



# Frontlines

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NEWS FROM OUTFRONT MINNESOTA

## OUTFRONT EVENTS

### Hoops and High Hopes

Women's professional sports are finally coming to Minnesota. On Saturday, June 12, at 7 p.m., the new Women's National Basketball Association franchise, the Minnesota



Lynx, will play its premier game at Target Center in downtown Minneapolis. In anticipation of this long-awaited event,

OutFront Minnesota and the Twin Cities Steering Committee of the Human Rights Campaign have joined together to sponsor an exciting opening-night celebration, "Women in the Zone." Community members

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## PREPARING FOR PRIDE



OutFront Minnesota's tent is a great place to meet friends, neighbors, and even legislators

It won't be the only tent in Loring Park, but OutFront Minnesota's pavilion will be among the biggest booths at Pride this year. Big enough, in fact, for everybody.

Pride participants from all walks of life are invited to gather at OutFront's tent during the 1999 Twin Cities Gay Lesbian Bisexual Transgender Pride Festival, held June 26-27 in Minneapolis. Need a rest? Need a cup of coffee or a cool glass of iced tea? Need a place to meet a friend? For the second year in a row, OutFront is creating a full-service coffeehouse. Inside and out, you'll find

plenty of space to sit and catch up with old friends and OutFront staff members. Clip the coupon for a free cookie in this issue of *Frontlines* and you'll even get a treat.

"Last year the tent was a huge hit at Pride," says OutFront Development Director Gregg White. "It's one of the few places where you can sit down and take a load off your feet."

Look for these other activities and services at OutFront's pavilion:

- **Network with neighbors.** Stop by the pavilion and meet other people from

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# 1999 LEGISLATIVE SESSION HIGHLIGHTS

OutFront Minnesota spent the 1999 legislative session successfully defending the civil rights of gay, lesbian, bisexual, and transgender Minnesotans. Despite a more hostile climate in the House of Representatives this year, as well as attacks from social-conservative organizations and legislators, OutFront worked with GLBT and allied Minnesotans across the state to preserve Minnesota's Human Rights statute. Here's a look at the year's accomplishments.

## Defending GLBT Human Rights

We anticipated and aggressively organized against an attempt to remove gender identity from the state human-rights statute. Throughout the session, OutFront facilitated meetings with a large group of transgender Minnesotans to organize against any legislative attack and to increase transgender participation at OutFront's annual Lobby Day. With the hard work of many in the transgender community, a solid network of community advocates across Minnesota was established. Two "vehicle" bills for anti-GLBT human rights amendments were also before the Legislature, dealing respectively with national-origin discrimination and discrimination in housing. Through vigilance and careful lobbying at the capitol, both bills proceeded without any hostile amendments.

## Initiative and Referendum Bill

Right-wing legislators sought to authorize a new and potentially dangerous mechanism for creating law in Minnesota—initiatives and referenda. Sen. John Marty, the chair of the committee, worked closely with OutFront lobbyist C. Scott Cooper to prevent the passage of this bill. If this bill had passed the Legislature and been signed by the

governor, GLBT human rights would likely be among the first things on the popular ballot. While this bill was stopped in 1999, this issue will be raised again in the 2000 session.

## Single Parent Adoptions.

Social-conservative legislators attempted to hinder adoption by unmarried persons through an amendment to the Omnibus Health & Human Services bill. As gay and lesbian Minnesotans are legally prevented from marrying, the effect of this amendment would have been to place gay and lesbian couples at a permanent legal disadvantage in adoption. OutFront worked with allies in the community (such as Rainbow Families and the Children's Home Society of Minnesota, as well as the Washington, D.C., offices of the National Gay and Lesbian Task Force, the Human Rights Campaign, and Adopt America Advocates) and fair-minded legislators to remove, in entirety, this hostile amendment in conference committee.

## Meeting the Challenge in 2000

None of these victories could have been achieved without the support of the 200 attendees of Lobby Day 1999 on March 4 and the approximately 1,000 members of OutFront's Citizen Q Network. We have earned the right to celebrate a productive legislative session. Nevertheless, our community's work at the capitol is never done. OutFront Minnesota is dedicated to continue organizing throughout the remainder of this year in preparation for the 2000 session.

The date for OutFront Minnesota's Lobby Day 2000 will be announced at the Twin Cities GLBT Pride Festival—stop by the OutFront Minnesota tent and register to meet with your legislators!

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OutFront Minnesota's mission is to eliminate heterosexism and homophobia in Minnesota.

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### June Means Pride and Education

Every June, as Pride approaches, OutFront receives many requests for speakers and educational presentations. Many workplaces and other groups understand the important role that education plays in diversity plans. A number of organizations, including Honeywell, the City of Maplewood Human Relations Commission and the Neighborhood Clinics Network have already arranged for OutFront training. For details, call Community Organizer Scott Fearing at 612-822-0127 (800-800-0350), ext. 111.

### Volunteers Needed for Pride Festival

OutFront is seeking volunteers to help staff its pavilion at Pride. Are you willing to serve refreshments, sign up new members, sell merchandise or staff the information tables? This is an excellent short-term volunteer opportunity. Pavilion hours are: Saturday, June 26, from noon to 9 p.m., and Sunday, June 27, from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Volunteer shifts are in two-hour intervals, with additional shifts at the beginning and end of each day for setup and take-down. To sign up, call Volunteer Coordinator Kathy Lee at 612-822-0127 (800-800-0350), ext. 104.

### Citizen Q Tracks Legislation

Public Policy Coordinator Bart J. Cannon reports that members of OutFront's Citizen Q Network were active during the recently finished legislative session. Since January, OutFront has published eight issues of the Capitol CritiQue (the Public Policy Department's e-mail newsletter), three special legislative updates, and five action alerts on issues important to the lives of GLBT and allied Minnesotans. OutFront could not have had nearly as successful a year at the capitol in St. Paul without the support of Citizen Q Network members. If you would like to receive timely action alerts on important legislative issues as well as the Public Policy Department's e-mail newsletter, please send your name, the address at which you are registered to vote, telephone number, and preferred e-mail address to [CitizenQ@outfront.org](mailto:CitizenQ@outfront.org).

### OutFront Volunteers Provide Education

OutFront's Speakers Bureau has reached nearly 500 people with accurate information about GLBT people this year. Volunteers have visited schools and community groups—among them Metro State University, Augsburg College, St. John's University and several area high schools—to tell their coming-out stories and answer questions. In addition, our new volunteer trainers (Speakers Bureau PLUS) have provided trainings on homophobia and heterosexism for five agencies in greater Minnesota and the Twin Cities.

### Workplace Alliance Services in Demand

The Workplace Alliance (WPA), a program affiliate of OutFront continues to provide valuable resources to employees and employers around the state. In April, the WPA mailed 23 copies of its manual entitled "Achieving Benefits Parity: The ABC's of Domestic Partner Benefits" to employees and employers around the region. In the same month, the WPA leadership committee provided answers, suggestions, referrals and consultations to nearly 50 individual callers. The WPA and OutFront have provided assistance to many of the 43 organizations that are on the current list of major Minnesota employers who offer domestic-partner benefits. Come meet WPA members at the July 31 riverboat cruise sponsored by the WPA and the Minnesota Lavender Bar Association. For details, call 612-822-0127 (800-800-0350), ext. 611.

### OutFront Works with State Agencies

Systems change, that often invisible strategic social-justice work, was at the heart of the efforts made on Wednesday, May 12, when OutFront participated in a full day of discussions about GLBT school issues sponsored by the Minnesota Department of Children, Families and Learning. School personnel came from around the state to gather information on creating safe schools and effective school policies. OutFront's Legal Program Coordinator Joni Thome provided clarification on the often confusing laws and policies that are

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for 24-hour-a-day information from, for, and about Minnesota's vibrant gay, lesbian, bisexual, and transgender community

#### OutFront Minnesota staff extensions:

- 107 - Ann DeGroot Executive Director
- 106 - Doug Federhart Deputy Director
- 103 - Joni Thome Legal Program Coordinator
- 102 - Tommie Seidel Anti-Violence Program Coordinator
- 101 - Sheila Scott Anti-Violence Program Advocate
- 104 - Kathy Lee Volunteer Coordinator
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- 109 - Bart J. Cannon Public Policy Coordinator
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#### Community organization extensions:

- 500 - Millenium March on Washington
- 501 - Workplace Alliance
- 502 - St. Croix Valley group
- 503 - BECAUSE bisexual group
- 506 - Longfellow neighborhood group

#### OutFront Minnesota extensions:

- 611 - 24-hour OutFront Minnesota event registration
- 612 - 24-hour OutFront Minnesota membership enrollment
- 616 - 24-hour OutFront Minnesota address correction mailbox
- 622 - GLBT community events information

## INFOLINE

Information from, for, and about Minnesota's vibrant gay, lesbian, bisexual, and transgender communities is available 24 hours a day by calling the **OutFront Minnesota InfoLine** 612-822-0127, ext. 0 (800-800-0350, ext. 0)



### OutFront Minnesota Services

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your region or neighborhood in Minnesota during specially scheduled times. OutFront also is inviting state legislators from each region to come and meet with constituents during these times. See the schedule in the box on this page.

- **Pick up information.** Wondering about the Millennium March? Looking for gay-friendly education programs? Need a list of OutFront Minnesota staff extensions? This is your one-stop shop.

- **Meet the OutFront family.** Staff members from the largest GLBT advocacy organization in Minnesota will be on hand to meet

**OutFront Minnesota's Pride Pavilion:** A one-stop shop for information, merchandise, and plenty of good conversation and company.

and greet pavilion visitors. Ask questions, chat, or just shake hands. Members of the Minnesota Lavender Bar Association and the Workplace Alliance will also be on hand.

- **Peruse the merchandise.** From



buttons and books, to T-shirts and coffee mugs, you'll find OutFront's logo on a host of sharp-looking products.

- **Post a message.** Trying to find a face in the crowd? Leave a note for your lost friends or out-of-town visitors on our free message board.

- **Buy vendor tickets or OutFront memberships.** Here's the spot to become an OutFront member and get a free 12-month subscription to OUT magazine. Or buy tickets for Pride food and drink purchases.

## PAVILION SCHEDULE

OutFront Minnesota will provide easily recognizable identification to participants so you can find others from your region or affiliation.

### SATURDAY

- 1:00 Red River Valley Area
- 1:30 West Central Lakes Area
- 2:00 Pines and Mines Area
- 2:30 Woods and Water Area
- 3:00 Historic Prairie Area
- 3:30 Mississippi Bluff Country
- 4:00 Lake Superior's North Shore
- 4:30 GLBT Students: University, College, Junior & Senior High Schools

- 5:00 Ramsey County, including St. Paul
- 5:30 Washington County, including Out in the Valley
- 6:00 Anoka County
- 6:30 Northern Hennepin County, including Camden and north Minneapolis
- 7:00 Southern Hennepin County including Longfellow and south Minneapolis
- 7:30 Workplace Alliance & MN Lavender Bar Association

### SUNDAY

- 10:30 Gather at Ceresota Billboard at Portland Ave. and 2nd St. S. to march in Pride Parade

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developed by various by federal, state, district and building decisions. During the day, Community Organizer Scott Fearing provided attendees with a sample "safe staff" in-service.

**New Trainers Working Hard**

Last fall, OutFront asked six Speakers Bureau volunteers to participate in a pilot program on combatting homophobia. In recent years the number of requests to OutFront for "anti-homophobia" training has increased, while the staff available to provide the training remained limited. "Speakers Bureau Plus," training experiment that resulted, is proving successful. Each of the current "SB+" trainers has facilitated one or more trainings in organizations around the state, including the towns of Hinckley, Red Wing and Hokah.

**SLDN Hosts "Serving with Pride"**

Join the Servicemembers Legal Defense Network on Saturday, June 5, for a "Serving with Pride" reception at the home of John Sullivan, 2209 Newton Ave. S., Minneapolis. SLDN is the only national legal aid and watchdog organization that assists men and women targeted by the armed services' "Don't Ask, Don't Tell, Don't Pursue" policy on a daily basis. Former Army Staff Sergeant Ron Schumann will be the event's special guest and the law firm of Robins, Kaplan, Miller & Ciresi will be honored. The reception will begin at 7 p.m.; a minimum contribution of \$35 is requested. For more information, contact SLDN-Twin Cities at 612-822-0127 (800-800-0350), ext. 508.

**Lavender Graduation and Awards Ceremony**

Calling all gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgender graduating students! The University of Minnesota's GLBT Programs Office, GLBT Alumni Group and the Queer Student Cultural Center will sponsor a Lavender Graduation and Awards Ceremony on June 10, from 4 to 6:30 p.m., in Coffman Memorial Union. The ceremony will honor all U of M GLBT undergraduate and graduate students from the Twin Cities and coordinate



campuses, who have completed or will complete their degrees in Fall 1998, Winter 1999, Spring 1999 or Summer 1999. Each GLBT student will be acknowledged and presented with a certificate and a rainbow graduation tassel. If you are, or if you know of someone who is a U of M GLBT graduating student who wishes to participate in this celebration, call 612-626-2324.

**The 1999 Women's Social**

Philanthrofund Foundation is proud to sponsor The 1999 Women's Social on June 4, 1999 at the Minneapolis Club from 6:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m. The Women's Social endeavors to advance the human rights of lesbians, thus strengthening the dignity, citizenship and sense of community for all. For further information, please call 612-827-0992.

**Panel on Gender, Sexuality and Desire**

What determines attraction and desire? How much of attraction is biological? How much is cultural? How does your gender influence to whom you are attracted? What is the relationship of all gender and sexual orientation to sexual practice? Explore these questions and others during a public discussion on Wednesday, June 2, from 7 to 9:30 p.m. at Intermedia Arts, 2822 Lyndale Ave. S., Minneapolis. Sponsored by the University of Minnesota's GLBT Programs Office. For details, call 612-626-2324.

**Miss Richfield Goes to College**

Join Miss Richfield 1981 and special guest St. Paul Deputy Mayor Susan Kimberly for an evening of uproarious comedy on Saturday, June 12, at 8 p.m. in Coffman Memorial Union Theater on the University of Minnesota campus. Bid in the auction for a Tinky Winky doll and pose for a keepsake photo of Goldy Gopher, Miss R and you! Tickets \$25. Proceeds benefit the U of M GLBT Scholarship Fund. For details or to order tickets, call 612-626-2324.

**Rock the Boat**

Catch the only Twin Cities screening of *Rock the Boat*, an award-winning documen-

tary about 12 HIV-positive men who competed and completed the 1997 TransPacific boat race from California to Hawaii, on Monday, June 7. The screening, a benefit for Open Arms of Minnesota, will take place at 7 p.m. at the Riverview Theater (3800 42nd Ave. S., Minneapolis). For details and tickets, call 612-872-1152.

**Gender-Related Violence**

Violence is the most extreme reaction to people who don't toe gender lines. This panel discussion on Wednesday, June 16, will focus on gender-bashing and its impact on the community. The event, held at 7 p.m. at Intermedia Arts (2822 Lyndale Ave. S., Minneapolis), will also include discussion of the findings of OutFront's 1998 Anti-Violence Report on Hate Crimes, which includes a special section on violence affecting transgender individuals. For details, call 612-626-2324.

**Bye, Bye Mary**

For all of the five years that Mary Tinucci worked as director of the Out For Equity Program for St. Paul Public Schools, OutFront has maintained a close connection with the work of the program by exchanging a variety of resources and by exchanging consultation and support. Tinucci will leave her post as director at the end of this school year. We at OutFront know that Tinucci met the challenges of her work with courage and determination to make positive change for GLBT students, staff and families. Thanks, Mary, for a job well done!

**Dyke Night Turns 9**

The ninth year of the Dyke Night celebration brings a tour-de-force solo performance of *Menopausal Gentleman* by New York-based writer-director Peggy Shaw. Called "an East Village icon of lesbian butchness" by The New York Times, Shaw is a multiple Obie award-winner for her work with *Bloodlips* and *Holly Hughes* and is widely recognized as a theatrical innovator in the gay community. The auditorium will open at 7:30 p.m. with



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## FREE COOKIE!

Present this coupon at the OutFront Minnesota Pride Pavilion on June 26 or 27 and get a free cookie.

Limit 1 per person



## PRIDE MONTH

# SIGNS OF THE TIMES

Ever wonder where that rainbow flag came from? Here are the origins of some GLBT terms and symbols.

**Pride.** Festivals promoting GLBT visibility, unity, and progress toward equal rights are held annually around the world. Although celebrations in the United States mark the anniversary of the 1969 Stonewall uprising, countries from Canada to Australia observe their own gay-liberation anniversaries with Pride gatherings.

### Rainbow flags.

Designed by artist Gilbert Baker for the first San Francisco Freedom Day Parade in 1978, the flag originally had eight bands of color, each with a different meaning. Hot pink and



turquoise were eventually dropped from the

roster of colors, leaving a banner with red (symbolizing life), orange (healing), yellow (the sun), green (serenity), blue (harmony) and violet (spirit).

### Pink triangles.

Now a symbol of pride and solidarity in the face of oppression, the Rosawinkel was first used by the Nazi concentration camp officials to identify men incarcerated as homosexuals. The triangle appeared most visibly in America in the mid-'80s, when it appeared on ACT UP posters with the slogan "Silence = Death."



Source: *Completely Queer: The Gay and Lesbian Encyclopedia*, by Steve Hogan and Lee Hudson

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and their friends can see the newest game in town and afterwards join their friends for a post-game party at the Bravo!



Entertainment Center. The event will include a special appearance by LaRue Fields, the former coach of the Minnesota Gophers women's basketball team.

Tickets are \$20 for both the game and the party, or \$15 for just the Women in the Zone Party (\$20 at the door). Call 612-673-8388 to order tickets. Post-game-party-only tickets are also available at the Amazon Books.



Mary Lou Aurell, Patty Jo Erven and their daughter, Becky Gaalaas from Grand Rapids, Minn., were the first family to sign up for the OutFront membership last month. To join OutFront, see "Clip and Respond form at left.

# DONNA RED WING

*HRC's Field Director supports OutFront in word and deed*

The Washington, D.C.-based Human Rights Campaign often collaborates with gay-rights groups and advocacy organizations around the country to build support for gay-friendly legislation in our nation's capitol. OutFront Minnesota has long worked with both HRC's leadership and its local



OutFront Executive Director Ann DeGroot (left) presents HRC Field Director Donna Red Wing with a certificate of appreciation. Red Wing and HRC helped raise \$1,800 for the Minnesota agency.

chapter members to create a better climate for GLBT people at home and across America.

This spring, HRC took the unusual step of asking its Minnesota members to show their support for OutFront Minnesota in dollars. A fund-raising appeal letter sent to HRC supporters raised more than \$1,800 for OutFront's work—with much of the money coming from individuals who hadn't before contributed to OutFront. HRC Field Director Donna Red Wing, who has a close working relationship with OutFront and many Minnesotans, visited Minneapolis last month.

**Frontlines:** How does HRC work with organizations outside Washington?

**Donna Red Wing:** There are different levels of communication and collaboration necessary for advancing equality. HRC folks often play a part in local organizations and vice versa. Here in Minnesota, there's been a strategic effort to bring the work of HRC and OutFront together.


**Frontlines:** What's the reason for that strategy?

**DRW:** I have just three organizers to cover the entire country. We have to connect in a meaningful way with statewide organizations. They know a heck of a lot more about the state than we do. They're our eyes and ears.

**Frontlines:** How do your field organizers impact legislation?

**DRW:** Last year we sent out 47,000 pieces of "action" mail, aimed at getting people to call their representatives or public officials regarding an issue affecting our community. About half targeted federal issues, but the other half was aimed at local legislation. We have about 10,000 people registered as part of our Action Network—people who are trained and willing to make phone calls, write letters and visit legislators. So if there's something going on in Bemidji, we have people in that region we can call.

**Frontlines:** That Washington-Minnesota connection sounds useful.


**DRW:** Minnesota tends to be the model for how people should behave. HRC collaborates with organizations whenever there's a feeling of mutual respect. 

# MAYOR SAYLES-BELTON TO WELCOME GLBTA LEADERS


Three of Minnesota's gay, lesbian, bisexual, transgender (GLBT) and allied communities' leadership groups will gather on the eve of Pride to celebrate the joys of the season. On Friday, June 25, 1999, members of the Center Circle of OutFront Minnesota, the Twin Cities' Federal Club of Human Rights Campaign, and the major supporters of Philanthrofund Foundation will all come together under the OutFront Minnesota Pride Pavilion in Loring Park.



The featured guest will be Minneapolis Mayor Sharon Sayles Belton, who will welcome participants to this year's celebration of gay pride and will recognize the GLBT community as an integral part of the city's fabric. Other speakers will include Kit Waickman, the executive director of Philanthrofund Foundation, Daniel Duty, co-chair of Federal Club/Twin Cities, and Ann Marie DeGroot, executive director of OutFront Minnesota. The event will begin at 5 p.m. and the presentations will begin at 5:30 p.m. Hors d'oeuvres and beverages will be served.

This event is free and by invitation only for Center Circle, Federal Club, Philanthrofund major contributors, and members of the press. 

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pre-show slides of 1950s lesbian pulp novels from the collections of Linnea Stenson and Lisa Vecoli. The show takes place Thursday through Sunday, June 24-27 at Walker Art Center (Vineland Place, Minneapolis). Showtimes: 8 p.m., Thursday-Saturday; 7 p.m., Sunday. Tickets \$14 (\$7 for Walker members). 



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- Wed, June 2, 7 p.m.:** *The Fire Within: Gender, Sexuality, and Desire*, Intermedia Arts, Minneapolis, 612-626-2324
- Sat, June 5, 8 p.m.:** *District 202's Masquerade Youth Prom*, Hyatt Hotel, Minneapolis, 612-871-5559
- Sat, June 5, 7 p.m.:** *Servicemembers Legal Defense Fund's "Serving with Pride,"* Minneapolis, 612-827-0127 (800-800-0350), ext. 508
- Mon, June 7, 7 p.m.:** *Rock the Boat benefit for Open Arms of Minnesota*, Riverview Theater, Minneapolis, 612-872-1152
- Thurs, June 10, 4 p.m.:** *U of M Lavender Graduation and Awards Ceremony*, Coffman Memorial Union, Minneapolis, 612-626-2324
- Sat, June 12, 7 p.m.:** *Minnesota Lynx Opening Night Event*, Target Center, Minneapolis, 612-827-0127 (800-800-0350), ext. 609
- Sat, June 12, 8 p.m.:** *Miss Richfield Goes to College*, Coffman Memorial Union, Minneapolis, 612-626-2324
- Wed, June 16, 8 p.m.:** *Trial by Fire: Gender-Related Violence*, Intermedia Arts, 612-626-2324
- Wed, June 16, 6 p.m.:** *Out in the Valley meeting*, 612-827-0127 (800-800-0350) ext. 502
- Sat, June 19, Noon-8 p.m.:** *Capital City Pride*, Mears Park, St. Paul, 612-827-0127 (800-800-0350), ext. 622
- Fri, June 25, 5-7 p.m.:** *Center Circle reception*, Minneapolis, 612-827-0127 (800-800-0350), ext. 110
- Fri, June 25, 10 p.m.:** *Spectrum Dance, benefiting District 202 and Aliveness Project*, Ground Zero, Minneapolis, 612-827-0127 (800-800-0350), ext. 622
- Sat & Sun, June 26 & 27:** *Twin Cities' GLBT Pride*, Loring Park, Minneapolis, 612-827-0127 (800-800-0350), ext. 622



#### Plan ahead:

- Sat, July 31:** *Mississippi River Boat Ride*, sponsored by OutFront Minnesota, the Workplace Alliance, the Minnesota Lavender Bar Association, and the National Federation of GLBT Organizations, 612-827-0127 (800-800-0350), ext. 501
- Sat, Oct. 23:** *OutFront Minnesota's Night of a Thousand Candles*
- Fri-Sun, March 17-19, 2000:** *OutFront 6 Conference in Rochester*
- Sun, April 30, 2000:** *Millennium March on Washington, D.C.*