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## Despite Veto, Protests



## HB 279 will become law

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## Kentucky HB 279 will be Law

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Courier Journal)

FRANKFORT, Ky. – The Kentucky House and Senate voted by overwhelming margins to override Gov. Steve Beshear's veto of the controversial "religious freedom" bill.

The House's 79-15 vote sent House Bill 279 to the Senate, which voted 32-6 to override the measure.

The one-paragraph bill that stirred strong emotions now will become law in 90 days.

Beshear released a statement saying he was disappointed with the override of the only bill he vetoed in the 2013 legislative session.

"As I explained in my veto message, I have significant concerns that this bill will cause serious unintentional consequences that could threaten public safety, health care, and individuals' civil rights."

But the Family Foundation claimed the wide vote margins proved that the concerns of Beshear, the American Civil Liberties Union of Kentucky and gay-rights and human-rights groups were unfounded.

"The magnitude of this vote should send a message to these groups that this kind of deception is not appreciated by the majority of the state's

elected lawmakers," said Martin Cothran, spokesman for the Family Foundation.

Chris Hartman, director of the Fairness Campaign, noted that the bill passed as the U.S. Supreme Court hears arguments on same-sex marriage.

"Today the commonwealth took a step backwards in protecting its residents at the same time the United States Supreme Court was hearing arguments that will advance the rights of Americans. It's sad and it's disheartening," he said.

HB 279 says that government shall not infringe on any person's sincerely held religious beliefs unless it can show with "clear and convincing evidence" some compelling governmental interest for doing so.

Gay-rights and human-rights groups led the opposition to the bill, warning that it could be used to challenge local laws in Louisville, Lexington, Covington and Vicco designed to protect gays and lesbians from discrimination.

Beshear added additional concerns in his veto message saying the bill could be costly to local governments, impede the state's economic development efforts, and possibly result in the withholding of needed medical care or the use of religious beliefs as a justification for abuse.

House Bill 279 will become a Kentucky State Law in the month of June.



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**Don Lowe**

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The vision of the Lexington Gay and Lesbian Services Organization is to empower the GLBTQQIA community through voice.

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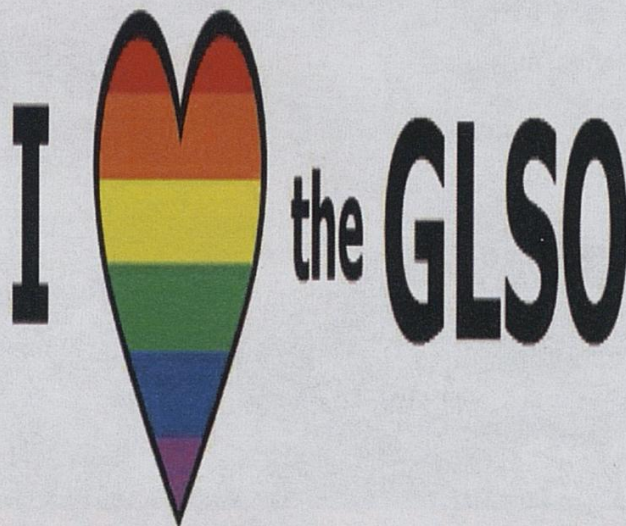
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The Imperial Court of Kentucky

# WAY OUT WEDNESDAY

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Wednesday April 17TH  
Show @ 9:30 \$5 Door

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## **Women's Crisis Center Needs Your Help**

One of our GSA graduates, Alex, has asked our current GSA members to help her with a service project for the Women's Crisis Center of Northern KY.

We are looking for donations from anyone in the community. We will have a box at the Pride Center and items will be picked up at the end of the second week in April.

Women often come to the shelter with few personal possessions. There are in need of basic toiletries such as shampoo, razors, toothbrushes, toothpaste, hand cream, etc.

They also need some basic clothing such as underwear socks, bras, belts, and purses. There are often children there so diapers and other small child care needs would be appreciated.

For information you can contact [mary@glso.org](mailto:mary@glso.org).

## **GSA Pride Prom**

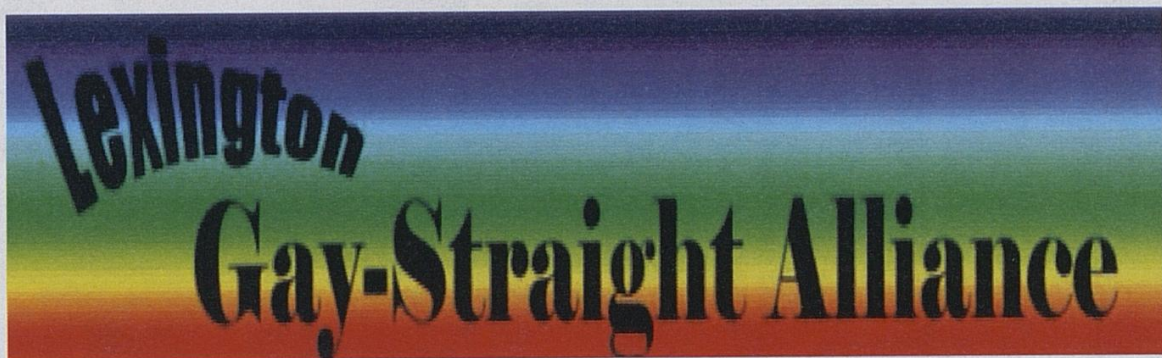
The Gay Straight Alliance for Youth is beginning to plan the 2013 Pride Prom. The prom will be in May, probably at the Children's Theater where we were last year. We will be seeking volunteer chaperons when we have an exact date. The donation is \$15.

We had nine teens at our last GSA meeting coming up with ideas for a theme.

In April, we will be continuing planning on Tuesday, April 7 from 7 until 9.

There will be pizza! All high school age teens are welcome to attend, you do not have to be an ongoing member of our GSA to participate in prom planning. In fact, we would love to have representatives from all the local high schools.

Later in April and early May we will be making flyers for kids to distribute to friends and creating decorations and for the dance. We are also visiting school GSAs to support their work and to advertise our activities.





## Honoring God

By Karen Taylor and Lisa Jeffrey

How is it that we honor God? The dictionary tells us that to honor someone or something is to show respect for them or it. What does the bible say about how I should show respect for God? "Listen, Israel! The Lord our God, the Lord is One. Love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength. The second is: Love your neighbor as yourself." Mark 12:29-31 In my walk with God He has shown me that I demonstrate my love for Him with all my heart when I reach out to the homeless or needy, when I lend a helping hand to a widow. I believe I show my love to God with all my mind or intellect, when I study His word. Whenever I read the Bible I ask God to guide me into His truth, to show me what it is He wants me to understand. Lastly I show my love to God with all my strength because that is when I use my will to choose to love God.

Can we practice our respect for God in our day to day lives? John 12:26 "If anyone serves Me, he must follow Me. Where I am, there My servant also will be. If anyone serves Me, the Father will honor him." A disciple or follower of Christ is one who moves in with Christ, takes up residence with Him following everything He does, doing everything He asks of them to do. To look to Christ as the One I want to be like. In Matthew we are told to take up our cross daily and follow Christ. The cross represents death to the flesh or to our will. A follower of Christ will put the desires and wishes of his Lord above his own. Lisa and I have a home we so much want to sell. We had it on the market

for two years with no luck. We took it off the market and prayed. Several months have passed and we once again sense God telling us to put it back up for sale. So our prayer is God, we desire to be set free of this debt that ties us down but never the less not our will but yours be done.

When we love our neighbors we honor God. Matt 5:43-44 "You have heard that it was said, Love your neighbor and hate your enemy. But I tell you, love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you". No easy command here but it is possible as we learn to live by His spirit and not our own. I recall many years ago when God showed me this principle. I had a co-worker that was a thorn in my flesh. Due to her accusations we went to mediation with our principal. He understood the situation perfectly and attempted to point out her error in thinking to no avail. The Lord lay on my heart to pray that God would show me how He sees her. Wow, what an eye opener.

As I gradually changed my thinking toward her; more and more each day I was able to treat her with His loving kindness. No we never became friends but we did eventually develop a working relationship and it changed how I view others dramatically.

Honoring God is walked out in our daily lives by loving Him, loving others, and loving ourselves. In the words of Martin Luther King Jr. "I decided early to give my life to something eternal and absolute. Not to these little gods that is here today and gone tomorrow, but to God who is the same yesterday, today, and forever." I too have decided to give my life to something eternal and absolute and so can you. For more information on how to honor God contact me at [ktaylor@fewpb.net](mailto:ktaylor@fewpb.net)



*Mr and Miss*

*Lexington Pride Pageant*

*April 24th*

*@ Pulse Nightlife*

*9 PM*

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## LAL April 2013 Calendar

### LAL Exhibitions:

TALES THEY TOLD US  
March 22-May 12, 2013  
LAL @ Loudoun House (209 Castlewood Dr.)

For centuries myths, legends, epics and moral tales have delighted the imagination with fantastical worlds constructed from both fact and fib. These stories – rich in symbolism, social criticism, and dark humor – are often passed down through generations and inevitably influence who we are and how we understand our world. Tales They Told Us is an exhibition inspired by these narratives and their interminable social impact.

THE ASSOCIATION FOR CREATIVE ZOOLOGY  
March 22-May 12, 2013  
LAL @ Loudoun House (209 Castlewood Dr.)

The Association for Creative Zoology is the current traveling exhibition from the Hokes Archives. The project, which was created by Beauvais Lyons, art professor at the University of Tennessee, is a work of mock-documentation presenting an invented system of creation science, a veritable kiosk of curiosities that blurs fact and fiction and scrambles history and fantasy.

TALES WE'RE TELLING YOU  
March 22-May 12, 2013  
LAL @ Loudoun House (209 Castlewood Dr.)

A collaborative collection of woodprints done by students in LAL's Common Good Art Club and artist Joel Feldman. For this proj-

ect, students from north Lexington neighborhoods did drawings exploring themes such as love, power, bullies and playtime, and Feldman transformed their narrative pieces into woodblock prints.

### LAL Events:

JOHNNY APPLESEED: AS AMERICAN AS APPLE PIE

April 6, 6pm and April 7, 12-2pm, 2013

LAL's Project Space (209 Castlewood Dr.)

FREE. Space is limited; RSVP suggested.

Katie Hargrave and Amber Ginsburg use the legend of Johnny Appleseed, a nurseryman credited with introducing apple trees to the Midwest at the turn of the 19th century, to prompt discussions about food, the culture that surrounds it, and the roles it occupies in our memories.

Presented as part of LAL's Tales They Told Us, Johnny Appleseed: As American as Apple Pie involves an all-apple family style dinner on April 6, beginning at 6pm, followed by an apple tree grafting workshop on April 7, 12-2pm.

STORY SOIREE

April 26, 6-9pm

FREE (\$5 suggested donation)

LAL @ Loudoun House (209 Castlewood Dr.)

Tell your own tales at LAL's Story Soiree, where local legend Mick Jeffries will collect stories about Café LMNOP, an 80's club that was a zeitgeist of music and arts culture. Patrons can also explore the art of Tales They Told Us, listen to music by Soul Funkin' Dangerous, and enjoy the local flavors of Lexington food trucks and West Sixth Brewing.



## April 2013 Classifieds

### Need Your Print Jobs Done?

The GLSO Pride Center is setting up a copy and print shop in the Center to complete all your printing needs.

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**For more information** or to place a FREE classified ad in our next edition, please email the detailed info to Chad at [chad@glso.org](mailto:chad@glso.org). All classifieds should be directed through the Pride Center and should be short but contain the basic information of who, what, when, where, cost, etc. Deadline for all submissions to the GLSO Newsletter is April 20, 2013.

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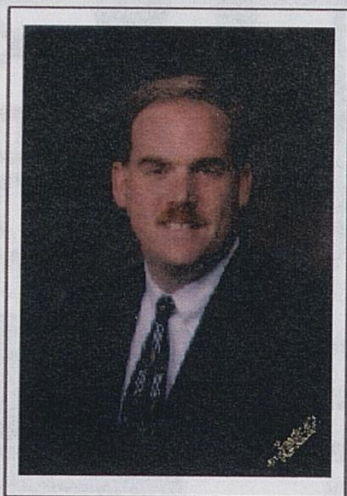
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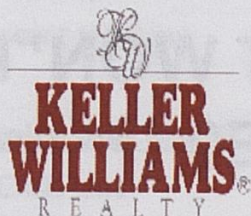
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