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HOLIDAY SPIRIT IN THE AIR

Remember when you were little and it was Christmas? The excitement and anticipation of Christmas morning...the savory smells of fabulous food that filled the air...the golden glow of a roaring fire on a cold winter night...the sensational sounds of songs of the season... Ahh, the memories...

Without a doubt, my memories of Christmas are some of the sweetest I have. I so enjoyed "decking the halls," trimming the tree and shopping for family and friends. There are so many things I treasure about this time of the year.

I can still remember when I went to Woolworth's department store and bought gifts for my family with my own money. I was only about ten years old, with maybe \$12.00 to spend. I was so excited that I was able to buy each of my family a gift. With great love and care, I joyfully wrapped each gift and placed them near a small Christmas tree in my room. I couldn't wait till Christmas day...the day I would be able to express my love for my family by giving them the gifts I had purchased. When I look back upon the Christmases that have

passed, I don't remember most of the gifts I got, but I cherish the wonderful memories of family and friends.

It might seem strange to many that each Christmas season, mistletoe – a parasitic plant- has the unique mischievous and delightful role of holiday matchmaker. Yet a stolen kiss on a cold moonlit evening is only one of many reasons that for centuries this waxy, green leafed plant has been tacked over doorways all around the world during the month of December.

The plant received its name from second-century Anglo-Saxons. In Old English, mistel is the word for

"dung," and tan means "twig." Misteltan is the Old-English version of the word we know today as mistletoe. The name implies that the plant sprang to life from bird droppings on tree branches. The inspiration behind the plant's christening, though true, might seem a bit crude and distasteful today, but to the people of the first and second century it was a radiant sign of life and death, to create something beautiful and robust from something ugly and useless.

In ancient times, mistletoe was viewed with awe. It was considered a miracle plant. During the harshest days of winter's fury, when most everything else died, this small, flowering, seemingly rootless plant thrived in the tree-tops. It offered beauty and color, life and hope, mystery and wonder.

Scandinavian warriors would stop fierce battles if they or the opposing soldiers suddenly found themselves under trees where mistletoe grew.

Growing out of its role as peacemaker, mistletoe took on another role - that of protector.

Plants were cut from trees and nailed over the doors of homes and barns to

ward off enemies. Mistletoe was said to be so powerful that even the most fearsome of the forest's beasts would not threaten the home with the plant hung on its door. For hundreds of years, people who kissed under mistletoe vowed to keep their love for each other true, strong, and faithful.

I hope to meet each of you under the mistletoe tree. Have a wonderful holiday season. ■

Jean Johnson, President

"Happiness is a way station between too much and too little"

– Channing Pollock (1880-1946)

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A MESSAGE FROM THE EDITOR

One can hardly believe that it is December already, the year has flown by and ready or not we are in the holiday season. This is the time of year that many of us are preparing for the upcoming holidays including the New Year of 2008 and looking back at 2007. As I look back over the past year and the many accomplishments of SAGE, I can't help but feel pride in our ever growing organization and our accomplishments.

We have been able to bring many interesting and pertinent educational presentations to our members during our monthly Lunch & Learn meetings, which continue to be one of our most successful endeavors. (Perhaps it's Chef Giacomo's wonderful food that keeps bringing our members back!). Many members took advantage of the presentation by the Department of Health on special telephones for the hearing impaired and secured these phones free of charge. We had a very successful Health Fair in June with over 70 health providers participating. Articles in the newsletter include valuable information on health and wellness issues.

As members of SAGE, your dedicated Social Committee has strived to bring you wonderful opportunities to meet new and old friends at our varied social events, whether it be our annual picnic, monthly lunch or dinner events, the monthly SAGE movie, plays and musical events or our holiday parties. If you know of a member, friend or someone else interested in participating in these events please pass on the information, the more the merrier! Let's not forget the wonderful cruise that many of you just had fun on!

Other important monthly gatherings SAGE members participate in include; Men's Drop In, Bereavement Group, Co-Ed Group, Men's Singles Group, the Book Bunch, SAGE Women in Action, the Computer Club, etc. Please be sure to check both the Social Column and the 3 Month SAGE Calendar of Events to keep abreast of these and other upcoming events.

As with any organization it is a difficult task to try to satisfy the needs of a very varied membership. As you look back and review your own 2007 and your participation as a member of SAGE, try to think of the SAGE year ahead. Perhaps **YOU** can come up with some new and wonderful activities for us to do that **YOU** would be willing to organize, plan and direct volunteers to assist with, be it a SAGE bowling team, home card parties, museum trips, or educational opportunities, as an example. You can contact me at: sagenewsed@aol.com with your suggestions and I will pass them on to the Board and appropriate committee for consideration.

Wishing you all healthy, happy and safe holidays! ■

SAGE FRIENDLY VISITOR PROGRAM



We are not just fair weather friends, but people who really care about our SAGE family. If you know of anyone that needs a friendly call, is sick, in the hospital, recently lost a loved one, or just needs cheering up or a ride to one of our SAGE sponsored functions or activities, please contact the SAGE office at 954-720-0833, so that arrangements can be made, **OR**, if you prefer, you may contact either Caroline Leto at 954-925-6288; Jean Arthurthur at 561-381-3103; or Leo Glickstein at 954-427-6877. **This is a SAGE sponsored activity.** ■

SAGE BIRTHDAYS FOR DECEMBER

The SAGE Board would like to acknowledge the following members whose birthdays are in DECEMBER, as well as all the other members whose birthdays are this month that we don't have:

Larry Kraft. Dec 03	Sharron C Demarest . . Dec 22
Allen Sandler Dec 03	Harry Kahrs. Dec 23
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Sandy Darrall. Dec 15	Richard Fortune. . . . Dec 28
Ronald Catena Dec 20	Richard Plant. Dec 28
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Richard J. Dehn. Dec 22	Betty Ann Priscak . . . Dec 31

If, when you renewed your membership or became a new member you did not give us your birthday, you may call the office and leave the information at: (954) 720-0833 or e-mail us at: sageoffice@bellsouth.net

WELCOME TO OUR NEW MEMBERS

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Albert J Gentile	Larry Stoddard
John Gregory Harris	Richard White
Hector Zuazo	

THANKS FOR JOINING SAGE

SAGE WOMEN IN ACTION

HOLIDAY LUNCHEON

The holiday season is here and the SAGE WOMEN'S monthly luncheon once again returns to the beautiful Lake View Restaurant at the Pine Island Ridge Country Club in Davie on Wednesday, December 12, 2007, 12:30PM.

The menu includes a selection from among four entrees, a non-alcoholic beverage, cake or ice cream for dessert. Total cost including tax and gratuity is \$16.00. Early arrivals are invited to a cash bar.

To add to the holiday spirit and merriment we will have a grab bag! If you wish to participate, please bring a \$10.00 wrapped gift. See the enclosed flyer for details and directions. Please call **Jan** at 954-428-2998, or **Ann** at 561-276-2346 to reserve your place and with your meal choice.

SAGE WOMEN wish to thank Mary O'Connor for arranging this special luncheon. **This is a SAGE sponsored activity.** ■

Did You Know About Family Pride?

(This article is reprinted from our November newsletter due to incomplete info in the prior article)

There are many organizations that work for LGBT Rights, both locally, statewide and nationally. One of the lesser known groups is Family Pride, based in Washington DC. With a yearly budget of \$1.5 million this group has a mission to achieve full equality for LGBT headed families in the next 20 years by building community and defeating federal and state anti family legislation.

The organization started out as a support group for gay parents. But in 2005 expanded its work to include political initiatives aimed at gaining rights for families headed by gays. In 2005 it expanded its mission to include political initiatives aimed at gaining rights for families headed by gays.

One recent initiative was the annual White House Easter Egg Roll, in which gay parents and their children participated wearing rainbow leis. The event cost nothing and resulted in over \$1 million in additional donations for the organization.

This summer, six hundred families traveled to Provincetown, Mass for the group's annual Family Week.

One current project is to increase the number of elementary schools nationwide that incorporate LGBT families in their curriculum.

For more information on Family Pride contact them at www.familypride.org or at Family Pride, PO Box 55327, Washington DC 20035-5327. ■

Bob Tomasulo

A Holiday Party Invitation

Saturday, December 8th, 6:00 PM

Al & Tom have extended an invitation for all SAGE of South Florida members to attend a Holiday Party at their spectacular home - with over 25 Christmas trees and over 150,000 lights! This is a MUST for your Holiday Party list.

It will be a covered dish affair with a \$5.00 donation. Soft drinks and setups will be provided by the hosts. Please contact Al & Tom at: 954-570-5906 or email them at: altom5450@aol.com before December 6th.

See you there!

DIRECTIONS: I-95 to Copans Road, west on Copans to Lyons Road. Right on Lyons to Winston Park Blvd. (5th traffic light), right on Winston Park, pass the school, to N.W. 54th Court. Right on N.W. 54th Court to #5450 N.W. 38th Terrace. House sits on the turn in road. Please park on swale on Winston Park Blvd. and walk down N.W. 54th Court to house. Call 954-570-5906 if you get lost.

VARIETY SHOW 2007 - UPDATE

I am pleased to announce that we have a new date for the SAGE Variety Show 2007. Unfortunately, as you all know, we were forced to postpone our November 17, 2007 performance due to ongoing renovations at Sunshine Cathedral. SAGE Variety Show 2008 will take place at Sunshine Cathedral on April 12, 2008. There will be one performance at 8 PM. All tickets purchased for the November 2007 show will be honored at our 8 PM performance on April 12, 2008. All ads purchased for the 2007 performance will appear in the SAGE Variety Show 2008 Program.

To place an ad for our April show, please call Ann Smith at 561/276-2346 or e-mail anndrgrnldy@aol.com. For tickets call the SAGE office at 954/720-0833. Remember, there will be only one show so get your tickets early. Variety Show 2008 promises to be a smashing success... an enjoyable experience filled with lots of surprises.

A very happy Thanksgiving to you and yours filled with blessings and love. ■

Sal Orlando

BOOK BUNCH NEWS: ~ by Bob Tomasulo ~

Another year gone! As you prepare for your holiday gift giving remember that books make great gifts. There are several books that have come out this year that would make excellent gifts for your book loving friends. Here is a short list:



- **"Call Me by Your Name"** by Andre Aciman, a delightful novel of first love in the Mediterranean summer.
- **"Exiles in America"** by Christopher Bram, a look at a middle aged gay couple and their friendship with an Iranian couple.
- **"Point to Point Navigation"** by Gore Vidal, the literary lion writes an update of his memoirs.
- **"My Lucky Star"** by Joe Keenan, the writer producer of the Frasier TV series takes a comic look at gay foibles.
- **"The Indian Clerk"** is David Leavitt's new work. It's a novel about mathematics of all things, but of course with a touch of homoeroticism too!
- **"Scott Free: A Crime Novel"** by Marijane Meaker writing as Vin Packer.
- **"My Body: New & Selected Poems"** by Joan Larkin for the poetry lovers on your list.
- **"Josephine Baker in Art and Life"** by Benneta Jules-Rosette takes a new look at the gay icon of the 1920's and 30's.
- **"Mississippi Sissy"** by Kevin Sessums is a memoir of a southern gay man and his struggles.
- **"The Man Who Wrote Frankenstein"** by John Lauritsen is a book about the famous novel. The author proposes that it was not written by Mary Shelly but by her husband Percy who wanted to avoid any hint that he was gay and therefore passed the book off as his wife's.

That should help with your list, and don't forget that the SAGE Book Bunch meets the second Saturday of every month at Border's Books on Sunrise Blvd in Ft Lauderdale. The group does not meet in December so we wish you all a Happy Holiday Season! ■

MONTHLY BOARD MEETING & SATURDAY LUNCH & LEARN

12:30 PM, DECEMBER 1, 2007

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If you arrive early, please wait in the lobby.

*Please reserve early as our luncheons
have become very popular!*

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*This month's speakers are Barry
Feinstein on Caretaker Planning and
Gary Kempler on Medicare Plan updates.*

*"THANK YOU" to last month's luncheon
servers: Hank Brooks, Will Ross, and
Elliot Schwartz*



**SEE
YOU
AT
THE
MOVIES**

**with Carl M. Galli
and Ken Goodman**

Our December selection is one which you might have missed when it was released during the 2005 holiday season:

"Kiss Kiss, Bang Bang".

Written and Directed by Shane Black, it's a buddy movie, a thriller, and a comedy all in one. Robert Downey Jr. plays straight con artist (Harry Lockhart) caught up in his own scheme. Having overtones of "Chinatown", this is a noir send-up,

with Downey narrating directly to the audience. And falling for the gorgeous starlet (Harmony Faith Lane, played by Michelle Monaghan) whom he might have loved as a high school student (played in flashbacks by Downey's real-life son, Indio Falconer Downey).

But it's Val Kilmer who steals the show as literally Gay Perry – a hard-nosed L.A. private investigator whose cell phone plays "I Will Survive" and who gives new meaning to the old phrase "Is that a gun...or are you just glad to see me".

Taking place around Christmastime in Los Angeles, twists and turns abound - as they tend to do in these genre films - but Downey and Kilmer seem to be having so much fun with their roles that the occasional near-miss is easily ignored. (And loose ends are tied-up by movie's end, in the U.S. version, which we will show.)

This movie premiered at the 2005 Cannes Film Festival, where it received a standing ovation.

It also went on to win 4 international awards (including a 2005 Supporting Actor Award for Kilmer from the International Press Academy Satellite Awards) plus 16 more nominations (among them the 2006 GLAAD Media Award for Outstanding Film).

The title gives us a clue as to how to view this film: "Kiss Kiss, Bang Bang" is British/Italian/Japanese slang for a James Bond/Saint type thriller. It was also intended to be Shirley Bassey's song in the James Bond movie "Thunderball" - but was cut from that film.

There are some sexual situations, and comic-violence, but nothing drastic.

Running 102 minutes, "Kiss Kiss, Bang Bang" screens at 4 PM on Monday, December 17th, at the GLCC. Dinner will follow. **This is a SAGE sponsored activity.** ■

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Members attend Barbara Cook concert.



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The First Ladies of Broward:
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LAMBDA CHORALE'S DEC. 14-15 HOLIDAY CONCERT

To Focus on Harmonies, Fun and 'TLC'

Can a holiday choral concert deliver the nostalgia and good feelings we love so much about Christmas and Hanukkah music without being just "more of the same"?

Absolutely! Just take a look at what the South Florida Lambda Chorale, under the direction of Brad Olesen, has in store for its "Belles and Beaus" concert, beginning at 8 p.m., Friday and Saturday, December 14-15, at the Broward County Main Library Auditorium, Fort Lauderdale.

With an emphasis on beautiful harmonies and unexpected pairings, the program will follow what Olesen terms the "TLC Approach" (for "Tears, Laughter, and Chill-Bumps").

Even for the nostalgic (tears) sections of the program, he said, the audience can expect novel ways of approaching such favorites as *Silent Night*, *The First Noel*, and *What Child Is This*.

For laughter: "For them to not find *The Miracle of Christmas*, *St. Nick at Night* and some of the others hilarious, there would have to be some seriously hardened souls in the room," Olesen said.

The "chill-bump" factor will come into play with such beautiful and thought-provoking pieces as *Simple Gifts*, *Not in Our Town*, and *Hine Ma Tov*.

S.A.G.E. members can purchase tickets for \$20 (a discount of \$5 from the regular price) by calling 1-866-WE SING 4 U (1-866-937-4644). Just mention that you are with S.A.G.E.

Funding for the South Florida Lambda Chorale is provided in part by the Broward County Board of County Commissioners as recommended by the Broward Cultural Council, by Pride South Florida, Inc., and by private donors.

The Chorale practices Wednesdays at 7:30 p.m. at the Sunshine Cathedral, 1480 SW Ninth Avenue, Fort Lauderdale. New members – both singers and support members—are welcome. Please call 1-866-WE SING 4 U for information. ■

Cruisin' With Sage



NOT-SO-SERIOUS-SINGERS SING AGAIN!

MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR ANOTHER GAME OF "NAME THAT TUNE", TUESDAY, DECEMBER 11, FROM 1 TO 3 PM AT THE GLCC. LOTS OF FUN, FREE REFRESHMENTS AND PRIZES!



A small group of mostly SAGE members have put together a team calling themselves the **Not-So-Serious-Seniors**. They have already produced two "Name That Tune" programs at the GLCC and have now taken the show on the road. In September they took the show to the Noble A. McArtor Senior Day Care Center at the Sunshine Cathedral campus in Fort Lauderdale, where they entertained 25 seniors, playing old favorites and awarding lots of prizes, and were asked back for a holiday show on November 27.

The **Not-So-Serious-Seniors** hope to expand this outreach program to other retirement facilities in the South Florida area. For information regarding this program, please contact Ken Merrifield at, 954-561-0988 or Jan Kronholm, at 954-428-2998. ■

MEN'S SINGLES GROUP ~ by Julio Ajon ~

For the past four years on the fourth Monday of each month we have been having successful single men's gatherings at Tropics Restaurant in Wilton Manors. These social meetings, which average groups of about 20 men during the summer and 30 during the winter, have come to be known as the "RED SHIRT GROUP". In past meetings we had the opportunity of getting to know very interesting men. Some men had traveled from far countries such as Australia, Germany and South Africa. Have some long term relationships resulted from these gatherings? Regardless, whatever happens at these gatherings stays at these gatherings!

This year we saw a change in the leadership of the group, John Chandler successfully replaced Wayne Morris. The group again wishes to thank Wayne for his four years of service and to wish John all the best.

The mission of the monthly gathering is to introduce men who are not in a long term relationship to other men who are in the same situation. The purpose of the monthly meetings is to meet new people, promote and develop a network of friendship for support and socializing, and to provide support to those who have lost their partners because of death or the end of a relationship.

The next meeting is on Monday, December 24, 2007. Join us for cocktails at the bar at 5:30PM followed by dinner at 6:30PM at Tropics. Please contact John Chandler at 954-427-5355 or e-mail at: stonyman4u@aol.com, to make your reservation, and don't forget to wear your "RED SHIRT".

This is a SAGE sponsored activity. ■



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BOARD BIO - MEET ANN SMITH

I remember WW II quite well, the air raids, blackouts, victory gardens, gasoline rationing, war bonds, etc., and I remember when it was over... double bubble chewing gum returned. I was the daughter of working class parents who were typical of their day. Dad went off to work daily and mom stayed at home taking care of my brother and me. We lived in a small town in New Jersey just across the Hudson river from the big apple, New York City.

Scholastic life started for me when I went to Bellevue School of Nursing, then to three other colleges/universities. At the age of 18 I left home, never to return.

Following nursing school, I served for 4 1/2 years in the Army Nurse Corps, resigning my Captain's commission to get more education. Military service was exciting for me as I arrived in West Berlin, Germany one month before the infamous wall went up. It was also sad as I was at West Point when President Kennedy was shot... but it was a safer time. There was no military conflict when I served.

Prior to my retirement, I was a Professor and Chairperson of the Dept. of Nursing and Allied Health Sciences at Bronx City College of CUNY. I spent 31 very exciting years teaching at that school and took fond memories with me when I left.

Three years ago I moved to Florida and soon started serving on the Board of SAGE. At a SAGE Women's monthly potluck, I met (with a little help from Betty match-maker) and fell in love with Caroline. My relocation and connection with SAGE continues to enrich my life. ■

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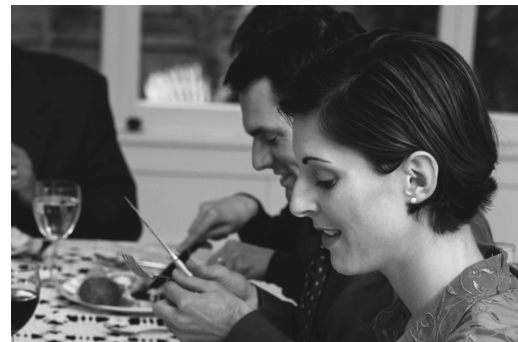
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-in their *Grand Cypress Ballroom*

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 16, 2007

Seating and Cocktails (cash bar) from 1PM-2PM

Luncheon Served at 2PM

GRAND MENU:

First Course: **BROCCOLI & CHEDDAR SOUP**

Second Course: **TRADITIONAL CAESAR SALAD**

Entree (choice of one from):

***CHICKEN SORENTINO**

Lemon-Infused Sauteed Chicken Breast with *Herbed Lemon Caper Beurre Blanc*

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all served with appropriate starch & vegetable, plus specialty rolls & butter

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Beverages: **Hot Coffee/Decaf, or Hot or Iced Tea**

Entertainment by: **"Eclipse"**

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Pricing: \$33.00 for MEMBERS \$35.00 for NON-MEMBERS

Reservations Close: Wednesday, December 12th, 2007

NOTE: Due to Guarantees Made to the Venue, there can be no Refunds After this Date

SAGE LUNCHEON at Ft. LAUDERDALE MARRIOTT NORTH ANDREWS

MEMBERS @ \$33.00 & NON-MEMBERS @ \$35.00 My Phone Number:

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Please LIST ALL GUESTS and SEND ONE CHECK FOR ALL GUESTS

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A SAGE-SPONSORED ACTIVITY

The Ft. Lauderdale Gay Men's Chorus

Under the Direction of Todd Wiley

Presents

Holiday Treasures

Wednesday
December 19, 2007
at 8:00pm



Holiday Treasures is filled with humor, dancing, and plenty of gorgeous choral music. Your seasonal favorites presented with the signature joy and exuberance that makes this concert a favorite of the Chorus and our audiences.

AMATURO THEATRE at The Broward Center for the Performing Arts

Very Limited Orchestra Seating Subject to Prior Sale -NO REFUNDS

At least ONE PERSON of EVERY TWO MUST BE AN Active SAGE of South Florida Member on the Date of the Concert

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Reservations Close NO LATER THAN WEDNESDAY, December 12, 2007

SAGE Goes to "Ft. Lauderdale GAY MEN's CHORUS "HOLIDAY TREASURES"

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A SAGE-Sponsored Activity



SAGE WOMEN'S HOLIDAY LUNCHEON

DEC. 12, 2007 12:30 PM

Lake View Restaurant at the Pine Island Country Club
9400 Pine Island Ridge, Davie

Join us for an afternoon of merriment and good cheer.

You will have a choice of one of the following:

- Open Faced Roast Beef Sandwich - served with home style gravy.
- Fish Sandwich - Tilapia served with roasted yellow pepper aioli (served blackened, grilled, broil or fried)
- Grilled Chicken Sandwich - marinated boneless chicken breast topped with roasted red and yellow pepper, provolone cheese or pepper jack cheese
- Lake View Chief Salad- large garden salad topped with hard boiled eggs, sliced ham, turkey, roast beef, roasted red/yellow peppers, Swiss cheese, American cheese and Provolone cheese.

All meals will be served with French Fries, vegetable of the day or a fruit salad.

Beverages will be coffee, tea, iced tea, and soda. Choice of deserts.

The cost will be **\$16.00** and includes entre, non-alcoholic beverage, desert, tax and tip.



Reservations a must!!!

Call Jan at 954-428-2998 or Ann at 561-276-2346

by **MONDAY Dec 10** with your meal choices.

Add to the merriment by bringing a \$10 grab bag gift (if you wish)

Directions:

From I 95 north or south, go west on I 595 to the Pine Island Road Exit.

At end of ramp go south under the underpass to the Pine Island Ridge condo entrance and take a right on to Orange Grove Drive.

Continue to Pine Ridge road and take a right.

Country Club will be on the right.

(you can also come South on Pine Island Road, past Broward Blvd. Just before I 595 take left on to Orange Grove Drive)



SAGE 3 MONTH CALENDAR OF EVENTS AND ACTIVITES

DECEMBER 2007 THRU FEBRUARY 2008

DECEMBER	ACTIVITY / EVENT
SATURDAY 12/01	BOARD MEETING: 9:30 AM
	LUNCH & LEARN: 12:30PM
	HERB SKOLNICK COMMUNITY CENTER-PALM AIRE
	800 SW 36TH AVE, POMPANO BEACH
SUNDAY	BEREAVEMENT GROUP 2PM GLCC (EVERY SUNDAY)
TUESDAYS 2ND & 4TH	COMPUTER CLUB CONTACT KEN GOODMAN FOR DETAILS AT: (954)720-0833
WEDNESDAY	MEN'S DROP IN 1PM GLCC (EVERY WEDNESDAY)
THURSDAY	CO-ED DROP IN 1PM GLCC (EVERY THURSDAY)
WEDNESDAY 12/12	SAGE WOMEN'S HOLIDAY LUNCH:12:30PM, The "Lake View Restaurant" at Pine Island Ridge Country Club. Contact Jan at 954-428-2998 or Ann at 561-276-2346.
SUNDAY 12/16	SAGE HOLIDAY PARTY - MARRIOTT NORTH ANDREWS AVE - 1PM-4PM RESERVATIONS CLOSE WEDNESDAY, 12/12
MONDAY 12/17	SAGE MOVIE: "KISS, KISS/BANG, BANG" 4PM @GLCC - followed by dinner -TBD
WEDNESDAY 12/19	GAY MENS CHORUS - HOLIDAY SHOW - BROWARD CENTER AMATURO THEATER 8PM LIMITIED SEATING RESERVATIONS CLOSE NO LATER THAN WEDNESDAY 12/12
MONDAY, 12/24	SAGE MEN'S SINGLES: 6:30PM TROPICS
JANUARY 2008	ACTIVITY / EVENT
SATURDAY 01/05	BOARD MEETING: 9:30 AM
	LUNCH & LEARN: 12:30PM
	HERB SKOLNICK COMMUNITY CENTER-PALM AIRE
	800 SW 36TH AVE, POMPANO BEACH
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WEDNESDAY	MEN'S DROP IN 1PM GLCC (EVERY WEDNESDAY)
THURSDAY	CO-ED DROP IN 1PM GLCC (EVERY THURSDAY)
SATURDAY, 01/12	SAGE BOOK BUNCH: 2PM , BORDERS BOOKS, SUNRISE
MONDAY, 01/21	SAGE MOVIE: :Black Orpheus" 4PM GLCC, Followed by Dinner at Tropics
Thursday, 01/24	Bus Trip to Actor's Playhouse for "Altar Boyz" LIMITED SEATING RESERVATIONS CLOSE NO LATER THAN WEDNESDAY, 01/16
MONDAY 01/28	SAGE MEN'S SINGLES: 6:30PM TROPICS
	(continued on other side)

SAGE 3 MONTH CALENDAR OF EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES

DECEMBER 2007 THRU FEBRUARY 2008

FEBRUARY 2008	ACTIVITY / EVENT
SATURDAY 02/02	BOARD MEETING: 9:30 AM
	LUNCH & LEARN: 12:30PM
	HERB SKOLNICK COMMUNITY CENTER-PALM AIRE
	800 SW 36TH AVE, POMPANO BEACH
SUNDAY	BEREAVEMENT GROUP 2PM GLCC (EVERY SUNDAY)
TUESDAYS	COMPUTER CLUB
2ND & 4TH	CONTACT KEN GOODMAN FOR DETAILS AT: (954)720-0833
WEDNESDAY	MEN'S DROP IN 1PM GLCC (EVERY WEDNESDAY)
THURSDAY	CO-ED DROP IN 1PM GLCC (EVERY THURSDAY)
SATURDAY 02/09	SAGE BOOK BUNCH: 2PM BORDERS SUNRISE
SUNDAY 02/10	SAGE Valentine Dinner Dance- Primavera Restaurant
Wednesday 02/13	SAGE WOMEN'S LUNCH:12 NOON (TBD)
MONDAY 02/18	SAGE MOVIE, "OUTRAGEOUS", 4PM, GLCC Followed by Dinner: TBD
SATURDAY 02/23	SAGE PICNIC at T. Y. Park
MONDAY 02/23	SAGE MEN'S SINGLES: 6:30PM TROPICS

SAGE December 2007 Newsletter Addendum

SOCIAL NOTES

by Carl M. Galli

Ho! Ho! Ho! Y'all. It's holiday time again, and SAGE is throwing its annual **Holiday Party. Sunday, December 16th**, we'll gather at the **Ft. Lauderdale Marriott North** (6650 North Andrews Ave.) for cocktails and socializing, and a wonderful 4-course luncheon. Once again, "**Eclipse**" will perform for your listening and dancing pleasure. Reserved tables proved so successful at the Anniversary Party, that we are trying it again. Please be sure to include **everyone in your party on one Reservation Slip**, so that we can assign you to the same table.

One change, in expectation of a capacity crowd, we are moving from the Royal Palm Room to the Marriott's beautiful **Grand Cypress Ballroom**. This is on the second floor. It is easily accessed from the second-floor or the third floor self-park garage.

If you missed our Anniversary Party, you've heard what a wonderful event it was -and *you don't want to miss this one*. There will be surprises galore!

Then on **Wednesday, December 19th**, the **Ft. Lauderdale Gay Men's Chorus** will be presenting its "**Holiday Treasures**" show at the Broward Center's **Amaturo Theatre**. SAGE has procured two rows of orchestra seats, and these will be available on a limited, first-come-first-served basis -with priority given to SAGE of South Florida Members. (When SAGE buys these tickets, they are at a group rate, determined by the venue. The number of tickets is likewise determined by the venue. So SAGE has no choice but to limit sales.) So if you've been wondering whether or not to become a member, now is the time to join!

SAVE THE DATE: January 24, 2008: SAGE Bus Trip to the **Actors' Playhouse** to see "**Altar Boyz**". (Information and a flyer will be in your January Newsletter.)

Happy Holidays to All -and Hugs...

December 2007 Men's Singles Addendum

Since the December 2007 Men's Singles Dinner is scheduled on December 24, 2007, Christmas eve, there will be no December 2007 Men's Singles Dinner for the month.