

## PURPOSE:

It shall be the purpose of this organization to:

—advance the civil and human right interests of the gay and lesbian community, and to educate the general public regarding sexual preferences and lifestyles.

—offer to any individual and/or group, any assistance desired and/or needed which the organization is reasonably capable of providing.

—work with and coordinate activities with similar organizations in the state/region.

—affiliate with but remain autonomous of other organizations.

## HISTORY:

Yellowstone Lambda Alliance, Incorporated, (YLA, Inc.) grew out of the ambitions of a few and the desires of many individuals in the community to form an organized group of gay men and women who shared a common interest.

Prior to the formation of this group, there had been a few social functions held and a couple of attempts to start such an organization, but to no avail.

YLA began in January, 1983 when one individual talked to some people he knew and decided there was a need for such a group in Billings. He put together a Newsletter and sent it to the 8 people he knew.

Since that time, YLA, Inc., has grown to over 270 members and touches the lives of countless others through its various activities and functions.

## ACTIVITIES & FUNCTIONS:

### ● SPEAKERS BUREAU

community education and outreach

### ● RAP GROUP

group counselling

### ● NEWSLETTER (monthly)

"A Different Drummer"

### ● SEMINARS

educational/learning experience for members

### ● FORMAL AFFAIRS

a chance to dress up and be "elegant"

### ● DINNER PARTIES

time to exchange recipes and conversation in a quieter surrounding

## MEETINGS:

2nd Saturday of each month

## CONTACT:

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