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First SPC GLBTQ Youth Group gathering on Jan. 9th

The Stanislaus PRIDE Center is excited to announce **a new group for Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual, and Transgendered Youth, ages 14-19**. This group will provide social activities and informational workshops; with topics chosen by the youth. This group offers a safe and open environment to learn, grow, and teach others to value diversity.



The first meeting and kickoff event is Wednesday, January 9, 2008 from 7-9 pm. The group will meet at College Avenue Congregational Church (corner of Orangeburg and College in Modesto), an open and affirming congregation. Please note, **this is not a church-sponsored group**; they are only providing meeting space.

An important goal of this group is to be led by youth. A youth council has formed and they have created a mission statement, conduct guidelines, and are outreaching to all local GSA chapters. An adult council of committed community leaders has also formed to provide the group with advice and oversight.

For more information please contact Desiree Holden, SPC Center Coordinator at coordinator@stanpride.org or 209-338-0855.

PFLAG Modesto Cabaret and Talent Night on Jan. 15

Come in comfort or feel free to wear your tux, come in drag, or even sweats as fun, frivolity, and silliness will rule the night for **PFLAG Modesto's third Cabaret and Talent Night!**

People who have some real talent will



entertain on **Tuesday, January 15, 2008** at Emmanuel Lutheran Church at the corner of College and Stoddard Avenues in Modesto.

A Silent Auction and White Elephant sale will begin at 6:30, concluding at the end of the evening.

Show time begins at 7:15 P.M. with **KIKI** acting as Mistress of Ceremonies for the event.

Snacks will be provided and guests are invited to bring non-alcoholic beverages.

PFLAG Modesto is still looking for folks to entertain - comedians, musicians, jugglers, circus clowns, singers, dancers, etc.

Alice Miller is organizer for the event and can be reached by calling 526-8812 or miller_clan@juno.com

Openly Gay Stand Up Comic performs locally; Jan. 10th

Looking for local GLBT friendly comedy, or just something to do?

Thai Rivera, an openly gay stand up comic will be headlining at Hero's (corner of L and 9th street), local restaurant and club on Janaury 10th at 9:30 pm. The cost for the show is \$10. Rivera will perform in Modesto before heading off to New York to continue his tour.



A note from Thai: "If you come out I PROMISE to make you laugh your ass off, that you will have a great time, and if none of this does anything for you, I am inviting a bunch of other gay people out, so you might even get to meet someone."

For more information:
<http://www.myspace.com/thairivera>

Happy New Year!

Stanislaus PRIDE Center wishes you happiness and health for 2008! Thank you for your continued support and readership. One of our resolutions is to continue providing news and information that is interesting and relevant to the GLBT community in Stanislaus County. If you have any suggestions for us please send them our way.



Did you make any New Year's Resolutions? Need some fresh ideas?

Contributing writer for Monster.com, Dan Woog offers up [Ten GLBT New Year's Resolutions](#) to jumpstart your year.

- Come Out, Come Out Wherever You Are
- Ask for Equality
- Apply for Benefits
- [Read the full list . . .](#)

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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