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## herland annual pride picnic

**Saturday, June 26**

**food starts at 5:30 pm, entertainment at 6 pm**

**\$6 suggested donation**

If it's Pride Week, it must be time for Herland's annual backyard picnic. This is a great way to celebrate Pride and relax at the same time.

We'll have the hotdogs, notdogs, hamburgers, veggie burgers, all the fixins', potato salad, baked beans, desserts, and drinks. Bring your lawn chairs and the kids—this is a family event! (Please no dogs.)



Our lineup for entertainment includes the vocal ensemble **Twisted Harmony** and other talented members of the community. (In fact, there are a few slots left, so contact us if you would like to perform.) Burgers and dogs will be ready at 5:30 and the music starts at 6 pm, so come and get your food, then kick back and enjoy the show.

See you there!

## herland pizza and movie night (and workday)

**Saturday, June 12, Workday 2–5:00 pm**

**Pizza and Movie Night at 5:30 pm**

**\$5 suggested donation for pizza**

Bring your pruning shears and clippers and join us for cleanup in preparation for Pride Weekend. Even if it's just an hour or two, we need you! After the yard work, we'll order pizza and watch a movie on our newly donated flatscreen TV!

### herland events

(all june events take place at Herland)

#### Clean up Day

Saturday June 12

1–5 pm

#### Pizza and Movie

Night

Saturday June 12

5:30 pm

#### Herland Budget Training Workshop

Session 3: Trimming the  
Fat but not the Fun

Thursday June 17

6:30–8 pm

#### Herland Pride Picnic

Saturday June 26

5:30–9:00 pm





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## okc pride events

okc pride block party  
Friday, June 25, 8 pm  
The Strip, NW 39th and Penn

okc pride festival  
Saturday, June 26, 10 am to 10 pm  
Sunday, June 27, 10 am to 3 pm,  
Memorial Park, NW 36th & Classen

herland pride picnic  
Saturday, June 26, 5:30 pm  
Herland Backyard, 2312 NW 39

OKC Pride Parade  
Sunday, June 27  
Parade Step off at 5 pm  
Memorial Park, NW 36th & Classen

## Pride in Art

Saturday, June 6, 7:00-10:00 pm  
Istvan Gallery, 1218 N. Western,  
Oklahoma City

Cimarron Alliance kicks off LGBT Pride Month with a one-night-only art gallery show and sale. This *free event* will feature Oklahoma LGBT and LGBT-supportive artists, and will showcase a wide variety of art that includes oil on canvas, glass fusion, mixed media, graphic art, landscapes, pastels, metal sculpture, and more. There will be live entertainment, plenty to eat, and a cash bar. Proceeds from the sale of art will benefit the Cimarron Alliance Foundation and local artists.

The artists being showcased at this casual event include: Gary Bates, Rick and Tracey Bewley, John Carter, Sam Echols, Ron Ferrell, Richard Kieffman, Christina Kovash, Bernadette Martinez, Louis Scott, Joe Slack, Sue Moss Sullivan, Frank Troutman, Rhonda Polen Wernick, and more.

Pride in Art is open to everyone, so please bring a friend.

## Interfaith Pride Memorial Service

Wednesday, June 16, 7:00 pm  
Epworth United Methodist  
Church, 1901 N. Douglas Avenue,  
Oklahoma City

Cimarron Alliance is honored to host this community-wide event. LGBT people are frequently denied the opportunity to grieve in public. This unique service will celebrate the lives of those we have loved and lost. The Interfaith Pride Memorial Service is a collaborative effort that includes a variety of faith communities, LGBT organizations, and individuals. Please feel free to submit the names of loved ones that you would like to remember during the service. To do so, email [scott@cimarronalliance.org](mailto:scott@cimarronalliance.org) or call 405-495-9300.

## tulsa pride events

Interfaith Service  
Sunday May 23rd - 3pm  
Diversity Christian Fellowship

King & Queen of Pride  
Sunday May 23rd - 8pm  
Club Maverick

Tulsa Pride Leather & Fetish Fashion Show  
Tuesday May 25rd - 7:30pm  
Dennis R. Neil Equality Center

Tulsa More Color Art Show  
Opening night reception May 27th

On Display May 27th - June 5th  
Dennis R Neill Equality Center, OkEq  
More info at [www.morecolorart.com](http://www.morecolorart.com)

Equality Day at the Zoo  
Saturday May 29th 10:00 am to 2:00 pm  
Tulsa Zoo

Pflag Night at Circle Cinema  
Tuesday June 1st 7:00 pm  
Circle Cinema

Pride Night at the Library  
Thursday June 3rd 7:00 pm Council Oak Mens  
Chorale  
Tulsa Downtown City-County Library

PFLAG Spaghetti Dinner  
Friday June 4th 5:30 pm to 7:30 pm  
Centennial Park - Community Building

Tulsa Pride - Youth Night  
Friday June 4th 5pm - 11pm  
Centennial Park

Tulsa Pride at the BOK with the WNBA  
Saturday June 19th @7pm  
Tulsa Shock at the BOK Center

Equality Night at the Philbrook  
Tuesday June 22nd  
Philbrook Museum of Art



# TULSA PRIDE

2010

30 YEARS OF CELEBRATING PRIDE

tulsa pride festival & parade

**Saturday June 5th  
10:00 am to 10:00 pm  
Centennial Park**

**HEELS for HOPE Race 10:00 am**

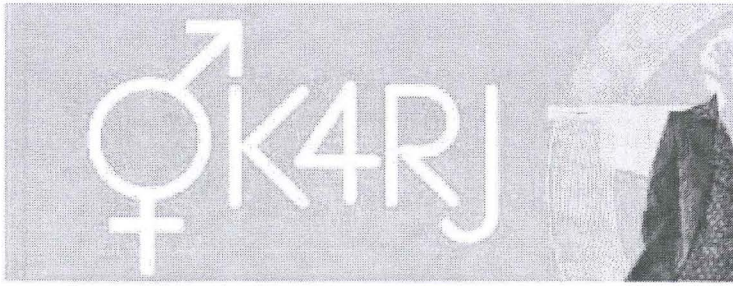
**Founders Brunch to honor our elders  
10:30 am to Noon**

**Pride Pooch Dog Show 2:00 pm**

**Pride Parade 7:30 pm Starts at Boulder & Archer ends at Centennial Park**

**Eric Himan & the Adams Concert 9:00 pm**

**Equality Fire Works 10:30 pm**



## Oklahoma judge temporarily halts new abortion law

The state of Oklahoma has agreed not to enforce a new abortion law – criticized as one of the nation’s most restrictive – until a judge rules on a legal challenge.

Oklahoma County District Judge Noma Gurich signed the agreement Monday afternoon. Her action temporarily halts enforcement of the law requiring pregnant women to undergo ultrasounds right before abortions. Legislative leaders said the development was expected.

The Oklahoma Legislature had overridden Gov. Brad Henry’s veto of two abortion bills that he said are an unconstitutional attempt by the Legislature to insert government into the private lives and decisions of citizens. The new laws drastically interfere with women’s reproductive freedoms - placing hurdles between her personal decisions and taking action.

Under the ultrasound legislation, doctors would have been required to use a vaginal probe in cases where it would provide a clearer picture of the fetus than a regular ultrasound. Doctors have said this is usually the case early in pregnancies, when most abortions are done.

The second abortion bill that the governor vetoed was one that would have prohibited pregnant women from seeking damages if physicians withhold important information or provide inaccurate information about their pregnancy. Supporters of that measure said it was an attempt to keep pregnant women from discriminating against fetuses with disabilities.

Henry did sign one abortion bill into law: one requiring abortion clinics to post signs stating it is against the law for anyone to force a woman to have an abortion, and that an abortion will not be performed until the woman gives her voluntary consent.

Earlier this month, Henry signed three other abortion-related bills, including a ban on abortions based on the gender of the child and tighter restrictions on the use of the RU-486 abortion pill.

At least two other abortion measures are pending in the Oklahoma Legislature including one that would require pregnant women to complete a lengthy questionnaire before receiving an abortion.

For more info on how to get involved, go to [ok4rj.wordpress.com](http://ok4rj.wordpress.com).

## community events

**PFLAG OKC/Edmond, Tuesday, June 1, 7 pm, Channing UU Church, 2800 W 15th, Edmond**

**Cimarron Alliance 411 LGBT Series: Domestic Violence in Same Gender Relationships, Thursday, June 3, 6 pm, Cimarron, 729 NW 17th**

**OKC Pride Meetings, Mondays, June 7 & 21, 7 pm, Expressions Church, 4010 N Youngs Blvd**

**PFLAG Norman, Thursday, June 10, 7 pm, St Stephens Methodist Church, 1801 W Brooks, Norman**

**OK Gay and Lesbian Political Caucus, Monday, June 14, 7 pm at Neighborhood Alliance, NW 36th and Classen**

**Cimarron Alliance 411 LGBT Series: Living Well as an Older Lesbian, Thursday, July 1, 6 pm, Cimarron, 729 NW 17th**

**OKC Youth United, Every Thursday, 5:30 pm, First UU Church, 600 NW 13th**

## Music

**Miss Brown To You, Friday, June 11, 8 to 11 pm, UCO Jazz Lab, 100 E 5th St, Edmond, \$7**

**Louise & Mary, Saturday, June 19, 7 pm, Full Circle Bookstore, 50 Penn Place**

herland budget training  
workshop  
session 3: trimming the fat but  
not the fun!

Thursday June 17  
6:30—8 pm, at Herland

This workshop series provides an eye-opening look at where your money goes and how to take control of your finances. In session 1, we looked at common feelings and misconceptions associated with money and budgets. In session 2, we looked at the tools we could use to track our spending and get a handle on the choices we were making with our budgets. Now, in session 3, we'll look at ways to trim down money-wasters and keep the fun in our budgets.

Even if you missed the first two sessions, you are welcome to sit in on the last one.

## A Belated letter To Anita Bryant

By Jo L. Soske

Did you know my brown eyed son  
Heart as pure as the morning dew  
When you armed yourself with slogans  
To begin your campaign of condemnation  
Did you know my brown eyed son  
Treasuring books like Midas did gold  
When you sought to run us from our professions  
Into the jaws of hunger and want  
Did you know my brown eyed son  
Searching for constellations in the evening sky  
When you chased us into the darkness of hiding  
To live a life of fear and lies  
Did you know my brown eyed son  
Ninja by day, super hero by night  
When you pursued your hopes of crucifixion  
In the name of the one who cast no stones  
Did you know my brown eyed son  
Looking for toads in the summer sun  
When you waged your war of terror  
Under the banner of "Save the Children,"  
Did you know my brown eyed son,  
Or in your haste to attack, was he the forgotten one

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