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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!

Volunteer appreciation & open house Dec. 19th

The SPC's Volunteer Coordinator Tery Powers, and the Center Coordinator Desiree Holden invite **you** to come by the Stanislaus PRIDE Center at 823 15th Street in downtown Modesto on **Wednesday evening, December 19th, from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.**, for a holiday open house and to show appreciation for our volunteers during the 2007 year.



We are serving desserts and holiday treats to say "thank you" to our many volunteers over the past year, whose contributions through giving their time to the SPC have helped make our community stronger.

Volunteers for the SPC during 2007, and all SPC supporters and friends, are invited to attend this open house. We hope to see you!

Local area

Largely over gay issue, San Joaquin Diocese first in nation to split from Episcopal Church

This lead excerpt appeared in The Modesto Bee on Sunday, December



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A holiday gift that will warm hearts and minds, while benefitting the Stanislaus PRIDE Center

Back in October, on National Coming Out Day (Oct. 11), we told you about a special offer from Rainbow Legends, whereby purchasers of their new book online could designate 40% of the book's purchase price to go directly to the Stanislaus PRIDE Center.



Well, the offer is back for the holidays, but is even better for the SPC. Now, 50% of the purchase of Rainbow Legends' new book, *Dragonfly Stories*, which features stories that celebrates the LGBTQ community, will go to the SPC. All you have to do is buy the book online, and select the SPC as the recipient of funds.

[Click here to buy the book. Remember to select "Stanislaus PRIDE Center" as your donation destination choice!](#)

United States

Boy Scouts lose Philadelphia lease in gay-rights fight; June 1 is eviction date

The city of Philadelphia on June 1 plans to evict the Boy Scouts' Cradle of



**9th. Please click
on the link below to read the full article.**

The Diocese of San Joaquin on Saturday voted overwhelmingly to change its constitution to leave the Episcopal Church USA and align with the Southern Cone of the worldwide Anglican Communion because of long-simmering theological issues.

It is the first diocese in the country to take such action.

[Full story at modbee.com...](#)

Liberty chapter from its rent-free, city-owned property after the group refused to change its policy prohibiting openly gay scouts and leaders, according to City Councilman Darrell L. Clarke.

The Boy Scouts said it cannot afford the \$200,000 annual rent it would have to pay to stay in the building and retain its anti-gay policy.

City's decision a victory for gay rights...

[From The New York Times...](#)

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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