

Gay and Gray or Heading That Way



Progressive Dinner and Dialogue About Serving LGBT Elders in the Charlotte Region



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It is estimated that between one and three million Americans identify as lesbian, gay, bi-sexual or transgendered. LGBT elders are 5 times less likely to access senior services for fear of rejection or mistreatment and evidence shows that LGBT elders have less continued family support than their heterosexual counterparts.

Centralina Area Agency on Aging is hosting a **three part** Progressive Dinner and Dialogue series. These events will involve **small group discussions** in different settings within our community. If you want to be involved in expanding the awareness of aging services for LGBT elders you are encouraged to attend. Whether you are Gay, Grey or Heading that Way, these issues will impact you.

Food and Transportation are **FREE**

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EVERYONE is welcome, but space is limited to 40 participants.



APPETIZERS

Tuesday
March 23, 2010
5:30 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.

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DINNER

Tuesday
April 13, 2010
5:30 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.

WALKING THE TALK

DESSERT

Tuesday
April 27, 2010
5:30 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.

FROM THIS DAY FORWARD

HARTIGAN'S IRISH PUB

601 South Cedar St
Charlotte

Laurel's/Haven in the
Village at Carolina
Place
13180 Dorman Road -
Pineville

The Lesbian/Gay
Community Center
820 Hamilton Street,
Suite B11

How are we alike?

From a person centered approach, this first session will "break the ice" by previewing the **PROJECT VISIBILITY** film to bring awareness and a face to the issues of aging as an LGBT and the challenges facing the aging service system in the coming years.

Click here for more information on this film.

PROJECT visibility

What is person centered?

How can our community ensure that individuals and agencies project an atmosphere of inclusive and compassionate care regardless of race, gender identity, sexual orientation, religion, creed, national origin? This main session will explore the "meat and potatoes" of the LGBT elders accessing and navigating the aging services system.

Where do we go from here?

This final session will explore the plans for Mecklenburg County aging services as providers and the LGBT community work together to ensure inclusions, sensitivity and meeting the challenges that have been discussed.



This progressive dinner takes participants to three different locations on three different dates. Save your gas, time and road rage during rush hour. **PARK AND RIDE FOR FREE.**

Centralina Area Agency on Aging is at the corner of Kings Drive and Baxter Street across from The Metropolitan on Kings Drive. Extend the conversation by riding with us OR just meet us there!

Questions or comments? E-mail us at dlee@centralina.org or 1-800-508-5777



The Laurels/Haven in the Village at Carolina Place

