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SuZ Ogden to be Featured at December Herland Winter Coffeehouse

The Herland Winter Coffeehouse Series got off to a great start in November with our evening of poetry by the group Calyx. Now we would like to switch gears and invite you for an evening of musical inspiration with SuZ Ogden at 7 pm on Saturday, December 15, 2007. This event is free, but all donations are greatly appreciated.

In her celebration of Life, SuZ travels the world sharing her gift as a vivacious speaker/singer/songwriter whose spirit weaves through her message and her music. Her experience with blues, folk, country, gospel, and honky-tonk music has evolved to create a sound she calls "Angeltonk". Live or recorded, SuZ's music is inspirational, moving, and top-notch. She has been featured on both radio and television throughout the United States as well as in Moscow, Russia and Kiev, Ukraine. Her travels illustrate how music is truly the web for Peace on Earth because "there are only seven notes and twelve sounds, and they translate the same in every language.

The Reverend Dr. SuZ Ogden has worked with such notables as Deepak Chopra, Mark Victor Hansen, Marianne Williamson, Dr. Wayne Dyer, Barbara DeAngelis, John Grey, as well as others known for their work for enlightenment. SuZ currently works in covenant with the Reverends Lloyd Strom, Marjory Dawson, Catherine Pena, Michael Cole, and Dr. Marcia Sutton creating music to serve ministers and teachers of spiritual practices. This music and these practices can be found at www.sacreddays.org.

Now serving as Minister of Music for United Life Church in Oklahoma City, SuZ resides with her partner Reverend Shelley Heller (Senior Minister) and their dog Buster. Traveling from the heart of the country, SuZ continues to be an inspiration for life, love, and the pursuit of happiness in the many lives she touches as a consultant, speaker, singer, and storyteller.



December Events

- Saturday December 1 Herland Scrabble Day 2 pm
- Sunday December 2 Epworth Art Festival and Silent Auction NW 19th & Douglas 1 to 4 pm
- Tuesday Dec 4 PFLAG OKC Church of the Open Arms 7 pm
- Friday Dec 7 Mary Reynolds at Full Circle 7 pm
- Saturday December 8 Herland Supper Club at Hideaway Pizza, 6616 N Western, 5:30 pm, followed by White Elephant & Dessert Party at Herland 7:30 pm
- Monday Dec 10 OGLPC Meeting Neighborhood Alliance 7:30 pm
- Thursday Dec 13 PFLAG Norman St Stephen's Church 7 pm
- Saturday Dec 15 Herland Winter Coffeehouse 7 pm
- Saturday Dec 15 Sisters of Swing Christmas Show check Gazette for location
- Sunday Dec 16 Herland Board Meeting 4 pm everyone welcome (eat at Gushers afterward)
- Saturday Dec 22 Herland Voice Mailing 1 pm

upcoming

- Tuesday January 1 Herland New Year's Day Open House & Potluck 1 pm

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Herland Scrabble Day

The Herland Scrabble Day returns after a one-month hiatus (hey, that's a good Scrabble word). Join us on Saturday, December 1, at 2 pm as we challenge each other with words like titfers, darnels, exo, eme, sodality, and fum!

Herland Supper Club

Join us on Saturday, December 8, at 5:30 pm for the Herland Supper Club at Hideaway Pizza, 6616 N. Western. The Hideaway has yummy pasta dishes, salads, and, of course, great pizzas. There is something for everyone. After Supper Club we will head back to Herland for a White Elephant and Dessert Party.

Herland White Elephant & Dessert Party

Bring a **dessert** to share and join us after Supper Club on **Saturday, December 8, at 7:30 pm**. We will rev up the holiday spirit by exchanging white elephant—or "dirty Santa" - gifts. This is a game where everyone brings a wrapped gift and draws a number. Then the fun really starts. The first person chooses a gift from the gift pile, opens the gift for all to see, and keeps it for the time being. The next person can either choose to take an unopened gift from the gift pile or steal a gift from any previous gift-opener. If at any time a person's gift is stolen, that person can immediately unwrap a new gift or steal another person's gift. The game keeps going till you get to the end. You can choose to bring something fun from around the house and wrap it or buy a gift to bring, but please spend no more than \$5-\$10 tops. This game is tons of fun as people steal, trade, and barter for what they want.

Herland New Year's Day Potluck

Start the new year off right with a potluck dinner and games at Herland on Tuesday, January 1, at 1 pm. We will provide a pot of chili and the traditional dishes of cabbage and black-eyed peas. Bring a dessert or another side and help us ring in the new year.

Herland Book Sale & Swap

We are serious about getting some of our used books off the shelves and into readers' hands. Don't miss our huge sale and swap of used books on **Saturday, January 26**. Bring in a few that you have already read and swap each of them for two of ours. Or, buy ours at 50 cents a piece. This is a deal like no other and it only lasts for one day.

2007-2008 College Women's Basketball Home Games

Oklahoma State University



COWGIRL BASKETBALL

12/4	Wichita State	8:00 PM
12/22	Central Arkansas	8:00 PM
12/28	Oral Roberts	8:00 PM
12/29	Texas Southern	8:00 PM
1/12	Oklahoma	7:00 PM
1/16	Missouri	8:00 PM
1/27	Kansas State	2:30 PM
2/2	Texas Southern	8:00 PM
2/10	Oklahoma	7:00 PM
2/14	Missouri	8:00 PM
2/27	Texas A&M	8:00 PM
3/1	Texas Tech	7:00 PM

University of Oklahoma



12/2	Arkansas State	3:00 PM
12/20	Central Arkansas	7:00 PM
12/30	South Carolina	3:00 PM
1/16	Nebraska	8:00 PM
1/20	Baylor	3:00 PM
1/23	Texas Tech	8:00 PM
1/27	Georgia	5:00 PM
1/30	Kansas	8:00 PM
2/9	Colorado	8:00 PM
2/12	Texas A&M	8:00 PM
2/23	Oklahoma State	2:00 PM
3/2	Texas	1:30 PM
3/6	Texas A&M	8:30 PM

Southern Nazarene University



12/1	Oklahoma Christian University	6:00 PM
12/4	Park	6:00 PM
1/10	Rogers State	6:00 PM
1/12	John Brown University	6:00 PM
1/26	Northwestern Okla.	6:00 PM
1/31	Lubbock Christian University	6:00 PM
2/2	Wayland Baptist University	1:00 PM
2/7	Oklahoma City University	6:00 PM
2/9	Mid-America Christian	6:00 PM
2/11	Science & Arts of Okla.	6:00 PM
2/21	Oklahoma Baptist University	6:00 PM
2/23	St. Gregory's University	6:00 PM

Oklahoma City University



12/15	Houston Baptist	2:00 PM
1/5	Southern Nazarene University	6:00 PM
1/10	St. Gregory's University	6:00 PM
1/17	Lubbock Christian University	6:00 PM
1/19	Wayland Baptist University	1:00 PM
1/24	Rogers State	6:00 PM
2/2	Northwestern Oklahoma State	6:00 PM
2/4	Mid-America Christian	6:00 PM
2/9	USAO	6:00 PM
2/14	Oklahoma Baptist	6:00 PM
3/1	Oklahoma Christian University	6:00 PM

University of Central Oklahoma



12/6	West Texas A&M	6:00 PM
12/8	Eastern New Mexico	2:00 PM
12/29	Panhandle State	2:00 PM
1/10	Texas Woman's	6:00 PM
1/12	Texas A&M - Kingsville	2:00 PM
1/16	Texas A&M - Commerce	6:00 PM
1/19	Cameron	2:00 PM
1/30	Northeastern State	6:00 PM
2/6	Southwestern Oklahoma	6:00 PM
2/23	East Central	2:00 PM
3/1	Southeastern Oklahoma	6:00 PM

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2/23	Rogers State	6:00 PM
2/28	Mid-America Christian	6:00 PM

Oklahoma Baptist University



Lady Bison Basketball

12/1	Lubbock Christian University	1:00 PM
1/10	Mid-America Christian	6:00 PM
1/12	Oklahoma City University	6:00 PM
1/19	Southern Nazarene University	1:00 PM
1/31	John Brown	6:00 PM
2/7	Oklahoma Christian University	6:00 PM
2/9	Northwestern Oklahoma State	6:00 PM
2/19	St. Gregory's University	6:00 PM
2/23	Science & Arts Oklahoma	6:00 PM
2/28	Rogers State	6:00 PM

Langston University



LANGSTON UNIVERSITY

12/8	Texas College	5:30 PM
12/15	Rogers State	3:00 PM
1/5	Houston Tillotson	5:30 PM
1/7	Houston Baptist	5:30 PM
1/19	Paul Quinn College	5:30 PM
1/21	SW Assemblies of God	5:30 PM
1/26	Bacone College	5:30 PM
2/4	Texas Wesleyan	5:30 PM
2/16	Jarvis Christian College	5:30 PM
2/18	Wiley College	5:30 PM

Univ. of Science & Arts of Oklahoma



USAO

12/1	Northwestern Oklahoma State	6:00 PM
12/8	Southern Nazarene University	6:00 PM
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House Passes ENDA Legislation

By a vote of 235-184, the House of Representatives voted on November 7 to pass the Employment Non-Discrimination Act (ENDA, H.R. 3685). The vote was largely along party lines but 25 Democrats voted against ENDA and 35 Republicans voted for it. When the vote was taken, the Democrats cheered loudly. It is possible that ENDA will now be quickly sent to the Senate for a vote. President Bush has threatened a veto of ENDA.

Traditional Values Coalition Chairman Louis P. Sheldon called ENDA a "a spiritual war between the First Amendment rights of Christians and the homosexual agenda that is determined to eliminate the most significant opposition to their agenda--which is Christianity."

Brouhaha Brewing in One Maryland County

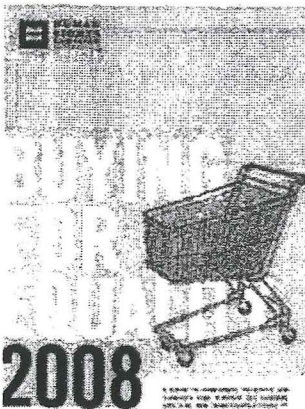
Opposition to trans-inclusive legislation in Montgomery County, Maryland is heating up. The legislation passed in November amends the County Code and sections of County law to "prohibit discrimination in housing, employment, public accommodations, cable television service and taxicab service on the basis of gender identity." Montgomery County is situated just north of Washington, D.C. and Southwest of Baltimore and is one of the most affluent counties in the nation. Most of the county's residents live in unincorporated locales, the most populous of which is Silver Spring.

Thirteen states have laws prohibiting discrimination based on "gender identity or expression" in employment, another half-dozen—including Maryland—have legislation pending and almost 100 cities have ordinances on the subject.

A group of conservative citizens, upset about the legislation, scheduled a protest at a swimming pool to highlight its concern that the legislation is, in reality, a plan to force co-ed locker rooms on an unwilling populace, which would endanger women. The measure will soon be the subject of a court challenge by a group called Advocates for Faith & Freedom.

Holiday Shopping Guide

As consumers prepare to head to the stores to cross off items on their holiday shopping lists, the Human Rights Coalition has released its 2008 Buying for Equality Guide. The Guide is its annual roadmap to help GLBT shoppers direct their dollars to the companies that have earned high marks for supporting GLBT causes and instituting gay-friendly employment policies. Check it out at www.hrc.org/buyersguide.



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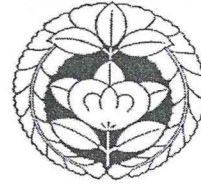
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