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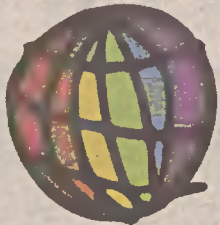


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- Yes . talk to friend/relative
- Yes . talk to professional
- Yes . talk to both
- No

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## NC teen is on GLSEN's "Teaching Respect for All" leadership team

A teen from Lewisville, NC has been selected as one of 12 student leaders from across the country to form GLSEN's "Teaching Respect for All" conference planning team. The annual conference hosts more than 4500



**Rachael Price**  
GLSEN student leader  
President of  
Gay/Straight Alliance  
West Forsyth HS

LGBT students seeking advice and networking from other successful school programs and their leaders.

For Rachael Price, it is a naturally evolving achievement in her young activist life. Rachael Price, 16, is a rising Junior in West Forsyth High School. She has served as president of the Gay/Straight Alliance — not school-sponsored

she emphasized —since her sophomore year. A friend who founded the group, encouraged Rachael to take the helm. There was a very brief co-presidency with someone else "that didn't work out too well," Price said. And so, she has shouldered the responsibility since.

The purpose of GSA is to provide a safe place for students — a place to talk and find support.

Rachael knows all about the need for shelter from harassment first hand. Her friends readily accepted her coming out and are very supportive. They are proud of her for not shying away from the person she is.

Many students in school are not kind, tolerant or particularly interested in getting educated. She has endured endless name-calling. Some of the teachers come to her defense but, "most teachers don't do anything about it," she said.

That is what motivates Rachael Price. "We are all human beings and deserve to be treated well. We must learn to live together."

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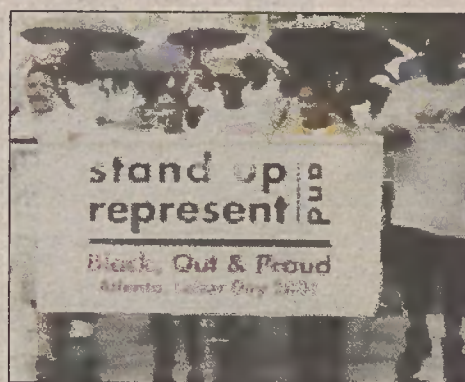
## In The Life Atlanta celebrates Black LGBT Pride weekend

Nation's third largest Black Pride celebration expects you there

In The Life Atlanta celebrates Black Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, and Transgender Pride for the 7th consecutive year. ITLA brings to you "EVOLUTION: Everything Old is New Again" BGP 2002. It is the nation's third largest Black Pride celebration.

As the official organizers of Black Gay Pride weekend, ITLA is sponsoring a variety of programs specifically geared towards the needs of the Black LGBT community. ITLA was formed in 1996 to serve the needs of Lesbian/Gay/Bisexual/Transsexual people of African descent.

Each year, ITLA hosts close to fifteen thousand visitors during Labor Day weekend. The weekend begins on Thursday with a candlelight vigil celebrating the lives of those who have transitioned from this life, but have left us with a legacy of pride, strength, and empowerment that we cherish and celebrate. Friday night begins the weekend events with the opening ceremony, which takes place at the host hotel. Speakers, performance artists, and a welcome from ITLA's Board of Directors are the start of an exciting and high paced weekend. As Saturday rolls in, the many activities and workshops sponsored by ITLA begin. Topics such as parenthood, relationships, finances, and spirituality are the centerpiece of the weekend programs. Other activities in the works for the weekend



Marchers in last year's Black LGBT Pride parade — in the rain ... of course!

are a health and wellness fair, family picnic, LGBT film screening, plays by some of our local talent and a political roundtable luncheon discussion featuring prominent LGBT community leaders. There will also be appearances by noted Lesbian and Gay authors at local LGBT bookstores and vendors providing merchandise and collectables at the host hotel, as well as poetry readings and art displays.

Working closely with community businesses and the City of Atlanta, ITLA plans to bring the best of Atlanta to all visitors. Visitors can expect to have an abundance of choices for evening festivities ranging from parties at local clubs and bars, to exciting

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## UNC task force recommends sexuality studies

CHAPEL HILL — In an effort to promote understanding and tolerance of the gay community, a University of North Carolina campus task force has recommended a new academic program in sexuality studies.

Students in the program would earn a certificate - akin to a minor - after completing five courses that focus on sexuality. Classes would delve into issues of sexual identity, sexual ambiguity and the role of sex in society, politics, law, art, history and religion.

By most accounts, UNC is more tolerant toward the gay community than it was a decade ago, but there are still reports of violence and harassment. Just this spring, someone made a bomb threat and demanded that Chancellor James Moeser denounce homosexuality.

Many thought the university could be doing more.

"There's a clear sense that UNC was not setting the trend when compared to other public universities," said Pamela Conover, a professor of political science who led the campus task force.

Supporters of the proposed sexuality studies program liken it to women's studies or African-American studies. In the 1990s, programs in sexuality sprang up and gained acceptance in academia around the country.

Duke University approved one of the nation's first certificate programs in sexuality studies in the mid 1990s.

"In the last five years, just about every podunk college in the United States has established something," said John Younger, a classics professor who spearheaded the Duke program and operates a website which tracks the field nationally. "It's very mainstream. I find it fascinating that UNC has languished until now."

Younger, who has since joined the faculty at Kansas University, said issues of sexuality are everywhere today, from sex in advertising to the sexual misdeeds of Catholic priests to the sexual dominance of men over women in societies such as Afghanistan.

UNC already has a number of courses dealing with homosexuality in art, history, politics and literature.

Most were developed with grants from a \$200,000 bequest by UNC alumnus Charles Williamson, a San Francisco doctor who died in 1992. Among the courses taught: "The New Queer Cinema," "Gay and Lesbian Culture in the Hispanic World," "Sexuality and the Law," and "Gay Men, Lesbians and US Visual Culture since 1970."

Although GLBT students are more likely to be drawn to the courses, the program is not a special-interest curriculum, said Conover, whose "Politics of Sexuality" class is two-thirds straight students. The task force specifically chose the broad term "sexuality studies" for that reason.

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