

AGING WITH PRIDE
MEETING NOTES - July 20, 2025

Attendees: Dale, Dawn, Randy, Blane, Jeff, Steve, Michael M, Pete, Kem, Marty, Laurie, Deb, Kelly, Barb, Robin, Karen

I. Website (Steve)

A. Samples from new merchandise site.

karste.threadless.com/designs/aging-with-pride

II. Treasury (Steve)

A. Account Balances:

Checking: \$71.00 Savings: \$416.90

III. Community Representation

A. GECAC Advisory Board (Dale)

Speaker, Kyle, at last meeting from RSVP (Retired Senior Volunteer Program).

Stats as of the end of May: 6215 Level of Care
892 Case Management
1276 Protected Services

B. ICA (Robin) — No report.

IV. Needs Assessment (Pat) — No report

V. Archive Project (Blane)

Jeff is finishing up scanning of artifacts to put on a flash drive.

Once done, artifacts will be returned to Lake Erie Counseling and Dale will sign Deed of Gift to Behrend.

Marty is arranging training (\$40) for using recording equipment.

Will follow up with those who expressed interest in participating on oral history to keep them up to date.

VI. Event Feedback

A. July 10 Game Night

Went well. "Rosie's Game Night"

B. July 12 Trans Family Picnic

Small turnout, nice.

C. July 19 Book Club

10 people - good discussion

D. July 19 Pampered Chef Demo

7 people (including Pete) had absolutely delicious food

Several hundred dollars in sales were generated at the event

E. Compton's Table Queer Open Mike Night

Good experience, normally third Thursday of the month 6-10 at Compton's Table.

VII. Celebrate Aging with Pride (Pete)

Three planned for this year, recipients agreed upon.

Kem will purchase print on glass of her work for this year.

Steve will print certificates and purchase frames.

VIII. Upcoming Events

A. Blues & Jazz Festival August 2-3 (Michael) Noon-8 both days.

Information & Help at Erie Gay News Table - contact Michael

B. Meadville Pride July 26 (Blane)

11:00 Dawn, Marty, Kelly
at EGN table

C. Pittsburgh Prime Timer's Visit (Tall Ships) August 21-24

August 21 regular AWP dinner at Wooden Ladle

August 22 picnic at Presque Isle Pavilion (Cabin) 3 at 2:00

Prime Timers bringing main course, we can bring side dishes.

List was passed around for what people will bring.

Dale will invite Prime Timers to the August book club meeting.

Robert from Prime Timers indicated 20 people coming so far, staggered.

D. Follow Up:

1. September 30 at the Oakwood - Pete will contact.

2. Trip to Pittsburgh OWLS September 5, 12, or 19 - No date chosen yet.

3. Movie Night October 17 (Dale) - date confirmed, movie TBD

4. Erie Bird Observatory Bird Watch Tour (Laurie)

At Presque Isle August 30

5. Erie Cemetery Historical Tour in October (Laurie)

Group will plan on Monday, October 27.

Individuals responsible for purchasing their own tickets in advance.

Tours fill quickly, so this should be done soon.

E: Other events that need discussed.

Pete suggested a tour of Asbury Woods at some point.

IX. New Business

A. On September 10 Dale and Kem are participating in a Pennsylvania Link Zoom briefing.

Various organizations across the state can get in contact with each other.

Needs of aging members of the community.

Blane volunteered to be a backup.

B. LGBT fund is meeting with group representatives.

Blane will reach out and then send info to the group.

F. Y. I.

Planning Meetings — Lake Erie Counseling — 1:00 PM

Aug 3	Aug 17	Sep 7	Sep 21	Oct 5	Oct 19	Nov 2
Nov 16	Dec 7	Dec 21				

Game Night — Werner Books & Coffee — 5:00 PM

Aug 14	Sep 11	Oct 9	Nov 13	Dec 11
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Book Club - Werner Books & Coffee — 1:00 PM

August 23 — *North Woods* by Daniel Mason 4th Saturday due to *Pride Picnic*.

September 20 — *Kissing Girls on Shabbat: a Memoir* by Sara Glass

October 18 — *Red, White & Royal Blue* by Casey McQuiston

November 15 — *Lamb: The Gospel According to Biff* by Christopher Moore

Monthly Dinner — 6:00 PM

July 24 Syd's Place, 2902 west Lake Road

August 21 Wooden Ladle, 4753 West Lake Road (with the Pittsburgh Prime Timers)

September 20 location TBD

Volunteers Needed for Folding Erie Gay News — Lake Erie Counseling — 7:00 PM

Jul 22	Aug 26	Sep 23	Oct 21	Nov 25	Dec 23
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NWPA Pride Alliance Erie Queer Happy Hour — Locations Vary — 6:00 PM

Lavery Brewing Company, 128 West 12th Street	Sep 2 (date may change)
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The Zone Dance Club, 133 West 18th Street	Oct 1
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Room 33 Speakeasy, 1033 State Street	Nov 5
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Ugly Tuna Tavern, 1012 Peninsula Drive	Aug 6	Dec 3
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Pride Events

July 26 — Meadville PA Gay Pride Celebration

August 16 — Erie PA Pride Picnic — Rotary Pavilion, Presque Isle State Park

AWP Table - Barb, Robin, Pat, and Dawn will set up

Other Events

August 2-3 Blues and Jazz Festival at Frontier Park - AWP at EGN table.

August 9 Erie Pride 365 Block Party @ Perry Square

August 21-24 Pittsburgh Prime Timer's Visit (Tall Ships)

August 21 regular AWP dinner at Wooden Ladle

August 22 picnic at Presque Isle 2:00

August 25 Table at Ryan Bizzarro's Senior Fair with Lake Erie Counseling

Shriners at 38TH and Zuck 9:00-Noon Steve and Pete

September 6 LBT Women's picnic 4114 McClelland at 2:00

October 21 Family Photo 11:00-1:00 Erie County Courthouse

New Dates

August 30 Erie Bird Observatory Bird Watch tour

September TBD Trip to Pittsburgh OWLS - riverboat tour

October 17 Movie Night

October 29 Erie Cemetery Historical Tour