

**Thursday 17**

BURLINGTON - R.U.1.2? - Women's Coming Out Support Group. 6:30PM. At R.U.1.2?, 1 Steele Street, Suite 113. FMI call 860.7812

JOHNSON - Johnson State College - The Laramie Project. 7PM. At the Dibden Center for the Arts. General admission \$5, free to JSC community.

**Friday 18**

BETHLEHEM, NH - Highlands Inn - Women's Music Series: Marcy Lang. April 18-April 20. For more information or reservations, contact The Highlands Inn, Bethlehem, NH. 877-LES-B-INN (537-2466) or 603-869-3978. vacation@highlandsinn-nh.com. www.highlandsinn-nh.com

BARRE - Outright Vermont - Young LGBTIQQA: Queer Social & Support Group. 8:30PM. the Barre UU Church, 19 Church Street. Ages 22 and under. A confidential & facilitated group for youth to come and check in about their week & life in general. FMI: www.outrightvt.org

BURLINGTON - Outright Vermont - Young LGBTIQQA Social & Support Group. 7-8:30PM. See Friday 4 listing for more information.

BURLINGTON - Outright VT - QYR: Queer Youth Radicals: Outright's activist group. 5:30-6:45 PM. See Friday 04 listing for more info.

LOWELL, MA - The Miracle Provider's NorthEast Inc. - Cabaret Show Divas Lost Vegas Return to Sin City. 7:30PM. A benefit for local children and families of the Merrimack Valley and Southern NH area infected/affected by HIV/AIDS. Featuring Live Singers, Comedy numbers and some of the area's Best Female Impersonators. All proceeds from the show goes directly to the purchase of Health and Beauty aids for the Families ex: shampoo, soap, toilet paper etc etc. Doors Open 7 PM curtain at 8PM. At the Evos Arts, 98 Middle Street, Lowell, MA 01852. Tickets are \$10.00. FMI: www.mpsnortheast.com, info@mpsnortheast.com or call 978-458-9838 to speak with Marc or Brian

**Saturday 19**

BURLINGTON - RU12 - 5th Annual Community Dinner and Silent Auction. At the Radisson Hotel. Keynote speaker will be Alison Bechdel, who will reflect on twenty years of her queer comic strip "Dykes to Watch Out For". For entertainment, we're pleased to announce the return of everyone's favorite pop-soul drag diva, Yolanda. Details to follow.

**Sunday 20**

BURLINGTON - Christ Church Presbyterian - Sunday Service. 9:30AM. See Sunday 06 listing.

BURLINGTON - Vermont Gay Social Alternatives - Weekly Volleyball. 6-8PM. At Edmonds Middle School. A \$5 contribution is asked to help cover the cost of renting the gym.

**Monday 21**

BURLINGTON - UVM GLBTQA Gaypril 2003 - Leslea Newman. 5:30PM. Leslea Newman's You Can't Be a Lesbian—You're Jewish! lecture & Kosher Reception. Waterman, Memorial Lounge. Sponsored by LGBTQA Services, UVM Hillel. Info: 656-1153 or 656-8637 or www.uvm.edu/~lgbtqa

MONTPELIER - Survivors of Incest Anonymous - Meeting. 6-7PM. See Monday 07 listing FMI

**Tuesday 22**

BURLINGTON - R.U.1.2? - Proud and Sober GLBTAA. 7PM At R.U.1.2?, 1 Steele Street, Suite 113. FMI call 860.7812

BURLINGTON - UVM GLBTQA Gaypril 2003 - De Colores. 7:30PM. Film and Discussion. Living/Learning Commons 315 Sponsored by B.A.S.I.C., A Room of Our Own and LGBTQA Services. Info: 656-8637 or www.uvm.edu/~lgbtqa

**Wednesday 23**

BURLINGTON - Outright Vermont - Drop In Center. 6:30-8PM. See Wednesday 02 listing FMI

ST JOHNSBURY - Vermont CARES - Needle Exchange. 3-6PM. See Wednesday 02 listing FMI.

ST JOHNSBURY - Vermont CARES - Oral HIV Testing. 3-6PM. See Wednesday 02 listing FMI.

**Thursday 24**

BURLINGTON - UVM GLBTQA Gaypril 2003 - Reverend Marilyn McCord Adams. 4PM. Reverend Marilyn McCord Adams presents Yes to Bless: The Trinity as the Gay Men's Chorus. Lafayette L108 Sponsored by the UVM Classics Club. Info: www.uvm.edu/~lgbtqa or 656-3210

RICHMOND - Out in the Mountains - Monthly Stuffing. 5-8PM. Come join MPM board members, staff, and other volunteers at the monthly Out In The Mountains Stuffing at the OITM office above the Daily Bread in Richmond. Help get the paper

ready for mailing out to our community while visiting with old friends or making new ones! The stuffing starts at 5pm and lasts until we are finished (usually 3 hours). We provide pizza so please join us! FMI & Directions: circulation@mountainpridemedia.org or 802-434-6486.

BURLINGTON - R.U.1.2? - Questioning and Coming Out Support Group. 6:30PM. At R.U.1.2?, 1 Steele Street, Suite 113. FMI call 860.7812

**Friday 25**

BURLINGTON - UVM GLBTQA Gaypril 2003 - ALANA Awards Banquet. 5:30PM. ALANA Student Center. Radisson Hotel. Tickets & info: 656-3819

BURLINGTON - Outright Vermont - Reaching Out: Youth Zine. 5:30-6:45 PM. See Friday 04 FMI.

BURLINGTON - R.U.1.2? - Transgender Peer Social and Support Group. 6:30PM At R.U.1.2?, 1 Steele Street, Suite 113. FMI call 860.7812

BURLINGTON - Outright Vermont - Young LGBTIQQA Social & Support Group. 7-8:30PM. See Friday 04 listing for more information.

**Saturday 26**

BURLINGTON - UVM GLBTQA Gaypril 2003 - Comida Para La Gente. 6-8PM. Comida Para La Gente - Food for the People. Marsh Dining Hall. Sponsor & info: Alianza Latina. 646-685-9054, \$10 suggested donation.

BURLINGTON - Outright VT - Queer Youth Jazzercise. 7PM. Meet at the Outright office at 6:30pm to be whisked off to the secret Jazzercise location. Ages 22 and under. Contact Lluvia Mulvaney-Stanak: lluvia@outrightvt.org (802) 865-9677 or call 1-800-GLB-CHAT.

MIDDLEBURY - VGSA/Chiltern Mountain Club - Champlain Valley Bike Ride. 1:30PM. Meet at 1:30pm, ride 25-30 relatively flat miles, then go out for dinner in Middlebury. Call Lew at 253-8969 for directions to the meeting place, or send e-mail to LewLasher@att.net/LewLasher@att.net. This trip is a joint event of VGSA and Chiltern Mountain Club. Rain date: Sunday, April 27.

**Sunday 27**

BURLINGTON - Christ Church Presbyterian - Sunday Service. 9:30AM. See Sunday 06 listing.

BURLINGTON - St John's Club - House of LeMay Pride Benefit. 12-4PM. The House of LeMay will be hosting a benefit for Pride Vermont. The day begins at noon with brunch, continues with rousing

games of Drag Bingo with many nice prizes at 2pm and concludes with the naming of Vermont's Drag Queen Idol, contest begins at 4pm. Price for admission is \$10 and includes the Brunch Buffet (noon-2pm) as well as appetizers and a pizza buffet which will be offered all day. Raffle tickets and bingo cards will cost extra. A cash bar is available. sisleamay@together.net/sisleamay@together.net.

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 St, Burlington. Please arrive by 5:30pm as sometimes the group leaves for outside excursions.

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**Monday 28**

BURLINGTON - Outright Vermont - "I" the Identify Group. 6:30-8PM. 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. Come learn how to be a Trans Activist with skills from True Spirit & the Translating Identity Conferences. Meetings at the Outright Office in Burlington, 187 St. Paul St. Contact Lluvia Mulvaney-Stanak for more information: lluvia@outrightvt.org (802) 865-9677. All events at Outright are FREE & Confidential for youth ages 22 and under.

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BURLINGTON - Flynn - Natalie MacMaster. 7:30PM. Mainstage at Flynn Center. Nova Scotia fiddling phenomenon Natalie MacMaster returns with high-energy fiddle tunes from her Scottish heritage. Tickets \$28.50, \$23.50, \$18.50. FMI: 86-FLYNN or www.flynncenter.org

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Send check to: Wild Root Arts/Hooker-Dunham Theater & Gallery 139 Main St., Brattleboro, VT 05301. 4) Arrive at the theater 1/2 hour prior to curtain. Seating is on a first-come, first-served basis.

**Schmoozefest for Men Who Love Men**

The Winter Schmoozefest, the second of four large social events for gay and bisexual men and other men who love men, which was co-sponsored by the Men's Resource Center of Western Massachusetts and Tapestry Healthy Systems, was held on Sunday, February 9, 2003. More than 85 men attended this happening where they enjoyed catered hors-d'oeuvres and desserts, art by regional GBQ artists, a few songs performed by the Pioneer Valley Gay Men's Chorus, and lots of social interaction. Many familiar faces from the Autumn Schmoozefest were joined by those many new men to expand their social connections throughout the wide geographical areas of southern VT to northern CT and the Berkshires to central MA and beyond.

The next event, our Spring Schmoozefest, is scheduled for Sunday, April 13. It will again take place in the lovely Garden House at Look Park in Northampton (Florence), MA, from 3:00 to 5:30 pm. Delicious catered food, fantastic art, and a different, brief, live art performance featuring GBQ men will be provided. We hope to see

many men return and to welcome many new guys from our very diverse community. If you are looking to meet others with mutual interests, make some new friendships, or perhaps meet Mr. Right (or Mr. Right Now), this social occasion is the opportunity you have been waiting for! The weather might even treat us kindly and allow socializing in the beautiful surroundings just outside of the Garden House. Our Summer Schmoozefest on June 1 will certainly permit us to take in the gorgeous gardens that highlight the grounds of the Garden House.

If you would like to get more information about the upcoming event, contact Allan Arnaboldi at the Men's Resource Center of Western Massachusetts by calling (413) 253-9887 x10 or by emailing him at aarnaboldi@mensresource-center.org. You can also ask to be put on an email list to receive announcements about this and future Schmoozefest gatherings. You can also contact him if you are interested in displaying your art at either the April or June events.

**Spring Sprung at MPM** Mountain Pride Media would like to thank everyone who entered our Think Spring 2003 Raffle. The winners have been drawn and the prizes mailed. Thanks to the following businesses for their generous donations to our raffle: River Mist B&B; Special Ops Media; Timberholm Inn; Winding Brook Lodge; The Highlands Inn; Umiak

Outdoor Outfitters; The Photo Garden; The Green Mountain Film Festival.

We also thank the 35 people who joined us to see the sold out David Sedaris show at the Flynn Center. We are excited to announce our next theater event with Lost Nation Theater of Montpelier. Mountain Pride Media is proud to be co-sponsoring Lillian Hellman's *The Children's Hour*, starring Janice Perry. The darkly evocative play of rumors damaging the lives of teachers will run May 15 through June 1. We will have a special benefit performance on Sunday, May 18th at 6:30 p.m. Tickets are \$21, with a portion of the ticket price going to support Mountain Pride Media's work in publishing *Out in the Mountains*. If you'd like benefit tickets please call or email Roland at 802-383-7679 (days) or rfpvt@together.net.

Mountain Pride Media would like to thank Jeanne and Dennis who both were distribution volunteers and who recently have moved on. This leaves us with three distribution routes that are in need of new volunteers: Plattsburgh (NY), Bennington (VT), and the Putney (VT)/Keene (NH) area. We are also looking for couriers to deliver papers throughout the state to our distribution volunteers in the normal course of their travels. For more information about distribution opportunities please contact us at circulation@mountainpridemedia.org or call us at 802-434-6486. Our thanks

go to a great crew at our March "Stuffing" night. Our April "Stuffing" night will be on Thursday, April 24th at our offices in Richmond (above The Daily Bread) starting at around 5 p.m. We're usually done by 7 p.m.

Please join us in welcoming Jack Ryniec of Lowell, Vermont who joined the Board of Directors on March 1. Jack has been volunteering for MPM helping with various web site projects including the OITM Online Archive. We also would like to welcome Dustin, our new VTPridenet Listserv Administrator and to send out a huge thank you to Tina for her numerous years of volunteer service as our first VTPridenet Listserv Administrator. You can read more about VTPridenet on our web site under Online Community Connections.

Mountain Pride Media is still looking for ad sales reps to sell ads for *Out In The Mountains* and for our web site www.mountainpridemedia.org. A monthly stipend and commission on all sales make this a great part- or full-time job. Just give us a call at 802-434-5237 or email us at ads@mountainpridemedia.org for additional information.

**Pride VT Benefits from House of LeMay**

The House of LeMay, Vermont's most established drag performance troupe, will be hosting a benefit for Pride Vermont on Sunday, April 27, at the St. John's Club in Burlington. The day begins at noon with

brunch, continues with rousing games of Drag Bingo and concludes with the naming of Vermont's Drag Queen Idol.

Since 1994, Amber & Margaurite, The Sisters LeMay, and their entourage, The House of LeMay, have been featured in Vermont's Gay Pride Parade as well as kicked off each of those post-Parade Day entertainment sessions. For the past three years they have appeared in Burlington's annual Mardi Gras Parade. This past February, The House of LeMay organized and hosted the People With AIDS Coalition's very successful Drag Ball.

The House of LeMay has also been one of Pride Vermont's biggest supporters, donating in excess of \$1000 for the past several years.

The April 27 event begins at noon with a brunch buffet, followed by Drag Bingo with many nice prizes at 2:00pm and the Drag Queen Idol contest beginning at 4:00pm. Several raffles will also be conducted during the day as well.

Price for admission is \$10 and includes the Brunch Buffet (noon-2pm) as well as appetizers and a pizza buffet which will be offered all day. Raffle tickets and bingo cards will cost extra. A cash bar is available. For more information email sisleamay@together.net. ▼