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The AIDS Council of Gaston County, NC has completed revision of the community resource directory, *Help For People With HIV & AIDS*, a listing of resources for service providers, caregivers and people living with HIV in Gaston County. The book highlights where to find medical treatment, dental treatment, case management services, social security benefits, help with emergency needs and information on HIV/AIDS related web sites. Anyone with HIV or any person directly involved with HIV/AIDS care, can request a free copy by calling Pam Robinson or Dianne Panella at (704) 853-5105.

Palmetto AIDS Life Support and Services (PALSS) in Columbia, SC will hold their Red Ribbon Rummage Sale on Saturday, September 26 from 7:30am to 12:30pm in their back parking lot (Hampton & Cherokee Streets). They also need donations of such items as linens, tableware, baby items, household accessories, collectibles, tapes & CDs, furniture and anything else appropriate to be sold at the sale. They do not need clothes or books. Items may be dropped off at PALSS, 1924 Taylor St., Columbia, Monday - Friday between 9:00am and 6:00pm. For more information, call (803) 779-7257.

The Charlotte True Buddha Society is hosting a weekend of Buddhist events September 26-28. On Saturday, a meditation retreat will be led by two masters from the True Buddha School of Seattle, WA from 9:30am to 6:00pm at the Piedmont Unitarian Universalist Church, 9704 Mallard Creek Rd., Charlotte. On Sunday, there will be a Blessing & Bardo Deliverance Ceremony at the True Buddha Temple, 1601 East 4th St., at 2:00pm. On Monday, a Dharma Talk will be presented by a Master from the True Buddha School again at Piedmont Unitarian Universalist Church at 7:30pm. There is also a weekly Tuesday meeting at 7:00pm of The Wisdom and Compassion Cul-

tivators, an English Speakers Buddhist Group, at Piedmont Unitarian Universalist Church which is free and everyone is welcome. For more information, call Scott McAnulty at (704) 788-6278 or Susan Scheffler at (704) 566-1145.

MCC-Charlotte will host an informal lecture with Marc Adams on Sunday, October 4 at 3:00pm at the church, 4037 E. Independence Blvd., Third Floor, Charlotte. Adams is the author of the Lambda Literary Award Finalist book *The Preacher's Son*. The book chronicles, among other things, his attendance at and employment by Jerry Falwell's university. There will also be a question and answer session. For more information, call (704) 563-5810.

The AIDS Benefit Foundation of South Carolina will hold their 1998 Artists Against AIDS benefit on Saturday, October 24 beginning at 7:00pm at the Carolina Coliseum in Columbia. "Cafe CabARTé: An Evening of Art and Elegant Ambience" will be filled with cabaret entertainment, food, drinks and artwork by area artists which will be sold through a silent auction with proceeds to benefit the AIDS Benefit Foundation. Tickets are \$45 in advance (\$80 per couple) or \$50 individually at the door. For reservations, call (803) 254-5223.

All Souls Welcoming Congregation, a Unitarian Universalist Community in Kernersville, NC, will hold an auction on Saturday, October 24. They are looking for "hard" goods (tools, artwork, handcrafted items, etc.) and services to be sold that evening. For more information, call (336) 722-0421.

Common Threads, Inc. is gearing up for the Sixth Annual AIDSWalk in Columbia, SC to be held on March 13, 1999 at 11:00am through the streets of Columbia. The 3-mile walk begins at Finlay Park, proceeds to the State House and finishes at Finlay Park for food, bands, kids' activities and announcement of prizes for top fundraisers. For more information or to volunteer, call (803) 782-3056.

There is now a toll free, 24-hour hotline for GLBT and questioning youth in crisis. The Trevor Project has launched The Trevor Helpline, the first, round-the-clock, national, toll-free, suicide prevention hotline for gay and questioning youth. It is open 24 hours a day, seven days a week, 365 days a year. Teens with nowhere to turn can call 1-800-850-8078, where they can talk to trained counselors, find local resources and take important steps on their way to becoming healthy adults. All calls are free and confidential. The Trevor Helpline is geared toward helping those in crisis, or anyone wanting information on how to help someone in crisis. For more information about the Trevor Project, visit www.trevorproject.com.

The SouthEast Gay Rodeo Association is looking to form a chapter in North Carolina and South Carolina. The annual gay rodeo will be held in Atlanta in 1999. For more information, call (770) 662-9510 or visit their web site at www.segra.org.

Have You Heard

Jim Baxter of *The Front Page* recently won three awards from the 2nd annual Vice Versa Awards (honoring *Vice Versa* the first gay or lesbian publication in North America) for excellence in the gay and lesbian press. ▼

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