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BURLINGTON - RU12 - Gayme Night. 6-7pm. At R.U.1.2? Headquarters, 1 Steele Street, Burlington. The lovely Anne Moore returns to "gay" me night on a new week day. Try to take on the Boggle queen! Free and open to the public.

BURLINGTON - RU12- Coffee House/Open-Mic Night. 8pm. Co-sponsored by the R.U.1.2? Community Center and Radio Bean. Radio Bean Coffeehouse, 8 North Winooski Street, Burlington. \$5 Suggested Donation

Tuesday 11

BURLINGTON - Dance Performance - Allison Goldfarb Fitting Room. 7:30pm. At Flynnspace. An experimental dance project uniting dancers with culturally different technical backgrounds to create unique forms in choreography. Corps members trained in traditional European and North American disciplines, as well as Caribbean and West African dance forms expand their dance vocabularies to "create a conversation never heard before." An informal discussion will follow the performance/work in progress. Admission is by donation.

Wednesday 12

BURLINGTON - Outright Vermont - Drop In Center. 6:30-8pm. See Wednesday 05 listing for more info.

BURLINGTON - Samara Foundation - Grant Writing Workshop. 6:30-8:30pm. Free grant writing workshop at the R.U.1.2? Community Center in Burlington. FMI: Call Ted at 860.6236 or send email to ted@samarafoundation.org

MONTPELIER - Vermont Gay Men's Chorus - Farmer's Night. The Vermont Gay Men's Chorus, A Vocal Minority, has been invited back to the Vermont state capital to perform in the House Chambers for Farmer's Night. The chorus will perform songs by P.I. Tchaikovsky, Handel, Aaron Copland, Sondheim and more. Come and enjoy this evening of "Celebration of OUR Heritage" from gay composers and poets. This event is free and open to the public. FMI: 802-633-2389

MONTPELIER - Vermont HIV/AIDS Awareness Day. 8-10am. Come to the Vermont statehouse to show your support for AIDS awareness and meet your legislators. There will be a breakfast sponsored by the HIV Public Policy Project, Vermont People with AIDS Coalition, Twin State Women's Network, and all the AIDS Service Organizations around Vermont. The breakfast will be at the cafeteria in the statehouse from 8-10am. For more information contact your local AIDS Service Organization, the VTPWAC or Twin State Network.

WINCOOSKI - Democracy Project - Kick-Off Meeting. 10am-12pm. At the Vermont Design Works office @ 130 West Canal Street - Suite #3 - Winooski. In 2002, twenty-three organizations participated in Vermont - one of seven pilot states for the project. In 2003 the project will be rolled out in 7 new states as well as continuing with the 1st seven states. This meeting is for past participants as well as new organizations (must be a 501-c-3 and work directly with LGBTQ communities) who are interest-

ed in participating. FMI and to RSVP please contact Roland Palmer, Vermont State Liaison at 802-383-7679 or roland@vtdesignworks.com

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BURLINGTON - Outright Vermont - Reaching Out: Youth Zine. 5:30-6:45pm. See Friday 07 listing for more information.

BURLINGTON - Outright Vermont - Young LGB-TIQA Social & Support Group. 7-8:30pm. See Friday 07 listing for more information.

NEWPORT, NH - Concert - Cheryl Wheeler. Cheryl Wheeler in concert at the Newport Opera House. Adults: \$18.00/ \$16.00. Students and Seniors: \$16.00/ \$14.00. Box Office Hours by phone: Wed-Fri. 3-6 pm at 603-863-2412 with Visa or Mastercard. FMI: www.newportoperahouse.com/

WASHINGTON DC - American Boyz - True Spirit Conference. The 7th annual True Spirit Conference will be held at The Washington Court Hotel in Washington, DC. This four-day event will focus on the political, health, spiritual, legal, and relationship issues affecting individuals on the female-to-male (FTM/trans) spectrum. www.true-spirit.org/intro.htm.

Saturday 15

MONTREAL, QC - Toumoi RedBall - Volleyball Lambda. Volleyball Lambda has scheduled it again! Montreal's Red Ball is back again this year on the 15th and 16th of February, 2003. We shall be using the fabulous facilities in CEGEP Édouard Montpetit in Longueuil, offer you a good catered supper and something quite special for Saturday night's show (details to follow). Fees are just 60\$ per player. Get your team together. To register, just logon to our web site between January 17th and February 3rd and we'll see you just in time to give you a Valentine's kiss. First come first served we have a cap of 20 teams for this tournament. Volleyball Lambda http://www.vblambda.net

BURLINGTON - Outright Vermont - Valentine's Youth Dance. 7-11pm. At Burlington City Hall: Contois. Ages 22 and under, \$5 if you can. Live DJ, spinning the music you want to hear. Come meet some new folks & boogie on down!

Sunday 16

BURLINGTON - Christ Church Presbyterian - Sunday Service. 9:30am. See Sunday 02 listing for more information.

BURLINGTON - RU12 - Womynetplay. 4-7pm. The Bi-monthly Women's Social Group meets every other Sunday for good conversation, coffee, a film and or games at the R.U.1.2? Community Center, 1 Steele Street, Burlington. Good for couples, singles, and friends! Please arrive by 5:30pm as sometimes the group leaves for outside excursions.

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BURLINGTON - Outright Vermont - Drop In Center. 6:30-8pm. See Wednesday 05 listing for more information.

BURLINGTON - RU12 - Values and the Economy. 7pm. At R.U.1.2? Headquarters, 1 Steele Street. Vermonters need a livable wage. Are you sick of the rich getting fat off the labor of the poor? Come join Jenn Matthews of the Vermont Livable Wage Campaign to explore the ways our society exploits its own members and find out tips on how to shake up the system! Brought to you by the R.U.1.2? Popular Education Initiative. Class size is limited so please call to reserve your space, 802-860-7812. The cost for this workshop is free.

Thursday 20

BURLINGTON - RU12 - Adult Questioning and Coming Out Support Group. 6:30-7:30pm. At R.U.1.2? Headquarters, 1 Steele Street.

Friday 21

BRANDON - Briggs Carriage Bookstore - Karen Hesse Reading. 1pm. Reading and discussion of her books. Karen has written several children's and young adult books, most of which are historical novels, in which she uses innovative styles and form to both educate and entertain her reader. Karen has recently been awarded the MacArthur Fellowship. She was also recipient of the 2002 Christopher Award for her book Witness. She is also a past recipient of the Christopher Award for her book Letters from Rifka, in 1993, and a 1998 Newberry Medalist for Out of the Dust.

BURLINGTON - Outright Vermont - Young LGB-TIQA Social & Support Group. 7-8:30pm. See Friday 07 listing for more information.

BURLINGTON - Outright VT - QYR: Queer Youth Radicals: Outright's activist group. 5:30-6:45pm. See Friday 07 listing for more information.
BURLINGTON - 135 Pearl - Pride on Pearl: A Night of Dinner & Dancing to Benefit Pride Vermont. 6pm. Featuring a Dinner, Cocktails and Silent Auction beginning at 6pm at Parima Restaurant, 185 Pearl St. With Entertainment by Gio Weibel. Auction ends promptly at 9pm. Ticket price also includes admission to 135 Pearl featuring dancing with DJ Craig Mitchell, where 15% of the night's door charges will be donated to Pride Vermont as well. Come join us for a full evening of fun, delicious food, and wonderful auction items all for only \$20. Event is open to all. 135 Pearl is a 21+ Establishment.

GRANTHAM, NH - Amelia's - Book Club. 7:30pm. Amelia's Book Club meeting. The selection is Stones from the River by Ursula Hegi. Call Bev at 603-863-2810 for directions.

MONTPELIER - Rapid Response Training - Addressing Racism in Vermont's Public Schools. 6-9pm. At Trinity United Methodist Church Community Rooms, 137 Main Street. Continues on Saturday 9am-4pm. Training includes (but is not limited to): Fielding Anti-Racism HOTLINE calls; RER (Reading to End Racism)*; Victim Advocacy; Contact with School Administrators; Educating the Perpetrator/s; Community Empowerment; History of Racism in Vermont; Reviewing Books for Bias; Status: The "Green Book" and more. The 10-hour Training for retired teachers and librarians, parents, teachers, activists, school personnel and others, will be facilitated by experienced trainer/education

activists from Vt Anti-Racism Action Team, Uprooting Racism Task Force, Reading to End Racism (RER), New Directions for Barre and the African-American Alliance of the North East Kingdom. Registration fee for the workshop is \$10.00. Indicate if On-Site Children's Programming is needed, as well as Friday overnight sleeping. To register, call the Hotline (1-866-Y-RACISM) or register by email to wadleybailey@aol.com

Saturday 22

MONTPELIER - Rapid Response Training - Addressing Racism in Vermont's Public Schools. 9am-4pm. See February 21 listing.

BURLINGTON - Outright Vermont - Mardi Gras Float Work Day. 1-5pm. Free2B from UVM and ORVT join forces to paint, build & get our fabulous float together for the big Burlington Mardi Gras Parade!

BENNINGTON - Valentine's Day Pot Luck Dinner. 6-9pm. Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, and Transgender Folks, Family & Friends. At the Second Congregaional Church Hillside Street. Bring a favorite poem to share... either one you've written or just an old time favorite. \$3 suggested donation

Sunday 23

BURLINGTON - Christ Church Presbyterian - Sunday Service. 9:30am. See Sunday 02 listing for more information.

HANOVER, NH - Amelia's - Last Sunday Supper. 6:30pm. Amelia's Last Sunday Supper, location TBA. FMI: staylongtalkmuch@hotmail.com.

WHITE RIVER JCT - Barony of All Vermont - Good vs Evil Disney Costume Ball At Cactus Jack's. Please join Viceroy 2001 Tantalus and the Barony of All Vermont for Good vs. Evil: A Disney Costume Ball. Dress as your favorite Disney Character and we'll see who wins. Good or Evil. To Benefit the Vermont Food Bank. Donations of non-perishable food items will receive raffle tickets for a special prize drawn at the end of the night. Doors open at 7pm, show starts at 8pm. \$10.00 Donation requested at the door, 50/50 Raffle and Gift Bag Drawing. FMI: ViceroyTantalus@aol.com, Baronyofallvermont@yahoo.com or call Jeremy: 802-276-3327

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BURLINGTON - Outright Vermont - "I" the Identify Group. 6:30-8pm. Social & Support Group. Ages 22 and under. A youth group dedicated to educating & supporting youth who choose to identify how they wish, especially for MTF, FTM & gender outlaws. This month we will be taught how to make "packers" for Tranny Bois by the fabulous Chyrs. Meetings at the Outright Office in Burlington, 187 St. Paul St. Contact Lluvia Mulvaney-Stanak: lluvia@outrightvt.org (802) 865-9677.

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BURLINGTON - Outright Vermont - Java Haus. 9pm. At the Living Room Youth Space at the

2004). For a copy call 1-800-642-3177. Information about applying is also included at www.samarafoundation.org, along with a link to VSAC's website, www.vsac.org. Applications must be postmarked by April 1, 2003

R.U.1.2?: No Rest for the Wickedly Busy

With another successful Queer Community Summit under their belts, the volunteers and staff at the R.U.1.2? Community Center are not resting on their laurels. Christopher, Khristian, and the crew are gearing up for a variety of community organ-

izing events. They have ambitious plans to promote, unite, and increase awareness of the queer community. R.U.1.2? is proud to announce that they have been elected to the governing board of the National Association of LGBT Community Centers. Executive Director Christopher Kaufman will serve a three-year term on the Board, promoting the work of rural community centers in this national organization. R.U.1.2? is the most rural community center ever elected to the board of the National Association. The Burlington Center will be joining peers from the New York City, Los Angeles and San

Francisco Community Centers to help forward the national community center movement

Current plans for the center in Burlington include pursuing new programs and growing established ones. The women's social group, Womynetplay, has put out its own calendar and has begun seeking cosponsors for events. The Vermont Diversity Health Project is preparing for a second edition of their guide to GLBT-friendly healthcare and creating programs to train medical professionals. The Center is sponsoring two community members' attendance at the national True Spirit conference this month.

This is a great opportunity for R.U.1.2? to support FTM transgender members of the Center. Upon return from the True Spirit Conference, the center will host a regular transgender social/support group meeting on Friday nights at Headquarters.

A glance at the calendar page in this month's OITM will show the variety of popular education classes that continue at the center. The center is actively using its programs to build bridges into other communities. Rotating the venue of its bimonthly Coffeehouse socials enables R.U.1.2? to create new relationships with businesses like

Radio Bean, the host of February's Coffeehouse, and other community centers, like the McClure Multi-Generational Center, host of the April Coffeehouse.

The diversity of our community shows in the center's programs as well as its Board of Directors, with the coming addition of Ayana Al-Faruk. Al-Faruk is a diversity trainer and a long-time Burlington community organizer. She is currently the Director of the Women of Color Alliance. R.U.1.2? is taking a leading role to show that Vermont's LGBTIQA population cares about a wide variety of social justice

