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Calendar of Events

- May 24 5 pm Prelude to Pride @ 5th St Brew Pub
1600 E. 5th Street, Dayton 45403
- May 27 11 pm Pride Fundraiser @ The Right Corner
- May 31 7 pm The Neon Theater screens "Handsome Devil"
- May 31 11 pm Pride Fundraiser @ MJ's on Jefferson
- June 2 5 pm "The Affair on the Square" - Courthouse Square
9:30 pm The Svedka Bar Crawl
- June 3 9 am Pride Breakfast @ MJ's on Jefferson (\$5.00 donation)
11am Parade Line Up in Cooper Park (Day of entry \$ doubled)
12 pm Parade Step-Off
12-4 pm Pride Festival at Courthouse Square
4:30 pm Post-Pride+Pre-Party Recoup Rm @ The Center
8 pm The Dayton Gay Men's Chorus at the Victoria
- June 4 9 am The 2nd Annual 5K Pride Run/Walk at Welcome Park
12 pm The Spikes & Heels Kickball Turny at Belmont Park
- June 13 7 pm PFLAG monthly meeting at Harmony Creek
5280 Bigger Road, Dayton 45440
- June 20 7 pm The Transgender Support Group Gatlyn Dame Group
meets at the Center 24 N. Jefferson St, STE 200

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Book Reviews

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"Finding Gideon"

by Eric Jerome Dickey

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It wasn't where you put it down.

The last time you saw it, it was *over there* where you laid it. You remember doing that; you even gave yourself a brain-nudge so you wouldn't forget but now it's not where it should be, and that bugs you. Now, as in the new novel "**Finding Gideon**" by **Eric Jerome Dickey**, you'll have to chase it down.

At an age when most boys are focused on their little toy cars, Jean-Claude was busy saving his mother's life.

The French prostitute known as Thelma (or was she Margaret, or Catherine?) had crossed the wrong Johns, gotten pregnant, and told their wives. She hinted that Medianoche was a father. She hinted that the Beast was a father. She was lying to one or both, and the Beast told Medianoche to kill her. He was swinging Thelma around by her neck when her "snotty-nosed" seven-year-old son picked up Medianoche's gun... and shot the assassin in the face.

That was the first man the boy gunned down. Thelma set him on the second one, too, which changed him, and made him a killer. He was a sought-after, talented assassin when he learned that Medianoche had lived, and Gideon (his professional name) knew he had to finish that long-ago job.

Medianoche hadn't planned on killing his best friend, but when he learned that the Beast had been lying for years about Thelma, there was no other choice. Once the Beast was gone, Medianoche could assume leadership of the Four Horsemen, the group that ruled Buenos Aires, and that's how it always should've been.

But this young assassin, Gideon, complicated things. Medianoche heard that Gideon was looking for him, to settle a dubious score. It wasn't enough that he'd taken Medianoche's eye, and destroyed his face.

No, Gideon was looking for Midnight, and there would be war.

Which only meant that Midnight had to find Gideon first...

I have to admit, I spent the first thirty pages of this book hating it. As he often seems to do, author Eric Jerome Dickey jumps feet-first into his novel by letting the characters jump feet-first into bed. There *is* a bit of prelude this time, but it's strangely fixated on dog waste before we get to tiresome erotica.

Usually, I'd recommend skipping that and starting the book several pages in, though with "Finding Gideon," you really shouldn't. You *need* that beginning; it's nasty, but it sets up a first-rate thriller and a surprise: this latest Gideon tale has character development that makes many of the killers human, almost likeable. Readers get a better understanding of who Gideon is, and what drives him. We meet his "brothers" and lovers old and new and, because this book screams toward an unsettling cliffhanger, we can only hope to see them again.

Certainly, you can read this novel alone but I'd recommend starting with *Sleeping with Strangers*. The overall tale relies on it, so enjoy that book first. Won't be long before you'll beg to put "Finding Gideon" in your hands.

Don't limit yourself. Many people limit themselves to what they think they can do. You can go as far as your mind lets you. What you believe, remember, you can achieve. – Mary Kay Ash

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We the People Pride 2017

The excitement is building for Pride 2017 with many festivities just around the corner. The first Pride event takes place on Wednesday May 24th with the “Prelude to Pride”, a fundraiser at Fifth Street Brew Pub from 5-9 pm.



On May 31 at 7 pm at the Neon Theater as we screen “*Handsome Devil.*” This film is about Ned and Conor who are forced to share a bedroom at their boarding school. The loner and the star athlete at this crazy for rugby school where they form an unlikely friendship until it’s tested by the authorities. This is a film you will not want to miss so mark your calendars now for May 31st. For more information please visit <http://neonmovies.com/>

Then we kick off PRIDE weekend with the “*Affair on the Square*” on Friday June 2nd from 5 pm to 10 pm featuring food trucks and of course our famous beer truck. We have some fantastic live entertainment hitting the stage beginning at 6 pm with The Dayton Gay Men’s Chorus. Headlining the evening’s entertainment is the one and only; The Rubi Girls!



The evening is not over yet. Following the *Affair on the Square* is our .5K *Bar Crawl* sponsored by Svedka Vodka. Tickets for the bar crawl are \$15.00 for center members and \$20.00 for non-members, should you wait to purchase them the day of the event, all prices are doubled. Participants are led by team captains to all four participating bars, Club Masque, M J’s on Jefferson, The Right Corner and The Stage Door. Your ticket provides a cocktail at each of the bars. *What a fun night!*

Saturday June 3rd starts off with a hearty breakfast beginning at 9 am at M J’s on Jefferson. The parade begins lining up



at 11 am with a check in at Cooper Park on the corner of 2nd and St Clair Streets. The parade will step off at noon as it turns right onto Third ST to Jefferson Street. At Jefferson ST the parade will turn right and proceed north on Jefferson where the parade turns left onto Second ST. The parade will then progress to Main ST where the Parade will turn left on Main and proceed to Courthouse Square. Once at Courthouse Square the festivities will go into full swing with the festival running until 4 pm. But do not worry, PRIDE is not over. We know that after pride you may not be ready to go home yet, but a to dehydrated to go out, we we



have the perfect solution. The Post-Pride ~ Pre-Party ReCoup Room at the LGBT center from 4:30 to 9 pm at 24 N. Jefferson ST, STE 200.

Of course 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 4th PFLAG kicks off this PRIDE day with the **2nd Annual Running With PRIDE 5K** run/walk! The start time is 9 am at Welcome Park, 1601 Edwin C. Moses BLVD, Dayton 45417. Please register by May 9th at www.pflagdayton.org.

Winding up our PRIDE weekend is the **2nd Annual Spikes & Heels Kickball Tournament** from Noon to 4 pm. This year the tournament will take place at Belmont Park. Food trucks and beer tent will be available so you may stop by and enjoy the frivolity. This is a super fun event as teams vie for a six foot trophy and named Spikes & Heels Champs!



So get plenty of rest now and join us for a fun and exciting weekend of PRIDE!

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WE THE PEOPLE

JUNE 2

AFFAIR ON THE SQUARE
FEATURING THE RUBI GIRLS
SVEDKA BAR CRAWL

JUNE 3

PRIDE BREAKFAST @ MJ'S
PRIDE PARADE
PRIDE FESTIVAL
POST-PRIDE RECOUP ROOM
DAYTON GAY MEN'S CHORUS

JUNE 4

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BAR CHURCH @ MJ'S
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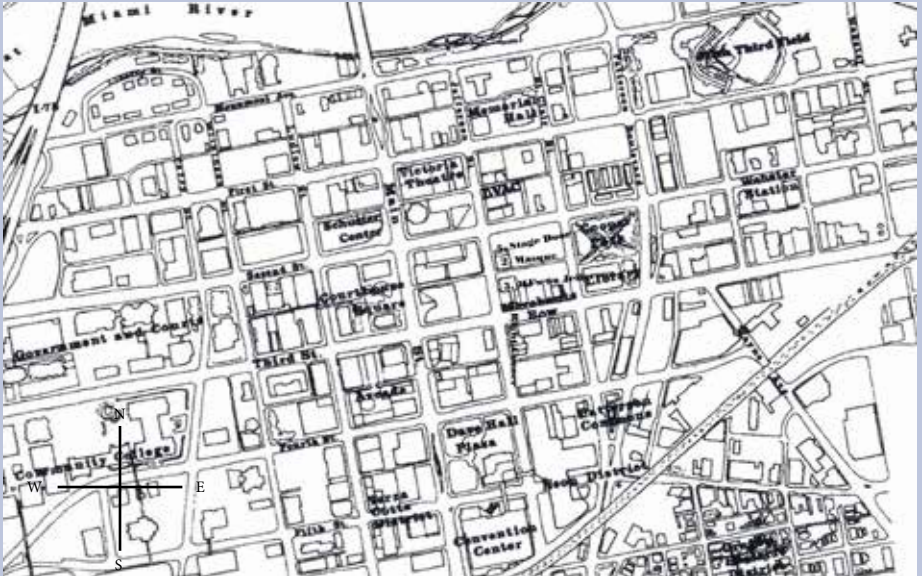
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18 +	18 and Up	E	Other Entertainment	N/H	Neighborhood
A	Alternative	F	Food	S	Strippers
AH	After Hours	G/S	Gay/Straight	T	Mature
C	Country	K	Karaoke	V	Video
D	Dance	L	Leather	W	Women
DG	Drag	M	Men	Y	Young

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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