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INVISIBLE STEALTH LESBIAN

by Mary Crone

Six years ago when I became involved with the GLSO, I started volunteering with the Speakers Bureau, speaking mainly to college classes. This article is partly a reprint of one I wrote four years ago about my impressions and experiences. I will do a follow up piece about how the work has changed over time. If it sounds interesting to you, consider becoming a speaker for the GLSO. We don't have a large number of requests, but they often come in batches and we could use a few more people willing to talk to groups of 10 to 300 people. You would always have at least one other person with you.

I enjoy speaking and answering questions about the lesbigay community. I particularly like to challenge the stereotypes and misinformation we find in all audiences. I know I do this for some people just by showing up, older than expected, wearing "femmy" clothes, and happy to be there. I may get dressed up, but I still get asked, "Why do lesbians wear flannel shirts?" Perhaps I am one of those invisible stealth lesbians Kate Clinton jokes about in her comedy routines and they really don't see me at all. I am thinking of putting on some of my more outlandish "festiwear" and saying, "I am wearing lesbian clothes." I'll get some new questions out of that. (And I did say "put on")

I introduce myself as a divorced mother of three children: the hands go up or the pencils start flying. "Didn't your ex-husband try to take them away from you?" I say he is not homophobic but many do not seem to

AN OLD FASHION FAMILY PICNIC

The annual Pride Picnic will be held on Sunday, June 16th from 11:30 to 3:30, at Bell Court Park. This is the central event of our pride celebration and we are expecting a good turnout. "Family Groups" are encouraged to set up imaginative picnic spreads to compete for prizes in the categories of Most Fun, Most Elegant, Most Butch, and Most Reflective of Pride. Everyone is asked to bring their own food and a dish to share. Cold drinks will be sold and we are working on renting an ice cream machine. The Pride Center Task Force is sponsoring a cake walk, please call Joe at 225-1817 if you can donate a dessert.

Inside the Bell House will be showcase of local organizations, artists, craftspeople, and businesses. Groups wishing to rent tables contact Roman at 277-9270. One table for \$15 and two for \$25. A free table will be available for community organizations to distribute information. There will also be a raffle organized by the GLSO to help pay the rental of the Bell House. Additionally, Dignity will offer Bingo to benefit several local groups. We are also expecting musical entertainment including the Morris Dancers. If you would like to share acoustic talent, please call Mary (266-5904).

The picnic is always one of our best attended events and we don't want this year to be any different. Yes, we know it's on Father's Day-bring him along! Rain or shine, grab your picnic baskets, blankets, lawn chairs, and help us celebrate our pride in the diversity of our families. ▼

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THE END... OF THE BEGINNING

Thirteen anti-gay measures were introduced over the course of this General Assembly. None of these ever made it through committee and are now, officially DEAD. Any number of local activists and agitators for equal rights, including the ones that edit, layout and distribute the GLSO NEWS (that's us) want to say thanks to any and all of you who took the time to write, phone or visit our legislators on behalf of tolerance and diversity in Kentucky. We want to urge all of you to maintain your commitment to acting in the local political arena to keep things fair for all the many minorities that exist in our culture. Maybe if we're more effective at the polls this year, we won't have to try so hard just to stay in the same place next time! ▼

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understand that as a real possibility. "Will you try to influence your children?" What a thing for a mother to attempt. "Won't they grow up to be "Adult Children of Lesbians" like "children of alcoholics?" (Can you imagine the comments—"My mom was one of those stealth lesbians and I had to be able to name 15 kinds of oppression before she'd let me date.")

I always stress that my children have expressed no problem with me because I am a lesbian, although they certainly have a growing awareness of homophobia and respond to that in their own ways. After what I considered a positive description of the relationship I have with my children, I still got, "Do you think your children will forgive you when they grow up?" This was from a woman, later identified by the professor of the class, as one of the more liberal students. We have more than a few layers of homophobia to work through here.

There are more popular questions, some with negative assumptions so deeply imbedded that answering clearly is quite a task. "Do you think God condones homosexuality?", "How do you reconcile yourself to the fact that homosexuality is the most hated sin in the bible?", "Wouldn't you prefer to be normal?", and "What do you say to people who blame homosexuals for bringing AIDS to this country?" Maybe stealth lesbians should be issued invisible brain cleaning dart guns.

In spite of the occasional hostility, I enjoy the stimulation of hearing what audiences are going to ask next and figuring how I can give them an answer some of them can take in. I speak as a way to support the individuals listening with some personal concern on their minds and in their hearts. A few people have approached me after a presentation to say they are trying to mediate between their parents and a sibling who is coming out. One young woman said she was struggling with whether to tell friends that her mother is a lesbian.

Sometimes there is a smile, a wink, or a thank you from an apparent sister or brother. I also notice fearful glances and see tense, slumped bodies. One older woman did her accounting as we spoke on front of her sociology class. Rows and rows of nice neat controlled numbers adding up to something she could understand. I don't think she was ever able to look up at me. Was I so scary to her, maybe even evil? Maybe just cute. ▼

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Pegasus Travel Agency has a new address at 245 Lexington Ave, (near U.K.), and a new phone number 253-1644. Pegasus has a cooperative relationship with the GLSO. For each person who mentions the GLSO, Pegasus donates 1% of their ticket price to us. Although this may sometimes seem like a small amount, it adds up. GLSO has just received a check for \$95 from Pegasus for which we are grateful. The lowest amount of money we made from a single individual was \$.73, the most was \$9.28 (some lucky person went to London). The average amount is a couple of dollars, but they add up to a sizable contribution each year. So, next time you need to fly, call Pegasus. ▼

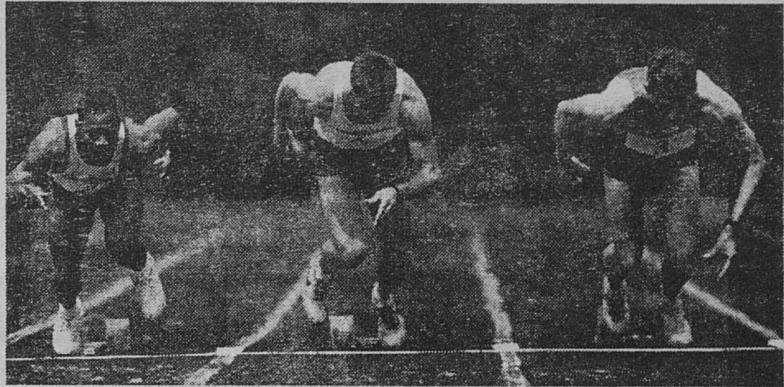
PRIDE CENTER UPDATE

The Pride Center Task Force is continuing its work toward the ultimate goal of opening a Pride Center. The groundwork is nearly completed. So far, we have raised \$10,000 through many generous contributions and fundraisers throughout the community. We have survey information - which is still coming in- telling us what the community wants. We have completed our bylaws and articles of incorporation. We are currently in the midst of applying for non-

profit, tax-exempt status.

In the next months the Task Forces' work will be completed and a Pride Center Board will be selected. It will be the board's mission to continue fundraising efforts and *more importantly* get the Pride Center up and running. The Task Force's members are:

Jim Wiechers (chair) 254-7150, Allan Barger (secretary) 254-4067, Judy Goldsmith 269-7218, Mark Isbell 269-9166 and Billy Bailey 254-5077. We invite you to call any of us with your questions, comments and suggestions.. ▼



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AFL-CIO'S SWEENEY SUPPORTS GAY LABOR CONFERENCE

San Francisco, CA (EGCM) In a groundbreaking pronouncement, AFL-CIO President John Sweeney has written hundreds of affiliated unions and other labor bodies to urge their support for a national conference for lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender labor union members. According to Nancy Wohlforth, Co-Chair of Pride at Work-San Francisco Bay Area, Sweeney's statement extends labor's historic support for the lesbian and gay rights movement.

"In the early Eighties, the AFL-CIO declared its support for civil rights for all persons without regard to sexual orientation. In the Nineties, it urged its affiliates to oppose anti-gay ballot initiatives, and to participate in appropriate coalitions to defeat such measures. President Sweeney is acknowledging the value of the gay rights movement as an important ally of organized labor, as well as the presence and influence of lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender union members."

In his memo, dated March 28, 1996, Sweeney urged making the 2nd Pride at Work Conference a success, "through financial contribution, by assigning staff..., and by publicizing the meeting within your own organizations. Pride at Work was founded in New York City, in 1994 during the Stonewall 25 Celebration. The second Conference will emphasize building local chapters and will present several workshops on topics of interest to gay labor activists, such as "Organizing Non-Profits in the Gay Community", and "Enlisting Labor's Help to Fight the Right."

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NEW TOLL-FREE HOTLINE TO DOCUMENT AND ASSIST WITH ANTI-GAY HATE

A new, non-profit, toll-free hotline is now available to assist all victims of anti-gay incidents and provide them with a centralized source of information and documentation. The Gay & Lesbian Victims' Assistance Hotline (800-259-1536) is a 24-hour project of LAMBDA Services Anti-Violence Project (AVP), located in El Paso, TX. The hotline is answered by trained volunteers who provide information and referrals to persons who have experienced terrifying violence or more common anti-gay incidents, such as discrimination, harassment, or vandalism. Callers may remain anonymous and all information is kept strictly confidential.

Founded in 1991, LAMBDA Services is an international, all-volunteer, non-profit, LesBiGay organization. LAMBDA Services' Anti-Violence Project (AVP) works to prevent and assist victims of anti-gay hate. LAMBDA is a national tracking member of the National Coalition of Anti-Violence Projects.

For information, assistance, or to make a tax-deductible donation, call the 24-hour Gay & Lesbian Victims' Assistance Hotline at 800-259-1536 or write to LAMBDA Services AVP, PO Box 31321, El Paso, TX, 79931-0321 USA. Office: 915-533-6024 or 915-562-GAYS FAX: 915-534-7778 E-mail: AVProject@aol.com ▼

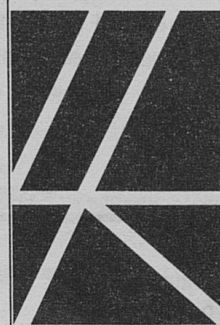
THE CHURCH LADY

by **Margaret Christopher Cartwright**

In my thinking, prior to writing this, it became apparent to me that never have so many people been so emotionally and psychologically hurt by the Biblical excerpts which are commonly interpreted to be anti-gay and lesbian.

A bold, proactive reading of the Bible offers new life for lesbians, gays, and the transgendered as well as their families and friends. Let's open the door of the ancient closets. Liberation theology and feminist Biblical critique have shown that the Bible, in order to empower all people, must be read with a new eye from the vantage of oppressed peoples. You and I both know that "we" have been on earth as long as there has been an Earth and in a constant proportion (10%).

In all, there are just six brief passages of the Bible that have been directed against us. All six must be taken out of their true context to be used to condemn lesbians, gays and transsexuals. There are over 300 messages that proscribe heterosexual expression, (which proves I guess, that they just need to be reminded more often). I will be discussing each of these six passages as well as the likelihood of gay and lesbian relationships in the Bible in future editions of the newsletter. If you can't wait, come see us - we talk about things like this! ▼



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During the recent Lambda AIDS conference, Urvashi Vaid made a keynote address that was stimulating and challenging. I will not attempt to summarize her speech, but will focus on her main point. She believes that the goal of the lesbian/gay/trans political movement should not be narrowly defined as the end of public discrimination but broadened to include the transformation of American society in cooperation with the larger progressive movement. More specifically, this means that as we work to end homophobia, we also work to end racism, sexism, classism, ageism, and all other forms of discrimination.

In these areas, we have work to do within our community as well as in the larger society. In Lexington, our lesbian/gay community is often divided by race and class, we are not even together enough to know how these divisions limit us, but I'm sure they do. Lesbians, bisexuals, and gay men are now working more closely together but sexism and other gender-based prejudices still get in the way of easy and honest communication. And what are the differences between lesbians and gay women? It's not that we shouldn't have differences, we should communicate across differences, celebrate diversity, and move onward from there to change the larger society.

Other groups working for social justice are not always welcoming of our support, but we nevertheless have to be present and participate in a variety of ways in liberal and progressive organizations and programs. An example of the success in this work was the anti-klan rally in Louisville in early April in which Fairness was present in coalition with many other progressive groups. The impact on the klan may have been negligible but the coalition building of such an event is crucial to our eventual progress.

I do not mean to imply that many of us are not already active in a variety of causes and programs, but when we are active we need to let people know that we are members of our supporters of the lesbian/gay community. For

example, I participated in a community discussion group on race relations organized by area churches. In the two months we sat and talked, I never said I was a lesbian. This may have been partly because I saw a need to focus on race, but it was also because of internalized homophobia. It is hard to come out. But I now regret missing the opportunity to let other group members know this important part of who I am. Maybe next time I can casually slip in a reference to my queer self.

What can you do towards these goals of dismantling prejudices within and without, building coalitions, and furthering progressive causes? One step at a time. We would love people to write articles for the GLSO News about their experience of being a working-class dyke, about being black and bisexual, about being transsexual, and so forth. Each of us can talk to our friends and acquaintances about our differences. We can look at the areas of our lives about which we are silent and struggle to speak out. We can educate ourselves about many forms of discrimination by reading books such as *Out Of The Class Closet*, *Lesbians Writing About Class*. As a community, we are asking our country to become less homophobic; we should ask the same of ourselves and of each other. We can encourage each other to be more out by discovering ways to be loving and supportive of people who are either more or less out than we are. We waste a lot of energy by being angry at each other around this issue.

Many forms of oppression and privilege are a part of our lives. All of us have some privilege, whether it be class, gender, age, able bodied, or educational privilege. Most of us reading this also have some oppression. We can start with ourselves, looking at what we need to learn more about, how we can be more active, or what we can share to insure progress. For example, how about sharing some of your money and subscribing to this newsletter? As we work on ourselves and with each other, we will become a stronger force in making American a place of social justice and freedom for all. ▼

LOVING SOMEONE GAY - EVEN IN YOUR OWN FAMILY

by Rev. Ruth Fiscella

Twenty-three years ago, the phone rang in our house in New York State. It was our daughter calling from the University of Indiana from which she had just graduated. She and her twin brother had both been accepted at medical school in Chicago and they were to meet there to find a place to live. In college, Roxanne had become friends with a woman whom I will call Sally. Sally had been a guest in our home but I didn't really like her. I thought she had some kind of negative influence on my daughter and I was just waiting for Roxanne to start medical school so she could get rid of her. But in the phone conversation my daughter said, "I want Sally to go to Chicago and live with me there." I was appalled and replied, "Whatever would you want to do that for?" She said, "Because I love her." In that blinding moment, I knew my daughter was a homosexual.

I was crushed, dismayed, disappointed, grieved. I thought what kind of life is she going to have? What will I tell her brothers and sisters or her grandparents? What will her friends say? I couldn't stop thinking about it. I remembered a couple of years before that Roxanne had asked me, "Mom, what would you do if one of us was gay?" I replied, "I would run, not walk, to the nearest psychiatrist to get you cured," but I never thought it was happening. There were no gay people in our families on either side. I thought of it as an aberration. In fact, I knew very little about it.

As a parent, the first question we have to ask ourselves is "What did I do wrong?" I also thought, desperately searching for an answer, could it be that because she has a twin brother that maybe the genes got distributed wrong? She had dated boys all through high school, and was and is a beautiful person, very feminine. Yes, her style of dress had changed in college but it was the 60's when everything

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we knew as normal went out the window. The sexual revolution they called it; the days of Janis Joplin and Woodstock and LSD. But as my husband and I swallowed the bitter pill of this news we knew one thing: we loved her. We couldn't stop loving her just because something had changed. She was still our daughter. I will say that my husband took it better than I did. He was a physician, not that had anything to do with it, but he was the one who had encouraged Roxanne to go to medical school and he was so pleased that she was going, her sexuality didn't matter that much to him.

In the following years, I let Sally know how much I disliked her. We argued a lot, but she hung in there. I'm so glad she did because she and Roxanne are still together and I love her dearly too, like another daughter and a dear friend. For years I covered up Roxanne's gayness. People would say, "Is Roxanne married yet?" and I would explain she's so busy in her practice she's not interested. The love of her brothers and sisters didn't change and neither did that of our extended family.

But what happened to change me? After my husband died, I went to seminary to become a minister in the Presbyterian Church. In seminary, you live very close to God and I soon learned that God loves everyone. He doesn't cast out a whole group of people whom, I'm convinced, have not *chosen* to be gay and say, "You're sinners and I don't want anything to do with you." It's the church that says you're not good enough. You can come to worship but unless you give up the sin of homosexuality you can't be a real part of us here. One of the most painful things I ever heard Roxanne say was when I was visiting her in California and asked her if she would like to worship with me. She replied, "Mom, I can't worship with people who reject me." People who quote the Bible about homosexuality don't understand the culture of the day or the original language and so they misinterpret the

dozen or so verses that speak about it. They just lift out those verses but ignore others about behavior. We have no record of Jesus ever mentioned homosexuality.

As I began to read and understand homosexual orientation, I gradually became an activist for the lesbian and gay community. Through the years I saw only decent, kind, compassionate gays, lesbians, bisexuals, and transgendered people. And although it took a while for me to comfortably say the word "lesbian," I saw Roxanne having a very good life indeed, being the kind of person the family loved and turned to for advice or help. In her profession, her patients cared nothing about her sexual orientation. They just wanted a good doctor. But I also saw that homosexuals are persecuted, both subtly and openly, sometimes by their own families.

Then I discovered the organization called P-FLAG, or parents, families and friends of lesbians and gays. I first saw it in a church meeting in California where I found it to be a support group for parents and families like myself who were struggling with the trauma of trying to grasp their loved one's homosexuality. Present at the meeting was a woman who was hysterical over her daughter being a lesbian. The kindly people there who had been through the same thing comforted and helped her. I decided then and there that if I ever had a chance to do anything to help P-FLAG I would do it, and my opportunity came when I moved to Kentucky three years ago.

P-FLAG is an organization with chapters all over the world. It has a three-fold purpose: to support parents and families who are going through the adjustment to their loved one's homosexuality; to educate wherever we can; and to advocate for equal rights. To accomplish this, we meet monthly, help whoever attends in any way we can, participate in the network or organizations for gays and lesbians in the community, attend rallies and march in parades, keep trying to disseminate information, help gays and lesbians who are

coming out to their parents, watch for legislation that limits civil rights, and talk wherever the opportunity is. The problem here is that Kentucky is very conservative and we are denied access to places where we could help, like the public schools. But we keep trying.

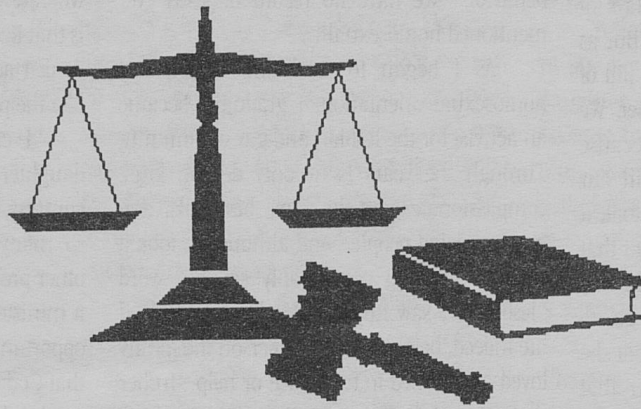
I can only say that having a lesbian daughter is not a cross to bear. On the contrary, it has enriched my life, as I have met so many beautiful people and have found other prejudices fading away. I believe that as a minister of the Gospel, this is a calling, an opportunity to tell the church and the world that God loves gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgendered people in the very way He loves all of His children, and I am confident that someday equality for homosexuals will be the rule all over the world. ▼

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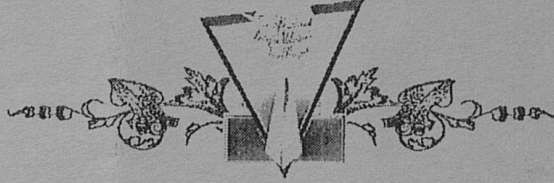
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