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A Review of Your Center

Your LGBT Center has continued to grow in 2017 offering a number of new programs. The expanded programming now offers training classes, a support group for Alcoholics Anonymous, a support group for Transgender and Non-Conforming individuals, an LGBT book club, and a weekly yoga group to help improve our health. Soon the Leon Bey Memorial Library will be open with regular hours as well as our public computer and game room.

Additionally, your center offers a series of programs to our schools, organizations, and businesses in which we offer classes and teach about diversity, LGBT history, LGBT resources, safe spaces, and transgender awareness and acceptance. This past year we have taught such classes at Miami Valley Hospital, Premier Health, Montgomery County Children's Services, Montgomery County Foster Parents, various high schools, Dayton Job Center, and the School of Professional Psychology. We have reached out to thousands of people through various table top events promoting and introducing the center to an all new group of allies.

We continue to offer our quarterly dinner series that we may all get together to share a meal and re-acquaint with each other as a community. Our largest community dinner continues to be our annual Thanksgiving Dinner. The tradition of Thanksgiving began with a community and we certainly continue that tradition for our LGBTQIA family. No one should feel disenfranchised during the holiday season. We continue to welcome all for each of our community dinners.

2017 has truly been interesting and an exciting year for the Greater Dayton LGBT Center and with the many plans in store for our physical space as well and with our political climate 2018 should prove to be all the more exciting. Till then, happy holidays!

New Board Member Candidates

The Center is please to announce the Candidates for a three year term to the board of directors.

Our first candidate is seeking to be re-elected to the board as he currently serves as treasurer for our board:

R. J. McKay resides in Beavercreek, OH with his husband Todd Figgins and their fur babies. They are avid outdoor sports persons enjoying summer sailing & the snow sports.

Our second candidate is **Mariah Rivera**, MSW - They are a dedicated entry level social worker with a commitment to serve disadvantaged youth, adults, and families, including homeless, struggling with addiction, and mental health diagnosis.

Our third candidate is **Jessica Penwell Barnett**, PH.D. - Jessica is a Assistant Professor of Sexuality & Gender Studies at Wright State University in the Department of Sociology & Anthropology.

Our fourth candidate is **Chuck Duritsch** - Chuck joined the Dayton Metro Library as External Relations Manager. Chuck is such a great supporter of Dayton, he moved here twice. The first time was from his hometown of Cincinnati where he was a Promotion Writer for The Cincinnati Post; the second was from Charlotte NC where he was Broadcast Advertising Director for the 350-store chain of Belk Stores and later Editor of Charlotte Magazine. After graduating from the University of Cincinnati's College-Conservatory of Music in Electronic Media and attending Xavier University's MBA Program, Chuck took a job with the Dayton Daily News. He returned to Dayton after retail marketing positions in Columbus OH and Charlotte NC to work for Willis Case Harwood advertising Agency and later as Sales Promotion Director at WDTN-TV2.

Our fifth candidate is **Brenden Wynn** - Brenden is a native Daytonian and resident of the St. Anne's Hill Historic District. Brenden has worked in health care for the past eleven years, and is the manager of practice transformation for Premier Physician Network. Prior to working in health care, Brenden was a professional ballet dancer and Pilates instructor. Brenden is entering his fifth year as a member of the Dayton Associate Board for Equitas Health. He is the 2017 chair of the Dayton Associate Board for Equitas Health and 2017 chair for Masquerade Dayton. Brenden was a speaker at TEDxDayton 2016 and 2017 TEDxDayton speaker committee member and mentor.

Center Needs - Will You Donate?

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3	Workstation desks	\$ 289.00 ea
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Calendar of Events

Weekly events:

AA group meets each Monday at 7 pm at the Center
Yoga group meets each Thursday at 7 pm at the Center

Nov 1 6:30 pm The Greater Dayton LGBT Center Monthly board meeting at the Center 24 N. Jefferson ST, STE 200

Nov 14 7:00 pm PFLAG monthly meeting at Harmony Creek Church 5280 Bigger Road, Dayton 45440

Nov 18 5:30 pm The LGBT Community Thanksgiving Dinner at the LGBT Center, 24 N. Jefferson STE 200. Entertainment by DGMC

Nov 19 5 pm Transgender Day of Remembrance at Courthouse Square

Nov 21 7 pm The transgender support group - Gatlyn Dame Group meets at the Center

Nov 23 Happy Thanksgiving!

Nov 25 8 pm "The Show Must GO On" by the Rubi Girls at The Coliseum at Montgomery County Fairgrounds

Nov 29 6 pm Chapter's LGBT Book Club meets at the LGBT Center - The Book for discussion for November is: "The Bee's" by Laline Paull

Dec 2 6 pm The Dayton Gay Men's Chorus "Christmas Cotillion" Westminster Presbyterian Church, 125 N Wilkinson Dayton

Dec 6 6:30 pm The Greater Dayton LGBT Center Monthly Board Meeting at the Center 24 N. Jefferson St, STE 200

Dec 12 7:00 pm PFLAG monthly meeting at Harmony Creek Church 5280 Bigger Road, Dayton 45440

Dec 12 Chanukah (Hanukkah) Starts

Dec 19 7 pm The transgender support group - Gatlyn Dame Group meets at the Center

Dec 20 Chanukah (Hanukkah) ends

Dec 25 - Merry Christmas!

Dec 27 6 pm Chapter's LGBT Book Club meets at the LGBT Center -

January 1, 2018 - - Happy New Year!!!! --

"Be who you are and say what you feel, because those who mind don't matter, and those who matter don't mind." — Bernard M. Baruch

Yes, Virginia, There is a Santa Claus

"Dear EDITOR: I am 8years old. Some of my friends say there is no Santa Claus. Papa says "If you see it in THE SUN it is so" Please tell me the truth; is there a Santa Claus?" Virginia O'Hanlon

VIRGINIA, your little friends are wrong. They have been affected by the skepticism of a skeptical age. They do not believe except they see. They think that nothing can be which is not comprehensible by their little minds. All minds, Virginia, whether they be men's or children's, are little. In this great universe of ours man is mere insect, an ant, in his intellect, as compared to the boundless world about him, as measured by the intelligence capable of grasping the whole of truth and knowledge.

Yes, Virginia, there is a Santa Claus. He exists as certainly as love and generosity and devotion exist, and you know that they abound and give to your life its highest beauty and joy. Alas, how dreary would this world be if there were no Santa Claus. It would be a dreary as if there were of Virginias. There would be no childlike faith then, no poetry, no romance to make tolerable this existence. We should have no enjoyment except in sense and sight. The eternal light with which childhood fills the world would be extinguished.

Not believe in Santa Claus! You might as well not believe in fairies? You might get your papa to hire men to watch in all the chimneys on Christmas Eve to catch Santa Claus, but even if they did if they did not see Santa Clause coming down, what would that prove! Nobody sees Santa Claus, but that is not sign that there is not Santa Claus. The most real things in the world are those that neither children nor men can see. Did you ever see fairies dancing on the lawn! Of course not, but that's no proof that they are not there. Nobody can conceive or imagine all the wonders there are unseen and unseeable in the world. You may tear apart the baby's rattle and see what makes the noise inside, but there is a veil covering the unseen world which the strongest man, not even the united strength of all the strongest men that ever lived, could tear apart. Only faith, fancy, poetry, love romance, can push aside that curtain and view and picture the supernal beauty and glory beyond. Is it all real! Ah Virginia, in all this world there is nothing else real and abiding.

No Santa Claus! Thank God! he lives, and he lives forever. A thousand years from now, Virginia, Nay, ten times ten thousand years from now, he will continue to make glad the heart of childhood.



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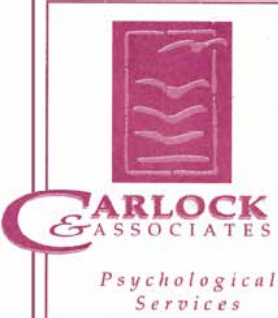


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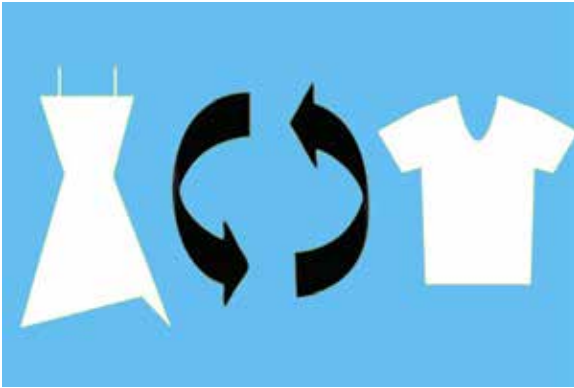
Holiday Clothing Exchange



The Clothing Exchange
Why shop if you can swap?

As the holidays quickly approach we realize that not everyone will share in a

wonderful holiday celebration. Perhaps your budget has become so tight that purchasing presents this year is simply out of the question. The Greater Dayton LGBT Center along with partnership organizations are here to help. On December 9th at 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. the Center along with the Gatlyn Dame Group is offering a Clothing Exchange where you may stop in and pick up gender appropriate clothing, shoes, and accessories. So mark your calendar for December 9th from 1 to 4 p.m. for our Holiday Clothing Exchange.



The Greater Dayton LGBT Center's Mission is to create programs that enhance the lives of sexual minorities in the Miami Valley. The Center is an association run entirely by volunteers and receives support from area business, other non profit organizations and from annual memberships.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS:

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1. ANNUAL * MEMBERSHIP DUES & CATEGORIES (check your selection)

- \$20 Student/Senior* OR \$40 Individual/Single OR \$60 Household/Family
*Seniors = 55+
 \$50 Non Profit Org. OR \$100 Business OR \$120 Founder's Club
 \$1000 Builder's Club

*A new policy began in January 2012 making all membership run from January 1st of each year and will expire on December 31st of each year.

2. Add an operating donation: \$10 \$25 \$50 \$200 \$_____ other

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