

# PORTLAND GAY MEN'S CHORUS

One Night Only!



## Voices of Pride

The Chorus will present musical works by well-known gay composers including Bernstein, Handel, Schubert, Foster, Copland, Bourland and Porter. In addition to these favorites, PGMC will also reprise its landmark 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary song cycle "Millennium Mosaic". This work focuses on the lives of our GLBT youth and their view of the society they come from, are living in and the future they are headed toward.

Wednesday, June 12, 2002 @ 7:30 p.m.  
Kaul Auditorium, Reed College

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## Out and proud

Pride Northwest honors outstanding achievements

BY JIM RADOSTA

Every year Pride Northwest honors several individuals and organizations for their outstanding contributions within the sexual minorities community.

Consideration for the Spirit of Pride Awards is based on visibility, volunteerism, leadership and service to the wider community. This year's honorees include two organizations and two individuals: the Portland Leather Alliance, the Sweethearts of Portland, Tyler Walker and Damon Woodcock.

A one-time-only Pride Champion Award was created to honor Catherine Stauffer. Also saluted this year is Pride 2002 Grand Marshal Katie Potter.

The Portland Leather Alliance fosters a positive community for safe, sane and consensual alternative adult sexualities. The all-volunteer group of nearly 400 people directs all profits to charities and causes.

"We are a pansexual organization supporting full human rights for all—regardless of sexual preference, gender, age, race, religion, politics, marital status, occupation, nation of origin, disability or any other designation which might be used to classify a person," says PLA, which will offer a Leather Fantasy Presentation at 5:45 p.m. June 15 on the

Unity Stage. "We believe that personal choices, such as those involved in mutually consensual loving and sexuality, deserve respect and a supportive environment in which to flourish."

PLA also organizes several annual events. The Kinkfest educational conference took place in March, and Leather Pride Week will be held Aug. 2 to 11.

The Sweethearts of Portland was established in 1989 to raise money for non-profit organizations and needy individuals. Beneficiaries include Our House of Portland, Esther's Pantry, the HIV Day Center, Cascade AIDS Project, the Princess Diana Fund, the Tijuana AIDS Foundation and many other charities.

The Sweethearts meet 6 p.m. on the third Monday of every month at Embers, 110 N.W. Broadway. They will perform 3:10 p.m. June 16 on the Triangle Stage.

Tyler Walker, a 17-year-old who graduates from Springfield High this month, was voted Oregon's best cheerleader two years in a row. Since coming out of the closet in 2000, he says that his friends and family have been supportive and that his status



The Portland Leather Alliance is one of four Spirit of Pride Award winners



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