



# Rainbow Newsletter

from RSO - your Rainbow Service Organization

[www.rainbowservice.org](http://www.rainbowservice.org)

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**Upcoming Events:** also at [www.rainbowservice.org](http://www.rainbowservice.org) - email events to [events@rainbowservice.org](mailto:events@rainbowservice.org)

## Wednesday April 6<sup>th</sup> (and the first Wednesday of every month): Drag Bingo! 9pm

Great times with Madge Enthart and Diva spinning out the fun and prizes in support of PARN The Sapphire Room - 137 Hunter Street, Peterborough

RSVP on Facebook: <http://www.facebook.com/event.php?eid=161911990531989>

## Friday April 8<sup>th</sup> – Trent Queer Collective (TQC) Drag Show - Doors open 8pm

Come partake in a night of excellent performances, great music, and lots of dancing! This year's theme is Fairy Tales, and themed attire is strongly encouraged!

Where: The Lion's Club (347 Burnham St, just across the Hunter St bridge)

Tickets: \$5, available in advance at the TQC office in Sadleir House (room 205), or at the door All-ages, wet/dry event. Performers needed! Sign up contact [trentqueercollective@gmail.com](mailto:trentqueercollective@gmail.com)

RSVP on Facebook: <http://www.facebook.com/event.php?eid=135399336530846&index=1>

## Sunday April 10<sup>th</sup>: Q-Bowl 2-4 pm

Bowling social gathering for LGBTQ, allies and friends.

5 and 10 pin and nice shoes! \$6.50 for shoe rental and two games.

Bowlerama – Brookdale Plaza at 845 Chemong Road

RSVP on Facebook: <http://www.facebook.com/event.php?eid=190014604366944>



## Wednesday April 13<sup>th</sup> – Day of Pink – Wear the colour!

## Saturday April 16<sup>th</sup> - Q-Brew 7-9 pm

A coffee, tea, beer and games gathering for LGBTQ, allies and friends...wahooo.....fun and games!

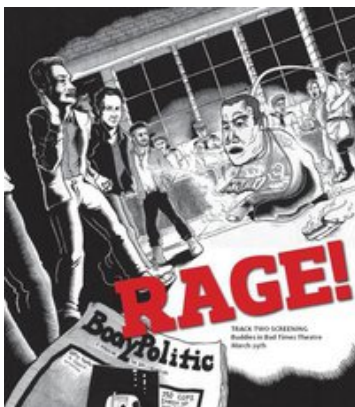
The Spill – 414 George St. N., Peterborough

RSVP on Facebook: <http://www.facebook.com/event.php?eid=104542399629573&index=1>



## Saturday April 16<sup>th</sup> - FILTHY: Happy Birthday Divalicious 10pm start

RSVP on Facebook: <http://www.facebook.com/event.php?eid=197428663625450&index=1>



## Tuesday April 19<sup>th</sup> – Track Two: Film Screening 7pm Sadleir House, Lecture Hall - 751 George Street North

On Feb 5, 1981, 30 years ago, more than 150 Toronto police descended on that city's gay bathhouses, arresting more than 300 innocent men. It was part of a deliberate and organized campaign by government and police to push gay baths and bars out of business, to silence the gay press and to remove gay voices from public discourse.

The riots and activism that followed the raids galvanized the Toronto LGBT community and in many ways spawned the gay rights movement and changes we now take for granted.

We will be screening the documentary "Track Two" which captures this pivotal time in our history. For more on the making of the documentary go to:

[http://www.xtra.ca/public/viewstory.aspx?AFF\\_TYPE=1&STORY\\_ID=9720&PUB\\_TEMPLATE\\_ID=1](http://www.xtra.ca/public/viewstory.aspx?AFF_TYPE=1&STORY_ID=9720&PUB_TEMPLATE_ID=1)

### **Wednesday April 27<sup>th</sup> - A Taste For Life 2011**

Location: various Restaurants in the 4 Counties:

Participating restaurants in the Four Counties will be donating 25% of their gross proceeds on the evening of April 27 to PARN as part of A Taste For Life. These funds will help PARN address the needs of people living with HIV/AIDS and support prevention efforts in our community.

Details at: <http://www.rainbowservice.org/archives/000383.html>

RSVP on Facebook: <http://www.facebook.com/event.php?eid=134020280004620>



### **Saturday April 30<sup>th</sup>: Q-Tini – "Spring Fling" Edition 5-7:30 pm**

Pre-break gathering for LGBTQ, allies and friends – come get shaken and stirred!

The Sapphire Room - 137 Hunter Street, Peterborough

RSVP on Facebook at <http://www.facebook.com/group.php?gid=11420896797>

### **Positive changes in Peterborough?**

I was happy to see the recent announcement by Trent of their **Positive Spaces** Campaign with the goal of making Trent a "positive" and "safe" space for LGBTQ people. See their webpage: <http://www.trentu.ca/humanrights/>

Those who work for the provincial government will know that the Ontario Public Service (OPS) has a Positive Spaces program as well. With communications with a tag line "**Bring Your Whole Self to Work**" and workplace Positive Spaces Champions, the program is making it easier to safely choose to be out at work for OPS members across the province.

The Ontario Council of Agencies Serving Immigrants (OCASI) also has an initiative and tools to use. For more information on it see their website [www.positivespaces.ca](http://www.positivespaces.ca)

RSO will shortly be contacting organizations in the area for their help to launch an initiative to broaden efforts to make Peterborough a positive and safe space where we can all live free from fear and feel fully included. **Peterborough A Safe Space?** To be part of the discussion or suggest participants please email us at [rso@rainbowservice.org](mailto:rso@rainbowservice.org)

### **Want to get involved?**

We are always seeking volunteers for our working committees and Board of Directors to help with public relations, advocacy, fundraising, and organizing events. Help us improve the quality of life in your email us at [rso@rainbowservice.org](mailto:rso@rainbowservice.org). For more info and membership options download this pamphlet [http://www.rainbowservice.org/archives/RSO\\_Pamphlet.pdf](http://www.rainbowservice.org/archives/RSO_Pamphlet.pdf)

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