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This past quarter has been amazing! The topper was of course Scholarship Night, June 13, when our impressive scholarship recipients received their awards. We were filled with pride to meet the candidates and their families and friends, who created an animated atmosphere. Read more about our scholarship winners in this issue! Many thanks to Ric Stackpole for chairing the Scholarship Committee, which included Dan Ley and Robby Linkmeier. And of course many thanks again to all the people and organizations who donated to the scholarship fund.

In the spring issue, I wrote, "Now that the banquet is over, there is one thing I know for sure. I need help! PFLAG is out there, and the more we're out, the more there is to do! So consider taking on even a seemingly little task such as writing thank you letters, placing ads, maintaining PFLAG literature supplies, updating the PFLAG brochure, creating the meeting announcements, helping with PRIDE activities, or even lining up people to appear on WAIF each month. Every little bit helps!"

PFLAG participated in Pride by marching in the parade and staffing a booth at Hoffner Park. Monica Plett organized a group of volunteers to greet visitors and hand out our new rainbow pens, in addition to literature. The crowds were thick on Sunday after the parade; PFLAG was happy to be part of the celebration!



This is even more critical as we strive to reach the goals set by the Board at its retreat on June 24. The five goals have to do with building membership and leadership, outreach (including advocacy and web site redesign), budget preparation, banquet function and other fund-raising, and programming. Board elections will be coming up in October, so at the very least, please be thinking about you can help our vibrant PFLAG chapter. And remember, we need a Vice President!

On May 11 PFLAG Cincinnati hosted a screening of *Inlaws and Outlaws* in the Main-Street Theater at UC. About 140 people attended. Read all about it in this issue.

See you the next 2nd Tuesday of the month.

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PFLAG Cincinnati Announces 2006 Scholarship Winners

Over the past 13 years, PFLAG has awarded over \$87,000 in scholarships to local GLBT and straight-supportive students. Supporters of the 2006 Scholarship Program included ISQCCBE, Harold and June Delph, Toyota, and many others. The 2006 Scholarship Committee were Ric Stackpole (Chair), Dan Ley from GLSEN, and Robby Linkmeier from the Court. On June 13, the committee presented scholarships to nine wonderful recipients

Elizabeth Otten- A graduate of the University of Cincinnati who will be attending the School of Visual Arts in New York in the fall. This candidate will be designated as the Martha Wyand award recipient. She has many volunteer experiences such as GLSEN Youth Summit, UC's LBGT Alliance, tutor, childcare provider and mentor. Definitely an artist with a passion for art, Elizabeth has many art related activities.



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About the PFLAG Cincinnati Chapter:

Our **regular** meetings are always held on the **second Tuesday of each month** at Mt. Auburn Presbyterian Church, 103 William Howard Taft Rd., from 7:00 – 9:30 P.M. Meetings are open to parents, friends and family of gays, lesbians, bisexuals and transgender persons, as well as to gays, lesbians, bisexuals and transgender persons.

Board meetings are held on the Thursday before our monthly meeting, starting at 7:00 P.M. Please contact a Board Member for information about attending meetings.

From the membership committee

Please remember to check the mailing label on this issue of the newsletter. We have included the date of expiration on your mailing label to send a gentle reminder of when your PFLAG dues expire. The date will also include a letter indicating the type of membership dues you have paid. If a date does not appear on the label that either means that you are not yet a member or that our records do not show when you last paid your dues.

Your dues are our only source of revenue. Our only other fundraiser is the annual banquet and the proceeds from that event are earmarked for scholarships. We depend upon your generous support through your dues.

If it is time to renew your membership, please use the form included in this newsletter to do so.

Thank you for your help!

Nuts & BOLTS

- This is your newsletter! If you have story ideas or would like to contribute, please contact Tim Gross.
- The PFLAG Library has many great books, videos, and other resources about homosexuality, coming out, GLBT issues for children and families. Be sure to check them out at our next meeting.
- The Cincinnati Chapter of PFLAG is happy to provide a speaker for your group or organization, business, school or church. Please contact the PFLAG Help Line at 513-721-7900 to obtain details about requesting a speaker for your group.
- If you have any announcements you would like to include in the newsletter, email them to Tim Gross at pflagtim@yahoo.com. Submission deadline the first week of January, April, July, and October.

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Wanna know what's going on in Greater Cincinnati & Northern Kentucky's GLBT and supportive communities each and every week? Subscribe to "The Weekly." It's a free service presented by "Greater Cincinnati GLBT News" and the Gay & Lesbian Community Center of Cincinnati. You will receive an email calendar of events every Friday night. The Weekly includes listings for community organization meetings, social and support group gatherings, theatre and arts events, sports leagues, nightlife happenings and much more. To subscribe to this great FREE service, please visit www.greatercincinnatiGLBTnews.com and click on "The Weekly" button on the home page.

**WHEN YOU NO LONGER NEED PFLAG
PFLAG NEEDS YOU**

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Great Spring Programs!

Dorothy Byers



If you missed the spring meetings, you missed two great programs. Attorney Lisa Meeks returned April 11 to talk about shared custody agreements for gay couples with children. She explained that shared custody agreements help to protect same sex couples who are raising children together in the event the couple splits up. There is no second parent adoption in Ohio if the second parent is of the same sex. A shared custody agreement should address three areas:

1. access to information for both parents, including information from doctors, teachers and daycare providers,
2. child custody in the event of the premature death of one of the parents – the other parent would gain custody, and child support, visitation, etc. if the couple splits up.

When an attorney files the proposed custody agreement it must be shown that the co-parent is a suitable person and that the agreement is in the best interest of the child.

Cheryl Eagleson from QCCA, Inc. and “Alternating Currents” on WAIF spoke to us on May 9. Cheryl talked about her experiences growing up as a lesbian in the 1960’s and 1970’s and how different it was then. She talked about the problems she had with her family not accepting her as a lesbian. She was thankful to have a surrogate family in PFLAG. She discussed the different jobs she has had over the years and the issues involved with her being out. Cheryl spoke about the different gay organizations that she has been involved with over the years and her many leadership roles in the gay community. Her talk was very well received by the people at the meeting. Lynne Lefebvre thanked her for all the work she has done in the gay community in Cincinnati.

On June 13 our program was the awarding of nine PFLAG Scholarships, written up elsewhere in this newsletter. Don’t miss reading about our awesome winners!

ISQCCBE Does it again

The Paul Delph Show

On Sunday May 28 the ISQCCBE was at it again for PFLAG this time the show was dedicated to the memory of Paul Delph. There were performances by several members of The Court, including show hosts Terrell Lackey-Flaming and Wess Duncan. The show also included an appearance of PFLAG’s own Fannie P. Flag. Again, everyone opened their pockets generously to add almost \$1200.00 to our scholarship fund. Thank you June and Harold for choosing PFLAG to benefit for this show and a big thanks Terrell and Wess and all the members of the COURT for your generous support of the past few years.





Inlaws and Outlaws Dorothy Byers

In May the Ohio chapters of PFLAG and Equality Ohio co-sponsored the premier of a film entitled *Inlaws and Outlaws* in cities throughout the state. Local co-sponsors with PFLAG Cincinnati were Equality Cincinnati, HRC Cincinnati, and QCCA, Inc.

The film is a documentary on the subject of marriage, derived from interviews with all kinds of people – gay, straight, young, old.... Producer Drew Emery wanted to “... debunk the lie that love — and the pursuit of it — is somehow something that divides us, rather than the essential human characteristic that connects us, no matter how hard we try to deny it. What better place to do that in than Ohio, the heart of it all?” It’s a fun-loving film that lets people draw their own conclusions about marriage for gays and everyone else for that matter. If you missed it, you can read all about it at <http://www.inlawsandoutlawfilm.com>.

About 140 people attended the screening at UC’s MainStreet Cinema on May 11. Almost everyone liked the film, and stayed afterward to share in a discussion led by distinguished panel of community friends: Susan Quinn Bryan (Mt. Auburn Presbyterian Church pastor), Tim Gross (PFLAG newsletter editor) and partner John Whatley, Lynne Lefebvre (PFLAG Advocacy Chair) and husband Kent, Derek Mize (Equality Ohio), Mark Smith (PFLAG treasurer) and partner Chris Ohmer, and Danni Adams (CYG member and daughter of a lesbian).

Many people wanted to know how to buy the film. Unfortunately it is not for sale as yet, but stay tuned, for more showings, or for purchase options

Cooking with Tim

Mocha Tranche

4 egg whites
2 pinches of cream of tartar
1 cup sugar (superfine if possible)
2 tbsp cocoa
4 tsp instant coffee powder
2 1/2 cups heavy cream
1 tbsp sugar
3 tbsp Tia Maria or coffee flavored liquor

Meringue

Beat egg whites in large bowl until they become thick and frothy, add cream of tartar, continue beating until they form stiff

peaks. Whisk in sugar 1/4 cup at a time along with the cocoa and coffee powder. On parchment paper draw 3 12 in x 4 in rectangles. Spoon 2 large spoonfuls of mixture in pastry bag and pipe 13-3 inch lines on parchment paper. Divide the remaining mixture in the 3 rectangles, spread out evenly. Bake rectangles in oven for 1 1/2—2 hours or until crisp and dry. The batons will bake for 45 mins— 1 hour. Cool on wire racks. Meringue can be made 1—2 days ahead of time.

Filling:

Whip cream, sugar, and Tia Maria into soft peaks. Place one

meringue rectangle on serving platter and spread out 1/4 of the filling on the meringue. Repeat with the other 2 meringue rectangles. Ending with a layer of filling and about 1/4 of the filling remaining. Spoon remaining filling in a pastry bag fitted with a star tip and pipe shell design around top edge. Place 7 of the batons spaced out evenly down the top of the Tranche then criss-cross the remaining 6. Dust top with some cocoa powder. Best if it is put together just before the meal or before it is to be served.

PRIDE ON PARADE

By Jane Biddinger



During my 12 years as a PFLAG member I'd seen PRIDE weekends come and go. Actually, I'd heard about the weekends. I hadn't come. I hadn't gone. I hadn't marched in the parade or carried the PFLAG banner. There was no single reason to account for my absence. There were three.

My oldest and most overused was lack of time. June is such a busy month—three family members' birthdays and Father's Day to celebrate. We had received invitations to a Bar Mitzvah and a graduation party both being held on the Saturday of PRIDE weekend. There were also the demands that accompany the onset of summer—mowing the lawn, weeding the flowerbeds, and testing the hammock.

The second and most obvious was the lack of guts. PRIDE Weekend. PRIDE Parade. Cincinnati, Ohio. Which one of these things is not like the others? Uncertainty flooded my mind and an internal debate ensued. There might be news cameras. Duh. It is a parade. Visibility is key. There might be Bible thumpers. Well, remember how Gene Schmeling told them that they give Christianity a bad name. But he's not with us any more. Precisely the point.

Finally, I was fuzzy about the whole idea of pride. I blamed this on my Catholic school roots. Decades and decades ago, the good sisters spent untold hours warning me of the dangers of pride. Even now, I can hear Sister Marie Teresa expanding the list of shalt nots. "Thou shalt not boast. Thou shalt not brag. Thou shalt not call attention to thyself." Pride was one of those seven deadly sins and now I was asked to spend a weekend celebrating it. And to boot, pride was linked to sexual orientation. My education in that area was also rooted in the Catholic philosophy of the time. Again, Sister's words came to mind. "Thou shalt not. Thou shalt not. And thou shalt not even think about it." While the passage of time had inhibited my ability to recall my cell phone number, the lessons of Sister Marie Teresa came back to me in a flash. Added to that were the accusations by some straights that PRIDE is an attempt to flaunt homosexuality. Now mind you, heterosexuals post engagement pictures in the local newspaper, boast of bachelor party antics, and use sonograms as computer screensavers. They do not consider this flaunting their sexuality. Parades, however, are a different matter. Deep in my soul I knew Sister would say that flaunting was another shalt not.

The announcements for PRIDE weekend came several months in advance at our PFLAG meeting. But I was busy, frightened and confused. I'd let the parade pass me by once again. Or so I thought, until three seemingly unrelated events changed my mind.

In late May, Dolores Bebko and I met with the members of the Gay-Straight Alliance at Lakota East High School. The group's advisor told us of their first meeting. Rumors were circulating that some members of the football team had threatened to harass attendees. As school let out and the time came to ascend the steps to the meeting room, a couple of students came to the stairs, then a few more, followed by more and more until they had formed a human shield to protect the group. The meeting went on as scheduled.

My husband and I attended the Bar Mitzvah of his co-worker's son. The ceremony's readings focused on service, love, and peace. As the service ended, the rabbi gave the young man a congratulatory handshake and told him that being a Jew in this time and place takes great courage. There are those in our country who would have us believe that there is only one right way to worship. Only one right way to pray. Only one right way to live. My personal addition—only one right way to love.

The afternoon's graduation party was for my niece. Normally for an aunt, an invitation would be no surprise. But our situation isn't normal. There is a rift in the family. A rift that began ten years ago when my son brought his partner to Thanksgiving dinner. To make a long sad story short but no less painful, my brother-in-law wasn't grateful and the families haven't shared a Butterball since. So out of the blue came this invitation. Three phone calls confirmed that none of my children were invited, which as my daughter-in-law pointed out, made it easier to exclude our gay son. An act of nondiscriminatory discrimination. This niece, whom I barely knew, was eighteen now, a young woman preparing to leave

Schedule of Events

- **August 8** 7pm
PFLAG Meeting
Mt. Auburn Presbyterian Church
- **September 9** 5pm
Coronation XVI
Southgate House
- **September 12** 7pm
PFLAG Meeting
Mt. Auburn Presbyterian Church
- **September 16** 8am
AVOC Red Ribbon Walk
Sawyer Point
- **October 10** 7pm
PFLAG Meeting
Mt. Auburn Presbyterian Church
- **November 14** 7pm
PFLAG Meeting
Mt. Auburn Presbyterian Church

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home for college. Preparing to enter the real world. A world where she might encounter a gay person some day. Who knows, she might even be one. My husband and I decided to go to the party. To celebrate her accomplishments. To celebrate her freedom. To reclaim her as family.

As these events unfolded, I began to rethink my PRIDE parade position and my excuses for not participating. Time. It was the busiest of weekends; that was a certainty. I could, however, squeeze it in between Sunday morning mass and a dinner commitment. I rationalized that if the parade helped call attention to the inequities endured by our gay children and friends and led to a resolution, I would have tons of spare time next year.

I moved on to my lack of guts. If those Lakota students had the courage to line the stairway for the GSA, how could I not muster the nerve to walk a mile or two? I thought about the rabbi's words and how our individual freedoms are eroding as the ideologies of a particular religion and particular political view merge. I thought about my niece and those lost ten years. I found strength in my anger. I was still a bit fuzzy with the pride issue, but two out of three wasn't bad. This year I would march.

Sunday was overcast and cool, but thankfully drier than Saturday when the rain had been torrential—possibly a result of the Phil Burress PRIDE Weekend hex. I joined our PFLAG team at Burnet Woods shortly before the parade began. Mayor Mark Mallory had already read the PRIDE Day Proclamation but I caught the remarks by Grand Marshall and Cincinnati Councilman David Crowley. Not too shabby a political showing for our conservative Cincinnati. A member of I.S.Q.C.C.B.E. entertained as the 80 or so floats and groups assembled. We raised our PFLAG banner and were off. We were in the middle of the pack and I felt good about that. Perhaps by the time we reached the hecklers, they'd be hoarse.

I'd worn my tennis shoes and had tucked a poncho into my purse so I was prepared for walking and prepared for rain, but I was not at all prepared for what lay ahead. As we turned the corner we were greeted with cheers, applause, shouts, and whistles. Though I was unfamiliar with the parade route, there was no danger that we would veer off course. We needed only to follow the roar booming ahead. If there were hecklers, their voices were muted by the crowd.

I was awestruck by the outpouring of appreciation from all of these people supporting us for supporting them. It was surreal. I had come to offer my encouragement and instead found myself a recipient of a show of gratitude that I

could have in no way fathomed. Never tiring of the accolades, never ceasing to be amazed, I continued to put one foot in front of the other though I don't recall that they ever touched the pavement.

Certain images of the parade route are etched in my mind. The houses with rainbow flags waving. The rainbow flags waving alongside the red, white and blue. People in lawn chairs waiting for us, tipping a glass, or raising a thumb. The oft-repeated sounds of "We love you, PFLAG!" screamed at the tops of lungs and whispered with a nod of thanks. The couples holding hands in the light of day. The families—two mothers, two fathers, some with one of each—the composition varied but the love a constant. Marian thanking the police officers for their help. The police officers smiling back. The young boys offering bottles of cold water.

There were those reality-check moments as well. The officer standing outside the police station. We waved and he responded with a glare before retreating inside. The shadowy figures peering from windows of apartment buildings. A person in need of our help? A soul still searching, still struggling?

As we neared Hoffner Park, the end of our route, it was my turn to carry one end of the PFLAG banner. We approached the review stand and the largest crowd of the day. I looked at individual faces. Smiling faces. Hopeful faces. Determined faces. They were here, not to flaunt, but to celebrate. To celebrate the courage of those who have emerged from the confines of the closet while offering hope to those still entrenched. To celebrate the advances made in our own Cincinnati while pledging to keep up the fight. To celebrate the works of organization such as GLSEN, AVOC and PFLAG, while praying for their obsolescence.

As PFLAG was announced and cheered yet again, I thought about the circle of our monthly meetings. I thought about the haven I found there when I had nowhere else to turn. I thought about the young people who come to us for advice before going to mom and dad. I thought about the minds we have eased, the hearts we have soothed and the souls we have comforted.

Suddenly my chin was a little higher, my step a little livelier, and my heart a little lighter. And there was this feeling. This perfectly wonderful feeling pulsing through me. A feeling good and pure. A feeling that the world was better because of PFLAG. At long last I understood PRIDE. All it took was a parade.



PFLAG Cincinnati Announces 2006 Scholarship Winners



Rebecca Bernstein-A current Wyoming High School student, Rebecca plans to attend Ohio State University in the fall. Rebecca has many school related activities as well as GLBT activities. She is the current president of her school's GSA. Actively involved in Equality Ohio, she was the only high school student to speak about HB 276. She has also testified to the Education Committee of Ohio.

Samantha de Silva- A current Sycamore High School student, Sam plans to attend Ohio State University in the fall. Sam has many co-curricular activities listed on her application showing that she is a person that does not stand on the sidelines but gets involved. Some of the activities include, Tsunami Student Relief Fund Coordinator, Kerry/Edwards Campaign and Student Leadership Coalition. She of course also is involved with the GLBT community serving as an advocate as President in her school's GSA.

Kai Kohlsdorf- A graduate of the University of Cincinnati, Kai will pursue a masters at UC. She has a myriad of exposure to the GLBT community. She was the Phone Bank Coordinator for Citizens to Restore Fairness, involved with membership recruitment for Equality UC, Founder and Facilitator of a gender queer group at UC, and a troupe director for a drag king troupe. Her involvement deals with transgender persons and gives a unique viewpoint regarding transgender and lesbians.

Amy Warren-A Colerain High School graduate, Amy is pursuing a bachelor's degree in International Business from American University in DC. Amy's application is clear evidence that one voice can make a difference. As her father is a minister and her mother involved in other areas of ministry, the concept of homosexuality was rarely discussed and when it was, it was not favorable. When her brother came out to her after years of depression, Amy supported her brother and assisted him in finding support groups, counseling and served as his go-to-girl. Although not widely involved in the GLBT community, this type of support and commitment should be recognized.

Patrick Russell- A current student at St. Xavier High School, he has applied to several higher educational institutions and hopes to make a decision very shortly. Without going into detail, Patrick has NOT had a normal home life and has been living with his guardian, who is gay and supports Patrick in ways his parents are not able/willing to do. His guidance counselor writes that he is the biggest success story in the senior class. Patrick has been involved as a core team member for Hands across America, been a tutor with Boys and Girls Club of Cincinnati, participates in AVOC activities, and developed GLBT seminars and panels for other students at St. Xavier High School.

Deania Carson- An undergraduate student at the University of Cincinnati, she will be pursuing a bachelor's degree in education from UC. Deania has had the most trying educational experiences of all students we had the opportunity to review. She is a non-traditional student that earned her associates degree, was downsized, went back to school, experienced limited funds, went back into the work force and is now back in the educational system again. Deania has personal experiences that make her worthy of this scholarship, having experienced homophobia, racism and classism here in Cincinnati. An advocate of diversity, Deania has been involved with Equality UC, UC Alliance and Pride Night Events. She is an excellent candidate to show that PFLAG respects all people who try to advocate for ANY minority without disrespecting others.

Vanessa Melendez- a current student at the University of Cincinnati, Vanessa is a non-traditional student who is pursuing a second bachelors degree from the College of Design, Architecture, Art and Planning. Vanessa has several years of hidden advocacy work in her experiences as a Social Worker, working with children and families that have fallen into the "system". She has been a children's advocate working in several organizations such as the St. Joseph Orphanage, Ruth Dykerman Children's Home, and Family Ties Therapeutic Foster Care. Through this experience there were many opportunities to educate the children, parents and administrators in whom she counseled. On one particular occasion, a supervisor began making an issue of sexual orientation. Vanessa contacted the Human Resources Department for support and acted as an advocate for any GLBT employee. She received positive reviews and accolades for making the issue known within the organization. Vanessa also canvassed the community, made phone calls and worked at the polls to repeal Article 12 with Citizens to Restore Fairness. Although a little nervous going door to door, Vanessa realized that this was an opportunity to give back and make a stand in her own community.

Jason Autry, a current student at the University of Cincinnati, Jason wants to continue his education in higher education and student affairs at Indiana University. He has been the Outreach Coordinator for Citizens to Restore Fairness, worked and volunteered in several capacities at the University of Cincinnati, and is involved in religious-related activities. He also has the experience of working with the Tunnel of Oppression Project. His volunteer work stems from wanting to put a face on the issue and make people question why they care or don't care about social issues. His references are amazing and address the commitment Jason has had in raising awareness and monies for GLBT issues.

See picture on page 8



A mothers insight to Lakota East High School Jane Biddinger

At the request of the Gay-Straight Alliance of Lakota East High School, Dolores Bebko and I attended their monthly meeting on May 23, 2006. The group met after school hours in a classroom.

We planned to tell them our stories, show the PFLAG video, and open the meeting to questions. We sat in a PFLAG-type circle and Dolores and I began by sharing our experiences as mothers of gay sons. We gave them a thumbnail sketch of our lives starting with the days when the coming out was new and overwhelming. We told them how we educated ourselves in order to come to understanding and acceptance. We cited PFLAG as our source of strength.

The video took a backseat to the onslaught of questions and concerns expressed by the advisor and handful of students.

A senior was outed by his parents and now his father no longer speaks to him. The father dotes on the younger brother, who may also be gay.

A younger gay student is troubled by his mother's insistence that he no longer be gay.

A straight young woman, co-chair of the alliance, has gay friends but her mother won't allow her to associate with them. She is not permitted to leave the house with fewer than two friends. Needless to say, her mother doesn't know that she belongs to this group. The young lady has a dilemma. One of

her friends is having a commitment ceremony and she would like to attend. Does she deceive and defy her mother? She also thinks that her younger brother is gay. Perhaps an aunt too.

Since most of their problems stemmed from dealing with parents, they looked to Dolores and me for guidance. There were, of course, no simple solutions but we were able to help them explore their options. We also offered insights into the fears and concerns, rational or otherwise, that are common to parents. Dolores spoke about choosing a college and how to find a welcoming one. We applauded them for the courage they demonstrated in coming out at such a young age and acknowledged the additional problems their age presents, such as financial dependence and parental house rules. We gave them PFLAG flyers and Dolores left her phone number in case they needed to talk further. The advisor will keep flyers on her desktop.

After more than the hour allotted for the meeting had passed, the advisor thanked us for coming and offered a summation. She told the students that having a gay child poses challenges to parents. Those challenges take time to overcome but it is possible. Dolores and I are examples. While things may seem bleak now, hopefully their parents will come to acceptance. But if that does not happen, the students will soon be in control of their lives. They will be making their own decisions. They will be in charge of their own destiny. They should be patient but hopeful.

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Scholarship

Winners

Left to Right,

Back Row

Rebecca Bernstein

Kai Kohlsdorf

Elizabeth Otten

Patrick Russell

Amy Warren

Front Row

Vanessa Melendez

Samantha de Silva





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