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2004 PRIDE PICNIC

The Eleventh Annual Pride Picnic will again be held from noon until 4 pm, on Sunday June 20, at Windy Knoll Farm, rain or shine. Windy Knoll is located at 3263 Cleveland Rd. N. A map and directions are on page 22. We expect a good crowd so plan to car pool.

The picnic is our most popular event with a giant potluck, games, vendors, raffles (see page 22), and the gathering of family & friends. This year's entertainment includes Lip Candy, Mister Motown, Lori O'Conner and the Squash Beetle Morris Dancers. If you want to be a vendor call Mary at 266-5904. We ask 10% of your take to help pay the costs of the picnic. If you want to volunteer to help call Mary or Kelly at 225-6269.

Please make plans to bring a dish to share, we are not assigning types of food this year so it's your choice. (Avoid the temptation of potato salad.) Soft drinks and water will be sold to help pay for the rental of tables, sound equipment, etc. Due to insurance restrictions, no alcohol please. Information about wonderful raffle items (including a car) on page 22.

Volunteer Awards Banquet With Comedian Bernie Lubbers

Pride Month will come to a celebratory end with The Volunteer Awards Banquet on Sunday, June 27. This year it will be held at the Unitarian Universalist Church, 3564 Clays Mill Rd. It will be catered by Sam Sears, Master Chef and owner of

The Imperial Court of Kentucky Coronation XXIII

The Imperial Court presents **Coronation XXIII, A Night of Leather & Fantasy: African Jungle - Wild Cats on the Prowl.** We have planned an exciting Coronation weekend June 4 - 6. We will celebrate what we anticipate to be the most successful year of fund-raising in the history of the Kentucky Court. The net proceeds of the Coronation events will benefit Moveable Feast Lex. Inc.

On Friday, June 4, we will kick off with the In Town Show at Club 141 (141 West Vine St.) Doors open at 8:30 - show begins at 9:30, \$5 donation. On Saturday, June 5 we invite you to two shows at Club 141, at 8 pm the Out of Town Show, donation \$5, and at about 11 pm, The 9 Inch Males In Review. \$5 donation

On Sunday, June 6 Coronation XXIII will be held at the Radisson Plaza Hotel, 369 West Vine St. Door opens at 5:30 - opening number will start at 6. A \$10 donation is asked. ICK has bestowed its highest award, the James F. Herndon Lifetime Achievement Award, on State Senator Ernesto Scorsone. See page 16.

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Volunteer Banquet...

South Van Events. We will gather at 5 pm, a cash bar will be available. Reservations can be made by calling Bill at the Center, 253-3233. Cost is \$25 per person or \$176 for a table of 8 (\$22 each).

If you want to attend with a group smaller than 8 people, let Bill know and we will see if we can combine two groups of people to make a table. Reservations have to be made by **Monday, June 21** so the caterer can be given an exact number.

Each organization is invited to choose and present their volunteer with an award for their contribution to that organization's work. Everyone, whether in a group or not, is invited to nominate and vote on the Wasson Award for the individual, and the Rainbow Community Service Award for the group, that has through volunteerism, contributed most to our GLBT community over the past year or years.

Nominations are due in by June 11th. Individuals can come by the center during the week of June 14 - 19 to read the nominations and vote for their choices. The nominees for the Wasson Award so far include: Tom Collins, David Cupps, Jim Dickinson, Jamie McDaniel, and Charlotte Woods. Congratulations to all the nominees. Our community is lucky to have so many hard working volunteers to vote for. SisterSound, Another Note and Moveable Feast have been nominated for the Rainbow Award. We are still accepting nominations if you want to add to these lists.

Make plans to come to the banquet to celebrate the accomplishments of our energetic community.

PRIDE GALLERY ART SHOW

For Pride Month, the Pride Gallery will feature the works of local artist including Holly Troyer, Kelly O'Ferrell, Vera McGeorge, Tonya Adams, Cheri Jones and Jeff Hale. Come by the Pride Center, 389 Waller Ave. any time to see the exhibit or come to the

**Reception on Saturday, June 19
6 pm to 8 pm.**

If you are an artist and would like to display your work sometime this year, call Thomas at 225-0094.

Pride Month Events

All Lexington Pride Events are listed in chronological order on pages 3, 4, 6, and 8. (Information received late will be fit in elsewhere.) Events outside of Lex. are on page 14.

Miss Kentucky Pride

2004

The Miss Kentucky Pride Pageant will be held at Club 141 on Wednesday, June 2 at 9:30. The pageant will feature Miss Ky Pride Emeritus, LaToya BaCall with guests Miss Gay D.C., Kristina Kelly and Miss Gay Charlottesville, Arione Dacardeza. The evening promises to be fabulous with great entertainment. Prizes include \$300, a crown and a scepter. Admission: \$5. For more information contact Greg or LaToya at Club 141, 233-4262.



Kentucky Theater: Latter Days

The Ky Theater will be showing **Latter Days** during the week of June 4 through 10. Christian, a West Hollywood party boy tries to seduce Aaron, a Mormon missionary who has not quite figured himself out yet. The two begin a steamy romance that makes both of them question the lives they have been living.

The **Imperial Court** will do a fundraiser in colabortion with the Ky Theater, showing **Latter Days** on Saturday, June 5 at 1, admission \$6. Check the paper for other dates and times.

The Lexington Diversity In Gender Alliance Hedwig and The Angry Inch

The Diversity in Gender Alliance invites you to the Pride Center on Saturday evening, June 5 at 8 pm to see **Hedwig and the Angry Inch**. This film was described by the director, writer and lead actor, John Cameron Mitchell, as a "Post-punk neo-glam rock musical."



Hedwig is leading her rock band on a tour of the U.S., telling her life story including her less than perfect sex-change operation through a series of concerts. Her tour dates coincide with those of area-rock star Tommy Gnosis, a wide-eyed boy who once loved Hedwig...but then left with all her songs. A creative and

Everyone is invited to join us for this fun film followed by a discussion. If you have curiosity about trans folk, this is an opportunity to find out.

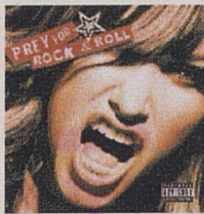
Unitarian Universalist Church



The Unitarian Universalist Church will have Pride Services the first two Sundays in June, both at 10 am. On Sunday, June 6 the service will be presented by the Welcoming Congregation and will focus on youth. Young people in our congregation will talk about the atmosphere in public schools.

After the service be our guests at our first Sunday pot luck lunch and then join us for the film **Out In The Cold** about homeless youth (with an emphasis on GLBT youth). We will be in the conference room near the office. If you just want to come for the film, estimated starting time is 11:30.

On June 13 the service will focus on the Right to Marry. Interweave, the GLBT and friends group, is cohosting the Pride Reading in our Fellowship House on Sat. June 12. The U.U. Church welcomes visitors at any time. We are located at 3654 Clays Mill Rd, one block south of Man O War.



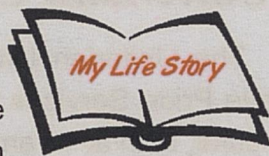
Lesbian Video Night

Celebrate Pride Month Friday, June 11, at 8 p.m.

with lesbian icon Gina Gershon's latest movie, *Prey for Rock & Roll*. Gina (Bound, Showgirls) stars as Jacki, the bisexual leader of an all-girl rock band that continues to play clubs, but has never found success. As Jacki celebrates her 40th birthday, she questions her decision to remain with the band.

The film also stars Lori Petty (Tank Girl, A League of Their Own) as a lesbian guitarist and Drea deMateo (The Sopranos) as a self-destructive bassist. This film is rated R for language, sexual content, drug use and brief violence. Every one is invited to join us at the Pride Center for Lesbian Video night at 8 p.m. Please bring a snack to share.

PRIDE READING



The Annual Pride Reading will again be at the Fellowship House of the Unitarian Universalist Church, 3564 Clays Mill Rd., one block South of Man O War, on Saturday, June 12 from 7 to 9. We are interested in hearing from all the writers in our community. Journal entries, poems, songs, fiction, non-fiction; if you wrote it, we want to hear it. Please call Kelly at 225-6269 if you would like to read your work.

The Fellowship house is the house to the left of the church. Bring a lawn chair or blanket, if it is a beautiful night we may sit in the Memorial Garden behind the Fellowship House. There will be drinks and snacks available.

**More Pride Events on pg. 6 & 8
Out of town events on page 14**




BOWLING FOR FAIRNESS 6th Annual Tournament

In celebration of Pride Month, the Bluegrass Chapter of the KFA and the Rainbow League are jointly sponsoring the Sixth Annual Rainbow City Bowling Competition. The tournament will be held on Saturday, June 12, at Collins Southland Lanes, 205 Southland Drive, Lexington. The entry fee is \$15 per person. Registration will begin at 1pm with bowling at 2pm. Bowling should be completed by 4pm.

This is a benefit fundraiser for the Bluegrass Chapter and it is our hope that a number of organizations will sponsor a team of four bowlers. Last year we had a very positive response and we hope to do even better this year. With everything that is going on this year, we better!!

There are FIVE ways you or your team can win! Each bowler who brings in a minimum of \$50 in pledges will bowl for free. The name of the winning team and its sponsor will be added to the traveling trophy. The organization that brings in the most sponsorship money will receive a prize. A bowler can win a special prize by getting a strike when the colored pin is in the head pin position. In addition, we will be offering a fifty \ fifty raffle. So, if your bowling is not quite up to par, you still have a chance to win some money.

In a No-tap Monte Carlo event, knocking down nine pins (as opposed to ten) is scored as a strike. Periodically a colored pin will appear in the head pin position. If you bowl a true strike (not a no-tap) you will win a prize. An established average is NOT required and NO experience in bowling is necessary. If you are not a member of a team, we will assign you to a team. All you need to do is bring yourself and have a good time bowling. For info call Jim Dickinson 252-5801, email Jim at JLD50ALJ@qx.net or call Shawn Fritz at 859.351.4650.


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Coronation XXIII
A Night of Leather & Fantasy
in the
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WILD ANIMALS ON THE PROWL

Thank You!

Empress XXII JD Vaughn, Emperor XXII Larry Stanley,
and the Board of Directors of the ICOK wish to thank
everyone in the community for the tremendous support
during Reign XXII. Please join us for our Coronation Week
activities as we conclude a successful year of fundraising

Friday, June 4

In-Town Show, 9:30 PM, Club 141

Saturday, June 5

Out-of-Town Show, 8:30 PM, Club 141

9" Males in Review, 11:00 PM, Club 141

Sunday, June 6

**Coronation XXIII,
Radisson Plaza Lexington**

Show Starts at 6:00 PM

Doors Open at 5:30 PM

Info:

empress22kyjd@aol.com

ldstanley09@aol.com



Net proceeds benefit the charities of the
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Pride Month Events



Film: *No Secret Anymore*

by JEB (Joan E. Biren)

Free Admission



Del Martin and Phyllis Lyons have been partners in love and political struggle for over fifty years. *No Secret Anymore* is a delightful way to meet these legendary lesbians, known as the founders of the modern lesbian civil rights movement. This documentary will be shown at the UK Young Library Theater on Sunday, June 13 at 1 pm.

In 1955, Martin and Lyon courageously launched the Daughters of Bilitis, the first public organization for lesbians in America. This documentary includes incisive interviews, rare archival images and warm-hearted humor. The film has won numerous awards internationally. The film maker, JEB, is well known as a lesbian-photographer and archivist. She visited Lexington twenty years ago and presented a slide show of her photographs.

INTEGRITY

The June gathering of Integrity, an Episcopalian GLBT support group, will be Sunday June 13 at 4pm. The group meets in the Chapter Room of Saint Michael's Church on Bellefonte Drive in Lexington. Although there is no speaker designated for this meeting, the group frequently discusses issues important to Gays and Lesbians. Light refreshments will be served and all are welcome to attend.

Women Over 40's Group

We will have our regular monthly meeting on Sunday, June 13th at 2 pm at the Pride Center. We will plan to attend some pride events together. For info call Ginger 253-0061

GYPSIES, TRAMPS AND THIEVES

JUNE 18 - JULY 4TH

GALLERY HOP RECEPTION

JUNE 18, 4 - 9 PM

GALLERIE SOLEIL 363 W. SHORT ST.



A one-hundred year history of the naked sailor, hustler, drag queen and wild child as muse in the underground Lexington art scene. Robert Morgan, Kentucky Artist, has assembled this show which features approximately 80 pieces, photographs, drawings, paintings, films and assorted strange stuff gathered from private collections, archives and anonymous sources, some never seen before.

Come to the opening of the show on Friday, June 18 as part of Gallery Hop or visit over the following three weeks. (Photo courtesy of UK Library Archives' Belle Brezing Collection.)

Gay Straight Alliance for Youth

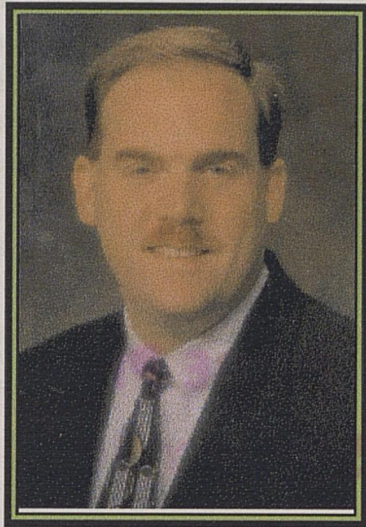
The Gay Straight Alliance is open to all youth ages 15 - 20. You do not have to label yourself to join. We meet every week at a private location. Sometimes we just hang out and talk, other times we have a program.

During pride month we plan to attend Gallery Hop to see the exhibit at Gallerie Soleil. Some of us will also attend the Pride Reading, the Pride Picnic, and the Banquet. For information contact Mary Crone at 266-5904 or lexgsa@yahoo.com or www.lexingtongsa.com

Buddhist Discussion Group

A GLBT Buddhist group is meeting at the Pride Center the first (June 3) and third (June 17) Thursdays of each month at 7 pm. Everyone is welcome to attend. For info call Mary 266-5904

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Lexington Urban League

Young Professionals

HIV Awareness Week June 21-27

The Urban League Young professionals will present several programs during the week of June 21 to 27. On Monday, June 21 at 5:30, at the Lexington Public Library Downtown Branch there will be a welcoming reception and at 6 pm a guest speaker, choir & vigil. Get your ticket stamped for free parking in the lot behind the Library.

At the Library on Wed. June 23rd at 6 pm there will be HIV 101, a video presentation and opportunity to ask questions and discuss the film. Free anonymous screenings will be offered at each event.

Testing will also be available at the Carver Center on Fri., June 25th 5pm -7pm and Sat. June 26 11am -3 pm. For more info call 233-1561 ext. 29.

St Mychal The Martyr

St Mychal is a member of the Orthodox Catholic Church of America, a national denomination that is gay supportive. Sunday services are at 1350 Eastland Dr. 10:30 am with Rev. Kenneth Waibel performing mass. On Sunday, June 27 there will be a special Pride Month service and open communion. See page 18 for an article by Rev. Waibel

PRIDE PICNIC

SUNDAY JUNE 20

WINDY KNOLL FARM

12 noon - 4 pm

See pages 1 for details

page 22 for map & directions

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PRIDE CENTER NEWS and ACTIVITIES

389 Waller Ave. 859-253-3233 Mon-Sat we open at 10 am. On most Mon, Tues, Thrus. and Sat. we stay open until 5pm. On Wed until 7pm. You may want to call after 3 to be sure a volunteer is here.

Pride Center Library Dream Becomes Reality

On June 2nd the Pride Center Library will celebrate its third anniversary. When we opened in 2001 we were so pleased to be able to say that we had over 300 books, videos, and audio recordings, all of which were donated by individuals in the community and all of which were available to anyone with a library card.

We could not have imagined that in three short years the collection would have grown to nearly 2,000 items, including over 700 works of fiction, 125 videos and DVDs, and 75 sound recordings. We could not have imagined a collection that covered religion, travel, history, culture, politics, biography, relationships, sex, parenting, family, health, education, humor, literature, poetry, music, art, and so much more.

We are sincerely grateful to all those who made this library a reality. To all the volunteers that helped get the library off the ground and those that continue to keep it going. To the GLSO for supporting this project by giving it a home that made it available to everyone. To the hundreds of individuals who donated materials, supplies and even shelving. This is truly a community library because our community made it happen.

Lastly we would like to thank all the people who have used the Pride Center Library. We had a dream back in 2001 that the Library would become a unique and useful resource for our community. That it would entertain and inform; educate and enlighten. That it would provide much needed resources that traditional information

providers routinely neglected. That we would find in books and movies and music a reflection of ourselves. Your support and use has made the dream a reality.

The Pride Center Library is located at 389 Waller Avenue, Suite 100. It is open to the public Monday-Saturday from 10 to 3 and some nights until 7. Use it and become part of the dream.

Discussion Group

The discussion group meets every Wednesday night at 7 pm at the Pride Center and is open to all. We strive to make this a safe space where you can be yourself. We discuss a wide range of topics, some serious, some hilarious. Join us on any Wed. For more info contact Jane at ladyjaneky@yahoo.com

MEN OF ALL COLORS TOGETHER

KY Men of all Colors Together (MACT) is a local chapter of a national gay multiracial organization which fosters a supportive environment where friendships and partnerships can be celebrated free of racial and cultural barriers. They will meet at the Pride Center on Sunday, June 20 at 7 pm. For information email MACTky@aol.com, call 859-351-4453 (Jon) or see www.mactky.com

Lyons Levi/Leather Club

The Lyons meet every other month at the Pride Center. The next meeting will be in August. They also meet at brunch at Mia's on the last Sunday of each month at 1 pm. The Lyons are proud to be GLSO Pride Patron of the GLSO Pride Center.

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1 7 pm GSA for youth ages 15 to 20 (Call for place - 266-5904) Pride Center open til 5pm	2 7 pm Discussion Group 8 pm Gay/Lesbian AA (Call for place) Pride Center Open til 7pm 9:30 Miss Ky Pride Club 141	3 7 pm Buddhist Discussion Group 6 pm Free Reception & 7 pm Film: <i>Your Life, Your Decision, Your Disease</i> - AVOL -The KY Theater	4 Latter Days opens at KY Theater will run for a week check paper for times <i>Imperial Court of Kentucky- Coronation Weekend</i>	5 Pride Center Open 10-5 ICK Benefit- <i>Latter Days</i> at KY Theater 8 pm LDGA meeting Film: Hedwig PC
6 10 am UU Church Pride Service 11 am 1st Sunday lunch 11:30 UU Film LGBT Youth 10:30 Mass @ St. Mychal the Martyr 5:30 pm ICK Coronation XXIII Radisson Plaza Hotel	7 Pride Center open til 5pm	8 7 pm Gay Straight Alliance (Call for place 266-5904) Pride Center open til 5pm	9 7 pm Discussion Group 8 pm Gay/Lesbian AA Pride Center Open until 7pm	10	11 8 pm Lesbian Movie Night, Pride Center 7:30 pm Gay/Lesbian AA (Call for place)	12 Pride Center Open 10-5 1 pm Rainbow Bowling League Bowl-A-Thon Southland Lanes to benefit Fairness 7 pm Pride Reading at UU Fellowship House
13 10 am UU Church Pride Service 10:30 Sunday Mass, St. Mychal 1 pm Film: <i>No More Secrets</i> UK Woman Studies Program 2 pm 40+ Group- PC 6 pm Imperial Court PC	14 AA Step Study (Call for place) Pride Center open til 5pm GLSO Board Meeting 7:30 pm	15 7 pm Gay Straight Alliance for youth (Call for place 266-5904) Pride Center open til 5pm GLSO News Deadline	16 7 pm Discussion Group Pride Center 8 pm Gay/Lesbian AA (Call for place) Pride Center Open until 7pm	17 7 pm Buddhist Discussion Group	18 7:30 pm Gay/Lesbian AA (Call for place) 4 pm - 9 pm Gallerie Soleil Art Show, Gallery Hop show continues into July	19 Pride Center Open 10-5pm 6 - 8 pm Opening Reception - Pride Show at Pride Center Gallery - various artists
20 9:15 & 11 am UU Church Service 10:30 Sunday Mass, St. Mychal 12 - 4pm Pride Picnic Windy Knoll 7 pm MACT Pride Center	21 8 pm AA Step Study (Call for place) 7pm GSA for Youth ages 15 - 20 call mary for place 266-5904 5:30 HIV Awareness Week - Speaker, music, vigil - Downtown Library	22 7 pm Fairness Steering Committee, Pride Center Pride Center open til 5pm	23 7 pm Discussion Group 8 pm Gay/Lesbian AA P C Open until 7 pm 6 pm HIV Awareness Film, Discussion Downtown Library	24	25 7:30 pm Gay/Lesbian AA (Call for place)	26 Pride Center Open 10-5 pm
27 10 am UU Church Service 10:30 Pride Sunday Mass, St. Mychal the Martyr 1 pm Lyons Brunch at Mia's 5:00 GLSO Awards Banquet UU Church	28 Pride Center open til 5pm	29 7 pm Gay Straight Alliance for youth (Call for place 266-5904) Pride Center open til 5pm	30 7 pm Discussion Group 8 pm Gay/Lesbian AA (Call for place) Pride Center Open until 7 pm	Meetings at the Pride Center may be abbreviated to "PC" "Call for Place" abbreviated to "Call" www.webspawner.com/users/glsoqxn		

Pride Events Outside of Lexington

KENTUCKIANA PRIDE FESTIVAL

The Pride Festival in Louisville has added two new events this year. Be there to see the Crowning of Ms. Ky Pride, Friday June 12 at Connections starting at 6:30 p.m. Then join her as she presides over the 1st Annual Pride Parade on Saturday, June 18. The theme is "We are Family". We will start at Tryangles at 8 pm. Enter a float or march with us from Tryangles to the Belvedere. After the parade join us for the Friday Night Fest "Under The Stars" on the Belvedere. There will be great music, food, drink and a DJ. We will party until midnight!!

For an awesome day of fun in the sun don't miss the Fourth Annual Ky Pride Festival on June on the Belvedere from noon until midnight. On the grounds you will find food, vendor booths, entertainment of all types and a great children's area.

For information about any of these great events Contact us @ 502-387-1265 Email kypridefest@yahoo.com or visit our web page @ www.kentuckianapridefestival.com

Berea Film Series

The Berea queer film series that began in April will continue through October with two films each month. We plan to educate and organize against the coming November vote on the Ky constitutional marriage amendment. All programs will be held at the Berea Public Library, 312 Chestnut Street.

On Friday, June 18 at 7 pm, "Stolen Moments," a documentary focusing on lesbian history, will be shown. On Sunday, June 27 at 2 pm "Paragraph 175" will be shown. This documentary was produced & directed by the Academy Award winning team of Rob Epstein & Jeffrey Friedman. It documents the persecution of gay men in Nazi Germany.

All events will focus on defeating the anti-gay amendment appearing on the November 2 ballot. There will be speakers, educational materials, & an activist element at each event. For more information call 859 509-1717.

Soulforce

Soulforce will be active at the Southern Baptist Convention, June 13-16 in Indianapolis, In. Southern Baptist is the 2nd largest denomination in the United States with over 15 million members. Southern Baptists believe and teach that homosexual orientation is a "sickness that needs to be healed" and a "sin that needs to be forgiven."

This will be the 5th year in a row that Soulforce will be at this convention spreading the truth about GLBT people, and offering hope to those still trapped by misinformation and untruth.

Jamie McDaniel, coordinator of Lexington Soulforce, is the national cochair of the Southern Baptist Denomination Team. He has been developing educational materials for Baptist Youth that they will distribute this year.

"We have not given up on the adults but we think that the young people will be more open to our ideas," says Jamie.

Watch a 5-minute "Invitation to Indianapolis" video and register online at <http://www.Soulforce.org/denomination/sbc/sbc2004/index.shtml>. Lex Soulforce will meet the last Sun in June, see page 19 or call Jamie at 230-5625 for more info.

Lake Cumberland Pride

The Gays Of Lake Cumberland Area invite you to a Pride Picnic on June 12 in Pulaski County Park. For more information please feel free to contact me at kysunshine82@yahoo.com.

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June 21–27, 2004

Lexington Public Library
Downtown Branch

Monday, June 21

5:30 pm Welcome Reception

6:00 pm Guest speaker, choir, and candlelight vigil

Wednesday, June 23

6:00 pm HIV 101, video presentation, Q & A

Sponsored by: Lexington Urban League Young Professionals, AHEC, AIDS Volunteers, Inc. and the Lexington-Fayette County Health Department.

For more information:

859/233-1561 ext. 29

Email:

admin@urbanleaguelexington.com

**FREE anonymous screenings at each event &
also at the Carver Center:**

Friday, June 25

5:00 pm–7:00 pm

Saturday, June 26

11:00 am–3:00 pm

ERNESTO SCORSONE RECEIVES LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

The Imperial Court of Kentucky has bestowed its highest award, the James F. Herndon Lifetime Achievement Award, on state senator Ernesto Scorsone. Kentucky's first and only openly gay legislator will receive the award at Coronation 23 on Sunday, June 6 at the Radisson Plaza Hotel Ballroom in Lexington.

Senator Scorsone has represented Central Kentucky's 13th Senate District since 1996. Previously he was a State Representative from 1985 to 1996. A Lexington native, Scorsone attended the University of Kentucky receiving a BA in 1973 and a law degree in 1976. His contributions to the LGBT community span over two decades.

From 1986 through 1992 Scorsone led the legal battle to overturn Kentucky's sodomy statute in *Commonwealth v. Wasson* and in 1994 led the successful fight against a constitutional amendment to re-instate the sodomy law. He also served as counsel in the *Commonwealth v. Ireland* case that guarantees domestic violence protection to same-sex couples.

In legislative action, in 1998 Scorsone successfully moved to amend Kentucky's penal code to include, for the first time, a hate crime provision based on sexual orientation. In 2002 he expanded the hate crimes provision that applies to sexual orientation. In 2003 he successfully petitioned and helped draft the Executive order protecting LGBT state employees from job discrimination. He worked against and voted against DOMA, the Defense of Marriage Act, in 1998 and the anti-gay constitutional amendment in 2004.



Scorsone organized Lexington's first AIDS walk for AIDS Volunteers Lexington (AVOL), in 1993 and has been a co-sponsor of the event every year since. He has raised funds for the Kentucky Fairness Alliance and, in 2001, helped organize the campaign in Lexington that successfully pushed for a citywide fairness ordinance.

Lexington's Gay & Lesbian Services Organization (GLSO), and the HIV/AIDS Legal Project are among the many other organizations Scorsone has assisted. Last year Scorsone was the recipient of the Wasson Award voted on by all of the member organizations of the GLSO.

Other organizations have recognized Scorsone including the Kentucky Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers, the Fayette County Bar Association, the Kentucky Psychiatric Association, the Pritchard Committee, the American Cancer Society, and many others. He has twice been named "One of Ten Best Legislators."

The James F. Herndon award is named for James (Sweet Evening Breeze) Herndon and is given only by unanimous consent of the Board of Directors of the Imperial Court of Kentucky. Past recipients include community activist Donnie (EV) Royse, artist Robert Morgan and Moveable Feast Lexington founder Michael Thompson.

Fairness Prepares for Campaign by Charlotte Wood

Hooray! The campaign to defeat the Constitutional Amendment is underway! Kentucky Fairness is building an infrastructure for a strong, diverse statewide campaign. In addition to the campaign steering committee, there will be several other committees including media, fundraising, coalition-building, and voter ID. Please call Netta Brooks at 859-396-5251 if you are interested in serving on one of these committees.

There are some things we can all do without joining a committee. We'll be having door-to-door voter ID walks every other weekend this summer. The only way we're going to win in November is by talking with voters. ID walks in June will be on Saturday 5th and 19th. We'll meet at the KFA office, 110 N. Upper Street. The schedule will be as follows:

- 10:00 - 10:45 Training
- 11:00 - 1:30 Walking door-to-door
- 1:30 - 2:00 Lunch and debriefing

In Netta's words: Food will be provided. Teamwork will be plentiful. Fun will be had by all.

We can also reach out to our circle of friends, neighbors, co-workers, and church members, the same folks we asked to call their legislators during the session, and educate them about the amendment. Show them the second sentence, and make sure they understand that it prohibits not only marriage, but civil unions and domestic partner benefits for employees of state universities. Many people who aren't yet with us on marriage will see that this amendment goes too far.

Ask friends and family to give whatever amount they can to the campaign, from \$5 to \$500. And do the same yourself. Some folks will be able to write one large check, and others will write several smaller checks over the next 5 months. Checks can be sent to:

NO on the Amendment
P.O. Box 2904
Louisville, KY 40201-2904
www.NOAmendmentKY.com

You can also ask friend and family to volunteer--to walk with us, make phone calls, or do office work. Please join us on one of our door to door walks, and bring your friends! For more information, call Netta Brooks at 396-5251.

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It's a Matter of Pride

By Fr. Ken Waibel

Without a doubt we have come a long way over the past few months (and years) in expressing ourselves and standing up for our rights. Even though the State leadership decided to place a proposed amendment onto the November ballot our presence at the capital throughout their negotiations and the speaking out that was done home-to-home and person-to-person made our presence and feelings known to a great number of people.

In this month of Pride we can be proud of the number of people who came out and spoke out both gay and non-gay folks for the cause of justice and equality. Puff out your chest! Be proud of who you are and what we have accomplished thus far!

We've come a long way but we have a long way yet to go. Recently our church decided to place into the Lexington Herald Leader the same ad that is on this page proclaiming Gay Marriage and the need to celebrate it regardless of what the state tries to declare. Sorry to say, but not surprisingly, we received some negative comments on our church answering machine. (Very sorry to say that we received no

congratulations from our GLBT sisters and brothers.)

The two persons who called were obviously insecure in their own self identities and chose to attack our church. One claimed that he was Orthodox and that we had no right using the Orthodox Cross in our advertisement. The other person claimed she was Christian and that we do not speak for her and thus should take the word Christian out of our ad. (We had the phrase A Christian Community celebrating Diversity in our ad.) No one denomination owns either of these symbols and hardly one group can speak for all groups. These phone calls certainly reminded me that we have yet a long way to go.

So what about this month? This great month of PRIDE!? I believe this is our time to speak out and bring about change. As painful as the advertisements and phone calls against us may be it is a strong sign that folks are talking about it, aware of us and perhaps even afraid of us. There is no need for fear but that is a sign that we are stronger than we might ever realize.

Personally, I believe 2004 is OUR year and that great things will continue to happen to help us become more accepted
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and protected under the law. Use this time as a chance to dialogue with neighbors and friends about yourself or about your friends who are GLBT. Let them know that we (you) are ordinary people with ordinary hopes and dreams for the future that must be equally protected under the law. Let them know that you can be "Christian" and "Gay" at the same time. Let them know there is no room for prejudice within an enlightened society. Be proud. Speak out. You have every reason and right to do so.

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SoulForce

Soulforce is a nationwide organization that follows the principles of non-violence practiced and taught by Gandhi and Martin Luther King, Jr. to confront "spiritual violence" against GLBT people. Members come from a variety of religious backgrounds. They initiate conversations with conservative religious organizations and develop other projects to address the negative messages coming from these organizations. (see article below)


Soulforce Lexington meets at the home of Jamie McDaniel on the second and fourth Sunday of each month. Because Jamie will be in Indianapolis in mid June, Soulforce will have only one meeting on June 27. For info call Jamie at 859-230-5625 or check out www.SoulforceLexington.org.

Soulforce protests Baptists

Last year at the Southern Baptist Convention, Baptist leaders announced plans to "liberate" homosexuals by converting them to heterosexuals. Richard Land, president of the Ethics & Religious Liberty Commission said, "Homosexuals can find freedom from this sinful, destructive lifestyle. They can be redeemed."

Over seventy Soulforce volunteers stood protest outside this convention in 110 degree heat to counter these untruths. They passed out literature comparing Southern Baptist anti-gay teachings with those of Kansas pastor Fred Phelps. They shared their deep concerns about Baptist plans to convert GLBT people. They stated that GLBT people are part of the "creative-given" and that God loves us exactly as we are.

The most powerful event came the night of June 17th. In the middle of GLBT pride month, all the Soulforce volunteers formed a line and used glow-sticks to create a red-orange-yellow-green-blue-purple banner of light. When the convention let out, thousands of Southern Baptists were funneled



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directly to where they were standing. The sight of GLBT people and our allies standing there in that moment moved our police liaison, a black woman named Pat, to tears.

This year Jamie McDaniel is cochair of the Southern Baptist Denomination Team and has planned protests for the SBC in Indianapolis June 13 - 16. (see page 14). Watch the news to see if Soulforce and their work is covered.

Last year President Bush addressed the Baptist Conference by videotape. He called the Southern Baptists "faithful servants" and said "You and I share many common values. We believe in fostering a culture of life and that marriage and family are sacred institutions." Bush is our first Born Again President. Talk to your friends about voting!

GLSO

Volunteer Awards Banquet

Sunday, June 27

Catered by Sam Sears, Master Chef

Unitarian Universalist Church

3564 Clays Mill Rd.

Featuring Comedian Bernie Lubbers

Nominations for
The Wasson Award

Tom Collins
David Cupps
Jim Dickinson
Jamie McDaniel
Charlotte Wood



Nominations for the
**Rainbow Community
Service Award**

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Nominations accepted until June 11th.

Everyone is welcome to come by the Pride Center

June 14 - 19 to vote on these awards.

Reservations for dinner can be made by calling Bill at the
Pride Center, 253-3233. Cost is \$25 per person or \$176 for
a table of 8 (\$22 each). Deadline is June 21 for reservations.

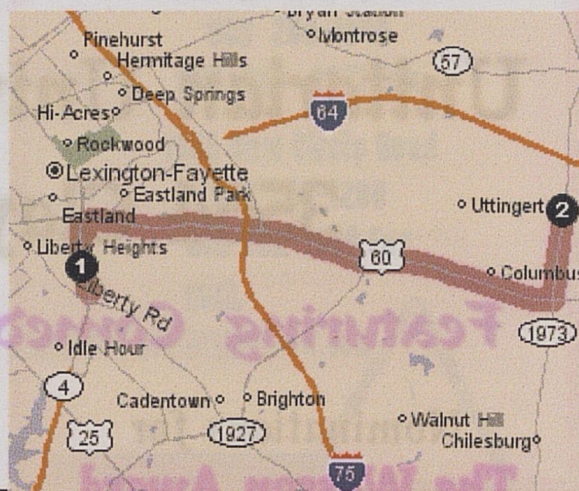
Directions to Pride Picnic At Windy Knoll Farm 3263 Cleveland Road North

From Lexington, go out of town on Winchester Rd heading east. (Midland Ave., by the Herald Leader, runs into Winchester Rd.) or take New Circle Road (marked with #1) around to Winchester Rd. **(on map, Rt 60 in purple)** From the intersection of Winchester and New Circle (approximately where it says Eastland written on top of purple on this map), go east 5.5 miles toward Winchester. Turn left (north) onto N. Cleveland Rd **(RT 1973, also in purple)**. Down 1/2 mile on the left will be David s Fork Baptist Church. The Windy Knoll driveway is right next to the church property. A mailbox with the street number 3263 will be on your right, directly across from the driveway. Turn left into driveway.

From I-75 north or south, take exit 110, **Route 60**, which is Winchester Rd . Go East on Rt. 60, towards Winchester, about 2 1/2 miles to Cleveland Rd. The directions are then the same as above.

If coming from the east on I-64, take exit 94, which will put you on the by-pass near Winchester. Go south on the by pass, turn right (west) on 60. Turn right onto 1973 will then be on your right.

If you get lost, call 859-221-4396



Things to Bring to Picnic

1. *POTLUCK DISH TO SHARE*
2. *SUNSCREEN*
3. *MONEY TO PURCHASE DRINKS, ITEMS FROM VENDORS AND RAFFEL TICKETS.*
4. *FOLDING CHAIR OR BLANKET TO SIT ON*
5. *FRIENDS,*
6. *LAUGHTER*

Please do not bring alcohol. The Farm s insurance does not permit it and the horses will be irritated if you drink. You do not want to meet an angry horse on your way back to your car!

Quilt Raffle



We have been given a beautiful rainbow quilt designed and pieced by Phyllis Hoovler of Frankfort, IN, and machine quilted by Julie Werkowski for our Pride Month raffle. It is made of all cotton fabrics on the face and backing, is machine-washable, and measures 6 by 7 1/2

Tickets are \$2 or 3 for \$5 and will be sold at the Pride Center and at all GLSO Pride Events. The drawing will be at the Volunteer Banquet, June 27.

WIN A CAR!

GLSO will also be raffling a white 1986 Chevy Cavalier Convertible during Pride Month. This car is in excellant shape, Millage 130,000, new covertable top. Buy ticked for \$5 at pride events or at the Pride Center. The winning ticket will be drawn at the Volunteer Banquet on June 27. Thanks Robin!!

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