Southern Oregon Pride presents the 3rd Annual SOPride Festival

Free To Be, You and Me …a weekend of discovery

Thursday, October 11th –
Sunday, October 14th, 2012

Downtown
Ashland, Oregon
Some Major Events in US Gay History

1924  The Society for Human Rights, the first gay rights organization is founded in Chicago.


1950  Los Angeles – The Mattachine Society aims to "eliminate discrimination, derision, prejudice and bigotry" and to "assimilate homosexuals into mainstream society."

1950  Senate report "Employment of Homosexuals and Other Sex Perverts in Government" says homosexuality is a mental illness and homosexuals "constitute security risks." The purge of lesbians and gays in government jobs and the military would become known as the "Lavender scare."

1952  The American Psychiatric Association lists homosexuality as a sociopathic personality disturbance.

1955  San Francisco – Daughters of Bilitis becomes the first lesbian rights organization in the United States.

1962  Illinois becomes first state to decriminalize homosexuality.

1969  Stonewall Inn, Greenwich Village – patrons riot when police attempt to raid the popular gay bar. Angry gay youth clash with police leading to a three-day riot. Credited as beginning of America's modern LGBT rights movement.

1973  The Board of the American Psychiatric Association votes to remove homosexuality from its list of mental illnesses.

1978  San Francisco – Dan White assassinates Supervisor Harvey Milk and Mayor George Moscone. White is sentenced to only seven years. Outraged, more than 5,000 protesters ransack City Hall. The following night 10,000 people gather on Castro and Market streets.

1981  First newspaper story of a rare pneumonia and skin cancer found in 41 gay men in New York and California. The disease is later named AIDS.

1996  President Clinton signs the Defense of Marriage Act defining marriage as between one man and one woman.

2000  Vermont becomes the first state to legalize civil unions and registered partnerships for same-sex couples.

2003  U.S. Supreme Court rules sodomy laws unconstitutional.

2004  Massachusetts – first state to legalize gay marriage. Then New Hampshire, Vermont, Connecticut, Iowa and D.C.

2008  California – state law barring same-sex couples from marrying ruled unconstitutional. Later, voters pass Prop 8 which defines marriage as one man and one woman.

2010  The military policy "Don't Ask, Don't Tell" is overturned.

2011  New York state becomes largest state so far to legalize gay marriage.

2012  President Barack Obama endorses same-sex marriage.

... being LGBT does not make you less human. And that is why gay rights are Human Rights and Human Rights are gay rights.

SECRETARY OF STATE HILLARY CLINTON
IN A SPEECH TO THE UNITED NATIONS
2012 Parade Grand Marshal

Kate Brown
Secretary of State, Oregon

Secretary of State Kate Brown has spent more than 20 years serving the people of Oregon.

After growing up in Minnesota and getting her undergraduate degree from the University of Colorado-Boulder, Kate came to Oregon to attend Lewis and Clark's Northwestern School of Law. There, she received her law degree and Certificate in Environmental Law.

Over the years, Kate has worked in family and juvenile law, taught at Portland State University and worked with the Juvenile Rights Project.

Motivated to continue her service, Kate became a candidate to represent her neighborhood in the State House of Representatives – winning by a mere seven votes. After two successful terms, she won a spot in the State Senate. In 1998, she was elected Democratic Leader of the Senate and in 2004, her colleagues elected her as Senate Majority Leader – the first woman in Oregon history to earn that job.

Kate has had many legislative achievements – leading efforts to reduce the cost of healthcare, ensure education dollars reach the classroom and protect Oregon's uniquely livable communities. Kate has been a leader in making Oregon's government accountable and transparent. She successfully pushed to get legislative meetings held in communities around the state and she spearheaded landmark legislation creating a searchable database of campaign contributions. The Oregonian described the law as the best campaign finance disclosure law in the nation.

For her work, Kate has received numerous awards:

- National Public and Community Service Award from the American Mental Health Counselors Association
- Elected Chair of the Council of State Governments West
- “Profiles in Courage” Award from Basic Rights Oregon
- Legislator of the Year Award from the Oregon Psychological Association
- Award for Outstanding Achievement by the Oregon Family Support Network
- Women of Achievement Award from the Oregon Commission for Women
- Recognized for efforts to improve safety and well-being of firefighters by the Oregon State Firefighters Council
- Living Legend Award from the Oregon Bus Project

Kate lives in Portland with her husband Dan.

For more information, visit www.katebrownfororegon.com or like us on Facebook at www.facebook.com/KateBrownOregon.

MORE ACTIVITIES
Sponsored by Lotus Rising Project

Saturday October 13th

12:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. . . . . . Ride the Trolley Around Town, Stops at Lithia Park, Plaza and Science Works
12:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. . . . . . Walk the Labyrinth, Trinity Episcopal Church 2nd Street. Free.
12:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. . . . . . Science Works, mention SO Pride or Lotus Rising Project and get a $1.00 off 3:00 p.m. - 5:30 p.m. . . . . . Activist Art and Anti-Bullying Rally (4:30)
5:30 p.m. - ? . . . . . . . . . . Transgendered Invitation to Dine (No host - Restaurant TBA) Meet LRP volunteer on the Plaza.
7:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m. . . . . . Youth Pride Dance (ages 14–21)

United Church of Christ, 717 Siskiyou Blvd.
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2012 Parade Grand Marshal

Sylvia Guerrero
Mother of Gwin Araujo

Sylvia Guerrero is our Honorary Grand Marshal. She is the mother of Gwen Araujo. Gwen was a vibrant trans-gender teenager who was murdered in Newark, Ca. October 2002. Sylvia honors Gwen, and trans –gender victims of hate crimes everywhere be speaking out. She is an educator and inspiration.

Before the events of October 2002, Sylvia’s life was pretty typical. She was a daughter, student and a successful business woman. The future held marriage, children, divorce and murder.

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2012 SOPride Festival

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 11
SOPride Kick Off – National Coming Out Day
• “Out” Rally at Southern Oregon University
6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. – Meese Auditorium, SOU
• “Trained in the Way of Men” documentary followed by Q&A with Sylvia Guerrero, mother of Gwen Araujo. In conjunction with the Queer Resource Center of SOU

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 12
SOPride Ball – Historic Ashland Armory
7:00 p.m. – 11:00 p.m.
• DJ’s Hope and Gimneye with KISS FM will rock the music all night long
• Special Guest Stars and Outrageous Drag Show
• Cocktails and hosted hors d’oeuvres throughout the evening
• Advance tickets at Paddington Station: General $20, Student/Senior $10, or At the Door: General $25, Student/Senior $15

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 13
Parade • Booths • Entertainment
11:00 a.m.
• Parade down Main Street
11:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.
• Vendor Booths on the Plaza and at the Lithia Park Bandshell
12:00 noon
• Festival in Lithia Park and at the Bandshell
• Music, Food, Fun and MORE!
• FREE

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 14
Champagne Brunch
12:00 noon – 2:00 p.m.
• Hosted Champagne Brunch – By invitation only
Ashland Creek Inn – 70 Water Street
• Invitations available to SOPride Volunteers and those donating $200.00 or more to SOPride

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Pride Week, Oct. 11–14
also includes:

Bloomsbury Bookstore will feature LGBTQ authors
LGBTQ and Queer Cinema at the Varsity Theatre
SOPride Shopping Guide – values on shopping, dining, and more.

Diversity performances all weekend at the Oregon Shakespeare Festival Green Show – OSF Courtyard, “The Bricks”, on S. Pioneer Street, 6:45 p.m. (no charge)

Official SOPride T-shirts and camies for sale with proceeds benefiting SOPride, your local LGBTQ non-profit, 501(c)(3) application submitted.

SOPride will donate a percentage of festival proceeds to the Maslow Project – www.maslowproject.com