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

Mountain Pride Media

Mountain Pride Media would like to welcome our newest committee members. Dan Greller of Burlington has joined our Fundraising Committee. Andy Wentink of Cornwall has joined our Publishing Committee. We are always looking for community members who would like to put their skills, time and energy to work for a local non-profit. Please contact us at mpm@mountainpridemedia.org if you'd like to learn more about serving on one of our committees.

Each month, Mountain Pride Media acknowledges the individuals who help get Out In The Mountains out into the community. This month we send out our thanks to David, Michael, Stephen, Judy, Julie, James, Roland, Larry, Dan, Euan, Alverta, Alan, Matthew, Federico, Elizabeth, Aldora, Bennett, Esther, Denny, and Daryl who came to the October "Stuffing" Night. The December "Stuffing" will be on Thursday, December 27th starting at 5:30 p.m. at our offices above The Daily Bread in Richmond, Vermont. Please feel free to stop by and say hello and help out. Thanks also to Cindy who was at our September "Stuffing" night and who we missed thanking last month.

Mountain Pride Media would like to thank all our grantors, donors, advertisers, volunteers, writers and columnists, photographers, distribution volunteers, stuffing night volunteers, and event hosts who supported us in 2001. Our celebration of the 15th anniversary of the publication of Out In The Mountains was a wonderful success thanks to all of you.

We wish you a safe and peaceful holiday!

Samara Foundation

Samara 2002 Granting and Scholarship Cycle Announced.

Samara Foundation's Year 2002 granting cycle deadlines have been established. Samara grant applications begin with a Letter of Intent, which must be postmarked no later than March 1, 2002. Following a review by the Samara Grants Advisory Committee, selected organizations will be notified by April 8 to submit complete grant applications for further competitive review. Completed full applications must be postmarked by May 1. Grant awards are announced during the month of June. Granting Guidelines and application information, including grant applications that



can be downloaded online, can be found at www.samarafoundation.org.

Samara Scholarships for Year 2002 will be processed through the Vermont Student Assistance Corporation (VSAC). Samara Scholarships are listed in VSAC's Scholarships (for the College Year 2002-2003). For a copy call 1-800-642-3177. Information about applying will also be included at www.samarafoundation.org, along with a link to VSAC's website, www.vsac.org. Applications must be postmarked by April 1, 2002.

Grant Information Sessions:

Samara will host sessions offering basic information on writing letters of intent and full proposals for Samara and other funders. They will occur on January 16, 2002 in Burlington at the Fletcher Free Library from 6:30 pm – 8:30 pm and January 17, 2002 in Brattleboro from 6:30 pm – 8:30 pm at the Brattleboro Savings and Loan. Attendance at this session is offered to potential grantees but not required, and preregistration is appreciated. Contact Ted at 860-6236 or ted@samarafoundation.org for more information or to register.

Grant Writing Workshops:

Samara will also offer general grant writing workshops on February 13, 2002 in Burlington and Brattleboro from 6:30 pm – 8:30 pm. The Burlington session will be held at the Fletcher Free Library while the Brattleboro session will be held at the Brattleboro Savings and Loan. For more information and to pre-register, contact Ted at 860-6236 or ted@samarafoundation.org for more information or to register.

LGBT Foundations Network Conference:

Representatives from the network of LGBT community foundations from across the country gathered in New York City during October to share best practices and exchange ideas for growing philanthropy within the LGBT communities locally and nationally. Samara Foundation was represented by board members Linda Markin and John Crane along with Bill Lippert, Executive Director.

Samara Foundation will be hosting the Fall, 2002 LGBT Foundations Network Conference.

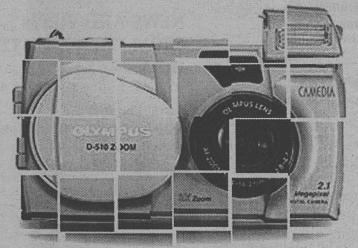
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