

# Events

## Quilt to be Displayed in NH

By Fred Pond

The AIDS Community Resource Network (ACoRN) of the Upper Valley is sponsoring a major display of the AIDS Memorial Quilt on May 17, 18, & 19 at Dartmouth College, Hanover, NH.

If you have yet to experience it, please make plans to visit. Family, friends... all are welcome. Here are some notes from the NAMES Project:

"Founded by Cleve Jones back in 1987, the NAMES Project is an international AIDS memorial taking the shape of a huge Quilt, made up of thousands

of individual three-foot by six-foot cloth panels. Each panel memorializes the life of someone who has died of AIDS.

"Propelled by the death and tragedy that confronted so many around the world, especially the gay and lesbian community in San Francisco, Cleve searched for a way to make people understand the loss and frustration. Awkwardly, he spray-painted his friend's name, Marvin Feldman, onto a piece of cloth the size of Marvin's grave. Others joined the effort: friends, acquaintances, and strangers.

In just four years, the NAMES Project Quilt has become one of our nation's most

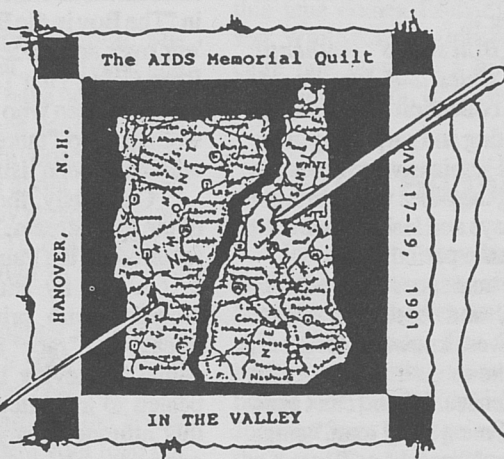
valuable resources in the fight against AIDS, promoting a caring and educational dialogue about the epidemic. The non-threatening nature of The Quilt encourages all types of people – not just gays and lesbians – to see the epidemic from its

human side, often compelling them to become personally involved in the struggle. In fact, the impact of The Quilt has been so great that the NAMES Project has been nominated for a Nobel Peace Prize.

Every Quilt display is a community-based project, sponsored, supported,

and staffed by local people. Dartmouth College has taken a key role in this project by donating space and support.

The Quilt will be in New Hampshire during the weekend of May 17, 18, and 19, 1991. This project will require a lot of volunteer support. Volunteers will be needed at different stages of planning before the Quilt weekend, and also during and after the weekend itself. Volunteers interested in helping to bring this tremendously powerful exhibit to the Upper Valley are asked to contact the volunteer committee—Jack Dryak at 603/448-6908 or Barbara Schwartz 802/674-6327.



## Pride Day Moves to Burlington

Planning for Pride Day 1991, to be held on Saturday, June 22, continues to gain momentum.

The biggest news so far comes in the form of a change of venue. Despite previous announcements that the event would take place in Montpelier, organizers now report that Burlington has been chosen as host city for the festivities. Citing inadequate indoor facilities in Montpelier as the major reason behind the change, Vermont Pride Chairperson Ronnie Bancroft has reserved Contois Auditorium in City Hall as a rain space for the gathering.

The noon rally will begin on the steps of City Hall, followed by a march at 12:30 through the city streets. Other events, including workshops and performances, will occur inside City Hall until 5:00.

That evening, Virginia and the Wolves will perform at a dance party to be held in Memorial Auditorium.

Bancroft hopes that a record number of groups and individuals will become involved in Pride Day 1991. The next planning meeting for Vermont Pride will occur on April 14. All those interested should call Ronnie at 479-1250 for more information.



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