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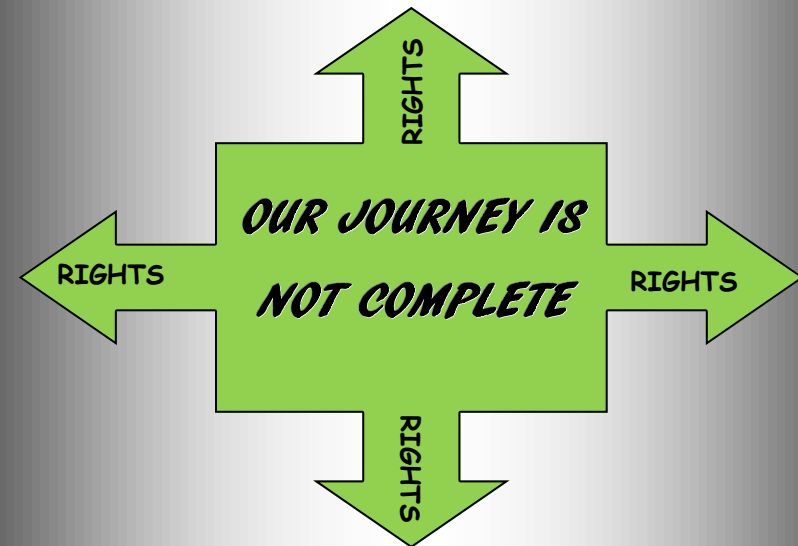
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In 1982 Northampton held its first liberation Pride march despite the overwhelmingly homophobic and discriminatory realities facing LGBT people nation-wide. Our Pride event, annually held in May, now draws thousands of people from New England and beyond. Our Pride parade and rally has evolved from people marching with bags on their heads into a day that brings diverse communities together to celebrate the freedom of being who we are. Through the long-lasting efforts of local community members and the leadership of Noho Pride, in 2011 we celebrated our 30th anniversary of LGBT pride and fight for equality. With sponsorships, donations and fund-raisers, we are able to underwrite this extraordinary day of LGBT Pride for everyone.

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"NoHo Pride" demonstrates principle-in-action through community events, services, and organization. This year's "Pride" theme echoes President Obama's inauguration speech as a mantra for the continued "journey" toward human rights and a call to action on the way to lawful equality.

Every meaningful journey offers the challenge to persist, accept each increment of progress as it is gained, and appreciate the experience of each step as it is taken. Our journey has brought us to the point of taking true *pride* in what we've accomplished so far while dynamically applying it to what remains for us to do. Our progress has been quick enough to effect radical cultural change in a single generation, yet slow enough to deeply plant the seeds for future shifts in consciousness.

"Pride" events are intended to invigorate us with purpose, resolve, and inspiration. Sharing a sense of community unites and reminds us to nurture the unfolding vision seeking to emerge by means of our collective determination. By participating in that vision we evolve a personal experience of the collaborative journey that forever empowers our mission and ourselves.

President Obama's inaugural statements referred to arriving at equal treatment under the law, but while we wait upon the "law-of-the-land", our native equality already exists under the "law of Spirit." We do not need legal confirmation of our innate *Wholeness* and *Integrity of Being*. This realization informs, fuels, and directs our acceptance of only that which reflects its confirmation. This spiritual verity continues to guide our actions and choices, attracts helpful resources, and sustains our vision from a felt-sense of *who we truly are*. We claim our lawful rights by the mandate of our truest inner authority which will not be denied.

This year's march and rally moves us toward the destination of lawful rights, and forward in freedom as the progress of our united journey is revealed. Through such community action we take another foothold, gaining ground for every one of us to be *"treated like anyone else under the law"*.

"NoHo Pride 2013" honors those who've gone before us – whose courage and commitment blazed the path we continue to clear toward legal equality. In steadfast solidarity, we commemorate and celebrate together our "journey of a thousand miles". We join our hands and hearts uniting a diverse LGBTQI community with a shared singleness of purpose by pledging that until every one of us has reached that Promised Land, *"our journey is not complete!"*

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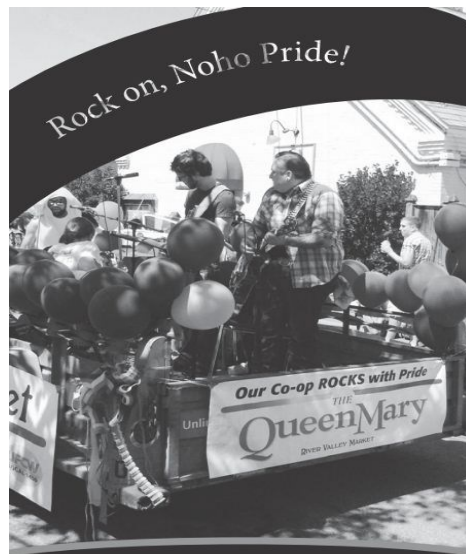
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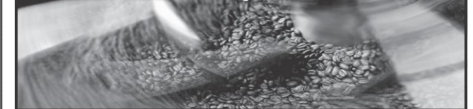
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William Urich

Billy has served as Vice President of Operations, InterPride, the International Association of GLBTI Pride Coordinators and Chair of the InterPride Committee on International GLBTI Human and Civil Rights. He now travels the world speaking about Equal and Civil Rights for all.



Rev. Tinker Donnelly

Rev. Tinker is an ordained New Thought minister, teaching universal principles and the creative power of consciousness as the "science of mind."

LGBT Scholarship

2013 marks the second year that Noho Pride will be granting a college scholarship. This \$500 scholarship is being offered to high school seniors who attend school in either Hampshire, Hamden, Berkshire, or Berkshire county and have financial need. To be considered for the scholarship, applicants are asked to write an essay describing how he or she plans to become a positive role model in the LGBT community. A panel of 3 volunteers will read all essays received and vote to decide the winning entry.

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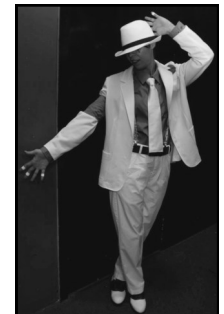
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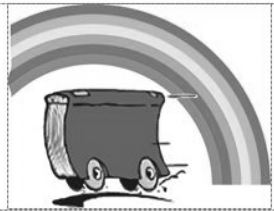
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Pioneer Valley Gay Men's Chorus

The Pioneer Valley Gay Men's Chorus (PVGMC) has, since the early 1980s, presented a positive image of gay men to the community and provided a warm, accepting environment for gay men to create music. Photo Credit: Lawrence McFarland



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Felicia Forrester

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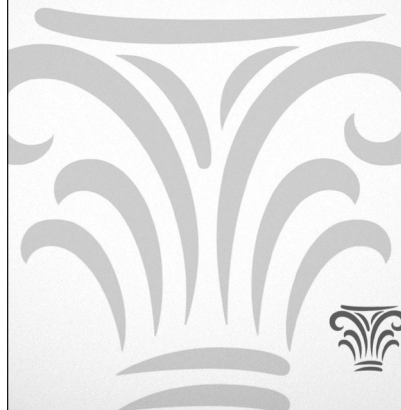
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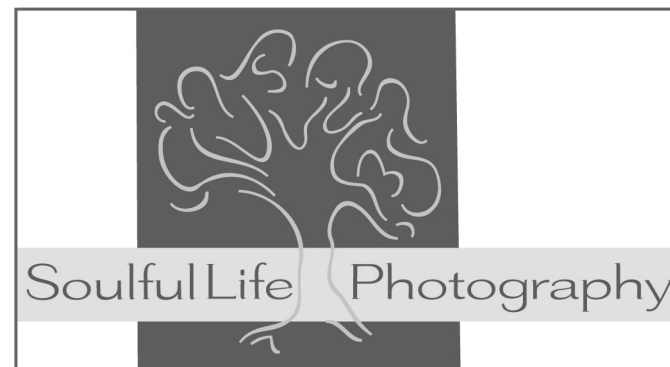
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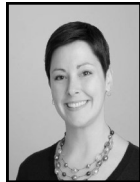
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