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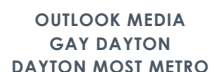
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# Calendar of Events

March 17-April 2 The Dayton Theatre Guild presents, "*The Elephant Man*"

For more info visit [www.daytontheatreguild.org](http://www.daytontheatreguild.org)

- April 6 6:30 pm The Greater Dayton LGBT Center Monthly board meeting at the Center
- April 6-23 The Human Race Theatre presents, "*On Golden Pond*" for more info visit <https://humanracetheatre.org/>
- April 7 7 pm The Greater Dayton LGBT Center's Comedy fundraiser at MJ's on Jefferson for more info see page 8
- April 8 The Dayton Gay Men's Chorus presents "*A salute to the U.S.O.*" 8 pm at Memorial Hall, Dayton
- April 9 4 pm Pride Planning Meeting at the Center. Come join a committee and help plan our pride celebrations.
- April 11 6:30 pm PFLAG's Annual Scholarship Awards Banquet at Harmony Creek Church
- April 15 9 pm-12 am Greater Dayton LGBT Center - Free HIV-STI testing for all.
- April 18 7 pm The transgender support group - Gatlyn Dame Group meets at the Center.
- April 22 12 pm The Gatlyn Dame Group sponsors a "Clothing Exchange" at the Center. Clothing to suite your gender id.

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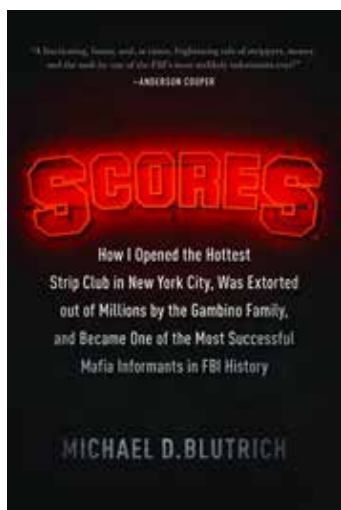
# Book Reviews

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"Scores: How I Opened the Hottest Strip Club in New York City, Was Extorted Out of Millions by the Gambino Family, and Became One of the Most Successful Mafia informants in FBI History" by Michael D. Blutrigh c.2017, BenBella Books \$26.95 / \$37.50 Canada 328 pages



"I'm telling!"

If you were ever a child, that whine is familiar to you. It indicated a tattletale nearby, a secret spilled to Mom, and somebody about to be in trouble.

Whatever. Annoying as it was, "I'm telling" never hurt much more than your pride then.

Today, as in the new book "**Scores**" by **Michael D. Blutrigh**, serious snitching could get a guy killed.

How does it happen that a gay man would own a mainstream strip club?

It was, says Michael Blutrigh, a long story that started after he opened his law firm and, in

search of an investment, purchased an L.A. nightclub. Believing that the success of his California business could transfer to New York, he recalled the excitement of a private banker who claimed he'd always wanted to own an upscale strip club.

Being a closeted gay man, that wasn't exactly Blutrigh's dream but the idea niggled at his brain. Partnering with the banker and others, they began looking for a building and batting ideas around.

Scores was born, with a planned opening on Halloween night, 1991.

"And then the mafia arrived."

In order to operate, the partners were told, they would need "protection," which would involve some of New York's biggest mafia families in a sort of symbiotic relationship, plus a grand-a-week kickback. It would also involve skirting Big Apple laws for as long as possible, because Scores would be the city's "first and most notorious upscale gentlemen's club"

and there were rules against what a customer would find inside those Upper East Side doors.

Because of the novelty and the entertainment it offered, Scores was successful – more successful than Blutrigh had ever thought. He rode a wave that made him a rich and semi-famous man – at least, until the FBI caught up with him and made him an offer he couldn't refuse...

And, of course, that's far from the end of the tale. What's left to say about "Scores" involves rompishness, humor, surprisingly heart-pounding chapters, a little *Goodfellas*, a little *Boogie Nights*, and quite a bit of fun. That last appeal comes in the form of overgrown tales, courtesy of author Michael D. Blutrigh's memories of what happened inside his gentlemen's club every evening for nearly five years. Readers who remember the most infamous discos of the 70s will find something familiar in that, updated to the 1990s but no less outrageous.

But this book isn't all party: Blutrigh delightfully drops names, including many you'll recognize, but he's deadly serious when he switches his tale from wild to wired, from dancing to danger. Indeed, though you know the risk has largely passed – he wrote a book, after all, right? – the whole of the story is one you've got to read.

There's an amazingly small amount of profanity and prurience inside this book; it's there, but not as much as you'd think there'd be, given the subject matter. That restraint uniquely serves to enhance this book, and heightens the story's value. And *that* makes "Scores" a book you'll want to tell everyone about.

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# Presenting Pride 2017

Pride planning is underway for Dayton's PRIDE celebrations 2017. We have some great things in the works for PRIDE 2017!

We will begin PRIDE weekend with "An Affair on the Square" on Friday June 2<sup>nd</sup> from 5 PM to 10 PM with some great food trucks and live entertainment featuring *The Rubi Girls*. There is possibly not a better way to end a *Rubi Show* than with a "Bar Crawl." This year **ALL FOUR** downtown Gay Bars are participating in the annual bar crawl! At courthouse square participants will be divided into four teams with a team captain who will lead their group to their first stop, have their first drink, then twenty to thirty minutes later lead on to the next bar stop until all four bars have been visited that evening.

We kick Saturday June 3<sup>rd</sup> off with a hearty breakfast served up at M.J.'s on Jefferson starting at 9 AM to 11 AM when the line up for Parade begins on St. Clair Street between 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> streets. Promptly at Noon the parade will step off turning right on from St. Clair to west on 3<sup>rd</sup> street to Jefferson Street where we turn right onto Jefferson. The parade will proceed on Jefferson Street to 2<sup>nd</sup> street when the procession will turn left onto 2<sup>nd</sup>. The parade will continue on 2<sup>nd</sup> to Main Street where it will turn left onto Main and proceed to Courthouse Square where the festivities will go into full swing.

Courthouse Square will feature 60 exposition booths of many LGBTQA friendly businesses and organizations offering information and items for the whole family. We will have some great food vendors and of course Beer & Wine to wet your whistle. Again this year we will be blocking off 3<sup>rd</sup> Street between Main & Ludlow to feature a children's area offering two inflatable's for kids and a small stage offering family friendly music, skits and entertainment.

Our Large Stage, sponsored by Equitas Health, will feature high energy, family friendly speakers and entertainment from Noon to 4 PM. Last year we set a record of 5,000 people who attended PRIDE and this year we are in line to break that record once again! Come join the fun and frivolity. Of course the day's entertainment does not end at 4 PM. At 8 PM the Dayton Gay Men's Chorus will be joined by the Dayton Contemporary Dance Company and present "*A Modern Dance, A Modern Funk*" at the Victoria Theatre, in downtown Dayton.

On Sunday June 4<sup>th</sup> the Second Annual "Spikes & Heels" kickball tournament will return as teams battle it out to become the winner of the "Six Foot Trophy" and named the 2017 Champs. Teams will gather at Noon on Sunday with games underway by 1 PM. Of course food trucks and adult beverages will be on hand to offer up to the cheering crowd! Join us for all the events of Pride 2017!

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Adult Content & Language  
Lineup Subject to Change

# SHOW

Door Opens at 6 pm. Showtime 7:00 pm  
\$5.00 Cover & 10% of Food Sales goes to The Greater Dayton LGBT Center



# Spring Forward Testing Event

**SAT, APR 15 | 9 PM-12 AM**

**Greater Dayton LGBT Center**

24 N. Jefferson, Suite 200, Dayton, OH 45402

*Don't lose any sleep about not knowing your status.*

Join Equitas Health and the Greater Dayton LGBT  
Center for free, confidential HIV, HCV, & STI testing.



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Showtime  
7:00 PM

# Queer QUEENS of QOMEDY

Thursday May 4th 2017



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# GayDaytonMap



18 +	18 and Up	E	Other Entertainment	N/H	Neighborhood
A	Alternative	F	Food	S	Strippers
AH	After Hours	G/S	Gay/Straight	T	Mature
C	Country	K	Karaoke	V	Video
D	Dance	L	Leather	W	Women
DG	Drag	M	Men	Y	Young

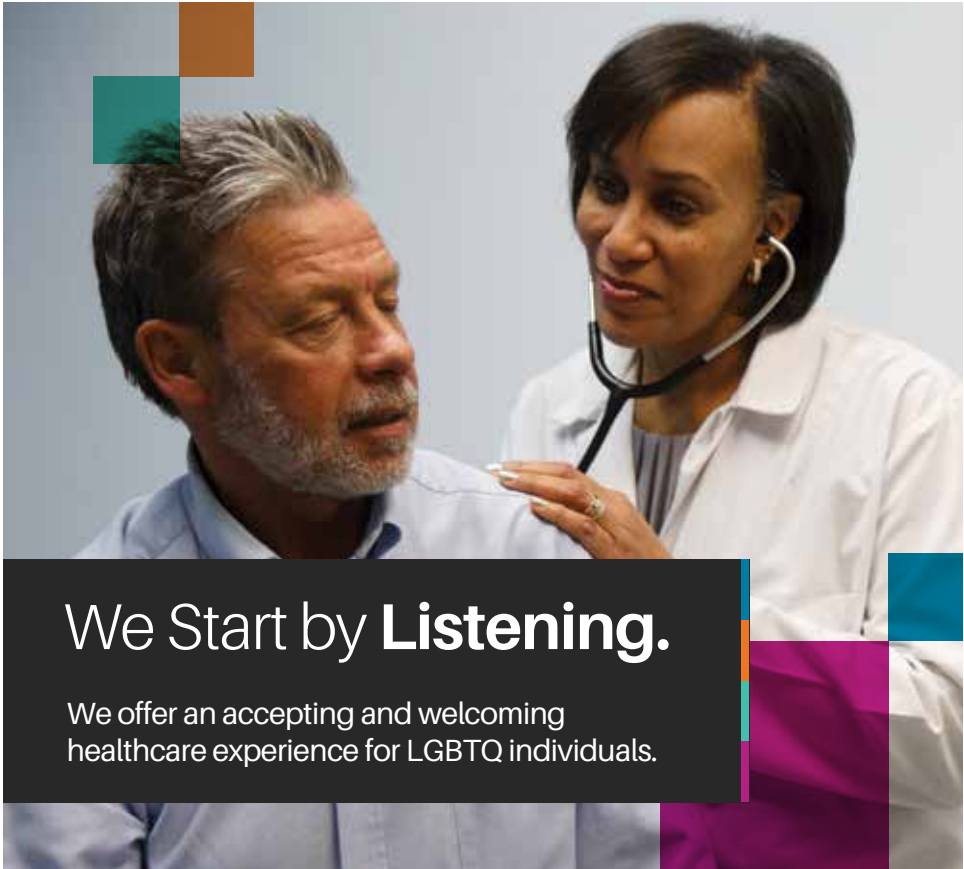
1. Argo's, 301 Mabel Street 252-2976 (M,L,E,S)
2. Masque, 34 N. Jefferson 228-2582 (18+, Y,G/S,D,E,V,DG,AH)
3. MJ's on Jefferson, 20 N. Jefferson 223-7340 (18+,F,M,D,S,E,DG,V,K)
4. Right Corner, 105 E. Third St 228-2033 (NH,M,T,E)
5. Stage Door, 44 N. Jefferson St 223-7418 (M,L,C,K,T,NH,E)
6. Natalie Clifford Barney Historical Marker
7. The Greater Dayton LGBT Center, 24 N. Jefferson 274-1776

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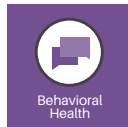
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