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Americans for Truth about Homosexuality

Something Truly to Be 'Proud' of:  
Former Homosexual Jim Hanes Takes a Bride

**\*\*Disproves Lie Underlying Clinton's 'Gay Pride Month\*\***

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WASHINGTON, D.C. -- Jim Hanes, Administrative Director of Americans for Truth about Homosexuality (AFTAH), has returned from an Alaska honeymoon with his new bride, the former Sarah Carr, whom he wed in a Christian ceremony in Maryland on June 12.

Hanes, who lived for four years as an open homosexual, left the lifestyle two years ago after hearing of the possibility of change on a Christian radio broadcast. He met Sarah through a mutual friend, who also had abandoned his "gay" identity a year earlier.

Americans for Truth President Peter LaBarbera issued the following statement about the happy event:

In the same month that President Clinton asked all of America to join him in celebrating "Gay Pride Month," Jim Hanes -- former "proud" homosexual -- proclaimed his lifelong commitment to Sarah. Their marriage is a dose of truth for a culture whose trendy opinion-makers are falling all over themselves to "celebrate" homosexuality.

Jim's changed life disproves the curious notion that people are fated by birth or other circumstances to be "gay." It offers tremendous hope to those struggling with homosexuality. Perhaps if Bill Clinton and Al Gore could meet Jim and Sarah, and hear Jim's heartwarming story, they might see the folly of their politically correct embrace of the homosexual cause.

When Jim and Sarah walked down the aisle and were united before God in true marriage, they followed in the tradition of millions of couples before them. Homosexual so-called "marriages," in contrast, are a perversion of the real thing. Romantic love was never intended to be between members of the same sex -- a truth that politics and propaganda cannot alter. We understand why groups like the Gay and Lesbian Alliance Against Defamation are desperate to censor the truth that homosexuals can change (even as they champion "diversity"). It undermines the core of their ideology that homosexual conduct is natural and therefore acceptable. It subverts their Big Lie.

A healthy society encourages men and women to love each other in marriage, and create stable families with mothers and fathers. It does not lower

divine, age-old standards of right and wrong in the name of "equality" or ending "discrimination." Hollywood, the media, liberal politicians, and open-minded "gays" and "lesbians" would do well to consider the lesson of Jim's life: that homosexuality is not about "orientation" but behavior and desires that can be overcome. Thank you, Jim and Sarah, for giving us something truly worth celebrating!

Jim and Sarah Hanes are available for interviews by contacting the number above. Americans for Truth, publishers of the Lambda Report on Homosexuality, counters the "gay, lesbian, bisexual, and transgendered" lobby. Web: [www.americansfortruth.com](http://www.americansfortruth.com). Address: AFTAH, PO Box 45252, Washington, DC 20026-5252. (703)491-7975.

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