



South Carolina Gay and Lesbian Pride Movement

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Alley Café's Cinco de Mayo (Columbia) Friday, May 5, 9 p.m.

Celebrate with your FAVORITE Idols and Kings at a fundraiser to benefit the SC Gay and Lesbian Pride Movement and Pride 2006!

Enjoy a a hot night of Pride IDOLS, drag KINGS, and drink specials for Cinco de Mayo.

The night will feature drag performances by Spark, Zeke, Brandon Blaze, Chase, Justin Case, Jinx, and past Mr. SC Gay Pride 2004, TEX!

Past Pride Idol winners Leigh, Beth, Nik and Rachel will also perform.

Raffle tickets will be sold at the door for a \$5.00 contribution to the SC Gay and Lesbian Pride Movement

Raffle prizes include two \$20 bar tabs at Alley Café.

Raffle drawings will be held at the start of the show, during intermission (10pm) and at the end of the show (11pm).

Must be present to win

This event is sponsored by the Alley Café and the SC Gay and Lesbian Pride Movement.

Mr. South Carolina Bear & Cub Contest (Columbia)
Saturday, May 6, 10 p.m.

Club Fusion
920 Lady Street
Columbia, South Carolina

www.tiptopwebsite.com/sandhillsbear

Come support your favorite bear or cub!

With Japanese Flair, The Red Party 2006 Brings Hope to People Living With AIDS (Greenville)

Saturday, May 6, 9 p.m.

With torii gates, origami cranes, pagodas, geishas and Zen gardens, **The Red Party 2006** will take on a Japanese flair on May 6 to benefit **AID Upstate**. The Red Party 2006, presented by Verizon Wireless, will be held at the History Museum of the Upcountry in downtown Greenville and starts at 9 p.m.

Each year this high-energy event begins at 9 p.m. after private parties and dinners to benefit AID Upstate (known as *Dining With Friends*) are winding down. Guests from these parties across the Upstate join to celebrate their fundraising efforts on behalf of AID Upstate. Over the past three years, AID Upstate has raised well over \$100,000 annually through The Red Party. Their goal for 2006 is \$150,000.

“The Red Party is one of the most well executed, high-energy events in the Upstate,” says Gina Hartness, past president of AID Upstate’s board of directors. “Our music, lights, food and decorations are tops. If you have not experienced this party, you missed a fun event for a good cause.”

Other events leading up to The Red Party include a Weekend Kick-Off Party at The Cazbah at 9 p.m. on Thursday, May 4. A small coverage will be donated to AID Upstate. The Cazbah is located at 16 West McBee Avenue in Downtown Greenville.

On Friday, May 5, St. Andrews Episcopal Church will host a party in their Parish Hall located at 1002 South Main Street. Food and entertainment, provided by local merchants and artists will be the fare. Party organizers are requesting a donation of \$50.00 to attend this party.

To wrap up this fun-packed weekend, Saffron’s at 101 August Street (Lower Level of Westend Market) will host a brunch from 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. on Sunday, May 7. Tickets for the brunch are \$25 and quantities are limited so contact AID Upstate at 864-250-0607 to purchase tickets.

This Week on Rainbow Radio: Remembering First SC Pride Sunday, May 7

This week Rainbow Radio returns to 1990 and the very first gay and lesbian pride march in South Carolina. Guests this week include several of the first organizers: Jim Blanton, who was the co-chair of the first march; Marky Deese, who co-chaired the first media committee; Harriet Hancock, who co-chaired the first fundraising committee; Tony Price, who co-chaired the first pride rally; Nekki Shutt, who worked with the media committee; and Matt Tischler, who co-chaired the first parade committee.

This week's commentary comes from Harriet Hancock, who tells about the night before that first pride march.

This week's program is sponsored by the South Carolina Gay and Lesbian Pride Movement.

If you missed last week's show on this year's Pride festival, be sure to check it out on the website, www.scglpm.org/rainbowradio.

Rainbow Radio airs every Sunday at 10 a.m. on WOIC 1230 AM, Columbia's Air America affiliate. Or check out the show on the website at www.scglpm.org/rainbowradio. Rainbow Radio shows are available online for download or podcast at www.scglpm.org/rainbowradio. For more information, contact Rainbow Radio at SCPrideCenter@aol.com.

If you live in the Charleston area, tune in to our sister show, Equal Time, hosted by AFFA's Wilhelmina Hein. Equal Time airs Saturdays at 9:30 on AM 730 in Charleston.

Miss/Mr SC Gay Pride Pageant (Columbia) Saturday, May 13

The Miss/Mr. SC Gay Pride Pageant will be held Saturday, May 13th, at 8:00 p.m. at the Senior Center at Maxey Gregg Park. Anyone interested in being a contestant they may contact Kiki at 254-2664 or missscpride04@aol.com.

The entry fee is \$100 until May 10th, and after May 10th, the entry fee is \$150.

Registration for the event is at 4:00 pm. Interviews begin at 5:00 pm.

Winners receive \$500 each 1/2 on the night of the pageant and 1/2 when they complete their duties.

"WE ARE FAMILY" ANNUAL GALA (Columbia) Friday, May 19

The Guild will kick-off Pride Weekend on Friday, **May 19th** with our annual gala at the **Capital City Club**.

Seating at the event is by reservation only.

Tickets are \$45 for Guild members and \$55 for non-members.

Reserve your seats today by sending the name of each guest and a check to:
SCG+LBG, PO Box 7913, Columbia, SC 29202

**2006 Pride Film Festival -- Nickelodeon (Columbia)
May 18-20, 2006**

Check out the films and listings at www.nickelodeon.org.

SOUTH CAROLINA NEWS

Seeking Coordinator for UpstateEquality

I regret to announce that I'll be forfeiting my position as coordinator for UpstateEquality. There simply isn't enough hours in a day to spend on the many important issues that face our South Carolina LGBT community, and continue to develop my personal business adequately. The stress of trying to manage the two has unfortunately started to take it's toll.

Anyone interested in applying for the position of Coordinator for UpstateEquality should contact Eddie Younglove at eddie@UpstateEquality.org.

Some qualifications should include:

1. a lot of time to allocate to the cause
2. well organized
3. computer skills
4. ability to meet and coordinate with other Upstate organizations
5. ability to travel to Columbia on specified Saturdays for SCEC delegate meetings
6. positive friendly attitude
7. not afraid to be out of the closet

www.UpstateEquality.org

PALSS Columbia Has Moved

We've moved! PALSS has relocated its central offices.
Our contact information is below. Please note that telephone numbers will remain the same.

Palmetto AIDS Life Support Services
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Columbia, SC 29204

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803.779.1473 Fax
www.palss.org

Editor's Note:

Have a wonderful Pride Month.

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