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UR Pride Newsletter



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DIVAS at The Owl was a huge success! Thanks to everyone that came out to volunteer their time to make the night go smoothly. Also thank you to our sponsors: the U of R Book Store, the U of R Art Store, Industrial Luv, the Regina Public Library and the Gay Lesbian Community of Regina, our venue: The Owl, the U of R Theatre Department for the props for the stage, and the RSAR for providing the entertainment. Because the RSAR do wonderful things for the Regina community, we donated \$1000 dollars to their cause for helping us out. Therefore, after all of our expenses we have raised \$1800!

Workshops have slowed down at the university. The community, however, has picked up on what we are doing and we are lined up to do a couple high school talks as well as a talk at Regina Family Services.

Positive Space is finally moving along. We have the go ahead to move forward in purchasing *magnets!* When we receive them, we can start the programming! The magnets may take a month to order, so if that is the case we will be starting at the end of May. We will update you more when this happens.

We celebrated the **International Day of Pink** www.dayofpink.org on April 13 by distributing t-shirts that we purchased from the Avenue Community Centre in Saskatoon. We also did a talk about diversity and bullying to Canada Revenue Agency (CRA) and held an event that night with the youth group. About fifteen people came out to share stories and watch anti bullying short films. The Rainbow Wellness Resource Centre's board came to join in the festivities as well.

Note: Youth group is for anyone that is between the ages of 14 and 24. The events that are held in conjunctions with youth group are for anyone interested in going to a substance- and alcohol-free positive space to hang out and have fun.

It's the **End of the Semester** which means we get to move into **summer programming!** Because we will have two, possibly three full time employees we will likely be open throughout the summer, however we will not have official open hours. With that being said, if you are nervous about missing us or are going to be on campus for a while and want a place to hang out you can email or phone ahead of time. We are planning for some awesome programming with getting screening rights to some films, having picnics in the park, and even a membership camping trip! Stop by the office or send an email to learn more.

Now that the semester is over, we will be starting to plan **CUQSC!** We need as much help as possible. So if you want to get involved in a National Queer Event please send us an email and we will let you know what there is to do. If you know some wealthy hook ups let us know because our first step is finding the money to hold this.

UR Pride is always doing something every day of the week. We encourage you to get involved with the centre and be a bigger part of our organization. The following is our schedule of weekly activities. If you'd like to attend, just pop by or send us an email for more information about each event.

The summer has come, which means our weekly programming is slowing down. Here's what we have:

Tuesdays (2nd and 4th of month) at 11:30AM

Join One Song and TransSask on a transgender topic discussion in the lounge!

Wednesdays at 7:00 - ~9:00PM

UR Pride Youth Group (ages 14-24). Come hang out in our lounge where you can express yourself and make friends! Learn about the Queer community and get involved!

Thursdays at 4:00PM

UR Pride Board Meetings are held every week. They alternate between general meetings and executive meetings. If you'd like to attend a meeting, we'd appreciate notice in advance.

Thursdays (Last of month) at 4:00PM

UR Pride Membership Meetings are a general meeting for ALL members of the UR Pride Centre. This meeting is for updating the membership on what we're doing and what we have coming up.

Please note that our meetings are subject to change due to availability of our board members. Please contactus@urpride.ca ahead of time to avoid missing our meetings.

Tues 17 International Day Against Homophobia - Movie Night

UR Pride Centre, Riddell Centre at 7:00PM

We will be hosting a movie night in the lounge this night. Please email us to find out what's showing!

Please see the Community Update for more events and listings!

UR Pride is always seeking volunteers to give a hand with everyday tasks as well as special opportunities.

Administrative:

Library

Organizing Pamphlets

The pamphlets are finally all organized! Now we just need people interested in keeping them in stock!

Organizing the Books

We are always getting in new books! We need some people to come put them into the system and get them on the shelves. Bring a buddy, turn on some music, It will be like a party.

Lounge

Lounge Greeters

if you sign up for this, you get to sit in the lounge, put on a movie, music, or just read a book / do homework and when people come in you get to show them around and let them know why we're here!

Behind the Scenes

Writing Manuals

With our new employee, Katie, this job will be finishing up in the summer. As dull as it may sound, you learn some really great skills writing these them, and who knows what you will find interesting!

Policy Improvement

Policies are the organizational backbone. They guide the organization and its direction.

Events and Outreach:

Youth Night (Wednesday nights)

Come hang out with our youth. (must be 14-24 to attend)

Queer Film Night Committee

Our new Board members Jon and Anna are looking to start this committee. Let us know if you're interested in helping bring queer films to the U of R.

CUQSC

Planning for the upcoming conference is beginning and we need volunteers to help us!

Email us at contactus@urpride.ca or stop by the office if you want more information or are interested in helping out!

Miss Gay Regina XX: Jenny Talia's Stepdown

Friday May 6 at 7:00pm - May 8 at 2:00pm
2070 Broad Street, Regina, SK

Kitties & Kink: Carebears After Dark

(Candidate Show/Pageant and Open Show - Performance spots given preference to out of town guests, current reigning title holders and Mr. and Miss. Gay Regina Alumni)

Doors at 7:00pm, Protocol 8:00pm - 9:00pm, Showtime 9:30pm

Stepdown Protocol for Commands, walks, etc

Saturday May 7 Noon - 3:00pm

Jenny's Smile Time-Happy Hour: A Kid's Show for Adults

Saturday May 7 at 7:00pm

(Command performances only, and Jenny's stepdown)

Doors at 7:00pm, Showtime 8:00pm SHARP

Cover: \$5

Victory Brunch at the GLCR

Sunday May 8 at 12:00pm

Cost: \$15 - Tickets available from the candidates Scooter and Ruby, and from Jenny.

If you have any questions, please contact Jenny at jenny_talia_icpxvii@hotmail.com or text 306 530 7650

Ladies' Night at the GLCR

Friday May 13 at 8:30pm
In the "Outside"

TransSask Calendar

May 2	Lisa Smith (Executive Director; UR Pride Centre)
May 9	Darlene Gray (Director) Ovarian Cancer Awareness & Treatment in Sask (OCATS)
May 16	TransSask General Meeting - elections / appointments of Board, future of TransSask.

--for more information on time and place contact "Mikayla" <mikayla_skye@yahoo.ca> --

Regina Pride 2011 Meetings

Please contact UR Pride for information on when the next meeting is held.

Camp fYrefly Alberta (Sask below)

Camp fYrefly Alberta would like to announce that applications for summer 2011 are now available!!! If you are interested in being a camper, a youth leader, or an adult volunteer, visit <http://www.fyrefly.ualberta.ca/> and click "APPLY TO ATTEND CAMP FYREFLY" to complete your online application. Alternatively, if you prefer you can download a paper copy, fill it out, and mail it in to the address listed on the application.

Applications will be accepted until May 15 and Camp runs from Thursday, July 28 through Sunday, July 31 in Edmonton, Alberta.

If you are from outside the Edmonton area, applications for Travel Bursaries will be available shortly. Additionally, if you or someone you know is interested in presenting a workshop at Camp fYrefly those applications will also be available soon.

If you have any questions about Camp or the application process, please feel free to email fyrefly@ualberta.ca

The Saskatchewan Camp firefly applications will be available soon. For more information check out <http://www.usask.ca/education/fyrefly/>

If you would like to add your event / update to the newsletter, please send your information to contactus@urpride.ca with the subject line "Newsletter Update".