1991 GLPCI YOUTH CONFERENCE UPDATE

June 14, 15, and 16 will be THE BEST GLPCI Youth Conference ever in the history of the organization. Why? Because this year it is going to be a bit different. Why? We are going to have a box out all weekend for you to ask the confidential questions you have always wanted to ask but were afraid to. All questions will be answered!! We will also have workshops for you to choose from. We will have a special lunch away from the hotel. We will also be having a party wo welcome all the youth attending this conference. All of you over age 12 are welcome, but NO PARENTS! The parents will be at their own party having nowhere near as much fun! The workshops we will be having will often be given at the same time as other workshops. This is your chance to choose the workshops that best interest you and those that fit your needs. The workshops that will be presented are:

SAFE SEX and AIDS- presented with the help of Andy Handler from AFLA- Aids Project Los Angeles
HOMOPHOBIA in the NUCLEAR FAMILY- presented with the help of Vicki Morris from T.R.U.S.T.,Dallas

UNDERSTANDING HOMOPHOBIA
OUR OWN SEXUALITY
TELLING/NOT TELLING OUR FRIENDS
MY GAY DAD
MY LESBIAN MOM
RELIGION and HOMOSEXUALITY-presented by Wayne Schwandt
HOW DO I FEEL ABOUT ALL THIS?
GAY AND LESBIAN HISTORY

And of course, we will also be sharing our own stories with each other. Nobody will be forced to say or do anything they are not comfortable with, but the more you participate the more you grow, and the more you help others to grow.

We will also be having elections for new positions available on the steering committee. Please join us in Houston! It will be an exciting experience for us all!
A NOTE FROM ALI

Hi Y'all!! Are ya niddy ta kick up yer boots an' have a grand ol' time in Texas? I sure am! I've been lookin' forward t' this fer a long time now. Bring along yer cowboy boots and cowboy hats, blue jeans, an' don't forget yer bolo ties. This conference is gonna be a blast and a half!! I really look forward t' seein' y'all there. Keep sendin' those poems, stories, an' artwork. Y'ere doin' great! See ya there!
- Ali Dubin

A NOTE FROM DONNA

As part of the 1990-91 steering committee, I want to extend an invitation to each and everyone of you to attend the JUST FOR US conference in Houston. This year's conference is going to be a great and exciting time for everyone. It has been a lot of work for everyone on the steering committee, but all the work has been for a conference for all of us. This year's conference will be like no one has experienced before at previous conferences. (Continued above)

THE ANCHOR

Here are the addresses you can write to for friendship and any needed support. Your letters will be kept strictly confidential; please write to the person in your region as this will help us respond to your letters faster.

*EASTERN TIME ZONE REGION
MOLLY HELLER
214 Oakwood Dr.
Windham, Conn. 06280

HOPE BERRY
142 Portland Ave.
West Redding, Conn. 06896

*CENTRAL TIME ZONE REGION
DONNA IPPOLITO
7710 Hollybrook Ln.
Indianapolis, IN 46227

EMILY CHERIN
912 Hamlin St. #2
Evanston, IL 60201

*MOUNTAIN TIME ZONE REGION
MEGAN WATERMAN
476 Clayton Street
Denver, CO 80206

*PACIFIC TIME ZONE REGION
ALI DUBIN
8830 Noble Ave.
Sepulveda, CA 91343
At eleven years old, I learned my mother was a lesbian. I felt as though I was the only person in the world with a gay parent, aside from my sister. How could I tell anyone? I carried in my heart this secret, in fear I would be rejected.

My mother’s lover moved into our home and our family was filled with so much love. In fear, I was unable to share the joy of my new family with others.

High school came quickly and I began to tell a couple of my close friends that my mother was a lesbian. To my surprise, they still loved me for who I was, and for who my mother was. They were disconcerned with my mother’s sexuality. I was finally able to share such a large part of my life with others, which in turn made a stronger relationship.

Releasing my secret felt wonderful. It lessened my great fear of rejection, and I realized a good friend is someone who loves you no matter what.

"JUST FOR US!" is a great way to open up and share your secret. If you would like to share your secret, please share your secret with "US"! If you shared your secret, we would still love to hear from you.

I am looking forward to the conference in Dallas, and hope to see you there. It should be another unforgettable experience. —Molly Heller, Connecticut

Some Support Groups
In Your Area

Listed below are the names of some support groups for children of gay and lesbian parents. For more information about these or other groups in your area, or information about starting your own, contact Hope Berry on Ali Dublin (listed in the Anchor).

Just For Us
Contact: Ali Dublin
2830 Noble Ave.
Sepulveda, CA 91343
Meeting Location: Hollywood, CA

Our Parents Aren’t Straight
Contact: Donna Ippolito
7710 Hollywood Ln.
Indianapolis, IN 46227
Meeting Location: Indianapolis, IN

Gay Fathers of DC
Contact: Hope Berry
142 Pontland Ave.
West Redding, Conn 06896
Meeting Location: Washington DC

GLPMW - The Kids Group
Contact: Alex Fagelson
14908 Piney Grove Count
Gaithersburg, MD 20878
Meeting Location: Gaithersburg, MD

SO YOU THINK YOU ARE THE ONLY ONE

When the first issue of JJ went out, we showed you how many kids were on the mailing list, and we showed you the breakdown of where they all live. I thought you’d be interested in seeing how we’ve grown. This is now just a year and a half later!

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WE NEED YOUR HELP

The steering committee of the GLPCI Youth Conference needs your help with the costs of the conference and this newsletter. If you would like to make a tax-deductible donation in any amount, please send a check or money order to:

JUST FOR US c/o Ali Dubin
8830 Noble Ave. Sepulveda, CA 91343
Please make checks payable to:
GLPCI/ JUST FOR US

To Receive JUST FOR US
If you would like to receive JUST FOR US, fill out the form below and mail to: JUST FOR US c/o Ali Dubin, 8830 Noble Ave. Sepulveda, CA 91343

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ADDRESS
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WRITE TO
JUST FOR US

If you would like to tell your story to JUST FOR US write to JUST FOR US c/o Ali Dubin 8830 Noble Ave. Sepulveda, CA 91343. As always, you do not have to include your last name, and your address will be kept confidential. If you would like to send poems, artwork, letters, and related news stories or special interest stories, that would be awesome. Hope to hear from you!

JUST FOR US
PO Box 50360
Washington, DC 20091 USA

Address Connection Requested