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e-Pw brings you a glimpse of events near and far, from around your neighborhood to around our world. Current events, arts and entertainment information is sent to our constituents, friends and supporters; it's another service of the Stanislaus PRIDE Center.

SPC & YOU!

SPC Volunteer Appreciation & Holiday Open House

Mark your calendars now, and join us at the Stanislaus PRIDE Center, 823 15th Street in downtown Modesto, on **Wednesday evening, December 19th**, for a Volunteer Appreciation & Holiday Open House.



We're hosting a gathering, where we will be serving desserts and holiday treats, to say "thank you" to the numerous persons who have contributed their time to the betterment of our community by volunteering at and for the Stanislaus PRIDE Center during the 2007 year.

If **you** have volunteered in **any** capacity this year for the Center - be it for Stanislaus PRIDE Day, as a volunteer staffer at the Center, helping to start or oversee any of our programs, or in any other way - please come by on **December 19th between 6:00 p.m. and 8:00 p.m.** and enjoy a holiday dessert treat, and socialize with others at the Center.

Volunteers are the heart of the Stanislaus PRIDE Center, and are helping to create change and better our community.

Local area

More upcoming activities announced...

Stanislaus PRIDE Center

SPC receives \$2,000 from Birds of a Feather

In a 75% donation increase from 2006, the SPC has recieved a \$2,000 contribution from money raised at this year's Birds of a Feather (BOAF) annual gathering.



The SPC sends warm thank you to BOAF chairperson and head organizer for the third year running, **George Miranda**, and all who volunteered to make this year's gathering happen. Everyone at the SPC appreciates your efforts, and BOAF's donation to the Center.

Also, thank you from the SPC to new and renewing members of the SPC's Sustained Giving Circle. Soon, donors to the SPC will be recognized on our web site, stanpride.org.

If you have not yet made a tax-deductible contribution to the SPC this year, now is the time to do it. Reduce your taxes, and help the SPC raise our \$25,000 goal through the *Jump Start 2008* campaign. Mail a contribution to SPC, Inc., P.O. Box 1850, Modesto CA 95353, or donate by credit card by contacting Chuck Silva, our CFO, at c.silva@stanpride.org.

Pasadena

California college chooses transman as homecoming king

CATAPULT Youth

Forum The SPC's youth participants in the Great Valley Center's CATAPULT program invite all to attend a forum on Wednesday, December 12th at 5:30 p.m. to discuss youth issues in our community. The forum will be held downstairs in the McHenry Room at the Stanislaus County Library, corner of I and 15th streets in Modesto.



Central Valley Stonewall Democratic Club invites all friends of the SPC to an upcoming holiday open house at 1620 W Walnut in Stockton on December 16th at 3:00 p.m. Please bring something to share at this potluck. Email membership@cvstonewall.org for more.

Casting Call PFLAG Modesto is looking for entertainers to perform at it's Caberet Night the night of Tuesday, January 15th. Contact Alice Miller at miller_clan@juno.com to participate.

For Andrew Gomez, the month of November was one of firsts.



First, he broke the news to his mother that he was transitioning from a female to a male. Then the 24- year-old transgender student was elected Homecoming King at Pasadena City College.

Neither event came easily, but the second milestone nearly did not happen. PCC's homecoming committee initially ruled Gomez ineligible because of his pierced ear.

But after students complained, lodging charges of discrimination, the committee relented and reversed its decision.

[Gomez said his election earlier this month as Homecoming King surprised him...](#)

The SPC facility is open Wednesday through Saturday from 3:00 PM until 7:00 PM.

The mission of the Stanislaus PRIDE Center is to provide resources to strengthen and support gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgender persons in Stanislaus and surrounding counties."

The SPC has three areas of focus: Culture and Community; Education and Information; Health and Wellness. PRIDE stands for "People Respecting Individuality, Diversity and Education".

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