

our daily agenda

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Wednesday 01

BRATTLEBORO – The Men's Space – Core Group. 6PM, 50 Elliot Street, Apt B. Help drive The Men's Program! Potluck at 6pm followed by conversation at 6:30. The Core Group helps us decide what events the men in this area want, and how to make this program the best it can be, for YOU. FMI and directions, Alex or Howie at 254-8263 or email eflash@sover.net.

MONTPELIER – VGSA – Montpelier Movie Night. VGSA members head to the Savoy Theater in downtown Montpelier to view Brokeback Mountain. FMI call the theater at 802-229-0509 or visit their website: www.savoytheater.com. The show starts at 6:30, so meet outside around 6:15pm. FMI contact Guy @802 272-2000.

ST JOHNSBURY – Vermont CARES – Free Walk-in Anonymous Oral HIV testing available every Wednesday 3-6pm. at Vt CARES 1235 Hospital Drive Suite two. Other times are available by appointment. For more info call Penni at 802-748-9061.

ST JOHNSBURY – Vermont CARES – Needle exchange walk-in hours every Wednesday 3-6pm at Vermont CARES 1235 Hospital Drive Suite two. For more info call Penni at 802-748-9061.

Thursday 02

RUTLAND – VTCARES – Oral HIV Testing. FREE & ANONYMOUS. First Thursday of Every Month (Next one is March 2) from 12 noon to 4pm At Asa Bloomer State Office Building (On Merchants Row, Rutland) 1st Floor Clinic provided by VTCARES. Be Safe. Be Smart. Get Tested. Knowledge is Power. No needles! ALSO, walk-in testing hours at VTCARES every Wednesday 10am-1pm 27 South Main Street 775-5884.

Friday 03

BURLINGTON – Firehouse Gallery – Opening Reception. Exhibition Dates: February 3-March 5, 2006; Opening Reception: Friday, February 3, 5-7pm. Firehouse Gallery Talk Saturday, February 4, 2:00pm. Vermont-based Joshua Reiman's work explores themes of race, class, popular culture, and heroism in his satirical and exquisite photographs. Firehouse Center for the Visual Arts, 135 Church Street, Burlington, VT. (802) 865-7165, www.BurlingtonCityArts.com.

BURLINGTON – Discussion. City Market welcomes environmental writer Bill McKibben to lead a discussion about his experience eating local foods, and to examine the spotlight he focused on the local foods movement. Bill McKibben is currently a scholar-in-residence at Middlebury College. A former New Yorker staff writer, he is a regular contributor to Harper's Magazine, The Atlantic Monthly, and many other publications. This event is free and open to the public and will take place at Fletcher Free Library Community Room, from 6-7:30 PM.

BURLINGTON – VGSA – Wine & Dine. Meet at Wine Works on upper St. Paul St. in Burlington @7pm. Enjoy a glass or two of wine before heading out to a local restaurant for dinner. FMI or to RSVP (please!) contact Randy at 863-3669.

BENNINGTON – Bennington Pride – Black & White Dance. At the 2nd Congregational Church, Hillside Street, Bennington, VT. Wear your black and white ... dress fancy or not! 7:00pm Dessert potluck ... bring your favorite sweet! DJ to be announced. Check our website at www.benningtonpride.org for more details or email bennpride@gmail.com.

BURLINGTON – Outright VT – Friday Night Group from 7-8:30pm at 187 St. Paul St. in Burlington. A youth social/support group that meets no matter the weather or holiday. Come meet other lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender & questioning youth ages 22 and under! For more information call: 800-GLB-CHAT or check out our website at: www.outrightvt.org.

BURLINGTON – Firehouse Gallery – Write to Read. 7:30pm. Write to Read is a free open reading for creative writers and word artists. Come share your poetry, fiction and other word art. Write to Read occurs monthly and is sponsored by The Write Place, a program of Burlington City Arts. For more information please call 865-7166 or visit www.BurlingtonCityArts.com. Firehouse Center for the Visual Arts 2nd Floor, Lorraine B. Good Room, 135 Church Street Burlington, VT.

NORTHAMPTON, MA – Northampton's Pride & Joy – Match.com dating columnist Jim Sullivan will lead a discussion on "Dating and Relationships in the New Year", reading from his book Boyfriend 101 and answering questions, at Pride & Joy, 20 Crafts Avenue, Northampton. The reading and discussion will begin at 8pm. Light refreshments will be served, and a raffle will be held with the winner receiving one free "dating consultation" with Jim. All adults are welcome to attend. FMI, call at 413-585-0683.

RUTLAND – Paramount Theater – The Sisters Rosensweig. Feb. 3 & 4, 9 - 11, 8 pm; February 4 and 11, also at 2 pm, at the Paramount Theater, \$12 general admission. Vermont Actors' Repertory Theatre presents the bittersweet comedy The Sisters Rosensweig by Pulitzer prize winning author Wendy Wasserstein. The play is dedicated to "all women who have endured and triumphed with the love of their sisters." Part of the Rutland Festival of Women in the Arts presented by Rutland's Chaffee Art Center, Crossroads Arts Council, and The Vermont State Committee of the National Museum of Women in the Arts.

STANNARD – Men Alive Retreat. "Men Alive," a non-profit organization supporting men around issues of health, healing, relationships, family, children, work, and other factors of importance, is having a winter weekend retreat, February 3-5th, at Sky Meadow Retreat, Stannard, VT. This retreat will include ceremony, ritual, workshops, open stage, drumming, and dance expression. Participation is voluntary. All men are welcome. Fees including food and lodging are \$85-125 on a sliding scale. Scholarships are available. For registration/information, including car pooling please contact Neil 802.877.3742.

Saturday 04

BRATTLEBORO – The Men's Program – WINTER PARTY at Thom's place. Snowshoeing, cross country skiing, skating... and hot chocolate! Thom will be hosting this Men's Program event. Outdoor winter fun with the guys. FMI and directions, Alex or Howie, 254-8263 or email eflash@sover.net.

BURLINGTON – Outright VT – Saturday Night Socials 7-8:30pm at 187 St. Paul St. in Burlington. A youth social/hang out group that meets every Saturday featuring movie nights, board games, outdoor adventures & more! Come meet other lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender & questioning youth ages 22 and under! For more information call: 800-GLB-CHAT or check out our website at: www.outrightvt.org.

BURLINGTON – VGSA – Bowling & Game Night. Join VGSA members as we bowl in the basement Lanes of St. Mark's Church in the New North End, or bring a board game to play. Pool and ping-pong too. \$10.00, 8-11pm. FMI contact Dave @893-2104.

RUTLAND – Paramount Theater – The Sisters Rosensweig. See Friday 3rd for more information.

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Sunday 05

BURLINGTON – Christ Church Presbyterian – Sunday Service. Every Sunday from 9:30AM. CCP is a "More Light" church. We welcome all persons, regardless of sexual orientation, into full participation in the life, membership, and leadership of this church, and strive, as part of the Body of Christ, to reach out in ministry to lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgendered people both within and outside of our congregation. CCP is located on UVM Redstone Campus between the water tower and the Catholic Center.

BURLINGTON – VGSA – Volleyball. At Christ the King School, 136 Locust St. (upper Shelburne Rd.) 6-8pm, \$5/night/members, \$10/night/non-members. Save Money- VGSA membership only \$20.00. Come for an evening of challenging (yet low-key and fun!) volleyball. We have a great time, and welcome new players. FMI contact Guy @802 272-2000.

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VERMONT – VPT – In the Life. 11:00PM In the Life Celebrates Valentine's Day by updating some of the series' cherished stories featuring LGBT relationships.

Monday 06

BENNINGTON – Alcoholics Anonymous – Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual, Transgender Meeting. 7-8PM. At the Turning Point Club, 465 Main St., Bennington. FMI 802-442-9700. Open meeting of AA, meaning that anyone with a desire to stop drinking can attend.

BURLINGTON – Ohavi Zedek Synagogue – Bubbies, Babies and Bagels. Ohavi Zedek Synagogue is sponsoring a free Jewish playgroup for families of all backgrounds for parents/grandparents and children between the ages of birth through three years old. It meets every Monday from 10:00-11:00AM at 188 North Prospect Street, Burlington. The first half hour is filled with Jewish songs and stories followed by noshing and shmoozing. For more information, call Sarah Klionsky 864-0218 ext 26.

MONTPELIER – Survivors of Incest Anonymous – Meeting at 6:00 PM. At the UCC Bethany Church in Montpelier on Main Street (on the right, just past Ben & Jerry's if you are coming from the interstate). Every Monday in the Blue Door Room, come in front door, go to the Basement stairs on left, then to the end of the hall to the room with the blue door. FMI: 229-2153 or 454-7822 for more info.

Tuesday 07

BENNINGTON – The Turning Point Club – Overeaters Anonymous. FMI, go to: www.oa.org ...Or come and check out the meeting for yourself Tuesday nights from 6:30-7:30 pm at the Turning Point Club, 465 Main Street, Bennington, VT. Or call 442-9700 for more information and/or to be connected with someone from OA.

BENNINGTON – Bennington Pride – Planning Meeting. Tuesdays, 6:30pm South Street Cafe, Bennington Pride Coalition hosts alternate planning groups and munches. Come join us and share! Bennington Pride Coalition www.benningtonpride.org.

BENNINGTON – American Cancer Society – Look Good ... Feel Better Program. The first Tuesday of every month from 1:30-2:30PM. At the Southwest Medical Center in Bennington. Sponsored by the American Cancer Society, Cosmetic, Toiletry and Fragrance Association, and National Cosmetology Association. First Tuesday of each month. Please register in advance by calling 802 447-1403 or 802 447-3587.

BRATTLEBORO – AIDS Project of Southern Vermont – Syringe Exchange. 6-9PM. At the Brattleboro Drop-In Center, 60 South Main Street. Anonymous. For more information call 802-254-8263.

BURLINGTON – TOWANDA – Women's Volleyball at Mater Christi School on Mansfield Ave across from Planned Parenthood in Burlington, on TUESDAY NIGHTS from 6:00 PM to 8:00 PM. November thru April. New players welcome. Call Sally at 802-878-3953 for more info.

BURLINGTON – VTCARES – Support Group for People Living with HIV/AIDS: 6:30 - 8 pm on the first and third Tuesdays of every month at Vermont CARES' offices in Burlington at 361 Pearl Street. Please call for directions. Each meeting will be facilitated with open discussion, and is limited to people living with HIV and AIDS. You do not have to receive any other services from Vermont CARES to participate. Please call 1-800-649-2437 for more information or directions.