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# Mother Jane CD Debut

Mark your Calendar for Wednesday night, Sept 27, 8 PM. Rock, Women & Blues Presents Mother Jane at Mia's (120 S Upper St., Lexington 859-455-9903). Mia's will never be the same.

Mother Jane, a regular performer at Mia's, has chosen to keep it in the family and have their CD release in their most familiar club. Having kicked around a few other locations, Mia's was chosen because the band works well there, and the management has been very supportive. There will be no cover charge.

The big difference on this night will be the actual layout. The Party will be in the Dining room. Concert t-shirts will be available. If anyone is interested in becoming a named sponsor on the T-shirt, Please Call K. Fillips of Rock Women & Blues at 859-252-3014.

The self titled CD has 9 tracks of original songs, which artfully capture the passion of this song-writing team. Beth Burden and Lisa Raymond have been ...continued on page 2

GLSO Web Page up and running at www.angelfire.com/Ky2 /bluegrassGLSO

# Miss National At Large

On Wed. Sept. 20, the Miss National At Large 2000 competition will be held a The Bar Complex. The show will begin at 9 PM and admission is \$7.

High quality entertainment will feature Miss Kentucky National At Large 1999, LaToya Bacall; Miss National 1999, Ashley Kruiz; Cincinnati siren, Quasi; and from Orlando, Florida, Miss National At-Large 2000, Darcel Stevens. Contact LaToya or John Moses at 859-294-0901 for applications and information.

# The Closet Ball

The 19th anniversary Closet Ball will be held at Club 141 (141 W Vine Street) one fine evening in September. (Call Tracy Taylor for exact date - 255-6470.) This pageant, named after Empress 1 Julie Vaughn, is a perennial favorite in the region.

If you are unfamiliar with the event, imagine some man or woman always wanting to have the "guts" to perform in drag. Well this is their chance. Open to all that have never performed in drag for tips, contestants are presented in their birth gender, and then have one hour to be "continued on page 2"

# LMC hires Musical Director

In the fine musical tradition that has most recently included Loren Tice, Dawn Coon, and Richard Giles, the Lexington Men's Chorus has hired a new Musical Director---Tim Glasscock. Tim, Kentucky born and bred but most recently of New Albany, Indiana, has returned to Lexington to complete his Doctor of Musical Arts in Choral Conducting from the University of Ky. LMC is indeed lucky to have hired such a gifted and experienced director.

both his Tim completed Bachelor and Master degrees in Music Education at the University of Louisville School of Music. For the last 8 years he has been Choral Director and Adjunct Instructor at indiana University Southeast where he directed the Concert Choir, University Pop Ensemble and foundthe University Madrigal Ensemble. ...continued on page 2

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**Mother Jane...**continued from page 1 performing together as Mother Jane, in Lexington and Louisville, for one and a half years.

Mother Jane is Beth Burden, 26, a native Kentuckian and Lisa Raymond, 29, from Massachusetts. Burden began writing music at 17. She moved to Montana in 1996 and started playing in coffee shops and festivals. Burden moved back to Lexington in 1997 and founded Mother Jane shortly thereafter.

Raymond had previously played for money during college, but soon left the music scene. She joined Mother Jane in April 1999 and has enjoyed being "back in the business."

Mother Jane's music theory is simple, write with impact, play with soul, and leave a listener wanting more. With the new CD you can have more!

Closet Ball...continued from page 1 transformed into the god or goddess of their dreams.

Closet Ball Queen is open to wannabe female impersonator and Closet Ball King is open to wannabe male impersonators. Empress 19 Tracy Taylor and Emperor 19 E.V. will preside over this event, which traditionally kicks off the new reign.

People have been anticipating this event all summer, and we expected a good turnout. Come early to get a good seat.

Men's Chorus ... continued from page 1
He has also been a Teaching
Assistant/Assistant Conductor at the
University of Ky where he helped conduct the University Chorale and the
University Men's Chorus. Many people from Lexington will know Tim from
his year as Assistant Conductor of
Lexington Singers.

LMC will be Tim's first experience with a gay chorus and the repertoire of gay music that is emanating from the growing gay and lesbian choral movement. He traveled with LMC to San Jose and joined 6000 delegates and 110 choruses from around the world to attend the Gay and Lesbian Association of Choruses GALA Festival in July.

Rehearsals for Lexington Men's Chorus begin Sunday. September 10th, from 5:30-7:45 at St. Michael's Episcopal Church. Note: new day, time and location. LMC is a non-auditioned chorus. For more information contact Shelby at 231-0090.

# Gay Straight Alliance Youth Group

We know that the average american high school is one of the most homophobic environments in our country. We know that LBGT youth need our support.

Partly because we, as a group, are more out, the upcoming generation - queer youth, questioning teens, gay children - have less chance to stay in denial or in the closet. They need safe space in which to meet, talk, explore who they are, and develop self esteem. (Are you uncomfortable with some of these terms? Ask yourself why.)

There is now a collaboration forming between NCCJ (National Conference for Community and Justice) and GLSO to make a Gay Straight Alliance Youth Group a reality in Lexington. We plan to meet on September 27 at 7 pm, place to be announced. We will be sending out letters to encourage a variety of organizations and individuals to attend.

If you would like to be included or for more information contact Mary Crone at 266-5904 or Mahjabeen Rafiuddin at NCCJ 255-6999.

# Community News

#### Discussion Group

The Discussion Group is meeting at Turner Counseling, Suite 1, 2216 Young Drive, on Wed. nights from 7 to 8:30. This group provides a supportive and safe place to share your experiences and concerns about coming out and living everyday as a lesbian, gay man, bisexual, or transgendered person.

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We ask only that participants respect each other's feelings, protect each other's anonymity, and understand that we are all at different places in our lives. The group is not qualified to provide professional therapy and Turner Counseling is in no way involved or responsible for the content of the meetings.

If you could use some support or have some support to give please join us. For any information call Jane at 859-389-7698 or email at ladyjaneky@yahoo.com

#### Lori B. at Lynagh's

Lori B. will be preforming at Lynagh's on Saturday, Sept. 2. She is scheduled as the warm up act but that does not signify less talent. Women who heard her sing at the National Women's Music Festival report that she is a great songwriter and performer. Cost is \$15. Come out to support her and Lynagh's for bringing her to Lexington.

#### Moveable Feast.

Moveable Feast has delivered over 25,000 meals to people with HIV disease in the last 2 1/2 years. That is 365 days a year without missing a day. This food enables many

people to live independently and can be the difference between life and death for some.

We are always in need of volunteers. Delivering meals is very easy; you come in at 5:15 pm and you are through by 7pm (often earlier). If you can drive a car you can change a life.

We are also looking for someone who knows how to use Quick Books to give a few hours a week in the office, doing data entry, balancing the accounts, and paying bills. If you have an accounting background or bookkeeping experience we could use your help. Please give us a call 252-2867.

#### Interweave

Interweave. the lesbigaytrans social action group at the UU Church, will be having a cookout on Sunday evening, Sept 24. You do not have to be a church member to participate in Interweave so if you would like to join us give Davina a call for directions.(271-6174)

We will also be helping with the annual garage sale on Sept 2, a great place to find some unusual items as well as some good second hand clothing. See other UU Church News on page 4.

#### SISTAHS IN THE LIFE

Sistahs in the Life is a newly formed and growing social/support collective for Lesbians of African Descent. They meet every other Wednesday and have a two day retreat planned for October. For location or other information, call LeTonia 233-3751, or Joan 252-2657.

## Rape Crises Training

The Bluegrass Rape Crisis Center is looking for individuals to participate in the Fall volunteer training. BRCC volunteers answer the 24 hour crisis line and accompany victims to the hospital. Training begins on September 15. Please call Jennifer at 253-2615 by Sept. 10for more information.

# Social Concepts

Social Concepts is planning a "soft" camp out/cookout on Sat., Sept. 23. "Soft" means we will choose a place where there are toilets, electricity, and showers. Call Ginger for more information at 389-7698.

# Wishing Chair

Wishing Chair's September schedule includes:

7 Cheapside, Lex. 10-1 pm, duo 12 Songwriting Class begins, Carnegie Center, Lex. 6:15 pm 21 Cheapside, Lex. 10-1 pm, duo 24 Carnegie Songwriter Series, with Fred Gillen Jr. & Johnny Miles

#### Transylvania Univ. Adds To Anti-Discrimination Policy

Transylvania University has added "sexual orientation" to it's anti-discrimination clause. It now reads:

"The policy of Transylvania University shall be to provide equal opportunity for all persons and to prohibit discrimination because of race, color, religion, sex, handicap, age, national origin, or sexual orien-

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Community News Continued tation, and to promote the full realization of equal opportunity for all persons, including, without limitation, officers, employees, applicants for admission and students.

#### Unitarian Church News

The Unitarian Universalist Church has a number of groups and programs that may be of interest the the LBGT community. Our annual Garage Sale will be on Sat., Sept 2, from 8 am until 4. Lots of good buys.

The Women's Spirituality Group will be meeting at 6:30 for potluck and at 7:15 for a program on Friday nights Sept 8 and 22. We do a variety of activities and rituals focusing on spiritual and emotional support of each other. We will be participating in the CUUP's Fall

Pagan Festival on Sept 16 from 10 to 7 at the church.

The land that the Unitarian Universalist Church occupies was previously a farm owned by Richard Allen. In 1882, Allen became concerned about the spread of religious dogmatism and established the Republican Meeting House, an independent church dedicated to freedom of religious thought and expression.

The Unitarian Church is resurrecting the vision of Richard Allen by presenting a series of Republican Meeting House Programs to stimulate discussion of progressive ideas. On Sept. 14 at 7 pm you are invited to Beyond Simplicity: Tough Issues for a New Era., Where Ecology meets Social Justice. The featured speaker will be Father Al Fritsch, the Director of Appalachia-Science in the Public

Interest.

Father Fritsch has written "down to Earth Spirituality, "Eco-Church" and "Renew the Face of the Earth." A photography exhibit by Ky. photographer Warren Brunner will also be displayed.

If you would like some time to visit with folks before the address, come at 6 pm for Simple Living Dinner Potluck, an ongoing event at the UU church.

## FALL PAGAN FESTIVAL

The CUUPS chapter at the Unitarian Universalist Church will be hosting a Fall Festival on, Saturday, Sept. 16 from 10 am until 7 pm. It will be outside in our ample green space, 3564 Clays Mill Rd. unless bad weather drives us into the building. There will be booths, workshops, rituals, and a raffle. Please join us.



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PLEASE CONTACT LATOYA OR JOHN AT (859)294-0901 FOR MORE INFO

BUYING A HOUSE

WE RE NOT WHERE WE WERE by Kelly O Ferrell

You can say that again! We are definitely not where we were. Tam and I were laying in bed the other night (in our new house on Meadow Lane) when she said, "Do you remember when we were living at Brandy Wine apartments and you wouldn't give me a stamp?"

"No I do not," I replied. "As a matter of fact, I have no idea what you're talking about."

"We were laying out by the pool one day and I asked if you had some stamps I could have and you asked me if I had the money to pay you for them."

"You are out of you're mind," I said. "I would never have said something like that to you."

But, the more she talked, the more I began to remember. She was right. We were completely separate - financially. I just couldn't trust her.

My parents never showed me jealousy, but they sure showed me mistrust in one another financially.

Now, here we are, able to own a car, house, washer/dryer, fridge - everything - together. But, it took time, energy, willingness and change to get from there to here.

When we've needed to buy an appliance for the house, we just walk in Sears, look for a few minutes and buy. That's why it was so amazing the night we stood in the cookie isle of Kroger and couldn't agree on a bag of cookies to buy.

So, here's a brief update of our house buying:

We've had more money flowing out of that house than shit - literally. For the first two weeks, there was some horrible ordor.

On our second night there, the toilet over flowed (I had no idea a toilet could hold that much water) and we paid a plumber \$52 the next day to turn the water back on at the base of the toilet, flush and tell us we needed a plunger.

Then, we paid Roto Rooter \$77 the following day - after the toilet over flowed again - to snake out some calcium deposits.

And still the house smelled.

We'd been told to run some water down the shower and sink in the basement since we didn't use them. (We have a half bath in the corner of the basement that has no walls and no tub - the shower drain is in the basement cement floor.)

So, last Thursday, I was pouring some bleach water down the shower drain, wondering once again why there was dried toilet paper on the cement floor around the shower drain, when all of a sudden the water stopped going down and started coming up.

I decided to flush the comode that sits beside the shower and, the next thing I knew, there came the root of the odor up that shower drain.

"Shit," I thought. "Now what?" I was way over that smell and this house by that time.

Unfortunately, we paid Roto Rooter \$120 the next day to come and NOT fix the problem. That's when I called the city and, four men and three trucks later, the job was done - for free!

Well, you just don't know how nice it is for your house to not smell until it has smelled for two weeks.

And, it's amazing how much I simply enjoy being there now that it doesn't smell. Tam's brother spent about 40 hours scraping old wall paper and paint off the spare room

walls and then spent about 4 hours painting it a beautiful lavender. Tam and I finished painting the trim in one day because we wanted to see the new stuff we'd bought for that room.

I had just finished sweeping the floor and decided to run an idea by Tam: "How about we put the furniture in the room and then clean the floor around the furniture (we'd gotten some paint on the floor)?"

She paused, which kinda took me by surprise. Then she said, "Definitely!"

So, the stuff is in the room and we'll clean the floors sometime later. My mother would lay awake at night if she knew.

Of course, my father would have something to say about all those plumbing issues.

So, I don't tell them!! It's just taken me a few years to finally learn that one.

As far as my job goes, one of the guys I work with said to another coworker: "The only thing that comes out of Texas is Queers and steers, and I don't see any horns on your head."

It kind of took me by surprise and then I had to decide if I was even offended or not. I was not. But, never the less, I decided to talk to him about it later that day.

"Do you know that I live with a woman?"

"What?" he asked.

Say it out right, Kelly, I thought.

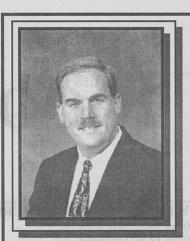
"Do you know that I am a lesbian?" I asked.

"No," he sheepishly replied.

"I didn't think so. I wanted to tell you so you wouldn't tell some queer/fag joke."

"Okay," he said.

For today, All Truly Is Well at home and work.



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#### OHIO LESBIAN FESTIVAL

The Ohio Lesbian Festival will be on Sat., Sept. 9. This is a great festival to attend; it lasts only one day, from 11AM to 11PM, and it is a relatively short drive to Columbus, Ohio. There will be over 50 merchants, workshops, food sales, comediennes and good music.

Performers this year include Ferron, Suzanne Westenhoefer, and Teresa Trull / Barbara Higbie on the night stage; Quartetto di Lesbos, Jamie Anderson, and Jazzman on the day stage. Tickets are \$26 in advance (available at Alfalfa's) and \$32 at the gate.

Directions: Take 270 around Columbus to the east. Exit onto 70 East. Exit at Rt 310, go North. Turn right at the intersection of Rt. 310 and Rt. 40, drive 3 miles east until you see the Frontier Ranch sign. Turn left onto York Rd. The entrance to Frontier Ranch is .3 miles on the left.



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1 FRIDAY

2 SATURDAY

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# Insurance Blues by Reinette Jones

A series of disagreements about our insurance premiums caused Kat and me to re-evaluate our business with the company. It was my assigned task to get recommendations and information about other companies so that we could do a comparison. This has always been my job since we became a couple, which was six years ago when I was sweet talked into believing that I liked to talk to insurance agents. Kat had said something about us having different strengths and I was in such an enamored smaze that I agreed.

Back then, it had been a challenge to find a lesbian-friendly insurance company with lesbian-friendly policies and prices. And when all was said and done, we had gotten one renter's policy and two auto policies. It had felt like a major accomplishment. So, for the present search, our goal was to replace the homeowner's policy and also get one auto policy for both of our cars. That didn't seem like too much of a request.

I got pens and paper and a cup of tea, and took my seat beside the phone. Surely some new attitudes were in town and the hunt wouldn't be as bad as it had been the last time. The whole process was going to be over in no time at all, or so I had hoped.

First Call -- "No, there is not a man. Reinette is a woman's name and stop calling me Mr. Jones. Yes, Kathy is a woman also. No, there is not a man. Reinette is a woman's name and stop calling me Mr. Jones. Yes, Kathy is a woman also."

The Understanding Call -- "It is good to know that your company is

more progressive and open-minded and understands that there are different types of families, but you are reading way too much into what I just said; one of us was not born a man and there have been no sex changes. I understand that you are trying to understand, but you don't understand."

Another Call -- "No, we do not have a business, we are partners, a couple, as in we sleep in the same bed. Aha, now you got it! You've never heard the word used that way before, so what term does your company use?"

Know It All Call -- "Yes, I am sure that we want one policy for both cars, and the car titles will remain separate. Excuse me, how do you know that no insurance company offers one auto policy for this type of household?"

Last Straw Call -- "I said librarian, not lesbian. Well, we are lesbians but. What? Levin? No, I didn't say levin, I said lesbian, which has nothing to do with lightning. What? You will have to call me back about my claim? I don't have a claim!"

After hours of talking on the telephone, I had managed to get two reasonable quotes and neither included a joint auto insurance policy. Kat reassured me that we had to have insurance and the search was a small price to pay for finding the right insurance company, and I needed to pace myself.

Pace myself? She had to be kidding! I could have dropped the phone book on the floor and let some pages flop open, then called everybody with an 'e' in their name, and still we would have had only two insurance quotes. But rather than damage the phone book, I opted to fix some microwave popcorn and work on my

telephone etiquette. I needed a minor distraction while I regained my composure. So, I put the popcorn bag inside the microwave, set the time for 5 minutes, and went to work on a new strategy.

Sniff, sniff! Somebody was burning something and the smoke was coming out of our microwave oven. Our old oven had never heated anything in less than 5 minutes. I snatched the bag of popcorn out of the microwave, threw it into the sink, and sprayed the bag with cold water. Smoke and steam rose toward the cathedral ceiling, but the fire inside the bag was extinguished. The whole incident had to be an intertwisted message evicted from the other side of fate; popcorn should not be a distraction, I needed to get back on the phone and stop explaining who we were and get the policies that we wanted.

AAA was next on the list. The receptionist transferred my call to somebody named Karen in insurance. I told the agent that my partner and I wanted homeowners insurance and auto insurance. She asked if we had a domestic relationship. I wasn't about to explain who we were again, so I asked her to explain what she meant by a domestic relationship. She said that Travelers Indemnity Company recognizes domestic relationships the same as married couples, which means that we could have one auto insurance policy. Plus, we could get a discount if one of us was a member of AAA.

There had to be a catch, or else the smoking popcorn genie had granted me one wish. I had been calling insurance companies all morning and not one of them had even mentioned the word domestic. I

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jotted down the coverage and price information and thanked Karen for her time. If what she had said was true, then Kat and I could save about \$200 per year on our auto insurance.

The next day Kat and I went to talk to Karen in person. Yes, we could still insure both of our cars on one policy and the cars did not have to be titled under one name. That was it, we made the change.

There may be other insurance companies that recognize domestic relationships, and if you know of one, please share that information with others. For more information about auto insurance through AAA, give Karen Stucker-Leising or one of the other agents at call at (859) 219-3333.

...Intercultural Lesbians!

# RHETORIC

By Lori Shepherd

They say that the first step in healing is to admit that you have a problem so here goes; Hi my name is Lori and I am addicted to conservative rhetoric.

It may sound crazy but I crave the voice of Rush Limbaugh. I actually have the AM stations preset for the on my car radio. And perhaps the worst of all, I have started listening to Dr. Laura.

Everything about them makes me sick, but I just can't seem to help myself. When I first started I would tell people that it was important to "know your enemy."

Now I not only know them I get their newsletters. It has gotten so bad that I have stopped wondering why the callers on Dr. Laura's show announce that they are their "babies momma." Much like a Log Cabin Republican, I live in a constant state of turmoil. The rational and I might add Lesbian side of me knows that these people are all hate mongers and that by listening to them I lend credence to their causes but the addiction is just to strong. I try to avoid it but there is just too much of it floating around out there.

Yesterday I decided to watch a good, reaffirming movie like, If These Walls Could Talk 2 (there is nothing like seeing Sharon Stone half clothed to remind you why the Right is wrong), but it didn't work. As soon as the TV came on I was entranced by God's QVC channel, The 700 Club.

Here is a host wearing too much rouge, selling miraculous products and asking for a lot of money, and I just can't push play on the VCR. He's talking about the Gay Agenda 2000 and I just gotta hear it.

By the time he gets done I actually believe that there is a troupe of leather clad homosexuals out there organizing for a gay uprising, and all the straight youth of America will be sucked in and "turned" gay. The thing is, I want to join. There are so few times you get to wear leather you know.

I can feel my addiction starting to affect my personal life as well. It was during the Republican National Convention. I waited until Leea fell asleep so that I could sneak back to the living room and watch the convention on C-Span. I knew I had to wait until she was sleeping because she almost had a spasm when I had her watch a Reform Party speech by Pat Buchanan with me.

The other day on our way to Louisville, Leea was scanning the stations on the radio and went right past James Dobson's Focus on the Family. I couldn't believe it, I was furious. She acted like she didn't know what she had done, but by the time I found the station again it was over and I think she was pleased.

I'm worried about the election in November, what will I do if Georgie Jr. gets into the White House? The rhetoric will take over my life, all of our lives. Every radio station, nightly newscast and newspaper will be spreading the right's rhetoric each and everyday for the next four years!

My friends I come to you today to beg you to help me. There are no patches I can put on, no 12-step programs or rehab facilities that I can go to. The only way I can stop is to eliminate the temptations.

We must push for strict laws prohibiting the sale of Guideposts magazine to minors. We must help those brave souls who started the Stop Dr. Laura clubs and sell more bumper stickers that read: I think therefore I don't listen to Rush Limbaugh. But most of all we must register and vote Liberal in the November election.

I believe there is hope for my addiction and together we can... oh shit, is it 3:30 already....gotta go. Pat Robertson is interviewing the guy who was kicked off Survivor for reading the Bible.

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## Humanitarium Movies

In September, as part of the Roots and Heritage Festival, The Humanitarium will be showing films on two Sunday afternoons in the Central Library Theater. At 3:30 on Sunday, Sept 17, Joan Brannon, a new member of the GLSO Board, will show several of her shorts. Rhythms of Affrilachia adds layers of dance, music, archival footage and other visuals to a powerful foundation of words written by Affrilachian poets, Kelly Norman Ellis, Frank X Walker and Crystal Wilkinson.

Joan's second piece, South Africa: Beneath Rainbow Skies combines the political with the personal, as the filmmaker considers the state of South Africa three years after the legal abolishment of apartheid. An eclectic grouping of interview subjects present a variety of experiences of the new Rainbow Nation. The short touches on issues of reconstruction, homelessness, unemployment, violence, AIDS, homosexuality and what it means to live in the new South Africa.

Also on that afternoon, we will show a longer documentary: A Place of Rage, directed by Pratibha Parmar. This is a celebration of African American women and their achievements featuring interviews with Alice Walker, June Jordan and Angela Davis. These three contemporaries reassess how women such as Fannie Lou Hamer and Rosa Parks revolutionized American society. The film is highlighted with the poetry of June Jordan, and by music from Prince, Janet Jackson, The Neville Brothers, and The Staple Singers.

On the following Sunday, Sept 24, again at 3:30, two documentaries will explore some aspects of African American history that were probably left out of your American history class. Two Dollars and A Dream is a biography of Madame C.J. Walker, the child of slaves, who became America's first self-made millionairess and a supporter of the Harlam Renaissance. By interweaving social, economic and political history, this award winning film offers a view of black America from 1867 to the 1930's. The film is punctuated with the music of Duke Ellington and Cab Calloway and footage from the Cotton Club.

The second film that afternoon is The Freedom Train. The National Negro Labor Council formed in 1951 was a forerunner of the civil rights movement of the 60's. Its mission was to advance blacks in the work-

place and eliminate racism inside unions. The NNLC came under pressure from the House Un-American Activities Committee and was eventually disbanded. "Vintage footage and heartfelt recollection enhance this admiring profile of a group that pioneered the civil rights movement."

The Roots and Heritage Festival will have events all month. The Street Fair is on Saturday, Sept. 9, downtown on Rose Street. Great music, fun shopping, - a community event we should be part of.

The Humanitarium: Center for Culture and Diversity is a Lexington based organization dedicated to understanding and celebrating human diversity, rejecting intolerance and bigotry, and affirming our common humanity. The Lexington Public Library is co-sponsoring these films.

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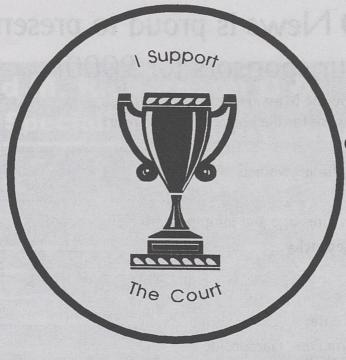
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# The Pride Center of the Bluegrass

GLSO and the Pride Center Committee are pleased to announce that we have submitted a grant request to the Gill Foundation to help pay for office expenses and for a part time office manager. Special thanks to Ginger who did a lot of writing and rewriting, organizing and prodding the rest of us to get this done. Thanks to Fe for bringing this grant to our attention and for her help, thanks to Anita for help with the budget, and thanks to Terry, Mary, and Jane for assistance in writing. The Pride Center Committee can use your help also. For information call Jane (Committee Chair) or Ginger (Pink Pages & Grant writer) at 389-7698. Watch for the Pink Pages coming out next month!

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