

# LAMBDA

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## from the editor



Last semester GLBT-SA members were extremely busy bringing a number of special events to campus for the community to take part in — Coming Out Week, Transgender Awareness Week and, of course, the popular drag show held in Memorial Hall.

The upcoming semester, however, will prove to be equally exciting for the local LGBTIQ community. With new leadership guiding the GLBT-SA, be sure to keep an eye out for upcoming speakers and events guaranteed to make the University a more affirming, more intune community to some of today's most pressing LGBTIQ issues. For example, we are privileged to have Judy Shephard, mother of Matthew Shephard, coming to campus on Jan. 30, to discuss ways to make society a safer place for the LGBTIQ community.

As for this most recent issue of LAMBDA, staff members have worked for the past couple of months to look at intersections between sexuality and gender, especially in relation to the transgender community. Whether it is looking at the negative effects of using sexist language or examining some of the legal challenges faced by the transgendered, this edition of LAMBDA will perhaps shed light on some of the often marginalized issues affecting the community.

As we enter the new semester, again, I want to encourage members of the community and their allies to get involved with GLBT-SA or to participate in its scheduled events. After all, change only comes through action.

I also want to wish everyone a happy New Year. Who knows what 2007 will bring for the LGBTIQ community, but I look forward to it with great optimism.

Cheers,  
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