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## Ankerberg Alleges Bakker Engaged in Gay Sex

We're not really surprised, but it seems that when one televangelist is down, the rest are ready, willing, and able to kick him. As the revelations about PTL's Jim and Tammy Bakker unfold and Jessica Hahn gets her money put on hold, we find that rival evangelist John Ankerberg is alleging that he has evidence of Jim Bakker's improprieties involving homosexuality. It was only a passing reference in his April 26 program (just prior to his pitch for money), but one worth noting. The broadcast was telecast on the Christian Broadcasting Network, PTL's rival. Stay tuned, sportsfans.

## Gaze Halts Statewide Distribution

In a cost cutting move, the Memphis Gay Coalition (MGC) has decided to stop distribution of *Gaze* newspaper outside of the Memphis area after this issue. The main reason for the move is financial. "It has cost us thousands of dollars over the years to distribute in Nashville, Knoxville, Chattanooga, and Little Rock," said Allen Cook, co-editor of *Gaze* and president of MGC. "The advertising revenue we've received from these areas has not even come close to covering the cost of serving them," Cook continued. The Coalition agreed that if groups or businesses are willing to underwrite the costs of extra printing and shipping, that distribution could continue. The group noted that funding of the newspaper comes primarily from the Memphis area and that it is unfair to local advertisers to foot the bill for statewide distribution.

*Gaze* is now in its eighth year of publication and is completely produced by volunteers.

For information about bulk prices for distribution, see "There's No Such Thing As A Free Lunch" on page 2. Individual subscriptions are available at \$8 per year. A subscription ad is on page 3.

## Congress Urged to Act on Anti-Gay Violence

Washington, DC — In detailed testimony before Congress on April 2, the National Gay and Lesbian Task Force (NGLTF) sharply criticized the lack of federal response by the U.S. Justice Dept. to the alarming incidence of anti-Gay violence. Anti-Violence Project Director Kevin Berrill urged members of the House Appropriation Subcommittee of Commerce, Justice, and State to make violence against Gay people a priority in Fiscal 1988.

"Anti-Gay violence is a pervasive problem, one that has been sadly exacerbated by the AIDS crisis," Berrill told the Subcommittee. "In some communities there are indications that anti-Gay violence is increasing. Among groups reporting such violence to NGLTF in 1986, 37% noted that

anti-Gay violence in their areas was more frequent in 1986 than in 1985."

Berrill outlined the failure of the Justice Dept. to respond to homophobic violence. "To date, virtually nothing has been done by the federal government to study or remedy this problem. Indeed, the federal response to anti-Gay violence reflects much the same denial and neglect that was evident during the initial stages of the AIDS crisis."

"Nowhere has this neglect been more glaring and willful than at the Dept. of Justice," testified Berrill. "We have appealed for action to the Attorney General's Task Force on Family Violence, the Office for Victims of Crime, and the National Institute for Justice, but to no avail. Even worse, the Office for Justice Programs has,

at times, actually sought to prevent its grant recipients from addressing the legitimate concerns of Lesbian and Gay crime victims."

NGLTF asked the House subcommittee to: (1) direct the National Institute of Justice to hold a national conference that would set a research agenda on the problem; (2) direct NIJ to include a focus on anti-Gay violence in all its law enforcement training

programs, publications, and forums, with special attention to innovative programs; and (3) direct the Justice Dept. to address the needs and concerns of Gay victims of crime and members of other overlooked and underserved victims' groups.

"The cost of these proposals for action is quite small," observed Berrill. "The cost of silence and indifference is far greater," he said.

## Ft. Lauderdale Ready for Southeastern Conference — Washington March Endorsed

The March on Washington, set for October 11, was recently endorsed by the board of directors of the Southeastern Conference for Lesbians and Gay Men, Inc. (S.E.C.L.G.M.). Board members unanimously view the upcoming march as vital to the recognition of rights and issues for Gay women and men.

Details for the 12th annual S.E.C.L.G.M., set for May 14-17, have been finalized with the Ft. Lauderdale steering committee. The nation's oldest Lesbian and Gay Regional Conference will include keynote addresses by Chris Riddiough, president of the National Association of Lesbian and Gay Democratic Clubs, and Steve Schulte, activist and mayor of West Hollywood. In addition

to over 100 workshops, entertainment will be provided by comedian Robin Tyler and the Gay Men's Chorus of South Florida.

The board also accepted Atlanta's bid to be the conference site for 1988.

These and other conference decisions were set forth at the semi-annual S.E.C.L.G.M. board of directors plenary session held in Knoxville February 6-8. Knoxville's Ten Percent was host to the board.

For additional information about the upcoming conference, contact Southeastern Conference, P.O. Box 22508, Fort Lauderdale, FL 33335 or phone (305) 761-3961.

## Canadian Customs Seizes Gay Books

Canadian customs officials have seized shipments of 33 Gay books in a move to further censor Gay books and magazines in that country.

Among the books seized in the raid were *In the Life*, an anthology by and about Gay Black men edited by Joseph Beam. The book is a collection of fiction, first-person narratives, and poetry examining racism in the Gay community and is published by Alyson Press.

The seizure reflects increased efforts by the Canadian government to repress Gay and Lesbian writings by now including non-fiction material with little erotic content. Customs officials refused comment on the seizure.

According to *The Bay Area Reporter*, the increased harassment is seen as a response to a lawsuit filed by Glad Day Bookstore in Toronto protesting the Canadian government's new policy prohibiting materials that

depict "buggery." Court cases involving previous seizures are pending.

Sasha Alyson, publisher of *In the Life*, urged readers in the U.S. to protest this censorship by writing to appropriate Canadian officials. "Last year the British government tried a similar censorship of Gay books in London," he said. "The volume of letters they received in protest made it clear that they were embarrassing themselves worldwide, and that seems to have been a major factor in the government's eventual decision to drop the case. We need to similarly convince the Canadian government that this action is going to embarrass them." Alyson encouraged readers to write letters of protest to: Allen Gotlieb, Canadian Ambassador to the U.S., Canadian Embassy, 1746 Mass. Ave. NW, Washington, D.C. 20036, as well as to their local Canadian consulate.

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# Gazing

## There's No Such Thing As A Free Lunch

by John Stilwell

When we took over as editors of *Gaze*, we had a lot to learn and have worked very hard to get the paper where it is today. We've spent long hours, and *Gaze* is something of which we feel justifiably proud. Several awards have been given to us commending the work we've done.

We think that *Gaze* contains important news and information for the Gay community, and the Memphis Gay Coalition has tried to spread that information as widely as possible in the Mid-South area. We've distributed the paper throughout Tennessee and in Little Rock with the Coalition covering the cost of the extra copies and shipping charges. It has always been hoped that, eventually, we would establish contacts in other cities and encourage businesses in those cities, especially Gay bars, to help defray the additional costs by advertising in *Gaze*. By having wider distribution, we also hoped to encourage more national advertising.

The experience has been very much like putting a note in a bottle and throwing it into the ocean. You imagine someone finding the bottle and reading the note. In reality, what probably happens is, the bottle sinks or gets buried forever in the sand. We keep sending out papers and never knowing whether they're received and distributed or not. Despite letters sent to solicit advertising, we've heard nothing from the places to which we ship. National advertising hasn't come pouring in either. Perhaps the most disappointing experience has been the lack of support from Nashville. Our recent representatives there got little or no support from local businesses or organizations.

In short, there's no such thing as a free lunch. Everything in life comes down to a matter of dollars and cents. For those of you who have noticed the smaller issues and have missed features like reviews and Bob Damron's column, the reason is that the revenue from advertising has fallen off and costs have gone up. *Gaze* simply can't afford to print a larger paper. And with no support or communication from places outside Memphis, it is no

longer reasonable to keep shipping *Gaze* out of town. The Memphis Gay Coalition can no longer foot the expense.

All is not lost, however. If individuals, groups, or businesses want to continue receiving *Gaze* in their area, they may contact us at 901-454-1411 and make arrangements. The cost is \$.15 a copy in quantities of 100 or more. Shipping charges vary depending on the number of copies shipped and the location to which they are shipped. On the average, 500 copies cost about \$5 a month or \$55 a year to ship. We will print an acknowledgement in the paper recognizing the individuals, groups, or businesses providing funding to make the distribution of *Gaze* possible in their area. And, as always, individual subscriptions are still available for \$8 a year.

The Memphis Gay Coalition is proud of *Gaze*, and we feel that it is important to keep disseminating this information throughout the Mid-South. We are going to keep publishing and distributing in Memphis. It's time for those of you in other communities to decide if *Gaze* is important enough to you to keep receiving it.

## You Get What You Deserve

by John Stilwell & Bob Dumais

How many times have you heard someone say, "We never go out because there's nothing to do." Or, "We don't go to the bars because it's the same old thing." Or, "I've been to \_\_\_\_\_ (insert the right city), and the bars really bring in some great entertainment."

Well, we've said the same thing in the past; and we've noticed that some bars have really been trying to bring in some interesting entertainment. Even the Memphis Gay Coalition took a chance by bringing the Gay community the first annual Spring Fling. People are really listening to these suggestions and trying to make things different and better for the Memphis Gay community.

So what kind of response do these innovative people get?

Perhaps the most devastating and disappointing one is that few people attend. In the case of the Memphis Gay Coalition's Spring Fling, which was supposed to raise money to be used to make Gay Pride Week bigger and better, the event barely covered expenses. Sure, everyone who attended had a good time. And the organizers of the event were cautioned all evening, "Don't be discouraged. The first boat ride lost money. You have to train the Memphis Gay community to expect these things and start planning on them." All the same, it was discouraging.

Imagine the disappointment

of the bar owners who spend money to bring in different talent, spend money to advertise that talent, and then look out at the meager crowd to see the same tired queens trying to pick up the same disinterested youngsters.

But the worst thing is many of the people who actually attend these events. We have been appalled at the way people have acted during these performances. Ignoring the performer is bad. Carrying on as if nothing were happening on the stage is worst. But the ultimate indignation is talking and carrying on so loudly that the performer and other members of the audience are actually distracted and disturbed by the commotion.

We have felt so badly and so embarrassed about the crowd that we wanted to go up and apologize to the performer for everyone in the bar. We wouldn't be surprised if anyone who has performed here and suffered this bad treatment would be unwilling to ever return and perform again.

Perhaps we should have public executions of audience members. Now, *that* would be different!

But the worst thing of all—the very worst thing—is that if people had been considerate enough to pay attention and behave like an audience ought to behave, they would have seen some very good talent. Maybe not Las Vegas material, but good talent none the less and different from the norm.

On the other hand, we have watched the crowd hush as the overture for the drag show starts playing. From the time the first size eleven high heel hits the stage until the last bit of taffeta disappears behind the curtain, the crowd remains rapt and respectful as if they haven't heard the same songs a million times, seen the same drag queens a thousand times, and seen the same outfits a least a hundred times.

So if you're one of the persistent "bitchers and moaners" for "something different," just remember, you've had something different and you didn't know how to act. In fact, you acted badly. And you only get what you deserve. If you're one of those, like us, who have appreciated these attempts to bring us different entertainment, help us quiet down these bumpkins and show them how to act at the next show.

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# National News

## Safe Sex Talk Prohibited in Fed Lit

Washington, D.C. — The same administration that is recommending mandatory AIDS testing of all hospital patients and future marriage partners has decided that an AIDS educational campaign should not include any mention of safer sex practices.

President Reagan issued a Feb. 11 one-page memo which supports "an aggressive federal effort in AIDS education." However, the \$79 million CDC grant should be spent only on promoting marriage and abstinence, according to the memo.

Public health advocates were quick to criticize the exclusive focus on personal values, fearing it may bypass the largest pool of current high risk individuals: homosexual men and heterosexuals who engage in extra-marital sex. Rep. Harry Waxman (D-CA) predicted that Reagan's narrow decision would further delay the campaign, according to

*The Weekly News.*

"I think it's irresponsible for this administration to have spent eight months fighting over issues of public health versus private morality," he said. "We will lose lives we could have saved."

Recently the Tennessee Dept. of Health and Environment said it will no longer print or distribute "safe sex" materials on AIDS. All the materials which had been distributed were subjected to a screening group composed of community representatives which judged the materials on its "appropriateness for the targeted groups."

"This type of action points out the need for local AIDS action groups who are not tied to any particular organization," said Tommy Stewart, president of the Memphis-based Aid to End AIDS Committee. "We have always felt that we could say and do things that we knew the government

couldn't. We hoped that the CDC grants to local states would provide some much needed funding in the areas of printing and supplies. Now it looks like that's gone by the wayside," he continued.

One section of the President's memo states "any information developed by the federal government" should "encourage responsible sexual behavior — based on fidelity, commitment, and maturity, placing sexuality in the context of marriage." Any materials developed for schools "should teach that children should not engage in sex."

"That's a fine message, but if that's the only message you give out, I think they're doing an enormous disservice," said Rep. Waxman. By contrast the British government mailed a frankly worded pamphlet on abstinence and safer sex to every household.

## Maryland Sodomy Law Fails — Progress Shown

Annapolis, MD — The Maryland Sodomy law reform bill, which would have decriminalized private consensual sexual activity, was rejected by the House of Delegates Judiciary Committee on March 28 after having sailed through three separate votes in the state Senate. The final tally on the bill was 15-7. Supporters of the bill have said they will return to the Statehouse in the 1988 session.

The Maryland Committee for Personal Privacy, a coalition of Gay and civil rights groups and individuals, shepherded the bill through the legislature and saw it approved by comfortable margins in three successive votes in the Senate. Both House and Senate Judiciary Committees heard testimony on identical bills in

early March.

Although the bill was not enacted, supporters of sodomy reform in Maryland noted the progress made in the 1987 effort. "We got the bill through every Senate vote and, for the first time in ten years, succeeded in getting a vote taken in the House Committee," said Stuart Harvey, president of the Gay and Lesbian Democratic Club of Montgomery County. "We'll be back next year after reviewing this year's progress with members of the House Committee."

## Delta Says "Don't Blame Us"

Atlanta, GA — Apparently deluged with complaints by Gays, Delta Airlines has developed a response to people protesting its treatment of a Gay man's family in settling a wrongful death lawsuit.

Lawyers for Delta's insurance carrier threatened to reveal Scott Ageloff's homosexuality unless the family settled for an amount which was less than that offered for non-Gay lives lost in a 1985 plane crash. Delta's insurance company's lawyers argued that because Ageloff was Gay and therefore in a risk group for AIDS, his life expectancy was less than others. Ageloff's parents sued. The court rejected testimony about Ageloff's homosexuality and awarded the family \$1 million in damages.

Delta Airline's President R.W. Allens says it was the insurance company's attorneys, not Delta's, who threatened to reveal Ageloff's homosexuality if the family sued the airline over his death.

"Like other airlines, we purchase insurance coverage from one of the major aviation insurance carriers," stated Allen.

"I can assure you that Delta does not believe that a person's life may be valued on the basis of his or her lifestyle. We have been reassured that attorneys retained by our insurer concur with this position and they have been asked to be more sensitive to Delta's concerns and beliefs on the matter."

## AIDS Fear #2

Fear of AIDS has increased 8% over last year making it the No. 2 health worry among Americans, according to *USA Today*. A survey of 1000 adults by the American Association of Blood Banks showed AIDS worry to be second only to cancer. Heart disease was third, followed by drug abuse, smoking, and obesity.



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# National News

## Gay Olympics at Supreme Court

The long case of *San Francisco Arts and Athletics v. United States Olympic Committee* may be nearing a close. Arguments in the case were heard during the last week in March.

Organizers of the Gay Olympics (*nee* Gay Games) are defending their use of the word "Olympics" for their event. In an hour of arguments, justices heard presentations by both sides. "The word is ancient," stated attorneys for SFAA. "It was first used to describe a quadrennial athletic competition." The U.S. Olympic Committee disagrees.

SFAA's attorneys stated that other groups, the Special Olympics, the Junior Olympics, the International Police Olympics, even the Rat Olympics, have used the name repeatedly without complaint, and that this is a case of discrimination. USOC attorneys say they have filed letters of protest with the other groups, but only filed suit against SFAA because "This is the biggest infringement that's ever happened."

No date for the decision has been set.

## Gay Father Wins Child Visitation

National Gay Rights Advocates and the American Civil Liberties Union of Illinois have announced a settlement in *Doe v. Doe*, a major AIDS related case. In dispute were John Doe's child visitation rights as a Gay father. At his ex-wife's request, an Illinois court ordered Doe last November to submit to an HIV antibody test as a requirement for child visitation. NGRA successfully overturned the court order on medical grounds, leaving overnight visitation at issue. The agreed-upon settlement gives Mr. Doe full visitation rights, including summers, overnight, and alternate Christmas and Thanksgiving vacations.

"*Doe v. Doe* offers a frightening example of the exploitation of the AIDS crisis to scapegoat Gay men. That Mr. Doe is Gay does not mean that he has AIDS. And AIDS cannot be passed through casual family contact. Gay fathers — like all fathers — have a right to see the children they love," commented Benjamin Schatz, Director of NGRA's AIDS Civil Rights Project.

"Even if Mr. Doe had AIDS,

there could be no rational basis for denying his visitation rights with his children or for denying them their father's companionship. Family members cannot contract AIDS through normal interaction at home," commented Harvey Grossman of the ACLU of Illinois, who also represented Mr. Doe.

Mr. Doe, a San Francisco

resident, used a pseudonym to protect the privacy of the children.

## March Sponsors Wreathlaying Ceremony

Bill Lake, National Commander of Veterans C.A.R.E. and

veterans' representative to the National Steering Committee of the March on Washington for Gay rights, said that the March will sponsor a wreathlaying ceremony at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier on Oct. 11, 1987 in Arlington Cemetery. The ceremony will be held prior to the March that day and will include such dignitaries as long time

activist Frank Kameny and representatives of several American Legion Posts. All veterans organizations will be invited, and their members will be encouraged to participate.

"Lesbian and Gay people have contributed in all walks of life, including the military, and it's time we are recognized for the sacrifices we've made," Lake said.

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# Spectrum

## It's Not Our Name!

Seattle, WA — When the Seattle chapter of Parents and Friends of Lesbians and Gays (PFLAG) tried to run a classified ad that read: Parents and Friends of Lesbians and Gays hold their support meetings the 2nd and 4th Mondays of every month. All are welcome," The Seattle Times refused to accept it. The newspaper cited its policy prohibiting the use of the words "Gay" or "Lesbian" in their classified advertising. Stephen Hartnett, a PFLAG member, was told by a newspaper representative that the ad would be acceptable if the word "homosexuals" was substituted. Hartnett rejected the offer stating that the name of their group was not "Parents and Friends of Homosexuals."

## Now Here's Great Idea

Lincoln, NE — Infamous homophobe Paul Cameron has come up with yet more great suggestions to keep America pure. He plans to fight deviant lifestyles through the federal tax code. According to Cameron, "a genital photograph stamp tax" would be issued against anyone who publishes erotic photographs. The tax would levy a \$25 stamp tax for portrayal of heterosexual activity and \$1,000 for every picture of homosexual activity. He also proposes to encourage "social virtue" by giving tax breaks to those who can prove long term marriage and virginity at marriage. He suggests that those claiming virginity before marriage have their names published in the newspaper. "Whistleblowers" get a week to snitch on their previous partners. And then cheaters get their names exposed in the papers for being the dirty fornicators they are. Triple bonuses go to couples who can prove they are the biological parents of children being raised at

home.

Cameron says he needs money to promote these ideas and is asking for donations to fund a nationwide tour of college campuses. "We're near the bottom of the barrel," he said in a newsletter announcing his plans. Tsk. Tsk.

## Born to Be Breeders

Vancouver, British Columbia — "Born to Breed" buttons and a "Proud To Be A Breeder" dance were among the highlights of Heterosexual Week at the University of British Columbia recently.

The event was sponsored by the Sigma Chi fraternity and was billed as a parody of the Gay/Lesbian Pride Week held the previous month.

According to members of the Gays and Lesbians of UBC (GLUBC), they originally believed statements by organizers of Heterosexual Week that the week would contribute to the "break-down of sexual stereotypes." Unfortunately, the week turned out to be an anti-homosexual festival.

Following the "Proud to Be A Breeder" dance, an attempt was made to break into GLUBC's offices. The attempted break-in was unsuccessful, but a notice board, which included information about Gay and Lesbian events, was taken from the door.

## FM-100 Take Note

Two radio stations have begun giving away condoms as a means to stimulate discussion about AIDS via on-air promotional campaigns, according to *The Weekly News* (Miami).

"SuperTalk" station WSPR-AM in Springfield, Mass., began its giveaway by giving designated callers a brand new WSPR red, white, and blue 'Supertalk'

(Station logo) imprinted condom. The station was flooded with positive responses, but church groups are threatening pickets.

In Reno, Nevada a station has been distributing condoms as a method to "break the embarrassment of discussing safe sex," stated KONE promotion director. That station purchased 5,000 condoms bearing the station's logo. The campaign is geared towards teens, college students, and "dads who are afraid to talk about sex to their sons."

Station DJ Freddy Mertz (no kidding)spearheaded the campaign and devised a 90 second on-air spoof wherein a man pulls into a gas station and orders a six pack of "service station condoms." The "commercial" is currently their most requested song.

## Dignity To Gather

Members of Dignity/USA, the organization of Gay Roman Catholics, will gather July 23-26 for their Eighth Biennial Convention at the Sheraton Bal Harbour Hotel in the Bal Harbour area of Miami, FL. Their agenda will include preparations for the upcoming visit of Pope John Paul II scheduled for September, 1987.

The theme of the convention is "Celebrate the Freedom of the Children of God."

Billed as the largest Lesbian and Gay religious conference ever held, Dignity delegates will be joined by members of the United Fellowship of Metropolitan Community Churches for an historical evening of ecumenical worship.

More than 20 convention workshops and seminars will cover a variety of topics built from Dignity's areas of concern.

For further information, registrations, etc., write Dignity/USA Convention, 1500 Massachusetts Ave. NW, Suite 11, Washington, DC 20005.



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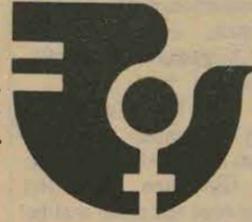


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## Health/AIDS

### NGLTF Makes Payment For AZT Top Priority

Declaring that "bankruptcy should not be the price for prolonged life," the National Gay and Lesbian Task Force is pressing Congress to make an emergency appropriation to pay for AZT, for those persons not covered by third party payment plans. "Achieving federal funding for AZT treatments will be a major priority of the Task Force in the months ahead," said Jeff Levi, NGLTF's Executive Director.

The recently licensed drug AZT marketed as Retrovir, is estimated to cost \$7-10,000 per year. It is the first drug licensed to treat AIDS and severe ARC. Some 5,000 persons with AIDS were receiving the drug free of charge prior to licensing; they must now pay for the treatment as well.

Levi said that it is "unethical to withhold treatment from individuals who have been receiving a life-prolonging drug and outrageous that people whose lives could be prolonged will die prematurely because they cannot afford a drug. We must not wait for the first person to die unnecessarily before taking steps

to assure that those who cannot afford AZT are provided funds by the federal government to pay for the treatment."

The Task Force has called on Congress to add emergency funds in the current fiscal year (1987) and include monies in the upcoming fiscal 1988 budget to create a special fund for new treatments for AIDS. Because of the progress that has already been made on the supplemental appropriation for FY 1987, this addition will probably be made on the floor of the Senate or House. NGLTF is urging all interested persons to write to their representatives and Senators in Washington to support such funding. Estimates are that up to \$30 million will be needed in FY 1987 and \$60 million to pay for treatment of those on AZT not covered by private health insurance or Medicaid in 1988.

There are two compelling arguments to be made to Congress, Levi said. "The first is a moral one — we cannot allow people to die prematurely when there is a licensed treatment. The second is financial — by paying for AZT for those affected

individuals, the government will actually be saving money by keeping them off Medicaid and other forms of public assistance — when they would have to pay for both the drug therapies and all other medical costs."

### Studies Show Risk Minimal in Oral Sex

A study published in the Jan. 16 edition of the *Journal of the American Medical Association* says that Gay men who engage only in oral sex or "insertive" anal intercourse appear to have a relatively low risk of contracting the AIDS virus.

The study, conducted by researchers at the University of California at Berkeley, showed no significant difference in the rate of positive tests between those who engaged exclusively in oral sex and among those who reported they had no sex at all or sex with a single partner over a two-year period. 1,034 randomly selected Gay men in the San Francisco area composed the study's database.

Men who reported they engaged only in "insertive" anal intercourse were also found to have no greater chance of testing

positive for AIDS antibody than those who had no sex or monogamous sexual relationships.

On the flip side of the findings, those who engaged in anal receptive intercourse had positive rates almost double that of the other group.

Researchers were quick to caution that their findings do not mean that AIDS cannot be transmitted through oral or "insertive" anal sex.

Dr. James Chin, chief of the infectious Disease Branch of the California Dept. of Health Services, said he found "both receptive anal intercourse and receptive vaginal intercourse clearly appear to be the highest risk factors in the transmission of the virus."

experimental AIDS drugs. The FDA proposal would allow drug companies to charge for profit for use of experimental drugs in clinical trials and treatments, even though the drugs have not yet proved to be effective. NGRA applauded FDA efforts to expand the access to experimental drugs, but took issue with the FDA's attempt to allow drug companies to profit at the cost of creating an insurmountable economic burden for persons with AIDS.

"The people taking these experimental drugs are putting themselves at risk in order to determine the efficacy of new treatments. They should be thanked for their courage, not charged for their participation. We urgently need expanded drug trials — paid for by the federal government, not by people with AIDS," commented Jean O'Leary, NGRA Executive Director.

"The good news is that the FDA has moved to expand access to experimental drugs. The bad news is that they've created a financial bonanza for drug companies at the expense of persons with AIDS. It's unfair for drug companies to exploit people with AIDS by charging them for drugs that may not work," said Benjamin Schatz, Director of NGRA's AIDS Project.

### NGRA Opposes Profiteering From AIDS Drugs

In a detailed response to proposed FDA regulations, National Gay Rights Advocates strongly denounced the Food and Drug Administration's proposal to deregulate pricing of



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# Feature

## Love: The Essence of Perfection

by B. Michelle Whitaker

What is this thing called "love?" I have been searching for it most of my twenty-seven years and have run across some pretty convincing imitations. For instance, my last girlfriend insists that she still loves me while she presently lives with the woman she secretly had an affair with during our relationship. And she "loves" me? Give me a break! If that's love, count me out.

Like my ex, most of us undoubtedly are confused about what love is, what it is not, what it feels like, what it doesn't, and so on. Let's examine the issue from the perspective of those questions. There are probably as many definitions of love as there are people in the world. Regardless of your particular definition, make no mistake about this: love is freedom and it is painless. Whatever else it is to you, it must include at least those two essential properties. If you are "loving" someone and it hurts, then you are possibly confusing needing her (or him) for loving her/him. If you are "loving" someone and feel trapped or unhappy, then perhaps you are trying to force a situation that is not love but a generic form of it.

There are probably very few of us who have experienced love in its purest form. Love in its purest form is perfection. It happens once in a great while or

once in a lifetime, as some would say. Love in this perfect state is romantic, refreshing, accepting, exhilarating. Shall I go on? You certainly don't have to second guess it. When you experience love like this, you know it. How wonderful it is to love like this and be loved in return. Unfortunately, most of us have not experienced this love, but instead some variation or imitation of it like lust, sex, dependency, or simple companionship. Those are all very powerful emotions and easily confused for love. Incidentally, all those situations have one common element—the potential for pain.

When you love someone, you allow them to be free to be themselves while you are free to be yourself. There is freedom in loving, and it feels good to love. The emotion of love is unassuming and natural. Consider this analogy of love to the air that we breathe. It is there, obviously, or we couldn't survive. It is free and unassuming. However, sometimes we must be convinced that air is present by feeling one of its by-products: wind. Then, without realizing it, we begin to equate the properties of wind with our concept of air. In doing so, we block our own potential to understand an abstract concept such as air from reaching the conscious level necessary for this type of understanding to occur. From this analogy, it is easy to see how, in

our finite minds, we try to label love by one of its by-products such as lust or dependency. Evidence of these emotions is easily seen and felt. By mislabeling love, we limit ourselves from experiencing the beauty of love while settling instead for the intense, but imperfect, emotions that we have come to mistake for love. Thus, the words "I love you" or "I need you."

Perhaps there are some martyrdom or S/M tendencies in us all because, for the most part, we all seem to understand and respond to pain and suffering. In

our minds, if we have hurt, then surely we have been in love. Right? Wrong! There are at least two things wrong with that line of reasoning. 1) Love does not involve pain. 2) If it did, you wouldn't know it until after it was over! The original logic makes about as much sense as smelling gas in the basement and lighting a match to be sure. You can walk away confident, though charred and without body hair, that there was in fact a gas leak because you felt pain. The point is, being in pain is not consistent with being in love. If your "love" relationship is causing you pain, then you probably should get out and

get help in finding the gas leak before somebody lights the match.

Maybe love is completely intangible—only an idea or concept or perhaps just a figment of our collective imaginations like the leprechaun or the pot of gold at the rainbow's end. Believing it exists, we search and strive for that perfect fit, that magic combination, that will bring us happiness and prosperity. We are coerced by the ending of all the great fairytales, "...and they lived happily ever after," into believing that such a fantasy existence is not just a possibility, but a reality.

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# Religion

## The Bible and Homosexuality Coming To Grips With Being A Gay Christian — Part II

by William M. Tracer

*This is the second in a series of articles dealing with what the Bible really does and doesn't say regarding homosexuality.*

In answer to the legalistic questioning of the Pharisees, Jesus stated the greatest of commandments...

**Matthew 22:**

{(37) He answered, "Love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind. (38) That is the greatest commandment. It comes first. (39) The second is like it: Love thy neighbor as yourself.} NEB

One might ask, "who is my neighbor?" The answer isn't just the folks who live next door, but all people which means homosexuals and heterosexuals alike.

Unfortunately, certain scriptures seem to cast condemnation on homosexuals, forming a stumbling block to this neighborly love. As stated in the first article, these scriptures fall into one of three categories: A) mistranslation, B) misinterpretation, or C) misunderstood historical and/or cultural context.

Turning our attention to Leviticus, we will find the Bible's strongest statements relating to the issue of male homosexuality.

**Leviticus 18:**

{(22) You shall not lie with a male as one lies with a female; it is an abomination.} NAS

**Leviticus 20:**

{(13) If there is a man who lies with a male as those who lie with a woman, both of them have committed a detestable act; they shall surely be put to death. Their bloodguiltiness is upon them.} NAS

On the surface, these verses truly seem to cast disparagements on male homosexuals. However, when considering this Levitical

edict, we are obliged to look deeper than the surface, taking into account several cultural/historic factors.

Not the least of these factors was the great need to reproduce. In a culture with a strong inclination toward no admittance of non-Hebrews, procreation was the only way to increase the population. Also, being often at war or held captive by larger nations (Babylon, Egypt, etc.), there was a relatively constant strain on population growth. With the enlargement of the race already a problem, a homosexual element would slow growth down too much for the Hebrews to bear.

The situation today is, of course, very different. We now live in a world grossly overcrowded, where a substantial homosexual presence is needed to provide at least some of the checks and balances on population growth. By merely existing, non-reproducing homosexuals contribute their part to slowing down the population explosion. Naturally, this does not apply to all homosexuals. There are homosexuals with children. Their numbers, however, are statistically minute.

Also linked to the issue of male homosexuality and reproduction was a misconception common in the days of Levitical writings. This was the idea that sperm contained all of what would later become the newborn. The mother was thought to provide nothing more than a place for the semen to grow into a child. Due to this mistaken concept, the spilling of sperm anywhere other than in heterosexual intercourse was tantamount to murder of a future person (abortion) in the Jewish mind.

From this, we can see why the ancient Hebrews thought the

"crime" of spilling semen warranted the death penalty whether this happened by male masturbation, male homosexual activity, or coitus interruptus. (See Genesis 38:1-11.)

The next factor to consider was the ancient Egyptians' practice of anal humiliation as a means of emasculating the survivors of a defeated war opponent. To the victors, this was an expression of contempt and domination over their foes.

Therefore, when the Jews lost a battle or any of their soldiers were captured, they were submitted to anal rape. In a male dominated society, such as the Hebrew nation then was, this kind of violation of masculinity was totally intolerable. It is understandable then that homosexual activity in general would mistakenly come to be viewed as little else but an indication of hatefulness and scorn, thus becoming seen as an abomination.

Furthermore, to make matters worse, other surrounding nations (Babylonia, Canaan, etc.) practiced temple prostitution. These prostitutes came in both male and female varieties and carried out both heterosexual and homosexual acts. The male prostitutes, however, acted almost exclusively homosexual due to the fact that, like the Hebrews, their cultures were mostly male dominated, making most of their customers men. Other references to temple prostitution can be found in Deuteronomy 23:17-18 and I Kings 14:24, 15:12, and 22:46.

Nearly all the homosexual activity the Hebrews saw was that of temple prostitutes and anal rapists from battle, and these were thought of as the only modes by which a man would "lie with a male as one lies with a female."

We must also consider that,

in spite of the fact that there were undoubtedly homosexually-oriented people among the ancient Jews, there was no cultural concept of homosexuality as a sexual orientation. It was never imagined by the Levitical writer that sexual activity between two people of the same gender could exist as an expression of love.

Additionally, it is noteworthy to point out that nowhere in Leviticus or any of the Old Testament is the concept of Lesbianism condemned. There was no female equivalent to anal humiliation in other cultures, and almost all temple prostitution involved either heterosexual or male homosexual acts. Because of this, coupled with the extreme male egocentricity of the Hebrew culture, the very concept of two women having sex was never even considered possible.

Finally, if all these points don't make a convincing argument that Levitical rules no longer apply, then read Romans 10:4-13. There it says that the law has come to an end. Look also to Romans 13:8-10, and you will see that it is love which fulfills the commandments and

the law. Love is the purest of God's gifts to us, and whether love be of a heterosexual or homosexual nature makes no difference.

**Galatians 5:**

{(14) For after all, the whole law toward others is summed up by this one command, "Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself.} PME

If you are interested in learning more about this topic, Agape New Life Church will have a Bible study, from which these articles are drawn, beginning on Wednesday, May 6th. The study series is entitled "The Bible and Homosexuality: Coming to Grips with Being a Homosexual Christian." For more information on this study or other activities of Agape New Life Church, call 327-4145.

(Abbreviations used in this article are: NAS - New American Standard, NEB - New English Bible, & PME - Phillips Modern English.)



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# Quick Clips

by Billie Jo Casino

**"Fruit Basket, turn over."** It is hard enough to handle the ever-changing names of bars, but try to figure out who owns what. I have done my homework, so here is the bar scene update.

Two new bars have opened in Memphis. **WKRB in Memphis** at 1528 Madison is a new endeavor for Ms. Sharon Wray. Open seven days a week with happy hour Monday through Friday, the bar caters to our Gay sisters; but Ms. Wray assures me that Gay males are welcome to come share in the fun. Smiles, fast service, lively conversation, pool, and great music are all a certainty at WKRB in Memphis. Ms. Casino had mucho fun there Friday night. Thanks, Sharon and Kelly!

**Barbara's Place** at 1474 Madison, the newest project of Ms. Barbara Pierce, is scheduled to open in early May. I asked Ms. Pierce to what segment of Gay society she intends to cater. She replied, "It's a Gay bar for Gay people." How refreshing. I tip my tiara to you, Ms. Pierce.

**George's** is replacing its Sunday showcase with male strippers. The girls get to rest, and the boys get to show their stuff. Sounds good to Ms. Casino.

**Ms. Thunderpussy** and her gorgeous troupe of male strippers are a Monday night must at **J-Wag's**. Ms. Casino is a fool about one of the male dancers. It's a secret (and unfortunately one-sided) admiration.

Scratch this rumor, Mr. Wilson assures me that **The Pendulum** is still a ladies' bar. Saturday nights are \$3 beer bust.

**Backstreet** introduces the new idea of a "Beer Bash." A \$5 cover includes all domestic can beer, set-ups, and draft. Good idea, Jackie.

**Fancy's** has the patio in full swing; a huge patio with a basketball court. Bring your own steak on Saturday, and Bill Goodman not only cooks it to your taste but provides the potato and salad. Ms. Casino will have to hit there and "dribble and nibble."

**Another Bar** is still the after hours giant! But don't be slighted, their drink specials and great sound system make any time worth your while.

**The Apartment Club** is still piling in the people with their great music and entertaining shows.

For those quiet and relaxing moments with a good mixed drink, **The French Connection** is the place to be.

If your social life needs a boost and you don't mind the

company of some rather handsome men, the Pipeline is gearing up for Memphis in May. They really go out of their way to keep their patrons entertained and coming back for more. Regardless of my personal feelings toward their enforced dress code, I applaud their dedication to their clientele.

**Aphrodite** is presenting another of their superb shows. As I understand it, the show is to be presented Sunday, May 17th at **The Pendulum**.

There is a vicious rumor that **Rachel Collins and Todd** were struck by a bolt of lightning and somehow their personalities were exchanged. That is a falsehood. However, Todd Ella will really have to disco down to outdo Ms. Collins. After all, Ms. Collins has been to Hollywood (and it wasn't a National Guard outing).

Nashville... Ms. Casino had a wonderful time when she visited your city. It was a pleasure to work in such a professional and well staffed bar as **The Cabaret**. **Gary Broderick**, show director, and his talented cast of entertainers not only know their stuff on stage; but their friendly ways and fun-loving attitudes are definitely four star. Thank you for a great time. If you are in Nashville, don't miss this show. I can assure you that the show starts promptly at 10. Sorry about that, Pat.

While in Nashville, don't overlook **The Chute**. Good looking men, great drinks, and those men can truly smile. If **The Chute** is an indication of Nashville hospitality, I'm hooked. I will be back to check out the other bars in Nashville, but **The Chute** will be on my list of favorites. Thanks, you gorgeous devils.

Travel tips—Chattanooga bars are up there with the best. **The Go-Go** is opening its new side with Ms. Reese at the head of the show. **Allan Gold's** is another hot spot. Ms. Casino got full to her bra while visiting Chattanooga. If any of you find a pair of scarlet bikini panties, I owe you one. Can't wait to visit there again.

**Tulip Creek Country Club** in Tupelo, Miss. is alive and doing well. If you ever are in that neck of the woods, be sure to stop in. Tell them Billie Jo sent you. A good time is assured.

P.S. It is an honor to have been asked to do this column. I know most of you were expecting a lot of gossip and smut; but this is my first assignment, and I decided to smooth it. But watch your step dear brothers and sisters. No more Ms. Nice Guy. I might ask the editors to change the name of this column. A transsexual

writing a column entitled "Quick Clips," how does that sound?

Have a great May, and remember Ms. Casino is "a fool about you."

P.P.S. If you have a good comment on this article, send it to "Quick Clips" in care of this paper. If you have a negative comment, keep it to yourself—I have enough to do trying to get in the Pipeline sporting a multi-colored "moo-moo."

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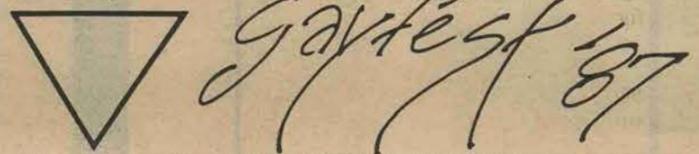
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The Memphis Gay Coalition provides *Gaze* newspaper, the Gay Switchboard, GayRap, and the annual River Ride. Support MGC. May's business meeting will be on May 4 in Meeting Room A of the main Library at Peabody & McLean. The GayRap Session will be held on May 18 in the Bryton Tower Party Room at 1271 Poplar Avenue. (Enter by the rear door by the pool.) OPEN TO EVERYONE!

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**MEDIA**  
 Gay Alternative: Radio Program, Mon. 6:00-7:00 PM, WEVL, FM 90 - Box 41773, Memphis 38174.  
 Gaze: Newspaper - Box 3038, Memphis 38173-0038 - (901) 454-1411.  
 The Personals: Computer Bulletin Board - 300 or 1200 Baud - 901-274-6713

## HELPLINES

AIDS Switchboard: 726-4299.  
 Gay Switchboard: 726-GAYY.  
 Narcotics Anonymous: 276-LIVE  
 Rape Crisis: 528-2161.  
 Suicide & Crisis Intervention: 274-7477.

## RESTAURANTS & BARS

Another Bar: 1351 Annum - 272-0903.  
 The Apartment: 343 Madison - 525-9491.  
 Back Street: 94 N. Avalon (Downstairs) - 278-9324.  
 Barbara's Place: 1474 Madison - 272-1104.

Fancy's: 887 South Highland - 452-9286.  
 The French Connection: 598 Marshall - 526-1038.  
 George's: 600 Marshall - 526-1038.  
 J-Wags: 1268 Madison - 725-1909.  
 The Pendulum: 92 N. Avalon (Upstairs) - 725-1530.  
 Pipeline: 1382 Poplar - 726-5263.  
 WKRB in Memphis: 1528 Madison - 278-9321.

## MISCELLANEOUS

Airport Adult Theatre: 2214 Brooks Rd E - 345-0657.  
 Book Cottage: 2113 Madison (Overton Square) - 726-5857.  
 The Book Mart: 852 S. Cooper - 278-9546.  
 Cherokee Adult Book Store: 2947 Lamar - 744-7494.  
 Fantasy World: 1814 Winchester - 346-2086.  
 Georgelown Inn: 628-630 Madison - Reservations (901) 525-0725.  
 Getwell Book Mart: 1275 Getwell - 454-7765.  
 Getwell Adult Book Store: 1617 Getwell - 745-9054.  
 Men of Leather: 1266 Madison - 722-8963.  
 Mid-Town Adult Theatre: 1360 Poplar - 725-4306.  
 Paris Adult Entertainment Center: 2432 Summer - 323-2665.  
 Star Search Video: 1264 Madison - 272-STAR.  
 Tobacco Corner Newsroom: 669 Mendenhall Rd S. - 682-3326 & 1803 Union - 726-1622.  
 Veteran's Cab Co: 525-6681.

## NASHVILLE ORGANIZATIONS

American Civil Liberties Union (ACLU): Box 120160, Nashville 37212.  
 Conductors: Box 40261, Nashville 37212.  
 Metropolitan Community Church: 131 15th Ave N., Nashville 37202 - (615) 320-0288.  
 Nashville CARES: Box 25107, Nashville 37202-5107 - (615) 385-1510.  
 Tennessee Gay Coalition for Human Rights: Box 24181, Nashville 37202.  
**RESTAURANTS & BARS**  
 B. Palola's: 1812 Hayes - (615) 320-0713.  
 Cabaret: 1711 Hayes - (615) 320-7082.  
 The Chute: 2535 Franklin Rd - (615) 297-4571.  
 Crazy Cowboy: 2611 Franklin Rd - (615) 383-9493.

Juanita's: 1700 4th Ave. S. - (615) 256-9681.  
 The Jungle: 300 4th Ave. S. - (615) 256-9411.  
 Ralph's Rutledge Tavern: 515 2nd Ave. S. - (615) 256-9682.  
 Victor/Victoria's: 111 8th Ave. S. - (615) 244-7256.  
 Warehouse 28: 2529 Franklin Rd. - (615) 385-9689.  
 World's End: 1713 Church - (615) 329-3480.

## MISCELLANEOUS

Contemporary Classics: 2104 Eastwood, (615) 292-1958.  
 The General Store: 2535 Franklin (located in the Chute) - (615) 297-4571.

## KNOXVILLE ORGANIZATIONS

aids Response Knoxville (aRK): Box 2343, Knoxville 37901 - (615) 521-6546 7:00 PM - 11:00 PM.  
 Butternut Belles & Boys: Box 3585, Knoxville 37927 - (615) 524-1629 (evenings).  
 Gay Alcoholics Anonymous: (615) 694-9180  
 Knoxville's 10%: Box 1046, Knoxville 37901.  
 Metropolitan Community Church: 3219 Kingston Pike, Box 2343, Knoxville 37917 - (615) 521-6546.  
 Mountain Womyn's Coalition: Box 18074, Knoxville 37928-2074.

## HELPLINE

Gay Helpline: (615) 521-6546 (7-11 PM nightly).

## RESTAURANTS & BARS

Carousel II: 1501 White - (615) 522-6966.  
 Peppertree (Badlands): 317 N. Gay - (615) 525-5647.  
 The Point After: 712 19th - (615) 524-9155.

## CHATTANOOGA ORGANIZATIONS

Chattanooga Cares: Box 8402, Chattanooga, TN 37411.

## RESTAURANTS & BARS

Alan Gold's: 1100 McCallie - (615) 629-8080.  
 Go-Go: 1077 Duncan - (615) 698-1023.

## MISCELLANEOUS

Parkview: 8614 Harrison Bay, Harrison, TN 37341 - TN 1-800-821-2914 - Outside TN 1-800-233-3737.  
 Riverside Adult: 1009 Riverside Dr. - (615) 622-9335.  
 Startime Video: 6309 E. Brainard Rd. - (615) 899-9714

## CLARKSVILLE ORGANIZATIONS

TGCHR (Clarksville Chapter): (615) 645-7118 for information.

## RESTAURANTS & BARS

The Office: 130 Franklin St. - (615) 645-1157.  
 Raspberries: 125 Legion St.

## JOHNSON CITY ORGANIZATIONS

Double Anonymity Group: (615) 926-3562 or (615) 926-7704.  
 East Tennessee Alternative Lifestyles (ETAL): Box 23063, Johnson City, TN 37614 - (615) 753-6237.  
 MCC of the Tri-Cities: Box 1612, Johnson City, TN 37601 - (615) 926-3562.

## RESTAURANTS & BARS

The Connection: 429 W. Walnut - (615) 928-9925.

## SEWANNEE, TN

Boxwood Cottage: Bed and Breakfast "in our home" - (615) 598-5912 - Zip: 37375.

## JACKSON, MS ORGANIZATIONS

American Civil Liberties Union (ACLU): 528 North State St., Jackson, MS 39205-2242 - (601) 355-6464.

LAMBDA AA: 4872 North State.  
 MCC of Jackson: 1335 Ellis Ave., Suite 8, Box 1226, Jackson, MS 39215 - (601) 355-3402.  
 Mississippi Gay Alliance: Box 8342, Jackson, MS 39204 - (601) 353-7611.

## MEDIA

This Month In Mississippi: Newspaper - Box 8342, Jackson, MS 39204 - (601) 353-7611.

## HELPLINE

AIDS Hotline: (In State) 1-800-826-2961.

## RESTAURANTS & BARS

Gay Switchboard: (601) 353-7611.  
 Bill's Disco & Show Bar: 200 W. Amite - (601) 969-9765.  
 Jack's Saloon/Jill's: 208 W. Capitol - (601) 354-9588.

## GREENVILLE-GREENWOOD, MS ORGANIZATIONS

Mississippi Gay Alliance/Greenville-Greenville Chapter: Box 5645, Greenville,

MS 38704 - 1-800-826-2961 (In MS), (601) 332-4571 (In Greenville).

## LITTLE ROCK, AR ORGANIZATIONS

ACLU of Arkansas: Box 2832, Little Rock, AR 72203.  
 AIDS Brigade: (501) 663-6455  
 Arkansas AIDS Foundation: Box 5007, Little Rock, AR 72205 - (501) 374-5503.  
 Arkansas Gay & Lesbian Task Force: Box 45053, Little Rock, AR 72214.  
 Arkansas Gay Rights: Box 3115, Little Rock, AR 72203.  
 Gay Counseling Service: 409 Walnut, Little Rock, AR 72205 - (501) 663-6455.  
 Great Men/BWMT: Box 3123, Little Rock, AR 72203 - (501) 374-3217.  
 MCC of the Rock: Box 1964, Little Rock, AR 72203 - (501) 666-2404.  
 National Organization for Women (NOW): Box 662, Little Rock, AR 72203.  
 Parents & Friends of Gays: Box 1839, Batesville, AR 72501.  
 13th Street VD/Alternative Clinics (AIDS Testing): (501) 663-6455

## MEDIA

Arkansas Advisor: Newspaper - Universal Publishers, Box 4397, Little Rock, AR 72214 - (501) 225-1300.

## HELPLINES

AIDS Information Line: (501) 374-5503  
 Crisis Center: 664-8834 (1-800-482-8886).  
 Gay and Lesbian Switchboard: (501) 374-5503.

## RESTAURANTS AND BARS

Chape: 1701 S. University - (501) 663-8682.  
 Calamity's: 200 West Capitol # 1103 - (501) 562-9041.  
 Christopher's: 6th and Center (In the Little Rock Inn) (501) 376-8301  
 Christopher's Emporium: 2701 Kavanaugh, (501) 666-3438  
 Discovery II: 1021 Jessie Rd. - (501) 664-4784.  
 The 5th Gear: 3519 Old Cantrell Rd. - (501) 666-1948.  
 Preston's: 5618 Asher Ave. - (501) 562-7531.  
 Silver Dollar Bar: 2710 Asher Ave. - (501) 663-9866.

## MISCELLANEOUS

4-Star Video: 5300 Baseline Rd. - (501) 562-4762.  
 University Adult Arcade: 6316 Asher Ave. - (501) 568-2952.

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