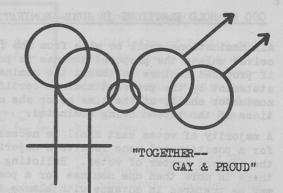
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## GSO NEWSLETTER

LEXINGTON GAY SERVICES ORGANIZATION
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JUNE 1983

#### Presidential Message Keith Elston, President

Elections are here for board positions with GSO. (More info inside). I would like to take a moment to talk about what is expected of board members.

First, a board member should attend all meetings unless (s)he previously asks to be excused. Good excuses include 1) extreme illness 2) extreme illness of close relatives or lover(s) 3) death of close relatives or lover(s) 4) your own death—next of kin must provide a death certificate and/or your body 5) other (at discretion of chairperson).

Secondly, each board member is accountable at each meeting for any committees (s)he may head. This includes a report, if any, on all activities of those committees. Thirdly, and most important, the ability to get along well with the other members of the board. It is crucial to our organization that we be able to discuss, maybe disagree, but still remain friends. A board that is indecisive will never be able to serve the best interests of GSO or the gay community.

Fourthly, these positions are not just titles! They require work. If a nominee does not plan on making a commitment to work for this organization, then (s)he should withdraw her/his name from the slate.

Lastly, I would urge everyone to attend this very important meeting on June6 and cast your vote for the new board. Good luck to all the candidates.

"At some time or another, every gay person must take the responsibility to say 'l am...'" On Monday, May 23, the Lexington Herald-Leader ran a front page, question-and-answer format interview with the president of GSO, Keith Elston.

This is a great step forward for Lexington, GSO and the gay community. It represents a turning point in our battle to create and maintain a more understanding and peaceful environment in which to live.

The article dealt sensitively with such issues as gay teachers, morality, legislation, coming out, stereotypes, and the church. Let us hope that this is just the first of many articles aimed at dispelling literally a lifetime of oppression and misunderstanding.

GSO is anticipating a substantial anti-gay response to this article and in the spirit of Gay Pride Month, urges you and your friends to write letters of support to the editor of the Herald-Leader. The address is: Letters to the Editor

Lexington Herald-Leader Main and Midland Lexington, Kentucky 40507



GSO Needs You!



All nominations shall be made from the floor at the June 6 meeting. No nomination will be received unless the proposed nominee is present at the meeting and agrees to serve if elected, or if proposed nominee is absent the nominator must present at the time of the nomination, a signed statement by the proposed nominee certifying his or her willingness to serve if elected. Each nominator shall, at the time he or she makes the nomination, make a statement of the qualifications of the person being nominated.

A majority of votes cast shall be necessary for election. If there are more than two nominees for a position and none receive a majority, a second ballot shall be taken between the two having the largest number of votes. Balloting shall continue until a nominee receives a majority. If there is more than one nominee for a position, voting shall be by secret written ballot. Ballots may be prepared in advance with blanks for the various positions to be filled and provide for

writing in names of persons nominated or for whom each elector wishes to vote. Please plan to attend and cast your vote. It's important!!!!!!!!!

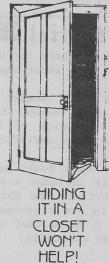
## Gay And Lesbian Day At KINGS ISLAND!

The Greater Cincinnati Gay Coalition will once again be presenting "Gay and Lesbian Day" at Kings Island, as part of its Pride Week Celebration.

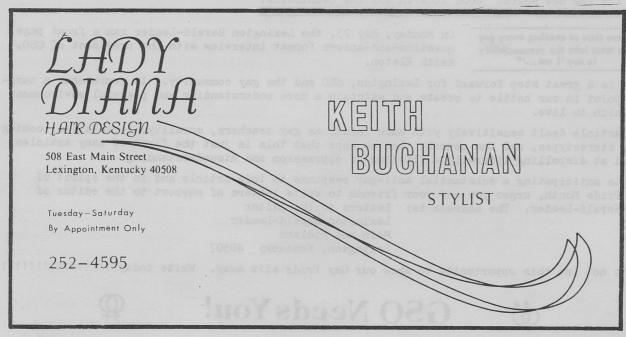
Set your calendar for Saturday, June 11. Discount tickets will be available that morning from 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. (near the main entrance, look for the GCGC sign). Discount tickets will sell for \$11.00--no reservations are needed--just show up on June 11!

We're asking gays and lesbians to wear red and plan for a fun and exciting day. GCGC will conclude Pride Week activities Sunday, June 19 at the Fifth Annual Rally on Fountain Square from 2 to 3 p.m. There will be speakers, entertainment, and ballons. A funderaiser will follow at Xanadu.

For more information write: Pride Week Committee, P.O. Box 19158, Cincinnati, OH 45219.



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HOUSEMATE-ROOMMATE: College professor seeking to share house or large apartment on the east side of Lexington. Call 1-606-623-5542 or the Gayline at 231-0335.

2 BEDROOM- Reliable roommate needed to share apartment with paraplegic. Must be able to pay brent, utilities & phone. Ask for Zendell at 293-0886.

ROOMMATE WANTED to share 2 room apartment downtown. Call Paul at 255-4026.

Do Business with the Gay Community

#### POLICE SEEK HELP

The Division of Police and Kentucky State Police are currently seeking information that will assist in the development of the Lee Haddix and Jay Reynolds homicides.

An established series of facts has been determined in both investigations that will allow investigators to accurately evaluate all information received.

A reward for information leading to an arrest in these investigations is being offered. Any information received will be considered confidential and may be provided anonymously. A special telephone number has been arranged for persons to call with information that may assist in these investigations. That telephone number is 254-7877 and it may be called between the hours of 9 a.m. and 4 p.m. Ask for Dets. Borne or Bizzack.

(See Story & Composite Drawing

#### HAVE YOU BEEN THE VICTIM OF

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(OR HAVE YOU WITNESSED ANY SUCH INCIDENTS?)

#### WE WANT TO HEAR FROM YOU

Your call will help NGTF to document, publicize and combat violence against lesbians and gay males nationwide.

The Crisisline also provides info and referrals on Acquired Immuni Deficiency Syndrome (A.I.D.S.), a serious impairment of the body's immune system and a growing health problem facing the gay male community.



#### NGTF CRISISLINE

Call toll-free 800-221-7044 In N.Y. State (212) 807-6016

- \* To report anti-gay violence
- \* To obtain A.I.D.S. referrals

## Volleyball In The Park!!!

In hope to better involve the entire gay community in its social events, GSO would like to make the Volleyball /Potluck operate on a donation basis. GSO is a non-profit organization and understands that everyone is not able to pay \$3.00. However, there are expenses that must be met which cannot be completely paid for by GSO Benefit Fundraisers alone.

If each person would contribute as much as they can, there should be enough money to pay for the Park Shelter and also support GSO during the summer months (traditionally slow fund-raising months). Those who can give more please do so, in order for everyone to benefit.

Many people do not have any means of transportation to Jacobson Park. People who plan to attend should offer those without transportation, a ride. If you want to go, and don't have a way, call someone or call Jim Wiechers at 299-0352. He will arrange transportation and see to it that anyone who wants to go, gets there.

Some people feel as though meeting in a park with other gay people is just 'asking for trouble' or 'too public'. GSO has been meeting in the park for volleyball/potlucks for several years without incident. So come on out, let loose, and have some fun!

GSO would like to get as many people as possible involved. Different people have varied interests and it would be ideal to have additional activities. If anyone has other ideas (i.e. badmitton, horseshoes, jarts, croquet or cards bring them along.

Come join GSO for our first annual Gay Pride Picnic on Friday, June 24. It will be an event to remember as gay Lexington comes together to celebrate Gay Pride Week. Invitations have been extended to Louisville groups and we're hoping for a large turnout. It will be at Jacobson Park, Shelter #5. See you there!!!!

### POTTUCK: 1983!!!

The first summer potluck will be hosted Sunday, June 5, by Charles Hadden at the Lake House on La Belle Farm. The fun will begin at 1:30 p.m. and continue until 3:30 p.m. So look up your best summer recipes and plan on being there!

The Lake House has a small kitchen. Grills, charcoal, and lighting fluid will also be provided, as will plenty of picnic tables and chairs. As always, it's BYOB.

La Belle Farm at 4435 Old Frankfort Pike  $(4\frac{1}{2}$  miles west of New Circle Road) is also the site of the Headley-Whitney Museum. Please park in the museum parking lot and then walk east the short distance between the Headley House and its outbuildings to the Lake House.

Please remember that the museum and the farm are private property. Our party is restricted to the Lake House and that portion of the lawn nearby.

Many thanks to Charles from GSO for generously arranging such a beautiful and unique setting for our first summer potluck.



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The composite sketch to the side was released to GSO by the Lexington Police Department.

Based on reports from witnesses in the vicinities of the recent stabbing deaths, police have compiled the following information about the suspect:

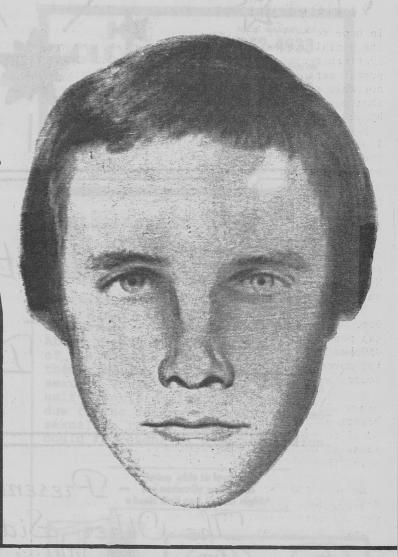
White Male 20-25 Years Old 5'10" to 6' 160-175 Pounds Thinning Brown Hair-Styled Last seen wearing jeans, hiking or lace up boots with red laces, down jacket. Possibly carrying large knife.

Please refer to story "Police Seek Help" if you have seen this person or have any other information regarding the murders.

We're counting on you! Thanks!

NOTICE OF PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE LEX-INGTON GAY SERVICES ORGANIZATION, INC. BY-LAWS FOR JUNE 1983: The following amendment has been considered by the Board of Directors and formally proposed to the membership. Consideration of it will be the first order of business at the meeting to be held June 6 at the office.

AMENDMENT: "Effective as of date of adoption, the non-officer members of the Board of Directors shall be elected for a term of two (2) years. The officers (President Vice-president, and Treasurer) to be elected at the June 1983 meeting shall be elected for a term of one (1) year and thereafter the said offices shall be filled for a two (2) year term."



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#### "PE'GAY'SUS PLANTATION PARTY" HUGE SUCCESS!!!

All the rain failed to dampen GSO's first annual "Pe'gay'sus Plantation Party." In fact, our first-ever post-Derby brunch was a huge success! Seventy-five men and women attended and we grossed approximately \$500.00!!!

Many thanks to Montie from all the members of GSO for letting us turn his fabulous home into "Pe'gay'sus Plantation." Such a setting would make any party a success. His silver trophy filled with red roses was a superb touch of Derby tradition.

Many thanks also to the cooks, waiters, and bartenders, and to the crew that manned the NEWSLETTER Table. More than a dozen GSO members contributed their time, energy, and money to guarantee the success of the brunch.

Finally, many thanks are also due each of our guests. All of whom braved wind and rain to attend. Without them, it wouldn't have been a party at all!



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## THE FIFTH NATIONAL LESBIAN/GAY HEALTH CONFERENCE

Between 300 and 600 registrants from across the country are expected to converge in Denver for the Fifth National Lesbian/Gay Health Conference on June 9 - June 12 at the Executive Tower Inn. The theme of the conference is "Health Pioneering in the 80's" and will offer over 40 workshops and seminars addressing all aspects of lesbian and gay health. Special interest topics to be presented include Sexually Transmitted Disease Services, Alcoholism Services, Holistic Health and Lesbian/Feminist Health Issues. The conference will include the Second National Forum on Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome (AIDS), as well as organ-izational time for several national lesbian and gay health groups.

The Second National Forum on AIDS will take place in conjunction with the conference on Thursday and Friday, June 9 & 10. The Forum will bring together AIDS Care providers and decision makers and will focus on the medical, psychological, social and political aspects of AIDS.

The conference is sponsored by the National Gay Health Education Foundation, Inc., the American Association of Physicians for Human Rights, and the Gay and Lesbian Health Alliance of Denver.

General admission to the conference is \$50 with special discounts to students, senior citizens and those who stay at the Executive Tower Inn. For further registration information contact conference coordinators Dan Pfeffer (714-494-0293) or Fran Miller (415-653-3724) or write the National Gay Health Education Foundation Inc. at 5938 Chabot, Oakland, California 94618.



#### Mythology In 1983

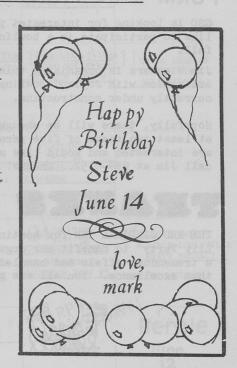
ONLY A VERY SMALL MINORITY OF PEOPLE ARE HOMOSEXUAL.

Approximately 10% of the population of the U.S. is, by self-definition, homosexual -- 20,000,000 adults. About 13.95% of the men and 4.25% of the women in the U.S. identify themselves as predominately homosexual. These figures are based on self-identification, however, and due to the stigma attached to homosexuality in our society, they could represent an underestimation.

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## dignity

Dignity/Lexington is official. Representatives of Dignity/Lexington went to Toledo, Ohio in late April to request chapter-in-formation status at the regional meeting.

It was unanimously granted and now the chapter is in the process of organizing along the lines of offices, committees, membership, etc. The numbers are increasing and they constantly welcome the addition of any man or woman who is interested in the group.

Dignity is a gay Catholic support group. You need not be gay nor Catholic to be a member. You only need to be able to accept the Statement of Position and Purpose of Dignity, Inc.

For more information write: Dignity/Lexington P.O. Box 1984 Lexington, KY 40593

You may also call 269-8500 and ask for Mark. The GAYLINE will also have meeting times and locations. Dignity meets on the second Wednesday of the month for meetings. A liturgy and social will be on the last Saturday of each month.

Be gay and proud with Dignity!!!

## BOWLING LEAGUE TO FORM THIS FALL



GSO is looking for interested persons who would like to participate in a bowling league this fall.

Jim Wiechers is organizing this activity in coordination with Joyland Bowling Lanes, which is currently under construction.

Hopefully, there will be enough interest to form at least two teams of five persons each. If you are interested and would like more information, call Jim at 299-0352. Thanks!

### THANKS

GSO would like to thank the staff of

THE RED CARDINAL INN for hosting the "After the Lily Party" to benefit our organization. It was a tremendous affair and handled with nothing less than excellence. You all are great. Thanks!!!!

### GAY PROGRESS 1983!

Courtesy of National Now Times.

Harrisburg, Pennsylvania -- that state's capital -- became the latest city in the United States to protect the rights of its gay and lesbian citizens when a gay rights bill was signed into law by Mayor Stephen R. Reed. The bill was passed unanimously by the city council. It protects the rights of gay people in the areas of jobs, housing, public accommodations, credit and education. Representatives of NOW, as well as various gay organizations, testified in favor on the bill.

In Arkansas, gay activists and their supporters held back an effort by state representative Travis Dowd to pass an anti-gay resolution in the state's legislature. Dowd introduced HR 25, a resolution that urged college administrators to take "all lawful measures ... to stem the tide of homosexuality on campus". Arkansas NOW members have been active in fighting this bill.

While Pennsylvania and Arkansas are leading the way this spring, gay rights measures are making headway in legislatures across the country. Pro-gay rights bills have been introduced in California, Illinois, Minnesota, Indiana, New York, Washington and Massachusetts as well as other states. In most of these states the major focus is the protection of the civil rights of lesbians and gay people.

In Minnesota and Illinois, lobbying on gay rights bills is just getting underway. "Lobby '83" in Minnesota is working with Minnesota's openly gay legislators, Karen Clark and Allan Spear, in the effort to enact gay rights there.



SHOW YOUR SUPPORT IN '83

### Pin on Pride

The following agenda has been established by gay and lesbian groups in Louisville for celebration of Gay Pride Week. All persons from around the state are cordially invited and urged to attend. Come on Lexington! Let's show'em we're here and participate!!! (All events in Louisville)

SUNDAY AND MONDAY JUNE 19 & JUNE 20 An Evening of Gay Theatre U. of L. Theatre Annex 119 Barbee Street 8 p.m.--FREE

THURSDAY, JUNE 23 Interfaith Service Christ Church Cathedral 421 S. Second Street 8 p.m.--FREE

SUNDAY, JUNE 26 Otter Creek Gay Pride Picnic Pine Grove Picnic Area 12 Noon to 9 p.m. \$2.00 Admission BYOB (including beer) BYO FOOD Soft drinks/hot dogs will be sold.

TUESDAY, JUNE 21 Film Festival Benefit Vogue Theatre 3727 Lexington Road 9:15 p.m.--\$3.00

FRIDAY, JUNE 24 Bar Nite--Louisville bars tentatively plan to offer reduced or no covers and reduced drink prices.

\*\*\*PRICE INCLUDES: A cocktail hour with cash bar at 7, dinner at 8, a roast at 9, and dancing from 10 to midnight. Reservations must be made thru the GLUE HOTLINE (502)637-4342 by June 11.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 22 Talent Show for Local Artists (Location, as of publication, unavailable. Will tentatively be at one of the local bars.) 8 to 10 p.m.--\$2.00

SATURDAY, JUNE 25 Dinner Dance and Roast Louisville Hyatt Regency 7 to 12 Midnight \$15.00 per person\*\*\*

NOTE: A special invitation has been extended to Lexington to participate in all activities. Also, Louisville has asked Lexington to meet them at Gay and Lesbian Day at Kings Island between 10 & 11 a.m. Let's send a strong contingency to represent a united Kentucky in all activities!!!!!

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