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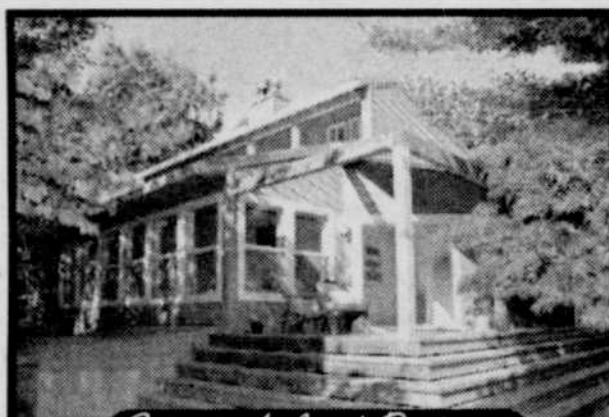
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1. "Command Period" (⌘+) will solve some freezes
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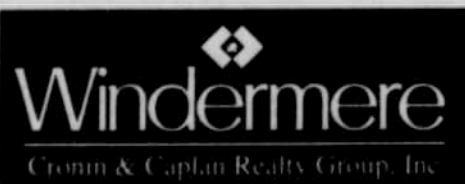
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wearing T-shirts with the message "Free to speak against homosexuality, against abortion, against evolution."

"If Boyd County High School needed any more proof that its students need a safe space to be themselves and talk about sexual orientation issues, the hostility and fear behind these actions have made it abundantly clear," said Matt Coles, ACLU Lesbian and Gay Rights Project director, and Jeff Vessels, ACLU of Kentucky executive director, in a joint statement Nov. 7. "The people of Boyd County and across America need to know that the rights of students everywhere to form alliances in their schools is a part of our cultural heritage of freedom and diversity."

Lively is co-author of *The Pink Swastika: Homosexuals and the Nazi Party*, a book blaming gay people for the Holocaust. In 1991 he assaulted Portland lesbian photojournalist Catherine Stauffer at an OCA event, leading to a \$31,000 judgment in her favor and the arrest of Mabon earlier this year on contempt-of-court charges.

Students who are working to form Gay Straight Alliances in their schools can contact the ACLU Lesbian and Gay Rights Project at 212-549-2673 or safeschools@aclu.org.

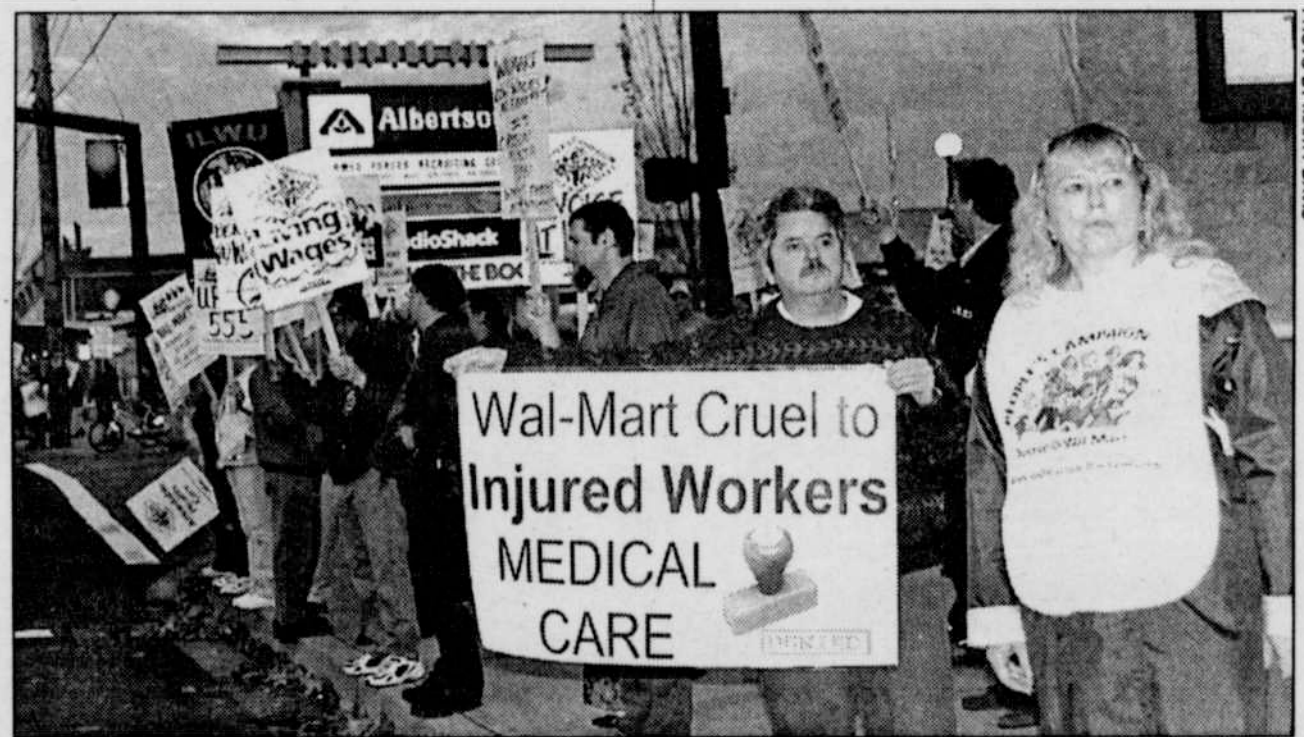
to increasing pressure on the National Football League to address the problem of homophobia and make clear that it will not tolerate harassment and discrimination against gay players. Elizabeth Birch, Human Rights Campaign executive director, outlined her concerns in a Nov. 19 letter to commissioner Paul Tagliabue.

"We hope Tualo's experience has created an opportunity for the NFL and HRC to begin a dialogue about ways the league can implement existing guidelines regarding harassment and discrimination against gay players," she said. "These hard-working employees should not have to fear reprisals, such as getting intentionally injured or cut from a roster—worries well articulated by Tualo."

Tualo, a nine-year veteran of the NFL, came out Oct. 29 on HBO's *Real Sports*. During the interview, he spoke of a homophobic environment where he often would hear anti-gay comments or jokes.

Remarks by former and current football players confirm Tualo's assessment of the league.

When asked about his feelings on having a gay teammate, San Francisco 49ers running back Garrison Hearst told a *Fresno Bee* columnist Oct. 27: "Aww, hell no! I don't



Protesters demonstrate Nov. 21 outside Wal-Mart Eastport

YOU BETTER SHOP AROUND

As part of a nationwide Day of Action, queer unionists joined a coalition of labor, community and student organizations Nov. 21 to shine a light on Wal-Mart's abuse of workers and aggressive anti-union activities; lack of respect and abusive treatment of employees who are queer, women, people of color and differently abled; and policies that are swallowing up jobs and local business. Pride at Work noted that the retailer has no nondiscrimination policy covering sexual orientation or gender identity and doesn't offer same-sex partner benefits.

A San Diego federal jury awarded \$535,000 to a former Wal-Mart employee who was sexually harassed because she is gay. The woman said the retailer did nothing after she complained that her manager repeatedly asked about her orientation, made sexual jokes and passed around pornography during meetings.

Wal-Mart is the No. 1 Fortune 500 company. It employs more people than any other private sector business, with 1 million workers in the United States and an additional 300,000 internationally.

NFL URGED TO CLARIFY STAND ON HARASSMENT

The recent coming out of Oregon State University graduate Esera Tualo has led

want any faggots on my team. I know this might not be what people want to hear, but that's a punk. I don't want any faggots in this locker room."

On the *Real Sports* segment, former teammate Sterling Sharpe said that if Tualo had come out while in the NFL, "he would have been eaten alive, and he would have been hated for it." He then suggested a gay player might be intentionally injured, even by his own teammates.

Nevertheless, the league has a nondiscrimination policy that includes sexual orientation and an anti-harassment policy that forbids "epithets, slurs or negative stereotypes." However, Birch said the message clearly is not getting through to all players.

"Tualo's experience and the lack of other out individuals strongly suggest that most players are not aware of the NFL's current rules governing harassment and discrimination," she wrote. "It is clear...there is a serious problem that needs to be addressed in the near future."

Birch also asked the NFL to send a strong signal of its opposition to anti-gay discrimination by taking affirmative steps such as sensitivity training and offering domestic partner benefits.

"HRC suggests that the NFL addresses this issue at the yearly rookie symposium, where social issues faced by players are addressed," she wrote.

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