



# Community Alliance *for* Respect *and* Equality

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## CARE Business

### CARE Diversity Award

CARE announces the CARE Diversity Award, a gift of \$500 to a local high school student who has demonstrated excellence in activities that have contributed to the achievement and advancement of women, minorities, persons with disabilities and/or persons of differing sexual orientation and gender identities.

This year's recipients are Evelyn Chevere from Selinsgrove High School and Brittany Emigh from Lewisburg High School.

Evelyn was a member of the Selinsgrove Area High School Tolerance Troupe during all four years of high school. She has undoubtedly had an impact on the awareness and understanding of diversity issues in our area.

Brittany was a member of the Lewisburg High School Diversity Club and also took a leadership role in raising money and awareness for Haiti relief.

Both students played significant roles in the annual Unity/Stop the Hate rally that takes place in Lewisburg each spring. We applaud their efforts!



CARE Steering Committee members Margie Torres, Cindy Peltier and Iris Rifkin Gainer with Brittany Emigh (second from left), one of the CARE Diversity Award recipients.

### New Email Address for CARE

Please note that CARE has a new email address: [care4diversity@hotmail.com](mailto:care4diversity@hotmail.com)



Please come out and march with CARE in the Union County Veterans' 4<sup>th</sup> of July Parade on June 26 in Lewisburg, starting at 10 am. We will march under the banner *Patriots for Peace*. Line up is adjacent to the Lewisburg High School. We will send out more information as the date approaches.

## From the desk of Doug Sturm

### *Premonitions of the American Future?*

(1) From Rand Paul, a physician and the Republican candidate from Kentucky for the U.S. Senate Stated in an interview with the *Louisville Courier Journal*, May 19: "I liked the Civil Rights Act [of 1964] in the sense that it ended discrimination in all public domains....[But] I don't like the idea of telling private business owners....I do believe in private ownership..." In the same interview, when asked about lunch counters denying service to Blacks, Paul declared it wrong to prohibit a business from discriminating. The next day on MSNBC, when asked again about the desegregation of lunch counters, Paul responded, "Does the owner of the restaurant own his restaurant? Or does the government own his restaurant?"

On May 20, John Stossel, business anchor of Fox News commented on Paul's interview: "It's time now to repeal that part of the law [the section of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 desegregating all public accommodations], because private businesses ought to get to discriminate. And I won't ever go to a place that's racist...and I'll speak against them. But it should be their right to be racist." Two days later, the African American advocacy group, Color of Change, circulated a petition to Fox News owner Rupert Murdoch to fire Stossel, claiming his call to repeal is "an insult to Black America and to all Americans who understand the history of racism in this country and have fought for racial progress."

(2) The thesis of former House Speaker Newt Gingrich's latest book *To Save America: Stopping Obama's Secular-Socialist Machine* (Regnery Press) in a nutshell: Obama's "secular-socialist machine represents as great a threat to America as Nazi Germany or the Soviet Union did." Title of the book: *To Save America*. The American Jewish Committee's reaction: "By invoking the current administration in the same breath as two murderous totalitarian states, Newt Gingrich has drawn a foolish and dangerous analogy. Gingrich's linkage not only diminishes the horror of the Holocaust, it also licenses the use of extremist language in contemporary America." Gingrich is a paid political commentator on Fox News.

## Harrisburg Pride Festival Events

Saturday, June 12th, 9pm - Central PA Mr. Gay Pride Pageant at Liquid 891 in Harrisburg

Saturday, June 19th Please visit the Lancaster Pride vendor booth at The Pride Festival of Central Pennsylvania, Buchanan Park, Lancaster, Pa, 12 noon - 6 pm.

Friday, June 25th, 9pm - Central PA Miss Gay Pride Pageant at Stallions, Harrisburg

Saturday, June 26th - Pride Festival of Central PA Fundraiser at Liquid 891, Harrisburg, PA. Details TBD.



Equality for All.” Celebrate the light of Shabbat in unity, enjoying the beauty of our diversity. Let our praise become a claim for equality and for a better world. 7:15 pm at Temple Beth Shalom, 913 Allendale Rd, Mechanicsburg, Pa. Light refreshments to follow.

Sunday, July 18th - Please visit the Pride Festival of Central PA Vendor Booth at Reading Pride in Centre Park, Reading, PA, 12 noon - 6pm

Friday July 23rd - Voices United Concert, Market Square Presbyterian Church, 8:00 pm, \$15. Featuring the Harrisburg Men's Chorus, the Central PA Womyn's Chorus, and MCC of the Spirit. Members of GLBT supportive/welcoming church choirs will be participating in the combined music pieces. Free parking in the Market Square Garage adjacent to the church for concert goers.

Friday July 23rd - 10 pm Pre-Pride Party at Liquid 891, Harrisburg, PA featuring the *DC Cowboys* The Dance Company.

Saturday, July 24th - PrideFest Unity Parade kicks-off at 11 am and marches down Front St between North St & Walnut St in Harrisburg. New This Year - *Doggie Drag/Pride* -- walk with your dog in this year's parade. Dress up in your favorite drag or Pride outfit. Prizes will be award in this entry category. *Over the Top Drag Competition* -- Think Priscilla Queen of the Desert, or Miss Biscuits 2009 Parade entry. A prize and title of Miss/Mr. Pride Parade will be awarded to the individual with the most over-the-top outfit.

Saturday, July 24th - PrideFest at RiverFront Park, Harrisburg, 12-5 pm, featuring various vendors and entertainment including The DC Cowboys, Rose Hudson, Michelle Murlin, and Three Twelve.

Saturday, July 24th - 8pm Post-Pride Party at Club XS, York

Sunday, July 25th - Capital Region Stonewall Democrats Pride Forum on DADT. Details TBD

Sunday, July 25th - 7:00 pm Spirits United Interfaith Service at MCC of the Spirit, Harrisburg