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ACLU, FAIRNESS SEEK STORIES OF POLICE MISCONDUCT

Have you, or someone you know, ever been disrespected or mistreated by member of either the Lexington-Fayette County Division of Police or the Fayette County Sheriff's Department? Did you feel that this was because the officer or deputy thought you were lesbian, gay or bisexual?

Did you report the incident or incidents to anyone? If so, were you treated respectfully? Was your complaint taken seriously and investigated thoroughly? Was any action taken against the officer or deputy by their employers? If you didn't report the incident, was it because you were afraid of the consequences (i.e., being outted to family, friends, employers, or others by police investigators; additional police harassment; etc.)? Do you feel that making a report of police misconduct to Internal Affairs departments effectively deals with homophobic actions taken by police officers or sheriff's deputies?

The American Civil Liberties Union of Kentucky and the Lexington Fairness Campaign are collecting information about police

PAT ROBERTSON HOSTILE TO CLERGY

Virginia Beach, VA: Rev. Mel White Enters Day Eight of Fast, Day Seven of Incarceration After Arrest at CBN While Seeking Meeting with Pat Robertson

Issue: Rev. Mel White, a former ghostwriter for Pat Robertson, is today in his eighth day of an ongoing fast following his arrest February 15 at Pat Robertson's Christian Broadcasting Network (CBN) headquarters. Rev. White, who is openly gay, has been attempting to meet with his former boss Robertson for more than 20 months to discuss Robertson's extensive use of anti-gay rhetoric on the 700 Club and in

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misconduct and abuse which specifically targets lesbians, bisexuals and gay men in the Lexington area so that we can substantiate our claim that a number of minority groups in Lexington have a significant, justifiable distrust of police.

If you have had any experiences with the Lexington police or Fayette County Sheriff's deputies, it is important that you call ACLU Public Education Director Keith Elston at (606) 281-1482. Confidentiality concerns will be respected.▼

GOP CONTRACT ON LESBIGAY AMERICA?

In the first indication that anti-gay extremists in the new Republican-controlled Congress may target lesbian and gay Americans in discriminatory legislation, Sen. Jesse Helms (R- N.C.) has introduced two bills that would promote hate speech and discrimination against federal workers.

The first bill, S.23, would give a special exemption from workplace non-discrimination policies to government employees who voice prejudices against lesbian and gay co-workers. S.25 would target lesbian and gay employees for discrimination by denying their employee organizations the same rights to free association and free speech guaranteed to other employee groups. Twenty-two employee groups for lesbian and gay federal workers have formed, to encourage opposition to this legislation.▼

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PRIDE CENTER UPDATE

The Pride Center Task Force continues to move ahead with its work in opening a center for gay, lesbian, and bisexual people in central Kentucky. Originally, the Task Force volunteers had agreed to serve until January, but most are continuing on.

Jim Wiechers has been elected as Chair, and other officers include Diane Lawless as Treasurer and Allen Barger as Secretary. David Mawn, Judy Goldsmith, Mark Isbell and Shea Elder are chairing a variety of committees. This task force has committed itself to the long-term efforts needed to make the Pride Center of the Bluegrass a stable, functioning operation.

Possible uses of the Center include a meeting space for groups, a reading room, a coffee house, a place to hold special events and fund-raisers, and as a place to offer needed services as support groups for lesbians, gays and bisexuals in and around the area.

Several fund-raisers are in the planning stage for late spring and early summer. These are tremendously important because they give money to the Center. But they also allow the Task Force to qualify for grant money from outside the area by demonstrating local support.

Continue to watch for more news about the Pride Center, and upcoming dates and places for fund-raisers. Many will be announced within GLSO News pages, and in the center page calendar.▼

**PRIDE MONTH: It's
CLOSER than you THINK**

STONEWALL PRIDE MONTH COMMITTEE

The Stonewall Committee has started to plan for a month of activities in June. We hope to have a variety of events to offer and are asking all lesbigay organizations to sponsor an activity, or to help with one of the larger events, such as the picnic.

Our next meeting is Monday, March 20th at Mary Crone's house at 7:30, and is open to all. The calendar is beginning to fill, so if you want a particular date, you should call Mary (266-5904) as soon as possible. We plan to finalize all dates by April 10th, which is the date of our third meeting.

Some events are already scheduled. The picnic is planned for June 4th - a Sunday - at Bell Court, from 11 to 5. We will be selling a variety of food, including vegetarian. The Tri-State Gay Rodeo Association (TSGRA) is organizing a mini people's rodeo: games where we can demonstrate our athletic prowess or make total fools of ourselves.

TSGRA is also planning the Volunteer Banquet for June 25th.

At the next meeting of the Stonewall Pride Committee (that's right - Monday, March 20, 7:30pm, Mary's house), we will be discussing how best to spend the money we have and how to advertise Pride Month. As usual, there are questions about how much media coverage we actually want. If you would like to be part of these discussions, please come to this meeting. Any individuals who would like to become involved are encouraged to attend, or to call Mary to volunteer.▼

COMMUNITY NEWS

TRAVELERS TAKE NOTE

The GLSO News was again delayed last month, this time due to a prohibition against mailing advertising for travel agents under "non-profit bulk mail" rates. Pegasus has run an ad with us for many years, but last month a mail examiner saw the ad and gave us a call.

Apparently, we cannot run ads for insurance or credit card sales, either. This meant an additional expense to get last month's newsletter out. Since Pegasus has given GLSO 1% of tickets sold to GLSO supporters for many years, we hope to find other ways to continue our mutually supportive agreement. We will list them in our directory and we can list them as a supporter. Please continue to give them your business.▼

DIGNITY OUTREACH

Dignity of Lexington is planning to offer a non-clergy referral and support group for lesbian, gay and bisexual people who are having relationship problems. People with any type of relationship problems (including the lack of a relationship) are welcome. The leaders of the group are professionally trained, local social workers, therapists and counselors who are donating their time and talents free to the community. If you are interested in finding out more about this new group please call Don at 299-4458.

The first session is scheduled for Friday, February 10, 7-9pm. If you would prefer individual counseling, it may be possible, depending on the availability of a therapist. These services are offered free of charge, you must be 18 to attend.▼

WOMYNWEAVE

Womynweave is reorganizing and planning social activities for women. Get-togethers are open to any women wanting to meet new people and have some fun. For more information, call Ramona at 266-4672.▼

MCC & TSGRA TEAM UP FOR A FUND-RAISER

If you weren't at the Metropolitan Community Church's (MCC) first karaoke night you missed a great time. There were some excellent performers and there were those that... well, they were entertaining too. This time MCC is putting it on in the Gilded Cage Show Room at the Bar. Also, the Tri-State Gay Rodeo Association (TSGRA) is joining in the fund to do a T-shirt auction at the same time. This spectacular event will be held on March 15th and the doors will open at 9:00pm with a cover charge of \$2.00.

So come on out and show everyone what you usually do when you're naked and alone (sing in the shower that is). If you DO come out, we guarantee you will hear some

wonderful voices and some fun ones too. You will also be able to increase your wardrobe by buying the shirt right off a great looking model's back.

Also of interest: TSGRA will also be having a second T-shirt auction at Crossings on April Fools Day. The event starts at 10pm and there is no cover for this event. MCC wishes to thank Anita and Bootsie from Karaoke on the Move. They also do private parties. "THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!"▼

FRONTRUNNER / UK LAMBDA FUND-RAISER

Mark your calendars! May 12th and 13th! "The Night Larry Kramer Kissed Me" by David Drakes is coming to Lexington. Jay Aubry will be starring in this one-man show about being gay in the '90's. Deborah Martin is directing. UK Lambda, the student lesbian group, and Frontrunners-Lexington are jointly producing this benefit for the Pride Center. Tickets are available at the Singletary Center box office now, \$12.00 reserved seating and \$25.00 donor seating. More information is forthcoming!▼

THE KENTUCKY AIDS WALK FOR LIFE

On April 23, 1995, AIDS Volunteers (AVOL) with field centers in Frankfort, Hazard, Lexington and London will hold its third annual AIDS Walk For Life.

The goal of this year's walk is to
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KNOW THY ENEMIES

Note: This information was pulled from an article on the Internet and was not written by GLSO staff. The contact for each of these groups is listed after its description.

Beware of groups that promote hatred and homophobia under the guise of "family values."

American Family Association: promotes their 'agenda' through court actions and also targets the media/entertainment industry. Their concerns include homosexuality, pornography, profanity, "anti-Christian" bigotry, "liberal media," the National Endowment for the Arts funding and public school curricula censorship. They have 600,000 members, and 640 local chapters. (Donald Wildmon, PO Box 2440, Tupelo, MS38803.)

Concerned Women of America: anti-gay, anti-abortion; "pro-family" agenda via grassroots organizing and Congressional lobbying. Pressures elected officials via local 'prayer chains'. They have 600,000 members in 800 US chapters. (Beverly LaHaye, 370 L'Enfant Promenade SW, #800, Washington, DC 20024.)

Eagle Forum: a women's organization powerful in national and Republican party politics thanks to founder Phyllis Schlafly. She is the mother of a gay man, but opposes AIDS education, sex education, day care, family leave, abortion rights, the ERA and NEA funding. Her son supports her, as well. *Eagle Forum* boasts 80,000 members. (Phyllis Schlafly, Box 618, Alton, IL 62002.)

Family Research Council (not the same as Paul Cameron's Family

Research Institute); lobbies against lesbian rights, reproductive freedom, government-funded health care, child care and equal protection laws for women in the workplace. (Gary Bauer, 700 13th Street NW, Ste. 500, Washington, DC.)

Focus on the Family: Employs almost 1,000, and owns 1,550 radio stations worldwide. A leader in the passage of Colorado's Amendment 2 (which has just come before the U.S. Supreme Court) *Focus* conducts seminars nationally to involve fundamentalists in the political process, and also sells 'starter kits' for those wanting to oppress homosexuals in their own cities. (James Dobson, PO Box 35500, Colorado Springs, CO 80935.)

Traditional Values Coalition: opposes gay rights, reproductive freedom, teaching evolution, and sex education - except abstinence. Their newest group is the **National Task Force for the Preservation of the Heterosexual Ethic in America.** They are active in D.C., Oregon and California to outlaw civil rights protections for lesbian people. They are currently organizing anti-gay ballot initiatives in Irvine and Concord, CA. Advocates AIDS quarantine. Their members include 25,000 churches nationally. (Rev. Lou Sheldon, 100 S. Anaheim Blvd. Ste. 320, Anaheim, CA 92805.)

Operation Rescue: Nationally known for violent shut-downs of abortion clinics, terrorizing women and health-care providers through stalking, harassment, shootings, bombings, and other intimidation tactics. Added gay rights to agenda when Clinton proposed to lift the military ban. They claim 35,000+

members. (Randall Terry, PO 1180, Binghamton, NY 13902.)

Free Congress Foundation: formed **National Empowerment Television (NET)** to mobilize the Right for grassroots lobbying. Hopes to expand to cable TV. Operates **Judicial Selection Monitoring Project.** It has four TV shows, including one to target black conservatives and one for college campuses. (Paul Weyrich, 717 Second Street NW, Washington, DC 20002.)

National Association of Christian Educators/ Citizens for Excellence in Education: Their open goal is to bring education under Christian control with a priority being disruption of public schools via attacks on curricula, text books, and school boards. They consist of 1,250 chapters. (Dr. Robert L. Simonds, PO Box 3200, Costa Mesa, CA 92628.▼)

THE GLSO TOP TEN

The following is a top ten list of Congressional colleagues' names that Representative Dick Armey should avoid in conversation:

Norm Dicks
Daniel Akaka
Mike Crapo
Mel Hancock
John Boehner
Chris Cox
Harry Reid
Jay Dickey
Carlos Moorhead
Dick Swett

(And we also think he should avoid his *own* name, too).

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Christian Coalition policy statements and fund-raising appeals. Rev. White is currently with the Universal Fellowship of Metropolitan Community Churches, which minister predominately to gay, lesbian and bisexual people.

During this, his third attempt to meet with Robertson, White was joined by a coalition of a dozen clergy. White seeks a meeting to make two requests of Robertson: 1) acknowledge the growing number of hate crimes against gay and lesbian people and 2) condemn those hate crimes and the people who incite or commit them. White and his delegation first went to the CBN campus on Valentine's Day, but were turned away. On February 15, White and his delegation returned and were met by CBN security forces. His delegation left the campus, while White remained and was arrested. He is currently in the Virginia Beach jail under \$2500 bond, which he has refused. He has vowed to fast until Robertson agrees to meet with him.

Bearing Witness, a coalition of religious leaders and community groups, has delivered a daily bouquet of flowers from Rev. White to Pat Robertson at CBN since

White's incarceration. White's supporters have lined the street outside CBN, urging Robertson to meet with White. Yesterday, a group of anti-gay protesters also appeared, organized by local Radical Right spokesman Donald Spitzer, who has publicly supported murder and violence against doctors who perform abortions. One protester held a sign that read, "Pat, Just Say No to the Homo."

"Rev. White's arrest and imprisonment reveals that Pat Robertson is threatened by the truth, the truth about gay and lesbian people, the truth as told to him by fellow people of faith," said NGLTF's Robert Bray. "When faced with a true coalition of Christians who support tolerance and justice for all, Robertson cowers behind a wall of security to protect his fortress of bigotry."

Local contact: Dawn Rankin-Phelps, Bearing Witness coalition of religious leaders and community organizations supporting Rev. White, (804) 543-2460; Pat Robertson, CBN founder, (804) 523-7000; (804) 579-7012.

NGLTF contact: Robin Kane, NGLTF Public Information Director, (202) 332-6483, extension 3311; or e-mail rakngltf@aol.com.▼

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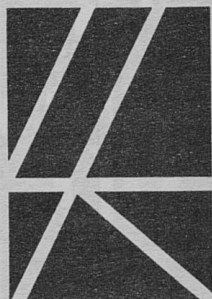
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GLSO/Stonewall Union Calendar



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contributed by Elizabeth Gilliam

I was recently glancing through Grolier's Multimedia Encyclopedia (CD-ROM v. 6), and while looking up Queen Victoria, spied one of her contemporaries by the same name. Victoria Sackville-West, who wrote as "Vita", was listed. The information on her contains the description: "Although she was a poet, novelist, and biographer, Vita is best known as the model for the title character in Virginia Woolf's *Orlando*."

This struck me as typical historical whitewash. What the article doesn't mention, and which is perhaps a most basic part of just who this figure was, is that Vita was one of the most famous (or infamous) lesbians of the Victorian Age.

She met and fell in love with another noblewoman by the name of Violet, whom she had known since her teenage years. They were lovers even during their subsequent marriages, and at one point even "escaped" their heterosexual lives, and left England for the Orient. They were, however, forcibly returned to their "proper" lives and families.

Grolier's Encyclopedia doesn't mention any of this; you must find it in books researched by other, more thorough historians, such as *Violet to Vita*, a collection of the letters Violet wrote to her lover, which were released by Vita's family after her death in 1962. The letters which

were sent to Violet from Vita were destroyed by Violet's family.

The encyclopedia errs by omission to give an apt description of who she was. It made me wonder: why include three paragraphs on someone if you're going to leave out an event that scandalized Queen Victoria and shocked society?

This sort of irresponsible historical mutilation does more harm than good. By knowingly leaving out a part of a historical figure that

"History courses...tend to maintain the view that history isn't what actually happened - it's what you can remember."

one does not agree with should be a crime. It leads to mass disinformation on the part of the general populace.

Although I am an accomplished historian, I had rarely read accounts of strong women in history, much less lesbians, until I specifically began to seek them out. History courses in pre-college years - the only ones most Americans ever take - tend to maintain the view that history isn't what actually happened - it's what you remember. And they seldom seem to remember women.

Is it actually true that in Western history, women just did not matter as much as men? I believe that it's a complete story of oppression - women couldn't own property, own a business, dress as a man, go to war, attend councils, hold official positions, go to school, etc.

Still, despite this, women seem to have been able to show that they are people, just the same.

This is the same thing we face as homosexuals. The same men who wrote histories and seldom mentioned women, also seldom mentioned homosexuals, except in demeaning ways. For hundreds of years, the only people who had the education, time, and resources to write *anything* were monks, and the Catholic Church was not the model of tolerance in what it considered acceptable history.

One of the most pitiful results of a thousand years of this sort of twisted reporting is that many people today do not know just how long homosexuals have been around, and that they are - gasp! - just like anyone else. All they see is a mass of historical figures, some good, some bad, but none who were queer. They don't understand that homosexuality has existed in all cultures, races and both sexes, regardless of tolerance or intolerance, and that homosexuals were the same as anyone else.

I recently had a sister-in-law who did not want her kids to see my partner and I together, because they might think we were happy and normal. Therein lies the basis of the irrational conservative fears.

So, as historians endeavor to "straighten out" historical misconceptions, we encounter those who prefer to see with only one eye. Unfortunately, they are all too ready to stick fast to what they consider to be traditional stories about the white male heroes without blemishes whom they mistakenly think existed.

It's tough fighting ignorant people who only seem to believe what their parents told them, but all we can do is keep trying, and maybe one day they'll wake up and get over it.▼

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raise \$90,000 to assist in supporting caregiving and services for those affected by HIV/AIDS throughout Kentucky.

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After you have gathered the names and dollars that make a difference, come on out to the University of Kentucky Commonwealth Stadium (just off Nicholasville Road in Lexington) between noon and two pm on April 23 and get ready to walk the 5 kilometer (a little over 3 miles) course.

When you do, you will be joining concerned people from all around the Bluegrass area, from Boyd and Letcher to Mercer and Hardin, from Mason and Harrison to Pulaski and Harlan Counties, all of you taking the steps needed to help

the many affected individuals and families who depend on AVOL's services.

Remember, this event is a major link in our community's ability to provide care. YOU are what makes the difference between the living on the street and living in a home, between going hungry and having a nutritious meal, between spending days alone and having the joy of companionship, between dying because of ignorance and living because of knowledge, between having medications and suffering in pain. YOUR PARTICIPATION IN THE WALK MAKES ALL THE DIFFERENCE!▼

YOU MAY ASK...

We've heard it remarked, "What is this 'lesbigay' thing, anyway? It looks so silly..." We use this abbreviation to save space and sanity. In our community, it's hard to be all-inclusive, since we are so diverse! We'd love to have something else to use, but haven't been able to think of anything better. If you have any ideas, let us know! Meanwhile, we'll use 'lesbigay' instead of the more correct 'gay- lesbian- bisexual- transsexual- transgender- miscellaneous other-...'▼

THIS MONTH'S QUOTE:

"The topic of homosexual rights ... is one in which the truth has become a casualty. Opponents of gay-rights ordinances argue that such measures open the door to rampant pedophilia, public love-making and other horrible acts. They argue also that these ordinances will, among other things, frighten away new businesses and let hordes of gay teachers into the public schools. The truth is that in communities where gay-rights ordinances have been adopted, none of these trends has occurred. Not a single study shows that the passage of gay-rights laws brings out the worst in gay people or corrupts the populace. Gay people simply go about their lives — with the added comfort that they are legally protected from discrimination. Nothing more."

—Columnist Bill Maxwell of the Knight-Ridder news service▼

ONE OF THOSE WOMEN...

In July, 1955, *Confidential* magazine sported the headline "DIETRICH GOING FOR DOLLS" - outing Marlene Dietrich, and shocking the straight world. It was nothing too new, though; as early as 1930, the blurb for *Morocco* was "Dietrich - the woman all women want to see."▼

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THE CHRISTIAN ETHIC

Recipe for America: Dramatic Turn to God. That's the header on one of the articles in the latest issue of *Kentucky Christian News (KCN)*.

Although it is certainly not incompatible to be a homosexual Christian, you'd have to admit that most Christians would rather spit on you than call you their equal under God.

As with all social accomplishments, the price of being more visible is having to deal with an onrush of hate from people who swear they believe in a just and forgiving God. And more often, it seems like they've decided that under our current system of semi-freedom in the United States, their agendas simply cannot thrive.

So, more and more conservative Christians are starting to look towards controlling government as a means of getting their way, nyah, nyah. They are beginning to understand that the only way to ensure that their ideas of living are enforced whether anyone likes it or

not, they are going to have to make it into law.

Unsurprisingly enough, you, as a queer, are a priority target.

Their manual in proper behavior is a set of documents created more than 2,000 years ago. Among the things these documents advocate are avoiding pork as food at all times, conducting blood sacrifices on burning altars, and refusing to visit with a woman until 30 days after she has given birth.

It is from this document that they plan to overhaul our government. In the article in the KCN, the writer cites a time when George Washington went down on his knees to pray for the Revolutionary Army as evidence that the U.S. was founded on Christian beliefs. (So what if Washington was not Christian, but a deist?)

Rev. Bob Russell, of Southeastern Christian Church in Louisville, gave a list of "abuses this country has hurled at God. Among these:

" -> We have rewarded those who

are poor and we call it welfare.

-> We have killed our unborn children and we call it choice.

-> We have failed to execute justice speedily the way God's Word says to do so and we call it due process.

-> We have endorsed perversion and called in an alternative lifestyle."

So here we have it: get rid of welfare, make abortion illegal, outlaw homosexual acts, and don't spend too much time thinking and arguing about it in courts - it's better to come to a rash judgement and punish whoever is involved, because they're likely guilty anyway.

You've probably seen the button on someone's jacket before: "Homophobia, Racism, Sexism, Classism... Recognize the connections."

Even if *you* don't recognize the connections yet, rest assured that the conservatives have.

As another deist (not Christian) founding father - Benjamin Franklin - put it, "We must all hang together or surely we will hang separately."▼



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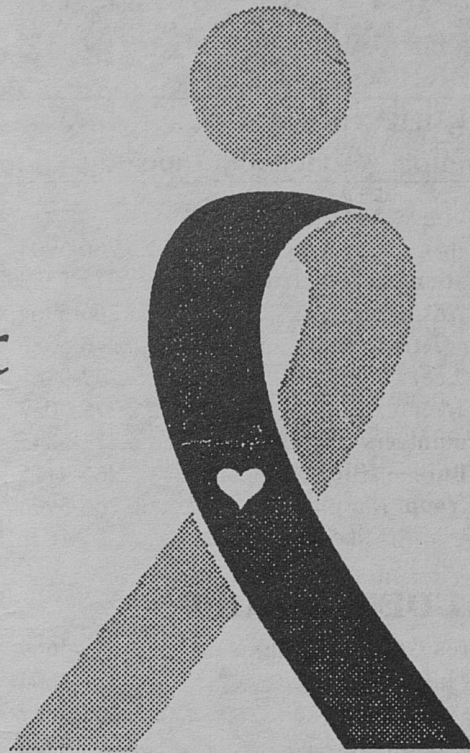
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*Sunday
April 23, 1995
5K Pledge Walk*

*University of Kentucky
Commonwealth Stadium
Lexington, Kentucky*

*Registration at Noon
Team Photos at 1:30 pm
Walk Begins at 2:30 pm
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**WALK
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To benefit AIDS care and services in Kentucky.

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GLSO

GLSO Board (Mary)	266-5904
GLSO Discrimination Project (Jeff).....	276-5383
GLSO: News & Ads (Mary)	266-5904
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Folding (Lee)	277-9365
Layout (Tammy)	275-3037
GLSO Gayline Volunteers (Peter).....	273-5845
GLSO Speakers Bureau (Bill)	266-9175
GLSO Support Group (Mary).....	266-5904
(Mike).....	225-1828

STUDENT GROUPS

ACE League: Berea College (Foula).....	986-5669
AGLF: NKU (Pat).....	572-5604
B-GLAD: Centre College (Mykol).....	238-5332
GUESS: EKU (Greg).....	622-3764
UK Lambda (Julien before 10pm)	272-7232

ANONYMOUS AIDS TESTING

Jessamine County.....	885-4149
Lexington-Fayette County.....	288-2437
Madison County.....	723-7312
Woodford County.....	873-4541

AIDS INFO/SERVICES

AIDS HOTLINE	231-7545
AIDS Volunteers of Lexington.....	254-2865
AVOL Legal Referral Program	254-2865
HIV/AIDS Legal Project.....	(502) 584-1254
HIV+ Youth Support Group	254-2865
Kentucky AIDS HOTLINE.....	(502) 564-6539
Partners of HIV+/AIDS Support Group (Greg)	288-2437
Thursday HIV+/AIDS Support Group (KIPWAC - Edwin)	281-2100
Saturday HIV+/AIDS Support Group (AVOL).....	254-2865

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COMMUNITY

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Country Dykes (Debbie).....	(606) 871-7452
Cumberland Cares.....	678-0587
Diversity Business Coalition	281-8444
Fairness of Lexington HOTLINE.....	275-7812
Fairness of Louisville	(502) 893-0788
Front Runners (Keith)	254-6850
G/L Al-Anon	277-1877
G/L Defense Fund	(502) 589-2896
Kentucky ACLU (Keith).....	281-1482
Kentucky Fairness Alliance (Keith).....	281-1482
Kentucky Legislature	
Bill Status Line.....	(800) 382-2455
Legislator Message Line.....	(800) 372-7181
Meeting Info Line	(800) 633-9650
Lexington Men's Chorus (Shelby).....	231-0090
Louisville Youth Group.....	(502) 635-1302
Names Project, Lexington (Katie).....	272-2588
P-FLAG (Ruth)	272-7075
Pegasus Travel.....	268-4337
Rainbow Bowling League (Teri)	268-8563
RISC (Mike).....	225-5151
(Jack).....	272-8354
Tri-State Gay Rodeo Assn. (Terry).....	255-5469
(Paul)	278-8023
Womynweave (Ramona).....	266-4672

RELIGIOUS GROUPS

Dignity [Catholic] (Don)	299-4458
Episcopal Diocese AIDS Ministry (Steve).....	233-1782
Honesty [Southern Baptist] (Eddie).....	(502) 637-7609
(Dorothy)	(502) 458-5392
Interweave [Unitarian] (Craig)	269-8215
MCC-Hopkinsville & Horse Cave.....	(502) 897-3821
MCC-Lexington (Rex)	271-1407
MCC-Louisville	(502) 775-6636
MCC-Paducah	(502) 441-2307
Pagan Forum (Pat)	268-1640
Quaker FLGC (Connie).....	276-2554

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