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# The GLSO NEWS

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## 2007-GLSO 30 Year Anniversary

### OPEN HOUSE

To celebrate our 30 year anniversary, GLSO invites you to an Art Show and Open House on **Thursday, June 14** from 6 to 8. See page 6 for more details

### PRIDE PICNIC

This year's picnic will be on **Sunday, June 10**, from 11am to 4 pm at Windy Knoll Farm, rain or shine. Directions and details on page 6 and insert.

## CORONATION XXVI

### Imperial Court of Ky Celebrates 26th Year of Fundraising

The Imperial Court of Kentucky will celebrate 26 years of continuous fundraising with its 26th annual Coronation Ball and related activities the weekend of June 1 – 4. The Imperial Court was organized in 1982 and is a charter member of the International Court System, a group of over 70 such groups throughout the United States, Canada and Mexico.

Located in Lexington, the Court is a 501© 3 charity organization with a dedicated mission to fundraise for other 501© 3 organizations that serve the LGBT community. This year, the Court has designated Moveable Feast Lexington, AVOL, GLSO and Kentucky Fairness Alliance as their primary beneficiaries. Since 2000, the Imperial Court of Kentucky has donated over \$115,000 to local and

national charity organizations.

The Coronation Ball includes a celebration of the year's successful fundraising, the appointment of the next year's Board of Directors and the election of Emperor and Empress, the figurehead leaders of the organization. This year, His Most Imperial Majesty, Emperor 25 John Ridener, and Her Most Imperial Majesty, Empress 25 Sierra Reign, invite you to join them for "Through the Looking Glass—A Mad, Mad, Mad Tea Party!", an Alice in Wonderland-themed evening filled with celebration, grand entertainment and recognition.

Coronation weekend is the first official Pride Month activity in Lexington. The weekend starts with the In-Town Show on Friday at the Bar Complex. Doors open at 7:30 pm and the show begins at 8 pm. Admission is \$5 donation.

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**June 1 - 3**



The show will feature many of Lexington's favorite court performers, and will be held in the upstairs dance floor area.

On Saturday, an official State Dinner will be held at the Radisson Plaza Hotel Spirits Lounge. Cocktails begin at 5:30 and dinner will be served at 6. Admission is a \$25 donation. Two shows will follow at Bluegrass Connection, 942 Winchester Road.. The Out-of-Town Show will feature entertainers from courts across the nation. Doors open at 8 pm, show begins at 8:30.

Following the Out-of-Town Show, the court invites you to stick around for the Male Revue Show, beginning at 11 pm. Last year's show featured adult movie stars Johnny Hazzard and Kevin Brown, with both of them providing exciting entertainment. This year will again feature phenomenal performers, including the renowned Tommy Blade, an All Worlds Video Exclusive. Admission is a \$10 donation and includes both the Out-of-Town show and the Male Revue Show.

The weekend culminates on Sunday evening with the 26th Coronation Ball at the Radisson Plaza Hotel Grand Ballroom in downtown Lexington. Doors open at 5:30 pm with the Opening Production to begin promptly at 6:00 pm. Admission is a \$15 donation and includes hors d'oeuvres. The evening will feature performances by guests from other courts across the country, the annual election for voting members of the organization, step-down performances from Emperor 25 John and Empress 25 Sierra, and the crowning ceremony for next year's monarchs.

On Monday, the weekend officially ends with a Victory Brunch at the Radisson Plaza Hotel Spirits Lounge. Doors open at 10:30 am, with brunch at 11:00 am. Admission is a \$25 donation.

Emperor John and Empress Sierra invite you to join the Court for the full weekend of activities to help them celebrate Reign 25's fundraising accomplishments.

## Anniversaries

Every year is a year of anniversaries for GLBT people. notable anniversaries will be scattered in the newsletter.

**555 years ago:** Leonardo da Vinci, Italian artist and scientist, was born.

**85 years ago :** In 1922 Sholom Asch's play, *The God of Vengeance*, the first play on an American stage to depict gay and lesbian characters, opened in Provincetown.

**60 years ago:** In 1947 Edythe Eyde, under pseudonym Lisa Ben, published *Vice Versa*, the first lesbian magazine in the United States.

**40 Years Ago:** 1967 Mike Wallace Hosts CBS Special Report "The Homosexual"

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# Pride Month Events

Listed in chronological order - short listing on insert

## PRIDE PROM FOR HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS

On Friday, June 1, the GLSO Gay Straight Alliance for Youth is hosting an alternative prom for all youth wanting to attend. It will be held at the Unitarian Universalist Church, 3564 Clays Mill Road, from 8 until midnight. Tickets are \$15 and can be purchased at the door. For more info. call Mary 859 2665904

## Reel World String Band

The Bluegrass Chapter of the National Organization for Women is having a 20th Anniversary Celebration featuring Reel World String Band. The concert is Saturday, June 2, 2007 at 7 pm at the Unitarian Universalist Church, 3564 Clays Mill Road, Lexington.

Admission is \$10, proceeds will benefit the Bluegrass Domestic Violence Program. If you haven't heard Reel World in a while, please join us for this concert. For more information visit [www.bluegrassnow.org](http://www.bluegrassnow.org) or e-mail [nowbluegrass@yahoo.org](mailto:nowbluegrass@yahoo.org)

## Unitarian Universalist Pride Service

### The "Gay" in Gay Pride



Sunday, June 3 11 am

On June 3, the U.U. Church Pride Service will feature Christopher McKnight, a budding and dynamic stand up comedian (when he is not busy being a hairstylist). Join us in celebrating all things gay. There will be music, fun, and joy - a great way to begin the month of celebrating LGBT people and community! After the service, please stay for a pot luck lunch and meet some of us that attend the UU Church.

## Southern Comfort

On Sunday, June 3 GLSO will be showing *Southern Comfort*, the winner of the Grand Jury Prize, for Best Documentary at the 2003 Sundance Film Festival. Join us at 2 pm at the Pride Center, 389 Waller Ave.

*Southern Comfort* focuses primarily on Robert Eads, a 52-year-old transsexual who lives in the back hills of Georgia. "A hillbilly and proud of it," he cuts a striking figure: sharp-tongued, bearded, tobacco pipe in hand. Robert has a number of trans friends who also tell parts of their life stories.

Robert was diagnosed with ovarian cancer, then turned away by more than two dozen doctors who feared that taking on a transgendered patient might harm their practice.

In the last year of his life, Robert falls in love with Lola, a mtf, and, with her, fulfills a dream by attending a prom at the Southern Comfort Conference in Atlanta, the preeminent transgender gathering.

A rare blend of humor, romance, and tragedy, *Southern Comfort* is the first non-fiction film to intimately tell a trans-to-trans love story, set against a disturbing tale of gender bias as it unfolds.

**40 years ago** In 1967 The ACLU, which had previously not supported GLBT causes, called for an end to anti-gay laws and discrimination in security cases. It called for the burden of proof to be on the government to prove a gay employee was a security risk.

**30 Years Ago:** In 1977, Harvey Milk was elected city-county supervisor in San Francisco, becoming the third out American elected to public office.



## BELMONT BBQ

What are you doing for the Belmont? Moveable Feast is having a BBQ on June 9, from 3 to 9 pm, and you're invited. It will be on the grounds of Conoid Farm, a beautiful farm at 2492 N. Cleveland Rd. There will be music by Club Dub, performances by ladies of the Imperial Court, food, fun and a cash bar. Bring a chair or blanket and join us to watch the race on large screen TV.

Moveable Feast will be serving it's 200,000<sup>th</sup> meal in June and we invite you to the Belmont BBQ to celebrate with us. By attending you will help launch us on the way to the next 200,000. Tickets are available at the Pride Center 859 253-3233 or Moveable Feast 859 252-2867. They are \$25 in advance, or \$45 per couple. At the gate they are \$35. Children under 12 free.

Moveable Feast delivers hot, nutritious meals to people in Fayette County with HIV disease and those on Hospice care, their caregiver, and any dependant children in the home.

**June 10 Picnic and June 14 Open House Information on page 6**

## GLBT MILITARY RECEPTION

A reception to honor GLBT American Military Service Personnel, Active or Veteran, will be held Thursday, June 21, 6 pm at the GLSO Pride Center. Come and share stories of your military service with others.

Bring photographs or other memorabilia of service including information about friends who have passed away so we can pay tribute to them.. Hors d' oeuvres and soft drinks will be served. The Pride Center is located at 389 Waller Avenue Suite 100. For more information, call Jackie at 971-3315 or the Pride Center at 253-3233

## Out Loud Health Fair

In recognition of National Men's Health Week, National HIV Testing Day, and Pride Month, the Targeted Prevention Program of Lexington-Fayette County Health Department, in collaboration with AIDS Volunteers of Lexington, will be holding the second annual Out Loud Health Fair. It will be at 257 North Limestone Street in the Third Street Stuff parking lot on June 23<sup>rd</sup> from 11am to 2pm.

The health fair will offer information on diet and nutrition, diabetes, cancer, heart disease, smoking cessation, drug dependency issues, safer sex practices, STDs, and other subjects. Some free health screenings will be offered, including blood pressure checks, HIV testing, and syphilis testing. Join us for free food & drinks, entertainment, prizes and learn how to stay healthy.

## AIDS Volunteers

### 15th Annual Pledge Walk and 5K Run

On June 30, AVOL will host it's annual fundraising Walk/Run at Keeneland. Registration begins at 7:45 am and the events start at 9am. The cost for runners is \$20 and there is no charge for walkers. There will be a cash award for runners and prize awards for walkers. For more info seet [aidsvolunteers.org](http://aidsvolunteers.org) or 859 225-3000



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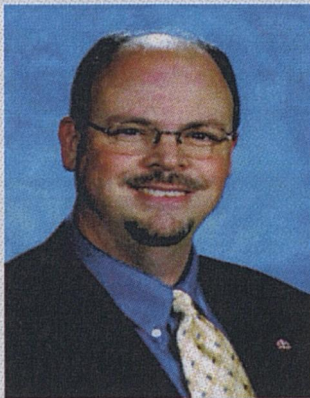


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# Pride Picnic June 10

The Annual Pride Picnic will be held from 11 am to 4 pm on Sunday, June 10, at Windy Knoll Farm. There is an indoor arena we can use in case of rain so plan to join us, rain or shine. There is no admission charge.

The picnic is our most popular event with a giant potluck, games, vendors, raffle and the joyful gathering of family and friends. Everyone is asked to bring a dish to share, and there is usually a wonderful array of food. GLSO will provide fried chicken and will be selling soft drinks and water to help pay for the equipment we rent (tables, stage, porta potty, sound equipment, etc.) so please plan to purchase drinks.

We are starting at 11 in response to requests by parents to have some child centered activities before the main events get underway. There will be games and prizes for children between 11 and 1pm. Of course, adults are welcome to arrive early also. We expect a good crowd so car pool with friends. **Due to insurance restrictions, please do not bring alcohol. Directions on insert.**



## Pride Idol

The highlight of this year's picnic entertainment will be the **Pride Idol 2007 Finals.** Thirteen finalists will be singing.. You will have the opportunity to purchase \$1 ballots to vote for your favorite. The contest is scheduled to start at 1 pm. There are some great singers so come out for the fun.

## Raffle and Silent Auction

We have many great items for silent auction and raffle at the picnic,

See a list on the insert.

## Pride Month \$100 Raffle

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**Twenty Years Ago: 1987 - ACT UP** stages its first major demonstration, and; U.S. Congressman Barney Frank comes out

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## Lexington Insight

Joseph and Danny, Insight's founding group leaders, will soon be relocating to the Ashland, KY area. We thank them for their steadfast effort in building this group and wish them the best of luck as they pursue new endeavors.

Dana has volunteered to be the coordinator of Insight. In June, Insight will host a movie night on Friday June 22 at 7 pm. We will have a number of movies available for those who attend to choose from. Everyone is welcome to join us. That will be our only meeting in June

Starting in July, we will meet on the first Friday of each month at 7 pm for a pot luck and movie. On the fourth Saturday of each month we will have an InsightOut activity. "Out" activities may include a hike, bowling, or attending a reading group at Joseph-Beth. If you would like to volunteer to host additional meeting times, or have suggestions for other activities, call Dana at 859-230-2428."

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## Bluegrass Fairness

### Local Chapter Resigns from KFA Forms Independent Group

All nine members of the steering committee of the Bluegrass Chapter of the Kentucky Fairness Alliance (KFA) have decided to step down to form an independent organization. This group, named Bluegrass Fairness, will work on local gay, lesbian, bisexual, and transgender issues by focusing on grass-roots movements and educational and outreach opportunities.

Lexington Fairness was originally organized in 1992 as an advocacy group that worked to promote GLBT rights. Five years later, we developed a formal board and affiliated ourselves with the Ky Fairness Alliance, becoming the Bluegrass Chapter.

At this time, the newly formed Bluegrass Fairness has decided to return our focus to local community involvement and activism. We will work toward fairness under the law using a variety of educational and networking approaches. We will also continue our lobbying efforts.

Bluegrass Fairness will work closely with other LGBT groups and allies to promote fairness on several different levels. "We want to work with everyone out there who is interested in equality for gays and lesbians," says Aaron Hutson, treasurer of the group. We already have strong ties with local legislators and groups including the Imperial Court of Kentucky and the Gay and Lesbian Service Organization.

"Certainly, the options are limitless when it comes to the networking and initiatives we can create in our efforts to promote fairness through community involvement," states Beth Hartmann, secretary of Bluegrass Fairness. Members of Bluegrass Fairness are excited and looking forward to creating a fair and equal Kentucky for all GLBT persons.



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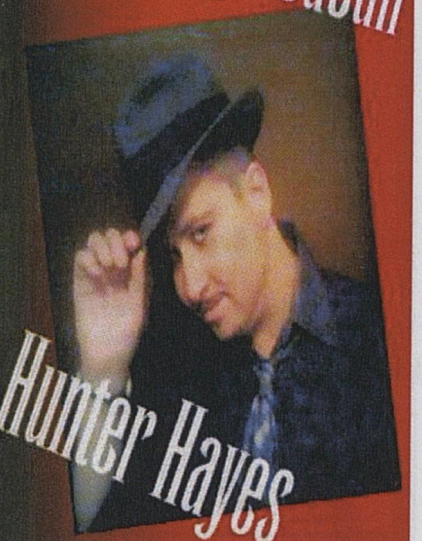
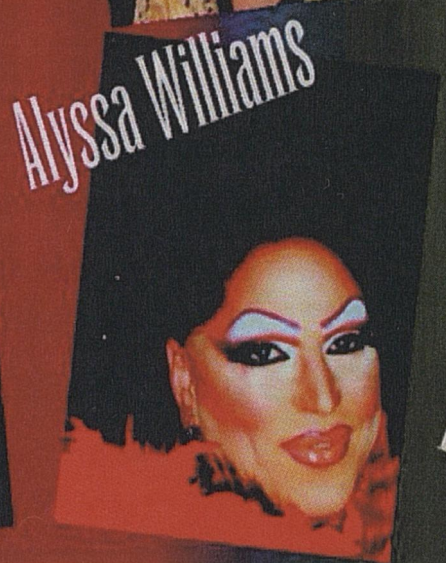
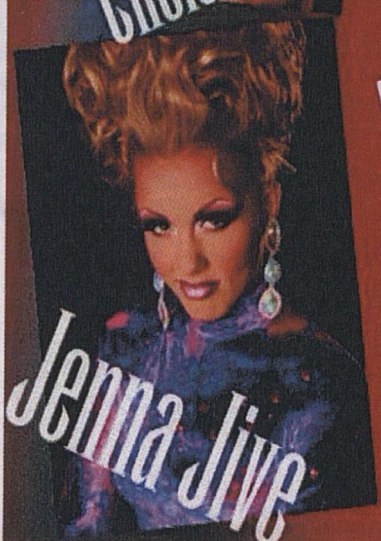
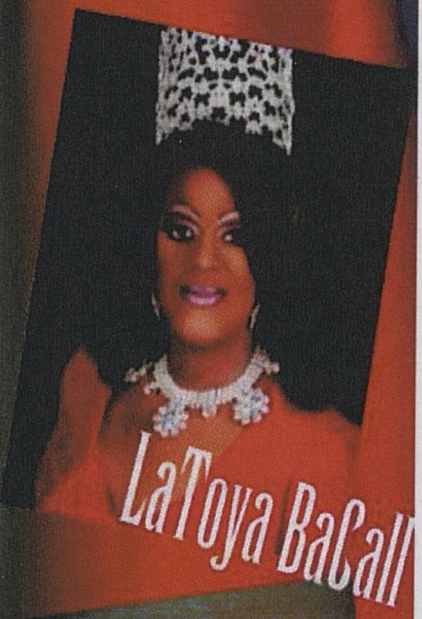
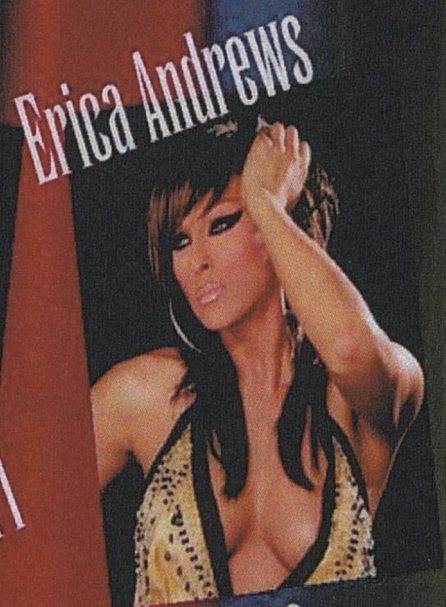
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## LEXINGTON PRIDE MONTH EVENTS

### June 1 - 3 The Imperial Court of Kentucky Coronation Weekend

**Friday 1:** In-Town Show- Bar Complex. - 8 pm - \$5 donation

**Saturday 2:** State Dinner Radisson Plaza Hotel Spirits Lounge. Cocktails 5:30 pm - Dinner 6 pm. \$25 donation. Two shows 8 pm and 11 pm at Bluegrass Connection, 942 Winchester Road

**Sunday 3:** 26th Coronation Ball - Radisson Plaza Hotel Grand Ballroom 5:30 pm - \$15 donation

**June 1 Pride Prom for High School Youth** - Gay Straight Alliance for Youth- Cost \$15 - Information call Mary 859 266-5904

**June 3 *Southern Comfort*, Sundance** prize winning documentary about transsexuality, 2 pm, Pride Center, 389 Waller Ave.

**June 9 Moveable Feast Belmont Stakes BBQ and Fundraiser**, 2492 N. Cleveland Rd., \$25 per person, \$45 couple, 3 to 9 pm, for info and tickets, call 859 252-2867

**June 9 -Louisville Miss KY Pride Festival @ Connections** 6:30

**June 10 Pride Picnic** Windy Knoll Farm 3263 N.Cleveland Rd.

**June 14 GLSO 30 Year Anniversary Celebration**, Open House & Art Show 6 pm, Pride Center 389 Waller Ave.

**June 15 Louisville Pride Parade** - gather at Tryangles 8 pm  
**Festival on the Belvedere** 8 pm to midnight

**June 16 Festival on the Belvedere** continues noon - Midnight \$5

**June 16 Movie night at Aaron's** call 684-7475

**June 21 Reception for GLBT Veterans**, 6 pm, Pride Center, 389 Waller Ave.

**June 22 Insight 7 pm Pride Center**, movie night - open to all

**June 23 OUTLoud Health Dept. Fair** - 257 North Limestone Street, Third Street Stuff parking lot, 11am to 2pm.

**June 30 AVOL Walk/Run for the Cure** - Keeneland, 7:45 registration 9am start

**June 15 deadline for July GLSO News must be met -  
We will be printing newsletter on June 18 - 19**

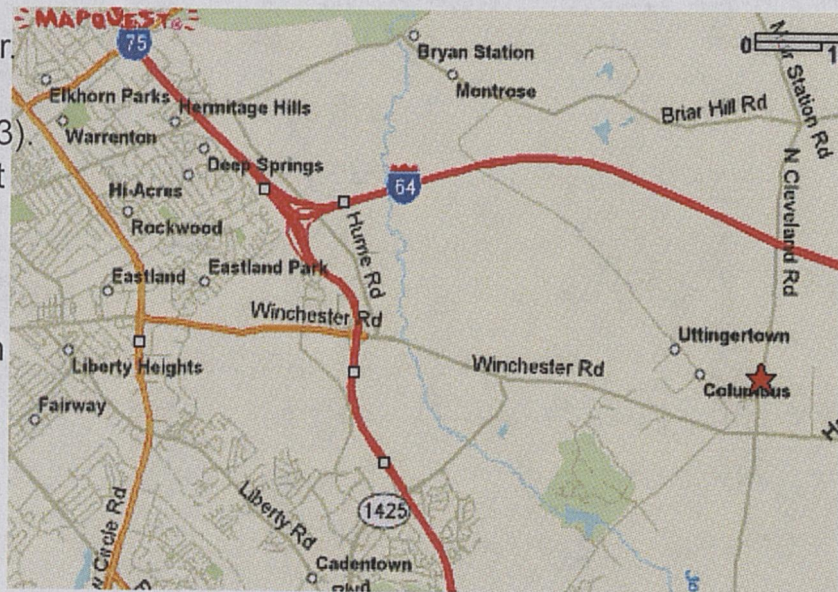


## Directions to Windy Knoll Farm 3263 Cleveland Road North

Your goal is marked by the red star on the map below. From Lexington, go out of town on Winchester Rd heading east. Midland Ave., by the Herald Leader, runs into Winchester Rd. You can also take New Circle Road (in orange) around to Winchester Rd. From the intersection of Winchester and New Circle (near where it says Eastland), go east 5.5 miles toward Winchester.

Turn left (north) onto N Cleveland Rd (RT 1973). 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.



If you are arriving on I-75, north or south, take exit 110, onto Winchester Rd. Route 60. Go East towards Winchester, about 2 1/2 miles to Cleveland Rd.

From the east on I-64, you can take exit 94, which will put you on the bypass near Winchester. Go south on the bypass, turn right (west) on 60. Cleveland Rd will then be on your right. If you get lost, call 859-221-4396.

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## **Bring to Pride Picnic**

Blanket or Chair  
Food for Pot Luck  
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**Sunday June 10**



## LGBT and "Redneck"?

There is a new e-group started by Patrick Buck for gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgender individuals, their friends and families who are already involved in or interested in exploring and experiencing working class, blue collar, and rural lifestyles and communities including but not limited to those commonly referred to as "Redneck."

The list is open to folks from any place but there will be local activities as interest grows. Please help publicize the list locally and worldwide.

<http://groups.yahoo.com/group/LesbigaytransRednecks/members>

**10 years ago:** In 1997 "Ellen" became the first prime-time television program to have its main character come out as a lesbian

## Lexington Lyons Leather/Levi Club

The Lexington Lyons will meet June 11 at the Pride Center, 7 pm. The Lyons are a group of friends who come together to celebrate strength, unity, and diversity for those who enjoy the Leather /Levi Lifestyle. For info visit <http://www.lexlyons.org>.

**15 Years Ago:** In 1992 Colonel Margarethe Cammermeyer was dishonorably discharged based solely on her admission that she is a lesbian. She successfully challenged the military's policy banning homosexuals, and was reinstated. She served a number of years in the Washington State National Guard as an open lesbian. She is the highest-ranking official in the United States military to acknowledge her homosexuality while in the service. We have a movie about her life at the Pride Center.



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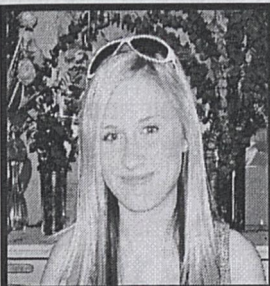
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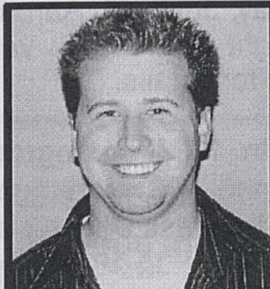
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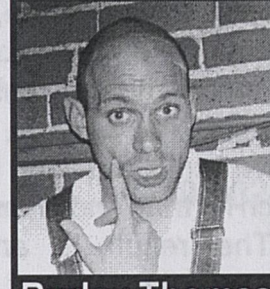
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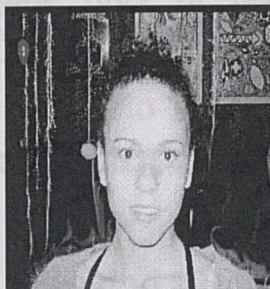
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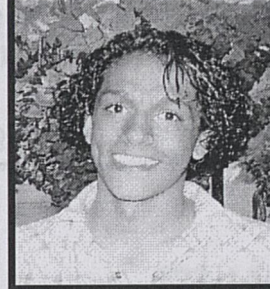
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14th Annual GLBT Pride Picnic.  
Be there to cast your ballots for your  
favorite Pride Idol Contender.  
Contest starts at 1:00 pm.



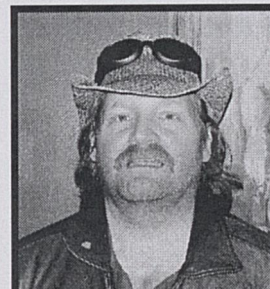
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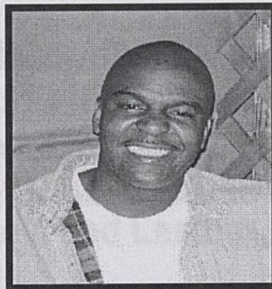


**Lisa Mendoza**

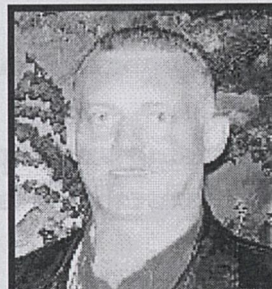
With Special Guest, last year's title  
holder Miss Lisa Mendoza.



**Cori Wood**



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**Amy Riggs**

*All proceeds from this event benefit the GLSO Pride Center of the Bluegrass*



*Gallerie Soleil Presents  
Last Days*

*Last Days* is an exhibit based on the life of Saint Russell, a young, flamboyant, gay artist, rock musician, street personality and voice of our times. In October, 2006, Russell took his own life, leaving behind a stack of journals and a few props and trinkets. From the scant evidence of his short life, a group of artists has sought to make some sense of his walk among us, his soul searching rants, his words of wisdom, his struggle to survive and express himself and his search for truth and meaning.

The result is an overwhelming journey to the heart of loss, inspiration, despair, possible redemption and the celebration of a life too short. The artists have sought to make this exhibit a life altering experience to those unfamiliar with the devastation of gay teen suicide.

*Last Days* questions our community and the larger society on issues of alienation, homophobia, creative freedom, drug addiction and alcoholism, and the role of religion in adolescent despair and suicide.

Gallerie Soleil is located at 363 West Short St. and will be participating in the June 15 Gallery Hop, 5-8 pm.

**Movie Night - June 16**

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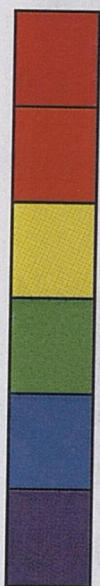
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## The Positive View

By Dr. Sherry and Dr. Skippy

### Part 5: Being a Positive Role Model

Role models are important to us as we grow and develop, even in adulthood. We find our role models at school, in our communities, at work, or among our family and friends. For gay men and lesbians, however, finding role models who share their sexual identity can be very challenging because of the lack of access to a range of visible GLBT persons.

The responses to our survey indicated that gay men and lesbians recognize the importance of being a positive role model and find great satisfaction in giving of themselves in this way. For example, one gay man wrote, "I find it positive to be a role model for the gay community in my workplace. I enjoy being openly gay in the workplace, particularly where I work with younger gay and lesbian students who look to me for support and guidance."

A lesbian participant wrote, "I think my partner and I, working as 'out' lesbians, try to set an example and be good role models for ALL our friends, including our lesbian friends and couples."

In serving as a positive social role model, a gay man submitted, "Younger people look up to me and see you can be gay, happy, and in a committed relationship."

For one of the lesbian participants, being a positive role model took the form of mentoring a young woman who was newly out and providing her with the role model she wished she had when coming out: "I became a mentor of sorts to her. It made me so happy to know that she felt she could come to me for support, and I always took time with her, because having gone through some of the same experiences, I would have loved to be able to talk to someone that I could trust."

In other research that we have conducted, we have found that same-sex couples express a desire to have visible, positive same-sex couple role models. While there are many similarities between opposite-sex and same-sex couple relationships, there are also differences. For same-sex couples, it is important to see positive, long-term, committed, loving relationships. One respondent wrote about her family and friends' view of her relationship, "They see that we are happy together, complement each other, are good forces in each others' lives, and they admire our relationship."

Who are the people that you look to for inspiration about how to live your best life? How might you be a positive role model to others in the GLBT community? Most of us vastly underestimate our impact on those around us. What types of positive messages do you want others to read in your life? What small actions can you take to be a positive role model of life well-lived as a GLBT person?

For more information about our work, go to [www.PrismResearch.org](http://www.PrismResearch.org). Dr. Sherry is Sherry Rostosky, PhD, Associate Professor of Counseling Psychology at UK. Prof. Skippy is Ellen Riggle, PhD, Professor of Gender and Women's Studies and Political Science at UK. This article is based on: Riggle, Whitman, Olson, Rostosky, & Strong. (2007). *The Positive Aspects of Being a Lesbian or Gay Man*.

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June 15 • **Pride Parade** • Departs from Tryangles at 8pm

June 15 • **Festival on the Belvedere Begins** • 8pm to Midnight • Free admission

June 16 • **Festival on the Belvedere** • Noon to Midnight • \$5 admission

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