

Aging with Pride
Minutes – October 4, 2026
October - LGBT History Month



In Attendance: Rick, Steve, Pete, Dale, Linda, Robin, Pat, Dawn, Carol, Kem, Barb, Jeff

I. Community Representation

- A. GECAC Advisory Board (Dale) - Sept 21 - Annual statistics provided. The term is 2 years and Dale must step down. Individuals interested in being the liaison are Pete and Rick.
- B. ICA (Robin) - Oct 2 - New board members were introduced, Revamping event for caregivers: Recharge, Restore, Relax, Resources . ext meeting November 6th.

II. Committees

A. Treasury (Steve)

- 1. Accounts: Checking \$782.23 Savings \$1022.18 Total \$1804.41
- 2. Budget discussion (as necessary) - Steve talked about putting money in a CD to gain more interest. Vetoed at this time.

Discussion regarding profit of t-shirt sales. Check out local vendors for shirts, etc.
Send contacts to Pat. Pat/Dawn to investigate.

B. Website/Email (Steve) - No report

C. Needs Assessment (Pat) - No report

D. Legacy Project / CAM / Archive (Marty, Pat, Kem) Met with Penn State, discussed who has custody of the information if they need to discard it.

Setting up more interviews, edited one completed interview,

E. Monthly Get Together (Pete)

- 1. October 27 - Colony Pub & Grill, 2666 W 8th Street (Special Oktoberfest Menu available)
- 2. November 19 - Juice Jar, Colony Plaza
- 3. December - Holiday Gathering (planning and alternatives) - Group decided to have at a restaurant, each pays their own way. Tentative places: Calamari's, Brew Erie or Wooden Ladle. Prefer not to be on Dec 15th.

F. Celebrate Aging with Pride (Pete) - Next Award in the Fall / Planned date 10/17 Presented before bookclub (special time: 2 PM)

G Book Club (Steve) - *Less* by Andrew Sean Greer

H. Educational Activities (Robin/Pat)

- 1. Collage Workshop - NOTE DATE CHANGE 11/7/26 @ 11am to 2pm Grounded Paper
- 2. Ideas from Senior Fair
- 3. Attorney who specializes in Elder Law - Pete to follow up

III: Event Feedback

- 1. September 23 - Q+ Cohort Meeting -
- 2. September 24 - Oasis Pub & Tiki Bar - Good turnout; 21 people
- 3. September 26 - Fall Garden Care - Well received; 8 participants

IV: Other Organizations

A. Persad / Pittsburgh Owls / Rainbow Pioneers (Pete/Dale)

Meet at Lake Erie Counseling at 8am

Pittsburgh planning an event for Saturday, October 24, 2026

Arrive to north side of Pittsburgh by 10 AM

Visit Randyland (Free) and Bicycle Heaven (\$10 per person in group)

Lunch outing (options are being worked on by the OWLS group)

Return to Erie - or - Remain in Pittsburgh for a longer day/overnight

V: New Business:

2027 Proposed Meeting Dates - Group decided to go with one meeting per month starting 2027.

MEETING 2x PER MONTH

*** Jan 10, 24**

Feb 7, 21

Mar 7, 21

Apr 4, 18

May 2, 16

Jun 6, 20

*** Jul 11, 25**

*** Aug 8, 22**

*** Sep 12, 26**

*** Oct 10, 24**

Nov 7, 21

Dec 5, 19

*** 2nd & 4th Sundays due to holidays.**

MEETING 1x PER MONTH

3rd Sunday – No exceptions needed

Upcoming Events:

Planning Meeting — Lake Erie Counseling (1932-34 West 8th Street) — 1:00

Oct 18

Nov 1

Nov 15

Dec 6

Dec 20

Game Night — Werner Books & Coffee (3608 Liberty Street) — 5:00

Oct 8

Nov 12

Dec 10

AWP Coffee Hour — Werner Books & Coffee (3608 Liberty Street) — 1:00 PM

Oct 15

Nov 19

Dec 17

Book Club — Werner Books & Coffee (3608 Liberty Street) - 1:00

October 17 - *Less* by Andrew Sean Greer (Harry) ****2 PM for this one only**

November 21 - *"The Man Who Thought Himself A Woman" and Other Queer Nineteenth-Century Short Stories* Edited by Christopher Looby (Kem)

December 19 - *The Lilac People* by Milo Todd (Michael)

A print copy of the AWP Book Club Selections for July 2026 thru April 2027 is available.

Monthly Get Together

Oct 27 Nov 19 Dec TBD

Folding the Erie Gay News — Lake Erie Counseling (1932-34 West 8th Street) — 7:00

Oct 20 Nov 24 Dec 22

Other Events

October 5 - Community Conversation

October 17 - No Kings Voting Rally

October 24 - Annual Gay-La: Crimson & Velvet

November 6 - Movie Night - "Best Little Whorehouse in Texas"

November 11 - LBGTQ+ and Law Enforcement

Possible Events: Meadville Halloween Parade (October 31)

Foot of Cranberry 11-1; Perry Square 1-2

