



Photos from the June 21 Dyke March in upper left corner of page 14; other photos from the queer pride parade and rally June 22. A more extensive showing of Linda Kliewer's photos from Lesbian and Gay Pride will be on display at Brian Marki Framing and Fine Art through July.

No rain on our parade

"You folks in Oregon have a lot to be proud about," said Chastity Bono, grand marshal of this year's Portland queer pride parade. "And lots to celebrate."

And celebrate we did.

Despite relatively cool temperatures and occasionally threatening clouds, Mother Nature generally cooperated with Pride festivities, which ran a full three days starting with the Dyke March and an All Ages Dance at Waterfront Park on Friday, June 21.

The following day 18,000 revelers marched in the massive Pride Parade, while thousands more lined the route, which snaked through downtown streets before ending in Waterfront Park.

Queer bowlers, lawyers, anarchists and parents, as well as parents of queers and other familial variations, drag queens and a cadre of police officers and politicians trooped behind Dykes on Bikes, which—continuing a long-standing tradition—led off the parade with a rev and a bang.

Pride happenings continued on Sunday, beginning with a pancake breakfast and followed by an Interfaith Service co-sponsored by Metropolitan Community Church Portland and Pride Northwest.

To be involved in planning next year's celebration, call Pride Northwest at 295-9788.

