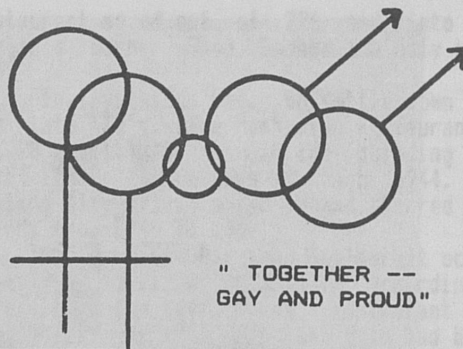


# GSO NEWSLETTER

LEXINGTON GAY SERVICES ORGANIZATION  
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" TOGETHER --  
GAY AND PROUD "

## ARE YOU BLUE?

Well, perhaps not this month, but you may be next month if you don't receive your newsletter! If your newsletter was not in an envelope with a blue lining you have not been added to our new mailing list. We must have your request to remain on the GSO Newsletter mailing list by September 15th if you wish to receive the October Newsletter. Please fill out the coupon below and mail it to us, or call Bill at 231-0100 and give him your current address.

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## THRUSH SUSPECTED LINK TO AIDS

Thrush, a common fungal infection of the mouth, can be an early warning sign of AIDS, according to a report in the New York Daily Times. Doctors at Montefiore Medical Center in New York City reported that the infection seems to be a better warning sign than other symptoms used for early detection of AIDS.

Thrush is fairly common in children, but usually does not occur in adults unless they have been treated with antibiotics or steroids. Between September 1981 and July 1983, doctors at Montefiore saw 22 apparently healthy adults with Thrush. All were drug users, homosexuals or bisexuals, high risk groups for AIDS. Thirteen of these 22 have since developed AIDS.

To date, there have been over 5,000 diagnosed cases of AIDS. The death rate appears to be over 70 percent.

**"being able to love who  
you naturally need to is  
a basic civil and human right."**

## PHONELINE IN OPERATION-VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

As reported in last month's newsletter, the GSO phonenumber is now back in operation. Anyone wanting information pertinent to the local gay community may call the phonenumber at 231-0335 for a recorded message.

For people who wish to talk to someone in person, the phonenumber will also be manned by volunteers periodically throughout the week (days and times to be announced). Anyone wishing to volunteer as a phonenumber listener may come to the training sessions held at The Comprehensive Care Center on the 4th Sunday of each month at 2:00 pm, or call 299-0352 for more details.

## DID YOU MISS THE BARGAINS

August 21st at the Cafe LMNOP, GSO held their first annual Show Auction as a benefit. Items auctioned included an all expense paid weekend in Atlanta (which went for \$25); a trip to Kings Island; Mary-Kay facials; a brass bed for pets; plants; pictures; prints; floral arrangements; a carriage ride with drinks; dinner prepared and served for up to 15 people; Rocky Horror Picture Show Poster; hair cuts hair products; entertainment at a party by a female impersonator; gift certificates; dinners on the town; ear rings; sunglasses; cigarette lighter; sun tan lotion; and tickets to the Imperial Court's next two events.

Everyone enjoyed the evening with entertainment provided by local female impersonators.

A special thanks must go to all the businesses and individuals involved, Mike for auctioneering, and LMNOP for hosting the event.

## MYTHOLOGY IN 1984

Homosexuals are oversexed: This myth stems from the view of homosexuality that regards it in purely sexual terms. Homosexuality is more than a choice of sexual partners; it is a way of living and loving. Homosexuals have just as much control over sexual impulses and behavior as anyone else. The stereotyping of gay sexual behavior as promiscuous, superficial or compulsive is an example of blaming the victim. The frequently clandestine atmosphere of gay sexual expression results from being denied more wholesome outlets and opportunities to integrate sexuality into the rest of our lives.



A RENDEZVOUS WITH OUR PAST  
by Greg Lee

For a long time, what we now know as The Bar was just another building with little significance. If anyone tells you that it has been a gay bar for years and years, don't believe it. The first bar to appear on this site was called the Menlo Club Saloon in 1902, and despite its unusual name (unusual because neither of its operators, Lee Baker and Dunlap Barker, were named "Menlo"), it was not a gay bar. It wasn't even around in the gay '90's, and it only lasted one year, 1902. (I wonder if it had a proper funeral with a casket and all?)

Since that's neither here nor there, let's move on. The actual date of construction for the buildings we now bump in is unknown. They did not appear on the Sanborn Insurance map of 1907, but there is reason to believe that this map was a little outdated when it was put together. On the other hand, the buildings were definitely there in 1923 when the Chinn photos were taken. To add to the confusion, before the new buildings were put there, there were of course some old buildings on the property. In these old buildings were a few businesses which evidently moved into the new buildings when they were erected. Because of this uncertainty, we'll start with 1907.

Before we go on, let me make sure that you realize that The Bar did not settle down in just one building. It is composed of two buildings; 224 East Main (the two story section where the lounge is downstairs and where the marble bar is upstairs), and another building that was originally divided in half to make 226 and 228 East Main. The latter building is now used for storage on the

first floor. Part of the flooring has been removed between the second and third stories to give us the spacious dance floor and a cathedral ceiling in part of the office space. The part of the third floor that remains intact is used for the rest of the office space and the DJ booth.

Now we can start on the history. In 1907 Preston White occupied 224, but his business is now unknown. Two twenty-six housed the Kelly Storage and Distributing Co., the Fayette Warehouse Co., and Spotswood Specialty (which dealt with advertising novelties). By 1911 the Stanford Furniture Co. had moved into 226. As of yet the other half of the building, 228 appears to have been vacant.

In 1912 another member of the Spotswood family opened a hardware store at 224 and the Beard and Lyons Co. moved into 228. Beard and Lyons Co. was concerned with stoves, furnaces, skylights, roofing and sheet metal works. During 1914, Spotswood's hardware store had moved out of 224 and was replaced with the Ten Broeck Tire and Rubber Co. and A.W.T. Davis (a distributor). By 1916, 224 changed hands again and now was rented by S. A. Reynolds, a plumber. In the same year, J. M. Kelly of Kelly Storage and Distributing Co. opened the Sher-a-Coca Bottling Co. in 226. Also at this time, Beard and Lyons gave over to the Fischer Electric Co. to occupy 228 East Main.

Evidently no other changes were made until 1918, which proved to be an interesting year. Up until 1918, all the property was owned by the Kelly Storage and Distributing Co. In this year, the property was acquired by the Phoenix and Third Trust Co. This is the most probable year that the old buildings were torn down and the new ones erected.

Then in 1919 the Phoenix and Third Trust Co. passed all this on to the Shipp family. The latter retained the property until 1976. The name of Shipp resurfaces again in the deeds as part owners of the Living Room, Inc., but that's a long way off yet, so let's not get so excited.

Also supporting the theory of the 1918 construction is the fact that all but one of the businesses changed. The Lexington Directory of 1919 shows the Service Tire Co. as the sole business in 224, the Quencho Bottling Syrup Co. (with yet another Kelly as manager) and Spotswood Specialty sharing 226, and the Nevitt Company (auto accessories) in 228.

Abraham Salmon got the notion to put in a pool hall at 226 in 1921. Thank goodness someone took a picture of it, because by 1923 he was out of business. If you would, now you can look at the Chinn photo. This is a composite of several pictures probably taken within a year or so of one another. That's why you see Miller's Auto Accessories instead of the Service Tire Co. The picture of 224 was obviously not taken until 1923, the only year that Miller's appeared in the city directory under this address. That's John Boy's truck you see there.

Also disappearing in 1923 was the name of Spotswood. As far back as the 1880's the Spotswoods had some business or another in that area (back in the 1880's it was the E. S. Spotswood Son Lumberyard, which was one of many lumberyards lining Main due to the proximity of the railroad that used to be behind the property).

If you didn't notice the big "hole" in the building, look at the picture again. The building shown in the Chinn photo included a garage opening in the center section (many of the lumber company sites on East Main were replaced by comparably land-extensive garages and auto-repair shops, as well as large department stores and warehouses in the early 20th century). Unfortunately, no record has been found as to when the garage door was eliminated. Just think, The Bar could have had a drive-thru service if it had been left alone (would you believe a "pick-up window"?). Apparently the buildings were vacant in 1925 except for T. C. Henry's real estate office. He left soon afterwards and in 1927 the Duro Co. (water systems), the Kohler Co. (electric lamps), and Southern Taxi moved into 224. The Woman's Exchange Restaurant moved into 228 in the same year. During the next year, a deli took over where the Woman's Exchange was and Joe's Music Shop ended the five year vancy of 226. The deli, by the way, was the Baldassare Amato Son Delicatessen.

By 1930 Southern Taxi was replaced with the D. T. Bohon Co. (auto supplies), and Joe's Music Shop had made way for Wilfred Joseph's Billiards. During the following year, the Manhattan Restaurant and the Karmelkorn Shop (confectionary) came to share 226 with Joseph's Billiards. Karmelkorn became the Caramel Crisp Shop in 1933 and the pool hall was now known as Majestic Billiards. The Amato Deli then became the Matthew Amato Restaurant. By 1935, 224 was vacant, Manhattan

Restaurant moved out of 226 and into 228, and Martin's Barber Shop became the only business in 226.

Finally things began to settle down a bit in the late '30's. The Manhattan Restaurant remained in 228 until 1949, sharing the building with the Arch Liquor Dispensary through 1944. Congress Bowling Alleys also moved in and shared 228 with others from 1940 to 1968.

The Mayfair Bar and Restaurant occupied 224 from 1938 to 1950 or 1951. According to one interview, the Mayfair was a restaurant for little old ladies. By 1953, 224 East Main had become the Southern Cocktail Lounge. Pal Optical also moved into 224 in 1955.

As for 226 East Main, there was still a bit of financial unrest as the building changed occupancies quite a bit. Martin's Barber, as mentioned earlier, remained there until 1942, but shared the address with the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks in 1939 for less than a year. In 1943 Casey Clell's Barber Shop took over and shared the building with Arch Liquor Dispensary for two or three years when they moved from 228 in 1944. In '47 the H. A. Lucas VFW Post 1885 came to 226 as well. During the following year, Clell's and Arch made space for Thom McAn Shoes, which remained there with the VFW club for less than two years. In 1952 the VFW club moved to 224 for one year after Mayfair had abandoned it and before the Southern Cocktail Lounge came around. In the same year, Holbrook's Shoe Repair filled the space that the VFW had left in 226. Holbrook's and the VFW club had to share 226, though, when Southern Cocktail did make its appearance. Holbrook's stayed there until some time in 1955. The VFW club remained there for one last year in 1956, sharing the building with the newly arrived Seaboard Finance. Remaining there as the only business in 226, Seaboard Finance did not leave until 1970. Two twenty-six then housed A V C O Finance for three years, and was vacant until 1978.

Now back to the action in 228 East Main. As was brought up before, Congress Bowling Alleys made its home here in 1940. When the Manhattan Restaurant left in 1949, it was replaced with the Masterson's place from 1958 to 1959, and left Congress Bowling Alleys as the only business at 228 in 1960. Then in 1962 Hagar's Beauty Academy came to share 228 with the bowling alley and remained there in 1968 when Congress Bowling Alleys moved away. Hagar's stayed on at 228 for a few more years and then moved down the street in 1971. When Hagar's left, the Morris Bookstore came into 228 and remained there as the sole business until they closed in 1977.

If you're fairly observant, you'll notice that I left off everything at 224 East Main past 1955. There is reason for this. The Southern Cocktail Lounge and Pal Optical both remained here up until 1962. The lounge then closed and Pal Optical stayed on for about a year more in 1963, sharing the building with a new and interesting business...The Gilded Cage...

to be continued.

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GOT A MINUTE?

The minutes from GSO's monthly general business meetings will now be summarized in each month's newsletter. Also, beginning in November, a quarterly Receipts and Expenditures Statement will be published.

GENERAL BUSINESS MEETING, AUGUST 6, 1984: \*Reminder of Weenie Roast on August 12th.

\*Organization of canoe trip to Rockcastle, September 22nd.

\*Details of Show Auction at LMNOP were presented.

\*Plans for installing a marquee at The Bar were finalized.

\*Progress on plans for a Casino Night in October were discussed.

\*Tentative plans for a Halloween Square Dance were begun.

\*Status of new mailing list since announcing the purge was presented.

\*Date of Yard Sale was changed to Saturday, September 8th.

\*Discussed need to fill open board position.

\*Announcement was made that the robbery and murder suspects pictured in June's Newsletter were captured.

\*It was decided that the next General Business meeting would be held on September 10th due to the Labor Day holiday.

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On September 22nd and 23rd GSO will have canoe trips. September 22nd will be to the Rockcastle River near London, Kentucky. September 23rd will be on the North Fork of the Elkorn, near Georgetown, Kentucky.

You may participate in one trip or both, but there are a limited number of reservations available so plan early to attend. Call 272-0011 or 299-0352 for details and to specify your choice of reservations.

### ITEMS NEEDED FOR GSO YARSALE

Our yard sale is coming up Saturday, September 8th, 10:00 am to 5:00pm at 378 Park Avenue (at the corner of Park and Euclid, near Chevy Chase). Anyone interested in donating items to be sold may call 231-0100 or 299-0352. Anyone interested in purchasing items - see you there!

### NATIONAL GAY BOWLING TOURNAMENTS 1984

OCTOBER - Capital Halloween Tournament, Washington, D.C.

- Dallas Invitational Columbus Day Tournament

NOVEMBER- Holiday Invitational Tournament (Thanksgiving), Milwaukee, Wisconsin

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### KISS OFF SUMMER

This is GSO's annual event celebrating the close of summer. It will be the last outdoor volleyball/potluck of the year. It is typically the largest turnout for volleyball of the season.

It will be held at Jacobson Park, shelter #5, on Friday, September 28, from 6:00 PM until dark.

Hot dogs will be provided. The rest is potluck. Volleyball, jarts, badminton and other activities will also be provided. Bring a friend and say good-bye to the summer of 1984!

Please use the following chart to select what to bring.

Sept. 28

A-D Bread/Buns

E-H Vegetables

I-L Dessert

M-P Salad

Q-S Snack

T-Z Entree (other than Hot dogs)

This event is free of charge. Hope to see you there!

**Celebrating the  
Gay Experience**

### ASK AUNT MARY

This is to introduce Aunt Mary to all GSO Newsletter readers. As a participant in a local church study group, Aunt Mary was encouraged to reach out and form understanding and loving relationships with those she once may have shunned. As a very conservative and lifelong resident of Berea, Kentucky, (Aunt Mary refuses to divulge her age, but does admit that she is over 60) picking out one category of individuals to stop shunning was certainly no small task. However, after careful consideration, Aunt Mary has put aside her considerable prejudices and asked GSO to help her correspond with as many gay individuals as possible. In the following months GSO will record as much of this correspondence as space permits. The subjects to be explored will be limited only by our readers imagination and our editors good taste. As you will see, her first letter is a plea for advice on how to handle a delicate social situation.

Dear Aunt Mary:

I need your advice. I recently had an experience I didn't know how to handle, and next time I would like to be better prepared. A friend and I were sitting at the bar of a local Mexican restaurant. Sitting in the lounge across from us were two businessmen. They were sitting diagonally across from each other, talking. The one facing us was very attractive. We were both watching him (discretely, I assure you), when he began an unusual display. He would cup first one hand, then the other, then both, over his crotch. This went on for about 25 minutes. I was unsure what was going on, but my friend was sure it was intended for one of us. Regardless, neither of us knew how

to respond. Do you think we were being signaled, and if so, how could we have responded, and to whom was the signal intended?

Sign me,  
Puzzled, but Interested!

Dear Interested:

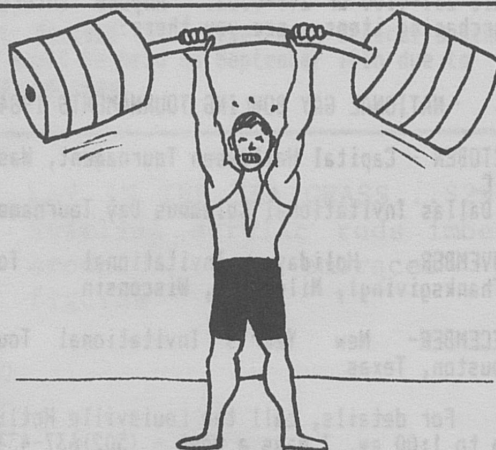
For goodness sakes, if Miss Manners had received this as her first letter I'm sure she would have gone running back to her housework and etiquette books and would never have been heard from again except by occasional guests at small, but extremely tasteful dinner parties! The only reason I am going to answer this letter is that my best friend, Sare Mae, has had her name added to GSO's mailing list just so she can read my letters, and if I don't have something for her to read in this month's issue I'll never hear the end of it! I know from your signature that you are a male, and since you did not specify the gender of your friend I was at first inclined to assume that your friend was female, and wondered why you had to ask me who was being signaled. After thinking about your question a little longer, I realized that you people would not ask such a simple question. Also, I would suggest that your choice of the term businessmen was probably inappropriate. I have a feeling professional would be more fitting, and if so, the best response was no response. However, if you really felt the need to respond, perhaps you should have asked the waitress or waiter to send the 'gentleman' a drink and a can of Cruex. If you are really interested in meeting someone interesting perhaps you would like to join me for church services next Sunday in Berea, where I will introduce you to my friends as my new gay acquaintance, and we can see what develops.  
Aunt Mary

If you would like to contact Aunt Mary, write to Aunt Mary, GSO Newsletter, Post Office Box 11471, Lexington, Kentucky 40575

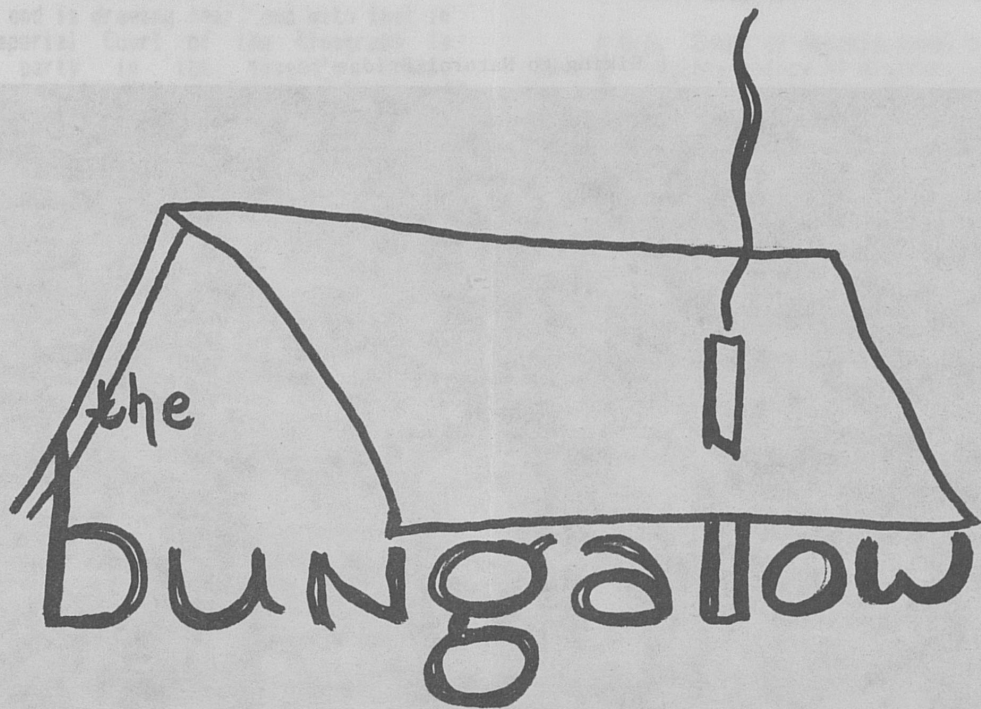
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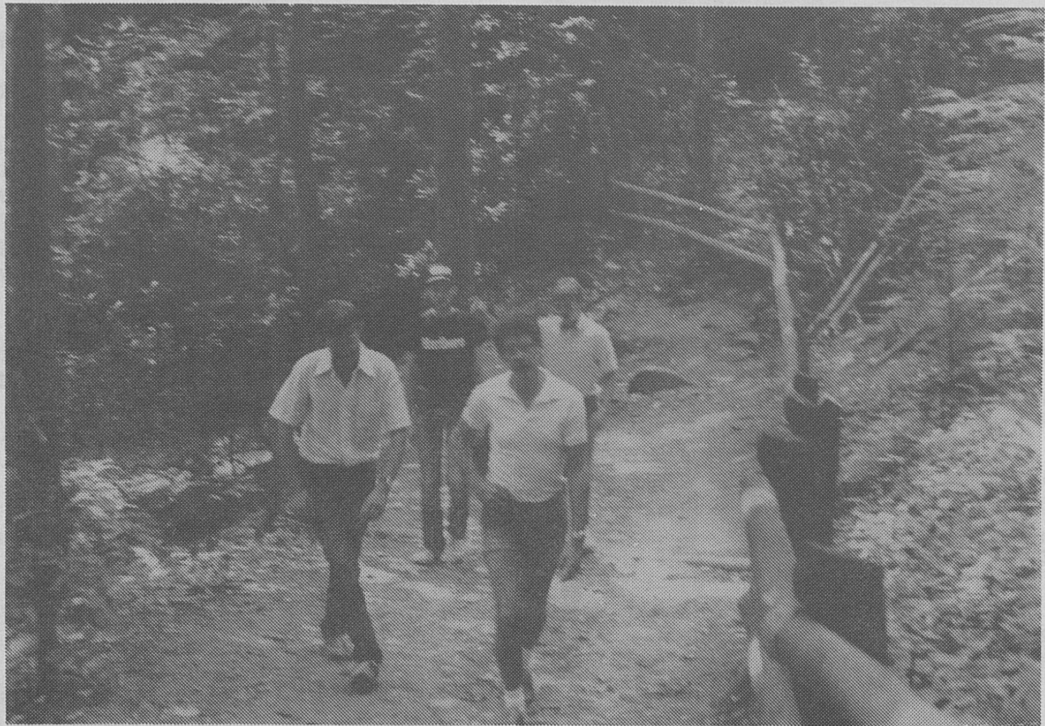
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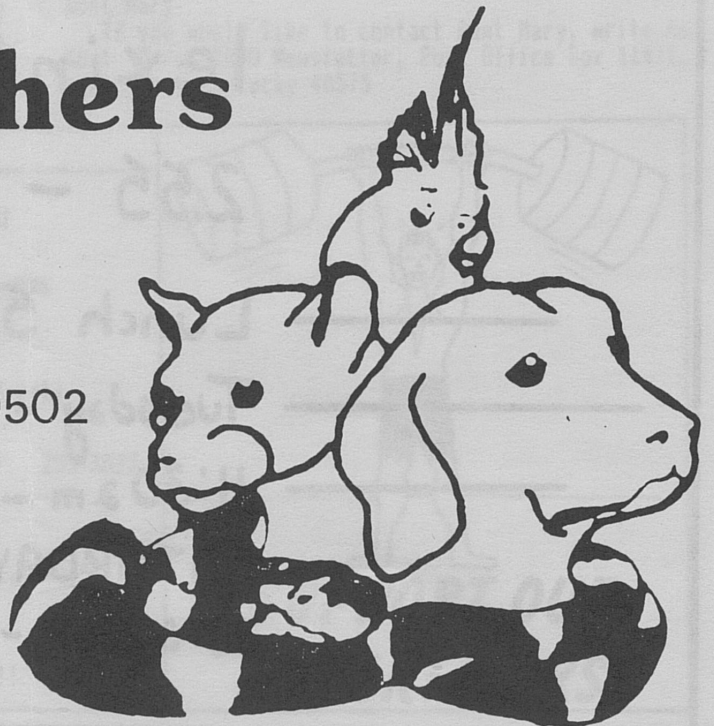


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#### COURT NEWS

Summer's end is drawing near, and with that in mind, the Imperial Court of the Bluegrass is sponsoring a party in the season's honor. "Suddenly, the Last of Summer" is a cocktail and dance party featuring a "Tan-Line Contest". The winner of the contest will receive a \$25.00 cash award, and we are expecting the event to be more fun than the recent "Peek-a-boo Cookies Contest"! "Suddenly, the Last of Summer" will be held at the Circus on Richmond Road and admission will be \$3.00. Everyone come and see the tan lines on September 2nd, at 8:00 pm, before they all fade for another year!!

Due to the recent relocation of Joan Todd, the Closet Queen of 1984, we now recognize the 1st runner-up of the contest as the 1984 Closet Queen. We are therefore honored to acknowledge Ms. Daphne Alexander West as the reigning Closet Queen. Congratulations, Daphne!

We would also like to mention that Kentucky was represented by four of our Court members at Fort Worth's coronation in July. Bringing back a three-foot trophy for the Best Out-of-Town Presentation were Greg Lee, Emperor III, Renee Alexander, Empress III, Chuck Bruner, the Rhinestone Emperor, Emperor II, and Shaana Lee, Crown Princess II and Court Jester of the Third Reign. Their winning presentation, going along with Fort Worth's Coronation theme of "The Golden Age of Hollywood", was a rendition of the "Wizard of Oz".

The bars in Fort Worth were overwhelmingly receptive of everyone there for the coronation and many friendships were made. Because of this, the Imperial Court of the Bluegrass has been informed that at least thirty people from the Fort Worth area plan to attend our Coronation on April 13, 1985.

The same four from the Imperial Court of the Bluegrass that attended Fort Worth's Coronation will be going to Denver, Colorado for the Sovereign Court's Coronation in late August. More details later.



Please send us your  
change of address  
before you move.

#### NAVY WILL CONTINUE TO OUST GAYS

A U.S. Court of Appeals panel has upheld the Navy's mandatory policy of discharging homosexuals.

James L. Dronenburg was discharged after serving more than nine years as a Korean linguist and cryptographer with a top-secret clearance after he admitted he was a homosexual.

Dronenburg argued that the Navy's policy violated his constitutional rights to privacy and equal protection under the law. But the three judge panel said the Supreme Court has established the right to privacy in cases relating to marriage, procreation, contraception, family relationships and child rearing and education. The panel also said the Constitution has provisions that protect, among other things, racial, ethnic and religious minorities.

"It need hardly be said that none of these covers a right to homosexual conduct. If a court refuses to create a new constitutional right to protect homosexual conduct, the court does not thereby destroy established constitutional rights that are solidly based in constitutional text and history. We conclude, therefore, that we can find no constitutional right to engage in homosexual conduct and that, as judges, we have no warrant to create one," said the panel.

The court also said the effects of homosexual conduct within a naval or military unit are almost certain to be harmful to morale and discipline.

#### PICNIC IN THE PARK

##### VOLLEYBALL

Jacobson Park Shelter #5

The Picnic/Potluck and Volleyball are held in Jacobson Park on the second and fourth Fridays of the month, from 6:30pm until park closing. Attendance has been excellent and everyone has a good time.

GSO is supplying plates, utensils, soft drinks and ice. If you wish to join in on the potluck, please use the following charts in deciding what to bring (use the first letter of your last name to select what type of food you should bring). You don't have to play volleyball to come out and have a good time.

September 10

A-D Salad

E-H Snack

I-H Entree

J-L Bread/Buns

Q-S Vegetables

T-Z Dessert

This event is free of charge. A small donation to help cover the expense of renting the shelter is requested, but not required. If you would like to contribute, just look for the Donation Jar. Any donation is greatly appreciated. We hope to see you there.

## GAY AND LESBIAN DEMOCRATS OF KENTUCKY

The following was a prepared text used at a press conference held in San Francisco on Thursday, July 19, 1984. This press conference was held by the co-chair of Gay and Lesbian Democrats of Kentucky, Keith D. Elston, along with the co-chairs of the National Association of Gay and Lesbian Democratic Clubs, Gwenn Craig and Peter Vogel.

The newly amended by-laws of the Democratic Party require that gay men and lesbians be appointed to positions of responsibility within the Party; the 1988 Delegate Selection Rules will require each state Party to develop Party Out-reach Programs, including recruitment, education and training designed for lesbians and gay men; all three Democratic Presidential candidates have been very outspoken in their support of Gay Rights Legislation both nationally and locally; the Lesbian and Gay Caucus is now larger than 25 state delegations (including Kentucky); yet the Governor of Kentucky, Martha Layne Collins, who is serving as the permanent chair of the Democratic National Convention, has refused to meet with Gay and Lesbian lobbyists since her election this past November.

When Governor Collins was asked if she would support a Gay Rights bill in the Kentucky Legislature, she claimed that no one has ever tried to lobby her. Governor Collins has also adamantly refused to sign an executive order banning discrimination in Governmental hiring practices and refuses to discuss the issue further.

In the state of Kentucky, oppressive "sodomy" laws explicitly make any homosexual activity illegal. There is no legal recourse for any gay man or lesbian who is discriminated against in employment, housing or public accommodations. Governor Collins has thus far shown by her words and her actions that she is totally insensitive to the concerns of between 250,000 and 300,000 gay men and lesbian Kentuckians. Furthermore, the Governor has, by her comments at the home of Melvyn Belli, in effect endorsed discrimination based solely on sexual orientation.

This homophobic attitude the Governor has displayed is completely at odds with the Democratic Party's stand on Gay and Lesbian Human Rights.

If Governor Collins truly intends to establish a leadership role in our National Party, then we urge her to begin by reading the 1984 Democratic Platform which calls for an end to discrimination based on sexual orientation in employment, immigration and the military.

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**STAND TOGETHER—  
WE ARE EVERYWHERE**

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## DIGNITY/LEXINGTON NEWS

Several members of Dignity/Lexington are attending the Region V VI combined conventions in Indianapolis Labor Day weekend. They'll be attending workshops and meetings with Dignity members from more than eight other states. Former Congressman Bob Bauman will be the featured speaker.

Dignity will be meeting twice each month on the second and fourth Wednesdays. Fall program topics include the bishops' pastoral letter on nuclear disarmament, women's music, loneliness, lesbian-gay men relationships, gay men's music, music by and about lesbians, and relationships of young gay men to older gay men. For the time and location, call 299-0352 or write Dignity/Lexington, Post Office Box 1984, Lexington, Kentucky 40593.

Elections will be held in October for officers and board members. If you want to take a more active role in Dignity/Lexington, consider becoming a member and serving as an officer or on the board.

As a fund raiser for Dignity/Lexington, one of our members is sponsoring a plant sale on September 8th from 10:00 am to 4:00 pm at 533 Cane Run Road. The plants have been grown in his greenhouse or garden. This is a good opportunity to purchase healthy home grown plants for your apartment or home.

## INTERESTED IN DIGNITY/LEXINGTON?

To find out more about Dignity/Lexington, write Dignity/Lexington, Post Office Box 1984, Lexington, Kentucky 40593 or call 299-0352. We'll put you on our confidential mailing list and send our newsletter to you in a plain, white envelope.

## HELP WANTED

Attention Gay AA Members: We are looking for a person with 3 years sobriety, a Bachelors Degree and an interest in counseling. Contact Pathways, Inc. Community Comprehensive Care, Morehead, Kentucky 40351.

The Bluegrass Classic Tournament Committee needs volunteers to help in putting the 1680 tournament together for May 1985. Call Tony at (502) 589-3486 or Steve at (502) 451-0715.

## OFFICE SPACE NEEDED

GSD is in need of office space. The space would be used for the phoneline and GSD business/board meetings. If you have any information about a nice space, preferably free or at a nominal rent, please contact any board member or call Jim at 299-0352. Thanks.

MEMBERSHIP/NEWSLETTER APPLICATION

Newsletter ..... Check here to receive your free copy of the GSD Newsletter: \_\_\_\_\_

Membership ..... To become a GSD member, include the membership fee of \$10.00 or \$5.00 for students.

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

CITY/STATE/ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

Please mail above form to: GSD, PO Box 11471, Lexington, KY 40575

COMING GSD SPECIAL EVENTS

OCTOBER

Saturday, 6 CAMPING TRIP to Eddie's farm (rain date, Oct 13)

Sunday, 14 CASINO NITE, Unitarian Universalist Church

Sunday, 28 HALLOWEEN SQUARE DANCE, Senior Citizens Center--Use your imagination!

NOVEMBER

Sunday, 18 GONG SHOW--Start getting your acts together now. Auditions will be held one month in advance.

DECEMBER

Sunday, 9 CORNUCOPIA--Quiet evening of fine dining and socializing.

SOFTBALL

No experience necessary! Bring your glove and bat to Jacobson Park Friday, August 31st. We'll play field softball among ourselves at 6:00pm. Come on out and have a good time. Everyone is welcome.

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SEPTEMBER, 1984

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	# Lambda Louisville events are held at the Community Ctr (1311 S. Preston) when no other location is listed.	Do you have a birthday you would like to see on the calendar? Call or write and let us know.			August 31 6:00 Open Softball at Jacobson Park. 231-0100.	Mammoth Cave 1 Field Trip Call 299-0352 for information.
6:00 Potluck 2 1:30pm. Call 231-0100 for time and place. 6:00 Gay Al-Anon Rm 186, St. Joe	Labor Day 3	4	8:00 Gay AA 5 Room 186 St. Joseph's Hospital.	7:00 Lambda 6 Louisville Volleyball, Central Park	7:30 Cards & 7 Games. For time and place, call 231-0100. 8:00 Gay AA at Comp Care Center	10am GSO Yard 8 Sale, 378 Park Avenue (til 5pm) Dignity Plant Sale, 533 Cane Run Rd (10 til 4)
5:00 Lambda 9 Louisville Gen. Mtg & Potluck.* 6:00 Gay Al-Anon Rm 186, St. Joe	GSO Business 10 meeting, 8:00pm Comp Care Center. Call 299-0352.	Happy Birthday, 11 Bobby.	8:00 Gay AA 12 Room 186, St. Joseph's Hospital 7:30 Dignity Liturgy at the Newman Center.	7:00 Lambda 13 Louisville Volleyball, Central Park	6:30 Potluck/ 14 Volleyball at Jacobson Park Shelter #5. 8:00 Gay AA at Comp Care Center	15
12:00 Lambda 16 Otter Creek Picnic (Cedar Hill), Louisville, \$2 6:00 Gay Al-Anon Rm 186, St. Joe	17	Happy Birthday, 18 Mike.	8:00 Gay AA 19 Room 186 St. Joseph's Hospital.	7:00 Lambda 20 Louisville Volleyball, Central Park  Happy Birthday, Rod.	7:30 Cards & 21 Games. For time and place, call 231-0100. 8:00 Gay AA at Comp Care Center	GSO Canoe 22 Trip. Call (272-0011) or (299-0352) for information and reservations.
2pm GSO Phone 23 Line Meeting at Comp Care Center  6:00 Gay Al-Anon Rm 186, St. Joe	24	25	8:00 Gay AA 26 Room 186, St. Joseph's Hospital 7:30 Dignity program at the Newman Center.	7:00 Lambda 27 Louisville Volleyball, Central Park	6:00 Kiss- 28 Off Summer Party Jacobson Shelter #5. (231-0100) 8:00 Gay AA at Comp Care Center	29