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Editors Note

If you have received this as a forward from someone else, send an email and join our members. The purpose of the E-Bulletins is to provide information about news and activities for GLBT folks in SC.

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Rainbow Radio Receives Grant

Rainbow Radio To Receive Media Justice Grant, Recognized For Social Change Work

The Fund for Southern Communities has awarded Rainbow Radio a grant of \$8000 as part of the Fund's Special 2006 Media Justice Initiative. Among the projects funded by this initiative are those that help to broadcast formally marginalized voices in mainstream media, that work to create community-based media programming and provide increased community access to media.

Rainbow Radio was selected from pool of applicants across North Carolina, South Carolina, and Georgia. Rainbow Radio was selected because of its impact on the community, its emphasis on fair representation of GLBT lives, and its collaborations for social justice work.

In awarding grants, the Fund for Southern Communities also recognizes organizations that are pursuing real social change. Social change organizing, as the Fund notes, builds community-based responses to problems. It is not based in money or individuals, but in people joining together to target the underlying causes of critical social problems and working to change those conditions. "Social change organizations," says the Fund, "are characterized by activism, cooperation, persistence, and dedication of their members."

The Fund for Southern Communities, based in Atlanta, is a public foundation that supports and unites organizations and donors working to create just and sustainable communities that are free of oppression and that embrace and celebrate all people. Through grant-making and related activities, the Fund for Southern Communities fosters social change initiated by community-based groups in Georgia, North Carolina, and South Carolina.

Rainbow Radio is a project of SCGLPM and the Harriet Hancock Community Center. You can listen to past shows at www.scglpm.org/rainbowradio

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Archived E-Bulletins

Remember a past eBulletin article you wanted to read again? Can't remember that past event's contact person? Accidentally deleted your eBulletin email? What is a person to do?!?!

Well, you asked for it and GLPM heard you! A new page has been added to www.scglpm.org with all the eBulletins from 2006! We'll keep adding to the list into 2007 so you'll always be able to catch that missed bulletin and stay in the know!

Check out www.scglpm.org and click on NEWS for the new eBulletin Archives Page today!

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(Myrtle Beach) Local Cop to Head GLBT Community Center

2007 Officers Named - Myrtle Beach, SC - Dec 06, 2006 Residents in the Grand Strand GLBT community care little for stereotypes, such that the newly-appointed president of The Center Project, Chris Stephens, doubles as a corporal for the Horry County Police Department.

The Center Project board of directors has announced Stephens as its 2007 president. Outgoing president Patrick Evans has been named executive director of the organization, which operates the GLBT community center serving South Carolinas Grand Strand and Pee Dee Regions.

Other 2007 officers are J Mark Bayer, vice-president, David Bennett, Secretary, and Clark Vereen, treasurer. The Center Project's 2007 officers are all lifelong residents of Horry County.

Expansion, Youth Services Among Growth Plans

Stephens has served on the board since it was organized in January 2006, six months prior to the center's opening. "Our goal for 2007 is to expand our operations and extend our reach," Stephens said. "I want us to connect with every person in the community who could benefit from the many services we offer." Plans for the coming year also include the addition of a professionally managed youth services programs. Learn more...

About The Center Project

The Center Project was established to create a gathering space for gay, lesbian, bisexual, and transgender community. In June, 2006 the organization opened the 3,000 square foot center that houses meeting and activity rooms, a library, cyber center with high speed Internet and wireless LAN, a drop in center and an outdoor recreational area. A variety of support groups and free, confidential HIV testing are available. The Center Project is funded entirely by private donations. Located at 307 Highway 15 in Myrtle Beach, the organization is currently seeking grants to expand its services in 2007.

For further information or to make donations, call The Center Project at 843-626-4953 or visit their web site at www.thecenterproject.com

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Upcoming Events

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AFFIRM Youth Fundraiser

Wednesday, January 10, 2007
Centre Stage, Greenville, SC

Affirm, the local glbt youth organization for the Greenville area, will be sponsoring a play for their annual fundraiser on January 10. ***I Am by Own Wife***, the 2004 Tony winner for Best Play, will be presented at **Centre Stage** in downtown Greenville, 8:00 p.m. Tickets may be purchased at the door. There will also be food and beverages prior to the play (7:00 p.m.) with a Silent Auction. Ticket prices are \$40.00 adults, \$25.00 for students and seniors over 65.

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Thursday, Jan 11 (Columbia) **News from the South Carolina Gay + Lesbian Business Guild**

Planes, trains and automobiles

Join the Guild at the **Zas Brick Oven Pizza** this Thursday, **January 11th** for our monthly meeting. The meeting will feature Matthew DeGuire and Randy Moore from Travel Unlimited with vacation and travel tips. Expect lots of **door prizes** including two round-trip tickets on Delta Air Lines. You must be a current member of the Guild to win so make sure your membership is up-to-date. A membership form is attached to this message for your convenience. **Zas** is located at 2930 Devine Street. Our networking hour begins at 6pm. Our program will begin at 7pm. There is plenty of free parking - and remember, Guild meetings are **smoke-free**. Thanks for your assistance.

Lily Tomlin

On **Friday, January 26** at 8pm, **Lily Tomlin** will perform at the **Koger Center** for the Arts. She will host a private reception following her show with proceeds going to the **SC AIDS Benefit Foundation**. Premium seats for her performance and a ticket to the reception are available as a special package for \$100 per person. These **premium tickets** may only be purchased at the Carolina Coliseum box office. There are a limited amount of tickets, so act quickly. If you have previously purchased tickets to the concert, you may buy a separate ticket to the reception by contacting Chip Wade at the Koger Center, 777-2057. Individual reception tickets are \$49 each and must be paid for with cash or a check made payable to the AIDS Benefit Foundation of South Carolina. To purchase a ticket to the show without a ticket to the reception, visit the Carolina Coliseum box office by phone at 251-2222 or online at www.capitoltickets.com The Guild is a proud member of the **South Carolina Equality Coalition** and the **South Carolina Gay and Lesbian Pride Movement**. Learn more about their support of LGBT rights in our state by visiting www.scequality.org or www.scqlpm.org

The Guild

where business is family

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(Charleston) **Equal Time** (radio)

Saturdays @ 9:30 am
Station: WLTQ AM 730

Don't forget to tune in to WLTQ AM 730 this Saturday at 9:30 am for our radio show. "Equal Time" is hosted this week by AFFA's very own Charlie Smith. "Equal Time" now leads Saturday morning talk shows with the largest share of the listening audience!

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(Columbia) **Rainbow Radio**

Lily Tomlin on Rainbow Radio!!!!!!!!!!!!

Sundays @ 10 am Station: WOIC 1230 AM

Topic – Lily Tomlin, we interview her about her career and being here in Columbia on January 26th

Sponsor – Listeners Like You

Commentary – Sheila Morris – “Tinabeth”

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.

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Pride Tour in Columbia

Saturday, January 20 9pm until.....

Featuring **Miss SC Gay Pride 2007 Patti O'Furniture**.
Join the SC Pride Tour at Club Fusion.

Come join the Queen of Pride, Patti O'Furniture
and a host of performers for
a night of entertainment and dancing
at Club Fusion
Located at 920 Lady Street
(at the corner of Park and Lady Streets in the Vista)

Doors open at 9pm with show starting at 10pm.
Come out early and enjoy \$2 on all house brands from 9 - 11
Club Fusion has a great view
with an elevated stage/dance floor
as well as both ground and upper level seating.

Cover for members is \$5 and \$7 for non-members.
(all proceeds including performer tips will go to
benefit the 2007 SC Pride Festival on May 19th)

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(Charlotte) **Carolinas Black Pride Movement is proud to present our 2nd annual**

Martin Luther King Jr. Gala Reception & Awards Presentation

Saturday, January 27, 2007

Venue: Urban League

Reception Hall

740 West 5th Street

Downtown Charlotte, NC 28202

V.I.P. Pre-show Reception with Honorees & live band (5pm)

Door Open (6:30pm)

General Admission \$25 / VIP \$40

Semi-Formal (Dress to Impress)

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Evening Highlights:

Keynote Speaker: Rudy Carn

Co-Founder/Executive Director of National AIDS & Education Services for Minorities, Atlanta Ga

"We want to work with everyone who believes the lives of black gay men matter. We are especially committed to building a strong network of black gay men across this country who are advocates for their own lives," stated Rudy Carn.

Audre Lorde & Bayard Rustin

Community Leadership Award 2007 Honorees:

Bambi Gaddist - Executive Director of S.C. HIV/AIDS Council www.schivaidscouncil.org

the late Jeff Addison of Brother2Brother Charlotte www.brother2brother.org

Spoken Word Artists, Live Band & Dramatists

Silent Auction

Heavy hors d'oeuvres/Wine Tasting

To further honor the life and contributions of Dr. Martin L. King Jr (MLK Jr.), our inaugural Community Leadership Awards recognize individuals in leadership who serve with the convictions of M.L.K. Jr. - as demonstrated by outstanding initiative, inspiration to others and significant contributions to improving the quality of life for lesbian, gay, bi sexual and transgender (lgbt) residents of the Carolinas .

This work may confront social justice issues, health & wellness, promote arts, culture or/and the humanities.

IN THE WORDS OF CORETTA SCOTT KING

Coretta Scott King, speaking four days before the 30th anniversary of her husband's assassination, said the civil rights leader's memory demanded a strong stand for gay and lesbian rights. "I still hear people say that I should not be talking about the rights of lesbian and gay people and I should stick to the issue of racial justice," she said. "But I hasten to remind them that Martin Luther King Jr. said, 'Injustice anywhere is a threat to justice everywhere.' " "I appeal to everyone who believes in Martin Luther King Jr.'s dream to make room at the table of brother- and sisterhood for lesbian and gay people," she said. - March 31, 1998.

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2007 SCEC Delegate Meetings and Annual Forum

Save the date. Please mark your calendar.

DELEGATE MEETINGS:
10:00 AM 2:00 PM
Saturday, January 27, 2007
Saturday, April 21, 2007
Saturday, July 21, 2007
Saturday, October 20, 2007

All delegates, members, volunteers and supporters are welcome to attend. Meetings will be held at the new SCEC office at 1405 Gregg Street Columbia SC 29201 unless announced otherwise. The program details and directions for the meetings will be sent closer to the meeting dates.

The delegate meetings are scheduled on a quarterly basis and generally on the third Saturday of the month.

ANNUAL FORUM:
Friday, September 14, 2007 to Sunday, September 16, 2007*
** tentative dates*

The Forum is an annual gathering of delegates, members, volunteers and supporters from across South Carolina for a weekend of speakers, dialogue, training and networking.

Details and the location for the Forum will be announced in the coming months.

Please contact me at ed@scequality.org with any questions or if you are interested in helping plan or volunteer for these great events.

Sincerely,
Michael Drennan
Executive Director, SCEC

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(Columbia) Women's Music at Garden of Grace

Saturday, Jan. 27 @ 7pm

Jamie Anderson

-- singer, songwriter, and guitarist -- will be in concert at 7 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 27 at Garden of Grace United Church. Anderson of Durham, NC, travels nationwide and has performed several times for Columbia audiences at the Unitarian Universalist Fellowship Coffeehouse. Concert tickets are \$10 each. For more about Jamie, check out www.jamieanderson.com

For more about Garden of Grace, check out www.gogucc.com or call 803-695-9664. Garden of Grace is located at 1020 Atlas Road, just a mile from the intersection of Interstate 77 and Garners Ferry Road.

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**SUNDAY, JANUARY 28, 2007
P.T.s CABARET
1101 Harden Street-Five Points
5:00 PM- 7:00 PM**

NO ADMISSION; CASH BAR OPEN
MKYLE-KANE IS A NATIVE OF SOUTH CAROLINA/FORMERLY OF COLUMBIA

BOOKS WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR SALE!
FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION: (803) 917-0105

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(Columbia) **Idols and Kings at the Alley**

Friday, 2-9-06

Celebrate with your FAVORITE Idols and Kings at a fundraiser to benefit SC Pride 2007! Enjoy a hot night of Pride IDOLS, drag KINGS at Columbia's hot spot for lesbians, the Alley. Stay tuned for a list of performers.

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(Charlotte) **HRC Annual Dinner 2007**
Saturday, February 24, 2007 Charlotte Convention Center

Equality Award Recipient and Keynote Speaker...
Leslie Jordan, Emmy Award Winning star of Will & Grace and of course.... Sordid Lives

With a voice unlike no-other The incomparable...
Jennifer Holiday, Original star of the Tony Award Winning Dreamgirls

Emmy Award-winning actor **Leslie Jordan** to deliver keynote address at HRC Carolinas 12th-Annual Gala
Will & Grace's Beverley Leslie has also appeared in film and on stage

Charlotte, NC – January 3, 2007 – The Human Rights Campaign's (HRC) Carolinas Gala committee has announced that television and movie actor Leslie Jordan will deliver the keynote address at the 12th-Annual HRC Carolinas Gala on Saturday, February 24, 2007 at the Charlotte Convention Center.

Jordan, a Tennessee native, has appeared in hundreds of television shows, films and commercials, and is a familiar face on the entertainment scene. He won a 2006 Emmy Award for Outstanding Guest Actor in a Comedy Series for his portrayal of Beverley Leslie on Will & Grace. Audiences will also recognize him from his performance as Brother Boy in the feature film Sordid Lives, which also starred Olivia Newton-John, Delta Burke and Beau Bridges.

Jordan has had recurring roles on Boston Legal and Reba and stars in the soon-to-be-released feature film Wanted: Undead or Alive with Chris Kattan. He will be a recurring character in the upcoming CW series Hidden Palms and will be starring with Lily Tomlin and Mary Kay Place in 12 Miles of Bad Road, a pilot for HBO written and produced by Linda Bloodworth-Thomason and Harry Thomason.

The Dinner

Dan Mauney, LaWana Slack Mayfield and Rodney Tucker have been named co-chairs of the Human Rights Campaigns (HRC) 2007 Carolinas Dinner.

The annual dinner will be held at the Charlotte Convention Center on Sat., Feb. 24, 2007. The Westin Hotel will serve as host hotel (for the third consecutive year) during the 2007 HRC Carolinas Dinner weekend in Charlotte. Last years HRC Carolinas Dinner drew a record crowd of 1,400-plus, becoming one of the largest HRC dinners in the country and earning the national HRC Dinner Committee of the Year award. It is the second year in a row that the Carolinas dinner has received national recognition.

HRC hosts annual dinners throughout the country as fund-raisers to support its many efforts to achieve the organizational mission to build an America where Lesbian, Gay, Bi-sexual and Transgender (LGBT) families and individuals can be open, honest and safe at work, at home and in the community.

The 2007 HRC Carolinas Dinner committee is seeking volunteers to assist with the event. For more information, e-mail info@hrccarolinas.org, or visit www.hrccarolinas.org.

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(Columbia) Pride Yard/Garage Sale

Saturday 2-24-07

There's still time to DONATE for THE PRIDE SALE !!!

The Pride Yard/Garage Sale is looking for donations. Items may be dropped off at the Harriet Hancock Center any Sunday between 1-6 pm, or call the Center at 771-7713 to arrange for pick up if you have large items and no way to get them to us. We will be having the sale in the parking lot across the street from the Center and we want to fill it up.

Also plan to attend the sale. We are collecting great stuff. You can find appliances, clothes, furniture, small table items, floor lamps, TV's, an elliptical machine, fax machine with manual and even a kitchen sink. There's no telling what you might find.

Remember, don't return those unwanted gifts, DONATE THEM TO PRIDE !!!!!!!

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(Columbia) Pride Idol Returns

March 2, 2007

Pride Idol returns March 2 to Columbia's PT's Cabaret. This 5th fun and funny fundraiser features lots of live South Carolina talent. What started out as a love for a certain reality TV show has grown into one of SCGLPM's best fundraising events. Past local celebrity judges have included Columbia's premiere Queen of Camp Patti O'Furniture, star of Columbia stage Bobby Craft, and Michael Callair, WWE Wrestler. Hosted as always by the fabulous Ms Nicole Roberts, the longest reigning Ms Gay Pride and the current Miss Castle at Large. But the audience is the final judge, so bring your tips and get the final vote! One lucky person will join past Pride Idol winners Leigh Burton, Elizabeth McLean, Nik Evans and Rachel Flowers as the best of the best in South Carolina; winning the opportunity to be featured at the SC Pride celebration on May 19. Do you have what it takes to be the next Pride Idol?

For contestant and ticket information, contact SCPrideIdol@aol.com.

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(Columbia) Lesbian Book Club

Next meeting: Sunday, March 4th at 6pm

Book: Price Of Salt by Patricia Highsmith

The book club will not meet Jan or Feb. It will resume in March.

The Columbia Activity Network's Lesbian Book Club meets the first Sunday of every month. The group meets from 6-8pm at the Harriet Hancock Community Center, 1108 Woodrow St., Columbia. For more information, contact Cindy Wilson at Cynthia.Wilson@sprint.com

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(Columbia) SC Pride 2007

Attend the Next Pride Committee Meeting: 1-21 @ 1pm

SC Pride 2007 is 5 months away. Preparing for Pride is a year-long effort, and we need all kinds of help in making SC Pride 2007 a great event. People are needed to: decorate the park, create fundraising ideas, assist with the parade, stay at the community center to provide directions to the event, check in vendors, assist with fundraising events, sell beverages, assist with VIP tent and refreshments, manage the stage, find sponsors, and clean up.

SC Pride Committee Meets every 1st and 3rd Sunday of the month at 1 o'clock pm in the Harriett Hancock Community Center, 1108 Woodrow St., Columbia. If you are interested in helping, please attend a meeting or email: SCPrideCenter@aol.com.

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Preparing for Columbia SC Black/Latino Pride 2007

Palmetto Umoja reminds members and volunteers that it's time to get in the arena again, and start planning for Columbia SC Black/Latino Gay Pride 2007. For more information, visit <http://www.freewebs.com/palmettoumoja/>.

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Community Connections

(Notices of Meetings by region when a special speaker or program is not indicated.)

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(Spartanburg) Spartanburg Chapter of PFLAG

Meets the first Wednesday of each month. All meetings are confidential. For meeting place or further information, please call (864) 574-1253 or email PFLAG-Spartanburg@pflagupstatesc.org.

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(Greenville) Greenville Technical College Lambda Gay-Straight Alliance

Meets the first and third Thursday of every month at 1:30 in the Student Center. GTCLambdaGSA@yahoogroups.com
Or contact Scott Young at 864-346-9576

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(Greenville) Greenville Chapter of PFLAG Meeting

Meets the first Wednesday of each month. All meetings are confidential. For meeting place or further information, please call (864) 232-2988 or email PFLAG-Greenville@pflagupstatesc.org.

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(Anderson/Clemson) Anderson/Clemson PFLAG Meeting

Next Meeting 1-25-07

The Anderson-Clemson Chapter of PFLAG meets every fourth Thursday at 7:30 PM. The first meeting in 2007 is January 25 at the Founders' House at 230 Pendleton Road, Clemson, SC. You may call 654-5959 or 864-944-8620 for information.

For location and more information, please call 864-654-5959 (during the day) or email PFLAG-AndersonClemson@pflagupstatesc.org

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(Columbia) CODA Codependency Group

Tuesdays @ 7pm

CODA, a codependency support group which has been meeting at the Harriet Hancock Community Center has recently moved to the Shandon Presbyterian Church for their weekly meetings. Meetings will take place on Tuesday at 7pm in room 207 of the church. For more information, contact Josie Dunbar at jodunbar@aol.com

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(Columbia) PFLAG Meeting

PFLAG Columbia meets at 6 p.m. the third Thursday of every month at St. Martin's in the Fields Episcopal Church in the Community House which is located next to the parking lot behind the church. The address is 5220 Clemson Avenue (just off Forest Drive about 1 mile east of Richland Mall). For further information call Harriet Hancock at 803-781-0515 or visit our web site at www.pflagcolumbiasc.org.

If you're not in Columbia and you would like more information about your local area PFLAG group, contact the Harriet Hancock Community Center at (803) 771-7713 or at SCPrideCenter@aol.com

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(Columbia) OutSmart

OutSmart has new office hours! OutSmart will host open house at the Harriet Hancock Community Center (1108 Woodrow St, Columbia) on Monday and Wednesday evenings from 6-9pm.

OutSmart has regular weekly meetings for LGBTQ youth ages 16-22 every Friday at 6:30pm. For more information, contact info@outsmart.org or call (803) 779-6586.

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(Myrtle Beach) True To Yourself (AA)

Date: Mondays From: 8:00pm

Location: The Center Project – Myrtle Beach
More info: summersinmb@aol.com

*The Center Project is closed during this meeting.

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(Myrtle Beach) Myrtle Beach Chapter of PFLAG

For meeting place or further information, please call (843) 347-1619 or email breeder@sc.rr.com

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(Charleston) Charleston Chapter of PFLAG

Meets the first Wednesday of each month at the We Are Family Office. For further information, please call (843) 559-2996 or email champsinschool@aol.com

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Submission Guidelines

The SCGLPM E-Bulletin is scheduled to be distributed on Wednesday mornings. All materials to be posted in the E-Bulletin must be sent to SCGLPMBulletin@yahoogroups.com or PeaceLvr1963@Yahoo.com by Monday night. Not all email servers are the same and delay in sending your message may cause delay in posting it in the E-Bulletin. Announcements and articles received after the deadline will be published in the next edition, if the article or event is still timely.

To submit events, meetings or announcements, follow this format:

- What** is the name of the event?
- When** is it happening? (date, time and duration)
- Who** (group's name) is putting on the event?
- Where** will it be held? (location)
- Why** is it happening? (fundraising, raise awareness)

Brevity is key to having people read about your activity and them showing up. Lengthy emails may be edited. Providing this information will aid your group in attendance at the event. The person sending the email should provide a contact if further information is requested. Let me know if contact information is to be published with the email or not.

Thanks for your assistance,

Beth

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Check Out These Websites for Additional News and Events

scglpm.org

scequality.org

365gay.com

scgaynews.com

scglbg.org

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Save The Dates:

1-20-07 SC Pride Tour at Fusion-Columbia

1-27-07 Martin Luther King Jr. Gala Reception & Awards Presentation-Charlotte

2-9-07 Idols & Kings at the Alley-Columbia

2-24-07 HRC Carolinas Dinner-Charlotte

2-24-07 Pride Yard/Garage Sale-Columbia

3-2-07 Pride Idol at PT's Cabaret

5-19-07 SC Pride! at Finlay Park in Columbia, Theme – “Equal Rights Are Human Rights”

[Check out the calendar at www.scglpm.org for more information.]

The SCGLPM Bulletin is an electronic news bulletin distributed weekly by SCGLPM and the Harriet Hancock Community Center. Please forward the bulletin to interested friends and allies. Through this bulletin, GLPM hopes to facilitate communication among GLBT communities, organizations and our allies throughout the state.