

GLBT Pride/Twin Cities



# Pride Release Press

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## FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

### **Pride Community Meeting Mon., August 2**

MINNEAPOLIS, MN - GLBT Pride/Twin Cities invites all interested community members to attend our annual Community Meeting on Monday, August 2 at the Ramada Inn located at 41 North 10<sup>th</sup> Street in Downtown Minneapolis. The meeting will get underway at 7pm.

The Community Meeting is set aside each year as an opportunity for Pride-goers and other community members to comment on the recent Pride Celebration. We want to hear what people liked, what they didn't and any suggestions that can help to make the 2005 celebration even better.

In addition, information about many opportunities that are available for people wishing to get more involved in planning the Pride Celebration will be available. In addition to the Board of Directors, there are over 20 coordinator positions that are available. Coordinators serve a one-year term.

Pride President, Jim Kelley, said, "The Community Meeting is a wonderful chance for everyone to get together and talk about how to make Pride events more effective. We love to hear from our exhibitors and guests about what worked or didn't work. This is the community's chance to provide input before we start planning next year's events. This is also a great chance to get information on how to get involved in the year-long planning efforts."

Free parking is available at the Ramada Inn. Visitors are asked to please check at the front desk for the meeting location within the hotel.

Celebrating its 32<sup>nd</sup> year in 2004, GLBT Pride/Twin Cities, the organizer of the Twin Cities Gay-Lesbian-Bisexual-Transgender (GLBT) Pride Celebration, began in 1972 with a small group of activists meeting for a picnic in Minneapolis' Loring Park and a short march down Nicollet Mall. Over the intervening years, the Twin Cities Pride Celebration has grown to be the largest GLBT Pride in the region and 3<sup>rd</sup> largest in the United States, with an estimated combined attendance in excess of 400,000 people at seven events. GLBT Pride/Twin Cities is an all-volunteer nonprofit organization.

It is the mission of GLBT Pride/Twin Cities to commemorate and celebrate our diverse heritage, to inspire the achievement of equality and challenge discrimination.

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