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### FOUNTAIN OF YOUTH

contributed by Joshua J. T. MacFarlane

"I am responsible for my outlook and attitudes and I have the choice today of magnifying positive or negative." -Anonymous

Due to the snow I have had the pleasure of attending school only one day since my last column. This has allowed me almost four weeks to do nothing but think, write and socialize. In that time I have come to discover several things about myself and about those around me. Not the least of which is the revelation that two of my contemporaries, one a close friend and the other a little more than an acquaintance, are both bisexual. One of the two I would never assumed was bisexual, let alone a predominately gay bisexual. The other I wondered about, and have come to find out is a predominately straight bisexual. This in itself makes me ponder how many other lesbigays I may unknowingly know.

The path by which I came to discover this about these two and the process of us becoming some of each others' closest and most loyal friends is one full of self-realization and trust, as well as deceit and betrayal. The last four weeks have not been easy by any means. They have been both emotionally and physically draining, but I shall never forget them, nor shall I ever regret them. I have also come to better understand my own emotions, attitudes, and what I do and don't like in myself, others, and society as a whole. Of course, I'm sure many of you are wondering how this applies to you. Well, I'll tell you. It all has to do with perspective and one's attitudes toward the world around them.

I would not have been able to survive the

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### ANTI-GAY VIOLENCE RALLY

#### A SUCCESS

contributed by Mary Crone

On Friday, December 29, Fairness of Lexington organized a successful rally to draw attention to the deaths of Michelle Abdel and Roxanne Ellis and to the many other hate crimes occurring within the last few years. Over one hundred people turned out on this cold winter evening to hear a number of speakers including Vice Mayor Teresa Isaac, Michael Folger from the Council for Peace and Justice, Rex Van Alstine, minister of the Metropolitan Community Church, Keith Elston with the American Civil Liberties Union, and Mary Crone from GLSO. There were also statements from the National Conference and the Human Rights Commission. Linda West did a great job in organizing this event and in speaking to the press and TV interviewers attending. Thanks to Linda, it was some of the best media coverage we have had.

A main purpose of this vigil was to make clear the connection anti-gay political activity, anti-gay rhetoric, and the rise in hate crimes against lesbigaytrans people. Keith Elston delineated how the amount of anti-gay violence has risen in the particular states in which anti-gay initiatives have been debated or put on the ballot. In Colorado, for example, anti-gay violence rose 129% from 1991 (89 incidents documented) to 1992 (204 incidents documented) when Amendment 2 was debated and passed. This amendment states that it is permissible to discriminate against homosexuals in Colorado. The U.S. Supreme Court will be handing down a ruling on the constitutionality of this amendment soon. Hopefully they will not let this amendment

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stand: there has never been such an addition to a state constitution in the history of the United States.

Most of the anti-gay measures that have been taken to the voters have been turned down. However, the debate of homophobic ballot initiatives always seems to include plenty of bizarre and vitriolic attacks on our community. And this rhetoric gives permission and encouragement to some individuals to threaten, assault, or even murder us. We do not want to see this happen in Kentucky, but it could.

In 1994 KY State Legislature, there were 15 different anti-gay bills or amendments proposed. This year there may be more. Through the efforts of the Kentucky Fairness Alliance and the many of us who made phone calls and wrote letters, we defeated all the efforts in 1994 and are gearing up to do the

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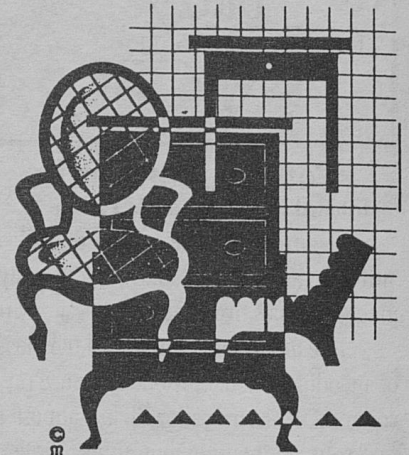
last four weeks without an emotional breakdown, had it not been for the fact that throughout all of it, I was thinking that it truly was for the best and of the good rather than the bad. Until recently in my life, I had *never* had that perspective. I had always had a defeatist and fatalistic attitude. I assumed I was going to die regardless, that my existence wasn't going to greatly affect those around me, and that whatever situation I was in, it wasn't going to end well for me. Those may be somewhat exaggerated, but they are feelings which I am aware are held by many youth.

In today's world of disease and crime, namely AIDS and drugs (both legal and illegal), the outlook is often not a positive one. That is even more so the case for lesbigay teens who often feel that there is no place for them in a society that is unwilling to accept one of their most basic emotions: love.

So what is the solution? First and foremost, we must provide support services to lesbigay youth, whether it's a support group, a hotline, or a youth hostel. Only after a network of support services has been created may we move on and branch out. Hopefully through these efforts, we can create an atmosphere which is all-inclusive and also conducive to building lasting attitudes and views of self-acceptance and cultural tolerance.

In order for this to ever occur, the youth must seek out support and have the courage by which to at least identify with the good in society, as well as in the gay culture. We must strive to help not only ourselves become optimists and active members in society, but we must strive to help those that lack the courage by which to see that this atmosphere of acceptance is not out of reach, but simply out of sight. If we cannot provide an atmosphere of acceptance and tolerance for youth, then we cannot assume that there is reason not to hold a fatalistic approach.

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# COMMUNITY NEWS

## INTERWEAVE OUTINGS

contributed by Davina Warner

Interweave is an organization of the Unitarian Universalist Church, 3564 Clays Mill Road, that provides a supportive climate for gay, lesbian and bisexual and straight people to socialize and explore lesbian issues. Everyone is invited to attend any of these upcoming events:

- Sat., Feb. 3: Lesbian Video Night at 7:00 p.m. at Davina's house. We'll view a recent lesbian video release (probably *Go Fish* or *Bar Girls*). Call Davina's number below for directions.
- Sun., Feb 11: Interweave Luncheon at 2:30 p.m. at Don Pablo's Mexican Restaurant, 3737 Nicholasville Road.
- Wed., Feb. 14: Lonely Hearts Video Night at 7:00 p.m. at Davina's house. Don't spend Valentine's Day alone — bring a Valentine treat (no more than \$3.00) to exchange.
- Fri., Feb. 23: Lesbian Publications at 8:00 p.m. at Davina's house. Bring recent copies or information about any Lesbian publications you are familiar with to share and discuss with others.

For more information about any of these events, please call Davina at 271-6174. ▼

## PRIDE MONTH COMMITTEE

The dates for Lexington's Pride Month are set for June 7-23. This gives us two weeks and three weekends in which to plan events. The 1996 Pride Month Committee has scheduled its first meeting for Thursday, Feb. 18 at 7:00 p.m.

We will meet at the MCC Chapel, which is located in the Actor's Guild building at 139 W. Short, but for this meeting, access is through the door on Market Street at the back of the building. There is a parking lot right

beside the building, between the two streets, with best access from Short Street.

This committee is open to representatives of any lesbian group in Lexington and to any individuals wishing to volunteer some time. The committee will be making decisions concerning events to be held, the best ways to spend the advertising budget, and so forth. The committee will also have the responsibility for planning and executing the yearly Pride Picnic for which we can use many volunteers.

For more information call committee chair Mike at 225-1828. ▼

## TRANSY STUDENTS SOUGHT

Attention Transylvania lesbians! Do you have a campus group and perhaps a contact person we can list? Even if you do not want to be listed, please call Mary (266-5904) and let us know of your existence. ▼

## EBONY MALE EVENT

Ebony Male and Natashia Colby present "Images of Blackness II: Another night to remember..." Ms Colby will be joined by the BaCall Sisters (LaToya, Vanessa, and Tia Fontaine), Renee Ross and others to raise funds for Ebony Male and the HIV/AIDS Care Coordinator program at the Lexington-Fayette County Health Department.

Admission is \$3. This event, held at the Bar Complex, promises an evening of spectacular performances Lexington will not soon forget. Mark your calendars for Wednesday, February 28 at 9:00 PM. See you there! ▼

## INDIAN SUPPORT GROUP

There has been interest expressed in forming a support group for gays and lesbians from India. If you might be interested in such a group, write to the GLSO at P.O. Box 11471, Lexington 40575, or call Mary (266-5904). ▼

## WOMEN'S CHORUS TO START

The Lexington Women's Chorus is forming again under the direction of Nancy Ward. The chorus seeks to reflect the diversity of women in Lexington, and is seeking straight and lesbian members. We are interested in singing a variety of music. You do not have to be able to read music or have prior choral experience, just love of singing. At this time, we are rehearsing on Sunday evenings. All women interested in joining can contact Connie McNeely at 276-2554. ▼

## ACTORS' GUILD PLAY SURE TO HIT HOME

contributed by Jon Shelton.

Broadway has always delivered plays that address gay themes and issues. From classic dramas like Tennessee William's *Cat on a Hot Tin Roof* to modern musicals like *March of the Falsettos*, Broadway always has a pulse on the lesbian community. Because of this, it isn't so surprising that as soon as the AIDS epidemic hit, playwrights wasted no time in writing plays that deal with that disease and its effects on the lesbian community. Three of the best plays to do this include *Adam and the Experts*, *Jeffrey*, and *Falsettos*. A common factor that links all these plays is that each of them has been performed locally by Actors' Guild of Lexington. This month, the company is all set to produce the excellent AIDS drama *Before It Hits Home* by award-winning African-American playwright Cheryl L. West. It is the first local play in recent memory to reflect on how AIDS can and does affect black families and their communities.

The story concerns Wendal Bailey -a black bisexual jazz musician who learns that he has the AIDS virus, Wendal is a complex and fascinating character for he lives with a double-edged irony. On one hand, keeping his

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sexuality and condition a secret creates more problems than the effort is worth: his fiancée who is unaware of his health status or his sexual preference is also pregnant with his child, and Wendal's bi-sexual lover, Douglas, (a family man) is hurt by Wendal's infidelity. On the other hand, when Wendal tells his family of the condition, he is met with hostility, selfless compassion, abandonment and disownership.

From this reaction, one could sermonize that it is keeping secrets that hurts people and yet the old adage "the truth hurts" is still true. These are the contradictions that all lesbian and gay people must weigh and deal with in making a decision to come out. Cheryl West is brilliant for recognizing this. As she states in her dedication, "This play is dedicated to those who have to hide and those who refuse to."

While the play deals with the chilling realities of living with AIDS, it still possesses an underlying warmth. The dialog is humorous and raw. The colloquialisms used will undoubtedly be familiar to Kentucky ears. They give weight and believability to the characters' actions and reactions. Thus families will be able to see themselves in the characters whether they must deal with loved ones with AIDS or not. Hopefully, the families of lesbian and gay people and the families of those who have AIDS will turn out to see it. This is a disease that affects us all and the play is recommended for everyone.

*Before It Hits Home* opens February 22. For information about times and dates, consult the advertisement elsewhere in this newspaper. It will be directed by AGL's artistic director Vic Chaney, who also directed *Jeffrey*, and it promises to be worth seeing. ▼

## NATIONAL NEWS

### GLAAD COMMENDS CBS FOR BEN WRIGHT'S DISMISSAL

The Gay & Lesbian Alliance Against Defamation (GLAAD) said today that CBS' decision to drop Ben Wright from their golf coverage due to the controversy surrounding his "alleged" comments about lesbians and women was a blow against prejudice and bigotry. "His comments, as well as his beliefs, were inappropriate and CBS did the right thing by letting him go," said Tamra King, GLAAD's Media Director.

GLAAD continued to publicly advocate for Wright's dismissal and call attention to the controversy after an article in the December 4th Sports Illustrated rekindled debate over comments he made last May. The more recent article made public additional facts which demonstrated that Wright had, in fact, made the statements in question and then lied about it, blaming the (female) reporter. ▼

### HOMOPHOBIA ROUNDUP BAPTIST CHURCHES EXPELLED FOR "AFFIRMING GAY LIFESTYLE"

Western region American Baptists voted to expel four member churches for joining the Association of Welcoming and Affirming Baptists, a church association that accepts lesbians and gays. The Bay Area churches have been the target of a campaign by other Baptist preachers for two years. The vote, which actually asked whether or not to "include" the churches in the denomination, was 457 against and 127 for and came after spirited debate.

"Jesus did not affirm every lifestyle," said the Rev. Rod Layman of Sacramento's First Baptist Church. "It's not the welcoming part I have a problem with. It is the affirming part. We need a parting of the ways."

"My stance, the stance of this church, is

that gays and lesbians ... have a right to be full participating members in the faith community like anybody else," said Kay Wellington, pastor at San Leandro Community Church.

There are 1.5 million American Baptists in the United States, including 55,000 members at 220 churches in the Western region. Officials said there are about 20 American Baptist churches in the Sacramento area. ▼

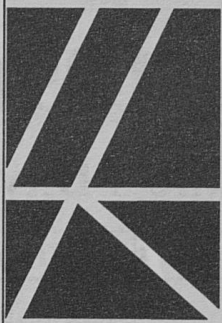
### ALABAMA SENATOR TRIES TO HALT LESBIGAY CONFERENCE

Montgomery - Fresh from a failed effort to halt the University of Alabama at Birmingham from showing the controversial film "Showgirls", state senator Bill Armistead is aiming to stop the University of Alabama from hosting a major gay and bisexual conference, claiming it is being illegally subsidized by taxpayers.

He and other opponents of the Fifth Annual Southeastern Lesbian, Gay and Bisexual College Conference are looking at the possibility of filing suit against the university to stop the event, he said. Armistead said he is worried that the event is designed to recruit students and others to what he believes is immoral behavior. He said he also fears the spread of sexually transmitted diseases, like acquired immune deficiency syndrome, or AIDS. Armistead said he wants state lawmakers to probe similar events taking place at other Alabama colleges and universities as part of their overall review of the state's higher education system.

Bryan Fair, an associate professor at the U of A law school who plans to speak at the event, said, "It is a conference to discuss issues of importance to this country, not just a segment of society," adding that the constitutional right to free speech and free assembly "applies to all, not just heterosexual males."

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## **CALIF. GOP MOVES TO BAN SAME-SEX MARRIAGES**

Assembly member Pete Knight unveiled amendments to his bill, AB 1982, to prevent California from recognizing same-sex marriages legally performed in other states. Knight's bill is in reaction to the expected legalization of same-sex marriages in Hawaii in the next two years. Knight's bill has the backing of the Assembly Republican caucus, and already has 29 Republican co-sponsors. According to Knight same-sex couples can't "produce offspring together, [so] they must view marriage as just a reservoir of economic perks.". Current California law recognizes all marriages performed throughout the United States. ▼

## **DENEUVE MAGAZINE CHANGES NAME TO CURVE AFTER LAWSUIT**

*Deneuve Magazine* has been in publication for five years and has never claimed or in any way suggested a connection to the French actress, but Ms. Deneuve sued to stop them from using the word *Deneuve*. Rather than slide down the slippery slope, the staff of *Deneuve Magazine* instead chose to rename their magazine *Curve*. For the record, Catherine Deneuve's given name is Catherine Dorleac. She took the name Deneuve as her stage name. *Curve* (formerly *Deneuve Magazine*) is the nation's best-selling lesbian magazine. ▼

## **GAY-RIGHTS LAW DISPUTE BLAMED FOR CONVENTION LOSSES**

According to a report by the Greater Cincinnati Convention & Visitors Bureau, the city has lost \$35 million in convention business since voters revoked an ordinance that prohibited discrimination against homosexuals. The report said Cincinnati lost \$24.5 million when seven groups canceled their conventions, including the American Library Association and the American Musicological Association. Three others ruled out Cincinnati for their conventions, taking \$10.5 million elsewhere. All 10 cited the amendment. ▼

## **NO DIGNITY FOR STUDENTS: CALIF. LAWMAKERS "SAW NO NEED"**

The Dignity for All Students Act, AB 1001, which would have prohibited discrimination based on sexual orientation in California's public schools, colleges, and universities, was defeated last month in the Education Committee of the State Assembly. The bill was targeted for defeat by the Republican Assembly Caucus, which now controls the State Assembly. In fact, one Assembly member admitted that he had been assigned to the Assembly Education Committee for that day to vote against AB 1001. The final vote went down on party lines, 7 Democrat votes for, and 8 Republican votes against. ▼

## **SOUTH DAKOTA ANTI-GAY MARRIAGE BILL RE-INTRODUCED**

In response to the possibility of legalized lesbian marriages, South Dakota legislators have reintroduced an anti-gay marriage bill. ▼

## **WYOMING SUPREME COURT UPHOLDS RESTRICTIONS ON LESBIAN MOTHER**

The highest court in Wyoming upheld restrictions on the right of a lesbian mother to visit her two children. In a divided 3-2 ruling, the Wyoming Supreme Court affirmed restrictions on a lesbian mother's visitation rights, based in part on the fact that the mother had not tried to hide her sexual orientation, which the court described as a "conspicuously divergent lifestyle."

Despite that ruling, the unanimous court did reject the lower court's conclusion that "homosexuality is inherently inconsistent with families," which is at least a step in the right direction according to the ACLU. ▼

## **LESBIGAY PARENTAL RIGHTS UNDER ATTACK IN CONGRESS**

The House version of the 1996 District of Columbia budget bill contains an amendment, offered by Representative Jay Dickey (R-AR), that would prohibit unmarried couples from jointly adopting children in DC. The Senate version of the bill contains no

negative language on this issue. The bill is currently in Conference Committee where the House and Senate are reconciling the bills. The adoption language is one of the few issues still outstanding. Representative James Walsh (R-NY) is the Chair of the House DC Appropriations committee and is insisting on the House passed language. ▼

## **YOUR HELP NEEDED WITH AIDS PROJECT**

David Oliver of Norfolk, Virginia is seeking help for a "very unique project" which he detailed to us in a letter recently: "I am collecting recipes for a cookbook being published to remember loved ones who have died from AIDS. Similar to the NAMES' Quilt Project, the cookbook will allow parents, children, siblings, spouses, friends, lovers, neighbors and co-workers to remember those whom they have lost to AIDS. Each recipe will also be accompanied with a first-person essay about their loved one. This will allow so many wonderful memories, and recipes, to be remembered and shared with others.

"As we all know, there are limited resources and facilities for people living with this disease who are not able to support themselves financially. Also, many donations for AIDS' fundraisers go to finding a cure. This project will be different. All proceeds from the sale of this very special cookbook will be donated to the care of people living with AIDS.

"Each contributor is asked to include their name, their loved one's name and a favorite recipe, and a brief essay or special memory about their loved one. A late 1996 publication is planned. Correspondence should be forwarded to: David R. Oliver, 205 W. 38th Street, Norfolk, VA 23504." ▼

from the front page

same in 96. You can help. Keep yourself informed about the anti-gay bills that are introduced. Send some money to KY Fairness for their lobbying work (note on the check that it is for the PAC, ie lobbying). Call the Fairness info line (275-7812) and leave a message asking for your name and number to be put on their call list so that they can let you know when a phone call or a letter to your representative would be helpful. They will also be glad to put you on the mailing list.

Direct political activity is not all you can do. The more of us that can take our next step out of the closet, the better. And your next step need not be the same as mine. Telling your old friend or even your grocer you're gay may be your step. Studies show that knowing someone gay is the greatest deterrent to homophobia there is. Loving and accepting yourself is also an important step. Creating and sharing joy in our lives as gay, lesbian, and bisexual people may be the most revolutionary acts we perform. As we work to confront the distrust and hate that may be stirred up in the coming months, let us do so from a place of love for each other and ourselves. ▼



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### Quotation of the Month...

"Procreation is used as an argument [against gay marriage] but interestingly enough, no heterosexual couples are asked that question. If two 75-year-olds walk in for a marriage license, they don't say, 'What the hell are you doing here?'"

—Thomas Gill, chairman of Hawaii Gov. Benjamin Cayetano's Commission on Sexual Orientation and the Law, which this week recommended legalization of gay marriage.

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