

# The GLSO News



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## **Come Join the Parade!**

It is that time of the year when the sun shines bright and the community rallies around public events and festivals. This year's festivities continue with the addition of the World Equestrian Games, a new location for Lexington Farmers' Market, the Junior League Horse Show, and, of course, the Fourth of July Festival. This year's Festival takes place on July 3rd; all will show their patriotism together during this colorful event.

We hope you will be able to join Lexington Fairness as we "Celebrate America" with the LGBT community. We are building our parade float and invite everyone to join us for a great time to hang out with friends and transform a flat bed trailer into a reflection of pride in our community. Contact us at [info@lexfair.org](mailto:info@lexfair.org) to learn more about how you can help us design, build and paint this year's Fourth of July Parade Float!

Building the float, although it takes many hours to do, is only the first step. We must exhibit our pride and walk the parade route together! Lexington Fairness invites all members of the community to join us as we ride the float and walk down Main Street. It is truly wonderful to see the parade observers cheer on the hard work we all do to accomplish fairness and equality in Kentucky. If you wish to join us, please e-mail [info@lexfair.org](mailto:info@lexfair.org) so we can provide you with details on how to join the parade.

Finally, Lexington Fairness will have a presence the entire day at our booth, which will be situated in Courthouse Plaza.

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## **Unitarian Universalist Church**

The Unitarian Universalist Church of Lexington is proud to be this month's sponsor of the GLSO News. We welcome all to our Sunday Services at 11 am. We are a welcoming congregation that celebrates our GLBT members. We are located at 3564 Clays Mill Rd, just insider Man O' War.

Our services in July are as follows:

- July 4 Appalachian Poets
- July 11 "Fading Faith: the Rise of the Secular Age" Humanist Forum
- July 18 Ice Cream
- July 25 "Where is Christianity Today?"

The U.U. Church has a liberal religious tradition with room for many beliefs. Our congregation includes people who identify as Christian, Humanist, Buddhist, Pagan, Muslim, Jewish, Atheist, and Agnostic.

The church now has two gender neutral bathrooms that can be used by everyone. The church hopes to create a more welcoming space by providing this option for people who are transitions, who's gender in not always obvious, and for parents who want to take their child into a bathroom with them.

The Unitarian Universalist Association has a record of supporting *Cont. pg 2*

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Next meeting July 11,  
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The booth will be setup by 9 a.m. and will be open for everyone to stop by and learn more about Lexington Fairness and the LGBT community. We hope you can stop by and visit. The festival doesn't end until 6 p.m., so there is plenty of time for you to stop by. If you would like to volunteer to greet people at the booth, please e-mail [info@lexfair.org](mailto:info@lexfair.org).

This year's Fourth of July Festival, albeit on July 3rd, will be a great experience for all to unite and spend time with friends and family. Even though downtown construction may have changed some locations of events, Lexington Fairness is proud to continue to have a presence during this year's festivities. We hope you will join us for all the special occasions this upcoming holiday.

To learn more about Lexington's July Fourth Celebration, visit [www.lexingtonky.gov](http://www.lexingtonky.gov)

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GLBTQQI people. In June 1970, the General Assembly of the Unitarian Universalist Association passed its first General Resolution supporting bisexual, gay, and lesbian communities in their struggle for equal rights and acceptance.

Since that time, there have been other resolutions and a number of curriculum offered to churches for members to learn about sexual orientation, gender expression and identity, and the political and social changes our community is working towards.

Acknowledging that every UU congregation reflects our society's homophobia to a degree, the 1989 General Assembly initiated a sustained and systematic program designed to help congregations create truly welcoming environments for all persons. Specific goals were established to encourage every congregation to be:

- Inclusive of all GLBTQI persons at every level of congregational life;
- Welcoming same-gender couples, recognizing their committed relationships and equally affirming displays of caring and affection;
- Actively advocating for GLBTQI rights, attending to legislative developments and working to promote justice, freedom, and equality. ♦



## 2011 Lexington Pride Festival

Join in the fun of planning the next Lexington Pride Festival. We are looking for enthusiastic individuals to become part of the 2011 Pride Planning Committee. Bring any skills you possess or a willingness to learn and join us on July 31, 2010 starting at 1pm at the GLSO Pride Center, located at 389 Waller Avenue, Suite 100 in Lexington. Committee chairs will be decided at this meeting, so bring some great ideas and volunteer to help however you can. We look forward to seeing you there!

### **ANOTHER REIGN COME AND GONE 2009 - 2010**

The Imperial Court celebrated Coronation 29 with style and grace. Dignitaries from almost 30 courts from all over the United States, Canada and Mexico. What an amazing weekend culminating the end of Reign 28 as Emperor Wes Nelson and Regent Empress Nicole Diamond passed the septer to the new Reigning Monarchs Emperor 29 Clayton Burchell and Empress 29 Helena Handbasket.

A Big Thank you goes out to everyone who helped make Reign 28 so spectacular raising in excess of \$100,000 for the Charities of the Imperial Court. We are gearing up for another amazing Reign, so we hope that you will stay involved and support yet another year of fundraising for the Charities of the Bluegrass. We will see you out and about for all the festivities. Watch for our upcoming events and shows on Facebook and our website.

## *TransKentucky*

TransKentucky is a support, social, and resource group serving Lexington and Kentucky. The group provides a safe place for transgender individuals and people who feel they do not fit into the standard gender norms to express their true selves.

While the group is not a therapy group, we can provide information, advise and share resources from our unique experiences. Family and friends are encouraged to attend meetings to gain understanding and be supportive of their loved ones.

TransKentucky meets the first Saturday each month at 7:30pm, doors open at 7pm. Meetings are free. You may dress however you feel comfortable. For more information call 859.253.3233.

## **Newsletter Announcement**

As of July 1st I am sad to say I will no longer be with the Newsletter. Which means that we are in need of an Editor. If you have any skills in desktop publishing, editing, graphic design, layout, or printing, call the Pride Center and leave us a message( 859 253-3233), email us at [info@glso.org](mailto:info@glso.org).

I urge you to volunteer to serve your community in this way. I have found this job very fulfilling and I have learned a great deal. The people who write for us are terrific people to work with. I have met many wonderful people since taking this on and being a part of this organization. I will miss them.

## **WRFL Increases Watts to 7,900**

We are excited to announced that WRFL, 88.1FM is now broadcasting with 7,900 watts of power. Tune in every Friday between 3pm and 4pm for a GLBT talk show.

# Pride Center

389 Waller Ave., Ste. 100 Hours 10am to 3pm M, Tue, Thur, & Fri.

Phone 859-253-3233

## DISCUSSION GROUP

Every Wednesday at 7pm  
Pride Center 389 Waller, Ste. 100  
All Are Welcome

## Lex. Lyons Levi & Leather Club

Monday, June 7, at 7 pm at  
The Pride Center,  
389 Waller Ave., Ste. 100.

## Insight Group

Friday, June 4 - Potluck  
Friday, June 18 - Games Night  
Pride Center 7pm  
Josh at beautifulsouls78@aol.com

## PFLAG

Sunday, July 18 2-4pm  
Good Foods Coop

## Gay Straight Alliance for Youth

The GSA meets at the Pride Center every Tuesday night from 7 to 9. All young people between the ages of 15 and 20 are welcome to attend.

## ART SHOW

William Goodman's exquisite portraits will be displayed at the Pride Center for another month. The show is designed to encourage us to think about the masks we all use in our lives.

Bill says about his work, "I like to capture the essence of a person." He pays particular attention to the subjects' eyes. He is quite successful at conveying the intensity of faces.

Goodman grew up in Lexington but has also lived in Key West. He has only been back in Lexington a few years.

You can contact Bill at  
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## THE MANY MASKS WE WEAR



## PORTRAITS painted by

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# Unitarian Universalist Church

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**We Support Equal Marriage Rights for Same Sex Couples**

We are proud to Sponsor the GSLO News in July.

Visit our booth (#19) at the Pride Festival.

We have Worship Services each Sunday at 11 am.

There is a Buddhist Discussion Group every Sunday at 9:45.

Humanists meet the first Wed. of every month at 7pm.

CUPPS (pagans) meets every Sunday after church.

We plan to host an event for GLBTQS teens this fall.

## 2010 FAIRNESS AWARDS

On the evening of June 25, Lexington Fairness presented the annual Fairness Awards as a part of Lexington's pride month festivities. This Awards program is designed to recognize those individuals or organizations who devote 110% to keeping Lexington a safe and tolerant city for its GLBT community. There were many wonderful individuals nominated for the awards this year and we sincerely thank them for their work in our community.

The **ALLY FOR FAIRNESS AWARD** is dedicated to the straight allies of our community that stand up for GLBT rights. This year the award was given to Sandy Linville. Sandy is an outspoken and tireless advocate who founded a chapter of PFLAG in Lexington this year. Sandy worked with UK Outsource and the UK GSA to help organize a suicide-prevention training for parents and adults working with high school students. She also assisted teens in re-organizing a GSA at Dunbar High School. Sandy is an outstanding ally for many reasons, including the example of love and support she provides to her daughter and for the work she does within our community.

The **JENNIFER CROSSEN OUT FOR FAIRNESS AWARD** is dedicated to the members of our community who are leaders and role models and are Out to increase the visibility of the GLBT community. These are people who let others know "We're Here!" and do so in a positive and uplifting manner.

This year this award was given to Jackson Elliot Cofer. Jack has helped put Lexington on the queer map by creating and developing a queer music scene within our community. Jack is a much needed champion for queer and transgender visibility. Helping bring awareness and facilitate discussion, Jack is publicly documenting his transition

from female to male on his videoblog. He has served on the Pride Festival Planning Committee and works with other non-profit organizations.

The **ERNESTO SCORSONE POLITICAL LEADERSHIP AWARD** is for those who work to ensure that the GLBT community is afforded equal protection under the law. Whether it is protecting domestic partnership benefits at our local universities, championing anti-bullying initiatives, or standing up against legislation designed specifically to divide, this award will honor the person who works to make things fair.

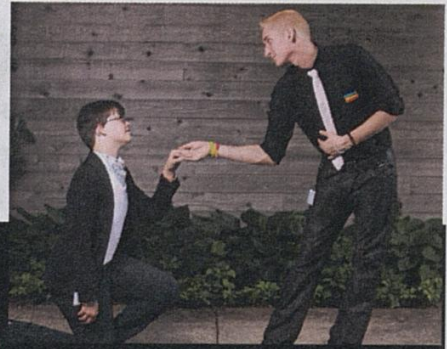
This year the award was given to Joey Rose who has been a vocal advocate for fairness for years. Joey serves his community today as the primary marketing and media driver behind Lexington Fairness. Whether it be marching in Frankfort for equality, or leading class presentations at UK or in Fayette County Public Schools, Joey is there. From staffing a booth at the 4<sup>th</sup> of July parade, to composing e-mail calls to action, Joey is one of Lexington Fairness' best.

The **FAIRNESS LEADERSHIP AWARD** is dedicated to those among us who inspire us to join together and push forward in the face of adversity. When the times get tough, these members of our community push ahead and motivate those around them to get things done. This award is for the firebrands among us - full of energy and vitality.

This year this award was given to Wes Nelson and Nicole Diamond (Wayne Swope) who were the reigning Emperor and Empress 28 for the Imperial Court of Kentucky. During their reign, they devoted an incredible amount of their time and effort to The Court in order to raise money for many non-profit organizations. benefiting Central Kentucky's GLBT

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**Thank you to everyone who helped pull this together.**  
**All GLSO GSA members and particularly:**  
**Eli and Perry for Leadership**  
**Vincent, Amy, Lauren and Zack for Sound Crew**  
**Denise for Ticket Design**



# PRIDE PROM 2010

## GLSO GSA

### GAY STRAIGHT ALLIANCE FOR YOUTH



Advisors: Tom, Mead, Trilby, Mary, Marc, and Tyler



Thanks to chaperones and those who donated food: Eli, Shaun, Dennis, Orvis, Martina, Sandy, Cody, Michael, Tyler, Rene, Jeff, Michael and others.



Our Fourth Annual Pride Prom was attended by 240 teens, gay, straight and questioning, wearing favorite old jeans or elaborate prom attire (with some exchanging clothes half way through the night), dancing, blowing up condom balloons, and having the best time ever! Lets do it again next year!

## Fairness Awards *continued from pg 6*

community. Wes utilized his directorial talent to produce and direct the heartfelt play "The Laramie Project", raising over 8,000 dollars for the Matthew Shepard Foundation. Wes and Nicole spearheaded an effort to build bridges between various GLBT non-profit organizations. With their talent and unyielding desire to serve the community, the Imperial Court of Kentucky managed to raise over \$110,000 for various charitable organizations.

### Susan B. Anthony Equal Rights for Women *by mary crone*

Susan Brownell Anthony (1820 – 1906) is perhaps the best known leader of the 19th Century Women's Rights Movement. She believed that the right to vote was the most important goal of the movement. She traveled throughout the United States and Europe, and, for 45 years, gave 75 to 100 speeches every year on women's rights.

Anthony's father, Daniel, was an austere progressive Quaker, a cotton manufacturer and an abolitionist. He did not allow toys or amusements in his house, claiming that frivolity distracted the soul from the "inner light." He did, however, endorse the Quaker belief that women should have the right to speak in public and have equal opportunities.

Susan's mother, Lucy Anthony, was also committed to progressive causes but not a Quaker. She declared herself "not good enough" to become a practitioner of their "severe and rigorous moral standards". She voiced her opinions publically and lay the foundation for her children to understand and act



in support of progressive causes including Temperance, Anti-slavery, and Women's Rights. With these parents, it is not surprising that Anthony grew up to be a determined social activist.

Susan was sent to school at age 6, already knowing how to read and write. In elementary school, a teacher refused to teach her long division, which she considered inappropriate for girls. Can you imagine the thinking behind that decision? Multiplication - OK, division - "unladylike". Her father removed her from public school.

Susan was then educated in a group home-school where her father taught. In 1836, age 16, Anthony was sent to a Quaker boarding school in Philadelphia. Her formal education came to an end when her family, like many others, was financially ruined during the Panic of 1837. Speculation had created a bubble which burst in 1837, followed by a five-year depression, including the failure of banks and record-high unemployment levels. {Sound familiar?}

Anthony returned home where she was surrounded by prominent reformers (activists) of that time. She became active in several movements, collecting hundreds of petitions opposing slavery even when such activity was banned by the U.S. Congress.

At 18, Anthony left home to teach, to establish her independence, and to help pay off her family's debts. At that time, women were just beginning to be teachers and men earned four times more than women for the same duties. This inequality inspired Anthony to fight for higher wages for female teachers.

In 1848, the first Women's Rights Convention was held at Seneca Falls,

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New York. It was organized by Lucretia Mott and Elizabeth Cady Stanton. Three thousand people, mostly women, attended and a number of women spoke publically, which was declared a scandal in news reports. Susan did not attend but her mother attended a second meeting two weeks later in Rochester and signed the Declaration of Sentiments written by Elizabeth Cady Stanton. It started: "We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men AND WOMEN are created equal... ."

At that time, married women could not own property or keep their own wages. They had no rights to their children in divorce, could not initiate a divorce, or sign legal documents. No women could serve on a jury, speak publically, or vote. Men were understood to have unimpeded sexual access to their wives as well as the right to "discipline" them.

These beliefs were still expressed in the 1970s when the KY legislature was debating passing laws that said a woman could charge her husband with rape and assault. One legislator actually quoted the Bible, stating that men had the God-given right to hit their wives with an object smaller in diameter than their thumb. This is where the expression "rule of thumb" comes from.

In 1849, at age 29, Anthony quit teaching and moved to the family farm in Rochester, New York. She became Secretary of the *Daughters of Temperance* and started speaking publically against the use of alcohol. Many reformers believed that alcohol was responsible for violence against women and the disintegration of families.

Anthony began to distance herself from the Quakers and attended a Unitarian Church. As she got older, Anthony continued to move further away from organized religion in general and she was later chastised by various Christian religious groups for displaying

"irreligious tendencies". Many feminists believed that religion was a major force in the oppression of women. Stanton eventually wrote "The Women's Bible" in which she focused on equality.

In late 1850, Anthony read an account of the first National Women's Rights Convention in Worcester, Massachusetts, including a description of the final speech given by Lucy Stone. Stone's words catalyzed Anthony to devote her life to women's rights.

In 1851, on a street in Seneca Falls, Anthony was introduced to Elizabeth Cady Stanton and to fellow feminist, Amelia Bloomer. Anthony and Stanton began a life long friendship and working partnership. Stanton had been married in a ceremony which had the word "obey" removed by her request. She was radical in her thinking and saw the need to change many laws and cultural mores in order to give women equal status with men.

Stanton already had two of her five children when she met Anthony. Anthony made an early commitment not to marry so that she could dedicate herself to her work. She was the one to sign many documents for the feminist movement because married women were not allowed to sign legal documents.

Stanton was a gifted writer but tied to her home while she raised her children. Her husband was rarely at home. Anthony would often live with Stanton, taking care of the children and helping with the housework so that Stanton could write. Some historians have commented on this relationship as a "marriage" in that the women were committed to each other even when they disagreed. There is an excellent documentary by Ken Burns about these two women and the work they did together.

In 1852, at age 32, Anthony attended her first woman's rights convention in Syracuse and made the statement that "the right which woman needed

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above every other, the one indeed which would secure to her all the others, is the right of suffrage." She continued in that belief even later in life when other feminists including Stanton were working towards broader and more radical goals for women.

You may have noticed that I have not discussed the possibility that Anthony was a lesbian. Many lesbians claim her as one of us. She certainly criticized the male dominance and heterosexism of her day. More significantly, she lived her life with women and had an unbroken bond with Elizabeth Cady Stanton. So, at the least, I believe we should not consider her to be straight by default. Lets claim her as lesbian until someone gives us evidence that she was not.

*To be continued in another newsletter...*

## ***THE SIGNS OF SUMMER***

### **AQUARIUS (Jan. 21-February 19):**

Misconceptions and faulty analyses may frustrate and alarm you but don't fall prey to despair. Finances will worry you this month, Aquarians, but hold on and refrain from following rebellious urges; allies will appear from surprising sources. Feelings of detachment and isolation might plague you but, again, don't succumb to their haunting invitations. It *will* work out. Travel beckons you and you should follow your nomadic yearnings....You'll be glad you did.

### **PISCES (February 20-March 20):**

Confidence and an appetite for adventurous fun leads you to community activities and travel. Relationships are rich in the first half of the month but your eagerness to fulfill your playful side may result in disagreements with your partner. Respect and consideration generally leads to a better understanding of differences and strengthens your ties with loved ones. Work is also a rewarding arena for you, dear Pisces. Enjoy the ride and reach for the golden ring—whether it be found in a nipple or, maybe, some other body part (?).

### **ARIES (March 21-April 20):**

July tends to be a month of positive attention given to work or employment and your partner. Your job will dominate your days and your beloved will entertain your nights. By month's end, work will have flourished and so shall your commitment to that certain someone in your life. Physical attraction will intensify to a deeper relationship. Your beloved will prove supportive as you concentrate on your job and this attention will prove very beneficial, possibly leading to a promotion or raise. It's a good month—both personally and professionally. You could get a raise...or could it be a "rise"?

### **TAURUS (April 21-May 21):**

This is your month for FUN! You will part hearty and have a great month of summer get-togethers and romance. Possibly your best month this year, take advantage of the festivities and enjoy yourself! Watch your finances, though. Fun can turn costly if you get careless with your spending. Overall, a great July for you—and that's no bull.

### **Gemini (May 22-June 21):**

Your focus is on home and decorating your surroundings. Watch that you don't overspend while making your home comfortable. Your creativity and artistic talents are appreciated. It's a quiet month, spent at home. The end of the month finds love and romance increasing and this will continue into August. Family will prove troublesome in last week of July.

### **CANCER (June 22-July 22):**

Talk, talk, talk! Words are your strong point this month, my verbose crustacean. Your words are strong and true and people are listening. Social outings are prominent. You are playful and passionate, pleasing your partner to the max! Pay attention while driving on the 22<sup>nd</sup>. Distractions could lead to an accident. Watch your tongue at work around the seventh. Heated words could land you in hot water—not a good thing for a crab. Avoid aggression at month's end. Let your words carry you through July—people will hear and appreciate expressions from the heart (and those which come from a little lower in your shell).

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## A letter of thanks to the community that I love... from Helena Handbasket

What an exciting time to live in Lexington, Kentucky. Pride weekend was fantastic. There is so much life and new spirit and energy in our city right now and we are on the verge of making history by hosting the Equestrian Games in September.



It has been challenging at the least to deal with all the road construction and preparations going on in the city but I can't help but notice how nice it is all starting to look. Our city is not only going to be ready but we can help to change the attitudes and misconceptions about Kentucky while we have people here from all over the world. We have the opportunity to show them that we will no longer accept being seen as the barefoot hicks, although I do enjoy the feel of the bluegrass under my feet.

The gay community will have a part to play in all of this as well. The business owners in "our" community are already working on stepping up their game to show their best face during the Games. We too have a responsibility to show the world the welcoming, inclusive spirit that the gay people in Lexington have. It is time for people to choose to display their personal best to the world and, in doing so, be inspired to show each other, in our own community, our best as well.

When we are nice to each other and supportive of one another it makes life better for everyone. If you like drama, go to the theater but please, honey, let's keep the drama on the stage where it belongs. If only we can start to look at each other and find the good in others

instead of trying to pull the rug out from under their feet. If only we can encourage rather than criticize. As a gay person, I am often surprised when, after all of the struggles that have been fought to acquire the freedoms that we have, that some still choose to hold each other down rather than help them to soar.

As the newly elected Empress 29 of the Imperial Court of Kentucky, I want to say thank you to all of you who supported and encouraged me. Your love and stewardship were amazing and will never be forgotten. I vow that this year will be about bringing people together and sharing with others what has already been learned, while being open to learn the lessons we do not yet know from all of you.

Sometimes Miss Helena gets a little preachy and it is not intended to be that way but every one of us knows that we have choices to make everyday. Do we choose to uplift others by encouraging them to be the best they can be or do we choose to expose their faults and make them feel inadequate and unworthy? Think about it with your head and your heart, and then YOU decide. I have faith that you will make the right decisions. Amen (pass the collection plate while we turn to page 438 in our hymnals). <wink>



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**LEO** (July 23-August 21)

A slow month of quietude has you resting up for busy weeks ahead. Making money tends to be a strong distraction as your professional creativity is high and ventures prove positive. Watch for love on the 12<sup>th</sup>. Your attempts to upgrade your surroundings may be met with opposition but, have confidence in your abilities; your ingenuity will, ultimately, be appreciated. After all, a reigning cat deserves a palace, not a cage. Creature comforts are important for the king of beasts.

**VIRGO** (August 22-September 23):

Money matters figure prominently this month. You will be preoccupied with wealth and increasing your financial security. Don't worry so much that you make yourself sick! Health matters are uncertain, with anxiety increasing the risk of a hard-to-diagnose and treat illness. The latter half of the month proves less intense, with social outings and good times with friends more prominent.

**LIBRA** (September 24-October 23):

A quiet month is in store for you, Libra. You may as well sit back and relax. Your energy is low and you wax reflective. Romance may wend its way into your life and you could find a pleasant relationship is awaiting your attention. Your stamina returns around the 21<sup>st</sup> but, use caution or you may lose sight of your self by the 28<sup>th</sup>. Get involved in community efforts and explore unfamiliar cultures and ideas. Try to keep your mood light...perhaps some comedic entertainment should be sought. Work is productive, with creative evident through

the month of July but things will really take off for you by the end of the month.

**SCORPIO** (Oct. 24-Nov. 22):

The heat is on! Your charm and charismatic nature burst forth this month, making you a popular addition to social gatherings with friends and with provocative newcomers. As the month heats up, keep alert...fireworks may explode in your night skies. This month promises to be really *hot*! At work and home, you'll find yourself in great demand-and you LOVE it! You should keep yourself in check, though; you don't want to burn yourself out. Keep the home fires well stoked.

**SAGITTARIUS** (Nov. 23-Dec. 22):

WHEW! What a month! You will find yourself excelling in every aspect of life. Work will be stupendous and you will have to rein yourself in to re-assess your plans for the future. Home promises happiness and relationships are rewarding. Your spirits will be bright and hopeful. Month's end brings romance your way. Enjoy bliss.

**CAPRICORN** (Dec. 23-Jan. 20):

Your energy level will be through the roof at the start of the month. Friends and lovers will be a fount of good times and relationships will develop and solidify. Romance will be sublime. Despite this, you'll grow restless and apprehensive about your future and the accomplishments you pursue. Focus will lead you to satisfaction. Money should be handled carefully. Purse strings may be drawn a little too tightly, so conserve.

**ST. MYGHAL THE MARTYR PARISH**

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# The Imperial Court of Kentucky

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# Spiritual Views

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by Karen Taylor

In our Sunday bible study at the Pride Center we have been studying the book of John. One of the recurring themes I've seen thus far is Jesus declaring who He is. The Jewish population, for the most part, did not accept Jesus as the Messiah, the one they were waiting for.

The Jews were the chosen race, the people who God first ministered to. Even though the scriptures they knew so well pointed to the coming Messiah, they could not see the truth that was right in front of them. Their own personal beliefs/understandings got in the way. However, Jesus, the merciful Lord that He is, continued to reach out to them, to help them see the truth about who He was.

In John 6:48 Jesus declares, "I am the bread of life". Jesus had been speaking to crowds of people reminding them of the bread of heaven given to their forefathers in the wilderness. The book of Exodus tells of the event where God used Moses to deliver His people from the Egyptians who had held them for decades in slavery and in bondage.

The deliverance included a journey through the desert where God provided their food and water by miracle after miracle. They would go to sleep at night and awake in the morning with "manna" covering the ground. The manna was a substance similar to bread that provided the nourishment they needed. They didn't necessary like it, but it kept them alive. It was their "bread of life".

In John 6:48 Jesus says He is the bread of life; the one that nourishes and sustains life. He continues in verses 49-51, "Your fathers ate the manna in the wilderness and are dead. This is the bread which comes down from heaven; that one may eat of it and not die. I am

the living bread which came down from heaven. If anyone eats of this bread, he will live forever; and the bread which I shall give is my flesh, which I shall give for the life of the world." Christ gave of Himself so that we may live forever with Him. It involves us first believing He is who He says He is and then taking Him into ourselves.

So how do we "take Him in"? It is a process that includes Bible study, prayer, and fellowship with other like believers. It's taking a look at and incorporating into our life, the nature and character of Christ. In the very beginning of John Jesus says He is the Word. So as we read and study the Word we take in more of Him. We begin to see more and more how it is we should live and begin to model our life after His.

Then there is prayer, which is a form of communication and communication is a two way street. Not only do we talk to God, but we must learn to be still and allow Him to speak to us. It may come in the form of a still small voice we hear in our mind. It may be a scripture we have read. It could also come through a brother or sister in Christ. God does and will speak to us; we just need to learn to recognize His voice. (John 10:27) However, be aware that God will NEVER speak anything contrary to His Word the Bible. This is another reason we need to be knowledgeable about the Bible.

Lastly is Hebrews 10:24-25 which stresses the importance of fellowship with other believers. Times are rough and we need each other for encouragement, support, and help. The Bible teaches that as the time grows nearer to the end, times will get rough. Start now to develop the good habit of staying close to your family of God, those who are in your sphere of Christian brothers and sisters.

"I am the bread of life". Jesus is the bread that sustains us, keeps us going, giving us each and everyday . *cont. on page 18*



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what we need to make it through. I pray that each and everyday we draw closer to Him and as He promised He will come close to us.

I would like to invite any questions you might have about being a Christian, and especially about being a gay Christian. Just send your questions to [lexingtonlso@yahoo.org](mailto:lexingtonlso@yahoo.org) and I will do what I can to find an answer. May the peace of God go with you throughout this next month.

### ***Bible Study Group***

The gay affirming Charismatic Christian Bible Study meets on Sundays at the Pride Center at 10:30am. Email Karen at [ktaylor@fewpb.net](mailto:ktaylor@fewpb.net), for more information.

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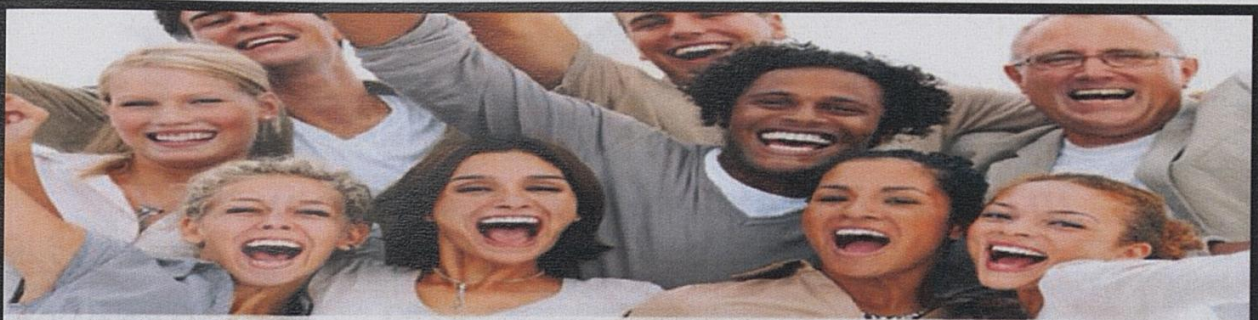
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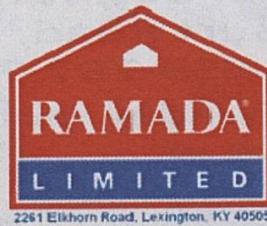
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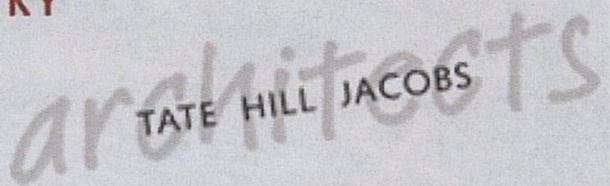
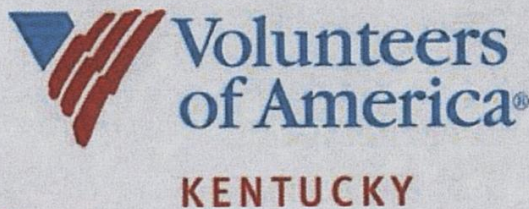
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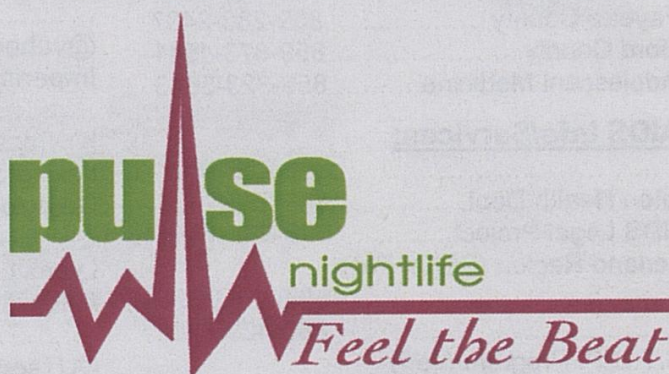
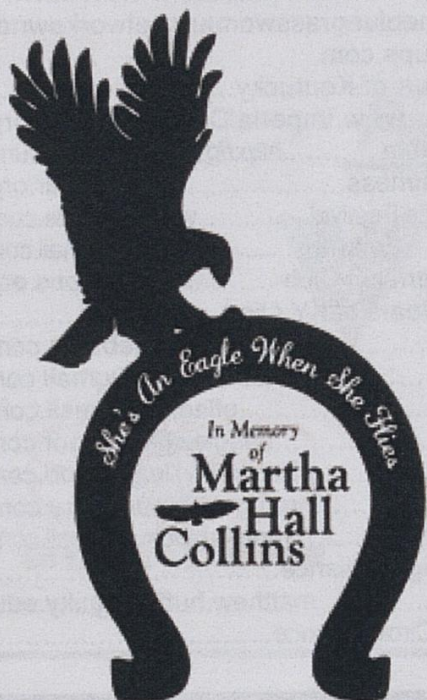
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