



Clooney supports GLBT citizens

Cincinnati’s George Clooney won big at the Golden Globes on Sunday evening for **The Descendants**. So what does a Hollywood golden boy use his press junket for?

Why, to call out Mitt Romney’s homophobia, of course.

Reporter: You’ve been very vocal lately about Gay Rights, and I was just curious, What’s your opinion of Mitt Romney since he appears to be the frontrunner for the Republicans and he’s been pretty anti-Gay.

Clooney: “Well, I’m not

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Picture of 2012

much concerned until there’s an actual nominee...but I think it’s the wrong side of history. I think everyone sort of understands it might be the last leg of the civil rights movement. I do believe that. So I think that at some point, It’s certainly not the wedge issue it was in 2004, so that’s a good

sign. So those are important things to me, I think.”

PFLAG Upcoming

PFLAG will host a Gay Bingo fundraiser on Sunday, February 26, at The Cabaret, upstairs at 1122 Walnut Street. All the proceeds will go to the

PFLAG Cincinnati Scholarship Fund.

All news isn’t news?

News Corp., the parent company of Fox News, was hoping to open a propaganda branch in Canada — called “Sun News TV” (or “Fox North”). It was hoping its crony in Ottawa, Prime Minister Stephen Harper, would be successful in overturning a law prohibiting lying on broadcast news. (*Imagine that. There is a law in Canada prohibiting lying during newscasts. How civilized.*) But, thank goodness there is still some sanity in the world—they were wrong.

As America’s middle class battles for its survival on the Wisconsin barricades – against

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various Koch Oil surrogates and the corporate toadies at Fox News – fans of enlightenment, democracy and justice can take comfort from a significant victory north of the Wisconsin border.

Fox News will not be moving into Canada after all! The reason: Canadian regulators announced last week they would reject efforts by Canada’s right-wing Prime Minister, Stephen Harper, to repeal a law that forbids lying on broadcast news.

Cocktails with the Court

Join the Imperial Sovereign Queen City Court for the first Cocktails of the New Year Thursday 6 until 8 p.m. at Shooters Bar, 927 Race Street. A Catered Affair will be buying the first \$100 in drinks so come out and help The Court raise money for all their wonderful charities!!!

Sales of Girl Scout Cookies by Trans Scout brings call for boycott

In October 7-year-old Bobby Montoya, a Transgender girl, asked to join the Girl Scouts of Colorado. After initially being rejected, Bobby was welcomed by the chapter who issued a statement saying, “Girl Scouts is an inclusive organization and we accept all girls in Kindergarten through 12th grade as members. If a child identifies as a girl and the child’s family presents her as a girl, Girl Scouts of Colorado welcomes her as a Girl Scout.”

In response to the Girl Scout’s inclusive policy, a California teen posted a YouTube video which uses anti-Transgender arguments to call for a boycott of the Girl Scouts’ famous cookies.

The Girl Scouts are standing by their policy to include Transgender girls

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as Scouts, and in a statement to **the Washington Post**, the organization said it “prided itself on being an inclusive organization serving girls from all walks of life.”


The Girl Scout’s welcoming policy is supported by the American Psychological Association, which has clear guidelines for parents and educators of Transgender and gender non-conforming young people. The APA states that “It is not helpful to force the child to act in a more gender-conforming way.”

When Bobby Montoya’s story first broke, GLAAD responded to problematic news coverage that was far less welcoming of Bobby than either the Girl Scouts or the APA. In fact, the incident inspired public debate about the age at which a person could know they are Transgender and how adults should respond in

similar situations. The APA says that people may identify as Transgender at different ages and affirms what many trans people already know, which is that from a very young age they knew exactly who they were. But that didn’t stop so-called “experts” (like *Dr. Alduan Tartt who claimed to CNN’s Don Lemon that it was “damaging” for Bobby’s mom to allow her to express herself*) from making unfounded and potentially damaging claims about Transgender youth.

Sherry Sybesma, the chief executive officer of the Girl Scouts of California’s Central Coast, where the teenager featured in the boycott video is a member, has expressed doubts about the effectiveness of a cookie boycott saying, “It’s a little like boycotting coffee to get congress to rescind a woman’s right to

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Lynne and Kent Lefebvre

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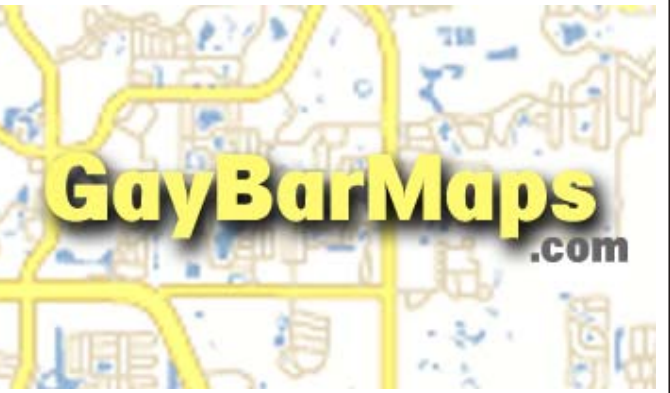
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Scouts—from Page 3 vote.” She also commented on the overwhelming amount of feedback they’ve received saying, “Most of the responses I have seen have been from people who believe in tolerance and believe in inclusiveness and want Girl Scouting to stand for inclusiveness and tolerance.”

In fact, Adam Martin of the Atlantic Wire is reporting that the anti-Transgender nature of this boycott may serve to boost Girl Scout cookie sales, as fair-minded individuals are now taking to social networks to call on people to show their support for Transgender people by upping their annual cookie purchases and supporting their local Girl Scout Chapter.

GLAAD applauds the Girl Scouts for continuing to speak out in support of inclusive and welcoming policies for all girls. It is important that the media not cause further harm by repeating earlier mistakes of misrepresenting Transgender children in ongoing coverage. Instead of giving a platform to the claims of hate groups or so-called “experts,” GLAAD calls on the media to address Trans-

gender children and issues of gender identity responsibly by calling on real experts or individuals and families who can share their own experiences.

Who? Evangelicals endorse Rick Santorum

We would have never guessed

Rick Santorum “unsurprisingly” has won the key endorsement of a huge group of more than one-hundred Evangelical leaders and organizations, including those prominently featured as certified anti-Gay hate groups, like the American Family Association and the Family Research Council.

Santorum took the endorsement after the group, which The New Civil Rights Movement reported on recently, voted in secret ballot three times, winning 115 of the 150 votes cast.

Newt Gingrich took the balance of the votes. Among those in attendance were Brian Brown, Tony Perkins, James Dobson, Gary Bauer, Don Wildmon, future FEC potential investigatee Bob Vander Plaats and many others, all convening at retired Judge Paul

Pressler’s Texas ranch.

Notably, the consortium did not even consider Texas Governor Rick Perry after the first round of voting.

“On Saturday morning, they voted, and the Family Research Council’s Tony Perkins held a call to debrief the media. He saw white smoke,” Dave Weigel of Slate reported:

“What I did not think was possible appears to be possible,” said Perkins.

After three rounds of balloting, “there emerged a strong consensus around Rick Santorum as the preferred candidate of this room.” It was a “clear, clear majority,” 115 out of 150, by the time other candidates were dropped off the ballot.

What did it mean? No one was calling for Rick Perry or Newt Gingrich to leave the race, even though the assemblage included supporters of both candidates.

“That,” said Perkins, “was not even part of the discussion.” There would not, officially, be some new campaign for Santorum by a union of these evangelicals. “It will not be a coordinated effort,” said Perkins.

Apparently, there is some confusion about the

actual vote count, with the **L.A. Times** reporting, “Santorum [*won*] 85 votes in the final round, to Newt Gingrich’s 29.”

The Times called the vote “an effort to avoid a repeat of 2008, when social conservatives failed to rally behind a single Republican presidential candidate.”

“The focus here was on people putting aside their preferences, putting aside the candidate they had signed up with, trying to reach a consensus,” Perkins said.

“Rick Santorum has consistently articulated the issues that are of concern to conservatives, both the economic and the social, and has woven those into a very solid platform,” Perkins said. “And he has a record of stability. He’s reliable.”

Of frontrunner Mitt Romney, Perkins said there was “not a lot of time spent” discussing his candidacy. It was more a discussion of the positives of the conservative candidates and their vision for the future,” Perkins said. “It was not a bash Mitt Romney weekend.” but it’s not news that there is not strong support among conservatives for Mitt Romney.”