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The theme of Dayton LGBTQ+ Pride 2022 is "Here's to Us....." We want you to fill in the '.....' because Pride is YOURS. We are all unique individuals making up a diverse community and our Pride celebration should allow us to celebrate in our unique own ways! Happy Pride Dayton!



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June 3rd, 2022 The Affair On The Square

June 4th, 2022 Parade, PRIDE Festival, Gay Men's Chorus: "Flashback"

June 5th, 2022 PFLAG's "Running with Pride", Rubi Girls: "Miss Rubicon"

Calendar of Events

May. 02,	International Family Equality Day		
May. 02,	7:00 PM	LGBTQ AA Meeting	Center/Zoom
May. 03,	6:00 PM	Men's Dining	Spaghetti Warehouse
May. 05,	6:00 PM	LGBT Board Meeting	Center
May. 06,	7:00 PM	Yoga at the Center	Center
May. 08,	Mothers Day		
May. 09,	7:00 PM	LGBTQ AA Meeting	Center/Zoom
May. 10,	6:00 PM	Men's Dining	Spaghetti Warehouse
May. 10,	7:00 PM	PFLAG Meeting	ZOOM
May. 13,	11:30 AM	Center "Lunch-n-Learn"	ZOOM
May. 13,	7:00 PM	Positive Attitudes	Center/Zoom
May. 12,	7:00 PM	Yoga at the Center	Center
May. 16,	5:30 PM	PRIDE Planning Meeting	Center/Zoom
May. 17,	7:00 PM	LGBTQ AA Meeting	Center/Zoom
May. 17,	International Day Against Homophobia		
May. 17,	4:30 PM	LGBT Health Clinic	Center
May. 17,	6:00 PM	Men's Dining	Spaghetti Warehouse
May. 17,	7:00 PM	Gatlyn Dame Group	Center/Zoom
May. 19,	7:00 PM	Yoga at the Center	Center
May. 22,	Harvey Milk Day		
May. 22,	7:00 PM	TDOR Planning Meeting	Center/Zoom
May. 23,	7:00 PM	LGBTQ AA Meeting	Center/Zoom
May. 24,	Pansexual & Panromantic Awareness & Visibility Day		
May. 24,	6:00 PM	Men's Dining	Spaghetti Warehouse
May. 25,	7:00 PM	Positive Attitudes	Center/Zoom
May. 26,	7:00 PM	Yoga at the Center	Center
May. 30,	Memorial Day		
May. 30,	12:00 PM	Bob Lion's Volleyball Picnic	Taylorville MetroPark
May. 30,	8:00 AM	Paint the Rainbow Crosswalk	CH Square
May. 30,	7:00 PM	LGBTQ AA Meeting	Center/Zoom
May. 31,	6:00 PM	Men's Dining	Spaghetti Warehouse

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Book Reviews

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"How Do I Un-Remember This? Unfortunately True Stories" by Danny Pellegrino c.2022, Sourcebooks \$25.99 272 pages



Some things are better forgotten. That time you had a wardrobe failure in gym class. Ugh, when your Mom revealed one of your childhood incidents to your best frenemy. The worst date *everrrr*. Those are things you'd like to pretend never happened but they did and, as in "**How Do I Un-Remember This?**" by **Danny Pellegrino**,

what have you learned from them? Memories are funny things: you can reminisce with someone about something

you both saw or experienced, but you won't remember the exact same things in the same way. Says the host of the podcast *Everything Iconic with Danny Pellegrino*, that's when it's perfectly okay to take a "little detour..."

Growing up in a small town in Ohio, Pellegrino remembers being an awkward kid. He had many friends, but they couldn't always be trusted. At sleepovers, he generally preferred the company of the host's mother because she could be counted on for good gossip. He liked girls sometimes, but he remembers how confusing that was because he liked boys, too. He recalls bad dates, good brothers, the process of coming out, and the fluster of being outed. Even his family could be awkward: he remembers family trips as being full of cheap motels, bad roads, and "stress wine" for his mother.

And what can *you* learn from this?

You learn that if your parents *can* embarrass you, they *will*, and that bruises last forever but they don't always hurt that long. Know that there are days when it's perfectly okay to say no but that any time

is a good time to discuss “The Trolley Song.” You’ll see why we should retire the young-white-cis-man trope in superhero movies. You’ll learn why it’s important to be careful of the things your cleaning lady has access to, and be thankful if you have parents who love you. And you’ll learn that sometimes, life is simply “about getting through the journey alongside the ones you love.”

Judging a book by its cover is something we’ve been told not to do, but *still*. Looking at the front of this memoir hints at the humor inside, and yep, humor is here but it isn’t the only thing. “How Do I Un-Remember This?” is warm and fuzzy, too.

That might be because this book is more like a conversation than a monologue. Author Danny Pellegrino includes his readers in his memories, and even when they’re not identical, they’re universal. Embarrassments during puberty, parents that make you red-faced, bad dates, public humiliation, fan obsessions, been there, done that, discussed and disgusted.

But then those things are put into perspective, in a way that seems like a gentle hand on your arm. Count your blessings, Pellegrino reminds readers, and look for the good and wise in what you recall. Even when – maybe *especially* when – those memories are full of barbs.

Have fun reading this book, but don’t be surprised if “How Do I Un-Remember This?” tugs on your soul, too. Indeed, some things are better forgotten. This book isn’t one of them.



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PRIDE In Dayton

The theme for Dayton PRIDE this year is: “Here’s to us(fill in the blank)....” yet the question is, how would you fill in that blank? We are all unique individuals and coming out of the pandemic and other challenges, how will you celebrate? PRIDE belongs to you! We are a diverse community and our PRIDE celebration should reflect our authentic selves so when we say Here’s to us..... We are simply celebrating you!

In the last few months our community has become under attack on many fronts such as HB 616, Ohio’s own “Don’t say Gay bill” that includes, “Don’t Mention Race” or “Don’t Say Trans” all rolled into one bill. Then there is HB454 which would ban safe treatments for our trans community, or HB322 and HB327 to prevent honesty in education and anti-critical race theories to be discussed in classrooms. Our community is being bombarded on the so many fronts it is hard for parents of queer children to not fear for their child’s well being. Therefore, celebrating PRIDE is all the more important. PRIDE has never been about who shares our bedrooms. PRIDE is about our resilience.

On Friday June 3rd we kick off Dayton PRIDE with the Affair On The Square at 6 pm. We have asked our GSA’s and Diversity Clubs to highlight their talented young people by sharing song or written word. Then Kyleen Downs and group will take the stage to share their musical styling. We then will have a “Dueling Pianos” act take the stage as Shane Hall and Brennan Paulin share their musical talents in a fun and entertaining way. Lastly on Friday night we close out the evening with the Rubi Girls as they share their wit, humor and song for one very entertaining evening that should not be missed!

On Saturday June 4th will be a very exciting day with all the hustle and bustle of PRIDE Day. Vendor will begin setting up booths at 9 am and at 11 am groups will start lining up for the Parade. Groups will meet in Cooper Park the corner of Second and St. Clair Street to check in and get their positions in the Parade. The Parade will step off at Noon! The parade will turn RIGHT from St. Clair Street onto Third Street and proceed to Jefferson St where the parade will turn RIGHT onto Jefferson. It will then march from Jefferson to Second Street where it will turn Left onto Second. From Second street it will proceed to Main Street and Turn Left onto Main. At Main the parade will then proceed to Courthouse square where the

PRIDE Festival will be in full swing from noon to 4 pm with lots of food, fun, and entertainment.

Each year at PRIDE we have seen a growing number of parents that bring their Queer kids to Dayton PRIDE and often they have shared with us their fears for the safety and mental well-being of their children. This year in-between acts we are asking our out and proud, doctors, lawyers, and business people to share their stories so all will know it is going to be OK, we are survivors, and we are resilient.

Later that evening The Dayton Gay Men's Chorus will present in concert, "Flashback" a fun musical retrospective of the 60's, 70's, 80's and more beginning at 8 pm at the Dayton Masonic Center. Tickets for this extravaganza are still available so grab them quick since it is sure to sell out!

On Sunday June 5th grab your running shoes and head out to Eastwood Metro Park for PFLAG's "Running with PRIDE" with registration starting at 7:30 am and the race starting at 9 am. The run/walk/bike is a great way to get the day started with PRIDE.

At 1 pm we introduce you to a new event for the PRIDE weekend lineup as the Rubi Girls present their "Miss Rubicon Pageant" at The Warehouse at Top Of The Market at 32 Webster Street in Dayton. With this fundraiser each of the contestants will be working to raise \$ to show their support of The Rubi Scholarships. Each \$5 vote will help them rake in points to add to their performance scores to crown the new Miss Rubicon. It is sure to be a hoot!

Then on July 9th, 2022 we return to Courthouse Square at 10 am for The Dayton Black PRIDE Parade from Courthouse Square to McIntosh Park where a PRIDE Festival will take place. At McIntosh Park there is a fun day of PRIDE celebration planned from 11 am to 7 pm featuring food, fun, and entertainment.

So pull out your PRIDE gear, plan your outfit and show your PRIDE as we celebrate PRIDE as a whole community!

Happy PRIDE!

Join Us For Our LUNCH AND LEARN

The Greater Dayton LGBT Center has launched a monthly Lunch & Learn. With so many people working from home these days the Center is offering a Lunch & Learn on the 2nd Wednesday of each month at 11:30 am to 12:30 pm so as you enjoy your lunch, you may pop on your computer via zoom and learn more about our community with us. We have many partners in the Greater Dayton area to support and uplift our LGBTQ community so we would like to pick one to highlight each month that we may learn more.

On May 11th we are highlighting “The Health Alliance” which began in 2018 as a program of the Dayton-Montgomery County Public Health Department to address the issues and access to health. This alliance addresses housing, mental health, youth, aging, and physical health.

All are welcome, just follow the link:



<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83302339941?pwd=ZThjU1ZIN0Joc3ZGbXFNYTJGU29kUT09>

Wednesday's is the day for HIV+ support groups at the Center. On the 1st and 3rd Wednesdays is the Teen Group Pozitively Teen for those who are HIV+ and teens - age 24. We offer this as a hybrid group with both inperson and via zoom. (see next page) For 1st time attendees we are now offering a \$50 gift card. They meet at 7:30 pm at the Center and online. This group offers support, education and mentors to help our attendees stay on track for better health.



We also offer those who are HIV+ and over the age of 24 a great support group on the 2nd and 4th Wednesday at 7 pm. They also meeting at the Center and online via zoom.

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85469323825?pwd=a1loM2xOcnFkME5icnFQZVU2cUtEUT09>

This group offers support and education and just good old fashioned friendship with one another. So plan to join us at 7 pm at the Center, 24 N. Jefferson St., STE 200, Dayton, OH 45402 (937) 274-1776.



Visit www.daytonLGBTcenter.org for link and more details.
Get a \$50.00 Gift Card for 1st time Attendance

Positively Teen (an HIV+ support group) Ages 14-24
1st & 3rd Wednesday of each month at 7:30 PM



You may join Online via Zoom



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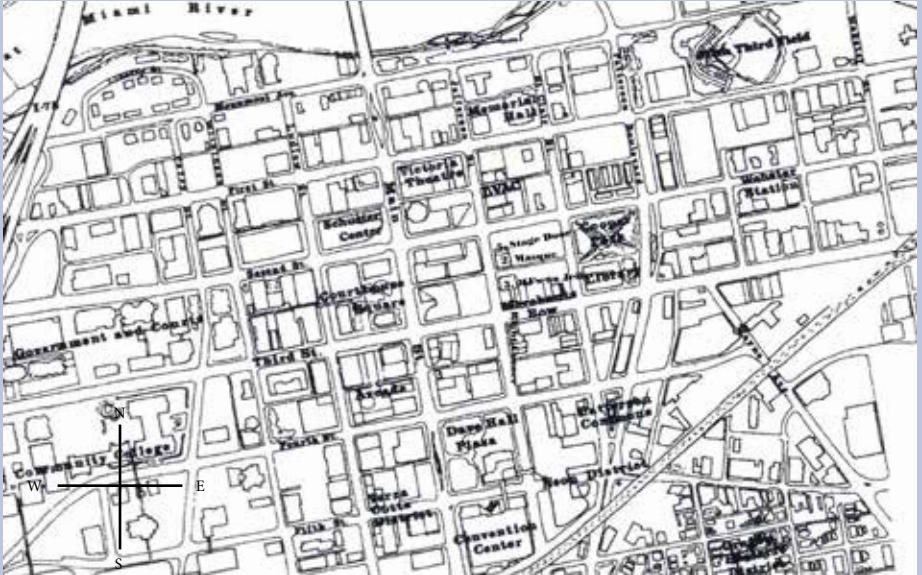
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18 +	18 and Up	E	Other Entertainment	N/H	Neighborhood
A	Alternative	F	Food	S	Strippers
AH	After Hours	G/S	Gay/Straight	T	Mature
C	Country	K	Karaoke	V	Video
D	Dance	L	Leather	W	Women
DG	Drag	M	Men	Y	Young

1. Argo's, 301 Mabel Street 252-2976 (M,L,E,S)
2. Evolution, 130 N Patterson 203-2582 (18+,Y,G/S,D,E,V,DG)
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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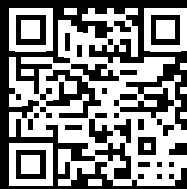
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Open Daily @ 3 pm ~ 2:30 am



Beer Menu



Bourbon Menu