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Happenings at Mautner:

your guide to the latest news and events in lesbian health

July 25, 2008

Wanted: YOUR Stories

Upcoming Events

Join us at these great upcoming events at Rehoboth Beach!

Sundown: A gathering of friends of the Mautner Project at the fabulous Cloud 9. Enjoy complimentary appetizers, music, and surprise raffles!

Saturday, August 16
8:30-10 PM
234 Rehoboth Ave.
Rehoboth Beach, DE

Tea By the Sea: A beachside benefit at Rehoboth Beach, hosted by Gene Lawson and Scott Sterl. Meet our director, Leslie Calman! Wine, soft drinks, and hors d'oeuvres will be served. RSVP by August 14 to info@mautnerproject.org, or 202.332.5536. Please note that space is limited and that multiple flights of stairs to this event.

Saturday, August 16
6-8 PM
12 Hickman Street, Rear Entrance
Rehoboth Beach, DE

[Raffle for a Reason:](#)



At the Mautner Project, our mission is to improve the health of lesbian, bisexual, and transgender women and their families - *your* health. It is your stories that motivate us and that show us not only what can be done right, but why we have so far to go in ensuring that quality healthcare is truly accessible to all people. In our work, we routinely hear from

women who have been discriminated against in medical settings or who face other barriers to good care. And now, we want to hear from you. We are inviting you to tell us about your experiences accessing health care as a lesbian, bisexual, and/or transgender person, both good and bad. Why? Because *your voices are very powerful!* Stories from real people's lives help us to explain why we do the work we do to friends, funders, and others. In addition, we'll also share these stories through the e-newsletter. Hearing how other members of our community have dealt with challenges and successes can help us all.

Please consider sharing your story by contacting Sara Jaye at 202.332.5536 or ssanford@mautnerproject.org. You are welcome to submit anonymously, and we won't share your story - anonymously or not - without your permission. Thank you!

Thanks to the Mystics and SunTrust!



We'd like to extend a very special thank you to the Washington Mystics for hosting our event last Sunday, which was a great success! We also thank our Community Partner, SunTrust Bank, for offering us the generous hospitality of their spectacular hospitality suite at the game. And finally, and most importantly, we'd like to thank *you!* Over a hundred of you joined us at our gathering in the Dewars' lounge, including many new friends. And it surely didn't hurt that the Mystics won, too!

You could win \$10,000 in cash, a fabulous getaway, or some flawlessly beautiful bling - your odds are 1 in 200! Only 600 tickets will be sold, for \$100 each. They are going fast and all funds raised support our important programs, so get yours today. To learn more, [click here](#).

Mautner at Lambda Rising: Look out for the Mautner Project at Lambda Rising in the next few months! Stop by and visit us to learn more about our programs, and Raffle for a Reason, on July 20, from noon-3 PM, and on August 24, September 21, and October 5. Many thanks to [Lambda Rising](#).

Save the Dates!

BIG LOVE Kickoff Party

Celebrating the 19th Anniversary Gala and announcing the winners of Raffle for a Reason!

Stay tuned for more details, coming soon. [Click here](#) for more information.

Friday, October 24
[TOWN Danceboutique](#)

BIG LOVE

*Our 19th Anniversary
Gala*

*Valentine's Day
Dinner and Dance*

[Click here](#) for more information.

February 14, 2009
Omni Shoreham Hotel

**Mautner Project: The
National Lesbian Health
Organization**
1875 Connecticut Ave, NW

Stay Tuned for Our Gala!



We've been hearing from many of you about our next big bash, the gala, and we just wanted to give you an update.

We're very excited that Big Love, our 19th Anniversary Gala, is going to be held on Valentine's Day in 2009. You might notice that we've skipped ahead to "19th Anniversary," and we chose to do this to honor not only the day we became an official nonprofit organization (in November, 1990), but also our earlier roots when, in January 1990, a group of volunteers came together to serve the women in their community. Their service and dedication truly deserve to be considered part of our official founding! If you want to learn more about how you can participate in the gala, [visit our website](#).

Of course, we couldn't let fall go by without any celebration - so we hope you'll join us at the Big Love Kickoff Party at TOWN Danceboutique on Friday, October 24! To learn more, [click here](#).

Take Action

The Boston University School of Public Health is currently working on several studies relating to the wellbeing of lesbian and bisexual women, funded by the Susan G Komen Breast Cancer Foundation. If you are a woman who partners with women and you are over age 40 OR you have been diagnosed with breast cancer within the past ten years, you may be able to participate! You can receive \$20 for filling out a one-time mail survey. Email women@bu.edu or call 1-877-414-1399 to find out more.

In the Community

The Mautner Project's executive director, Leslie Calman, recently attended a gathering of more than thirty leading scholars in LGBT health research from around the country at the first meeting of the Center for Population Research in LGBT Health at the Fenway Institute in Boston. Leslie was pleased to be invited as a participating scientist.

The Mautner Project improves the health of lesbians, bisexual, and transgender women who partner with women, and their families, through advocacy, education, research, and direct service. We envision a

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healthcare system that is guided by
social justice and responsive to the needs of all people.

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