

FROM SILENCE TO CELEBRATION

A cavalcade of events celebrate 1995 Portland Lesbian and Gay Pride



THROUGH JUNE 30—Gay and Lesbian Archives of the Pacific Northwest sponsors a display at Border's Books and Music, 708 SW Third Ave. in Portland. The display, titled "Hidden History, Secret Lives: Images of Gay and Lesbian Life in Oregon, 1900-1975," is a 10-panel exhibit of photographs and documents collected by GLAPN. Call 220-5911 for store hours.

"Lesbian Visibility," a multidiscipline art show featuring the work of 18 local artists, can be seen 24 hours a day at the Justice Center window gallery, Southwest Second Avenue at Madison Street in Portland, through June 30.

JUNE 16—KBOO 90.7 FM airs interviews and commentary on the eve of Pride Day from 9 am to 1 pm, with host Linda Shirley.

The Lesbian Avengers sponsor a Dyke March. Participants are asked to assemble at 6:30 pm at the North Park Blocks in Portland. The march begins at 7:30 pm, with the route to be determined. For more information, call the Lesbian Avengers Hotline at 452-5408.

Pride Northwest kicks off Pride weekend with a Luau and Dance Party from 5 pm to 11:30 pm at Waterfront Park, Southwest Front Avenue and Columbia Street, in Portland. The luau is free and will feature live entertainment, followed by a dance party DJ'd by Mel Shapiro. Hawaiian-style food, beverages and beer will be available for purchase. All ages welcome.

JUNE 17—The First Unitarian Church in Portland hosts a service designed to provide a spiritual focus for sexual minorities and their supporters. The Rev. Roy A. Cole, pastor of Portland's Metropolitan Community Church, will deliver the sermon. The service, which is wheelchair accessible and will be interpreted for the hearing impaired, will be held from 9 to 10 am. The church is located at the corner of Southwest 12th Avenue and Salmon Street.

The 20th Annual Lesbian and Gay Pride Parade, Rally and Festival kicks off at 11 am at the North Park Blocks in Portland. Pride Northwest, the sponsor of the event, asks parade participants to arrive *at least* an hour earlier. The grand marshals for the parade are Bruce Amsbary of Bend's Be-

yond The Closet, a group that promotes diversity and understanding via community events, and LaVerne Lewis, executive director of the Lesbian Community Project, which provides services to Oregon's lesbian community. The parade route winds through downtown Portland and ends with a

rally and festival at Waterfront Park, Southwest Front Avenue at Columbia Street. An estimated 15,000 are expected to attend the rally.

The Lesbian Community Project is sponsoring its sixth annual Lesbian Pride Dance and Silent Auction at the Portland Conference Center, 300 NE Multnomah St. The event runs from 8 pm to 1 am. It is wheelchair accessible; free child care will be available. Tickets are \$10 in advance and \$12 at the door. Discount coupons are available for all LCP members. For further ticket information, call LCP at 223-0071.

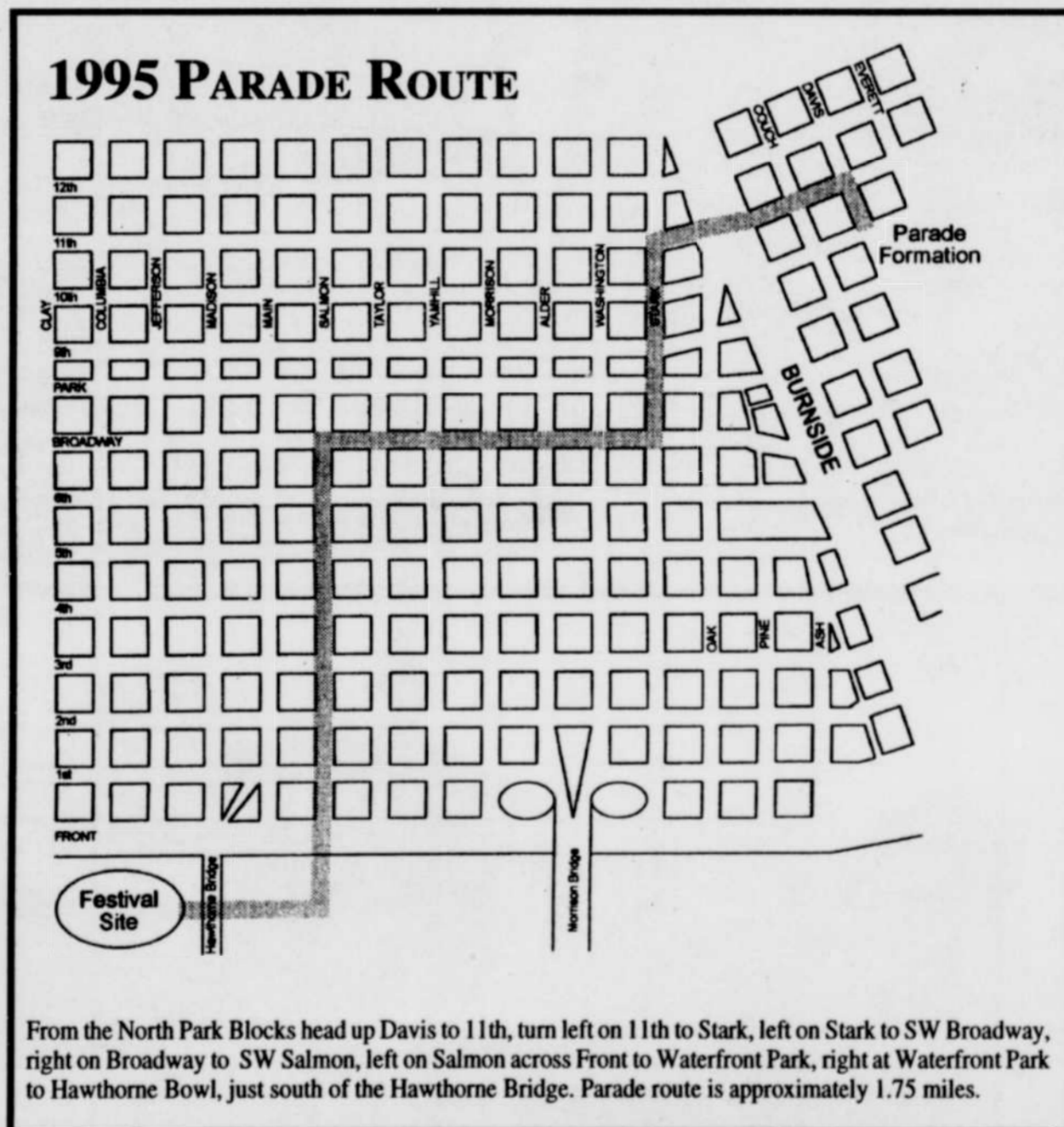
Code Blue hosts its third annual Lesbian Pride Dance from 8:30 pm to 2:30 am at 815 SW 15th Ave. (at Yamhill Street) in the Mallory Park Plaza. Tickets are \$6 in advance at It's My Pleasure, 4526 SE Hawthorne Blvd., or \$8 at the door. Portions of the proceeds will benefit Our House, an AIDS hospice. For more information, call 282-6979. Open to those 21 and older.

A women's Pride Celebration Dance will be held at 9 pm at the Melody Ballroom, 615 SE Alder St., in Portland. DJ Mel Shapiro will spin the tunes. Tickets are \$8 in advance at It's My Pleasure; Turntable Mary's, 126 SW Stark St.; and East Avenue Tavern, 727 E Burnside St.; \$10 at the door. A raffle will be held to benefit local women's shelters. For more information call 227-1889.

A Queer Pride Dance Party, dubbed "Jizz," will be held at LaLuna, 215 SE Ninth Ave., from 10 pm to 5 am. Tickets are \$10 in advance at Jelly Bean, 731 SW 10th Ave. in Portland, \$12 at the door. Open to those 21 and older until 2:30 am, then open to all.

June 23 through July 9—Cinema 21 and Advocates for Gay and Lesbian Equality will sponsor the sixth annual Oregon Gay and Lesbian Film Festival. Call the theater at 223-4515 for a schedule of film showings. (See preview on page 31.)

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From the North Park Blocks head up Davis to 11th, turn left on 11th to Stark, left on Stark to SW Broadway, right on Broadway to SW Salmon, left on Salmon across Front to Waterfront Park, right at Waterfront Park to Hawthorne Bowl, just south of the Hawthorne Bridge. Parade route is approximately 1.75 miles.

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