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Mountain Pride Media

Mountain Pride Media invites you to visit us at the Vermont Pride celebration on the Burlington Waterfront on Saturday, June 16th from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. We will be marching in the noontime parade and will have a tent on the waterfront. We also invite you to our Open House as part of the 30 Days of Pride Celebration. Come meet Board and Staff members, tour our offices, learn more about our organization and enjoy a poetry reading by Jeff Walt. The Open House is on Tuesday, June 19<sup>th</sup> from 6 to 8 p.m. at the Daily Bread (on Bridge Street - off Route 2) in Richmond.

Mountain Pride Media would like to thank Rick, Alan, Denny, Ernie, Dan, Chuck, Roland, Richard, Elizabeth, Carrie, Bennett, Daryl, and Stina for stopping in to help with the May issue 'stuffing.' Our July issue 'stuffing' night is scheduled for Thursday, June 28th from 5ish to 8ish at our office in Richmond, Vermont (above the Daily Bread). Please join us if you can and help get Out In The Mountains out into the community.

We are still seeking a volunteer to deliver packaged copies of OITM to the Richmond Post Office on the Friday or Saturday following the stuffing. If you are interested in helping out with distribution or want to let us know you are coming on the 28th send us an email at circulation@mountainpridemedia.org. We also welcome two new distribution sites in Keene, NH. For a list of where you can pick up the paper check out our web site at http://www.mountainpridemedia.org/about oitm/distribution.htm.

Mountain Pride Media would like to thank Jim Petrie (Ad Sales Manager) and Stephanie Siebert (Art Director) for all their hard work and dedication. Both Jim and Stephanie are moving on to other opportunities and we wish them the best. We are currently looking for people to fill the Advertising Sales Manager and Art Director positions. You can find job descriptions for both paid positions on our web

site at http://www.mountainpridemedia.org/mpm/misc\_mp m/volunteer mpm.htm.

Finally a very special thank you to Diane for her donation of an air conditioner for the MPM offices.

# National Lesbian and Gay Journalists Association

Vermont members of the New England Chapter of the National Lesbian and Gay Journalists Association met in Montpelier on May 6 for a social brunch. June's brunch will be on the 3<sup>rd</sup> at Isabel's in Burlington. (check the calendar for details)

The group plans to charter the Vermont chapter in June and make the its first public appearance at the Pride Celebration.

New England chapter president Barbara Dozetos has been nominated for a position on the national board of directors. The election will be held at the annual convention in Dallas in September.

The NLGJA works within the news industry to foster fair and accurate coverage of lesbian and gay issues and opposes newsroom bias toward gays, lesbians, bisexuals, transgender people and all other minorities. The national organiza-Web site www.nlgja.org. Anyone who from supports the mission of NLGJA is invited to attend events or join the organization. Look for the NLGJA listing in the Source under Professional

### Pride and Joy

Saturday, June 2nd, 3 PM at Bayside Park in Colchester: "Kick-off" and informational meeting/ informal gathering for "Pride and Joy", a Chittenden County based GLBT parenting support group. Come join us with your favorite picnic food for an informal meeting to discuss planning for summer events for

Organizations from around the state are encouraged to provide descriptions of recent or upcoming activities and events. E-mail your submission to editor@mountainpridemedia.org

the group. Please e-mail VTPrideandjoy@aol.com for information and directions to the park if needed. We will meet in the parking lot (look for the rainbows!) initially and move to a picnic table in the pavilion once people have arrived. Everyone welcome! Please visit our website as well at: http://hometown.aol.com/vtprideandjoy/Vtprideandjoy/html. Hope to see you there!

# RU12? Community Center

Post-Pride Tag Sale. Sunday, June 17, 11-6pm. R.U.1.2? Headquarters, Burlington Bikepath

Meet us track side at One Main Street train station on Burlington's Waterfront and shop for bargains on kitsch and collectibles to benefit R.U.1.2? Community Center. R.U.1.2? Headquarters will be open for tours all day! For more information about donating your stuff to the tag sale, call Don at 8 6 0 - R U 1 2, thecenter@ru12.org.

## VT CARES

It's not too late to register! Get out the bike shorts and dust off your helmet. Champ Ride 2001 is almost here! Vermont CARES' third annual bike fundraiser will be held on June 9, 2001, kicking off at the Kingsland Bay State Park in Ferrisburg. It is a great combination of the natural beauty of Vermont in the summertime and a demanding route for riders of all skill levels. Riders have been training for our routes of 100, 50, 25 or 12 miles that weave throughout the scenic Champlain Valley.

This year we have riders from Colorado, New Hampshire, Massachusetts, and every corner of Vermont from Brattleboro to St. Albans. All of them are joining together to ride as well as to make a difference in the fight against HIV/AIDS.

The Champ Ride committee has worked hard since last summer to make this year's ride a very memorable one. Once again the Ride will feature a wonderful picnic prepared by the New England Culinary Institute and there will be some new improvements to the day. Thanks in advance to our corporate sponsors: ABC22, Agouron, Ben & Jerry's and Blue Cross Blue

Shield and to everyone else who's worked so hard to make this a great event. So come join us for a great day this summer on the roads of Vermont. If you are interested in riding, being on the planning committee for next year's ride, or supporting a rider, please call Emily or Kendall at (802) 863-2437 or go to our website at www.vtcares.org.

### **VT Pride**

Summertime has arrived, the mountain air is full of song, and June promises to be a wonderful month to come out and celebrate our individuality and community. Pride VT has organized a diverse calendar of events hosted by community groups and organizations around the state (see the insert in this issue for details). We truly hope everyone has a chance to learn, celebrate and come together for these events.

Pride VT is greatly looking forward to the Rally, Parade and Waterfront Festival in Burlington on June Volunteers for traffic control and cleaning up the site are much needed, though. If you would like to participate and can help out, please contact Brian Cina at 859-9238 and come to our volunteer meeting June 5 from 7-9pm at the Multi Generational Community Center, 241 No. Winooski Ave, Burlington. Thank you and enjoy the sunshine!



"Singing to Make Dreams Come True"

Tride Weekend 2001 Event

Friday, June 15, 7:30 p.m.

College Street Congregational Church Burlington, Vermont

Benefit performance for the RU12? Community Center



Tickets are \$10 and may be purchased at the Peace & Justice Store or the RU12? Community Center in Burlington. For information on how to order tickets by mail, either email samadhi@adelphia.net or call Peter Frechette at 864-5327.