

THE SAGE

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Smart Ride 6

John G. Harris

Smart Ride 6 will be held on January 8-9, 2010. I have been asked to write an article on my experiences during Smart Ride 5, held in November of 2008. Originally, I was volunteered by my partner, Ken Goodman, to work on “crew” for the Smart Ride. He let me know that we would be working our butts off during long, hot hours, but that it would be worth the trouble. His synopsis was a vast understatement.



As soon as we arrived at the Morningstar Recovery Center in South Miami, bedecked in our SAGE shirts, we were greeted by numerous participants who knew Ken from his previous rides, but knew me only by my shirt. We were treated like royalty by everyone, which surprised me, because we were only “crew”. I thought, and still do, that the real heroes of the ride were the bicyclists, who had to ride 100 miles the first day, sleep, and then ride 65 miles the second day. I was prepared to be treated as an accessory, but instead was treated as an integral part of the festivities, as indeed we were.

After registering, receiving our awesome gift packages, and our extensive safety briefing, we were released until the memorial service. This was truly a sacred time as we were reminded of all our friends and relatives who had suffered and died, and were still suffering from the ravages of AIDS. Smart Ride supports, to the tune of millions of dollars, six worthy charities that support the GLBT community in its battle against this terrible disease. Its motto, “We ride for those who can’t”, says it all. And, of course, its corollary, “We crew for those who can’t”.

We were then released until 3:00 (yes, 3:00) the next morning when we drove back to Morningstar for breakfast and trip preparation. After a wonderful Rosie’s-provided breakfast, we packed up, and with the rest of the crew for Pit Stop 5, headed to Long Key State Park, exactly 93 miles down the road. Arriving there, we immediately began, with a lot of help, to set up Pit Stop 5 for the riders who would be arriving in a few hours. And then we waited. And got to know each other.

Finally, the first riders arrived, mostly exhausted, mostly overheated and thirsty, and the real miracle started. The riders were as grateful for our assistance as we were impressed by their devotion and physical accomplishment!

A perfect symmetry existed—we couldn’t do our thing without them, and they couldn’t do their thing without us! That’s when it became all worthwhile—the knowledge that we were all needed or nothing would happen.

During one of our breaks from riders, I got all of us together and asked, in the middle of a really hard day, if they were interested in volunteering for Pit Stop 5 for the next Smart Ride. Unanimously, they all expressed their interest. The “miracle” had touched all of us! The rest of the ride we worked and helped and made things as easy as we could for all of the riders, who continued to thank us for our efforts, even as we thanked them for their hard work.

The most special segment of the ride, however, was the closing ceremony on a pier on the south side of Key West. After we had applauded all the riders as they passed us on their way to the pier, a solemn moment, the passing of the rider-less bicycle, moved us all to remember why we were there. Six hundred thousand dollars were raised for six AIDS support agencies, including Broward House, six hundred very tired participants wound their way off the pier, and Smart Ride 5 was over.

If you would like to volunteer your time and/or a donation to support Smart Ride 6, please contact the SAGE office.

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Correction: In our last issue we stated that Michael Adams is the Executive Editor of SAGE (USA). He is the Executive Director.

MONTHLY BOARD MEETING & SATURDAY LUNCH & LEARN

12:30 PM, September 5th, 2009

HERB SKOLNICK COMMUNITY CENTER

800 S.W. 36th Avenue, Pompano Beach, FL

RESERVATIONS REQUIRED!!!!!!!!!!

Members with reservations: \$12.00

All others: \$17.00

Doors Open at 12:00PM

If you arrive early, please make yourself comfortable in the lobby and meet and mingle with other SAGE members and their guests.

Reservations must be made by 12:30PM on the Thursday preceding the Luncheon, as the caterer must have the final count.

For reservations call the SAGE Message HotLine, 954.720.0833 or reserve by e-mail: sageoffice@bellsouth.net

MENU

Salad

Ricotta & Spinach Tortellini

(with fresh tomato sauce)

Chicken "Francaise"

(with lemon sauce)

Carrots & Pear

Panna Cotta with Berries

*The Honored Speaker will be
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"HOMELESSNESS: How it impacts our communities and what we can do to help."

SAGE FRIENDLY SUPPORT PROGRAM

We'd like to think we are not merely fair weather friends, but people who really care about our SAGE family. If you know of any SAGE member who would appreciate a friendly call, is sick, in the hospital, recently lost a loved one, or just needs a note of cheer, please contact, for women, either Caroline Leto @ 954.925.6288 or Jean Arthurton @ 561.381.3103, or, for men, Leo Glickstein @ 954.427.6877.

This is a SAGE sponsored activity.

SAGE MEMBERS HELPING MEMBERS

Do you need a ride to a doctor's appointment, medical procedure, such as a colonoscopy, or just for simple food shopping? We don't know what you need for us to help with unless you tell us. If you need a ride, please call the office @ 954.720.0833. We will attempt to find someone in your neighborhood who can help you. We don't promise 100% success, but we will do whatever we can to get you to your destination. Don't be shy. Let's hear from you.

SHARING SAGE WITH OTHERS

Reconnecting with old friends and meeting new acquaintances is a great part of the SAGE tradition. We invite you to share this tradition by inviting someone new to SAGE to one of our many SAGE sponsored events. Share the camaraderie and support found among SAGE members with others.

When you invite someone new to any SAGE sponsored events and that friend joins SAGE, he or she will become a SAGE of South Florida member for the reduced fee of \$25 for their first year of membership.

Bring a friend with you the next time you attend or participate in a SAGE sponsored event. Share the tradition.

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SAGE MEN'S SINGLES GROUP John Chandler

The mission of the monthly gathering is to introduce men who are not in a long term relationship with other men who are in the same situation. The purpose of the monthly meeting is to meet new people, promote and develop a network of friendships 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, September 28th. Join us for cocktails at the bar at 5:30PM. Followed by dinner at 6:30PM at Tropics. Please contact John Chandler @ 954.427.5355 or e-mail @ stonyman4u@aol.com to make your reservation, and don't forget to wear your "RED SHIRT."

This is a SAGE sponsored activity.

WEDNESDAY MEN'S DROP-IN

Ron Catena

Attendance at the **Wednesday Men's Drop-In** continues to be impressive. Conversation is almost always lively with a good measure of humor thrown in. It's a great way to meet new people and see old friends.

Speaking of old friends: longtime Drop-In regular and former Men's Singles' Dinner Coordinator, **Wayne Morris**, showed up at a recent meeting. Wayne had been among the missing for a while. He was warmly received by all.

A very special thanks to **John Ritter**. John, a retired vocalist, who had a very successful career in Europe, gifted everyone with a CD of standards sung in both English and Italian. It's a great selection of songs, sung in John's wonderful smooth voice.

So many Drop-In regulars at the recent **Singles' Dinner at "Tropics:"** enjoying the good food and animated conversation were **Rex Coston, Ed Kelly, Richard Langhorne, Allen Sandler, Walter Ambrose, Donn Hutchins, Jim Anderson, Dr. David Goldberger, Charlie Scarcella, Stanley Hudes**, and the writer who substituted for **John Chandler** who was out of town.

Our Drop-In facilitator, **Dr. Norm Peters** and his partner, **Bill Woodward**, are all settled into their new condo.

Our dear **President, Carl M. Galli**, has made a couple of Drop-In appearances of late...keeping us posted on upcoming **SAGE** events. Looks like a fabulous Social Calendar for SAGE Members to Enjoy.

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SAGE WOMEN



Nancy Drennen

“Summer time and the living is easy.”

This is especially true at the **Ark Restaurant** on the **second Wednesday of each month at 12 noon.**

Not only did we set a new record for attendance at our last lunch, we also had three new members join **SAGE.**

At this lunch, we also had our own **personal trainer, Elle,** to help with our special summer exercise “steps.”

Everyone was busy enjoying making new friends, re-connecting with old ones, and keeping up with community activities. There was a lot of laughing, joking, and exercise on the “steps,” to enjoy along with an outstanding buffet at a very reasonable price.

Due to remodeling, the Ark will be closed on the second Wednesday of September. **Mark your calendar for September 23rd and call Nancy @ 954.741.1540 to reserve your seat.**

SAGE Food Drive

There are many organizations in South Florida, and not all of them are as well off as we are here at **SAGE of South Florida.** Because of this **SAGE** has decided to lend its support to the **Broward Pantry,** which helps seniors on low fixed incomes who are in need, and grandparents raising their grandchildren.

The Pantry helps locate affordable housing, assists with food stamps and medicare applications, repairs and replaces eyeglasses, and obtaining cell phones at no charge. They also provide much needed medication, free dental, medical and legal assistance, and help with utility bill emergencies and other problems.

Our Food Drive will start in October at the Lunch & Learn on Saturday the 3rd. For the men and women who do not/cannot come to the Saturday lunch, we will provide alternate pick-ups at GLCC and the Ark Restaurant on the second Wednesday of the month so that everyone will have a chance to contribute. **SAGE Food Drives will take place in October, February, June, and August. Of course, you will be reminded in the SAGE newsletter.**

NATIONAL & INTERNATIONAL LGBT NEWS

The **LESBIAN CONNECTION** is a wonderful newsletter for and about lesbians of all ages. It's free (although they welcome donations) and is chock full of info about the LGBT world. The following are items/articles that may be of interest to you.

Europe seems to be the place where things are happening:

In May an open lesbian was named as **Britian's national poet laureate.** **Carol Ann Duffy,** 53 is the first woman to ever hold the post. A witty and popular writer, Duffy was born in Glasgow, Scotland. She said she thought long and hard before accepting the high-profile job, which has a 10-year term. She said she left the final decision up to her 13-year-old daughter, who said, “Yes mummy, there's never been a woman.”...

-advocate.com

In March the voters in **Switzerland's largest city, Zurich,** elected an out lesbian as their new mayor. **Corine Mauch,** 49, has lived with her partner for many years...three other European cities; **Paris, Berlin** and **Hamburg** have open gay men serving as their mayors.

-windy city times

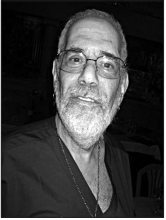
President Obama has so far appointed more than thirty open lesbians or gays to serve in his administration...

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SEE YOU AT THE MOVIES

Carl M. Galli & Ken Goodman



Our **September 21st** movie is the indie hit from just a few months ago, **“WERE THE WORLD MINE.”**

If you had a love-potion, who would you make fall madly in love with you? Timothy, (charmingly played with youthful enthusiasm by **Tanner Cohen** -- a young gay actor in real life) prone to escaping his dismal high school reality through dazzling musical daydreams, gets to answer that question in a very real way. After his eccentric teacher casts

him as Puck in “A Midsummer Night’s Dream,” he stumbles on a recipe hidden within the script to create the play’s magical, purple love-potion. Armed with this, his fading spirit soaring, he puckishly imposes a new reality by turning much of his narrow-minded town gay, beginning with the rugby-jock of his dreams (Jonathon, played by **Nathaniel David Becker**). Ensnaring family, friends, teachers and students in this chaos, Timothy forces them to walk a mile in his musical shoes.

“I was lucky enough to see this film at the official youth screening at the Vancouver Queer Film Fest. Liked it so much I walked in and stood for the second, sold out, screening that followed. **Beautiful scenes, good acting, great concept/plot, absolutely rapturous music... this movie made my heart melt**, made me fall in love with the two main characters. This is what movies are supposed to do, and “Were the World Mine” did this beautifully...This film realizes many a gay boy’s high school fantasy, and does it with style and grace. It’s poignant, moving...” (from IMDB.com).

The first feature from **director Tom Gustafson** (from his and **Cory James Krueckeberg’s** screenplay), **“Were the World Mine”** was nominated for 17 international awards -- and went on to win all 17! Including the Florida Film festival, the Tampa and Torino International Gay and Lesbian Film Festivals as Best Feature, and L.A.OutFest as Best U.S. Dramatic Feature.

With a running time of just 95 minutes, this will be a beautiful lead-in to our upcoming holiday screenings. **“Were the World Mine”** plays at the **Andrews Ave. GLCC at 4PM, Monday, September 21st** -- to be followed by dinner.

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SAGE THURSDAY CO-ED DROP-IN

Mary O'Connor

The Co-Ed Drop-In is on hiatus July and August. Join us on Thursday, September 3rd for our Kitchen Table Talk as senior gay men and women share their views of the world; politics, culture, music, cars, insurance, health and whatever else comes to mind (and we mean whatever else).

For those who enjoy mixed company chats the GLCC is the place to be every Thursday from 1 - 3 p.m.

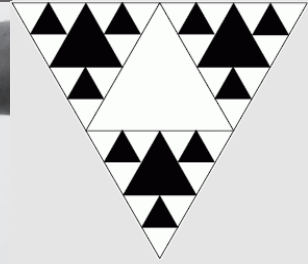
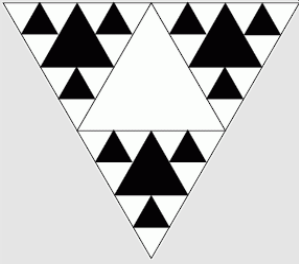
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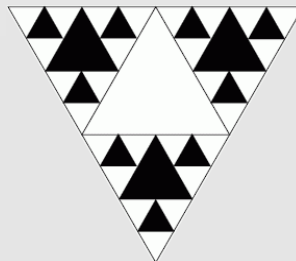
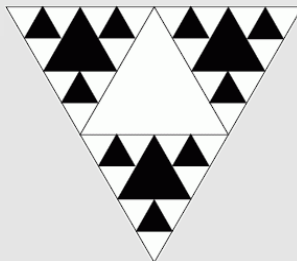
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THEIR HEARTS AND MINDS JOINED OUR COMMUNITY TOGETHER

SAGE SOCIAL NOTES



Carl M. Galli

A wonderful thing happened at our little Italian Dinner at **Lorenzo's Trattoria**: It sold-out -- and then some. We had been allocated 32 seats in the private room -- and we exceeded that by eight! So we had to squeeze together a little bit more than had been anticipated -- but a wonderful time was had by all. **Frankie**, the owner, assigned us a designated server (the lovely and lively **Ms. Sherri**, who came in on her day off). And while she was hard-pressed at times, eventually she got others to help her, and the food came out as promised, to be eaten with relish by **Hank** and his lovely and lively **Leo**; "**Reba**;" **Willis** (from now on to be called "Will"); **Warren** and his cute partner (yes, he is over 21) **Jay**; the dynamic duo of **Joel** and **James**; **Marlys** and the radiant **Elle**; brand new member, **Guy Puzzo**; **Ron**, **Rex**, and many of the **Men's Drop-In** group regulars: **Stanley**, **Ed**, **Joe L.**, **Jerry** and long-term partner **Joe O**; the gracious **Charlie S.** (who gave up his seat so that **Allen** and his partner from Italy, **Antonio** could sit across from one another. (With Antonio exclaiming in Italian: '**Beh, non è come Mama's, ma il cibo è buono e la società è fantastico!**') One of our Founding Members, **Martha P**; **Nancy**; **Susan** and her vivacious **Toni**; **Ms. Sass**. The "unholy triumvirate" of **Ken** and his **John H.**, and **Les**. **Jack L.** (down from Sebring) with his friend **John L.** Of course the ravishing **John G**; the mellifluous **Jerry L.** (a new member of the Gay Men's Chorus); **Marc F.**; **Bill** and **Bob** and **Tim** and **Richard W.** and **Don M.** And this writer -- who led this motley crew in rousing renditions of "**Happy Birthday**" for all the July birthdayers in the room. (**Boy, some of our parents were getting busy in November!**) And for those who are scratching their heads about the Italian above -- loosely translated it means: "**The food may not be as good as Mama's - - but the company was great!**" Starting at 5:30, it wasn't over until almost 9PM. And it is all about the company!

As I write this, the **August 28th Co-Ed Luncheon at "the Ark"** is coming together nicely. We expect 30 or more. This for **one of the best buffets in the area**. Please get your reservations in now to avoid disappointment. (**If you accidentally misplaced your previous reservation slip, please call the office, and send in your check or money-order, and we'll put you on the list.**)

Now, of course, the **BIG NEWS: It's almost here!** No, not the "Halloween Cruise" -- that will come later. I'm talking about the **Gala: SAGE's 15th Anniversary to be held at**

the Marriott North Andrews on September 13th. This will be an evening you'll remember for years to come. Including entertainment by "**Tony & Gloria**" and a commitment by the **Ft. Lauderdale Gay Men's Chorus** to perform in one of their many incarnations. We know that **Todd Wiley** (as artistic director) and his guys will surprise us. This, plus fine dining, preceded by cocktails and passed hors d'oeuvres, promises to make this a truly festive event. Come celebrate with your SAGE family at this once-in-a-lifetime party.

At the Anniversary, **we also will be recognizing the 27 men and women who, 15 years ago, had the foresight and courage to form what became SAGE of South Florida.** It was no easy task sifting through the archives, getting out old membership cards, and sometimes piecing the puzzle together, but it was worth it. **In this issue you will find a Special Section honoring our Founding Members, in the order in which they officially became members.** We thank you all for your work and your generosity of spirit.

Don't forget, the little **Fund-Raiser we have going at the Rising Action Theatre Company.** Thanks to **Ms. Vicky Keller**, **SAGE will receive \$10 for each ticket we sell to the Tony Award-Winning play "TAKE ME OUT."** It would be great to sell at least 15 or 20 tickets! So if you want to see excellent theater, and you plan on seeing "Take Me Out" why not get your tickets from us. (There's even a dinner-theater option with Primavera.)

Next month, of course, is the long-awaited, SAGE Halloween Cruise. **But not to let our non-passengers go without, we have planned a special Oktoberfest Dinner at "the Ambry" on Commercial Blvd.**

Enjoy!

OCTOBER CRUISERS:

By now you are thinking that there is very little to do, but relax and wait for our ship to sail. True, except we have two optional offerings to make the Cruise that much more memorable, and getting to and from more convenient.

We are offering **SAGE 2009 CRUISE T-shirts for sale.** If you wish to purchase these, please get your **\$15 p/p payment (with your sizes)** in to **John Chandler no later than Wednesday, September 30th.** We will be ordering these the next day, in one bulk order, so as to have them in time for the Cruise. Sorry, only registered SAGE Cruisers may order them.

But wait, there's more: In Next Month's Newsletter, there will be a reservation flyer for the **Chartered Motor Coach from East Coast Limos.** Cost (including all fees, taxes, fuel surcharges, driver gratuities, etc.) will be **\$30 per person.** Details will be provided at that time.

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SAGE COMPUTER CLUB

Ken Goodman

The August meeting of the SAGE Computer Club will be at the GLCC on Andrews Avenue on Tuesday, September 8, 2009 at 4PM. Call for directions if you need them at 954-720-0833. Come and learn how to use your computer more efficiently or to see what you have been missing. We discuss all aspects of the personal computer. We discuss Windows XP, Vista, Windows 7, as well as Apple OS/X operating systems. We start by discussing a specific topic of interest to the group and then we allocate time to resolve any issues and answer questions you may have.

This is a SAGE sponsored activity.

BOOK BUNCH NEWS

Wayne Draper

The SAGE Book Bunch meets on the 2nd Saturday of each month, except December, at the Borders, 2240 E. Sunrise Blvd., Ft. Lauderdale, at 2 p.m. Our book selections include books by gay & lesbian authors, characters, or themes. Since we relate our book selections to our own experiences, it is not critical to read the selection before the meeting. Drop-ins are welcome.

This is a SAGE sponsored activity.

WELCOME TO OUR NEW MEMBERS

First Name	Last Name	Date Joined
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Joan	Brown	Jul-09
Shane	Centers	Jul-09
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The SAGE Board would like to acknowledge the following members whose birthdays are in August as well as the other members whose birthday this month that we don't have.

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 @ sageoffice@bellsouth.net.

First Name	Last Name	Birthday
FABIO B	DASILVA	SEP-01
JOHN	FORAN	SEP-02
JOHN	IRISH	SEP-02
PATRICIA	MACKZUM	SEP-02
JERRY	ZYGMUNT	SEP-02
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The Old Rocking Chair

Do you suppose we'll sit around,
When we're old and gray.
And wonder what happened,
That our lives got away.

Maybe on the front porch
Of some lovely rest home,
We'll remember our traveling days
When over the country we used to roam.

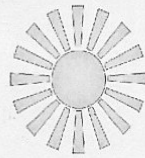
Or maybe we'll remember
All the folks we once knew.
Most will be dead and gone
The ones left will be so few.

We'll probably remember
The good times we had.
We'll remember only the good things,
Never thinking of the bad.

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The words to songs we used to sing,
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SAVE the DATES:

Saturday, September 26th -- Rising Action Theatre presents the Tony Award-Winning play **"TAKE ME OUT"**. A portion of SAGE's ticket sales will benefit SAGE. (As explained above.) **So buy your tickets from us!**

Saturday, October 10th: Oktoberfest Dinner at **"the Ambry"** (Commercial Blvd.) @5:15PM -- \$20/\$25

Wednesday, September 30th: Deadline for getting your payment for your 2009 Cruise T-shirt Order to John Chandler. \$15 p/p. Call him at 954.427.5355. (Or, if you go to the Men's Singles, on Sept. 26th, you can give him your order then.)

Wednesday, October 21st: Deadline for reserving your seat on the SAGE Cruise Motor Coach. \$30 p/p

Saturday, October 31st -- at long last, the SAGE 3rd Annual Halloween Cruise sets sail. SAGE is chartering a motor coach to take us to (and return us from) the Port of Miami. Details in next month's flyer.

Sunday, November 15th: A pre-Thanksgiving Dinner at the trendy **"Zuckerello's"** @6PM -- \$20/\$25

OTHER COMMUNITY HAPPENINGS:

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"From Broadway to Boynton" featuring our own **Larry McNear** & the Sounds of the Mighty Wurlitzer. **Saturday October 17th -- 7:30PM -- Church of Our Savior/MCC** 2011 S. Federal Hwy., Boynton Bch Fl. Call 561.733.4000. **Donation: \$10**

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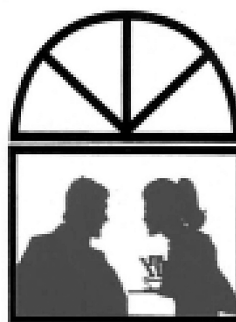
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Began studying piano at age six and began his professional career at thirteen after winning the Major Bowes amateur hour contest. This led to a summer tour with a Bowes unit and required him to join the musicians union as a professional.

Larry studied organ at Princeton University and played organ at Radio City Music Hall on weekends. He was fortunate to attend the University of Colorado on a scholarship and attended Master Classes with Virgil Fox. After graduation, he became Director of Music at North Presbyterian church and was known as every body's substitute Church organist. When the Mighty Wurlitzer at the Denver Paramount Theatre was revived, he became the staff organist. Shortly after that he was featured on a daily TV show on NBC in Denver, shot from the window of a large music store.

Upon returning to New York, he played on the Today Show with John Chancellor and Hugh Downs and also the Goodson-Todman TV productions, including the Price is Right. In the middle 60's, Wurlitzer asked him to join their staff as concert organist. He played concerts and held workshops across the country playing the new electronic organ and most of the playable theatre pipe organs.

Larry retired from the professional music scene for almost thirty years and returned in 1991 as Musical Director of Church of our Savior in Boca Raton. In 2007 he became organist of the church's new location in Boynton Beach.

TICKETS-561.496.2534

SAGE SEPT 2009 Activities Calendar

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2 1 PM Men's Drop In @ GLCC	3 CO-ED Drop-In Group	4	5 SKOLNICK Ctr. Board Meeting 9:30AM LUNCH & LEARN 12:30PM Call (954) 720-0833 for Reserv..
6	7	8 COMPUTER CLUB @ GLCC. 4 PM Call Ken Goodman 954-720-0833	9 1 PM Men's Drop In @ GLCC SAGE Women's Lunch at ARK 12PM Nancy D. 954-741-1540	10 CO-ED Drop-In Group	11	12 BOOK BUNCH - Dis- cussion @ Borders (Sunrise Blvd) - 2PM
13 SAGE 15th Anniversary Gala - Marriott North 5:30 PM	14	15	16 1 PM Men's Drop In @ GLCC	17 CO-ED Drop-In Group	18 Rosh Hashanah begins at Sundown	19
20	21 SAGE Movie "WERE THE WORLD MINE" - 4PM @ GLCC - fol- lowed by dinner TBD	22	23 1 PM Men's Drop In @ GLCC	24 CO-ED Drop-In Group	25	26 "Take Me Out" play @ Rising Action Theater Dinner (Opt) 5:45PM Show 8PM
27 Yum Kippur begins at Sundown	28 MEN's SINGLES DIN- NER @ TROPICS - 6:30 PM - call John C @ (954) 427-5355	29	30 1 PM Men's Drop In @ GLCC	1 CO-ED Drop-In Group	2	3 SKOLNICK Ctr. Board Meeting 9:30AM LUNCH & LEARN 12:30PM Call (954) 720-0833 for Reserv.

SAVE the DATES:

Sept 13th Sun

SAGE's 15th ANNIVERSARY GALA -MARRIOTT NORTH (Andrews Ave) w/Tony&Gloria performing -plus a very special performance by the Gay Men's Chorus -\$39/\$44

Sept 21st Mon

Movie at GLCC: "WERE the WORLD MINE" - Male content -4PM -Dinner follows

Sept 26th Sat

Rising Action Theatre "Take Me Out" - explicit Male content -8PM -SAGE Fund Raiser: \$35 - or with Primavera Dinner: \$60 -SAGE gets \$10 from each ticket we sell. (See flyer this issue.)

Oct 3rd Sat

At the Lunch & Learn -Food Drive Begins -Benefiting the "Broward Pantry" -Check your pantries and please Bring an Unexpired Canned, Boxed or Plastic-Jarred food item to the L&L on this Date. (See Nancy's article, this issue.)

Oct 10th Sat

Oktoberfest Dinner at "the Ambry" (Commercial Blvd.) - 5:15PM - \$20/\$25

Oct 14th Wed

At the Men's Drop-In and Women's "Ark" Luncheon -Food Drive Continues -Please Bring an Unexpired Canned, Boxed or Plastic-Jarred food item to the Meetings on this Date.

Oct 19th Mon

Movie at GLCC: "The Lady in Question is CHARLES BUSCH" - Scheduled: the filmmakers (John Catania & Charles D. Ignacio) will be present for Q&A - 4PM -Dinner follows

Oct 31st Sat

SAGE CRUISE LEAVES (app.) 11AM

Nov 7th Sat

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Nov 16th Mon

Movie at GLCC: "The Hunger" - explicit Lesbian content - 4PM - Dinner follows