



# 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**

**November 6**

**VOTE!**

...And then come to the lively informative meeting at PFLAG Modesto...

## Kinsey Gets Donations

Catherine Johnson-Roehr, Curator of Art, Artifacts, and Photographs at the Kinsey Institute for Research in Sex, Gender, and Reproduction gave an informative and well-received presentation on October 2nd to members of the community at the PFLAG general meeting. Catherine gave an overview of the unique and valuable collection of artwork, photographs, ephemera, and other visual research materials.

As the Kinsey Institute does not have funds to acquire artwork and other materials, Catherine works closely with donors to expand the scope of the collection through gifts of artwork and artifacts. Her efforts yielded results at this presentation. Some members of the Modesto and PFLAG community volunteered to donate materials to the Kinsey collection.

PFLAG Modesto wishes to thank Cathy Jennison for coordinating this program and hosting the preliminary pot-luck with husband, Dean, Katherine Teixeira, PFLAG librarian, and Dr. Lee Mettler for technical assistance in the power-point portion of Catherine's presentation.

## BACK FOR A THIRD SEASON!

PFLAG Modesto will once again host the world renown...

### Cabaret Night and Talent Show

Date: **Tuesday, January 15, 2007**

Time: **7pm- 9pm**

Place: **Emanuel Lutheran Church, 324 College Ave.**

In order for this to be a success, as it was **LAST YEAR**, we need your talent **WHATEVER** it might be!

Please sign up to be a performer or work behind the scenes **NOW!**

**Contact Alice Miller at 526-8812 or send Alice an e-mail at [miller\\_clan@juno.com](mailto:miller_clan@juno.com).**

There will be a small entrance fee... \$5 general, \$2 children, with children under 12 free! Light refreshments and beverages will be served.

## BOAF Bingo winners...

This year's winners of tickets to "Birds of a Feather" on November 3 are Don Whalen, Patrick Pokorny, Tom Parker, and David Bienkowski.

Congratulations!

## Birdcage

**November 11**

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](mailto:ndskills1@sbcglobal.net)**

**November 20**

**BINGO**

### 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.

### Location Map:

	COLDWELL AVE.		
TULLY RD.	MJC	↑	COLLEGE AVE.
	STODDARD AVE.		↓
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		Emanuel Lutheran Church	
		<b>324 College Ave. Modesto, CA</b>	

— Please —  
**No Smoking on Church property**

**Where your dues go...locally and nationally**

Your dues go a long way both locally and nationally. Just ten dollars of your annual dues goes towards our local operating expenses...

- Provide meeting space twice monthly; 1st Tuesday - regular program and 3rd Tuesday - Bingo night
- Obtain Bingo supplies and refreshments ( all prizes are donated)
- Placement of an advertisement in the Modesto Teacher's Association publication, *MTA Best*
- Provide special event location for SCAP Gay Men's chorus post-concert reception in December
- Placement of chapter name, logo and contact information in James Enoch's High School yearbook
- Professional financial accounting for the chapter
- Acquiring nationally known speakers
- Putting on a talent show, *Cabaret Night*, in January
- Maintenance of an internet presence at [pflagmodesto.org](http://pflagmodesto.org)
- Providing a Gay and Lesbian Film Festival, *MoFest 4*, coming in October of 2008
- Maintenance and acquisitions for our library of books and videos
- Monitoring a telephone helpline for our area
- Donate to other non-profits - Stanislaus Community Assistance Project, Birds of a Feather, and Stanislaus PRIDE Center

The remaining \$15 of your dues goes to PFLAG National where they are used to advocate for GLBT equality through civil rights legislation and legal protections, and to provide education and programs such as:

- **Straight for Equality:** The newest project designed to invite straight allies to be part of achieving equality for all
- **From Our House to the Schoolhouse:** Tools for creating safe schools and responding to harassment and bullying are at the center of these programs
- **Bringing the Message Home:** Annual in-district lobbying program that teaches everyday citizens how to become agents for change in their communities.
- **Welcoming Faith Communities:** Building connections between GLBT people and their families and faith communities
- **Families of Color Network:** Reaching out to ethnically diverse families of GLBT individuals

**M C S Survey results ...**

We recently received the following information from PFLAG Modesto President Gordon Preston..."The Modesto Teacher's association conducted a survey of the candidates running for Modesto City School Board. Question #10 reads, 'Do you support continuing to allow school employees to purchase benefits for their domestic partners?' The only candidate that responded in the negative was Maria Alvarez. Elections are November 6th, and the Absentee Ballots have been sent. Happy Trails, Gordon Preston"

**YOUR 2008 DUES ARE DUE NOW!**

**October was dues month! Thank you so much to those of you who paid your dues on time. FOR THOSE OF YOU WHO HAVE NOT PAID YOUR DUES YET, PLEASE HELP US OUT BY PAYING THEM NOW!**



**Parents, Families and Friends of Lesbians and Gays Modesto Chapter**

**Membership**  **\$25 per household** includes annual membership in local and national PFLAG chapters, monthly local newsletter and two semi-annual national newsletters.

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**Unable to join at this time**

Please continue to send me the Newsletter.

**Make a donation** I have enclosed a donation to PFLAG Modesto in the amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_

**Volunteer** Please call me to help. My special area of expertise is: \_\_\_\_\_

**Total amount enclosed \$** \_\_\_\_\_

Please make checks payable to:

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