



# FORGE Forward 2007 Conference

Milwaukee, Wisconsin - March 29-April 1, 2007

**Honoring Our Complexities**

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SUBJECT: Don't throw out that gift! FORGE announcements

Announcements in this email:

1. Turn that horrible gift into something good ... January 28, 2007
2. Trans/SOFFA panelists wanted 1/16/2007
3. Happy Holidays from FORGE

\*\*\*\*\* # 1 \*\*\*\*\*

>> White Elephant Gift Exchange and Community Mixer <<

Yes, it's the thought that counts, but sometimes the gift is just...wrong. Don't toss it! Turn that unwanted gift into something you DO want and help Project Q and FORGE at the same time!

On Sunday, January 28, 2007, join us at 2:00 p.m. at the Milwaukee LGBT Community Center, 315 W. Court Street, for a White Elephant Gift Exchange and Community Mixer. The suggested donation of \$5 will go directly into a fund to help pay registration fees of Project Q trans/SOFFA youth attending the FORGE Forward 2007 Conference and Intensives, March 29 – April 1, 2007.

Here's how it works. For each unwanted (unwrapped) gift you bring us, you'll be given a ticket. When your ticket is drawn, it'll be your turn to pick something to take home from what everyone else brought. SURELY you can find something you like better than that awful puce sweater Aunt Grace got you, or that ugly souvenir beer stein from Cousin Jim! Meanwhile, we'll be sampling refreshments, playing games, and trading post-holidays stories. Bring a friend or two or three!

Please come join us for an easy, fun winter get-together that benefits LGBTQI youth. Questions? Call Loree at 414-540-6456.

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>> Medical College LGBT Panelists Wanted <<

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Many of us complain that health care providers don't know enough about LGBT people. This is your opportunity to help change that.

On Tuesday, January 16, 2007, at 10:00 a.m., panels will be formed to talk to Medical College of Wisconsin students about the health care needs and concerns of LGBT people. If you would like to volunteer, you can call Michael Lisowski at 414-265-8500, or email him at [mslisowski@aol.com](mailto:mslisowski@aol.com)

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>> Happy Holidays and Have a Great New Year from FORGE <<

We wish everyone very happy holidays and look forward to working with you in the New Year, when we firmly place Milwaukee on the national transgender/SOFFA map with the FORGE Forward 2007 Conference!

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