



**South Carolina Gay and Lesbian  
Pride Movement**

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OF SOUTH CAROLINA

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***Happy Independence Day!***

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## SRS - GLOBE

### Savannah River Site - Gay, Lesbian or Bisexual Employees

Is asking your help

We (SRS GLOBE) need folks in South Carolina to help with a letter writing / contact campaign to Senator DeMint's office.

Senator DeMint's office has been bombarded with contacts and letters from enraged employees of the Savannah River Site. They are angry concerning our recent Gay Pride Program at SRS conducted as part of a larger year long Diversity Program. This is the 2nd year SRS GLOBE has conducted a program. Last year GLOBE used AFFA's 'We are your Neighbors' video in the program. This year's focus was on developing a place that is free of discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation or gender identity.

Senator DeMint may approach DOE Secretary Bodman's office with these complaints. It is critical that Senator DeMint's office receive some supportive contacts concerning this program. The Senators' contact information, and a suggested draft letter and additional talking points are below. Please act quickly and modify the letter as appropriate for your situation. If you'd like more information about our program and surrounding press, check out [www.srsqlobe.org](http://www.srsqlobe.org).

#### *Talking points*

- The Gay Pride Program is part of the DOE's overall Diversity program that includes Veterans, Women, African Americans, etc throughout the year. The Diversity Program has focused on understanding, educating and valuing all employees and is strongly supported by the DOE and Contractors.
- Respecting individual differences can increase productivity. Diversity in the workplace can increase marketing opportunities, recruitment, creativity, and business image. In an era when flexibility and creativity are keys to competitiveness, diversity is critical for an organization's success.
- Managing diversity involves recognizing the value of differences, combating discrimination, and promoting inclusiveness.
- Negative attitudes and behaviors can be barriers to organizational diversity because they can harm working relationships and damage morale and work productivity. Negative attitudes and behaviors--prejudice, stereotyping, and discrimination--do not belong in the workplace

You can use this web form to send your email or use the fax number below etc.....

Web Form: [demint.senate.gov/index.cfm?FuseAction=Contact.Home](http://demint.senate.gov/index.cfm?FuseAction=Contact.Home)

Office Information:

#### **Charleston**

112 Custom House  
200 East Bay St  
Charleston, SC 29401  
P: 843-727-4525  
F: 843-722-4923

#### **Columbia**

1901 Main St  
Suite 1475  
Columbia, SC 29201  
P: 803-771-6112  
F: 803-771-6455

#### **Greenville**

105 North Spring St  
Suite 109  
Greenville, SC 29601  
P: 864-233-5366  
F: 864-271-8901

#### **Washington, D.C.**

340 Russell  
United States Senate  
Washington, DC 20510  
P: 202-224-6121  
F: 202-228-5143

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## Writers Needed For Gay Charleston Blog

The City Paper has launched a Gay Charleston blog ([gaycharleston.ccpblogs.com](http://gaycharleston.ccpblogs.com)). The grand vision is a one-stop shop of sorts for LGBT resources in the Lowcountry. It's pretty bare bones right now, but we're looking for contributors who can offer additional content. If any of you are interested in contributing let me know and please pass this on to those you know who would be interested. Any suggestions would also be appreciated.

Thanks,

Greg Hambrick  
Staff writer, Charleston City Paper  
(7-4-07)

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### INCLUDE THE LGBT VOICE!

Winthrop University's Social Work Department is conducting a study for the state of South Carolina to help them to identify the future health and long term care needs of its residents. The needs of LGBT residents are included in this study, but we need LGBT participation to make our voices heard! If you are between the ages of 45 and 64, please participate. You can download the survey at the link below. It's easy and confidential AND it has the potential to impact the way our state treats LGBT elders! Prepaid return envelopes at the AFFA office!

[Download Survey](#)

For more information, contact:  
Alex Wagaman, MSW  
Medicaid Project Coordinator  
Department of Social Work  
Winthrop University  
803.323.3394  
(6-27-07)

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### FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE: June 15, 2007

Ryan C. Wilson | [prideinsc@yahoo.com](mailto:prideinsc@yahoo.com) | Cell: 410/459.4670  
Bruce Converse | [bconverse@pbtcomm.net](mailto:bconverse@pbtcomm.net) | Cell: 803/771.7713

## Official date set for SC Pride 2007

*Pride Theme: "Equal Rights are Human Rights"*

SC Pride 2007, a celebration of gay, lesbian, bisexual, and transgender (GLBT) individuals in South Carolina, will be held on September 22 in Columbia's Finlay Park. Festivities will begin at 12 p.m. with a parade through downtown Columbia, followed by a rally and festival in Finlay Park. Admission to the festival and parade are free and open to the entire family.

Other events during the week-long Pride celebration include a town hall meeting on GLBT issues, the Miss SC Pride 2007 pageant and special performances by nationally recognized entertainers, which will be announced at a later date.

SC Pride is sponsored by local business and organizations, as well as by contributions from Food Lion and The Human Rights Campaign. Proceeds from SC Pride 2007 support future SC Pride events and the Harriet Hancock Center for the Gay & Lesbian Community of South Carolina, located at 1108 Woodrow Street in Columbia.

SCGLPM is currently accepting sponsorships for SC Pride 2007. **Registration forms for exhibitors and vendors, parade participant applications, "Pride Guide" ad rates, as well as sponsorship information can be found at [www.scpride.org/forms.html](http://www.scpride.org/forms.html)**

For more information about SC Pride, visit [www.scpride.org](http://www.scpride.org) or contact Ryan Wilson at 410.459.4670 or [prideinsc@yahoo.com](mailto:prideinsc@yahoo.com).

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Please Forward this information as appropriate:

Are you a young gay male of color  
between the ages of 17 & 24 concerned about  
your Sexual Health and the Sexual Health of your friends?

If so

**The South Carolina HIV/AIDS Council**

wants you to **Be Proud! & Be Responsible!**

**Help Us Help You!** Participate in a confidential interview & receive **\$50.00**

**Earn While You Learn!** Participate in our Health Education Program & receive **\$100**

**How YOU Doing!** Return for a follow-up after 30 days & receive **\$50.00**

Ask about opportunities to receive additional incentives!

For more information on how you can register  
contact

Matt Jenkins, GLI Coordinator @ (803) 254-6644 ext. 110

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## **Long Term Care Facility Opens AIDS/HIV Care**

This email, announcing the opening of an elder and chronic care/assisted living facility, is being distributed via the Lieutenant Governor's Office on Aging. Please help us spread the word as far as possible. To request a PDF flyer which includes the below information, please reply to this email. For all other inquiries, please contact the Trinity Place staff.

Thank you for your time and thank you for helping us spread the word about this new facility.

**A new Residential Care Facility, Trinity Place, an elder and chronic care/assisted living facility specializing in HIV/AIDS care, is now open. An OSS, IPC Facility, accepting zero and all income levels.**

**Contact our Resident Specialists:**

**Loretta Jones, Rhonda Barrineau and Willie Bertha**

**803-774-5702 or 803-774-0547**

**Fax: 803-774-5705**

**Trinity Place**

**1267 N. Main Street**

**Sumter, SC 29153**

**DHEC LIC. # CRC 1442**

**Brochures Available Upon Request**

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## Columbia Community Center- Check Out How We Look

### LANDSCAPE DESIGN AND MAINTENANCE

\* Mowing \* Fall Clean Up \* Water Features and Ponds \* Outdoor Lighting \* Stone or Brick Walkways and Patios \* Painting \* Raking \* Trimming \* Flower Bed Design \* Sod \* Large Plant Delivery and Planting \* and Much, Much More!!

### NEW OR EXISTING PROPERTY CLEAN-UP

We offer monthly programs...

- \* Small business outdoor services - one time or on a regular, scheduled basis
- \* Private residences maintained too!

### PRESSURE WASHING

\* Homes \* Gutters & Eaves \* Sidewalks and Patios \* RV's / On-Site Semis \* Construction Equipment

ASK ABOUT OUR PREFERRED CUSTOMER PROGRAM!

**FREE ESTIMATES** Call STEVE WYATT 803-238-8742

**HONEY DO'S** - Landscaping and More... If your Honey can't, we will!

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## Upcoming Events

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(Columbia)



This Sunday @ 10 am

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](http://www.scglpm.org/rainbowradio). Rainbow Radio shows are available online for download or podcast at [www.scglpm.org/rainbowradio](http://www.scglpm.org/rainbowradio). For more information, contact Rainbow Radio at [SCPrideCenter@aol.com](mailto:SCPrideCenter@aol.com)

### Past Episodes:

July 1, 2007 Episode 91 – Repealing the Military's "Don't Ask, Don't Tell, Don't Pursue" Policy

Guest – Retired Staff Sergeant Eric Alva, the first American soldier wounded in the Iraq War, who also happens to be gay.

Sponsor – Harriet Hancock Community Center

Commentary – Jonathan Jackson, "Labels and the Gay Soldier"

June 24<sup>th</sup> Episode 90 – National HIV Testing Day, aired

Guests - Steven Barrineau, CEO of Trinity Place, a Chronic Care & Assisted Living facility that just opened in Sumter , specializing in care of those with HIV/AIDS.

- Carmen Julious, Director of Palmetto AIDS Life Support Services, PALSS.

- Laney Brackman, a treatment and health educator, client advocate, and Director of Program Services at PALSS.

- Tony Price, a health education consultant for the DHEC, the STD-HIV Public Information Coordinator, and direct services on the South Carolina AIDS/STD Hotline.

Sponsor – Listeners Like You

Commentary – Dr. Lisa Lindley, "Take the Test, Take Control"

June 17<sup>th</sup> Episode 89

Guests - Akil Wingate, performer at Columbia Black Pride, Saturday, June 23<sup>rd</sup> on the USC Campus

Larry Hembree, Executive Director of the Nickelodeon Theatre

Commentary, Candace Chellew Hodge – Summer Camp, Only Different.

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(Charleston) July 10<sup>th</sup>

**AFFA Program meeting.**

**5:30 pm at the Renaissance Charleston Hotel 68 Wentworth Street in Charleston.**

**What you need to know about pending Hate Crimes Legislation.**

With Hate Crimes legislation on the horizon in both the federal and state legislatures, we are already being bombarded by the religious right: hate crimes legislation is nothing more than another item to be checked off on the "gay agenda." Find out what is at the heart of hate crimes legislation and who is protected under it. Meet the legislators sponsoring it and community leaders supporting it (including Progressive Network's Director Brett Bursey).

**Related viewing:** Thousands of people are attacked every year because of their sexual orientation, and there's still no federal hate crimes law to protect them. Please watch this video from HRC: <http://www.hrc.org/FightHate>.

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(Greenville) July 14<sup>th</sup>

## **The 2007 Pride Tour**

**Fundraiser returns to GREENVILLE's**

# **SUGAR SHACK**

**FEATURING**

**PATTI O'FURNITURE Miss SC Pride 2006**

**AND**

**ZEKE Mr SC Pride 2006**

**Sat. July 14<sup>th</sup> @ 9:00 pm**

**With Special Guest Harriett Hancock.**

**Located at 424 Laurens Road**

**864-242-0294**

*. (A portion of the door proceeds and all money collected on stage will be donated to the 2007 South Carolina Pride Festival)*

**DRIVING DIRECTIONS AT THEIR WEB SITE**

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(Columbia) July 21<sup>st</sup>

## Applebee's Equality Pancake Breakfast

The good folks at Applebee's Neighborhood Bar & Grill are hosting a fundraiser for the SC Equality Coalition on Saturday, July 21!

[Get your tickets](#) for the Applebee's Equality Pancake Breakfast. Your meal will include a stack of pancakes, your choice of sausage, bacon, or eggs, and the beverage of your choice. **Tickets are just \$10**, and all proceeds will go to the South Carolina Equality Coalition. Contact 803.256.6500 or [info@scequality.org](mailto:info@scequality.org) for more information.

Location: Applebee's Neighborhood Grill & Bar  
4505 Devine St. Columbia, SC 29209

Date:  
7/21/2007 from 8:00 am - 10:00 am (Eastern Time)

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(Charlotte) August 25<sup>th</sup>

## Pride Charlotte 2007 - United for Equality

Pride Charlotte will be  
on Saturday, August 25th from 11am to 7pm  
at [Gateway Village](#) (800 West Trade St.)  
Uptown Charlotte

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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](mailto:PFLAG-Spartanburg@pflagupstatesc.org)

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### (Greenville) Greenville Technical College Lambda Gay-Straight Alliance

There has been a change in the meeting times for the Greenville Technical College Lambda Gay-Straight Alliance which is as follows:

**Greenville Technical College Lambda Gay-Straight Alliance**  
Meets the 2nd and 4th Thursday of every month at 2:00p.m.  
In UT (building 104) room 220.

The meetings are open to students, staff, faculty, alumni, and the community.  
For more information please e-mail [gtclambdagsa@yahoo.com](mailto:gtclambdagsa@yahoo.com) or call (864)-872-3061.

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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](mailto:PFLAG-Greenville@pflagupstatesc.org)

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**(Anderson/Clemson) Anderson/Clemson PFLAG Meeting**

Our next meeting will be on August 23, 2007 at 7:30 PM at the Unitarian Universalist Founders' House on Pendleton Road in Clemson, SC.

For location and more information, please call 864-654-5959 (during the day) or email [PFLAG-AndersonClemson@pflagupstatesc.org](mailto: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](mailto: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](http://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](mailto: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](mailto: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](mailto: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](mailto:breeder@sc.rr.com)

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(Myrtle Beach) **Myrtle Beach Youth Program** **Rainbow Beach**  
**EVERY SATURDAY**  
**2 - 4 PM**

We kick off our youth program with a Saturday Drop- in Program –  
**RAINBOW BEACH** –  
filled with organized activities, projects and, of course, food!  
Rainbow Beach will be moderated by adult members of our Youth Activities program.

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(Charleston) **Charleston Chapter of PFLAG**

Meets the first Wednesday of each month

We have a change in meeting location. We are now meeting at the Circular Congregational Church

New Announcement:

Charleston PFLAG Meeting  
Circular Congregational Church, 150 Meeting Street  
PLEASE NOTE NEW LOCATION!

PFLAG meets in Charleston on the first Wednesday of the month. We are now meeting in the pastor's study at Circular Congregational Church, located in the main church building. All are welcome. For more information, please call 722-2438 or e-mail [cousinef@comcast.net](mailto:cousinef@comcast.net)

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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](mailto:SCGLPMBulletin@yahoogroups.com) or [PeaceLvr1963@Yahoo.com](mailto: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,

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**Check Out These Websites for Additional News and Events**

- [scglpm.org](http://scglpm.org)      [scequality.org](http://scequality.org)      [365gay.com](http://365gay.com)      [scgaynews.com](http://scgaynews.com)      [scglbg.org](http://scglbg.org)

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**Save The Dates:**

**AUGUST**

25 Pride Charlotte 2007 - United for Equality (Charlotte)

**SEPTEMBER**

14 SC Gay Pride Pageant

22 SC Pride! at Finlay Park in Columbia, Theme – “Equal Rights Are Human Rights”

[Check out the calendar at [www.scglpm.org](http://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.