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PRIDE 2002: There's No Place Like Home!



PRIDE PAGES: We're *March-ing* Ahead!

Welcome to the March edition of Pride Pages!

This is our third issue and we've grown again! We are now 12 pages full of fun, information and excitement!

Page 2 has an article about **International Women's Day** that was submitted by the female staff of Mostly Organic.

On page 3, you'll get to see the **Winning Logo** in our nation wide Pride 2002 logo contest!

Inside this month's issue, you'll also learn about our recent **Fundraising Winners**,

including the winner of our very successful and very popular Valentine's fundraiser, "Love Is In The Air!"

Be sure to read the **Pride Past** column on page 4. Local archivist Jim Parrott chronicles the early days of the WWRP when it was known as the Rainbow Pride Committee. It's part of our promise to bring you some LGBT history.

Curious about other Pride celebrations in the area? Don't miss **Hamilton Pride's** new monthly column and ad

on page 9. The WWRP is very happy to be working with Hamilton Pride this year.

For all the hottest events in the area, check out the **Calendar Of Events** on page 12. This service is provided free of charge as part of the Pride Committee's commitment to help in local and area community development.

Keep that feedback coming by phone or email. Remember: the submission deadline for the April edition of Pride Pages is March 25th.

Join Us At The Wellness Fair!

In celebration and support of the International Women's Day (*Friday, March 8*), the Waterloo Region International Women's Day Committee is hosting an Interactive Wellness Health Fair spotlighting women who promote health and wellness in our local community.

The fair will be held on Sunday, March 3 at the Waterloo Memorial Recreation Complex in beautiful

uptown Waterloo (near Waterloo Square). Doors open at noon. Admission is **FREE**. Everyone is welcome and encouraged to attend.

The Waterloo-Wellington Regional Pride Committee will have a table at the Wellness Fair. Come celebrate International Women's Day and see some of the things that we have planned for Pride 2002: There's No Place Like Home!

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This newsletter is produced by volunteers on a monthly basis to keep everyone informed about what's going on in regards to the Waterloo-Wellington Regional Pride Committee's celebration PRIDE 2002: There's No Place Like Home and other LGBT events in and around our area.

750 copies of this newsletter are produced monthly and distributed in Kitchener, Waterloo, Cambridge, Guelph, Stratford, Toronto, Hamilton and St. Catharines.

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Ordinary Women as Makers of History by Mostly Organic

Women have been struggling to gain equal footing with men, in all societies, for centuries. Yet, it took until the turn of last century for the idea of a "Women's Day" to first come into fruition.

The time was ripe for the conception. It was a period of turbulence and expansion. Populations were booming and radical ideologies were being embraced. In 1909, as declared by the Socialist Party of America, the first National Women's Day was observed across the United States on February 28. One year later, at the Socialist International meeting in Copenhagen, and with unanimous approval, a Women's Day was established to honour the movement for women's rights and to aid in achieving the goal of universal suffrage.

In 1911, as a result of the Copenhagen decision, Austria, Denmark, Germany, and Switzerland held their first **International Women's Day**. Over 100 million men and women attended this rally. The rally cries were for the right to vote and hold public office, as well as demanding the right to work, vocational training and to put an end to on the job discrimination. On the last Sunday in February 1913, Russian women held their very first International Women's Day. This day functioned more as a day of protest against the war and to fuel the rising peace movement.

By 1917, 2 million Russian soldiers had perished in World War I, and the Russian women again chose the last Sunday in February for their strike for "Bread and Peace". Just four days later, the Czar was forced to abdicate and the provisional government granted the Russian women the right to vote. This historic day fell on February 23 on the Julian calendar then in use in Russia, but on March 8 on the Gregorian calendar in use everywhere else.

Since these early years, International Women's Day has taken on a global perspective. The ever growing International Women's Movement, strengthened by four global United Nations Women's Conferences, has helped make International Women's Day a pivotal point for coordination in the demand for women's rights and participation in the political and economic process.

Following the tragic events of Sept 11, 2001 and the situation of Afghan women that has been brought into our global eye, as well as the many women who live daily with the threat of war, terrorism and violence, the cry has sounded for women as negotiators for peace and conflict resolution. This has motivated Canada to carry the theme for this year's International Women's Day as "**Working in Solidarity: Women, Human Rights and Peace**". The theme recognizes the influence and crucial role played by women in conflict resolution, peace negotiation and in seeking social justice on the local, regional, national, and international fronts.

Our Lesbian communities are a strong and active component in the celebration of International Women's Day. During the celebration, women gather to discuss, exchange, and initiate ideas to better the daily lives of women everywhere. We also take the time to enjoy the successes we have garnered and to frolic in the joyfulness of women coming together to celebrate our history, our lives and our future.



**International
Women's Day**

March 8, 2002

Everyone Loves Us! And The Winner Is...

Members of the WWRP were in Hamilton recently to talk to Steel City celeb Lyla Miklos, the Chair of Hamilton Pride, about a few ideas that we wanted to work with Hamilton Pride on.

We caught up with Lyla at the stylish new M Bar. While we were there, Lyla took a few moments to glance through Pride Pages before telling us how great it was!

Check out page 9 for the new Hamilton Pride column to stay informed about events and plans for Hamilton Pride!



Craig Hunter (left) and Lyla Miklos (right) think Pride Pages is a GREAT publication!

The Waterloo-Wellington Regional Pride Committee (WWRP) is proud to announce that we have selected a logo to represent this year's celebration of Pride 2002.

The logo contest was open to all residents of Canada and the competition was fierce! The submitted logos were judged at a February Pride Committee meeting by members of the Steering Committee and by those members of the general public who were in attendance. The winning logo was designed by Craig Hunter of Kitchener, Ontario.



WWRP is proud to present the logo for Pride 2002.

Craig receives official recognition on the WWRP website and a profile in both the 2002/2003 Rainbow Directory and Pride Guide and a few other fabulous prizes!

Love Is In The Air A Success!!

Tickets for the WWRP Valentine's fundraiser, "Love Is In The Air" went on sale February 1. The WWRP raised over \$500 in twelve days of sales!

Prizes in the basket included a night at the Four Seasons Hotel, tickets to Copacabana at the Waterloo Stage theatre, a package from Earthwinds, a gift certificate for flowers, chocolates from Rhea Thompson, CDs from Wandering Minstrel, more chocolate, a bar tab from Club Renaissance and a whole lot more!

The winning ticket was drawn by DJ Thumper at Club Renaissance on February 13th. The WWRP is pleased to announce that the winner of this spectacular basket was Melissa Foerster of Kitchener!

The basket was delivered to the thrilled winner on Valentine's Day. The WWRP would like to thank everyone who helped sell tickets including Muses Cafe, Mostly Organic and Club Renaissance. We'd also like to thank everyone who bought tickets to support Pride 2002.

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The Winning Ticket was drawn by DJ Thumper.



The Lucky Winner was Melissa Foerster!

PRIDE PAST: The History of WWRP

by Jim Parrott

PRIDE PAST is a new monthly column that outlines LGBT history locally, nationally and internationally.

This month we take a look at the history of our local Pride Committee. This article was compiled by Jim Parrott from sections of a history web page written by Jim Parrott and David Welbourne.

In the Spring of 1995, a group of people active in the Kitchener-Waterloo LGBT communities met a couple of times to prepare for the first local pride celebration ever to be held in the area. Unfortunately, things rather fell apart because some of these people were distracted by other circumstances, and it began to appear that the event would not take place.

Just a week before the originally set date, one of the people, Darryl Bender, took it upon himself to pull things back together, and the event did in fact take place in the Rotunda of Kitchener City Hall. With such a limited time for publicizing the event, it was astonishing that 86 people showed up!

After GLOW's 25th Anniversary Celebration, the question of having a 2nd annual local pride celebration increasingly

dominated discussions on the Rainbow List. One of the initial results of these discussions was that people were in favour of having a celebration covering not only Kitchener Waterloo, but Cambridge and Guelph as well. So, a sub-list of the Rainbow list, called the Pride96 List was set up, and several people from the Guelph area were added to both lists.

An initial meeting of what came to be called the Regional Pride Committee (RPC) was held in late April 1996 in Kitchener at the headquarters of ACCKWA (AIDS Committee of Cambridge, Kitchener, Waterloo and Area).

The RPC met several times in May and June of 1996 at various locations in the Waterloo-Wellington region in preparation for the Regional Pride Celebration. These early meetings were very exciting for people attending them, since this was the first time that we had worked with people with similar goals from nearby communities. At that time, the Committee included members of GLOW, ACCKWA, Out & About gay radio show, Guelph Queer Equality, and the Rainbow Metropolitan Community Church (Guelph branch). The social part at the end of the business portions of

the meetings was an especially enjoyable part of the meetings.

The 2nd Regional Pride Celebration, entitled Triangle Unity '96, was attended by 221 people, nearly tripling the attendance over the previous year's event. Many people from Cambridge and Guelph were there. The RPC was very pleased.

Preparations for Regional Pride '97 saw a significant step forward over the previous year's celebration. In 1996, there were only two business sponsors for the event. For the 1997 event, there were several dozen.

In 1998, Pride Celebrations moved outdoors for the first time ever. It was a very successful day. Out and About radio taped a show during the day in the park. There were speakers and music along with many information tables. Tri-Pride "Out-'98" was held in Kitchener's Victoria Park by the clock tower. While spirits were high, shade was nowhere to be found on this very hot and sunny day.

In 1999 our annual Pride Celebration moved from the Clock Tower area of Kitchener's Victoria Park to the centre of the park, Roos Island. Pride '99, dubbed, "Rock the Island!

Celebrate Diversity" was attended by over 500 people. There were information tables. There was a BBQ, and a beer garden, a variety of entertainment and lots of music. A good time was had by all.

In 2000 our Pride Celebration was again held on Roos Island in Kitchener's Victoria Park. Attendance was estimated to be about the same as 1999. Again there were information tables, a beer garden, BBQ, entertainment and lots of music.

The 2001 Pride Celebration followed in the footsteps of earlier years back at Roos Island. Pride 2001 was titled: Imagine: Be A Dreamer and once again featured a beer garden, BBQ, music, various entertainers and lots of information tables.

Pride 2002, "There's No Place Like Home!" is shaping up to be the biggest event yet. This year's Committee is planning an Art Show, a Community Dance, a number of Workshops, the King and Queen of Pride Pageants and the Sunday afternoon event on Roos Island.

The WERX Opens In Hamilton!

by Damien Dommer

It is with great pleasure that I announce to you the opening of the Werx, Hamilton's newest and largest alternative lifestyles entertainment complex. On Friday February 15th, 2002, The WERX opened its doors!!

Three floors, each with their own themes, will give everyone a reason to come out and have loads of fun.

The lower level:
Welcome to Hamilton's first and only leather and Bear bar dedicated to the "darker" side of the realm. Open every weekend (except the 4th Saturday of the month)

from 8pm to 2am. This level features great music, stainless steel bar, a pool table and touch games for your entertainment. Draft service too!!

The main level: We've totally renovated this space and have erected a large "U" shaped bar. We've installed a new sound system for background music. New equipment on this floor means that there'll be plenty of cold beverages for you to choose from including eight brands of draft! There are two pool tables and other games to amuse you as well. Totally new washroom

facilities provide a clean and private place for you as well. This floor will be open 7 days a week from 2pm to 2am.

The second level: We've once again renovated this space opening up the floor all the way up to the front of the building. Windows overlooking Hughson Street greet you as you enter "The Zen lounge", a non-smoking lounge with pool table and quieter atmosphere. The main room is opened up and we've installed new carpeting and a larger dance floor. We bring back to you the kind of music that you can dance

to!! Catering to a more mature crowd, the music will be programmed with 70's, 80's, disco, dance, country and slow music so that you can grab the one you love and have a nice slow dance! This floor will be open weekends from 8pm to 2am!!

Our new website will be up and running in a few weeks, so check us out at www.thewerxsite.com

We are so excited to be finally ready to open our doors and become Hamilton's favourite place to be!



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Want To Do Pride?

We want to bring you the best entertainment for Pride 2002.

Do you know of a performer that wants to do Pride 2002?

We've already received calls of interest from entertainers in Toronto, London, Kitchener, Hamilton and Buffalo who want to go on stage during our afternoon event on Roos Island in Kitchener's Victoria Park on Sunday, June 9.

If you or someone you know is interested in performing at Pride, please send a proposal to the attention of Rick Sickinger by April 19. You should include a description of the art/performance and a photograph. Don't forget to include your contact info! Please note: materials cannot be returned.

Remember, we're looking for musical acts, native dancers, drag kings/queens, comedians and much more! Why not let Pride 2002 showcase your talents?

The Waterloo Region International Women's Day Committee

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Doors open at noon.

Another Pride Fundraiser Success Story!

The Waterloo-Wellington Regional Pride Committee was once again hard at work fundraising at Club Ren on Saturday, Feb 9. Our three great volunteers had a fantastic time. Once again, ticket sales were a smashing success.

We'd like to thank everyone who takes the time to help support Pride fundraisers buy volunteering or buying tickets. Your help is always appreciated! After all, we couldn't do it without you.

Congratulations go to Joe Clute who won \$156.64 that night!



Kathy Frey (left), Rick Sickinger (back) and Suzanne Botsford (right) congratulate one of our latest winners, Joe Clute (centre)

Are Your Juices Flowing?

Do your friends think you have a gift for the written word? Are your creative juices flowing? Do you have something to say? Can you ask five questions in a row? Why not drop us a line at Pride Pages?

We're always looking for people to submit articles about Pride or other issues of interest to the local LGBT communities in our area.

Articles can be submitted to our email address or sent to our mailing address. Submission deadline for articles is the 25th of each month.

It should be noted that submission does not guarantee publication. Please submit your articles to wwrp@rainbow.on.ca

Pride Workshop Facilitators Needed!

The Waterloo Wellington Regional Pride Committee is looking for people who are interested in facilitating or planning workshops on Saturday June 8, 2002 as part of the 2002 Pride festivities.

Workshops will deal with business issues, social issues, drag, legal issues, spirituality, crafts and other things of interest to the LGBT communities.

We currently have a list of interested facilitators and we'll

start taking names for those interested in taking the workshops soon. Locations will also be announced.

If you would like to help with the execution of these events or have a great idea, please submit your ideas and your enthusiasm. For more details or to sign up for available workshops, please call Kathy Frey at (519) 745-██████ or (519) 584-██████.

Presidential Address

by Craig Hunter

Can you believe that it's March already? Pride 2002 will be here before we know it! Thanks to everyone who has called or emailed about how much they like Pride Pages! Due to overwhelming response, we are now up to 12 pages and we could keep on growing as Pride gets closer!

Some of the Steering Committee traveled to Hamilton recently to

meet the Chair of Hamilton Pride, Lyla Miklos and check out the fabulous new M Bar on James Street. Mark Babcock is the manager there and he was a great host. We also met with Damian Dommer of WERX (another new Hamilton bar) who will be working with us in the near future. The WWRP is pleased to announce that starting this month, Hamilton Pride will have a

monthly column in Pride Pages to let us know what's going on in their area. In the true spirit of co-operation, they have agreed to distribute Pride Pages and other WWRP promotional material in the Hamilton area to help get the word out about Pride 2002: There's No Place Like Home! April's edition is going to be chock full of Pride information as well as few other treats. We're starting a Community Spotlight section where we'll highlight various LGBT businesses and community groups. Check us out next month as we spotlight David Bell and Dan DesRosiers from Muses Cafe in Kitchener. As always your input counts so if you know of a business or group you think should be put in the spotlight - let us know! Another new feature will be a LGBT film column written by Sydney Brenshaw, a local writer and film buff who approached us with the idea of reviewing some

lesser-known titles available.

Club Renaissance is hosting our **LOGO LAUNCH PARTY** on Saturday, March 30 so come out and have a good time. Check the sofa cushions for change because it's another fantastic Pride Fundraiser! I have to say that the response to our fundraising has been great and with the support of the community we can only continue to build. Steering Committee meetings are held the first and third Fridays of the month. These meetings are open to the public and we welcome guests. In fact, attendance at the last few meetings has been awesome! It's wonderful to see so many members of the LGBT communities who want to work together. After all, we want to have YOUR input into the events and activities planned for Pride 2002.



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To Chair or Not To Chair. That is The Question.

By Lyla Miklos

Lyla Miklos is Chair of the Hamilton Pride 2002 Committee. This is the first in a series of monthly columns submitted to Pride Pages by the Hamilton Pride Committee. The WWRP is pleased to be working with Hamilton Pride this year.

I kept saying no way, no how, am I ever going to be the Chair for Hamilton Pride. Never! Why do I need that kind of responsibility, hassle, and hair pulling grief? Yet somehow through an evil twist of fate I ended up being the Chair this year. After my initial irritation over this conspiratorial plot twist in my life I accepted the fact that I was the "head sucker" for the 2002 Committee. I have now

wholeheartedly embraced being Chair.

Being Chair has forced me to see the "whole picture" rather than my one little piece of the puzzle I had to worry about in the past (media relations). I now have an even deeper appreciation for everything every member of our committee does to help make our event come together every year. Folks it's a miracle any Pride event happens, because big pride event or small pride event these things are a lot of detailed and painstaking work.

Having attended a few Interpride conferences over the years I have discovered

that no matter where in the world you decide to hold a Pride event there are a few issues that are universal. Here are my personal top three:

Volunteers – You will never have enough volunteers. You will always need more volunteers.

Sponsorships – A tough, time consuming, almost comedic exercise that makes you feel like the corporate whore of the universe. And despite all your whoring, in the end you will always want/need more sponsors. Heck, lets be blunt. You will always want/need more money.

Committee Burnout – As is

the case in **ANY** volunteer organization, a small handful of people do all the work while a gaggle of groupies bask in the glow of its success. It's not something really to get bitter about, it's life, it just is, but all the same people tend to get really bitter about it.

Hamilton Pride is still looking for, yes you guessed it, sponsors and volunteers. Check out our website at www.gayhamilton.com/pride to find out the latest news on our event and to see how you can be a part of it. We look forward to seeing you there!

**HAMILTON PRIDE
June 13-16, 2002**



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- Sunday brunch and Outdoor Concert at Whitehern Historic House & Gardens



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Pride Pages Classified Ads cost \$5.00 a month (max 40 words). Do you have something sitting in your attic that you'd like to sell? Maybe you have a place to rent or are looking for a new place. Pride Pages Classifieds is a great way to reach people. After all, we distribute 750 copies a month in Kitchener, Waterloo, Cambridge, Guelph, Stratford, Hamilton, Toronto and St. Catherines. Submissions and payments are due by the 25th of the month for the following month's issue.

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WWRP LOGO LAUNCH PARTY

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Intenzive Artistry!

The Lesbian Gay Bi Youth Line & VAZALEEN are co-presenting a brazen new event in April!

We want to showcase a select few youth DJ's, visual artists and performers at our all ages, all sexes, all genders club night, **INTENZIVE KARE**. So here's your chance to get your own brand of brazen art out there! Show us what you can do!

Send a proposal including a description of the art/performance,

and don't forget to include your contact info! Photographs, descriptions and materials cannot be returned. Proposals must be received no later than March 15th. Questions? Give us a call at 416-962-2232, or email us: lgblne@iComm.ca

Send your stuff to:
 Intenzive Art
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 P.O. Box 62. Station F
 Toronto, Ontario
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Logo Launch Party Takes Off!

Dust off those ruby slippers girls! It's time to let loose and party!

Tab A/Slot B Productions is sponsoring a Logo Launch Party to introduce our new logo for Pride 2002: There's No Place Like Home!

Come on out to Club Renaissance on **Saturday, March 30th** to help us party and celebrate!

As always, it will be a fundraiser for Pride and, of course, there's lots of great prizes to be won!

Put on your best party clothes because you never know who might show up and what they'll do!

Special thanks go out to a hot new company, Millennium Signs & Banners, for our new banner and stickers!

Hear Ye! Hear Ye!

Calling All Kings and Queens!

Check out the April edition of Pride Pages for information on the first Annual King and Queen of Pride Pageants!



LGBT Caucus Of CHFT Calls For Submissions!

By LGBT Caucus of CHFT

The LGBT Caucus of the Co-operative Housing Federation of Toronto has launched two new projects and we need your input and experiences.

Our Stories from the LGBT Communities

is an anthology of the experiences of members of the LGBT Communities. We are asking anyone who presently lives in or works in a housing co-operative (or has done so in the past) or is a

part of any other member organizations of CHF Canada and is a member of the LGBT Communities to submit their story. We want to hear what the true experiences of LGBT Co-ops have been - the good and the bad, our successes and our difficulties.

The LGBT Resource Guide The Caucus is trying to put together a resource manual for housing Co-operatives and their

Staff in dealing with issues around and within the LGBT Communities. This Guide will be geared to resources outside the Co-operative that can work with people that are having difficulties that a housing co-operative may not be able or set up to handle. The first publication will be done focusing on the Toronto area with hopes of expanding it for other areas in the federation.

All submissions can be sent electronically to lgbt@coophousing.com or by mail to LGBT Caucus, c/o the Co-operative housing Federation of Toronto, 658 Danforth Ave., Suite 306, TO ON M4J 5B9.

We are very excited to be starting these projects and look forward to your input as they will only succeed with a truly co-operative effort.

Rainbow Reels Queer Film Festival

Friday March 15

8:00 PM: *The Edge Of Each Others Battles:
The Vision Of Audrey Lorde*
9:30 PM: *Jonny Grey Eyes.*

Saturday March 16

7:00 PM *Bombay Eunuch*
9:00 PM *Hey Happy*

Sunday March 17

7:00 PM *Drift*
9:00 PM *Paragraph 175* (Discussion to follow)

All of the above will be shown in
Room 1302 of the Davis Centre
at the University of Waterloo.

Admission is free and open to all.

We will also be hosting the Canadian Premiere of *Lie* on Thursday March 14th at 11:00 PM in conjunction with the Princess Cinema. Admission to be determined. Call 888-██████ for more info.

The Rainbow Community Conversation Group

Every Monday at 7:00 P.M.

119 Hagey Hall

(University of Waterloo Campus).

This group meets to discuss topics of interest to the GLBT/Queer Community. All are welcome! For more information please see [www.qlife.on.ca/rccg](http://www qlife.on.ca/rccg) or email qlife@qlife.on.ca.

Topic List For March

March 4, 2002 – **Food** – *Bring your favourite recipe. Share your secrets in the kitchen. What makes the perfect meal/snack. What is your favourite comfort food. Are we obsessed with food? Or is just something we have to endure to survive?*
March 11, 2002 – **Gaymes Night** – *Okay, this should be a fun night. We will be playing games (cards, board, whatever). Every time we run this night we have a blast. Refreshments will be supplied*
March 18, 2002 – **Travel** – *Do queer people travel? What are the best destinations? Worst destinations?*
March 25, 2002 – **Gay Humour** – *A fun look at humour in the queer community. There will be a video or two shown.*

COMMUNITY CALENDAR OF EVENTS

MONDAYS

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WEDNESDAYS

GLOW COMING-OUT DISCUSSION GROUP All are welcome to join us on the first and third Wednesday of every month. This group provides a safe and supportive environment to discuss coming-out experiences. Hagey Hall 373 - 7:00 pm.

GLOW SOCIAL. A weekly gathering of UW's LGBT community (non-students very welcome). Starts at 8:30pm at the Grad House on the UW campus, no cover

POETS ON THE RUN - Part of the Freshly Squeezed Readings Series. Held every Wednesday at Mostly Organic Juice Bar Café (119 King St., downtown Kitchener) at 8:00 p.m. Hosted by James P. McAuliffe.

On the first Wednesday of every month try out your new pumps at **OPEN DRAG NIGHT** at Club Renaissance. Call the bar at 570-2406 for more details.

FRIDAYS

PRIDE COMMITTEE! Waterloo-Wellington Regional Pride Steering Committee meets on the first and third Friday of the month. We meet at 7:30 p.m. and everyone is welcome to attend. Come out and help plan Pride 2002! Please call 584- [REDACTED] for more details. The March meetings will be held at 307 Queen Street South in Kitchener. Visit www.rainbow.on.ca

LUNA: WOMEN'S DRUM CIRCLE & JAM SESSION starts at 7:30 p.m. on the second Friday of the month at Mostly Organic in Kitchener. Call Kathy or Della at 745- [REDACTED] for more details.

SUNDAYS

KW FRIENDS OF DOROTHY 10 PIN COSMIC BOWLING LEAGUE
The only Gay/Gay Positive Bowling League in the Tri-City Area meets every Sunday at 3:00pm at Fredrick Brunswick Lanes at 385 Frederick St., Kitchener. For more info, contact Jason Boyko at 578- [REDACTED] or friendsofdorothy_kw@hotmail.com

OTHER EVENTS

Announcing the formation of **WOUF: WATERLOO ONTARIO URSINE FRIENDS**, a group for big and hairy gay men and their friends around Waterloo. For more info, visit <http://homepage.mac.com/questor24/wouf/>

CONVERSATION CAFE starting at Mostly Organic in Kitchener. Call Kathy or Della at 745- [REDACTED] for more details.

FRI. MAR. 1 - WOUF: Waterloo Ontario Ursine Friends First **BEARS NIGHT OUT** Mongolian Grill, Waterloo, 170 University Ave W at Phillip

SAT. MAR. 2 - BOYZ AND BOYS AND GIRLS AND GRRLS NIGHT. A mostly LGBT dance/pub night at the Grad House on the UW campus 9pm-2:30 am All Ages, tickets around \$2-\$3

SUN. MAR 3 - The Waterloo Region International Women's Day Committee is hosting a **FREE INTERACTIVE HEALTH FAIR** spotlighting women who promote health and wellness in our local community. Everyone is welcome. The fair will be held at the Waterloo Memorial Recreation Complex in Waterloo. Doors open at noon.

FRI. MAR. 8 - RAINBOW CHORUS DANCE at CAW Hall, 611 Silvercreek Parkway North, Guelph. Admission is only \$5.00. Everyone is welcome.

SAT. MAR. 9 - Royal Sovereign Ducal Court of London presents **INVESTITURE II** at 722 York Street, London. Come out and see the installation of the new Regent Grand Duchess and the New House. Doors open at 8:00, light buffet, show time 9:30 p.m. Door Fee: \$5.00 per person.

SAT. MAR 9 - THE GOLDEN HORSESHOE LEATHER ASSOCIATION'S BAR NIGHT. THE WERX is the HOME BAR of the GHLA which hosts a monthly bar night in the lower level. THE WERX, 121 Hughson Street, Hamilton.

SAT. MAR 16 - ACCKWA presents their **9TH ANNUAL CHAIRS FOR CHARITY ART AUCTION** at Kitchener's City Hall. Come out and bid on some amazing original artwork and help raise funds for ACCKWA!

SAT. MAR 16 - THE BEARZ@THE WERX. First official BEAR night held in the lower level. If you're a bear, or a bear admirer, come join us!! THE WERX, 121 Hughson Street, Hamilton.

SAT. MAR 23 - Rainbow Chorus presents **SING AND SWING** - a Concert and Dance on Harcourt United Church, 87 Dean Ave. Guelph 8:00 PM.

SAT. MAR. 23 - BOYZ AND BOYS AND GIRLS AND GRRLS NIGHT. A mostly LGBT dance/pub night at the Grad House on the UW campus 9pm-2:30 am All Ages, tickets around \$2-\$3

PRIDE PAGES NOW AVAILABLE AT:

Kitchener:

Club Renaissance, ACCKWA, Mostly Organic Juice Bar Café, Muses Café, KW Bookstore, Kitchener Public Library (main branch)

Waterloo:

Wordsworth Books, Grabbajabba, Princess Cinema, Holly Oaks, Gen X Video, Revival, Wilfrid Laurier University, University of Waterloo, Waterloo Regional Library (main branch)

Cambridge: The Robin's Nest, The Stag Shop

Guelph: The Bookshelf, University of Guelph

Hamilton: M Bar, Gomorrah's, The WERX, The Windsor, The Embassy

St. Catherines: Club Rendezvous

Toronto: Club Toronto, 519 Community Centre

On The Web: www.rainbow.on.ca