

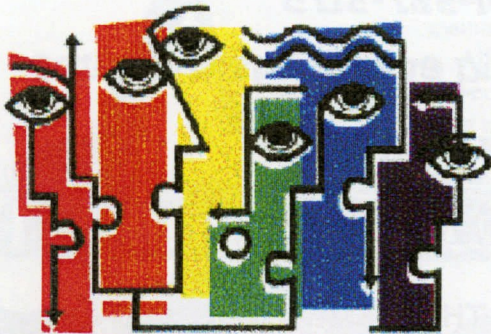
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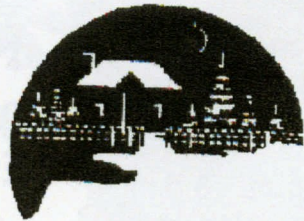
## Memphis Pride

*Don't forget to  
show your pride  
at the Memphis  
Pride Parade,  
Festival*

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Festival for Women is  
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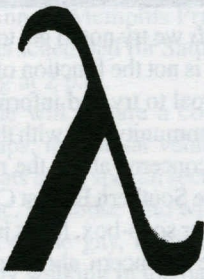
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## Lambda: Sign of gay, lesbian rights

This Greek lower-case letter "L" was officially chosen as a gay symbol in 1970 by the New York Gay Activists Alliance and in 1974 by the International Gay Rights Congress held in Edinburgh, Scotland.

There are several ideas as to the sig-



nificance of this letter. One borrows the lambda from the scientific designation for kinetic potential—energy associated with motion, movement or action. Another suggests it stands for synergy—the concept that the whole is greater than its independent parts. There is the idea that it stands for "liberation." The letter itself represents scales, a symbol of balance, with the hook at the bottom of the right leg of the letter representing the action needed to reach and maintain balance.

All these meanings come together for the gay community to emphasize the energy we exert to seek equal rights as well as a peaceful, balanced place to live in the world and society.

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# AND YOUR POINT IS ...

**Ramblings from the  
Editorial Staff**



Here at *Family & Friends* we try not to get too wrapped up in the political arena, for is not the function of our publication. However, it is our goal to try and inform and unite the gay, lesbian and trans community, and with that said, we cannot but help voice our concerns about the recent boycotting of Walt Disney by the Southern Baptist Convention.

Now, before we get on our soap-box, let us just say that we can understand anyone's concern about taking their young children to an amusement park on a day when gays and lesbians are very outwardly open with possible public displays of affection. The reason is, we believe in every parent's right, whether they be homosexual or heterosexual, to decide what their minor children are exposed to.

However, the boycott extends beyond what has come to be known as "Gay Day." Our understanding of the boycott is that Baptists do not agree with Disney's corporate policy of offering medical insurance to same-sex partners of their employees.

So, to all you Southern Baptists, throw away your Polaroid cameras; cut up your American Express cards; take off your Levi's; cut up your Citibank credit cards and checks; do away with all your photographs printed on Kodak paper; stop stocking your downstairs refrigerators with Coors Beer (whoops, forgot you Baptists don't drink); shut off and donate your IBM computers to schools where they are needed;

Hope your corporate medical prescription card is valid at a pharmacy other than Rite-Aid or you, too, may not have access to much needed medications, including those made by Agouron Pharmaceuticals Inc.; tell your kids to shop the bargain stores instead of

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# Memphis Pride Parade, Festival is set for Saturday in Midtown

Whether you're family or a friend of the family, the chance to don your "colors" and put on your walking shoes is only a couple of weeks away.

The 6th Annual Memphis Pride Parade and Festival is scheduled for Saturday, June 20, beginning at 2 p.m.

The parade will feature a collection of walking groups, individual vehicles, organizations, floats and a special section for the general public. For those who wish to show their support of the gay, lesbian and trans community by walking in the parade, meet at 1 p.m. for the parade line-up at the corner of Willett and Madison, by Holy Trinity Church. This year's parade will once again feature the 100-foot Pride Flag, which was used for the first time last year.

The parade will begin at 2 p.m. and travel down Madison to Cooper, then down Cooper to Poplar, then down Poplar to the entrance of Overton Park at Tucker and conclude at the Overton Park Shell. The Memphis Police Department will have the roadways blocked off.

"The parade is in its sixth year," began George Ettinger, Memphis Pride Inc. chairman of the executive committee. "There were only 30 people in the first parade, which traveled down Cooper. The parade has basically grown from there with 1,500 people attending in 1997. This year we expect about 2,000 to 3,000 people to participate.

"The cost of the parade and festival is completely paid for by donations and fundraising events," he continued. "Anyone wishing to make a donation can do so by sending it to Memphis Pride Inc., P.O. Box

111265, Memphis, TN 38111-1265."

The festival will be held at the Overton Park Shell and will run from 3 to 6 p.m. Admission is \$3. The festival will feature entertainment, speakers, vendors such as Meristem and non-profit organizations. Tickets to the festival will be pre-sold at the parade line-up.

"The headline entertainer will be Jamie Anderson, a folk singer from Tucson, Ariz.," Ettinger said. "The lead sponsor is the Hard Rock Cafe, who will have a booth at the festival."

Booths at the festival are still available at a cost of \$20 for merchant/vendors and free for non-profit organizations.

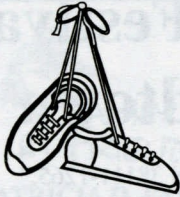
"The main focus of the parade and festival is to promote unity and visibility in the (gay, lesbian and trans) community," Ettinger noted. "This is basically a way of letting the city know, 'Yes, we're here,' and to provide a more affirming atmosphere, not in a bar setting."

In addition to the parade and festival events, there will be a boat ride on The Memphis Queen the night before, Friday, June 19. Boarding for the boat ride, which is being sponsored by The Community Center, will begin at 8 p.m. with the boat leaving the dock at 9 p.m. and returning at midnight. Tickets for the boat ride are available at Star Search Video and Meristem.

Also, T-shirts with this year's Memphis Pride Inc. logo and theme will be available at the festival at a cost of \$15 each.

For more information on the parade or festival, call 381-1258.





# TAKE A WALK

WITH

## STEVEN BRADFORD

**A First-Hand Look at the Trans Community**

We're are called the Southern Boyz. Just a bunch of guys hanging out and sharing their experiences. We are a very close group of about 15, including girlfriends and wives. Most of us are from Tennessee. The only thing different about this bunch of guys is that we weren't born with all the right parts but we are indeed male. As a friend my mine once told me, we are men going through reconstructive surgery to fix what nature screwed up.

*Time* magazine wrote a story last year about the John/Joan story. It was about a man who was born with a penis as well as female parts. The doctor advised the parents to have the penis removed and give the child female hormones at a very early age. He grew up as female and was never told about the incident of his birth. He went through life not understanding why he felt male. He loved sports and all the things a little boy would

stereotypically love. He had tried to be who his parents thought he was. But he failed miserably. He felt trapped and never knew why. He even tried suicide a few times. His parents took him to counseling after the suicide attempts and the truth eventually came out. John was relieved. He could finally understand why he was the way he was. John had reconstructive surgery to correct what nature and his doctor had taken from him. He now lives happily with his wife and two children on the East Coast.

There are many children born this way. Some are born incorrectly due to certain medications that could be purchased over the counter that caused these types of birth defects or the father had a low sperm count at conception. There are many factors that can be contributed to it. There are no medical tests used to determine which sex the child should have been. They make them all girls under

the assumption we learn our gender behavior and our role in society. If that were really the case, John would have never known who he really was. Nor would there be any homosexual people on this planet.

Since my last column, I understand there is confusion about who I am. I knew when I took this on there would be people I could never reach; people who could not see past their own noses. These are the same people who resent being labeled dyke, butch, gay, lesbian or other derogatory terms by heterosexual people. And they are the same people who turn around and label me or others like me. I feel sad for them that they live in such a small world. And then there are others who have said after reading the column, "I would have never known." I say to them, "Does it make a difference?" I am a man, nothing more, nothing less. And if you still don't get it, Take A Walk!





# ABOUT TOWN



## Mallory-Neely gets new look

Great Expectations: Restoration in Progress, a project of restoring the Mallory-Neely House, is being presented now through Sept. 30. Guided tours begin on the hours and half-hour between 10 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. Tuesdays through Saturdays at 1 p.m. and 3:30 p.m. on Sundays. For more information, call 523-1484.

## Health phone line offered

Methodist Le Bonheur Med Search has developed a Health Education Access Line with more than 2,000 pre-recorded topics for health issues related to every member of the family from ear infections to sleep problems in children. Other topics include women's concerns, seven warning signs of cancer, possible causes of back pain and exercises for the desk-bound. Call the phone line at 726-7777 any time, day or night, to get fast information.

## MCA plans student exhibition

Memphis College of Art's 6th Annual Student Summer Exhibition will be on display in the main gallery now through Aug. 7. The college will host a closing reception on Friday, July 24, from 5:30 to 8 p.m. This exhibit is sponsored by The Art Center.

## 'Smoke' returns to Playhouse

Smoke on the Mountain returned to Playhouse on the Square for a run now through July 19. For tickets and show times, call the box office at 7264656.

## Laser magic set at planetarium

Cosmic Laser Magic will begin June 27 at The Sharpe Planetarium. For more information and times, call 320-6362.

## Metal museum to host artists

The National Ornamental Metal Museum will host an exhibition featuring the work of 15 metal artists July 14-Sept. 13.

## MCA holding class registration

Art classes registration is on-going at the Memphis College of Art and at its satellites. For more information, call 272-5141.

## TM is staging 'Joseph'

Theatre Memphis is staging Joseph And The Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat now to July 12. For tickets and show times, call the box office at 682-8323.

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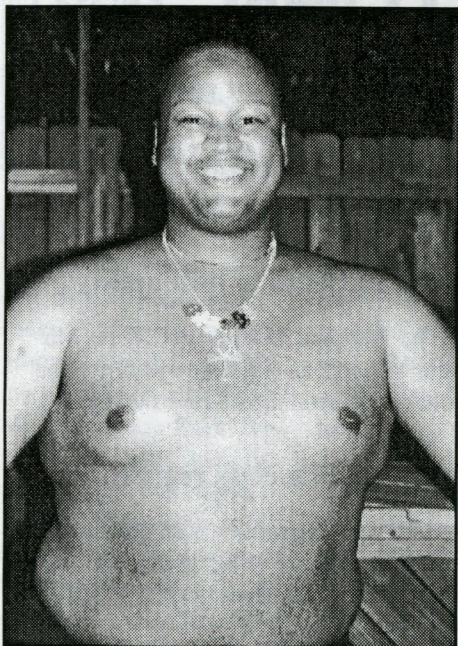
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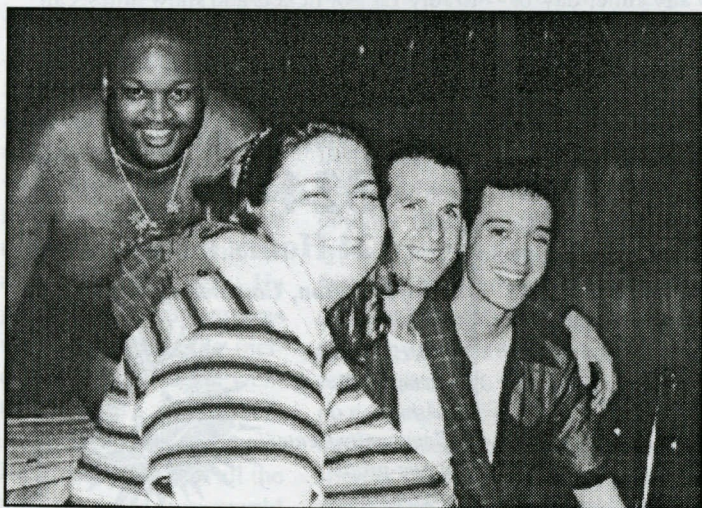
# Family Album



Jezebel, a bartender at Amnesia, shows off his physique at Amnesia's pool bar.



Charla, left, and Jonny spend an evening beside the pool at Amnesia.



Just hanging out at Amnesia's pool bar are, from left, Jezebel, Michelle, Doug and Jeffrey.



## Wellsprings Festival for Women is planned

Who said Mid-Southerners have to travel all the way to Michigan to attend a women's festival?

The Sixth Annual Wellsprings Festival for Women is set for Friday, Saturday, Sunday and Monday, Sept. 4-7, at Piersol Group Camp in Meeman Shelby Forest State Park, eight miles north of Memphis.

This year the festival theme is Mothers and Daughters, which will be celebrated in story, song, ritual and quiet discussion starting on Sept. 4 at 3 p.m. and continuing until Sept. 7 at noon.

The festival will feature such activities as food, the Peanut Butter Cafe, entertainment, workshops and activities, time-out and women's crafts.

Three delicious vegetarian meals will be available daily beginning with dinner on Friday and ending with brunch on Monday. There are limited start-up funds, so early registration fees are needed to assist in accurate food ordering and purchasing.

Each year the Wellsprings Festival for Women has presented exceptional talent with featured storytellers and musicians for the evening performances.

Workshops and activities to be offered include drumming, mask making, guided nature walks, motherless daughters, women and money, car karma, women and law, Writer's Network, Tai Chi and more. Women's crafts will be set up to offer their wonderful and unique wares.

Lodging also is available for the festival. Lodging is dorm-style with four bunks per room. Hot showers, toilets and wash basins are in each bunkhouse. Bring your own bed roll, pillow, towels, etc. If you should choose optional lodg-

ing, there is no reduction in the festival pass. Tent/RV campgrounds are available at the state park by calling the visitor center at (901) 876-5215.

Other things attendees should bring to the festival include drums/percussion, bed roll, pillow, towels, toiletries, lawn chair, flashlight, raingear, and things that would be nice to have include water bottles, sunscreen, bug screen, fan, extension cord, clip light and whatever else makes you happy with the exception of alcohol, drugs and pets.

Everyone who plans to attend must pre-register for this event and advanced registration must be received no later than Aug. 21. Due to state park regulations, there are no exceptions and no at the gate ticket prices. Children ages 12 and under, both girls and boys, will be admitted at no charge and all must be pre-registered. Organized childcare will not be available. Each parent is responsible for the care and safety of her child.

Cost of attending the festival per person is \$75 for one night (includes three meals), \$90 for two nights (includes six meals), \$100 for all weekend.

A limited number of work exchange positions are available to assist those in financial need. Work exchange involves a 10-hour commitment to be available for assigned tasks, as needed during the festival. If interested, please apply by Aug. 15.

In keeping with the spirit of women's festivals and in order to keep costs low, each registrant is asked to volunteer one hour of work during the festival. This can be in the kitchen, registration, children's recreation or cleanup.

The festival is wheelchair accessible. Registration forms can be obtained at Meristem, 930 South Cooper, or by sending a self-addressed, stamped envelope to Wellsprings Festival, P.O. Box 11423, Memphis, TN 38111.



# Your Turn

## Letters to the Editor



I'm writing to you in response to Change's Top 10 List (April 1998 issue). Though I enjoyed the humor in it very much, it reminded me sadly of the truth in the matter.

So, I thought I would offer my opinion as to why I believe lesbians don't stay together long and why it has to change if we are going to save "our kind" from extinction.

Please excuse my frankness, but for the most part, lesbians are very flaky individuals. They are here today and gone tomorrow without a second thought of what tomorrow might have in store. I believe lesbians (and I

know that it doesn't apply in every case) go into a relationship with a preconceived notion that if they move-in today and everything's not "just rosie" next week, they'll just move out and "on the next one."

But if we do this type of thing over and over, in time it's going to harden our hearts so that we won't know how to "love completely" when that perfect someone does finally come along. True commitment is not easily accomplished, I know, all though in the short time I've been "out" in the lesbian community, I have been fortunate in my venture to find a "life's love;" but I know just from listening to my lover (whose been "out" a lot longer than myself) and other ladies in bars and such, that for the most part, it just doesn't happen.

It just makes me saddened that there are so many of us out there just bouncing around week after week, looking for commitment that doesn't involve compromise and a lot of understanding. Understanding that we're NOT all created equal (at least not in heart, mind and spirit) and that your lover's life didn't begin the day you met. Their past is what makes them the person they are today (good or bad) and you can't change that; but if you don't let the past become your present then there's great hope for your future ... together.

**Tamara Logan-Wolverton**  
Horn Lake, Miss.

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**Q:** This might be an old question, but I've never seen an answer to it. How safe is repeated stimulation of the prostate gland through anal sex? It feels so good at the time, but I am curious about the possible after affects of a few hundred vigorous thrusts by a zealous lover.

**A:** You are in luck. There is no evidence that repeated stimulation of the prostate has any negative effects on your health. In fact, regular stimulation of the prostate may keep it in fine working order. So, since you have brought up the subject, this might be a good time for a brief discussion of exactly what the prostate is and what it does. Since prostate cancer strikes numerous men, it might be a good idea to know just what the little buggie is and what to look out for. The prostate gland is a gland about the size and shape of a chestnut. It surrounds the urethra, the tube that allows urine to flow from the bladder into the penis, and it is located just below the bladder, and in front of the rectum. If you insert your finger and press right where your scrotum is attached to your body you should be able to feel it easily. It will feel like a hard knot, and you will you have found it due to the sensations of muscles contracting. The actual purpose of the prostate is to secrete a fluid that forms part of semen. During ejaculation, the contraction of muscles around the prostate causes it to secrete fluid into the urethra, where it mixes with the sperm. As men

age, it is natural for the prostate to become enlarged. While generally harmless, this condition could cause certain problems, primarily causing the enlarged prostate to press on the urethra making it difficult for urine to flow through. Some possible signs of an enlarged prostate include: frequent urination (particularly at night), the inability to empty the bladder completely, a weak urine stream, difficulty starting or stopping urination, uncontrolled urination, or blood in the urine. A yearly checkup should include a prostate check because prostate cancer is relatively slowgrowing. Too often it is not detected until a man is older and the disease is advanced. While symptoms of prostate cancer are similar to regular prostrate enlargement, an enlargement doesn't necessarily indicate the presence of cancer. Men with a family history of prostate problems should be particularly aware of the signs of prostate disease.

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*Questions are answered by two people, a gay male and a lesbian, in an attempt to get the best and most fair answers possible. Each person has a bachelor's degree in the counseling field and are pursuing their master's degrees in counseling. The opinions expressed are not necessarily those of the magazine. For serious problems, seek professional help. Send questions to Family & Friends, P.O. Box 771948, Memphis, TN 38177-1948, or e-mail them to FamilyMag@aol.com.*



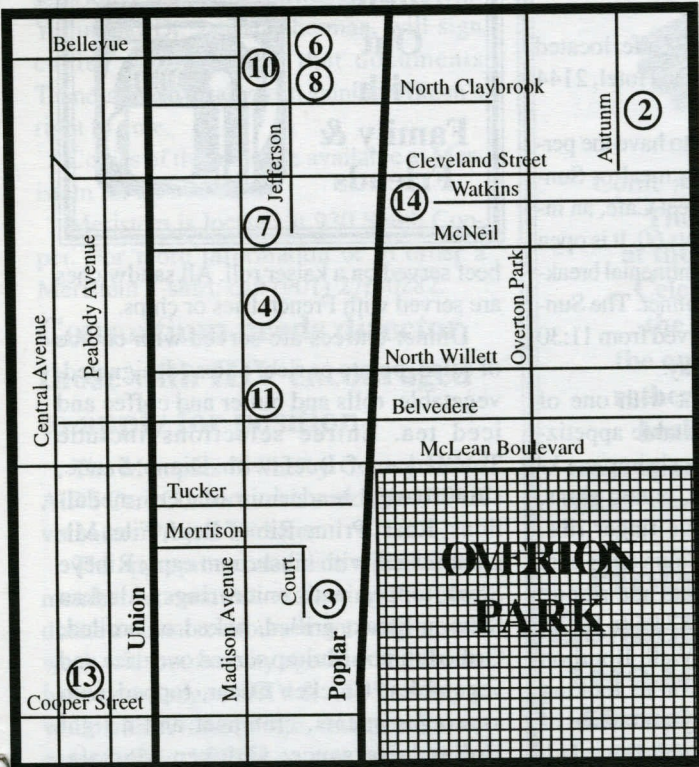
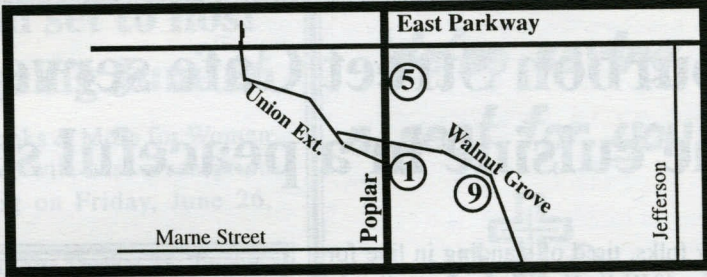
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## Bourbon Street Cafe serves up fine cuisine in a peaceful setting

Hey folks, tired of standing in line for good food? Well, those days of standing in line are over.

Try out the Bourbon Street Cafe, located inside the French Quarter Suite Hotel, 2144 Madison Avenue.

We found Bourbon Street to have the perfect ambiance for an evening meal or Sunday brunch. The Bourbon Street Cafe, an intimate dining atmosphere, seats 60. It is open daily for sumptuous deluxe continental breakfast buffet and evenings for dinner. The Sunday Champagne Brunch is served from 11:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. every Sunday.

Start your meal off right with one of Bourbon Street Cafe's delectable appetizers and soups. They include shrimp cocktail, Buffalo chicken wings, potato skins, stuffed mushrooms, barbecue finger ribs, deep fried chicken tenders, Cajun fried oysters, Cajun fried crawfish tails and a soup of the day. Prices range from \$7.95 to \$2.95.

In the mood for a salad? Well, Bourbon Street Cafe has just what you're looking for from a house salad with your choice of dressing to a Southern fried chicken salad, complete with tomatoes, cucumbers, croutons and bacon bits, to a friend crawfish salad with plump crawfish tail fried to perfection and nestled on a bed of mixed greens with tomatoes, croutons and Andouille sausage and served with honey horseradish dressing.

Bourbon Street Cafe offers a range of sandwiches from grilled chicken to a shrimp or oyster po boy. Don't forget the Memphis Belle Hamburger, eight ounces of ground

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beef served on a kaiser roll. All sandwiches are served with French fries or chips.

Dinner entrees are served with choice of salad, potato or rice, unless designated, vegetable, rolls and butter and coffee and iced tea. Entree selections include Tournedos of Beef with Diane Sauce, slow-roasted tenderloin of beef medallions; Roast Prime Rib of Beef; Filet Mignon served with mushroom caps; Ribeye Steak topped with onion rings; Alaskan Salmon Steak, grilled, baked or broiled; Grilled Jumbo Shrimp served over rice and vegetables; Chicken Oscar, topped with asparagus spears, crabmeat and a light Hollandaise sauce; Chicken Marsala, topped with marsala wine sauce, mushrooms and slivered onions; Pork Loin Hunter Style, topped with rich brown sauce with mushrooms, onions and tomatoes, and Pork Loin Dijonnaise, topped with a light cream sauce with a hint of Dijon mustard and dill. Entree prices range from \$16.95 to \$22.95.

The perfect ending to a Bourbon Street Cafe meal is chocolate temptation cake or ice cream.



## Meristem set to host book signing June 26

Meristem, Books & More for Women & Their Friends, will host a reception and book signing on Friday, June 26, from 6 to 8 p.m.

The authors of *The Perfect 36*, Tennessee Delivers Woman Suffrage, Carol Lynn Yellin and Dr. Janaan Sherman, will sign copies of their book that documents Tennessee's pivotal role in gaining women's right to vote.

Copies of the book are available at Meristem for \$24.95 each.

Meristem is located at 930 South Cooper. For more information or to order a Meristem T-shirt, call (901) 276-0282.

## Consortium needs director, those with HIV encouraged to apply for position

The Memphis & Shelby County HIV / AIDS Care Consortium is seeking a VISTA volunteer/Project Director.

The appropriate candidate will facilitate member recruitment, marketing/PR, coordinate a dental reimbursement program and work with community agencies. S/he must have knowledge of HIV & AIDS, ability to work with diverse groups, research & computers skills. VISTA pays a monthly stipend; educational grant and benefits are also available. Although it is in no way a requirement, persons who are HIV-positive are encouraged to apply.

Interested parties should send resume by June 26 to Anthony Fox, United Way of the Mid-South, P.O.Box 41897, Memphis, TN 38174-1897. United Way of the Mid-South is an Equal Opportunity Employer. For more information, call 543-5832.

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## Point Is

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The Gap and its subsidiaries; learn to live with the headaches that your Imitrex, manufactured by GlaxoWellcome, once cured; buy a watchdog and disconnect your Honeywell security system;

For those who light-up in between Sunday school and church, those butts in the bushes better not be Camels, Winstons or any R.J. Reynolds Tobacco Company products; your cars will be lonely sitting in the driveway since they will not have Chevron gas in them, and better go back to keeping your money in the mattress since you won't be utilizing the services of Wells Fargo, Prudential or Mass Mutual.

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Nortel Northern Telecom even said it is committed to "promoting awareness through initiatives that foster an environment that values differences, thereby enabling all individuals to contribute to their full potential." Wells Fargo said, "(Diversity) gives us richer resources and makes us a more innovative company. It is essential to progress and discovery. It is our heritage."

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## Have You Heard the One About ...

**The definition of "homophobia"** is the irrational fear that three gay men will break into your home and redecorate.

### What is a "queen?"

A queen is a gay man with an eccentric mix of attitude, flair, selfabsorption and charm. There are all sorts of queens out there. Some examples:

**Control Queen:** imagine a type-A Virgo with PMS that never goes away.

**Size Queen:** obsession with male endow-

ment (and I don't mean financial bequests).

**Closet Queen:** No, it's not a clothing fixation. A closet queen is so fanatic about keeping his homosexuality a secret that he fails to notice that everyone else figured it out years ago.

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*From Who Cares If It's A Choice: Snappy Answers to 101 Nosy, Intrusive and Highly Personal Questions about Lesbians and Gay Men by Ellen Orleans/ Laugh Lines Press."*

Loving Arms, an agency reaching out to women and children of our city that are infected or affected by HIV/AIDS, has moved into their new facility at 1233 Peabody. Loving Arms needs your help to furnish and equip their new facility. Should you like to contribute, please contact them at 725-6730. Their wish list includes:

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|-----------------------------|-------------------------|
| art work                    | hygiene items           |
| area rugs                   | cleaning products       |
| indoor trees and plants     | paper products          |
| 2 futons                    | bed linens              |
| 3 computers                 | towels                  |
| 3 printers                  | chairs (all kinds)      |
| 3 computer desks            | wood tables (all sizes) |
| encyclopedia set            | lawn furniture          |
| computer games              | outdoor plants and pots |
| 4 bookcases                 | lawn mower              |
| hardback children's books   | leaf blower             |
| 15 folding chairs           | rake and garden tools   |
| 2 file cabinets             | storage shed            |
| office supplies             | lawn ornaments          |
| copier paper                | kitchen utensils        |
| postage stamps              | spices                  |
| pantry shelving             | massage table           |
| large plastic storage boxes | essential oils          |
| non-perishable food         | baby food and formula   |





# Parents-R-US



Facts about kids with gay parents:

- There are between 6-10 million daughters and sons of lesbian, gay and bisexual parents in the United States.

- Daughters and sons of lesbian, gay and bisexual parents have the same incidence of heterosexuality as the general population.

- Most "problems" that daughters and sons of lesbian, gay and bisexual parents are said to have actually stem from going through a divorce and not our parents' sexual orientation.

- There is no evidence that we face any more difficulties socializing in school than children of straight parents.

- We are exposed to more people of the opposite sex than many kids of straight parents. Even when we are not, there is no

evidence to suggest that it harms us.

- We are more open-minded about a wide variety of things than people with straight parents.

- Daughters of lesbians have higher self-esteem than daughters of straight women. Sons are more caring and less aggressive.

- If we ourselves are lesbian, gay or bisexual, we are likely much better off than lesbian, gay and bisexual children of straight parents.

- There is absolutely no evidence that children are psychologically or physically harmed by having gay, lesbian or bisexual parents. There is plenty of evidence that we are not.

- COLAGE (Children of Lesbians and Gays Everywhere) is the only national organization for the daughters and sons of lesbian, gay and bisexual and transgendered parents. COLAGE can be reached at 3543 18th St., #17, San Francisco, CA 94110, (415) 861-5437 or Emailed at [colage@colage.org](mailto:colage@colage.org). Look for them on the web at <http://www.colage.org/>. Great for kids and their parents.

## RECEPTION & BOOKSIGNING

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# MEMPHIS RESTAURANT GUIDE



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394 North Watkins

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Closed Mon.

Lunch: Tues.-Fri., 11a.m. till 2p.m.

Dinner: Sun.-Thur., 5 p.m. till 10 p.m.

Dinner: Fri. & Sat., 5 p.m. till 11 p.m.

## The Bourbon Street Cafe

(In the French Quarter Suites)

2144 Madison

728-4000

Breakfast: Mon.-Sat., 7am-10am

Champagne Brunch: Sun., 11:30 a.m. till 2 p.m.

Dinner: Sun.-Thur., 5 p.m. till 10 p.m.,  
and Fri. & Sat., 5 p.m. till 11 p.m.

## Huey's-Midtown

1927 Madison

726-4372

Mon.-Sat., 11 a.m. till 2 a.m.,

Sun. noon till 2 a.m.

## In the Grove

2865 Walnut Grove

458-9955

Lunch: 11 a.m. till 2 p.m., 7 days a week

Dinner: Mon.-Thur., 5 p.m. till 1 a.m.

Dinner: Fri.-Sun., 5 p.m. till 3 a.m.

## La Montagne

3550 Park Ave.

458-1060

Lunch: 11 a.m. till 2:30 p.m., 7 days a week

Dinner: Sun.-Thur., 5:30 p.m. till 10 p.m.,  
and Fri. & Sat., 5:30 p.m. till 11 p.m.

## Molly Gonzales' La Casita Mexican Restaurant

2006 Madison Ave.

726-1873

Lunch and Dinner: Mon.-Thur., 11 a.m. till 10 p.m.;

Fri., 11 a.m. till 11 p.m.; Sat., noon till 11 p.m., and Sun., noon till 10 p.m.

## P & H Cafe

1532 Madison

726-0906

Closed Sun

Mon.-Sat., 11 a.m. till 3 a.m.

## Zinnie's East

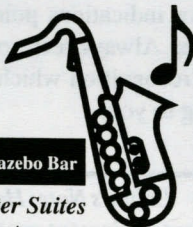
1718 Madison

274-7101

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CAFE**



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# HOROSCOPES

**Gemini (May 22-June 21)** – With the sun in your sign, exploration of new channels is favored. What you are hoping for can happen. Make sure others on your team know where you're going.

**Cancer (June 22-July 23)** – When the inner voice speaks, listen. Your intuition is always right. By combining your ability with another, you could find better solutions to problems.

**Leo (July 24-Aug. 23)** – Capitalizing on abilities from far away places is favored. Good news is coming and timing is right to begin a new project. Setting your sights high is suggested.

**Virgo (Aug. 24-Sept. 23)** – With the sun in your professional sector, you should have confidence in career matters. The skills you know best will make you money. Travel, education offer much.

**Libra (Sept. 24-Oct. 23)** – This should be a rewarding period no matter where you set your sights. Financial matters should become a primary focus, especially where others are involved.

**Scorpio (Oct. 24-Nov. 22)** – Making a slight adjustment in financial matters and goals could prove rewarding. The focus will be on meaningful relationships. You must initiate business dealings.

**Sagittarius (Nov. 23-Dec. 21)** – Pleasure or profit can be gained from endeavors

with intimate or business partners. Key to accomplishing more is being flexible. Romance may be found at work.

**Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 20)** – Better solutions are gained through mutual compromise. A bigger paycheck is an almost certainty. Emphasis is now on love, social gatherings and talent.

**Aquarius (Jan. 21-Feb. 19)** – Fun and games should be added to your schedule. Focuses are on children, enjoyment, speculation, romance and creativity. More money could be possible.

**Pisces (Feb. 20-March 20)** – Use your creative side to develop a new homebased business. Never doubt the outcome of a situation as long as you have tried your best.

**Aries (March 21-April 20)** – Nearby places provide attainment of hopes. The time is right to begin a new venture, which should prove successful as long as you are prepared and have solid backing.

**Taurus (April 21-May 21)** – Money sector indications point to increasing incomes. Always keep your focus on rewards and recognition which determination can bring to you.

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*Editor's Note: Horoscopes are meant for entertainment purposes only and are for the month of June.*



# FOR A GOOD TIME CALL ...



## 501 Club

111 North Claybrook  
274-8655  
Noon till 3 a.m. 7 days a week

## Amnesia

2866 Poplar Ave  
454-1366  
Closed Mon-Wed  
Thur.-Sun. 8 p.m. to 3 a.m.

## Autumn Street Pub

1349 Autumn  
274-8010  
Closed Mon.-Tues., Wed.-Sun. 1 p.m. till 3 a.m.

## Backstreet

2018 Court Street  
276-5522  
Mon. 8 p.m. till 3 a.m.  
Closed Tues. & Wed.  
Thur. 8 p.m. till 3 a.m.  
Fri. & Sat. 8 p.m. till 6 a.m.  
Sun. 8 p.m. till 3 a.m.

## Bill's

1528 Madison  
278-9321  
Mon.-Thur. 10 a.m. till 3 a.m.  
Fri. 10am till midnight Sun.

## Changes

2586 Poplar  
327-3175  
Mon.-Sat. 3 p.m. till 3 a.m.  
Sun. noon till midnight

## Crossroads

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276-8078  
Noon till 3 a.m. 7 days a week

## David's

1474 Madison  
278-4313  
Mon.-Wed. open 5 p.m. till midnight,  
Thur. & Fri. 5 p.m. till 3 a.m.; Sat. 3 p.m. till 3  
a.m., and Sun. 3 p.m. till midnight

## J-Wag's

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725-1909  
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## Madison Flame

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278-9839  
Mon.-Thur. 5 p.m. till 2 a.m.  
Fri & Sat 5 p.m. till 3a.m.  
Sun. 4 p.m. till 2 a.m.

## N-cognito

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523-0599

## One More

2117 Peabody  
278-8015  
Mon. & Wed. 11 a.m. till 2 a.m.  
Tues., Thur., Fri. & Sat. 11 a.m. till 3 a.m.  
Sun. noon till midnight

## The Other Side Club

3883 Hwy 45 N  
Jackson TN  
901-668-3749  
Sun. - Thur. 5 p.m. till midnight; Fri. 5 p.m. till  
3 a.m., and Sat. 7 p.m. till 3 a.m.

## Pipeline Memphis

1382 Poplar  
726-5263  
2 p.m.-3a.m., 7 days a week



## Aphrodite raises \$1,800 for Wellness Center

The Mystique Krewe of Aphrodite recently raised \$1,800 for the Wellness Center with its show at Madison Flame in April.

More than 250 people attended the show, which featured members of Aphrodite, as well as guest appearances by female impersonator Ms. Lauren Drake, PMS and One More's own Too Real.

Aphrodite expressed thanks to everyone who attended, as well as Sharon Wray for use of her facility.

The organization is planning another show in November.

## Garden party is set

Friends for Life will host a Sunday Garden Party on June 28 at the Memphis Botanic Gardens' Hardin Hall.

Congressman Harold Ford Jr. will serve as the honorary chairman.

Memphis radio personality Tom Prestigiaco will serve as the auctioneer for a live auction scheduled to begin at 5 p.m. In addition, there will be a silent auction beginning at 3 p.m.

The items up for bid will include art, gift certificates, dining and entertainment packages and antiques.

Admission will be \$5 per person which includes complimentary snacks. A cash bar also will be available.

All proceeds will benefit Friends for Life AIDS Resource Center.

## AREA ENTERTAINERS

CLARENCE	A	L	Z	K	M	O	J	J	T	I	L	L
(CARTER)	S	S	M	A	H	G	N	I	K	C	U	B
LITTLE RIVER	C	L	A	R	E	N	C	E	S	T	R	O
BAND	D	I	C	K	C	L	A	R	K	H	I	I
(THE) GUESS	A	T	T	I	N	A	Y	T	T	A	P	J
WHO	O	T	T	E	L	D	Z	M	N	A	E	D
PETER NOONE	T	L	E	A	F	F	S	M	I	L	T	E
DAVY JONES	O	E	G	N	T	L	M	D	G	Z	E	U
BUCKINGHAMS	T	R	F	G	C	O	A	S	T	E	R	S
COASTERS	R	I	S	A	D	W	L	K	C	O	N	I
DICK CLARK	A	V	B	D	O	N	E	I	B	O	O	D
STEPPENWOLF	U	E	T	G	U	E	S	S	W	H	O	L
DOOBIE	T	R	C	O	M	P	P	Q	L	O	N	O
(BROTHERS)	S	B	J	L	V	P	S	R	T	H	E	M
MARTY STUART	Y	A	K	A	F	E	Q	R	H	U	D	I
(JAN AND)	T	N	T	Z	L	T	O	I	L	O	Z	K
DEAN	R	D	A	V	Y	J	O	N	E	S	O	P
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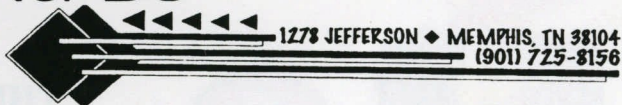
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 Ms. Shirley Knott  
 Ms. Joanna Cox  
 Friday & Saturday  
 11:30 p.m. with  
 Ms. Furentino  
 Ms. Candace Kane  
 Ms. JoAnn  
 and Special Guest  
 \$2 Cover



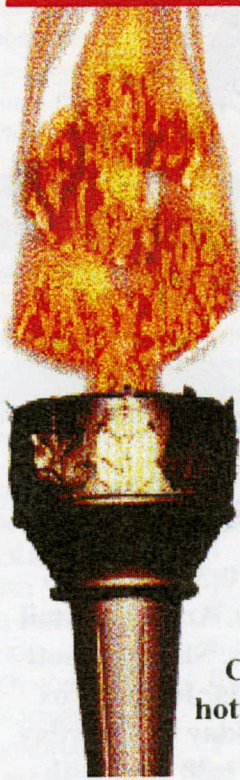


# MADISON FLAME



1588 Madison Avenue

278-9839



**TUESDAY** *NO COVER*  
Southern Country 8 p.m. to ?

*NO COVER* **WEDNESDAY**  
Southpark Party at 9 p.m.  
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