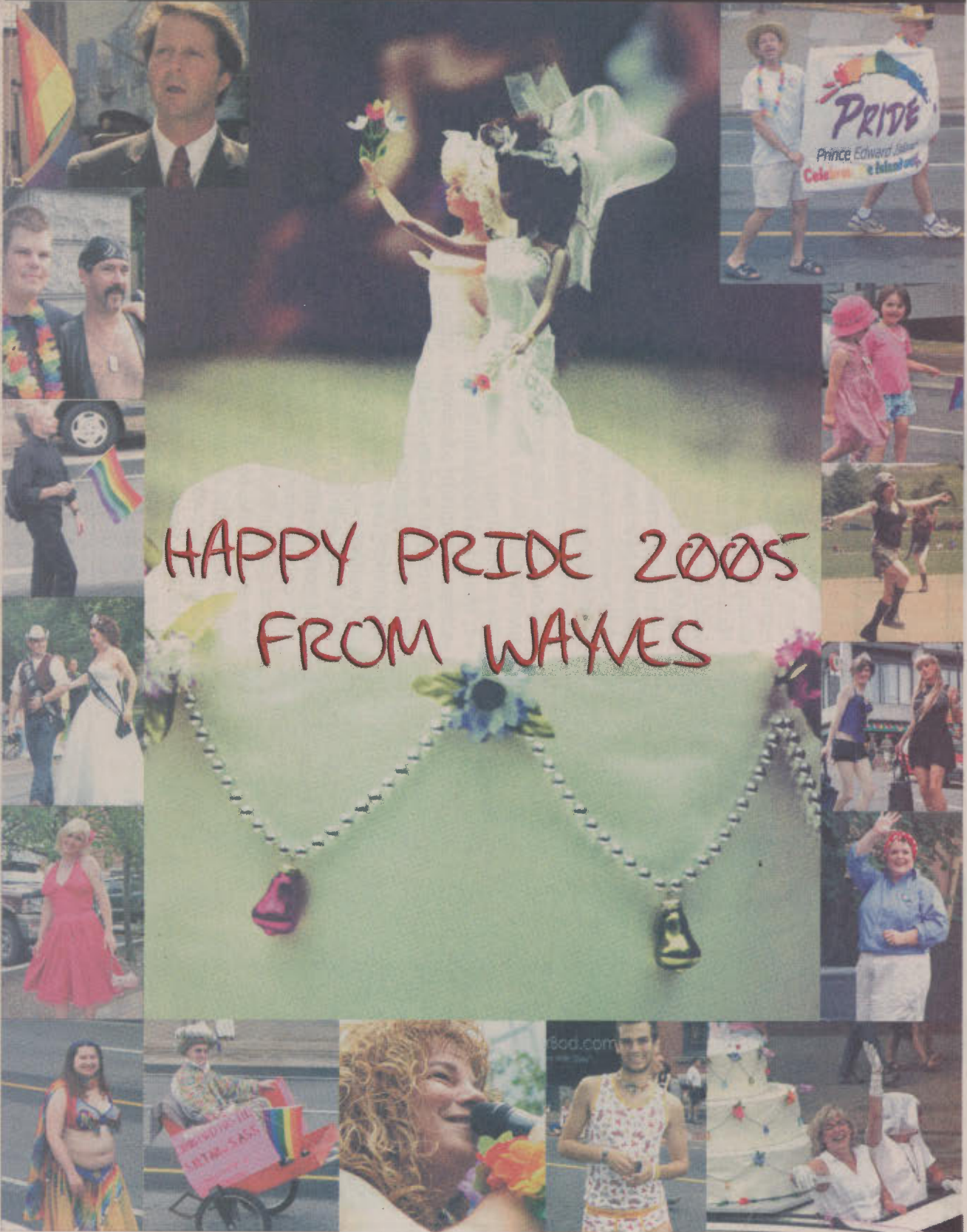


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Letters

Dear Wayves:

Two 18-month calendars were recently launched in our community: *Devastated: Divas of Halifax* and *Leathermen of Atlantic Canada* by ISCANS as a fundraising initiative.

As many readers know these calendars have not been without their controversy. What I do want to focus on is not the controversy, which can be tedious and steeped in the minutia of narrow agendas, but the volunteer achievement.

The ISCANS calendars are a great example of an all-volunteer project, a labour of love authored by Empress Deva and his partner Jake. They had one goal in mind - to help ISCANS raise much needed dollars for four very worthy charities in our community: Canadian Breast Cancer Society, ACNS, Bryony House for Battered Women and the Family Pride Camping Association.

In the grand scheme of things, a calendar title matters not a whit to a single mom with

nowhere to turn, a person living with HIV/AIDS in crisis, or a kid who needs a break for a week where he or she can feel safe.

It is so difficult to get committed volunteers to do things to begin with, and it is especially discouraging to see those volunteers rapped on the knuckles when they do achieve something noteworthy. Is it any wonder why people in our community second-guess getting involved and volunteering?

Let's try a unique approach: celebrate our volunteer achievements, work through our differences and learn from our mistakes in a constructive way. Needless confrontations and the resulting bad blood between groups in our community are unnecessary.

Deva and Jake deserve a thank you for the time and creative energy they devoted to making this project happen. Their efforts were well intentioned and if there were any oversights I am positive they were honest ones.

With the reader's support of these calendars four charities and the people they serve will benefit.

Raymond Taavel, Halifax

About Our Cover

Sylvia Tremblay provides us with some cake to enjoy while we watch Dan MacKay, Halifax Mayor Peter Kelly, LuLu LaRude, Rosie Porter, Jane Wright, Crawford Hastie ("The Sultan of Sass!"), and more enjoying Halifax Pride!

Photo thanks to Patrick Casey, Craig D'Orsay, Dan Davis, Ryanne Driscoll, Joseph Michael, and Sylvia Tremblay.

Dear Wayves,

I want to congratulate Randall Perry for his excellent review of the ISCANS leathermen calendar. He was fair and honest in the article by noting that other than Wayne Toole there are no other real leathermen in this calendar. ISCANS went for the "pretty" look when compiling the photos and found guys (some who are very hot) to dress in leather and pose for pictures.

But the title of the calendar is very misleading in that most of those featured in the

calendar seldom wear leather in public and certainly don't associate themselves with the true leathermen in the city. Being a leatherman comprises more than just wearing a pair of chaps. There are certain beliefs and codes of conduct that a true leatherman abides by and I really doubt that many of those in the calendar would have any knowledge of what being a true leatherman is really about.

Perhaps this is the time when some of the senior members of the Halifax leather community should take over operations of MACL and restore the group to the respected community group it once was. The drag queens can concentrate on promoting their sector of the community and the leathermen can return to rule what is rightfully their place in the community.

One other point I'd like to mention is that people in the community have been bitching among themselves about Randall and his article. Your time would be better spent understanding that not everyone shares the same opinion on every topic, but if you still insist on complaining - put your comments in writing and send it to Wayves.

Jean-Claude Theriault, Halifax, NS

Dear Wayves:

Congratulations to Randall Perry for his outstanding review and the "oh so true" points he made on the recently released ISCANS "Leather Men of Atlantic Canada" calendar. For future reference, please note the proper and politically correct spellings are: "Leatherman, Leathermen, Leatherwoman, Leatherwomen and when inclusive of both genders it is "Leatherfolk."

I laughed at each line that he

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Important WAYVES Dates!

Issue Content Deadlines:

Sept 2, Oct 7, Nov 4

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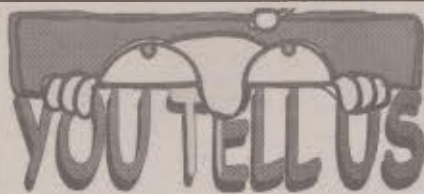
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On The Stands and In The Mail:

Sept 24, Oct 29, Nov 26



Twenty-eight people responded to last month's question, "Is My Fabulous Gay Wedding promoting stereotypes?"

Fourteen answered yes, with reasons ranging from

"Gays camping it up and talking about wearing dresses is what straight people want to see" to "Does it matter? MFGW depicts and defines us, not as simply sexual but loving as well."

Among the five no's were comments that "MFGW portrays a wide range of couples (both men and women) who are of different ages, tastes, and so forth ... and it's a very positive thing" and "Some of the people on the show are obviously "very gay" but same-sex love and commitment certainly don't fall into any category or class of "stereotype" that I'm aware of."

Eight people weren't sure. One respondent felt that "Stereotypes come from somewhere and what is the point of denying a part of our so-called community?"

We thank you for all your responses and invite you to vote on the frontpage of www.wayves.ca for this month's question:

Now that same-sex marriage is the law of the land, is there anything else to fight for?

Lesbian, Gay & Bisexual Youth Project

Youth Project Embraces Pride

by Sheena Jamieson & Roger Bouthillier

Sure, last year there was a fun float in the parade, but nothing compares to how the Lesbian, Gay and Bisexual Youth Project participated in this year's Pride Week!

With some creative vision and on-going encouragement from its fundraising committee, The Youth Project embraced Pride Week 2005 with incredible excitement. The objective was three-fold: to raise some money for the organization, to raise further awareness of The Youth Project's existence and services and, most importantly, to demonstrate how youth are current contributors and the future of the community.

The Youth Project began to liaise with the Pride Committee in early May, taking a look at the vision and long list of exciting activities planned for Pride Week 2005. The Youth Project asked to become a 'partner.'

What could the Youth

Project offer the Pride Committee? Its collective force and creativity. The Pride Committee was well along in their planning, so to accommodate The Youth Project's objectives, they exercised some flexibility and patience as their new partner likely slowed down the momentum that they had built up over almost a year of planning. After just a few meetings, it was obvious that The Youth Project was ready to throw all its energy behind the already dedicated and hard-working Pride Committee and that the partnership was real and beneficial for both.

Support and enthusiasm for one another mounted quickly, motivating everyone to work harder. The Youth Project selected six of the Pride Week planned activities to participate in: The Dykes vs. Divas Ballgame, the Official Proclamation, Queer Comedy Night, Reel Pride Film Festival, Read-

ing Out Loud, and the Parade. Youth showed up in numbers at each event, approaching them all with professionalism, flexibility, bursting enthusiasm and (of course) pride.

The unique contributions of the youth were evident all week long: Kourtney Stacey opened up the ballgame singing the national anthem, the tag-team ticket sellers Zonia and Bronwyn raised nearly \$400 in the bandstands for a 50/50 draw, Matthew Tracey wrote a song entitled 'This Town' and performed it for Mayor Peter Kelly during the reception of the Official Proclamation, a team of youth peddled their way down the parade route selling ice cream and water despite the overcast sky - the list goes on.

The Youth Project's objectives were met and surpassed: they raised significant funds, profiled their organization to thousands throughout the week and felt tremendously proud about their place in the community.

At a Pride Week Volunteer Appreciation night, many were recognized for their dedication to Pride Week. The Youth Project also took the opportunity to invite a few members of the Pride Committee and, with much satisfaction, presented them with an \$800+ cheque toward the debt incurred to run Pride Week 2005 and to say thanks for the tireless efforts of the Pride Committee.

Pride Committee member Raymond Taavel accepted the cheque on behalf of the committee Co-chair Jay Thordarson and thanked the Youth Project for its participation, reiterating how important it is to the community, not only as current contributors to pride week, but also as the future of pride in Halifax.

It has been suggested that this unique partnership could easily serve as a model for other similar initiatives and plans are already under way to highlight and share the significance of what unfolded here in Halifax, with other Pride committees across the country. If nothing else, the partnership between The Youth Project and The Pride Committee, here in Halifax, appears to be an enduring one that is only bound to get stronger.

Sheena Jamieson and Roger Bouthillier are coordinators for the Gay, Lesbian and Bisexual Youth Project.

Blossoming from Youth to Adulthood.

By Bryn Jones-Vaillancourt
The youth of any community is vital to the community's survival. They will be future leaders, business owners, politicians and strong community members. The resources, information and support services that are available to youth play a vital role in the type of adults that will emerge. Fortunately, for lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender youth of Nova Scotia there is the Youth Project to provide a host of support and social outreach services.

The Youth Project has been in operation for thirteen years, initially operated and governed by Planned Parenthood of Halifax. Since its inception, the project has been in a constant state of growth. Over the last five years, involvement and membership within the Youth Project have greatly increased. One major influence on the increase and re-organization of the center was the granting of non-profit group status to the Youth Project. Also, finding a permanent location on Brunswick Street allowed for increased visibility to the greater community.

With the separation from Planned Parenthood of Halifax, the center was able to develop its own constitution, operational guidelines and further spearhead efforts for resource availability and support services. Operational directives

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Call for Youth Art

PROUD art! A collection of works by GLBT Youth. Want to become a published artist? The Lesbian, Gay and Bisexual Youth Project is looking for youth artists - photography, painting, sketches, writing, poetry, lyrics, etc. to be a part of a new coffee table book containing the creative product of GLBT youth from across Atlantic Canada. Anyone 25 and under is welcome to submit as many pieces of writing and/or artwork as they want, and be a part of this great new idea - we are waiting to hear from you! Submissions can be sent to thproject@youthproject.ns.ca, or mailed to 2281 Brunswick Street, Halifax NS, B3K 2Y9. Please call 429-5429 with any questions.

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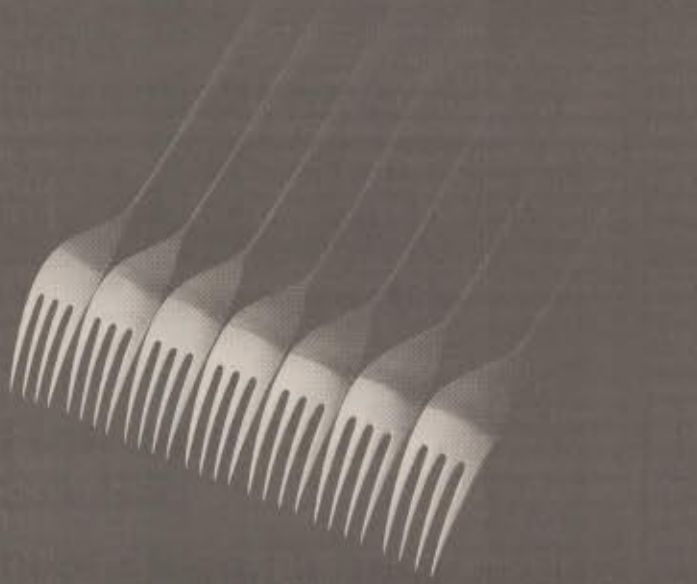


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Halifax AIDS Walk 2005



The Halifax AIDS Walk is presented by and in support of the AIDS Coalition of Nova Scotia (ACNS). ACNS is a non-profit, community-based AIDS organization whose mission is to empower persons living with and affected by HIV/AIDS and those at risk through health promotion and mutual support and to reduce the spread of HIV in Nova Scotia on Sunday, September 25, 2005. Register today, gather a Team Together!

Halifax AIDS Walk, hundreds of walkers in the HRM coming together to show support in the fight against HIV/AIDS by raising money for our Health Fund and awareness of HIV/AIDS.

The walk will begin on the Halifax Commons. Walkers are raising funds for our Health Fund, part of our Support

Program, which offers people living with HIV/AIDS (PHA's) a bi-monthly stipend of \$75.00. The majority of our HIV-positive members live in poverty, either on a disability pension or they are supported through Community Services.

While most medication costs are covered, there are other medical costs such as vitamins;

special care needs alternative therapies that they must cover themselves. The money obtained through this fund helps to offset those costs. A person who regularly accesses our fund had this to say, "Knowing the Health Fund is there for me is important and it helps me get those other things that are small but important."

4,200 Canadians are infected with HIV each year; infection rates have increased over the past 5 years despite prevention messages; rates among young women are alarming. It is estimated that 30,000 Canadians are living with HIV/AIDS and are not aware they are positive. Despite advances in drug cocktails, there is no cure for AIDS!

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and project directions come from a collaborative effort of the Youth Board and the Board of Directors. This allows the center to remain closely connected to the youth on all levels ranging from participation to policy development and project operations.

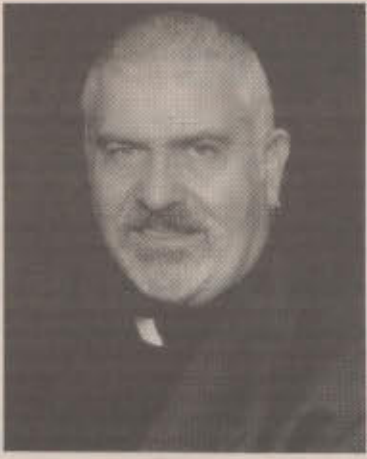
Another reason for the success of the center within the last two years has been a strong network of Gay-Straight Alliances (GSAs) that have formed in the majority of Metro Halifax high schools. This permitted a large opportunity for visibility, youth inclusion and awareness building of issues facing queer youth.

Where the center used to plan most events only a few weeks in advance, it now has seasonal events schedules. The Youth Project has gone from a place of uncertainty within the queer community to one of respect and acceptance. Increased presence in Pride Week activities in the last two years has also helped to foster this.

The most important thing the center does is provide a safe, secure place for youth of 18-25 to explore themselves and discuss shared experiences among peers. Even though the majority of queer youth currently

come out at an earlier age, they are still faced with issues of homophobia, heterosexism, gender stereotyping and transphobia. In addition to providing a social venue for youth, the center also offers a range of counseling services and a lending library. Patrick Daigle, the current Support Services Coordinator, hopes to have to Safe Home Program running again in September 2005. This program provides queer youth with short- or long-term queer positive housing, if their current situation is violent or damaging.

Throughout the Fall, the center will be working hard on its outreach services across the province, presenting workshops about queer issues and of course events for the queer youth of Nova Scotia. On a final note, the Youth Project is looking for a new name to better address their inclusion of support for all queer youth. Currently, the official name is the Gay, Lesbian & Bisexual Youth Project of Nova Scotia. However, the staff is searching for a name that will be more inclusive of all the youth that they serve. If you have any ideas please submit them to youthproject@youthproject.ns.ca



Leader of Worlds Largest GLBT Organization Coming to Halifax!

by Bob Fougere

On Thursday, September 22, the Rev. Dr. Troy D. Perry, moderator of the world's largest international church started in the gay, lesbian, bisexual, and transgender communities, will be arriving in Halifax to help kick off the celebrations for Safe Harbour Metropolitan Community Church's 14th Anniversary Weekend Festivities.

Rev. Perry, who founded the worldwide denomination, Metropolitan Community Churches (MCC), in October of 1968, is the spiritual head of a church that now has over 43,000 members in 23 countries around the globe. MCC was the first church to recognize the necessity of ministering to the needs of glbt persons throughout the world.

Rev. Perry's activism has taken many turns during the past 37 years, and includes positions on a number of boards of glbt organizations. He held a seat on the Los Angeles County Commission on Human Relations. In 1978, the American Civil Liberties Union Lesbian and Gay Rights Chapter honoured him with its Humanitarian Award. He holds several honorary doctorates because of his work in civil rights, and was recognized by the Gay Press Association with its Humanitarian Award in 2003. Rev. Perry was invited to the White House in 1977 by President Jimmy Carter to discuss gay and lesbian civil rights issues and was a guest of President Bill Clinton at the 1997 White House Conference on Hate Crimes. Most recently, Rev. Perry was recognized by the city of Los Angeles, which dedicated a plaque to honour him as one of the three Christopher Street West founders of Pride. The plaque marks the spot where the first Los Angeles Pride Parade stepped off, one year after the Stonewall Riots—the very first Pride Event in the USA. In addition to his work as a gay religious leader and human rights activist, Rev. Perry has written several books.

Perry and his partner of 18 years, Philip De Blicke, were married in Toronto on July 16, 2003. The couple returned to their home in California and won a legal battle to have their marriage recognized by the

state. At a recent international church conference in Calgary, Rev. Perry credited Canada and our commitment to human rights as the catalyst that will bring eventual change to the USA and many other countries throughout the world. While Rev. Perry realizes the oppression still facing gays and lesbians, he stands at the vanguard of the movement, telling his flock and the rest of the world, "We're Not Afraid Anymore."

Safe Harbour's 14th Anniversary Weekend Festivities with Rev. Perry will include a book signing party at Frog Hollow Books located in Park Lane Mall from 11am - 12:30pm on Saturday September 24. September 24th also marks the first anniversary of the legalization of same sex marriages in Nova Scotia, and the Nova Scotia Rainbow Action Project (NSRAP) will be hosting "My Big Gay Wedding Anniversary Gala," which will be held at the Casino Nova Scotia Hotel. Rev. Perry will be the keynote speaker. Tickets for the event are \$75.00 per person and reservations for tables of 10 can also be booked. For more information or tickets please call NSRAP at 444-7887.

On Sunday, September 25th, Safe Harbour Metropolitan Community Church will celebrate its 14th year as a congregation within the world-wide denomination of the Metropolitan Community Churches. "This is a significant event within the life of our church," said Rev.

Darlene Young, minister of Safe Harbour.

Fourteen years ago, a group of 12 people, after worshiping together for about a year in Halifax, made application to become part of the Metropolitan Community Church. Since that time the congregation has more than doubled in membership and serves a significant number of people within the 'rainbow community' who claim Safe Harbour as their church. Over the years the church has provided programs for spiritual growth and development and a variety of ministry projects including the popular Community Christmas Dinner. For the past eight years the congregation has been running a special needs food bank, 'Manna for Health' which has catered to the needs of people living with HIV/AIDS and other life threatening illnesses.

Rev. Young, issuing a warm invitation, said, "Come and join us for a truly wonderful celebration of God's blessings during the first 14 years of our life as a church and our shared hope in the promises of many more blessings as we continue our journey into the future."

Safe Harbour MCC's 14th Anniversary Worship Service will be held at St. John's United Church - corner of Windsor and Willow Sts at 2pm. Rev. Perry will be the guest preacher. The service will feature local choirs and musicians and a reception will follow in the church hall. All are welcome.

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Hi Tom

Ever have one of those days when it seems even inanimate objects are conspiring against you? You know when mugs suddenly leap from your hand and smash themselves on the kitchen floor just as you are reaching for that essential refill from the coffee pot. You're running two minutes late and the bus is three minutes early. And, once you do arrive at work - late! - pens drop from your fingers, desk drawers thrust themselves against your knee caps, staples insert themselves into the tips of your fingers and while you're sucking the blood from the wound you see your reflection in the shiny surface of the office window and notice that your fly is open - and worse, nobody noticed!

Well, I had been having one of those weeks but with the arrival of the weekend I was hoping for some peace and quiet. Until, that is, I burned my hand on the barbecue and also found that my piano, in sullen response to the increased humidity, refused to play in any key except e-fart minor! Eventually you just have to laugh!

Sunday afternoon brought the prospect of some much-needed R and R of a sexual nature. An online friend was in the area for a visit and I offered to welcome the weary traveller with brunch and a little naked recreation. We had just made some serious inroads into the wine in a box which he had brought (I know, I know - "wine in a box?" you're asking. What's next? Auditioning for Trailer Park Boys?) We were savouring the wine... and each other! ... when the phone rang. Now, my answering machine resides on the nightstand where it squints at the world with a baleful red eye but, for the most part, accurately records incoming messages. What it refuses to do, however, is perform this task silently. So, just as the chilled white wine was warming up to body temperature - we had discovered several ways of checking this - out from the speaker, loud and clear as a church bell came the voice of my mother, cheerfully chatting away about family news. The mood in the bedroom took an abrupt nosedive.

A new - silent! - answering machine is definitely on my must-have list.

Actually the interruption was not entirely negative. My newfound bosom companion had just informed me that he had a "thing" for armpits and wondered if sometime I might forgo showering and deodorant for a while so that he could savour the "man smells." Now I like armpits too - mostly I like the way they fit so tidily under the shoulders, but as for "man smells" I prefer these in bottles marked Perry Ellis or Calvin Klein. I have no problem with getting a little rough and rugged now and then - I once went three days without moisturizing! - but armpits hold no erotic appeal for me. Nipples on the other hand are like the volume controls for Lust Radio! Interesting isn't it, Tom, how we all have different reactions to different body parts - aside from the obvious particularity of penis and pudenda. Hands, neck, feet, ear lobes they can all hold special appeal for someone. I find Colin Farrell's eyebrows sexy, although I think he somehow inherited them and the shoulders from Joan Crawford.

I've always been much more of a bum/leg man, myself. One of the joys of dining on the patio at my favourite pub is watching the waiter with the rugby player legs and the Botticelli curls. When I think of a well-rounded man, I always think of thighs.

I had occasion to consider this from a different angle when I took a rickshaw ride in Halifax recently: A leisurely way to see parts of the city and a great view of my driver, Blake. Nothing like hauling people up and down hills in a wheeled cart to develop the legs and glutes! Rusty always laughs when I talk about this since he insists on understanding "pulling my rickshaw" as a euphemism.

I stopped in to see B. and Milosh while I was there. They were happily assembling their latest IKEA purchase. I'm not convinced that two gay men buying a double walk-in closet is a step forward but if it makes them happy.

Got to go Tommy, the VCR is trying to eat one of my cherished porn tapes. Machines, sigh! Another item for the list.

Love ya!
Crawford

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MAC Leather 2006 Contest

Steve Laviolette, Chairman of the Moncton Leather Chapter and host of this year's MACLeather contest, has announced preliminary details on the event.

The seventh Mr. and Ms. Atlantic Canada Leather Contest, "Survivors" will be held September 30th to October 2nd in Moncton.

Happening mainly in and around the Moncton downtown core, this year's host hotel is the Rodd Park House Inn, 434 Main Street. For people who wished to reserve early, the Inn is offering a "MACLeather Special" of \$65 per night.

Friday night events start off at 6pm with a dinner and roast honouring MACLeather 2005 Wayne Toole and then adjourns to "Meet and Greet the Meat" where this year's candidates

are introduced to party with the crowd. Locations for both of these events have yet to be determined.

During Saturday confirmed events start with Leather Cocktails, 7 pm at the Aberdeen Cultural Centre, the Contest site. MACLeather 7 - Survivors begins at 8pm and continues until the last man and woman is left standing. Around 11 pm everybody moves to Triangles, 234 Saint George Street for The Victory Ball. Mr. Laviolette is also hoping for an afternoon tea dance and a late hours dance party.

After an exhausting Saturday, Sunday will feature the True Survivor Brunch, where everyone bids a fond farewell to all.

For further updates contact Steve Laviolette at TheMLC@rogers.com or (506)388-2781.

Refusal to raise flag leads to transfer

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The City of St. John's has transferred a commissioner out of city hall for his refusal to raise a flag celebrating Gay Pride week.

Mayor Andy Wells raised the flag himself on Monday after the commissioner whose job it was to raise it, refused to do it.

Wells says that the commissioner has since been transferred out of city hall.

"We can't tolerate that kind of behaviour at city hall. I mean, we're not, you know, I mean it's not acceptable," he says.

The commissioner was not available for an interview. It is known that he is a retired veteran who felt that gay pride went against his beliefs.

The director of building and property management with the city, David Blackmore, says the city needs staff who will do every part of the job.

"We have a certain requirement for a level of service to be provided. If an employee cannot or is not prepared to provide


that service then of course we would deal with his company," he says.

People in the St. John's gay community have applauded the swift action from city hall.


Gerry Rogers, the woman who opened the Gay Pride ceremony, says having the com-

missionaire transferred shows that discrimination will not be tolerated in public places like city hall.

"That becomes a really strong public statement, again, that homophobia is not okay and intolerance is not okay," she says.




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The end of summer is often, in these parts, the hottest and most humid weather of the year, and when you're feeling weighted down by the atmosphere, the thought of preparing, let alone eating a hot meal, is often a turn off. Luckily this time is also prime time for early harvest vegetables. September ushers in beautiful vine ripened tomatoes, bell peppers and sweet corn, for which I have a fabulous recipe. This one is an oldie but a goody, which seems to have fallen out of fashion in recent years, but I think deserves a come back tour. It's light, refreshing, full of nutrition, and just plain old yummy!!! There are many variations of this soup of Spanish origins, but this is the most popular and widely known in North America. What makes it truly North American is the addition of sweet corn. In Spain this soup would be thickened with day old bread, but I prefer fresh bread served up on the side.

Chilled Gazpacho Soup "Andalusian"

Ingredients (for 4-6 servings of soup)

- 1 med English cucumber
- 1 med green bell pepper
- 1 small Spanish onion
- 2 cobs sweet corn (cut off the cob)
- 2 1/2 lbs fresh ripe tomatoes (peeled, seeded and chopped) (Diced can tomatoes work well too)
- 3 cups clamato juice or tomato juice
- 1/4 cup lime juice
- 2 cloves fresh garlic
- 1 fresh jalapeno pepper
- 3 tbsp extra virgin olive oil
- 2 tsp sea salt
- 1/2 tsp ground cumin
- 1 tsp fresh ground black pepper
- 1/3 cup chopped cilantro or flat leaf parsley
- 1/4 sour cream

Method

1. In a food processor finely chop, but do not purée the cucumber and green pepper. Remove to a large bowl.
2. Then do the same with the onion, garlic, jalapeno, and remove to same bowl.
3. Step three is the tomatoes. In the same way in the processor then add them to the other ingredients.
4. Fold in the sweet corn kernels.
5. Pour in the clamato juice, the lime juice and season with the cumin, salt and pepper.

Serving suggestions

This soup should be refrigerated for 2-3 hours prior to serving for all of the flavours to come together. For best effect serve 6-8 oz of the Gazpacho in chilled clear glass bowls. Top with a spoonful of sour cream, a drizzle of extra virgin olive oil and chopped fresh cilantro. Enjoy!!!

Review: Devastated: Divas Of Halifax

Calendar: July 2005 - December 2006
Published by IS-CANS
Review by Daniel MacKay

The cover of this calendar gives you a sneak preview of the delicious photography within. The eight photos, taken by Steve himself, are stunning, glorious, as is the make-up of the twenty-five models. "These are really good looking women!" said a straight friend.

While these are the best pictures of any of these dragqueens ever taken, it's the portrait of Miss Vickie (interview and photo on page 11) that gets the most attention; it presents her at her absolute finest.

Of the two calendars, it's appropriate that the drag queens go full colour; the makeup, hair, and outfits really have to be seen in their full glory (and the men look just as butch in black and white.)



The calendar itself is dotted with birthdays of divas and other ISCANS VIPs and elements from the ISCANS and advertisers' calendars; you can learn that April 22nd, 2006, for instance is not only Earth Day but also Paul Crandlemire's birthday and the MAC Leather Fetish ball!

Don't forget to patronize the advertisers and tell them where you saw the ad.

The back page has a brief history of the Imperial Court system and thanks to the models and contributors of both calendars.

Although it is said that there are many holes in our community, we really need one more - one at the top of the calendar to hang this piece of Halifax photographic and drag art on the wall.

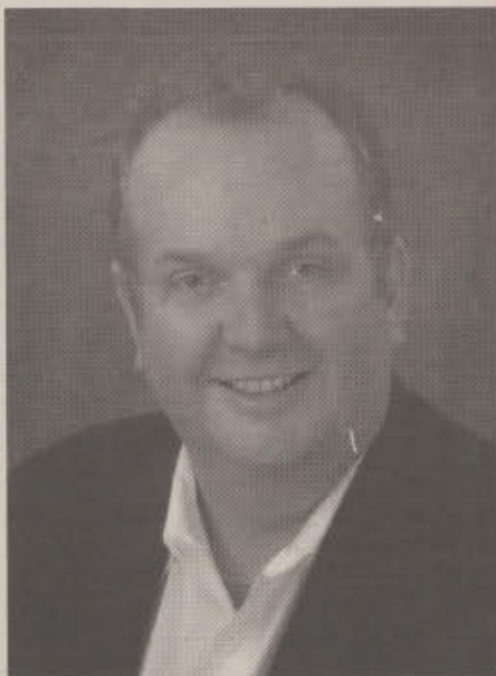
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Every year Halifax Pride owes its successes to a very special group of people, those volunteers throughout the week and on Pride Day. The Board of Halifax Pride would like to publicly thank the following people for helping out and making Halifax Pride Week the amazing success it was. Special thanks goes to those volunteers who went above and beyond the call of duty. A Big Thank You to each and every one of you.

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An Interview with Mz. Vicki DeKnight

by Michael Goodwin

In a world of illusion, where sequins, boas, wigs and makeup rule supreme, stands the self-appointed "Holy Hooker Higher Than Her Heels," better known to most in the HRM as "Mz. Vicki." I sit down to chat with her and learn there's much more to this persona than just a few sequins and perfectly applied lipstick. Years of community service has made her one of the most formidable fund raisers in all of HRM. On September 9th, a gala evening is planned at Menz Bar on Gottigen Street to honor all the hard work and dedication that Mz. Vicki has given to this community. I spend the better part of an afternoon on the sunny deck at Menz Bar, chatting, well listening, to the stories that have made Mz. Vicki who she is today. This is her story.

Wayves: "Who exactly is the 'Holy Hooker Higher Than Her Heels?'"

Mz. Vicki: "Well that's a self-appointed title. My real title is 'Her Imperial & Sovereign Majesty Empress II Mz. Vicki DeKnight,' but you can call me Mz. Vicki."

Crowned this past year as Empress II, Mz. Vicki proudly represents the Imperial Court of Nova Scotia. However, this title is one of many that Mz. Vicki dons. Her hard work in fundraising for many community-based organizations has won her many accolades. But I want to get back to her self appointed title...

Mz.V: "Actually Holy Hooker Higher Than Her Heels is something that I felt described me perfectly, but some people didn't think I should use that as a title... 'Holy' refers to my religious background, as I'm a member of Safe Harbour, and I have been an organist and piano player there for several years. 'Hooker' refers to my ability to sell anything... and I'm not referring to myself, but as in fundraising manner. 'Higher Than Her Heels...' she laughs, "well usually I'm walking around on eight-inch heels and I'm a tall gal anyway, so they said I was higher than my heels..." Mz. Vicki lets out a laugh again... "and that's all there is to it!"

W: "Where is Mz. Vicki originally from?"

Mz.V: "Originally I'm from New Brunswick, but I've lived many places over the years... Montreal, Toronto, Vancouver, Moncton, then here to Halifax. This has been my home for the last fifteen years or so."

W: "What brought you back to the Maritimes?"

Mz.V: "Well... I was living in Vancouver and it was there that Mz. Vicki was brought to life.. well actually it was Miss Victoria. Mz. Vicki wasn't born 'till I moved to Halifax. Moving back here was more out of necessity, as I was diagnosed with HIV while in Vancouver... but when I returned to New Brunswick, at that time travel expenses weren't covered as part of treatment, and I was coming to Halifax a lot... so I decided to move to the city. That was fifteen years ago and I'm still here and plan on being here for a long time to come."

W: "How are you doing as a person living with HIV?"

Mz.V: "I was diagnosed in 1983 and I've been living with HIV for twenty-two years... There have been alot of ups and downs along the years, but I'm doing good now...it's my life and it's up to me to make a difference. I feel that it's important to get out there and make this world a better place. Being caring and supportive to those who need help is what gives me the drive to go on. I may not be perfect, but I try to be as good as possible and as long as I'm around I'll always be there for the community."

"Being there" for the community is somewhat of an understatement... as we chat more I realize that Mz. Vicki is truly driven by her need to help those out there who live a life that is more challenged than most. Her work in fundraising and the support of the drag community is what has driven her life...

Mz.V: "If it weren't for all of the Drag Queens out there putting on shows and "kicking ass" there just wouldn't be the money there to support all the local community programs. I can't take all the credit alone, I've been fortunate to be supported by all of the local bars throughout the years along with all the other Drag Queens here in Halifax."

Going back in time she lists all the venues that she has performed in, drag shows and fundraising events that she never tires of doing. All in support of

the community, she works effortlessly to raise funds. Marching in countless Pride Parades, travelling about the Maritimes performing in drag shows, and an annual walker in "The Halifax AIDS Walk For Life" since 1990, she's been "Top Walker" for the past few years, not to mention that since she's raised close to \$10,000 through the support of her pledges.

Mz.V: "Last year I raised just over \$3,500 for the AIDS Walk and this year my goal is \$4,000."



I even got Rosie O'Donnell to give me a pledge for the walk when she was here on the cruise!!! So if you see me with my pledge sheets you know what I'm up to. We're fortunate to have Cathy Jones as the host of the AIDS Walk... there's nothing like a little humor to brighten the day and she's one of the best. It's September 25th at the Halifax Commons, and you have to be there by 12:30 to register and the walk starts at 1:00."

The AIDS Walk is just one of many achievements that Mz. Vicki is a proud part of. A member of Safe Harbour Metropolitan Church since 1992, she's worked hard to make a difference there as well. Having raised \$75,000 for Safe Harbour, she was awarded the "Beacon Award" by Reverend Darlene Young for outstanding achievement in fundraising.

Mz.V: "That is one of my proudest moments, knowing that that money would help so many people. It's my dream that more people will get involved in fundraising and be proud of our community. If we all get out there and make just a little difference it adds up... it just makes this a better place to live."

Mz. Vicki is no stranger to the media either. The Chronicle Herald has interviewed her on several occasions, and she even took part in interviews with Dalhousie students writing

thier thesis on the drag lifestyle. The locally filmed movie "The Event" found Mz. Vicki in the background scenes, and most recently she posed for the ISCANS Calendar that's in support of "The FamilyPride Camping Assc.," "NS Chapter of Canadian Breast Cancer Assc.," "Byrony House," & "AIDS Coalition Emergency Fund."

Over the years she's won many titles and awards for all her hard work, but her crowning (no pun intended) achievement has been "Manna for Health," A special needs food bank fo those living with illness.

Mz.V: "I can remember years ago standing in line for the local food bank and it was winter and bitterly cold. I was terribly sick at the time and I thought, 'there must be a better way for those who are living with illness to get the food they need in order to live.' It was then that "Manna" came to mind. With the support of Safe Harbour, "Manna" was realized. That was back in 1995/1996 and it's been going strong ever since. It's not all been easy, as it gets really hard to raise the funds we need, especially around Christmas. We have close to 85 people that we assist and it's not always easy to put food on the table for them, but somehow we always manage to make ends meet! We're fortunate to have the venue here at Menz Bar for a fund raising

Bar-B-Q every Sunday afternoon that starts at 6:00 p.m., all proceeds going to Manna. There are even collection jars here at the bar that you can bring in and donate any extra Canadian Tire money you have laying around as well as your S obey's reciepts... it all goes to help Manna. It's the support of the bars and the patrons that makes the difference."

It's now almost 6:00 p.m. and Mz. Vicki has to leave to prepare for another award show that evening at NRG2. I thank her for her time and for letting me document a small portion of her life as she wisks off to get ready... I linger awhile longer at the bar going over my notes and enjoying a burger from the grill. Mz. Vicki appears through the doorway ready for the evening, living up to that self-appointed title... the "Holy Hooker Higher Than Her Heels." In a gold sequined gown with her now platinum blonde hair framing her perfectly made up face and those infamous heels, she stops off at the bar to chat with friends before her evening begins. Be she a blonde, brunette, or red head, in heels or sneakers, evening gown or jeans, Mz. Vicki is not someone you soon forget...

Mz. V: "I come in all colours of the rainbow!" she laughs... hopefully I don't get that damned stumble award tonight... I'll burn it right in the middle of the stage..." her statement ending in outrageous laughter...

It's Mz. Vicki's ability to laugh at herself and her determination to make a difference in this world that has given me a new outlook on the persona that up to this point I had only known as Mz. Vicki the drag queen... Behind the sequins, wigs and glued-on bambi eyelashes is a person who has worked endlessly in support of others. So when you see her out, be it on stage or in a local fund raiser, be sure to stop and take a few moments from your life to appreciate all that she's done and continues to do for our community. On September 9th, be sure to stop into Menz Bar on Gottigen Street to honor her for all the hard work she's done... there's an all star cast lined up for the show that evening and it's sure to be entertaining... check out the posters at the bar for all the details...

In the words of the "Holy Hooker Higher Than Her Heels" ... "get out there and make a difference..."

QUEER HEALTH MATTERS

Transsexual healthcare needs

by Eric Macdonald and Dawn Archambault

The transgender community is a very complex and multi-layered community. It is very challenging to appreciate the healthcare needs of this population. The transgender community includes persons who identify as: 1) cross-dressers- those who wear the clothing of the opposite sex for the purpose of comfort/self-expression, 2) transgenderists- those who identify wholly with neither the male nor female gender but rather a combination of both or neither, 3) gender benders/gender queer individuals - whose gender expression lies outside the confines of traditional conceptions of either "male" or "female," and 4) transsexuals - those individuals whose sex and gender are in direct opposition.

A transsexual is said to have what is called "Gender Identity Disorder" or "GID." In fact the name itself is a bit misleading, as there is nothing wrong with the person's gender—it is an issue regarding their anatomy, or sex. Society in many ways tries to identify people and categorize them by their anatomy, and a person suffering from GID can feel totally alienated from society. Unfortunately the transsexual community faces many levels of discrimination from health care practitioners, who often see this as a psychiatric issue instead of a medical condition.

Many medical solutions for

this condition have been attempted. Most have met with failure because they were aimed at getting one's gender, or "brain sex" to conform to their anatomy.

Healing only began when treatments began to look at changing the body to conform to an individual's gender. However, very little funding has been allocated to research transsexuality and therefore the diagnosis of GID has been left to the field of psychiatry.

Only when a transsexual is diagnosed as being a completely sane individual who has a great deal of strength are they approved for treatment. At this point a transsexual may begin a process called transition. The process of transitioning is centred around an array of social, cultural and medical steps aimed at helping a transsexual individual achieve a level of body comfort. Transitioning takes several years. There are a number of procedures available to help make one's body resemble one's true gender.

A male who is transitioning to a female is known as a transwoman. Transwomen have a number of options available to them while transitioning. They may choose to take estrogen and testosterone suppressants, or have electrolysis or laser treatments to eliminate male body and facial hair. Surgical procedures are available, such as a tracheal shave to eliminate an Adam's apple, and bone

shaving in cases where there are prominent shoulder bones or facial bones. Also available is penile inversion, clitoroplasty, vaginoplasty, and sometimes breast augmentation. However, some male characteristics survive these types of treatment, making success on a social atmosphere very challenging.

A female who is transitioning to a male is known as a transman. Transition for transmen may begin with taking hormones in the form of testosterone, which acts quickly in the body to give a superficial masculine appearance. There are, however, extreme health risks while taking testosterone for transmen. The levels of testosterone must match those of a biological male and the testosterone literally attacks female body parts, to the point that cervical, breast and ovarian cancers are substantive risks. Therefore, transmen must have hysterectomies and chest surgery as soon as possible after starting on a testosterone treatment.

Genital reconstruction for transmen is much more complicated than for transwomen. It consists of forearm phalloplasty, the shaping of a phallus out of tissue from the forearm, scrotoplasty, closure of the vagina, urethral lengthening and the insertion of prosthetics to allow for some functionality and a sense of realism. Multiple revisions are often required and many times procedures do fail.

Some provinces do not cover these procedures, even though they are widely acknowledged to be medically necessary. These treatments offer a better quality of life to a transsexual person than they would have otherwise and therefore deserve recognition.

For transsexuals this is not a choice, it is simply survival. What research has been done has shown that transsexuals, when given appropriate treatments, live healthier, happier and more productive lives. Transsexuals who are refused treatment options have a substantively greater mortality rate than any other minority group in this country.

One of the biggest obstacles faced by transsexuals in Canada is the attitude persons have garnered from misinformation and ignorance. This is not

a new thing to the rainbow community, yet transsexuals are often ostracized within the rainbow community because of a lack of understanding. Transsexuals often have to fight ignorance based not simply in homophobia but transphobia as well, which has direct impacts on the health and well-being of the transgender community as a whole.

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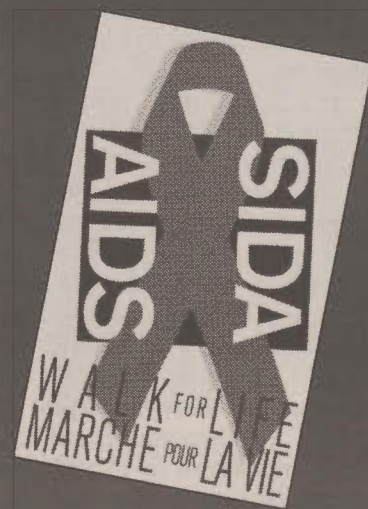
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NSRAP's Marriage Anniversary Party

The Nova Scotia Rainbow Action Project (NSRAP) is planning a gala dinner and fundraiser on September 24, to celebrate the first anniversary of same-sex marriage in Nova Scotia.

NSRAP was instrumental in the September 24, 2004 legalization of same-sex marriage. As incredible as it seems, we are quickly approaching the one-year mark. And what a year it's been! With so much good work accomplished in the province and across the country it's time to recognize our achievements and celebrate.

The event, to be held at the Casino Nova Scotia Hotel, will build on the huge success of last year's gala dinner, the "Big Gay Wedding Reception." The hilarious Bette MacDonald has agreed to play hostess once more. Last year's attendees, including politicians, community leaders, and prominent businesspeople, gave glowing reviews, and we anticipate an even larger turnout this year.

This year, NSRAP is pleased to be partnering with the queer-positive Metropolitan Community Church to plan the event. The Rev. Troy Perry, who founded MCC in Los Angeles in 1968, has agreed to give a keynote address.

Tickets will be \$75. Funds raised by NSRAP will go to

support our ongoing activities. If you haven't been following NSRAP's work, some highlights of our recent activities include:

Marriage

We were active with 'Canadians for Equal Marriage' who are pressuring for federal recognition of same-sex marriages. NSRAP believes that same-sex marriage will still be an election issue in the next federal election and is preparing a strategy to address this.

Health

The Halifax Rainbow Health Project: NSRAP has partnered with The AIDS Coalition of NS and the Lesbian Gay and Bisexual Youth Project to undertake this project, with the objective of improving access to Primary health care for our community members.

Health and Social Service needs of Gay and Lesbian Elders: We are community partners in this national research project.

Spiritual Needs of Persons with AIDS in NS: This NSRAP project, funded through the NS Advisory Commission on AIDS, is part of the implementation process for the NS Strategy on HIV/AIDS.

National Rainbow Health Conference: We were represented at this conference held in Hull PQ last fall. NSRAP will



be helping to host this conference in Halifax from November 5 to 7, 2005.

Transgender Issues

Over the last two years Trans issues have been a major project of NSRAP. The Trans Action Committee has been very busy researching the issues from a legal, social and medical perspective. One long term objective of this work is to have medical procedures relating to Gender Identity Disorder covered by Medicare in NS.

Education is another part of NSRAP's Trans work. The Committee has made several presentations to universities, community groups, and the provincial Human Rights Commission, and articles were published in WAYVES. We are also represented on the Nation Trans Support Group sponsored by ÉGALE.

Education and Representation:

NSRAP has an active role in raising public awareness of issues affecting the Rainbow community. We provide a voice for the community in local media, and have met with various groups and public bodies who want to know more about the

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Northern AIDS Walk

by Evie Mulcaster

The Northern AIDS Connection Society is preparing for its annual AIDS Walk held in conjunction with Walk for Life, a nation-wide campaign to raise much-needed awareness and funds for HIV/AIDS.

I was hired by the Northern AIDS Connection-NACS through a grant from Human Resources Canada to be the Walk Coordinator. I took this job because I recognized the amount of work that needed to be done. When you read recent surveys that report children knowing less about HIV/AIDS than they did in 1989, you discover a belief amongst children that they do not need to worry about HIV/AIDS because there is a vaccine, which is simply not true. With proper education and personal health practices, it is almost entirely preventable, and the 4,200 new cases reported last year might not have occurred.

The Northern AIDS Connection Society is not operationally funded, so relies entirely on

community support. This year there will be walks in New Glasgow, Elmsdale, Amherst, and Truro. To enable the community-based agencies to do their own work on HIV/AIDS and related subjects, the Northern AIDS Connection Society gives 50 percent of the monies raised by the team back to the team.

To form a team and obtain pledge sheets, or to get more information, call The Northern AIDS Connection Society at 895-0931.

Please join us in our Walk for Life at any of the mentioned sites or look for one in your area.

Truro, September 25 - Contact Al McNutt or Evie Mulcaster (902)895-0931

New Glasgow, September 25 - Contact Eric Archibald (902)755-2339

Amherst September 26 - Contact Lyn Michaud (902) 552-2071

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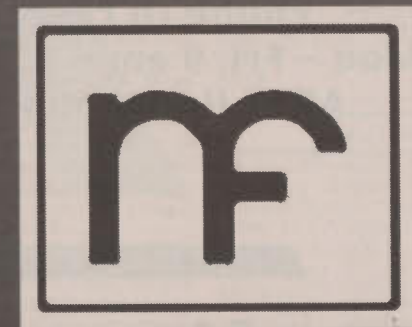
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WHEN:

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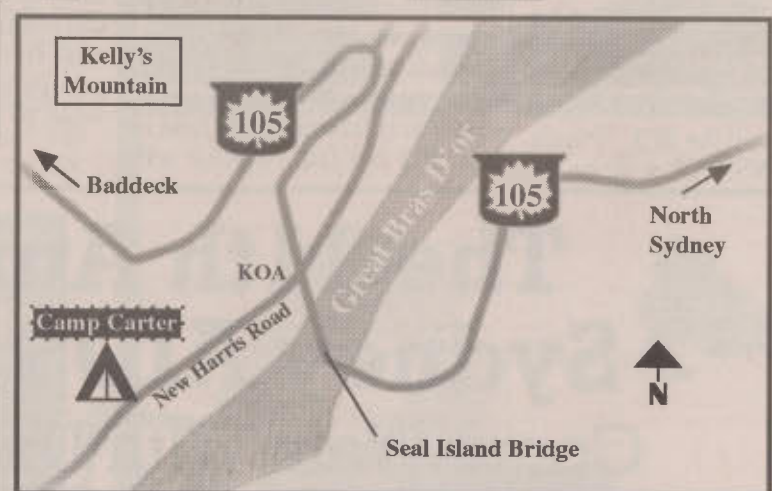
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- Sept. 3 - Summer Wrap-Up Party
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 - Oct. 29 - Halloween Dance
- 4th Annual Festive New Year's Ball
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 - Dinner and Dance (prizes given). New year's tickets go on sale in November and go fast (over 300 last year) so book yours early by phoning 902-564-6939.

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had written when it came to those individuals that ISCANS felt were the "Leather Men of Atlantic Canada." Randall's review proved his point moreso during the Halifax Pride Parade. How many of the individuals from the 18 pages of "the calendar" were actually there with the Leather contingent?

The total number was three, with two of them being Members of The Moncton Leather Chapter, MACLeather 2005 - Wayne Toole was unable to attend as his husband was ill and Ryan Auld was on the MENZ float and Ryan is true to the Leather philosophy.

I gather on Halifax Pride Day that all those "pretty boy Leather Men" who were featured were to busy dealing with "wigs and dresses" or figured that what Randall had stated in his review hit too close to home for them.

Congratulations to all the Real Leatherfolk who walked with Pride!

For the record, the idea of ISCANS doing the calendar as

a fundraising idea is exceptional. It's too bad that those involved in its production didn't understand or comprehend what Leather is about.

As for the Empress V not being able to mention the word Leather in her full page of thank you's on the inside back cover of the calendar, please try to say the word "Leather." It really won't hurt you and I know truthfully that I've heard worse come out of your mouth. Nuff Said!!!

Leather Regards, Steve Laivolette

Dear Wayves,
I am a female student at the University of New Brunswick in Saint John, who lives with a rare medical form of congenital intersex condition. During my teens I had enough testosterone to masculinize my body a bit, and later on enough estrogen to feminize me a bit

Although more biologically female than male, my gender identity has always been female and all of my identification documents reflect this. But because

of my condition, I do not appear to be the traditional "girl next door". Living in a conservative town, I have experienced a lot of harassment.

One of the few places to which I had been able to go without fear of being judged and harassed was Club Montreal, the only gay bar in Saint John.

Over the past few years, Club Montreal has attracted heterosexual men (for the draft specials and to shoot pool), some of whom began flirting with me. One evening, a young man who was hitting on me went up to the bar to get a refill. Upon his return, he wouldn't look at me. Apparently, the management of the Club had told him that I'm really a guy. This happened several times. I asked a Club employee for the identity of the person who was saying that I'm a guy, and he responded that the manager of the bar tells everybody that.

A few weeks later I ran into the same employee who told me that he had spoken with the manager. He said that in their conversation, the manager appeared to laugh it off and not

take it seriously, making reference to the fact that I have an adam's apple.

Another time, a friend of mine approached the manager with the same concerns. He defended himself by saying that it's obvious and that everybody knows, making reference to my hands and feet.

I never expected that I would be disrespected so much. Club Montreal went from one of the most comfortable and relaxing places I had ever been associated with, to one of rumors, lies, dishonesty, and betrayal.

I am writing this letter for the benefit of women and men who - like myself - might not look like the girl or guy "next door". Club Montreal is not a trans-friendly place, and anyone who is trans and plans on going there should always keep their guard up. I am not trans in any way, but I do stick up for trans rights.

Lastly, I wish that people would ask me about myself

rather than relying on someone else for information.

Sincerely, Kristie

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issues we face. We attempt to make sure our issues are represented on committees, such as the HRM Police's Diversity Committee and the Partners Against Racism Committee. We also represent Nova Scotia on several national coalitions, such as the Canadian Anti-Violence Project and Canadians for Equal Marriage. We encourage all members of the Rainbow community to get involved.

For more information about NSRAP activities and membership, or to inquire about tickets for the Big Gay Wedding Anniversary Dinner Gala, contact us at 902-444-7887, www.nsrp.ca, or refer to the advertisement in this issue of Wayves on Page 9. Happy Anniversary!

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groups

MARITIME GAY WOMEN starting group in Moncton to make friends. Hope to meet people who ski, play cards, like nature, Maritime travel, golf, whatever you're interested in. If you're alone, or would like to meet new people, email makefriends@mail.com

OUT AND ABOUT WOMYN is a social group for lesbians in greater-Halifax. Visit their website at www.geocities.com/outandaboutwomyn for detailed information, or email oaaw@hfx.eastlink.ca

Men's Reading Group meets regularly in Halifax. Come meet interesting people and discuss gay literature. Check our webpage at www.menread.50megs.com. Email menread@gay.com or contact 454-9111 for more information.

personals

Male leather enthusiast with motorcycle seeks same. Quality intriguing leathers and leather masks, etc. Must be university graduate, intellectual, nutrition-health focused, sensitive with a keen and creative interest in leather for occasional encounters and friendship. LLEATHER_2@hotmail.com (Apolgies for error in e-mail Address for June issue).j105

SF, 24, enjoys traveling and living life. Looking to chat with single females, 20-32, who are interested in a relationship and not head games. Email me: ss_nb24@hotmail.com

Single female from New Brunswick seeking single females between 19-35 to chat with (and maybe find Ms. Right). I like to travel and hang with friends. Email me at ss.nb24@hotmail.com

Tennis Player wanted. GM in Halifax early 40's intermediate level player seeking friends to play tennis with. Email at skjeimai@eastlink.ca

Very young looking GWM, 40, 5'10", 178 lb. Versatile, disease free, uncut. Workout occasionally, introvert, employed. Seeking a feminine male lover - students welcome. Disease free, sexy, tall, lean, uncut, versatile, bubble bum, introvert - for long term friendship, possible marriage, 18-30, photo welcome. 7071 Bayers Road, PO Box 22086, Halifax, NS, B3L 4T7.

support

GAY FATHERS OF HALIFAX Is a peer

support group for gay and bisexual men. We meet the 1st Wednesday of each month. We also get together for a monthly Pot Luck social. For more info contact Gorden @ 446-7793 or Gilles at 448-3565 or Email GayFathersHalifax@hotmail.com or visit our website at http://groups.msn.com/GayFathersOfHalifax

HALIFAX RAINBOW SPEAKERS: Project Proud Lesbian, bisexual, gay, transgendered, two-spirited and queer volunteers wanted to participate in public education workshops. No special knowledge or experience necessary-training, practice and support provided. Let your rainbow shine! Ramona 902-494-6662, nspirg@is2.dal.ca

HALIFAX TRANSGUYS is a support group for transmen at any point in transition, locally and in Atlantic Canada. Please write: halifaxtransguys@yahoo.groups.ca for further info on our upcoming meetings and social events.

YOUTH PRIDE GROUP Bridgewater. Contact through Second Story Women's Centre, at 543-1315 or secstory@auracom.com

services

Alan Stewart, Justice of the Peace. Weddings solemnized. 902-461-4528

spiritual

CALLING ALL ANGLICANS An Integrity chapter has been formed in Nova Scotia. Call George 902-757-1706. For Propitiation (traditionalist Anglicans) call Peter 416-487-7406 (evenings).

LESBIANS, GAY MEN, BISEXUALS will find themselves welcome by Quakers, who recognize that there is "that of God in every person." Call (902) 429-2904 for more info.

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AtlanticCanadianLesbians: For Lesbians from the Atlantic Provinces. web: groups.msn.com/AtlanticCanadianLesbians

Canadian Transsexuals Fight for Rights: One-stop site for needs, accommodations, doctors, therapists, legal etc. web: www.ctffr.org
CHAT-OAAW, Halifax: This online chat group for Out And About Womyn accepts members from NB, PEI, NFLD & NS. email: oaaw@eastlink.ca web: www.geocities.com/oaawchat (CHAT-OAAW, Maritimes: This online sister-group of Out And About Womyn is for general chat and accepts membership from lesbians across the Maritimes.)

EGALE Vice-President & Atlantic Rep., St. John's: (709) 690-5244 email: gemma@egale.ca web: www.egale.ca

Gay Men's Gathering: at PO Box 36054, Halifax, B3J 3S9

Gender Expressions Atlantic: Support for transgendered individuals ranging from Crossdressers to Transsexuals. email: gender_expressions@hotmail.com web: www.geocities.com/gender_expressions/ (No scheduled meeting. Occasional social events, by invitation only.)

Halifax Transguys: support group for transmen at any point in transition, locally and in Atlantic Canada. email: halifaxtransguys@yahoo.com web: halifaxtransguys.yahoo.com at Please write for further information on our upcoming meetings and social events.

Healing Our Nations, Dartmouth: HIV/AIDS prevention in a manner respectful of our native way of life. 1-800-565-4255 email: hon@accesswave.ca web: www.healingournations.ca (Healing Our Nations staff meet once on a weekly basis. Training offered on request at no charge for Aboriginal peoples and/or organizations.) at 45 Alderney Dr., Ste. 607, Dartmouth, NS.

Integrity Nova Scotia PEI, Nova Scotia / PEI: Gathering of GLBT Anglicans and their friends of Nova Scotia and PEI. email: integritynspei@yahoo.ca (Monthly meetings. Email for details!)

Maritime Lesbians: Online info for all maritime lesbians. web: www.maritimeliesbians.com
Mr Atlantic Canada Leather Society, assorted cities: Dedicated to developing gay men's leather communities in the Atlantic region. email: info@macleather.net web: www.macleather.net, meets 1st Saturday (See webpage for event schedule, location, and other details.)

Names Project (AIDS Memorial Quilt): panels - helping create, and lending. 902-454-5158 email: larrybaxter@ns.sympatico.ca web: www.quilt.ca (Call if interested in volunteering) at 3544 Acadia St. Halifax, NS B3K 3P2

Pride Guide Publishing: publisher of community focused maps, directories, event programs and more. 902-423-6999 email: prideguide@hfx.eastlink.ca

Project E: Presentation for youth, on gender expression, myth busters, proper terminology and other facts. email: projectex3@hotmail.com web: www.freewebs.com/xprojecte/ at available via web page

Wayves Magazine: Atlantic Canada's queer news and lifestyle magazine! email: submissions@wayves.ca web: www.wayves.ca (Editorial meeting one Monday night a month; layout one Sunday a month; see the Calendar on our web page) at downtown Halifax - email us for details

New Brunswick (506)

Affirming United Church - Centenary - Queen Square United Church, Saint John: invites you to worship! 634-8288 email: cqsunited@nb.aibn.com, meets every Sunday (10:30am) at 215 Wentworth St

AIDS New Brunswick / SIDA Nouveau-Brunswick, Fredericton: committed to facilitating community-based responses to the issues of HIV/AIDS. 459-7518 email: sidaids@nbnet.nb.ca web: www.aidsnb.com (Office Hours: Monday to Friday, 8:30AM to 12:30PM and 1:30PM to 4:30PM)

AIDS Saint John, Saint John: improve quality of life, reduce the spread. 652-2437 email: aidssj@nb.aibn.com web: www.geocities.com/aidssj
Atlantiques Swim Team, Moncton: Swimming for fitness or participating in Masters swimming competitions. email: info@atlantiques.org web: atlantiques.org (Contact us by email for swim times and social events. LGBT Swimmers from elsewhere in Atlantic Canada are welcome to join the team and go to meets with us.) at the CEPS pool at the Université de Moncton.

Boom Nightclub, Fredericton: Gay Bar. (506) 463-2666 email: info@boomnightclub.ca (Hours: Mon & Tues - Closed, Wed 4-12, Thurs 4-1, Fri & Sat 4-2 and Sun t-dance 4-8)

Catalyst, Mount Allison U, Sackville: support & information for Mount A students, occasional social activities. 506-364-2357 email: krotter@mta.ca (Catalyst meets approximately every week from Sept-Dec and Jan-April. For meeting info, contact Kris Trotter at 364-2255 or the Students' Administrative Council at 364-2231. Catalyst is not active during the summer.) at Fax: 506/364-2216
Closet Chat, Saint John: Discussion space &

guest speakers. 506-333-3711 email: clstcht@nbnet.nb.ca, meets every Tuesday (8:00 PM) at Centenary-Queen Square United Church 215 Wentworth Street

East Coast Bears, Fredericton: adult men who are, or like, masculine, hairy men. 506-455-2856 email: info@eastcoastbears.com web: www.eastcoastbears.com, meets 4th Sunday (See webpage for schedule.)

Fredericton Lesbians and Gays, Fredericton: library & occasional social events. email: jwhitehe@unb.ca web: www.geocities.com/westhollywood/3074

Gais.es Nor Gays Inc. (GNG), Petit-Rocher (Bathurst area): A bilingual volunteer association serving gay men, lesbians and bisexuals of northern New Brunswick. email: info@gngnb.ca web: www.gngnb.ca (Dances are held at GNG club every Saturday night. See www.gngnb.ca for a list of upcoming events.) at 702 rue Principale, Petit-Rocher NB. Look for rainbow flag and/or door with pink triangle at rear of parking lot.

Moncton Gay Pride, Moncton: The Moncton GLBT group that organizes events and promotes as well as puts on Moncton's Pride events! , meets 3rd Sunday

Moncton Transgender Support Group, Moncton: Transgenders, their allies, families and friends. 536-0599 email: eldonhay@nb.sympatico.ca (We have regular meetings, contact Eldon for time and place.)

Out in the Valley / A la campagne, Fredericton: Gay and Lesbian Outdoors Club. email: OutIntheValley@hotmail.com

PFLAG Fredericton, Fredericton: all welcome. Francis @ 454-8349 email: pflagfredericton@yahoo.ca

PFLAG Moncton: Parents, families and friends of gay, lesbian, bisexual, trans (transgender and transsexual), two spirit, queer and questioning persons. 536-0599 email: eldonhay@nb.sympatico.ca web: www.maritimeliesbians.com, meets 3rd Monday (every 3rd Monday at 7:30 pm at U de M. (except December - 2nd Monday) at Eldon Hay, 35 Union St., Sackville, NB E4L 4M6.

PFLAG Sackville/Amherst: Parents, families & friends-of, and, GLBT persons. 506-536-4245 email: jhammock@mta.ca web: www.maritimeliesbians.com/, meets 2nd Monday (Please see calendar on our web page.) at Sackville: 165 Main Street, Amherst: 12 La Planche Street

PFLAG Saint John, Saint John: 652-3995 email: wandr@nbnet.nb.ca, ligger@nbnet.nb.ca web: www.pflag.ca/saintjohn.htm (1st Friday of each month September - June at 7pm. No meeting in July & August.) at 116 Coburg Street in Saint John, New Brunswick in the Community Health Centre next to St. Joseph's Hospital.

Port City Rainbow Pride, Saint John: Pride Celebrations Committee. 693-1145 email: danny@nbnet.nb.ca web: www.portcityrainbowpride.com

Q-Collective, Saint John: a UNBSJ-based group of lesbians, gays, bisexuals, transgendered persons, and their friends. email: glbtq_unbsj@hotmail.com web: groups.msn.com/GLBT-Friends/ (Post an email to the MSN group at GLBTFriends@groups.msn.com. Your message will be visible to all subscribers. (In order to join the group, a person must use a hotmail account.) The Q-Collective also has a mailing list: to subscribe, email glbtq_unbsj@hotmail.com.)

Safe Spaces Fundy Region, Saint John: Committed to ending discrimination around issues of sexual orientation in youth. email: safespaces@gmail.com web: www.safespacesfundy.ca (See Webpage for schedule.) at Community Health Centre, 116 Coburg Street, Saint John, NB

Safe Spaces Moncton, Moncton: Safe Spaces offers support to GLBTQ Youth between 14-25. 869-6224 email: safespaces@nb.aibn.com web: www.safespaces.org (Safe Spaces offers support to GAY, LESBIAN, BISEXUAL, TRANSGENDERED or QUESTIONING Youth between the ages of 14-25. We offer individual counselling (via phone, e-mail or in person) and we also offer support groups. Awareness activities are offered in the community.)

Saint John Lesbian / Bi Women's Support Network, Saint John: for women-loving women. 642-1284 email: sjlesbi@email.com web: www.geocities.com/sjlesbi/, meets 3rd Friday

Saint John LGBTQ Lending Library, Saint John: over 300 fiction and non-fiction titles. 634-8288 email: cqsunited@nb.aibn.com (open Monday through Friday, 9 AM to noon.) at the office of Centenary Queen Square United Church at 215 Wentworth Street.

SIDA AIDS Moncton, Moncton: offers support to people living with HIV and their families and friends, education and awareness. 859-9616 email: sidaids@nbnet.nb.ca web: www.sida-aidsmoncton.com at 165A Gordon St., Moncton, NB, E1C 1N1

Spectrum, Fredericton: social and support group for students, staff and faculty at UNB and STU. email: spectrum@unb.ca web: www.unb.ca/clubs/spectrum, meets every Wednesday (7 pm) at Tilley 28 (downstairs Arts Common Room)

UN sur DIX, Moncton: l'Association des Etudiant(e)s gais, lesbiennes et bisexuel(le)s de l'Université de Moncton. email: unsurdix@umoncton.ca web: www.umoncton.ca/unsurdix/

UNB/STU Women's Collective, Fredericton: Women of all ages and orientations. email: unbstuwomenscollective@yahoo.ca, meets every Monday at 5pm at the University Women's Centre at the SUB

Woodstock GLBT Family Outreach, Woodstock: Books, movies etc. for the family. 328-4868 email: richardb@nbnet.nb.ca

Newfoundland & Lab (709)

AIDS Committee of Newfoundland & Labrador, St. John's: HIV/AIDS education and support for male/female/transgendered, all ages, Newfoundland and Labrador 579-8656 email: info@acnl.net web: www.acnl.net

Canadians for Equal Marriage, St. John's: The provincial committee connected to the national coalition lobbying for equal marriage. (709) 690-5244 email: gemma@egale.ca web: www.equal-marriage.ca (Canadians for Equal Marriage, St. John's NL: The provincial committee connected to the national coalition lobbying for equal marriage. (709) 690-5244 email: gemma@egale.ca web: www.equal-marriage.ca at Aids Committee of Newfoundland and Labrador, 50 Harbour Drive, St. John's NL.) at Aids Committee of Newfoundland and Labrador, 50 Harbour Drive, St. John's NL.

LBGT-MUN Resource Centre, St. John's: LBGT-MUN is an information/resource, service, and support centre staffed by trained volunteers! 737-7619 email: lbgtmun@mun.ca web: www.mun.ca/lbgt/ (Open Weekdays 9:00 AM and 5:00 PM; two-three meetings each month; Coffee-House Fridays from 12-2pm; movie nights and other social events occur at least three times per month) at Smallwood/University Center, UC-6022. Building located on Prince Phillip Drive. Call us! Get involved! LBGT-MUN: "A Positive Place, for Positive People!"

NGALE (Newfoundland Gays And Lesbians for Equality), St. John's: We offer support to LGBT people and education on LGBT issues to the general public. (709) 579-8656 email: info@ngale.ca web: www.ngale.ca (NGALE Inc. (Newfoundland Gays And Lesbians for Equality) offer support and education to LGBT persons, their families and friends, as well as the general public. (709) 576-8656 at Aids Committee of Newfoundland and Labrador, 50 Harbour Drive, St. John's NL.) at Aids Committee of Newfoundland and Labrador, 50 Harbour Drive, St. John's NL.

NGALE-LIST-SERV, St. John's: Email discussions & events for Newfoundland. email: subscribe@ngale.cjb.net, meets 1st Wednesday at 50 Harbour Drive: ACNL Office

PFLAG - SJ, St. John's: Information or referral to one of our parents. (709) 579-8656 email: gemma@egale.ca web: www.pflag.ca (PFLAG St. John's NL: Information or referral to one of our parents. (709) 579-8656 email: gemma@egale.ca web: www.pflag.ca at Aids Committee Newfoundland and Labrador, 50 Harbour Drive, St. John's NL.) at Aids Committee Newfoundland and Labrador, 50 Harbour Drive, St. John's NL.

Nova Scotia (902)
Acadia Pride, Wolfville: community at Acadia. 585-2165 web: dragon.acadiau.ca/~apride/, meets every Monday (9:00pm during academic year) at Beverage Forum (SUB)

Acadia Women's Centre, Wolfville: 585-2140 email: 057996@acadiau.ca web: axe.acadiau.ca/womencentre (Acadia SUB Second Level Balcony)

Affirm United, Halifax: support, action and worshiping community within the United Church. email: stewarar@gov.ns.ca at Box 33067, Halifax, NS B3L 4T6

AIDS Coalition Of Cape Breton - ACCB, Sydney: 567-1766 web: www.accb.ns.ca at 150 Bentinck St., Sydney, NS B1P 1G6

AIDS Coalition of Nova Scotia, Halifax: non-profit, community-based AIDS organization, provincially mandated. (902)429-7922 email: acns@acns.ns.ca web: www.acns.ns.ca

Alcoholics Anonymous, Halifax: for the g/l/b/t communities. (902) 441-7505 email: course449@yahoo.com web: www.rationalunlucy.com/cout, meets every Monday (at 8pm) at St. Mary's Basilica, basement - side entrance

Anonymous HIV/AIDS Testing, Halifax: 455-9656

Bluenose Bears, Halifax: Club for bears and those who like them. 463-4312 email: bluenosebears@accesswave.ca web: www.geocities.com/bluenosebears, meets 3rd Friday

Cape Breton Pride: dedicated to promoting well being & unity of our gay, lesbian, bisexual & transgendered community. email: capebretonpride@yahoo.ca web: www.geocities.com/capebretonpride (Monthly women's, men's and/or g/lbt dances and social events. For up to date info and official Pride Week details, check the webpage or write c/o 41 Broadway, Sydney, N.S. B1N 2Y3)

DalOUT, Halifax: LGBTQ Society at Dalhousie. 494-2190 email: dalout@dal.ca web: is2.dal.ca/~dalout, meets every Thursday (7pm) at SUB Room 321

Family Pride Camping Association (Rainbow Spirit), Halifax: Rainbow Spirit, Canada's only week-long summer camp for children of LGBT parents. 455-0186 email: info@fpca.ca web: www.fpca.ca, meets 2nd Monday (Contact us if you are interested in helping out, or have a child who would benefit from attending Rainbow Spirit, our annual week-long camp.)

Fundy Fruit, Valley: Social group for valley folk: hiking, movies, snowshoeing, board games, parties. email: fundyfruit@yahoo.ca (Times & locations sent out by email.)

Gay Camping Club, Halifax: The outdoorsy kind of camping (not just for RVs!). email: gaycampingclub@hotmail.com web: www.gaycampingclubhalifax.ca

GAY, LESBIAN & BISEXUAL YOUTH GROUP AT Q.E.H.: Jeanie Buffet, Counsellor, at 421-6797
GayFathersHalifax, HRM: Is a peer support group for gay and bisexual fathers. Contact Gilles @ 448-3565 or Gordon @ 446-7793 email: GayFathersHalifax@hotmail.com web: groups.msn.com/GayFathersOfHalifax, meets 1st Wednesday (7-9 p.m.) at Dalhousie Legal Services, 2209 Gottingen Street (corner of Gottingen & Cunard) press the buzzer.

GLB CONSTITUENCY COMMITTEE (SUNS): 494-6654 at c/o the Students' Union of NS

Group Harrison Society, Cape Breton: Dances, Socials & Support Group for Cape Bretoners. 564-6939 (Socials fall on the last Saturday of every month- Admission \$6.50- Best light and sound show around Socials are held at Steel Workers Hall, Sydney) at P O Box 1118, Sydney, NS (902)-564-6939

Halifax Rainbow Speakers, Halifax: Speakers available, contact us if you are interested in joining also. 494-6662 email: nsprig@dal.ca web: www.thenovascotiapublicinterestresearchgroup.dal.ca (Call for times & locations)

Imperial and Sovereign Court of Atlantic Nova Society, Halifax: Fundraising. 476-4225 email: info@imperialcourts.com web: www.imperialcourts.com (Meeting times vary)

Intensity Dance, Halifax: non-profit dance collective and presenting organization. email: intensitydance@yahoo.com web: intensitydance.tripod.com

Lesbian, Gay & Bisexual Youth Project, Halifax: support and connection across Nova Scotia. 429-5429 email: youthproject@youthproject.ns.ca web: www.youthproject.ns.ca (1. 1st and 3rd Tuesdays - Social Drop-in 6-9pm. 2. 2nd and 4th Tuesdays - Support meeting 7-9 pm. 3. Grade 7-9 Group - Wednesday 6:30 - 8 pm - same week as support meeting.) at 2281 Brunswick St

LGB Youth Support Group Lunenburg County, Bridgewater: fun social/support group for 25 and under. 543-1315 email: ppic@auracom.com web: www.youthproject.ns.ca (Postponed until further notice: Volunteer facilitators needed!)

Manna For Health, Halifax: A special needs food bank for those living with illness. 429-7670

Mount Pride, Halifax: Social group, open to anyone. email: mountpride@yahoogroups.com, meets 1st Tuesday, and 3rd Tuesday (Meets bi-weekly, 12 noon) at Diversity Center in Rosaria

Northern AIDS Connection Society, Truro: HIV prevention education initiative serving counties Colc., Pictou, Cumb. & E Hants. 895-0931 email: t_o_p2000@hotmail.com (Our Board of Directors meet regularly on the third Monday of each month.) at Futureworx 80 Glenwood Dr., Truro, N.S.

Nova Scotia Rainbow Action Project, Halifax: fostering change through networking, education, outreach & community education. 832-9100 email: nsrap@ns.sympatico.ca web: www.nsrap.ca (See Web Page) at 106 - 40 Waterfront Dr. Bedford, NS B4A 4J1

Out And About Womyn (OAAW), Halifax: Social group for lesbians in the local HRM region. email: oaaw@eastlink.ca web: www.geocities.com/outandaboutwomyn (OUT AND ABOUT WOMYN is a social group for lesbians in the local greater-Halifax region only. Small membership fee pays for various activities and social events for members and (sometimes) their children, throughout the year.)

Outlaw, Halifax: Queer Law Students Association at Dalhousie Law School. email: dal_outlaw@yahoo.ca (Meetings vary. Please email if interested.) at Dalhousie Law School. 6061 University Avenue. Halifax, Nova Scotia.

Over 30's Club: Socials, usually potluck dinners. 464-8925 email: atlanticoverthirty@hotmail.com (one Saturday evening a month) at members' homes, mostly Halifax but occasionally out of town.

PFLAG Halifax: support and education to parents, family and friends. 443-3747 email: ab274@chebuco.ns.ca, meets 3rd Sunday (2:00 pm) at individual homes

PFLAG Sackville/Amherst: Parents, families & friends-of, and, GLBT persons. 506-536-4245 email: jhammock@mta.ca web: www.maritimeliesbians.com/, meets 2nd Monday (Please see calendar on our web page.) at Sackville: 165 Main Street, Amherst: 12 La Planche Street

PFLAG Truro: 662.3774 email: s.r.burns@ns.sympatico.ca

Quakers, Halifax: Quakerism emphasizes that we all manifest the Divine. 429-2904 web: halifax.quaker.ca, meets every Sunday at Library at Atlantic School of Theology, Franklyn St. All very welcome.

Rainbow Playtime, Halifax: Food & social meetings for same sex families with tots or couples considering parenthood. 461-9414

Red Door, The, Kentville: Youth health adolescent center counselling, for up to age 30, all ages STD testing. 679-1411 (Monday through Friday, 1pm to 5pm, Wednesday open to 6:00) at 28 Webster Court

SAAFE (Supporting An Alternative Friendly Environment), Truro: Social/support group at the NS Agricultural College. 902-893-6300 email: lyoung@nsac.ns.ca (Meeting are as requested.)

Safe Harbour Metropolitan Community Church, Halifax: A Christian Church with a positive affirming ministry to the GLBT community. Everyone is welcome! 453-9249 email: safeharbour@eastlink.ca web: safeharbourmcc.com, meets every Sunday (7:00pm) at 2786 Agricola St. Bloomfield Center, Suite #108

Saint Mary's Campus Outreach Society: Sexual Diversity Society of UCCB: email:

diversity@stunion.uccb.ns.ca
South Shore Pride Social Club, Bridgewater: for 18 & older. 685-3297 email: info@southshorepride.ca web: www.southshorepride.ca, meets every Monday (7:30PM - 9:00PM)

Team Halifax, Halifax: All GLBT over 18, athletes and performance artists, as well as anyone willing to help out. 422-9510 email: ingrid@teahalifax.com web: www.teahalifax.com (No fixed schedule at this time, look on website for further details.)

The AIDS Coalition of Cape Breton, Sydney: Support for those infected/affected by HIV/AIDS, advocacy, and prevention/education free condoms. (902) 567-1766 email: christineporter@accb.ns.ca web: www.accb.ns.ca at 150 Bentinck St

Tightrope, Halifax: leather & denim brotherhood. See our monthly events listing at <http://gay.hfxns.org/LocalEvents>. 461-1972 (ask for Mike), meets 3rd Saturday

Truro Adult Group, Truro: Wayne at 897-6654 or Gina at 895-8363 (bi-weekly)

Truro Gay Youth: Vida at 897-4366.

Truro Pride: GLBT support group in Central NS. 897-6654 or 895-8363 email: truropride@hotmail.com web: www3.ns.sympatico.ca/greenoaks/Home.html (Every second Wednesday at 6:00 PM. See webpage for next date.) at Calico Cafe @ 564 Prince Street, Truro, NS.

Universalist Unitarian Church, Halifax: an inclusive liberal religious community 429-5500, meets every Sunday (10:30) at 5500 Inglis St
Valley Gay Men's Coffee House, Kingston: socials for gay men; gay & lesbian dances. 825-6170 or 825-3197 or 760-1004 after 8pm email: menembracingmen@yahoo.ca web: faceitwithpride.tripod.com (Coffee every Thursday 7-9pm, dances on the first Saturday of the month.) at email or call for locations

Venus Envy Bursary Society: An annual award open to all women studying in NS. web: www.venusenvy.ca/halifax

X-Pride, Antigonish: social & support group at

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Amherst

First and Third Wednesdays

Amherst and Area, Lesbian, Gay and Bisexual Youth Group Meeting, 7-9pm. Anyone who is GLBT or questioning their sexuality in the Amherst, Oxford, Springhill, Pugwash and Parrsboro areas is welcome, this is a safe space where anyone can come and feel safe in talking about their sexuality and just being themselves without fear of ridicule or harassment. lgbyamherst@hotmail.com, all emails confidential.

Third Thursday of each month

PFLAG Meeting 7:30-9:30pm at Maggie's Place, La Planche St, Amherst. Parents, friends, family & allies of GLBT community.

Annapolis Valley

Every Thursday

Valley Gay Mens Coffee House Meets every Thursday evening from 7-9 pm and also on the first Saturday of every month hosts a Gay/Lesbian dance from 9pm-1am. We are having two dances in May, on the 7th and 28th and no June dance. The 28th dance will be a special Apple Blossom event.* If you need more information please contact 1-902-825-3197 or menembracingmen@yahoo.ca

Every Sunday

Valley Girls is a social group for lesbians in the Annapolis Valley. Coffee Group on Sundays. For more information e-mail the group at Valley_Girls@yahoo.com.

Bridgewater

Every Monday

South Shore Pride Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual Club holds meetings in Bridgewater every Monday from 7-9pm. Call 685-3297 or email thoron_ca@yahoo.ca for details. www.geocities.com/Westhollywood/village/2384

Cape Breton

Sept 24, Nov 26

CommUNITY dances (men and women) will take place every second month, with a separate men's and women's dance taking place the alternate month. Please check our website: geocities.com/capebretonpride for locations and details of events.

Oct 29

MEN'S dance. Please check our website: geocities.com/capebretonpride for locations and details of events.

Oct 22

WOMEN'S dance. Please check our website: geocities.com/capebretonpride for locations and details of events.

Fredericton

Every Wednesday

UNB/STU Women's Collective, at the University Women's Centre in the SUB, 5pm. Contact Lyndsey Gallant at gvnkr@stu.ca or call 450-3870.

Third Sunday of each month

GLB ANGLICANS AND FRIENDS Integrity is a non profit organization of Gay and Lesbian Anglicans and Friends. Membership in Integrity is not indicative of sexual orientation. Integrity Fredericton was formed in October 2004 and supports and encourages Gay Men and Lesbians in their spiritual lives. A Eucharist followed by a coffee hour discussion is held at 4:00 PM on the third Sunday of each month at St. John's, 58 Broad Road, Oromocto. For more details check out website: www.anglicanbeads.com/Integrity

Fourth Wednesday of each month

PFLAG Fredericton meets at 7 PM at the Unitarian Fellowship, 874 York Street. Everyone welcome. Discussion, guest speakers, support and special events. For more information email pflagfredericton@yahoo.ca. Confidentiality assured.

Aug 25, Sept 8, 22, Oct 6, 20, Nov 3, 17

PRIDE CHAT.... an informal and informative gathering where gay, lesbian, bisexual, transgender, questioning and friends of the

glbtq community can meet and discuss issues relating to our community, while being in a safe and comfortable environment. Pride Chat will have Guest Speakers on a regular bi-weekly basis to speak to the issues you want to discuss or learn about. Pride Chat meetings are at Wilmot United Church at Carleton Street entrance, beginning at 7:30 pm.

Fredericton Bar & Business Calendar

BOOM! NIGHTCLUB

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Thursdays - Retro night - 70s, 80s, 90s... All dance mixes from a different decade each week. Open 4-1.

Fridays and Saturdays - Happy hour 4-9, All-extended-mix mainstream club music 9-2.

Sundays - New Brunswick's one and only T-dance! All-anthem dance music, 4-7.

Halifax

Every Sunday

Safe Harbour Metropolitan Community Church, 7:00 pm, Bloomfield Centre, 2786 Agricola Street, Suite 108. On Sunday Sept 25th Safe Harbour Metropolitan Community Church will celebrate its 14th year as a congregation within the world wide denomination of the Metropolitan Community Churches. "This is a significant event within the life of our church, as we celebrate our anniversary with the visit of the founder and moderator of the Metropolitan Community Churches, The Rev. Elder Dr. Troy Perry," said Rev. Darlene Young.

Second Sunday of each month

Play Group for Queer Families! 3-5pm Board Room (Play Room) at Needham Community Recreation Centre, 3372 Devonshire St (north end Halifax, near intersection of Duffus & Novalea, bus routes 7 & 9) Bring a snack for your child(ren). We will be collecting money from each family to cover the cost of the room rental, likely \$2-4 per week. For info, call 422-8780 or email lynnmacdonald@hfx.eastlink.ca

First and Third Tuesdays

Formerly known as the Queer/Straight Alliance, Mount Pride in the GLBTQ group at Mount Saint Vincent University. We are an active and online group that meets bi-weekly on tuesdays at 12 noon in the diversity center in Roseria on campus, and online at mountpride@yahoo.com. Possible events that are being planned for the winter semester include sexuality awareness week, movies nights, potlucks, guest speakers, and many more. There are always spontaneous meals and events that are always fun. This group is open to anyone who would like to join.

First, Third and Fifth Tuesdays

LGB Youth Project Drop-in Nights. This is an unstructured event. It's a chance to hang out with old friends, make some new ones, and just talk about whatever, 6-9pm, 2281 Brunswick Street

Second and Fourth Tuesdays

LGB Youth Project Group meetings. This is a structured environment, with facilitators present to keep discussions on track, while at the same time helping to lead the discussion in the directions that the youth wish to go, as well as making sure the group guidelines are enforced. The discussions focus on the youth present having a say, rather than the facilitators lecturing about whatever topic is being discussed, 7-9pm, 2281 Brunswick Street

Every Wednesday

An all gay men's bowling league is starting up in the new year and I am looking for any men who are interested in joining. 7pm to 9pm at The Bowlarama at Bayers Road Shopping Centre. If you are interested in joining contact Richard at 440-6729 after 4pm.

First Wednesday of each month

GAY FATHERS OF HALIFAX is a peer support group for gay and bisexual men. We meet on the 1st Wednesday of each month. We also get together for a monthly Pot Luck social. For more info contact Bruce @ 469 5490 or Gilles @ 448-3565 or email GayFathersHalifax@hotmail.com

or visit our website at <http://groups.msn.com/GayFathersOfHalifax> If you are interested in facilitating meetings, organizing activities or simply meeting a great group of men, then send us an email.

Second Wednesday of each month

Spirituality for Lesbians, 7:30-9PM. We seek to deepen our relationship with God, knowing that God loves us and calls us into life just as he has created us. Persons of every or no denomination are welcome. For info about the place of the next meeting call 459-2649 and leave name and number. Personal mailbox: confidentiality assured.

Aug 25, Sept 8, 22, Oct 6, 20, Nov 3, 17

Anonymous HIV Testing, AIDS Coalition of Nova Scotia 1657 Barrington St, Suite 321, 5-8pm. 425-4882 for an appointment.

Aug 28, Sept 11, 25, Oct 9, 23, Nov 6, 20

Koinonia Ecumenical Church - Meaning 'community'. Services bi-weekly at 12:30pm at Halifax Feast downtown. Pastor Elaine, 876-8771 or koinonia@ns.sympatico.ca

August 29

Tightrope Event: "Summer Heat in Jockstrap" at MenzBar, 9pm-11pm.

September 10

Tightrope Event: Bondage Demo at MenzBar, 9pm-11pm.

September 24

The Nova Scotia Rainbow Action Project (NSRAP) is planning a gala dinner and fundraiser on September 24, to celebrate the first anniversary of same-sex marriage in Nova Scotia. NSRAP was instrumental in the legalization of same-sex marriage, on September 24, 2004. As incredible as it seems, we are quickly approaching the one-year mark. And what a year it's been! With so much good work accomplished in the province, and across the country, it's time to recognize our achievements and celebrate. The event, to be held at the Casino Nova Scotia Hotel, will build on the huge success of last year's gala dinner, the "Big Gay Wedding Reception". The hilarious Bette MacDonald has agreed to play hostess once more, to the delight of the planning committee. Last year's attendees, including politicians, community leaders, and prominent businesspeople, gave glowing reviews, and we anticipate an even larger turnout again this year. This year, NSRAP is pleased to be partnering with the queer-positive Metropolitan Community Church to plan the event. The Rev. Troy Perry, who founded MCC in Los Angeles in 1968, has agreed to give a keynote address. Tickets will be \$75. Funds raised by NSRAP will go to support our ongoing activities. For more information about NSRAP activities and membership, or to inquire about tickets for the Big Gay Wedding Anniversary Dinner Gala, contact us at 902-444-7887, www.nsrp.ca, or refer to the advertisement in this issue of Wayves. Happy Anniversary!

September 25

AIDS Walk For Life WHO? The Halifax AIDS Walk is presented by and in support of the AIDS Coalition of Nova Scotia (ACNS). ACNS is a non-profit, community-based AIDS organization whose mission is to empower persons living with and affected by HIV/AIDS and those at risk through health promotion and mutual support and to reduce the spread of HIV in Nova Scotia. WHAT? Sunday, September 25, 2005—Register today...gather a Team Together! Halifax AIDS Walk, hundreds of walkers in the HRM coming together to show support in the fight against HIV/AIDS by raising money for our Health Fund and awareness of HIV/AIDS. WHERE? Halifax Commons

November 3-5

The Canadian Rainbow Health Coalition is proud to announce that the 2005 Rainbow Health 2005: Developing Capacity to Address our Health & Wellness Conference will be in Halifax, Nova Scotia, November 3-5 2005. Please refer to our website for up-to-date information. Registration is available online or by mail using the form included in the conference brochure. Please note that the early bird registration fees will end on September

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MONDAYS
Jazz/Band Night
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TUESDAYS
Karaoke with Justin and 30cent Wings
\$100 Cash Prize 10pm

WEDNESDAYS
Halifax Idol with Annie and Anita
\$100 Cash Prize 10pm

THURSDAYS
Karaoke with Justin and 30cent Wings
\$100 Cash Prize 10pm

FRIDAYS
DJ Laptop Spins
10pm

SATURDAYS
DJ Laptop Spins
10pm

SUNDAYS
SUNDAY BIG SHOW

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MONDAYS 2 for 1 Entrees
(Price of item must be equal or lesser the value)

TUESDAYS Stirfry Tuesdays \$4.75

WEDNESDAYS All You Can Eat Pasta Night \$5.95
Vegetarian or Meat Sauce

THURSDAYS Fish and Chips
\$4.95

FRIDAYS Burger and a Beer
\$5.50

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1, 2005, so register today for reduced registration fees. www.rainbowhealth.ca

November 5

The first AGM of the Canadian Rainbow Health Coalition will be held Saturday November 5 from 1:30pm to 5:00pm. Join the CRHC today and help build a healthy gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgendered community. Full CRHC membership privileges include voting rights at the AGM, the right to run for the board, and other benefits including priority consideration for scholarships. In order to vote for the board and at the AGM memberships must be purchased by October 3, 2005. Visit www.rainbowhealth.ca for membership application.

Halifax - LGBYouth Project

The Lesbian, Gay & Bisexual Youth Project is out in full force this summer. We'll be having a lot of fun stuff to do all summer - and all of our events are open to everyone - gay, lesbian, bisexual, transgendered and straight (and curious and questioning) youth under 25. The Youth Project - at 2281 Brunswick street - is open from 9-4, and we're open to anyone just dropping by to say hi. The building itself has gone under a lot of renovations, looking better than ever for the summer ahead. We also welcome Patrick Daigle, the new Support Services Coordinator. Check out the events below! For more details, call 429-5429 or e-mail youthproject@youthproject.ns.ca - all events are open to all youth 25 and under, and are strictly drug- and alcohol-free.

Every Second Wednesday

Summer Movie Nights! Come out for popcorn and a movie! Wednesday nights.
August 3rd - The Truth About Jane
August 17th - Touch of Pink
August 31st - D.E.B.S

Halifax Bar & Business Calendar

MENZ BAR & Partz Dept.

2104 Gottingen St, Halifax's Gay Village
902-446-6969, www.MENZBAR.ca
FREE INTERNET 7 DAYS A WEEK - with purchase of a drink
Sundays - Breakfast Brunch on the PATIO
Noon-3pm & Mana BBQ 6pm-9pm

Mondays - OPEN MIC & Wings with Troy - Mystery Jack Song, win up to \$300
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Wednesdays - Karaoke & Wings with BEAR777
Mystery Jack Song, win up to \$300
Thursdays - Les Girlz, starring Studio X. LeNoir
Friday & Saturday - Dancing & DrinkS on the PATIOS

The PARTZ Dept, Level III Patio Now Open

Labour Day Week End

Fri Sept 2: Boots & Boxers Night, Wear Your Tightest & Brightest
Sat Sept 3: End of Summer WHITE PARTY (Tighty Whities accepted!)
Sun Sept 4: Brunch (Noon - 3pm), MANA BBQ (5-9PM)
Sun Sept 4: WOMYNZ DANCE (10PM - Close)
Mon Sept 5: Patio Perfect - All Day; Food, Drink & Good Company!
Fri Sept 9: Honouring One of Our Own - A Tribute to Mz Vicki
Sat Sept 10: Newfie Night! Kiss the Cod & Get Screached
Sat Sept 17: Black & Blue Night - Wear Your Best Leather or Uniform
Sat Sept 24: Show us Your Gear @ Blue Collar Night
FREE Meeting Room Available, call now to reserve. 446-6969

NRG2

www.clubnrgHalifax.com
Sunday Big Show in the Main Room check: www.clubnrgHalifax.com for details
Monday Queer as Folk in Showtunes 11pm. Band/Jazz Night in Main Room check website for details
Tuesday Classic Karaoke and Wings with Justin 10pm \$100 Cash Prize
Wednesday Halifax Idol with Anita Mann and Annie Cockadoo 10pm \$100 Cash Prize
Thursday Classic Karaoke and Wings with Justin 10pm \$100 Cash Prize
Friday DJ Laptop Spins 10pm
Saturday DJ Laptop Spins 10pm

REFLECTIONS

www.reflectionscabaret.com

Mondays: Mondays consist of a great show hosted by Ben Dover called "Stack the Vote" which is a lypsync show. \$3 for the show. Anyone can try for some great cash prizes and lots of fun! DJ HedFones to follow.

Tuesdays: Karaoke with Troy Ward. Come out for the chance to win \$100 cash every Tuesday night! DJ HedFones spins all your favourite tunes after Karaoke. Check it out! No Cover.

Wednesdays: Wednesdays consist of great live bands on stage till 1am followed by great Retro music. \$3 cover for bands till 1am. Ladies free. Then, DJ Sapho will tear up the dancefloor with some great retro music no cover.

Thursdays: Lulu LaRude hosts Five Minutes Of Fame-the anything goes talent show where we give away \$200 cold hard cash to the winner each night. This is the hottest night through the week. 10pm \$3. Lulu is always a hoot. Check it out! DJ HedFones follows with great dance music all night long.

Reflections is open 7 days a week. from 1pm-4am Monday-Saturday and 4pm-4am Sundays, wheelchair access, 5184 Sackville St. 422-2957, 1-877-422-2957 toll free

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Tuesdays - LOCKERAMA, all lockers \$10
Wednesdays - Hump Night, 1/2 price pass with purchase of a room or locker
Thursdays - Naked Night, Towels optional!

Tighty Whitey Undie Night - 1st & 3rd Fri of every month
Leather Night - 1st Sat of every month
Blue Collar Night - 3rd Sat of every month, Wear your Favorite Gear!
BLACK OUT Party - 2nd & 4th Sat of every month!
Early Bird Special - Sat and Sun 6am till Noon, Rooms are \$10 & Lockers are \$5

Moncton

Second Tuesday of each month

GLBT Support, 7:30pm at 245 Lutz St in Moncton. We discuss the realities of life within the GLBT community, share stories and gain support from others. Meetings are confidential, and new people are always welcome. For more info, call 506-863-1888

Third Monday of each month

PFLAG Moncton has monthly support meetings from 7:30-9:30 in room 339 of the Taillon bldg at U.deM. campus. Everyone is welcome at our meetings.

Second and Fourth Mondays

SAFE SPACES MEETING, 7pm. Support group for GLB youth, 14-25. For more info, 869-6224 or safespaces@nb.aibn.com

Last Saturday

Moncton Leather Chapter Leather Nights at Triangles! With the interest and number of people that have started wearing Leather in Moncton, it only seems natural to have a monthly Leather Night so that any man or woman can wear their Leather and know that they will not be alone in doing so when they go to Triangles.

Sept 30

The very 1st "Mr. & Ms. Atlantic Canada Leather" contest. If anyone, female or male is interested in more information or wanting to be a contestant for the contest, please contact Steve Lavolette by Email at: TheMLC@Rogers.com or by phone at (506) 388 - 2781. I look forward to hearing from you.

Montréal

July 9 - August 5, 2006

A group of Acadiens/Acadiennes from everywhere are planning to participate at the first Outgames Rendez Vous Montreal between July 29 until August 5, 2006. There will be dozen of gays and lesbians from all around the world who will participate at that cultural and sporting event. If you do your inscription before the end of 2004 you will have a reduction of your inscription fees. If you want to join our acadien team please contact yvonbonbon@hotmail.com

Saint John

Third Saturday

Gay Men's Supper Club, 220 Germain St. <http://www.portcityrainbowpride.com/> for more information.

Saint John Bar & Business Calendar

BABYLON EAST

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Wednesdays: No cover, free pool
Thursdays: No cover, karaoke with prizes
Fridays: No cover, open turntables
Saturdays: \$5 cover after 10 PM
Sundays: No cover, free pool
Your birthday: no cover, one free drink, just show your ID!

St. John's - LGBT-MUN

Every Friday

Coffee House: Every Friday, 12-2 (LBGT Office, 6th Floor UC, 6002) Every Friday we invite anyone and everyone to come to LBGT and enjoy a cup of Coffee or Tea (regular or herbal) with us (members, non-members, etc). It's a great chance to vent, meet some new people, etc. Our office is located in UC-6022.

Every Third Wednesday

Arriba's Night! Arriba's is a bar in the same building as Quintana's De La Plaza, in Churchill Square. We get together and attend this venue on a regular basis, due to its closeness to MUN and the fact that these are "Student Saver Nights" (drinks are cheaper and there are free nachos with every drink!). Before going to the venue, people are asked to meet at LBGT-MUN at 4:30pm to head over (and to grab seats before everyone else - teehee). Make sure to wear some Pride stuff so we can tell that you're there to meet us! (Note: this venue is 19 years and older)

St. John's Bar & Business Calendar

Zone 216

216 Water St, 754-2492
<http://www.hello.to/zone216>
Winter Hours
Open Fri&Sat Nights 10pm-late
No cover before 12 Friday
No Cover before 11 Saturday

Tatamagouche

Nov 25-27

Rainbow Weekend 2005 at the Tatamagouche Centre! From evaluations of last year's retreat, we have decided to: include more singing - please bring musical instruments; be more intentional

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about including physical activity – we will take time to stretch and move around amidst too much sitting; honour "Sacred Silence" again on Saturday morning with some suggested activities as well as allowing you to find your own helpful "stillness"; make use of the Open Concept in our programming again on Saturday morning; leave Saturday afternoon free ending with "the labyrinth" for those who are interested. More information available from robertj100@hotmail.com

Truro

Sept 17
2nd Annual Country Hoe Down Dance Lion's Club in Truro \$7.00 admission/ Bar on location Wear you best cowgirl or cowboy outfit...you might win a prize!

WAYVES DATES!

Check out page two for Wayves deadlines.

Wileville

Third Saturday of each month
Dahce 9PM to 1AM. Smoke free. For more details call 685-3297 or email info@southshorepride.ca or www.southshorepride.ca

Wolfville

Every Second Tuesday
Kings County Prostate Cancer Support Group, 7-9 pm in the East Kings Memorial Public Health Centre on Earncliffe Ave in Wolfville. You can ask questions you forgot to ask the doctor or nurse and you can think aloud to help you make your decisions. There is growing evidence that your participation in a group of people who have gone through the processes you are now facing is mentally beneficial and may well contribute to your recovery from prostate cancer interventions. We are an easy-going informal group of 12 men, some of whom bring their spouses/partners

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LABOUR DAY WEEKEND

- Fri., Sep. 2:**
Boots & Boxers Night
Wear Your Tightest & Brightest
- Sat., Sep. 3:**
End of Summer WHITE PARTY
(Tighty Whites accepted!)
- Sun., Sep. 4:**
Brunch (Noon - 3 pm)
Mana BBQ (5 - 9 pm)
Womynz Dance (10 pm - close)
- Mon., Sep. 5:**
Patio Perfect - All Day
Food, Drink & Good Company
- Fri., Sep. 9:**
Honouring One of Our Own
A Tribute to Ms. Vicki
- Sat., Sep. 10:**
Newfie Night!
Kiss the Cod & Get Screeched
- Sat., Sep. 17:**
Black & Blue Night
Wear Your Best Leather or Uniform
- Sat., Sep. 24:**
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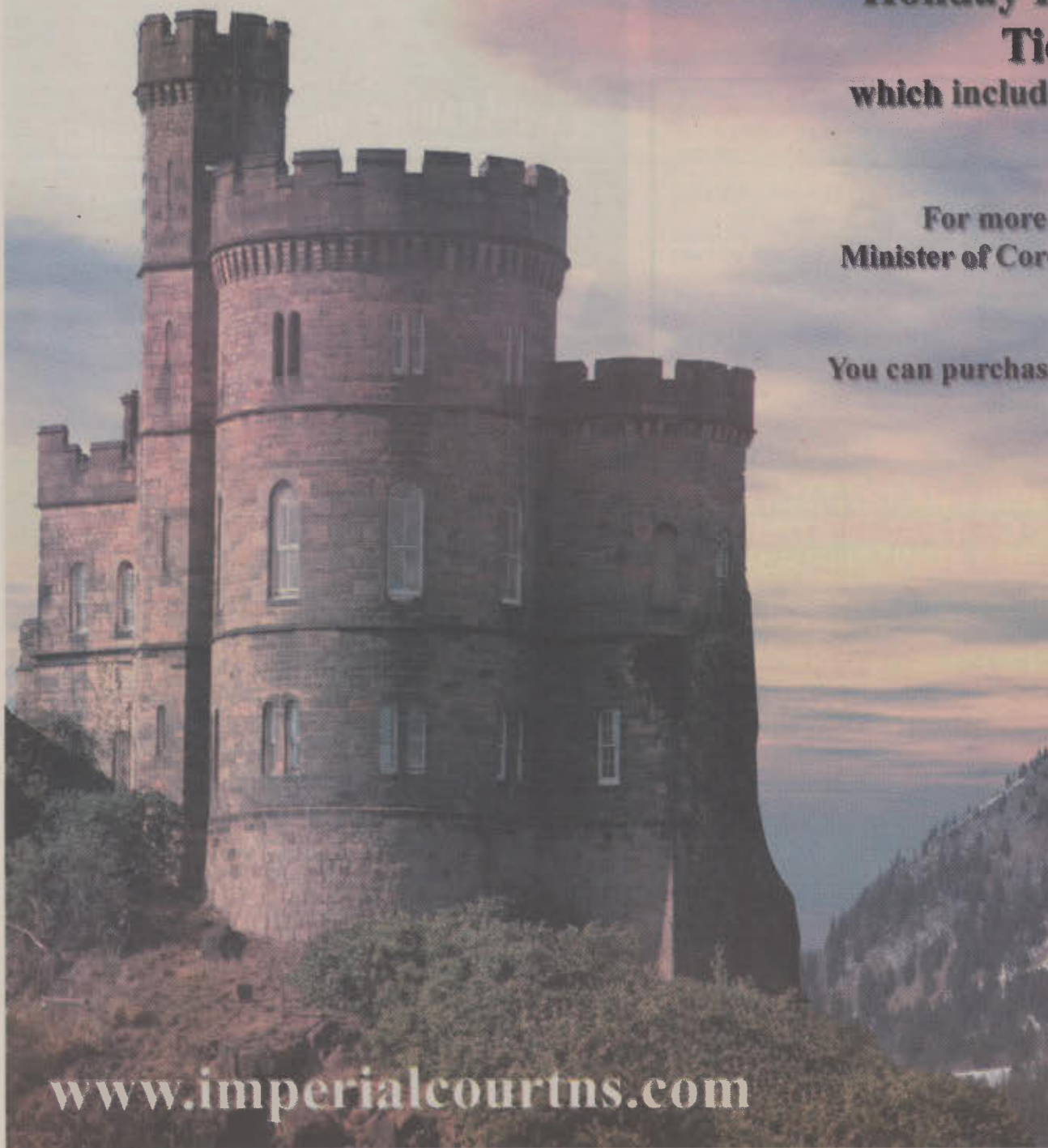
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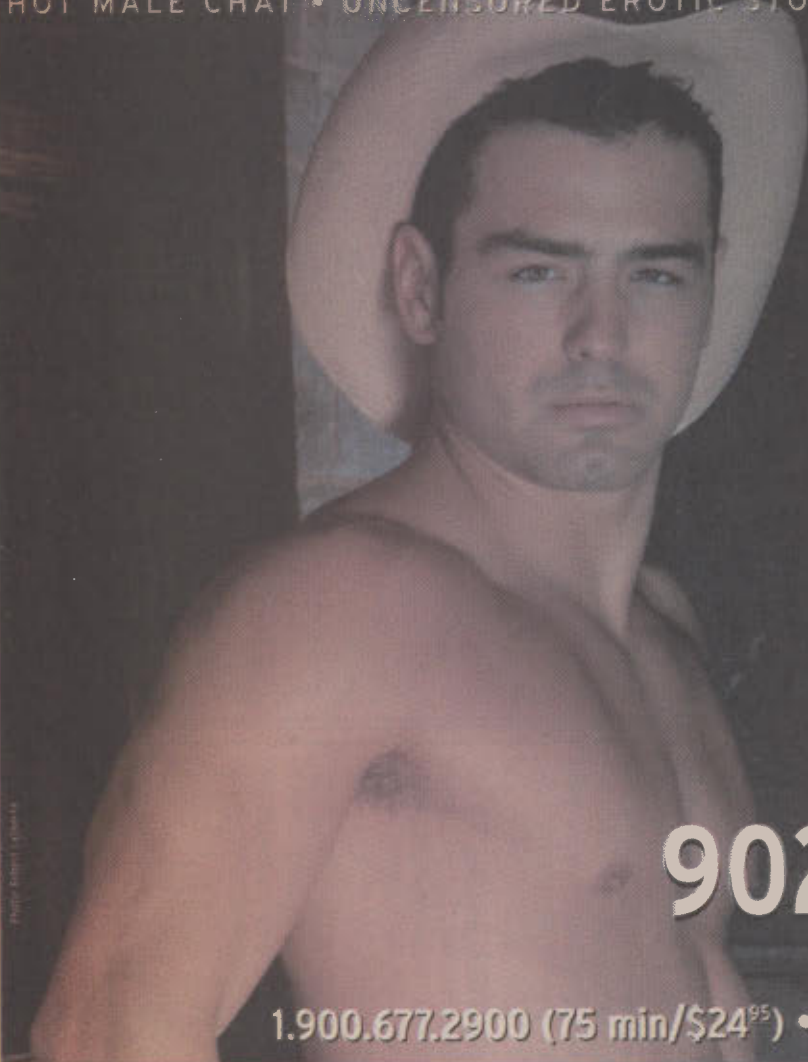
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