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2018 - A Year in Review

2018 has been a whirlwind of a year with many ups and downs. It seemed our community was under continued attack from Washington as that attack would unfold all throughout the year. Yet we did have bright spots. Our annual women's dance in February 2018 was a tremendous success with 137 people attending and filling the dance floor at the Dayton Women's Club. The Deejay kept party going with the attendees commenting on what a great event it was, it was a great night. Our upcoming 2019 version will be even greater!

The dance took place only a few days before we were all informed of the horrendous attack as a gunman opened fire at the Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School in Parkland, Florida, killing seventeen students and staff members and injuring seventeen others. Yet even through the shock and horror we all became inspired by the bravery, fortitude, and leadership from the surviving students as they stood tall in a call for gun control and gun common sense. That leadership led to a March on Washington with gut wrenching speeches calling for gun sense.

In June we celebrated PRIDE in a grand way with our record attendance at Friday's Affair on the Square, and 100 revelers participating in the annual bar crawl. Saturday's parade was the largest to date. There were over seventy exhibitors at Courthouse Square and the entertainment was exciting. Saturday evening the Gay Men's Chorus offered up one of the most heat warming concerts of the season as they set to music essays from local community members. I teared up with the pieces by Jaron Fox and Tyler Gregory. PFLAG's running with PRIDE on Sunday had a record number of participants as runners/walkers completed the 5K. Of course rounding out our PRIDE weekend was our Annual Spikes and Heels kickball tournament which is always a truly fun event. Walgreens once again took home the trophy with the Wright State Rowdy Riders taking home the silver. All in all, a fantastic PRIDE weekend!

The Greater Dayton LGBTQ Center "Came Out" as it held its Grand Opening on October 11th, National Coming Out Day. All the hard work this past year has culminated in a truly

wonderful center our community can be proud of. That evening others shared their coming out stories which became a truly special evening. An art show curated by Chris "Red" Newman put the final touches on the center to truly make it a stunning space. The center will host various art shows throughout to highlight our community and community artist.

The LGBT Film Festival, October 12th -14th was a wonderful collection of LGBT film. The audience picks their favorite short and feature film each year and the 2018 winner of The Dayton LGBT Film Festival Audience Award for Best Feature is: [TransMilitary!](#)

With November we saw record numbers turn out to vote in the elections. With the elections we saw a change in the house majority with 157 LGBT Friendly seats elected and the 1st ever Trans person elected to congress.

We also had a fantastic crowd of around 120 at our Annual Thanksgiving Dinner held the 17th of November with beautiful music selections by "Noteworthy" the coral ensemble of the Dayton Gay Men's Chorus.

We also saw a record number of people attend the "We will Not Be Erased" rally at Courthouse Square and the Transgender Day of Remembrance event at the Dayton Metro Library, a very touching event.

The Greater Dayton LGBT Center also began opening up for "Drop IN" hours on Wednesdays and Friday from 1-9 pm and for the 1st time ever the Center was open both Thanksgiving Day and Christmas Day for folks to drop in. No one should be alone on these holidays, so the center was open to welcome them and be a part of our LGBTQIA FAMILY.

All in all, while 2018 seemed as a very politically down year for the LGBT community, as a whole locally we saw many bright spots and foresee a very bright future for 2019 as we celebrate 50 years since Stonewall. 50 Years of the Gay Rights Movement! .

Annual Women's Dance

The Annual Woman's Valentine's Dance

February 9, 2019
Doors open at 7 pm


Cost: \$10 For LGBT Members
\$15 For Non Members
non-members +\$5 at the door

The Biggest Dance Party of the Year!

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Annual Bowling for Pride

12th Annual BOWLING For Pride

Saturday February 23rd

Poelking Lanes
1403 Wilmington Ave, Dayton, OH 45420
Check in at 1 pm, Bowling Starts at 2 pm

Cost: \$20.00 each bowler (includes shoes)

Game 1 ... 8 to Eat
Game 2 ... Bingo Bowl
Game 3 ... Garbage Bowl

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For questions or more information email: phbowling@woh.rr.com

Welcome Our Newest Board Members

The Greater Dayton LGBT Center welcomes our newest board members to fill our three open seats.

Elijah A. Welenc is an attorney currently working in Dayton, Ohio as a government Contract Specialist. In 2013 Elijah was the first out transgender graduate of the University of Toledo College of Law, and was a member of Spectrum UT (now Prism) and OUTLaw UT, serving as a Welcoming Committee member for Spectrum and President of OUTLaw.

Andrew DeMange is a 28 yr old (he, him, his) and has living in the Dayton Area for the past 10 years. He is employed at Ward Steel Service as their operations manager.

Steph Brumbaugh identifies on the non-binary spectrum and uses they/ them/ their pronouns. Steph graduated summa cum laude from Gallaudet University, with a BA in English: Writing. Their professional talents have been focused on writing, editing, and database management.

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Calendar of Events

Repeating Dates: Each Thursday at 7:00 pm & Sunday at Noon
 Free Yoga Class @ The Center
 Each Monday at 7:00pm: LGBT AA Group Meets @ Center

Jan 1 Happy New Year! f

Jan 2 6: 30 pm The Dayton LGBT Center monthly board meeting

Jan 8 7:00 pm PFLAG Dayton's monthly meeting at Harmony Creek Church

Jan 9 7:00 pm The Sexual Support Group meets at The Center

Jan 15 7:00 pm The Transgender/Non-Conforming Support Group The Gatlyn Dame Group meets at The Center

Jan 18 7:00 pm "The Natalie Clifford Barney Salon meets at The Center

Jan 21 Martin Luther King Jr. Day

Jan 23 7:00 pm The Sexual Support Group meets at The Center

Jan 27 Bloody Mary Showdown at the Mandalay Banquet Ctr

Jan 30 6:00 pm Chapter's LGBT Book Club @ The Center

Feb 6 6: 30 pm The Dayton LGBT Center monthly board meeting

Feb 6 7:00 pm The Sexual Support Group meets at The Center

Feb 8 **Deadline for Center/PFLAG Scholarships**
 visit <http://pflagdayton.org/scholarships/> for details


Feb 9 7 PM The Annual Woman's Valentine's Dance at the Center

Feb 11 7 PM Dayton Metro Library LGBT Book Club meets at the Center

Feb 12 7 PM PFLAG Dayton's monthly meeting at Harmony Creek Church

Feb 19 The Gatlyn Dame Group meets at the Center

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Membership Renewal Time

It is that time of year when you may join or renew your membership in The Greater Dayton LGBT Center. It is through your membership and donational support that we are able to offer our programming & center space to and for our community. Our mission is to enhance lives and empower members of the diverse sexual and gender Communities throughout the Miami Valley.

We made up of total volunteers with NO paid employees so 100% of your membership and donation dollars goes directly to the up keep and programing of our center.

We offer programs for all ages. Wether you are interested in our month euchre and board game day, weekly yoga, or our up coming mens and womens groups, we have something for you.

So watch our website and Face Book pages for the exciting announcements about our various events and join us at the Greater Dayton LGBT Center, 24 N. Jefferson Street, Suite 200, Dayton.

The Greater Dayton LGBT Center's Mission is to enhance lives and empower members of the diverse sexual and gender communities throughout the Miami Valley". The Center is an association run entirely by volunteers and receives support from individual donors, area business, other non profit organizations and from annual memberships.

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Board President:	Randy Phillips
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2019 Greater Dayton LGBT Center Inc. Membership Form

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

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| <input type="checkbox"/> \$20 Student/Senior* | OR | <input type="checkbox"/> \$40 Individual/Single | OR | <input type="checkbox"/> \$60 Household/Family |
| <small>*Seniors = 55+</small> | | | | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> \$50 Non Profit Org. | OR | <input type="checkbox"/> \$100 Business | OR | <input type="checkbox"/> \$120 Founder's Club |
| <input type="checkbox"/> \$60 Three Year Senior | | <input type="checkbox"/> \$120 Three Year Individual | | <input type="checkbox"/> \$1000 Builder's Club |

*A new policy began in Janauary 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

3. Center Endowment Fund \$1-99 Bronze \$100-499 Silver \$500-999 Gold \$1000 Platinum

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