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1 WEDNESDAY

BELLOWS FALLS – Bellows Falls Opera House/Theater Restoration Committee is sponsoring a showing of Jean Shepherd's classic Christmas film "A Christmas Story" at the New Falls Cinema on the Square at 7:15pm. Prior to the movie, the audience will be treated to a medley of seasonal songs sung by two local groups: The Four Decades Quartet barber shop quartet from Westminister at 6:30pm and the local female ensemble The Ridikulettes at 6:45pm. Admission is free but donations to the Restoration Fund will be requested. FMI: Call Restoration Committee member Stuart Joseph at (802) 463-1954.

BENNINGTON - World AIDS Day Concert featuring Karen Capaldi, Meg Hutchinson and Hal Watters. 7:00pm (doors open 6:00pm) at the Bennington Center for the Arts. Tickets $10 in advance or $12 at the door. All proceeds to benefit AIDServices of Southwestern Vermont. FMI: (802) 447-8007.

BURLINGTON – 135 Pearl - Karaoke Kapers, hosted by Bob Bolyard and Eric Brenner, 9:30, no cover

BURLINGTON - Vermont CARES Holiday Gift wrapping at The Book Rack and other independent booksellers through Dec. 24th. To volunteer, call Garrett at 863-2437 or 800-649-2437

2 THURSDAY

BURLINGTON - 6:30 at Vermont Floral on Pine Street. Pride Committee Meeting, everyone welcome and encouraged to participate in the planning process for our community's celebration. At this meeting we will be voting on bylaws, electing officers, setting a location for 2000 Pride, and setting agendas for future meetings. For more information, contact Tracy at bartender@adelphia.net or subscribe to our listserv and join the virtual conversation. See the Community Compass page for details on how to join the list.

BURLINGTON - Trinity College of Vermont - 2:00 pm to 4:30 pm Opening reception for the Vermont Women's Business Center (VWBC), Vermont's first Small Business Association sponsored Women's Business Center. The reception begins at 2:00 and will be followed at 3:00 by a program featuring representative from the state and federal SBA. Congressional representative will be recognized for their role in ensuring available funding for the National Women's Business Center Program.

RICHMOND - 6:30 - 8:00 OITM office above the Daily Bread Bakery in Richmond. Out in the Mountains staff meeting. Everyone welcome to join in the working meeting. If you want to get involved, this is a great place to start.

ST. ALBANS - Franklin/Grand Isle AIDS Taskforce invites you to a Community Forum to learn more about HIV/AIDS in the Franklin/Grand Isle Community. 7 pm, Northwestern Medical Center Conference Center. Panel of HIV+ speakers and an educator from VT CARES will speak and answer questions. FMI: Kara, (800) 649-2437.

3 FRIDAY

BURLINGTON –135 Pearl - Women's Dance, 6-10pm, $5

MONTPELIER – The T.W. Wood Gallery and Arts Center is pleased to present "A Gift of Art, 24th Annual Art Resource Association Exhibit". The exhibit runs from 3rd-24th Dec, 1999. FMI contact Phillip A. Robertson at (802) 828-8743 or e-mail phillipr@norwich.edu

4 SATURDAY

FRANKLIN, NH - Amelia's Holiday Potluck and Games, 6 pm, at Laurie and Carla's: (603) 934-6526.

MONTPELIER - The Vermont Gay Men's Chorus - "A Vocal Minority" - winter concert, 8 pm, UU Church. Music by Bach, Vivaldi, Ken Langer and other traditional pieces. Suggested $6; dessert reception to follow. FMI: (802) 633-2389 or robnyves@together.net.

WILLIAMSTOWN - 4 pm, W.O.W. Annual Tacky Christmas Party. Bring your tacky gift, a food item to share and your preferred beverage. Tacky dress optional. FMI or directions: (802) 433-5990.

5 SUNDAY

BURLINGTON - Dignity/VT, a safe and supportive group for l/g/b/t/q Catholics and our friends will meet for a Celebration of the Eucharist and discussion about same-gender marriage from a gay-positive theological perspective at the Chapel at the Bishop Booth Conference Center at Rock Point, Institute Road, Burlington, from 4-6 p.m. For more information please call Charles at 658-4436 or Thom at 655-6706 or write Dignity/VT, P.O. Box 61, Winooski, VT 05404.

ST. JOHNSBURY - The Vermont Gay Men's Chorus "A Vocal Minority" winter concert. 4 pm, UU Church, corner of Eastern Ave. and Cherry St. Music by Bach, Vivaldi, Ken Langer and other traditional pieces. Suggested $6; dessert reception to follow. FMI: (802) 633-2389 or robnyves@together.net.

6 MONDAY

BENNINGTON - Bennington: Community Forum and Pot-Luck Supper on Same Gender Marriage, Bennington Free Library - Rotary Room, Silver Street, Bennington, VT, 6-8 pm, sponsored by Vermont Freedom to Marry Task Force. FMI: Sue Sweeney, (802) 823-0257

MONTPELIER – Illumination 1999, College Green, 6-7:30pm. Please join the staff of Vermont College and the Wood Art Gallery for our annual lighting of the trees on the College Green. Then come into the gallery for hot cider and caroling led by Margaret Harmon. A wonderful holiday event for kids of all ages ! FMI contact Phillip A. Robertson at (802) 828-8743 or e-mail phillipr@norwich.edu

7 TUESDAY

BURLINGTON – 135 Pearl - Drag Bingo with Lady Zeno, 8pm-Midnight, a fundraiser for Pride Vermont

8 WEDNESDAY

BURLINGTON – 135 Pearl - Karaoke Kapers, hosted by Bob Bolyard and Eric Brenner, 9:30, no cover

GRANTHAM, NH - Amelia's Book Club Meeting. 7:30-9 pm. Selection for discussion will be Erica Fischer, Edna McCown (Translator)'s Aimee & Jaguar : A Love Story, Berlin 1943 $10.36 @ amazon.com. FMI & directions: Bev, (603) 863-2810.

ST. JOHNSBURY - Vermont CARES St. Johnsbury Holiday Party 6:00 pm. Call 748-9061 or 800-649-2437

9 THURSDAY

BURLINGTON – 135 Pearl - Zen and the Art of Dancing, a Dream Party Productions dance, 10pm-2am,$4-$5

10 FRIDAY

BURLINGTON – 135 Pearl - The House of LeMay presents, "The Miss Beaver Pond Contest", a fundraiser for Pride Vermont. 8:00pm, $6.

FAIRLEE - Weekend Retreat for GLBTQA Youth: Headrest's Teens Taking Charge for a World Without AIDS (Fri-Sun). This inexpensive/free weekend retreat focuses on community building and HIV prevention for GLBTQA youth of high school age from NH and VT. Transportation may be available for VT participants. FMI: Gina Capossela, Headrest Teen Program Director, (603) 448-4872, ext. 210 or gina@headrest.org for pamphlets, permission forms, and registration info. ASAP!

11 SATURDAY

BURLINGTON - The 135 Pearl annual Holiday Party, 10pm-2am, $6.

12 SUNDAY

BURLINGTON – A musical adaptation of the holiday favorite "A Christmas Carol" by the Nebraska Theatre Caravan at the Flynn Theater, 7pm. Tickets are $29.50, $25.50 and $18.00 and are available in person at the Flynn Regional Box Office window at 153 Main Street, Burlington or by calling (802) 863-5966.

MONTPELIER - The Vermont Gay Men's Chorus - "A Vocal Minority" – choral sing, 6:30 pm, UU Church. FMI: (802) 633-2389 or robnyves@together.net.

13 MONDAY

BURLINGTON - R.U.1.2? Holiday Potluck. 'Tis the season to pig out on holiday cheer...and some great food too! Feast with us at Rhombus Gallery (corner of Church and College, 2nd floor) from 6-8pm. We'll bring hot cider and virgin egg nog, you bring your favorite recipes and we'll all unload our holiday woes on each other! Admission is free and all are welcome to attend.

14 TUESDAY

BURLINGTON – Vermont CARES Burlington Holiday Party 5:00 pm. Call Carolyn at 863-2437 or 800-649-2437

BURLINGTON – 135 Pearl - Drag Bingo with Lady Zeno, 8pm-Midnight, a fundraiser for Pride Vermont

BURLINGTON - Vermont Freedom to Marry Chittenden County group meeting. This meeting will include information about the Freedom to Marry issue that would be useful in talking to others about signing Vermont Voices For Equality or in other speaking roles. Meeting at 7 pm at the home of Erika Nestor, 53 Henry St. Bring a friend or two! FMI Erika Nestor, 863-4256 (h), 656-0367 (w).

15 WEDNESDAY

Ad space reservation deadline for OITM January issue. Call 434- 5237 or email ads@vtpride.org for more information.

BURLINGTON – 135 Pearl Karaoke Kapers, hosted by Bob Bolyard and Eric Brenner, 9:30, no cover

RUTLAND – Vermont CARES Rutland Holiday Party 6:00 pm. Call 775-5884 or 800-649-2437

16 THURSDAY

Deadline for Community Compass, Letters to the Editor, Calendar, and Classifieds. Send calendar items to calendar@vtpride.org, classifieds to classified@vtpride.org (or use the form on our web site), and Community Compass entries and Letters to the Editor to oitm@together.net.

17 FRIDAY

BURLINGTON – Northern New England Tradeswomen STEP UP graduation. FMI contact NNET, 189 N. Main St #9, Barre VT 05641. Call (802) 476-4040, e-mail nnetw@together.net or web site www.together.net/~nnetw

BURLINGTON – "Tap Dogs" at the Flynn Theater 8pm. Gene Kelly meets Mad Max in Australia's award-winning sensation, Tap Dogs, which returns to the Flynn by popular demand. Dressed like construction workers in jeans, t-shirts, and cleated work boots, six blue-collar blokes weave complex rhythms as they tap on ladders, scaffolds, and steel girders. Tickets are $42 and $32. For availability, contact the Flynn Regional Box Office at (802) 863-5966.

19 SUNDAY

BURLINGTON - Burlington Men's Health Project Holiday Brunch at 135 Pearl. Call Thomas at 863-2437 or 800-649-2437

BURLINGTON – 135 Pearl - Brunch, 11am-2pm, $5

MONTPELIER – Vermont CARES Montpelier Holiday Party 3:00 pm. Call 229-4560 or 800-649-2437

21 TUESDAY

***BURLINGTON** – 135 Pearl Drag Bingo* with Lady Zeno, 8pm-Midnight, a fundraiser for Pride Vermont

22 WEDNESDAY

BURLINGTON – 135 Pearl Karaoke Kapers, hosted by Bob Bolyard and Eric Brenner, 9:30, no cover

24 FRIDAY

MONTPELIER – "Religion, Myth and Fancy" exhibition in the Wood Room at the TW Wood Gallery and Arts Center. An unusual selection of 19th century paintings from the permanent collection featuring: T.W. Wood, William H. Beard, Frederick S. Church and many other paintings that have not been shown since the gallery was housed at the Kellog-Hubbard Library. FMI contact Phillip A. Robertson at (802) 828-8743 or e-mail phillipr@norwich.edu

30 THURSDAY

RICHMOND - OITM Distribution in our office above the Daily Bread Bakery. The papers arrive around 11:00 and we work until everything is done - generally between 6:00 and 7:00. Drop by anytime between 10am and 7pm, there'll be something for you to do. FMI: oitm@together.net or 434-6486

31 FRIDAY

BURLINGTON – 135 Pearl New Year's Eve Party, 5pm-2am, $20