Announcements from the RRC

→ **We have new books and media!** We are in the process of adding them to our library. Please be on the lookout for them! Feel free to stop by and use the RRC resources that are here for you and help support the center.

→ **March 21-April 1: RRC Evaluations.** Stop by the RRC to complete an evaluation of the center. We value your input.

→ **Friday, April 1: Wyoming Equality Dance in Casper, WY.** Parkway Plaza, 1-25 & Center Street, at 8 pm to 2 am with $5 for WE members, $10 admission for non-members or FREE for those who join Wyoming Equality ($25). For those staying over at the Parkway Plaza, mention Wyoming Equality when making a reservation. For more info, call 307-68-8465.

The International Justice Mission chapter at UW Presents:

**THE JUSTICE MONOLOGUES**

*Giving Voice to Victims of Human Trafficking.*

Monday, April 4th at 7:00pm in the Union East Ballroom

Jubilee CD's for sale (proceeds go to help victims of human trafficking), learn about internships and volunteer opportunities; snacks provided; freewill donations accepted.

The Justice Monologues is a multimedia presentation portraying the realities of human trafficking and forced labor, both abroad and in the U.S. Following the presentation, there will be a reception where you can speak with different organizations with ties to combatting human trafficking and domestic violence. Come learn about the multitude of opportunities to get involved in fighting these issues.

For more information, go to [www.ijm.org](http://www.ijm.org) or contact Brittni Emery at bemery2@uwyo.edu
→ **Wednesday, April 6: Dr. John Corvino:** On behalf of QAN and the Shepard Symposium please join us in the RRC for a special meet and greet with Dr. John Corvino, who is visiting the University of Wyoming and speaking at the Matthew Shepard Symposium. The time is tentatively set for 2:00 pm – 4:00 pm, but may change as more information becomes available. More information about Dr. Corvino can be found at: [www.shepardsymposium.org](http://www.shepardsymposium.org).

→ **Thursday, April 7: Cherrie Moraga:** Please help us welcome playwright, poet, and essayist Cherrie Moraga to the University of Wyoming for the Matthew Shepard Symposium. The RRC will host a reception from 2:30 pm – 4:00 pm. Information and photos of her are available on the Shepard website: [www.shepardsymposium.org](http://www.shepardsymposium.org).

→ **Tuesday, April 12: Take Back the Night:** TBTN sponsored by WAN, Women’s Center, RRC, ASUW, Gender and Women’s Studies Department and Albany County SAFE.

→ **Wednesday, April 13: Rainbow Resource Center (RRC) Town Hall.** Please come and share your opinion about the RRC and what we can work on for next year. Held in the RRC from 12:00 pm – 1:00pm with a small lunch provided.

→ **Day of Pink** is the International Day against Bullying, Discrimination and Homophobia in schools and communities. We invite everyone to celebrate diversity by wearing a pink shirt and by organizing activities in their workplaces, organizations, communities and schools.
UW QAN encourages everyone to wear pink on this day to show their support. We will also be looking for volunteers to help hand out flyers with information during lunch on this day.

→ **Sunday, April 17, Casper PFLAG Potluck.** 5:30 pm at the United Church of Christ, 15th & Melrose in Casper, WY. Potluck & Discussion. For more information on PFLAG in Casper, contact Ruth Leonard 307-265-5449.

→ **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.

→ **Financial Aid for next year is now available on WyoWeb if you filed the FAFSA for 2011-2012.** To meet financial aid deadlines for next year, the FAFSA should have already been filed to determine eligibility for federal student aid. Go to http://www.fafsa.ed.gov/ to file. You can use estimates for tax information if you haven’t filed taxes yet. If you have, you can check WYOWEB to see what you will receive from UW for next year in terms of financial aid.

→ **Multicultural Graduation:** LGBTQ Students who are graduating are invited to participate in the Multicultural Graduation Celebration on Friday May 6, 2011. Please see Chicory Betchel in the MRC to get a form and let Dr. Cardona know. If you are graduating, make sure you file an Anticipated Graduation Date form at http://uwadmnweb.uwyo.edu/registrar/forms.asp. Commencement information can be found at: [http://www.uwyo.edu/AS/commencement/index.html](http://www.uwyo.edu/AS/commencement/index.html)

→ **National LBGT health survey:** A research study funded by the National Institute on Drug Abuse (NIDA) at the West Virginia University (WVU) Department of Community Medicine seeks participants to complete an online survey about sexual orientation, health behaviors and life experiences. We are looking for people who: 1) Are between 18-24 years of age, 2) Identify as lesbian, gay, bisexual, queer, or questioning (i.e., sexual minority), and 3) Have 15-20 minutes to complete an anonymous, online survey. The first 500 participants will have the option to claim a $10 gift code to use on Amazon.com. The survey website is: [www.lgbhealthsurvey.com](http://www.lgbhealthsurvey.com). For more information, contact John Blosnich at 304/293.1702 or email jblosnich@hsc.wvu.edu

→ **“Family for Fairness” Equality Gathering.** Stay tuned for announcements about a state-wide gathering in Casper in April to brainstorm and plan for equality for all of Wyoming.

→ **Get Involved in the ASUW Election Process as a UW Student.** Check out the bulletin board in the Union with the ASUW candidate information and talk to the candidates. Use the power of your vote to make a difference.

**Opportunities, Internships, Scholarships & Training**

→ **April 30 is Wyoming Undergraduate Research Day.** Students can access instructions and forms for participation on the Wyoming EPSCoR web site: [http://www.uwyo.edu/epscor/Fellowships-and-Student-Programs/Undergraduate-Research-Day/index.html](http://www.uwyo.edu/epscor/Fellowships-and-Student-Programs/Undergraduate-Research-Day/index.html). Students must submit their Information Forms and their
abstracts by **March 23, 2011**, in order to participate in Research Day.

- **Summer Session 2011 registration is open now.** Preview of Courses being offered is online - [http://uwadmweb.uwyo.edu/registrar/Summer2011/index.html](http://uwadmweb.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.

**Upcoming Conferences**


- July 28-31, 2011. Regional Old Lesbians Organizing for Change Gathering in Tacoma, WA. Workshops, speakers, banquet, dance, concert, etc. See [www.psoloc.org](http://www.psoloc.org) for more information or email [pnwgathering@psloc.org](mailto:pnwgathering@psloc.org).

**Queer Resource Council at UW**
The Rainbow Resource Center has set a collaborating meeting for entities on campus working on LGBTQ issues called the **Queer Resource Council**. Here are the meetings and opportunities to be involved on campus and our collaborating partners:

- **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. 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. SEE: [http://www.uwyo.edu/rrc/](http://www.uwyo.edu/rrc/)

**Other Resources available to you!**


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

3. **Human Rights Campaign**: Represents LGBT issues at a national level.

5. **Casper Social Change Committee**: Meets at the United Church of Christ, 1511 South Melrose in Casper and they are working on a “Pride in the Park” in June.

6. **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.

7. **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.

Please let us know of others who are in the LGBTQQA 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.