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“WHO I ONCE WAS”



A Cabaret in the Afternoon presented by SAGE of South Florida. Featuring **Michael Vita**, accompanied by **Jeff Hess** on piano and **Arnie Miller** on bass. Sponsored by David Treece Financial Group, Inc., and Emerald Elite, on **Sunday, January 10, 2016 at 2:00PM at the Pride Center, 2040 N. Dixie Highway, Wilton Manors.**

It's New York City, in the 1970's, at a time when Cabaret was alive and well all over the City. Bette Midler was singing at the “Downstairs at the Upstairs,” Peter Allen was singing at “Reno Sweeney's,” Barbra Streisand was singing at the “Bon Soir,” and Broadway performers were singing in places like “The Yellow Brick Road,” “The Inner Circle” and “The Bushes.”

Michael Vita has enjoyed a successful career on the New York Stage. He has appeared in fourteen Broadway Shows including, the original casts of “**Bye, Bye, Birdie**” – 1960; “**Sweet Charity**” – 1967; “**Promises, Promises**” – 1971; “**Chicago**” – 1977; “**On Your Toes**” – 1984 and “**42nd Street**” – 1990. He has **recorded for CBS Columbia** in London and has appeared in various cabarets in New York City. His career highlights can be viewed at <http://www.IBDB.com>. Michael is a **founding member of “Broadway Cares/Equity Fights AIDS”** -a national AIDS fundraising program that has raised over 150 million dollars to date.

“A medley of “Solitude” and “The Way We Were” is seemingly as perverse a way of singing these songs as one could imagine, yet Vita makes it a rousing high point.” – John S. Wilson, New York Times, December 20, 1976

“Vita made something special of “After We Love,” a touching account of post-coital affections that slips into pre-coital enthusiasm, and “After The Ball” that emerges inevitably as a soufflé of simplicity.” – Robert Jones, New York Daily News, June 13, 1977

Jeff Hess, Piano: *Jeff has been music director for musical productions throughout the country and for the past 12 years has been the full time music director at New World School of the Arts in Miami.*

Arnie Miller, Bass: *Arnie has played with the Hollywood Philharmonic, the Broward Pops, and the Sunrise Symphony Pops and with many Big Bands. He is currently a professor at Nova Southeastern University.*

SAGE of South Florida is proud to present Michael Vita in “A Cabaret in the Afternoon”.

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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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We are no longer taking ads in the SAGE Newsletter. This was decided by the SAGE Board. The only ads that will appear are those that have been paid for in advance until they expire.

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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.

**There will not be a SAGE Lunch & Learn Meeting
on January 2, 2016 due to the holidays.
May all our members have a happy and healthy New Year.
A SAGE – Sponsored Activity**

We're Looking for a Few Good Men ... AND WOMEN!

This has been a banner year for our Commitment to Serving the Community and Advancing the rights of Elder LGBT individuals in South Florida.

In order to continue we need a Board dedicated to these goals. And it's that time once again when we need to find capable, qualified people to fill out your SAGE Board. Please search your minds and hearts.

If you feel that you can contribute, please prepare a brief RESUMÉ and send it via mail to Ann C. Smith, SAGE Secretary at the SAGE Post Office address.

***We must receive your resume no later than (postmark)
February 15, 2016.***

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https://www.facebook.com/SageOfSouthFloridaInc?ref=aymt_homepage_panel

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

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...10:45am

*Third Thursday...10:45am 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.

This is a SAGE sponsored activity.



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 January 9, 2016 selection – **Mr. Loverman** by Bernardine Evaristo – is a textured portrayal of a gay, British-Caribbean late bloomer and his infectious zest for life, language and love. All readers are welcome - no reservation is required. For information, contact Philip (443) 614-7135 or Alan (561) 385-8260.

A SAGE – Sponsored Activity

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.

This is a SAGE sponsored activity.

NOTES FROM THE SAGE CO-ED DISCUSSION GROUP (AT THE PRIDE CENTER) JANUARY 2016

By Frank Piasecki

New Meeting Time/Format for the SAGE Co-Ed Drop Discussion Group Meeting

Are you an LGBT individual who enjoys communicating and interacting with others? If so I sure hope you will consider joining us for a monthly meeting of conversation and socialization. We could be called the "SAGES" OF SAGE because we are older and wiser. Or we could refer to our group as the SAGE LGBT (Ladies and Gentlemen Bonding Together) meeting.

Please make a note of our new meeting time and slightly revised format. We will meet on the third Thursday of each month at 10:45 am. For the first few minutes we will just socially talk with one another. (After you get to know a few people it is kind of nice to greet/chat with them to find out how they are doing, etc.) At 11 am the meeting will become one of structured opinion questions asked by the facilitator (right now that's me). We will do this for about an hour and then at 12 noon those who wish can go to lunch together. So...we will start at the perfect time of day...not too early nor too late. And if your appetite is willing we can go to a local (and affordable) place for a friendly lunch.

That's it! The meeting is free but you do have to pay for your optional lunch. You don't need to prepare anything nor do any projects or tasks. Just show up and let us hear from you. So...mark your calendars for January 21, February 18 and March 17, 2016. Again, the meeting begins at 10:45 am and will meet at the Pride Center in Room B208.

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SAGE CAMERA CLUB JANUARY 2016

by John Harris

The SAGE Camera Club monthly meeting for December will be held on Saturday, December 26th, at 1:00PM, at the Pride Center. We will have Show and Tell, as well as discuss the January Photo Op. Please bring your pictures as well as your ideas. The Camera Club meeting for January will be held on Saturday, January 23rd, at 1:00PM, at the Pride Center.

The Camera Club will also be sponsoring a SAGE Photo Contest in early 2016. Each interested party will submit one (1) picture to the Club, where it will be judged by a three-person panel of Camera Club members. A \$25 prize will be awarded to the Winner, as well as accolades from your peers.

The Camera Club is open to all members of SAGE, and we would really enjoy having you join us. If you have any interest in photography, please come out and see what we're all about.

A SAGE – Sponsored Activity



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

This is a SAGE sponsored activity.

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Pictures from SAGE's Dinner at Zuckerello's



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

OTLIGHT

SAGE at Coffee & Conversation



SAGE December Lunch & Learn



SOCIAL LITES

Ron Catena



Our members and guests enjoyed a “sold out” Holiday Party at Galuppi’s. Bravo to the social committee. We tried a couple of innovative ways to PR the event and it really worked. Thanks to all for attending. The food was delicious and the service was excellent. I

must say as far as nonprofits go with an all-volunteer staff, SAGE is second to none in planning social events.

Now on to the new year and a whole host of activities to keep our membership happy, busy and entertained.

On Sunday, January 10, 2016, SAGE will present Michael Vita in his show “Who I Once Was” at 2pm in the Main Hall at the Pride Center. Michael is a longtime Broadway performer who has appeared in fourteen Broadway shows. He enjoyed a long successful career on Broadway, and now we have this unique opportunity to enjoy this very talented man right here in South Florida. The event is open to everyone, free of charge. Do not miss this show. See the enclosed flyer.

On Sunday, January 24, 2016, at 1pm, we will honor our SAGE members celebrating a milestone birthday: 75, 80, 85, and everyone in their 90’s whose birthday was in 2015. If you are “milestone eligible”, please call the office to be added to the guest list. This lovely event is open to members and guests. See the enclosed flyer for further information. The celebration will be in the Main Hall at the Pride Center. A gourmet Italian lunch will be served.

On Sunday, February 14th, our Valentine’s Day luncheon will be held at the newly opened “Cafe Primavera”. Your social committee is hard at work ironing out details and more information will follow. However, mark your calendars now, so that you won’t miss out.

A SAGE – Sponsored Activity

NOTES FROM THE MEN’S DROP IN

Ron Catena

Well as we start a new year I want to thank all of the guys who attend the Men’s Drop In. Over the years, I have made some good friends at the Drop In. It seems that the members have bonded nicely and many socialize outside of the Wednesday meetings. This is exactly what SAGE is all about. We provide the programs and members decide if they want to further their social activities amongst themselves or at SAGE sponsored events.

A special thanks to Captain Carl Barton who helps make the group so successful. A big thanks to Patrick Vida who supplies us with a steady stream of homemade goodies for all to enjoy and enjoy we do. Thanks to SAGE Treasurer Allen Churchman who collects and pays the room rent and is the first to volunteer for whatever tasks needs to be done.

This past year we have celebrated every holiday both major and minor with a party, serving refreshments and beverages. A lot of work goes into putting one of these events together and we never lack volunteers. We are always looking for any excuse to add holidays to our list. Some have suggested that we celebrate the day of “the polish liberation”. Jerry Murphy suggested kielbasa sandwiches followed by dancing the polka. Jerry taught the polka at the Polish School of Dance in Boston.

If you have never attended a Drop In meeting, you owe it to yourself to stop by for a fun filled two hours of good conversation and meet some of South Florida’s most eligible bachelors. We meet every Wednesday at the Pride Center at 1pm. To all may the New Year be filled with good health and happiness.

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SEE YOU AT THE MOVIES



with Carl M. Galli, Marc Flanagan & Michael Vita

“The Killing of Sister George” (1968) is often spoken of in the same breath with The Boys In The Band (1970). It was originally a play by Frank Marcus. The original 1964 production, starring Beryl Reid, premiered in London’s West End and opened on Broadway two years later with most of its cast intact. In 1968, director Robert Aldrich brought it to the screen. The “killing” in the title is not meant to be taken literally. Sister George is the name of the leading character in a popular English soap opera called; “Applehurst” and the producers have decided to kill off the character of Sister George.

Beryl Reid is cast as George, Susannah York plays Childie and Coral Browne plays Mercy Croft. The opening sequence has George wandering through the streets and alleyways of Hampstead west of Heath Street. Another is in a real-life London lesbian hangout, the Gateways Club. The lesbian aspects of the plot are explicit. In one scene, while under the influence of alcohol, George molests two novice nuns in a taxi, behavior that precipitates the beginning of the end for Sister George.

The film centers around the soon-to-be-ending television career of June Buckridge (Beryl Reid) - a staple of a long-running British soap opera based in a bucolic and idyllic English countryside town called ‘Applehurst’. On that series, she plays a motor-scooter-riding jack-of-all-trades (nanny, health provider, sage, best friend) - a feisty yet lovable and omnipresent voice of reason in the small town. Fiercely protective of her career and her character, she is equally fierce and protective of her live-in lover, ‘Alice’ or ‘Childie’ as she is ‘affectionately’ called by her lover (Susan-

nah York) - a much younger, more nubile, and therefore more unstable presence in her life. Outwardly a simpleton - but possessing enough cunning to know where her future prospects lie, Alice is kept on a short leash by her ‘master’ - a fact made clear in a near-bondage scene in which June punishes her for a perceived slight by forcing her to kneel on the floor and consume her used cigar butt. In a classic psychological moment of role reversal, Alice suddenly goes from grimacing while chewing the cigar butt to pretending that the experience is a pleasurable one - mimicking orgasm as she chows down on the rancid tobacco leaves.

To know what happens next you will have to attend the screening. I will tell you that the scene before the last Mrs. Croft (Coral Browne) - a tightly-wound and prissy woman who holds George’s future in her hands, maneuvers Childie to the bedroom - then to her bed - and seduces her. The seduction is caught by George!!!

Beryl Reid who plays Sister George (Bette Davis and Angela Lansbury were considered for the role), was nominated for the Golden Globe Award for Best Motion Picture Actress in a Drama. The film has been shown a number of times on British television, although sometimes with the sex scene deleted.

“The Killing of Sister George” screens at **4pm on Monday, January 18, 2016 in Room 204 of The Pride Center**. It is Rated R. Dinner will follow.



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 |
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| BILL | NYQUIST | Jan-03 | ALAN | LATMAN | Jan-25 |
| HANK | BROOKS | Jan-04 | RICHARD | SCHWARZ | Jan-25 |
| THERESA | GULIZIA | Jan-04 | JIM | GUNTER | Jan-26 |
| EUGENE | JONDRO | Jan-06 | WILLIAM | WOODWARD | Jan-26 |
| ROBERT | SMITH | Jan-11 | DANIEL W | WOLFE | Jan-28 |
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| PAUL R | ALPERT | Jan-19 | WILLIAM J | HEVERT | Nov-15 |
| ANTHONY | CIANCE | Jan-20 | RON | WUDARSKY | Nov-15 |

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.

ATTENTION SAGE MEMBERS

Due to the large cost of mailing the Newsletter to those who do not want to get it via e-mail or pick it up at the Pride Center, the SAGE Board decided to charge a \$10 surcharge to the \$35 membership fee to help cover the extra costs of mailing (postage, envelopes, folding, etc.).

When you renew your membership in SAGE of South Florida, you will notice some new options are available to you. You will have the opportunity to receive the SAGE Newsletter in one of three ways by checking off the appropriate box. You may elect to say:

- (1) I do not want the Newsletter mailed to me;
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- (3) I want the Newsletter mailed to me at the additional cost of \$10 making my membership \$45.00.

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SENIOR ACTION IN A GAY ENVIRONMENT

Beware of Scams Targeting Older People During the Holidays

BY JENEFER DUANE

Our Office for Older Americans is working to provide older consumers and their families with the tools and information they need to protect themselves from frauds and scams.

Scams that target older people occur every day, but you can count on scammers to ramp up their efforts to prey on people's generosity during the holiday season. These grinchers, armed with their dirty tricks, may even weave the holidays into elaborate stories to pull at your heartstrings as they slip their sticky fingers into your wallet.

During the holidays, the common scam known as the imposter or "grandparent scam" might be decorated with a special plea, a story of a relative in trouble who desperately needs money to fix a car or get out of jail – and home for the holidays.

The ruse known as the IRS scam takes on a vicious new twist with a grinch on the phone threatening an elder with being arrested and spending the holidays in jail for unpaid taxes or a fake debt. And then there is the predictable increase in false or imposter charities, which sound identical to the real ones. The pitch is wrapped in sympathy inducing requests for year-end, tax-deductible holiday donations. These grinchers stand ready to take your credit card or check routing information and charge you for bogus Nutcracker ballet tickets, or a holiday charity fundraising event.

These scammers may even scour the internet and social media sites looking for a special connection to your life, such as a family member or community connection, to get you to trust them so you'll be willing to part with your hard-earned money. Some will go to great lengths to sound like they know you, or worse, your elderly parents.

Here are a few tips:

- Before offering your help to someone who claims to be a grandchild (or other relative/friend), be sure to telephone your family to verify that the emergency or urgent request is genuine.
 - o Beware of a caller who insists on secrecy. Never allow anyone to discourage you from seeking information, verification, support and counsel from family members, friends or trusted advisers prior to making any financial transaction.
- Take the following precautions to make sure your charitable donations benefit the people and organizations you want to help. If a caller claims to be from an established organization such as a hospital, charity, or law enforcement agency, look up the number of the organization independently and verify the claim before sending money.
 - o Ask for detailed information about the charity, including name, address, and telephone number.
 - o Then, call the charity directly. Ask if the organization is aware of the solicitation and has authorized the use of its name. The organization's development staff should be able to help you.
- If you have received a letter from the IRS stating that you owe taxes, call the IRS directly at 1-800-829-1040 FREE for information.
 - o The IRS will neither call to demand immediate payment, nor call without first mailing a bill. And, the IRS does not require you to use a specific payment method such as a prepaid debit card nor will they threaten you with arrest for not paying.

Share this information with your friends, parents and others in your community. For more information on identifying and preventing frauds and scams, check out ***Money Smart for Older Adults: Prevent Elder Financial Exploitation*** guide for consumers. In addition, the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau's Office for Older Americans has produced materials that include ***Managing Someone Else's Money Guides*** for financial caregivers. To find these materials and to learn more, go to ***consumerfinance.gov/older-americans***. But most important, have a safe and happy holiday season!

This blog post was first published on the National Center for Elder Abuse website.

SAGE Men's Drop In Thanksgiving Party



DROP IN MEMBER, RON VIDA KOVICH PRESENTS SAGE BOARD MEMBER PATRICK VIDA WITH A BOUQUET OF FLOWERS AND A THANK YOU CARD, IN APPRECIATION FOR THE DELICIOUS BAKED GOODS PATRICK PREPARED AND DONATED TO THE DROP IN'S THANKSGIVING CELEBRATION. PATRICK IS AN ACCOMPLISHED BAKER AND SURPRISES THE DROP IN GROUP WITH A WONDERFUL SELECTION OF GOODIES EACH WEEK. A BIG THANK YOU FROM ALL OF US.

Who I once was... MICHAEL VITA

A SUNDAY SOIRÉE OF SONGS

ellington, gershwin, porter, et al

YOU ARE CORDIALLY INVITED TO
A CABARET IN THE AFTERNOON

SONG STYLINGS BY AN (*ahem*) OLD MASTER OF THE GENRE...
ACCOMPANIED BY: JEFF HESS, PIANO—ARNIE MILLER, BASS

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**Come Join with SAGE as We Celebrate the Milestone Birthdays of Some
of Our *Most Senior Senior Members***

Sunday, January 24, 2016 1 - 4pm the Main Hall of The Pride Center at Equality Park

Our Honorees include:

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| Frank Bilancia 75 | Hank Brooks 85 | Anthony Bumbaca 75 | Rex Coston 93 |
| Joyce Edelson 85 | Don Gallagher 85 | Leo Glickstein 93 | David Goldberger 90 |
| John Hasandras 75 | Gerald Heineman 90 | Toni Herbert 75 | Emma Hinman 94 |
| Robert Kaminsky 91 | Don Mitchell 75 | Jack Myers 85 | Michael Vita 75 |

a Sumptuous Italian Buffet Luncheon, Catered by Chef Giacomo of Café Primavera

Entertainment by the South Florida Pride Wind Ensemble*

Dessert & Coffee

Entertainment by James Perkowski singing Standards, Pop & Show Tunes**

HONOREES: FREE with our Compliments

Pricing: \$15 @ Members & \$18 @ Non-Members

Inclusive of Buffet Luncheon *and* Entertainment – No Refunds

Reservations Close NO LATER THAN: Wednesday, January 20, 2016

SAGE Milestone Birthday Celebration

_____ MEMBERS \$15 Each & # _____ Non-Members \$18 Each - My Phone Number: _____

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Mail with Payment to: SAGE at P O BOX 70516 OAKLAND PARK, FL 33307

Questions: Call the SAGE office at (954) 634-7219

A SAGE-SPONSORED ACTIVITY

*Since 1986, the SFPWE has gone through two name changes, several artistic directors, and many concert venues. But remains South Florida's premier LGBTS band. Committed to entertaining audiences in South Florida and supporting the community through their various performances.

**James Perkowski is a popular South Florida operatic tenor. He has performed with Barbara Cook, Tony Braxton and Patti LaBelle (among others) and has been featured as a guest artist with the SFPWE. He also appeared as guest soloist with Peter Fuchs and The Hallandale Pops at Gulfstream Park. He toured England as "Jesus" in Godspell. And sang for Pope John Paul II in Rome. As well as for the Kennedy family in McClean, Virginia. And has appeared in countless stage productions and on CDs.

SAGE Activities Calendar

| January 2016 | | | | | | |
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| SUNDAY | MONDAY | TUESDAY | WEDNESDAY | THURSDAY | FRIDAY | SATURDAY |
| | | | | | 1 New Year's Day | 2 There will be NO Lunch & Learn due to the Holiday |
| 3 | 4 11AM - 1PM SAGE On the Border Co-Ed / Alternatives @ Volen Center in Boca | 5 | 6 1 PM Men's Drop In @ Pride Center 4 PM COMPUTER CLUB @ Pride Center | 7 | 8 | 9 11AM SAGE Book Club @ Stonewall Library Call Alan Dorfman 561-499-2913 or Philip Collier 443-614-7135 |
| 10 2pm Michael Vita Who I Once Was... @ The Pride Center | 11 11AM - 1PM SAGE On the Border Co-Ed / Alternatives @ Volen Center in Boca | 12 | 13 1 PM Men's Drop In @ Pride Center 4 PM COMPUTER CLUB @ Pride Center | 14 12PM SAGE Women's Lunch @ Golden Corral – Tamarac - call Nancy for info (954) 741-1540 | 15 | 16 |
| 17 | 18 MLK Jr. Day 1AM - 1PM SAGE On the Border Co-Ed / Alternatives @ Volen Center in Boca 4 PM SAGE Movie "The Killing of Sister George" @ Pride Center - dinner TBD | 19 | 20 1 PM Men's Drop In @ Pride Center 4 PM COMPUTER CLUB @ Pride Center | 21 10:45AM SAGE Co-Ed Discussion Group @ Pride Center | 22 | 23 1PM Camera Club @ Pride Center |
| 24 1 – 4PM Milestone Birthday Party @ The Pride Center | 25 11AM - 1PM SAGE On the Border Co-Ed / Alternatives @ Volen Center in Boca 5:30PM Men's Night Out @ TROPICS - call John C (954) 933-2963 | 26 | 27 1 PM Men's Drop In @ Pride Center 4 PM COMPUTER CLUB @ Pride Center | 28 | 29 | 30 2PM Book of Mormon – SOLD OUT |
| 31 | | | | | | |

UPCOMING SAGE EVENTS:

Sunday, Feb 14, 2016

The Annual SAGE Valentine's Day Luncheon @ Café Primavera

Community Events:

Ballet and Opera Group meets at Pride Center at 12:30 PM in room 204 on the second and fourth Sunday of every month. For January they will meet on January 10th and 24th.

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