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## Club Diva Martha Wash Performs for Dec 18 Pgh Pride fundraiser

*from Delta Foundation*

Pittsburgh, PA—Club Diva Martha Wash will be the featured entertainer at Spark, the annual fundraiser for Pittsburgh Pride, on Saturday, December 18 at 8 pm at the Pittsburgh Opera Center, 2425 Liberty Avenue. Pittsburgh.

Tickets are \$65 in advance; \$80 at the door which includes complimentary drinks and appetizers all evening long, the concert, and other holiday fun. In addition, Mystery Gift Boxes will be sold for \$50.00 which will have a retail value of \$50...or higher!! To purchase tickets, call 888-71-TICKETS or visit [www.pittsburghpride.org](http://www.pittsburghpride.org).

Martha will be performing three decades of dance anthems in one show including her hit “It’s Raining Men.” That song, by The Weather Girls, was #1 on the U.S. Hot Dance Club Play chart and twenty-eight years later continues to be one of the classic songs of the late-disco and Hi-NRG era. Her other R&B dance hits include Black Box’s top-ten smashes “Everybody Everybody” and “Strike It Up”, and C+C Music Factory’s “Gonna Make You Sweat (Everybody Dance Now),” which hit #1 on the Billboard hot 100 in 1991.

About The Delta Foundation of Pittsburgh:

Originally incorporated on July 17, 1996, the Delta Foundation of Pittsburgh is dedicated to improving the quality of life for and visibility of the members of the Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender community in the Pittsburgh region. The organization’s major initiatives are Pittsburgh Pride Week, which takes place June 4-13, 2010, (Pittsburgh) RED, which will take place on Wednesday, December 1, and The Western PA Advocacy Initiative, in cooperation with the Equality Partners of Western Pennsylvania.

## Behrend Drag Show update

*By Earl Kunsman, Trigon President*

The theme of Behrend’s 4th Annual Drag Show was “Night of the Red Carpet.”

The queens who performed were: Glitter Trix, Thea Trix, Sasha Fierce, Ann Fu Young, Angelique Young, and Lola. They each performed four numbers, ranging from songs by Lady Gaga to Broadway musicals

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*A couple of the ladies at Erie Sisters 2010 Lake Erie Gala. Fun outfits! Photo by Mike Mabler. More photos online*

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The *Erie Gay News* is published monthly as a source of news, events, information, and support for gays, lesbians, bisexuals, transgendered people (GLBTs), their families, friends, and supporters in the Erie PA area.

We welcome and encourage all readers to submit timely news, comments, and opinions of interest to local GLBTs for publication in these pages. We will consider for publication any nonfiction article, blurb, or illustration graphic that upholds that spirit. Please include your contact information with any piece you submit.

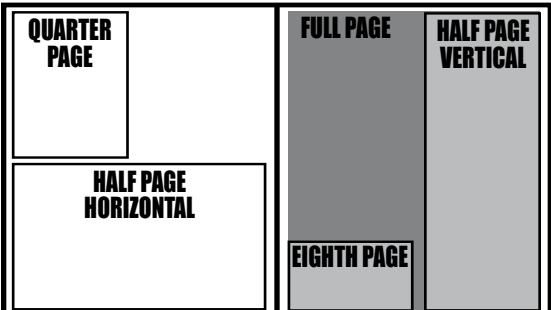
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# Community News

like *Hairspray*. There was a 20-minute break between their performances, during which we held the student drag contest that had eight drag queens and four drag kings. The winner of the contest was Ray Wolkan, who received \$50 gift certificate to Olive Garden.

The program was put together primarily by Penn State Behrend's Gay Straight Allinace, Trigon. The show was sponsored by Trigon, SAF (Student Activities Fee) and SGA (Student Government Association).

## LeTs Go Be Alive update

*info from LeTs Go Be Alive*

There was a great turnout for the LeTs Go Be Alive get-together on November 11 at the Ashtabula Mall Food Court. They discussed social activities networking and public events for GLBT and Straight supporters to gather together and make a difference while having fun at the same time! They will be having another meeting on December 9, 2010 at the Ashtabula

Mall (Food Court) at 6 pm.

They are also having their very first social gathering — a Christmas Party/Dinner— December 16 at 6PM. at the Crow's Nest in Ashtabula Ohio. This will be a chance to meet new people and catch up with old ones! (Attendees will pay for own dinners and drinks).

Please RSVP by Dec 12 at the website [www.lets gobeachive.yolasite.com](http://www.lets gobeachive.yolasite.com)

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visit!

# Calendar

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**Nov 12-Dec 4 “The Temperamentals” at Buffalo United Artists** Temperamental was code for “homosexual” in the early 1950’s, part of a created language of secret words that gay men used to communicate. The Temperamentals tells the story of two men – the communist Harry Hay and the Viennese refugee and designer Rudi Gernreich – as they fall in love while building the first gay rights organization in the pre-Stonewall United States, The Mattachine Society. <http://buffalobua.org>

**Dec 1 (Wed) - World AIDS Day** Check our online calendar for events later in November.

**Dec 1 (Wed) - World AIDS Day at Craze Night Club**, 1607 Raspberry St, Erie, PA. Phone: (814) 456-3027. Browse to [www.crazeerie.com](http://www.crazeerie.com).

**Dec 2 (Thu) - Mahoning Valley Stonewall Democrats meets** Mahoning Valley Pride Center, 1523 Poland Ave, Youngstown, OH 44502. 7 PM.

**Dec 3 (Fri) - Nocturnal Asylum at Craze Night Club** 1607 Raspberry St, Erie, PA. Come get your freak on! Phone: (814) 456-3027. Browse to [www.crazeerie.com](http://www.crazeerie.com).

**Dec 3 (Fri) - G2H2 (Gay Guy/Gal Happy Hour)** (Molly Brannigan’s Irish Pub, 506 State St, Erie, PA 16501) 6 PM - 8 PM. We will be in the back bar area by the fire place and high top tables. Appetizers are being provided. G2H2/Erie takes place every month in a new location around town, providing GLBT professionals, and our colleagues and friends, the opportunity to meet, network or just hang out once a month. You can also sign up for the Erie Gay Business Alliance email list at <http://lists.eriegaynews.com>. Find on Facebook.

**Dec 4 Pulse Nite Club Grand Opening** 10PM-3:30AM Pulse Niteclub, 169 S. Four Mile Run Rd., Youngstown, OH Hosted by: Akashia from RuPaul’s Drag Race. Buffet, prizes, & give-a-away’s all night long!

**Dec 4-5 - “There’s Something About Merry” North Coast Men’s Chorus Holiday concert**, Hanna Theater in Playhouse Square, 2067 East 14th St., Cleveland; 8 pm Saturday, 3 pm Sunday; [www.ncmchorus.org](http://www.ncmchorus.org), 216-556-0590.

**Dec 5 - Sky Bar: Sabrina White and Company returns for the Christmas Special!** starts @ 9pm cover





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**Dec 9 (Thu) - LGBT Parent Support Group meets** Community United Church, 1011 W 38th St, Erie. 6 PM - 8 PM. As gay dads and lesbian moms in the Erie area, we have a lot of concerns for our children. Will our kids face prejudice at their school because of us? Will they hesitate to bring friends to our house? Will they think they are the only ones ever to have a gay or lesbian parent? At Family United Counseling, we want to put you in touch with the experts of lesbian and gay parenting... each other! We meet the 2nd and 4th Thursday of the month as a group of lesbian and gay parents for support, friendship, and networking. Child care will be provided, so bring your kids! For more information or to let us know you're coming email us at [FamilyUnitedCounseling@gmail.com](mailto:FamilyUnitedCounseling@gmail.com) or call (814)547-4837. Contact: Will Koehler. Phone: (814) 547-4837. Venue Phone: (814) 864-4429. Email: [familyunitedcounseling@gmail.com](mailto:familyunitedcounseling@gmail.com).

**Dec 9 (Thu) - Let's Go Be Alive meets** Ashtabula Town Square, 3315 N Ridge Rd E # 700, Ashtabula, OH. 6 PM. Everyone is invited to put their thoughts and ideas together to find out how we can be social together, network, and have public events for GLBT and Straight supporters to gather together and make a difference while having fun at the same time! Contact: Rob Miller. (440)381-3398. Email: [letsgobealive@gmail.com](mailto:letsgobealive@gmail.com). Web: <http://letsgobealive.yolasite.com/>.

**Dec 10 (Fri) - Screening of Christmas movie, the original 'Miracle on 34th Street' at The Latonia Theatre**, 1 East First Street, Oil City, PA 16301. 7 PM. Sponsored by THE MOVIE STOP. Contact: Roxanne Phone: (814) 673-8400.

**Dec 10-12 - "Sounds of the Season" with Buffalo Gay Men's Chorus.** For locations and times visit [www.buffalogaymenschorus.com](http://www.buffalogaymenschorus.com)

**Dec 11 (Sat) - Christmas Party at The Latonia Theatre** 1 East First Street, Oil City, PA. 8 PM. Christmas is coming! Celebrate with us at the Latonia Ballroom! C.R. Music Company from Oil City will DJ. Come ready to party and Karaoke. BYOB and \$5 cover charge at the door. Perhaps Santa will make a surprise visit! Contact: Roxanne. Phone: (814) 673-8400.

**Dec 11 - Renaissance City Choirs presents "Joy"** Carnegie Hall in Pittsburgh 8PM With guest appearance by the Edgewood Symphony Orchestra. Tickets: [rcc@rcppittsburgh.org](mailto:rcc@rcppittsburgh.org) or : 412.362.9484

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**Dec 13 (Mon) - Deadline for EGN January 2011 print edition** (1115 W 7th St, Erie, PA 16502-1105) Please have all articles, ads, and submissions in by this date. This issue will be released the evening of December 27. For a complete list of upcoming deadlines and release dates, check the print edition schedule at [www.eriegaynews.com/printedition/deadlineschedule.php](http://www.eriegaynews.com/printedition/deadlineschedule.php).

**Dec 13 (Mon) - PFLAG Erie/Crawford County meets** Unitarian-Universalist Congregation of Erie, 7180 New Perry Hwy, Erie, PA. 7 PM - 8:30 PM. Support group for parents, friends and families of GLBT people. If you would like to become a member, please see Millie, our secretary/treasurer. Bring a family member, friend, and yourself! Coffee, tea and hot cocoa provided, feel free to bring a treat or

refreshment to share. Phone: (814) 456-0901. Email: [pflag.erie.crawford@gmail.com](mailto:pflag.erie.crawford@gmail.com).

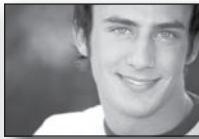
**Dec 14 (Tue) - HIV/AIDS Support Group meets** (St. Mark Catholic Center, 429 E Grandview Blvd, Erie, PA 16504) 6 PM. HIV/AIDS Support Group for those infected and affected meet the second and fourth Tuesday of every month at 6 PM. Contact: Cheryl A Kobel. Phone: (814) 452-6113. Email: [cheryl1027@aol.com](mailto:cheryl1027@aol.com).

**Dec 14 (Tue) - Support group for those dealing with loss** (Hospice of Metropolitan Erie, 202 E 10th St, Erie, PA 16503) 7 PM. Meets the second Tuesday of each month at 7 PM and also the third Thursday of each month at 10 AM. Phone: (814) 456-6689. Email: [hospice@velocity.net](mailto:hospice@velocity.net).

**Dec 16 (Thu) - Let's Go Be Alive Christmas Dinner** (Crows Nest, 1257 Harmon Road, Ashtabula, OH 44004) 6 PM. Everyone is invited for a great dinner and time to meet new faces and catch up with old ones! We do ask that you bring your own money for dinner/drinks that nite! Please RSVP at the website [www.letsgobeealive.com](http://www.letsgobeealive.com).

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**Dec 17 (Fri) - A Very Diva Christmas at the Zone** 133 W 18th St, Erie, PA. 10:45 PM. With host Angelica Redd and your Zone Divas and special guest, former Miss Erie's Vanessa Monro and Melody Malone. Promises to be a bigger better Christmas!!! Show time is 10:45pm - don't be late!!! Phone: (814) 452-0125. Browse to [www.thezonedanceclub.com/](http://www.thezonedanceclub.com/).

**Dec 18 (Sat) - Zone Dance Club: Santa's Naughty or Nice Underwear and Pajama Party** 133 W 18th St, Erie. Show Santa how naughty or nice you have been this year by wearing fun Christmas boxers, hot underwear, sexy lingerie, or warm fuzzy PJ's! Santa will be handing out gifts to those that participate and coal to those who don't! Phone: (814) 452-0125. Browse to [www.thezonedanceclub.com/](http://www.thezonedanceclub.com/).

**Dec 18 (Sat) - Club Diva performs at Martha Wash Delta Foundation Spark Fundraiser** (Pittsburgh Opera Center, 2425 Liberty Ave, Pittsburgh, PA 15222) 8 PM. Martha will be performing three decades of dance anthems in one show including her hit song "It's Raining Men." Details front page. To purchase tickets, call 888-71-TICKETS or visit [www.pittsburghpride.org](http://www.pittsburghpride.org). Phone: (412) 246- 4451. Browse to [www.pittsburghpride.org/](http://www.pittsburghpride.org/).

**Dec 19 - Youngstown Area PFLAG meets** Mahoning Valley Pride Center, 1523 Poland Ave., Youngstown, OH. 3PM. Ph: (330)747-2696. Email: [YoungstownPFLAG@aol.com](mailto:YoungstownPFLAG@aol.com). Web: [angelfire.com/](http://angelfire.com/)



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**Dec 19 - Zone Dance Club: Face: Toys for Tots Benefit** (133 W 18th St, Erie, PA. 10:30 PM. Drag series every 3rd Sunday of the month. Erie's own drag queens are doing something special this year. They will be taking Barbie dolls and making them their own, turning them into different drag performers. During the show, we will sell/auction them off and use the money to buy toys for the "Toys for Tots" cause. Bring in toys to the Zone starting the first week in December, if you like, or buy one of the performers' Barbies. (Toys should be new, and not gift-wrapped). (814) 452-0125. [www.thezonedanceclub.com/](http://www.thezonedanceclub.com/).

**Dec 20 (Mon) - Craze Entertainment Series - Holiday Extravaganza** (Craze Night Club, 1607 Raspberry St, Erie, PA 16502) 11:30 PM. Phone: (814) 456-3027. Browse to [www.crazeerie.com](http://www.crazeerie.com).

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**Dec 21 (Tue) - Spirituality and Sexuality Discussion Group meets** Community United Church, 1011 W 38th St, Erie, PA. 7 PM. Every third Tuesday of the month, the Rev. Dr. Rich McCarty facilitates a discussion group on spirituality and sexuality at Community United Church. Meetings are confidential. Come join the discussion! Contact: Rich McCarty. Phone: (319) 270-5140. Email: [richmccarty@msn.com](mailto:richmccarty@msn.com).

**Dec 24 (Fri) - Craze Night Club Closed** 1607 Raspberry St, Erie, PA. Merry Christmas! Join us tomorrow night!!!! [www.crazeerie.com](http://www.crazeerie.com).

**Dec 24 (Fri) - Zone Open Christmas Eve** 133 W 18th St, Erie, PA 16501) Phone: (814) 452-0125. Browse to [www.thezonedanceclub.com/](http://www.thezonedanceclub.com/).

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**Dec 24 (Fri) - Christmas Eve Candle Light Service at Community United Church**, 1011 W 38th St, Erie, PA. 8 PM. United Church of Christ/ CHurch of the Brethren. . All are welcome! Contact: Rev. Richard A Moyer. Phone: (814) 864-4429. Email: communityunit-edchurch@yahoo.com. Browse to [www.uccwebsites.net/commuceriepa.html](http://www.uccwebsites.net/commuceriepa.html).

**Dec 25 (Sat) - CRAZE Night Club OPEN!** 1607 Raspberry St, Erie. Stop out and enjoy a holiday drink with your friends! Phone: (814) 456-3027. Browse to [www.crazeerie.com](http://www.crazeerie.com).

**Dec 25 (Sat) - Zone Open Christmas Night** (133 W 18th St, Erie, PA 16501) Phone: (814) 452-0125. Browse to [www.thezonedanceclub.com/](http://www.thezonedanceclub.com/).

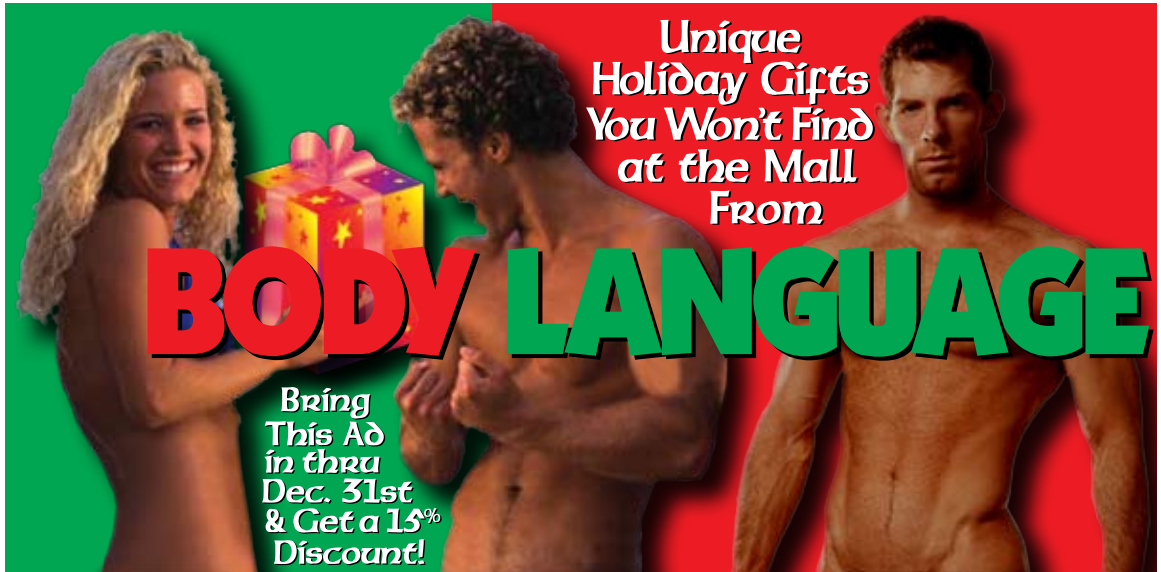
**Dec 26 (Sun) - CRAZE Karaoke Holiday Style!** 1607 Raspberry St, Erie, PA 16502) Long Island Ice Tea Special! Phone: (814) 456-3027. Browse to [www.crazeerie.com](http://www.crazeerie.com).

**Dec 27 (Mon) - Erie Gay News folding/distributing work party** Zone Dance Club, 133 W 18th St, Erie PA. 7 PM. PLEASE NOTE! Different day of the week due to the holidays! Please check before

to verify that we are on schedule. Help us get out the print edition of *Erie Gay News*. We'll be folding and distributing the copies. All ages are welcome. It is also a great way to hang out and chat with folks! Contact: Michael Mahler. Phone: (814) 456-9833. Email: [info@eriegaynews.com](mailto:info@eriegaynews.com).

**Dec 27 (Mon) - CRAZE Entertainment Series** 1607 Raspberry St, Erie. 11:30 PM. "Let the burn-out begin!" Show starts at 11:30 pm! Phone: (814) 456-3027. Browse to [www.crazeerie.com](http://www.crazeerie.com).

**Dec 31 (Fri) - YLBT New Year's Eve Party** (Erin's House, 3026 French St., Erie, PA) 8 PM. Welcome in the New Year with the YLBT Women! The party is at Erin's house, 3026 French Street, Erie, PA 16504. Festivities start off at 8pm and will continue on into the morning of the New Year. Open house, so come and go when you wish. Bring an appetizer or a dessert to share. Any questions, call (814) 790-5005 and ask for Erin. Sign up for the email list at <http://lists.eriegaynews.com>. Contact: Erin. Phone: (814) 790-5005. Email: [ylbtwomenoferie@yahoo.com](mailto:ylbtwomenoferie@yahoo.com). Browse to <http://ylbtwomenoferie.wetpaint.com/>.






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**Dec 31 (Fri) - Zone New Year's Eve Blast** 133 W 18th St, Erie, PA. Join us for Erie's biggest gay New Year's Eve Blast! Champagne toast, buffet, party favors, countdown on the video dance floor! We'll be popping corks at midnight - to toast in the new year, new friends, and new fun for 2011. Thank you and Happy New Year from your friends at the ZONE! (814) 452-0125. [www.thezonedanceclub.com/](http://www.thezonedanceclub.com/).

## Michael dithers...

### On receiving hateful email from a stranger

by *Michael Mahler*

"Keep America beautiful - Kill a faggot."

I blinked at the message that arrived in my mail box. Was it a threat? Who was sending me this kind of message? Should I report it?

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# Diversity: A Dirty Word?

By Will Koehler

Position, Community United Church

On October 24, our church celebrated our 2nd Annual "Diversity Sunday." This was a moving service led by Dr. Richard McCarty, our head pastor, Richard Moyer, and our wonderful director of music. As a congregational participant, I had an opportunity to experience the freedom we have in our church to worship a God whom has continued to surprise us with openness and acceptance, not just despite our differences, but rather because of our differences. At the same time, I was reminded that we have not yet "arrived."

So often the Christian church comes under the criticism of hypocrisy. "The church is full of hypocrites!" "They can't agree on anything!" "They are an exclusive, irrelevant clique!" etc. I was, in-fact, reminded of these claims when, prior to the service beginning, an elder member of our congregation chided another member of our congregation for speaking too loudly while welcoming a visitor sitting beside her! It took a few minutes for me to recuperate from the shock I felt. As I did, I realized how messy it is to work with real people.

Many of us like to associate with those like us. Differences challenge us, and, quite frankly, it is easier to sit at home and watch our favorite reality show than experience the reality of "passing the peace" with someone very different than us. This elderly member didn't stay home, however, she instead showed up. She knew for weeks in advance that Oct. 24th was diversity Sunday, and she came anyway. She was apparently out



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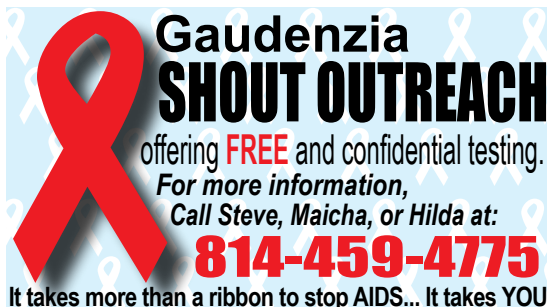
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of her comfort zone, but she was there, committed to "Diversity Sunday" in her own way.

But this is how real change happens, isn't it? It is a dirty process that offends our sensibilities, forces us out of our complacency and more often looks like a hot-mess rather than an elegant celebration. We take a few steps back among the slow progress forward. I firmly believe that Community United Church is moving in the right direction as an "Open and Affirming" congregation, but we have not yet arrived. Those on the outside may see us as hypocritical, unscriptural, phony... the list is endless. And yet it is this dirty and uncomfortable yet authentic process in which we invite you to participate, not just on Diversity Sunday, but every day. For more information on the United Church of Christ and what it means to be an Open and Affirming congregation, visit [www.ucc.org](http://www.ucc.org)

*The Community United Church is an open and affirming congregation and is a member of United Church of Christ and Church of the Brethren denomination. . At 1011 W 38th St. in Erie. Services are Sunday at 11am. (814) 864-4429. The pastor is Richard A. Moyer and his assistant is Dr. Richard McCarty. Website is [www.uccwebsites.net/commuceriepa.html](http://www.uccwebsites.net/commuceriepa.html)*



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by Laurie Finch

- Dec 1 - Reservations for Annual LBT Christmas Dinner Party, which will be held on Dec 12, at Ruby Tuesdays should be in to Robin at 455-3127. If they don't answer, please leave a message w/your call back number, or how many will be coming with you. See Dec 12 below for more info on Party/Dinner
- Dec 3- 7 PM - Lady Lakers Hockey on Mercyhurst Campus. \$4.00
- Dec 4 - 2 PM - Mercyhurst Lady Lakers Hockey on Campus - \$4.00
- Dec 8 - Practice session for new Eerie Roller Girl's roller derby team. Practice at 7:30 - 9:30. Come with us and watch. Meet at Evans Skateland Roller rink on West Lake Road in Erie.
- Dec 11 - Christmas Party at Latonia Theatre in Oil City, 1 East 1st Street. Oil City, PA. - \$5.00 - BYOB, for more info call Rox at 814-673-8400
- Dec 12 - NO MEETING because of Christmas Party (see next item)
- Dec 12 - LBT Women's Christmas Dinner - 4 PM at Ruby Tuesday's in Party Room. Bring a giftwrapped \$10 exchange gift and a "White Elephant gift" wrapped in a brown paper bag. Dec 18, Gannon Lady Golden Knights Basketball game at Hammermill Center, downtown Erie. 5:30 PM Not sure on ticket price.
- Dec 23- Erie Gay News Folding Party at ZONE - 7 PM - 21 and older please because of venue (bar).
- Dec 27 - Erie Bayhawks Basketball - 7 PM at Civic Center. \$10.00
- Dec 31 YLBT New Years Party @ Erin's Home. 3026 French Street. BYOB and a snack. R.S.V.P. to Erin at [emprisir@yahoo.com](mailto:emprisir@yahoo.com)



# On our website

Online now or coming soon: to [www.eriegaynews.com](http://www.eriegaynews.com)

## Photos

- Eric Sisters Lake Erie Gala 2010
- Night of the Living LaLa's at The Latonia
- "Out in the Silence" screening in Edinboro
- Jeremiah Clark at Presque Isle Gallery
- LBT Women: Various (several sets!)

## Videos

- Tom Goss's new video "Lover" about losing a same-sex partner in the war in Afghanistan.
- Martha Wash w/ RuPaul singing "It's Raining Men"
- Martha Wash backing up Sylvester (who discovered her) "Can't Stop Dancing" 1979
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- GLSEN Launches Safe Space Campaign
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<i>Pooltime the movie</i> DVD	December 10
<i>Judo Girl</i>	December 17
<i>Double Play</i> by Mike Weiss	December 24
Autographed copy of <i>The New Dance Mix USA</i> mixed by DJ Louie	December 31
<i>The Truth of Yesterday</i> by Josh Aterovis	January 7

Here are contests which are currently active...

Contest	Ends
<i>Unsolved Suburbia</i> DVD	December 3
<i>Stuck</i> DVD	December 10
<i>Heart: Red Velvet Car</i> Prize Pack	December 17

You can always see a complete list of contests at  
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