

# out about town

June

## 7 FRIDAY

The **Forest Group** holds a potluck and planning meeting. (6:30 pm, 283-1693.)

**Ritah Parrish** performs her new one-woman comedy show **Bite Down Hard** at the **Main Street Playhouse**. (10:30 pm Friday and Saturday, SW Park and Main Streets, \$10 at the door; \$8 advance [tickets: Fastixx 224-8499], information: 223-6790.)

**Gregg Bielemeier Dance Project** presents **Revvng Up**, a performance by and about artists. At **Conduit** through June 22. (Opening night "GALALA": 8 pm June 7, \$25-\$500 sliding scale, includes champagne reception with the artists; all other nights: 8 pm Wednesday, Friday, Saturday, 918 SW Yamhill, Space #401, \$12 Wednesday; \$14 Friday, Saturday, reservations: 221-5857.)

**City Nightclub** hosts a **Skinny Puppy new music release party**. (10 pm, 13 NW 13th Ave.; \$5 cover, 224-CITY.)

**Paul Krassner** performs his new show, **We Have Ways of Making You Laugh With Paul Krassner**, at the Clinton Street Theater. (8 pm, 2522 SE Clinton St., \$12, tickets and information: Fred Meyer Fastixx outlets 224-8499.)

## 8 SATURDAY

**Bike** with the Forest Group at the Old Scotch Church in **Hillsboro**, an easy, flat 23 miles. (284-3068.)

The **Adventure Group** mountain bikes to Flag Point. Meet in front of Lloyd Cinemas. (9 am, 452-5680.)

The **Portland Bisexual Alliance** holds a potluck and membership meeting. (7-10 pm, information and location: 232-9275.)

Eugene's **Mpowerment Project** hosts a **Garden Party and Silent Auction**. Enjoy a luncheon buffet, entertainment and great silent auction items. The whole family is welcome. (Noon-5 pm, the home of Drs. Jerry Saltzman and Truus Jensen, 175 North Grand, Eugene, \$20 in advance; \$25 at the door, information: 503-683-4303.)

**In The Life**, the gay and lesbian newsmagazine on PBS, presents its **June Gay Pride Special**. Featuring gay and lesbian directors, producers and their films. Includes a special sneak preview excerpt from Academy Award-winning director **Debra**

**Chasnoff's** documentary, **It's Elementary**, which shows what happens when grade school teachers address gay issues and homophobia in the classroom. (Midnight, KOPB channel 10.)

Don't miss the **Ruby Rocko Fox Show** at **City Nightclub**. (10 pm, 13 NW 13th Ave., \$6 cover, 224-CITY.)



Filmmakers **Debra Chasnoff** (right) and **Helen Cohen** speak with a group of first grade students in a sneak preview of their new documentary on **In the Life** on June 8

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## 9 SUNDAY

The **Forest Group** hikes the Washington side of the Gorge at Grassy Knoll, 4.4 miles. (293-1358.)

The **Adventure Group** hikes to Opal Creek. Meet in front of Lloyd Center Cinemas. (9 am, 452-5680.)

## 10 MONDAY

The **Portland Area Business Association** elects new board members and officers at its monthly luncheon. (11:30 am-1:15 pm, Portland Marriott Hotel, lower level, \$12.50 members; \$17.50 non-members, must reserve by June 5: 241-2222.)

**It's Queer Night at La Luna!** with DJ Greg Beddor. Tonight's profits benefit the Urban League's Rainbow group. All ages welcome. (9 pm doors, 215 SE Ninth Ave., \$3, 241-LUNA.)

## 11 TUESDAY

Award-winning poet **Jason Reynolds** reads at **Cafe Renaissance**. (7 pm, 2114 NW Glisan.)

Attend an informative meeting about **Social Security Disability for people with AIDS**. (7 pm, MCC, 2400 NE Broadway, information: Bob Doyle 622-6053.)

James Griener performs **Mythmaker**, a solo performance of stories celebrating the "weave" of life. Written by Judith Catterall. Through June 23. (8 pm Thursday-Saturday; matinees 2 pm Saturday and Sunday, Interstate Firehouse Cultural Center, 5340 N. Interstate, \$12 general; \$10 students/seniors; \$6 matinees, reservations: 823-2000.)

**Sister Machine Gun** brings its musical tour to **City Nightclub**. (10 pm, 13 NW 13th Ave., \$3 cover, 224-CITY.)

## 15 SATURDAY

The **Forest Group** rides bikes in Champoeg Park, 28 flat miles. (235-1712.)

Mountain bike to Ski Bowl with the **Adventure Group**. (Details: 452-5680.)

The Lesbian Community Project's **SW Washington Potluck Group** holds its third Saturday potluck. (360-695-6809.)

The **Portland Gay Men's Chorus** joins **The Rogue Valley Gay Men's Chorus** for its Oregon community **Freedom Tour** in Medford. (8 pm, Smullin Center Auditorium, sponsored by Southern Oregon Men's Outreach, information: Bob Mensel 617-7462.)

The fabulous female impersonator **Pebbles** performs at **City Nightclub**. (10 pm, 13 NW 13th Ave., \$6 cover, 224-CITY.)

## 16 SUNDAY

Hike to Gillette Lake with the **Adventure Group**. Meet in front of Lloyd Center Cinemas. (8 am, 452-5680.)

The **Forest Group** performs trail maintenance at Multnomah Falls-Larch Mountain. (226-7919.)

The **Portland Gay Men's Chorus** takes its Oregon community **Freedom Tour** to Eugene. (5 pm, Central Presbyterian Church, 15th and Ferry Streets, Eugene, sponsored by The Mpowerment Project, information: Bob Mensel 617-7462.)

The Lesbian Community Project presents the **Lesbian Talent Show**, an evening of talent, laughs and fun at **Darcelle XV**. Performers sign up at LCP and It's My Pleasure. Must be 21 or older. (1 pm

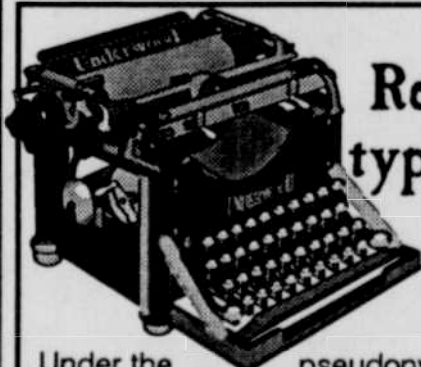
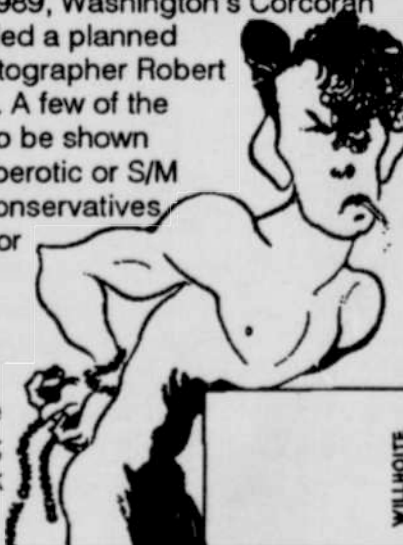
## THE ALYSON ALMANAC

PRESENTS  
in gay and lesbian history

**June 8, 1972:** Camille Mitchell becomes the first open lesbian to win child custody in a disputed divorce. But her victory was incomplete: the judge prohibited her lover from moving in because "Mrs. Mitchell and the children need to develop a firmer base of understanding, particularly regarding the homosexual issue."

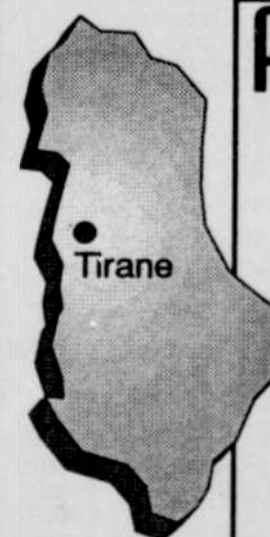
## ANNIVERSARY OF A CENSORING

On June 13, 1989, Washington's Corcoran Gallery canceled a planned exhibit by photographer Robert Mapplethorpe. A few of the photographs to be shown depicted homoerotic or S/M activity, and conservatives such as Senator Jesse Helms bellowed their disapproval. Mapplethorpe had died three months earlier; his career took off anyway.



## Remember typewriters?

Under the pseudonym Lisa Ben (an anagram of "lesbian"), Edythe Eyde published the premier issue of **Vice-Versa**, the first U.S. lesbian magazine, in June of 1947. Eyde typed each issue manually, making seven carbons with each retyping, during her lunch break at RKO studios. The first issue was dedicated "to those of us who will never quite be able to adapt ourselves to the iron-bound rules of Convention."



Albania finally repealed its sodomy laws, yet everyday life remains rigidly controlled by the communist government. The first gay organization, the small Gay Albania Society, formed June 6, 1994. Despite official persecution, leaders were optimistic. "There are many homosexuals in Albania," the group's president said. "Maybe even dozens."

Sources: *Members of the Tribe*, by Michael Willhoite; and *The Alyson Almanac*.