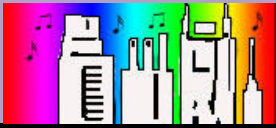


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## Current News



**Valentine Party**  
February 16, 2008  
Home of Russ & Don

Don't miss out on our Valentine Party, Hosted by Russ & Don. eVite has been sent out, so be sure to check your eMail and R.S.V.P. early.

### Hillary Clinton talks with Nashvillians

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Earlier in the evening Saturday, Barack Obama won the South Carolina primary. Mrs. Clinton congratulated him on the win in her town hall meeting Saturday night. She told the standing room only crowd that she wanted the meeting to be an exchange, a conversation instead of a lecture.

Keeping her word, she gave a 22 minute speech and then opened the floor for questions. Mrs. Clinton didn't hold back, putting down the current administration, saying for the last seven years the wealthy and connected had a president. Mrs. Clinton is vowing a fair tax code, a better minimum wage, universal health care, universal pre-kindergarten for 4-year-olds, more affordable college, and helping Americans stay in their homes.

Mrs. Clinton got a resounding round of applause when she said the best days for America are ahead.

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## Up Coming Events

**Sun, Jan 27**  
The Rock Metroploitan Community Church

Out & About Today TV (10:00pm)

**Mon, Jan 28**  
Inside Out Nashville on Stands

Frist Art Trunk Show: Chinese Painting (2:30pm)

Gay and Lesbian Weight Watchers Meeting (5:30pm)

Classic Lit Bok Clubat the downtown library. (6:00pm)

**Tue, Jan 29**  
Healing Circle at Goddess & the Moon (7:30pm)

**Thu, Jan 31**  
Music in the Grand Lobby (6:00pm)

**Fri, Feb 1**  
NASHVILLE FILM NOIR FESTIVAL

HRC Post Office Party

**Lucky's Garage 'closed until further notice' Sixth GLVT bar in Nashville to close in the past few years**

By Jerry Jones – Publisher Out & About

Lucky's Garage, which opened its doors on August 24, 2006, has apparently closed, making it the sixth GLBT bar in Nashville to shut down in about a year

A note posted on the doors of the bar tells partrons the bar is "closed until further notice." For more than two weeks, rumors have circulated in the BLBT community that the bar's closing was imminent.

## Anniversaries

- Jan 01 - Tony & Luke (6-Years)
- Jan 05 - Stefen & Steve (16-Years)
- Jan 21 - Geoff & Gene (5-Years)
- Jan 23 - Andrew & Joe (12-Years)
- Jan 24 - Shane & Greg (6-Years)

## Birthdays

- Jan 03 - Robert (Jim)
- Jan 06 - Rhonda (Sharon)
- Jan 14 - Patricia (Charlotte)
- Jan 24 - Gene (Geoff)
- Jan 27 - Lloyd (Joe)
- Jan 31 - Todd (Donnie)

## SPOTLIGHT

This month's spotlight focuses on one of our long term couples, Bobby and Larry. These guys joined Music City Couples in the spring of 2002. They were introduced to Music City Couples through Ken and his then partner Pastor Greg. Larry and Ken met on a Friday afternoon flight from Pittsburg to Nashville. Ken notices Larry's 'pink triangle' cuff links while they were seated, in First Class, next to one another on a US Airways flight. They became instant friends and Ken invited Larry and Bobby to the next Music City Couple's monthly dinner & business meeting. Bobby and Larry celebrated 15-years together this past October 7<sup>th</sup>. This section will be used to "Spotlight" one of our couples each month.

**Hillary Clinton Talks with Nashvillians continued....**

"Americans know that we can't keep going down the path that we're on. We got to have a new path. We got to have a fresh start, and that includes ending the War in Iraq, and bringing out troops home as quickly and responsibly as we can," said Mrs. Clinton.

One member of the audience asked Mrs. Clinton if America is ready for a female president. She answered by laughing and saying, "Of course." She pointed out many great female leaders around the globe.

Clinton stepped off of the platform and began answering questions face to face.

A fellow democrat backing Barack Obama instead of Clinton, Congressman Jim Cooper, said this is all about health care. In the early 1990's Cooper sponsored an approach to health care reform, an idea he said, was getting widespread bi-partisan support. He said the Clintons quickly rejected that idea and didn't want any support from Republicans.

He said Obama will be more unifying in the Whitehouse.

"Barack Obama offers a different kind of approach. He's a more unifying force, a force to bring people together. And you don't look back into the past with Barack. It's more looking into the future and bringing people together in the right direction. So that's why I'm even more excited about his candidacy," said Cooper.

Cooper said 47 million Americans today are without health care coverage

### Announcements

Send us your announcements, and we will post them here, to share with our couples.

Help us keep Music City Couples alive and active, share your stories and announcements here.



**MUSIC CITY  
COUPLES**

Music City Couples is an organization of committed gay and lesbian couples in the Greater Nashville and Middle Tennessee area.

The organization serves to provide a forum for gay/lesbian committed couples to strengthen their own relationships while also providing a social and supportive structure for their fellow committed couples. Music City Couples holds no religious affiliations and makes every attempt to respect the privacy of its couples.

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### NewsLetter Submissions

Send us your Current News, Favorite Recipe, and Announcements that you would like to have added to our Monthly Newsletter. Send all submissions to,

[Webmaster@musiccitycouples.org](mailto:Webmaster@musiccitycouples.org) no later than the First Friday of Every Month. Anything received after that Friday will be included in the next month's issue

**COUPLES**

The Music City Couples Network, an organization of hundreds of loving and committed gay and lesbian couples believes that the Federal Marriage Amendment is an unconscionable assault on the rights of millions of American citizens, and is joining other organizations seeking its defeat.

According to the Human Rights Campaign (HRC), the amendment "would not only deny marriage to same-sex couples but could also deny any state legislature or electorate from ever voting to pass their own state's domestic partnership, civil union or marriage laws. Under the Federal Marriage Amendment, courts could be barred from enforcing the legal protections that a legislature provides through civil union or domestic partnership laws."

Civil marriage, other forms of relationship recognition, and basic civil rights protections are essential components that make all families, including families headed by same-sex couples, safer and more secure. Civil marriage and religious marriage are two separate things.

Religious institutions will never be forced to bless relationships with which they disagree, just as today religious institutions can refuse to marry couples of different faiths or individuals who have been divorced.

### Favorite Recipe

This spot will highlight your favorite recipe, that you would like to share with our couples

- Favorite Dessert
- Favorite Drink
- Favorite Entrée

Type them up and send them in. We will post them in our next issue.