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**News From Around PA**

Philadelphia **lesbian couple, "married" in Massachusetts** files federal lawsuit challenging PA's Defense of Marriage Act. It states that by failing to recognize same-sex marriages legally performed in other states, PA is denying couples and their children any social recognition that comes with the status of marriage.

**Montgomery County Register of Wills** appeals Judge Pelligrini's decision ordering he stop issuing marriages licenses to same-sex couples. Case now goes to PA Supreme Court.

**Campus Pride's 2013 Top 25** LGBT-Friendly Colleges and Universities ranks the only PA school to make the top 25, the University of Pennsylvania as number 22.

**The Sexuality and Aging Consortium** at Widener University hosted its third annual conference, this time focused on LGBT older adults

**News from National Scene**

**Wal-Mart** has announced it will offer health insurance benefits to same-sex partners of employees. In light of the US Supreme Court decision voiding Section 3 of the federal DOMA, Randy Hargrove said Wal-Mart decided to "adopt a blanket approach to ensure consistent treatment of its employees."

Citing the 1989 **United Nations Treaty on the Rights of the Child** and the 2008 treaty on the rights of the disabled, UNICEF says nations must provide sexually-related materials to children without their parents' knowledge

**Walgreens, Sears Holdings Corp., and Darden Restaurants, Inc.** are dropping employee health insurance forcing them into the Obamacare exchanges. Home Depot and Trader Joe will no longer offer part time workers health insurance.

**Only four countries** in the world legalize abortion after five months: China, North Korea, Canada and the U.S.

The governing board of the **University of North Carolina** system voted unanimously to ban campuses from letting students of opposite genders live in the same dorm suites or apartments. Activists with Campus Pride, an advocacy group for gay and transgendered students, protested outside the meeting with signs that said things such as "Trans lives matter."

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