



News & Views



Celebrating Real Family Values

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Dates to Remember

Meeting days

1st and 3rd Tuesdays

Every month

**7 pm Support
8 pm Program**

May 1

...Program to be announced...

Come join us and be surrounded by friends in a safe atmosphere.

Lesbian Social Group

➔ **May 2**

Same-Sex Parents & Their Children Social Group

➔ **May 12**

May 15

PFLAG Bingo

"al fresco"

We meet outside on the grass!

New place and date!

May 20

Birdcage

Is an informal, monthly social gathering for GLBTs, allies and friends. Join the group at **Bacchus**

**1200 "I" Street, downtown
5-9 PM**

Want to be on the Birdcage e-mail list? Contact **Patrick Pokorny** at **404-0538** or ndskills1@sbcglobal.net

Coming in June: The Not-so-Newlywed-Game!

How well do you know your spouse, partner, significant-other, wife, husband, boyfriend, or girlfriend?

Your chance to find out is coming soon!

Registration is open at every PFLAG Modesto meeting, event or Bingo night until **June 19**, when the 4 randomly selected couples will be announced. Open to long or short-term committed gay, lesbian or straight couples, this game is a take-off on the TV game-show, "The Newlywed Game". There will be prizes, fun and laughs aplenty!

SIGN UP SOON!

The Lesbian Social Group

meets at the Stanislaus PRIDE Center, 823 15th St., on the first Wednesday of each month from 5 - 7 PM. The purpose of this group is to provide an opportunity for lesbians to connect, talk, build community, have fun, share, and show PRIDE within the community at large. For more information, contact the Center's volunteer staff; email volunteer@stanpride.org, or call (209) 338-0855.

The Same-Sex Parents & Their Children Social Group

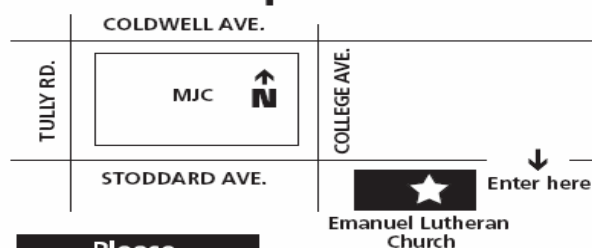
gathers the second and fourth Saturdays of each month from 5 - 7PM at the Stanislaus PRIDE Center, 823 15th St. in downtown Modesto. The second gathering is **Saturday, April 28th**, and will be an opportunity for parents and children to meet, socialize and come together as a community. The SPC's volunteer staff has info; email volunteer@stanpride.org or call (209) 338-0855.

PFLAG Mission Statement:

PFLAG promotes the health and well being of gay, lesbian, bisexual, and transgender persons through: **support**, to cope with an adverse society; **education**, to enlighten an ill-informed public; and **advocacy**, to end discrimination and to secure equal civil rights. Parents, Families and Friends of Lesbians and Gays provides opportunity for dialogue about sexual orientation and gender identity, and acts to create a society that is healthy and respectful of human diversity.

- Join us for a no-host dinner at **HomeTown Buffet**, 1771 Prescott Rd., Modesto, on **Tuesday, May 22** at 6:30 PM. We
- want to show our appreciation for their generous donations to
- PFLAG by patronizing their store. Please notify Board Member Cathy J., 527-3528, that you are going to join us so we
- can arrange a table together. Dinner is \$11.37 per person.

Location Map:



— Please —
No Smoking on Church property

Emanuel Lutheran Church

MoFest!

A BIG "thank you" to the MoFest
Committee:

Chuck Silva

Patrick Pokorny

Keith Highiet

Norman Rostad

and all the PFLAG Moms, Dads, and
volunteers. Thanks to all the volunteers from
the SPC and the Rainbow Alliance at CSUS.

Have news to share or an item of interest?
Want to receive the PFLAG Modesto newsletter
electronically? Contact Marilyn Mettler at
klizard@sprynet.com, leave a message on the
helpline at 527-0776 or drop a line to P.O. Box
4311, Modesto, 95352-4311.

HeartStrong: heartstrong.org

Lambda Legal: lambdalegal.org

Liberty Action Network, a GLBT advocacy group for the Central
Valley: libertyaction.com

Owl Empire of Stanislaus County, Inc. (OESCI): oesci.org

PFLAG National: pflag.org -Check out the new Story Center
with stories from real members who share their experiences of
love, grief, fear, eventual understanding, and love of PFLAG.
Stanislaus Community Assistance Project (SCAP): scap4.org
Stanislaus PRIDE Center: stanpride.org (check out the calendar
of activities and events for our area) **The SPC has a bulletin
board to post "want ads" and has computers available for
your use in job searching, resume work, etc.
Come on down...823 15th Street, across from the library.**

Visit a local open and accepting spiritual organization:

College Avenue Congregational Church - 1341 College Ave.,
Modesto: cacc-ucc.org/menu

Emanuel Lutheran Church - 324 College Ave.,
Modesto: emanuellutheran.org

Extended Hand Ministries - meets at the Tiki on
Sundays, 932 McHenry Ave., Modesto, 577-9969

First United Methodist Church - 850 16th Street,
Modesto: fumcmodesto.org

Unitarian Universalist Church - 2172 Kiernan Ave.,
Modesto: stanuu.org

Unity Church of Modesto - 2467 Veneman Ave., Modesto:
unityofmodesto.com

MoFest!

PFLAG Modesto wishes to thank our gener-
ous sponsors and in-kind donors. With their
support Mofest!3 was a great success.
Thank you!

VALU-RITE Medical Pharmacy

Dr. Lee and Marilyn Mettler

Betty Schroder

Keith Highiet

Tony Alonzo and R.J. Moriconi

Norman Rostad

Kenni and Louis Friedman

Modesto Film Society

Eric Michael's

David Bienkowski Art Studio,
Marcia Ingebretsen

Daydreams and Nightmares

The Tiki Lounge

Nosh

Bacchus Food & Spirits

HomeTown Buffet

Deva

The Lunch Pail/Pure Joy Bakery

Cheesecake Kitchen

Shortly after the end of MoFest!3, PFLAG Modesto re-
ceived this gracious thank-you note, postmarked
Portland, Oregon:

Dear PFLAG Modesto,

Thank you so much for providing us with a much
needed night off from our work on the road. We are
just about halfway through, and the sunshine of Mo-
desto and films of the festival came just in time to
remind us of our full lives beyond "clobber pas-
sages", hotels, fast food, and college campuses. We
love our work, but we appreciate your generosity in
replenishing our spirits.

Sincerely,

Haven Herrin and the 2007 Equality Ride (Soulforce)