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THE AGENDA

Newsletter for the Lincoln LGBTQ+ Resource Center

From the Director

We're already in the mix of the Fall 2023-2024 academic term! We have so much happening that it made us late getting our newsletter out this cycle.

This past summer, the center had a makeover. We tore down a wall and doubled in size. We're still figuring out where to put things with all this new space, but the best addition is the ability to cozy up with a book with this new view.

Expect more programs, more events, and more rainbows! With 21% of the student population identifying as part of the LGBTQ+ community, we plan to be here to support everyone of their unique needs.



Thank you everyone for your continued support of our community. We could not do it without you!

Jamie Bartlett
Director

Out To Lunch With Allies
Oct 2, Nov 6, Dec 4,
Feb 5, Mar 4, Apr 1

Out at CU
Oct 4, Nov 1, Dec 6,
Feb 7, Mar 6, Apr 3

UPCOMING EVENTS:

SPEAR Begins
Oct 3

Lavender Mass
Oct 11

Lavender Alumni Launch
Oct 11

Queer Classic Cinema
Oct 19

QSU Halloween Party
Oct 28

Spokane Chiefs Pride
Jan 19

QSU Drag Show
Feb 17

PROGRAMMING

S.P.E.A.R.

This fall, we're launching a pilot program called S.P.E.A.R. SPEAR stands for Skills for Personal Empowerment, Advocacy, and Resilience. The program aims to promote physical and emotional well-being, enhance confidence, reduce the incidence of violence, and empower LGBTQ+ individuals to become advocates for themselves and their peers.

SPEAR is open to all Gonzaga students who identify as part of the LGBTQ+ community. The program will focus on building practical self-defense skills, mindfulness techniques, emotional regulation, assertiveness, and upstander training. Instructors for each component are members of the community.

The physical and self-defense training will be off campus. Nyne Bar & Bistro has generously offered their large space for training when closed for business. While a "bar" might seem unconventional, the large dance floor affords great space to work and the inviting rainbow atmosphere will feel more welcoming than typical campus (AKA bland) training spaces. We're grateful for a new partner and our students are very enthusiastic about this hands on (hands off!) new programming.

If you know any students who could benefit from joining the cohort, send them our way! If SPEAR is a success like we predict, we hope to apply for a Federal grant available through the Department of Homeland Security to expand the training within the community.

Also, if you know any instructors who conduct training inline with the SPEAR goals also send them our way! We're looking for new ways to holistically build resilience in the community.



Spring Book Fair

This summer, we were awarded a JASPA (Jesuit Association of Student Personnel Administrators) Innovation Grant to put on a Queer Culture and Book Fair on campus. Our goal is to have the fair sometime in early Spring term (look for it in February). Soon, we will meet with a variety of faculty, staff, and students interested in shaping how the fair will look, what books we will display, how attendees can purchase, and where our supply will be stored for check out.



If you're interested in working on the fair or you have ideas, please email the center. We're always taking suggestions for books about or by the LGBTQ+ community.



Join us in celebrating
the launch of the **LAVENDER COMMUNITY!**



ZAG Alumni and Friends

It's finally here! For the past year, we've worked with Alumni Relations to launch the latest community for LGBTQ+ alumni and friends. You're all invited to the party!



Wednesday, October 11, 4-7pm

Formal Launch program with guest speakers

4-5pm, Joann Jundt Lounge,
Hemmingson Center, 2nd Floor

Celebration Reception

5-7pm Lincoln Center
Hemmingson Center, 2nd Floor



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