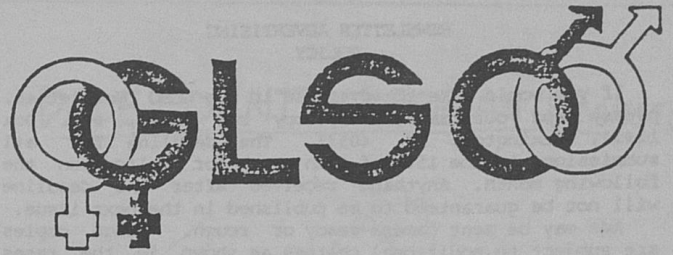


# February NEWS



LEXINGTON GAY/LESBIAN SERVICES ORGANIZATION P.O. BOX 11471 LEXINGTON, KY 40575

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one happiness  
in life,  
to love  
and be loved.

George Sand

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The following is the first in a series of articles which will appear in succeeding issues of the GLSO Newsletter, dealing with the availability of gay and lesbian oriented literature in Lexington.

#### NEW BOOKSTORE OFFERS BEST SELECTION OF GAY LITERATURE IN LEXINGTON

Gay people face problems in their search for gay literature among the book stores of Lexington and Central Kentucky: most stores have a meager selection, and often make it difficult to locate on their shelves what they do offer. Now that has changed.

The largest selection of lesbian and gay literature to be found in Central Kentucky is available in Lexington's newest book store. Owned by Neil and Mary Beth van Um, Joseph-Beth Booksellers is one of the sprightliest features of the new Mall at Lexington Green, located at the intersection of Nicholasville and New Circle Roads.

The store is large, open, bright, and the atmosphere of welcome is accented by free steaming coffee, benches on which to sit and read or browse, and a helpful, knowledgeable and friendly staff.

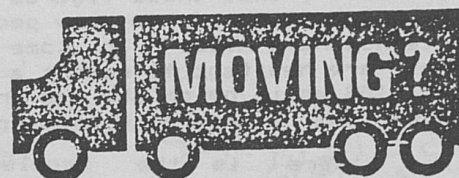
The 30,000 titles on the shelves range from the ancient epic of Gilgamesh\* to the most recently published works. There are extensive sections devoted to fiction, history, psychology, cooking, art and children's literature. There are also magazines and selected national newspapers.

The gay and lesbian books are chosen from a list of approximately 110 titles dealing with gay issues, and another forty titles on feminist themes. These range from scholarly studies and self-help books to novels, plays, anthologies of short stories and poems, to pure erotica. Other titles are divided about equally between lesbian and gay topics.

Pictorial pornography and calendars, gay or straight, are not sold by Joseph-Beth. For this reason (because of explicit advertisements in the magazine) the store does not carry The Advocate. However, at the request of the GLSO Newsletter staff, the store may soon carry selected gay and lesbian newspapers from around the country, such as The Windy City Times (Chicago), Good Times! (Columbus) and Gay Community News (Boston). Christopher Street may also be offered, and the store is also considering some lesbian periodicals. They have also offered to make the GLSO Newsletter available, free as always, to their customers.

The gay and lesbian section may increase in size, depending, of course, on sales. It is very easy to find, tucked away in a secluded area, comfortable with a place to sit. It should be noted, however,

## DADE COUNTY LESBIAN BOOKSTORE



Please send us your  
change of address  
before you move.

that an occasional novel dealing with lesbian and gay topics is not in this section, but may be found (by the author's name) on the fiction shelves.

Beware of this store if you are susceptible to lining your walls with books. It is wondrously tempting, both in the display of the books, and in their subject-matter. But you will feel at ease in this big, roomy place lounging on one of the benches, sipping your coffee and letting interesting minds touch yours as you browse among the offerings that seem, truly, to be endless.

\*It's interesting to note that the hero of this tale, which is the oldest surviving epic and the world's first great love story, is gay. The poem tells the story of a Sumerian King Gilgamesh and his male lover Enkidu. The gods created Enkidu with the express purpose of diverting the king's excessive vitality from all of the young women and men of the kingdom. Details of the Gilgamesh Epic can be traced through Greek and Canaanite literature to the loves of Jonathan and David, and Ruth and Naomi, in the Bible.

# AIDS UPDATE

## UPDATE ON KENTUCKY AIDS CASES

In a recent newsletter of the Kentucky Medical Association, it was reported that as of last December there have been 62 diagnosed AIDS cases in Kentucky, 46 of which have died. These figures reflect data collected by the office of the Commissioner for Kentucky Health Services, which also noted that cases have been reported in 24 counties.

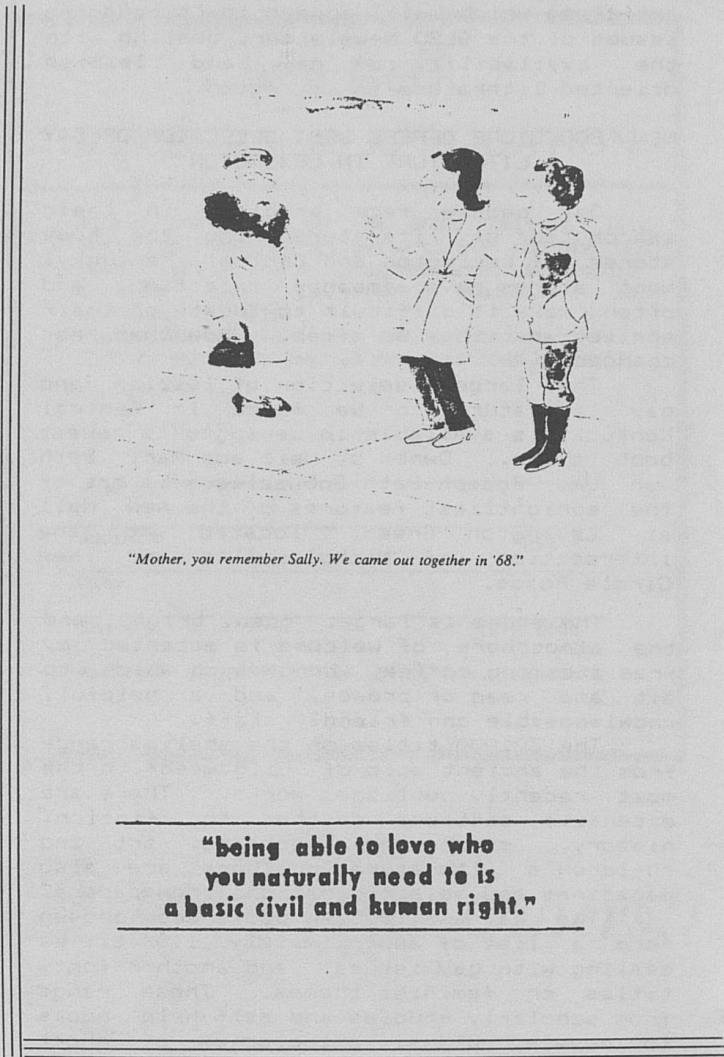
Not too surprisingly, the majority of the reported cases involve gay men, ranging in ages of 19 to 71. Perhaps the most significant aspect of the Commissioner's report is the 79% mortality rate which places Kentucky above the national average of approximately 68%. It is important to realize, however, that these figures are at best an approximation of how many people in the state now have AIDS. In some cases physicians are hesitant to report a person as having AIDS until he or she has shown a number of the standard phases of the disease.

Also, there is the problem of determining who is a "resident" of Kentucky. The Commissioner's report is based on a county-by-county total, which may not reflect those gay people who work in the state but live in Southern Indiana, Cincinnati or Tennessee. The report also may not reflect Kentucky AIDS victims who are diagnosed and treated in another state. At the present time the Center for Disease Control in Atlanta does include in the Kentucky AIDS figures those people who are diagnosed or treated in another state but who are normally reside in Kentucky.

### AIDS Vaccine Comes Closer

The end of 1986 brought news of creative approaches to the research on an AIDS vaccine. The major problem with locating an AIDS vaccine has been finding a substance that doesn't transmit HIV, yet is able to call up antibodies against all varieties of the virus. A new potential vaccine, HGP-30, has been the source of much excitement in the medical community. The vaccine was discovered by Allan Goldstein, chair of the Department of Biochemistry at George Washington University.

HGP-30 is constructed from a protein that lies just under the outer coating of the AIDS virus. HGP-30 has been shown to neutralize HIV in laboratory animals and in human blood in test tubes. Further testing will reveal whether it has the ability to protect humans against infection. Scientists also speculate that HGP-30 could prove useful in treating people already



"Mother, you remember Sally. We came out together in '68."

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**"being able to love who  
you naturally need to is  
a basic civil and human right."**

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infected.

After the final FDA paperwork is completed, HGP-30 will be tested on 10 healthy volunteers. A month to six weeks later their blood will be added to HIV in test tubes, to see if the antibody they are producing kills it. If it does, 500 uninfected volunteers in "high risk" groups will be given HGP-30. Over the next 24 months, these volunteers will be tested to see if they've subsequently been exposed to HIV and evaluate the protection against the virus by HGP-30.

These developments are especially encouraging considering predictions that a vaccine could not be expected for at least 10 years, if ever. While more research and testing remains, a vaccine could be ready for distribution within as little as two years.

(Article adapted from the Village Voice)  
(Editor's note: This vaccine is not the same vaccine recently reported in the Lexington Herald-Leader. HGP-30 testing on people was to begin in late January.)

AFter A YEAR OF CELIBACY  
by Leslea Newman

it sounds like something to eat  
you know  
cream of celibacy  
deep fried celibacy  
celibacy fricasee  
sweet and sour celibacy on toast  
everything sound like something to eat  
when you're hungry  
and I am hungry for a woman

a soft woman like a cashmere feather  
a hard woman like a ball of clay  
spinning between my hands  
a sweet woman like a chocolate frosted  
caramel covered honey coated date chopped  
in half with a salted cashew inside  
because a woman is like that you know  
layered like the earth  
or a rose or an onion  
or a chocolate birthday cake  
and here I am back to food again  
I'm eating enough for two or twenty  
and even though I've had more than plenty  
I can't get enough  
of something I never wanted in the first  
place  
and I never wanted a woman no  
I never wanted those deep dark delicious  
mysterious kisses  
and I'm not talking about Hersey's this  
time  
no, I never wanted a woman  
as much as I do now

ROOMMATE SOUGHT

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TWO NEW BOOKS FIND THEIR MARKETS.

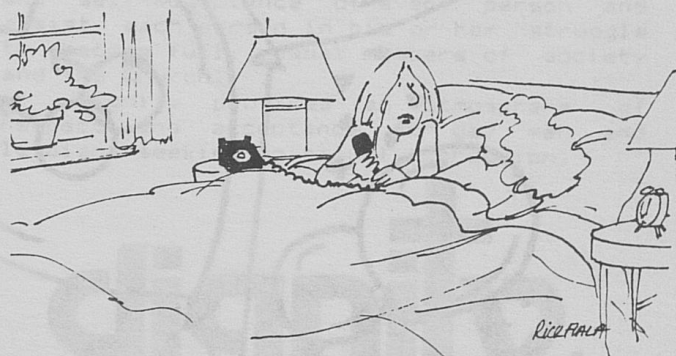
IN HIDDEN DREAMS  
by Cathy Arebalo

Her will to fight is gone.  
She wears the scare of her surrender . . .  
Empty talk, forced smiles.

She aches in their regime.

But in her solitude,  
She dreams of woman---  
of woman touching,  
of woman loving.

And behind those distant eyes,  
Where they cannot see,  
She unleashes her spirit  
. . .in hidden dreams.



"It's my parents. Quick, help me think of something heterosexual to say."

SOMETHING NEW, FOR YOU!

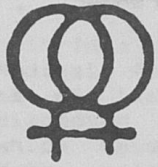
We're starting something new this month! Every third Friday of the month we will be having "Movie of the Month". I will rent a movie and have popcorn. I need you to bring your drinks. I'll be showing some old classics, like "The African Queen", "Secret Agent", and "Gone with the Wind", as well as new movies, too!

Please make suggestions about what movies you would like to see and I'll see what I can find.

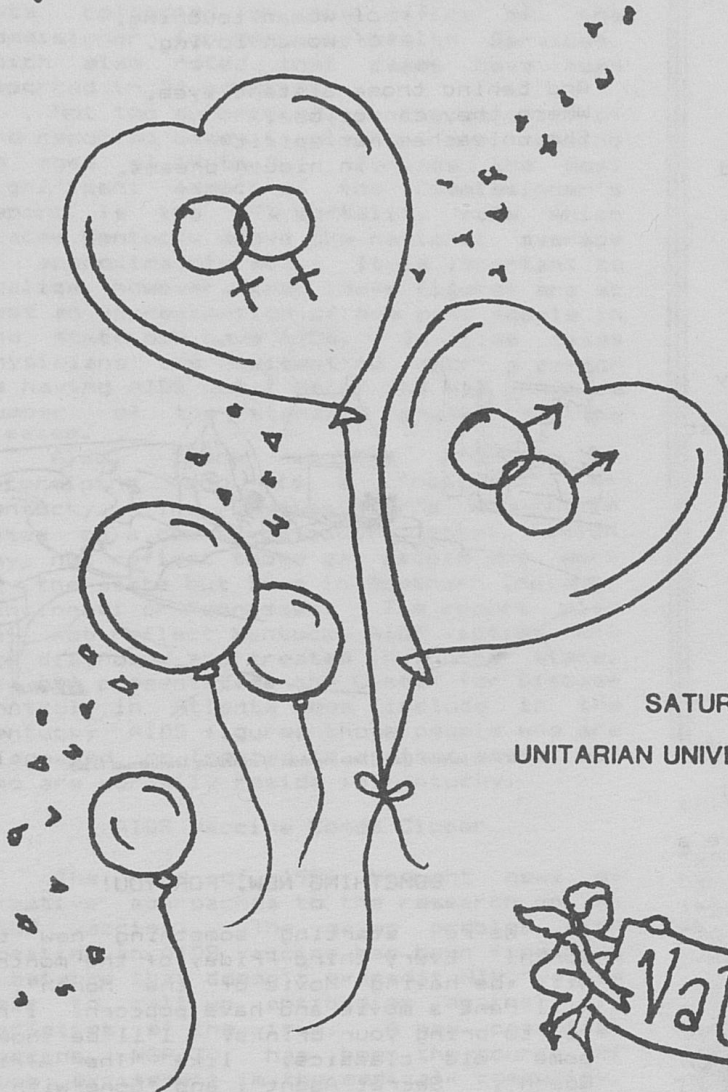
The movie will start at 7:30, so don't be late or you'll miss the best seats (it would probably be a good idea to bring a cushion to sit on, too). Call Tom at 252-1990 for directions.

So bring your pop and a friend and get here early. SEE YOU AT THE MOVIES!

-- Tom



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The staff of the GLSO Newsletter is happy to welcome the Dignity/Lexington Newsletter to its pages. This combination of the publications will be a permanent feature of

the GLSO Newsletter, in an effort to better inform our community of local events and opportunities. Thanks, Dignity, we're glad to have you with us!

#### From the President of Dignity.

I am excited about the merging of these two newsletters, and I hope it is the beginning of a trend in Central Kentucky. In addition to the benefits of having an excellent newsletter, I hope the effort works to increase the awareness of many GLSO readers about Dignity and Dignity folks about GLSO. (Toledo has a newsletter that combines news from the various organizations. It's one of the best newsletters around.)

For those who are unfamiliar with Dignity, it is a national organization that helps Catholics and non-Catholics in personal, emotional, and spiritual matters. To this end, Dignity/Lexington works to make life better for lesbian and gay people of Central Kentucky. We have three meetings monthly - a liturgy, a rap session, and a program/education meeting. There are also separate special events occurring.

I hope you can make use of and enjoy the services Dignity/Lexington has to offer. I look forward to seeing you.

Peace,  
Keith

#### Upcoming Dignity Events

##### Rap Session

On Thursday, February 5th, at 7:30, our 14th rap session will meet to discuss, laugh, search, and understand a truly needy topic: Parents (and other Family members.) We'll gather over M&M's and caramel corn to rap about our feelings about our folks. It will be at the president's home, so call for directions. Come ready to talk, listen, and enjoy.

##### Liturgy

Our liturgy (a Roman Catholic religious service) is scheduled for Wednesday, February 11th, at 7:30. Location has yet to be determined, so please call Dignity (273-8056) for that information. There is nothing quite as nice as being able to have a religious service in an all lesbian/gay crowd.

##### Program

On Wednesday, February 25th, at 7:30, at the Newman Center (Rose Lane), we will meet to explore the impact religion has on our life. We'll explore what the Bible has to say about homosexuality, what various denominations say about it, explore our own personal spirituality, and even learn what an openly Unitarian Universalist person is doing as president of Dignity. Refreshments to be served. We look forward to seeing you!

#### Why Does Dignity Exist?

Dignity, Inc. and its chapters assist the Church in meeting the spiritual needs of gay men and lesbians by means of education, witness and prayer.

Dignity members and friends endeavor to live each day in a manner consistent with Christ's teachings. We accept our responsibility to ourselves, our brothers and sisters, the Church and society.

To the Church: We work for the development of its theology of sexuality and for acceptance of lesbians and gay men as full, equal members of the Church.

To Society: We work for justice and equality through education and legal reform.

To Individuals: We affirm the dignity and self-acceptance of every person and assist each person in his or her struggle to become full, equal members of society and the Church.

Dignity provides an atmosphere of respect and acceptance for gay men and lesbians seeking spiritual expression.

# dignity

DIGNITY/LEXINGTON  
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273-8056

##### March

Look for news about our Strove Tuesday Pancake Dinner, our 4th Anniversary celebration, the Dignity Region V Meeting in Toledo, plus liturgy, rap session, and program meeting news in the next newsletter or call Dignity for more information.

##### Dance

Come to the dance!

WHEN: Saturday, February 7th, 9:00 - 1:00  
WHERE: Unitarian Universalist Church  
WHY: Dance! Learn to square dance, Polka! Raffle! Meet people! Have fun!  
WHO: Sponsored by Dignity, GLSO, and Interweave

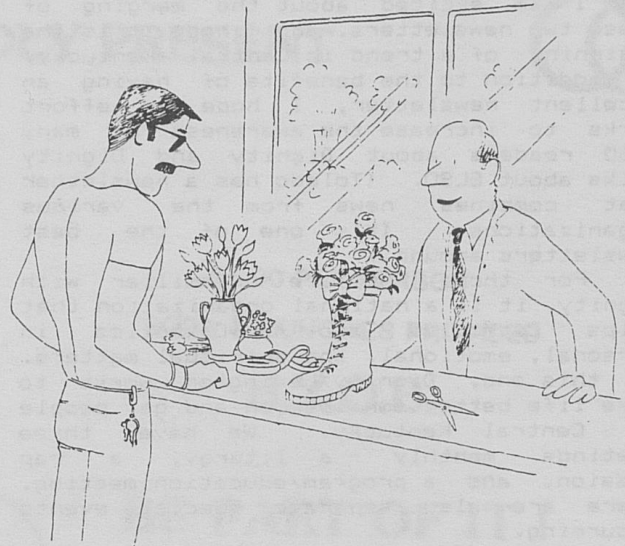
# ASK AUNT MARY

Dear Aunt Mary: After four years together, my lover and I have decided to split up. While I am not thrilled with the prospect of being alone, I think we have both made the best decision, and need to get on with our lives as soon as possible. We have worked out very satisfactory arrangements regarding our place of residence, jointly owned furniture, electronic equipment and art work. Custody and visitation privileges for our pets have been agreed to, and under the circumstances I feel we have made a good start at putting any bad feeling behind and maybe even ending up as friends, although it is a little too early to predict that with any great degree of certainty.

Why, you may ask, am I wasting my time and yours with this letter? Very simply put, my dear lady, we don't know how to award custody of our friends. Of course, there are those who are very clearly closer to one of us than to the other, and those pose no problem. But what about the many friends we have acquired over the years as a couple and who now comprise most of our social circle. Neither of us want to give up our active social schedule, and while we do not feel particularly uncomfortable at running into one another at parties or other social events, many of our friends have already expressed their reluctance to invite both of us (and anyone we may be dating) to the same event. Naturally, the first time one of us is invited somewhere and the other is not, the uninvited party is going to feel quite resentful. Do you have any ideas as to how we can handle this situation? - Divorced, but not dead!

Dear Not: You bring up an interesting problem, not only from your perspective, but for your friends, as well. I must tell you, that while I admire your attitude and your apparent ability to end your relationship without undue hard feelings, I tend to be very sympathetic towards your mutual friends who are not anxious to be the first to invite you both to the same function. They may feel that while you and your ex-lover are doing a remarkable job of putting the best face on a very distressing situation, the first time one of you sees the other with another man may be more than the best of intentions can cope with. Would you want your carefully planned dinner party turned into a fiasco when the overwhelmed emotions of ex-lovers come boiling to the surface during the main course? I think not. Please go easy on your friends who are in a very awkward position and who certainly don't want to offend either of you.

Now, if you are both very sure of your



"Is this masculine enough for you, sir?"



## Lend a Hand... VOLUNTEER!

ability to handle the situation, I suggest that one of you have a party, perhaps to celebrate your new home or for whatever reason you may wish. Invite all of your mutual friends and your ex-lover. Make it clear to all that each of you has your own date for the evening and that you are comfortable with each other and the other's guest. If your party is a success, your mutual friends may very well feel that their worries are unfounded and that you both will be welcome guests at their future parties. If your party does not go well, the "I told you so's" will be so unbearable you will want to change social circles anyway, so the problem will have solved itself. Good luck, dear, you may need it!  
- Aunt Mary

If you would like to write to Aunt Mary, send your letter to Aunt Mary, % GLSD, Post Office Box 11471, Lexington, KY 40575. Please include a stamped, self-addressed envelope if you would like a personal reply. All names are strictly confidential.



## JUST FOR FUN

Hi, gang! February can be a real boring month, but happily, we have enough going on that we can avoid that.

We start off Monday, the 2nd with our regular forum. We always have fascinating discussion, and it's a great place to meet people, so come join us. (For more details about happenings, see the calendar of events at the end of the newsletter.)

Every Tuesday, bowling fans can do their thing out at Joyland Lanes. Even if you don't bowl, you can come out and socialize with us. In fact, a lot of us go more for the people than for the bowling!

Dignity has their monthly rap session on the 5th of February, Thursday. It's at Keith's house, and he always hosts interesting discussions, so it should be a lot of fun.

Every Friday (except for one, starting this month), GLSD has Card & Games! So, all of you card sharks and board game fanatics can get your fix. Lately, we've been featuring pinochle and risk, with side trips into Rook and Monopoly, but we're always willing to try new games. Plus, spectators are always welcome! We always have a lot of fun, so c'mon out!

Now we get to our Event-of-the-Month! We're having a Valentine's Dance! It's on the 7th, so we're getting a jump on the actual day. We'll have our photographer there again, taking pictures for \$1, and refreshments will be supplied. We had so much fun with the Farewell to Summer Dance, that we decided to do it again. This way, you can have a great time and show your support for GLSD, Dignity and Interweave.

We're having our Lesbian Potluck on the 8th. It's at 2 pm, and is a wonderful way to spend a Sunday afternoon, so bring a dish and join us!

Then, Feminist Alliance's monthly meeting is on the 9th. Social and political awareness is important to women, and this gang recognizes that, and works to further it. Get involved!

Interweave's regular meeting is on the 16th, and is always open to new people. We discuss topics of interest to us all, and have a great time.

The one Friday I mentioned earlier that isn't dedicated to Cards & Games is the third Friday of the month, the 20th. We're calling that our Night at the Movies. We'll be renting a VCR movie and showing one (or two, if we get some die-hard movie watchers) each month. It's held at a different place than Cards & Games, so be sure to call for info.

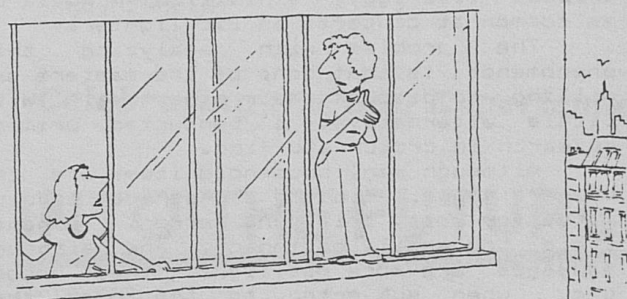
Dignity has their regular monthly meeting on the 25th. It'll be at the Newman Center on Campus. We always enjoy this meeting, so come share them with us.

Our Gay Parenting Support Group gets together on February 11. If you have kids, or know someone who has, or are just concerned, come join in on the discussion.

If you'd like to get involved, and don't mind talking to groups, then our Speaker's Bureau may be just for you. Even if you can't help us with speaking, join us and give us your ideas!

Another great way to get involved is to work on our Gayline! Our training session is on the 22nd, and new faces are always welcome!

As you can see, you can have a boring month only if you really want to! Join us, and I'm certain you'll have a lot of fun.



"This is not the style in which I am accustomed to being abandoned."

*Call to Action*  
for a new

## **March on Washington for Lesbian and Gay Rights**

"Depriving individuals of the right to choose for themselves how to conduct their intimate relationships poses a far greater threat to the values most deeply rooted in our nation's history than tolerance of nonconformity could ever do."

—U.S. Supreme Court Justice Harry Blackmun,  
dissenting from the Court's 1986 ruling that upholds sodomy laws

**October 11, 1987**

BATTLE OF THE BULGE  
by Ron Tannenbaum

If nothing else, MTV has offered must fans a view which was reserved for a musician's tailor. The video-sponsored parade of lead singers with conspicuous crotch bulges revives a familiar topic of conjecture: has the Maker taken a special interest in these fella's social lives, or do these improbable lumps signify some heavy crotch-stuffing? Think about the Plaster Casters, and you'll realize that the larynx has long been a vocalist's second most important organ.

In 1969, Jim Morrison was arrested in Missouri for indecent exposure after he aired his grievances (so to speak) during a concert. Ray Manzarek once wrote, "Did he really do it? If he did, how long was it?" Only Morrison's mortician knows for sure.

But Iggy Pop will always be the King of Sling. In his biography *I Need More*, Iggy tells about how he dodged the draft in 1969 by inducing an erection: "I just walked out with just the most enormous hard-on (11" by 1 3/4" at approximately a 94 degree angle) . . ."

That explains everything. If I had one that long, I'd take it out on stage, on a bet, on the subway. It'd be out so often it'd have a tan. And I'm not done. Do you really believe that baseball players just happen to grab their crotch at the exact moment the Game of the Week cameras are focused on them. My suspicion is that if Morrison, Robert Flant and Led Zeppelin had tripods like Iggy, exhibitionism would be as common at concerts as Bic lighters.

The problem with analyzing this phenomenon is that none of the masters are willing to discuss their expertise. With little alternative, I conducted primary research in crotch stuffing.

Although many household items are the proper shape, finding the perfect padding makes for messy trial and error. Bananas yield too easily on impact, and although sausages are more resilient, they become gamy when subjected to the heat that accumulates beneath leather trousers. Tennis balls pack well, but the look is more that of a hernia patient than of a conquering love warrior.

David Lee Roth's bulge seems to grow each year, which suggests that he's using his wallet for padding. I tried this approach, and even tossed in my check book and ChemBank card for luck, but no one noticed.

Next to her photo of Thin Lizzy leader Phil Lynott, Paula Yates (author of *Rock Stars in Their Underpants*) wrote, "Phil has stuffed a pair of socks down his already astonishing underpants." The problem with athletic socks is that the

effect is freakish. Most people inclined towards crotch lust would rather date a trombonist than a tuba player, if my imagery is understood.

The perfect material for your artificial log is one clean handkerchief, folded in half, then rolled up. The effect is conspicuous, but not intimidating, and I swear it's as magical as Popeye's spinach. You'll crow where you used to talk, strut where you used to walk, lift microphone stands with one hand, collect phone numbers by the score. And you'll never waste another fiver on musk aftershave.

As with all sartorial decisions, crotch-stuffing should express your individual style. Despite the inventiveness of past rock stars, there are still innovations to be made. (Excerpted from a longer, more detailed article in the December 23, 1986 Village Voice)

(I'm sure plenty of us here in Kentucky can't wait for these "developments." Wouldn't mind doing some "primary research" myself! - The Editor.)



"Yeah, isn't it awful the way those homosexuals spend every night desperately engaging in what you and I can easily get once a year?"

# NEWS BRIEFS

## NEW YORK, NEW YORK

On Saturday, March 27, in the Grand Ballroom of the Waldorf Astoria, the Imperial Court System of North America will be honored at Night of a Thousand Gowns, a tribute to the pioneering role of drag in the lesbian and gay communities. The ball hopes to attract 3,000 attendees from across the U.S. and Canada and raise \$500,000 for several national gay and lesbian organizations primarily concerned with AIDS funding and gay civil rights.

## SACRAMENTO, CALIFORNIA

Pacific Bell settled out of court in the longest gay civil rights case in history. After 11 years, the telephone company has agreed to pay upwards of \$5,000,000 in monetary awards and other related settlements, including publicizing the results of the case in local newspapers. The company was being sued for refusing to hire people solely on the grounds that they were "overt homosexuals".

## WEST HOLLYWOOD, CALIFORNIA

Jessica's Nail Clinic has become the first business to be charged under the city's AIDS anti-discrimination law. The charge is a misdemeanor, and carries a maximum penalty of a \$1,000 and six month's imprisonment for each of the two charges filed in the case.

## MINNEAPOLIS, MINNESOTA

A lesbian who filed a civil rights complaint charging that she was dismissed from her job at a pizza restaurant because of her sexual orientation has settled the case out of court.

According to *Equal Time*, a Minneapolis gay newspaper, Michelle McFarland, who alleged she was harassed and fired from her job at Domino's Pizza, will be rehired and paid a total of \$1,000 under the terms of the settlement. In addition, Domino's promised to retain a law firm to hold seminars to train its supervisory employees about discrimination laws.

## SEATTLE, WASHINGTON

A new national publication for gay couples published its first issue in December 1986. *Partners* is meant as a source of information and ideas for use in developing strong, satisfying, and successful relationships.

The eight-page monthly newsletter costs \$36 per year, \$66 for two years, and \$49 for organizations. A single issue sample costs \$3. Mail requests to *Partners*, Box 9685, Seattle WA 98109.

## ATLANTA, GEORGIA

Officials of the Center for Disease Control announced that they plan to check blood of patients whose treatment is unrelated to AIDS for the HIV virus. This program is meant to give a better idea of the prevalence of the infection in the general population.

## NEW ORLEANS, LOUISIANA

The New Orleans city council voted down a gay rights bill in a 5-2 decision. Gay leaders in the city feel betrayed at the vote because six of the seven council members had publicly expressed support for gay rights during last years election. The gay communities of New Orleans are currently considering plans to call for a boycott of the city by gay tourists and business people, a recall election aimed at removing at least one of the council members, and lobbying the Democratic Party in order to prevent it from choosing New Orleans as the site of its 1988 national convention.

## NATIONAL

On October 19, the American Civil Liberties Union voted to adopt a formal policy statement which endorses marriage and a range of economic benefits for gay persons, and allows for gay life partners to have rights similar to those of married nongay people.

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- February 13-15, 1987 International Conference of the Unitarian/Universalist Conference for Gay and Lesbian Concerns (Interweave), Toronto, Canada.
- March 13-15, 1987 Dignity Region V Meeting Toledo, OH.
- May 22-25, 1987 4th Annual Southern Women's Music and Comedy Festival, Georgia.
- August 12-16, 1987 12th Michigan Womyn's Music Festival, Walhalla, MI.
- August 28-31, 1987 8th Annual West Coast Women's Music and Comedy Festival, Yosemite, Georgia.
- October 11, 1987 March on Washington for Gay and Lesbian Rights, Washington, D.C.

# EVENTS CALENDAR

## February

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- SUN 1 Gay/Lesbian AA, 4 pm.,  
Comprehensive Care Center, 201  
Mechanic Street
- MON 2 GLSD Meeting, Board Report -  
8 pm, Forum - 8:30 pm,  
Comprehensive Care Center, 201  
Mechanic Street
- TUE 3 Rainbow League, 9 pm, Joyland  
Bowling Lanes, call 278-0048 for  
more info
- WED 4 Gayline, 231-0335, 8 - 11 pm;  
Gay/Lesbian AA, 8 pm, St. Joseph  
Office Park, Room 120
- THU 5 Gayline, 231-0335, 8 - 11 pm  
Dignity Rap Session, 7:30 pm, for  
more info call Keith at 273-8056
- FRI 6 Cards & Games, 7 pm, call Karen,  
259-3292, or Bill, 254-3361 for  
more details for more details;  
Gay/Lesbian AA, 8 pm,  
Comprehensive Care Center, 201  
Mechanic Street; Gayline,  
231-0335, 8 - 11 pm
- SAT 7 Valentine's Dance (not on  
Valentine's Day!), 9 pm, Unitarian/  
Universalist Church, 3564 Clays  
Mill Rd., for more info call the  
Gayline at 231-0035
- SUN 8 Gay/Lesbian AA, 4 pm,  
Comprehensive Care Center, 201  
Mechanic Street; Lesbian Potluck,  
2 pm, for more info call Gina at  
254)3849
- MON 9 Feminist Alliance, 8 pm, Old  
Student Center, UK, for more info,  
call Shirley, 273-7870
- TUE 10 Rainbow League, 9 pm, Joyland  
Bowling Lanes, call 278-0048 for  
more information
- WED 11 Gayline, 231-0335, 8 pm - 11 pm,  
lesbian volunteer; Gay Parenting  
Support Group, 7:00 pm, for more  
info call 268-3935

- THU 12 Gayline, 231-0335, 8 pm - 11 pm
- FRI 13 Cards & Games, 7 pm, call Karen,  
259-3292 or Bill, 254-3361 for  
more details; Gayline, 231-0335,  
8 pm - 11 pm; Gay/Lesbian AA,  
8 pm, Comprehensive Care Center,  
201 Mechanic Street
- SUN 15 Gay/Lesbian AA, 4 pm,  
Comprehensive Care Center, 201  
Mechanic Street
- MON 16 Interweave, Socializing - 7:00,  
Program - 8:00, Unitarian/  
Universalist Church, 3564 Clays  
Mill Rd., for or more info call  
Craig/Steve at 266-8887
- TUE 17 Rainbow League, 9 pm, Joyland  
Bowling Lanes, call 278-0048 for  
more info
- WED 18 Gayline, 231-0335, 8 pm - 11 pm;  
Speaker's Bureau, 7 pm, for more  
info, call Barry, 268-3935;  
Gay/Lesbian AA, 8 pm, St.  
Joseph Office Park, Room 120
- THU 19 Gayline, 231-0335, 8 pm - 11 pm
- FRI 20 Cards & Games, 7 pm, call Karen,  
259-3292, or Bill 254-3361 for  
more details; Gayline, 231-0335,  
8 pm - 11 pm
- SUN 22 Gay/Lesbian AA, 4 pm,  
Comprehensive Care Center, 201  
Mechanic Street
- MON 23 GLSD Board Meeting, for more info,  
call Barry, 268-3935
- TUE 24 Rainbow League, 9 pm, Joyland  
Bowling Lanes, call 278-0048 for  
more info
- WED 25 Gayline, 231-0035, 8 pm - 11 pm,  
lesbian volunteer; Gay/Lesbian AA,  
8 pm, St. Joseph Office Park,  
Room 120
- THU 26 Gayline, 231-0035, 8 pm - 11 pm
- FRI 27 Gayline, 231-0035, 8 pm - 11 pm,  
Cards & Games, 7 pm, call Karen,  
259-3292, or Bill, 254-3361 for more  
details; Gay/Lesbian AA, 8 pm,  
Comprehensive Care Center, 201  
Mechanic Street