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## Festival Draws 1000 to Celebrate Gay Pride

by Ira L. King



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### Gay Man Tells of Being Beaten, Left for Dead in Trash

WASHINGTON — It was “biker week” in Myrtle Beach, S.C., when Ron Daugherty went out to the Rock Burger bar to hear a band. The last words he remembers hearing that night, before someone struck him in the head with a board, were: “I’m gonna kill you, faggot.”

“When I came to, I was in a trash shed,” Daugherty said. “A friend who was with me that night was lying on top of me, his throat slashed, blood all over. I thought he was dead.”

Daugherty, 34, of Myrtle Beach, S.C., told his story June 16 to the Senate Judiciary Committee. The panel convened a hearing on the problem of “State-Sanctioned Discrimination in America.”

“There is no hate crimes law in Ron Daugherty’s home state of South Carolina, and federal law against hate crimes does not cover what happened to him,” said Winnie Stachelberg, legislative director of the Human Rights Campaign. HRC has been working on a bipartisan measure to be introduced in this Congress that would amend federal hate crimes laws to include sexual orientation.

On June 7, President Clinton devoted his weekly radio address to the problem of hate crimes, including bias crimes based on sexual orientation. He has asked Attorney General Janet Reno to study ways to reduce the number of hate crimes committed in the United States. The president set

Nov. 10 as the date for a White House conference on hate crimes.

Bias crimes based on sexual orientation constitute a significant portion of all hate crimes committed in this country — a total of 12.8 percent in 1995, according to FBI statistics. This is up significantly from 8.9 percent in 1991, the first year the FBI tracked such crimes.

Daugherty says he and his friend, who wishes to remain anonymous, were targeted by some toughs in the rock ‘n’ roll bar after his friend accidentally bumped into somebody’s bar stool.

“The guys in the bar started calling us ‘faggots,’” Daugherty said. “I brought the bouncer over and he cooled things off.”

Soon after, Daugherty and his friend left the bar but realized they weren’t alone.

“I saw a guy I had seen in the bar coming toward us. He was wearing brass knuckles. I screamed at my friend to run, but he ran the wrong way,” Daugherty said. “I started running back to the bar, but before I could get there, someone grabbed me from behind and started hitting me. Someone was screaming, ‘I’m gonna kill you, faggot.’ Then someone hit me and knocked me out.”

Daugherty said he came to in the trash shed. The two men were found when a band member leaving the bar saw a foot sticking out of the shed. She called 911 and Daugherty’s roommate.

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With much thanks and praise to the Southern Baptists (SB’s), the Memphis Gay Pride parade and festival was a tremendous success.

What must those SB’s have thought when they saw Mickey Mouse acting as grand Marshall and many of his fans sporting those wonderful mouse ears as the parade wound its way from Overton Park through Overton Square and up to Holy Trinity Community Church?

Everything from luxury limousines to a haywagon to foot power was used to transport parade participants along the parade route.



### Human Rights Campaign Terms Baptist Boycott ‘Morally Wrong’

DALLAS — By passing a resolution calling for a nationwide anti-Gay boycott of the Walt Disney Company and all of its subsidiaries, the Southern Baptist Convention made a false choice between faith and fairness, according to a leader of the Human Rights Campaign.

“It is morally wrong for the delegates of the Southern Baptist Convention to punish a company for simply refusing to discriminate against Gay Americans,” HRC Senior Strategist David M. Smith said at a news conference after the vote at the denomination’s annual meeting. “Most people of faith recognize that religious disagreements do not justify discrimination. For this reason, this boycott is bound to fail.”

Among the factors contributing to the Southern Baptist Convention’s decision were Disney’s willingness to allow Gay people to visit its theme parks, its policy of extending equal benefits to the domestic partners of its Gay and Lesbian employees, and its decision to allow the star of its ABC sitcom

Proud men and women wearing brightly-colored costumes marched unashamed down Memphis streets.

There is no doubt that in the close to 20 years Mem-



phis has been officially recognizing Gay Pride month we have come a long way. Only a handful of people were bold enough to enter that first

site of the festival.

Vendors from around the mid-south were on hand to sell their wares and help promote Gay pride. Everything thing from buttons to T-shirts to bumper stickers to snow cones were available.

Although the parking garage was a little warm, everyone seemed to genuinely enjoy the event.

Allison Tate, the reigning Miss Gay “Everything” was emcee for the entertainment. Local commu-

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parade. This year more than a thousand joined the celebration of diversity.

Holy Trinity’s parking garage was the

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# Southern Baptist Convention: Hypocrisy at It's Finest!

by Ira L. King

Last year at the annual meeting of the Southern Baptist Convention (SBC) a public apology was made to Black Americans for the injustices visited upon them by those claiming to be God-fearing Christians within the SBC. It was ostensibly hoped that this act would go a long way towards getting more Blacks to join the Southern Baptist ranks. While the apology was well intended and long overdue, it did little to help the cause for race relations within that denomination.

In 1997 the SBC has taken on a new battle cry. Let's boycott the Walt Disney Company! And now it's official, a resolution adopted by the members of the SBC states:

"Many entertainment providers including, but not limited to, The Disney Co. are increasingly promoting immoral ideologies such as homosexuality, infidelity, and adultery, which are abhorrent to God."

"This is not an attempt to bring The Disney Company down, but to bring Southern Baptists up to the moral standard of God."

The idea that the SBC, or any denomination for that matter, can bring itself and its members up to the moral standard of God is pure unmitigated blasphemy. If any of us could reach God's standard then there would have been no need for Christ to die on the cross.

The newly adopted resolution also urges Southern Baptists to boycott any company that promotes immoral ideologies and practices. Even Regis and Kathie Lee are on the hit list. So are ABC, *Good Morning America* and *Monday Night Football*. Is nothing sacred?

In response to the SBC resolution Disney stated: "We are proud that the Disney brand creates more family entertainment of every kind than anyone else in the world. We plan to continue our leadership role and in fact we will increase production of family entertainment."

Disney is Gay friendly, which in SBC eyes means it is anti-family and therefore anti-Christian by their rigid standards. Dr. Tom

Elliff of Del City, OK, the current President of the SBC said during the SBC's annual meeting in Dallas in June that "When major entities look at the almost 16 million members of our Southern Baptist churches and question...whether we are actually willing to sacrifice the enjoyment of their products, performances or media presentations, there are still battles to be fought."

It is interesting to note that Dr. Jim Henry, immediate past president of the SBC, and a resident of Orlando, Fla. (where Disney World is located), is opposed to the boycott. Dr. Henry obviously recognizes that many of his congregation rely on the Disney Com-

pany for their livelihood. He would be cutting off his nose to spite his Southern Baptist face if he tells his congregation that it is a mortal sin to work for Disney. He knows that Mickey butters the bread he eats every morning.

Even Rev. Martin Knox of Green Bay, Wis., noted that the resolution was hypocritical in naming only Disney. He pointed out that Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary in Texas serves coffee from Starbucks. He called Starbucks "a leader in providing health care to partners of homo-

"We call upon business leaders to treat employees living in homosexual relationships in a manner commensurate with the love of Jesus Christ. Though He recognized the value and dignity of individual sinners, Jesus neither condoned nor excused the abnormality and immorality of their sin; rather He called them to repent, change and be restored."

Old Testament passages (*Leviticus 18:22 and 20:13*) were cited as reasons justifying the SBC vehement attack on the Gay community. While Oklahoma's Tom Eliff says,

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sexual employees."

Prior to the passing of this resolution, The Disney Company had wisely chosen to take the high road and not publicly comment on the SBC's pronouncements. In the world of entertainment Gays abound. Not because it's the only world that accepts us for who and what we are. But because the entertainment industry recognizes that artistic expression is a natural outgrowth of the Gay community. While browsing through the magazine rack of a bookstore recently I noticed a cover story on prominent personalities within the entertainment industry who are openly or are alleged to be Gay. These included Dolly Parton, Ellen DeGeneres, Richard Gere, Elton John and many others.

Dolly Parton has never made a secret of her religious upbringing and her love of gospel music. She does not stifle her sexuality or her talent. She is just one of many artists who don't give a tinker's damn what the SBC or any other religious denomination thinks of sexual preferences.

When Elton John gives a concert few are concerned about or interested in who he is sleeping with. The character and quality of his entertainment efforts are the only interests the thousands who flock to see and hear him have whether they be straight or Gay..

In one of the last episodes of *Roseanne* Roseanne and her sister Jackie learn that their mother is a Lesbian. The fact of the matter is, it is quite fashionable to be Gay or to know a Gay person these days. It's akin to knowing or growing up in a predominantly white neighborhood and being seen with one of the nice Black people in the area. So now not only are we Gay but we are fashionable.

In yet another resolution the SBC delegates voted to stand against any companies that offer benefits to partners of homosexual employees. Some of the other companies named included IBM, AT&T, Hewlett-Packard, Xerox, Sprint, Time-Warner, Eastman-Kodak and Microsoft. The resolution states that providing such benefits "not only promotes the idea that homosexual relationships are morally legitimate, but at the same time trivializes the meaning and sanctity of marriage."

"We are working hard to attack policies and decisions, not people", nothing could be further from the truth. "We hate the sin, but love the sinner," he said.

An encouraging sign of the times is that attendance at this year's convention was at an all-time low. Only 12,000 delegates registered. When the convention was held in Dallas in 1985 more than 45,000 attended. As Christians begin to deal with the social realities of HIV/AIDS and homosexuality within their own families they are less quick to condemn others when the fallout from such condemnation hits so close to home.

I wonder how many years will go by before the SBC decides it's time to apologize to the millions of Gay Americans it has spent years verbally and mentally torturing? I am not in the business of "outing" so I won't name names, but I know of a few dozen members of Bellevue Baptist, Central Church, Second Presbyterian and other local churches who are closeted Gays. Adrian Rogers would cringe with disgust if he knew the names of those choir members singing their hearts out during the SBC services each evening who are closet Gays and have no intention of giving up their sexuality or their church. There are also some deacons held in high regard at that church who are practicing, but closeted, homosexuals. These members have chosen to live a lie and stay within the confines of a religious environment that openly shuns them and would invite them to leave the church if their sexual preferences were made public. In many instances the clergy is aware of these members and their sexuality. In these instances a decision has been made to keep quiet for the good of the church. This is hypocrisy at its finest.

The SBC — indeed any religious denomination — does not need to be in the business of condemning people and businesses based on corporate policy as it relate to sexual practices. If the SBC is truly and sincerely interested in evangelizing the world for Jesus Christ, then it needs to get down off its high horse and practice some of that love and compassion it speaks of so frequently from its many pulpits across the country.

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# President Calls for All-Out Assault on Hate Crimes

WASHINGTON — President Clinton drew praise from the Human Rights Campaign for his weekly radio address, in which he called for an all-out assault on hate crimes — including those based on sexual orientation.

The president also announced that he has asked Attorney General Janet Reno to study and recommend legislative options for curbing the rise in bias-motivated crimes, including hate violence targeting Lesbians, Gay men and bisexuals. Clinton also announced he will convene a White House conference Nov. 10 to study the problem.

"We applaud President Clinton for speaking out against the rising tide of hate-motivated violence in this country," said Elizabeth Birch, executive director of the Human Rights Campaign. "President Clinton has the ability to set a national tone that hate-violence will not be tolerated, including violence directed at Lesbian, Gay and bisexual people."

Hate crimes based on sexual orientation constitute a significant portion of all hate crimes committed in this country — a total of 12.8 percent in 1995, according to FBI statistics. This is up significantly from 8.9 percent in 1991, the first

year the FBI tracked such crimes. "Under current federal law, hate crimes based on sexual orientation cannot be investigated and prosecuted in the same manner as hate crimes based on race, religion, color or national origin," said Winnie Stachelberg, HRC's legislative director. "This is an enormous legal oversight that must be fixed. We hope that will be one of the outcomes of the president's initiatives," she said.

Recently, the FBI determined that the February bombing of The Otherside Lounge, a predominantly Lesbian bar in Atlanta appears to have been committed by

the same person or persons who bombed a women's health clinic in Sandy Spring, Ga., earlier this year.

For several years, HRC has been working with Congress to try to add sexual orientation to those categories of hate crimes that can be prosecuted under federal law.

"Hate crimes based on sexual orientation are as heinous as other hate crimes and must be prosecuted as such," Stachelberg said.

As a result of work by a civil rights coalition that includes HRC, the Hate Crimes Statistics Act of 1990 included crimes based on sexual orientation.

"Charging the FBI with collecting the data was an important first step," Stachelberg said. "It is now past time for us to move to the next level and make it possible to prosecute these crimes adequately and effectively."

The Human Rights Campaign is the largest national Lesbian and Gay political organization, with members throughout the country. It lobbies Congress, provides campaign support and educates the public to ensure that Lesbian and Gay Americans can be open, honest and safe at home, at work and in the community.

## Lambda Responds to Admissions by Former Georgia Att'y Gen. Bowers

NEW YORK — Lambda Legal Defense and Education Fund issued a statement June 5 in response to the admissions of adultery and hypocrisy by former Attorney General of Georgia Michael Bowers, who is now a candidate for governor of that state.

Bowers admitted in an interview with the Associated Press that he had a decade-long adulterous affair while Attorney General of Georgia. At the same time, Bowers fired an attorney on his staff, Robin Shahar, because she planned to engage in a private religious marriage ceremony with her female partner.

"Former Attorney General Michael Bowers said it best himself — he is a hypocrite. He also has violated the Constitution by imposing more exacting standards on Robin Shahar, an honest Gay employee in a loving, legal, monogamous relationship, than he imposed on himself," said Ruth

Harlow, now managing attorney at Lambda's national headquarters and lead counsel for Robin Shahar since the ACLU's filing of *Shahar v. Bowers* in 1991.

"We've been saying throughout the litigation that Georgia's antiquated laws against all kinds of consensual sexual behavior — including adultery — are irrelevant to a state attorney's qualifications. Given his own behavior,

Michael Bowers would finally have to agree," said Harlow.

"Those laws certainly can't be used to harm Gay and Lesbian attorneys' employment chances while being flouted by the attorney general himself," Harlow emphasized.

Bowers's decision to fire Shahar is challenged in a case where the Eleventh Circuit, three days before his admission, ruled

8-4 in his favor.

Lambda is the nation's oldest and largest legal organization defending the rights of Lesbians, Gay men, and people with AIDS and HIV. In late June, it will open a

Southern Regional Office in Atlanta, the first such office for a national Gay organization. Headquartered in New York, Lambda has regional offices in Chicago and Los Angeles.

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"When I told the ambulance crew that I have HIV, they refused to touch me, even though they were suited up as if they were handling radioactive waste," Daugherty said. His roommate had to put him on the stretcher so the emergency crew would take Daugherty to the hospital.

Daugherty suffered three broken ribs and needed 47 stitches in his face. He lost the hearing in one ear as a result of blows to the head, and has had to undergo physical therapy for knee ligaments torn when the assailants dragged him.

His attackers have not been apprehended.

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# National Groups Respond to SBC's Disney Boycott

NEW YORK CITY — The Gay and Lesbian Alliance Against Defamation (GLAAD) has compiled statements from some of the nation's leading civil rights and Lesbian, Gay, bisexual and transgender groups on the Southern Baptist Convention vote to boycott the Walt Disney Co. and their subsidiaries, including ABC television and radio. The boycott targets Disney primarily for its support of Lesbian, Gay, bisexual and transgender Americans.

"All fair-minded Americans should commend Disney's continued respect for Lesbian and Gay Americans. Disney should also be commended for granting its employees equal pay for equal work, for letting its programming catch up with reality, and for keeping its doors open to every American. The ACLU stands behind Disney and their 'people-friendly' approach to business." — **Matt Coles, Director of the Lesbian & Gay Rights Project at the American Civil Liberties Union (ACLU)**

*Founded in 1920, the American Civil Liberties Union works in more Lesbian and Gay related litigation and legislation than any other organization in the country.*

"My daughter's third grade teacher has the right idea when she tells kids there's only one rule: 'Treat others as you would have them treat you.' It serves as the most basic statement of what it really means to be a Christian. Disney should be recognized and applauded for its stance on domestic partnership, and for treating its employees with dignity and respect. The American public should not only continue to enjoy Disney's wealth of creativity and expressions of diversity, as they have for decades, but should turn its back on bigotry as prejudice masquerading as 'pro-family concern.'" — **Joan M. Garry, Executive Director, Gay & Lesbian Alliance Against Defamation (GLAAD)**

*GLAAD is the nation's Lesbian and Gay news bureau and the only national Lesbian and Gay multimedia watchdog organization. GLAAD promotes fair, accurate, and inclusive representation as a means of challenging discrimination based on sexual orientation or identity.*

"In finally launching their long threatened boycott against Disney, the Southern Baptists' leadership say they object to Disney's giving domestic partner health benefits to Gay and Lesbian employees, allowing Gays and Lesbians to organize group attendance at Disney theme parks, and entertainment produced by Disney subsidiaries that includes Gay and Lesbian characters. Blinded by its apparent hatred of Gays and Lesbians, this organization has chosen to ignore basic facts: that Disney is a busi-

ness in an industry in which virtually every major company now extends domestic partner benefits to Gay and Lesbian employees, that it would be illegal for Disney to block use of public theme park facilities by any segment of the community, and that entertainment product such as *Ellen* featuring Gay and Lesbian characters generates huge ratings with an audience of many millions of Americans. Since this organization's attack on Disney is based on nothing but prejudice, it is a mockery of true religious and family values." — **Richard Jennings, Executive Director, Hollywood Supports**

*Hollywood Supports is the clearinghouse for the entertainment industry on AIDS and sexual orientation workplace issues.*

"This attack on Disney shows how obsessed the radical right is with punishing Lesbian and Gay families. Here, you have a company with a show like *Ellen* — a realistic portrayal of a Lesbian — and a policy that voluntarily grants family health insurance to Gay employees, a benefit that non-Gay workers already get. What could be wrong with that? What's wrong is that the radical right has a policy that, if you treat Lesbians and Gay men decently, it will retaliate. Apparently, the radical right's campaigns against marriage for Gay couples are not enough. Now, far-right extremists are proving our point — without full legal protections, Lesbians and Gay men are vulnerable to losing even basic, employer-provided health coverage. We're not supposed to get married, and now I guess we're not supposed to even have health insurance." — **Beatrice Dohrn, Legal Director, Lambda Legal Defense and Education Fund**

*Lambda Legal Defense and Education Fund is a national organization committed to achieving full recognition of the civil rights of Lesbians, Gay men and people with HIV/AIDS.*

"The Southern Baptist Convention is at odds not just with Gay people, but with the majority of people of faith who—despite their differences—are united in opposing discrimination against Gay and Lesbian Americans. Unlike the Southern Baptist Convention, most people of faith recognize that they can disagree over whether or not homosexuality is right and still agree that discrimination against Gay people is wrong. What the Southern Baptist Convention delegates have said with their vote for this boycott is that they don't want even one openly Gay person on TV, they don't want us to be treated fairly in the workplace, and—after advocating that Gay people be discriminate against throughout society—they don't even want us going to Disneyland. Thankfully, I think most Ameri-

cans would disagree." — **David M. Smith, Senior Strategist, Human Rights Campaign**

*The Human Rights Campaign (HRC) is the largest national Lesbian and Gay political organization, with members throughout the country.*

"Disney is modeling good citizenship and good citizenry through its policies. Walt Disney and his characters taught us that it's a small world after all, where every person is welcome. I had hoped they (Southern Baptist Convention members) would vote for America's children to have a safe haven free from politics, fear and ignorance. They can keep their children from Disneyland and Disney World, but they can't keep Disney characters from the hearts and minds of children. Characters like Dumbo, Pinocchio and Tigger have taught us that there is a welcoming family for every child and the Disney company's policies have demonstrated that this is the case." ... **Kerry Lobel, Executive Director, National Gay and Lesbian Task Force**

*NGLTF is the nation's oldest national Gay and Lesbian civil rights organization.*

"The members of PFLAG are deeply saddened that the Southern Baptist Convention has voted to boycott the Walt Disney Company for its open and inclusive employment practices and policies. It is our fervent hope that faith communities support and value diversity and difference and not advocate for open discrimination and hostility towards our Lesbian, Gay, bisexual and transgendered family members and friends. The Southern Baptist Convention's vote divides American families instead of bringing them together." ... **Nancy McDonald, President of PFLAG, (Parents, Families and Friends of Lesbians and Gays) (202) 638-4200 (Karyn Robinson, Communications Associate) ... PFLAG promotes the health and well-being of Gay, Lesbian and bisexual persons, their families and friends.**

"This boycott is another Mickey Mouse attempt by religious conservatives to push their anti-family agenda. As Black Gay and Lesbian people, a strong family foundation has been central to our survival. The Southern Baptist Convention's boycott is actively working to destroy the very foundation that is our refuge." — **Keith Boykin, Executive Director, National Black Lesbian and Gay Leadership Forum**

*The National Black Lesbian and Gay Leadership Forum is the only national organization dedicated to empowering Black Lesbians and Gays by developing their leadership skills, increasing their visibility, and building bridges between their various communities.*

## What Disney Owns

By The Associated Press

Among the holdings of the Walt Disney Co., which the Southern Baptists voted to boycott.

Theme parks: Disneyland, Walt Disney World

Retail: The Disney Store, more than 535 stores.

Movie Studios, with selected releases: Walt Disney Pictures: *The Lion King, Hercules, and 101 Dalmatians.*

Touchstone Pictures: *Con Air and Phenomenon.*

Hollywood Pictures: *The Rock and Evita.*

Caravan Pictures: *Powder.*

Miramax: *The English Patient, Sling Blade and Pulp Fiction.*

Broadcast: ABC television and radio networks. Individual shows, including *Home Improvement, Ellen, Live! With Regis and Kathie Lee* and *Siskel & Ebert.*

Cable: The Disney Channel; ESPN Inc., 80 percent; A&E Television Networks, 37.5 percent; Lifetime Television's parent, 50 percent.

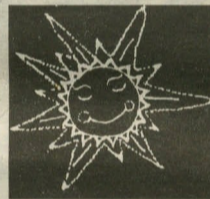
Sports: Mighty Ducks of Anaheim, National Hockey League franchise, owner; Anaheim Angels, American League baseball team, general partner.

Music: Hollywood Records, includes such acts as Queen and The Suicide Machines; Walt Disney Records, mainly soundtracks to Disney animated and children's films.

Print: Newspapers, which are up for sale, include *The Oakland Press* in Pontiac, Mich., and two papers in Oregon: the *Albany Democrat-Herald* and *The Daily Tidings of Ashland.* Magazines, include *Discover* and *Los Angeles.* Hyperion Press, book publishing.

Plays: *Beauty and the Beast* currently on Broadway. *The Lion King*, set to open in the fall.

Other Ventures: Celebration, Fla., real estate development; Disney Cruise Line; Disney Vacation Clubs.



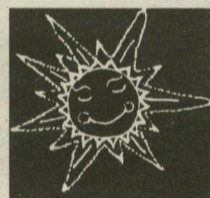
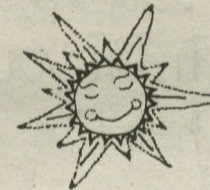
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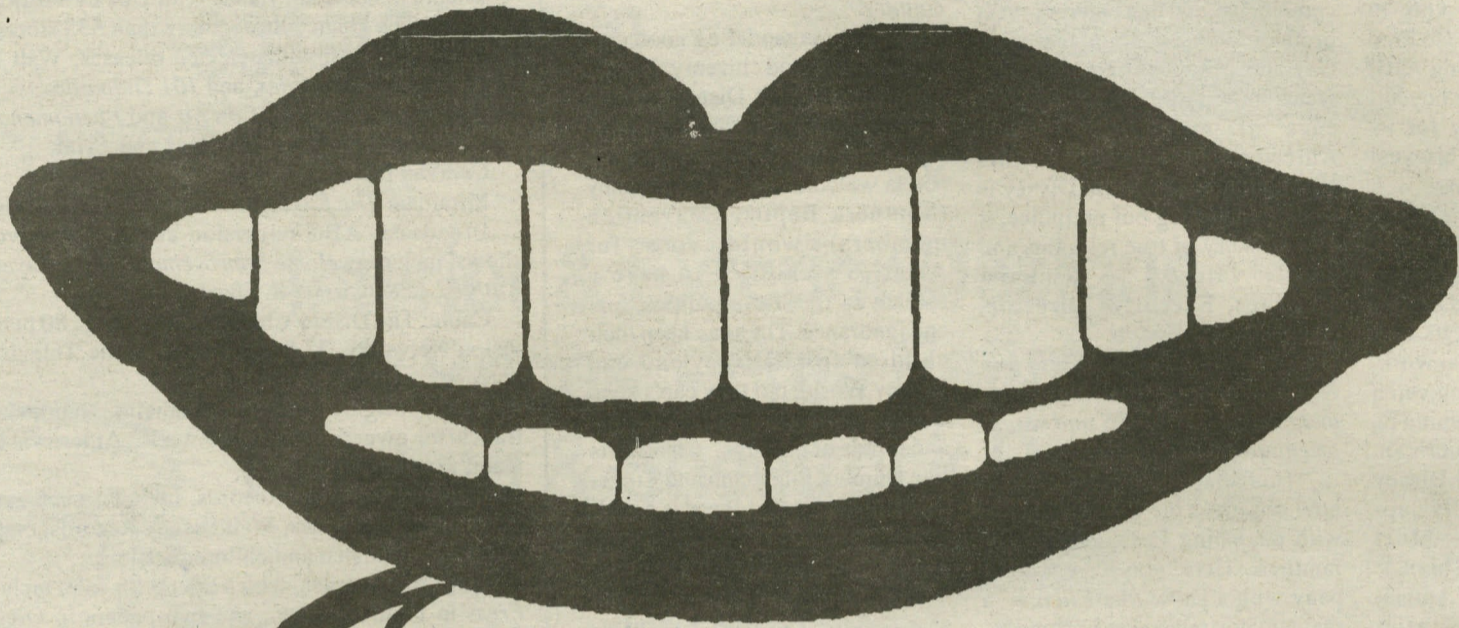
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## Bill Would Decriminalize Consensual Sexual Activity in Military

WASHINGTON — A bill introduced by Rep. Barney Frank, D-Mass., to decriminalize consensual sexual activity between adults in the military is an important step toward fairness for all members of the armed services, according to the Human Rights Campaign.

The bill, which Frank dubbed the Anti-Hypocrisy Act of 1997, was crafted in response to the recent adultery cases of Lt. Kelly Flinn, Maj. Gen. John Longhouser and Gen. Joseph Ralston.

"These cases starkly illustrate what is really a triple standard for private behavior between two consenting adults in the armed forces,"

said Winnie Stachelberg, HRC's legislative director. "The military tried to treat these adulterous situations differently, which the American public saw as hypocrisy. But under current military law, any private sexual behavior by a Lesbian or Gay member of the armed services is illegal. This bill would treat all such private behavior equally."

Frank's bill would reform the Uniform Code of Military Justice so that no one could be prosecuted for consensual sexual behavior between adults that has no impact on military order and discipline.

## Authorities Conclude Bombings at Atlanta Clinic, Gay Club Linked

WASHINGTON (AP) — Laboratory work on evidence from two recent Atlanta bombings, one against an abortion clinic and the other a Gay nightclub, have prompted federal investigators to link the attacks to a single assailant or group.

Authorities are now trying to determine whether the bombings might also be connected to a third bombing, an explosion last July at Centennial Olympic Park in Atlanta.

The common link is iron shrapnel found in all three sites, authorities told *The Washington Post*. The shrapnel apparently came from the same smelter or foundry, the newspaper said June 5.

The design of the bombs from the clinic and nightclub attacks was almost identical, according to lab work conducted by the FBI and the Treasury Department's Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms.

The key components and tool markings from bomb fragments recovered at both sides also were alike.

In both of the attacks, dynamite was used and the bomber left secondary bombs to maim or kill incoming rescue workers and police officers.

Federal agents have determined that a handwritten letter sent by someone claiming credit for both the abortion clinic and nightclub bombings contained specific details about the attacks not generally known. The letter was signed "Army of God" and suggested right-wing extremist views, the *Post* said.

The Olympic bombing killed one person and injured 111 others. No one was killed in either the January bombing of the abortion clinic or the explosion a month later at the nightclub.

## Oprah Winfrey Denies Rumors She Is Gay

NEW YORK (AP) — Denying rumors apparently sparked by her appearance on *Ellen*, Oprah Winfrey has issued a statement saying she is not a Lesbian.

"I am not in the closet. I am not coming out of the closet. I am not Gay," Winfrey said, according to a statement quoted by the *New York Post*.

Winfrey has a longtime boyfriend, businessman Steadman

Graham.

Winfrey said that the rumors have been circulating since she appeared on the episode of *Ellen* in which the main character announced she was a Lesbian. The show's star, Ellen DeGeneres, made the same announcement not long before the show aired.

Winfrey played a therapist on the ABC sitcom, saying she did so to support DeGeneres "in her de-

sire to free herself — and I thought it was a really good script."

Also fanning the rumors was an April report by gossip columnist Liz Smith that an unidentified television star may be coming out of the closet.

"I am sorry Oprah got what she considered grief because of this," the *Post* quoted Smith as saying.

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# Amnesia, Memphis Becomes Switchboard Volunteer

by Vincent Astor

Amnesia, Memphis, became a Gay and Lesbian Switchboard Volunteer last month. Owners Frank Cooper and David daPonte volunteered a monthly contribution which will cover the cost of the basic phone service.

The Switchboard, maintained and staffed by the Memphis Gay and Lesbian Community Center, will remain the free service it has been for more than 20 years.

The policy of free listings for any Gay or Lesbian related or friendly business will continue as always, listings of businesses and organizations are available for the asking with the MGLCC board having the final say on any decisions that must be made.

This contribution will assure the Switchboard's continuance and

enable the MGLCC and its Archive Center to continue its new development.

The donors have requested that the Switchboard volunteers be included in the opening message which acknowledges the contribution.

According to David daPonte, "We have always felt that it is important to give back to the community. Amnesia has been active in supporting the MGLCC, Memphis Pride and Friends For Life. This is a new and important way that Amnesia can contribute to many other people in our community."

The Memphis Gay Switchboard was founded in 1976 by the Sexuality and Lesbianism Task Force of the National Organization for Women (NOW). Originally autonomous and run entirely by volunteers it was taken over in 1980

by the newly formed Memphis Gay Coalition. With the Coalition's demise in 1991, it was taken over by the MGLCC which is committed to its continued use and development.

During MGLCC's custodianship of the Switchboard it has acquired some grant funding, the tax-exempt status provided by MGLCC and an automated answering system which has expanded the service to 24 hours. The name was expanded to include "Lesbian" during this time.

Volunteers still answer in the evenings between 7 and 10 p.m. when possible. To volunteer, call the Switchboard at 324-GAYS (324-4297) or 454-1411.

An endowment for the Switchboard has been in the wishing stages for many years. A fund is needed to maintain the computer

equipment and to allow for increases in the telephone charges.

The Switchboard maintains a commercial line with facilities for the volunteers to forward and disconnect themselves and answer the Switchboard at home.

Anyone wishing to contribute to the maintenance of the Switchboard should remember that the

MGLCC has tax exempt status. It is also eligible for United Way funds contributed at work.

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## Mastery Foundation Elects New Officers

The Board of Directors of the Mid-South AIDS Mastery Foundation, recently held elections for its officers for 1997-98. As of May 1 the new officers are:

- President - Rhan Jackson
- Vice-President- Leigh Savage
- Secretary- Kathy Wessels
- Treasurer - Rick Felker

The Mastery Foundation is a non-profit 501(c)(3) organization that conducts weekend workshops for anyone infected or affected by HIV and AIDS. These workshops help participants to better live with

this changing epidemic by providing care, support and guidance in dealing with the fear, anger and sadness issues that can develop.

The new officers are organizing the planning committee for the next workshop, scheduled for July 25-27. There are more than 150 graduates of the Mastery, in the Mid-South. They volunteer their time and money to bring in trained Mastery facilitators to conduct these special weekends.

Anyone interested in enrolling or just needing more information

can call Rhan Jackson at 726-4160 or Ronnie Gardino at 767-2182. Tuition is \$100 for those that are working. Installment payments are available. Scholarships are also available for those needing them.

If you would like to sponsor a scholarship or make a donation of money or services (i.e. sponsoring one of the meals provided during the weekend), call Rhan Jackson or send donations to: Mid-South AIDS Mastery Foundation, P.O. Box 11183, Memphis, TN 38111.

## Pride Festival

Continued from page 1

nity personalities entertained with music (Alix Dobin was a favorite) and speeches. This truly was a good time.

I need to stop here and mention that the Pride boat ride was delightful. The weather was perfect. The captain of the boat informed us that this was his 10th pride ride with us. He was very cheerful and comical.

A full moon added to the romance of the evening. The moonlight shimmering in the Mississippi River was just fine.

The only sour note was of the noise the band called music. It was brash and not at all suited to having a pleasant evening cruising the river.

However, all was not lost musically. Much to the surprise and delight of everyone an unexpected celebrity appeared in the person of Rufus "The Dog" Thomas.

A Memphis blues legend, Mr. Thomas was celebrating his 80th birthday and chose to spend some time with us. At the end of the cruise he sang one his signature blues songs and pleased everyone.

Getting back to Mickey. I really appreciated the many manifestations of the Disney cartoon character, originally known as

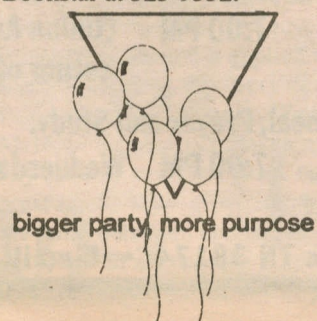
"Steamboat Willie," that appeared throughout the parade. I saw people in mouseketeer ears, socks, shirts, and even mouse feet. It is quite apparent that the SBC did the Disney company a favor in choosing to snub the Magic Kingdom.

Sales of Disney paraphernalia are skyrocketing inside and outside the Gay community. **Thanks Mickey!**

## Bookstar to Host Tales of the City Discussion

Bookstar, 3410 Poplar Ave. will host a Gay and Lesbian book discussion of Armistead Maupin's *Tales of the City* on Wed., July 9 at 7:30 p.m.

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# Three Basses: Bravol Bravo! Bravol

A Review by Ira L. King

As they "Began the Beguine," Cole Porter stood from his grave and applauded. When they belted "Some Enchanted Evening," both Rogers and Hammerstein were smiling from heaven. And, when the Three Basses saluted the "Modern Major General," from *The Pirates of Penzance*, Gilbert and Sullivan never sounded better. These were but a few of the many treats and treasures shared with an eager audience at the Three Basses concert held at the Brooks Museum of Art on Sun., June 8. The concert was a benefit for Friends for Life.

Friends for Life lead volunteer and fundraiser, Butch Valentine, along with many of the staff and friends at Friends for Life, took on the roles of producers to pull off this fundraiser to help support many of the programs and services provided by Friends for Life to people living with HIV/AIDS.

It's 7:55 p.m. and Butch Valentine is pacing the hallway adjacent to the stage. The rotunda of the museum has been simply and elegantly transformed into a performance venue. On stage, only a black Baldwin grand piano, a simple oriental rug, and a stunning white vase spewing forth with col-

orful seasonal flora dramatically framed by a simple black backdrop.

With the exception of two curious young men dressed in brightly colored left over Easter jackets, the audience was decked out in tuxedos, business suits, sequins, pearls, and cocktail dresses. It truly was an eclectic collection of personalities. All were anxiously awaiting the promised musical feast. No one was disappointed.

It's 8:05 p.m. and the show is about to start. (You can stop pacing now, Butch.) John Dougherty, Jan Pontius and Ken Shaw approach the stage with poise and dignity and immediately inform us that "Tonight" won't be just any night. This tune, from the Leonard Bernstein and Stephen Sondheim musical *West Side Story*, set the pace for a spirited and thoroughly enjoyable evening.

And who are these three basses? These are three men who move in different worlds musically, who have never performed together before, and whose hearts are big enough to donate their time and talent to this cause.

John Dougherty, a professor of music at UT Martin. Jay Pontius, area soloist now residing in St. Louis. Kenneth Shaw, director of opera at Converse College in South

Carolina. Each bass enchanted the audience with solos fitting his style and character. John Dougherty's rich tones and expertly colored notes made the audience sit up and take notice. Mr. Dougherty was quite amusing and animated dur-

the Arts annual performances of *Messiah*.

Ken Shaw knows how to command a stage. It's as much a delight to watch him as it is to listen to him. "Pity the Man" who does not appreciate what a fine job Ken does both physically (his face is quite expressive) and aurally.

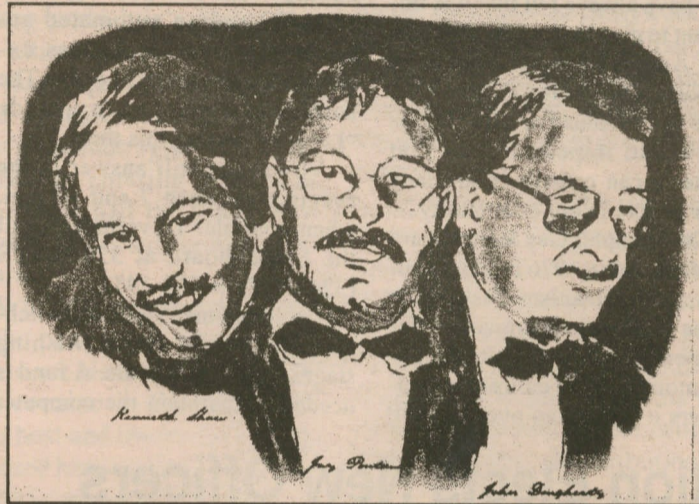
While the individual solos were

performance a success was the wonderful variety in the program. The program, created by Perry Redfean and Charles Clark, included classics, gospel, show tunes, some songs in English, some songs in the tongues of the composers. Each bass was given an opportunity to shine. Each shone brightly.

Of course, a musician's performance is only as good as his accompanist. Michael Ching, Janice Dougherty and Tim Minshaw were on hand to assist the singers with their performances. All three were outstanding. I was particularly thrilled by watching Michael Ching play. When he plays his whole body plays. The result is quite satisfying to behold.

A Feast for Friends (reception) was provided after the concert. This was a performance in and of itself. The Brushmark restaurant and patio was the setting. The Germantown Symphony String Quartet provided a little night music as guests sipped champagne and knoshed on caviar, exotic cheeses, fruit and assorted finger foods.

The benefit was a tremendous success, and I hope it was the first of many. Through individual ticket sales and corporate and individual sponsorships, the benefit raised approximately \$13,100 after expenses. Bravo! Bravo! Bravo! Applause! Applause! Applause!



ing his rendition of "Song of the Flea." His sound effects were delightful.

Jay Pontius was the softest of the three basses. This softness served him well during his renditions of "Sure on This Shining Night" and "At the River." Some may remember John as soloist on several occasions for Calvary and

nothing short of wonderful, my particular pleasure was derived from the ensemble singing. These "Stoughthearted Men" blended extremely well together with a minimum amount of rehearsal. I am convinced that "If Ever I Would Leave You" it would be to sing with one or all of these men.

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## Emotional Debate Marks California School Anti-Discrimination Bill

By Jennifer Kerr  
Associated Press Writer

SACRAMENTO (AP) — After an emotional two-hour debate that meandered from the Bible to necrophilia to "unnatural cattle," the California Assembly has refused to ban discrimination against Gay and Lesbian students and teachers.

"This bill is about thousands of students in the public schools of California ... who every day of their lives run a gauntlet of harassment and even of violence," said Assemblywoman Sheila Kuehl, one of two openly Lesbian state lawmakers.

But her bill received a 36-40 vote, five votes short of the majority needed. Kuehl asked for a second vote this week.

The bill, similar to one defeated last year, would add sexual orientation to current state laws that ban discrimination in public schools and colleges. It would ban discrimination against Gay and Lesbian students or teachers in areas such as athletics, employment and scholarships.

The bill would also prohibit teachers and school districts from any activities that reflect adversely

on Gays or Lesbians.

University of California, California State University and several local community college and public school districts have already added sexual orientation to their nondiscrimination policies. The bill would put the policy in state law.

"This is a community that has been invisible," said Kuehl, D-Santa Monica. "The major problem is that it's no longer invisible."

"This bill is about protecting children," said Assemblywoman Carole Migden, D-San Francisco, the other openly Lesbian lawmaker. "It isn't about whether you approve or disapprove of homosexual life."

"It exists. We exist. It's existed from the beginning of time," Migden added. "What you can do is move over and let everyone live equally."

Migden said Gay and Lesbian teens have a 30 percent suicide rate. Kuehl said 28 percent of Gay and Lesbian students drop out because of harassment in schools.

Opponents quoted religious doctrine, the Bible and fears of sexual perversions such as pedophilia and necrophilia. One rancher gave a rambling speech about

cattle he had known that were "hermaphrodite heifers" that didn't like bulls.

"This lifestyle is a choice," said Assemblyman George House, D-Hughson. "It is not their right to put those children in our schools and compel the approval of such against the values and faith and, yes, the morality of those who object."

"I believe the real agenda of this bill is to promote the Gay agenda in schools," said Assemblyman Steven Baldwin, R-Chula Vista.

But one supporter, Assemblyman Rod Wright, D-Los Angeles, said the Bible does not condemn homosexuality.

"The last thing Jesus said was 'Love everyone.' Not straight people, 'Love everyone, as I have loved you,'" Wright said.

## 4,000 March In Orange Co.

CARRBORO, N.C. (AP) — Some 4,000 people turned out for a weekend march and rally to celebrate homosexuality, authorities said.

Lesbians and Gays marked the end of the N.C. Pride '97 gathering with a march and rally Sunday.

Carrboro Mayor Mike Nelson, the state's only openly Gay elected mayor and host of the event, urged participants to return to their communities and push for greater tolerance and understanding.

"It's been a wonderful weekend

for everyone," Nelson said. "It's always a nice experience to have the Gay and Lesbian community gather to learn from one another. It allows us to regain our momentum and go from here to continue our struggle for Gay rights."

Earlier in the week, several Carrboro town employees refused to hang the rainbow-colored flags that lined the parade route.

The march and rally capped a weekend of events that started Friday night.

## Imus Irks Ben & Jerry's

SOUTH BURLINGTON, Vt. (AP) — Radio host Don Imus got yet another chilly reception for his remarks, this time from ice cream maker Ben & Jerry's.

Imus told millions of listeners last week, "Don't be a fairy, buy some Ben & Jerry's."

That sort of talk raised eyebrows at the counterculture ice cream company, which takes pride in having an accepting attitude toward gays and Lesbians.

So when the phones started ringing at the corporate headquarters, Ben & Jerry's CEO Perry Odak hopped a plane to New York

to meet with Imus and the general manager of his flagship radio station, WFAN-AM.

"We're letting people know that's not reflective of what we're all about," said Ben & Jerry's spokesman Rob Michalak.

They ironed out their difference, and Imus will continue to promote the product.

Ben & Jerry's, however, knew who they were getting from the start. Imus was frozen out of Washington when he joked about President Clinton's alleged sexual adventures at a dinner featuring the president and first lady.

## Mecklenberg Commissioners Approve Sex Counseling Resolution

CHARLOTTE (AP) — Mecklenburg County agencies or counselors that offer children information about sex must get parents' consent or lose funding under a proposal approved by county commissioners.

Commissioners voted 5-4 to approve the resolution, which requires counselors or agencies to notify parents and encourage them to attend sessions where sexuality is a topic.

Counselors also would have to inform teens and parents about state laws that prohibit prostitution, sodomy and homosexual acts.

The changes are part of an amendment to a controversial April resolution that cut the county's \$2.5 million annual funding to the Arts and Science Council. The resolution began as an initiative to cut off public funding of artwork that includes homosexual themes.

"I wouldn't let anyone talk to

my kids because they may have different ideas about certain things," Martin said.

Opponents said the requirement jeopardizes agencies that counsel adolescents and offer potentially lifesaving information about sexually transmitted diseases and teen-age pregnancy.

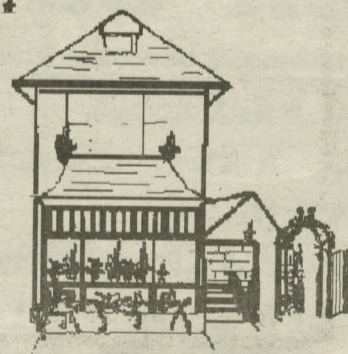


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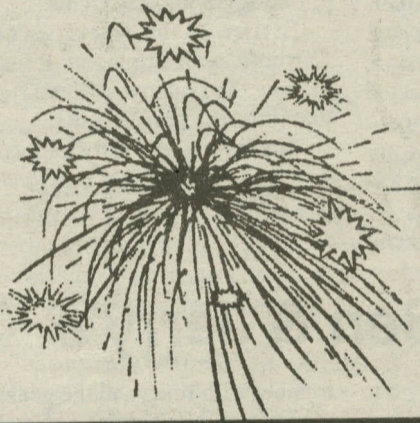


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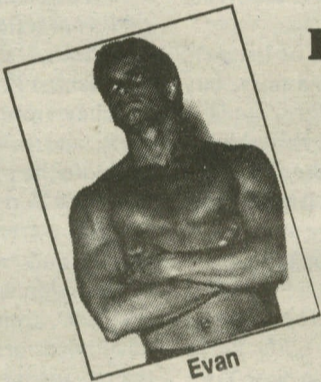
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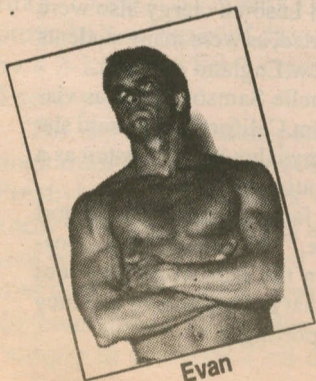
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# 75,000 Gays and Lesbians in Orlando for Gay Days

By Mike Schneider  
Associated Press Writer

ORLANDO, Fla. (AP) — Gay Day has expanded to Gay Days.

The seventh annual event that brought as many as 75,000 Gays and Lesbians to Orlando one week-end in June has grown to three days and took place in three theme parks.

Traditionally held for one day at Disney's Magic Kingdom, this year marks the first time that organizers will hold events at Universal Studios and Sea World over a three-day period.

The weekend kicked off Friday at Sea World, moved on to the Magic Kingdom on Saturday and wrapped up Sunday at Universal.

The event attracts a wide mix of people in the Gay community, from club-hoppers to Gay couples with children, said Doug Swallow, a computer software developer who started the event in 1991 as a way to meet people he had been communicating with over the Internet.

"We have no political motives,

it's just for fun," he said.

Although the theme parks don't sponsor Gay Days, they have begun to recognize its economic benefits. Organizers estimate that the economic impact of the annual event to be \$13 million, although there are no official figures.

Universal Studios's travel company, for the first time this year, developed travel packages with tickets to Universal, Sea World and Church Street Station.

"We do business with all groups," said Jim Hampton, a spokesman for Universal Studios. "We're not going to be discriminatory against any organization."

Members of Orlando's religious community, however, have raised eyebrows as the event as gotten larger each year.

"Some families that have gone out there have indicated it was difficult when their children saw men kissing and they had to explain that to their children," said Dr. Bill Montgomery, minister of the Downtown Baptist Church in Orlando.

In past years, Disney has taken

heat from some religious groups for permitting the event. The Assemblies of God, a Pentecostal denomination with 2.4 million members, announced a Disney boycott last year because of Gay Days and Disney's decision to extend benefits to companions of Gay employees.

Disney, in the past, has posted signs warning visitors of the event and have given free tickets to visitors who were offended and wanted to come back on another day. There were no signs this year.

"We've always had a policy of nondiscrimination and for us it's another day we open up," said Disney spokesman Bill Warren.

Disney attractions were the sites of some of the late-night parties. A nationally-known dance promoter has rented Disney-MGM Studios Saturday night for an outdoor dance party.

On Friday night, Disney's Typhoon Lagoon water park was the setting for a "Beach Ball," featuring floating "Hollywood divas" dressed in drag as Streisand, Midler and Liza Minnelli. "Fashion police" will also be on hand to write people tickets for wearing unflattering swimsuits.

Many other Gay clubs were hosting their own parties.

Organizers say they've encountered few problems with homopho-

bia during the past seven years and have been generally greeted with tolerance.

Keith Peterson, operations manager of an Orlando Gay newspaper, remembers standing in line with his partner at the Magic Kingdom's Haunted House last year besides a family visiting from Michigan. The parents were friendly and didn't try to hide their children from an obviously Gay couple.

"Everyone was nice and friendly. It was a very accepting environment," he said. "This is what society should be like."

## Iowa Activists Will Again Ask That Sexual Orientation Be Protected

IOWA CITY, Iowa (AP) — Iowa City activists say they'll renew their push to change state law to prohibit discrimination based on sexual orientation.

In December, leaders of the Iowa City Human Rights Commission asked the state Civil Rights Commission to make a proposal to the Legislature to add sexual orientation to the list of categories already protected under Iowa's nondiscrimination law.

The state currently prohibits

discrimination based on age, race, creed, color, sex, national origin, religion or disability.

At the December meeting, the state commission voted to meet with activists this fall to fully discuss the issue and then decide whether to ask the Legislature to make the change.

Iowa City Human Rights Coordinator Heather Shank said she and other local activists will make another presentation to the state board on June 27 and ask commis-

sioners to follow through with their pledge for a meeting this fall.

Ames and Iowa City are the only communities in Iowa that include sexual orientation in local nondiscrimination ordinances. Iowa City added the category in 1977, Ames in 1991.

Shank said that if the law is changed, the Iowa Civil Rights Commission could take complaints from any community, investigate and prosecute.

## Thousands Turn Up for Boston's 27th Gay Pride Parade

BOSTON (AP) — Unlike last year's Gay pride parade, which included controversial nudity, this year's event included only some outlandish and occasionally skimpy costumes.

And that, some participants said, was a good thing.

"It's a public parade. There's a time and a place for everything and nude dancing isn't necessarily for a Saturday afternoon in Boston," said Jeff Durkee, 29, who came to watch.

Led by a squad of leather-clad women on motorcycles, drag queens, Gay clergy and Lesbian couples with toddlers made their way through the streets of Boston in the city's 27th annual Gay pride parade.

Organizers said more than 200,000 people from around New England took part, but police put the number closer to 100,000.

"I'm proud to be a Lesbian. Why not? It's who I am," said Anna-Beth Winograd of Amherst. "You've got to celebrate who you are and it's fun."

Some of the floats bordered on the risqué. On one, perfectly sculpted men with bulging pectorals teasingly pulled down their shorts to reveal G-strings.

Others were more tame, like the O'Gay Corral float — a Western motif flatbed truck followed by two-stepping dancers.

This year's theme of what is officially called the Gay, Lesbian, Transgender and Allies March was "Stand Out, Stand Up and Stand Together."

Indeed, many did stand out, like the Q-Moon Pansexual Pagans, who donned black capes, angel wings and polka-dot bikinis.

Dozens of young children on foot and in strollers accompanied their Gay and Lesbian parents through the city's Back Bay neighborhood.

Taped to the stroller of one toddler: "I was hatched by two chicks."

Winograd and her partner, Betsy McNamara, 37, brought their 4-year-old son with them to the festivities.

Ten years ago, McNamara said, there were hardly any children represented.

"There's been a huge baby boom in the Gay and Lesbian community," McNamara said.

Several Christian and Jewish Gay and Lesbian clergy also were represented, as were many students from New England colleges.

Michelle Samson, 29, was visiting from California. She said she had always thought of Boston as a conservative city.

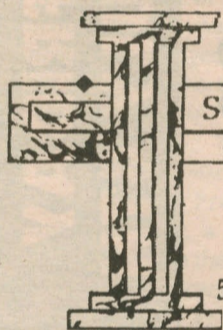
"It's fantastic to see the support we have," she said. "It says Boston is in the real world and sees things that are happening and they are supporting it."

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# Study to Focus on Lesbian's Risk for Developing Osteoporosis

PORTLAND, Maine (AP) — A first-of-its-kind bone loss study this month will examine whether Lesbians are at greater risk of developing osteoporosis than their biological, heterosexual sisters.

Researchers are recruiting at least 50 Lesbian women in Maine between the ages of 30 and 50, and their heterosexual sisters. Another 50 women will be recruited for a control group.

The women participating in the study will receive three questionnaires in the mail covering physical activity, health and reproductive factors, and dietary calcium intake. Only one face-to-face visit will be required, and a \$20 stipend will be given to cover travel

expenses to Bangor or Portland.

Anyone participating in the study who is found to be at great risk for osteoporosis will get follow-up tests and examinations from one of the two physicians.

Just as women were once given short shrift in medical research, scientists are now beginning to "pay attention to the fact that things might be different for Gays and Lesbians than they are for the heterosexual community," said Sandra Butler, assistant professor of social work at the University of Maine.

There are no inherent biological differences between Lesbians and other women, says Jill Carter, a nurse practitioner who re-

cently completed a survey examining Cumberland County health-care workers' attitudes toward Lesbians.

"It's more of a lifestyle issue," Carter said. "For example, some physicians and researchers believe Lesbians may be at greater risk for breast, ovarian and endometrial cancer — not because they're Lesbian, but because they're more likely to have not ever been pregnant."

Women who don't give birth and breastfeed don't experience the burst of estrogen that comes with pregnancy. That surge of hormones, in addition to warding off cancer, may be able to protect against

the bone loss that leads to osteoporosis.

Some studies have shown that Lesbian women "tend to have higher risks in terms of smoking and physical inactivity than do heterosexual women," said Dr. Clifford Rosen, director of the osteoporosis research center in Bangor. Those factors have been associated with osteoporosis.

Of course, there are also many heterosexual women who smoke and drink and choose not to have children. This study will help determine if there really is a difference in risk for straight and Gay women, and if so, lay the groundwork for prevention programs.

# Researcher Links Sheep Homosexuality to Brain Structure, Hormones

HELENA, Mont. (AP) — A Montana sheep researcher says about 10 percent of rams are homosexuals, and her research has established a link between the same-sex preference and brain structures regulating some hormones.

"In sheep, we clearly have homosexuality that's determined by brain structure," said Anne Perkins, who studied sexual behavior in sheep at the U.S. Sheep Experiment Station in Dubois, Idaho, for the last decade.

She estimated as many as 10 percent of rams won't mate with ewes. They have been found to have hormone levels similar to female sheep.

She hopes to soon be able to develop a blood or genetic test to discover the hormonal variation. That could save sheep ranchers from losing money on expensive rams that turn out to be duds.

Perkins cautioned against drawing con-

clusions about human homosexuality from her research.

While humans and sheep share some reproductive similarities, compounding factors in human behavior — morality, love, intellectual attraction — limit the applicability of her research to people.

"This offers us another animal model to look at. The more different kinds of animals we use, the better global concept we have of homosexuality," she said.

In her research, Perkins has found that some rams who shun ewes have female-like amygdalae, almond-shaped brain structures regulating some hormones.

Rams are expected to impregnate an average of 50 ewes in a season. There are only 30,000 domestic rams in Montana compared with the ranching industry's 400,000 ewes.

"When these males fail to ever mate with females, it becomes a problem within the

population," said Perkins, noting such rams may disrupt breeding by other stock.

Chase Hibbard, a state legislator and owner of the Sieben Livestock Co., raises premium Targhee breeding rams. He supports Perkins' findings.

"There is something that's common," Hibbard said. "We have observed some rams that just don't like ewes."

Perkins and her fellow researchers acknowledge they have not clearly determined whether homosexual behavior in rams is genetic or environmentally originated. That is the next phase of her research.

Perkins currently is raising eight young females from the sheep experiment station at her home outside East Helena. The 6-week-old lambs are the offspring of ewes impregnated through artificial insemination

from same-sex rams.

Her studies have garnered national and international attention, including the cover story in *Science News*, the weekly magazine devoted to the world's top scientific advances.

But she's been mostly quiet in Montana about her government-funded research. She said now that she's secured full tenure as a psychology professor at Carroll College and was elected to the Helena School Board, she's "ready to come out of the closet about my research."

Bob Gilbert, executive director of the Montana Wool Growers Association, said her work should not be taken lightly.

"If you go out and pay \$400 for a ram and the ram is Gay, or has low sperm count, it's a loss," he said.

# Elton John Foundation Donates \$20,000 to Help Mississippi PWAs

JACKSON, Miss. (AP) — Singer-songwriter Elton John has donated \$20,000 to help Mississippi AIDS patients being cut from a drug treatment program.

The check from the Elton John Foundation came in the June 17 mail, said Bill Love, treasurer of the Mississippi Episcopal AIDS Committee, a nonprofit organization.

Love said he immediately informed the state Department of Health, which notified the public six weeks previously that clients would be cut from the Ryan White AIDS Drug Assistance Program.

"As long as we have money we don't want anyone to go without getting their medication," Love said.

The Episcopal AIDS Committee has col-

lected \$40,000 since the Health Department made its announcement.

John Scott, executive director and president of the Elton John Foundation, said the nonprofit organization decided to make the donation after he saw an Associated Press story about Mississippi's AIDS funding crisis.

The money is to help with the immediate problem, Scott said.



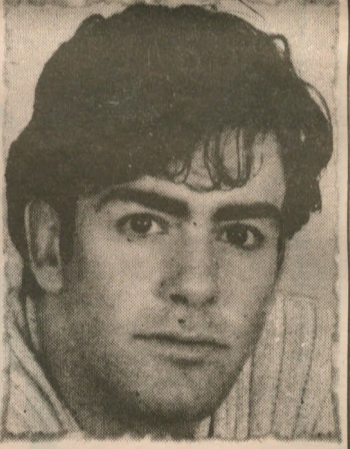
"Mississippi is the most dramatic situation I've seen so far," Scott said. "That has certainly been the most dire emergency that I've seen so far."

The international foundation provides leadership and resources to improve care for people living with HIV and AIDS.



Taking the Pride theme of "Celebrating Generations of Pride" to heart some parade participants brought their children to the festivities.

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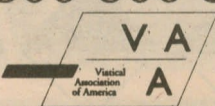
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## Battle On The Bluff Softball Tournament Ready To "Play Ball"

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folk, Huntsville, St. Louis and several of our own Memphis teams will be vying to take the winners trophy for their efforts.

Teams will begin play Friday afternoon starting at 3 p.m. at Rodney Baber Softball complex located north of I-240 & Hollywood St. exits on Jarnes Rd., and resume Saturday and Sunday at 9 a.m., continuing throughout the day.

Special events are planned at participating business locations throughout the city during the en-

tire weekend starting Thursday night and ending Sunday. Even if you're not a player, you need to come check out the action both on and off the field. The various tournament committees have worked long and hard in planning this weekend and they are to be congratulated for their efforts to help ensure that everyone has a great time.

Let's also make sure participants have a memorable time. Throw out some of that southern charm that Memphis is known for, Y'all! Maps and game times will be posted at participating bars and businesses for those wishing to come see "The Boys Of Summer" strut their stuff.

### League Standings as of June 22

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J-Wag's Jaguars	5 - 4
Mid South Vision Peepers	5 - 5
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Amnesia	2 - 5
Dabbles Hair Dabblers	2 - 8

The Bluff City Sports Association is sponsored by Budweiser and Bud Lite.

## Feminists Flex Strength in New South

Paula Jones, Lt. Kelly Flinn. Late-term abortion. A national dialogue on race. Same-sex marriage. The Promise Keepers. These are just a few of the headline issues in the nation's largest group of feminist activists will take on at their annual national conference in Memphis over the July 4th weekend.

"We'll be a study in contrasts," says NOW President Patricia Ireland. "We'll drive home our anger that in the early 1990s a Tennessee judge could still feel free to sexually assault women in his chambers. We'll also celebrate these women for standing up to him, with the backing of a U.S. attorney willing to use a civil rights law creatively."

Sand Sanders and Patty Wallace will receive a "NOW Women of courage Award" on behalf of the eight women complainants who spearheaded the case against former judge David Lanier, which went all the way to the Supreme Court.

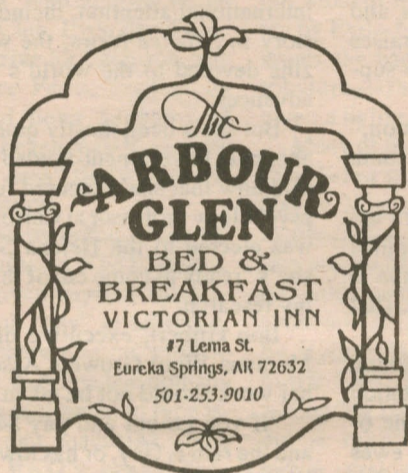
"As we face an increasingly violent backlash toward all things feminist," Ireland said, we're saluting and bringing together women — particularly Southern women — who brave that backlash

every day.

For example, one conference workshop, "A River of Pollution Runs Through It," features Memphis women offering strategies for combating environmental racism, which is when governments allow toxic pollution in non-white neighborhoods. "Cultural Diversity" at this conference will mean, in part, hearing from young Texas women who are organizing a NOW chapter in a town of 15,000.

Besides Ireland, the other keynote speakers are two of the most prominent African American feminists in Congress. Sen. Carol Moseley-Braun (D-Ill.) championed funding for mammogram testing during a 2 a.m. budget reconciliation vote recently and previously shot down special protection for a Daughters of the Confederacy insignia that used the Confederate flag. Rep. Cynthia McKinney (D-Ga.) won re-election in a white majority district but may confront a third attempt to re-district her out of office.

The national NOW conference is being held at the Peabody Hotel. For further information regarding registrations fees, workshops and the awards dinner, call the Memphis NOW office at 578-3286.



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# Feast for Friends to Mark 5th Anniversary Dinner

by Butch Valentine  
Feast for Friends  
Entertainment Coordinator

(Excerpted from the *Commercial Appeal*, March 19, 1997)

"They wear their first names on pieces of paper pinned to shirt. Sometimes names are all the others know. Sometimes they know more. Here, twice-a-month suppers in the basement of a Midtown church are for people with AIDS and HIV, their families, their closest friends. There's no hiding that, or their names. There are Michael and Stephanie and Terry. There are Kinisha and Dennie and Tom. Once there was a Darrell. Darrell Bowers was his mother's only child, and when AIDS took his life, what he started fell to her. Darrell had seen this in Atlanta... he liked it and brought the idea to Memphis. That was five years ago. Darrell and his mother, Martha Bowers, created something called the Feast for Friends. They had no money. 'We had to beg for our food, Martha says. They beg no more... An Av-

erage of 150 people come to the Monday night suppers. More than 30 churches send volunteers, and businesses donate the balloons and centerpieces that decorate each table. Donations are taken at the door. Whatever people can afford. No one is turned away. 'It's a wonderful study in diversity,' says Tom Roden, executive director. 'It's the way Memphis ought to be.'"

FEAST FOR FRIENDS is one of the more successful programs sponsored by Friends For Life. What Darrell and his mother began has been a blessing to so many. Could they ever have known it would become what it is today? Doubtful. Did they hope it to be? Definitely! As we approach the fifth anniversary dinner on July 7, we must pause and give thanks to Darrell, Martha and to so many others. To the volunteers who cheerfully and generously give of their hearts and time. To the fabulous entertainers who donate their times and talents. To the dinner sponsors who generously gave from their wallets. To Ed Brandon

and his wonderful staff of kitchen volunteers; they prepare a nutritious, tasty meal using the freshest ingredients that rival any restaurant. As for me, I have more fun than should be legal coordinating the entertainment, theme nights and the special activities we have for our special friends — the children who are infected/affected by HIV/AIDS. We are a room full of love and purpose.

During the dinner, we will be taking pledges for co-sponsors for the upcoming year. We hope you will be able to support us with a \$100 pledge, payable at the dinner or soon after. Your pledge can be made in honor of or in memory of someone special as an added touch. If you cannot attend the anniversary dinner, arrangements can be made in advance over the phone. You may contact me at 272-0855.

"Martha Bowers comes still. She cooks and serves... she still bakes the banana cakes she and her son Darrell baked before he died in 1993. 'I buried Darrell on a Saturday. I came back on Monday. I knew if I didn't, I never would.'"

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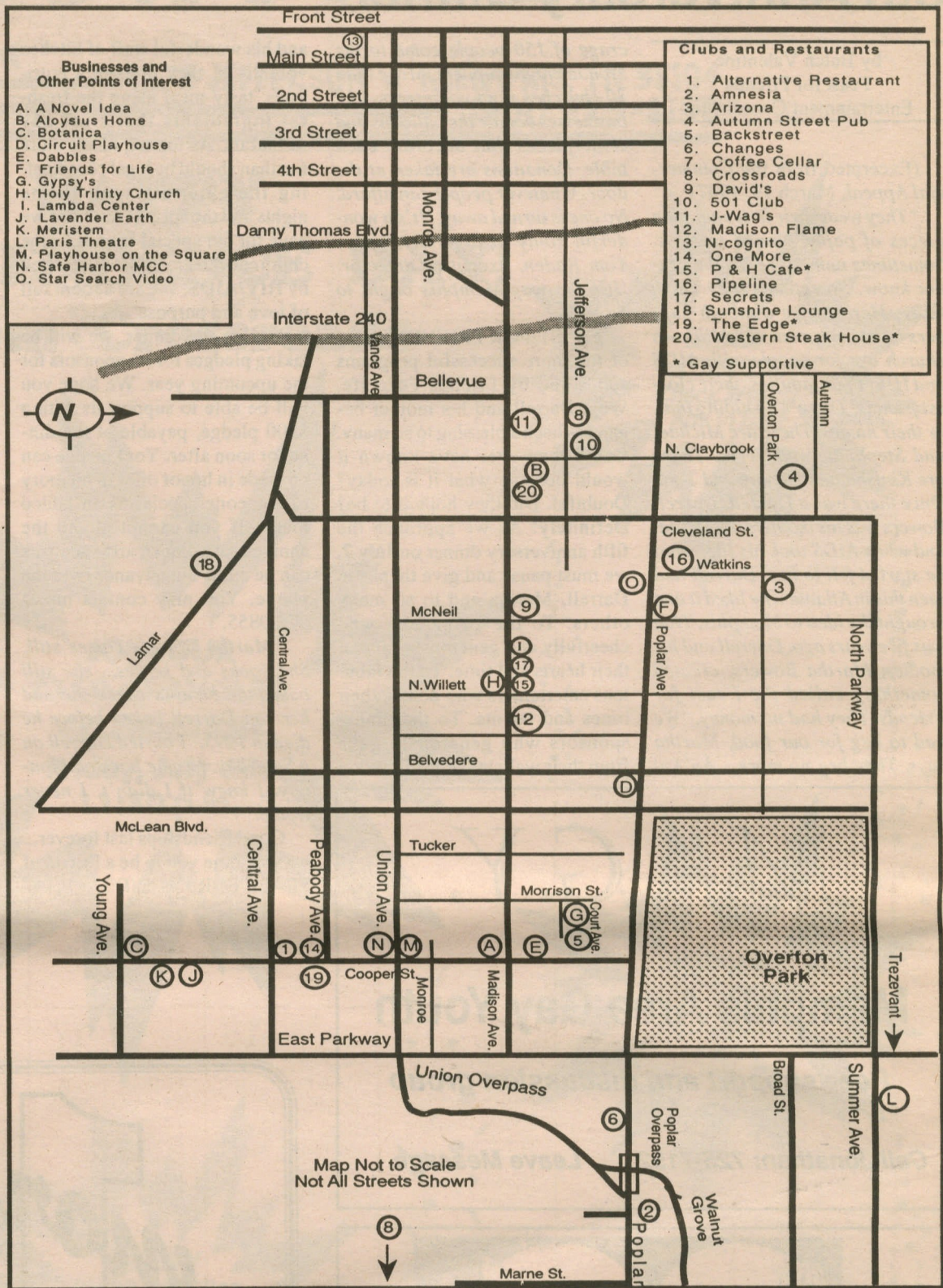


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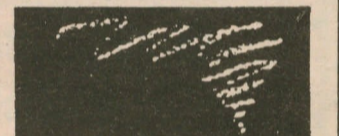
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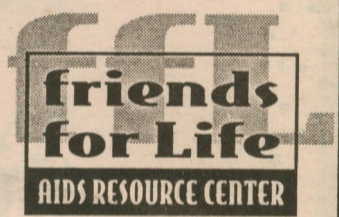


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**TEXAS FLAVOR** I just moved here from Texas and would like to meet guys to hang out with. I enjoy camping, the outdoors, cooking, and more. I'm a good looking, slim, muscular, 37 year old, White male, 5'11, with light Brown hair, Hazel eyes, and a mustache. (Marshall) **1319**

**A SOUND TALKING TO** I'd like to talk to young guys, 18 to 24. I'm tall and slim with Blond hair and Blue eyes. Call me and let's get started. **1383**

### TENNESSEE

**JAM SESSIONS** I'm a 38 year old, White male, musician, 38, 6ft, 140lbs, with long, dark Brown hair and Green eyes. I'd like to meet slender, well built, guys to get together with for fun. I enjoy music, videos, movies, quiet times at home, and all easy going, laid back, pursuits. I like guys over 35, especially those with mustaches and hairy bodies, though these aren't requirements. (Antioch) **2294**

**TOP OF THE WORLD** I'm a discreet, masculine, Single, White male, in my early 30's. I'm looking to hook up, for good times, with other 30-ish guys, who are Gay or Bi, Single or Married. I prefer to meet bottoms, but like to do a little bit of everything. Call me. (Bolivar) **25184**

**PARTY WITH NO COMPLICATIONS** My partner and I are looking for hot, party, dudes to play with. We're both in our early 40's and good looking. I'm a very well hung top. He's extremely oral. We're HIV positive but healthy. We like to kick back, take it easy, and party with men. We're not looking for any complications or drama. We drink and smoke a little and will see to it you have a great time. (Columbia) **2139**

**WARMEST MOUTH IN THE SOUTH** Remember the warmest mouth you ever felt around you? Mine is nicer. I'm a masculine, good looking, 35 year old male, 5'11, 155lbs, with Brown hair, and Green eyes. I want to meet other masculine, well hung, men who need some oral service. (Germantown) **24497**

**TONED ABS ARE IN FASHION** I live in Knoxville, but travel to Nashville very often. I'm looking for guys to hang out with me. I'm 22, 5'11, 150lbs with Black hair, dark Brown eyes, a smooth body, and toned abs. Call me if you want to have some fun. (Knoxville) **24908**

**WHEN IS SHOWTIME?** I'm a hairy, White male, 26, 5'6, 138lbs, with Brown hair and Blue eyes. I want to meet men, between 27 and 38, who are interested in camping, bowling, and movies. (McNairy County) **13478**

**GAME FOR GOOD THINGS** This good looking, Black male, 6ft, 163lbs, with medium Brown skin, Black hair and Brown eyes, is ready to settle down. I'm looking for a friendly, attractive, guy who likes movies, long walks, travel, and good things like that. (Memphis) **2194**

**TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THE LIGHT** This is the season when I come into bloom because I'm an outdoor person through and through. I'm a Gay, White male, 47, 175lbs, with Blond hair and Blue eyes. I love the flowers, the beach, long horseback rides, and other activities. Hope you call soon. (Memphis) **2283**

**IN THE BOSOM OF HOME** I'm a 31 year old, Gay, Black male, 5'10, 180lbs, with Black hair, Brown eyes, and a nice build. I'm a bottom looking for masculine tops, of all races. I'm a homebody who is not into the clubs. If you're a barhopper, read on. (Memphis) **2293**

**MEMPHIS SWELL** This clean shaven, 24 year old, White male, seeks tops for good times and, maybe, something permanent. I'm good looking, 6ft, with Brown hair and eyes. (Memphis) **1965**

**LIFE EMBRACING** I just moved to the area and want to meet some life embracing, Black males to hang out with. I'm a young, good looking, Black male. I try to find some fun in everything. (Memphis) **1481**

**SMOOTH AND SCULPTED** This professional, Gay, White, Transvestite, in my 40's, 5'7, 135lbs, with a toned, smooth, sculpted, swimmer's build, seeks other clean cut, professional, Gay males, and Transvestites for fun. I enjoy cultural events, dinners, and seek friendship and whatever it leads to. (Memphis) **1266**

**IN THE LONG RUN** I seek straight acting, well endowed, dominant tops for dating. I like honest guys who are fit and who are hoping to find a long term, monogamous, relationship, as I am. I'm not the type to rush into anything, but want to have some fun while I'm looking. (Memphis) **1039**

**TICKLE, TRICKLE** This very smooth, very built, White male, 25, 5'10, 160lbs, with Brown hair and Blue eyes, seeks similarly buffed, jock types, 18 to 40, who have broad shoulders and ticklish feet. (Memphis) **32532**



**SADDLE UP THE HORSES** I just moved back to Memphis but don't go to the bars. I'd like to meet some guys, 40 to 60, to socialize with. I'm an attractive, 53 year old, White male, 5'9, 180lbs, with Brown hair, Green eyes, and a goatee. I love horses, the outdoors, swimming, and the beach. I smoke and am a social drinker. (Memphis) **34440**

**A MORE PERFECT UNION** Are you ready for a relationship with a handsome, hard working, professional, Gay, White male? I'm the one. I'm 25, 5'5, 130lbs, with Brown hair and Blue eyes. I'm mentally fit, financially independent, and personally secure. I love movies, the outdoors, and watching rented videos, curled up with you. (Memphis) **34115**

**STUD INTO SEINFELD** I'm not into one night stands but I know how to have a good time. This attractive, unattached, masculine, Gay, White male, college student, 23, with Blond hair and Blue eyes, seeks other Single, Gay, White males, 20 to 30, for fun and friendship. I enjoy music, concerts, cinema, current events, and Seinfeld. A sense of humor is very important. (Memphis) **33496**

**TO BEAR OR NOT TO BEAR** I love polar bears and grizzlies. I'm a good looking, bearded, White male, 42, 6ft, 230lbs, with Black hair and Brown eyes. I'm smoke free, drug free, and healthy. I seek a very hairy man, over 35, who's ready for a long term, monogamous, relationship. I'm a bit of a homebody with a great sense of humor, love of music and good food. Let's talk. (Memphis) **32211**

**I'M TRIPPIN'** I'm looking for good natured fun with other guys in the area. I love to go out to movies, dinners, dancing, and taking long, or short, trips. (Memphis) **32280**

**OUR TIMES** I wanna meet a young, sexy, man interested in fun times, quiet times, music, and dining out. I'm a good looking, well educated, financially secure, White male, 40, 6ft, 180lbs. (Memphis) **32298**

**BE MY BUDDY** I'd like to make some friends to hang out with. I'm a good looking, 22 year old, White male, 6'4, with short Brown hair and Blue eyes. I prefer guys who are 18 to 22, smooth, and looking for good times. (Memphis) **32130**

### RIDE THE TRAILS WITH ME

I'm looking for a masculine man, 18 to 26, who enjoys hanging out and having fun. I'm a 26 year old, White male, 5'8, 190lbs, with Brown hair and eyes. I enjoy camping, fishing, mountain biking, and the great outdoors. (Memphis) **31493**

**BUILT TO LAST** I like romantic meetings and discreet encounters. Ultimately, I'd like to meet Mr. Right. I'm a youthful, very muscular, 39 year old, White male, 5'10, 170lbs, with dark hair and Blue eyes. I like in shape, younger guys who like to work out. I can be a top or a bottom and am very oral. I'm extremely well endowed. I like to hook up on weekdays or Saturdays. (Memphis) **31642**

**WHOLESOME AND HANDSOME** This Black male seeks a White male for clean, wholesome fun. I'm a big teddy bear so I love to be held. No drugs and alcohol, please. (Memphis) **31100**

**HOIST THE MAIN SAIL** I'm new in the area and want friends to spend time, and get it on, with. I'm a 47 year old, Gay, White male, top, 5'8, 165lbs. I love the outdoors, times at the lake, sailing and naturism. If you like adventure and excitement, let's have some no strings fun. (Memphis) **31323**

**POLITICAL MANEUVER** I'm a financially secure, 55 year old, Gay, White male, 5'6, 145lbs. I'm a discreet, non smoker, and social drinker. I enjoy travel, politics, and the arts. I'd like to meet a youthful, unmarried, Gay, White male, 40 to 70, with similar interests, for a monogamous relationship. (Memphis) **3843**

**ALL DAY PLAY** I'm an avid outdoorsman and sun worshipper who wants to meet guys to have fun with. I'm an attractive, Single, White male, 5'9, 150lbs. I love the beach, waterskiing, museums, the arts, and music, especially alternative. If you're between 21 and 32 and have similar tastes, let's go out and play. (Memphis) **16878**

**SMOOTH BODY SWIMMER** Professional, non smoking, Gay, White, Transvestite, 40, 5'7, 135lbs, with a toned, sculpted body, seeks other clean cut, professional, Gay men, who don't smoke, for cultural events, dinners, friendship, and more. (Memphis) **15101**

**SAILING TAKES ME AWAY** I've only recently sailed into the area and want to make friends to have adventurous times with. I'm a good looking, 47 year old, Gay, White male, 5'8, 165lbs. I like discreet fun with hot men, maybe groups. Let's spend a day at the lake or in the bedroom. (Memphis) **8510**

**MATURE IN MEMPHIS** This down to earth, young, Black male likes having fun with other serious minded people. Apply at my box. (Memphis) **30544**

**MORE IN MEMPHIS** I'm looking for a companion. This Gay, White male, 24, 5'10, 145lbs, with light Brown hair and Blue eyes, wants to hook up with White males, between 18 and 30, who are interested in beginning as friends and discovering what happens. (Memphis) **30068**

### SWING BLADE

I want to meet other Gay, White males, 18 to 30, for friendship and, maybe, a relationship. I'm a good looking, 22 year old, Gay, White male, 6'6, 190lbs, with Brown hair and Blue eyes. I like swimming, biking, rollerblading, and romantic evenings out on the town. (Memphis) **29578**

**I'M READY** I'm ready for a relationship with another Gay, White male. I'm 30 years old, 5'10, 150lbs, with Brown hair, Brown eyes, and a mustache. You should be between 18 and 40 and ready for something special. (Memphis) **29532**

**AMBITION A PLUS** This professional, well educated, 29 year old, White male, seeks another, between 25 and 45, for companionship and, perhaps, more. I'm 5'8, 160lbs, with Blond hair and Blue eyes. I'm looking for something special. (Memphis) **29430**

**MANHUNT IN MEMPHIS** This athletic, 24 year old, Gay, White male, 5'8, 185lbs, with Brown hair and eyes, is looking for a Blond, Blue eyed, smooth male, between 18 and 24, to hang out with. I'm inexperienced and prefer the same. I like camping, fishing, mountain biking, and staying home together on a rainy day. Please be laid back, healthy, masculine like me. (Memphis) **29552**

**MEMPHIS SMOOTH** I'm a 26 year old, professional with a smooth body. I'm 6ft, 170lbs. I enjoy music, sports, travel, and computers. If you're a masculine guy whose interests are similar, let's talk. (Memphis) **29292**

**MODEL IN MEMPHIS** I'm interested in finding someone to have a relationship with. I'm a very attractive male trying to break into the modeling business. I'm 6'1, 165lbs, and in excellent condition. Talk to me. (Memphis) **28750**

**A FEW THINGS** I'm so new at this that I don't have any experience at all. I'm a nice looking, 23 year old, White male, 5'8, 140lbs, with Brown hair and eyes. I want to meet a nice guy, between 18 and 23, who can teach me a few things. (Memphis) **27987**

**FINGER LICKIN' GOOD** This sexy male likes to be licked from head to toe and do the same for you. Is your mouth watering. (Memphis) **14026**

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**ART PARTNER** I want a special mate to enjoy life with. I'm a financially secure, 55 year old, professional, White male, 5'6, 145lbs. I'm home oriented and don't smoke or do drugs. I like movies, estate sales, plays, art exhibits, travel, and more. Age is not important. (Memphis) **#13293**

**HANDY MAN ON THE LAND** I've seen the unicorns climb the mountains of excess and dance with life. I'm looking for a unique individual who is proud of who he is, not just what he is. I'm financially secure and want to share eternity with a strong, intelligent male who would like to live with me in the country. Let's enjoy the land and grow our food on it. I'm in it for the long haul. What about you? (Memphis) **#28204**

**COUNTRY LIFE FOR ME** We can have a lot of fun in the country. I'm a 53 year old, Gay, White male, 6ft, 160lbs, with Salt and Pepper hair, and a mustache. I want to meet attractive, Gay, White males, between 45 and 55, who want to have good, quality times together. I'm a bottom and I'm interested in honest guys who are drug free. (Memphis) **#28193**

**TIME FOR MORE PROBING** This good looking, bottom with a bubble butt, is on the lookout for tops with large endowments. (Memphis) **#28245**

**PERFECT GAME** I'm looking for a guy to have fun with, who doesn't mind hanging out with a smoker. I'm an easy going, 22 year old, Gay, White male, 5'11, 190lbs, with Brown hair and eyes. I like to bowl, play pool, swim, take long walks, and many other things. You should be honest, and earnest about making friends. (Memphis) **#23213**

**THE WELL IS DEEP** I'm want to meet other Black men, who have serious minds, and deep psyches. I'm a very sincere Black male, 28, 6'2, 165lbs, with good looks, and a quiet, sensitive demeanor. If you're masculine, and in earnest, give me a holler. (Memphis) **#27927**

**WITH THE SKIN ON** If you're an uncut guy, between 45 and 65, and would like to meet another uncut guy, I'm your man. I'm 52, 5'8, 145lbs, clean, and well groomed. I'm a funloving, normal guy, and I like other uncut guys who enjoy their skin. Let's meet and roll it back. (Memphis) **#27010**

**TAKE THE REINS** Dominate me. I'm a Single, Black male, 23, who needs to be controlled by aggressive White males. I'm sexy, fun, and exciting. (Memphis) **#1646**

**EXECUTIVE DADDY WANTED** I'm a very attractive, clean cut, executive, Single, White male, 27, 5'11, 169lbs. I need to meet an executive daddy, between 35 and 45, with a strong, firm hand. Please be trim and fit. Unfortunately, I'm not into bears or bald guys. (Memphis) **#25969**

**BETTER LATE THAN NEVER** Don't ask me what took so long, but I'm just getting started in the Gay lifestyle. I'm 53, 145lbs, and financially secure. I don't smoke or drink. I'd like to meet another Gay, White male, between 30 and 60, who shares my interest in travel, the arts, and politics. Please be interested in monogamy, and live in western or middle Tennessee. (Memphis) **#25739**

**I NEED A TUNE UP** We're not getting anywhere! I'm in a relationship, but I think we're out of gas. I need to rev up my engine with someone new. Maybe we'll get better mileage together. (Memphis) **#25072**

**SIT ON TOP OF YOUR WORLD** I'm an attractive, Gay, White, professional male. I am young looking, 35 years old, 6 ft, 155lbs. I'm seeking well-endowed tops who are discrete and straight-acting. Drug-free, please. Give me a call, would love to get together. (Memphis) **#24442**

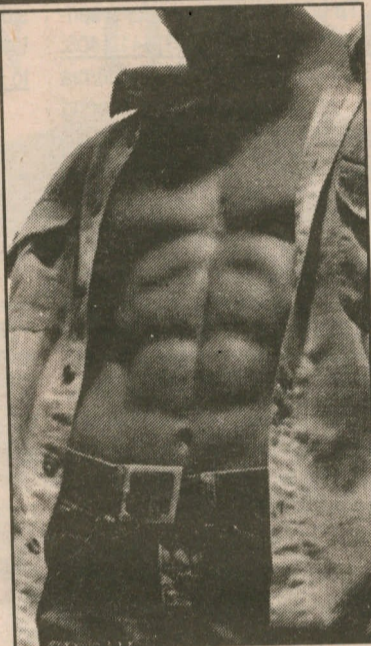
**SEVEN SOLID INCHES** I enjoy hanging out and having fun. Also into clubs, movies, music, bars, and restaurants. I'm 34, 5'11, 160lbs, short Brown hair, Brown eyes, and equipped with seven, solid inches. Be somewhat near my age, similar in shape and size. Let's enjoy each others. Any race. (Memphis) **#23895**

**EVERYTHING DELUXE** Want the best of everything? I'm a Divorced, Gay, White male, 6'2, 188lbs, with dark Brown hair, Green eyes, and a mustache. I'm extremely hairy, and very well endowed. I'm looking for a serious, Gay male, 25 to 46, who is interested in a monogamous, long term relationship. I'm not into the bars, but I love trips to Florida, antiquing, quiet nights at home, and sessions of hearty passion. (Memphis) **#23185**

**INFORMATION LEAK** You do the talking. I want to know what's going on out there. Call me with a news update. (Memphis) **#23100**

**RENDEZVOUS IN MEMPHIS** I'll be in Memphis for a meeting in January, and would like to have some hot times while I'm there. I'm a Black male, 5'11, 145lbs, with a toned, runner's build. I'm good looking, with a goatee. I'm into White guys, between 21 to 35, with nice bodies. Please be good looking and hot. We'll get along just fine. (Memphis) **#23218**

**TENNESSEE WALTZ** I'm looking to meet people in the West Tennessee area. Give me a call and let's get acquainted. (Memphis) **#20895**



**CROSS-DRESSING KINK** I'm interested in meeting Transvestites, and crossdressers, who are into kinky sex. I'm in western Tennessee, and willing to travel, if the situation is right. (Memphis) **#21673**

**TOTAL TESTOSTERONE** I'm looking for masculine men who are Bi or Bi-curious. I'm an attractive Bi, Black male. I enjoy the art scene, dance, camping, traveling, and working out. I am extremely turned on by Italian, Hispanic, and Irish guys. Let's wrestle. (Memphis) **#18398**

**DON'T TAKE IT OFF!** I'm a single, White male, looking for a pre-op Transsexual. You should have breasts, and be able to pass as an attractive woman, but not have had the final surgery, if you know what I mean. Please be healthy, kind, and considerate. Be discreet as well, as I would like to keep this just between us. (Memphis) **#20726**

**ORDER GIVER** I'm a tall, thin, Gay male, 48 years old. I'm looking for a boy toy who is into being obedient and understands that he will be punished if he isn't. Need to be kept in line? (Memphis) **#20981**

**RIDE MY PONY** I am 18 years old, 5'6, 150 lbs and I'm looking for a tall, young, handsome, Black man to fulfill my needs. If you think you can ride this pony call me. (Memphis) **#16675**

**B-1 BOMBER** New to Memphis. I'm a 24 year old, Gay, Black male, 5'8, 150lbs, handsome and very well built. Former military, masculine, urban type. I'm discreet and take care of business. You are a Gay, White male, handsome, athletic, in shape, and employed, looking for friendship, fun and more. Serious only. (Memphis) **#1117**

**HOT NEWCOMER** I'm a hot, Gay, White male, 50 years old and new to the area. Are you a hot daddy who can meet my needs? I'm waiting to give you what you want. You won't be disappointed. (Memphis) **#2813**

**ONE FOR ONE OR MORE** Hey guys! This 5'11, 160lb man with Blond hair and Brown eyes wants to meet you. I'm open, adventurous and discrete. Singles? Couples? Let's get together and have some fun and good times. (Memphis) **#20250**

**YOU KNOW, MOTHER NATURE** I'm looking for straight looking guys that are uninhibited in their 20's to 30's. I like guys that like to work out and stay in shape. If you fill that bill, give me a call. I want to have safe fun. (Memphis) **#20084**

**LOYAL FOR YOU** I'm a 24 year old Gay White male, 5'10, 175lbs, Brown hair, Green eyes. I'm looking for a relationship with someone who is loyal, dominate, straight acting, honest, age 30s to 40s. (Memphis) **#17958**

**HI, DAD!** I'm an attractive Italian male, straight acting, hairy, and masculine. I'm looking to meet some friends. You won't be disappointed. (Memphis) **#18140**

**TAKE YOUR CLOTHES OFF** I'm a Gay, White male, 5'6, with a medium build. I'm looking for guys between 20 and 30, who are straight acting with a medium build. I prefer guys into naturism. (Memphis) **#19751**

**LEATHER, RUBBER AND SWEAT** I'm a 48 year old, sweaty, kinky, Gay, White bear, who is butch and hairy. I am 6'1, 220 lbs, and well-endowed. I'm looking for rough action and erotic pain. I am into leather, rubber, and dirty jockstraps. (Memphis) **#49991**

**EASY GOING** I'm new to the game and very curious. I'm a Gay White male, 23 years old, 5'9, 130lbs, Brown hair and Green eyes. I'm looking for another Gay White male between the ages of 20 and 30 to share quality time with. My hobbies are bowling, dancing, swimming, and reading. Straight acting only! (Memphis) **#18980**

**IT'S HEATING UP** Hey, hot men. I'm looking for good, sweaty, times. This good looking, White male, 42, 6ft, 170lbs, wants to get it on with other horny dudes, who are well hung. Any race will do. Let's talk. (Murfreesboro) **#2252**

**SOMETHING TO HOLD ON TO** I love nature, the outdoors, and adventure. It's great fun to go exploring in a new cave. Right now, though, I'm just interested in exploring this new lifestyle, and I'm real horny to do it. I'm an attractive, White male, college student, 5'8, 150lbs, with Brown hair and eyes. Throw me the rope. (Nashville) **#2111**

**SECOND BASE IS OPEN** I believe in friendship first, romance second. Can you get to second? I'm an attractive, honest, dependable, Gay, White male, 45, 5'11, 180lbs, with Brown hair and Blue eyes, seeking a masculine, good looking, quality, Gay, White male, in his 30's or 40's, for a life together. I prefer guys with pretty nice builds. I enjoy country music, movies, plays, sports, and romance at home. (Nashville) **#2222**

**A PORTRAIT OF THE ARTIST** I'm a 19 year old, college art student, 5'11, 160lbs. I love Warhol, Morrissey, blues, and wild times with food. I'd like to meet a guy, 18 to 22, who get into these same things and is willing to help drag me out of the closet. (Nashville) **#2127**

**CODE RED** I want to meet Gay or Bisexual dudes in western Tennessee for discreet and intimate fun. Call now. It may be an emergency. **#26251**

**MAKING UP FOR LOST TIME** I'm newly Gay and want to make up for lost time with attractive, hot, Gay men and couples, who like to be on top. This professional, White male, is tall, good looking, thin, fit, healthy, smooth, and ready to go. (Nashville) **#2039**

**FUN BUT PRACTICAL** I'm looking for a responsible, masculine, man, 25 to 45, to hang out, and have good times, with. I'm an attractive, Gay, White male, in my 30's, 5'6, 145lbs, with Brown hair and Green eyes. I enjoy sports, dancing, movies, hanging out with friends, and lots more. (Nashville) **#1905**

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**Meetings at  
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(901) 276-7379**

**Phoenix (Alcoholics Anonymous) All Meetings Open**

Sunday	8:00 pm	Discussion
Monday	8:00 pm	Discussion (Smoke Free)
Tuesday	8:00 pm	Twelve Step Study
Wednesday	8:00 pm	Big Book Study
Friday	10:00 pm	Discussion
Saturday	8:00 pm	Discussion

(Last Sunday of month is birthday night with speaker.)

**Into The Light (Alcoholics Anonymous - Women)**

Thursday	7:00 pm	Discussion (Open, Smoke Free)
Sunday	12 Noon	Discussion (Open)

(Business meeting 3rd Sunday of month, Birthdays last Thursday)

**Seriously Sober (Alcoholics Anonymous)**

Friday	8:00 pm	Discussion (Open, Smoke Free)
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**Open Heart (Al-Anon)**

Tuesday	6:00 pm	Discussion (Open)
Thursday	5:30 pm	Discussion (Open, Smoke Free)

(Business meeting 3rd Tuesday of the month, Birthdays last Tuesday)

**Freely Speaking (All 12-Step Programs)**

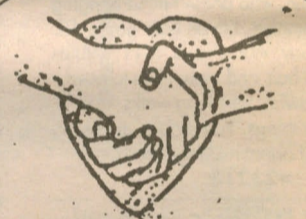
Thursday	9:00 pm	Discussion (Open)
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**ACOA (Adult Children of Alcoholics)**

Sunday	6:00 pm	Discussion (Open)
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\*Memphis Lambda Center, Inc. is a private organization formed for the promulgation and enhancement of Twelve-Step meetings with a special outreach to the Gay and Lesbian community. Business meetings are on the last Wednesday of the month at 6:30 pm.

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**ADULT BOOKSTORES**

- Airport Bookmart\***: 2214 Brooks Rd E. #345-0657.  
**Cherokee Adult Book Store\***: 2947 Lamar #744-7494.  
**Fantasy Warehouse I\***: 791-793 North White Station #683-9649.  
**Getwell Book Mart\***: 1275 Getwell #454-7765.  
**Paris Adult Entertainment Center\***: 2432 Summer #323-2665.  
**Tammy's # 2:** 2220 East Brooks Rd #396-9050.  
**Tammy's # 3:** 1617 Getwell Rd #744-4513.  
**Tammy's # 4:** 5937 Summer Ave. #373-5760.

**BARS / RESTAURANTS**

- Alternative Restaurant:** 553 So Cooper #725-7922.  
**Amnesia\***: 2866 Poplar #454-1366.  
**Arizona\***: 394 North Watkins #272-9000.  
**Autumn Street Pub\***: 1349 Autumn #274-8010.  
**Backstreet\***: 2018 Court Street #276-5522.  
**Changes\***: 2586 Poplar #327-3175.  
**Coffee Cellar:** 3573 Southern #320-7853.  
**Crossroads\***: 1278 Jefferson #725-8156.  
**David's\***: 1474 Madison #278-4313.  
**501 Club\***: 111 N. Claybrook #274-8655.  
**J-Wags\***: 1268 Madison #725-1909.  
**Madison Flame\***: 1588 Madison #728-5553.  
**N-cognito\***: 338 South Front #523-0599.  
**One More\***: 2117 Peabody #278-8015.  
**P & H Cafe\***: 1532 Madison Ave. #274-9794.  
**Pipeline\***: 1382 Poplar #726-5263.  
**Secrets\***: 1528 Madison #278-9321.  
**Sip and Dip Coffee Shop\***: 1264 Madison #725-1909.  
**Sunshine Lounge\***: 1379 Lamar #272-9843.  
**The Edge\***: 532 South Cooper #272-3036.  
**The Other Side\***: 3883 Highway 45 North, Jackson, TN. #1-901-668-3749.  
**Western Steak House & Lounge:** 1298 Madison #725-9896.

**BOOKS & GIFTS**

- A Novel Idea\***: Book Store • 2113 Madison in Overton Square #276-8535.  
**Meristem\***: Feminist Book Store • 930 S. Cooper #276-0282.

**CARPET CARE / CLEANING SERVICES**

- BJ's Cleaning Service:** #726-4211.  
**King's Cleaning Service:** Home or Office #745-3300.  
**Lee's Carpet Care:** Commercial or Residential, 24-hr. service, free estimates #327-6165.  
**White Glove Services:** Home or Office #388-3781.

**COMMUNITY GROUPS**

- ACT UP/Gay Liberation Movement:** #226-6523 Call for meeting place & schedule.  
**Adult Children of Alcoholics (ACOIA):** Memphis Lambda Center #276-7379.  
**Al-Anon (Co-dependency):** Memphis Lambda Center #276-7379.  
**Alliance:** Leather/Levi club • 4035 Walnut Grove Cir., Memphis 38117.  
**Aloysius Home, Inc.:** 28 North Claybrook, Memphis 38104 • Mailing address: Box 41679, Memphis 38174-1679 #274-8321, Dr. Jim Shaw.  
**American Gay Atheists (AGA) Memphis:** Box 41371, Memphis 38174-1371.  
**Black & White Men Together (BWMT):** Box 42157, Memphis 38174-2157 #276-0168, 274-8658.  
**Bluff City Sports Association:** Box 41803, Memphis 38174-1803 #274-3857.  
**Brothers & Sisters Bowling League:** 3139 Choctaw Ave. #323-3111.

**Cotton Pickin' Squares:** Gay/Lesbian Square Dance Club • Meets Thurs., 7pm Prescott Memorial Baptist Church • 3956 Blue Spruce, Lakeland 38002 #387-1567.

**Friends For Life—HIV Resources:** HIV/AIDS Service Organization • 1450 Poplar, Memphis 38104 #272-0855 or #278-AIDS.

**Gay and Lesbian American Indians:** Information #725-4898.

**Gays Off Cleveland Street (GOCS):** Social Group • c/o Sunshine Lounge, 1379 Lamar #272-9843.

**Holy Trinity Community Church\*:** Worship Service: Sun. 11 am & 7 pm; Bible study: Wed. 7 pm; 1559 Madison #726-9443.

**Integrity Memphis:** Meets the 3rd Tues., Healing Service/Eucharist, 6pm; Dinner, 6:45pm, \$4; Meeting 7:30pm • c/o Calvary Episcopal Church, 102 N. 2nd #525-6602.

**Into The Light (Women's AA):** Memphis Lambda Center #276-7379.

**Living Word Christian Church:** Worship Service Sun. 10 am & 6pm, Wed. 7 pm • 340 N Garland #276-0577.

**Loving Arms (Support Partners for HIV+ Mothers & Babies; "hold" babies at the Med):** Shelia Tankersley, P.O. Box 3368, Memphis, TN 38173 #725-6730.

**Memphis Area Gay Youth (MAGY):** PO Box 241852, Memphis, TN 38124 #725-7152 Jonathan Green for info, e-mail: ujbgreen@msuvx1.memphis.edu.

**Memphis Center for Reproductive Health:** 1462 Poplar Ave #274-3550.

**Memphis Gay & Lesbian Community Center (MGLCC):** Box 41074, Memphis 38174 #324-4297.

**Memphis Lambda Center\*:** Meeting place for 12-step recovery programs • 1488 Madison #276-7379, 726-6293, 527-1461, or 327-3676.

**Memphis Pride, Inc.:** Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual, & Transgendered Pride Events • Box 3713, Memphis 38173 #274-2849 Chet Overstreet, 274-1217 George Ettinger, e-mail: safemcc@aol.com.

**Memphis TransGender Alliance:** TV/TS support group • c/o Barbara Jean Jasen, Box 11052, Memphis, TN 38111-0052.

**Mid-South AIDS Mastery Workshop:** Ronnie Gardino #767-2182 or e-mail at msaidmstry@aol.com.

**Mystic Krewé of Aphrodite:** Box 41822, Memphis 38174-1822.

**National Organization for Women (NOW):** Box 40982, Memphis 38174-0982 #272-0560.

**New Beginnings (Adult Children of Alcoholics):** Memphis Lambda Center #276-7379 or 454-1414.

**Parents, Families & Friends of Lesbians & Gays (P-FLAG):** Box 172031, Memphis 38187-2031 #761-1444.

**Parents & Friends of Lesbians & Gays (P-FLAG):** Jackson, TN 38305 #1-800-562-3383 for information.

**Phoenix AA Memphis Lambda Center:** #454-1414.

**River City Men's Chorus:** Box 12837, Memphis 38182-0837 #276-3471 (Charles Friedman).

**Safe Harbor MCC:** Pastor Greg Bullard, 2117 Union Ave., Chapel #458-0501.

**Seriously Sober (AA):** Memphis Lambda Center #276-7379 or 454-1414.

**Southern Country Memphis:** Country Western Dance Club #278-9321 or 274-8655.

**Southern Sisters:** Support group for transsexual women (male to female) #728-4297, 7:30-11 pm for referral.

**Stonewall Mission Church:** A Progressive Christian Church • Sun. Service 6:30 p.m., meets at the Center, 103 Berry Rd., Nashville, TN 37204 # (615) 269-3480.

**Tennessee Leather Tribe:** Gay men's/women's leather org. 1568 Rolling Hills Dr., Memphis, TN 38127-5409 #357-1921.

**Tsarus:** Leather-Levi club • Box 41082, Memphis 38174-1082.

**U of M Students for Bisexual, Gay & Lesbian Awareness (BGALA):** BGALA c/o Office of Greek Affairs Box 100, U of M 38152.

**UT-Martin ALLIES:** Campus and community. Alternate Weds. 5 p.m. Info 131F Humanities Bldg., Martin 38238, neilg@utm.edu #587-7301.

**WAC (Woman's Action Coalition):** PO Box 1203, 3566 Walker, Memphis 38111 #678-3339.

**Wings:** Social Club • Box 41784, Memphis 38174-1784.

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**Cliff Heegel, PhD:** Licensed Psychologist • Centerpoint, 5180 Park Ave. Ste 150 #767-1066.

**Sheridan Lambe, LCSW:** Individual & Couple Counseling, #761-9178.

**K. A. Moss, MS:** Midtown Counseling Service, 1835 Union, Ste. 101 #726-4586 • Sliding fee scale.

**Northeast Mental Health Center:** #382-3880.

**Joyce Schimenti, LCSW:** Individual & Group Counseling #761-9178.

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**Flamingo Flowers & Gifts:** 3864 Macon Road, Suite 2 #452-0803.  
**Flower Market of Memphis:** 262 South Highland #274-8103.  
**Medical Center Flowers & An Occa-**

**sional Piece Antiques:** 1264 Madison Ave. #725-4045.  
**Park East Florist:** 6005 Park #761-2980.  
**Sweetpeas:** 597 South Holmes #324-2733.

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**HELP & INFORMATION LINES**

**Affirmation:** # (708) 733-9590.  
**AIDS Switchboard:** #278-AIDS.  
**Gay & Lesbian Hotline:** #1-800-285-7431 (24 hr. help & information for Lesbians, Gays, transvestites & transsexuals).

**Gay & Lesbian Youth Hotline:** #1-800-347-TEEN (Thu.-Sun., 7pm-11:45pm).

**Gay & Lesbian Switchboard:** #324-GAYS • 24-hrs. Live Operators 7:30-11pm.

**LINC:** #725-8895.  
**Narcotics Anonymous:** #276-LIVE.

**Rape Crisis:** #528-2161.  
**Suicide & Crisis Intervention:** #274-7477.

**Transvestite-Transexual National Hotline:** # (617) 899-2212 (8-2am, Mon.-Sat.).

**LEGAL SERVICES**

**The Höglund Law Firm at Memphis:** 165 Madison, Ste 1813, Memphis 38103 #526-7526 (24 hrs).

**David Hooper, Attorney At Law:** 1870 Union Ave #274-6824.

**Susan Mackenzie, Attorney At Law:** 100 N. Main, Ste 2518 #526-0809.

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**Kelly Stark, Attorney At Law:** 44 N. Second, Ste 600, #521-9996.

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**Massage by Jim:** #541-0579.  
**Massage by Michael:** #278-5475.

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**Triangle Journal News:** Monthly newspaper published by Printers Ink • Box 11485, Memphis, 38111-0485 #454-

1411, Fax: 454-1411 \*51, E-mail: TJNmemphis@aol.com.

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**Antique Warehouse:** 2563 Summer #323-0600.

**Bliss Salon:** 2111 Madison #726-6100.  
**Body Shop Tanning Center:** 599 Erin Drive #821-0086.

**Dabbles Hair Co.:** 19 N. Cooper #725-0521.

**Eagle Pest Control:** Jacqueline Behles • #743-8945.

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**David Gairhan:** A/C, refrigeration & appliance repair #274-7011.

**Great American Cruises, Inc.:** Cruise Travel Agency, Sherman Perkins, 52 N. Second #525-5302.

**Gypsy's Vintage Fashions and Antiques:** 2018 Court, (In the Mid-Town Flea Market).

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**Kings Interior Painting:** #745-3300.  
**Lavender Earth\***: 852 S. Cooper, #272-2853.

**McPherson Appliance Clinic:** Sales, service & repair, Heating & A/C. • 1447 National, #327-6887, 327-7395.

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**Enrica Ramey:** Insurance Memphis # Business: 377-1075, Home 375-9584

**Sanders Facilities, Inc.:** Catering & party facility rental • Michael Sanders #948-3998.

**Star Search Video\*:** 1411 Poplar Ave #272-STAR.

**The Bolo Bartender:** Steve Wesson • 2001 St. Elmo, Memphis 38127 #358-2089.

**TNT Painting:** Tom Rowe & Trent Gatewood #481-7900.

**Tom Webb Ins.:** Insuring in the Gay and Lesbian Community, 4646 Poplar #682-2170.

**Tropical Impressions:** Pet Shop & Grooming Salon • 3700 S. Mendenhall #794-3047 or 365-9716.

**Vantek:** Internet Services • Box 111324, Memphis 38111-1324 #324-4999, e-mail: vtadmin@vantek.net.

**Whittington Tree & Lawn Service:** Sandra & Troy Whittington #685-8410. Free estimates, 24 hr. service.

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**Memphis and Shelby County Public Library:** 1850 Peabody #725-8800.

**Squash Blossom Market:** 1801 Union #725-4823  
**Tobacco Corner Newsroom:** 669 Mendenhall Rd S. #682-3326.



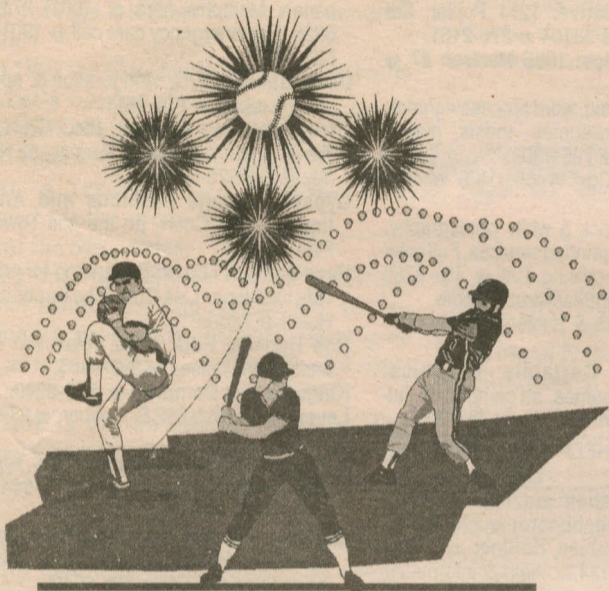
JOIN THE PLAYERS ALL WEEKEND AT THE FOLLOWING EVENT SPONSORS  
AMNESIA AUTUMN STREET CHANGES J-WAGS SECRETS

# MEMPHIS' FIRST GAY SOFTBALL TOURNAMENT BATTLE ON THE BLUFF !!!

sponsored by **Lite**

**JULY 4<sup>TH</sup> 5<sup>TH</sup> & 6<sup>TH</sup>**

**WHERE: RODNEY BABER FIELDS (AT JAMES RD. AND MCLEAN)**



**Battle on the Bluff**

**JOIN 20 PLUS MENS & WOMENS TEAMS  
FROM ACROSS THE COUNTRY IN THE FUN  
AND PARTYING...**

## **Thursday**

Welcoming Party:

**Ornamental Metal Museum**

Registration, Free Food and a Live Band

**6:00pm until 10:00pm**

**Everyone Welcome!!!**

Party at **Autumn Street Pub !**

Go-Go Dancers till Midnight.

**Don't Drink & Drive...Take the Shuttle !!!**

*We Want you back next year.*

## **FRIDAY**

**GAMES STARTING AT 3:00pm until 8:00pm**

**11:00pm: Portfolio Men Strip at Amnesia**

Grand Opening of the New J-Wags

**11:00pm: Team Strip Down then**

Immediately following...

Illusions, Welcome To Broadway Show

**8:00pm: Join the girls for the live Band  
"Girls Room" at Changes Bistro & Pub**

## **SATURDAY**

**GAMES STARTING AT 9:00am until 6:00pm**

**Autumn Street Pub**

**9:00pm: D.J. Spinning your favorite tunes.**

Dancing & Many Giveaways

**11:00PM: Presentation of Men's Division**

Participation Awards

**Secrets**

**8:30: Pool Tournament & \$1.50 Longnecks**

**10:00pm: Presentation of Women's Division**

Participation Awards

D.J., Dancing & Much More!!!

## **SUNDAY**

**GAMES STARTING AT 9:00am until Finished**

**Amnesia**

**3:00pm: Beer Bust - Pool & Patio Party!**

Come Early and Stay Late.

*Get Wet with All the Players !!!*

**5:00pm: Championship Trophy Presentation  
for Men's & Women's Divisions**

**Player & Fan Appreciation Party All Night!!**