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## February 11, 2018 1 pm ~ 5 pm



**Board Games** 

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Wii Bowling Tournaments

24 N. Jefferson St, STE 200, Dayton, OH 45402 www.daytonLGBTcenter.org

### Calendar of Events

Jan 19-Feb 4	The Dayton Playhouse presents: <i>Beehive: The Sixties Musical</i> For Ticket information: <u>http://wordpress.thedaytonplayhouse.com</u>			
Jan 19-Feb 4	The Dayton Theatre Guide presents: <i>Stella and Lou</i> For Ticket information: <u>http://www.daytontheatreguild.org/</u>			
Feb 1-18	The Human Race Theatre presents: <i>Sex With Strangers</i> For Ticket information: <u>http://www.humanracetheatre.org/</u>			
Feb 7	6:30 pm The Greater Dayton LGBT Center Monthly Board Meeting at the Center 24 N. Jefferson St, STE 200			
Feb 10	7:00 pm The Annual Women's Valentine's Dance at the Dayton Women's Club			
Feb 11	1 pm - 5 pm "Game Day" at the Center - euchre, board games and Wii games.			
Feb 13	7:00 pm PFLAG monthly meeting at Harmony Creek Church 5280 Bigger Road, Dayton 45440			
Feb 17	9 pm - 1 am FREE HIV/STI Testing at the Center			
Feb 20	7 pm The transgender support group - Gatlyn Dame Group meets at the Center 24 N. Jefferson St STE 200, Dayton			
Feb 28	6 pm Chapter's LGBT Book Club meets at the LGBT Center 24 N. Jefferson St, STE 200, Dayton			

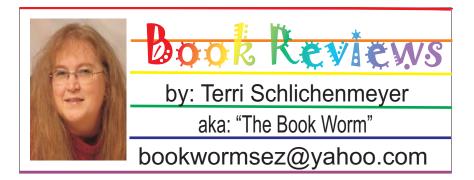
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"Buzz: A Stimulating History of the Sex Toy" by Hallie Lieberman c.2017, Pegasus Books \$26.95 / \$35.95 Canada 359 pages



### Double-A.

It has many uses, that little word-dash-letter. It's good for future baseball players. Good for a pre-teen girl. Great, if you're a student trying to bring those grades up. And, as you'll see in **"Buzz: A Stimulating History of the Sex Toy" by Hallie Lieberman**, if you're an adult, double-A is something you never want to run out of...

A dozen years ago, to make a little money, Hallie Lieberman found an unusual job: she was a home-party sex toy salesperson in a state where the selling of sex toys was illegal. Ever afraid of being arrested, she stuck to the

"script" that the company gave her; it was stilted and full of euphemisms, and the job was demeaning and embarrassing. She felt like she "wasn't actually teaching people anything."

From her PhD studies, Lieberman learned that "sex toys were ancient." Some thirty millennia ago, ancient Germans carved phallic objects, though some historians argue that sex mightn't have been their intention. At any rate, the practice of using artificial devices for sexual pleasure spread across Europe and into Asia and, soon after the Middle Ages, mentions of sex toys began showing up in literature.

Closer to home and beginning in Victorian times, rectal dilators and vibrators were made in the U.S. and sold as "medical devices," approved by doctors; the former were made by "respected rubber companies," while the latter were available for discreet purchase in department stores for decades. Until laws were created against it, you could even have the devices mailed to your home; later, to circumvent those and other laws meant to keep sex toys out of the hands of everyday citizens, vibrators, dildoes, and dilators were sold as "novelties." In 1965, a ventriloquist who was *an engineer* by profession started manufacturing sex toys; in the early 1970s, a paraplegic welder began making them for women, and advising the disabled on their use. Others joined the revolution until, in 1972 (and though they'd long been a staple of sleaze), sex toys gained respectability inside a narrow waterbed-storeturned-sex-shop run by two gay men, hetero people welcome... Of course, there's so much more to this story but here's one interesting thing about this book: while you might think it'd be titillating with maybe a few nudge-nudge-winks, that's not the case. Author Hallie Lieberman doesn't do that to her readers.

Instead, what you get is exactly what its subtitle promises: "Buzz" is a history of sex toys, from ancient times to modern day, and its use by straight people, the disabled, the LGBT community, and feminists. Through the narrative, you'll see how advocates tied sex toys to equality and self-confidence, and how the struggle to make the devices acceptable unfolded but is still not over (including a surprise-not-surprise toward the end). That's serious stuff and Lieberman offers it in a well-rounded way, though not without lightheartedness when appropriate.

This isn't a book to shock – it's meant to inform and that's accomplished, enjoyably. The prurient, the curious, and pop-culture fans will love "Buzz," no batteries required.

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UMCH Family Services has a new office in Middletown Ohio, 120 South Broad Street. Shelli Stolfo is our Southwest Ohio Regional Director. She can be reached at <u>SStolfo@umchohio.org</u> or 937 470-6924. Our foster parent recruiter is Beth Moore and can be reached at <u>bmoore@umchohio.org</u> or 740 891-0416. EVERY CHILD DESERVES A HOME

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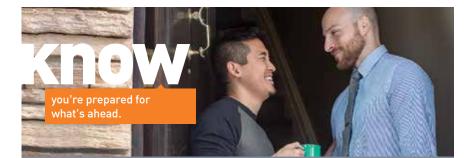
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- 2. Masque, 34 N. Jefferson 228-2582 (18+,Y,G/S,D,E,V,DG,AH)
- 3. MJ's on Jefferson, 20 N. Jefferson 223-7340 (18+,F,M,D,S,E,DG,V,K)
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- 5. Stage Door, 44 N. Jefferson St 223-7418 (M,L,C,K,T,NH,E)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

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