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October 17th Senior Health Expo Coming to The Pride Center

by Bruce Williams

Senior Services Coordinator, The Pride Center



Building on a community service created by SAGE of South Florida many moons ago, The Pride Center will hold its Sixth Sensational Senior Health Expo on Saturday, October 17, 2015 from 10 am until 2 pm on the campus at Equality Park, 2040 N Dixie Highway in Wilton Manors. Last year's event sold out by the end of July to over 60 vendors and drew a crowd of nearly 700 LGBT seniors, their families and friends. A **majority of last year's vendors immediately renewed their support** after last year's hugely successful event which caused us to sell out by the end of June this year.

Once again we will present **LGBT-friendly vendors representing senior living facilities, home healthcare agencies, legal, financial and travel advisors and a wide assortment of other areas affecting the well-being of our LGBT senior community.**

Numerous medical tests, information and flu shots will be available. As well as blood pressure, cholesterol, glucose, hearing and sight testing. Stork's Bakery will once again provide free morning coffee and goodies. Broward Health - our Presenting Sponsor - will provide **free lunch for the first 300 attendees. And everyone will be eligible to win one of the many wonderful door prizes including a giant, flat-screen television.**

This is a **fun way to increase your awareness of area resources BEFORE you are hospitalized, not feeling well and in no condition to be burdened with a search!**

Join us!!!

VISIT OF LOIS FRANKEL, MEMBER OF CONGRESS

By Ron Catena

Pictured is SAGE Board member Bruce Williams, who is also the Pride Center's Senior Services Coordinator, with a member of the United States Congress, Lois Frankel. Also in attendance were senior staff members of the Social Security Administration and the Internal Revenue Service.



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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 -- Inez Pasher @ 954.563.2814. For men -- Leo Glickstein @ 754.307.2495. This is a SAGE sponsored activity.

SAGE MISSION STATEMENT

SAGE of South Florida is a non-profit organization for Senior action in a Gay Environment to enrich the lives of the GLBT senior community through membership inclusive of age, gender, race, nationality and religion. We believe this can be accomplished by sponsoring social alternatives To provide personal interaction, offering educational opportunities to deal with the special needs of aging, and promoting contact with the isolated and homebound persons of our community. SAGE is also an advocate for the concerns and needs of the senior community at large, providing referral information on community resources and promoting inter-generational communication in the GLBT community. SAGE was founded in 1994 as a Florida "not for profit." Corporation. (Federal Tax-Exempt status of 501(c)3 allowing tax-deductible donations.)

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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.

SAGE MEMBERS IN NEED

Please contact the AADRC (Aging and Disability Resource Center) @ 954.745.9779. It is a one-stop center for information and referral services available to seniors and their care-givers in our community.

REMINDER FROM THE BOARD

IF YOU RESERVE A PLACE AT THE 'LUNCH & LEARN' AND YOU DO NOT ATTEND, YOU ARE STILL RESPONSIBLE TO SAGE FOR PAYMENT. WE MUST GIVE THE CATERER AS EXACT A COUNT AS POSSIBLE BASED ON YOUR RESERVATION. THE CATERER MUST BE PAID WHETHER OR NOT YOU SHOW UP.

12:30 PM, October 3, 2015

HERB SKOLNICK COMMUNITY CENTER

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

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

Members with reservations: \$14.00

Guests: \$19.00

Everyone Pays at the Door.

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.

Please make reservations for the
October "Lunch & Learn"
with the SAGE office
@ 954.634.7219.

The October Speaker is our own Gary Kempler

Gary will talk to us about the changes in Medicare so we can make wise decisions during this year's enrollment period. Gary has been a longtime member of SAGE, an advertiser and former Board Member.

We look forward to hearing what Gary will say now that Gay Marriage is legal.
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October Lunch & Learn Menu
Romaine Hearts Salad
with Lemon Vinaigrette Dressing
Fusilli with Beef Bolognese
Salmon with Asparagus Crust
Grilled Chicken available
Ratatouille
Flan with Caramel Sauce

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THE DAILY SAGE

MONDAYS

Every Monday...11am

*SAGE on the Border Co-ed/Alternatives
Volen Center in Boca Raton*

Every Third Monday...4:00pm

See You at the Movies (Dinner to follow)

Pride Center

Every Fourth Monday...5:30pm

Men's Night Out

Tropics

Tuesdays

Second Tuesday...1pm

Camera Club

Photo Op

on Hiatus

Wednesdays

Every Wednesday...1pm

Men's Drop-In

Pride Center

Every Wednesday...4pm

Computer Club

Pride Center

Thursdays

Second Thursday... noon:

Women's Luncheon

Golden Coral in Tamarac

Third Thursday...1pm

*Third Thursday...1pm Co-Ed Discussion
Group Pride Center, Room 208*

Saturdays

First Saturday...9:30am

SAGE Board Meeting

Skolnick Center in Palm Aire

First Saturday...12:30pm

Lunch & Learn

Skolnick Center in Palm Aire

Second Saturday...11am

Book Club

Stonewall Library

Fourth Saturday...1pm

Camera Club Pride Center

This is a SAGE Sponsored Event

SAGE COMPUTER CLUB

KEN GOODMAN



Do you want to catchup to your grandkids or sons and daughters? Come and enjoy learning about technology at the SAGE Computer Club. Would you like to feel more confident when using your computer, smart phone, tablet, or any other type of internet connected device? You should come and join us at the SAGE Computer Club. Bring your questions and problems and we will try to help you solve them. No question is too basic, we want everybody to learn and become better at using their devices. If you have a laptop computer, smartphone or tablet you can bring it to help us resolve your problem. We discuss the Windows, OS/X, Android, Windows 8.1 Phone and Apple iOS operating systems.

The Computer Club meets every Wednesday at 4 pm for at least an hour. Any new Computer related news is discussed, followed by the issues you wish to bring or a current topic of interest. Bring your questions and problems and we will try to help.

Also, if you wish, you can join us for dinner after the meeting at a nearby reasonable gay friendly restaurant.

The meetings of the SAGE Computer Club are held at the **Pride Center facility on Dixie Highway** Building A in the AV Room 206 on **Wednesdays** at 4PM. Call for directions if you need them at 954-634-7219 or the Pride Center's switchboard at 954-463-9005.

SAGE WOMEN @ GOLDEN CORRAL

NANCY DRENNEN



Where: Golden Corral.

7401 Commercial Blvd. Tamarac

Phone: 954.623.6400

When: Noon, 2nd Thursday of every month.

Call Nancy @ 954.741.1540 for reservations.

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SAGE BOOK DISCUSSION GROUP

PHILIP COLLIER & ALAN DORFMAN

The SAGE Book Discussion Group meets on the 2nd Saturday of each month at the Stonewall Library, 1300 E. Sunrise Blvd., Ft. Lauderdale, from 11 AM to noon. Our October 10, 2015 selection - Bettyville: A Memoir by George Hodgman – is the story of cultured gay man leaving Manhattan for his hometown of Paris, Missouri where he takes on the role of caretaker and near-lethal cook in a head-on collision with his aging mother Betty - a woman of wit and will. All readers are welcome - no reservation is required. For information, contact Philip (443) 614-7135 or Alan (561) 499-2913.

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SAGE MEN'S NIGHT OUT

JOHN CHANDLER



Are you a man who enjoys the company of other men? If you do then we have an evening for you. Every 4th Monday of every month, SAGE Board member, John Chandler, co-ordinates cocktails and dinner at Tropic's restaurant in Wilton Manors. Cocktails, lively conversation and meeting and making friends begin at 5:30. At 6:30 the party moves to the dining room where we enjoy a terrific "ten for ten" dinner. For reservations please contact John Chandler @ 954.933.2963 or e-mail him at stonyman4u@aol.com.

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SAGE CO-ED DISCUSSION GROUP MEETS ON THURSDAY, OCTOBER 15, 2015

By Frank Piasecki

Are you new in town? Would you like to develop a rewarding social rapport with other mature LGBT adults? I would like to extend an invitation to you to become an active member of this group. Well, whether or not you are new in town you should still consider joining the monthly discussion group which meets on the third Thursday of the month at the Pride Center at 1pm.

The members in this group are nice! We are cordial, polite, respectful and friendly. If you like interacting with genuinely nice people then this group might be ideal for you. Furthermore, the LGBT co-ed membership offers a unique perspective of hearing responses from both genders and from people with vastly different backgrounds and experiences. At times the dialog is fascinating.

The format of the group is one in which the group facilitator asks a general question of the group. Question topics vary from current events, "memory lane", social issues, work and travel experiences, etc. This format ensures that all participants will be given the chance to respond. So even if you don't know anybody in the group, you will still get a fair opportunity to reply. You will hear what others think on a given topic and they will hear from you too. This really is a good way to solicit participation from all. (Note: you can always pass on a question if you prefer not to respond—we're easy going.)

Although it takes time to get to know others, the group experience such as this over a period of time allows all of us to get to know each other. You will like what you see and will appreciate the insights of others. Fellow group members will also get to know and appreciate your input and thoughts.

SAGE CAMERA CLUB OCTOBER 2015

The SAGE Camera Club's monthly meeting will be held on Saturday, October 24th at the Pride Center at 1:00 PM. Our next Photo Op will be discussed at the September 26th meeting.

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by John Harris

There is no fee for participation. If you are a good-natured individual who would enjoy meeting on a regular basis with others in our age group then please consider coming to check us out.

Mark your calendar for Thursday, October 15 at 1pm. We meet at the Pride Center in Room B208.

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SAGE ON THE BORDER/ ALTERNATIVES CAROLINE LETO/FRANK PIASECKI

Where: the Volen Center

1515 West Palmetto Rd., Boca Raton

When: Every Monday from 11AM to 1PM.

Welcome everyone, no reservation required.

Please call the Volen Center to see if it is open as the Center closes for holidays. 561-395-8920

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Pictures from the SAGE Dinner at Jalisco's



Bruce Williams w/Lois Frankel



Jay Brundage (our September L&L Speaker) with Carl M. Galli

Celebrating 21 years of service to our community.

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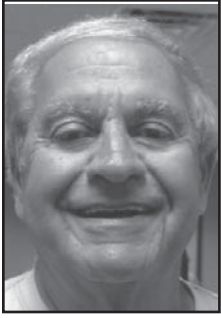
Remembering John Gearrity with His Friends from SAGE



Some Photos Courtesy of John Harris, Rex Coston, Allen Churchman and others.

SOCIAL LITES

Ron Catena



What a blast! They had to tear the wallpaper from the walls to make room for all the people in the hall at the SAGE Anniversary “meet up” at **Lester’s Diner**. Talk about fun! We started off with a nicely attended social hour then the large group moved into the dining room to order from the menu and pay for what they ordered for dinner. The award winning house band outdid themselves

playing a medley of well-known standards, which had the large crowd singing, moving and shaking. What a great time everyone had. The event was coordinated by our President Carl M Galli who spent weeks going over the music selections with the band. Carl is very musical and once was a backup signer with the Lennon Sisters of the Lawrence Welk show. It has been rumored that Carl was once romantically linked to Lawrence Welk. I am not surprised.

Rest up my fellow SAGE members, your Social Committee has a full and diverse calendar of events for the coming months. Tuesday, October 13th, we will have dinner at **Christina Wan’s**. See the enclosed flyer for details. On Sunday, November 15th, we will celebrate **Veterans’ Day** with a dinner at **Zuckerello’s restaurant**. Sunday, December 13th will be our **Holiday Dinner** at the lovely **Galuppi’s** on the golf course in Pompano Beach, where we always have a good time.

To celebrate the **New Year**, SAGE will bring “**Broadway to the Pride Center**” at a cabaret show on Sunday January 10th at 1pm, starring the well-known and the very talented **Michael Vita** and friends. This is going to be a **BIG-GGGGGGGGGGGGGGGGGGG** show. Mark your calendars now, you will not want to miss this event. Admission is free for members and guests.

NOTES FROM THE MEN’S DROP IN

Ron Catena

Well, we did it again... no holiday goes uncelebrated with the Men’s Drop In. The group celebrated the Labor Day holiday with assorted snacks, soft drinks and delicious home baked goods made by none other than the’ groups official baker, Patrick Vida. We also enjoyed a brief Labor Day historical quiz followed by the members telling us about the very first job they had as kids. It was very funny and interesting with lots of laughs.

As you may know the Pride Center is building a children’s playground at Equality Park so that members of our community will have a place to take their kids. To enjoy the outdoors and meet other kids and their parents. The playground will be open to all children. This project was made possible by a generous grant from Jet Blue Airlines. The playground will be built with volunteer labor by members of the community. Drop In regular, Michael Gagne is a member of the playground design committee and the father of two boys. He thought it would be a good idea if some of the Drop In guys volunteered to help on “build day”. I was so pleasantly surprised at the number of hands that went up to join in working on the project. Sonny Miller and Dr. David Goldberger volunteered to haul gravel from the delivery trucks to the construction site, of course, using wheelbarrows. I volunteered with Carl Barton to help plant the full size palm trees. Volunteering for the tree digging crew were Charlie Scarcella and Richard Werner. However, Michael thought it best if our group of seniors worked in a support capacity, so we will all work in air conditioned comfort setting up and serving the lunch to the younger “in shape” volunteers. Jerry Murphy was so disappointed he looked forward to wearing his new straw hat and matching work gloves. Oh well, can items be returned to Poverello? Thanks Michael for including us.

The members of the Men’s Drop Group have purchased a memorial brick in memory of Philip Norris who recently passed away. The brick will be placed in the Pride Center’s memorial garden walkway. When ready for installation, the group will honor Philip’s memory with a memorial service at the site. This will be followed by a reception all made possible by the generosity of the membership.

We all look forward to the next Drop In’s holiday celebration which will be Columbus Day. Since Columbus was Italian, we will feature refreshments with an Italian twist followed by a short trivia quiz. Then we will have a reenactment of Columbus going to Queen Isabella requesting funding for his journey to the new world. Rex Coston will play the part of Columbus. We are currently looking for a person to play Queen Isabella. We have a very long list of those interested in the role. So guys wait until the selection committee makes its choice before buying suitable outfits “fit for a queen”.

The Men’s Drop In meets every Wednesday from 1 – 3 pm at the Pride Center. Stop by and meet a dynamic group of guys and share some laughs and information

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SEE YOU AT THE MOVIES



with Carl M. Galli,
Marc Flanagan &
Michael Vita



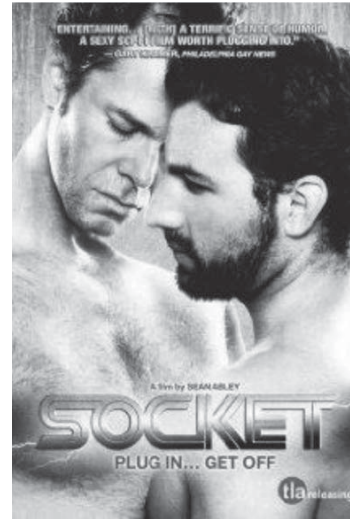
"Electrifying"... "Jolting"... "Shocking"...adjectives (and, yes, puns) used to describe our **October 19th** Halloween movie, **Socket**. Released in **2007**, Socket is billed as the **"first gay science fiction thriller"**. Filmed in **only nine days** (plus one day of reshoots) and in **four locations** (standing in for twenty), it is an independent film, produced on an estimated \$100,000 budget. It is the brainchild of out-gay Director/Writer **Sean Abley**, who wanted the gay-sex aspects to be secondary to the plot.

And what a strange plot it is: A surgeon (Bill, played by **Derek Long**, whom we saw in last year's "Make the Yuletide Gay" as the Minnesota dad) is struck by lightning, and is recruited to join a survivors group by a young intern (Murphy, played by gay-film darling **Matthew Montgomery**). But the group is not exactly AA: Everyone is trying to reclaim the high of being electrocuted. And as he slowly becomes addicted to the energy highs, and the implanted plugs and sockets he created, Bill's mental state starts to deteriorate. While he falls in love with Murphy. An obvious allegory for drug addiction and/or vampirism unfolds. (Remember, it is Sci-Fi. And an homage to David Cronenberg.)

With transgender actress **Alexandra Billings** (the first openly trans woman to have played a transgender character on television, in 2005's Romy and Michele: In The Beginning) as the hospital Chief of Surgery, and **Rashool J'Han & Allie Rivenbark** as Lesbian best friends Carol and Olivia, there is a strong supporting cast. (Not to mention the interesting cast including Jay Costelo, Georgia Jean, Victor López, Amy Sidney, Sandy Lawson, Alisha Seaton, Bridgette Wright and even director Sean Abley as members of "the group".)

Not exactly Oscar or even Globes material, Socket did garner two film festival awards: An **AT&T Pioneers: Best of Festival Award Jury Prize at The Indianapolis LGBT Film Festival in November 2007**. And an **Award for Best Actor to Montgomery** (who tied with himself for Back Soon) from the **2008 FilmOut San Diego**.

(Interestingly, Montgomery is of Mexican/Ukrainian descent and is openly gay, stating in an interview: **"When I came to Los Angeles, I did not think movies did gays.** Nevertheless, from my début I have been dedicated to the independent gay cinema. I feel very lucky...being able **to make...cinema being openly gay."** As of March 21, 2015 he is married to his co-star from Role/Play, Steve Callahan, after being together for more than 7 years.)



Reviews have been mixed, to say the least. Some hated it for its low-budget production values. Some for its gay sexuality. And others were more understanding of what was trying to be achieved. From IMDb.com: "Socket, in spite of flaws that come mainly from its VERY low budget... can still be added to the list (of GLBT independent standouts)...**Writer/director Sean Abley...may have aimed a little too high...**

but one can't blame him for giving it a good try, or for coming up with something that's more watchable than your 'average gay movie'There aren't nearly enough writers and directors...who are willing to go out on a limb and take some real risks with style and storytelling..."

From Amazon.com: "Tired of AIDS, coming of age, that first relationship, and campy fabulousness being the only subjects of queer cinema? **Ready for a gay film where the sexual orientation of the characters is treated in a matter-of-fact manner and secondary to the actual storytelling?** Do you like good ole fashioned sci-fi/horror genre entertainment? Then Socket is a movie you'll want to check out." **There are a few caveats:** This is a highly eroticized gay movie with full-frontal male nudity and simulated gay sex. It is an intense sci-fi movie, with some graphic moments. There are several montages and quick edits (to make up for the lack of fx). Its primary flaw (for this writer) comes in the last minute -as though this was an afterthought.

Socket is Not Rated and **runs 93 minutes**. (Sorry, there are **no subtitles** available.) It screens at **4PM on Monday, October 19th, in Room 204 of The Pride Center**. Dinner and discussion will follow.

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SAGE BIRTHDAYS FOR THIS MONTH

The SAGE Board would like to acknowledge the following members whose birthdays are this month as well as any other member whose birthday 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 954.634.7219 or e-mail us @ sagesofl@gmail.com.

First Name	Last Name	Birthday	First Name	Last Name	Birthday
CARLOS A	MORAN	Oct-02	RICHARD	LANGHORNE	Oct-15
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GERALD	GOODRICH	Oct-08	JERRY	LEVY	Oct-23
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GERARD	ZELIN	Oct-10	VIVIEN (VICKY)	KELLER	Oct-25
BARRY	FEINSTEIN	Oct-11	JOHN A	RICHARDSON	Oct-26
ROY K	SMITH JR	Oct-11	JAY	BRUNDAGE	Oct-28
JUDITH	BOWLING	Oct-12	DONALD	MITCHELL	Oct-29
GEORGE	CASTRATARO	Oct-12			
ANTHONY	BUMBACA	Oct-14			

New Members

TIM W SCHNEIDER Aug-15

5 Year Anniversaries

NIEL S. HIRST M.D. Aug-10

10 Year Anniversaries

WILLIAM J CRONIN Aug-05

If you have had an anniversary with SAGE for either 5, 10, 15 or 20 years and you have not received your pin, please call the SAGE office (954.634.7219) to pick it up.

Celebration of Life – John Gearrity

In the early morning hours of September 8th, John Gearrity's big heart gave out. He passed away of complications due to congestive heart failure. He leaves behind myriad friends and admirers. I am one of them.

I first met John when I joined SAGE over 11 years ago. He was the Social Chairman, and an esteemed former SAGE President, and I was instantly charmed by him. In a very brief time I was named an Assistant Chair, and had my baptism by fire when John suffered a stroke at a SAGE dinner party and I had to take over. Thank goodness for his tutoring. I did not know then that John had once been a teacher, and had retired as a principal from a suburban Washington, D.C. public school. Over the course of the next decade I would find out just what a wonderful, generous, kind-hearted, joyful gentleman John was.

We became fast friends, to the point where other SAGE friends wondered if there was anything other than friendship between us. (There wasn't. His tastes skewed more toward older men. As had been the case with his late lover of 38 years, Jack, whom John told me his father liked more than him, and who "forced" John to complete his College and then his Master's studies.)

He was a man about town. His calendar was almost entirely filled every day. Social obligations were balanced - mostly with aplomb. But there were a few times when he would double-book himself. Said those of us who knew him: That's just John! And we would share a laugh. John was generous with his treasure as well as with his time. He donated significantly to almost every worthwhile charity and nonprofit - SAGE among them. He continued to volunteer for the monthly SAGE Movie for almost 11 years: Balancing my sometimes esoteric selections with classic black-and-white films and musicals. Monthly, he helped "fold, staple and mutilate" the SAGE Newsletter. He helped represent SAGE at SmartRide. He regularly attended "coffee and confusion" (as he called it) at The Pride Center, and mixed and mingled with the gals as well as the guys.

John would tell sometimes very involved stories with quick punchlines - making us think through our laughter. Of late, he had begun to rerun them. But they never lacked for laughter. And he would admonish us with a well-timed "Dear..." and laugh again.

John loved to be his own man. He hardly ever allowed anyone to drive him. Even though (a product of Brooklyn, N.Y., Maryland and D.C.) he wasn't the best driver. (Of course I say this jokingly, after he almost ran over me at his 82nd birthday party last October.)

Occasionally, at quiet times, when I would be staying over in the "Carlotta suite" at his condo, we talked about philosophy. John, who had been a teacher, talked about Plato. The great philosopher believed that every star had a companion soul who would return to it upon death - if one led a good life. And John certainly led a good life:

He was a Good Man, a Kind Man and in every sense, a Gentle Man. And I'm certain that he is looking down on us now, from his star.

-Carl M. Galli

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The meeting was held to discuss and explain the new regulations for married same sex couples, as it pertains to filing income taxes and Social Security benefits. After a brief and extremely informative presentation, the forum was opened up to questions from the audience. It was a full house and many of those in attendance had lots of questions and received good answers from the panel of government officials. A large number of SAGE members were in attendance. SAGE of South Florida, Inc. assisted with the publicity for the event, announcing the meeting at many SAGE events and through our e-blast system.



The 17th **MiFo LGBT Film Fest** is committed to its mission: To inspire, entertain and educate the public, encourage a sense of community through international and culturally diverse film, video and other media that offer historical and contemporary perspectives on the gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgender experience.

The Miami Gay and Lesbian Film Festival (MiFo) is an internationally acclaimed event serving as a platform for numerous World Premieres, North American Premieres and East Coast Premieres. It has grown from a 3-day event in which 25 films were presented to the current format.

MiFo will be screening films in Ft. Lauderdale from October 9th through October 18th, at the Classic Gateway Theatre and Cinema Paradiso.

This will be the first year that SAGE of South Florida has been invited to participate in this event as a Community Partner. We will be hosting **Reel in the Closet** on **Sunday, October 11th at 12:45PM**, at the **Gateway**. **Directed and written by Stu Maddox (who is scheduled to be in attendance for Q&A)**, “**Reel in the Closet** is a film about LGBT home movies and the struggle to save them before they are lost forever.” It runs app. 70 minutes.

“Never before seen home movies made by queer people, dating back to the 1930s, create a visual history of the LGBT community. As these films are found, happy full lives that existed behind closed doors are seen for the first time. Couples whose love spanned many decades are documented in films of vacations, dinner parties, and intimate moments. Along with these personal moments, footage of political and social movements also highlights the need for conservation of this material.”

View the trailer at: www.youtube.com/watch?v=hVV_ZUSO9Cc

Before you go to Pride Ft. Lauderdale, start your celebration by stopping by the Gateway Theatre to see this important movie.

(Partly excerpted from the MiFo website.)





SAGE October Dinner at Christina Wan's Mandarin House

664 N. Federal Highway (US1) Ft. Lauderdale, FL 33304 (954) 527-0228

Tuesday October 13, 2015

SOCIAL HOUR 5pm (DRINK SPECIALS AT THE BAR)

DINNER 6pm

Starters: CHOICE OF SOUP and a SPRING ROLL (IN ADDITION TO SOUP)

ENTRÉE CHOICES:

CRYSTAL SHRIMP - WITH AN ASSORTMENT OF FRESH VEGETABLES TOSSED WITH A CLEAR GARLIC SAUCE

SWEET & SOUR CHICKEN – FRIED CHICKEN TENDERS WITH ONIONS, PEPPERS & PINEAPPLE IN A NATURAL SWEET & SOUR SAUCE

BROCCOLI BEEF -TENDER BEEF WITH SNOW PEAS AND BROCCOLI IN A SOY GARLIC SAUCE

VEGETARIAN DELIGHT - AN ASSORTMENT of FRESH VEGETABLES SAUTÉ

ALL ENTRÉES INCLUDE CHOICE of WHITE or BROWN RICE

Beverages: CHOICE of ICED TEA or SODA

Dessert: ICE CREAM

Pricing: \$20 @ Members & Guests

NO REFUNDS

Reservations Close No Later Than 1PM Friday, October 9, 2015

SAGE Dinner at Christina Wan's

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SAGE Activities Calendar

October 2015						
SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
				1	2	3 9:30AM Board Meeting Skolnick Center 12:30 PM LUNCH & LEARN Call Office @ (954) 634-7219 for reservation
4	5 11AM - 1PM SAGE On the Border Co-Ed / Alternatives @ Volen Center in Boca	6	7 1 PM Men's Drop In @ Pride Center 4 PM COMPUTER CLUB @ Pride Center	8 12PM SAGE Women's Lunch @ Golden Corral – Tamarac - call Nancy for info (954) 741-1540	9	10 11AM John Gearrity's Memorial Mass @ St. Henry's Church 11AM SAGE Book Club @ Stonewall Library Call Alan Dorfman 561-499-2913 or Philip Collier 443-614-7135 Pride Ft Lauderdale @ War Memorial & Holiday Park
11 12:45pm MiFo @ Gateway Theater "Reel in the Closet" Pride Ft Lauderdale @ War Memorial & Holiday Park	12 Columbus Day 11AM - 1PM SAGE On the Border Co-Ed / Alternatives @ Volen Center in Boca	13 5:00PM Dinner @ Christina Wan's (See Flyer)	14 1 PM Men's Drop In @ Pride Center 4 PM COMPUTER CLUB @ Pride Center	15 1-3PM SAGE Co-Ed Discussion Group @ Pride Center	16	17 10AM - 2PM Senior Health Expo @ The Pride Center
18	19 1AM - 1PM SAGE On the Border Co-Ed / Alternatives @ Volen Center in Boca 4 PM SAGE Movie "Socket" @ Pride Center - dinner TBD	20 SAGENet Annual Conference – Pittsburgh, PA	21 SAGENet Annual Conference – Pittsburgh, PA 1 PM Men's Drop In @ Pride Center 4 PM COMPUTER CLUB @ Pride Center	22 SAGENet Annual Conference – Pittsburgh, PA	23 SAGENet Annual Conference – Pittsburgh, PA	24 1PM Camera Club @ Pride Center
25 SAGE Celebration of Life of John Gearrity – Parish of Sts. Francis & Claire – Time TBA	26 11AM - 1PM SAGE On the Border Co-Ed / Alternatives @ Volen Center in Boca Men's Night Out @ TROPICS - call John C (954) 933-2963	27	28 S1 PM Men's Drop In @ Pride Center 4 PM COMPUTER CLUB @ Pride Center	29	30	31 Halloween

UPCOMING SAGE EVENTS:

Sunday, Nov 15, 2015 Annual Veterans Day Celebration Zuckerello's

Sunday, Dec 13, 2015 SAGE Holiday Party Galuppi's

**Sunday, Jan 10, 2016 SAGE presents "Cabaret in the Afternoon" at The Pride Center
featuring Michael Vita and Friends**

Community Events:

Ballet and Opera Group meets at Pride Center at 12:30 PM in room 204 on every other Sunday, in October on October 4th and 18th.

GLBTQ Veteran's Drop In Group sponsored by the Gold Coast Chapter of AVER and SunServe every Tuesday from 5:30 – 7 PM at the Sunshine Cathedral