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# Pride Patitri-pride September 2004

Serving the Greater LGBT Communities of Kitchener-Waterloo and Cambridge, Ontario Canada

What's new in the community?



# Highlights of Pride Day 2004!





#### 2004 tri-Pride Committee

Ms. Drew, Ann Moser, Dave Watt, Dave Olesen, Rick Sickinger, Veronica Reyes, Paul Ottmann, Alex Chunaco

Secretary extraordinaire . . . Melody Alderwick!

# Pride Pages Editorial

The weather was ideal and Roos Island in Victoria Park was the perfect setting to host another record breaking Pride Day Celebration on Sunday, June 6<sup>th</sup>!

Over 3,000 visitors joined the Pride Day festivities organized by the tri-Pride Community Association of Kitchener-Waterloo and Cambridge.

Vendors were delighted with the exposure and enjoyed a very successful day in sharing their talents from stain glass to T-Shirts, jewellery and speciality treats. Community groups and local politicians seized the opportunity to show their strong support for the community and organizations.

The day began with community award presentations honouring some very special members of our community, Egale Canada, Glad Day Bookshop, Little Sister's Book & Art Emporium and The 519 Church Street Community Centre.

The local chapter of PFLAG was kept busy serving up a delicious barbeque throughout the day whilst a local magician provided entertainment for the younger crowd.

The Jane Waynes lead off the unprecedented line up of amazing performers who delighted the crowd all afternoon and had young and ole dancing throughout the day. The Strap-ons and Womb Bomb delighted their dedicated following and continued their enthusiastic and energetic support of the local LGBT community.

The comedic talents of Richard Ryder entertained the crowd in between sets, and the class act of local favourite, Ms. Drew, dazzled the audience with her performances throughout the day.

The group Women Ah Run Tings provided some awesome Reggie music and had the crowd standing and groovin' to their sensual tunes.

Gentleman Reg, the Solo Male Performer of the afternoon, is a hit with the university crowd and delivered a great performance to the delight of the

Ember Swift headlined the day during a stop over from her very busy touring schedule and had the audience engulfed in her unique musical talents

It was a day of celebration and tremendous pride for the organizing committee and all who attended. The feedback from the community and entertainers continued on long after the day ended and served as a reminder just how strong and proud our community is, and why we will continue to

Mark your calendars now and plan to join us for our 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary Pride celebrations on June 5th, 2005!

#### Ann Moser

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tri-Pride Community Association Inc. is a not-for-profit organization serving the LGBT communities of Cambridge and Kitchener-Waterloo, Ontario Canada. The Organization's mandate is to provide a venue for Pride annual events in our community.

Pride Pages aims to be a resource for the GLBT community with information about local organizations, social groups and upcoming events.

Pride Pages encourages submissions for organizational information, local events, and related articles. Pride Pages reserves the discretion to refuse publication of opinion or any material which may be deemed unsuitable. Pride Pages is a free publication periodical of tri-Pride.

Please send your valued submissions to info@rainbow.on.ca

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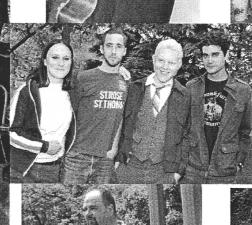
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# Pride Day June 2004!



















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# Pride Pages Special acknowledgement to...

### KW Friends of Dorothy Present Cheque To tri-Pride!!

The KW Friends of Dorothy bowling league presented a cheque to tri-Pride on Pride Day for \$1,126. The six-year-old league, which bowls every Sunday in Kitchener, hosts several fund raising tournaments throughout the year to support local organizations.

Special thanks to the three key Friends of Dorothy for their tireless efforts, Wray Brown, Pam Rawlings and Brent Staveley.

#### Community Award Winners-Pride Day Presentations

tri-Pride was pleased to recognize the effort and dedication of the following organizations on advances in equality and justice for lesbian, gay, bisexual and trans-identified people and their families across Canada. This year we presented our community awards to these organizations, their employees and volunteers.



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COME ONE ... COME ALL!!

- Voice your opinion
- Share your ideas
- Be a part of change and sharing 'Pride' in our communities!

We will also hold nominations for the 2005 board.

Date:

Sunday, November 21st

Time:

7 p.m.

Location: Club Renaissance, 24 Charles Street West, Kitchener

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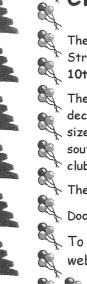


#### The Robins Nest

The Nest is without a home but Annie and Duff are scouting a new tree!

On August 1st, much to everyone's surprise, The Nest was given 30 days to vacate the premises they called home for a quarter century. "Not to worry" says Annie Nixon, operator of the club, "were down but were not out!" The owners of the building. South Waterloo Agricultural Society, are redeveloping the property. Rest assured that until a new 'roost' is found. The Nest will be holding dances at The Polish Club, located at the corner of Avenue Road and Franklin Blvd. in Cambridge, doors open at 8 p.m.

Reunion Dance: October 9th Halloween Dance: October 30th



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## Club Renaissance

The Club located at 24 Charles Street West in Kitchener is celebrating its 10th anniversary this year!

The determination of its owners over the last decade, along with an expansion that doubled its size a few years ago, has produced one of southwestern Ontario's premier GBLT night

There's always something happening at the REN!

Doors open Wednesday to Sunday from 9 pm.

To find out more check out there stellar web site www.clubrenaissance.com



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#### **Rainbow Chorus Dances**

The local choir, with over 70 members, is once again holding fundraising dances at the CAW Hall on Silver Creek Parkway in Guelph.

The chorus holds GLBT dances the second Friday of every month from September till May.

The first dance this year will be Friday October 15<sup>th</sup>, which is not the second Friday, but don't let that fool you because the rest of them

Doors open at 9 pm.

For more info

www.geocities.com/rainbow\_chorus

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#### Muses Café

The gay owned and queer friendly vegetarian restaurant, which operated at 10 King Street for the past four years, has closed. There second location, The Courtyard Café, located at the main branch of the Kitchener Public Library is still up and running. Do not fear!

Plans are in the works to reopen a café with the same concept on Duke Street right around the corner from the old location. The new restaurant should be up and running by early November.

#### Dorothy's 1st FEST

The KW Friends of Dorothy bowling league is back at it again. The six-year-old league, which bowls every Sunday in Kitchener, is hosting another fundraiser tournament.

 Dorothy's 1st FEST will be raising community awareness and much need funds for Hope Springs Cancer Center, ACCKWA and The AIDS Committee of Guelph. Registration fee is \$20.

Saturday, October 9th Location: Brunswick Frederick Lanes September 2004

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We would like to thank the Catholic Family Counseling Centre for their ongoing support in providing us with meeting space.

tri-Pride Community Association Inc. meetings are held once a month on Monday's from 7:00-9:00 pm. All meetings are open to the public. Please join us and share your opinions and ideas.

For dates, please call (519) 584-2415



# Want a picture from Pride Day?

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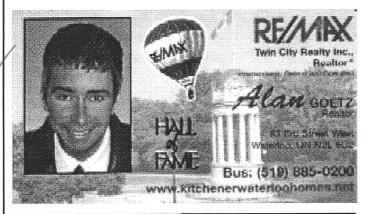
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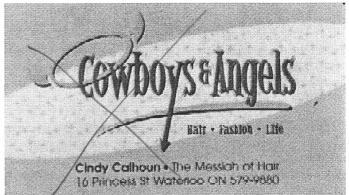
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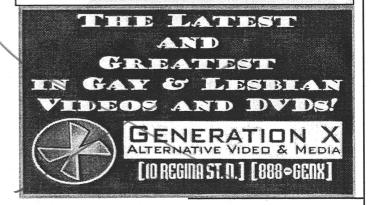
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