



Lexington

# NEWSLETTER

LEXINGTON GAY SERVICES ORGANIZATION  
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September, 1985

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## GSO SEPTEMBER PROGRAM

"Coming Out" is our September 9th program. As a discussion group we will look at the ongoing process of coming out - the problems, complications, joys, surprises, and laughs (my stories of the first time I came out to anyone and the day I told my parents are, in my biased opinion, not to be missed).

Wherever you are in the coming out process is perfectly fine, and I hope you'll be comfortable enough to come and share in the program. For example, there will be people at the program who are "out only to themselves and some of the gay community to those who are out to some select people (including me) and those RARE few who are out to most. The program's intent is to provide support and information for wherever you are and certainly not to judge you by how far out you are. (That's not phrased neatly, but I like it that way) I hope to see you, September 9th. If you'd like to contribute your ideas, I'd be glad to listen and discuss it with you. Your input is always appreciated. Keith K. 273-8056

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## AIDS VOLUNTEERS OF LEXINGTON

The AIDS Volunteers of Lexington (AVOL), coordinated by GSO, will start a series of training sessions for those interested in working with AIDS victims. No specific requirements are necessary, only desire to help. The first session is tentatively planned for September, call Marshall at 254-4847 for further information on this very worthwhile project.

## AEROBICS CLASSES STARTING IN SEPTEMBER

Everything has been finalized for GSO to start Aerobics Classes this fall. We have a place, an instructor, now all we need is you!

These will be beginner classes, starting September 9th. It will run for 6 weeks, every M-W-F, between 8-9:00pm. Classes will be held at the Woodhill Workout Workshop, which is a fantastic facility, and we couldn't be happier.

The cost for the entire 6 weeks will be approximately \$20.00 per person (based on 30 students). Half of the fee will be due the first day of class and the balance within two weeks. This is an unbelievably low price, that you just can't pass up!

If you have ever considered Aerobics, this will be a great opportunity for you to give it a try. You can't beat this deal of beginner classes, at the Workout Workshop, 3 nights a week, for 6 weeks, at a cost of only \$20.00 (approximately \$1, a class).

Sign-up will be the first night of class. For more information call Bob at 266-9083 or Jim and John at 299-0352.

## FORE WARNED IS FORE ARMED

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GSO PROGRAM MEETING

Much to my surprise, I was named temporary program director at the August business meeting. But then I suppose these things happen when you inadvertently tell the GSO president, "If you need some help, call."

Actually, I am glad Jim had enough faith in me to "offer me" the position, particularly in front of a roomful of witnesses. To show my appreciation my first official action is to appoint the GSO president as a permanent member of the newly forming program committee.

In truth, the addition of programs to the GSO business meetings is a refreshing idea that I'm sure will service the lesbian and gay community well. (editor's note: actually, the programs are one portion of the monthly GSO Forum, which replaces the GSO General Business Meetings) It's important to provide opportunities where information can be expressed, shared, and analyzed on a personal level. I hope that however you feel most comfortable - whether that be sharing your ideas, doing your own program, or, just as acceptable, just coming and listening.

One of my major goals is to have a well-rounded program committee. By well-rounded I mean more than 2 people. I would also like to see a lot of new faces. The program committee is open to everyone. The first meeting is Monday, September 16th, at 7:30 p.m. at my apartment (call for directions).

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September 26, 1985

9:00 pm

Cafe LMNOP

Featuring game show with bradley picklesimer as master of ceremonies and mike mccormick as our auctioneer and an illustrative drag show featuring the best area talent watch for future posters for additional details and information

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The meeting should last just under an hour and a half and anyone wishing to stay for Monday Night Football is welcome (Steelers vs. Browns). If you have ideas or just are interested in taking part, I hope you'll come. If your interested but are unable to come, either call me or write GSO with your ideas. They are welcome. Please include your name (last name optional) and phone number if you write.

If you'd like more information, call me at the number below. I hope you can participate.

Keith K. 273-8056

#### MAMMOTH CAVE CAMPOUT

When was the last time you went down? Down in a cave that is. GSO is giving you the chance to re-live those Boy-Girl Scout days with our colossal Mammoth Cave Campout. A good old-fashioned campout with a campy twist. If you would like to join us for this adventure, meet us Friday night, September 13, at 6:00 p.m. at the GSO office on South Broadway. The return date is Sunday afternoon, September 15. If you can't make it Friday night, there will be others meeting us at Mammoth Cave on Saturday. For more information, or to let us know if you are going, give your "den mother," Jim S., a call at 272-5349. It'll be fun, Scouts' honor!

#### Interweave/D.V.U.U.D News

The district meeting for Interweave/D.V.U.U.D. was held the weekend of August 2nd here in Lexington. The meeting had two objectives. One was to prepare a presentation for the district meeting in Cincinnati (St. John's) the first weekend in October. The second was to ensure the continued operations of Interweave following the departure of district liason and newsletter editor, Charles Kast.

The district meeting for the Unitarian Universalist Church is the first weekend in October. Interweave has decided to host a conference/workshop to help the district churches work with the lesbian and gay people of their churches. The conference will include a panel discussion, a Reader's Theater production ("We Are Your Children"), and questions and answers. There will also be pamphlets, bibliographies, books, and Interweave T-shirts available. The T-shirts are designed simply with black and white male and female signals of differing sizes linked together in an array of combinations with the word "Interweave" printed on them. The panel discussion will be organized by Interweave members that are not from Lexington, while the Lexington members are responsible for the Readers Theater and T-shirt production. The entire chapter will handle questions and answers.

In addition to the conference, filling the vacancy left by Charles Kast (now at the Second Unitarian Universalist Church of Chicago) was discussed. Two members of Cincinnati's Interweave agreed to assume the responsibilities of district liason. Newsletter production is to be headed by GSO's own Program director.

The conference concluded Saturday after brunch and a visit to the church where final discussions occurred. Anyone interested in learning more, call the church at 223-1148 or the newsletter at 273-8056.

#### Interweave

#### LESBIAN POTLUCK

I've been living in Lexington for five years now, and one of the things I miss most is having Lesbian-only space. Although there are several groups in which many lesbians participate, none focus primarily and specifically on lesbian issues. As a lesbian, I, too, am interested in sexism and racism, military escalation, and U.S. imperialism, and want to discuss these and other issues with other lesbians. If you are interested, come to our Lesbian Potluck Brunches on the third Sunday of each month, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Call me for further information, and be prepared to deal with an answering machine. Cathleen 278-8937

#### LESBIAN ALCOHOL AND SUBSTANCE ABUSE SUPPORT GROUP

A Lesbian Alcohol and Substance Abuse Support Group has formed to provide a safe space for lesbians to explore and share their feelings and experiences with alcohol and drug use and abuse without fear of judgement from others. The group will be structured around discussions topics including how we currently use drugs, how drugs have affected our physical and mental health, our work routines, our relationships with lovers, and our feelings about ourselves as lesbians and substance abusers. The group is free and meets every Tuesday at 7 p.m. at the GSO office, 431 South Broadway, Suite 322. For further information, please call Marianne at 252-5487, and be prepared, once again, to deal with an answering machine.

#### PHONELINE VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

HELP!!! Lesbians are needed for the GSO Phonenumber. A three-hour commitment (8-11 p.m.) once a month, in the comforts of your own home or apartment, is required. We hope to encourage lesbians to call who would otherwise feel uncomfortable speaking with a gay man. So please help and volunteer one evening per month. (editor's note: for more information call Barry at 268-3935, and yes, he too has an answering machine! Or come to the next phonenumber meeting, each 4th Sunday, 2 p.m., at the GSO office)

## GAY AND LESBIAN DEMOCRATS OF KENTUCKY NEWS

Gay and Lesbian Democrats of Kentucky is pleased to announce the 1st annual GAY AND LESBIAN CONFERENCE to be held on Saturday, October 5, 1985 at Shakertown (Pleasant Hill) on US 68 near Harrodsburg, Kentucky. Registration begins at 10:00. The conference (which includes lunch in the Dining Room) will last until around 4:00.

This conference is to be a statewide gathering of the leaders of all Kentucky Lesbian and/or Gay organizations and any other interested persons.

The topics for discussion will be:

- Legislation for the 1986 General Assembly (i.e. civil rights, sodomy law reform, funding for AIDS Awareness and support)
- Identification of friendly Kentucky Legislators for sponsorship
- AIDS research funding
- Protecting the rights of Persons with AIDS
- Court challenges to the Kentucky Sodomy Statute

The cost of the GAY LESBIAN CONFERENCE will be \$10.00 and includes lunch. Please send your reservations to Gay Lesbian Democrats of Kentucky no later than September 20, 1985. Make checks payable to Gay Lesbian

Democrats of Kentucky (or GLD/KY). Please remember: If we don't have your registration fee by the tenth, we cannot reserve a place for you at the Dining Room.

If there is anyone who would like to discuss some other subject which is relevant to the proceedings, please contact Keith Elston at (606) 266-3934 by September 20, 1985 to be put on the agenda.

The address to write to is Gay and Lesbian Democrats of Kentucky, Post Office Box 187, Lexington, Kentucky 40584, or call (606) 266-3934.

## DRUG COMBATS AIDS VIRUS IN TEST

by Associated Press

A drug has been shown to reduce the activity of the acquired immune deficiency syndrome virus in a clinical test on 23 homosexual men, doctors said yesterday at an AIDS research conference in Costa Mesa, California.

The drug, Ribavirin, also enhanced the function of the immune system in the majority of the men studied in the test, said Dr. Richard B. Roberts of Cornell University.

Announcement of the test results placed Ribavirin in the same category as two other anti-viral drugs, HPA 23 and Suramin, which reduce the quantity of AIDS virus in a victims body.

## AIDS BECOMING THE NO. 1 KILLER OF NEW YORK CITY MEN, OFFICIAL SAYS

by Associated Press

NEW YORK--More New York City men between the ages of 30 and 39 died of AIDS in 1984 than of homicide, suicide or cancer, a health official said yesterday.

"AIDS is rapidly becoming the No. 1 cause of death of New York City men," said city Health Department statistician Alan Kristal. He predicted that by 1986, "AIDS will, in New York City, become the major killer for men between 15 and 50 years old."

AIDS, or acquired immune deficiency syndrome, which destroys the body's ability to defend itself against infection, was the second leading killer of women 30-to-34, Kristal said.

## TEEN WITH AIDS DENIED RULING ON REQUEST TO RE-ENTER SCHOOL

by Associated Press

INDIANAPOLIS--A federal judge declined to rule yesterday on whether a 13-year-old AIDS victim should be allowed back into public school, saying the boy must first pursue administrative remedies in seeking admission to fall classes.

After hearing arguments on whether he could consider a request for an injunction, U.S. District Judge James Noland announced that he was staying the proceeding until the administrative avenues were pursued.

Ryan White had sought to force the Western School Corp. to allow him to attend classes in Howard County.

Lawyers for the school corporation argued that the case was controlled by a federal law governing access to education for handicapped students. The law sets out a procedure for handling appeals through the school administrative process before judicial review can be granted.

Jeanne White, Ryan's mother, described Noland's action as "silly."

"I think it's ridiculous that the judge didn't have the courage to rule. He wanted to shove the decision on someone else. I felt he was copping out," she said.

Ryan, a hemophiliac, contracted acquired immune deficiency syndrome through a blood transfusion and has been out of school since December.

In urging Noland to hear the case today, the Whites' lawyer, Charles Vaughn, said the administrative process would drag on interminably.

"In an AIDS case, we cannot toy with time. Time is of the essence like in no other case in the world," he said.

School begins August 26.

The Whites allege that the school system violated Ryan's rights to equal protection and illegally discriminated against him as a handicapped person.

Ryan's physicians say he is capable of attending school. Superintendent James O. Smith said he fears Ryan's condition could endanger the health of other students and faculty.

About 50 teachers, members of the Western Education Association, voted by a show of hands on Thursday night to back Smith's decision to keep Ryan out of school.

The teachers said they were concerned that the disease might be transmitted by saliva, but they acknowledged that the evidence of such a possibility was inconclusive.

AIDS can apparently be spread by sexual contact, contaminated needles and blood transfusions, but not by casual contact.

Teachers also said they were concerned about how other children would react to being in a classroom with Ryan.

"Parents have to be saying, 'Don't get near the kid,'" Bob Burkhalter, a teacher, said.

"In addition to exposing others, we can't keep Ryan from being exposed (to communicable diseases)," teacher Ty Calloway said.

#### FOCUS ON AIDS

News that Rock Hudson is a victim of AIDS has focused attention on the AIDS crisis like never before. Newspapers and syndicated columnists across the country are commenting and editorializing on the subject. Dear Abby and Ann Landers have both run informational columns, and magazines like Time, People and Life have all run in depth articles on Rock Hudson's "hidden life" and/or AIDS. Even the White House seems to have noticed, with the President telephoning Hudson while he was hospitalized in Paris, and later with the announcement of increased funds for AIDS research.

Hollywood has responded by announcing an upcoming fund raiser with reportedly over 300 stars participating. Joan Rivers, who until recently was one of the very few celebrities willing to associate herself with AIDS fund raisers has been named chairperson of this latest effort.

The question now seems to be, will this publicity do more than sell magazines? Will the increased public awareness translate into sustained increases in funding for research? And will the increased awareness lead to public education about AIDS that will end discrimination against its victims.

#### PLANS FOR GAY GAMES II FINANLIZED

Plans for Gay Games II, which are to be held in San Francisco from August 9-17, 1986, have been finalized.

Events will include basketball, bowling, boxing, cycling, marathon, physique, pool, powerlifting, racquetball, soccer, softball, swimming and diving, tennis, track and field, triathlon, volleyball and wrestling, with competition in both men's and women's groups except wrestling, which will be for men only.

For entry or other information, contact: GAY GAMES II, San Francisco Arts and Athletics, 526 Castro Street, San Francisco, California 94114 or contact Shawn P. Kelly at (415) 861-8282.

#### AIDS SCARE SHOWS HOMOSEXUALS ARE STILL OUTCASTS IN U.S.

by Andrew J. Glass

WASHINGTON - Actor Rock Hudson lies dying in a \$550-a-day Los Angeles hospital suite - the victim of a mysterious viral disease called AIDS which attacks and destroys the body's ability to stave off other diseases. AIDS has killed more than 12,000 (editor's note: the CDC reports slightly over 6,000 deaths in over 12,000 cases) Americans, half of them in the last three years.

Hollywood has reacted to the AIDS epidemic in a two-faced manner. Some 300 celebrities are sponsoring a gala AIDS dinner next month. It promises to raise millions of dollars to help AIDS sufferers and to seek a cure. Los Angeles is also weighing a law which would bar discrimination against AIDS victims.

At the same time, several female movie stars have insisted on signing film contracts which exempt them from having to kiss male movie stars who are known or suspected homosexuals.

Across the country, funeral homes regularly refuse to bury people who have died from AIDS. That's because potential clients fear burying their loved ones in a place where they could become contaminated. The pending Los Angeles ordinance exempts blood banks and sperm banks from the pro-AIDS ban.

There is no medical evidence that AIDS can be transmitted through casual contact, or even through kissing. Yet consider the heavy smoker who drives a mechanical time bomb (without wearing a seat belt) but who refuses to enter a fine restaurant because he knows a homosexual who eats there.

There is a good deal of medical evidence that AIDS can be transmitted through recital intercourse and that, indeed such sexual contacts are the chief means by which AIDS carriers infect other men.

The spread of the disease has created powerful crosscurrents in society. In the Bible Belt, some preachers assert that AIDS marks God's wrath on sinners who deserve a terrible punishment. But what do these preachers say to the innocent children and the sexually chaste who have also contracted the disease?

AIDS lands a double whammy on some families. First, they must face that a brother or a son will die at an early age from AIDS, literally wasting away. Along with that awful reality, they must also face that the person they are losing is a homosexual - a fact often partly or wholly hidden in shame from "straight" society and from themselves.

For the most part, the sexual revolution of the 1970s never permitted homosexuals to be openly and easily accepted. Indeed, there are signs that a fresh wave of moral indignation in the 1980s makes life more difficult for them.

Situations vary widely. In San Francisco, homosexuals hold considerable political clout. At last year's Democratic National Convention, they organized their own caucus and paraded for hours

# The Bar

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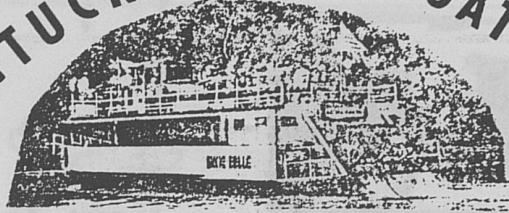
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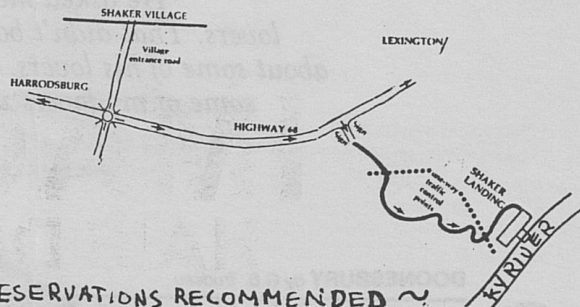
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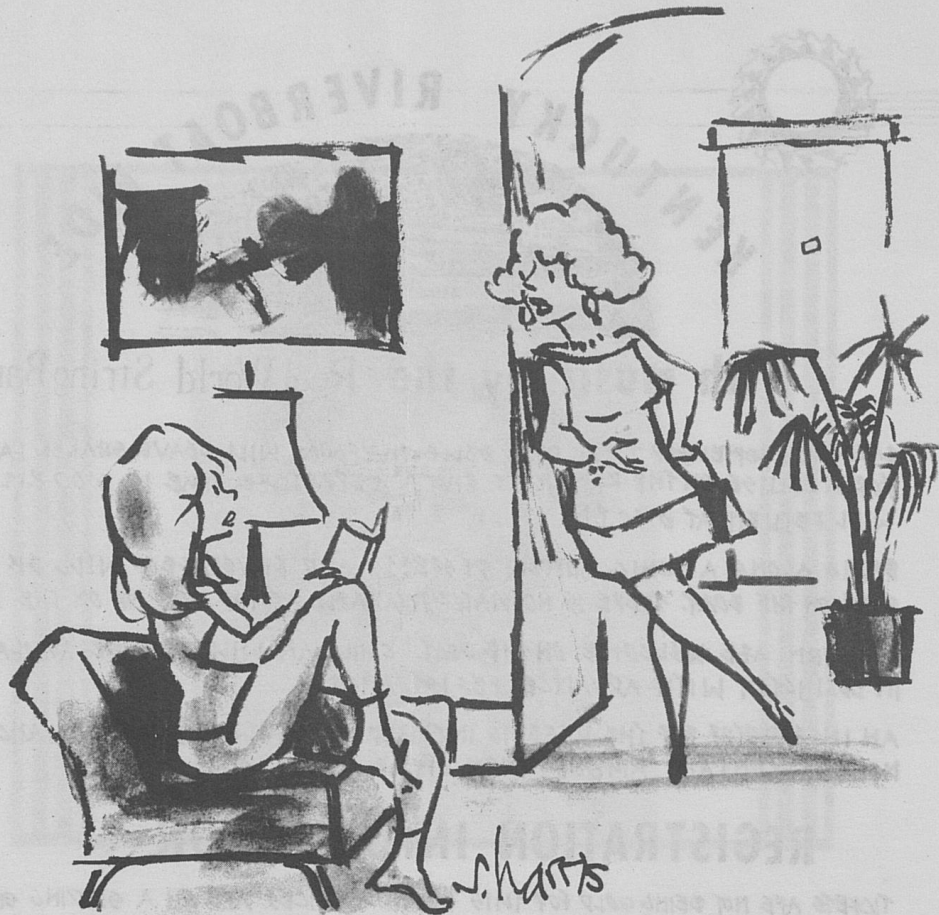
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*"He asked me about some of my lovers. That didn't bother me, and I asked him about some of his lovers. What did bother me was that some of my lovers were some of his lovers."*

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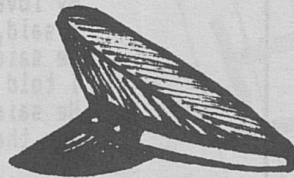
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But other Americans regard homosexuals as the shock troops of a general assault against morals. They oppose any politician who takes a live-and-let-live attitude toward homosexuals.

In the Reagan administration, homosexuals are routinely fired as security risks. Reagan still recalls with a shudder the homosexual scandal which swept through his staff early in his tenure as governor of California.

Despite the wave of press attention which homosexuals and AIDS have recently received, big gaps in scientific knowledge remain. Some psychiatrists view homosexuality as a mental disease which can be cured. Yet homosexual psychiatrists treat homosexuals in order to help them live comfortably with their sexual tastes.

What's clear is that AIDS isn't a moral issue. It's equally clear that AIDS victims, whether homosexual or not, shouldn't be treated the way lepers were treated in the Middle Ages.

In his years as a Hollywood star, Rock Hudson hid his secret sexual life. That enabled him to entertain millions of "straight" people in a series of successful romantic comedies. The Rock Hudson Foundation, which will live on after him, promises to help millions of others who are bound up in civilization's twilight zone.

#### PHONELINE VOLUNTEERS CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE

Everyone has those moments when they need someone to talk to, but imagine what it would be like if there was no one you could confide in, ask advice of, or simply chat with when you are experiencing that need. Many of our callers are in that very situation, desperately needing to talk to another person who is gay, wondering just what it means to be gay, or maybe just to share the pain of being different with someone who might understand. For many individuals their first call to the GSO Phonenumber may be the first step in coming out and learning to deal with their sexual identity. As a Phonenumber listener, you can make a real difference in someone's life. Most everyone can spare a few hours each month, and this extremely worthwhile project needs your help. If you would like more information about how to volunteer to take part in one of GSO's most important projects, call Barry at 268-3935.

#### DOES IT MATTER from Dignity NM

My father asked me if I was Gay.  
I said, "Does it matter?"  
He said, "No, not really."  
I told him, "Yes."  
He said, "Get out of my life!"  
I guess it mattered.

My boss asked me if I was gay.  
I said, "Does it matter?"  
He said, "No, not really."  
I told him, "Yes."  
He said, "You're fired, faggot!"  
I guess it mattered.

My Friend asked me if I was Gay.  
I said, "Does it matter?"  
He said, "No, not really."  
I told him, "Yes."  
He said, "Don't call me your friend!"  
I guess it mattered.

My love asked me if I was gay.  
I said, "Does it matter?"  
He said, "Yes."  
I told him, "I love you."  
He said, "Let me hold you in my arms."  
For the first time in my life something mattered.

My God asked,  
"Do you love yourself?"  
I said, "Does it matter?"  
He said, "Yes."  
I asked, "How can I love myself? I am gay!"  
God said, "This is the way I made you."  
Nothing again will ever matter.



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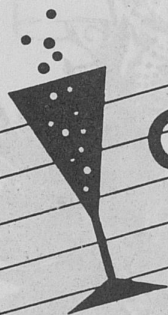
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# SIT ON IT & SWIVEL

A Musical Comedy Cabaret

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THURSDAY—AUG 29

Original Music & Lyrics  
by  
Scott MacLarty

Composer Scott MacLarty is currently completing his doctorate degree in Musical Theater Composition at the University of Cincinnati College Conservatory of Music. Scott's last show, *The Brooklyn Bridge*, had a successful 6-week run off-Broadway.

**SIT ON IT AND SWIVEL** is a witty and satirical musical comment on gay life in the 80's. Through 5 stereotyped characters the hopes, laughter, fears and perceptions we've all experienced come to the stage. The material presented is gay oriented; the sentiments expressed are universal.



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AUG 29 'SIT ON IT AND SWIVEL', Original play by Scott Maclarty, at THE BAR, 9:30pm; DIGNITY PROGRAM, 7:30pm, call for more information, 299-0352; PHONELINE (231-0335), 8:00pm - 11:00pm.

AUG 30 GAY AA, 8:00pm Comprehensive Care Center.

TUE 3 LESBIAN ALCOHOL AND SUBSTANCE ABUSE SUPPORT GROUP, 7:00pm, GSD office, 431 S. Broadway, Suite 322; GSD RAINBOW LEAGUE BOWLING, 9:00pm Joyland Bowl.

WED 4 DIGNITY BOARD MEETING, 7:30pm, Newman Center; GAY AA, 8:00pm, St. Joseph Hospital, Room 186; PHONELINE (231-0335), 8:00pm - 11:00pm.

THU 5 PHONELINE (231-0335), 8:00pm - 11:00pm.

FRI 6 CARDS AND GAMES, 7:00pm, GSD office, 431 S. Broadway, Suite 322; GAY AA, 8:00pm, Comprehensive Care Center.

SAT 7 GSD YARDSALE, 10:00am - 5:00pm, for location and more information call Mark on 273-3809; AMBER MOON RIVERBOAT RIDE, 6:00pm - 8:30pm, on the Dixie Belle with music by the 'Reel World String Band', leaves from Shakertown landing.

SUN 8 GSD POTLUCK, at Marque and Jack's, 1:30pm, for more information call 273-3809 or contact any GSD member. Bring a dish and a friend. See you there!

MON 9 GSD FOURM, 8:00pm - Board Report and Community Input, 9:00pm - Program, This month's program topic will be "Coming Out", (for more information see 'GSD September Program', on page 1). Refreshments will be provided, GSD office, 431 S. Broadway, Suite 322; AEROBICS CLASS, 8:00pm, at the Woodhill Workout Workshop.

TUE 10 LESBIAN ALCOHOL AND SUBSTANCE ABUSE SUPPORT GROUP, 7:00pm, GSD office, 431 S. Broadway, Suite 322; GSD RAINBOW LEAGUE BOWLING, 9:00pm Joyland Bowl.

WED 11 DIGNITY LITURGY, 7:00pm, Newman Center; GAY AA, 8:00pm, St. Joseph Hospital, Room 186; PHONELINE (231-0335), 8:00pm - 11:00pm; AEROBICS CLASS, 8:00pm, at the Woodhill Workout Workshop.

THU 12 TUPPERWARE PARTY, 7:00pm, Jim and John's, 299-0352; PHONELINE (231-0335), 8:00pm - 11:00pm.

FRI 13 VOLLEYBALL/POTLUCK, 6:30pm, Jacobson Park, Shelter #5; GAY AA, 8:00pm Comprehensive Care Center; AEROBICS CLASS, 8:00pm, at the Woodhill Workout Workshop; MAMMOTH CAVE WEEKEND, first group leaves tonight from the GSD office at 6:00pm, if you need a ride, see you then, for more information call Jim S. on 272-5349.

SAT 14 MAMMOTH CAVE WEEKEND, Campout, stay in the lodge or hotel, but do come and spend the weekend with us. For more information call Jim S. on 272-5349.

SUN 15 MAMMOTH CAVE WEEKEND DAY #2, more cave tours!; LESBIAN POTLUCK BRUNCH, 11:00am - 1:00pm, for more information call Cathleen on 278-8937.

MON 16 NEWSLETTER DEADLINE!!; PROGRAM COMMITTEE PLANNING MEETING, 7:30pm, come help us with your ideas and support, (see article), for more information call Keith K. on 273-8056; AEROBICS CLASS, 8:00pm, at the Woodhill Workout Workshop.

TUE 17 LESBIAN ALCOHOL AND SUBSTANCE ABUSE SUPPORT GROUP, 7:00pm, GSD office, 431 S. Broadway, Suite 322; GSD RAINBOW LEAGUE BOWLING, 9:00pm Joyland Bowl.

WED 18 DIGNITY LITURGY, 7:30pm, UK Newman Center; PHONELINE (231-0335), 8:00pm - 11:00pm.; GAY AA, 8:00pm, St. Joseph Hospital, Room 186; AEROBICS CLASS, 8:00pm, at the Woodhill Workout Workshop.

THU 19 PHONELINE (231-0335), 8:00pm - 11:00pm.

FRI 20 CARDS AND GAMES, 7:00pm, GSD office, 431 S. Broadway, Suite 322; GAY AA, 8:00pm, Comprehensive Care Center; AEROBICS CLASS, 8:00pm, at the Woodhill Workout Workshop.

SUN 22 PHONELINE (231-0335) MEETING, 2:00pm GSD office, 431 S. Broadway, Suite 322, volunteers are needed for this worthwhile cause, all training is provided.

MON 23 PRIDE WEEK ASSOCIATION MEETING, 7:00pm, GSD Office, 431 S. Broadway, Suite 322; AEROBICS CLASS, 8:00pm, at the Woodhill Workout Workshop.

TUE 24 LESBIAN ALCOHOL AND SUBSTANCE ABUSE SUPPORT GROUP, 7:00pm, GSD office, 431 S. Broadway, Suite 322; GSD RAINBOW LEAGUE BOWLING, 9:00pm Joyland Bowl.

SEPTEMBER

WED 25 GAY AA, 8:00pm, St. Joseph Hospital, Room 186; PHONELINE (231-0335), 8:00pm - 11:00pm; AEROBICS CLASS, 8:00pm, at the Woodhill Workout Workshop.

THU 26 DIGNITY PROGRAM MEETING, 7:30pm; PHONELINE (231-0335), 8:00pm - 11:00pm; GSO SHOW AUCTION, 9:00pm - 12:00 am, Cafe' LMNOP, This years show will feature a Game Show hosted by Bradley Picklesimer, an Auction with Mike McCormick as auctioneer, and a closing Drag Show, all items offered for auction are donated by local businesses and individuals as a donation to GSO. Please come out and 'Show' your support!! It should be alot of fun!

FRI 27 "KISS OFF SUMMER", volleyball/potluck, 6:00pm, Jacobson Park, Shelter #5, this will be the last one of the year, hope to see you there!; GAY AA, 8:00pm Comprehensive Care Center; AEROBICS CLASS, 8:00pm, at the Woodhill Workout Workshop.

SAT 28 PIAND RECITAL, 3:00pm, by Steve Chicurel, UK Center for the Arts, recital hall, free of charge.

MON 30 GSO BOARD MEETING, 8:00pm; AEROBICS CLASS, 8:00pm, at the Woodhill Workout Workshop.

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SEPTEMBER Mammoth Cave Field Trip  
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