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## Proud Algoma – Budget for September, 2008

### **Diane Fisher – Speaker Event**

Proud Algoma had the unique opportunity to host a special guest speaker for Frosh Week 2008. Diane Fisher, a Bishop with the Metropolitan Community Church is in charge of about 100 MCC Churches throughout the United States. MCC is an international Christian denomination which works globally for justice and human rights. The Church has a special ministry with the gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgender communities around the world. Diane works predominantly in Eastern Canada, Eastern and Central Europe, and within the United States.

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The freedom to celebrate faith is at the core of human expression and yet, in many countries, freedom of religion is not a guaranteed human right. For the gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgender community, individuals are not only denied the right to exercise their faith, but are often excluded, harassed, abused and even killed for their life style."

—Diane Fisher

This event attracted students and community members, including local politicians, religious leaders and professors. It was a great success, with a great turnout. The talk was professionally video recorded in order to be archived in the university library, be made available on the internet, and be used in classroom settings. Proud Algoma received support from a variety of sources in order to make this possible, and is asking for a portion of the costs to be covered by AUSU.

<b>Speaker Fee</b>	<i>Donation by Diane Fisher</i>
<b>Accommodation Costs</b>	\$110
	<i>Paid for by the Gay-Straight Alliance of Sault Ste. Marie</i>
<b>Refreshments</b>	\$80
	<i>Paid for by the GSA and Fair Trade Algoma</i>
<b>Videographer</b>	\$150
	<i>Paid for by a committee member</i>
<b>Local transportation</b>	<i>Paid by a committee member (included shuttle to and from Sault, MI airport)</i>
<b>Flight</b>	\$687

**Requested funding:** **\$687**

### **"Monday Movies"**

Proud Algoma is excited and willing to host the new initiative "Monday Movies." This can serve as a fundraiser for future events as we own a popcorn machine and can sell it at a "pay what you can" sliding scale. We are asking for \$50 for popcorn supplies, in order to get started.

**Requested funding:** **\$50**



## Speak Easy Calendar of Events 08/09

### Monday Night Football

- Pizza and a Jug for \$25
- Starts at 7pm, pizza for 7:30
- Scratch & Win tickets with ALL Labatt Products, name in for a mid-season draw and season end draw
- **1<sup>st</sup> 2 pizzas are coming from chartwells for 730pm, and any additional ones will be ordered from CJ's**

### Jammin' Tequila Tuesdays

- Doors Open @ 9pm
- Jam Night- come on out and showcase your talents
- \$3.00 Tequila Shots all night
- \*\*\*\***\$30x3persons (Keith Conway, Josh Norling, and Rod Smith)**
- \*\*\*\***1<sup>st</sup> 2 drinks each on the house**

### Triple Threat Karaoke Wednesdays

- Doors Open @ 9pm
- \$3.00 Cover
- \$3.00 Domestic Bottles all night
- \$3.00 Shots-All before 11pm
- Rail after 11pm
- \*\*\*\***\$225 for DJ's: Written to Tom Vernelli**

### Club Pub Night

- Come on out and support some of your local Clubs
- New Theme Each Week
- \$3.00 Bottle Imports all night
- Doors Open @ 9pm
- \*\*\*\***\$150 for DJ (DJ Bizick aka Tyler Bertrand)**

### \*\*\* Dates for Club Pubs\*\*\*

**Sept.25th:** Around the World Pub

**October 2nd:** Toga Pub (History Society)

**9:** OPEN

**16:**Hoe Down Pub

**23:** South Asian Dance Party

**30:** Halloween Pub

**November 6:** 80's Pub (Footloose theatre crew)

**13:** Inner City Surfers Show?

**20:** Open

**27:** ABC Party (Powder Puff)

**December 4:** Mistletoe Pub

**Dates for Club Pubs (con't)**

**January 8:** Mock New Years Pub

15: Fair Trade Pub

22: Beach Bash Pub

29: Trailer Park Boys Bash (Powder Puff)

**February 5:** OPEN

12: Valentines Day Pub

19: Closed- Study Week

26: OPEN

**March 5:** OPEN

12: St. Patrick's Day Pub

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**April 2:** Year End Extravaganza

The days that say OPEN beside them, are still unclaimed and available for clubs to use for a fundraiser pub. Friday and Saturday Night Events are also welcome, as long as the date is booked well ahead of time to ensure proper staffing.

**Summit-** has all Sunday mornings booked for services, and will have one Sat night a month as well (still has to be confirmed)



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