

# LEAPING LACROSSE

## NEWS

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COME HAVE FUN WITH US AT THE LEN'S FUN BENEFIT AUCTION AND DANCE ON MAY 13 AT MILL ROAD CARR IN DALSSVILLE. THE AUCTION STARTS AT 8:00 AND THE DANCE BEGINS WHEN THE AUCTION ENDS. BRING DONATED ARTICLES OR SERVICES TO THE AUCTION, OR CONTACT LOIS, JOY, OR MARY O' IF YOU NEED SOMEBODY TO PICK UP YOUR DONATION BEFORE THE AUCTION.

*Auction !!*

*Fri. the 13th !!*

### **OLIVIA RECORDS CELEBRATES FIFTEEN YEARS**

Olivia Records, the world's oldest and largest independent label specializing in women artists, celebrated its 15th anniversary on January 21, 1988. In the past 15 years, Olivia has released 31 albums and sold over a million albums. Albums range from folk to pop, soft-rock to country and continue to meet the demands within the women's cultural movement.

Judy Blugacz, an original founder of Olivia, is proud of what Olivia has accomplished over the first fifteen years. "We have watched the music grow and develop and seen the won-

derful effects of literally thousands of women's music concerts. We have received thousands of letters over the years and know that the music has touched millions of lives throughout the world."

Throughout its history, Olivia has released albums which speak to the lives of women, and especially lesbians. "It has always been Olivia's main focus to create safe spaces and visibility for women to find each other and build a conscious and growing movement to sustain our feminist vision," says Blugacz. "It

is through the music that Olivia has helped thousands of women come out of the closet and be proud of their identity. If we accomplish nothing else we have done more than we could have ever dreamed back in 1973."

Olivia Records began in Washington, DC with a group of women looking to start an alternative business that would offer opportunities for women to do their political work full time while helping to develop a feminist political/cultural movement. When singer Cris Williamson came to town, she provided the needed impetus. "During an interview with Meg Christian, we talked about some of the difficulties women had performing in the industry," says Cris Williamson. "Olivia was formed soon after, relying more on punk than savvy."

With \$4,000 donated by supportive feminists and the help of a woman engineer, the collective cut its first 45 in 1974. Featuring Meg Christian and Cris Williamson, the record sold 5,000 copies and gave the group a shot of much needed momentum. A first album followed six months later, produced, performed, and packaged solely by women. At concerts, Blugacc reminds, "We'd go to the audience and say, 'Okay, we need a distributor in Chicago. If anyone is interested, please see us after the show.'" Through this method, Olivia began its own international distribution network.

In 1975 the collective moved to California where they recorded Olivia's best selling album, Cris Williamson's *The Changer and the Changed*. Hand carried from listener to listener and store to store, the album sold over 250,000 copies.

During its 15th anniversary year, Olivia will release an album with rock/blues belter Diane Davidson on Second Wave, a subsidiary label. Other plans include the release of *The Changer and the Changed* on compact disc and the recording of Lucie Blue Tremblay's second Olivia album. Olivia has also expanded its mail order catalogue to include books, videos, jewelry, other independent label albums, and gift items.

"Fifteen years is a real milestone. We're celebrating by again stressing the grassroots, our natural audience who appreciates quality music by incredibly talented women," says Blugacc. "We plan for Olivia to celebrate its 100th anniversary, so we're working now for the financial stability and creative growth that will take it into the next century."

To receive the Olivia catalogue and tour information, write: Olivia Records, 4400 Market Street, Oakland, CA 94602, or call 415/ 655-0364.



## RT CETERA

Women's Motorcycle Festival: August 25 to 28 are the dates for the Women's Motorcycle Festival at Camp Lakeland in the Allegheny Mountains just south of Buffalo, New York. The festival plans to sponsor a number of motorcycle rides in the area, as well as other activities. The camp has platform tents for camping, all meals are served by a catering service, and there is a lake. The group sponsoring this also publishes a Women's motorcycle newsletter called *Chrome Rose's Newsview*. For more information about the newsletter or the festival, write: WMY, 7 Lent Avenue, La Roy, New York, 14482, or call (716) 768-6034.

Gay and Lesbian Pride March on Cable TV: The organizers of the Los Angeles Gay and Lesbian Pride March on June 26, have announced it will be broadcast nationally, live via satellite. If you would like your local cable company to carry it, you might start calling now to encourage them to do so.

Aids Quilt Book: Pocket Books has published a hardcover edition of a book entitled *The Quilt: Stories from the NAMES Project* priced at \$22.95. The book is a keepsake edition with full color photos and a text telling the story of the NAMES Quilt Project. Red Oak Books could order it for you if they do not have it in stock.

All-Women Whitewater Raft Trip: Mariah Wilderness Expeditions, a women-owned business, is organizing their second annual all-women whitewater rafting trip down the Colorado River. The 13 day trip is \$1493 per person, which includes all equipment, meals, camping and women guides. For more information write them at: PO Box 248, Point Richmond, CA 94807, or call (415) 233-2303.

## GAY/LESBIAN DANCE:

SAT. 5/21/88 8 P.M.

ROCHESTER: UTAH/IRAN

UNIVERSITY CLUB

1727 WALDEN LANE SW.

\$6<sup>00</sup> (MUST BE 21 years old.)

## OUT AND ABOUT WOMEN SAY THANKS!

*Out and About Women* would like to say how much we appreciate the wonderful turnout for the Heather Bishop concert on April 17. It was a great concert. Heather and Sherry told us they appreciated the crowd energy and that they love to play for that kind of audience. Also, playing in Annett is a real treat for performers, because of the nearly perfect acoustics. Thanks Women's Studios.

The concert was also a financial success; so, we have the necessary front money for the next concert. Thank you all!

DEB, SHARI, MARIAH, AND JOY

## UPCOMING EVENTS

REMEMBER: Third Saturday (May 21) is drop-in night at Tattoo's. (No first Saturday this month because of the potluck.)

REMEMBER: A support group for lesbians who have been battered physically, emotionally or verbally by their partners, meets every Thursday at 7:00 p.m. Call New Horizons at 784-6419, or Erab R. at 784-6666, or First Call For Help at 782-8010, for location of meeting.

May 7: This month's potluck is on a Saturday at Pat's, 119 6th Street in Hokah, MN, starting at 6:30. Bring a dish to pass, your own beverage and a friend. DIRECTIONS: Take HWY 16 south from La Crescent, HWY 44 into Hokah, through town to 5th Street. Turn right on 5th Street (this is the last street where you can turn right) and go one block, then turn left. Go one more block and turn left again on 6th Street. If you get lost call: 894-4662.

May 13: L.I.N. FUND BENEFIT AUCTION AND DANCE AT MILL ROAD IN GALESVILLE, BEGINNING AT 8:00 p.m.

June 2-5: National Women's Music Festival in Bloomington, IN.

June 16-19: Lesbian Separatist Conference near Madison. Write: Burning Bush Retreat, PO Box 3065,

Madison, WI 53704-0065 for more information.

June 17-26: Gay Pride Week in Chicago.

June 26: Second Annual Gay Pride Picnic at Goose Island, shelter house number 3.

June 22-26: National Women's Studies Conference in Minneapolis. Write NWSA, University of Minnesota, 217 Nolte Center, 315 Pillsbury Drive South East, Minneapolis, MN 55455, for more information. Or, call 16121 625-8803.

August 10-14: Thirteenth Michigan Women's Music Festival.

## CLASSIFIED ADS

Wanted: one used, 7 ply, 14.5 tire (the type used on mobile homes). Call Susan at 452-3566.

Free: all the bales of old hay you can haul. Great for mulch. Call 452-3566 for directions.

Need a house? The house at 2026 Onaleska Court will be auctioned off May 17, at 10:30 at the Pine Street entrance to the County Courthouse. The successful bidder must have 10% of the top bid for downpayment.

WANTED: Tapes of 4/20 TV show "Gerald". Topic was Lesbian Mothers. Call: 783-0122 or 786-1118. Ask for JF or Cher or leave your phone #.

## GRANT MONEY AVAILABLE FOR LESBIAN AND GAY ORGANIZATIONS

The March on Washington for Lesbian and Gay Rights is calling for grant proposals to disburse \$70,000 in surplus funds in the national office accounts. Grants will be awarded by the seven member Executive Committee based on criteria approved by the 65 member national Steering Committee.

"We were shocked to find that we had any surplus funds given our struggles to raise money before the October 11 march," reported Kay Ostberg, national co-chair in Washington, DC. "However, the amount of money we raised during the week of events was evidence of the overwhelming success of the March."

In order to be awarded a grant, a project must be lesbian, gay, and/or AIDS related, and have national or state significance. Proposals for amounts up to \$5,000 will be considered. At least one half of the recipients will be lesbians, and at least one quarter will be people of color. Preference will be given to grassroots projects, projects born of march organizing, and projects working toward one or more of the March demands.

Those interested in applying for a grant should get a copy of the request for proposals. Write the March on Washington at PO Box 7781, Washington, DC 20044. Grant proposals must be received by June 1, 1988 to be considered.

## POTLUCK RECIPE OF THE MONTH

By request of LOTS of women, we are including the recipe for the fruit pizza that has been at a number of the last potlucks.

### FRUIT PIZZA (12 servings)

Margarine - 1/2 cup  
Powdered sugar - 1/4 cup  
All purpose flour - 1 cup  
Mix together like a pie crust and pat into a greased pizza pan and edge. Bake at 350 degrees for 10 minutes until light brown. Cool.

Granulated sugar - 1/3 cup  
Neufachtel cheese - 8 oz.  
OR cream cheese - 8 Oz.  
Vanilla - 1 tsp.  
Mix and spread carefully on cool crust

Fresh apples, sliced - 3  
Mandarin oranges - 16 oz.  
Canned pineapple - 20 oz.  
Fresh blueberries - 1/4 lb.  
Green grapes - 1/4 lb.  
Drain canned fruit (save juice), wash fresh fruit and arrange on pizza (any fruit may be used).

Cornstarch - 2 Tblep.  
Juice from canned fruit, plus water to equal 1 cup  
Granulated sugar - 1/2 cup  
Lemon juice - 1 Tsp.  
Cook until thick, cool, pour over fruit. (You may sprinkle grated cheese and/or nuts on top.) Refrigerate.



## BOYCOTT TO SAVE WHALES

Greenpeace is launching a new offensive in the war on whaling. They're going after Japanese and Icelandic whaling interests at their financial source, by blocking their countries' lucrative fish exports.

Japan and Iceland continue to kill whales even though it is forbidden, by saying they are only doing so for scientific research. The International Whaling Commission has condemned Japanese and Icelandic ventures as nothing more than whale slaughter for profit. At last year's meeting, the IWC turned down Japanese and Icelandic research proposals and asked both governments to curtail whaling permits.

Yet the killing goes on. Japan just concluded its illegal kill of 300 minke whales. For the second year in a row, Iceland defied the IWC moratorium and slaughtered endangered fin and sei whales.

The results of this so-called research? Millions of dollars of profits for Iceland from whale meat sold to the Japanese.

Iceland depends on fish sales for 75% of its export revenues. That's why Greenpeace is inaugurating an international campaign to boycott Icelandic fish. They've targeted two of Iceland's largest U.S. customers: Burger King and Long John Silver's.

Write the people at Burger King and Long John Silver's saying: "I am distressed to discover that Long John Silver's (or Burger King) buys large quantities of fish from Iceland. The Icelandic fishing industry has close ties to the company killing whales in flagrant violation of the IWC moratorium. As a concerned consumer, I urge you to find other sources of fish. Please boycott Icelandic fish until that country ceases whaling." Send your letters to: Mr. Charles Olcott, President, Burger King Corporation, 7360 North Kendall Drive, Miami, FL 33186; and to Mr. Warren Rosenthal, Chairman, Jerrico Inc., 201 Jerrico Drive, Lexington, KY 40575.

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\* 7 -

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"The Infamous Voice" is back! Album Release Concert  
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\* 13 -

Special Evening

Friday

Leaping La Crosse News Auction & Dance

Benefit for La Crosse "Wommins" newsletter

Serving food until 8 PM ~ Donations Requested

\* 14 -

To be announced -

Call for details

\* 21 -

Peter Ostrowsko & The Mando Boys \$6.00

The official "Lake Okechogon Municipal Mandolin Orchestra" created on Prairie Home Companion. These four - some all play mandolins & sing! Guaranteed fun and beautiful old world music. Early reservations recommended.

\* 27 -

Ann Reed and Judy Fjell \$7.00

Friday

The woman with the velvet voice and guitar virtuoso is back and sharing the stage with feminist-humorist Judy Fjell! A musical activist from California who sings about the wild wonderful varieties of life. Superb guitarist. Early reservations recommended.

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Dan Schranek, Sally Parry,

Rick Sampson & Michael Porkey \$4.00  
Dan & Sally (formerly with Northern Hospitality), Rick (formerly with Chesapeake) and Michael team up for country jazz, all around HOT acoustic music! Great vocals, guitar, banjo & bass guitars

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