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Volunteers from NWPA Pride Alliance, Erie Gay News, Greater Erie Alliance for Equality (GEAE), Transfamily of NWPA, Central Outreach Erie, and Compton's Table at food drive on April 30, 2022. Photo by Michael Mahler

LGBTQIA+ Food Drive on April 30

The local LGBTQIA+ community came together to collect food for the Second Harvest Food Bank of NWPA. The drive was held at Central Outreach Erie, 3104 State St, Erie, PA, on Saturday, April 30. The group collected 781 pounds and \$330 in cash. All food and cash will be used locally to help those in need. A group of volunteers put this event together from NWPA Pride Alliance, Erie Gay News, Greater Erie Alliance for Equality (GEAE), Transfamily of NWPA, Central Outreach Erie, and Compton's Table.

This is the largest community-based food drive of the year for the food bank. If you missed the food drive, you can still donate by reaching out to the Second Harvest Food Bank. We will be holding a Give Back Drive in later summer - more info to come.

Pride Is Back For NW PA!

Come help us celebrate 30 Years of Pride Events in Erie! NW PA Pride Alliance has been hard at work planning events to celebrate Pride in NW PA.

Drag Queen Bingo hosted by Alysín Wonderland at Voodoo, June 1

Your host Alysín Wonderland will be joined by Danyel Vasquez and Rebecca Mae to get your Pride month started with some fun and cash prizes for a Pride Month Drag Bingo Kickoff on Wednesday, June 1, 2022, at Voodoo Brewing, 716 State St, Erie PA. Doors will open at 5:30, and join us at 6 pm for a Meet and Greet with the cast and games to begin at 6:30 pm. Tickets are \$25.00 in advance and \$30.00 at the door. You must be 18+ to attend. Tickets are available at NWPAPride.org.

Erie's LGBTQIA Social Hour at Underdog BBQ on June 8

NWPA Pride is proud to partner with Underdog BBQ to provide a safe space for the LGBTQIA+ community on Wednesday, June 8, from 6 pm-9 pm. Underdog BBQ will have food and drink specials (both with and without alcohol). Weather permitting, the Slushy Shed will be open along with the outdoor patio. The event is open to all ages. We look forward to welcoming everyone.

If you have any questions, please get in touch with Alex Sphon at @president@nwpa-pride.org

LGBTQIA & Allies Happy Hour at Julian's Bar & Grill on June 22

The NWPA Pride Alliance hosts a monthly LGBTQIA and Allies Happy Hour on the fourth Wednesday of each month. Join us at Julian's Bar & Grill, 299 Chestnut Street in Meadville, beginning at 5:30 PM. For more details contact Brett Staskiewicz via Facebook or at (814) 720-1737. All are welcome!

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The *Erie Gay News* is published monthly as a source of news, events, information, and support for gays, lesbians, bisexuals, transgender people (GLBTs), their families, friends, and supporters in the Erie PA area.

We welcome and encourage all readers to submit timely news, comments, and opinions of interest to local GLBTs for publication in these pages. Please include your contact information with any piece you submit.

If you are restarting events or are moving to hosting events/meetings virtually, or want to change your copies received for distribution, please email info@eriegaynews.com

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Pride Night at the Seawolves on June 23

NWPA Pride is happy to announce the return of Pride Night at the Erie Seawolves on Thursday June 23rd 2022. The Seawolves will be planning the Bowie Baysocks. First pitch is at 6:05Pm from UPMC Park in downtown Erie. A special shirt and ticket package will be available when purchasing your ticket through NWPAPride.org. The ticket and shirt combo will need to be picked up from the Will Call ticket window. Shirt/ticket combos are limited purchase early to guarantee availability. In the event of weather cancelation ticket will be redeemable for any other game the remainder of the season (subject to availability).

Purchase tickets at : <https://nw-pa-pride-alliance-inc.square.site/product/pride-night-with-the-erie-seawolves-2022/59>

Erie Pride Parade and Pride Festival

Pridefest will take place this year on June 25. We will gather at The Zone Dance Club on W 18th St from 11-12 and step off to march to Perry Square at 12. Once at Perry Square, we will have info tables and vendors and performances by local drag performers and other performers on the Safe Journey Mainstage. Free HIV/STI testing and health screenings will be available in the Central Outreach Erie Health and Wellness Zone. Finally, we will include a first-ever Youth Zone, thanks to our Partners at the Erie Playhouse. This zone will include inflatable children's rides, a story corner, etc.

This event is family-friendly and open to all ages at no cost.

This event is also tobacco-free, thanks to our partners at Erie County Health Department and the NWPA Tobacco Control Program.

For a complete list of parade units, vendors, information tables, and performers, please visit NWPAPRIDE.ORG

Interested in being a parade unit or having a table? Please email tables@nwpapride.org before June 1.



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Drive your Pride 2022 on June 26

On Sunday, June 26, join NW PA Pride Alliance for a Pride filled Drive around the beautiful Presque Isle State Park!

Please gather in the final two rows farthest from the building. Make sure any decorations are secured as littering is not tolerated. No stopping once the drive has started except for wildlife and pedestrians crossing.

Decorate your car or vehicle as your personal parade float--flags, streamers, signs, be creative! Just make you are able to safely obey all the rules of the road!

We will all drive together around the Peninsula.

Meet at the parking lot of the Tom Ridge Center at 1pm and then "step off" at 2:00pm

Please share this event and invite your friends! This should be fun!

Event will be rain or shine.

This event is not affiliated with the Tom Ridge Environmental Center.

HIV Task Force Launches FreeC2U

Gary Snyder, HIV Prevention, Erie County Department of Health

The Erie County HIV Task Force is excited to announce the start of a FREE home mailing program where Erie County residents can receive safe sex materials by ordering online at condoms.echiv.org. The COVID-19 pandemic brought attention to the lack of accessibility for our community to access condoms when the existing free condom distribution sites were unavailable. Residents 13 years of age and above can visit the online website to select their preference of a dozen free internal or external condoms. Each home mailer pack is sent without indicating the contents to honor your privacy. Along with the condoms, each package includes lube packets, instructions, and print information about local testing/treatment sites as well as how to receive a free HIV home test. Supplies are provided by the funding from the CDC and inventory by the Pennsylvania Department of Health. Visit condoms.echiv.org to order your free dozen today. For more information, contact the Erie County HIV Task Force Chair at 814-315-3375 or admin@echiv.org.



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Volunteers for the Erie Gay News Pride Festival Table

Want to lend us a hand? We are requesting volunteers to operate the Erie Gay News table during the 2022 Erie Pride Festival on June 25 in Perry Square! Feel free to join us at Perry Square before or during the Pride festival on Saturday, June 25th. Our booth will be located on the west side of the square. If you are interested, set up for the event will be held at the location of the booth, from 11 AM to 12:30 PM. The festival parade arrives at Perry Square around 12:30 pm. All set up must be complete by 12:30 pm. To volunteer to help staff the Erie Gay News info table at Pride, please email Michael Mahler at info@erie-gaynews.com or call (814) 456-9833.

If you want to march in the parade beforehand, any volunteers are certainly welcome to! Lastly, please be conscious of the weather! The Pride Festival will operate rain or shine.

The Living Room in Meadville Downtown Mall

The Living Room is a drug and alcohol-free safe environment designed to support positive connections among members of Crawford County's recovery community.

Staffed by Certified Recovery Support Specialists and other Crawford County Drug & Alcohol Executive Commission (CCDAEC employees), the Living Room promotes positive lifestyle changes through socialization, supportive services and healthy activities. Current CCDAEC clients and other individuals in recovery are encouraged to apply to participate in Living Room activities. The Living Room is new and located in the Meadville Downtown Mall. Current hours are from 12-4 PM Monday through Friday, but may be expanding in the future. Each night is a different activity: board games, video games, learning to cook, and sharing a meal are on Wednesdays.

For more information about the Living Room, please call Crawford County Drug & Alcohol at (814) 724-4100.

Erie County HIV Task Force Updates

Tis the season as we come out of the COVID-19 pandemic, various local groups and entities have been updating themselves. The Erie County HIV Task Force recently introduced a new logo in May in

conjunction with their new FreeC2U program where Erie County residents can receive a dozen condoms and lube for free mailed privately to their home. Plus the HIV Task Force has updated their social media handles to 'EriePAHIV' on Facebook and Twitter. Keep an eye out for more information regarding HIV news and activities by following them online and visiting echiv.org. Have questions or interested in joining? Contact Gary the Erie County HIV Task Force Chair at 814-315-3375 or admin@echiv.org.

Jamestown Pride is June 11

Jamestown will kick off Pride on June 10th at Sneakers, 100 Harrison St, Jamestown NY, with a burlesque show from the Laced Up Ladies! Then we will have performers, games, resources, and events throughout the Pride Market on June 11.

Finally, starting at 3pm at the Wintergarden Plaza, we will have local performers including the Ukilads, then DJ Little Italy from Buffalo, NY will get the party going from 5-7 and our headliner Thee Suburbia, featuring Islaya and Daphne Always start at 7!

Jamestown Pride is presented by Evergreen Health, and sponsored by the Jamestown Public Market, the Mental Health Association in Chautau-

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qua County, the Chautauqua Center, and Prevention Works/HOPE Chautauqua.

Warren County Pride on June 18

On Saturday, June 18, from 11 AM to 7 PM, Warren County, PA, celebrates LGBTQIA+ diversity in Betts Park! The queer community welcomes straight allies, friends, family, and the general public to this fun-filled day! Activities, contests, games, speakers, music, dancing, vendors, food, giveaways, and camaraderie.

Compton's Closet Second Location

Compton's Table will be opening a second location of Compton's Closet inside PACA, 1505 State St, Erie Pa - a free resource for queer youth and young adults that provides gender-affirming clothing, accessories, and hygiene products- in June. Stay tuned for our opening day by following us on Instagram @Comptons_Table, our Facebook page, or on our website www.ComptonsTable.org

We continue to offer our virtual AFFIRM groups throughout the summer.

Pride Guide 2022

compiled by Rex Apps

Check out these regional Pride events!

Saturday, June 4

Cleveland

Noon - 6 pm

lgbtcleveland.org

Pittsburgh Pride Revolution

Stand Up, Fight Back March, City County Building
11 am, step off at noon
lgbtqpittsburgh.com

Pittsburgh Pride Revolution

North Side Festival, Allegheny West Park
1 pm - 8 pm
lgbtqpittsburgh.com

Sunday, June 5

Buffalo Pride

buffaloprideweek.com

Pittsburgh Pride Revolution

Bloomfield Festival, Main St by Trace
2 pm - 8pm
lgbtqpittsburgh.com

People's Pride Presents Swissvale Pride

10 am - 9 pm
sisterspgh.org

Saturday, June 11

Ashtabula, OH

11 am - 5 pm
lgbtqashtabulaco.org

Jamestown, NY

10 am -

[Facebook@Jamestown Pride Festival](https://www.facebook.com/JamestownPrideFestival)

Washington County, PA

Noon -

washpapride.com

Saturday, June 18

Warren, OH

Noon - 8 pm

<https://www.fullspectrumcommunityoutreach.org/pride-in-the-valley>

Warren, PA

11 am - 7 pm

[Facebook@WarrenCountyPride](https://www.facebook.com/WarrenCountyPride)

Saturday, June 25

Erie Pride Parade and Fest

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Sunday, June 26

Erie Drive Your Pride

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Live & Let Live is an LGBTQA-friendly AA meeting that meets every Sunday, at 7PM, at Community United Church, 1011 West 38th Street, Erie, PA 16508. For more information, visit www.aeriepa.org or contact cmn0626@gmail.com or (814) 504-1507

Southern Tier Queer Peers meets every Tuesday at 5:30 PM and is a wellness group for the LGBTQIA+ community to support your peers through resources, acceptance, and stories. For more information: stqp@mhachautauqua.org Zoom Link: <https://zoom.us/j/5892507875>, Passcode – 14701

May 26 (Thu) – Queer Youth: Virtual Connect – Chat & Chill (Zoom) 6 PM – 7:30 PM. Come join us for a night of community, laughter, and chill. No real agenda, just a safe, virtual space. Co-hosted by Compton's Table, Greater Erie Alliance for Equality (GEAE) and Journey to a Trauma-Informed Life. <https://comptonstable.org/connect-events>. <https://comptonstable.org/>.

May 26 (Thu) - Mild to Wild Discussion Group (Mental Health Association in Chautauqua County, 31 Water Street Suite 7, Jamestown, NY 14701) 6 PM - 7:30 PM. Mild to Wild is a discussion group about sex and substance use designed for gay and bisexual men and folks of trans experience. Meets in person at MHA and also on Zoom. (716) 661-9044.

May 26 (Thu) - Virtual Workshop - Popular Scams and How To Avoid Them (Zoom) 7 PM - 8 PM. Every day people are getting scammed out of THOUSANDS of dollars by so called “professionals” looking to separate them from their hard-earned money. This presentation introduces us to commonly used tactics, what to look for and how to avoid them. Register via the link to get the Zoom meeting info. info@eriegaynews.com. <https://www.dobs.pa.gov/>. RSVP/Register/Tickets at <https://TinyUrl.com/regscamworkshop>.

May 27 - 30 (Fri - Mon) - Camp Davis Memorial Day Holiday Weekend (Camp Davis, 311 Redbrush Rd, Boyers, PA 16020-1219) Friday 27: Open Dance. Saturday 28 Uniform. Sunday 29th Camo & Dog Tags/ Sunday potluck, 4pm @ pool. (724) 637-2402. <http://campdavispa.com/>.

May 27 - 30 (Fri - Mon) - Jones Pond Memorial Day/ Armed Forces Weekend (Jones Pond Campground & RV Park, 9835 Old State Rd, Angelica, NY 14709-8729)

May 27 (Fri) - RuPaul's Drag Race All-Stars 7 Viewing Party/F*ck It Friday (Zone Dance Club, 133 W 18th St, Erie, PA 16501) 8 PM. Join host Rebecca Mae for another episode of the All-Stars/All-Winners season! Stick around for F*ck It Fridays with special guests Alysia Wonderland & Priscilla Godzilla. Doors open at 7:30 pm. Show starts 8pm. No cover before 8 pm, \$5 after 8 pm. 21+ with valid state-issued ID Phone: (814) 452-0125. Browse to <https://thezonedanceclub.com/>.

May 28 (Sat) - TransFamily of NWPA (Erie) Transgender Support Group meets (Crime Victim Center of Erie County, 125 W 18th St, Erie, PA 16501) 2 PM - 5 PM. We will be making T-shirts at this meeting. Meetings are hosted at the Crime Victim Center of Erie County (125 W. 18th St., Erie, PA). All current CDC, state, and local guidelines for meeting indoors will be observed. Meetings are always confidential and completely free. <http://www.facebook.com/TransfamilyOfNWPA>.

May 30 (Mon) - Zone open regular hours for Memorial Day (Zone Dance Club, 133 W 18th St, Erie, PA 16501) 8 PM. (814) 452-0125. info@thezonedanceclub.com. <https://thezonedanceclub.com/>.

Jun 1 (Wed) - Pride Month Kickoff Drag Bingo Hosted by Alysia Wonderland (Voodoo Brewing Co (Erie), 101 Boston Store Place, Erie, PA 16501) 5:30 PM - 9 PM. Kick-off Pride Month with Pride Bingo, hosted by Alysia Wonderland.

Jun 1 (Wed) - Generation Drag premieres (discovery+) GENERATION DRAG follows Jameson, Noah, Vinny, Bailey and Nabela as they prep for Dragutante - a first-of-its-kind drag ball event for teens and tweens. In this inspiring documentary series, the teens juggle the pressures of being young adults, while pursuing drag greatness. Between the glitz and glam, ups and downs, and nerve-rattling stakes, their parents and "drag moms" guide them along the tumultuous journey to the ultimate Dragutante stage located in Denver, Colorado. Browse to <https://discoveryplus.com>.

Jun 1 - 30 (Wed - Thu) - LGBT Pride Month June is celebrated as Pride in honor of the Stonewall Riots, though Pride events occur all year round. It also marks the month that same-sex marriage was legalized in the United States.

Jun 2 - 5 (Thu - Sun) - 2022 Pittsburgh Pride Revolution: Stand Up, Fight Back (Pittsburgh, PA) Email: info@lgbtqpittsburgh.com. Browse to <http://www.lgbtqpittsburgh.com/>. RSVP/Register/Tickets at <https://www.facebook.com/events/184975273430949>.

Jun 2 - 6 (Thu - Mon) - Jones Pond Family & Friends Weekend (Jones Pond Campground & RV Park, 9835 Old State Rd, Angelica, NY 14709-8729) I

Jun 2 (Thu) - Truth Seekers of LGBTQ+ Coalition Of Ashtabula County meets (Ashtabula County District Library, 4335 Park Ave, Ashtabula, OH 44004) 6:30 PM. We are people of faith coming together to discuss reconciling our faith with our sexuality. (440) 749-3900. Venue (440) 997-9341. <https://www.lgbtqa-shtabulaco.org/>. venue web site <https://www.acdl.info/>.

Jun 3 - 5 (Fri - Sun) - Camp Davis Hag Drag Hat (Camp Davis, 311 Redbrush Rd, Boyers, PA 16020-1219) Phone: (724) 637-2402. Browse to <http://camp-davispa.com/>.

Jun 3 (Fri) - RuPaul's Drag Race All-Stars 7 Viewing Party/F*ck It Friday (Zone Dance Club, 133 W 18th St, Erie, PA 16501) 8 PM. With special guests Pissi Gabune & Shea D'Heaux.

Jun 5 (Sun) - HIV Long-Term Survivors Day This day celebrates and honors long-term survivors of the epidemic and raises awareness of their needs, issues and journeys. Browse to <https://medium.com/hiv-long-term-survivors-awareness-day-hltsad>.

Jun 4 (Sat) - Erie Trans Picnic (Frontier Park, W 8th and Bayfront Highway, Erie, PA) 2 PM - 5 PM. In the field behind the amphitheater. Email: mgwensinger@gmail.com. Browse to <https://www.instagram.com/>



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Jun 5 (Sun) - Swissvale Pride (Swissvale, PA 15218) Presented by SisTersPGH Phone: (412) 636-7613. Email: ciora.thomas@sisterspgh.org. Browse to <https://www.facebook.com/sistersPGH/>.

Jun 8 (Wed) - Erie's LGBTQIA+ Social Hour (Underdog BBQ, 3040 W Lake Rd, Erie, PA 16505) 6 PM - 9 PM. NWPAPride is proud to partner with Underdog BBQ to provide a safe space for the LGBTQIA+ Community. Underdog BBQ will have food and drink specials (both with and without alcohol). Event is open to all ages. We look forward to welcoming everyone.

Jun 9 (Thu) - Journey To A Trauma Informed Life - Art Wellness Space (Journey To A Trauma Informed Life, 2230 W. 8th St. #2, Erie, PA 16505) 6 PM - 7:30 PM. This is a hybrid event meaning you can attend virtually or in person (following CDC guidelines for masking, social distancing, and other measures). The event will be led by Eric Reiche, an Edinboro University Art Therapy/Counseling masters student completing their practicum here at Journey. <https://www.atraumainformedlife.com/>.

Jun 10 (Fri) - Drag Show and 80's Night (M & J's Lounge, 124 Mercer St, Butler, PA 16001) Prize for the best dressed. No membership needed for 2022. \$6.00 cover charge. Phone: (724) 602-8447. Email: JoshuaSean2009@AOL.COM. Browse to <http://www.facebook.com/MandJsLounge>.

Jun 10 (Fri) - RuPaul's Drag Race All-Stars 7 Viewing Party/F*ck It Friday (Zone Dance Club, 133 W 18th St, Erie, PA 16501) 8 PM. With special guests Tammy Joe Hammertoe & Misty Michaels Kall!

Jun 10 - 12 (Fri - Sun) - Jones Pond Construction Zone Weekend (Jones Pond Campground & RV Park, 9835 Old State Rd, Angelica, NY 14709-8729)

Jun 11 (Sat) - Jamestown Pride (Jamestown, NY)

Jun 11 (Sat) - Pride Ashtabula County 2022 (Ashtabula County Fairgrounds, 127 N Elm St, Jefferson, OH 44047) 11 AM - 5 PM. Come celebrate the second annual Pride of Ashtabula County. PEmail: info@lgbtqashtabulaco.org. <https://www.lgbtqashtabulaco.org/>.

Jun 11 (Sat) - Camp Davis Krazy 4 Kilts (Camp Davis, 311 Redbrush Rd, Boyers, PA 16020-1219) Phone: (724) 637-2402. Browse to <http://campdavispa.com/>.

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Jun 12 (Sun) - Pulse Night of Remembrance Annual day of US remembrance for the loss of 49 people in the Pulse Nightclub shooting in Orlando, Florida on June 12, 2016.

Jun 12 (Sun) - LBT Women of Erie meets (Zoom) 12 PM - 12:30 PM. Meeting ID: 770 9886 1291. Passcode: F4fwNr. u Contact: Kim Conti. (814) 490-3994. ErieBeans@yahoo.com. www.facebook.com/LBTWOMENOFERIE.

Jun 12 (Sun) - Full Spectrum Trans Feminine Adult Peer Support Group meets (Full Spectrum Community Outreach Center, 5060 Youngstown Poland Rd, Youngstown, OH 44514) 3 PM - 5 PM. Trans Feminine adults 21 and over. (234) 254-8924. <https://www.fullspectrumcommunityoutreach.org/>.

Jun 13 (Mon) - Deadline for Erie Gay News Jul 2022 print edition (#320) Please have all articles, ads, and submissions in by this date. This issue will be released on the evening of Tuesday, Jun 21.

Jun 13 (Mon) - Erie County Democratic Party LGBTQIA+ Caucus meets via Zoom (Zoom) 7 PM. General meeting on Zoom. Voting members must be a registered Democrat living in Erie County. Straight/cisgender allies welcome! Contact Michael Mahler at (814) 456-9833 or mmahler@eriedems.com for Zoom meeting info. <https://www.facebook.com/ErieDemsLGBTQIA/>.

Jun 14 (Tue) - Youngstown PFLAG meets (St. John's Episcopal Church, 323 Wick Ave, Youngstown, OH 44503) 6:30 PM - 8:30 PM. If you're GLBT, a parent of someone who is, or an ally and you're looking for emotional support, we encourage you to attend Youngstown PFLAG's monthly support group. You will be surrounded by understanding peers from the valley who will be able to listen and help. Support groups are open to the public, and it starts at 6:30pm. Light refreshments will be available. <http://www.youngstownpflag.org/>.

Jun 16 (Thu) - PFLAG Westfield NY meets (Patterson Library, 40 S Portage St, Westfield, NY 14787) 6:30

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Jun 16 (Thu) - Stumpy's Hatchet House - Trivia with Rebecca Mae (Stumpy's Hatchet House - Erie Axe Throwing, 3728 Liberty St, Erie, PA 16508) 7 PM - 9 PM. First hour Trivia with Rebecca Mae with giveaways for the winners and 2nd hour Axe Throwing. BYOB - beer/wine & food. \$50 a person. Phone: (814) 528-5005. Email: stumpyssherie@gmail.com. Browse to <https://www.stumpyssh.com/eriepa/>. RSVP/ Register/Tickets at <https://stumpys-erie.salesvu.com/book.html>.

Jun 17 - 19 (Fri - Sun) - Jones Pond Pride Weekend (200 block party) (Jones Pond Campground & RV Park, 9835 Old State Rd, Angelica, NY 14709-8729).

Jun 17 (Fri) - RuPaul's Drag Race All-Stars 7 Viewing Party/F*ck It Friday (Zone Dance Club, 133 W 18th St, Erie, PA 16501) 8 PM. With special guests Shea D'Heaux & Alysia Wonderland!

Jun 18 (Sat) - Camp Davis Daddies in FOAM! (Camp Davis, 311 Redbrush Rd, Boyers, PA 16020-1219) Don't forget your towel! Phone: (724) 637-2402. Browse to <http://campdavispa.com/>.

Jun 18 (Sat) - Rainbow Family Storytime (Blasco Memorial Erie County Public Library, 160 East Front Street, Erie, PA 16507) 10 AM - 10:45 AM. Join Erie County Public Library for a storytime event celebrating LGBTQ+ families and their allies! Our children's librarians will showcase LGBTQ-friendly picture books from our collection and lead the group in upbeat music and movement activities. Children will receive a family photo frame to decorate and light refreshments will be served. All families with children are welcome to attend. No registration required. Phone: (814) 451-6900. Browse to <http://www.erielibrary.org/>.

Jun 18 (Sat) - Warren County Pride (Betts Park, 100 Ludlow St, Warren, PA 16365) 11 AM - 7 PM. Warren County PA celebrates LGBTQIA+ diversity! The queer community welcomes straight allies, friends, family, and the general public to this fun-filled day! Activities, contests, games, speakers, music, dancing, vendors, food, give-aways, and camaraderie. Venue Phone: (814) 723-6300. Email: warrencountypride@gmail.com. Browse to <https://www.facebook.com/WarrenCountyPride>. RSVP/Register/Tickets at <https://www.facebook.com/events/372491921113072/>. Browse to venue web site <https://www.cityofwarrenpa.gov/index.asp?SEC=49A5767C-E20B-4B20-A81D-B63B8DE36C30>.

Jun 18 (Sat) - Full Spectrum Pride in the Valley Festival (Courthouse Square Park, 161 High Street

NW, Warren, OH 44481) 12 PM - 8 PM. Masks and social distancing required. Phone: (234) 254-8924. Venue Phone: (330) 841-2641. Email: info@fullspectrumcommunityoutreach.org. Browse to <https://www.fullspectrumcommunityoutreach.org/>. Browse to venue web site <https://www.explorettrumbullcounty.com/things-to-do/parks/courthouse-square-park/>.

Jun 21 (Tue) - Erie County HIV Task Force meets via Zoom 1 PM - 2:30 PM. Zoom Meeting ID: 927 9128 9996. Passcode: 940728

Jun 21 (Tue) - Erie Gay News folding/distribution work party (Lake Erie Counseling Associates, 1932 W 8th St, Erie, PA 16505) 7 PM. Help us get out the new issue. Volunteers appreciated!

Jun 22 (Wed) - LGBTQ+ and Allies Happy Hour - All welcome (Julian's Bar & Grill, 299 Chestnut St, Meadville, PA 16335) 5:30 PM - 8:30 PM. Travis and Brett came up with the idea of having a monthly happy hour get together for the LGBT and allies community in Crawford County. This is a time to network and socialize with the LGBTQ community and allies in the Meadville area, make new friends and meet people you may not know. An RSVP would be appreciated but not necessary. All are welcome and please share and spread the word! Don't forget to bring your business cards for exchange.

Jun 23 (Thu) - Mild to Wild Discussion Group (Mental Health Association in Chautauqua County, 31 Water Street Suite 7, Jamestown, NY 14701) 6 PM - 7:30 PM. Mild to Wild is a discussion group about sex and substance use designed for gay and bisexual men and folks of trans experience. Meets in person at MHA and also on Zoom. (716) 661-9044.

Jun 23 (Thu) - Queer Youth: Virtual Connect - Chat

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& Chill (Zoom) 6 PM – 7:30 PM. Come join us for a night of community, laughter, and chill. No real agenda, just a safe, virtual space. Co-hosted by Compton's Table, Greater Erie Alliance for Equality (GEAE) and Journey to a Trauma-Informed Life. Contact: <https://comptonstable.org/connect-events>.

Jun 23 (Thu) - Pride Night with the Erie Seawolves (UPMC Park, 110 E 10th St, Erie, PA) 6 PM.

Jun 24 - 26 (Fri - Sun) - Jones Pond Trailer Trash Weekend (Jones Pond Campground & RV Park, 9835 Old State Rd, Angelica, NY 14709-8729)

Jun 24 (Fri) - F*ck It Fridays - Pride Edition (Zone Dance Club, 133 W 18th St, Erie, PA 16501) 8 PM. After the Drag Race Viewing Party, Rebecca Mae hosts the Kick-Off to our PRIDE WEEKEND! Special guests and all of the rainbows! Doors open at 7:30 PM. No cover before 8 PM/ \$5 after 8 PM. 21+ with valid state-issued ID. Phone: (814) 452-0125. Email: info@thezonedanceclub.com. Browse to <https://thezonedanceclub.com/>.

Jun 24 (Fri) - RuPaul's Drag Race All-Starts 7 Viewing Party (Zone Dance Club, 133 W 18th St, Erie, PA 16501) 8 PM. Join host Rebecca Mae for another episode of the All-Stars/All-Winners season! Doors open at 7:30 pm. Show starts 8pm. No cover before 8 pm, \$5 after 8 pm. 21+ with valid state-issued ID Phone: (814) 452-0125. Browse to <https://thezonedanceclub.com/>.

Jun 25 (Sat) - 2022 Erie Pridefest and Pride Parade (Perry Square, 6th and State Streets, Erie, PA 16507) 11 AM - 4 PM.

Jun 25 (Sat) - Zone After PRIDE Party (Zone Dance Club, 133 W 18th St, Erie, PA 16501) 4 PM. Immediately following the festival downtown, join Erie's ONLY LGBTQIA+ bar for the BIGGEST party of the year! Free food buffet until it runs out! No cover until 8 pm (\$5 cover after 8 pm). Pop-up performances by your favorite entertainers! Doors open at 4 pm. 21+ with valid state-issued ID. Phone: (814) 452-0125. Email: info@thezonedanceclub.com. Browse to <https://thezonedanceclub.com/>.

Jun 25 (Sat) - Camp Davis Underwear Weekend (Camp Davis, 311 Redbrush Rd, Boyers, PA 16020-1219) Briefs, Boxers or Tightly Whities? Phone: (724) 637-2402. Browse to <http://campdavispa.com/>.

Jun 26 (Sun) - The Zone Dance Club presents Drag Brunch (Zone Dance Club, 133 W 18th St, Erie, PA 16501) 11 AM. Finish off Erie's Pride Weekend with a brunch as only the Zone can do! Hosted by Alysins Wonderland and DJ Tony G, catered by La Bella, and featuring performances some special guests! Tickets available at thezonedanceclub.com/events.

Jun 26 (Sun) - Drive Your Pride 2022 (Tom Ridge

Environmental Center, 301 Peninsula Dr #1, Erie, PA 16505) 1 PM - 3 PM.

Jun 26 (Sun) - Full Spectrum LGBTQIA+ Youth Peer Support & Social Group (Full Spectrum Community Outreach Center, 5060 Youngstown Poland Rd, Youngstown, OH 44514) 3 PM – 5 PM. Ages 14-17, under 14 with signed parental consent form.

Jun 26 (Sun) - Full Spectrum LGBTQIA+ Adult Peer Support Group meets (Full Spectrum Community Outreach Center, 5060 Youngstown Poland Rd, Youngstown, OH 44514) 6 PM – 8 PM. Ages 18+. (234) 254-8924. info@fullspectrumcommunityoutreach.org. www.fullspectrumcommunityoutreach.org/.

Jun 27 (Mon) - National HIV Testing Day

Jun 28 (Tue) - Stonewall Riots Anniversary

Jun 30 (Thu) - Teen Trans support group meets (G.A. Family Services, 210 Gustavus Ave, Jamestown, NY 14701) 5 PM. Contact: Danielle Bonovitch. (716) 708-6161. <http://gafamilyservices.org/>.

Crawford County Pride on July 9 Looking for Vendors and Exhibitors

from Glenn Tuttle

Crawford County Pride on 07/09/2022 is looking for more vendors and non-profits, but space is starting to fill. We are ahead of our normal planning and are excited to have the largest event so far, barring hurricane weather. Please feel free to contact Glenn Tuttle with any questions. Glenn can be reached for free vendor/non-profit spaces at glenntuttle@icloud.com, FB messenger, or (814)853-9472.



Friends enjoying a great time at Gay Guy/Girl Happy Hour (G2H2) at Molly Brannigan's on May 6, 2022. G2H2 meets the first Friday of each month at a different establishment. Photo by Michael Mahler



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