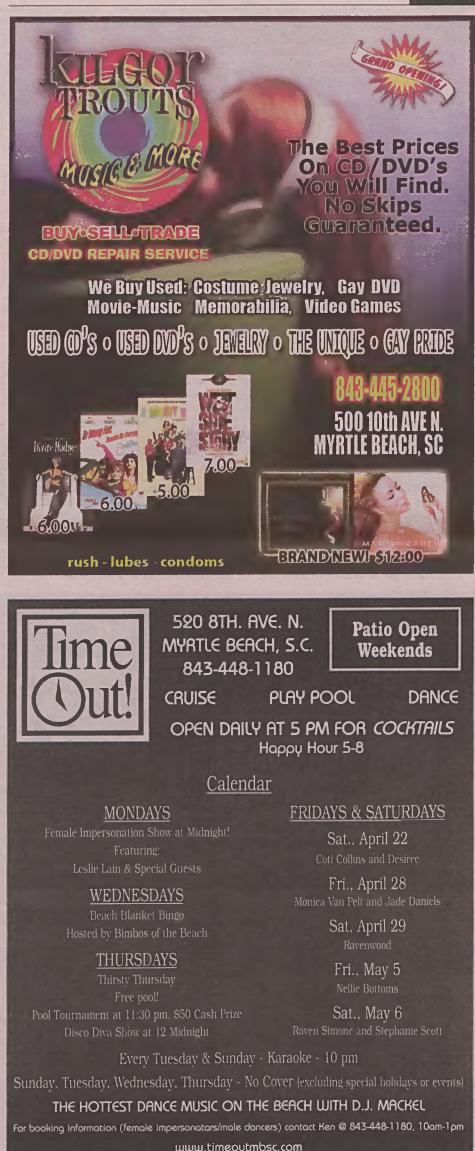
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Battle of the Sexes fundraiser

CHARLESTON — On the last Friday of every month, Club Pantheon will raise its door charge from \$5 to \$7 to benefit South Carolina Equality Coalition's (SCEC) campaign against the *Family Discrimination Amendment*. SCEC needs volunteers at Club Pantheon every Friday and Saturday night collecting donations for the cause.

SCEC needs male and female volunteers every weekend from 10 p.m.-midnight and from midnight-2 a.m. to collect donations in its jars and talk with patrons of Club Pantheon and Dudley's. The race is on! This is a battle of the sexes fundraising effort, so for those who want to represent their gender, call Melissa Moore at 803-318-6900 or email her at mmoore@scequality.org. Club Pantheon is located at 28 Ann St.

Gay religious author speaks at Center

COLUMBIA — On Monday, April 17, author and religious activist Marc Adams spoke at the Harriet Hancock Community Center. The presentation, which was spon-



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sored by SCGLMP and the Columbia chapter of Parents Friends and Family of Lesbians and Gays (PFLAG), is part of the Center's ongoing Third Monday Workshop Series.

The author of seven books, including the

Harriet Honcock Center recently. award-winning autobiography "The Preacher's Son," Adams is the founder and executive director of HeartStrong (www.heartstrong. org), a support and advocacy organization for gay and lesbian students attending religious schools and universities.

Adams appeared in Columbia several years ago when "The Preacher's Son" was released, telling the story of his journey from a cultish fundamentalist Baptist home, through religious schools and reparative therapy, finally to self-acceptance and freedom.

Volunteers needed to distribute info

CHARLESTON — Every Sunday from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Harbor Lites serves

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brunch. Volunteers are needed to talk about the amendment and provide information for customers. Harbor Lites Bar & Grill is located at 987 Harborview Rd. (in the Piggly Wiggly

Rd. (in the Piggly Wiggly shopping center). Contact Melissa Moore at 803-318-6900 or email her at mmoore@scequality.org if you are interested in volunteering.

OutSmart to host 'Youth Prom' during Pride

COLUMBIA — OutSmart will host the Midland's first prom for LGBT youth during Pride weekend. The event, for youth ages 16-22, will be held in the Rising High Building on Main St., 7:30-10:30 p.m., on May 20 following the Pride festival.

All LGBT youth and their friends are invited. Formal attire is not required. Popular local DJ Jason Wilson from Club Fusion will provide the music and Rising High will provide refreshments and food. Admission is free, but the group will be distributing tickets at the Pride festival in MLK Park.

For more information, or for those who would like to donate to this important event (and help support local youth), contact OutSmart at OutSmartColaSC@aol.com.

Charlotte author appears on Rainbow Radio

COLUMBIA — On April 16 Rainbow Radio featured Shane Windmeyer, author of the new book, "Brotherhood," a collection of essays on being gay in college fraternities. The show is Rainbow Radio's second special show focused on being Out on Campus.

A resident of Charlotte, N.C., Windmeyer was in Columbia earlier this month to speak at the University of South Carolina and to appear at a special Business Guild event, the Gay and Greek House Party at PT's Cabaret. The commentary comes from Richard Perala, a contributor to Windmeyer's book, a graduate student at Clemson and coordinator of Clemson's Safe Zone program.

Rainbow Radio airs every Sunday at 10 a.m. on WOIC 1230 AM, Columbia's Air America affiliate. Check out the show at www.scglpm.org/rainbowradio.

Rainbow Radio shows are available online for download or podcast at www.scglpm.org/rainbowradio.

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