

Group News

OUTRIGHT Initiates Info/Support Line

OUTRIGHT VERMONT is now offering a toll-free 800 Info/Support Line Service for young people seeking information, resources, support, and/or simply a connection to the gay/lesbian community. The number is 1-800-GLB-CHAT (1-800-452-2428).

Initially, the line will be in service three nights a week: Wednesdays, Fridays, and Saturdays from 7:00 to 10:00 as of February 1. A group of volunteers has recently completed an info-line training session and will be staffing the phone on those evenings.

If you are aware of young people who could benefit from this service, please relay the above number to them. OUTRIGHT can also use help distributing flyers throughout the state to announce this service to youth. If you can help out in this

process, please call the OUTRIGHT office at 865-9677.

The next training session for the line will be in approximately six months. If you are interested in participating, contact the OUTRIGHT office.

OUTRIGHT also asks that people check their closets, attics, or basements to see if they have any of the following items, which are desperately needed: a small couch (in good condition), over-stuffed chairs (also in good condition), a boom box, a television, and a VCR. Young people using OUTRIGHT's lending library have also expressed interest in the following titles, so if you feel like making a donation, here's what's needed: additional copies of *The Joy of Gay Sex*, *Gay Couples*, and any of Lisa Alther's books.

weekly at the Astro Bowl in White River Junction on Sunday mornings. Games begin at 11:30 a.m.

Although the current season's schedule has already been established, anyone interested in joining the group is encouraged to contact Al at (802) 785-4617 or write to the group at PO Box 164, Thetford, Vermont 05074.

P-FLAG Seeks Stories

"Some Special Kids are Killing Themselves. You Can Help Stop It!"

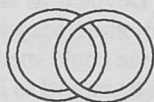
So begins an announcement distributed by the Federation of Parents and Friends of Lesbians and Gays (P-FLAG). The group is soliciting stories of young adults aged 16-24 who have attempted suicide. "By telling us your story," the group explains, "you will help us teach counselors, teachers, youth workers, and clergy how to help the kid you *used* to be."

P-FLAG is collecting these stories as part of its "Respect All Youth" program, which was initiated with financial assistance from the United Thank Offering Fund of the Episcopal Church. Its principal function will be to develop and furnish training materials to those who work with youth, according to Paulette Goodman, President of P-FLAG.

The flyer outlines the following scenario: "You are 16 to 24 years old. You've attempted suicide. Even if you didn't know it then, you know now that it was about your sexual identity. You're willing to tell your story because you could help save another very special life."

If you'd like to have your story included in this special effort to help gay and lesbian youth, send it to: "Respect All Youth," c/o P-FLAG, PO Box 27605, Washington DC 20038-7605.

LESBIAN AND GAY JOINING CEREMONIES WEDDINGS



Create your own ceremony to celebrate your love and proclaim your spiritual union. Honor the significance of your relationship as you symbolically proclaim the bond you cherish.

Rev. Giita Clark, ordained minister

Counseling to resolve gay and lesbian couples and family issues.

Gay and lesbian couples and parenting workshops offered.

Erica Marks, S.A.C., C.H.
Partners in Recovery and Growth
182 Main Street
Burlington VT 05401

(802)-865-2403

P.W.A. Foundation Opens Center

The P.W.A. Foundation was initiated to provide financial assistance to AIDS/HIV+ patients in dealing with the often costly expenses of medication, hospital charges, in-home nursing, rent and utilities, and burial arrangements.

The P.W.A. Foundation will be opening a center in the Burlington area sometime in the beginning of February. The Center will house the group's new offices and offer drop-in services; social activities; resource services for housing, transportation, and dating; as well as a guest room for medical center patients and out-of-town guests—all in a relaxed home environment.

The P.W.A. Foundation returns 100% of all donations back to those in need. Those wishing to make a donation or assist the group in any other way are encouraged to write to: P.W.A. Foundation, 217 S. Union Street, Burlington VT 05401 or call (802) 657-0140.

The Pink Triangle League

The Pink Triangle League (PTL) is a mixed bowling league for discriminating adults which has now been in existence for two years. The group is a fully sanctioned member of both the A.B.C. and the W.I.B.C.

The group maintains a current roster of seven three-bowler teams. Players meet

Late-Breaking Valentine

To the Mousy Fags
and Uppity Dykes:
All our love.
Chuck and Woody

