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# **The GLSO NEWS**

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## **Another Note**

### **"ONE SPECIAL NIGHT"**

**Featuring Guest Soloist Darlene Lane**

Another Note, a men's choral ensemble, will present "One Special Night", a festive holiday benefit concert for Movable Feast on Saturday, Dec. 4 at 8 p.m. at Woodland Christian Church, 530 East High Street. We are requesting an \$8 donation at the door. Proceeds will be donated to Movable Feast to support them in their work in providing meals to persons living with HIV/AIDS. and those in Hospice Care.

"This concert will be a great way for everyone to kick off the holiday season," says Another Note artistic director Steve Johnson. "Featuring something for everyone, from traditional favorites like "We Need A Little Christmas" and "Silent Night" to the title song - a rousing musical celebration of Hanukkah, "One Special Night,"- this concert is sure to get our audience in the holiday spirit."

Another Note is a volunteer men's ensemble established in 1997. The group strives for musical excellence while enjoying fellowship. We share a commitment to helping others, 100% of the profits from concerts are donated to designated local charities. Another Note has performed at community events in Lexington, Danville, Versailles, and Somerset, and is open to performing at other venues in Central Kentucky as schedules allow. For more information about Another Note, call Steve Johnson at 859.233.1730.

## **December 1st: WORLD AIDS DAY**

The first event in observance of World AIDS Day is actually the evening before, Tuesday, Nov. 30, at 7 pm at Club 141. Bingo with a Flair is free and will have food and great prizes (see page 10).

Early Wednesday morning, Dec. 1, an All Day Vigil including a display of public art will begin at 5 am at Triangle Park, at Main and Broadway. At 11am a press conference will be held at this location.

Also on Wed., The UK Bluegrass Care Clinic (BCC) will offer free confidential testing for HIV/AIDS between 10am and 4:30. The clinic is located on the second floor of the Kentucky Clinic, 740 South Limestone. No appointment is necessary.

The BCC will also be hosting the "Please Respond" World AIDS Day Luncheon at 11:30 am. The theme, "Please ...continued on page 3

### **Pride Center Holiday Sale**

**Sat. Dec 11 10am to 4pm**

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### **Sponsor of the Month**

# **SisterSound**

## **Rhythm of Life**

### **Concert Jan. 22**



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### **GLSO Annual Dues & Newsletter**

**Individual - \$15**  
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## **The L Word Raffle**

GLSO has received a promotional DVD set of the first year of **The L Word**. We are raffling this set to benefit the Pride Center; tickets are \$2 each or 3 for \$5. This set retails for \$69.99. What a great Christmas present this would make! Drop by the office between 10 am and 3 pm, Mon. through Fri., or Sat. 10 to 5, to purchase raffle tickets. GLSO board members will also have tickets.

The second season of **The L Word** will premier in mid February, 2005. If anyone already has a copy of the first season, it would be fun to set up a Saturday viewing time to allow those of us who do not have Showtime to catch up.

## **FOUND**

### *December Art Exhibit Doris Alexander*

The name of my show is "**Found**" partly because it seems I've found my niche. My work consists of many found objects: gifts from family and friends, outdoor items, and things in my home. Being multi media collage, my work ranges from natural items such as stones, shells and pine cones to ribbon roses, buttons, small toys, and magazine cut-outs. Some pieces are glued to particle board, some are done in acrylic box frames, and others are created on wooden plaques. I also make use of recycled matboard, covered in wallpaper.

I will have painted glass items in the show. These also are from found, discovered, or gifted sources. They are painted with water-permeable acrylic that allows light to shine through the glass. Colors range from earthen tones to the brightness of everyday objects. There is sure to be something to please everyone.

I would like to thank my parents and all the other people in my life who have guided and encouraged me in my journey.

The **Opening Reception** will be on Friday, Dec. 3 from 6 to 8 at the Pride Center 387 Waller Ave. Refreshments will be served.

# Community News

## **AVOL** ...continued from front page

Respond," will focus on the continuing and growing risks of HIV/AIDS in the African American community. Reverend Edwin C. Sanders II, the Senior Servant at Metropolitan Interdenominational Church in Nashville will be the key note speaker. The luncheon is free, but you need a reservation. Call Jana D. Collins 859-323-4792 or [janacollins@uky.edu](mailto:janacollins@uky.edu).

Wednesday evening at 6:30 there will be an Interfaith Service in Remembrance & Hope at the Radisson Plaza Hotel, Lincoln Hall. Immediately following the service there will be a candlelight procession and vigil in Triangle Park.

On Thursday, Dec. 2, AVOL is hosting an "White Party" at 9 pm at Bar Complex. There will be entertainment, dancing and prizes. Wear your most creative white costume and get your party on.

On Dec. 8, KPOL's Annual Holiday soiree will start at 9 pm at Club 141. There will be food, drag entertainment, and door prizes. Please bring a new toy for children in families living with HIV/AIDS.

For more information about all these events, see ads on pages 16-18

## **MACT KY**

Men of All Colors Together Kentucky is a chapter of the National Association of Black and White Men Together. On Saturday, Dec. 11, we will have our Christmas Party at Ralph's in Richmond. It will be our traditional "make your own Christmas Pizza", with better crust than last year. Join us for refreshments, singing, and Christmas Cheer.

For info. contact [mact.ky@aol.com](mailto:mact.ky@aol.com). or see [www.mactky.com](http://www.mactky.com).

## **Rainbow Families of Lexington**

Rainbow Families of Lexington (RFOL) is a brand new organization for gay and lesbian parents and their children. Organizers, Cheryl Smith and Jen Meklenburg, wanted to create a community, local to Lexington, where GLBT parents can bond together and create a safe and fun environment for their families.

RFOL is still in the planning stages, but the group hopes to have monthly get-togethers as well as special activities throughout the year.

A Yahoo Group has been set up as the official online meeting place. The URL is <http://groups.yahoo.com/group/rfolky/>. The group is planning a Meet & Greet after the holidays to talk about future activities. Dates and times will be announced in the GLSO newsletter and on the Yahoo Group site.

Cheryl and Jen would like to reach out to the Lexington community and invite those that are currently parents or those that are just starting their journey to parenthood to join RFOL. For more information, call Cheryl at 533-6309 or email at [jen\\_cheryl@yahoo.com](mailto:jen_cheryl@yahoo.com).

## **Imperial Court Calendar**

The Imperial Court has created another outstanding calendar, Women on the Edge 2005. This calendar features women who have made history by being willing to take a stand, by going against cultural expectations, or by being "on the edge" in other fabulous ways. Lexington's talented drag queens portray Cleopatra, Josephine Baker, Salome, Eve, and even Mary Kay. This calendar would make a great Christmas gift for several people on your list.

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Women on the Edge is on sale at Belle's Bakery & Deli, Bluegrass Pride Center, CJ Advertising, CD Warehouse, Canary Cottage, Chevy Chaser, Club 141, Mia's, Moveable Feast, Natasha's, The Bar Complex, Paisley Peacock, Posh Salon & Spa (Richmond Rd), Special Media, and Voce Salon. Calendars are \$12 each, 10 for \$100. Profits from the sales will benefit tMovable Fest.

Orders may be placed by calling Michael Thompson at 859.258.2997 or email michael.thompson1@insightbb.com

### **Lyons Levi/Leather Club**

The Lexington Lyons meet every other month at the Pride Center. The next meeting will be on Monday, Dec.13 at 8 pm. We also meet for brunch at Mia's on the last Sunday of each month at 1 pm. You are welcome to join us.

### **Diversity in Gender Alliance** <http://groups.yahoo.com/group/lexDGA>

The Lexington Diversity in Gender Alliance meets the first Saturday evening of each month at a private location. Doors open at 7, the meeting starts at 7:30. Call Julia at 255-7306 for information.

We welcome all people who transcend gender norms or who are questioning their gender identity. We welcome transsexuals, intersexuals, effeminate men, masculine women, drag Kings, drag Queens, gender queers and more. Family and supportive allies who would like to discuss trans issues are welcome. This is not a therapy group.

### **RAINBOW LEAGUE CONVERTS TO SOCIAL BOWLING**

The Rainbow League is sponsoring social bowling every Wednesday at Collins Lanes on Southland Dr. starting at 9 p.m. There is no obligation to come every Wed.

night. Participants will pay the open bowling rate, roughly \$10, for three games. Payment of ABC sanction fees is optional. Shawn Fritz will maintain statistics for those who want to be sanctioned and participate in the tournaments sponsored by the International Gay Bowling Org. For info call Shawn Fritz at 859- 271-8919

### ***Frontrunners/Frontwalkers***

Frontrunners/Frontwalkers meet every Saturday at 9 am at the the UK Arboretum for running/walking and socializing. Join us near the Water Tower. Wen have discontinued our Wednesday evening get togethers until spring. If you have any questions, please call Hal Kutter or Ken Waibel at 859-294-7944 or email Hal at haroldkutter@aol.com.

### **SoulForce Lexington**

SoulForce Lexington continues to meet on the 2nd and 4th Sundays of each month. We follow the principles of non-violence practiced and taught by Ghandi and Martin Luter King Jr. to confront "spiritual violence" against GLBT people.

Members come from a variety of religious backgrounds and are united in their belief that GLBT people and our allies have to directly confront the religious organizations and individuals that are using the Bible to preach against us.

For information about meeting location, call Jamie at 859 230-5625. and see web page at [www.SoulforceLexington.org](http://www.SoulforceLexington.org),

**More Community News**  
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SisterSound Presents

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## PRIDE CENTER NEWS and ACTIVITIES




389 Waller Ave. 859-253-3233 Mon-Sat we open at 10 am

Bluegrass Fairness also has office space here. Volunteers help us keep the center open after 3. Call to be sure someone is here between 3 and 5.

### GLSO HOLIDAY SALE

GLSO is hosting a sale on Saturday, Dec. 11 from 10am to 4pm that will include a variety of used and new books, jewelry, windsocks, T-shirts, and art work. A great place to do some Christmas shopping.

**The Bookworm** is having a liquidation sale of all its inventory. Many people got great T-Shirts in October and now we have **26 boxes of new books** to sell at lower than wholesale prices. See Ad 

### 40+ Women

The 40+ Club is a group for women over 40 (and their younger friends) who are interested in attending a variety of activities together. We have a number of things planned for December.

We will attend the Kentucky Christmas Chorus on Tuesday, Dec. 7th, 7:30pm at Rupp Arena. Free admission. Meet between 6:30 & 7 at the coffee shop on the ground floor near the entrance. (Look for wrought iron tables.)

There is some interest in going to see the Southern Lights Festival at the KY Horse Park which runs between Nov. 19th and Dec 31st, from 5:30-10. Admission is \$15 per vehicle. If interested call Sandra to decide on a date 502-867-1323

We will have our regular monthly meeting on Sunday, Dec. 12, 2pm at the Pride Center. We will discuss plans for January and then will go together to see "The Polar Express" at a local theater.

Some ideas for things to do after the first of the year include the SisterSound concert, snow tubing in Indiana, foaling in January, and a trip to Bardstown and the Gethsemane monastery. Join Us!

### Lesbian Movie Night

On Friday, Dec. 10, 7 pm at the Pride Center we will show **Gia**, starring Angelina Jolie. This film is a biography of one of the first super models who lived life on the edge before contracting and dying of AIDS in the 1980's. Jolie does a great job of portraying this lesbian, drug using, larger-than-life woman.

As we commemorate World AIDS Day in December, it is interesting to consider how this epidemic was viewed in past decades. In the eighties it was unusual for women to be diagnosed HIV+ and consequently many did not receive even the limited treatment that was available to men.

Bring a snack to share and join us

### Discussion Group

The discussion group meets every Wednesday night at 7 pm at the Pride Center and is open to all. We strive to make this a safe space where you can be yourself. If you enjoy lively discussions, please join us. For more info contact Jane at ladyjaneky@yahoo.com

### Pride Center Library Highlights: For the Guys

*By Jane Minder*

We recently received three large donations of books for gay men. A great combination of fiction and non-fiction books, and a couple of DVDs have added significantly to the collection. So if the ladies will pardon me for one month, I'd like to highlight some things for the guys. (Of course a "good book" is a "good book" so really, anyone can enjoy these.)

**Pride Library** ...continued on page 8

# Holiday Sale

**SATURDAY, DEC. 11 10 AM -4 PM**

**PRIDE CENTER 389 WALLER AVE.**

*New T-Shirts Windsocks Jewelry  
Lesbian Art Prints Dream Pillows*

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## **Bookworm Liquidation Sale**

50% of sales will be donated to GLSO.

**New Hardback (\$2) & Paperback (\$1) Books**

General Fiction Business Politics Personal Finance Sports  
Self-Help African American Education Feminism Non-Fiction

**Cash Register T-shirts \$2.67 Sweat Shirts \$3.34**

**New Security System: 4 Cameras, Monitor & VCR.**

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## **Works of art by Doris Alexander**

**decorated antique bottles, collage pieces,  
and other items in our current Art Exhibit**

## **Pride Library** ...continued from page 6

We have several good mystery series including the Missions of Alex Kane by John Preston (F Pres), the Dave Brandstetter mysteries by Joseph Hansen (F Hans) and the Tom & Scott mysteries by Mark Richard Zubro (F Zubr). If science fiction is more to your liking why not try *Meltdown: An Anthology of Erotic Science Fiction and Dark Fantasy for Gay Men* (PS 648.H57 M528).

How about warming up as the nights grow colder with some love stories or poetry; *Ready to Catch Him Should He Fall* by Neil Bartlett (F Bart R287), *Champagne Roses* by Samuel Leftwich (PS 3551.B588 L495 C449). If you are feeling introspective how about *Visionary Love: A Spirit Book of Gay Mythology and Trans-mutational Faerie* by Mitch Walker (HQ 76.25.W182 V831).

If you would rather be traveling but a stuck at home try *Volleyball with Cuna Indians and Other Gay Travel Adventures* by Hanns Ebensten (G 465.E24 V923). And while you are home check out *Big Eden* on DVD (VIDEO DVD BigE).

All the materials in the Pride Center Library can be checked Monday - Saturday, from 10 to 3, later on some week nights. (Call to be sure someone is here after 3) We are located at 389 Waller Ave, near the Waller Center sign.



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## **What Happened? What's Next?** A Community Conversation about the Fight Against the Amendment

by Jim Dickenson

Join Bluegrass Fairness on December 13, at 7pm at the Beaumont Branch Library to discuss what happened during the 2004 fight against Kentucky's Anti-Gay constitutional amendment, and how the NO on the Amendment campaign failed in some ways and succeeded in others. We expect a frank discussion about how you and your friends or organizations were included and involved, or if you felt excluded and uninvolved. We hope to build on the campaign's strengths and learn from its weaknesses.

We will then discuss preliminary plans and strategies for GLBT equality in the coming year, and we will brainstorm opportunities for action and involvement. We will also provide you with an update as to the recently filed legal action in which members of KFA are challenging the constitutionality of the so-called "marriage amendment."

Please join us at the Beaumont branch of the Lexington Public Library on Monday, December 13 at 7pm. For more information, please contact David Cupps [david@davidcupps.com](mailto:david@davidcupps.com) or Cindy Downey [cdowney@insightbb.com](mailto:cdowney@insightbb.com) or call (859) 806-4114.

### **Other Fairness Articles**

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Bluegrass Chapter Volunteer Opportunities *see pages 14 - 15*

Thanks you from Fairness *see page 17*



The Imperial Court of Kentucky pushes the limits with

# Women on the Edge

a calendar with no boundaries for 2005

**Christmas Fantasy Show  
to benefit AVOL**

**December 15th**

Doors Open 8p.m. • Show at 9:30p.m.

**Club 141**

Donation \$5

**calendar available at these locations:**

Mia's

CD Warehouse

Bella Rose

Chevy Chaser Magazine

CJ Advertising

Natasha's

Paisley Peacock

Bluegrass Pride Center

Moveable Feast Lexington

Canary Cottage on Clay

Voce Salon

Special Media

The Bar Complex

Posh Salon & Spa

(Richmond Rd)

**AVOL**

**Bingo with a FLARE!!**

**Tuesday**

**November 30, 2004**

**9 pm at Club 141**

**Do you like to play B-I-N-G-O?**

**Do you like to win prizes?**

**Do you like food?**

**Well, then you need to get your  
BINGO skills ready to join in on this  
night of fun!! ...and it's all FREE!!**

**In coordination with World AIDS Day events,  
this event is sponsored by AVOL, and  
important information regarding HIV  
transmission and living with or without AIDS  
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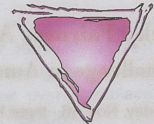
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# GLSO Newsletter Calendar December 2004

To schedule events at the Pride Center, call Bill at 253-3233  
Visit us on the web at: [www.webspawner.com/users/glsqxnet](http://www.webspawner.com/users/glsqxnet)



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>More information about many of the events are in this newsletter. You may want to call or email the group to confirm the date and time, see the directory on back page. Pride Center may be abbreviated - PC Call for Place may be abbreviated - Call</p>			<p>7p GLSO Discussion Group-PC 8p Gay/Lesbian AA (call for place) 9p Rainbow Bowling League Southland Lanes</p>	<p>9p AVOL's White Party The Bar Complex</p>	<p>Artist Doris Alexander Reception 7-9 pm</p>	<p>9a Frontrunners/walkers Arboretum Pride Center Open 10-5 p 7:30 p - Diversity in Gender</p>
<p>9:15 &amp; 11a UU Church 10:30 a St. Mychal 3p AVOL's Art For Life 4p Integrity @ St. Michael's 6p Imperial Court Mtg.-PC 7p Dignity (call for place) 7p LMC</p>	<p>8p AA Step Study (call for place) Pride Center open till 5pm</p>	<p>7p GSA (call for place 266-5904) Pride Center open till 5pm</p>	<p>7p GLSO Discussion Group-PC 8p KPOL Holiday Soiree -Club 141 9p Rainbow Bowling League Southland Lanes</p>		<p>7p Lesbian Movie Night 7:30 p Gay/Lesbian AA (call for place)</p>	<p>9a Frontrunners/walkers Arboretum Pride Center Open 10-5 p</p>
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## Weekly Activities:

- Mondays:**  
8pm - AA Step Study (Call for Location)
- Tuesdays:**  
7pm - GSA (Gay Straight Alliance)
- Wednesdays:**  
7pm - GLSO Discussion Group  
8pm - Gay/Lesbian AA (Call for Location)  
9pm - Rainbow Bowling League Southland Lanes
- Thursdays:**
- Fridays:**  
8pm - Gay/Lesbian AA (Call for Location)
- Saturdays:**  
9am - Frontrunners/Walkers @ UK Arboretum
- Sundays:**  
9:15 & 11am - UU Church Worship Services.  
10:30 - Mass, St. Mychal The Martyr.  
4pm - Integrity @ St. Michael's  
6pm - SisterSound Rehearsal @ Landsdowne Presby. Church.  
7pm - Dignity Service (Call for Location)  
7pm - LMC Rehearsal @ St. Michael's Episcopal Church.

## Monthly Activities:

- Mondays:** 7pm - GLSO Board Mtg. (3rd Mon.)
- Tuesdays:** 7pm - Fairness (4th Tues)
- Wednesdays:**
- Thursdays:**
- Fridays:** 7pm - Lesbian Movie Night (2nd Fri.)
- Saturdays:** 8pm - Diversity in Gender (1st Sat.)
- Sundays:** 2pm - Women 40+(2nd Sun.)  
7pm - Dignity (2nd Sun.)  
7pm - MACT (3rd Sun.)

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## Kentucky Fairness Alliance Legal Challenge to Amendment

On Tuesday, Nov. 16, three Kentuckians filed an election challenge to the constitutional amendment voted on November 2nd. Citing the requirement that a constitutional amendment proposal must both be clear and deal with only one subject, the petition filed in Franklin Circuit Court asks the court to rule the election results void.

The Kentucky Fairness Alliance, in supporting this legal challenge to the amendment, objects to the language used by the legislature in presenting this proposal to the voters.

"The legislature did sloppy work" said John Davis, interim executive director of KFA. "The first part of the amendment talks about marriage. However, the second part of the amendment confused people on what exactly was being proposed."

"It appears to ban domestic partnerships, prenuptial agreements and many other contractual arrangements among both gay and straight adults. Many Kentuckians support allowing adults to enter into contractual arrangements as to their property, whether they are gay or straight.

This amendment did not allow voters to vote on the two proposals separately. That violates the constitutional provisions about how amendments are to be put on the ballot. That's why this lawsuit is important."

Charlotte Wood of Lexington, one of the plaintiffs and a board member of the Kentucky Fairness Alliance, met many people during the campaign that had mixed feelings about the amendment.

"In going door to door, it was clear that a sizable number of Kentuckians would have voted for the first part of the amendment but not the other, if given a chance" she said. "People should have had the right

to vote on the two proposals separately."

The other plaintiffs are Willie Thomas Boddie, Jr. of Frankfort and Rev. Albert M. Pennybacker of Lexington. Univ. of Louisville Law Professor Sam arcosson believes proponents of the amendment can't have it both ways. They suggested throughout the campaign that marriage is a special and sanctified institution that must be protected.

But if marriage is unique, then laws that relate both to it and to something else must be dealing with different subject matters. This lawsuit reflects a simple, straightforward proposition: the first sentence of the amendment, which deals with marriage, is distinct from the second sentence, which deals with rights arising from non-marital relationships.

The amendment is also vulnerable in another, related way. The first sentence clearly relates only to recognition of same-sex marriages, while the second relates to the legal status of both same-sex and opposite-sex relationships.

These are legally substantial reasons to overturn the Amendment. Stayed tuned.

### Fairness, Bluegrass Chapter Volunteer Opportunities

There are many ways that you can get involved in Fairness? The day to day work of happens in our committees. We have six committees that plan and develop projects with the goal of passing LGBT legislation and promoting equality for all people. It's easy: pick one and get involved!

#### Outreach Committee

Latino outreach project, Youth outreach project, Serve as a liaison to allied groups, Staff a table at events, Annual educational seminar, Outreach to surrounding counties: Anderson, Bath, Bourbon, ...continued on next page

Boyle, Clark, Estill, Garrard, Jessamine, Madison, Mercer, Scott, Montgomery, Nicholas, Powell, Woodford. Contact David Cupps (396-9691)

### Communications Committee

Phone tree, mailings, website and listservs. Write letters to the editor. Submit your commitment/anniversary announcement to the Herald-Leader. For phone tree, Jennifer Crossen (299-7410). For website, David Cupps (396-9691). For media relations, Charlotte Wood (259-0854).

### Legislative Committee

Lobbying in Frankfort. In-district lobbying in Lexington. Write letters to your representatives. Survey candidates for state and local elected office. Contact Jennifer Crossen (299-7410)

### DP Benefits Committee

Lexington City Employees Project.

Ashland Oil Project (ACCOMPLISHED!), University of Kentucky Project. Eastern Kentucky University Project. Spearhead an effort at your own workplace. Contact David Cupps (396-9691)

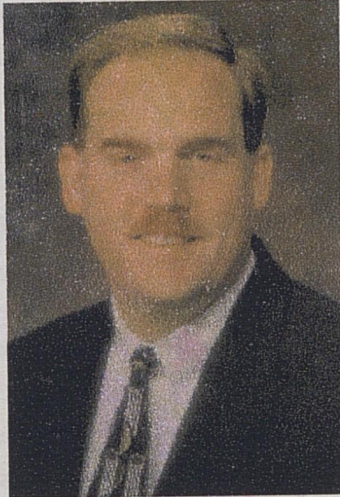
### Volunteer Committee

You are Fairness! Help us build a stronger, more diverse volunteer base to do all of these fabulous projects! Contact Charlotte Wood (259-0854)

### Fundraising Committee

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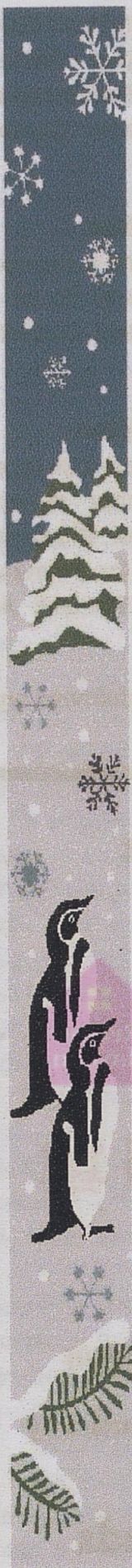
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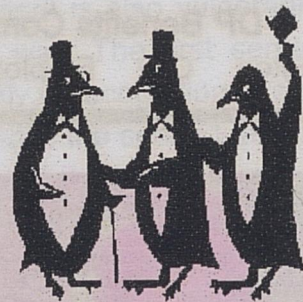
*AVOL's*  
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*Annual Holiday Soiree*  
*Wednesday*  
*December 8<sup>th</sup>, 2004*  
*9 pm at Club 141*

Come join in this annual festive holiday event. There will be great dance music – R & B and Hip-Hop, as well as food, drag entertainers, door prizes, and a special guest speaker. And **YOU** can be a part of this unique event for **FREE!!!**

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**263 North Limestone**  
**Lexington, KY 40507**  
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## A Word of Thanks

by Jim Dickinson

Sometime miracles don't happen. We were praying for a miracle, hoping against hope that a majority of Kentuckians would rise up and smite down the proposed constitutional amendment. That didn't happen and now (for the time being) the constitutional amendment which defines marriage and bans civil unions and domestic partnerships is an ugly ink stain on Kentucky's highest law of the land.

It wasn't for want of trying. During the past six months, the No on the Amendment Campaign pulled together an organization of paid staff and highly dedicated volunteers to fight this proposal. Although it was not successful in defeating the amendment, there were notable achievements that should not be forgotten.

For the first time real people were having real conversations about gay and lesbian issues all across the state via the Voter ID project. For those who participated it was an empowering experience, and based on that experience we know that the majority of Kentuckians are fundamentally decent people who do not want to discriminate.

We have identified thousands of new supporters and volunteers that are willing and able to work with the Fairness Campaign and KFA as we continue to battle by other means the constitutional amendment and who will help us during the upcoming General Assembly session. We raised in six short months more money than has ever been raised before—nearly \$350,000 local dollars and another \$100,000 either in kind or in cash from a wide variety of out of state supporters and national organizations.

Through our media campaign, we created a new level of awareness about

issues affecting lesbians and gays. It was a first for Kentucky and not withstanding the ultimate outcome, these ads were highly effective in putting a face on our issues.

The result was that over 40 percent or over of the voters in Louisville, Lexington and Northern Kentucky said they did not want discrimination in the Constitution. This was a significant achievement notwithstanding the total 3-1 tally. It just shows that with the right tools and the right education, informed voters are not in favor of discrimination. This battle is hardly over; it is just one day in the long fight for fairness and equality. Our motto from here on out will be When we say no, we mean NO. (See the related article about the legal action filed in the Franklin Circuit Court).

On the behalf of the No on the Amendment Campaign, KFA extends a grateful thanks to everyone who participated in a voter id walk, who put up a yard, who displayed a bumper sticker, who hosted a house party, and who gave money to help fund this campaign. You know who you are and you can take pride in your efforts. To all of you.

## THANK YOU

### Adult Cats Need Homes

Kittens find homes much easier than adult cats. Animal shelters have to put adult cats and dogs to sleep at an alarming rate. There is a cat rescue in Berea that takes in adult cats and tries to find homes for them. They all have had their shots, have been spayed or neutered, and would love to go home with you.

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PARTY ON!!!!**

★ Thursday, Dec. 2

★ 9:00 pm

★ The Bar Complex

## Holiday Wish List

Some things we need: Supplies for operating the Pride Center and for publishing the GLSO News.

1. Supplies for Pride Library: a used electric typewriter, books, videos, etc
2. Computer desk chairs
3. CD Burner, blank CD's, floppy disks and storage containers for them.
4. Paper shredder
5. Cleaning supplies (paper towels, rest-room cleanser, pledge, window cleaner, trash bags, toilet paper, etc)
6. Office supplies: Paper (8 1/2 x 11), legal size envelopes, labels (style- Avery 5160), ink for Lexmark Z52 printer.
7. Money for memory upgrade on our computer.

The Gay Straight Alliance for Youth:

1. Several reams of paper for printing

## The Pride Art Gallery Opening Reception

*Found*

**Doris Alexander**

**Friday, Dec. 3**

**6pm to 8pm**

**The Pride Center**

**389 Waller Ave.**

Brochures (8 1/2 by 11),

2. Art supplies, drawing paper, markers, pens and color pencils,

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## Pride Center Referral Service

As the Office Manager of the GLSO Pride Center, Bill Chandler quite often receives calls from individuals requesting referrals for a wide variety of services with emphasis on the business or person being GLBT or GLBT supportive.

Calls have come in for Doctors (general practitioners), Dentists, Attorneys, Plumbers, Electricians, Realtors, Accountants, Therapists and others. People have also called for suggestions for good places to eat, live, work and play.

Some of these requests are easy to answer and others are not. Any gay or gay friendly individual or business who would like to be added to our referral list please fill out the form below and send to : **GLSO Referral Service, P.O. Box 1172, Lexington, KY 40588**

Name (Business) :

Contact Person:

Address:

Phone(s):

Email:

Web-Site:

If there is more information you would like to include, please add a page.

**Subscription/Membership prices will go up January 2005**

**Give gift subscriptions to your friends.**

**GLSO needs your financial support to maintain the Pride Center and to support our other projects that include:**

Gay Straight Alliance for Youth      Pride Month Activities  
Discussion Group      Diversity in Gender Alliance  
Pink Pages      40+ Women      Pride Gallery      ActOut  
Speakers Bureau      Pride Library      Social Events

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone # \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, Zip \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ \$15 Membership and newsletter

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\_\_\_\_\_ I would like the newsletter at this reduced rate

\_\_\_\_\_ Additional contribution

Mail to GLSO News PO Box 1172 Lexington, KY 40588

## Gay Spirituality Icon #10

By Fr. Ken Waibel

Well, the elections are over, we have cried our tears or shouted out our disgust and we must move on. I hope that most of us weren't too surprised by the outcome of the voting. After all, these are very conservative times we live in and uneducated people are very easily manipulated by words of fear. Prejudice is also very much alive still to this day, especially towards us GLBT persons. The fact that the amendment even made it to the ballot and the reality of its central position in the presidential election should give us hope that we are being noticed and are considered a force to be reckoned with. Last month we spoke about "courage" this month our topic is "purpose".

On the "dark side" of purpose is the real emotion of rage. I know I experienced it during the election: rage at the politicians who were manipulating the voters, rage at the voters who would very publicly state their prejudices, rage at our own GLBT brothers and sisters who refused to vote because it "wouldn't make any difference." Rage is real. Rage is very human. Rage is very powerful and if used correctly can be a great force for change in our society.

The emotion of rage has been the fuel of countless movements in history. The

early Christian community survived its persecution because it was able to turn its rage into purpose. If the emotion is left as raw "rage" it will lead to violence and self destruction. This would have further enraged the persecutors and fractured the small community of believers. Channeling there rage into purpose gave energy to their "cause" and enabled them to continue on through adverse conditions. The early Christians are not the only sample of this in history.

The Jewish peoples of Germany turned their rage at the Nazis into purpose, maintaining their traditions and faith at all costs. The African Americans of not so long ago never gave up their struggle for freedom and eventually won. Women of our country, although still fighting the good fight, have made great leaps in social status because they "fought" with wisdom and patience = rage turned into purpose.

For us GLBT folks rage is very real and possibly at its peak right now. If we leave it unchecked it will become self destructive, violent and may lead to "outing" of our fear-filled sisters and brothers. If we can channel this rage into purpose it will give further energy to our cause – to bring to light the "truth" that GLBT persons should have the same rights as any other person.



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## Religious and Spiritual Resources

### St Mychal The Martyr

St. Mychal The Martyr Parish holds services every Sunday at 10:30, with Rev Ken Waibel performing mass. We are located at 1350 Eastland Dr. St. Mychal is a member of the Orthodox Catholic Church of America, a national denomination that is gay supportive, performs blessings of gay unions, welcomes divorced people, and ordains women to the orders of Deacon, Priest and Bishop.

The Church is one of about three dozen offshoots of the Roman Catholic Church, and is open to married, divorced, and single individuals, welcoming all persons regardless of the blessings or problems of their lives. We have space available for meetings and receptions.

The church is named for the Rev. Mychal Judge, an openly gay priest and a chaplain for the New York Fire Department who was killed on Sept. 11, while working to rescue victims at the World Trade Center. The Orthodox Catholic Church made Judge a Saint in 2002.

Call 389-9418 for more information or join us any Sunday in celebration of our lives.

### INTEGRITY

Integrity is a group dedicated to exploring issues within the Episcopal Church and Christianity as they relate to GLBT people. It meets every second Sunday at Saint Michael The Archangel Episcopal Church on Bellefonte Drive in Lexington. The next gathering will be Sunday Nov. 14 at 4 p.m. in the Chapter Room of the church. Light refreshments will be served and all are welcome to attend.

### Society of Friends - Quakers

Do you seek a religious home, without creeds or required statements of belief? Are you looking for a meaningful spiritual community? Are you concerned for peace, justice and reconciliation? We invite you to join us for silent worship where we do not have the complications of rituals or programs. We believe that in such periods of quiet waiting we can open to spiritual resources which will enable us to live more calmly, more compassionately and more creatively in this chaotic age. Sundays, 10:30a-11:30a, 649 Price Avenue, Phone 254-3319. Everyone is welcomed.



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***Sunday Worship 10:30 am***

***Space available for meetings and receptions***

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## Unitarian Universalist Church Sunday services at 9:15 and 11

The U. U. Church had a special service a few nights ago to recognize the grief we are feeling over the election. As we took turns naming our losses. I was impressed by how many people talked about the Amendment. It was good to hear how straight people share the feeling of outrage and loss.

I was particularly moved by this piece written and read by Bill Verble

This election has cost me my comfort zone. I have always been comfortable looking at the big picture, seeking understanding of all sides of an issue, and being a facilitator and mediator. But the things that have been said and done have convinced me that I will have to go beyond my comfort zone and speak up. I realize that this election has cost me in many ways.

I cannot afford to stay silent.

I cannot afford to assume that the right thing will be done.

I cannot afford to stand by as the rights of the poor are diminished, as the world is treated only as a potential market and not a neighbor, and as loving someone is declared immoral but allowing them to suffer is not.

I cannot ignore a tax policy that favors privilege.

I cannot allow the good of the few to outweigh the good of the many and to allow long-term environmental well-being to be sacrificed for short-term profits.

I cannot accept that the cost of degradation of the environment is not born by those who degrade.

I cannot allow values that have brought so much good to our country to be denigrated.

I cannot allow the marketplace of ideas to be closed.

Most of all, I cannot afford to just sit and be angry.

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### Open Door Fellowship

The Open Door Community Fellowship in Louisville has started an outreach Bible Study group for gay, lesbian, bi-sexual and transgender individuals. For those of you who are not familiar with Open Door, it is a Spirit-led, Bible-centered, open and affirming Christian Church spreading the awesome news of Jesus Christ's unconditional love for ALL people. Through this dynamic ministry, God's love is reaching out to all His children in the Kentuckiana area.

The meetings are being held on Friday nights from 7 to 9 in Lexington. Members of Open Door's leadership team will be regularly attending and giving support. If you are seeking to know more about Jesus and His

unconditional love for you and to discover the purpose God has for your life we invite you to join us as we discover that together in a Bible study atmosphere. Please contact Rev. Cori Wood @ 859-264-7006 for further information.

One of the things Open Door is known for is their sponsorship of the Rainbow Café held on Saturday nights at 2530 Frankfort Avenue, Louisville, from 7 to 11. Area artists such as Wishing Chair, Mother Jane, Kentucky Bootleggers, Robbie Bartlett and many others have shared their musical talents with the Louisville community through Rainbow Café. [www.opendoorcf.com/index.html](http://www.opendoorcf.com/index.html) for more information about Open Door and its mission and vision.

# GLSO Directory

## GLSO Board

GLSO Pride Center (Bill) ..... 253-3233  
GLSO Board (Thomas) ..... 225-0094  
GLSO Discussion Group (Bill) ..... 253-3233  
GLSO News (Mary) ..... 266-5904  
    Subscriptions (Bill) ..... 253-3233  
GLSO Speakers Bureau (Mary) ..... 266-5904  
Youth Gay Straight Alliance (Mary) .. 266-5904  
GLSO on Line ..... lexingtonglso@yahoo.com  
    www.webspawner.com/users/glsoqxnet  
Pride Gallery (Thomas)..... 225-0094

## Student Groups

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UK Lavender Society ..... uklavender@yahoo.com  
Morehead State University (Ned) 606-783-2294  
UK Lambda ..... info@uklambda.com  
Berea College ACE League (Ryan).. 859-985-3633  
Centre College (BGLAD-Mykol) . . . 238-5332

## Anonymous HIV Testing

Jessamine County ..... 885-4149  
Lexington-Fayette County ..... 288-2437  
Madison County ..... 859-723-7312  
Woodford County ..... 873-4541  
U.K. Adolescent Medicine ..... 323-5643

## HIV/AIDS Info/Services

AIDS Volunteers, Inc ..... 225-3000  
Lexington Health Department (Julie) ... 288-2362  
HIV/AIDS Legal Project ..... 502-584-1254  
HIV Support (Somerset) .. 679-7478 or 678-5814  
Cumberland Region (SEKY-Pat) .. 606-864-3776  
    or 888-425-7282  
Barren River Region ..... 800-559-4448  
Louisville Region (Geri) ..... 502-574-0161  
Northern Kentucky Region ..... 859-341-4264  
Purchase Region ..... 800-522-8289  
Moveable Feast ..... 252-2867

## Community

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    Office ..... 276-2917  
AL-Anon (Office) ..... 277-1877  
Bluegrass Belles ..... 502-346-5298  
C.O.L.T.S. (Morris) ..... 225-9169  
Bluegrass Fairness ..... 859-806-4114  
Council for Peace and Justice  
    (Richard) ..... 277-6101  
Fairness of Louisville ..... 502-893-0788  
First Link (was Ask-Us) ..... 313-5465  
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Imperial Court of KY ..... 859 269-7756  
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Lex Dress & Gender Alliance (Julia) .. 255-7306  
Lex. Human Rights Commission ... 252-4931  
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Louisville Youth Group ..... 502-894-9787  
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Sistersound (Patti) ..... 806-0243  
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## Religious Groups

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Interweave (Unitarian-Mary) ..... 266-5904  
Integrity (Episcopal-Rev. Stone) .... 277-7511  
Lexington Friends Meeting (Quakers)..254-3319  
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MCC-Louisville (Rev. Dee) .... 502-587-6225  
MCC-Paducah (Rev. Lillian) ... 270-443-3339  
Norse Pagan Community (Rev. Pat) ... 268-1640  
KY Pagan Forum .. http://go.to/kypaganforum/  
RainbowWind (Pagan-Sarah) ..... 273-2455  
    Soulforce (Jamie)..... 859-230-5625  
    www.SoulforceLexington.org  
St. Augustine s Chapel(Episcopal) ... 254-3726  
St. Mychal (Independant Catholic)  
    (Rev. Ken) ..... 389-9418  
Open Door (Christian-Rev. Pam) .... 396-7636  
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