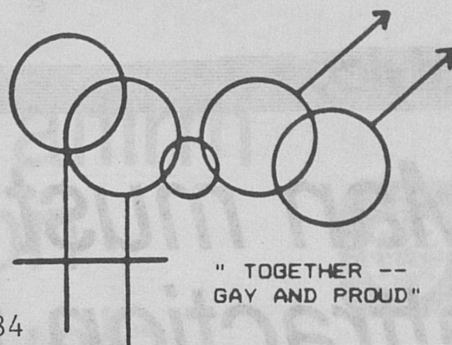


GSO NEWSLETTER

LEXINGTON GAY SERVICES ORGANIZATION
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GAY BASHING BILL SIGNED IN CALIFORNIA

California Governor George Deukmejian has signed a bill which will enable gay and lesbian victims of anti-gay violence to sue their attackers, and harassers who threaten them with violence, for a \$10,000 penalty plus any damages.

"I have signed this bill because I don't believe anyone should be singled out for violent attack for any reason," the governor wrote in a letter distributed to assembly members on September 26, the day he signed the bill.

The new law takes effect on New Year's Day.


Earlier, Deukmejian had vetoed a gay civil rights bill, claiming that there was no evidence that anti-gay job discrimination existed.

--The Advocate

ATTENTION READERS

We've received numerous letters over the past several months from people interested in seeking more information about GSO. Some want to become more involved in helping the gay community, and others just want to meet a few new friends. For these people and others who have wanted to become more involved in GSO, we are encouraging you to come to December's general business meeting. You can just sit and listen and find out what GSO is all about, or just stop by and meet a few nice folks.

The general business meetings are held at the Comprehensive Care Center on the corner of Upper and Mechanic Streets. Meetings start at 8pm and last about an hour. We usually "adjourn" to the Bungalow afterwards for a little pleasant conversation. We look forward to seeing you this Monday, December 3rd!


HAPPY HOLIDAYS!

SPERM RESEARCH YIELDS CLUES TO AIDS

Five years before the first American was stricken with AIDS, researchers at the University of Cincinnati Medical Center began a study of sperm that is now yielding intriguing clues about the mysterious disease.

The work began in 1976 in the lab of Dr. Evelyn Hess, the director of the division of immunology and a national authority in the field. Hess was interested in exploring the consequences a vasectomy has on the male immune system.

After this operation, in which a physician severs the sperm-carrying duct in the scrotum, many men begin to absorb components of sperm into their own bloodstream. Not only that, but a significant percentage also develop antibodies to the fluid.

Hess watched this unusual occurrence and demonstrated in a test tube that seminal plasma—one of the main ingredients in sperm—could interfere with the intricate defense system the body mounts against disease.

Normally sperm doesn't find its way into the blood of men or women. A female's reproductive organs apparently have protective mechanisms of their own, Hess said, which make it almost impossible for them to absorb sperm into the blood.

But a vasectomy provides a unique circumstance for men. With the duct cut, some of the fluid can not get out. The body soaks it up instead.

These findings assumed a fresh significance when AIDS began to spread through gay communities on the East and West coasts a few years ago. Although the devastating syndrome has also been contracted by Haitians, hemophiliacs, the recipients of blood transfusions, intravenous drug users and their heterosexual mates, male homosexuals have still been the hardest hit. More than 70% of AIDS patients are gay.

As the blood of these victims was scrutinized, data began to accumulate from around the country showing that many gay patients were carrying sperm antibodies in their blood. Hess explained that the sperm probably seeps through the walls of the rectum after repeated episodes of anal intercourse and then undergoes changes in the blood.

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Man must curb attraction to boys



Dear Ann: I am a male in my mid-20s who is sexually attracted to 10- to 14-year-old boys. I have always been able to control my desires and have never had sex with a boy, but it is becoming harder and harder to resist my urges. I don't think it would be morally wrong because I would never use force or threats, but I do fear the possible legal consequences.

I would prefer to have normal sexual desires, but I don't believe I can change my sexual orientation any more than a heterosexual can change into a homosexual. Castration seems to be the only sure way to put an end to my attraction for young boys, and I certainly don't want that. I should tell you that I have an excellent position and am well-respected in my community and that no one would suspect my problem in a million years.

It appears that my only hope is to continue to fight these desires, but I don't think I can win indefinitely.

Do you have any realistic suggestions, Ann? I am convinced that counseling would be useless. — **No Name in Lubbock, Texas**

Dear Lubbock: Counseling will not rid you of your sexual preference, but it will make you aware of the psychological damage you might inflict on some youth should you succeed in seducing him.

Ann Landers

Syndicated advice columnist



A good therapist will help you understand what wreckage you might make of your life if you should succumb to your anti-social desires and be apprehended. You must, for your sake, as well as for the sake of potential victims, get some help in directing your sexual energy toward other activities.

Dear Ann: I am begging you to print a letter that might mean life or death for some teen-agers.

A month ago I went to a party. Most of the kids there were chums from school. One of the fellows (a good friend of mine) was loaded when we arrived. He kept drinking until he passed out.

When it was time to leave, "Larry" was still lying on the couch, out like a light. We poured cold water on him, slapped his face and tried to stand him up. Nothing worked. Finally I got smart and insisted that we take him to the hospital emergency room.

I stood beside Larry while the doctors worked like crazy to bring him around. I was scared to death he might not make it. It never occurred to me that getting drunk might be fatal.

Thank the good Lord that after two hours Larry regained consciousness. The doctor told us if we hadn't taken him to the hospital he might have died.

Please warn your teen-age readers that a great party can end in tragedy if someone gets silly and wants to show off the way Larry did. I never would have believed it if I hadn't been there and seen it with my own eyes. Sign me — **Wiser Now in Erie, Pa.**

Dear Wiser Now: And so are millions of others. Thanks for the jolt.

Dear Ann: A woman wrote and suggested saving money on the gas or electric bill by washing clothes in cold water. You asked your readers to let you know if they had tried it and the results. Well, I have been using cold water for 30 years, and mine is the whitest wash in Texas. — **Mrs. Immaculate**

Dear Mac: I've been swamped with letters saying the same thing, but many mentioned the need for a good liquid detergent. Thanks to all who wrote.

--The Herald-Leader

Methodists affirm ruling on homosexuals



By Rick Bailey
Herald-Leader religion writer

Avowed, practicing homosexuals will not be ordained as United Methodist ministers, according to a ruling last week by the Judicial Council, the church's "supreme court."

The nine-member council unanimously upheld legislation passed at the 1984 General Conference banning the ordination and appointment of practicing homosexual clergy.

In its decision, the council reaffirmed the General Conference's power to set standards and the annual conference's right to decide whether clergy candidates meet those requirements. (The General Conference is United Methodism's "Congress," while the annual conference is similar to a state legislative body.)

"I hope this (the decision) puts a lot of things at rest," the Rev. Albert Sweazy said. Sweazy, treasurer and director of fiscal affairs for the Kentucky Annual Conference, made his debut on the Judicial Council at its semiannual meeting in Chicago.

"This issue is over, at least for four years," Sweazy said. "There can

be no appeal. This is the law of the church until 1988. But that's not to say the issue won't come back again."

The Rev. David Seamands, who led the fight at the General Conference for precise language on the issue, said the decision "preserved the connectionalism of United Methodism and preserved the church."

Seamands, who retired as a pastor in June and is now a professor at Asbury Theological Seminary, said the issue involved more than the ordination and appointment of homosexual clergy.

"The constitutional issue was similar to states' rights versus federal rights," he said. "All they did was reiterate every prior decision of the Judicial Council." He cited past examples as women's ordination and racial issues in which the council backed up General Conference decisions.

The Rev. Jim Heidinger, the editor of Good News magazine based in Wilmore, said he hoped all segments of the 9.4-million member denomination would abide by the decision. "We feel encouraged by the ruling and agree with it," he said.

Good News, an unofficial caucus that serves as a forum for scriptural Christianity within the United Methodist Church, filed a brief supporting the General Conference's legislation.

Good News contended that the General Conference, which meets every four years, has the right to set qualifications for ministers. The annual conferences, in turn, must follow those qualifications in accepting, ordaining and appointing ministers.

"The General Conference (in Baltimore last May) had decided the issue and enacted legislation," Sweazy said. "Our job was to look at the constitution. The General Conference has the power and authority to define and fix the powers and duties of an annual conference."

Sweazy was impressed with his first experience on the council.

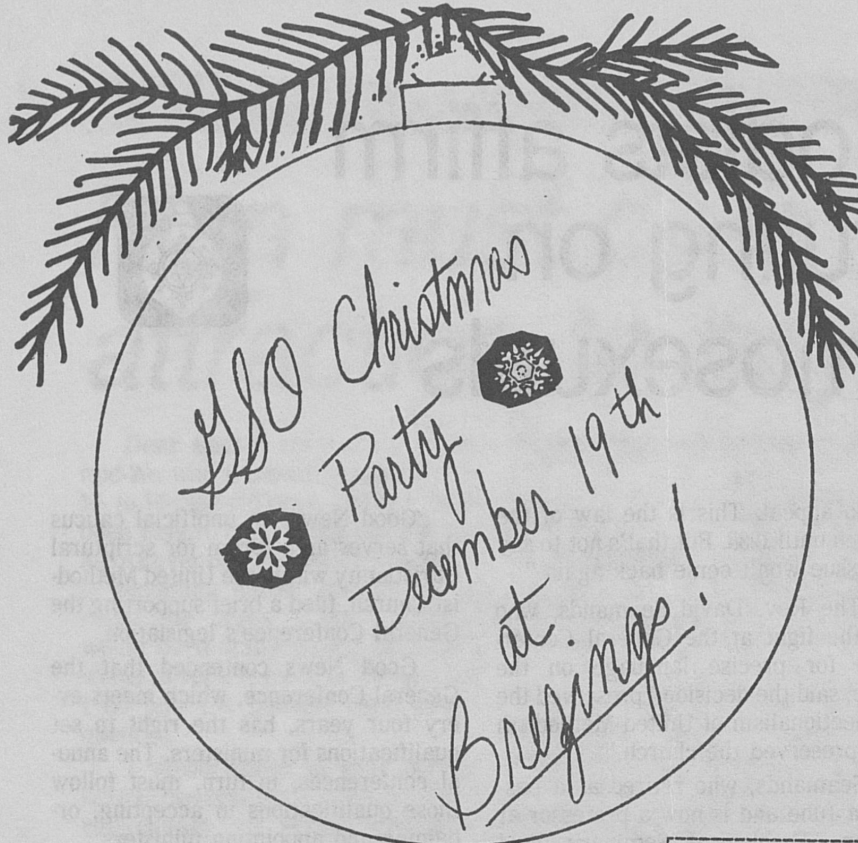
"I found the members very genuine and concerned about the life of the church and its image," he said. "They don't take their roles lightly. If we have a question, we won't deal with an issue until we get the answer."

"Nothing we did was slipshod or haphazard, but it was done prayerfully. It gave me a feeling of confidence about the church and what it stands for." --The Herald-Leader



GSO Needs You!



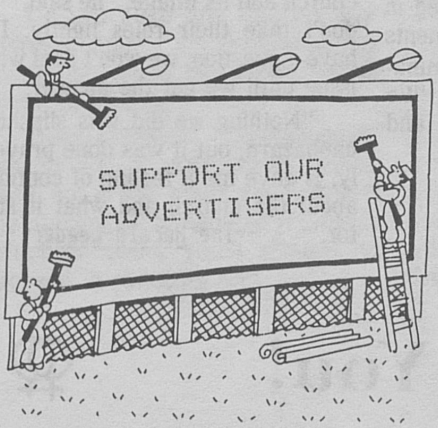


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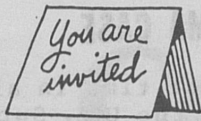
The previous meeting's minutes were read and accepted.
 The treasury stands at \$563.53.
 Jim reported that the least expensive t-shirts available for the bowling league cost \$5.45 each plus a \$20.00 art charge.
 Steve B. accepted the open board position.
 Times, places, prices and dates were discussed for the Cornicopia. December 9, from 4-8pm at Brezing's was tentatively agreed upon.
 Jim was to contact several people about playing the piano for the event.

650 CHRISTMAS PARTY

BREZINGS is sponsoring GSO's first annual Christmas Party/Dance. This could be the start of something big, so come on out and spend the night celebrating Christmas with your friends. All proceeds from the door will be donated to GSO. Remember, the day is Wednesday, December 19th, the place is Brezings.

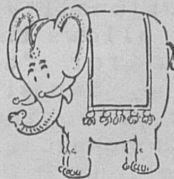


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COCKTAILS AT BELLE'S PLACE

This years Cornicopia is being billed as "Cocktails at Belle's Place." It will be a quiet evening of socializing, with cocktails, horsd'oeuvres and lots of good company. Tickets **MUST BE PURCHASED IN ADVANCE** from any GSO board member or at Brezings. Cornicopia will be held at BREZINGS on Sunday, December 9th, from 6:00 to 9:00pm. Donation for tickets is \$20.00.



WHITE ELEPHANT POTLUCK

To celebrate the spirit of Christmas, the December GSO potluck will include a gag gift exchange. We urge you to find a gift around the house, but if you decide to buy one, please limit the price to \$3.00 or less!

In addition to socializing, gift exchanging and good food, there will also be entertainment in the form of Christmas Caroling. Everyone will be welcome to join in and get into the spirit of Christmas. Hope to see you at Mike and Bruce's on Sunday, December 2nd. Merry Christmas!

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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 fist 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.

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Newsletter Check here to receive your free copy of the GSO Newsletter: _____

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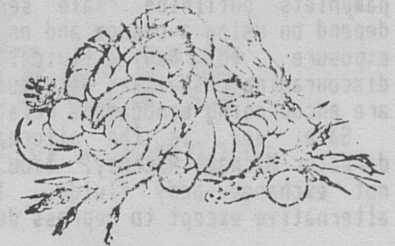
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BRAG BAG!!

CONGRATULATIONS to Steve for being elected to the Board of Directors for GSO.



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Hess hypothesizes that seminal plasma weakens the immune system, making it more vulnerable to assault from the HTLV-3 virus that has been closely linked with AIDS.

A year ago UC's researchers and a collaborating team from New York University were awarded a \$25,000 grant from the National Cancer Institute to continue their studies. Other AIDS research being conducted at UC focuses on the abnormal T-cells and B-cells in the immune systems of AIDS patients. Biochemists have also gotten involved by testing procedures to diagnose AIDS earlier.

Hess is among a growing group of scientists who believe that AIDS is a "multi-factorial" phenomenon. She doubts that any pathogen would have the power to single-handedly dismantle the immune system and leave its host unguarded against any number of infections.

"None of us know of a single virus that could do this," she said. "There are many viral diseases, but not one that can completely wipe out the immune system. It may be true that there is one, but I am a little skeptical."

Hess builds her case not only on the basis of sperm antibodies and the assaults they make on the immune system, but also on evidence that has just surfaced about the HTLV-3 virus, which was isolated and implicated last spring.

A study of a large number of healthy homosexuals in San Francisco revealed that 65% had been exposed to the virus. The determination was made by searching for HTLV-3 antibodies, which Hess calls the telltale "footprints." These same prints have been found in perfectly healthy Japanese, Europeans and Africans, she said.

On the other hand, when the test for HTLV-3 antibodies was given to a group of AIDS patients, fewer than 50% scored positive.

"I think what this means is there must be other mechanisms that come along to further weaken the immune system," Hess said. "That's not to say the virus is not extremely important. All I'm saying is we haven't seen the data that says it's this virus and this virus alone that causes AIDS."

The discoveries that Hess and other scientists have made about seminal plasma and the body's ability to transmit the HTLV-3 virus through blood, blood products and sperm have prompted widespread warnings to gays about the dangers of absorbing semen through the rectum.

In Cincinnati, the health department's Sexually Transmitted Disease Clinic has distributed pamphlets outlining "safe sex" techniques, which depend on using a condom and on protecting against exposure to body fluids. Therapists are discouraging casual sex with multiple partners and are encouraging monogamous relationships.

Safe sex is the alternative, said clinic director Michael Ritchey. "You can have sex and not exchange body fluids. There is no other alternative except to repress desire."

HIGH COURT TO HEAR OKLAHOMA CASE

For the first time in almost two decades, the U.S. Supreme Court has announced it will decide a gay rights case.

The court has decided to review an appeals court ruling that prohibits Oklahoma public schools from firing teachers for advocating gay or lesbian conduct.

The justices said they will hear arguments on an appeal by the Oklahoma City Board of Education. At issue is the constitutionality of a state law that allows the firing of teachers for "advocating, soliciting, imposing, encouraging or promoting public or private homosexual activity."

The challenge to the law was originally brought by the National Gay Task Force (NGTF). The lower court, in making its ruling, stated that the law was invalid on its face because it could be invoked if a teacher merely appeared before the Oklahoma Legislature or on television to urge repeal of the state's anti-sodomy statutes or in support of other gay rights causes. The Board of Education, on the other hand, argued that while public school teachers have free speech rights, "these rights are not absolute and may be subject to certain restrictions."

Virginia Apuzzo of NGTF would not speculate on how the Supreme Court may rule in the Oklahoma case, and other leaders were cautious about the final outcome.

--The Advocate



Can We Talk?



I'll bet you haven't even thought about what you're going to get your pet for Christmas. We're more deserving than some people on your list. We never complained that you didn't refill the ice trays like that person you've been living with. We also didn't drink all your booze and then pass out on you like that one you brought home the other night. So go to Fur 'N Feathers & check out the gift ideas for your pet.

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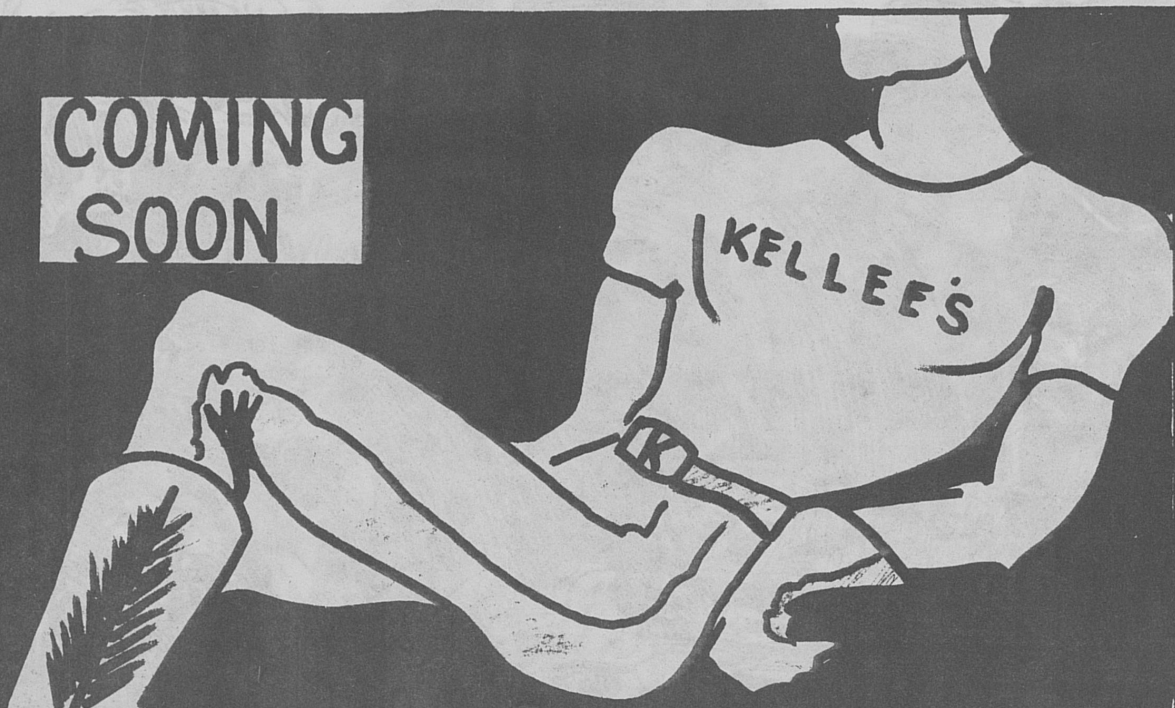
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TORCH SONG TRILOGY COMES TO LEXINGTON

Torch Song Trilogy (TST), Harvey Fierstein's acclaimed play, comes to Lexington's Opera House in March.

TST made its premier in October 1981 at The Glines in New York City. TST is three of Fierstein's one-act gems woven into a single play.

The International Stud, a gay bar in NYC, is described by Fierstein as "boasting a pool table, pinball machine and the jumpiest backroom in town." Ed and Arnold meet in the front room of the bar, atypically bypass the backroom, go home together, and fall in a kind of love.

Fugue in a Nursery picks up Ed and Arnold a year later. Ed is trying heterosexuality with Laurel and Arnold has found Alan, a young model. The whole of Fugue is played in a giant bed.

Widows and Children First! makes and unmakes families. To Arnold and Ed's lives, add David and Arnold's mother.

Make plans now to see TST - a journey toward change. Group ticket information follows.

ICBE News Calendar

Sunday Dec. 2 First Annual Emperor's White Ball
 Sheraton Inn Grand Ballroom
 8pm-midnight
 8:00-Cocktails Available
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TORCH SONG TRILOGY GROUP TICKETS

Dignity/Lexington is coordinating group seatings for Harvey Fierstein's Torch Song Trilogy. Here are the details:

Matinee performance, Saturday, March 16, 1985 at 2:00pm.

Tickets are \$13.50 each. We must have a group of 25. Order as many tickets as you want.

Floor level and first balcony seating (all good seats).

Make your check for \$13.50 per ticket payable to Dignity/Lexington. Mail your check to Dignity/Lexington, Post Office Box 1984, Lexington, Kentucky 40593. INCLUDE A SELF-ADDRESSED, STAMPED ENVELOPE for mailing of your tickets.

We must receive ticket orders by January 15th.

We'll mail your tickets to you as soon as we receive them from the Lexington Center Box Office, probably in late February or early March.

If the 25-seat minimum is not met, Dignity/Lexington will refund your money.

If you have questions, write to TST Coordinator at the Dignity/Lexington address.

Membership in Dignity is not required. This is a social activity open to gay men, lesbians, and friends throughout Central Kentucky.

Yes! I want to see Torch Song Trilogy. Please send _____ tickets @\$13.50 each. I've enclosed my check for _____ and a self-addressed, stamped envelope.

Name _____

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(Clip and mail to: Dignity/Lexington, P. O. Box 1984, Lexington, KY 40593)

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ASK AUNT MARY

Dear Aunt Mary:

I guess I have one of the most common problems people have to deal with, both gay and straight alike. Where can one meet a decent person interested in a serious relationship? The bars are no good, all you can get there is a one night stand (and maybe something uncurable).

Sign me,
Lonely

Dear Lonely:

I've been a widow and have lived alone for over 20 years, and you ask me how to find a decent person?! Well, this may be like the blind leading the blind, but here goes. A few of the many people I've corresponded with tell me that they did indeed meet their true love at one of the bars, but the vast majority seem to share your sentiment that a bar pick up will not lead to anything more than an evenings enjoyment, and frequently not even that.

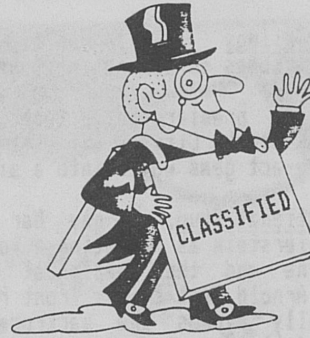
Of all the happy couples I know, both gay and straight, almost all of them have met by 'accident' while going about their normal daily routine. Please note, however, that all of these people had a daily routine that got them out of the house and into social situations where they were likely to meet people. Surprisingly, to me at least, many of the gay couples I've heard from met in very 'straight' places--the shoe store, at the super market, at an art exhibit--and under very every day circumstances. If this is the case, perhaps the best way to begin is to make sure you are available to meet people. If your normal week consists of watching TV six nights a week and visiting Mom and Dad one night, your chances of meeting your future mate seem rather slim unless you are particularly fascinated by door to door salesmen.

I suggest that you may want to join a couple of groups and get involved with them so you are getting out and meeting new people. Any group that depends on volunteers will welcome you with open arms and will be glad to put you to work. GSO is a prime example of groups that welcome volunteers. The added advantage to doing volunteer work is that not only do you meet new people, but it also helps keep you busy until Prince Charming turns up.

I hope this advice, which is the best I can offer, is more effective for you than it has been for me. While I've been busy with all my volunteer efforts with the art league, church choir, garden club, etc., etc., my Prince Charming seems to have escaped to South America. Good Luck.

Aunt Mary

If you would like to write to AUNT MARY, send your letter to: Aunt Mary, Z GSO, Post Office Box 11471, Lexington, Kentucky 40575. All names are kept strictly confidential. If you wish a personal reply, please include a stamped self addressed envelope.



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FOR SALE: Large gray couch, reasonably priced, call 299-0352

BOWLING SUBSTITUTE AVAILABLE

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Please send us your change of address before you move.



Spiced Apple Cider

Pour a half-gallon of sweet cider into a large pot. Add one half pound of brown sugar, one half teaspoon of whole cloves, one and a half cinnamon sticks, one and a half teaspoons of ground allspice, one fourth teaspoon salt and a pinch of cayenne pepper. Mix it all up, bring to a boil and simmer for fifteen minutes. Serve hot in mugs. This makes 12 ample servings.

Russian Tea

- 2 cups Tang instant breakfast drink
- 1 cup sugar (can use less)
- 3/4 cup instant tea
- 1 1-quart package lemonade mix
- 1 package mixed fruit jello
- 2 teaspoons cinnamon
- 1/4 teaspoon allspice
- 1 teaspoon cloves



Mix together. Use approximately 2 teaspoons (more or less to taste) per cup of hot water.

I'm Me

by Sandy

I'd stop and watch people
who were happy and gay;
I'd stop and think
wouldn't it be nice to be that way
But no, I did what my parents said
was the right thing to do;
I got married, had kids,
and did what I was supposed to do
I wanted to be happy, alive, and free
But I didn't know it was okay
to really be me.
I know who I am,
and I'm proud to say;
I'm a woman, I'm happy
and I'm gay.

--The Lavender Letter

DECEMBER

SUNDAY

MONDAY

TUESDAY

WEDNESDAY

THURSDAY

FRIDAY

SATURDAY

Join GSO and help us to serve the Lexington Gay and Lesbian Community.



Merry Christmas



MCC yardsale
1231 Bardstown Road
7:30-10:30pm
Coffee House, at Community Center
Louisville, \$2.00 children free
G-rated, no alcohol, local inter-tainers

2	3	4	5	6	7	8
1.30pm GSO Potluck at Mike & Bruce's bring a White Elephant gift. Info. call 231-0100 6:00pm Gay Al-Anon Room 186 St. Joseph Hospital 8:00pm Emperor's Ball Sheraton Inn	8:00pm GSO General Business Meeting, Comprehensive Care Center	9:00pm GSO Bowling League	8:00pm Gay AA, Rm 186 St. Joseph Hospital		7:00pm Cards & Games Info. call 231-0100 8:00pm Gay AA Comp. Care Center 6:30 Lamda Christmas Dinner, Louisville Inn \$10 mem. \$15 non	
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
5-9:00pm Cornicopia, Cocktail Party. Held at Brezing's. 6:00pm Gay Al-Anon Room 186 St. Joseph Hospital		9:00pm GSO Bowling League	7:30pm Dignity Mtg. Liturgy, UK Newman Center 8:00pm Gay AA, Rm 186 St. Joseph Hospital		8:00pm Gay AA Comp. Care Center 8:00pm Lamda Christmas Dance Party Community Center 1 can of can goods plus \$2.00 non membr. \$1.00 members	JANUARY NEWSLETTER DEADLINE 6:30pm Women's Amalgamation Christmas Social at Comm. Ctr. Louisville, potluck
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
6:00pm Gay Al-Anon Room 186 St. Joseph Hospital 9:00pm Christmas Dance Party, ICBF \$3.00 Circus Disco 6:00 Louisville Hotline Christmas Party community center		9:00pm GSO Bowling League GLUE Christmas Party call Louisville hotline for more info.	CHANUKAH 8:00pm Gay AA, Rm 186 St. Joseph Hospital GSO Christmas Party!! Held at Brezing's.	GLUE Meeting	7:00pm Cards & Games Info. call 231-0100 8:00pm Gay AA Comp. Care Center	
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
6:00pm Gay Al-Anon Room 186 St. Joseph Hospital 2:00pm Phone-line meeting, Comprehensive Care Center	Discovery Christmas Party (1/2 price drinks)	CHRISTMAS DAY Merry Christmas from the Board of GSO!!	8:00pm Gay AA, Rm 186 St. Joseph Hospital	Take advantage of your GSO membership by using it to obtain discounts at participating GSO Sponsors.	8:00pm Gay AA Comp. Care Center Houton Bowling Ball and Banquet, \$65.00 per bowler (deadline Dec. 1)	9:00pm Bowling Tournament, No Tap. Rose Bowl lanes Proceeds to IGBO and SCI.