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## An Editorial Piece: Lexington City Council Candidates

by Jeff Jones

With the entire Lexington-Fayette County Urban City Council being elected on Tuesday, Nov. 2, it is imperative that lesbigay voters be aware of candidates and get out to vote. As a non-profit service organization, GLSO can not legally endorse candidates. The views in this editorial are my personal views and do not represent endorsements by GLSO or any other organization. I also must thank local activists Tomi Ross (Fairness of Lexington), Keith Elston (KY Fairness Alliance/ACLU), and Laura Kaplan (Diversity Business Coalition) for information and opinions provided by them. GLSO hopes that people will get out to vote for the

GLSO hopes that people will get out to vote for the candidate of their choice in support of our democratic institutions.

Mayor:

Pam Miller (seen as generally progressive)
Ted Mims (viewed as unsupportive and poor fiscal sense)

1st:

George Brown (widely respected both within and without the African-American community; viewed as supportive of human rights for all people)
Pat McGill (member of the anti-gay, right-wing local

chapter of the Christian Coalition)

Robert Jefferson (viewed as moderate; past chair of the Lexington Human Rights Commission)
3rd:

Kathy Pratt (viewed as sympathetic but not strongly supportive)

Brack Marquette (viewed as conservative and unresponsive to questions from the lesbigay community)

4th:

Isabel Yates (running unopposed; conservative; has called for civil rights for all but will not address question of gay rights)

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#### A History of LesBiGay Lexington

(A Series by Jeff Jones)

"Settlers, Sewers and Sex Shops"

This month I begin a short series on the history of gay, lesbian and bisexual spaces here in our city. Basically, I am writing a paper for a graduate class on urban geography and have had to do the research anyway. Similar series have been done in the past by David Williams in **The Letter** and by Greg Lee in the **GLSO News** in 1984. I highly recommend reading both. The UK Library has back copies of both publications.

Since moving to Lexington, I have long wondered how a gay bar, The Bar, ended up on Main Street...and apparently for several decades. The story of this area begins all the way back in 1787 when Lexington was being laid out by the first European Main Street was laid out to run parallel settlers. to the Town Branch of Elkhorn Creek. For this reason, East Main actually runs NW-SE instead of E-W. The area currently holding The Bar, the Kentucky Theater, the Lexington Transit Center, and Park Plaza was originally a single block of 'outlots.' At settlement, the first Lexingtonians received a 1/2 acre town lot (centered on the area around Triangle Park today) and a 5 acre outlot for farming. This East Main block was a natural valley with the Town Branch through the middle of it and a fairly steep grade up to Hill (now High) Street. CONTINUED TO PAGE 7

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#### **UPDATE: MONTIE HAM DEATH**

by Steve R.

Montie J. Ham was murdered on July 3, 1993, at his home. Ralph Ospalski and Raymond Taylor were arrested on July 14 and charged with Murder first degree and Robbery first degree. After Grand Jury testimony on September 14, Burglary first degree was added. In October 1 Court, the Trial date was set for February 28 - March 10, 1994, in the Third Division of Fayette Circuit Court with Judge Rebecca Overstreet presiding. Michael Malone is the prosecuting Commonwealth Attorney. The defending attornies are Tom Chapuk, Mark Bowling, and Gene Lewter. The suspects are being held in the Fayette County Detention Center. There are no court dates scheduled until the trial, but pending status hearings could be ordered. If CONTINUED ON PAGE 10

#### Lexington's M.C.C. Keeps Busy

The last few months have been a time of organization and consolidation for Lexington's new Metropolitan Community Church. In July the interim Board was elected. Rick T. is Vice-Moderator; Kay M. is treasurer; John E. is Secretary; Joe C. is Lay Delegate; and Joyce B. and Billy C. are members-at-large.

August 1st marked the formal reception of the church's first membership. There are now fifteen members and guests attending regular services. An additional membership class will be announced soon.

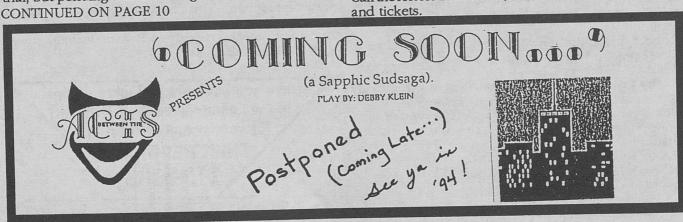
On September 25th the community presented it's Mission Statement and Petition at the Great Lakes District Conference in Cincinnati. We were accepted as an official "New Work" (that is "mission") of the church. At the conference we won an award for having the highest percentage of current membership attending.

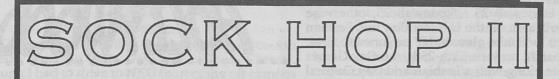
Looking into the future, we are planning a Bible study program titled "Those Bible Bullets - Missiles of Love or Hate?" As long as we wear the heterosexist blinders we have been given, we will continue to view the Bible as "their" book, not "ours". There is a lot in the Bible about us and for us.

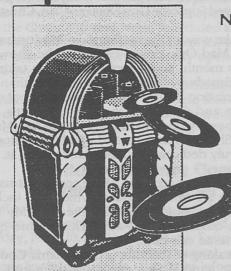
M.C.C. is a church for all people. It's programs are open to everyone regardless of religious affiliation or lack thereof. Services will be held at 6 pm in the Glenhaven Room at the Greenleaf Inn, 2280 Nicholasville Road. Everyone is welcomed.

#### Actors Theatre of Louisville

On November 2-8, Actors Theatre of Louisville will be having "A Unique Festival of Acclaimed Solo Performers" titled FLYING SOLO. The works and performers include Home and Away written and performed by Kevin Kling; White/Man/Fever written and performed by Louise Smith; Frederick Douglass Now written and performed by Roger Guenveur Smith; Memory Tricks written and performed by Marge Gomez; My Queer Body written and performed by Tim Miller; and Naomi written and performed by Ruby Porat-Shoval. Call the Actors Theatre at (502) 584-1205 for information and tickets.







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#### STONEWALL 25/GAY GAMES TRIP

This is to remind anyone who missed the notice in last month's News that Community Health Trust of Louisville (CHT) is offering a trip package to the Gay Games and Stonewall 25. Stonewall 25, otherwise known as the March on the U.N. for Gay and Lesbian Human Rights, will take place in NY on June 26, 1994. Before the march, on June 17th-25th, the Gay Games will take place along with a Lesbian and Gay Cultural Festival that will be the largest event of its kind in history. To help people get there, CHT has obtained discounted group rates on the Howard-Johnson Plaza Hotel, convenient to the subway and events. Rates are \$131 single, \$122 double, \$153 triple, and \$168 for four. CHT is also offering group air fare of approximately \$200 round trip. The fare is available out of Lexington or Louisville and dates of departure/return are flexible. You can stay the entire week or any part of it. CHT will also offer Games and Festival tickets. As a final benefit, 10% of the cost of your trip is tax deductible as a donation to CHT's AIDS work.

Because five strayt conventions are scheduled in NY that week and the strayt folks are already booking up the hotels, people who fail to make plans now may find later that hotel rooms are unavailable.

For more info contact Bill Bird (502) 228-1401 or

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## CHRISTOPHER ROBYNG HOLLYWOOD

Hey kids, your interim editor [read Nov. only] editor has lured me back from my job as the most despised person on UK's campus to my former position as the beloved Supreme Diva Disher of Dirt, Christopher

Make way for the motherlode! Madonna news first! The Mad One kicked off her Girlie Show Tour earlier this month, and it looks like she is taking her ideas of a Broadway-like show even further than in the Blonde Ambition Tour. With costumes by hot design fags Dolce and Gabanna, she treats the fans at the sold-out shows with her take on legends like Marlene Dietrich. She is doing a limited number of shows, so only the truly dedicated will be able to catch it. Look out!

The rumors are true! As we speak, **Elton John** is recording an album of duets which will include a remake of his classic "Don't Go Breaking My Heart" with none other than **RuPaul**. That's more queens

than one castle can hold.

Speaking of **RuPaul**, grunge mama **Courtney Love** of the band **Hole** supposedly went into a tizzy with glee when she spotted him backstage at the MTV Video Music Awards. She thrust her and **Kurt Cobain's** (**Nirvana**) newborn baby into RuPaul's arms. Ru was delighted, but the baby started to cry immediately. Perhaps the child is afraid of heights?

There won't be any movie buff women with the blues this month. Gus Van Sant releases his long-awaited film of the Tom Robbins chock-full-o-lesbians bestseller, "Even Cowgirls Get the Blues." The soundtrack, recorded by none other than the ultra purveyor of lesbian chic k.d.lang, was

released at the end of last month.

Disco fags should be sure to pick up the first new album from the **Pet Shop Boys** in three years: "Very." The latest single from the album, "Go West," is a total takeoff on the **Village People** classic "In the Navy." It's a scream!

For you manic-depressive queens, cheer up: **Morrissey** is releasing an EP this month. So you can listen to someone whose life is always more depressing

than your own.

That's all folks! In the words of the Lesbian and Gay Journalist's Association, "I'm here, I'm queer, and I'm on a deadline!" Peace and love!

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#### NEW SOCIAL WORK CLASS OFFERED BY PROFESSOR PAT DOLAN ENTITLED "WORKING WITH GAY AND LESBIAN CLIENTS"

by Lorna Nichols

This summer I took a new social work course entitled "Working with Gay and Lesbian Clients". Although I had to drive to NKU (part of the off campus social work program) it was well worth it. The class was taught by Professor Pat Dolan MSW, who teaches both at NKU and UK. This class was packed with great info and excellent resources. Guest speakers, mainly from the Cincinnati area, were scheduled almost every week representing gay/lesbian agencies/issues. One of the best was a lawyer who really opened my eyes about gay/lesbian legal issues.

Please help support Professor Dolan by spreading the word on this class and feel free to give her a call at 1-572-5609 to find out when and where her next class is scheduled. This class will possibly be

offered at UK soon.

### Kentucky Alliance Goes North in November

The Kentucky Fairness Alliance will be meeting in northern Kentucky at an as yet undecided location on Saturday, Nov. 20, at 11am. Kentucky Fairness Alliance is the only statewide lesbigay political organization working for human rights. For more information, call Keith Elston at 266-3934.

## LesBiGay Singles Branch: Hot Browns & Habbies??

UK Lambda presents a LesBiGay Singles Potluck Brunch to be held on Sunday, Nov. 7, from 10:30am-2:30pm. Coming out of a discussion about the lack of non-bar meeting places for lesbigay singles, this potluck will be held at a local private home at 3425 Springlake Dr. (near Tates Creek Rd.). For more information, call Julien Aleksandres at 272-7232 (BEFORE 10PM ONLY!!!). Bring a dish and a single friend!

Frontrunners Adds New Day

Frontrunners, the lesbigay running/jogging club, has met for years every Saturday morning at the UK water tower off Alumni Rd. at 9am. Now they have added a second running/jogging day at 6pm on Wednesday evenings. If you are interested and are seeking a fun group to 'run around with', then join us at the parking lot near the corner of Kentucky Ave. and High St. on Wednesdays at 6pm. For more information, call Keith Lovan at 254-6850.

Welcoming Service Busy!

GLSO's newest service, the GLSO Welcoming Service, has been busy since its inception. Sixteen packets have gone out. Beginning in August, new residents...or people just entering our community...have been able to receive a free 'welcoming packet' of information on local community organizations. Thus far, six local organizations have provided information for the packets: GLSO (GLSO News), Diversity Business Coalition (The Pink Pages), Frontrunners, Kentucky Fairness Alliance and Fairness of Lexington. Other local organizations and businesses are welcome to provide information. If: a) you are interested in including information in the packets, b) you have a question about the community, or c) you want a packet, please leave a message at 276-5383.

#### Get a little Uppity!

by LS

I would like to encourage everyone to be a little uppity! Speak out! If not with your voice, in print. Put a little ad in the paper or your communitys classified paper. Something like, "Why does it matter to you if I am gay?" or if you're in a mood, "We're here, we're queer, get used to it." Maybe, "God loves me and knows I am gay." You get the idea.

If you are in a restaurant with a graffiti chalkboard in the bathroom, leave a message there. Run off a few fliers in the copy shop and leave them around.

Use your imagination and spread the word. We are everywhere!



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#### 5th:

Fernita Wallace and Bill Farmer (Panelists feel both are moderates who would perhaps be supportive if a need was shown for gay rights in Lexington. Wallace is also publically pro-choice.)

#### 6th:

Mary Ellen Adams Blakley (supported by default since Flynn is seen as unsupportive/conservative; neither viewed as particularly good candidates) Bobby Flynn (unsympathetic to lesbigay community)

#### 7th:

**Eric Young** (again, supported by default due to Fogle's conservative and unsupportive stances; little is known of Young's position on the lesbigay community) Willy Fogle (conservative, unsupportive, member of Wayne Smith's rabidly anti-gay Southland Christian Church)

#### 8th:

Fred Brown and Alvin Green (both are viewed as unsupportive)

#### 9th:

Jennifer Mossotti (viewed as unabashedly supportive) Roy Durbin (unsupportive; does not view anti-bias ordinances covering sexual orientation as matter for City Council)

#### 10th:

Sandra Shafer (unsupportive, running unopposed)

**Bob Moore** (viewed as moderately supportive) Jack Hillard (viewed also as moderate)

#### 12th:

Gloria Martin (viewed as moderately supportive) Wayne Mulberry (would not support anti-gay ordinances; viewed as moderate)

The top 3 vote-getters win in at-large races. The entire city votes on these candidates.

#### At Large:

Michael Wilson (viewed as excellent choice)

**Diana Moore** (has said that she is willing to listen and did call the Human Rights Commission to inquire about the need for anti-bias protection for lesbigays)

**David Stevens** (opposes discrimination in any way but says that issue would need to be studied to see if there is a need)

**Teresa Isaacs** (has spoken at/attended several gay events but recent political alliances with rabidly anti-gaySen. Tim Philpot cause the panelists to view this candidate as "if-y")

Joby Gastineau (very unsupportive; conservative) Chuck Ellinger (conservative Republican; unsupportive)

#### LLDEF Case of the Month

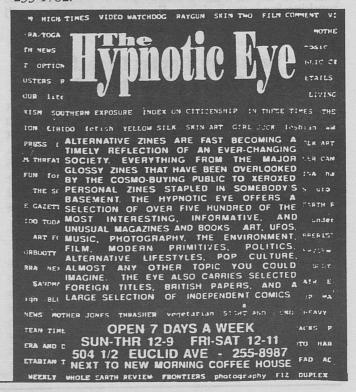
#### by Jeff Jones

Lambda Legal Defense and Education Fund is a group of lawyers, legal workers and supporters defending the rights of lesbians, gay men, bisexuals and PWAs in the courts of the land for 20 years. Below is a case from their 1993 Lambda Update showing their continuing work and the issues facing our community:

Georgia Prescott v. Kerry Blume (California): This case points out how the lack of legalized marriages also strips same sex couples of the legal guidelines of divorce. In this case, a lesbian couple signed a written parenting contract between themselves prior to the birth of their daughter. The couple has since separated and the biological mother has refused visitation to her former partner. A California trial judge has refused to enforce the contract or order visitation rights. Lambda Legal Defense and the National Center for Lesbian Rights are pursuing this case on behalf of the non-biological parent.

## Gay Men's Spirituality Group Meeting Again

After a hiatus, the Gay Men's Spirituality Group will be meeting on November 5 at 7:30pm at Steve Buck's home (726 W. Maxwell #2). For more info, please call 233-1782.



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By the early 1800's, Town Branch had become something of an open sewer. Throughout the 19th century, various parts of this creek were buried. Today Town Branch flows in large pipes under Vine Street. Water Street behind the Bar, however, attests to its

former aboveground existence.

Residential, commercial and industrial areas were not differentiated as today: people lived, worked and ran shops from their homes. (The spatial separation of the city is a product of the Industrial Revolution.) A small commercial district was growing, however, along Main Street north of Limestone. Our block was still largely some farm houses and fields with some more expensive residences starting to be built along High Street

Ironically, the area were the police and clerk of court offices are on Main Street was once known as the "Babylon Block." Saloons and brothels centered on this space near the edge of downtown but also along the less-than-desirable sewer of Town Branch. The coming of the railroads into Lexington, however, dislocated this red light district by the Civil War. The brothels moved to other marginal land: a hill above the railroad switching yards (now the area of Midland Ave. and the Herald-Leader building). Freed slaves were also being housed in this then noisy, sooty subdivision of shotgun frame houses. By 1896, at least nine "female boarding houses" [a euphemism for brothel] were located along what is today Northeastern Ave. alongside Thoroughbred Park. Lexington's supreme madam, Belle Breezing, had the largest bawdy house on the street (then Megowan St.) The foundations of her brick home still exist diagonally from Thoroughbred Park. This location also found an advantage in the military livery and barracks near the present location of Thoroughbred Park.

Given the position of women at that time, poor women and single mothers often found prostitution as one of the few viable means of survival. Lexington's sex industries have continued to migrate out Midland to Winchester Rd. from pressure from the developing downtown and residential neighborhoods. Thus, the location of adult bookstores such as the Phoenix Bookstore with its Club Underground and local 'massage parlors' have a history stretching back all the way to Main Street. With changing social ideas, American woman today can find wage labor in the legal work force [albeit at \$.69 per \$1 on average compared to men]. Lexington's massage parlors today are the workplaces of often Asian women caught in a global trade in sexual slavery, poverty and pursuit of American opportunity. Lest we forget, gay men and women have throughout history found places of refuge at times in

these red light districts.

Next month: Sodomy laws and Main Street



Thanks to all my friends for their support and lovel - Andrea

Happy 28th Birthday. Daddy. - Akbar & Abu

A very special Happy Birthday to Lee. Deborah, Katherine. Chad. Martin. Ted and the most supportive den of Scorpios in academia.

- Jehr

Kap (...and Launella). Congnatulations on selling the house and finding a home! - The Digital Labia gang

A special thank you to the whole gang at Actor's Guild for entertaining us so thoroughly with The Kathy & Mo Show!!

Kudos to Fairness of Lexington on a great job surveying the City Council candidates.

my beloved Sana. Happy Anniversary' The past five years have been wonderful, the best is yet to come. You make every day special. I love you! Lisa

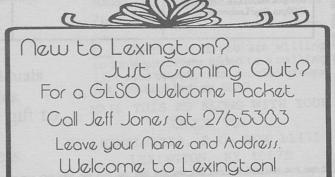
#### Fairness Campaign Of Lexington

Information Hotline

The Fairness Campaign of Lexington would like to announce that it now has a 24-hour information hotline: 275-7812. Various events, meetings, and other occurrences will be announced on a regular basis. A caller can leave a message for more information. The hotline is not staffed, but its messages are checked daily. All callers' identities are kept confidential. General Meetings

The Fairness Campaign of Lexington is working to combat the Harper Bill and similar legislative proposals which would limit the basic human rights of homosexuals. General meetings are on the third Monday of every month at Alfalfa's restaurant at 7:30.

The next meeting is November 15.





10:30am UK Lambda Single 2:00pm \*Kathy & Mo Show 4:00pm TSGRA-The Fishne 6:00pm MCC/Lex.-Greenle 7:00pm Gay/Lesbian AA

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MONDAY

7:00pm GLSO Sppt.

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7:00pm GLSO Sppt. Grp.-"Before Stonewall" viewing

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7:30pm Gay/Lesbian Al-Anon 8:45pm Rainbow Bowling-Southland

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#### November 1993

#### GLSO Wishes All a Happy Thanksgiving

6:00pm Frontrunners-Woodls Park 6:30pm MCC-L'ville 8:00pm Gay/Lesbian AA 10:00pm ICBE Show-Club U

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SATURDAY

9:00am Frontrunners 10:00am HIV/AIDS Sppt.Grp. 10:00am G/L Svcs. Network 8:00pm "Kathy & Mo Show"... 9:00pm Sock Hop II @UU ...

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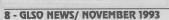
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7:30pm Men's Chorus 7:30pm UK Lambda 8:00pm "Kathy & Mo Show"-Actors Guild 8:00pm HIV/AIDS Sppt.Grp.

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#### LES' BIAN

(Lesbian)

GLSO's article "New Lesbian Book Catalog Launched" quotes one of the co-owners of Heartland Books as saying "...The frustration and loneliness of trying to come out in an area devoid of lesbian resources was awful. I would have given anything for a service like this <Heartland Books> in those days."

Like Heartland Books, Les'Bian comes out of

this similar frustration.

It took me two months to start finding my sisters. The search took time and courage. I could have gone to bars, but my kindred sisters are busy with homes, work, relationships, families, children, etc.

I've been to some wonderful pot lucks in the past few months with my sisters. I was at home. I belonged. I didn't know everyone at first, but we knew we were family. We laughed - with and at each other; we talked about memories and plans for the future; we shared information about events, counseling centers, schools, groups; we made plans to get together again -next month! We were sad to leave one another -wondering when we would be together again with the same ease - as friends, as sisters.

Les'Bian is a place, a feeling. It's a book discussion, a yoga class, a writing workshop, an art class, a walk, a movie, a theater outing, a hike, a picnic - whatever it takes to help us grow and stay together. It's sisters sharing our fears, dreams and passions

and our excitement for life!

The Women's Center has been kind enough to offer us a place to meet (food and drink allowed). Les'Bian began September 29 and will meet each Wednesday from 6:30 to 8:30 pm. Please call The Women's Center for further information or contact name.

Planned events for October: 27th thru Nov. 17th - writing workshop, (no meeting Nov. 24th). December will be dedicated to the arts - finger painting, collage making, drawing, crafts, etc.

Can't wait to see you, and see you, and see you

#### Cristo Press

If you would like to receive different information about how to contact different denominations of religious groups for gays & lesbians, a brochure with the addresses of over 20 different organizations, write to CRISTO PRESS, P.O.Box 32441, Phoenix AZ 85064.

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they are, it would help for people to show up to show support. Kathy Johnson is the contact with the Victims Advocate Program (252-3571), and it has been recommended to call the Commonwealth Attorney if you have any information dealing with this murder. Montie especially needs our support and presence during the trial. Please try to be there.



by Jeff Jones

**DENVER**: The suit over the constitutionality of Colorado's Amendment 2 began in October. A2 amends Colorado's state constitution to block any type of civil rights covering homo/bisexuals. The state's arguments range from homosexuals as a wealthy and powerful lobby to gay people as mentally ill. This case is expected to end up before the US Supreme Court and could be instrumental in defining the legal future of gay rights.

**BERLIN**: Germany's highest court ruled Oct. 13 that same sex couples currently had no right to legalized marriage but also called upon the legislature to consider

better protections for homosexual couples.

COLORADO SPRINGS, CO: Seven Lesbian Avengers were arrested in Oct. for disturbing the peace at the opening of the new \$30 million headquarters for the right-wing Focus on the Family. The women wore Lesbian Avengers t-shirts and chanted "We are part of your family" and "Jesus loves us too." Focus on the Family sponsored in part the rabidly anti-gay Amendment 2. The US Air Force provided parachuters and a choir for the opening in which public school buses were used to transport people.

**WASHINGTON:** The US House passed a bill on Sept. 21 that raises the penalties for hate-motivated crimes (including those based on sexual orientation characteristics). The list expected to face problems passing the Senate because of its inclusion of gay

people.

#### WAS IT EVER COLD, OR WHAT!!!

by Steve R.

The annual GLSO Campout was a huge success, as always. Around twenty people showed up this year. It had rained during the afternoon, so getting up the steep hill was pretty tricky. However, through the mud and rain, even a long horse trailer made it. (Yes, TSGRA guys, there were cowboys and horses there!) The trees were fantastic in the reds and yellows of early fall. It rained lightly through the early evening, then cleared off. The huge campfire was great—thank you Willy and Eddie. We had hot dogs and marshmellows and lots of fun and companionship. It got a little cold during the night, but we made it through—teeth chattering and blue butts. The next morning the fire was stoked and everyone shared doughnuts, bacon, eggs, and the best coffee in the world. The sky was beautiful blue and the air was crisp. We went on the annual walk and made the group picture. Those of you that chickened out missed a great time. See you next year!

#### **Lights! Camera! Action!**

Have you been channel surfing along and stopped on the public access channel? Usually, it seems, there is one church service or another being broadcast. Occasionally, there will be an unusual show that will catch your attention for a while, and you say to yourself, "Hey! I can do better than that!"

It is relatively easy to get your own show on the public access channel. All you need to do is call Telecable and sign up for one of their classes. Basiclly, this class is to teach you how to use their lights and cameras and

tell you what you can or cannot broadcast.

I have read recently how many communities now have KKK and Neo-Nazi, racist, homophobic hate mongering shows on the public access channel. Before that happens here, and some of the broadcasts I have seen are definitely homophobic, I would like to see some gay friendly programming.

I know there are lots of talented, out-going people here in our community. So, I am throwing down the gauntlet to you; be it good or so-so; is anyone up to the challenge of putting on a gay public access show? If so, be sure to let us know when it is scheduled to air. I hope to catch it on the tube soon!

#### TSGRA Busy in October

The Tri-State Gay Rodeo Association held a number of events last month. On Oct. 2 TSGRA hosted a contest at Crossings to elect the new Mr./Ms./Miss TSGRA:

Mr. TSGRA- Rick Godbey Ms. TSGRA- Jennifer Alvris Miss TSGRA- Jamie Clay

These winners are now expected to raise a minimum of \$500 for a charity of their choice during their reigns as well as to help raise community awareness of TSGRA.

TSGRA also hosted the People's Rodeo on Oct.3 with the money raised going to an as yet

undecided charity.

Former local chapter president, Terry Mullins, has also been elected as president of the entire three state (KY, IN, OH) regional TSGRA. On the local level, there are new officers:

President: Paul Gregory Vice President: Richard Watts Secretary: Ben Salyers Treasurer: Cathy Barnhiesl

Lexington is fortunate to have such an active and fun group of men and women in our community. They bring us fun and money for several worthy charities.



#### CLASSIFIEDS

**WANTED:** Volunteer editor for the GLSO News. Offers wide contact with all aspects of our community. Requires writing/editing skills, organizational abilities and commitment. Access to computer (McIntosh or IBM compatible ok) very helpful. If intersted, please contact Mary at 266-5904.

**GWM**, 24, cute, sexy go-go boy stud seeks accomplished professional man. Share your assets and I'll share mine. Write to: ATTN: Go-go, POB 647, UK Main, Lex., KY 40506.

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**WANTED**: Volunteer writers for the GLSO News and people to staff the GLSO Phoneline. For more information, contact Mary at 266-5904 or Peter (for the Phoneline) at 273-5845.

#### Lesbian Lists

Carroll & Graf publishing have announced the release of a new book of interest to lesbians, **Lesbian Lists** by Dell Richards. Contact Carrol & Graf at 260 Fifth Avenue, New York, NY 10001, or call (212) 889-8772.

#### Racism in the Gay Community?

by LS

I have noticed in my electronic travels through various on-line computer networks a lot of discussion on racism in the gay community.

It is sad to think that as an oppressed minority ourselves that there would be oppression by members of our own ranks.

I am not going to lecture here, as I don't know if that would do any good. I am going to ask that you examine your comments and ask yourself, "If someone made comments that I make and used the words gay or lesbian in the place of \_\_\_\_, would I be offended?" If you would maybe you should examine your behavior and attitudes. The world is full of enough hate. Don't be guilty of adding to it.

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**Family Catalogs** 

Heartland Books a company run by two Vermont women has announced the arrival of the second Heartland Books Catalog, which offers a wide variety of lesbian and feminist reading by mail. The new catalog contains approximately 125 book selections covering such categories as fiction, biography, relationships, erotica and sexuality. In addition a find selection of lesbian and feminist wall calendars and datebooks is available. To receive a free copy, write to Heartland Books, P.O.Box 1105F, East Corinth, VT 05040.

The MC Film Festival Home Video Catalogue which features over 165 movies available on video that are of interest to the lesbigay community can be obtained by calling 1-800-445-7134 or writing to The 54561 Corporation, P.O.Box 20071, Tampa FL 33622-0071.

**Bowlers Accepting New Teams** 

The Rainbow Bowling League will reach the half way mark of its season on Tuesday, December 7. At that time, any interested new players and teams can join for the remainder of the season. The Rainbow Bowling League meets on Tuesdays at 8:45pm at Southland Bowling Lanes. For more info, call Teri at 268-8563.

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#### **CLAIRE OF THE MOON RELEASE**

Demi-Monde Productions has announced the upcoming release of their movie Claire of the Moon on video. To receive information about obtaining this special Collector's Edition (which will include a personalized message from the film's director, Nichole Conn) or the soundtrack or a theatrical poster, please call (503) 436-2054 or (818) 355-7376, or write to P.O.Box 1245, Cannon Beach OR 97110. Proceeds from these products will go toward financing the two new lesbian-themed feature films that Nichole Conn is currently working on.

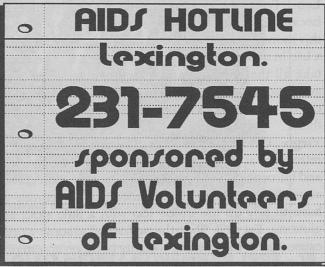
Lexington P-FLAG

October is National Family Sexuality Education Month. In keeping with the celebration in Lexington, a new chapter of P-Flag, Parents and Friends of Lesbians and Gays has been formed. The organization's purpose is to promote the acceptance of all gay, lesbian and bisexual person through healing families, educating society and advocation for equal civil rights for all. An important part of P-Flag is to act as a family support organization for parents, families, and friends of lesbians and gays to dialogue in confidentiality with others who have loved ones who are homosexual.

Growing out of the 1979 Human Rights March on Washington, and begun in 1981 by parents of lesbians and gays, P-FLAG now has over 300 chapters in the US

and eleven foreign countries.

The Lexington Chapter will hold its second meeting on November 18TH at 7:30 pm at the Chapel Hill Presbyterian Church, 3534 Tates Creek Road at Armstrong Mill. All interested persons are cordially invited to attend. For more information, call Ruth at 276-1777 or send inquiries to P-FLAG, PO Box 55484, Lexington KY 40555-5484.



#### Horoscopes

Aries: You have been craving it. Just go ahead and do it: take some time off and center yourself. Get that work done. Then you can start the chase again. Anyway, she/he probably needs a bit of a headstart to make the chase more fun.

Taurus: Good lord, child, don't get stuck again cooking Thanksgiving dinner for your entire family tree! Take them out...or better, get that cute Capricorn to take YOU and them out: give them that "familial duty" speech they so cherish. Remember that you need some holiday time too and that people will love you and enjoy your company even without that special broccoli casserole this year.

**Gemini**: Halloween: the last day of the year in the old Celtic calendar. Boy, it sure seems like a new year with the rush of new things...and new people. Just hold on and enjoy the ride right on into the holidays. Keep the merry elf personality online and save the grinch for the therapist for now. Remember: it is all gonna work out fine...and if not, it will give you something new to think about.

Cancer: Let's admit it: times have been a little too stormy for you Crabs this fall: change after shocker after scandal after sordid detail! Get out the flannel sheets and the hot tea. Babysit those nieces and nephews that love to hug you...and love you SO much. You deserve some gentleness. Sit back and wait for the holidays: November is your cycle for warm fuzzies.

Leo: For some reason, the phrase "don't hate me because I'm beautiful" may seem to run thru your mind this month. And my oh my, nothing is more feral than a Leo in a hot, red sweater. Just watch it that you don't take all the limelight and attention and forget those gentle souls who love you even when you look like a cat just out of the tub. Wrap you and that sweater about them.

**Virgo**: October was such a nice and tidy month...in retrospect at least. November finds you a bit moody and introspective: maybe its the weather? Don't brood about being moody. Remember that sometimes we have to tidy up the inside too with a little sloth and gluttony. Eat well. Shoo the partner off to some worthy cause and sit back with a weighty book on spirituality.

The dishes can wait.

Libra: That's right, kiddo: it's the holidays again and you are once more the hostess/host with the most! Showtime! Iron those napkins. Take that catering job. Arrange that party AND mail all 348 personalized Christmas cards. You've got the energy. You may want something more permanent and time with friends, but everything you do this month will bring you laughs and renewed self-esteem.

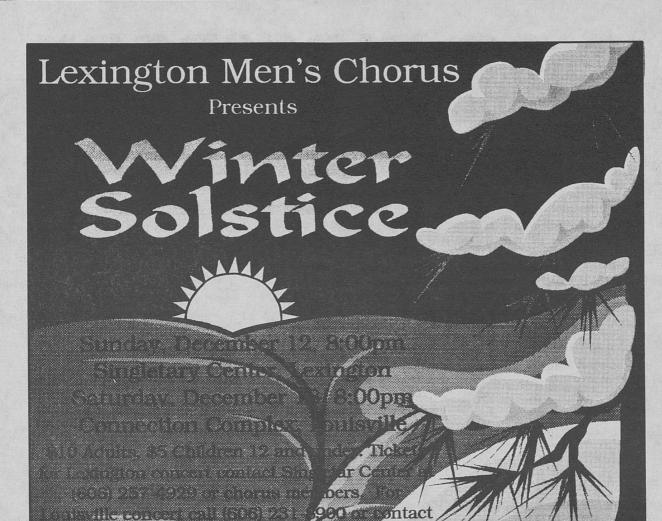
**Scorpio**: You have been unusually cheerful and open lately. What can be wrong? There is nothing like a cold, wet, fall day to make a Scorpio pine for some doe-eyed Pisces to expose those dusty secrets and stored-up passions. Sure, it's scary and you probably will think it's all gonna come back on you. But, you will enjoy it anyway. You just go ahead and have a love in all your own, baby!

Sagittarius: Once again the eternal November question: gluttony with celibacy or lust with macaroni and cheese? Why choose? Have those long, sensual dinner conversations with friends...but do it early. The little snuggle...er..."fun"...buddy can come over later to "keep you in shape." The work will flow. The laughs will flow. Your waistline could flow. Sure, it's scary, but you just watch <u>Pollyanna</u> for the 73rd time. Be glad. Life's good. You have January to ponder the meaning of it all.

**Capricorn**: Life has been chaotic, and you seem to be trying to please everyone. The only thing is: it's not working. Take a step back and do something for your own for a change. You might find that it not only pleases you...but them too!

Aquarius: Feel that energy inside glowing like a nuclear reactor. Where can it all be coming from? All these plans for business and people are in a holiday mindset. Irritating as all get-out, eh? Well, keep tight lips and save the organizing for late January when people are bored. Anyway, they need to be planning a birthday party around then anyway, eh?

**Pisces**: Admit it: you feel like a character actor in a 2nd rate sitcom. Life just lacks the proper "fairy tale" quality just now. And, what is the world is happening to your hair anyway? Be of good cheer, though: more people love you than you know. Little things you will do in November will mean a lot to people, and it may take you until December to realize it.





The Lexington Men's Chorus is a proud member of the International Gay and Lesbian Association of Choruses.

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If you suspect that you have been discriminated against because of being HIV+, contact these agencies:

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National G/L Crisisline

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(Th-Sun 7p-12a)

To report Hate Crimes: The U.S. Dept. of Justice 800-457-HATE

Roman Catholic HIV Ministry

(John).....231-9955

**The GLSO NEWS** is in a time of transition and needs the support of the lesbigay community. First, we need an editor. It is a big job, but can be a rewarding one. We have a dedicated staff in place: Kristin Smith - layout and printing editor, Lee Stormbringer - folding and distribution manager, and Jeff Jones -writer and organizer. If you think that you might be interested please call Mary Crone at 266-5904.

Secondly, we need writers and an ad-manager for the newsletter. We would like to increase our coverage of local events and are actively seeking articles form local organizations about their activities. We also would enjoy printing letters of response to opinions or articles we publish. If you are interested in being either a regular columnist, an occasional contributor, or just writing a single article, again please give us a call.

Finally, we are seeking new subscribers to the newsletter. Last month we gave away approximately 500 free copies of the GLSO NEWS. We plan to make a reduced number of free copies available in the future. We would encourage all of you who currently pick up your copy at one of our free distribution points to consider paying for a subscription. The GLSO NEWS also makes a wonderful gift.

The GLSO NEWS is delivered in a plain envelope near the beginning of each month. The mailing list is always kept confidential. The money we taking in for paid subscriptions and for advertising does not always cover our printing and mailing costs. Our bank account is

dropping and we need your financial support.

The GLSO NEWS helps to bring us together as a community. It informs us of what is happening and provides us with a forum for our diverse opinions. It reaches out to people struggling to open the closet door. At this time, as the opposition is gathering strength to limit our lives, we all need to give what we can to support and enliven our community. Please consider what you have to offer and give us a call. Thanks...

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