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Midwest Bisexual Lesbian Gay Transgender Ally College Conference

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Program Guide





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Information

Restroom Facilities

All restroom facilities in Foellinger Auditorium will be unisex throughout the conference.

Security

Security personnel will be on staff at all times. Please let us know if you feel unsafe or would like assistance in any way. Just ask a Big Gay Staff Member who to talk to if you have any concerns. In addition, extra police officers will be on duty in the Champaign-Urbana area and there are blue-lit emergency phones located throughout the campus. Please do not hesitate to use either of these resources if needed.

NOTE: We are providing security as a service to conference participants, However, the MBLGTACC 2001 Staff cannot be held legally responsible for your safety while at the conference.

University Events

The Illinois High School Association State Wrestling Tournament is also being held on the University of Illinois campus this weekend. Please be aware that high school wrestlers and their families will be in the area in mass numbers and will be staying in the same hotels as conference participants.

Safer Sex

Dental dams and condoms are available; please use them while errr... ummm... ehhh... you know what we mean!

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Dear participants,

We want to officially welcome you to the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign and the MBLGTACC 2001! Now, right off, you might be thinking, "Geez, the name was long enough already, so what do you do? You add more letters!" Well, this is true. An "A" has been added, but with good reason. This year's conference is specifically including allies of GBLTQ folks in order to help expand the fight to break the silence, boundaries, and labels surrounding the queer community. Fortunately, however, we have made this transition easier by referring lovingly to this event as simply the BGC, or Big Gay Conference. Choose your own acronym...we're flexible!

If throughout the course of this weekend you should run into any problems or concerns, feel free to talk to one of the lovely members of the planning committee. We are wearing the Big Gay T-shirts conveniently labeled "Staff". (Yes, the prefix "Big Gay" can be added to anything this weekend. Try it. It's fun.) Any one of us would be happy to talk to you or assist in any way we can. This weekend is for you to feel safe and comfortable and enjoy this learning experience among friends. We will do anything we can to make this happen.

Again, welcome to the UIUC campus and the ninth annual MBLGTACC! We thank you for coming and supporting the queer community, and we hope you take advantage of the wonderful opportunities offered to you from across the Midwest. Most importantly, have a fabulous time doing it!

Sincerely,

The Big Gay Staff