

Emory LGBT News

Weekly news and information from the Office of Lesbian, Gay,
Bisexual and Transgender Life

Stay up to date on all events and opportunities in
our office, on campus, in the community, and
around the country!



From the Office of LGBT Life

Thank you for checking out the first issue of the 2010-2011 Emory LGBT News. If you are a new student, faculty, or staff on campus, welcome to Emory!

This newsletter is one way of staying connected with news and events on and off campus. It will be sent to the "OUT@EMORY" listserv and be posted to both the Emory Pride and Office LearnLink conferences every Monday. In addition, we will begin posting the newsletters to our webpage, so you can look for past programming and events. Visit our webpage at www.lgbt.emory.edu to learn more about the Office of LGBT Life.

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Hello from Danielle M. Steele, Office of LGBT Life Program Coordinator!*

Hello to all returning and new Emory students, faculty, and staff! As the new Program Coordinator, I am thrilled to be a part of the Emory community, and I am looking forward to a new semester. If you haven't already, please come by my office and say hello!

News in Higher Education

Supreme Court Decision on Law School's Anti-Bias Policy May Have Limited Impact

By Peter Schmidt from *The Chronicle*

A bitterly divided U.S. Supreme Court held Monday that a California public law school did not violate the First Amendment in denying official recognition to a Christian student group that effectively excluded homosexual students from membership based on their beliefs and behaviors. But the parties involved in the case, as well as experts on student organizations, disagree over whether many colleges have policies similar enough to the one at issue in the case to be affected by the decision.

Keep reading [here](#). Want to discuss? Post to the SpeakOut listserv! Email lgbt@emory.edu to subscribe.



Office of LGBT Life

Office of LGBT Life Open House

Monday, August 23rd 4:00pm-6:00pm

The Office of LGBT Life welcomes the class of 2014! New students are invited to join current students, faculty, and staff to learn more about the many services and resources the Office of LGBT Life has to offer. The reception will be in the Office, Room 246E in the DUC, on August 23rd from 4pm to 6pm. We look forward to meeting you!

Partnerships with the Women's Center

Beginning the week of September 6th, the Office of LGBT Life and the Women's Center will offer weekly, hour-long discussion groups on topics related to sexual and gender identities.

Queer People of Color Group (*Thursdays, 6-7pm*)—This group explores ways to celebrate our identities and navigate a predominately white, hetero/gendernormative campus as lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, queer, questioning and/or intersex people of color.

Queer Women of Color Group (*Tuesdays, 6-7pm*)—This group explores the joys and challenges of being a queer, trans, lesbian, bisexual, same-gender loving, and/or pansexual woman at Emory.

First Meeting of Transforming Emory

Monday, August 30th 6:00pm-7:00pm LGBT Life Office
Trans-Forming Emory is a group for members of the Emory Community that meets to discuss issues of gender and building community for transgender, gender variant, transsexual, genderqueer, gender questioning people and their allies, friends & partners. Meetings usually involve the discussion of a set topic and, on occasion, the viewing and discussion of a film related to the community. For more information, contact the group at: trans.emory@gmail.com.

First Meeting of Emory Pride

Wednesday, Sept. 1st 7:00pm-8:00pm Callaway N116
The mission of this organization is to provide Emory students with opportunities to engage in advocacy, education and social interactions to create a stronger and more inclusive queer and allied community. The group meets weekly! Contact Marina Santiago (mjsanti@emory.edu) or Kovonn Tanner (mktanne@emory.edu) for more information.

Safe Space Training

September 16th 1:00pm-4:30pm
Want to raise your awareness and increase your knowledge of queer issues and concerns? Attend a 3.5 hour training and learn how to put what you learn into action. Trainings are open to faculty, staff, and students. For more information or to register, visit: http://www.emory.edu/CAMPUS_LIFE/LGBTOFFICE/safe_space.php

News & Events at Emory

First Meeting of Sacred Worth

Tuesday, September 7th Noon CST 322
Join Candler School of Theology's student group for their first meeting of the semester. Free lunch is provided! All subsequent meetings will be held at noon on every other Tuesday through November 30th. For more information, contact Brandon Gunter at bpgunter@gmail.com.

Woodruff Library's New LGBT Subject Liaison

James Steffen has replaced Ida Martinez as the LGBT subject liaison for Woodruff Library. In his new position, James can:

- Order new materials for the library
- Provide reference assistance and research consultations
- Lead library instruction sessions
- Offer input on library-related course assignments

James will also continue the quarterly new books and videos list Ida previously maintained. James can be reached at jsteffe@emory.edu.

Emerging Leader Experience (E.L.E.)

Applications due September 15th at 5:00pm

Designed to enhance students' leadership skills, E.L.E. is a year-long program that widens social networks and builds community through meetings, an overnight retreat, and a service-learning experience. To learn more, visit www.osls.emory.edu/eleregistration or contact the Office of Student Leadership and Service.

Studies in Sexualities Colloquium & Reading

October 18, 2010

Randall Kenan, author of *A Visitation of Spirits*, *Let the Dead Bury Their Dead*, and *The Fire This Time* will host: Colloquium, 2:00pm-3:00pm, Kemp Malone Library, N301 Callaway Center

The Phillis Wheatley Reading, 6:30pm, Joseph, W. Jones Room, 311 Woodruff Library

Visit the Studies in Sexualities website for more details: <http://college.emory.edu/program/sis/events.html>

Transforming Community Project Dialogues

Fall 2010

The TCP Community Dialogues are small study groups of students, staff, faculty, and alumni who share time together discussing in honest, probing and constructive ways select issues of race and racism in the United States, how these issues have impacted the Emory community, and how individuals and groups within the Emory community might develop new concrete strategies to transform the university. Sessions will be offered either Tuesday midday or Wednesday evenings for eight weeks. Meals and reading materials are provided, and there is no cost. To register, visit:

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/TCPFALL2010R>
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Job Opportunities

Center for Women (CWE) Hiring Workers

2010-2011 Academic Year

The CWE is seeking detail-oriented, consistent, and responsible students with excellent verbal and written communication skills. Duties include making flyers, updating social media sites, and covering the office.

To learn more about the CWE or the position or to apply, please contact Sasha Smith at sasha.smith@emory.edu or 404.727.2001.

Events in the Community

Atlanta Field Day

September 18th

Create a team, compete in events like tug-of-war and the 3-legged race, and support a great cause! Raise money and win prizes while benefitting a Chris Kids, the premiere, go to, non-profit organization that provides leadership for the community in the areas of child welfare, mental health, prevention of youth homelessness and excellence in non-profit management. For more information visit: <http://www.atlantafieldday.org/>

Southern Christian Movement

October 8th-11th

Morehouse College

Student Christian Movement of the United States of America is a student-led, grassroots organization rooted in Christ which actively seeks justice and peace, speaks truth to power, and works to overcome oppression in communities on local, national and global levels by empowering students and young people. Student representatives from seminaries, colleges, universities and from the current chapters of the SCM USA across the country will come together to discuss how they will collectively put their faith into action towards progressive Christian concerns. For more information, contact Luciano Kovacs at wscfna@gmail.com or visit SCMUSA.org. Deadline to register is September 17th.

Queering the Countryside

November 6th-7th

University of Indiana

Indiana University will host a two-day, interdisciplinary symposium that will include a day-long public conference on Saturday, November 6th, and a series of concurrent writing workshops on Sunday morning in which selected participants will be given the opportunity to share their work-in-progress with visiting scholars and other symposium attendees. For more information, visit: <http://www.iub.edu/~gender/queering-the-countryside.html>