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Four Lesbian-Gay Groups Included in Air Force Fundraising

The Loring Air Force Base CFC or Combined Federal Campaign, similar to the United Way, includes three national and one local gay-lesbian organizations. The national groups include the *Federation of Parents and Friends of Lesbians and Gays* (P-FLAG), the *National Center for Lesbian Rights*, and the *Lambda Legal Defense and Education Fund*. **Northern Lambda Nord** (NLN) is the one local group included in this annual event.

Both civilian employees as well as military stationed at the northern Maine installation may designate payroll deductions or one-time donations to any of the more than 500 national, international and local organizations, ranging from the Nature Conservancy and the National Right to Life Educational Trust Fund to the Loring AFB Youth Center and the Aroostook County United Way.

This is the third year that NLN has been a recipient of local donations from this fundraising effort. According to military sources involved in the campaign at Loring, when squadron and office representatives are instructed as to the procedures for soliciting donations from their co-workers, the existence and nature of NLN is pointed out. They, in turn, may choose to do the same when requesting donations, thereby creating a sense of intimidation.

Despite the resistance from Loring base officials, who have effectively prohibited Northern Lambda Nord from any further advertising in the base newspaper by declaring the ads a threat to the morale and welfare of the troops, NLN's continued inclusion in the annual CFC is an irritant to many in the Loring community. ▼

Communiqué Makes Use of New Computer

The new look of this newsletter is due to the editor's new desktop publishing system. It allows for more flexibility of layout and design, as well as making the assembly of Communiqué fast and easy. ▼

Don't Miss Out on the Fall Party Season!

Now that the weather's cooled off and indoor activities seem to be the rule, Lambda's fall activities are in full swing. To stay on the mailing list and receive the monthly events calendar, *make sure your membership is current!* If your four-digit membership number on the mailing label begins with 89-- or 90--, and if the label says "past", *it's time to renew!* Just use the enclosed membership form, and mail it today to NLN, POB 990, Caribou 04736.

FALL EVENTS:

Halloween party, Sat, Oct 27 - prizes for best costumes: \$20 (1st), \$15 (2nd), and \$10 (3rd)

Game night, Sat, Nov 10 - join the fun in the variety of board games

Fall party, Sat, Nov 17

Christmas party, Sat, Dec 22, with a gift exchange

New Year's Eve party, Mon, Dec 31 ▼

WILL NLN JOIN THE AROOSTOOK COUNTY UNITED WAY?

An application has been made to become an affiliated member of the local United Way campaign. Northern Lambda Nord meets all the stated requirements of the fundraising group - all-volunteer, tax-exempt, serving the local community - save the need for annual audits of Lambda's budget. However, in the application, NLN stated that the group would institute formal audits if required by the Aroostook United Way. No response to our application has yet been received. ▼

Not All Candidates Support Us

The **Maine Lesbian/Gay Political Alliance**, the statewide non-partisan political action group, conducts an annual pre-election day survey of candidates running for the Maine Legislature, Governor, and Congress. Their questions focus on support, or lack thereof, of a number of issues and concerns to the lesbian-gay-bisexual community in Maine, including ✓ lesbian-gay civil rights legislation ✓ AIDS legislation ✓ hate-crime statistics legislation ✓ affordable healthcare ✓ woman's right to choose to have, or not to have, an abortion. The MLGPA has endorsed a number of candidates in the November elections. The list below includes those candidates who are on the ballot in Aroostook County.

State House of Representatives

Nason Graham (Democrat), Houlton, district 141
B. Carolyn Mahany (Democrat), Easton, district 144
Judy Paradis (Democrat), Madawaska, district 150

State Senate

Wanda Lea Towns (Republican), Van Buren, district 1
Russell Taylor (Democrat), Houlton, district 3

U.S.Senate

Cohen v. Rolde - no endorsement

U.S.Congress, 2nd District

Snowe v. McGowan - no endorsement

Governor

Joseph Brennan (Democrat)

Do You Think You Have an Alcohol or Drug Problem?

This region's lesbian-gay-bisexual AA group is resuming meetings. After a hiatus of several months, they are reorganizing and will meet every Sunday in Madawaska, 7:30pm (Maine time). The group is bilingual, and anyone who thinks they may have a problem with drugs and alcohol is welcome. Only first names are used, so anonymity is respected. If you'd like to find out more about the Aroostook Area Gay-Lesbian AA group, call the Gay-Lesbian Phoneline any Wednesday, 7-9pm (Maine time) and we'll put you in touch. All calls are confidential. ▼

NORTHERN LAMBDA NORD (NLN), CP/POB 990, Caribou, Maine 04736 USA. Gay-Lesbian Phoneline/Télégai-207.498-2088

AROOSTOOK AREA GAY/LESBIAN AA GROUP meets Sundays, 7:30pm (Maine time) in Madawaska. Groupe bilingue/bilingual group. Call NLN Phoneline, 207.498-2088 to contact.

AMCHOFSI Maine Jewish group, meets monthly; 207.871-1014 (Bob)

DOWNEAST LESBIAN GAY ORGANIZATION (DELGO), Unitarian Church, 126 Union Street, Bangor 04401, 942-6503

DIGNITY/MAINE Catholic group, POB 8113, Portland 04104

GAIS & LESBIENNES DE MONCTON/GAYS & LESBIANS OF MONCTON (GLM) CP/POB 7102, Riverview E1B 1V0, 506.858-1013

GAY/LESBIAN ALLIANCE University of Southern Maine, 92 Bedford Street, Portland 04102, 207.780-4085

Gay/Lesbian G•U•I•D•E Lesbienne/Gai

GAY/LESBIAN COMMUNITY NETWORK POB 212, Bangor 04401, 862-5907/866-7958

GAY/LESBIAN PARENTS SUPPORT GROUP Portland, 780-4085/772-4741

GROUPE GAIE DE L'UNIVERSITE LAVAL (GGUL) CP 2500, Pavillon Lemieux, Cité Universitaire, Sainte-Foy, Québec G1K 7P4, 418.648-2751

HARBOR MASTERS, INC. leather-lewi group, POB 4044, Portland 04104

INTEGRITY Episcopal group, St. Matthew's Church, 18 Union Street, Hallowell 04347, 623-3041/845-2985

LESBIAN/GAY COMMITTEE, MAINE CHAPTER, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF SOCIAL WORKERS POB 5112, Station A, Portland 04102

MAINE BISEXUAL PEOPLE'S NETWORK POB 1792, Portland 04104, 874-6596 (leave message)

MAINE LESBIAN-GAY POLITICAL ALLIANCE POB 232, Hallowell 04347

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OUR PAPER: A Voice for Lesbians and Gaymen in Maine, published monthly, 9 Deering Street, POB 10744, Portland 04104, 761-0733

OUTRIGHT: Portland Alliance of Gay & Lesbian Youth, age 22 and under, POB 5028, Station A, Portland 04102, 774-HELP/774-TALK
PARENTS & FRIENDS OF LESBIANS & GAYS (P-FLAG), POB 2080, Great Island, Brunswick 04011, 725-4769/729-0519/623-2349

PWA (People With AIDS) COALITION OF MAINE 377 Cumberland Avenue, Portland 04101, 773-8500

WILDE-STEIN CLUB Memorial Union, University of Maine, Orono 04469