the route.

Standing with a group of friends, Laura Frazier said she

attends the parade every year.

"It's cultural and it's fun," said the 60-year-old San Diego woman as a jungle-themed float passed by with people running alongside to hand beaded necklaces to spectators.

Created by the Azalea Park neighborhood group, that float was a crowd pleaser, drawing cheers and screams.

"We have natives, animals, Tarzan and Jane," said Eddie Green, dressed as witch doctor in a long tan grass skirt and carrying a mask and spear.

Green, 47, said he enjoys the energy of the parade and the spectators.

"People yell and yell," he said, as he made last-minute alterations to his costume. "It's great."

The sense of support and community drew Michael Carter to the parade for the third straight year.

"It's a time for people to come together and be as one," said the 38-year-old El Cajon man. "It's good to see all these people, and it gives me a sense of stability to know that I am not alone."



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OUT AND PROUD WEEK 2005 @ UCSD

5th Week, Spring Quarter Monday, April 25 – Friday, April 29

DAY:	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Featured Orgs:	QPOC & SAAC	"Arts & Culture	LGBT RC	Queer Womyn's	LGBTQIA
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		RC Arts &		TAKE BACK	
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11:00	Library Walk with				
12:00 PM	Featured Org.				
1:00					
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3:00					
4:00		Trans "T" Party			
5:00		LGBT RC, 4 PM		TAKE BACK THE	
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	With Shaun		7 PM		
	Travers				
	CCC, 6-8 PM				
8:00					"Downtown" w/
					David Sedaris*
					Spreckel's Theat.

Anti-Gay Group Protest

May 2005

Our community members sprung to action immediately upon seeing this display of hatred against us.









THE UCSD LESBIAN GAY BISEXUAL TRANSGENDER RESOURCE CENTER



The Nicholas Papadopoulos Endowed Lecture in Gay and Lesbian Studies

The Nicholas Papadopoulos Endowed Lecture in Gay and Lesbian Studies is funded by a bequest from the estate of Nicholas Papadopoulos '76, as well as by donations made in his honor by his family members.



Dr. Gayle S. Rubin, Department of Anthropology University of Michigan

State of Panic! Sex Panics and Their Dispossessed

Tuesday, May 24, 5:00pm UCSD Cross Cultural Center

RECEPTION PRECEDING AT 4:00PM TO HONOR DR. RUBIN For more information, please contact the UCSD LGBT Resource Center at (858) 822-3493

THE MAN GAVIN NEWSOM IS TOO SCAKED TO FACE:

STEVE YUHAS

HE'S CONSERVATIVE! HE'S GAY! AND HE'S COMING TO UCSD!

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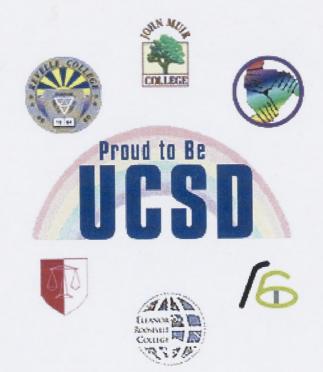
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What Are We About?

On November 17, 1977, the Gay Student Union, or GSU was officially recognized by UCSD as a student organization. This historic occasion began 25 years of growth and development, as well as name changes... including LAGO (Lesbian and Gay Organization) from 1982-1990, and LGBA (Lesbian, Gay, and Bisexual Association) from 1990-1998. In 1998, the organization once more changed its name to include the letter 'T,' to represent the Transgender community, achieving the identity as the LGBTA. Most recently, in 2003, the LGBTA changed its name once again, to include the letters 'Q' and 'I,' for the identities of Oueer and Intersex, resulting in its current identity of the LGBTQIA @ UCSD.

The LGBTQIA @ UCSD is committed to providing safe spaces for the LGBTQI community. We work at this goal in many ways... Holding regular meetings and office hours to provide a space to talk and socialize; Putting on dances open to all, allowing people to have a good time without fear; Holding rallies to show our Pride; and Promoting Education, both within the LGBTIQ community and to the larger San Diego Community.

Please glance through our brochure to see some of our regular activities... and feel free to contact us with any questions!





Associated Students

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LGBTQIA

Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual Transgender, Queer, & Intersex Association



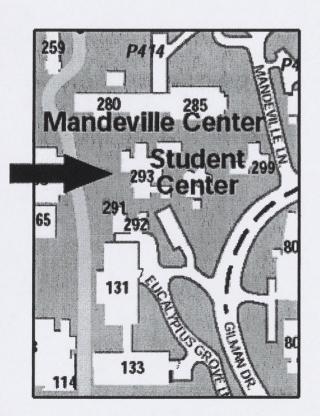
Providing a safe space and a voice for LGBTQ1 students at UCSD for 25 years.

lgbtqia@ucsd.edu (858) 534-GAYS (4297)

UC San Diego Mailbox Number: B-18 9500 Gilman Drive, Dept. 0077 La Jolla, California 92093-0077

Where are we Located?

In the Old Student Center Second Floor, Room 206 Directly above AS Soft Reserves See Map Below



Annual Events!



Non-sexist Dances... LGBTQIA puts on 2 of these a quarter, with varying themes... examples are our "Homocoming," to a "Tainted Love" dance. The dances draw up to 600 persons from UCSD as well as the San Diego Community!

National Coming Out Day Rally. Every October 11th, (or closest weekday) LGBTQIA holds a rally in UCSD's Price Center for anyone to share their Coming Out Stories.



"Divas In Denial," our annual drag/talent show, is held every Winter Quarter, Divas In Denial allows everyone to cut loose, have fun, and be creative!



Out And Proud Week. Celebrated in May, LGBTQIA, in partnership with LGBTRC and QPOC, celebrate our identities with a Campus March, a rally in the Price Center Mall, and by showing our presence on Library Walk.



San Diego PRIDE. While Pride occurs during the Summer break, the LGBTOIA still participates with other UCSD orgs. We help with the creation of the float, walk in the parade, and help staff a

In addition to our larger events, LGBTQIA also holds "Family Dinners" at a member's home twice a quarter, have movie nights, picnics, and weekly socials after our meetings!

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Purpose

QPOC exists to explore specific issues pertinent to queer people of color; our struggles at times are overlooked and many times we are forced to choose between multiple aspects of our identities. QPOC addresses the issues of heterosexism, religious bigotry, ignorance and racism that exist in the Queer community. QPOC's purpose is to create a space in which individuals with complex identities can come and express, explore and educate themselves on issues that affect queer people of color, all in a safe and welcoming environment. Our experiences as queer people of color can be shared to create awareness in the queer community as well as in others.

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QPOC

QUEER PEOPLE OF COLOR



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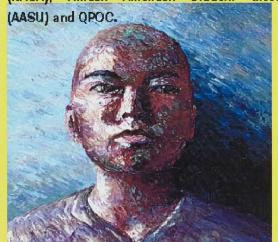
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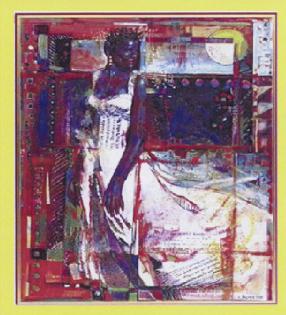


People often ask the meaning of the word "queer." Although it may seem to have a negative connotation, the term has been reappropriated to empower the queer community and those who identify as queet. The meaning of the word can signify anyone anything non-conforming to the standards of the mainstream dominant culture, thus allowing a broad base of those who identify as queer. Not all LGBTI bisexual, transgender, (lesbian, gay, intersex) identified people choose the term 'queer' as an identity. It has come to signify more of a political identity surrounding politics of sexuality. "People of Color" also allow diverse groups of people to be represented as a whole. Creating alliances among diverse groups of people helps build strong coalitions towards creating change.

Past Events

QPOC's members participate as well as create events the benefit our group and the UCSD community. We attend Youth conferences like: Models of Pride at Occidental College, La Familia at UCLA, UCLGBTIA, SDSU's Youth conference, UC Student of Color conference and several other conferences that enrich the experiences of our group. In the past, QPOC has created programs such as: Nights of Spoken Word, Queer Film Festivals, queer workshops and forums for on campus and off campus organizations and our largest project, our annual Youth Conference, Generation Q! QPOC is also an active member of the Student Affirmative Action Committee (SAAC) which is comprised of: Movimiento Estudantil Chicana/o de Aztlan (MEChA), Asian Pacific Islander Student Association (APSA), Kaibigang Pilipino (KP), Native American Student Alliance (NASA), African American Student Union





Several of QPOC's member are involved in several of the organizations aforementioned. We are constantly active and look forward to new ideas from future QPOC member on any of our projects.

Meetings

QPOC meets every Thursday at 7:00pm, the meetings are an open and supportive space to share stories, experiences or just hang out. The meetings are held at the LGBT Resource Center!

Office

Our office is in the SAAC Lounge, located behind Imprints in Price Center.

The UCSD Lesbian Gay Bisexual Transgender Resource Center Mission

"The LGBT Resource Center is a diverse, open, and public space for all members of the university community to explore issues relating to sexual and gender identities, practices, and politics. It develops student leadership, builds workplace equity, promotes academic research, and provides resources. The center challenges existing definitions of variant genders and sexualities by engaging in community building on- and off-campus. This center sustains and develops visibility, sense of community, and knowledge of diverse queer people."

(Adopted October 7, 2001)

The San Diego Women's Chorus

Artistic Director: Christopher Allen Accompanist: Deanna Hastings

The San Diego Women's Chorus (SDWC) is a lesbian-identified choral organization open to all women, regardless of sexual orientation, who have the desire to sing and perform socially conscious and diverse music for the women's community, the LGBT community, and the San Diego Community at large. The SDWC supports and affirms the music of women, minorities, and LGBT composers and arrangers. The SDWC is a non-auditioned choral ensemble and welcomes new members at any time.

Our Mission: "Through musical expression, San Diego Women's Chorus encourages women's creativity, celebrates diversity, and inspires social action."

Special Thanks to...

The Cross Cultural Center, the Women's Center, Sean LaPerruque, Emily Castor, Sakura Evans, Rafael Colonna, Steve Brewer, and the Volunteers of the LGBT Resource Center for all your contributions to the UCSD LGBT community. Thank you also to Rigo Marquez and Alice Johnson for their inspiring thoughts and beautiful slideshow. It has been a gratifying and memorable year. And finally, thanks and GOOD LUCK to our fabulous graduates... You make us proud.

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LESBIAN GAY BISEXUAL TRANSGENDER RESOURCE CENTER



UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, SAN DIEGO

Presents

RAINBOW GRADUATION

INDUCTION INTO THE

LGBT CHAPTER OF THE ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

A CEREMONY FOR THE LGBT COMMUNITY AND ITS ALLIES.

Saturday, June 4, 2005 4:00 PM The Stage @ Porter's Pub Welcome

Shaun Travers

Introduction of the Chancellor

Rafael Colonna

Special remarks from UCSD Chancellor Marye Anne Fox

Honorees from UCSD LGBT Organizations

Senior Address

Alice Johnson & Rigo Marquez

Scholarships

Christopher B. Arrott Scholarship Michael L. Marx and Donald K. Marshall Scholarship Russ Ty Scholarship The LGBT Resource Center Scholarship

Faculty Address

Anna Joy Springer, Department of Literature

Performance by the San Diego Women's Chorus

"You Raise Me Up" Lyrics by Brendan Graham Music by Rolf Lovland

"The Poet Sings" by Z. Randall Stroope

Presentation of Graduates

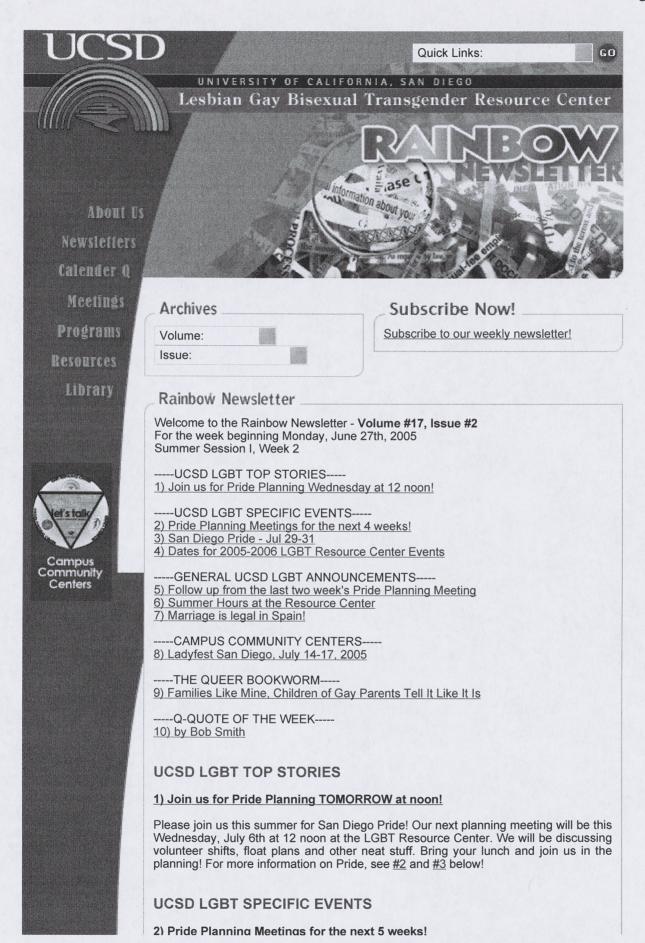
Induction into the LGBT Chapter of the Alumni Association

Closing Remarks Slideshow Debbi Blake Alice Johnson & Rigo Marquez

Reception to follow ceremony

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Kirsten Marie Bowen **Emily Castor** Lorie Delizo Caroline Noel Dessert Cody Gillespie Ashlee Goldsmith Nicholas Richard Hay Alice Audrey Johnson Erica Miriam Aziz Kermani Jamila Ahmed Khan Sean Bradley LaPerruque Emily Yukiko Leach Ilan Greenwald Limenes James Liu Kian Maleki Rigo Marquez Theodore Alfred Bellman McCombs Tim McQueeny Janine Marie Mogannam Edgar Orejel Saman Oun Alexander Hayes Penn Manuel Esteban Ponce Brian Schaefer Gillian Sonnad Shawn Ta Tyrone (T.J.) Tallie Shannon R. Ten Broeck Christopher D. Tipton-King Sam Wilson



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3) San Diego Pride - Jul 29-31

Please join us this summer for San Diego Pride! The rally is on Friday night, July 29th, the parade starts at 11am on Saturday, July 30th and the festival runs Saturday and all day on Sunday, July 31st!

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What great people you might ask? "Great people" means YOU! We need volunteers for float building and staffing our booth, so if you are interested, email dblake@ucsd.edu and let us know how you'd like to help.

To further entice y'all into volunteering this year for Pride, UCSD is a proud, award-winning titleholder of "Best Use of Theme" for 2003's pride float, and was the featured story on the coverage by the San Diego Union Tribune in 2004! Help us keep up the great UCSD tradition!

Not enticed yet? But wait, there's more! If you volunteer your time at our Pride Festival booth, you get your admission to SD Pride PAID FOR. That's right, free admission, can't beat that! Tell Debbi you want to volunteer TODAY! dblake@ucsd.edu. First come first served until we run out of tickets.

4) Dates for 2005-2006 LGBT Resource Center Events

The LGBT Resource Center hosts a number of events that bring our entire UCSD LGBT community together. Some are to celebrate, some are to be visible, some are to remember, all are uniquely ours. We encourage everyone to attend these incredible events. Put them on your calendar NOW! And we'll see you there!

- Q Camp & Q Fair Wednesday, September 21st 2005, 9:00am-1:30pm, Cross-Cultural Center
 - +Our orientation for incoming LGBT students and our community potluck
- Queer Faculty Reception Wednesday, October 12th 2005, Faculty Club
- Alumni Breakfast Saturday, October 15th 2005, 9:30am-11:30am, LGBT Resource Center
 - +Our annual reunion, bringing all our alumni home to the Resource Center

NGLTF Conference - Oakland, California

+Thursday, November 10th through Sunday, November 13th 2005 in Oakland

- Anniversary Celebration Wednesday, November 16th 2005, 4pm-6pm Mandeville Room East
 - +Each year we celebrate our establishment on campus in November of 1999
- World AIDS Day Wednesday, December 1st 2004 Price Center Ballroom +Our newest signature event, recognizing the impact of HIV/AIDS
- Move to the new building in the Original Student Center
 +Although technically not an event, it should happen around December 2005
- Queer Staff Reception Thursday, February 16th, 2006 4pm-6pm, LGBT Resource Center
- Out and Proud Week Monday, May 1st through Friday, May 5th 2006 +Our week where we choose to be especially visible to the UCSD community
- Rainbow Graduation Saturday, June 10th 2006, 4pm-6pm +Our annual celebration of leaders, volunteers, donors and graduating seniors!
- Participation in San Diego Pride
 +Friday, July 28th 2006 through Sunday July 30th 2006

GENERAL UCSD LGBT ANNOUNCEMENTS

5) Follow up from last week's Pride Planning Meeting

Here are some notes from our second Pride planning meeting last Thursday. Join us tomorrow, or send your thoughts to us at rainbow@ucsd.edu!

Second Pride Planning Meeting
Thursday, June 29, 2005
4pm
UCSD LGBT Resource Center
Attendees
Max, Alex, Ilan, Clement, Raf, Shaun, Nik, Pierre

Reviewed last weeks meeting - see prior notes

Updates from folks who submitted stuff over e-mail:

Both Rich and Daniel have trucks that we can use on Saturday morning to transport Center furniture to the festival site.

Peper suggested using a broadcaster on the radio through an I Pod so we don't have to worry about CD's/Tape player

Updates on float:

We are still working on securing a UCSD shuttle bus, and will hopefully know more next week. That seems to be the consensus of the best idea, if we can secure it. There was another idea of getting a fleet of the ever-present golf carts that our campus, and using them as our float...

There was talk of highlighting some major civil rights leaders to be carried on big signs/put on the sides of the bus, highlighting our struggle as an ongoing struggle for civil rights. Some concern was raised about how connecting this struggle to the struggles around race in the sixties can cause some significant feelings. It was a good discussion. If we do highlight some prominent leaders, the quality needs to be very high.

Other ideas:

The strongest consensus decision was around having an interactive element with the spectators/audience. It was decided that we would develop a stamp that said "Equal Rights" in block letters. It would graphically have a very strong feel, like when someone stamps a veto (i.e. that typestyle, etc.). We would get LOTS of these and encourage those that were marching with us to be stamping folks in the crowd. We can get red, black, and rainbow colored stamp pads to stamp people. The stamp would be a touch larger than "back of hand"-size ,maybe 3" x 2". Clement will develop the graphic by Tuesday (I will send it our electronically as soon as I get it) so we can review a draft on Wednesday at the meeting (Thanks, Clement!)

People recommended that if you brought a T-Shirt, we would stamp it, so people would know what the stamp was. We also through about blowing up the stamp and using it as an iron-on decal for t-shirts. We would NOT, however, purchase pre-printed

T-shirts.

Review of Events of Pride

Friday 3-5pm: Pizza party, sign making ad float decorating at the LGBT RC Friday 7pm: Spirit of Stone Wall at Organ Pavilion, Balboa Park 7pm Saturday 11am: Pride parade in Hillcrest Saturday 12noon: to 10pm Pride Festival in Balboa Park Sunday 10am - 9pm: Pride Festival in Balboa Park

Theme for this year Equal Rights - No More No Less

We have a red BMW convertible confirmed for the VIP vehicle (thanks Freya). Still no ideas on who/what to put in VIP vehicle.

Next meeting: Wednesday, July 6th at 12 noon at the LGBT Resource Center

6) Summer Hours at the Resource Center

The Resource Center will be generally open from 8am to 4:30pm Monday-Thursday. Fridays we will close at 12 noon. We will be getting ready for San Diego Pride, so keep your eyes peeled for upcoming news and events concerning that (see above). We hope that those who will be staying in San Diego for the summer will come by and visit us!!

7) Marriage is legal in Spain!

The Spanish Parliament approved legislation on June 29, 2005 legalizing marriage for same-sex couples in the country. Under the law, gay and lesbian parents would also be permitted to adopt children. The law went into effect on July 3, 2005.

CAMPUS COMMUNITY CENTERS' EVENTS

8) Ladyfest San Diego, July 14-17, 2005

Ladyfest San Diego is a fiercely independent festival of women and transgender music, film, video, photography, spoken word, and more! The first Ladyfest took place in Olympia, WA in 2000, and ever since then communities around the world (Bay Area, New York City, Warsaw, and San Paolo to name a few) have organized their own Ladyfests.

This is a participatory/DIY festival which will be multi-media and will include workshops and children's activities. The schedule of events for this four day festival is consistently being updated as more events are added. Most events will take place in and around the North Park area, and will be accessible by public transportation. For more information and to purchase passes please visit www.ladyfestsd.org.

WANT TO GET INVOLVED?

Because Ladyfest is a volunteer run, do-it-yourself venture, community involvement is crucial for its success. Share your time, talents, and expertise! Attend an open meeting, become part of a committee, help with workshops and events, donate funds or in-kind items and services, and, of course, volunteer at the festival. To join the Ladyfest community forum and to find out more information about how you can get involved visit www.ladyfestsd.org/getinvolved. LFSD meets every Monday from 7:30pm to 8:30pm at Gelato Vero Cafe at India and Washington.

THE QUEER BOOKWORM

9) Families Like Mine, Children of Gay Parents Tell il Like It Is

By Abigail Garner - "A profound book that captures many aspects of gay parenting that I have experienced personally. I strongly recommend this book to any gay person with children and those who are considering parenthood." ~Melissa Etheridge

Q-QUOTE OF THE WEEK



"I (came out to family on) I nanksgiving. I said, "Mom, would you please pass the gravy to a homosexual?' She Passed it to my father. A terrible scene followed." ~Bob

For more information on any of the above, please contact the LGBT Resource Center at (858) 822-3493, rainbow@ucsd.edu, http://lgbt.ucsd.edu

This is a regular compilation of news, tidbits, and information from the UCSD LGBT Resource Center to keep everyone in the know. It will be published weekly, usually on Tuesday afternoons. If you have things to submit, please forward them by Friday at 5pm to rainbow@ucsd.edu and type "Rainbow Newsletter" in the subject line. They should be UCSD & LGBT focused! Newsletters are archived at http://lgbt.ucsd.edu/newsletter

Problems with the listsery? Did you get this multiple times? Please let us know.

Still Reading...

Pride is just around the corner, so please plan on joining us. The weekend was very relaxing for me. I spent the first half of the weekend in Palm Springs, and took the tram up to the top of the mountains on Saturday. James and I hiked about 8 miles of trails up there. The Fourth itself was spent with family in Orange County for the bulk of the day. Then James and I watched fireworks here in San Diego. And we celebrated our two year anniversary on the fourth as well. It was wonderful.

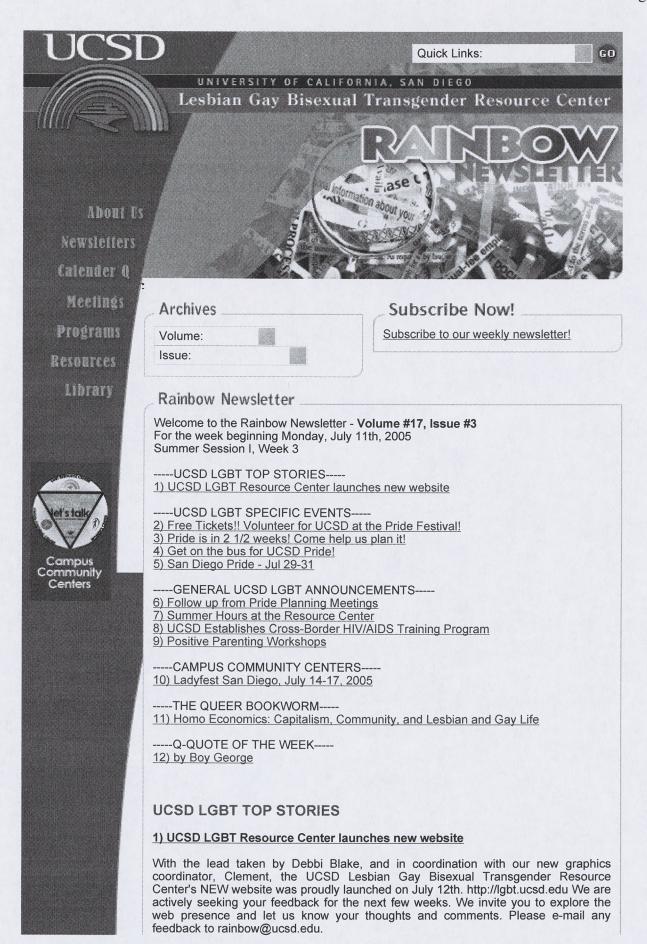
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Official web page of the University of California, San Diego



We want to express our sincere thanks to Scott Heath, class of 2000, who designed and developed our original website, which served our community well for over five years. It is in his spirit that we launch a new version of our community's web space.

UCSD LGBT SPECIFIC EVENTS

2) Free Tickets!! Volunteer for UCSD at the Pride Festival!

If you volunteer your time at the UCSD LGBT Resource Center's Pride Festival booth, you get your admission to San Diego Pride Festival for FREE. That's right, free admission, can't beat that! Tell Raf, our volunteer coordinator, you want to volunteer TODAY! rainbow@ucsd.edu. First come first served until we run out of tickets.

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4) Get on the bus for UCSD Pride!

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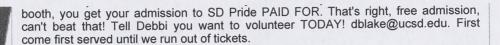
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What great people you might ask? "Great people" means YOU! We need volunteers for float building and staffing our booth, so if you are interested, email dblake@ucsd.edu and let us know how you'd like to help.

To further entice y'all into volunteering this year for Pride, UCSD is a proud, award-winning titleholder of "Best Use of Theme" for 2003's pride float, and was the featured story on the coverage by the San Diego Union Tribune in 2004! Help us keep up the great UCSD tradition!

Not enticed yet? But wait, there's more! If you volunteer your time at our Pride Festival



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6) Follow up from Pride Planning Meetings

Fourth Pride Planning Meeting Tuesday, July 12, 2005 4pm UCSD LGBT Resource Center Attendees

Chilan, Clement, Paul, Gerry, Debbi, Kendra, Raf, Shaun, Rich L.Z., Max

Reviewed last week's meeting and our history of participation in Pride events - see prior notes

The Spirit of Stonewall Rally is at the main stage festival site, NOT at the Organ Pavilion as previously indicated!

Updates on UCSD Pep Band:

Over the course of the last week, the LGBT Resource Center was contacted by the Director of the Pep Band at UCSD, Paul. Paul was able to be at the meeting, and the UCSD pep band will be mosey-ing on down the street with our parade contingent! UC Davis's pep band is always at San Francisco Pride, so why not UCSD's at San Diego Pride?!? It is a VERY welcome addition, and we are excited to have them on board. They'll play a bunch of upbeat songs as we go along the parade route, and add a truly festive atmosphere. It also solved our I-pod broadcaster/boom box problem that was plaguing us!

Updates on the float (well, it is really a bus)

We were able confirm our driver (YAY Robin!) and to take measurements of the vehicle from the UCSD Shuttle Services that we will have for the parade! It is 30 foot long by 9 foot wide by 9 1/2 foot tall (that is REALLY tall!) We won't be able to put boxes on the top like we discussed at last week's meeting, but we will go with the same idea, using poster board on each side of the bus. There is plenty of room to put up signs and not block the UCSD logos!

The 3x2 "Equal Rights" stamps will be delivered this Thursday. We went with the self-inking ones, so we can use them one handed. We have 25 of them in red or black. Don't lick the ink.

We discussed VIP's. Vice Chancellor Steve Relyea can not make it and Cat Thompson from Psychology is on vacation so... We will have Raf liaison with some of the folks he has been working with through the Senior Historical Project as a way of highlighting UCSD's connection to the intergenerational connections between youth and seniors. Raf will be taking the lead, and if we do not secure a VIP for the car by the end of the week, we are going to just go with the shuttle and the marching contingent (but thanks, Freya, for the offer of the car.)

We discussed adding Immigration as one of the boxes on the side of the shuttle.

We discussed buying a few throw away camera's so we can document a lot of the festivities as we travel down the parade route.

We discussed having some of the folks who are actually marching wearing a box, which will be painted as a voting box, and have them stamp folks with the "Equal Rights" stamp.

We discussed having Chancellor Fox send out an invitation to the entire UCSD community to participate with us in Pride.

We discussed advertising the ability for folks who may not have marched/participated with UCSD's contingent in the parade in past years due to the length of parade/heat/etc to be strongly encouraged to join us on the shuttle as a first priority!

We brainstormed a list of supplies:

-Boxes

-Poster Board

-Spray Paint (Black and White)

-Stencils (we already have them)

-Big Markers (we already have them)

-Stakes (we already have them, but need to make sure we have enough)

-Tear by Hand Tape (we already have it)

-Water, ice and a cooler

-Snacks for the parade route

-Stampers (on order)

-Fire extinguisher (confirm that we have it)

-Bubbles (to blow out the windows of the shuttle)

-Scissors

-Streamers (rainbow colors)

-Blue and gold skirting for the shuttle

Review of Events of Pride

Friday 3-5pm: Pizza party, sign making ad float decorating at the LGBT RC Friday 7pm: Spirit of Stone Wall at the Main Stage sight in Balboa Park 7pm

Saturday 11am: Pride parade in Hillcrest

Saturday 12noon: to 10pm Pride Festival in Balboa Park

Sunday 10am - 9pm: Pride Festival in Balboa Park

Theme for this year

Equal Rights - No More No Less

Next meeting: Tuesday, July 19th at 12 noon at the LGBT Resource Center

7) Summer Hours at the Resource Center

The Resource Center will be generally open from 8am to 4:30pm Monday-Thursday. Fridays we will close at 12 noon. We will be getting ready for San Diego Pride, so keep your eyes peeled for upcoming news and events concerning that (see above). We hope that those who will be staying in San Diego for the summer will come by and visit us!!

8) UCSD School of Medicine and Partners to Establish Cross-Border HIV/AIDS Training Program

A program to improve the binational response to HIV/AIDS prevention in northwestern Mexico and surrounding regions, led by Steffanie Strathdee, Ph.D., Professor and Chief, Division of International Health and Cross Cultural Medicine, Department of Family and Preventive Medicine at University of California, San Diego (UCSD) School of Medicine, has been selected for funding by the United States Agency for International Development (USAID).

The project, "A Cross-Border HIV/AIDS Prevention Training Program in the Northwest Mexican Border Region," was selected to receive approximately \$500,000 over three-years though a USAID U.S.-Mexico Training, Internships, Exchanges and Scholarships (TIES) grant. The objective is to strengthen the capacity of Mexican public health practitioners, outreach workers and policy makers to prevent and manage HIV/AIDS and co-occurring epidemics, such as tuberculosis and to translate ongoing research into policy and practice.

The training program, which is through the USAID Association Liaison Office for University Cooperation in Development (ALO), is a four-way partnership among the UCSD School of Medicine and San Diego State University (SDSU) School of Public Health in the U.S., and Universidad Autonoma de Baja California (UABC) and El Colegio de la Frontera Norte (COLEF) in Mexico.

More info at: http://health.ucsd.edu/news/2005/07_01_Strathdee.html

9) Positive Parenting Workshops

The LGBT Center in Hillcrest's Women's Resource Center and Family Matters invite you to their monthly "Positive Parenting" workshops. The drop-in workshops will take

place on the first Thursday of each month from 6:30-8pm at The Center, 3909 Centre St.

The goal of these informative and interactive workshops will be to provide parents with enhanced skills to help create a more peaceful and cooperative family atmosphere. The next workshop will be August 4 and the topic is "Understanding Children's Temperament." This informative and interactive workshop will provide you with skills to create a peaceful and cooperative family atmosphere. Based on the popular course "Redirecting Children's Behavior."

There is no fee to attend and all workshops are open to the public. No advance registration is required. For more information, contact info@sdfamilymatters.org or Anna at (619) 521-1145 or at rcbsandiego@yahoo.com.

CAMPUS COMMUNITY CENTERS' EVENTS

10) Ladyfest San Diego, July 14-17, 2005

From our own faculty member, Giovanna Chessler...

"Next Thursday, July 14th, marks the beginning of Ladyfest San Diego - a four day festival of women and trans identified art, music, workshops and film. For more information visit http://www.ladyfestsd.org Please forward this to any and all!

Our opening event is a film screening at the LGBT Center in Hillcrest on July 14th with music to follow at Voz Alta downtown. The film program includes work by San Diego makers. Festival passes for \$30 will be on sale at the Film Screening.

THURSDAY:

Film Program, 7pm, \$7-10 sliding scale, San Diego LGBT Center, 3909 Centre Street at University in Hillcrest, San Diego, CA 92103 (work by Davina Semo and Sewdsy Pictures, Chungmin Moon, Ulrike Armstrong, Erica Carducci, Kinda Al-Fityani, Monique Moumblow, Jean Wang, Robin Rigby, Leah Meyerhoff, Ayda Melika, Marina Shoupe, Paula Cronan & Juliana Snapper.)

Music at Voz Alta, 1544 Broadway, San Diego, 92101 \$5-7 10pm All ages event

FRIDAY:

TMI featuring Lynn Breedlove, La Linea, Lavanderia and open mic at the Arts and Entertainment Center, 3026 University Avenue in North Park, cross street 30th. Door opens at 7

\$5 - 20 sliding scale entrance fee

SATURDAY:

Workshops 11 - 4 (info and locations available on website soon) Knitting Salon 1 - 4 The Grove, 3010 Juniper St, San Diego, 92104 Music Festival at Voz Alta, 1544 Broadway, San Diego, 92101, \$10-15 sliding scale

SUNDAY:

Voz Alta 1544 Broadway, San Diego, 92101 \$7 - 10 sliding scale

Exhibition of art work 12 - 3

Marsin Ones

Music: 3pm Siren: 4pm

More bands into the evening...

Ladyfest is a fiercely independent festival of women and trans music, film/video, photography, spoken word and more!

LFSD provides a space for the exhibition of photography, music, film/video, and spoken word by women and trans identified artists. Through this weekend long exhibition of work and workshops, we hope to strengthen, promote and celebrate a feminist community in San Diego.

All proceeds will be donated to Shakti Rising , a local outreach, educational, healing and recovery program for young women."

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11) Homo Economics: Capitalism, Community, and Lesbian and Gay Life

by Amy Gluckman (Editor), Betsy Reed (Editor) - "Consumerism has discovered gay liberation: Pride marches now commonly boast sponsorship by corporate entities such as Miller Lite and Absolute Vodka while designers Calvin Klein and Tommy Hilfiger support the gay press with their advertising dollars. What are we to make of this trend? Homo Economics is a collection of 20 essays that analyze the myriad connections between money, consumerism, the market, and gay politics. Progressive in orientation and accessible in its writing, Homo Economics is provocative without being doctrinaire, challenging without being simple- minded. For anyone interested in politics, economics, or history this is an indispensable volume." ~ from Amazon.com

Q-QUOTE OF THE WEEK

"There's part of me that really dreads assimilation... I'm all for equality, but the idea of being assimilated to the point of leasing my identity is just plain revolting to me." \sim by Boy George

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It is SO exciting that the UCSD pep band is going to be with us at Pride this year! This event keeps growing and growing. I do hope you are planning on seeing the parade, going to the festival, or the Spirit of Stonewall rally. It is a great event for our community.

Going to go to dinner with mom and dad tomorrow night up in Orange County and discuss the fall out of me outing myself to my aunt and uncle over the Fourth of July. I know, I know, how could they not know? But they didn't. They do now, though. Ah, my ongoing queer life...

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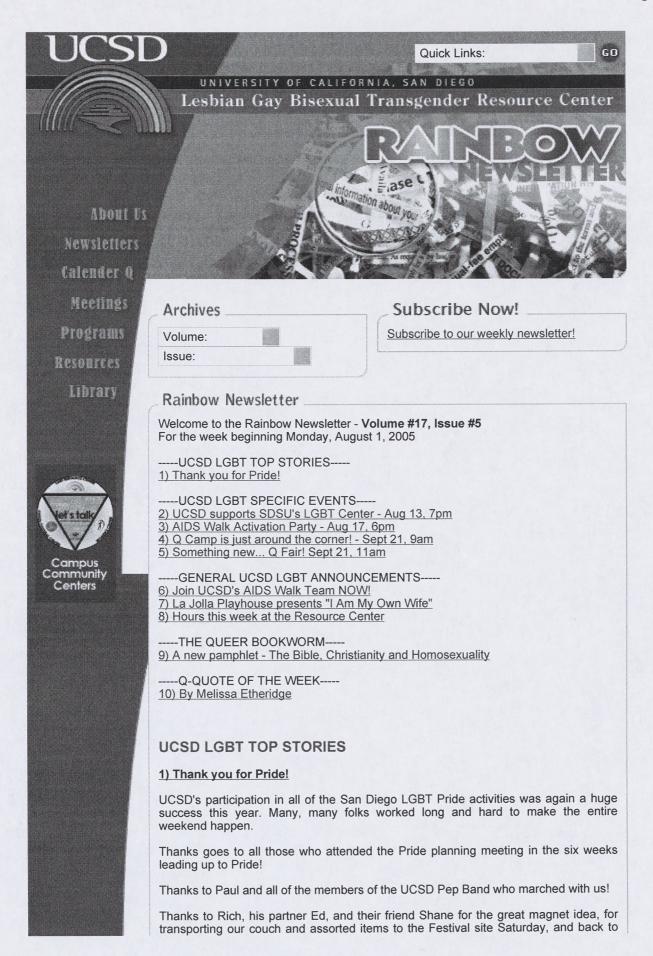
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UCSD late Sunday night.

Thanks to Elena Albee for being our VIP, and to Raf for his coordination of that part of the contingent, and Steve for helping with transportation.

Thanks to Shaun's mom and dad for stepping in at the last minute, for driving down in their convertible, and driving our VIP through the parade.

Thanks to Clement for the design of the incredibly popular "Equal Rights" stamp.

Thanks to Alex, Peper, Johnny, Ilan, Erica, Clement, Ali, Kaitlyn, Justin, Jake, Mila, Kendra, Paul, Max, Raf, Rich, Shane, Dustin, Greg, Moe, Janine, Rob and lots of other's artistic talents on Friday night making the signs for the sides of the shuttle and to carry.

Thanks to everyone (over 65 folks) who rode, made bubbles, shouted, strolled, stamped and marched with us at the Pride Parade!

Thanks to Robin and all of the people at UCSD Shuttle Operations for the great shuttle experience.

Thanks to everyone who volunteered to be at the booth on Saturday and Sunday, including Annie, Jake, Paul, Ali, Sam, Jackie, Kendra, Ilan, Kaitlyn, Peper, Greg, Steve, Cody, Ryan, Raf, Moe, Erik, Tim, Steve, Mila, Debbi, Shaun and Marina.

And a HUGE thank you to Debbi Blake, who shepherded many, many aspects of this year's events while Shaun was consumed by an unending escrow nightmare.

Pride 2006 is July 28, 29 and 30th! Mark your calendars now!

-UCSD LGBT SPECIFIC EVENTS-

2) UCSD supports SDSU's LGBT Center - Aug 13, 7pm

From our own Paul Harris...

"Dear LGBTers and Allies:

WHAT: It's a party!!! At the home of Paul Harris for a fundraiser to help establish a permanent, funded LGBT Resource Center at San Diego State University, as well as helping the on-going programming needs of the SDSU LGBT student organization. All proceeds will be split 50-50 between the two groups.

WHEN: Saturday August 13th 7:00PM - ???

HOW MUCH: All we are asking for is a \$5.00 donation per person (of course we would welcome any larger contributions.) Appetizers, sodas, juices, and beer (for those over 21) will be provided free of charge.

WHERE: 4802 Kesling Court San Diego (Clairemont). (858-277-8262) From 805 take Clairemont Mesa Blvd. west. Go to your third stop light and turn left on Longford Street. Take your first left on Kesling Street, and then your first right on Kesling Court. It's the last house in the cul-de-sac, with the tall hedge. You may need to park down the street, but please don't block any neighbors' driveways.

WHO: You and any supportive friends and family members you want to invite. UCSD and SDSU students, staff, faculty, and community members are encouraged to mingle and support these important causes.

RSVP: Not required, but helpful in determining how much food & drink to buy. If you are planning on coming please consider sending a courtesy email to Paul at pharris@ucsd.edu by 8/10. No need to send regrets."

3) AIDS Walk Activation Party - Aug 17, 6pm

UCSD traditionally has a good contingent for AIDS Walk, and this is a great event those who have registered can attend together. For more information on registering, see #7 below..

From the organizer's of AIDS Walk...

"Join us at ACTIVATION, the AIDS Walk party that celebrates the kick-off of fundraising for AIDS Walk. If you have registered, you will be on our "registered" list at the door. If you have not registered, we will have our friendly AIDS Walk volunteers available to register you and your friends. Or, click here to register today! RSVP to activation@aidswalksd.org. (Registration and RSVP required.)

ACTIVATION will be held on Wednesday, August 17th, from 6 pm to 8 pm at 500 West Hotel. Event highlights include an inside look at 500 West, one of downtown San Diego's hottest new hotels; fabulous food and drinks; and a live acoustic performance by acclaimed indie-folk-rock sensation Eric Himan. Meet Eric Himan before the show and receive an autographed copy of his CD: stay tune for details.

AIDS Walk continues to reduce expenses every year while still providing a high-quality event. Here are some ways you can help us save money:

Register online; encourage your friends and family to register with you, form a team and fundraise early. Download a registration form. This saves AIDS Walk the cost of both printing and postage! Attend ACTIVATION to register yourself or your team for only \$20. Bring your friends and have them register as well!

Visit our website a buy an AIDS Walk bracelet for only \$2. http://www.aidswalksd.org. You can pick it up at the AIDS Walk office or at ACTIVATION.

See you at ACTIVATION.

Sincerely,

David Lagua-a Program Coordinator AIDS Walk San Diego 619-291-WALK (9255) david@aidswalksd.org"

4) Q Camp is just around the corner! - Sept 21, 9am

Q Camp began in the fall of 2002 with only 13 registrants. Proclaimed as a huge success by those attending, the event grew primarily by word of mouth in its second year. With the addition of counselors from the UCSD LGBT community who led discussions, the numbers of registrants more than doubled, with 30 participants. In 2004, the campus was canvassed by a core of counselors and volunteers, 46 people registered, and even more attended the event.

For the 2005 edition of Q Camp, counselors went through extensive co-training with UCSD's Queer Peer Support Program, and Q Fair was added as an opportunity for our entire community to connect with Q Campers during an informal resource fair. Q Camp continues to grow, and has evolved into the quickest and easiest ways for incoming students to connect to the LGBT community.

Q Camp and Q Fair will:

- Acquaint incoming students with the organizations that are LGBTQI specific on campus;
- Help students make connections with their fellow students who may be experiencing similar situations as LGBTQI incoming students;
- Allow students to get connected with the resources on campus (including the LGBT Resource Center) as well as off campus;
- Orient students to the local area in LGBTQI terms;
- Introduce students to the academic LGBTQI life at UCSD including classes focusing on sexual orientation, gender identity, sexuality and gender issues;
- Give students an opportunity to ask questions about UCSD LGBTQI life.

Register online at http://lgbt.ucsd.edu/qcamp

5) Something new... Q Fair! Sept 21, 11am

We have continued to update UCSD's Orientation for Incoming Students regarding LGBT issues, and this year we are adding something for everyone... Q Fair!

Q Fair is an outcome of the evaluations and brainstorms of students over the last few years who have been through Q Camp. Q Fair is an opportunity for our entire community to participate in Q Camp by coming together to share ideas, stories and resources. Q Fair will begin with set up at 11am. All the organizations and groups related to the LGBT community will be there, and the Q Campers will be there, and any member of the UCSD LGBT and Ally community is invited to be there, too! We all get to mix and mingle with the Q Campers as they find out about all of the things we offer them as a part of the UCSD community. At 12:30pm, we all will head over to the LGBT Resource Center for our traditional potluck lunch!

After Q-Camp, campers may still have very little idea about which organizations are available for them. However, by having people interact with the organizations you have a few things going on. People will get the feeling that they really will be welcomed in these spaces because representatives will be specifically talking to them. They can get any questions or worries they have answered before attending events or meetings. Also, it's so much easier to remember when these things are when you are interacting with the organization instead of just hearing about the organization.

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6) Join UCSD's Team for AIDS Walk 2005

Join Team UCSD now at http://www.aidswalksd.org Just click to indicate you want to join a team, and then click on UCSD!

From Neil Spears, John Muir College Council Senior Senator & A.S. Council, Chair-Elect: John Muir College Council

"Planning is already starting for UCSD's participation in AIDS Walk 2005, which is scheduled for October 2.

I'm looking for some students and staff who are willing to assist with the planning and execution of AIDS Walk 2005. There are many tasks to complete and the more hands we have, the better success we will achieve. Last year, we raised over \$3,600-more than any other college or university! In order to raise even more this year, we need to build on last year's experience.

I'm hoping to use more of a committee structure in this year's planning. Please let me know if you're willing to help in any aspect of publicity, funding, transportation, or just general help.

And please save Sunday, October 2 for AIDS Walk San Diego! I look forward to hearing from you."

Neil Spears (858) 699-8630

P.S. Early-bird registration on www.aidswalksd.org is now available for the discounted rate of \$20. Be sure to register with UCSD!

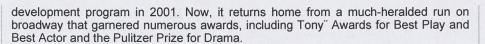
7) La Jolla Playhouse presents "I Am My Own Wife"

UCSD's own La Jolla Playhouse presents "I Am My Own Wife" from August 9 to September 11 at the Mandell Weiss Theatre. The play is by Doug Wright, directed by MoisŽs Kaufman (who also worked on "The Laramie Project" and featuring Jefferson Mays.

From the play... "Charlotte doesn't run a museum, she is one."

Riveting theatre and a tour-de-force performance! Jefferson Mays brilliantly portrays more than 40 characters in playwright Doug Wright's exploration of the fascinating life of Charlotte von Mahlsdorf, a German transvestite caught in the great European dramas of World War II and the Communist occupation.

I Am My Own Wife launched the Playhouse's acclaimed Page to Stage new play



For more information, go to http://www.lajollaplayhouse.com/shows/2005season/wife.htm

8) Hours this week at the Resource Center

We return to our regular summer hours this week. However, we will be closed the entire day on Friday, August 5th. For more information about the Resource Center, go to http://lgbt.ucsd.edu

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9) A new pamphlet - The Bible, Christianity and Homosexuality

In 2002 Justin Cannon began his own personal quest for knowledge in what is representative of a growing number of gay Christians seeking to know what the Bible really says about homosexuality. What he discovered through in-depth Bible study began his personal journey out of the shadows of self-hate and lies, into the Light of self-acceptance. With division in the larger Christian Church surrounding this issue, he wrote "The Bible, Christianity and Homosexuality" and established http://www.TruthSetsFree.net to educate Christians and all others who have been influenced by the six de-facto Bible verse distortions often used to condemn homosexuality.

-Q-QUOTE OF THE WEEK-

You are digging for the answers until your fingers bleed, to satisfy the hunger, to satiate the need.... And as you pray in your darkness for wings to set you free, you are bound to your silent legacy. ~Melissa Etheridge, "Silent Legacy," Yes I Am, 1993

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OK, yes, it is true. On Friday of Pride weekend James and I closed escrow and got the keys to our first home. It's actually a one bedroom condo in the heart of Hillcrest. The new Stonegate Condominiums on 9th Avenue, near University. It was an incredibly difficult escrow, and we are delighted to be done with it. We thought the day would never come. Of course, the weekend was insane, as we had to be out of our old apartment by Sunday night, and, oh, yeah it was friggin' PRIDE weekend.

Debbi is on vacation for the next two weeks, and goodness knows she deserves it. Not only because she works incredible hard all year, but also because she put up with me for the last few weeks in the throws of escrow, and carried Pride on her shoulders. She is a blessing for our community.

The housewarming is tentatively scheduled for August 17th... YAY!

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