

# THE SAGE

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## **No Need to Hang Up the Cape: An Active Retirement**

*Maria Diaz, Public Affairs Specialist, Social Security Administration*

Some of the **strongest and most youthful superheroes to jump from the pages of comic books to the silver screen in recent years are old enough to be receiving full Social Security retirement benefits.** Whether standing before the bat-computer or going online at the fortress of solitude, these guys were certainly wise enough to apply for retirement benefits at [www.socialsecurity.gov](http://www.socialsecurity.gov).

**Superman** may be America's most popular superhero, and also the oldest to hit the screen in recent years. The man of steel was created in 1932. The guy's 79 years old and he has a new movie coming out in 2012. Superman does mostly volunteer work, but even if he earns wages as Clark Kent, his benefits won't be offset since he reached his full retirement age.

**Batman** made his debut in 1939, and he's about to star in another feature film, running around like a 30-year-old. Also in his 70s, Mr. Wayne is getting full retirement benefits — and Robin too. The same can't be said for the **Joker** or **Penguin**; you can't collect benefits while you're in prison.

The **Green Lantern** and **Captain America** made their silver screen debuts in 2011. They were "born" in 1940 and 1941, and also are of retirement age. One would expect Captain America to look a little more like Uncle Sam these days, but **as is true with many Social Security retirees today, staying active keeps him young.**

For the "silver age" of comic book heroes, retirement isn't quite here yet. **Spider-Man** slung his first web in 1962, the same year the **Incredible Hulk** burst into

being. **Iron Man** and the **X-Men** first appeared in 1963. They may not be ready to retire just yet, but it's a good time for them to take a

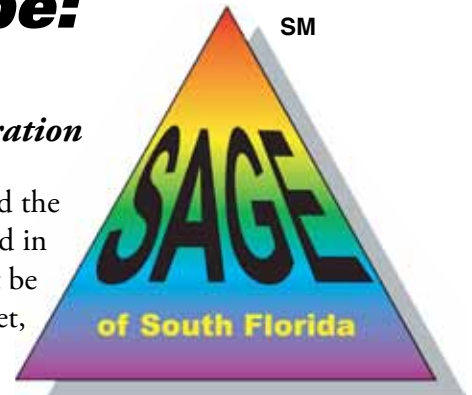
look at the **online Retirement Estimator**, where they can get an instant, personalized estimate of future retirement benefits. Come to think of it, if the Hulk or any of the X-Men ever get severely injured, they may qualify for disability benefits through Social Security. The place to go for more information is [www.socialsecurity.gov](http://www.socialsecurity.gov).

Ask any of these superheroes about retirement plans, and you're likely to get an earful. They won't be sitting around — **they'll be staying active even as they collect retirement benefits.** You don't have to have a bat-computer or be a superhero to harness the power of the Retirement Estimator at [www.socialsecurity.gov/estimator](http://www.socialsecurity.gov/estimator), or to apply online for benefits at [www.socialsecurity.gov](http://www.socialsecurity.gov).

Up, up, and away into an active retirement!

*Maria Diaz will be presenting at the SAGE/FALC Senior Health Expo. at the Herb Skolnick Community Center (in Palm Aire) on January 20th.*

*If you would like to meet Maria, or have any questions regarding your Social Security, please plan on attending. (A flyer is in this issue.)*



**Senior Action in a Gay Environment**

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**This is a SAGE sponsored activity.**

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SAGE of South Florida is a non-profit organization for Senior Action in a Gay Environment to enrich the lives of the GLBT senior community through membership inclusive of age, gender, race, nationality and religion. We believe this can be accomplished by sponsoring social alternatives to provide personal interaction, offering educational opportunities to deal with the special needs of aging, and promoting contact with the isolated and homebound persons of our community. SAGE is also an advocate for the concerns and needs of the senior GLBT community at large, providing referral information of community resources and promoting intergenerational communication in the GLBT community.

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Please make reservations for January's "Lunch & Learn" with the SAGE office @ 954.634.7219.

**MENU**

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**Scheduled Speakers:**

Current Issues in LGBT Estate Planning

Jerry Chasen, Esq.,

SAGE National Board Member

and former principal of

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and Elizabeth F. Schwartz, Esq.

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**SAGE MEMBERS IN NEED**

Please contact the AADRC (Aging and Disability Resource Center) at 954.745.9779. It is a one-stop center for information and referral services available to seniors and their care-givers in our community.

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Reconnecting with old friends and meeting new acquaintances is a great part of the SAGE tradition. We invite you to share this tradition by inviting someone new to SAGE to one of our many SAGE-sponsored events. Share the camaraderie and support found among SAGE members with others.

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### Ron Catena

*Where: The Pride Center.*

*When: Every Wednesday from 1PM to 3PM.*

*Welcome all men, no reservations required.*

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Well, can you believe it? Another year has passed and all in all, it was a good year for most of us Drop-In guys. A few of us had health issues to deal with, but everyone seems to be on the mend.

I hope that all of you continue to attend and enjoy each other's company. The Drop-In is a fun place to see old friends and meet new people. If you have stopped coming because you may have experienced a slight or even a perceived slight, now is the time for all of us to put any of that nonsense behind us and stop back in with a smile on your face. Smiles always generate smiles in return, and as we all know, at our age camaraderie and socializing are very important.

The holiday party was a huge success, with many volunteers doing a great deal of work for which we thank them. A very special thanks to **Dr. Derrick Bounds**, world-renowned pianist, who played for us. It was a very special performance and he received rave reviews.

This is also the time of year when we should thank our loyal moderator, **Dr. Norm Peters**, for his continued enthusiasm in leading our group.

Let us take this time to enjoy each other and be grateful that such a fine organization such as SAGE of South Florida exists. The programs that we enjoy and the people we meet keep us young at heart and in spirit.

My new year's resolution has been the same for the past several years, lose weight, exercise more and remain pretty. However, year after year I have only been able to achieve one part of my resolution – I never diet or exercise.

To all of you, Happy New Year, I am really fond of most of you guys and feel blessed that we get to spend time together every week.



## SAGE WOMEN

### Nancy Drennen

*Where: The ARK. In Davie @ 6255 Stirling Road on the north side, just west of 441.*

*When: Noon, Thursday, January 12th.*

*Call Nancy @ 954.741-1540 for reservations.*

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## SAGE BIRTHDAYS FOR THIS MONTH

The SAGE Board would like to acknowledge the following members whose birthdays are this month as well as any other member whose birthday that we don't have.

If, when you renewed your membership or became a new member you did not give us your birthday, you may call the office and leave the information at 954.634.7219 or e-mail us @ sagesofl@gmail.com.

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Gail P.	Fund	01/27
Richard	Stern	01/30

## WELCOME TO OUR NEW MEMBERS

First Name	Last Name	Date Joined
Michael	Barchan	11/11
Frank W.	Bilancia	11/11
Betty J.	Diener	11/11
Richard	Gilmer	11/11

## SAGE on the Border/Alternatives

### Ann Smith

**Where: The Volen Center. 1515 West Palmetto Road, Boca Raton, Florida 33486. The property is shared with Hospice by the Sea. The center is at the rear of the property.**

**When: Every Monday, 11AM to 1PM. Join us for lunch after the meeting.**

**The Volen Center is closed on holidays. Please call the Volen Center**

**for more information @ 561.395.8920, or call SAGE @ 954.634.7219.**

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# SEE YOU AT THE MOVIES

with John Gearrity and Carl M. Galli



Our **Monday, January 16th** screening is of the relatively recent movie *Beginners*. It was only around the Broward circuit for about 3 weeks in mid-2011, so if you did not catch it, now will be the perfect time -- before awards season

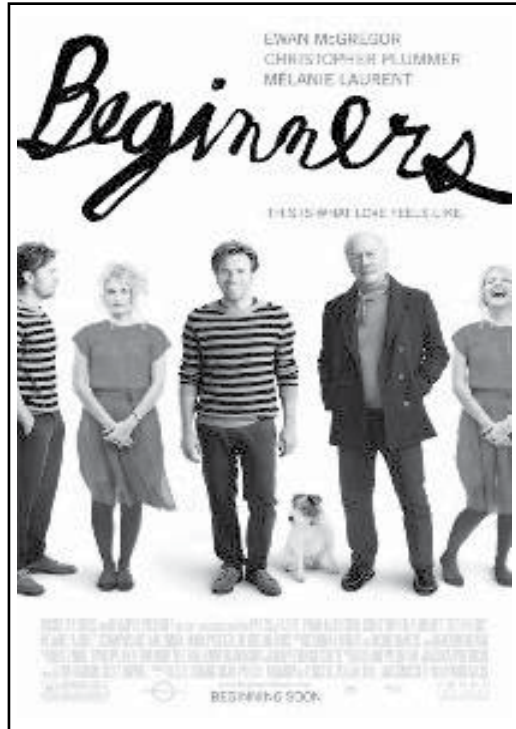
is upon us. Starring **Christopher Plummer** (in an Oscar-worthy performance as Hal) and **Ewan McGregor** (who has played gay/bi characters so many times in the past that playing the straight son seems a bit strange for him), it is a semi-autobiographical take on coming out by writer/director **Mike Mills**, whose own father came out to him during

his senior years.

After his wife's death, Hal comes out of the closet and begins to live with a *joie de vivre* that did not exist before. Including an open relationship with a much younger man named Andy (played by a ravishing **Goran Visnjic**).

This independent worldwide hit, with its themes of new beginnings and starting over, seems a good way to start off the New Year.

Rated R for its sexual themes, and running only 105 minutes, *Beginners* will screen at the **Pride Center A/V Room at 4PM on Monday, January 16, 2012. (To be followed by dinner.)**



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## SMART RIDE 8, November 17-19, 2011 -- John Harris

Your SAGE Team of Jean Johnson, Nancy Drennen, Pat Berman, John Gearrity, Ken Goodman, and John Harris, recently completed the 3-day SMART RIDE (*Southern Most AIDS/HIV Ride Twenty-Eleven*) on November 17-19, 2011. SAGE has sponsored the last Pit Stop on Day One (Friday) of the Ride for all eight years of its existence, and intrepid SAGE members have also crewed this Pit Stop for all eight years.

There were numerous highlights of this year's Ride:

- 1) *The Ride raised more than \$675,000, the first time that more than \$600,000 had been pledged. The eight-year total is nearly \$3.3 million.*
- 2) *450 bicycle riders, as well as over 200 crew members, registered for the Ride, the highest total ever. For the first time, registration had to be limited to 450 riders, due to safety concerns.*
- 3) *For the first time, four riders raised over \$10,000 each.*
- 4) *Former SAGE President Jean Johnson, and her late partner Betty Priscak, received SMART RIDE'S Founder's Award, only the third time this award has been given. A striking metal sculpture of a bicycle and rider was presented to Jean at the Hawk's Cay Resort on Duck Key*

*on Friday night, November 18, 2011. In her acceptance speech, Jean accepted the award on behalf of herself, Betty, and SAGE of South Florida.*

**100% of the more than \$675,000 will be distributed among the following six HIV/AIDS organizations:**

- 1) *Broward House, serving over 6,000 people, has assisted Broward County residents for the past 23 years.*
- 2) *Metropolitan Charities, which has served the Tampa Bay area for the past 15 years.*
- 3) *Center for Positive Connections, which serves the Miami-Dade County area.*
- 4) *AIDS Help, which has served the Monroe County area for the last 25 years.*
- 5) *Miracle of Love, which has served the Central Florida area for the past 19 years.*
- 6) *Comprehensive AIDS Program of Palm Beach County, Inc., which has served the Palm Beach area for the past 26 years.*

*Thanks to SAGE of South Florida for their support of these last eight SMART RIDES. We hope to once again be involved in SMART RIDE 9 next year.*



Photos: John Harris

# Occasional Thoughts



## Carol Youngblood

In a recent column I said that gay marriage seems to be moving along swimmingly, and it is. At the same time, the bigots are reemerging in a big way. I mean a real big way - among people hoping to run for president. Michele Bachman's husband is a therapist and has a ministry to turn gays straight. (You thought that went out in the dark ages of the 80's, didn't you?) Rick Perry, governor of Texas, recently sponsored a prayer rally attended by some of the biggest anti-gay evangelists in the country. Rick Perry is the religious right's main hope for president. Both of these possible candidates are against gay marriage and want to bring back Don't Ask, Don't Tell. Among the supporters of these hopeful candidates is the American Family Association, the organization that doesn't approve of your family.

The United States is not the only place in the world where anti-gay sentiment is gaining strength. Homosexuality is illegal in about half the countries in the world. (Most of these are in the Middle East, where homosexuality is forbidden by Islam, and in Africa, where it is considered to be a western "disease.")

Once a young gay man asked me what gay women did since they couldn't have sex. (We do need sex education.) Of course, he believed penetration was necessary for a sex act. In many nations of the world female homosexuality is legal because of the lack of penetration. However, some of those nations are now considering changing the law to include women as well as men. (By the way,

penetration is behind most of the Bible passages that are considered to condemn homosexuality.)

The other day I was thinking of the good old days of the Spanish Inquisition, when gays were stoned to death or burned at the stake. I don't know what you would have done, but I would have danced the dance of heterosexuality as fast as I could. I'll bet that the swishiest guy in the hamlet would have swished right up to the the altar with the baker's daughter.

Well, there are several nations today where the penalty for homosexuality is, in fact, death: Iran, Sudan, Somalia, Nigeria, Mauritania, and Saudi Arabia. In addition, there is a new death-penalty law pending in Uganda. And, although not yet official, there is also such a movement in Jamaica. In most of those nations the penalty for sex crimes is stoning.

And you know what? Not everybody in those countries takes the safe straight road of the coward (like I would). They are openly gay and fighting the government for the right to live their lives without government interference. I don't know about all of them, but I know that gay leaders in Nigeria and Uganda are working with Metropolitan Community Church in the United States to help change the laws in their countries.

These people are unbelievably brave. At home the stakes aren't quite so high, but we need our leaders to be equally brave so that the bigots don't take over the world.

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## SENIOR ACTION IN A GAY ENVIRONMENT

# SOCIAL-LITES

with Carl M. Galli

“Should auld acquaintance be forgot - and never brought to mind? Should auld acquaintance be forgot - and days of Auld Lang Syne? For Auld Lang Syne, my dear, for Auld Lang Syne, We'll take a cup of kindness yet -- for Auld Lang Syne.” What the heck does that mean?

An old Scottish tune, partially written by Robert Burns in the 1700's, “Auld Lang Syne” literally means ‘old long ago’, or ‘time remembered with fondness’ or simply, ‘the good old days.’ And here we are, over three centuries later, and this is still the official New Year's song!

A time of change (see the *New Column Title*, above) and new beginnings (see our *SAGE Movie* this month), it's also a time to remember the good friends we've come to cherish throughout the years as **SAGE** members. And the good times we've enjoyed together.

Certainly our fabulous return to glitz and glamour at the **Holiday Gala** was among these, and though we did miss some of our **SAGE** Members, at least 85 of us gathered together to toast the holidays, dine sumptuously, and receive our presents from Santa and his Elf. A word of gratitude goes out to **Nancy and Bunny**, along with “**Pinky**”, **Joyce Edelson, Leo and Carolyn Cianela** for their auction skills; **John Gearrity** (as always, there to help); **Marc Flanagan**, who, with the writer, planned the menu; **Mary Jane Cunningham** (for her beautiful music);

and, of course, **Jack Myers** and **John Harris** (you know who they were -- but now I wish John would get off his lap!). Not to forget the **Marriott's Banquet Manager, Ms. Diane Moran** who put it all together.

This month, gives us a new memory in the making, when, on **Tuesday, January 17th** we gather at **J. Marks (Ft. Lauderdale)** for another wonderful dining experience. (And remember, **Happy Hour has been extended** for **SAGE** Guests by their Senior Operating Partner, **Danny Shively, until 7PM** -- But you must tell the bartenders that you are with **SAGE**. And thank them, i.e., tip them, accordingly. Oh, I'm feeling so cheeky!)

Three days later, on **Friday, January 20th**, comes the **Bro-ward/Palm Aire Winter Health Expo, from 1-4:30PM** at our monthly stomping ground, the **Herb Skolnick Community Center in Palm Aire**. Okay, now, calm down. Don't get too excited! Remember, many of our members were away during the summer months, and may have missed out on the previous health fairs. Plus, this is partly sponsored by **SAGE** (with much help from **Michael Dane** and his **FALC & ALL organizations**) so you know it's going to be a little different. How, may you ask? Well, there's a catered lunch (not just wraps or brown bag) for one. (This is **SAGE** after all, and we love to eat.) But only by **RSVP to Michael** at [michaeldanealm@aol.com](mailto:michaeldanealm@aol.com) or **800.939.2650** (before **January 15th**).

There's a **real Social Security Representative (Ms. Maria Diaz, Social Security Public Affairs Specialist)** who will be available for Q&A after she speaks. (Won't it be nice, especially

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in this day and age, to hear direct answers to direct questions from someone “in the know?”) There also be a gorgeous young Dr. (**Ben Miller**), who will speak on **Alternative Health Matters**, and, you know, plenty of surprises. Plus, it’s a community-wide event (not only LGBT) so you can bring any friends and family you wish.

Just **follow the BSO provided lighted billboard to the Expo**, and have a fun and fulfilling afternoon. (Thank you to **Sheriff Lamberti, Capt. Rick Wierzbicki and Capt. Mick Weiner.**)

*On a personal note, to all our members and friends, have a happy and healthy New Year, create some new memories, make some new acquaintances, but, whatever you do...*

*Enjoy!*

**Save the Dates:**

February 12th Sunday “Valentines Dinner @ Primavera -- With entertainment by little Stevie Silverman.

March 1st Thursday “Billy Elliott” @ Broward Center -- **SOLD OUT**

March 10th & 11th Saturday & Sunday PrideFest 35th Anniversary -- Returns to Holiday Park

March 25th Sunday SAGE Annual Meeting @ Galuppi’s -- with entertainment by Ms. Sandy Warren.

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## SAGE COMPUTER CLUB

Ken Goodman



The January meeting of the SAGE Computer Club will be at the **Pride Center facility on Dixie Highway Building A** in the AV Room 206 on **Wednesday, January 11, 2012** at 4PM. Call for directions if you need them at 954-634-7219 or the Pride Center's switchboard at 954.463.9005.

Come and learn how to use your computer more efficiently, ask questions about issues you are having with your computer, or to see what you have been missing. We discuss various topics which can include Cloud Computing, the Web, E-Mail, setting up your computer, personalizing the computer, Office software, multimedia software, use of Smart Phones, operating system utilities and maintenance software, security, etc.. We discuss the windows operating systems (XP, Vista and Windows 7) and the Apple OS/X operating systems. For the Smart Phone, we will discuss the operating systems including Windows Phone, Google Android and Apple iOS.

The meeting is made up of two parts. Part one is a discussion of a specific topic of interest to the group. Part two is allocated to resolve any issues and answer questions you may have.

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## SAGE MEN'S SINGLES GROUP

John Chandler



The mission of the monthly gathering is to introduce men who are not in a long term relationship with other men who are in the same situation. The purpose of the monthly meeting is to meet new people, promote and develop a network of friendships for support and socializing, and to provide support to those who have lost their partners because of death or the end of a relationship.

The next meeting is on **Monday, January 23rd, 2012**. Join us for cocktails at the bar at 5:30PM. Followed by dinner at 6:30PM at Tropics. For reservations please contact **John Chandler** at 954.933.2963 or e-mail @ [stonyman4u@aol.com](mailto:stonyman4u@aol.com) and don't forget to wear your red shirt! **This is a SAGE sponsored activity.**

## SAGE AT STONEWALL

Wayne Draper



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**SAGE at Stonewall** meets once a month to discuss books.

We will meet on **Saturday, January 14th, 2012 at 2PM** at the Stonewall, 1350 E. Sunrise Blvd., Ft. Lauderdale. Any questions, please contact me.

Thank you. **Wayne Draper — 954.484.8335**

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**Tuesday, January 17, 2012      6PM Mixer at Bar      7PM Dinner Service**

(Happy Hour Extended 'til 7 for SAGE)

***Starter (choice of one):*** House Salad, Caesar Salad, or Soup of the Day

***Entrée (choice of one):***

***Five Cheese Pasta*** -Penne tossed with marinara & cream sauces, with Parmesan, Romano, Mozzarella & Fontina Cheeses. Topped with Ricotta Cheese and Fresh Basil

or ***Half Roasted Chicken*** -with Fresh Herbs & Lemon. Served with Carrots & Garlic Mashed Potatoes

or ***8oz Prime Rib*** -Slow Roasted, Certified Angus Beef cooked to order. Served with au-jus, creamy horseradish sauce & Garlic Mashed Potatoes

***Dessert:*** Homemade Key Lime Pie (or Fruit Cup upon request to server)

***Non-Alcoholic Beverages:*** Illy Coffee (or DeCaf), Tea, Iced Tea, Fountain Soda

*(Beer, Wine and Cocktails available from Bar at Bar Menu Prices)*

**Pricing: Members @ \$27      Non-Members: @ \$32**

(all inclusive, including meal; beverage, as above; any tax; and gratuity)

**Reservations Close NO LATER THAN: Wednesday, January 11, 2012**  
**NOTE: Due to Guarantees Made to the Venue, there can be no Refunds.**  
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**SAGE VALENTINES DINNER & DANCE at *PRIMAVERA***

830 East Oakland Park Blvd., Ft. Lauderdale, FL. 33334

(954) 564-6363

**SUNDAY, February 12, 2012 4PM - 7PM**



**4PM - 5PM: Seating and Mixer**

**5PM - 6:30PM: MAIN MENU**

***STARTERS Choice of one from:***

Eggplant Parm. in crust; Mushroom Strudel; Escargots Provençal;  
Tomato and Mozzarella salad; Pasta Fagioli Soup

***ENTREE' Choice of one from:***

Bass Fillet Francaise -in a Lemon & Chardonnay sauce  
Chicken or Veal Parmigiana -traditional  
Chicken Breast Primavera -topped with grilled Eggplant, fresh Tomato, and Melted Mozzarella  
Pork Tenderloin Medallions wrapped in Bacon -in a Chardonnay Sauce with Sundried Tomatoes  
Fettucini Alfredo with Jumbo Shrimp (\*no pasta side)  
*(with Fresh Rolls, Chef's VEGETABLE & \*Penne Pomodoro Side)*

***6:30 PM: DESSERT COURSE:***

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# SAGE 2012 Activities Calendar

## JANUARY 2012

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<b>1</b> New Year's Day	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b> 1 PM Men's Drop In @ Pride Center	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b> 9:30AM Board Meeting SKOLNICK Ctr. LUNCH & LEARN 12:30 PM Call Office @ (954) 634-7219 for reservation.
<b>8</b>	<b>9</b> 11AM - 1PM SAGE On the Border Co-Ed / Alternatives @ Volen Center in Boca	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b> 1 PM Men's Drop In @ Pride Center 4 PM COMPUTER CLUB @ Pride Center	<b>12</b> 12 PM SAGE Women's Lunch at ARK	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b> 2PM SAGE at Stonewall – Book Discussion @ Stonewall Library Call Wayne 954-484-8335
<b>15</b>	<b>16</b> 11AM - 1PM SAGE On the Border Co-Ed / Alternatives @ Volen Center in Boca 4 PM SAGE Movie "Beginners" @ Pride Center - dinner TBD	<b>17</b> 6PM SAGE Dinner at "J. Marks"	<b>18</b> 1 PM Men's Drop In @ Pride Center	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b> 1PM – 4:30PM Winter-Time Health Expo at the Skolnick Ctr.- cosponsored by FALC	<b>21</b>
<b>22</b>	<b>23</b> 11AM - 1PM SAGE On the Border Co-Ed / Alternatives @ Volen Center in Boca 5:30 PM MEN's Singles DINNER @ TROPICS - call John C (954) 933-2963	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b> 1 PM Men's Drop In @ Pride Center	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b>
<b>29</b> 2:30PM SAGE Classical Recital for the New Year w/Dr. David Goldberg & friends at Pride Center's Main Hall	<b>30</b> 11AM - 1PM SAGE On the Border Co-Ed / Alternatives @ Volen Center in Boca	<b>31</b>				

# ***SAVE the DATES:***

**Feb 12<sup>th</sup> Sun**

**Valentine's Day Dinner @ "Primavera"**

**Feb 14<sup>th</sup> Tues**

**SAGE-Sponsored Coffee & Conversation/Games Day at Pride Center**

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