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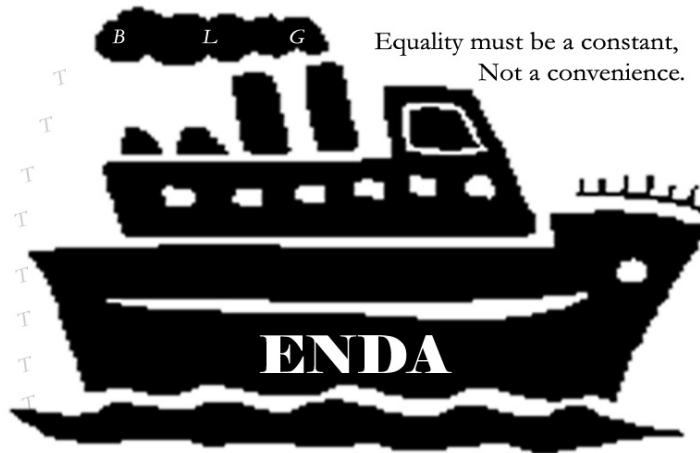
October 2007

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When we first started to put together the October issue of the TransOhio newsletter, our focus was on National Coming Out Day and sharing the stories with you, that people have shared with us. But we were side tracked when ENDA was voted on. We're sure, like everybody else, we were thrilled to see that finally, gender identity protection would become law. But being thrilled soon turned to something else entirely. Dismay. Disappointment. Etc etc.

The current status of ENDA is very confusing. The banter back and forth between political organizations is fueled with anger and he-said-she-said. So, let them duke it out. But, what we do know is that further rifts will cause additional divide between organizations and communities, and that would be counter productive. We cannot let the sacrifice of the transgender community force us back into the closet or back "traditional" gender binaries.

Sure, if blame could be assigned, it might be easier to manage. But now is the time to take a breath, dust off our knees and gear up for a push—a push to continue to educate people about gender identity, transgender and intersex issues and, also, the difference between gender identity and sexual orientation. Now is the time to get involved with organizations. Now is the time to share your voice. Now is the time to take that anger, dismay and disappointment and turn it into something else— community strength. Community togetherness. Now is the time to get involved and let your voice be heard.

Everybody who is involved with TransOhio is a volunteer. We work, pay taxes, have families and have mortgages. We are members of society. And we are all due the same protections that have been allotted to the rest of society. We are here because we will not be sacrificed

What happens now? Find your voice and get involved. Be an ally. Be a supporter. Get involved with TransOhio. We will be posting information at our TransOhio google group: <http://groups.google.com/group/transohio> and via email on how to contact your representatives in congress.

Equality must be a constant, Not a convenience.



# Local & National Calendar of Events

## October 2007

- **Candidates Forum (Columbus mayoral and City Council), Wednesday, Oct. 3, 6:30-9pm. Stonewall Columbus.**
- **Stonewall Health Initiative (workshop), Tuesday, Oct. 9, 6-7:30pm. Stonewall Columbus. See pg. 3 for more info.**
- **Candidates Forum (Franklin County Municipal Court and Columbus School Board), Wednesday, Oct. 10, 6:30-9pm.**
- 2007 PFLAG National Convention. October 11-14, 2007. Washington D.C. Info: <http://www.pflag.org>
- National Coming Out Day. Thursday, October 11, 2007.
- **Celebrate National Coming Out Day with PAINT. Thursday, Oct 11. 7:30-9pm. Thurber Theatre, Drake Union. OSU.**
- March on Washington. Thursday, October 11, 2007. For more information visit <http://www.hrc.org>
- **Stonewall Columbus: A Night Out, Saturday, Oct 20, 2007. Franklin Park Conservatory Garden Pavilion, 7-11pm.**
- Fantasia Fair. October 14 - 21, 2007. Provincetown, Massachusetts. For info visit: <http://www.fantasiafair.org>
- Revolutionary Voices, Transforming Choices—Midwest Trans Youth Conference. October 19-21, 2007. Ferndale, MI. For more information, visit [www.goaffirmations.org](http://www.goaffirmations.org) or email Laura at [LSorensen@goaffirmations.org](mailto:LSorensen@goaffirmations.org).
- **TransOhio Leadership & Volunteer Meeting, Sunday, Oct 21, 2007. 3-5pm. Stonewall Columbus. Columbus. Ohio**
- Eureka! En Femme Getaway. October 24 - 28, 2007. Eureka Springs, Arkansas. For info: <http://www.femmegetaway.com>
- Transsistahs and Transbrothas. October 18 - 22, 2007. Louisville, Kentucky. For info: <http://www.transfamilydefyinggravity.net>

## November 2007

- Lake Erie Gala. November 12-17, 2007. Erie, Pennsylvania. Erie Sisters. Info: <http://www.eriesisters.org/GALA1.html>
- **2007 Transgender Day of Remembrance. Monday, Nov. 19, 7pm. King Avenue United Methodist Church, Columbus.**

## December 2007

- **Festival of Trees/Glitter and Be Gay. Saturday, December 1, 2007. Short North Gallery Hop. Columbus, OH.**

## January 2008

- Tiffany Club of New England's First Event 2008. January 16-20, 2008. Peabody, MA. Info: <http://www.tcne.org/FE2007.html>

## March 2008

- **TransOhio Leadership Summit. Saturday, March 8, 2008. Details TBA. For info email: [TransOhio@wowway.com](mailto:TransOhio@wowway.com)**

## Celebrate National Coming Out Day with PAINT!



October 11, 2007  
Thurber Theater at Drake Union, OSU  
7:30 PM - Free  
<http://www.mcc.osu.edu>

Sile P. Singleton, self-described as a not so young college educated, Black, Mid-western bi-cultural wife and mother, will present her one-person show PAINT! The performance is free and open to the public. Sile has bedazzled the Nation's audiences first as the witty ultra-high femme "emcee-tree" Lustivious De La Virgin, second as a co-founder of The International Drag King Extravaganza. In PAINT!, Sile, academically trained as a multiculturalist and critical race theorist, uses a unique blend of personal narrative, social commentary, and street savvy readiness to explore and expose the murky complicated margins that inform her ever-changing understanding of trans-self. The performance is co-sponsored by GLBT Student Services, Department of Theater and Stonewall in recognition of National Coming Out Day.

*\*\* TransOhio will be at **bolded** events.*

*Would you like to add your event to our calendar? Email event information to [transobio@wowway.com](mailto:transobio@wowway.com)*

## REACHING OUT: PROVIDING CARE FOR THE GLBT POPULATION - A WORKSHOP FOR HEALTHCARE PROVIDERS

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Stonewall Columbus will present a panel discussion, Reaching Out: Providing Care for the GLBT Population - A Workshop for Healthcare Providers, from 6:00 to 7:30 PM on Tuesday, October 9, 2007, at its Center on High, 1160 N. High St., Columbus, OH. 43201.

Free and open to healthcare professionals, providers and caseworkers interested in the needs of the GLBT (Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual and Transgender) community, the program will include presentations by Teresa C. Long, M.D., M.P.H, Linda Bernhard, PhD, and Betty Koenig, RN. Dr. Teresa Long, Health Commissioner for Columbus, will focus on the state of GLBT health and the role of Columbus Public Health in serving the GLBT community.

Dr. Bernhard, Associate Professor of nursing at the Ohio State University, will discuss the current state of research in GLBT health and what we can expect to see in future research.

Betty Koenig, RN, owns The Footcare Clinic and Wellness Center in Seattle, WA. She will talk about her experiences in reaching and keeping GLBT clients and patients.

The presentations will be followed by a Q & A.

The ReachingOUT panel discussion is the first in a series planned under Stonewall Columbus' new GLBT Health Initiative. The initiative includes a free nurse-run wellness clinic held on the second and fourth Saturdays of the month from 10:00 am to noon at the Center on High. Among its services the clinic provides blood pressure screenings, nutrition checks, glucose screenings, and referrals to GLBT-friendly health care providers.

Are you a transgender-friendly healthcare professional or service provider?  
If so, please contact TransOhio at [TransOhio@wowway.com](mailto:TransOhio@wowway.com)!

## Midwest Trans Youth Conference— Revolutionary Voices, Transforming

Ferndale, Michigan — October 19-21, 2007

The Midwest Trans Youth Conference is a weekend conference dedicated to transgender, gender nonconforming, questioning and SOFFA youth ages 24 and under.

Empowerment. Development. Growth.

Want to transform yourself? What about your community? Join other youth leaders and activists to focus on the issues that are important to you. Build the skills and the know-how through engaging workshops and caucuses, and prepare yourself to tackle the issues of equal rights, equal access and health in your community. There are two exciting tracks for youth leaders this year: Health & Wellness and Equality & Social Justice. A track will also be offered for youth workers.

And it's not just about training! What's a conference without fun? Not only will you meet and get to know youth from throughout the Midwest, but with a host of nationally-recognized speakers and performers, you're sure to find things that entertain and inspire you.

Come and join us October 19th-21st, 2007 in Ferndale, Michigan for three days of exciting programming at the first Midwest Trans Youth Conference!

For additional information, please visit <http://www.goaffirmations.org>.

## Marriage: The New Frontier by Jess Pettitt

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I sit here just a month and a few days after my wedding. Even typing that sentence seems strange.

I am on an airplane; The Out & Equal Workplace Summit is in Chicago this year. I am a dire hard, activist dyke. My students even went so far as to call me a “Fierce Dyke” which I wore with boastful pride in the streets of New York City. I do trainings, consulting, teaching, mediation, facilitation, all towards LGBT Advocacy and Inclusion. I have even worked professionally as “gay for pay” on college campuses as the point LGBT person for faculty, staff, students, and the surrounding community. It was there in my office, where I was and am today, a resource for others, that I met my partner; I met my husband.

Let me back up a second. I was born and raised in Texas and got out as soon as I could. I didn’t understand sex or gender or identity let alone the social construction of these concepts and how they in themselves uphold heterosexism, sexism, and heterophobia. I knew that gay (now I would say LG) weren’t treated equally. I started being a loud (and I mean a loud) ally in high school or maybe it was middle school. Even in college and graduate school, most of my research from on Ally Identity Development. When I came out as a Lesbian in my late 20’s no one was shocked except me. I started doing LGBT service work which led to speaking and consulting gigs and a number of typical and atypical lesbian relationships. It was the teachings of my students that really got me advocating for the BT. Fluidity of sex and gender made so much sense to me once I understood the terms and the social structures they dangle from like shiny ornaments on my grandmothers Christmas tree. I realized I am attracted to what I like to call “checked masculinity” and the folks I tended to be attracted too actually looked similar. (Oddly, they look nothing like any of the women I was in a relationship with – hmmm, I should call my therapist, but alas, I am on a plane). So, one fateful day, before packing up the office and going home to the stereotypical U-Haul girlfriend at home, my appointment walked into my office and changed everything – but for this paper – changed my views on marriage forever.

Loren told me that he had started transitioning and had been on hormones for a month or so. He was doing fine, but wanted to utilize this campus resource to see if he had left anything out and if I had suggestions on how to navigate the name change process on campus records. Reading him as male, I assumed he was transitioning from female to male, at which I am sure he was flattered at this gender validation on my part. Motorcycles, Peace Corps stories, home cooked meals, and long dog walks, later, I can confidently say that I married the man of my dreams; dreams I didn’t know I had or even wanted to have for that matter.

We got married, legally, in Las Vegas as the true romantics tend to do. Nevada only requires a driver’s license for identification. He and I plopped out IDs on the counter of the courthouse, paid our money, and without hesitation, reserve, or even a second glance we got our marriage license. Somewhere between the woman behind the glass and Elvis’s counterpart (Elvis had the day off) marching us down a white gauzed aisle, something happened. We both grabbed this heterosexual privilege with such gusto that watching the wedding video saddens me in that I didn’t even have my dyke t-shirt on, or interrupt the service demanding equality for everyone. I cried; I said “I do;” I kissed the groom. I also became a member of an institution that is historically based to ownership, sexism, capitalism, dowries, property, enslavement, and other evils that I used or maybe I still use as synonyms for the institution of marriage.

I find that I am comfortable with the word “husband” as I thought maybe I would end up one someday. Like a discount bra, wife doesn’t seem to fit (yet). I associate the word – the name – “wife” with my grandmother that cleaned and cooked and doted on her husband who had a hard day at the office that “she just can’t understand”. I ask my dyke friends, quietly, the ones I could really trust, if it is bad that I like to do laundry, keep a clean house, cook meals, and pack a healthy lunch. They are surprised at my domestication, but then that seemed to be ok with both of us – because I certainly was still a dyke.

I am troubled now with using the word partner. Some LGBT folks feel that when an “ally” uses “partner”, they may be forgetting their heterosexual privilege and by saying husband or wife (or worse spouse); they are being insensitive. What should I use? I am more comfortable using the words partner and we don’t identify as heterosexual, but heteroqueer. Is language at my disposal or yours?

Upon the announcement of our marriage or maybe the 48 hour engagement, people were shocked to say the least. I really thought folks were surprised that we would do something so quickly, spontaneously, as suddenly. What I am finding out now, is that marriage is the new frontier of sex and gender politics.

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Where his friends and family, and to a large degree he himself, are dealing with gender validation both legally and socially, I am being deserted – an excommunication of sorts. There was an article recently about butch lesbians transitioning and its impact of the lesbian community. I hear people talk about when “butch isn’t enough.” One woman even had the audacity to refer to Loren when introduced to the fact that I was dating a transman, that I was really “just dating a butch who could cut it.” Transitioning, much like being LGBT or queer isn’t something someone would necessarily choose in our society due to homophobia, fear, hate, bias, and other yummy elements instilled in western culture. It is arduous at best and painstakingly difficult with seemingly insurmountable obstacles. However, the once labeled lesbian becoming a man isn’t deemed as much of a traitor as a Fierce Dyke legally marrying a man.

Now don’t get me wrong, my partner and I aren’t in some kind of gender pissing contest, all though that might be fun to watch, I just think it is fascinating that we are dealing with similar things but at different time. He has spent the better part of a year explaining to his family that he is the same person just not a sister but a brother or an uncle instead of an aunt, a man instead of a woman. I am still the Fierce Dyke that marched in New York. I would think it might even be easy to see how legally marrying a transman (that must be recognized in all states) could be an activist move for marriage equality or better yet, a political loop

hole to show how stupid marriage laws are in the first place. I am not getting this reaction. I am getting jealous guilt thrown my way while my Dyke Card is being devalued or even invalidated.

If marriage is “only between a man and a woman” wouldn’t it be more inclusive to ask what is meant by “man” or “woman” than just asking for man and man or woman and woman marriage. Marriage, even if you, like me, disagree with the whole institution, is the fundamental way folks socialized in the west are told they can validate to themselves, their partner, friends, family, community, church, etc., that “this is the one.” Obviously, this isn’t inclusive of polyamorous loving couples or polygamists for that matter, but the validation tool exists. Whether we like to or not, marriage may not just be about tax breaks and insurance coverage, but about love, sacrifice, devotion, choice, and witness. Do I think everyone deserves the chance to express this – absolutely!

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## FTM-I Ohio Dr. M. Edward Walker Chapter News

For info: [http://groups.yahoo.com/group/FTM-I\\_Ohio](http://groups.yahoo.com/group/FTM-I_Ohio)

### November Meeting:

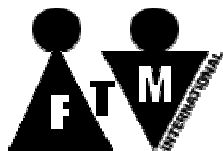
Saturday, Nov 10, Cleveland  
Lesbian-Gay Community Center of  
Cleveland  
[www.lgcsc.org](http://www.lgcsc.org)  
6600 Detroit Ave  
Cleveland, OH 44102  
(216) 651-5428

### December Meeting:

Saturday, Dec 15, Columbus  
Stonewall Columbus  
1160 N. High Street  
Columbus, Ohio 43201-2411  
(Corner of 4th Ave. and High Street)  
Free parking behind building accessed from  
4th Ave.  
Phone (614) 299-7764

### January Meeting:

Saturday, Jan 26, 2008, Toledo  
This meeting will either take  
place on the campus of the University  
of Toledo, or at a nearby cafe called  
Maxwell's  
Location TBA!



For more information on  
FTM International, please visit their website at: <http://www.ftmi.org>

# Central Ohio GLBT Community To Hold Two Political Candidate Forums

Members of the Central Ohio gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgender community will have two opportunities to meet the political candidates on the ballot in November and ask the questions that are important to our community.

"These forums will give the LGBT community an opportunity to see, hear and evaluate all of the candidates side by side. It will also provide our community an opportunity to educate elected officials and candidates about our concerns and issues," said Karla Rothan, Executive Director of Stonewall Columbus and host to the forums.

Every candidate for Columbus Mayor, Columbus City Council, Franklin County Municipal Court and Columbus School Board has been invited to attend. Each candidate will be given one minute to introduce themselves, followed by written questions from the audience read by a moderator. Each candidate will be given one minute to answer each question. Finally, each candidate will be given one minute at the end of the forum to offer a final remark. Questions for the candidates can be submitted on the night of each event or in advance by sending the question to [thurber1961@aol.com](mailto:thurber1961@aol.com).

The October 3, 2007 forum will feature Columbus Mayoral and City Council candidates and the October 10, 2007 forum will feature Franklin County Municipal Court and Columbus School Board candidates. Both forums will be held on the second floor of Stonewall Columbus, 1160 N. High Street in the Short North. Each forum begins with a reception for the community to meet the candidates one-on-one from 6:30 to 7 p.m. The formal candidate forums will begin promptly at 7 p.m.

These forums are sponsored for the benefit of the GLBT community by HRC, Stonewall Columbus, Stonewall Democrats of Central Ohio, Log Cabin Republicans and co-sponsored by CATF, Equality Ohio, TransOhio, SpeakOUT, OSU GLBT Alumni Society, Outlook Weekly and Out in Columbus.

Do you know *who* wants to represent you?

Meet the candidates and ask the questions that are important to you!



**2007 PFLAG National Convention**

Presented by  
**IBM**

**Registration Now Open!**

October 11:  
Capitol Hill Lobby Day  
October 12:  
Workshops Start

**Learn more now!**

Please join PFLAG on October 11-14, 2007 for the National Convention in Washington, DC. Your registration includes a ticket to participate in PFLAG's 2007 National Lobby Day on Capitol Hill as well as a ticket to the PFLAG National Gala.

For more information and to register, go to <http://www.pflag.org>.

PFLAG promotes the health and well-being of gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgender persons, their families and friends through: support, to cope with an adverse society; education, to enlighten an ill-informed public; and advocacy, to end discrimination and to secure equal civil rights. Parents, Families and Friends of Lesbians and Gays provides opportunity for dialogue about sexual orientation and gender identity, and acts to create a society that is healthy and respectful of human diversity.

## ***Voice of Tomorrow:***

### **MTF and FTM Voice and Communication Therapy Comes to O-H-I-O**

We would like to thank TransOhio for having invited us to write this article. With this, we would like to reach out to the community and orient readers to the exiting things that are about to happen.

From drive-thru windows to the telephone, the voice is often-times the first contact one has with the world. One's voice should thus match the appearance of gender. Many in the community agree that it is one of the most important aspects in the transition process. It is, unfortunately, one of the most neglected as well.

I work as a Speech-Language Pathologist (Speech Therapist) for a company dedicated to serving children (and adults) with mental retardation and developmental disabilities. We have an excellent reputation throughout the state and are known for being on the "cutting edge" of new service options. This is my company's primary practice – providing nursing, physical therapy, occupational therapy, and speech therapy services. Management, however, is dedicated to exploring various types of therapies to fill present voids and service needs in the community.

Voice and communication therapy for MTF and FTM TG/TS individuals is one such void, and happens to be one of my primary passions as a speech-language pathologist. In the state of Ohio, there is no such voice and communication therapy available for TG/TS individuals – that is, until now. This is desperately needed in the community – and dozens of TG/TS individuals have confirmed this to date.

Thus— after lengthy research and countless hours preparing a proposal for my director, meetings with TG/TS individuals and psychotherapists, having been invited to and attending Meral Crane's support groups, pursuing full-membership in WPATH (The World Professional Association for Transgender Health (WPATH, formerly known as the Harry Benjamin International Gender Dysphoria Association, Inc. (HBIGDA)) )and attending this year's Symposium and Pre-Symposium events in Chicago—management has decided to move forward on this project with my implementation. Voice of Tomorrow will begin seeing clients for TG/TS voice and communication feminization/masculinization beginning on or around January 1st, 2008.

Thanks to collaboration with Suzie Simpson, Karla Rothan, and the Stonewall Columbus Board, we have secured a safe space at Stonewall for therapy—this location would offer the

confidentiality/privacy concerns that have been raised by many we have spoken with. We are working on obtaining biofeedback instrumentation to assist with matching vocal pitch to the appropriate gender. We are, however, strongly committed to addressing the communication package as a whole – including aspects of communication that rarely change without training such as resonance, intonation, rate (how fast one speaks), volume of voice (loudness), choice of sentence structure (the female "is the air on?" vs. male "it's hot in here!"), choice of words, articulation, and non-verbal gestures (hand movements, etc.).

Meral Crane, M.A., L.P.C.C., /M.F.T., has been paramount in guiding us around the community, and those of you we have met at the meetings know of our strong commitment. To know more, Voice of Tomorrow will be holding an information session/social gathering at The Center on High (Stonewall Columbus) on Thursday, November 29, 2007 from 7-9pm to explain the services we are offering as well as to answer questions and hear your comments/opinions. We will also be offering some refreshments and appetizers for social gathering and informal, but more personalized, questions and answers afterwards. Please RSVP at the e-mail address below or call 614-746-8987 to leave a message.

We look forward to meeting you all on Thursday, November 29th. In the meantime, if I can answer any FTM or MTF voice and/or communication questions, please don't hesitate to contact me at [VoiceOfTomorrow@gmail.com](mailto:VoiceOfTomorrow@gmail.com).

Many Regards,

Aly M. Rivero, M. A., CFY-SLP  
Speech-Language Pathologist, Voice of Tomorrow

Michelle Green-Seymour  
Director, Voice of Tomorrow

#### **Voice of Tomorrow Informational Session**

Thursday, November 29, 2007  
7-9pm, The Center on High (Stonewall Columbus)  
1160 N. High Street, Columbus  
To RSVP, call 614-746-8987 or  
Email: [VoiceOfTomorrow@gmail.com](mailto:VoiceOfTomorrow@gmail.com)

For more information about WPATH, please visit:  
<http://www.wpath.org>

## The Stephanie Chaffin Fund

Please consider a donation to The **STEPHANIE CHAFFIN FUND** through Stonewall Columbus. This will be another symbolic way of keeping Stephanie's name alive. This goal is deemed more meaningful in light of the way Stephanie's estranged and rejecting family chose to have a funeral where she was shown as a man. Your contribution no matter how small will be very welcome. At the end of each Stonewall TG support group meeting, we typically pass around an envelope to collect donations to help Stonewall. Stephanie, whose funds were clearly limited as a result of which she neglected and could not afford to take her heart medication, used to always empty her pockets of the change she had on her, which was at times as little as a few cents. Thus please contribute what you can as Stephanie did. Our goal is to have the Stephanie Fund be used for a medical emergency for a transgender person, such as the kind of medical help Stephanie could have benefited from.

Your check, marked for "The Stephanie Fund" should be mailed to Stonewall Columbus, P.O. Box 10814, Columbus, Ohio 43201 where it will be invested. As you may not know, donations made to Stonewall are tax deductible.

For additional questions about making donations to The Stephanie Fund, please email us at [TransOhio@wowway.com](mailto:TransOhio@wowway.com).

### It's Coming! Save this date!

#### TransOhio Transgender Leadership Summit

**March 8, 2008**

Join our TransOhio online group:

**(General-group)**

<http://groups.google.com/group/transohio>

**(Leadership-Group)**

<http://groups.google.com/group/transohio-leadership>

To volunteer, present or receive updates on this conference email us at [TransOhio@wowway.com](mailto:TransOhio@wowway.com)

### TransOhio Wants You!

Educate.

Mentor.

Get connected.

Get involved in your community.

Build bridges to other communities.

Break-down old community silos.

Volunteer or become part of the TransOhio Staff.

For info, email us at [TransOhio@wowway.com](mailto:TransOhio@wowway.com)

## Upcoming Stonewall Events

**Stonewall's in Touch** is held at Club Touch every third Wednesday from 6pm - 8pm. Club Touch is located at 560 South High Street. The next event will be on Wednesday, October 17, 2007.

**A Night Out** will be on Saturday, October 20, 2007 at the Franklin Park Conservatory Garden Pavilion from 7:00 p.m. - 11:00 p.m. If you are interested in being a ticket captain or sponsor of this annual fundraiser and awards presentation, please call Executive Director, Karla Rothan at 614-930-2261.

**Festival of Trees/Glitter and Be Gay**, Saturday, December 1, 2007. This event is a way for Stonewall Columbus to give back to the community a very special way. Local organizations will be asked to enter a holiday item for auction and 100% of the proceeds will go back to that organization for their entry. The Center on High will be very festive and decked out for the holidays. It is time to start your creative engines and make something sparkle with a unique "look" that shows your organization off at its best.

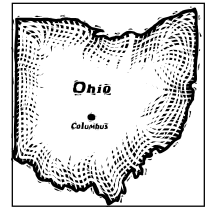


*Congratulations to the staff  
and volunteers of TransOhio!*

*Bringing Together  
the Ohio GLBTQI  
Community!*

## Ohio Local Resources

- BRAVO (Buckeye Regional Anti-Violence Organization): [www.bravo-ohio.org](http://www.bravo-ohio.org)
- Columbus AIDS Task Force: [www.catf.net](http://www.catf.net)
- Central Ohio CD Support: [www.crossohio.org](http://www.crossohio.org)
- Chi Lambda Epsilon, a Chapter of Tri Ess (Ohio & Western PA.): [www.triess-cle.org](http://www.triess-cle.org)
- CrossPort Cincinnati: [www.transgender.org/crossprt](http://www.transgender.org/crossprt)
- EqualityOhio.Org: [www.equalityohio.org](http://www.equalityohio.org)
- FTMI-Ohio: [groups.yahoo.com/group/FTM-I\\_Ohio](http://groups.yahoo.com/group/FTM-I_Ohio)
- Gay People's Chronicle: [www.gaypeopleschronicle.com](http://www.gaypeopleschronicle.com)
- Gender Dysphoria Program of Central Ohio: [www.genderprogram.com](http://www.genderprogram.com)
- GenderBloc: [www.GenderBloc.org](http://www.GenderBloc.org)
- Kaleidoscope Youth Center: [www.kaleidoscope.org](http://www.kaleidoscope.org)
- Outlook News: [www.outlooknews.com](http://www.outlooknews.com)
- PFLAG Columbus: [www.pflagcolumbus.org](http://www.pflagcolumbus.org)
- PFLAG Dayton: [www.pflagdayton.org](http://www.pflagdayton.org)
- SpeakOUT: [www.speakoutcols.org](http://www.speakoutcols.org)
- Stonewall Columbus: [www.stonewallcolumbus.org](http://www.stonewallcolumbus.org)
- The Alpha Omega Society: [www.aosoc.org](http://www.aosoc.org)
- The Crystal Club: [www.thecrystalclub.org](http://www.thecrystalclub.org)
- Transcendence: <http://www.transbg.org>
- TransFamily of Cleveland: [www.transfamily.org](http://www.transfamily.org)



### TransOhio Wants Your Old Books!

We are interested in books by trans writers or written about transgender and transsexual identities and experiences.

TransOhio will be donating collected books to the library at The Center on High.

Contact TransOhio at [TransOhio@wowway.com](mailto:TransOhio@wowway.com) to make your donation!

## National Resources

- American Civil Liberties Union (ACLU): [www.aclu.org/lgbt](http://www.aclu.org/lgbt)
- FTMI International: [www.ftmi.org](http://www.ftmi.org)
- Hudson's FTM Resource Guide: [www.ftmguide.org](http://www.ftmguide.org)
- Human Rights Campaign (HRC): [www.hrc.org](http://www.hrc.org)
- InterPride: [www.interpride.org/12/2007\\_Events.htm](http://www.interpride.org/12/2007_Events.htm)
- Out & Equal Workplace Advocates: [www.outandequal.org](http://www.outandequal.org)
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- PFLAG's Transgender Network (TNET): [www.pflag.org/tnet.html](http://www.pflag.org/tnet.html)
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