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University of North Texas

Marina Garza and Scot Maitland serve as President and Vice President of Courage, the gay and lesbian student group at the University of North Texas in Denton.

Maitland said the group aims to generate activities in four areas: social, service, educational and support. Courage attracts from 35-50 people at their meetings, he estimated.

Already with full calendar of events, Courage screened the anti-gay video "The Gay Agenda" for its members last week. Future programs include discussions of sexuality, sex and gender, and presentations on gay history.

Lesbian/Gay Rights Lobby of Texas Executive Director Dianne Hardy-Garcia will speak to the group in October, and members of Parents Families and Friends of Lesbians and Gays have scheduled a meeting close to the holidays to talk with students who are thinking about coming out to their families during the Christmas break.

In addition to the issue-oriented events, Maitland said the group goes roller skating and hosts its Drag Show Follies, which is a fundraiser for AIDS Interfaith Network.

"Our most important goals are educational and social," said Maitland. "The bars are fun, but there's more to it than that."

Maitland is generally pleased with the support Courage receives from the university.

"I get good vibes for the most part," he said, noting that members of one dormitory on campus marched in Sunday's pride parade under the banner: "Straight but not narrow."

The group meets Wednesday evenings at 7 p.m. in the Art Building, Room 223. To contact Courage, call (817) 565-6110.

Texas Woman's University

In a clever act of naming, the student organization SALGA at Texas Woman's University adds bilingual flavor to gay and lesbian organizing.

Student Advocates for Lesbian/Gay Affirmation aims to "provide a place where lesbian and gay students can meet in a student group," according to club founder Marguerite Ruppenicker. The word "Salga" also means "come out" in Spanish.

Ruppenicker, a Ph.D. student in Counseling Psychology, said her group is also picking up again following the loss of many members to graduation. They had about 15 members attend their first meeting last week and a contingent marched in Sunday's pride parade.

Undergraduates Theodora Barry and Veronica Moore co-lead the group, and Barry said her main task is to build up her membership numbers through informal get-togethers. Past activities have included a camping trip, bowling nights, movie nights and presentations from PFLAG, said Ruppenicker.

Ruppenicker said the organization receives a good amount of support from faculty and administration, but that some pockets of resistance remain. SALGA was honored by the university's students and faculty two years ago with the Red Bud award for the best new student group.

"At times we've had to push for acceptance and equal treatment," she said. Still, she feels that it is generally safe to be out on campus.

Ruppenicker said Texas Woman's University has a strong commitment to older, "non-traditional" students, often women who go back to school after beginning families. Features such as campus housing for families and day care facilities have an impact on student life, which goes for the gay and lesbian students as well.

"We've had women come to the SALGA meeting with their children," she

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