

Saturday 15

BURLINGTON - SafeSpace - "Healing Laughter: an evening of queer comedy". Jason P. Lorber and Jane Holdman entertain for SafeSpace's annual benefit. Enjoy fine desserts and fun entertainment, cash bar. Rose Street Artist's Cooperative, 8-10pm. Call 802.863.0003 for tickets or more details.

HARTFORD, CT - FIFTH ANNUAL EROS FILM FESTIVAL. See Wednesday 12th listing

JERICHO - Jericho Community Center - 10th Annual Art & Artisans Holiday Market. 9-5 Saturday, 12-4 Sunday. 19 artists and artisans, fiber, pottery, glass, cards, food and more. Bake sale to benefit Mt. Mansfield Union High School Honor Society. Raffle to benefit MMUHS art and science programs. Free admission. Info: 899-4993 or 899-3874

Sunday 16

BURLINGTON - Christ Church Presbyterian - Sunday Service. See Sunday 2nd listing

BURLINGTON - Helen Thomas, Dean of the White House Press Corps, speaks about press ethics and responsibility. Thomas, the longest-serving White House correspondent, was 'banished' from her traditional seat in the front row and relocated to the back of the room for the impudence of daring to question the President's answers. Speech at 2 pm, private reception for Vermont Woman Donors afterward. Call 802-861-6200 for more info.

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Monday 17

DURHAM, NH - University of New Hampshire Office of Multicultural Student Affairs and the Nashoba Institute's Bear History Project - Neither Leather Nor Lace: 'Naturally' Male Bears & the Homo-masculine Tradition in America. Scholar Les Wright explores bears and the evolution of homo-masculine identity, images, and cultures in America during a talk given at 7:30 on November 17th at 327 memorial Union Building, University of New Hampshire in Durham. Sponsored by the University of New Hampshire Office of Multicultural Student Affairs and the Nashoba Institute's Bear History Project. For more information contact Bob Coffey, LGBT Program Coordinator at the Office of Multicultural Student Affairs at 603.862.2050 or bob.coffey@unh.edu

ESSEX JUNCTION - AARP - Driver Certification Classes. Essex Junction, Driver Safety Classes, 8-12 am. Designed for drivers over 50, sponsored by AARP, both sessions required for certification. Makes good drivers even better and safer. Open to all, regardless of AARP membership. \$10 per person. For information and registration, call Keith or Mary Ann Peters at 802-862-0469.

MONTPELIER - Survivors of Incest Anonymous - Meeting. See Monday 3rd listing

Tuesday 18

BRATTLEBORO - AIDS Project of Southern Vermont - Syringe Exchange. See Tuesday 4th

BURLINGTON - R.U.1.2? - Proud and Sober GLB-TAA. See Tuesday 4th listing for more information.

Wednesday 19

BURLINGTON - American Cancer Society - Look Good ... Feel Better Program. At the University Health Center, Arnold 2, Burlington. Sponsored by the American Cancer Society, Cosmetic, Toiletary and Fragrance Association, and National Cosmetology Association. Third Wednesday of each month. Please register in advance: 655-2000

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HANOVER, NH - Bend it like Beckham: Only Bent - GLBT soccer. See Wednesday 12th listing

MONTPELIER - Ladies Night - San Gordon plays live music on "ladies night" at Charlie-O's, every 3rd Wednesday from 8-10pm. Each month will feature special guest performers, in a fun and friendly atmosphere. All are welcome and women are especially encouraged to come check out this new meeting place! 70 Main St. FMI: call 223-8820.

ST JOHNSBURY - Vermont CARES - Needle Exchange. See Wednesday 5th listing

ST JOHNSBURY - Vermont CARES - Oral HIV Testing. See Wednesday 5th listing

Thursday 20

BURLINGTON - Fifth Annual Transgender Day of Remembrance. 2003 Fifth Annual Transgender Day of Remembrance Observed in Downtown Burlington. 6:00pm Candlelight Vigil, on the steps of Burlington City Hall, 6:30pm Visibility walk, 7:00pm Indoor Program at Contois Auditorium. Contact Kate at 865-9677 or kate@OutrightVT.org.

Friday 21

BURLINGTON - Outright VT - Friday Night Group. See Friday 7th listing for more information.

CHESTERFIELD, NH - AIDS Project Southern Vermont, T.H.E. Men's Program - "Gayme" Night. Please bring a snack item to share. For directions and other information, call Glenn Johnson at AIDS Project Southern Vermont's T.H.E. Men's Program 802-254-8263 Extension 107.

Saturday 22

BURLINGTON - Free To Be GLBTA, UVM - Melissa Fernick - Solo Concert. Cook Commons, Billings Student Center, University of Vermont. Doors open at 7pm. Tickets available after November 1, 2003 Call: 802-656-0699 or go to www.uvm.edu/~free2b for tickets. Sponsored by Free To Be GLBTA, UVM.

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BURLINGTON - RU12? - Womynstplay. See Sunday 9th listing for more information.

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ALSTEAD, NH - AIDS Project Southern Vermont, T.H.E. Men's Program - Thanksgiving Dinner 1pm. For directions and other information, call Glenn Johnson at AIDS Project Southern Vermont's T.H.E. Men's Program 802-254-8263 x 107.

BURLINGTON - R.U. 12? - Questioning and Coming Out Support Group. See Thursday 13th

ESSEX - VGSA - Mini Putt-Putt. See Thurs. 13th

Friday 28

BURLINGTON - R.U.1.2? - Trans Group. Looking for peer support and socializing among other trans gender folks? Need a safe space to relax and be yourself? The R.U.1.2? Trans and Allies group meets on the last Friday of every month. Please bring your stories, glittering personalities and creative energies to share with the community. All genders, blenders and allies welcome! This is a program of the R.U.1.2? Community Center, 1 Steele Street, Burlington. It is free and open to the public. For more information, contact 860-7812 or e-mail thecenter@ru12.org.

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RICHMOND - Out in the Mountains - Monthly Stuffing! Come join MPM board members, staff, and other volunteers at the monthly Out In The Mountains Stuffing at the OITM office above Toscano Restaurant in Richmond. Help get the paper ready for mailing out to our community while visiting with old friends or making new ones! Call for times on this special holiday weekend stuffing. FMI & Directions: circulation@mountainpridemedia.org or 802-434-6486.

Saturday 29

BURLINGTON - 14th Annual Vermont Women's Festival of Crafts. City Hall - Burlington, VT. Saturday, November 29th (10 am - 5 pm) and Sunday, November 30th (11 am - 5 pm). Over 50 VT women artisans and fine crafters converge for the best show in the region. The festive atmosphere and sparkling social scene add to the fun as you browse and select from hundreds of unique, one-of-a-kind hand-crafted items that make cherished gifts for yourself or your loved-ones. Free near-by parking for Craft Fair visitors. For questions or more info: Allison Hicks at (802) 373-6597.

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brought in men from MA, VT, NH, CT, and NY; one guy even hailed from FL!). There will also be a jack-o-lantern contest, so bring your own pre-carved pumpkin, and the best effort gets a prize.

For the second event on Sunday, February 29, 2004, 2-5 pm, there will be a dance party in Springfield (place to be announced) with optional costumes to celebrate Mardi Gras and Carnival. Multicultural food and music will enliven the festivities.

On Sunday, May 16, from

2-5 pm, come enjoy fun and games at the Northampton Center for the Arts. You will get to participate in games that you were not allowed to enjoy as a gay youth; imagine playing Spin the Bottle with a bunch of guys! Three different events in three different locales - and an opportunity to meet lots of men from a variety of communities!

Tickets for individual events will be \$15 at the door or \$12 in advance OR get a series ticket for all three events in advance for only \$30. It's like getting one event free!

You can purchase tickets and/or get directions to the Montague Grange by calling Allan at the Men's Resource Center (413-253-9887 x10) or Glenn at T.H.E. Men's Program in Brattleboro (802-254-8263 x107) or by emailing aarnaboldi@mensresourcecenter.org or men@sover.net. Hope to see lots of you men there!

Have a Gay First Night! First Night Montpelier seeks 2 volunteer Venue Coordinators to introduce the acts and oversee the door at a

First Night Montpelier comedy and theater stage that includes performers Janice Perry in "Holy Sh*t! Tales from Heaven and Hell" and Jason P. Lorber in "Howard Dean, A Moose and a Gay Rabbi Walk Into a Bar" as well as the Lost Nation Theater cabaret. Venue Coordinators, working 5-hour shifts, each receive free admission to five hours of other performances before the comedy and theater stage opens, a free meal at First Night, a \$25 gift certificate to an area restaurant for a night after First Night and a free pass to one of the

films at the Green Mountain Film Festival. Other volunteers are needed in 2-hour shifts in exchange for free admission to all First Night Montpelier events and a free meal at First Night Montpelier. Call Judith Chalmer 229-9408. ♥