Announcements

- Volunteers needed for educational panels at UW in classes, etc. Contact rrc-staff@uwyo.edu with name, email, phone number, & topics you can cover. We are building our OUTspoken Panels/Speakers database of volunteers who can address LGBTQIA issues.

- **Donuts for Diversity!** Room 106 Wyoming Union every Friday 8:00 am– 11:00 am. Come by and check out the RRC! Everyone is welcome.

- **Guess Who’s Gay:** on February 13th at 7 p.m. 5th Floor Hill Hall RA Jeff Wilson is having a program that is 20 questions based on who is and who is not gay by asking simple questions such as: “what is your favorite movie.” If you have any more questions please email him at jwilso50@uwyo.edu

- **Safezone Training:** The first Safezone Training will be at 4 p.m. to 5 p.m. at the RRC on February 15th.


- **Looking for Something to Do this Spring Break?** Don’t Miss the Opportunity to Sign up for **Alternative Breaks**! Volunteer! Build Your Resume! See the World! Alternative Breaks provides a great opportunity to travel and give back to the communities you visit. This year our trips include: Dominican Republic: Orphanage Outreach $1500. Costa Rica: Social Development $1500. Belize: Environmental Conservation $1500. San Francisco: Hunger and Homelessness $700. Florida Everglades: Environmental Restoration $700. Utah: Best Friends Animal Sanctuary $300. Additionally, we have various fundraising opportunities available to help pay your way. More information about the trips can be found at: [http://www.uwyo.edu/slce/info.asp?p=27451](http://www.uwyo.edu/slce/info.asp?p=27451). Sign up for an Alternative Break trip today! Email asb@uwyo.edu with any questions or stop by our office in Union room 006.

- **Summer Session 2011 registration starts Feb. 1.** Preview of Courses being offered is online - [http://uwadmnweb.uwyo.edu/registrar/Summer2011/index.html](http://uwadmnweb.uwyo.edu/registrar/Summer2011/index.html) for summer session which runs from May 16-August 5th with a variety of courses lasting 1-4 weeks up to 12 weeks.

- B. Davis Scholarship. The creators of the “**Student Award Search Aid**” website are offering a scholarship for 2011. Please visit their website at [http://www.studentawardsearch.com/scholarships.htm](http://www.studentawardsearch.com/scholarships.htm) to read about and apply for this scholarship. The website was developed solely for the purpose of helping students
locate and apply for scholarships. The site is free and we charge nothing for the information or the application. The deadline for applications is May 27, 2011. Amount of Scholarship: $1,000. Contact: awards@studentawardsearch.com

- February Body Image Awareness Week (Feb. 21-25)

#### Upcoming Conferences


++ Keynote address by JD Smith of the nationally recognized advocacy project, OutServe. Check him out this last December on the Rachel Maddow Show: [http://outserve.org/2010/12/309/](http://outserve.org/2010/12/309/)

Apply online now at [http://www.thegoodmule.org/registration/index.php](http://www.thegoodmule.org/registration/index.php) Applications are due **Tuesday, February 8th**! For more information, contact thegoodmule@gmail.com.

The Good Mule Project is a student-led initiative to increase awareness of social and environmental justice issues, to encourage civic literacy and action, and to advance cross-cultural understanding at the University of Wyoming.
Matthew Shepard Foundation presents: **Civic identity & Safe Schools: A Community Symposium** on Friday, Feb. 18, 2011 from 8 am to 4 pm. For more information or to register, visit [http://facinghistory.org/safeschoolsdenver](http://facinghistory.org/safeschoolsdenver).

**Matthewsplace.com Youth Summit** is on Saturday, February 19, 2011 from 10 am to 4 pm. This includes college students. Betty DeGeneres will be there and “Bullied” will be shown. For more information or to register, visit [http://tinyurl.com/mpyouthsummit](http://tinyurl.com/mpyouthsummit) or contact thomas@mattshepard.org with questions.

**Western Regional LGBTQIA conference** March 4th -6th 2011 @ UC Berkeley. See Sean Miller or email him at smile64@uwyo.edu for more information.

**2011 Safe Schools Advocacy Summit**! Go to our nation’s capital to learn about advocating for safe schools. Want to meet amazing people and make lifelong friends? Want to tell your representative and senators why ALL students deserve to be safe in school? Apply for the conference in Washington DC. More information at: [http://www.glsen.org/cgi-bin/iowa/all/news/record/2680.html](http://www.glsen.org/cgi-bin/iowa/all/news/record/2680.html) or talk to Keith at keithcr@gmail.com who has previously attended the conference.

**Queer Resource Council at UW**

The Rainbow Resource Center hopes to establish a collaborating meeting for entities on campus working on LGBTQ issues in early March. Here are the meetings and opportunities to be involved on campus:

- **Spectrum**: Meets Tuesday nights at 7:00 p.m. in the Union room 202 (The Bighorn Room). Check out [http://uwacadweb.uwyo.edu/SPECTRUM/advice.htm](http://uwacadweb.uwyo.edu/SPECTRUM/advice.htm) for an advice column, and hear from others’ experiences by SPECTRUM.

- **QAN**: New student activist group is forming on campus called QAN (Queer Advocacy Network) dedicating efforts to LGBT social justice in three key areas; politics, education and advocacy. Initially we will be focusing mostly on the politics piece, in light of current legislation. For more information contact jadkins2@uwyo.edu.

- **Safe Zone**: UW’s educational program for training students, faculty, and staff, and others in the state on LGBTQ issues. SEE: [http://www.uwyo.edu/union/cac/safezone/](http://www.uwyo.edu/union/cac/safezone/)

- **GLBTQ Support Group**: UW’s counselor education department graduate students assist with this support group on campus.

- **LGBTQ Studies**: The UW Gender & Women’s Studies department is beginning work on
developing a Queer Studies minor at UW.

- **GLSEN**: coming soon to Laramie. Contact keithcr@uwyo.edu for more info.

- **Rainbow Resource Center**: Located in 104 Wyoming Union, the center houses an extensive library of GLBTQ publications, magazines, and newsletters; a variety of GLBTQ movies; multiple computers; sponsorship of activities, events, presentations, displays, educational programs; proximity to Multicultural Resource Center, Women’s Center, and Non-Traditional Student Center; OUTspoken Panels; mentoring program; and will serve as the coordinating entity for the Queer Resource Council.

**Other Resources available to you!**

1. **University Of Wyoming Counseling Center** - It’s free, and walk ins are accepted. Go to 341 Knight Hall during WALK-IN HOURS for a brief initial interview session with a counselor. Daily walk-in times are 9:00am to Noon and 1:00pm to 3:00pm.


3. **Wyoming GLBT News**. Subscribe by emailing [wyomingglbtnews@gmail.com](mailto:wyomingglbtnews@gmail.com). This group has sent info on Wyoming legislative issues out to the community as well as information from the Casper area.

4. **Students’ Attorney Program**. 119 Knight Hall. Program offering free legal advisement and services to all fee paying students. Does not include student v. student or student v. university issues, but can help students with any other situation that involves the law. Please call ahead 766-6347 or visit Knight Hall 128 to schedule an appointment with an attorney.

5. **Human Rights Campaign**-Represents LGBT issues at a national level.

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*Please let us know of others who are in the LGBTQQIA community who wish to be added to this newsletter. We’d be happy to subscribe them. Just email rrc-staff@uwyo.edu with their email address.*