

# The GLSO NEWS

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### MCC FREE CONCERT Marcus Young

Faith Metropolitan Community Church presents Christian recording artist, Marcus Young, in concert on Sunday, October 7. This is a free 1½ hour concert beginning at 10:30 a.m. at the church, 145 Burt Road, Suite 7. Burt Road is located in the Zandale area across from O'Charley's on the west side of Nicholasville Rd.

Marcus sings songs about life, relationships, and faith. He describes his musical style as a blend of light rock, adult contemporary and contemporary Christian. Through his music, he is hoping to reach people who may have been turned off to organized religion. His concerts are upbeat, positive, and real.

This is a man of faith and a member of MCC. He has found a joy in his life that he wants to share with others. In a recent interview, he stated that he has found a peace in his life that he can't explain, the peace of knowing Jesus. "I believe in the cross and everything that it represents. Christ went through a great deal of suffering. I can't live my life and not express my

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### Unitarian Worship Service Rev. Keith Kron

In honor of Coming Out Month, the Unitarian Universalist Church of Lexington is proud to host Rev. Keith Kron, Director of the Office for Bisexual, Gay, Lesbian, and Transgender Concerns for the Unitarian Universalist Association.

Keith is a native Lexingtonian and is returning to the U.U. Church to deliver the sermon on Sunday, October 14, at 10:45. Join Interweave for a potluck lunch following the service.

When Keith lived in Lexington he served as president of Dignity and worked with GLSO, including six years on the pride week committees. He taught school for nine years, mostly at Squires and Glendover Elementary Schools.

In Keith's sermon, "The Van Gogh Cafe," he explores how we might heal a world filled with oppression and evil. The title comes from a children's book by Cynthia Rylant which opens this way:

"Magic is in the Van Gogh Café in Flowers, Kansas, and sometimes the magic wakes itself up, and people and animals notice it. They notice it and ...continued on page 2

### The Closet Ball and Diva of Darkness

The Imperial Court of Ky. is hosting two much-anticipated events during the month of October. On Wed., Oct. 3, the Julie Vaughn Memorial Closet Ball will be held at Club 141, 9:30 pm. This event, named in honor and in memory of Empress I, Julie, features individuals who have not previously done drag. Contestants present themselves in their born gender and are then given one hour to transform themselves into the other persona.

This is one of the Court's most popular events and particularly appropriate for coming out month. We encourage new people to pick up an application from any Board member, from Natalie Gaye, or at Club 141. Featured entertainers include Empress Natalie, ICP J.D. Vaughn, ...continued on page 2

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thoughts and feelings about that. It means too much to me," said Young.

Marcus has just completed his third recorded release, his first compilation of original songs. He has traveled all over the country sharing his talents and has received overwhelming support. One of many highlights includes his performance at the National P-FLAG Conference Interfaith Worship Service in Washington, D.C.

Come enjoy this concert the first Sunday in October. Everyone is welcomed. Turn off Nicolasville Rd onto Burt Rd. at the Taco Bell. FMCC is at 145 Burt Rd, Suite 7. The parking lot is just past the cleaner's on the right. For more information, call 859 LEX-FMCC.

*Court Diva  
from page 1.*



Nicole Diamond, Cavier Towers, Janelle Claiborne, and Jenna Jive. Erica Vaughn will be making a special appearance as an emcee for the evening.

On October 24, the Court will be hosting the Second Annual Diva of Darkness Contest. This Pre-Halloween contest is sure to bring out some outlandish competition and costumes; contestants will be judged in Halloween Presentation, Spook-Tackular talent, and Funeral Wear. Applications will be available from Board members by Oct. 1.

Looking ahead for the month of November, the Emperor's Turnabout Night is in the works; watch out for this one.

### Rev. Kron ...cont. from page 1

are affected by it and pretty soon the word spreads that there is a café—the Van Gogh Café—that is wonderful, like a dream; like a mystery, like a painting, and you ought to go there, they will say, for you will never forget it."



The sermon continues to explore how to work to end the many forms of oppression in our lives, and how to create the magic that will do it.

Rev. Kron is a graduate of Starr King School for the Ministry and was ordained into Unitarian Universalist ministry in February of 1999. He has written a premarital counseling guide for same gender couples and is currently working on a book for the UUA on civil unions.

Keith revised the UU Welcoming Congregation manual as well as writing a curriculum that goes beyond the basics of welcoming GLBT people into our congregations. Starting later in October, our Lexington UU Church will be providing workshops for our congregation and friends using some of these materials. This is a fascinating study and discussion course for all people. Call Davina for more information 271-6174

Keith's interests outside of work include tennis, children's books (he has over 3300 of them), walking, and traveling. He volunteers for the Gay Men's Domestic Violence Project of Massachusetts. He currently lives in Medford, Massachusetts.

Join us Sunday, Oct. 14 at 10:45 and stay after the service for lunch with Interweave.



# COMMUNITY NEWS

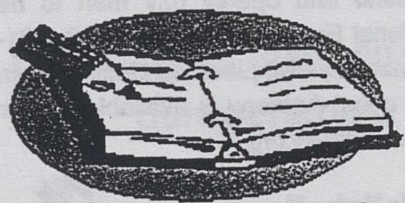
## Gay, Lesbian Couples Sought for Study

Dr. Sherry Rostosky, a professor in the Department of Educational and Counseling Psychology at the University of Kentucky, is looking for gay male and lesbian couples to participate in a study of same-sex relationships. Approximately forty couples are needed to confidentially complete a series of questionnaires that ask about individual perceptions, feelings, attitudes, and experiences within intimate relationships. Participating couples are given an appointment time that is convenient for them and each couple member is taken to a private office to complete the surveys. Each couple who completes the surveys (which take about an hour to complete) will receive \$50 (\$25 each) to compensate them for their time. Couples who are interested in finding out more are asked to email Dr. Rostosky at [rostosk@uky.edu](mailto:rostosk@uky.edu) or call (859) 257-7880.

## DISCUSSION GROUP

The GLSO Discussion / Support Group meets every Wednesday night from 7-8:30 at the Pride Center. Jane, who facilitates the group, is recovering from surgery and will not be as available for the first part of the month. The group will continue meeting and welcomes new members. We discuss many issues relating to living as GLBT people. Some people come to the group who are just coming out, some are still in traditional marriages, others have been out for quite a while but have a desire to find a welcoming group where they can share their thoughts and concerns.

Anyone wanting information about the group should contact Ginger at 276-0673. (You can also call Mary at 266-5904)

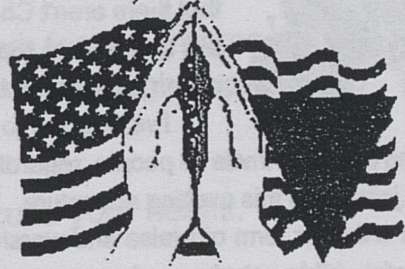


## Spoken Word!

Come read your work or listen to others read theirs at the Pride Center on October 28, 7 pm. All forms of written word welcomed. We are open to all people, gay-straight, teen-adult, women-men and everything in between.

*The Staff and volunteers of Movable Feast/Lexington would like to thank all the restaurants and patrons that participated in Dining Out For Life on Sept. 13, helping to raise money for those in our community who have HIV/AIDS and are in need of nutritious meals.*

*If you would like to volunteer at Movable Feast, call Terry or Michael at 252-2867.*



Celebrate Coming Out Day October 11. Become yourself, a little more each day.



# Community News

## Imperial Court News



Members of the Court have been involved in several events in the tri-state area. Emperor XX Chris and Empress XX Natalie kicked off their reign with Investitures. They gave out titles to all members who attended and raised almost \$1000 for Moveable Feast. Congratulations to Chris and Natalie on a successful and fun event.

Several of our members have attended Barony of Louisville events, including Miss Big Bone Lick and shows held at the Third Avenue Café in Louisville. The Barony is having shows each Friday through October 12, with their Adornment Ball IV to be held on the weekend of October 20 at The Inn at the Jewish Hospital. For more info contact Emperor Donnie EV at 859-269-7756 or email at [emperorev19@aol.com](mailto:emperorev19@aol.com).

Many of our members also attended Coronation XI for the ISQCCBE in Cincinnati on the weekend of Sep. 8. Everyone had a super time with our sister court and several awards were presented to our members including Empress XVI Chanda Lier, Emperor XIX EV, Empress XIX Tracy Taylor, Emperor XX Chris and Empress XX Natalie.

If you are not a member of the court we encourage you to join us and have fun while helping raise much-needed funds for our community. Join us for the Closet Ball and the Diva of Darkness contest in October. (see page 1)



For the past year I've struggled to find a place to worship God in the manner to which I've become accustomed. This isn't to say that there aren't Christian worship opportunities available to the GLBT community, I just haven't found one that suits my needs.

I've decided to start my own bible study and I'd like to invite all people, regardless of sexual orientation, to join me in this exciting adventure. If you, too, are searching for a livelier form of praise and worship combined with meaningful bible study and prayer please contact me at [CWBM121893@aol.com](mailto:CWBM121893@aol.com) or call me at 264-7006 for more information. Ask for Beverly.



REBELS,  
RUBYFRUIT &  
RHINESTONES

Dr. Jim Sears will be making a multimedia presentation on gay and lesbian life in the South in the 1970's. It will be held at the W. T. Young Library Gallery, on UK campus, Wed., Oct. 17 at 7:30pm.

His new book, *Rebels, Rubyfruit, and Rhinestones*, includes quite a bit of history on gay and lesbian people in Lexington and will be available for purchase. This event is hosted by UK Lambda, the UK Women's Studies Program, the UK Department of Geography, and Bluegrass Fairness.

## ACLU of KY

Anthony Romero, Executive Director of the national ACLU will be the keynote speaker at the ACLU of Kentucky's eighth annual Bill of Rights Dinner on Nov. 10. This year's dinner will be at 7 pm at Kentucky International Convention Center in Louisville. Anthony is the first Latino and openly gay man to be named national Executive Director of the 81-year-old American Civil Liberties Union. More information about Anthony is available on our website: [www.aclu-ky.org](http://www.aclu-ky.org)

## Volleyball

The Winter Rainbow Volleyball HIV Prevention League will start on Sunday, October 7. Registration is at 2 pm at the Dunbar Center, 545 N. Upper St. Practices will be on Sunday afternoons, from 2-4. See complete information on page 14.

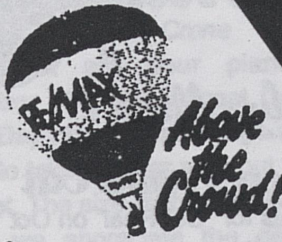


## Mr. Kentucky Bear

Congratulations to Steven Mackin who won the Mr. Kentucky Bear 2001 contest this Saturday Sept 8. Steven now goes onto San Francisco in Feb 2002 to compete in the Mr. International Bear contest!



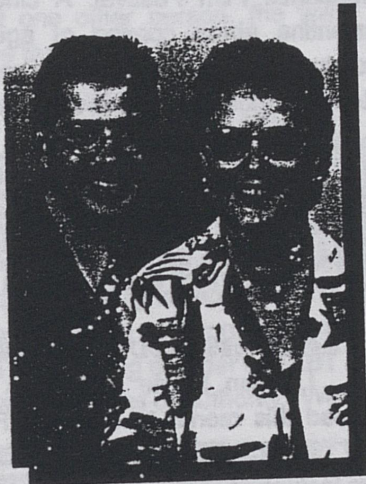
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# AT THE PRIDE CENTER

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Family Movies



## GLSO Hires Office Manager

It is with great pleasure that we announce that GLSO has hired Ginger Moore to be the office manager for the Pride Center. Ginger has put in endless hours of work on a volunteer basis. Several years ago she gave GLSO the push we needed to look for additional funding, wrote most of the grants, and is now at the Center greeting visitors and working diligently on the many details of keeping the center operational. Her contribution to the community in time, energy, and new ideas far outweighs our ability to pay her. Thank you, Ginger

In October Ginger's hours will be irregular as she is needed at home. Call before you visit, then come by for some pleasant conversation, peruse our library, or check out volunteers opportunities. If you have an idea for an activity, Ginger can help you find a free date and give suggestions for publicizing your event.

## Men's Night Out

Join us for "Get Real" on Oct 16 at 7 PM. Ben Silverstone stars as Steven Carter in this charming and compelling comedy that drew raves at the 1999 Sundance Film Festival. A cinematic valentine about coming of age and coming to terms with who you are. Get Real shouldn't be missed. It mingles laughter and tears and, like it's hero, is determined to make love soars above all. A great movie. Bring a snack to share if you wish.



## Lesbian Movie Night

Lesbian Movie Night has been moved this month to the third Friday, Oct 19th at 7pm at the Pride Center We are looking for a copy of *The Hunger* to show. Call the Pride Center if you have this film 253-3233. Come join the fun on Friday and bring a snack to share



## Relationship Group

Relationship Problems got you down? Do you want a change but don't know how? Well if you are over 18, we have a support group to help. The group will be meeting Sunday afternoons, Oct. 7th through Nov. 11th weekly at the Pride Center from 2:30-4:30 pm. The only exception on time is October 28th when the time will be 1-3 pm.

Two graduate students from the University of Kentucky will run the group as part of a class requirement. We look forward to helping you. If you have any questions or concerns, contact Marilee at 323-7118 or email [woogaa@hotmail.com](mailto:woogaa@hotmail.com).

## Classic Movie Matinee presents: NOSFERATU~A Symphony of Horror

Join us on Sunday, Oct. 21 at 3:00pm to enjoy this F.W. Murnau masterpiece. Nosferatu remains an effective adaptation of Bram Stoker's DRACULA. It doesn't scare us, but it haunts us. It shows not that vampires can jump out of shadows, but that evil can grow there, nourished on death.

This is THE original vampire feature film. A silent movie made in 1922, told in black and white. It recounts the eternal battle between good and evil, love and hate, innocence and death. A young man must combat the devil incarnate in the form of the sinister Count Orlock, better known as Nosferatu-The Undead, in order to save his soul and the woman he loves.



## OCTOBER 11 COMING OUT DAY

by Mary Crone

What are your plans for October 11? Its national Coming Out Day and we encourage everyone to take another step out of the closet. The size of the step is up to you, we appreciate the diversity within our community which includes different levels of "outness." If each of us can come out to just one other person, the world will change.

It has been changing. We see that in the number of youth realizing and celebrating who they are at an age when those of us over 40 were not even aware we were in a closet. We see it in the numbers of us speaking publically to reporters and legislators (not to mention parents) and in the growing number of GLBT people in positions of authority. We

see it in the advertising dollars spent in promotion of our celebrities with, or course, the hope of selling us all kinds of products. We see it in the growing acceptance and appreciation of our contributions to our country.

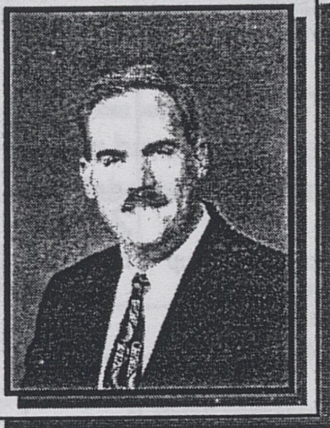
Not everyone has the choice of going public. There is still the danger of losing jobs or becoming estranged from family. But at times we overprotect ourselves, a survival instinct that we need to check periodically so that we do not become our own jailers. It is worth the effort to challenge our fears, we do not know who we might become if we step beyond our comfort zone.

This is not to say that the most public among us don't have "coming out issues" to consider. All of us can find ourselves in situations that leave us tongue tied or silent. We need each other's support no matter what our next step might be.

For some people, coming out may mean a redefinition of self in recognition of their bisexual or transgender nature. Our community hasn't always been supportive of individuals who change their perceptions in these ways. We need to give everyone the space to reexamine their identity.

Queer youth are publishing their stories and poems, and expressing opinions that claim identities that older generations are even less familiar with. We need to listen and celebrate their self definitions also. (see page 15)

The goal is not for everyone to be at the same place. The goal for this day is for each of us to look at the areas where fear or ignorance, internal or external, may be limiting our lives, and to consider what we want to do about that. Then step out, proud and joyful, and we will change the world.



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**INTEGRITY**

St. Michaels Integrity Chapter will have regular meeting on the second Sunday of the month, 4 pm at St Michaels Church, 2025 Bellefonte Dr. In October, we will meet on Oct 14. Integrity is the Episcopal group for GLBT people. For information call 277-7511 and ask to speak to Rev. Boyd or Rev. Stone. or email jbintegrity@aol.com.

**Cancer Support Group**

There is a support group starting for lesbians and their partners who have survived cancer. We can provide information and support to each other concerning treatment choices, unexpected (or expected) "side effects", and how to handle the stress. email Fe, femail@qx.net. We may also have information about an upcoming meeting at the Pride Center Office 253-3233.

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Voices From the Ladies' Room is sponsored by Society of Underground Poets (SoUP), The Working Class Kitchen, Inc, 89.9 FM WRVG, Natasha's Café, and the University of Kentucky Women's Studies Program.



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## WHALE WATER

By Reinetta F. Jones

"Hi Aunt Martha! It's me, Karen! I am here to interview you for the Oral Herstory Archives! How are you feeling today?"

"I am feeling all right, and I will be even better when you quit shouting at me. I can see you, I can hear you, and I smelled your toilet water before you came through the doorway. What's the name of that stuff?"

"It's called Whale Water and it is my favorite cologne. Aunt Martha, is this still a good time for us to talk? We seem to be starting off on the wrong foot. I can come back another day. I know that you have been under the weather lately."

"Child, this is an old folks home and somebody is always under the weather, because if we weren't, then these people would be out of business. No need for you to be in a hurry. Have a seat and tell me when they started making Whale Water Cologne for women. In the 1940s that was men's cologne. The bottle was glass-blue and it had that covert picture on the label; Mobey Dick with a rush of water spraying out of his head."

"You have a pretty good memory Aunt Martha. It's the same cologne in the same blue bottle, only now there is an image of a black whale in the ocean with the tail flipped up in the air, and a splash of water is tossed over the partially submerged head. It's not sold in stores anymore, but you can order it from a specialty catalog. A lot of lesbians buy it. Mine was a gift from a friend."

"Honey, you don't have to explain all your business to me.

Your grandmother has already told me about you and your friend. I know that times have changed, but you need to think about the message that comes with that cologne. Everything that smells good is not good for you. You hear what I am saying?"

"Yes, Aunt Martha, I hear you."

"Good. Now let's get down to business, because that is the whole point of your being here today. I am sure that your grandmother has told you about TaTa, the woman I met at the Greyhound Bus Station in Detroit, November 1945. She was barely five feet tall, and she had deep dimples and a space between her front teeth. And she smelled GOOD!"

TaTa had finished her time with the army and I had been discharged from my factory job. At the end of the War [W.W.II] the servicemen were coming back home to their jobs, so the women employees were let go. I was going back home to Paris, Kentucky and TaTa was destined for Christiansted, St Croix.

When the bus stopped in front of the Paris Public Library, I got off and TaTa followed me home. Moma and Daddy thought that she was one of my Detroit friends who would be visiting for a couple of days before moving on. But your grandmother knew what were about; she was pretty smart for a 13-year-old, though she could never keep a secret. My sister has always had a serious case of lose lips, but I love her just the same.

Two days later TaTa and I left for Florida. My parents assumed that TaTa had led me astray because she was an older and more experienced woman; I was 19

and she was 23. They didn't know that TaTa was not my first woman but I was her first. That's another story, let me tell you one story at a time.

I had not intended to go away and stay. I was only going as far as Miami, Florida, then I was suppose to come back home and TaTa would take a boat to the Virgin Islands. But one thing led to another and I ended up in Christiansted, St Croix. And Baby, I was hooked! You hear what I am saying? It was like that woman's presence made everything bright in my life.

On the island there were beautiful people, beautiful beaches, beautiful weather, and hospitality from one end of the island to the other. The tourism industry was just starting, the hurricane scare had passed, and the war was over, all of which prompted an upswing in the economy. I completely forgot about Paris, Kentucky, because my nose was wide open and home was the furthest thing from my mind. Everyday, TaTa and I would swim in the clear blue waters of the Caribbean Sea, and we would spread a blanket and have dinner on a white sand beach.

Life was carefree and we were doing our own thing, we even had our own house. Well, it was really TaTa's uncle's boarding house, but he let us have the back room in exchange for our taking care of the place. So, in a sense, it was our house. We cooked together, we went out together, we were always together. And to me, that meant mutual love.

I was in heaven! Those six months on the island made me feel like a full-bloom woman. It wasn't anything like the year and a half I



had spent in Detroit. When I was up North, I had lived with Daddy's sister and her family on Daly Avenue. It was freezing in the winter, steaming in the summer, and I worked all the time. If I met a woman that I liked, I would have to sneak out of the house to meet her somewhere for an hour or two. But in Christiansted, I was in love and I was free. I told TaTa that I was going to stay on that island with her forever.

I felt like I was walking on a cloud, until the day I stepped out the door and bumped into my daddy. He said three words, "Vacations over, Baby." I could have argued and refused to go, but there wasn't anything that I could say after TaTa went into our room and brought out my suitcase and overnight bag. She handed them to Daddy. She must have packed my things while I was out shopping that morning. I loved that woman. You hear what I am saying.

I followed Daddy like I was a lost pup. TaTa and I hadn't exchanged no tears, no goodbye, no handshake, no 'kiss my butt', no nothing. As Daddy and I were walking away, she just stood in the yard chewing on her top lip with her chin quivering. I guess I was supposed to understand what she had done, but I didn't understand anything.

One early morning I had been walking on a white sand beach, then I blinked my eyes, and the surroundings changed to the bedroom I shared with my sister in Paris, Kentucky. I wanted to tell somebody that I was in love, I had been free. And I wanted it all back, but how? She didn't want me.

Everyday my parents kept telling me to get a

job, go to school, get married, do something. My something was to get out of the bed each morning. My days were spent on the front porch swing, rain or shine; I was waiting on TaTa to come get me. I hadn't unpacked the overnight bag; it was under my bed.

The Dear Jane letter arrived after about a month. Your grandmother read it to me. They say that I reacted like a mad woman and threw the overnight bag out the backdoor and cried and cussed and kicked it around the yard, and hacked it a few times with the ax before Daddy came out and held me until I calmed down.

The new underclothes that TaTa had bought me were scattered all over the yard and there was a small blue bottle of Whale Water Cologne. I kept that Whale piss Water for a long time. When I got over her, I dropped that cute little trinket in the Kentucky River.

I am going to have to stop now; that music you hear over the intercom means that it's time for visitors to leave."

"Aunt Martha, before I go I have to know, did you ever see TaTa again?"

"I will have to tell you about that the next time you visit. You had better leave now or they will throw you out. Bye Baby."

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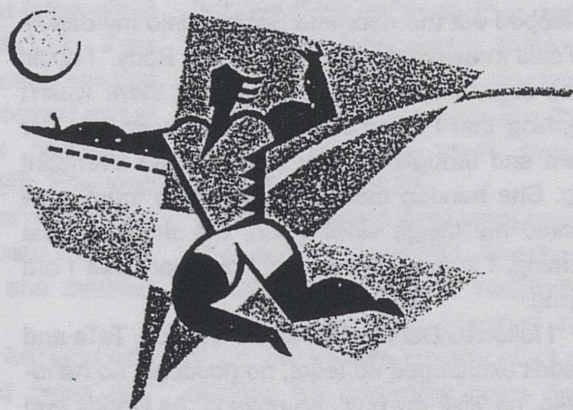
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Larry Collins, AIDS Volunteers	222-1918
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## Revolutionary Voices:

### A Multicultural Queer Youth Anthology...

This book, edited by Amy Sonnie, is filled with the experiences and opinions of queer youth. For Coming Out month it is particularly important that we listen to these voices that are beginning to emerge. Some of what they have to say may be as disturbing to us as it is to the straight culture. And it is also exciting.

#### T. Rowan, age 16, *Labels, Names & Identity*:

My sexuality is as fluid, infinite, undefinable, and ever-changing as the north-flowing river that runs through the valley where I have spent nearly all my life. The continuum of sexuality is long, and I am always slip-sliding from one side to the other and most often stopping to rest somewhere in the middle. Sexuality is not black or white...it is gray, and gray comes in infinite shades, more than could ever be contained in the biggest box of drawing pencils.

#### Ryn Gluckman, age 20: *Relearning the Mother-tongue: Notes from a Second-Generation Queer*

I have found the queer community to be amazingly dynamic but terribly uncomfortable with its diversity. Here, of all places, I did not expect to be confronted with binary systems of identification, but it is here that

I have struggled the most with this polar language: homosexual or heterosexual, gay, or lesbian, male or female, butch or femme, top or bottom. I either find myself in none of these categories or all of them. Once again I ache to define myself not only in terms my community can understand but also that accurately describe who I am. I find myself roaming in the country of sexuality, wandering half out of choice and half in search of a language I can claim. Let me be a queer straight, the dyke who sleeps with men, the woman mistaken for a man. Let me have the best of these dichotomies. Let me speak with a language of my own.

#### S. Asher Hanlet, age 21 *Different: My Experiences as an Intersexed Gay Boy*

I am a 21 year old queer boi of mixed heritage... We are expected to fit neatly packaged and narrowly defined categories. Even our mannerisms are marketed to us. This is part of the reason people like me are subjected to life-altering surgery before we're old enough to talk. ..I was born intersexed, I didn't fit neatly into one of the expected options. ...How open should I be in such a dichotomous world? Among gay boys, I am capable of passing until someone finds out what I am under my clothes, and then, once again, I become an outsider. The quickest path to change...visibility!

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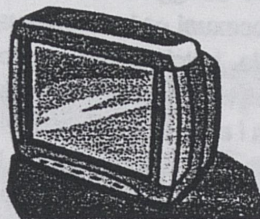
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## On the Tube



### A MATTER OF CHOICE?

This ABC Nightline series was scheduled to start in late September and continue in October but has been postponed due to the tragedy. *A Matter of Choice* begins with conversations with residents of the nation's first gay and lesbian retirement community located in Florida. Gay and Lesbian retiree's speak honestly and openly with Nightline about coming to terms with their sexuality.

Quite a bit of this series focus on Roanoke, Virginia where Danny Overstreet was murdered in a gay bar. Mr. Koppel reviews the local news coverage stimulated by the murder and interviews Roanoke-area religious leaders: Methodist, Muslim, Roman Catholic and Southern Baptist.

One show in the series profiles a former Roanoke Commonwealth Attorney who had to prosecute gays under Virginia state laws while he was living a secret gay life. Today he is a defense attorney for people charged under Virginia's sodomy and solicitation laws.

Gay teenagers are the focus for one night. The program profiles a young lesbian whose own difficult experience coming out as a teenager has inspired her to work with gay teens. Mr. Koppel speaks with gay and lesbian teenagers from the Roanoke area. The series concludes with a live, 90-minute town meeting in Roanoke, anchored by Mr. Koppel.

### ELLEN

Ellen Degeneres is back on Fridays at 8 pm. "The Ellen Show" casts her as Ellen Richman, a wealthy and successful 38-year-old lesbian who returns home to a small town after her internet company fails. She moves in with her eccentric mom (Cloris Leachman) and gets a job as a counselor at her former high school. The cast includes Emily Rutherford as her sister, Martin Mull as the principal, and Diane Delano as a gym teacher who develops a crush on Ellen.

No one in Clark seems to have a problem with Ellen's sexual orientation. Well, sit-coms aren't about

reality. Degeneres says "Nobody is shocked by it. It just is what it is, and they accept her for who she is." This is small town America? Maybe reality will try to catch up with this vision. Ellen is a funny woman, lets hope she is provided with good material.

### Transsexual Character

CBS seems to have high hopes for *The Education of Max Bickford* from 8 to 9 on Sunday evenings. Academy Award-winner Richard Dreyfuss stars as Max Bickford, a widowed college professor. What I haven't seen in the previews is his best friend Steve (Helen Shaver), who returns from a sabbatical having undergone a sex-change operation. If she has transitioned, and is played by a woman, why is her name Steve? And wouldn't it be great to see a real tranny play the part?

### Poetic License

This high energy documentary highlights teens performing their poetry at the 1999 Poetry Slam Competition. KET will rebroadcast it at 10 pm on Wed, Oct. 17. Navajo, Asian, Black, White, gay, straight—these kids shine. We see them writing in subways, performing in the streets, and loving each other across differences. Tim Arevalo, a queer Pilipino American, ends the evening with "a poem for us" for which he has won several competitions. If you haven't seen performance poetry, tune in and see the how the world is changing. Immediately before this show is "Coal Black Voices", featuring some Ky. Afrilation Poets.


### Old Friends, New Adventures

*Will and Grace* returns at 9 pm on NBC. Apparently Will (Eric McCormack) will finally have a relationship, but with a "married" man.

Dr. Weaver (Laura Innis) outed herself at the conclusion of last season's *ER*. Her fear discomfort about coming out is a realistic portrayal of some of our lives. Sadly, her relationship with Dr. Legaspi (Elizabeth Mitchell) does not seem to be part of this season's story line.

It didn't take Lucy Lawless long to find a job once "Xena: Warrior Princess" ended its run. She will be in the first two episodes of *The X-Files* returning on Sundays at 9 pm. Fox is keeping quiet about the details of her role. If they want a new lesbian audience, they will keep her on for quite a while.





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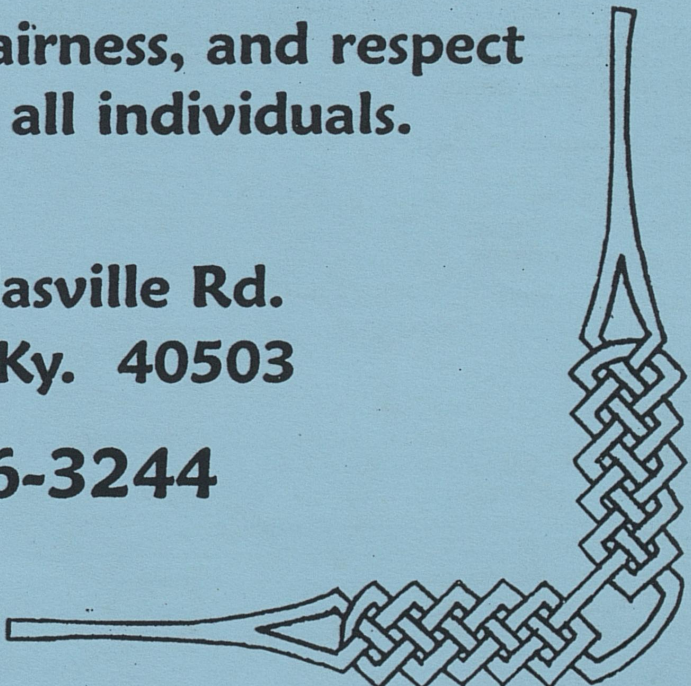
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GLSO Discussion Group (Jane).....	276-0673
GLSO News (Mary).....	266-5904
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GLSO on Line.....	lexingtonglso@yahoo.com
	www.bluegrasspride.org

## Student Groups

Morehead State University (Ned).....	606-783-2294
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Berea College ACE League (Rich).....	859-985-4106
Center College (BGLAD-Mikol).....	238-5732

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Madison County.....	606-723-7312
Woodford County.....	873-4541

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AIDS Volunteers, Inc.....	225-3000
Lexington Health Department (Julie).....	288-2362
HIV/AIDS Legal Project.....	502-584-1254
HIV Education Youth Group.....	278-7494
HIV Support (Somerset).....	679-7578 or 678-5814
Cumberland Region (SEKY-Pat).....	606-864-3776
	or 888-425-7282
Barren River Region.....	1-800-559-4448
Louisville Region (Geri).....	502-574-0161
Northern Kentucky Region.....	859-341-4264
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## Community

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	Office..276-2917
AL-Anon (Office).....	277-1877
Bluegrass Belles (Marjorie).....	278-2608
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Bluegrass Fairness.....	296-7812
Council for Peace and Justice (Richard).....	277-6101
DOJ Pride (Robin).....	231-8526
Fairness of Louisville.....	502-893-0788
First Link (was Ask-Us).....	313-5465
GLSEN-KY (Gina).....	606-676-9412

G/L Defense Fund.....	502-589-2896
International Gay Bowling (Steve).....	276-3058
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MCC Paducah (Rev. Donna).....	270-441-2307
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KY Pagan Forum.....	http://go.to/kypaganforum/
Path of the Personal Divine (Chris).....	268-1640
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