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WOMEN ON THE EDGE Calendar Debut November 17

History's most famous women all share one common trait: a penchant for pushing their luck. From Eve and Salome to Amelia Earhart and Mary Kay, from Cleopatra and Elizabeth I to Josephine Baker and Eva Peron, their stories provide ample fodder for the hi-jinks of Kentucky's most talented drag queens in Women on the Edge 2005.

The latest offering in the hugely popular series of calendars published by the Imperial Court of Kentucky will be unveiled at a launch reception and show at The Bar Complex 224 East Main Street in Lexington on Wednesday, November 17. The Court has teamed up with artist Angela Baldrige and Royal Partner CJ Advertising to produce their fourth calendar to benefit Moveable Feast Lexington.

Calendar regulars Cammie Dietrich (Joan of Arc), Chelsea Pearl (Marie Antoinette), Natalie Gaye (Mary Kay), Nicole Diamond (Catherine the Great), Tracy Taylor (Mata Hari), Jenna Jive (Eve), J.D. Vaughn (Amelia Earhart), Chanda Leer (Elizabeth I), Lady Marmalade (Ella Fitzgerald), and Eden Towers (Eva Peron) join newcomers Ashley Kruiz (Salome), Sasha Grant (Cleopatra), and Stephanie Velour (Josephine Baker) in the wildest send-up yet.

Dozens of extras including members and friends of the Court round out the cast to create a new historical perspective full of humor, glamour and a spin only the Imperial Court can provide.

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ART FOR LIFE

On Sunday, Nov. 7, AVOL is holding its 4th annual Art For Life art auction at the Sheraton Suites, 2601 Richmond Rd in Lexington. Art and gift baskets have been donated by local and national artists and businesses. Admission is \$8 at the door and includes a free drink ticket.

Doors open at 3 pm. Come participate in the silent auction, view the art, join us for hors d'oeuvres and enjoy the musical entertainment. The live auction will begin at 5 pm. Items to be auctioned include art from Louis Zoellar, Bickert II, Fran Rabe, David Hance, Laura Ray, Bybee Pottery, and more. Proceeds will benefit AIDS Volunteers, Inc. For more information contact Cathy at 859 225-3000 or AVOLCathy@aol.com.

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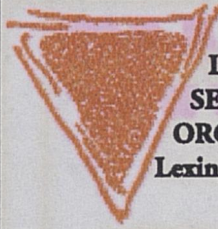
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Imperial Court Calendar Debut

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Previous calendars, *Femme Fatale 2002*, *Working Girls 2003* and *Faerie Tales 2004*, have raised thousands of dollars in much needed funds for *Moveable Feast*. The annual launch reception/show has become the "don't miss" kickoff to the holiday season.

Women on the Edge will go on sale at the reception beginning at 8 PM in the Bar Complex's Living Room Lounge. The show begins at 9:30 in the Gilded Cage Showroom. Admission to the show is a 5\$ donation (free with calendar purchase). Calendars are \$12 each, 10 for \$100 (they make great Christmas gifts)!

Beginning November 18 calendars may also be purchased at The Bar Complex, *Moveable Feast Lexington*, *Voce Salon*, *Club 141* and other locations. They may also be purchased online at www.impcourt.org/kentucky.

Advance orders may be placed by calling Michael Thompson at 859.258.2997 or emailing michael.thompson1@insightbb.com

Actors Guild Play: Stop Kiss

Stop Kiss, is a poignant and funny play about an unexpected love that blossoms between Callie and Sara. It is a wonderful play, superbly acted, and not to be missed. It will continue its run at Actor's Guild in downtown Lexington until Nov. 7 with shows Thursday through Sunday. This is a directing debut for AGL's Artistic Director Richard St. Peter.

The production features Sara Heifetz as Callie and Laurie Genet, a Lexington favorite, as Sara. Their first kiss provokes a violent attack that transforms their lives in a way they never anticipated. The play is not mainly about violence, however. It is a love story the shows the confusion and joy of two women discovering who they are and how much love is worth to them.

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Community News

Frontrunners/Frontwalkers

Frontrunners/Frontwalkers has discontinued their Wednesday evening get togethers until spring. We will continue to meet every Saturday at 9 am at the the UK Arboretum for running/walking and socializing. Join us near the Water Tower. If you have any questions, please call Hal Kutter or Ken Waibel at 859-294-7944 or email Hal at haroldkutter@aol.com.

SoulForce Lexington

SoulForce Lexington continues to meet on the 2nd and 4th Sundays of each month. We follow the principles of non-violence practiced and taught by Ghandi and Martin Luter King Jr. to confront spiritual violence against GLBT people.

Members come from a variety of religious backgrounds and are united in their belief that GLBT people and our allies have to directly confront the religious organizations and individuals that are using the Bible to preach against us.

For information about meeting location, call Jamie at 859 230-5625. and see web page at www.SoulforceLexington.org,

Prevention Bingo

On Tuesday Nov. 30, at 9 pm at Club 141 there will be **Bingo with a Flare**. Free Admission with food and prizes. Come join us for a fun evening.

The K-POL Annual Holiday Soiree will be held on Wednesday, December 8, at 9 pm at Club 141. The evening will include food, door prizes, a show, dancing and a speaker. Admission is free, donations of new toys will be welcome as holiday presents for children and teens in families dealing with HIV.

MACT KY

Men of All Colors Together Kentucky is a chapter of the National Association of Black and White Men Together. We have a number of vnts planned.

On Saturday, November 6 we will have dinner at Mike and Joe's in Simpsonville, We will be providing pork tenderloin, fried chicken and Cole slaw. Side dishes, desserts and/or vegetable/fruit trays would be greatly appreciated. E-mail mact.ky@aol.com to request directions, to let us know how many are coming and if you plan to bring a dish.

On Saturday the 20th we will go to Underground Railroad Freedom Center, Cincinnati. Meet in Cincy at the museum at 1 pm. We will go to dinner afterward at a local restaurant, followed by refreshments at Simon Says Motel. Some of us will be staying overnight.

On Saturday, Dec. 11, we will have our Christmas Party at Ralph's in Richmond. It will be our traditional make your own Christmas Pizza , with better crust than last year. Join us for refreshments, singing, and Christmas Cheer.

For more information, to Host a meeting or to propose a trip, contact us at: mact.ky@aol.com. you can also check us out on the web at: www.mactky.com.

Bookworm Sale

The sale of bookworm inventory last month was limited to T-shirts and art prints. Ann Detjen had to postpone the major part of the sale due to a family emergency. We will offer books and the rest of the inventory for sale in the future.

Thanks to all of you that turned out, GLSO made 25% on all sales.

RAINBOW LEAGUE CONVERTS TO SOCIAL BOWLING

The Rainbow League is sponsoring social bowling every Wednesday at Collins Lanes on Southland Dr. starting at 9 p.m. There is no obligation to come every Wednesday night. Participants will pay the open bowling rate - roughly \$10 for three games. Payment of ABC sanction fees is optional. Shawn Fritz will maintain statistics for those who want to be sanctioned and participate in the tournaments sponsored by the International Gay Bowling Org. For info call Shawn Fritz at 859- 271-8919

Diversity in Gender Alliance <http://groups.yahoo.com/group/lexDGA>

The Lexington Diversity in Gender Alliance meets the first Saturday evening of each month at a private location. Contact Kelli at kellindel@hotmail.com for info. We welcome all people who transcend gender norms or who are questioning their gender identity. We welcome transsexuals, intersexuals, effeminate men, masculine women, drag Kings, drag Queens, gender queers and more. Family and supportive allies who would like to discuss trans issues are welcome. This is not a therapy group.

Lyons Levi/Leather Club

The Lexington Lyons meet every other month at the Pride Center. The next meeting will be on Monday, Dec.13 at 8 pm. We also meet for brunch at Mia s on the last Sunday of each month at 1 pm. You are welcome to join us.

If you are the victim of a Hate Crime we urge you to call and report it to
The Human Rights Commission
252-0071.

**RELIGIOUS / SPIRITUAL
RESOURCES**
see pages 19 - 21

Lex. Men's Chorus

Buy Music & Chance to win CD player

Listen to The Lexington Men's Chorus the whole year round! FACETS, LMC's First CD with 12 songs is just \$7 for the CD, \$5 Cassette. LMC LIVE,! LMC's 2nd CD with 16 songs is \$7. Special: buy both CD's for \$10 and get a FREE chance for a portable CD player (Value of \$50). See/Buy from Kenneth, at The Bar Complex (224 E. Main, 255-1551). Drawing held Friday, November 12th. You do not need to be present to win!

UK Support Group

A new GLBTQ support Group is meeting at UK. on Tuesdays 3:30 - 4:45. Not a therapy group or social club, just a safe place to get support. We talk about issues that can sometimes be difficult to discuss including: coming out, flirting, sexuality, spirituality, family, employment, relationships, homophobia.

This group is free and for UK/LCC students only. Facilitators: Colby Cohen-Archer, PH.D and Sherry Rostosky, PH.D. Call 257-8701 or crcohe2@uky.edu

The Pride Art Gallery

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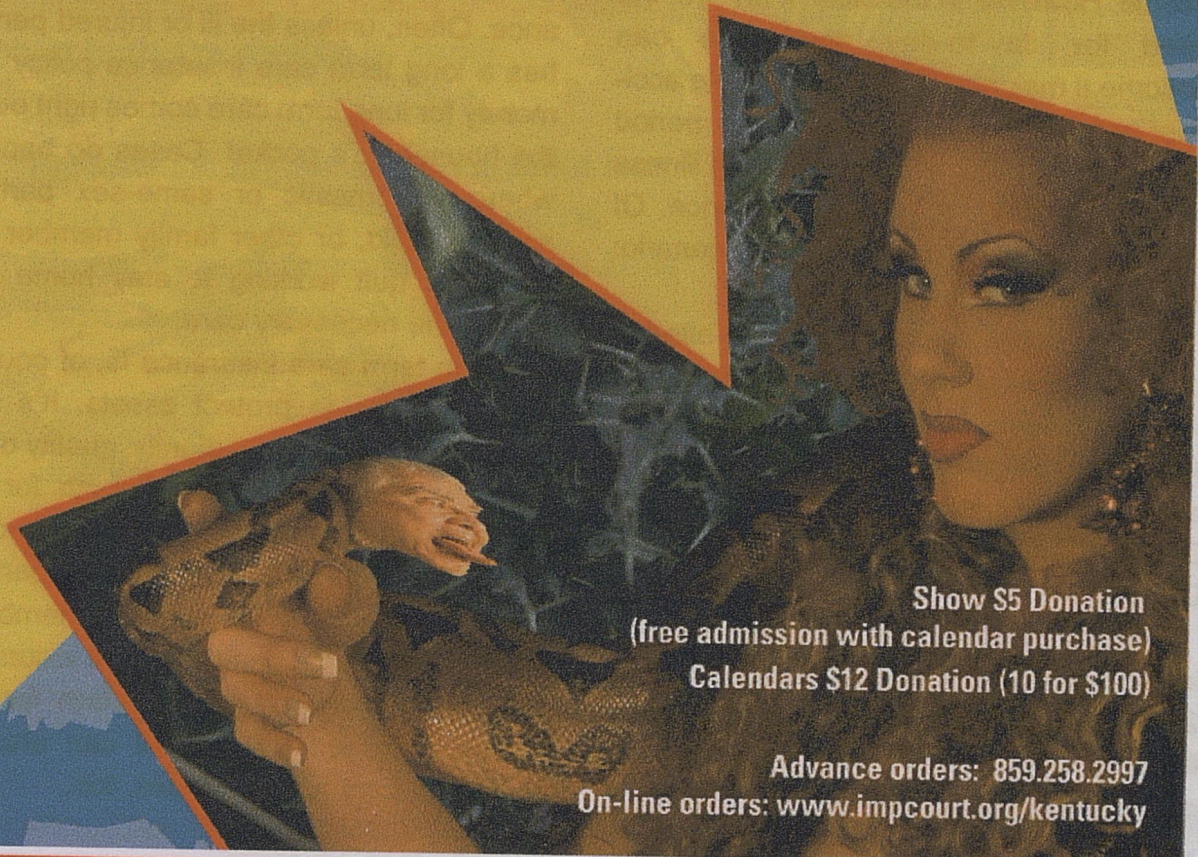
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November 19, 2004

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Baby Boomers Investigate Long Term Care Insurance

By Laura D. Wigglesworth, Long Term Care Insurance Specialist, GE Financial

If you are employed and become ill or have an accident, your accumulated sick leave may cover your living expenses, at least for the short term, but what about the long term? How long could you live without a steady income if you were laid up for months or even years? And how long would it take before your savings and investments were depleted?

These are questions that most people in their 40s, 50s and 60s probably don't spend a lot of time thinking about, much less planning for. And unless a friend or family member has required long term care, it's a subject that most people know little about.

Ignorance is not bliss. I have found that people do not want to talk about the prospects of needing long term care, especially if they are young. The assumption is that it's something that happens to older people. However, in the blink of an eye, the need for day-to-day assistance can become a major issue. An automobile accident may lead to a recuperation period lasting for months, or an unforeseen illness might require years of convalescence. Of course, there is the worst-case scenario: the need for care for life.

There are any number of life-altering changes that can unexpectedly affect those between the ages of 40 and 64. Accidents. Stroke. Heart Attack. Breast or prostate cancer. AIDS. Parkinson's Disease. Multiple Sclerosis. Lou Gehrig's Disease (ALS).

In fact, according to an article published in the Orlando Sentinel on December 12, 2002, long term care needs are not confined to seniors. Forty percent of the 13 million people receiving long term care are

age 18 to 64, according to the independent advocacy group Americans for Long-Term Care Security.

So what happens when people need long term care due to an illness or accident? Health and medical insurance generally do not cover the cost of long term care. And when income from a job eventually stops, many are forced to live off their savings or investments - while that lasts. The financial and emotional impact can be greatest on domestic and same-sex partners, spouses, and children.

The financial impact should not be underestimated. According to the GE Financial 2003 Nursing Home Cost Survey, conducted by the independent research firm of Evans Research Associates and issued August 3, 2003, the average nationwide cost of a year of skilled care in a skilled nursing facility is \$57,700, and can exceed \$85,000 annually in the five most expensive areas of the country.

The solution is at hand. The solution is planning. And part of that planning should include looking into long term care insurance. Often, unless the ill or injured person has a long term care insurance policy, the money for long term care comes right out of the household's pocket. Cases do happen where a domestic or same-sex partner, spouse, child, or other family member are forced to quit working to stay home and supply the necessary care.

Long term care insurance is, of course, about helping to protect assets. It's also about helping preserve dignity, quality of life and financial independence, both for the person who may become disabled and for his or her domestic or same-sex partner, spouse, children, or other family members.

In short, while long term care insurance is often thought of as protection for our more "seasoned" citizens, it can also be beneficial for younger people, too.

The Future will take care of itself. But who will take care of me?

Some 60% of Americans who reach the age of 65 are expected to need long term care services at some point, while 40% of those receiving LTC services now are ages 18 to 64, says the Office of Personnel Management.* You may need long term care or you may be the caregiver. Help protect yourself and your loved ones with long term care insurance from the company that provides a couples discount to domestic partners when both are eligible to apply.

For answers to your questions about long term care insurance, contact General Electric Capital Assurance Company Long Term Care Insurance Representative:



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* "A Federal Case for LTC" by Employees Benefit News, 2/01/03

**Long Term Care insurance products underwritten by GENERAL ELECTRIC CAPITAL ASSURANCE COMPANY
Complete details about the benefits, cost, limitations, and exclusions of this valuable long term care insurance policy will be provided to you by calling Laura Wigglesworth at the above numbers.

Not all policies available in all states.

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PRIDE CENTER NEWS and ACTIVITIES



389 Waller Ave. 859-253-3233 Mon-Sat we open at 10 am.

Bluegrass Fairness also has office space here. Volunteers help us keep the center open after 3. Call to be sure someone is here between 3 and 5.

LESBIAN VIDEO NIGHT

Join us Friday, November 12, at 8:00 p.m. at the Pride Center for The Hours, the 2002 film based on Michael Cunningham's Pulitzer Prize-winning novel. The film draws on the life and work of Virginia Woolf (Nicole Kidman, who won the Academy Award for her performance) to tell the story of three women: Woolf, who is portrayed writing Mrs. Dalloway and contemplating suicide; Laura Brown (Julianne Moore), a wife and mother in 1949 Los Angeles who is reading Mrs. Dalloway while she struggles with the confines of her tidy life; and Clarissa Vaughn (Meryl Streep), a modern-day Mrs. Dalloway and lesbian, who is giving a party for her closest friend, Richard (Ed Harris), an award-winning writer dying of AIDS.

Often, a film based on a Pulitzer Prize book does not live up to the complexity and originality of the book. This film, however, does a wonderful job of conveying the depth and complexity of people's lives. It is Rated PG-13 for mature thematic elements, some disturbing images and brief language. Every one is invited to join us, please bring a snack to share.

40+ CLUB FOR WOMEN

The 40+ Club is a group for women over 40 (and their younger friends) who are interested in attending a variety of activities together. In November we will meet on Sunday 14, at 2 pm at the Pride Center to make plans. We have gone to plays, sporting events, museums, and enjoyed many meals together. After the meeting plan to go out to eat with us. With the 40+ Club you don't have to go it alone.

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. If you enjoy lively discussions, please join us. For more info contact Jane at ladyjaneky@yahoo.com

Pride Center Library Highlights: **Politics**

By Jane Minder

I hope that on November 2nd you exercise your constitutional right to vote. This year the issues seem to be knocking at our door. The proposed marriage amendment seeks to limit civil rights in a way that makes a mockery of the Constitution, even the Kentucky Constitution. The presidential election could spell the difference between blunting the tide of anti-GLBT fervor or giving it even more potency.

As I looked for books and videos to highlight this month I realized that we as a community have been in the political "thick of it" for quite a while and no matter what happens on

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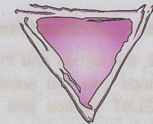
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GLSO Newsletter Calendar

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 Visit us on the web at: www.webspawner.com/users/glsqxnnet



November 2004

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	
	8p AA Step Study (call for place) Pride Center open til 5pm	Election Day Please Vote! 7p GSA (call for place 266-5904) Pride Center open til 5pm	7p GLSO Discussion Group-PC 8p Gay/Lesbian AA (call for place) 9p Rainbow Bowling League Southland Lanes	4	7:30 p Gay/Lesbian AA (call for place)	9a Frontrunners/walkers Arboretum Pride Center Open 10-5 p 8p - Diversity in Gender	
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Weekly Activities:

- Mondays:**
8pm - AA Step Study (Call for Location)
- Tuesdays:**
7pm - GSA (Gay Straight Alliance)
- Wednesdays:**
7pm - GLSO Discussion Group
8pm - Gay/Lesbian AA (Call for Location)
9pm - Rainbow Bowling League Southland Lanes
- Thursdays:**
- Fridays:**
8pm - Gay/Lesbian AA (Call for Location)
- Saturdays:**
9am - Frontrunners/Walkers @ UK Arboretum
- Sundays:**
9:15 & 11 am - UU Church Worship Services.
10:30 - Mass. St. Mychal The Martyr.
4pm - Integrity @ St. Michael's
6pm - SisterSound Rehearsal @ Landsdowne Presby. Church.
7pm - Dignity Service (Call for Location)
7pm - LMC Rehearsal @ St. Michael's Episcopal Church.

Monthly Activities:

- Mondays:** 7pm - GLSO Board Mtg. (3rd Mon.)
- Tuesdays:** 7pm - Fairness (4th Tues)
- Wednesdays:**
- Thursdays:**
- Fridays:** 7pm - Lesbian Movie Night (2nd Fri.)
- Saturdays:** 8pm - Diversity in Gender (1st. Sat.)
- Sundays:** 2pm -Women 40+(2nd. Sun.)
7pm - Dignity (2nd. Sun.)
7pm -MACT (3rd. Sun.)

What are your hopes and dreams for the GLBT Community? Read some of our visions on the reverse side, write some of your own here and send them to us with a new or renewal of your subscription. Act now before prices go up in January. Or email us your ideas at lexingtonglso@yahoo.com.

My Hopes, Dreams for the GLBT Community:

Subscription/Membership prices will go up January 2005

Give gift subscriptions to your friends.

GLSO needs your financial support to maintain the Pride Center and to support our other projects that include:

Gay Straight Alliance for Youth	Pride Month Activities	
Discussion Group	Pride Library	Diversity in Gender
Alliance	Speakers Bureau	Social Events
Pink Pages	Pride Gallery	ActOut

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GLSO NEEDS YOUR SUPPORT

GLSO has many projects and programs that your donations and subscriptions to our newsletter support. Right now we are in need of money to pay our basic expenses for the next two months. Here you will find a list of some of our basic monthly expenses and our vision of what we could do with increased funding.

Basic	Pride Center Rent	\$750
Basic	Utilities & Phone	\$275
Basic	Insurance & security system.	\$170

Vision: A larger Pride Center with offices for a variety of GLBT organizations, perhaps even for some other progressive groups. Larger meeting rooms, larger Pride Library space, relaxing space with big TV for movies. More events and gatherings, future weddings and civil unions.

Basic Staff	Office Manager.	\$340
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Vision: To pay Bill more than his current take home pay of \$222.84 a month. To add staff positions, someone to edit the GLSO News, Pink Pages and do marketing and someone to work with youth programming.

Basic	Office Supplies, including in house printing	\$550
	(paper, ink, postage for newsletter, pamphlets, letters, etc.)	

Vision: More subscribers and a larger number of donors. As we increase the size of our mailing list, we increase the number of people connected to the GLBT community. You can help us right now by giving a subscription as a Christmas gift!

Basic Programming: Gay Straight Alliance for Youth, Discussion Group, Pride Library, Diversity in Gender Alliance, 40+ Women, Speakers Bureau, Pride Gallery, ActOut plays, Social Events, and Pride Month Activities. All of these run on volunteer energy, most of them depend on having meeting space in the Pride Center and advertising through the newsletter.

Vision: Money to advertise our groups and projects in local publications such as Ace. Add additional projects as needed, such as a PFLAG chapter, groups for young adults and parents. The Gay Straight Alliance for Youth (GSA) is an example of one program that we would like to expand. We would like money to advertise the GSA on teen radio stations. More money for financial support for youth wanting to attend GLBT or related events (we have a fund established). Money for tutoring and a college scholarship fund. A paid staff person to run youth Programming, who could visit high schools regularly and do training about working with GLBT youth. A place for youth to get together on weekends.

Share your dreams and vision with us on the reverse side.

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November 2, the issues and the fight will go on. I hope you find some of these works on GLBT politics and politicians enlightening.

After the Ball: How America Will Conquer Its Fear & Hatred of Gays, by Marshall Kirk (HQ 76.8.U5 K57)

Early Homosexual Rights Movement (1864-1935), by John Lauritsen & David Thorstad (HQ 76.8.L38 E13)

How to Make the World a Better Place for Gays and Lesbians, by Una Fahy (HQ 76.3.U5 F328)

Is Jesus a Republican or a Democrat: And 14 Other Polarizing Issues, by Tony Campolo (AUDIO BOOK IsJe)

Keep Singing: Two Mothers, Two Sons & Their Fight Against Jesse Helms, by Patsy

Clarke & Eloise Vaughn (HQ 76.45.U5 C58)

Marching for Freedom: The 1993 March on Washington, Video (VIDEO Marc)

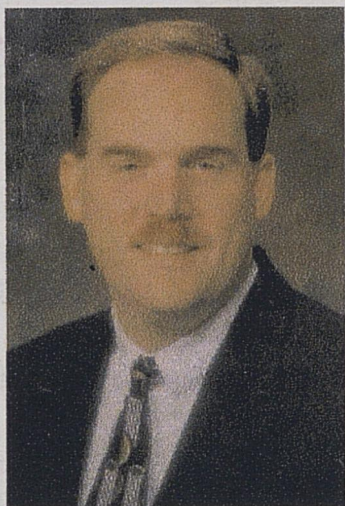
Mayor of Castro Street: The Life and Times of Harvey Milk, by Randy Shilts (F 869.S353 M547)

On the Road to Same-Sex Marriage: A Supportive Guide to Psychological, Political, and Legal Issues, edited by Robert P. Cabaj & David W. Purcell (HQ 76.3.O523 S187)

One: A True Story of Politics, Prayer, and the Power of One, by Karla Drenner (F 291.3.D74 O58)

Paragraph 175: Nazi Persecution of Gays (VIDEO Para)

These and many other books and videos can be checked out of the Pride Center, 2890 Waller Ave.



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What We have Won

by mary crone

The Kentucky No on the Amendment Campaign and the many volunteers that gave their time and money have won a number of important victories.

According to the National Gay and Lesbian Task Force, state and local GLBT organizations have been somewhat neglected as a focus for GLBT political work. Over the last 25 years, national GLBT organizations have been building their funding base, improving their organizational structure, and honing their lobbying and communication skills. Local and state groups have too often not received the support and encouragement they deserve.

During this same time, the radical right has been building a grass roots base that now has disproportionate influence at all levels of government. As a result of that influence, 11 states had ballot measures this year seeking a state constitutional amendment seeking to forbid the recognition of same-sex marriages. Most of them, have probably passed by the time you read this.

But whatever the vote at the ballot box we have not lost; we have actually made progress. For the first time we have lunched a state wide, dual purpose campaign in Kentucky. We have gotten great media coverage, built strong coalitions, and strengthened our support base throughout the state.

Many of us have talked to friends and acquaintances about our lives and how this amendment will affect us. Door to door canvassing with No On The Amendment has put many GLBT folks on the doorsteps of Kentucky families. These conversations have educated people about GLBT issues and have widened our support within Kentucky. An unprecedented number of people have now heard from us face to

face, which is the most effective way to change people;s minds.

In addition, our state and local organizations have built more effective infrastructure, learned a tremendous amount about political organizing, and turned many individuals into activists. There were 18 staff members working on the campaign and over 2,300 volunteers.

No on The Amendment and the KFA Action Fund have together raised three times as much money as LGBT groups have ever raised in Kentucky. They received donations from 2100 individual donors as of Oct 22, and more checks are being written daily.

And our message has reached beyond the Lexington, Louisville areas. On Oct. 19th Seventy people showed up at the No On The Amendment rally in Bowling Green. The Mayor of Bowling Green was planning to ask the council to support the (so called) Marriage Amendment at a meeting on that evening,. No on the Amendment asked those 70 people to march to the council meeting. After they arrived, the mayor removed the amendment issue from the agenda. We do have political power when we organize.

Another positive outcome has been the number of new visitors to the Pride Center. Some just drop by to pick up a sign but others stay to look around, check out a book, or give a few hours entering data.

I hope you have seen and heard the radio and TV ads running during the last week of the campaign. They are excellent ads and reached even more people with our message of fairness. The No on the Amendment media campaign cot about \$250,000. This is why running a state wide campaign is expensive and why we appreciate our donors.

Now, it is time to use the energy we have raised and direct it towards the Legislative session starting in January.

UK WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

By Mary Crone

When I first came out twenty some years ago, UK women's basketball was well attended by lesbians and great fun. Known as the Lady Cats at that time, the team is now call The Hoops. I am sure there are still many GLBT folks who attend, but perhaps there are also many like myself who haven't thought about attending in years.

I was pleased to receive a press release from Will Buntin (www.UKHoopsFans.com) alerting me to the recent increase in popularity of the UK Hoops and to his web site promoting them. Ticket sales have skyrocketed recently and at \$20 for season tickets, it is inexpensive entertainment.

Coach Mickie DeMoss came to Lexington last year and has started to turn the team around. She has recruited a nationally ranked class, and fans are excit-

ed about the opening game coming up on Thursday, November 4.

In support of the team, Buntin has launch his own web site, www.ukhoopsfans.com. Buntin says traffic has grown steadily and most of that has been word of mouth.

"We're really wanting to help increase attendance and attention to the women's program. We're going to launch a 'Roadtrip' section in the next month or so. That section will focus on the away games and give fans the information they need, things like where to get tickets, driving distance, places to eat in order to get to the games, to show their support for the women's team."

The site also plans to offer feature articles as well as links to other news sources for women's college basketball. Check it out at <http://www.ukhoopsfans.com> and come on out to a game.

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PROGRESSIVE LEXINGTON

GLSO encourages LGBT individuals to become involved with other progressive organizations and activities in Lexington. We need to build coalitions with folks that support us, talk to those who are not informed about our issues, educate ourselves about a variety of issues, and work as allies for causes in addition to our own.

Two progressive organizations, the National Conference for Community and Justice (NCCJ) and The Humanitarium: Center for Culture & Diversity, are having an Open House on Friday, Nov. 19. This is a Gallery Hop night so drop by for a visit. They are located at 110 and 112 N. Upper. The Humanitarium has moved into the space that No On The Amendment previously occupied.

The Humanitarium is dedicated to understanding human diversity and the effects of intolerance and bigotry. They have a variety of projects that educate, stimulate conversation, and celebrate the many forms of diversity in Central Ky.

NCCJ was founded in 1927; its mission is to fight bias, bigotry and racism in all its forms and to promote respect and understanding among all people. Sandy Canon, Executive Director, says "Every year we conduct programs designed to change the way we look at our neighbors and ourselves, events and encounters which teach our youth and adults to not simply accept differences, but to respect the good in all races, religions and cultures."

Both of these organizations have been supportive of GLBT rights. Stop by on Nov. 19 and say hello.

**Open House
Friday Nov. 18**

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Jeff's Voting Suggestions

Here is my annual endorsements/voting guide. Who I plan on voting for...and hopefully urging you to also support...is based on my views only and does not represent any organization to which I belong. I generally vote this election based on a candidate's voting record/statements on GLBT issues and support for public ownership of the water company.

Color Codes:

Blue: Great candidates

Green: Decent candidates who are better than average on liberal and GLBT issues .

Red: Candidates with awful politics, vote the national party rather than the person.

Purple: Average, lackluster, conservative
No color: don't know much about

President: **John Kerry (D)**

US Senate: no one or **Dan Mongiardo (D)**

Currently the race for the US Senate seat is tied 43% to 43%. If Mongiardo wins, it would be a surprise pick-up for the Dems in the Senate. I have planned on not voting in this race, but if it might win one for the national party, then I may vote for the party...not the candidate.

US House: **Ben Chandler (D)**

Mark Gailey is a quite gay-friendly Libertarian candidate who has little or no chances of winning. Ben Chandler has staked out his voting record as an anti-gay Dixiecrat who has even broken ranks with most other Democrats in voting against GLBT Kentuckians. He voted in favor of the HRC's position only once on eight issues I am voting for the national party rather than the candidate.

Amendment to the KY Constitution to Ban Civil Unions and Same-sex Marriage: **No**

Prop. Tax Increase to Fund LexTran: **Yes**

KY Senate:

7th: Julian Carroll (D)

13th: **Ernesto Scorsone (D)** Our best leader in the KY Senate. He d' bomb

KY House:

39th: **Bob Damron (D)** party not candidate

45th: **Ralph Long (D)**

56th: **Joe Barrows (D)**...has a fairly strong voting record on GLBT issues

62nd: **Charlie Hoffman (D)**

72nd: **Carolyn Belcher (D)** .

75th: **Kathy Stein (D)** fantastic, gay friendly

76th: **Ruth Ann Palumbo (D)** gay friendly, wonderful, longest serving woman in House

77th: **Jesse Crenshaw (D)**... votes great on many issues but has a habit of being absent on key GLBT votes

79th: **Susan Westrom (D)**...a Democrat in a largely Republican district who still co-sponsored the statewide Fairness bill

88th: Lamin Swann (D)

City Council:

Ord: whether voted for (YES) or against (NO) the 1999 Fairness Ordinance, **(n/a)**=not applicable, **DP:** whether voted for (YES) or against (NO) domestic partnership benefits for LFUCG employees 2003, **W** whether support (YES) or oppose (NO) buying the water company

1st: **George Brown, Jr.** Ord: Yes, DP: Yes, W: No

2nd: **Tom Blues:** Ord: n/a, DP: n/a, W: Yes

3rd: **Dick DeCamp:** Ord: Yes, DP: Yes, W: Yes

4th: **Linda Gorton:** Ord: Yes, DP: No, W: Yes

5th: **Ann Ross:** Ord: n/a, DP: n/a, W: Yes

6th: **Wanita Sipe Elison:** Ord: n/a, DP: n/a, W: Yes

7th: **Bill Cegelka:** Ord: n/a, DP: absent, W: No.

8th: Ron Kincer: Ord: n/a, DP: n/a, W: Yes

9th: **Wanda Mattingly:** Ord: n/a, DP: n/a, W: Yes

10th: **Sandra Shaffer:** Ord: No, DP: No, W: Yes

11th: **Richard Moloney:** Ord: Yes, DP: n/a, W: Yes

12th: **Gloria Martin:** Ord: Yes, DP: No, W: Yes

Circuit Judgeships:

Ed Dove

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School Board -5th

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Gay Spirituality Icon #9

By Fr. Ken Waibel

By the time this edition of the GLSO Newsletter reaches you the November 2nd elections and the amendment suggestion will have been concluded. If John Kerry is now our President-elect and if the amendment failed we can breathe a sigh of relief, for now. If President Bush has been re-elected and/or the amendment passed then we may be quite anxious and fearful for the future of ourselves and our brothers and sisters in the GLBT community. It will certainly be time to reflect and time to re-group.

It is quite serendipitous that the next consolation icon is the icon of Courage. In its reverse, courage, or fear, can be most destructive in any of its forms. Fear represses thoughts and feelings. Fear poisons the whole person and causes the individual to lose touch with reality and to start second guessing personal holiness (or wholeness) resulting often in depression, anxiety and a giving up. If fear can be kept under control and become Courage then it results in many positive things.

We have seen many positive results of courage over the last months and years. Remember the number of persons who

have courageously spoken out against the amendment and for the GLBT community: some who are gay, some who are not. Remember the public officials, political and religious, who have defended the rights of all GLBT persons and called the proposed amendment (hopefully still proposed) what it truly is: anti-gay homophobic legislature. These persons, numbering now in the thousands, of all walks of life, spoke out in courage and banded together for a common cause. Out of very real and honest fear of what such an amendment could do brought together many persons of diverse backgrounds and histories to speak in a communal voice of one mind and heart. Fear, become courage, has a tendency to bring people together and as Martha would say: That s a good thing.

Not knowing at the writing of this article how the vote has gone it is hard to say what we should do next but I do know one thing. If we now have another anti-gay president or if our state has amended our constitution to exclude us we need only further band together, give each other courage and strength, and wait for the democratic system to declare such legislation as unconstitutional on a Federal Level. Eventually the Supreme Court will come to our defense. Take courage.



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Religious and Spiritual Resources

St Mychal The Martyr

St. Mychal The Martyr Parish holds services every Sunday at 10:30, with Rev Ken Waibel performing mass. We are located at 1350 Eastland Dr. St. Mychal is a member of the Orthodox Catholic Church of America, a national denomination that is gay supportive, performs blessings of gay unions, welcomes divorced people, and ordains women to the orders of Deacon, Priest and Bishop.

The Church is one of about three dozen offshoots of the Roman Catholic Church, and is open to married, divorced, and single individuals, welcoming all persons regardless of the blessings or problems of their lives. We have space available for meetings and receptions.

The church is named for the Rev. Mychal Judge, an openly gay priest and a chaplain for the New York Fire Department who was killed on Sept. 11, while working to rescue victims at the World Trade Center. The Orthodox Catholic Church made Judge a Saint in 2002.

Call 389-9418 for more information or join us any Sunday in celebration of our lives.

INTEGRITY

Integrity is a group dedicated to exploring issues within the Episcopal Church and Christianity as they relate to GLBT people. It meets every second Sunday at Saint Michael The Archangel Episcopal Church on Bellefonte Drive in Lexington. The next gathering will be Sunday Nov. 14 at 4 p.m. in the Chapter Room of the church. Light refreshments will be served and all are welcome to attend.

Society of Friends - Quakers

Do you seek a religious home, without creeds or required statements of belief? Are you looking for a meaningful spiritual community? Are you concerned for peace, justice and reconciliation? We invite you to join us for silent worship where we do not have the complications of rituals or programs. We believe that in such periods of quiet waiting we can open to spiritual resources which will enable us to live more calmly, more compassionately and more creatively in this chaotic age. Sundays, 10:30a-11:30a, 649 Price Avenue, Phone 254-3319. Everyone is welcomed.



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Open Door Community Fellowship

In recent months the leadership of Open Door Community Fellowship in Louisville has been approached by members of the Lexington community concerning the need for something like Open Door Community Fellowship to be started in Lexington. In the spirit of wanting to respond to that need a new Bible study will be beginning in November on Friday nights in Lexington.

Members of Open Door's leadership team will be regularly attending and giving support to this new outreach to the Gay, lesbian, Bi-sexual and Transgender community in Lexington. For those of you who are not familiar with Open Door it is a Spirit-led, Bible-centered, open and affirming Christian Church spreading the awesome news of Jesus Christ's unconditional love for ALL people. Through this dynamic ministry, God's love is reaching out to All His children in the Louisville and Kentuckiana area.

One of the things Open Door is known for is their sponsorship of the Rainbow Café which is held on Saturday nights at 2530 Frankfort Avenue from 7 to 11. Area artists such as Wishing Chair, Mother Jane, Kentucky Bootleggers, Robbie Bartlett and many others have shared their musical talents with the Louisville community through Rainbow Café. You may visit <http://www.opendoorcf.com/index.html> for more information about Open Door and its mission and vision.

If you are seeking to know more about Jesus and His unconditional love for you and to discover the purpose God has for your life we invite you to come and join us on Friday nights from 7 to 9pm as we discover that together in a Bible study atmosphere. Please contact Rev. Cori Wood @ 859-264-7006 for further information.



Unitarian Universalist Church

The UU Church of Lexington actively supports the GLBT community and its work for civil rights including the right to marry. At our October congregational meeting we passed a declaration in support of No on the Amendment. Churches are legally prohibited from taking partisan positions, which includes telling people of the congregation who to vote for, but are free to make public moral positions.

Our Sunday services are at 9:15 and 11 am. There is religious education for children and teens during the second service. Mary Crone is one of the teen advisors and welcomes youth who's parents do not attend the church. We usually have several teens that have been raised by gay/lesbian parents, and also welcome GLBT youth.

We have adult religious education on Wednesday nights including course in building your own theology, paganism, the interface between religion and science, and Yoga. Unitarian don't always agree about religious beliefs and that makes for some lively discussions. For information about the church visit www.uucl.org

An elevator speech about who we are: "Unitarian Universalism embodies religious freedom. We do not provide the answers to life's great questions. Instead, we provide a beloved community in which individuals working together and alone are encouraged to find answers that are meaningful in the context of their own lives. We draw upon all sources of knowledge -including experience, authority, intuition, reason, and faith - in the search for answers.

Ours is a living, dynamic religion. We are always free to develop and change our beliefs as we acquire new knowledge and insight concerning truth, reality, and the meaning of life."

Melvin Mackey, Vashon Island, Washington

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