

COMMUNITY CALENDAR MAY

See "Community Resources," page 23, for descriptions of the groups mentioned here, and for weekly support group meetings.

THURS, MAY 2: WOMEN OUTDOORS

Meeting. Slides of the National Women's gathering. 7 PM, All Souls Church, Biltmore.

SAT, MAY 4: NCCGLE (NC Coalition for Gay and Lesbian Equality) regional meeting 1 to 4 PM at Club Cabaret in Hickory. This is our region's annual NCCGLE meeting. See article, page 16.

SAT, MAY 4: Cynthia and Charlotte's 10th Anniversary Celebration. Everyone is invited. Bring your favorite appetizer to share. 5-7 PM, All Souls Parish Hall, Biltmore. See page 2 for details.

SUN, MAY \$\overline{\mathbb{S}}\$: SALGA (Southern Appalachian Lesbian and Gay Alliance): Monthly meeting with potluck, 4:30 PM, Unitarian Universalist Church, corner of Edwin Place and Charlotte Street, Asheville.

TUES, MAY $\overline{\mathbb{Z}}$: CLOSER: "Bi Any Other Name." A program on bisexuality led by Kim Ellis.

WED, MAY

: WOMEN OUTDOORS: Introduction to Climbing Equipment and Safety. 7 PM, Jan's house at 57 Pearson Dr., Asheville.

THURS, MAY 9: WNC LESBIAN/GAY PRIDE COMMITTEE MEETING. 6 PM (note earlier starting time), Memorial Field (behind Historic McCormick Field), Asheville. In case of rain, meet at Betty's. Call Betty at 254-8832.

SAT, MAY 1 1: WOMEN OUTDOORS: A Day of Rock Climbing. 10 AM - 5 PM. Limited to 8 women. Call Jan, 255-0872. See May 8!

SAT, MAY 11: MAC (Mountain AIDS Coalition) Meeting. 2-5 PM, Shambhala Institute, 118 Cumberland. Anyone who is HIV+ is welcome. Call 299-1633 for more information.

SUN, MAY 12: WOMEN OUTDOORS: Paddle the French Broad River. Easy moving water float. Call Betsy for details and sign up early, 645-5908.

SUN, MAY 12: CLOSER Board of Directors meets at 2 PM, All Souls Church. Any CLOSER member is welcome.



MON, MAY 13: AGLCC (Asheville Gay and Lesbian Community Council) meets at 7 PM, WNC Alliance.

MON, MAY 13: PARENTS-FLAG (Parents and Friends of Lesbians and Gays): Monthly meeting. 7:30 PM, All Souls Church Library, Biltmore. Call 277-7815.

MON, MAY 13: MTN-GLO (Mountain Gay/Lesbian Organization): End-of-Year Cookout. Call 586-2506 for information, directions.

TUES, MAY 14: CLOSER: Singles' Meeting, 6:30 PM, All Souls Church Library.

TUES, MAY ¶4: CLOSER: "Gays, Lesbians and Addiction." Jane Andrews, a lesbian therapist, discusses addiction, a problem of special significance to gay men and lesbians.

SUN, MAY 19: WOMEN OUTDOORS: Possible Horseback Riding Trip. Beginners. Some experienced horsewomen needed. Call Carolyn, 252-4856.

MON, MAY 20: GALPAK (Gays and Lesbians And their Kids), 7 PM at All Souls Church, Biltmore. For other unannounced meetings and social events, call 258-0660.

TUES, MAY $2\mathbb{1}$: CLOSER: Annual Election and General Membership Meeting.

MAY 25 - JUNE 3: National AIDS Lobby Days: All over the country, individuals and organizations will be visiting their Senators and Representatives at home in their district offices to urge action on the HIV-epidemic. Do your part! Visit Taylor, Sanford, and Helms!

MAY 25.26: WOMEN OUTDOORS: Camping Weekend at Santilla. Call early to sign up. J. 645-5895 or Mona 586-1464.

TUES, MAY 28: CLOSER: Annual End-of-Season Picnic. Entree provided. Bring a vegetable, salad, or dessert.

MAY 31-JUN 2: SHAMBHALA INSTITUTE: "Until There's a Cure: Surviving HIV Disease." Call 253-0509 for details. See page 11.

COMING IN JUNE-

MON, JUN 3: BUDDY TRAINING program begins at WNCAP for PWA buddies. Schedule: Monday and Wednesday evenings June 3, 5, 10, 12; all day on Saturday, June 15. Call Elaine Ferguson at 252-7489 to register.

SAT, JUNE 15: BRANDY ALEXANDER and Friends at O.Henry's, a benefit for WNCAP & Prideful Event.

SUN, JUN 16: WNC LESBIAN/GAY PRIDE

FESTIVAL at Memorial Field, behind Historic McCormick Field (Baseball Stadium) in Asheville.

SAT, JUNE 22: O.HENRY'S 4TH ANNUAL AUCTION FOR WNCAP. Over \$10,000 raised last year.

What's Happening Elsewhere?

SOUTHEAST

APR 26-MAY 5: SHORT MOUNTAIN, TN: Spring Gathering at the Sanctuary. We will celebrate with ritual, drumming, weaving a May Pole, a tea dance, nature walks and more! Come join in the festivities as we join the earth in awakening from our winter slumber. A reminder: Short Mountain is the only fairie gathering which encourages wimmin to participate. Write Route 1, Box 84-A, Liberty, TN 37095.

MAY 2-5: DURHAM: Association of Women's Music & Culture, Annual Conference. (First time held in South!) Theme: "Weaving Our Cultural Web." Contact: Mandy Carter, 604 W. Chapel Hill St., Room 207, Durham, NC 27701, (919)682-6374.

MAY 4-6: Near TODD: Regional Women Outdoors Gathering. Wigwam campground. Bicycle maintenance workshop, 22-mile bicycle ride, canoeing, kayaking, rock climbing workshop, singing around the campfire (bring your instruments), a May Pole dance to welcome in Spring, and possible live music on Saturday evening. Volunteers needed for preparation or cleanup. Call Noccalula at (919)877-2267 or Tracy at (919)727-0912. Bring ribbon 2°x 13°.

MAY 10-12: LINVILLE GORGE Cookout Weekend. Not a party, but a quiet, adventurous weekend for experienced backpackers. May 3 is last day to register. Info: (919) 299-9683 after 10 AM, or SASE plus \$1 to Tarheel Outdoor Sports Fellowship, PO Box 10644, Greensboro, NC 27404.

MAY 11: WINSTON-SALEM: LUNA Spring Dance (for women), featuring Trillium, a five-woman band from Durham and Valerie to DJ. Winston-Salem YWCA, 1201 Glade Street, doors open 8 PM. \$8 for non-members. Soft drinks and snacks available. Info: Ginny at (919)788-6522.

MAY 23-27: NORTH GEORGIA MOUNTAINS: 8th Annual Southern Women's Music and Comedy Festival. Write: Robin Tyler Productions, 15842 Chase Street, Sepulveda, CA 91343

JUN 29: RALEIGH: North Carolina Gay and Lesbian Pride March. To find out how you can help, call Jim Duley (919)942-3858.

JUL 4-7: BALTIMORE, MD: 1991 Southeastern Conference for Lesbians and Gay Men.

JULY 19-20: RALEIGH: "Shelter from the Storm: HIV/AIDS Housing Issues & Programs." Coordinated by AIDS Committee, Episcopal Diocese of NC. Call Grace Bullen (919)361-8466, or write "Shelter...," c/o 322 Oakwood Ave., Raleioh, NC 27601.

AUG 30-SEP 3: LOOKOUT MTN, TN-GA: Rhythm Fest, women's music, art and politics. Includes music, comedy, theatre, dance, crafts, sports, raffles, concessions, workshops, camping, food (veg. or meat), swimming, square dancing, films, videos, political tent, speakers. Send legal size, self-addressed stamped envelope for brochure/ticket orders to Rhythm Fest, PO Box 807, Durham, NC 27702-0807. Info: (919)683-1871; crafts info, (919)687-4203.

OCT 10-14: CHARLOTTE: Tenth Annual International Convention of Parents-FLAG, Omni Hotel, Charlotte, NC. Theme is "Celebrate the Jewels in Our Crown!" Call (704)364-1474.

NATIONAL & INTERNATIONAL

MAY 11-12: WASHINGTON, D.C. Planning meeting for possible National March on Washington for Lesbian and Gay Rights. Open to all interested individuals, activists and organizations. Omni Shoreham Hotel, 2500 Calvert Street N.W. Registration free; call 1-800-832-2889. Positions and proposals of people unable to attend should be sent to the National Planning Meeting Organizing Committee, c/o NGLTF, 1734-14th Street NW, Washington, DC 20009; FAX (202)332-0207.

MAY 18: NEW YORK CITY: Chris Williamson in a Special Solo Concert. Spectacular cruise party follows concert. Call Olivia at 1-800-631-6277, or (415)655-0364.

JUN 16-21: FLORENCE, ITALY: Seventh International Conference on AIDS.

JUN 23-30: DETROIT, MI: National Convention of Black and White Men Together. Theme: "Living, Loving and Working Together." Workshops dealing with interpersonal relationships, health issues, bridging cultural differences and understanding the special needs of AIDS education with the minority community. Write BWMT-Detroit, Convention '91, PO Box 24-8831, Detroit, MI 48224.

JUN 30-JUL 6: GUADALAJARA, MEXICO: International Lesbian and Gay Conference. Registration \$350 before June 1. Write IGLA Conference, Ana Isabel Lopez Garcia, c o Patricia Trujillo Avila, PO Box 1-2497, Administracion de Correos #1, CP44100 Guadalajara, Jalisco, Mexico.

Nov 8-11: ALEXANDRIA, VA: Creating Change Conference, sponsored by the National Gay, and Lesbian Task Force. The country's largest skills-building symposium for lesbian and gay political activists and organizations. Info: Brian Albert, Creating Change Coordinator, NGLTF, 1734, 15th St., NW, Washington, DC, 20009, or call (202) 332-6483.