

### The January GLSO News



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### Straightlaced: How Gender's Got Us All Tied Up

The Kentucky Premiere of the documentary "Straightlaced: How Gender's Got Us All Tied Up" will be on January 9 at the Kentucky Theater, 214 E. Main St. A reception begins at 10:15 am and the film begins at 11 am. Free parking is available in the City Annex garage next to the Fayette County Clerk's office.

The heart of Straightlaced is candid interviews with more than 50 teens from diverse backgrounds. With courage and unexpected humor, they open up their lives to the camera: choosing between "male" and "female" deodorant; deciding whether to go along with anti-gay taunts in the locker room; having the courage to take ballet; avoiding the restroom so they won't get beaten up; or mourning the suicide of a classmate

Their stories reflect a diversity of experiences, demonstrating how gender role expectations and homophobia are interwoven, and illustrating the different ways that these expectations connect with culture, race and class.

Students from our local Dunbar High School were interviewed and included in this film. These young people went through a long process to get permission to establish a memorial garden as a place to grieve the death of loved ones. Many of them wanted to honor their friend Josh Shipman who took his own life on Oct. 5, 2006. They found that working together on this project was a very healing experience. They established a beautiful

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Happy New Year everyone! Our SisterSound's concert season is now upon us! This year we are featuring selections from Broadway! With our "Puttin' on the Ritz" theme, we certainly hope to see a great turnout for a wonderful and upbeat evening!

Our first concert of the year is January 23rd at The Church of St. Michael the Archangel. Showtime is at 7:00pm. The cost is based on a sliding scale starting at \$10. Please note that this is an earlier performance than we have had in the past. St. Michael is located at 2025 Bellefonte Drive in Lexington.

Keep an eye on our website for recent news and some of our other performance dates. If you have not visited us online for awhile, stop in and check out what's new: http://www.sistersound.org

For more information about Sister-Sound email info@sistersoud.org, or call Patti at 859-806-0243. We're looking forward to seeing each and every one of you on January 23rd!

Sponsor of the Month

Sister Sound

Puttin' on the Ritz
Saturday, Jan. 23, 7 pm

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Next meeting Jan. 14, 7pm at the Pride Center.

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place for all students to honor the passing of friends and family members.

For this film, Hannah Landers candidly and emotionally spoke of her love for Josh and her dismay at the hardships Josh endured as an openly gay and flamboyant individual. In 2008, days before Hannah and her mother were to travel to California to continue her participation in the documentary, Hannah's life was tragically cut short in an automobile accident. Hannah was 17 years old.

In an effort to continue Hannah's work and tell Josh's story, "Straightlaced" be shown with no admission charge. We hope to encourage open discussion of gender bias and help others toward a more inclusive, empowering culture.

This film is brought to you by the Jesse Higginbotham Technology Trust, the family of Hannah Landers, and Groundspark.org, a documentary film company. Donations are requested to benefit the Hannah Landers Scholarship Fund and a contribution to suicide prevention program to be made in Josh's name.

Drop by the GLSO GSA table at the film showing to find out what LBGTQS youth are doing in Lexington.

Teen Networking Meeting
Saturday, Jan. 16
Noon - 2 pm Pizza & Soda
Pride Center—389 Waller Ave
Info at marycrone@insightbb.com
859 266-5904 and see page 4

The Gay Straight Alliance for Youth Welcomes all teens ages 15—20
Every Tuesday Night 7–9
Pride Center 289 Waller Ave.

### Lex. Lyons Levi & Leather Club

The Lexington Lyons meet on the second Monday of each month. In January that will be on the 11th at 7 pm at the Pride Center, 389 Waller Ave., Ste. 100.

The Lyons are humorously know as the "Leather Junior League" for being a down home group for people who enjoy the leather/levi lifestyle.

### A Very Jairy Christmas for Pride



Santa, and Burley

### is a social group for women who iden-

Bluegrass Women's Network

The Bluegrass Women's Network

tify as lesbian. Membership is free and We use there are no obligations. a Yahoo group website to announce and coordinate our events; it's not a chat group. If you don't have access to a computer, that's ok, we also have a phone list.

Members plan a variety of activities such as potluck dinners, plays, movies, parties, card games and whatever else we manage to dream up! Members choose those activities that are appealing to them. Our goal is to enrich our lives with great friendships and memories of good times spent together.

To announce events and share information, the Bluegrass Women's Network has a private/hidden Yahoo group website. It can only be accessed by group members. Interested in joining go to http://groups.yahoo.com/ group/thebluegrasswomensnetwork/ and apply to join. Facilitators Debby Hemstock and Lynn Matlock.



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## Pride Center

Hours 10a.m. to 3pm M-F 389 Waller Ave., Ste. 100 Phone 859-253-3233

#### **Insight Group**

(One time change in meeting date)
Friday, Jan. 8th at 7 pm
Pot Luck and a Movie
Pride Center, 389 Waller Ave.

#### **GLSO News On-Line**

To receive the On-line eNews send an email to: eglsonews@yahoogroups.com
Put "on-line newsletter" in the subject line.
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## Teen Gay Straight Alliance Networking Meeting

Saturday January 16

All high school teens are invited to a networking meeting to discuss how the school GSAs can help each other with start up support, program planning, learning leadership skills, and planning community events that could include a Night of Noise in April, a Teen Art Show, and Pride Prom 2010.

GLSO GSA leaders and member of the UK GSA will provide support and training as needed.

### TransKentucky

TransKentucky is a support, social, and resource group. The group provides a place for transgender individuals and people who feel they do not fit the standard gender norms to express their true selves.

Though we're not therapeutic in nature, we provide information, advise and share resources from our unique experiences. Family, friends, and community are invited and encouraged to attend meetings.

TransKentucky meets on the first Saturday of each month at 7:30pm, doors open at 7pm. Meetings are free and you may dress however you feel comfortable. For information contact TransKentucky@gmail.com or call 859-963-6606.

### DISCUSSION GROUP

Every Wednesday at 7pm Pride Center 389 Waller, Ste. 100 All Are Welcome **SisterSound Presents** 

## Puttin' On the Ritz

Part I of the 2010 Concert Season

Saturday, January 23 7:00pm

Saint Michael's Episcopal Church 2025 Bellefonte Drive

Tickets: sliding scale starting at \$10.00

www.sistersound.org

### MLK Celebration March and Film

On Monday, January 18 there will be a number of events celebrating the life of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. There is a morning breakfast followed by the yearly march through downtown Lexington. Fairness will be forming a group to march together. If you want to participate, you will find Fairness folks in the line up area outside Heritage Hall at about 9:30 am. The march begins at 10 am.

In the early afternoon, there will be a free movie presented at the Kentucky Theater by One World Films. The Night James Brown Saved Boston is a documentary that focuses on a concert in Boston by legendary musician James Brown on the night following King's assassination. As cities around the country experienced riots and chaos, Brown managed to prevent the understandable anger and grief from exploding in the racially divided city of Boston.

This is not simply a concert film. The documentary includes archival footage that documents the events leading up to King's assassination. There is commentary by Rev. Al Sharpton, Dr. Cornel West, Rep. Alan Young, and legendary Boston DJ James "Early" Byrd.

The concert footage highlights Brown's extraordinary dance moves that seemed to defy the laws of gravity. Brown's manager Charles Bobbitt comments on how James didn't necessarily agree with all of MLK's ideas about pacifism and the Viet Nam war, but respected him greatly.

There is also interesting information about how James Brown's became more political, endorsing Hubert Humphrey, Bobby Kennedy, and Richard Nixon (that one being quite controversial), and his trip to Viet Nam. Brown also promoted and practiced black entreprenalship. A high point in this process was his recording of Say it Loud, I'm Black and I'm Proud.

### Kentucky Women's Health Registry Sign-Up Survey

The Kentucky Women's Health Registry at the University of Kentucky's Center for the Advancement of Women's Health needs women who are over age 18 and living in Kentucky to take a confidential health survey once a year. The data collected will be confidential.

The survey can be taken online at http://www.kywomensregistry.com or on paper. Call (800) 929-2320 to request a paper version of the survey. They will include a pre-paid return envelope.

The information collected is used by researchers in Kentucky to better understand how women's health changes over time. They will look at what stressors we face, who we take care of, and how these and other factors affect our health.

The name and addresses of participants will be kept in a separate database from survey answers making your survey anonymous. Your name and address are only used to remind you to take the survey again next year, to send you quarterly newsletters about what they are learning and to give you the option of participating in other forms of research.

If you have any questions about the Registry please contact either Mary Johnson the Registry Study Coordinator by phone at 859 323 1377 or by email majohng@uky.edu or Ashley McCorkle, Outreach Coordinator at 800 929 2320 or by email ashleymccorkle@uky.edu.

His Most Imperial Majesty Emperor 28 Wes Nelson, Her Most Imperial Majesty
Regent Empress 28 Nicole Diamond, and The Imperial Court of Kentucky Would like to thank you for an outstanding year of fundraising! Keep an eye out for some of our biggest events yet in 2010! Monarcks Mardi Gras And muck, muck,

#### 1 am not lost

By mary crone

There seems to be so many crucial decisions being made. As I write this, health care reform seems disappointingly minimal. Why do I not hear more often about the 45,000 Americans that died last year due to lack of health care? Our infant mortality rate is the lowest of 18 or so industrialized nations.

All is not lost; many will keep struggling for justice

American wars are being fought by a small percentage of our people. Military families are carrying this burden. Head injuries are one of the most common health care issues these families deal with as their loved ones return home damaged. Family members who quit jobs to take care of their loved ones will too often be without health care for themselves.

All is not lost, many will keep fighting for liberty and peace.

Our planet is stressed in so many areas, its health is diminishing. I re-

mind myself that Life is adaptable and sustainable. When the earth moves to an edge, a time of imbalance, a time of great extinction, Life adapts. We are in the midst of the sixth great extinction. Weather humans are one of the species that ceases to exist has a lot to do with our ability to change.

All is not lost; many will keep working for our planet.

Many states have seen a decrease in rights for LGBTQ people. But I work with GLBTQS teens and I see how determined and courageous they are.

All is not lost, we are moving towards liberty and justice for all.

When at times I touch into the pain carried by the children of the world, or fear that annihilation is just around the corner, I work to not succumb to those feelings.

Vaclay Havel wrote a poem entitled It is I Who Must Begin. The final lines read:

"whether all is really lost or not depends entirely on whether or not I am lost."

I am not lost.

### Dear 2010, by Fairness

Lexington Fairness welcomes you. We await you eagerly and hope that you will serve up a whole mess of Fairness victories that Old Year 2009 failed to deliver. Of course, we are willing to reaffirm various commitments of hard work to you, 2010.

I tell you that Old Year 2009 did not respond well to Fairness issues. We did experience some gains such as the defeat of Senate Bill 68, which would have prevented gay couples from adopting children. So, 2009 did not completely clobber us, but alongside the celebrations, we also suffered tremendous defeats. Despite a progressive stance from Iowa, a Midwestern conservative state, our most liberal bastions, California, New York, and New Jersey refused to live up to their progressive expectations. Marriage setbacks from Prop 8 initiatives left Fairness advocates frustrated and angry. Now, New Year 2010, we ask that Washington DC, our nation's capital, side with Iowa and with Fairness for one and Fairness for all.

To be clear, we don't expect you, 2010, to produce simply because we ask or because we dress with panache. We write to you now to affirm a strong commitment to working tirelessly for what we ask. We will walk with you and be present at all times to help you promote

Fairness for one and Fairness for all.

We are committed to public education, and we will set up booths at various festivals and events in an effort to get Fairness knowledge to the general populace. To further that end, we will continue to do presentations on LGBTQ issues for different classes and professional organizations so that people who never knew of discrimination against us will understand that many of us face loss of job and home due to sexual orientation. Moreover, we will send information through various formats to as many people as we can reach about proand anti-GLBTQ legislation and the legislators themselves so that the people may make informed decisions toward Fairness for one and Fairness for all.

We know that peoples' minds and attitudes change when they know someone who is GLBTQ. As such, we will continue to march in the MLK march and the 4th of July parade, and we will hold our banner high so that society sees that we are a participating presence in the overall community. Beyond those things, we vow to live openly and proudly. Through that visibility, we will achieve Fairness for one and Fairness for all.

We are committed to community cooperation and involvement. We will work with different Fairness groups to insure a unified movement. We will gladly contribute to the GLSO's Lexington Pride Festival, Moveable Feast's Belmont BBQ, AVOL's Red, and the Imperial Court's coronation in any way we can. Also, we will work with groups not specifically LGBTQ to promote progressive social change on all levels for the benefit of the entire community. Fairness for one is Fairness for all.

### Activities

### Regular Events:

Sundays

10am – U.U. Church Worship Services

10:30am – St. Mychal The Martyr Services

6pm – SisterSound Rehearsal at Lansdowne Presbyterian Church

6 pm - Imperial Court- 2nd & 4th Sundays - PC

Mondays 7pm - Lex. Lyons 2nd Mondays -PC

Tuesdays 7pm – Gay Straight Alliance (GSA) -PC (call 266-5904 for info)

9 pm - Karaoke at Crossings

Wednesdays 7pm – Open Discussion Group -PC

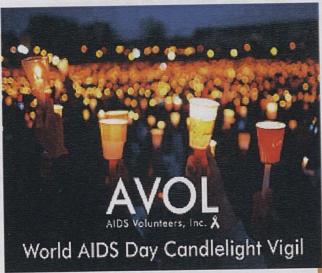
Thursdays
7pm - Open GLSO Board Meeting -PC
2nd Thur.

Fridays

7pm -Lex. Insight - 1st. Fri. Pot-Luck (exception in Jan. it's on the 8th)

Saturdays 7:30pm 1st Sat. Trans Kentucky (CFP) 859-963-6606

> PC: Pride Center CFP: Contact for Place Questions call 253-3233



#### By Matthew Christian

December 1st marked the 21st anniversary of World AIDS Day. In Lexington, AIDS Volunteers held a candle-light vigil in downtown Phoenix Park to commemorate the event.

Nearly 200 participants walked with candles in hand to this site from various locations. The Lexington Black Voices choir greeted them with 'Seasons of Love' from the Rent sound-track, symbolic for the closure of the year and the hopes for a brighter future.

Executive Director of AVOL Mark Royse challenged people across lines of age and race and sexuality to get tested, know their status, and practice safe sex in order to avoid the "100 percent preventable disease."

Contrary to popular understanding, African-American females lead as one of the highest rates of newly HIV-diagnosed infections in the US. In Kentucky, AIDS is the 10th leading cause of death with nearly 5,000 documented cases; those that do not come forward from fear or stigma limit this statistical data. Nearly half are African-American.

A reception followed in the Lexington Public Library with the AIDS quilt as focal point.

### AVOL Celebrates Open House

AVOL celebrated their new location at 225 Walton Avenue, Suite 110, by having an open house in December. Attendees enjoyed refreshments and a tour of the new space which offers easier access, greater privacy, and more parking.



#### **AVOL Staff Pictured**

Mark Royce - Director Angel Clark - Volunteer Coordinator Tammy Damron - Life Enhancement Counselor

Brian Slate- Resource Coordinator
Not Pictured

Terrell Kowal - Client Services Coordinator

Pictures by
Russ and Ronn Schneider-Smith



### Who Love's Ya?

So last month we talked about how Sodom and Gomorrah was about evil intents of the heart and not homosexuality. God is most concerned about the condition of our heart.

This month let's take a look at Gen. 1-2, the creation of man. Man being translated from Hebrew as mankind or a human being. Gen. 1:27 states "So God created man in His own image, in the image of God created He them, male and female create He them." There's no disputing that fact because God's intent was to supply the earth with people. To me the key point in this scripture is that we are created in God's image. Whether we are male or female, we are created in His image. But what does that mean? The dictionary defines image as, "likeness; visual counterpart of an object formed by a lens or mirror; mental picture; created a representation of." The work of the Christian is to capture image/characteristic of through learning about Him, His ways, His intents, and allowing the Holy Spirit to develop those things in us so that we become who God intended us to be.

Most of us have heard the phrase, "God created Adam and Eve, not Adam and Steve". The fact that this is true says nothing about sexual orientation.

What does the New Testament have to say on the issue? Gal 3:28 says, "There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither bond nor slave, there is neither male or female, for ye are all one in Christ Jesus." So yes, God created male and female to populate the earth. However, He does not see us as we see ourselves.

So much of what we hear from the institutional church is legalism/law. Jesus came and delivered us from the

law. Not that we don't have moral standards, but we are free in Christ. Free to live our lives for Him, to honor Him, in all that we are and all that we do. There is no need to put God in a box and say this is how a Christian should look, behave, etc. As many people as there are on earth is how many different ways it can look. The truth that unites us all together is Jesus; to believe that He is the son of God, that He came to earth to show us the way to heaven, and that he died for us on the cross only to rise again and now can live in our hearts.

Gal 5:22-23 "But when the Holy Spirit controls our lives, he will produce this kind of fruit in us: love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, and control. Here there is no conflict with the law." Before Iesus was crucified He left us with 2 commandments. Matt 22:37-40 "Jesus replied. You must love the Lord your God with all your heart, all your soul, and all your mind. This is the first and greatest commandment. A second is equally important: Love your neighbor as yourself. All the other commandments and all the demands of the prophets are based on these two commandments." The Old Testament is full of laws that are impossible to keep. Jesus understood that and came to fulfill all the laws of the prophets (which we may discuss in greater detail later). Then He said if we just love Him with all we have, and love one another we don't have to worry about laws.

My encouragement to you this month is, don't get tangled up in legalism. Let God love you like He wants to, let Him reveal Himself to you, and know beyond a shadow of a doubt, the He loves you with an everlasting love. Until next month, let the peace of God that passes all understanding guard your heart and mind.

Spotlight on the Beautiful People ... by Helena Handbasket.

This column shines the spotlight on people in the community who deserve recognition. Beauty is not always skin deep and these "beautiful people" either devote their time and energy to a worthy cause or just plain make our lives better by entertaining us. Either way, it is time that they are recognized for their talents and efforts.

Our first spotlight of the new decade is shining on someone who devotes much of his time and energy toward making all of our lives better, while still running a successful business. I am speaking of none other than Jonathan Barker.

His full name is Jonathan Cesar Barker (yes, he says, he is a white boy with the middle name Cesar). He was conceived after a Cincinnati Reds game and his parents wanted to honor their favorite player at the time — Cesar Geronimo. He says he is fortunate that he wasn't named Geronimo.

He is from a small town in Eastern Kentucky known as Raceland. The town got its name from a grand old racetrack that used to be there in the early 1900s. People would line up along US 23, the main highway, all the way from Huntington, WV and from Portsmouth, OH in their old Model Ts just waiting to get to the magnificent track.

Alas, the locals couldn't get things together enough to expand the highway, and the mile's founder couldn't make a go of it. After selling the track, John (Jack) Oliver Keene, moved west to Lexington (just like Jonathan. I think his second track had a smidge more success: Keeneland... maybe you've heard of it.

Jonathan has lived in Lexington since August of 1994. "I came here to go to UK but, being closeted, I really didn't come to Lexington till my coming out day – July 4th, 1996 – Independ-

ence Day. Cheesy, but it worked for me."

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He has been partnered for 3 ½ years to Andrew Tan, an architect, and very right-brained guy. Jonathan says, "He runs the kitchen with Anne Burrelle and Tyler Florence's style, and the Soup Nazi's efficiency. He creates the Osso Buco and Risotto; I'm the left brain, responsible for the 30 inch microwave antenna on the roof that gives me Gigabit Ethernet to the Internet at home. I guess you could say, 'Opposites Attract'."

He is currently on four non-profit boards. He has been chair, secretary, and board member. In work, I've been an engineer's assistant, a Network Administrator - but for the past 12 years, the title that fits most often is 'The Owner'."

Qualities that he finds most appealing are an engaging and intriguing personality that can challenge him. Someone he can talk to for hours... a kind heart... And, most importantly, an open mind. His mentor was a gentleman named Jack Graham, "He passed a couple years ago, but in the time I knew him, he taught me several valuable lessons about life as a business owner. He used to have the office adjoining mine in the Vine Center. You know, in 2002 he told me, "Always remember: a house is not an investment. It's a place where you lay your head."

"My favorite charitable organization is, as of now, The Imperial Court. I respect and enjoy the company of every single board member and I have always been made to feel appreciated for any help or assistance I give. It has so little drama. Just a bunch of people who really try."

When asked what his most embarrassing moment was, he responded, "Hmm... It's so embarrassing, I can't answer this one honestly." [Miss Helena is more intrigued than ever.]

Favorite Dream: "One of my dreams would be to perfect Nuclear Fusion power for humanity. With unlimited energy, all things are possible... Imagine knowing no one on the planet ever need go hungry or thirsty. I would like to move to Hawaii but I can't say that's a dream, as I'll likely one day do it."

Biggest misconception: "Somehow, people find me to be intimidating, or hard to approach. That's the biggest misconception about me. I'm really just very shy till I get to know people, unless I'm 'in my element'... then I can command the room. (But telling Chris / Christina how amazing he /she looks performing... That's a challenge.)"

Favorite music: "Pop, 70s, 80s, 90s. I love me some Gloria Estefan. I also love Shinedown's new song, Second Chance."

Favorite book: "I find I read the Internet too much to settle down with a book. The Internet can cause ADD; I'm convinced."

Favorite color: "Blue. There's nothing like a clear blue sky or beautiful Azure waters off the shore of Hawaii."

Dream vacation: "I've been on my dream vacation 12 times: Honolulu, HI."

Favorite movie: "I love 9 to 5. Dolly Parton, Lily Tomlin, Jane Fonda are hilarious."

Favorite TV show: "The Twilight Zone from the 60s. Rod Serling had an amazing mind."

Favorite actor: "Daniel Radcliffe has a lot of courage to star in Equus... so does Neil Patrick Harris, just being out."

If you were stranded on a desert island the three people you would want there with you would be: "I'm assuming nothing like partner, or family should go here. The first would be Jonathon Allen from Colonial House. For 6 months he roughed it in Maine, living on nothing but what a 16th century colonist would have and what they could grow with their bare hands. If you've never seen Colonial house, the PBS series, I highly recommend it. Jonathon is one of my Facebook Friends - even though we almost never talk anymore. We hung out for a while in LA a couple years back. Chris Pemberton from my office, he's one of my best friends. We can talk for hours about almost anything. He's brilliant. So much so I trust him with my company. And he's caring, sweet, and very ethical. The third... That one, I need to keep to myself."

The world would be a better place if: "People were more tolerant towards things that do not affect them. Why it would matter to any str8 person whether or not a gay person can get married is beyond me."

Lastly, what would you most want to be remembered for? "I would most want to be remembered for being generous and helpful to those around me. If I've been able to enhance the life of a person, I'm happy."

Jonathan, you have affected many people just by your charitable kindness; your calm, even demeanor; and by being who you are and living your authentic life for all to see. You are a role model to many and I am blessed to call you 'friend'.

If there is someone in the community whom you feel deserves to be honored in this column, send your request to:

AdvicefromHelena@aol.com and let's be myspace friends. Look me up at http://www.myspace.com/helenah

## Spiritual Services



The Unitarian Universalist Church 3564 Clays Mill Rd.

**Public Support for GLBT Rights** 

The U.U. Church has worship service at 11am each Sunday. We are a welcoming congregation that celebrates our GLBT members. We are located at 3564 Clays Mill Rd., just inside Man O' War. Please pay us a visit.

Ours is a liberal religious tradition with room for many beliefs. Our congregation includes people who identify as Christian, Jewish, Buddhist, Pagan, Muslim, Atheist, Agnostic, and Humanist. Interweave, the GLBTQS support group, will be meeting on Sunday, January 10 for a potluck after church.

There are classes for adults offered at various times. On the first Wednesday of the month, starting Jan. 4, 6pm to 7pm, Rev. Cynthia Cain will be leading Buddhist Meditation Practice.

On Saturday, Jan. 16, from 1to 2:30, Meriah Kruse is offering a free Feldenkrais movement class. This is directed movements that teach your body how to function more organically. A great way to ease back pain, build bone strength, and to simply feel better.

A Woman's Dream Group is starting on Jan. 20. For more info see www.uucl.org or call 859 223-1448.



A Very Fair Christmas was a Great Success!

### St. Mychal The Martyr www.stmychalthemartyr.org

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You are invited to our worship services every Sunday at 10:30 with Rev Ken Waibel performing mass. We are at 1033 Industry Rd. Suite #5, off Winchester Rd. We are a liturgical church, our worship filled with ritual and our hearts filled with joy.

The Mission of St. Mychal is to provide a church that welcomes people in all their uniqueness and giftedness. Our Church performs blessings of gay unions, welcomes divorced people, and ordains all persons into the orders of Deacon, Priest and Bishop.

St. Mychal is a member of the Orthodox Catholic Church of America, a national church that is gay supportive. It is one of many offshoots of the Roman Catholic Church. We have space available for meetings and receptions.

### Ahava Center for Spiritual Living

#### A New Thought Community

Ahava is an open and affirming community which accepts all religious paths. We are here to embody and express the Divine Love of God that is calling us to transform our personal lives through the practice of universal principles.

We are located at 300 Sherman Ave., which is off of Richmond Rd. at the corner of Sherman and Menifee in Lexington. Our services are Sundays at 9:45am. See www.Ahavacenter.com or call 859-797-7794

### **Kroger Cards**

Pick up a Kroger's Card next time you visit the Pride Center. If everyone recharges their cards once a month for \$100 or more, GLSO will receive \$240 or more a month.

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