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awesome feeling to be able to go out and share that." For more information visit www.mollipaige.com.

On Your Feet

Seattle band 669 (8:20 p.m. June 18) will move the crowd with elements of new wave and pop from the '80s and '90s, wrapped in an alternative rock blanket. The band identifies as having a "mixed" sexuality, but vocalist and bass player Shane Rooks has boys on the brain. "We expect all the hot guys to be getting

naked and throwing their underwear on stage," he says, adding that a dancing crowd would be gratifying as well. Rooks sees a changing Pride as a reflection of a changing world. "Many of the changes I've seen in Pride have been part of the evolution of how the GLBT community interacts with and places itself within the larger social and political landscapes of the cities and states they live in," he

says. "To me, Pride has always been a celebration of freedom of personal identity...but also a time to rally the troops and address political issues relevant to our community." 669 will perform new material being recorded for its next album. The band also promises to play crowd-pleasers from its first album, *Touch the Sky*, and a kickin' cover of "Chapel of Love." For more information visit www.669band.com.

Pride Through Music

The Rose City Gay Freedom Band.

(11:30 a.m. June 19) will turn into a marching band for its annual transformation at Pride. The group just celebrated its 25th anniversary and has performed in more than 10 Portland Pride festivals through the years. "Every parade needs a marching band, and better yet to have a gay marching band in the Gay Pride parade," original member Brenda Dworschak says. The band consists of gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgender people and their allies. Rose City Gay Freedom Band is the parent of Rose City Swing, a 17-piece big band playing classics of the '40s and '50s. Rose City Swing will not perform at Pride this year.

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