

KALEIDOSCOPE

Out and About Newsletter

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What We Do:

Kaleidoscope is a community-based LGBTQIA+ program that offers monthly meetings and ongoing virtual platforms in a welcoming atmosphere where teens and young adults like you can find support, guidance, and a sense of community. Kaleidoscope provides a safe, supportive environment for LGBTQIA+ and allied teens and young adults to gather, socialize, organize, and help each other.

Kaleidoscope October Calendar:

October 5th: Haddon Township Pride Parade from 6-10 p.m. on Haddon Avenue.

October 6th: HT Pride + Progress Community Night from 5:00-9:30 p.m. at Haddon Square.

October 9th, 16th, & 23rd: Morris and Sussex Youth Meeting. Meetings are open to Morris and Sussex county youth ages 13-18. Meeting will be from 5:30pm-7:00pm.

October 11th: Atlantic Youth Meeting. Meeting is open to youth ages 12-17 and will be in person from 6:00-8:00pm in Galloway.

October 12th & 26th: Essex County Youth Meeting for youth age 13-18. Meeting will be from 5:30pm- 7:00pm.

October 13th: Young Adult In-Person Meeting. Meetings are open to young adults ages 18-24 and will be in person from 6:00-8:00pm in Voorhees.

October 27th: Youth In-Person Meeting. Meetings are open to youth ages 12-17 and will be in person from 6:00-8:00pm in Voorhees.

Interested in Joining?

Email us at: Kaleidoscope@Centerffs.org

“Kscope is a fun safe place for me, like a second home.”

-Kaleidoscope Participant

October 2023



KALEIDOSCOPE

serving LGBTQIA+ teens and young adults

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2	3	4	5 HT Pride Parade 6pm-10pm	6 HT Community Night 5pm-9:30pm	7
8	9 Morris-Sussex County Youth Meeting 5:30pm- 7:00pm	10	11 National Coming Out Day & Atlantic County Youth Meeting 6pm-8pm	12 Essex County Youth Meeting 5:30pm-7pm	13 Young Adult Meeting 6pm-8pm	14
15	16 Morris-Sussex County Youth Meeting 5:30pm- 7:00pm	17	18 International Pronouns Day	19 GLAAD's Spirit Day	20	21
22 Ace Week 22nd-28th	23 Morris-Sussex County Youth Meeting 5:30pm- 7:00pm	24	25	26 Intersex Awareness Day & Essex County Youth Meeting 5:30pm-7pm	27 Youth Meeting 6pm-8pm	28
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October is LGBTQ+ History Month!

This month includes many dates of importance to the LGBTQ+ community. Below is a brief history on these dates.

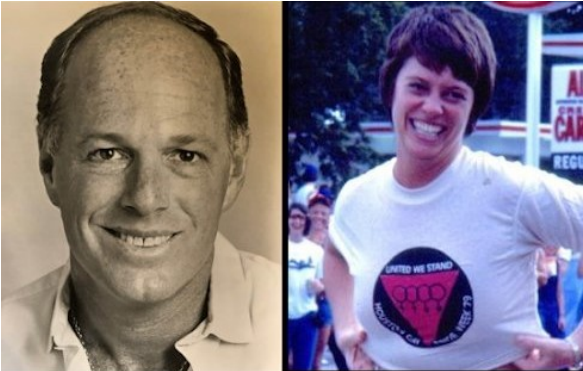
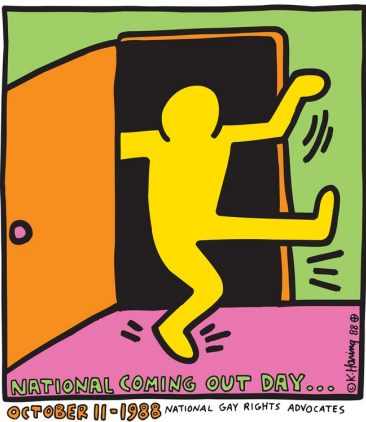
LGBTQ+ History Month

LGBTQ+ History Month originated in the United States as Lesbian and Gay History Month, and was first celebrated in October 1994. It was founded by Missouri high-school history teacher Rodney Wilson, who gathered other teachers and community leaders to create the designation. October was chosen as the month of celebration because the first and second LGBT Marches on Washington, in 1979 and 1987, were in October; and National Coming Out Day is on October 11th.



National Coming Out Day

NCOD was started in 1988 by Robert Eichberg and Jean O'Leary. Eichberg, who died in 1995 of complications from AIDS, was a psychologist from New Mexico. O'Leary was an openly lesbian political leader and long-time activist from New York and was at the time the head of the National Gay Rights Advocates in Los Angeles. The date of October 11th was chosen because it is the anniversary of the 1987 National March on Washington for Lesbian and Gay Rights.



International Pronouns Day

IPD began in 2018 and takes place on the 3rd Wednesday of October each year. IPD seeks to make respecting, sharing, and educating about personal pronouns commonplace. While many are familiar with “He” “She” and “They”, Neopronouns are a category of third-person pronouns that include; xe/xir/xirs, ze/zir/zirs, fae/faer/faers and more. If you’re looking for practice using different pronouns, check out www.practicewithpronouns.com.

theirs	zim	their	
her	ze	she	his
xe	they	them	xim
hers	xey	him	he

Pronoun Reference Sheet

She	Her	Her	Hers	Herself
He	Him	His	His	Himself
They	Them	Their	Theirs	Themselves
Ze	Zir	Zir	Zirs	Zirself
Xe	Xem	Xyr	Xyrself	Xemself
Ze	Hir	Hir	Hirs	Hirself
Per	Per	Per	Pers	Perself

#ShareYourPronouns

MY PRONOUNS ARE...

Hello

my name is

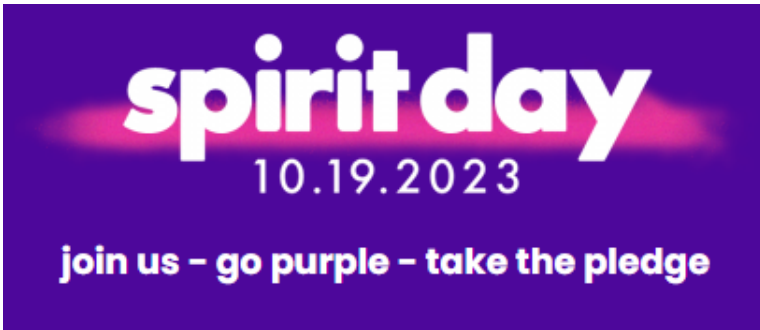
pronouns:

INTERNATIONAL PRONOUNS DAY

GLSEN

Spirit Day

Spirit Day is an annual LGBTQ awareness day observed on the third Thursday in October. Started in 2010 by Canadian teenager Brittany McMillan, it was initially created in response to a rash of widely publicized bullying-related suicides of gay school students in 2010, including that of Tyler Clementi. Promoted by GLAAD, observers wear the color purple as a visible sign of support for LGBTQ youth and against bullying during National Bullying Prevention Month as well as to honor LGBTQ victims of suicide.



Ace Week

Ace Week was first established as Asexual Awareness Week in 2010. When founder Sara Beth Brooks discovered asexuality and realized that it was something she identified with, she used her organizational skills and activism experience to support the ace community. She solicited the help of AVEN (Asexual Visibility and Education Network) founder David Jay, Asexual Outreach, and together, they transformed a mainly online observance into an international campaign.



Intersex Awareness Day

ISA on October 26th commemorates the first public demonstration by intersex people in North America. In 1996, Intersex activists Morgan Holmes, Max Beck, and more protested outside of the American Academy of Pediatrics annual conference.

Intersex Awareness Day is to end shame, secrecy and unwanted surgeries on intersex children. Between October 26 and November 8, intersex organizations bring attention to the challenges intersex individuals face, culminating in the Intersex Day of Remembrance on November 8th.

Find more information on: interactadvocates.org



Save the Date!

Haddon Township Pride will be happening in October!

OCTOBER 5 - Pride Parade + After Party

from 6-10 p.m. on Haddon Avenue.

OCTOBER 6 - Pride + Progress Community Night

from 5:00-9:30 p.m. at Haddon Square.

Be sure to check htpride.com for updates!



Galaei presents the inaugural Philadelphia OURfest!

OURfest: National Coming Out Parade will be on Saturday, October 7, 2023, from 4:00pm to 6:00pm, from 5th and Market to Broad and Locust.

OURfest: National Coming Out Festival will be on Sunday, October 8, 2023, from 12:00pm to 7:00pm, with resource fair and family zone from 12:00pm to 5:00pm, and last call for mobile bars/food trucks at 6:30pm.

Find more information on their website: <https://www.galaeiqtbipoc.org/ourfest>



Queer ASL

Want to learn ASL? Registration for their October-December online classes is now open!

Queer ASL is a queer + trans positive environment for learning American Sign Language online at a variety of skill levels! All 4 levels are open this cycle. Including classes specifically for QTBIPOC folk and disabled folks.

Find out more information on their website: www.queerasl.com



Moorestown Pride is a family and peer run LGBTQIA+ support organization with the goal of connecting LGBTQIA+ individuals, families and allies in Moorestown in a fun, safe, supportive environment.

They offer a variety of events for youth and adults including LGBTQIA+ Family and Friends Halloween Craft Night on October 19th.

Find more information on their Facebook Page "Moorestown Pride" or the Moorestown Library website: <https://www.moorestownlibrary.org>

LGBTQIA+ Family & Friends Halloween Craft Night

**Thursday, October 19, 2023
7:00PM to 8:30PM**

**Moorestown Library
111 West Second Street
Moorestown, NJ 08057**



You Are More Than (YAMT) will be holding their third annual in-person walk!

YAMT is a national survivor-led nonprofit organization, transforming the growth of BIPOC and LGBTQIA+ survivors of domestic trafficking and those negatively impacted by the commercial sex industry by providing barrier-free access to survivor-centered support focused on mental health, education, and economic stability.

**The event will be at Timber Creek Park in Blackwood, NJ on
October 22, 2023 from 10am-2pm!**

Sign Up at: <https://runsignup.com/Race/NJ/Blackwood/WalkWithUsYAMT>



**WALK WITH US: 2023
YAMT**

Registration \$40

**October 22
Start 10:00 am**

**+Raffle/ Prizes
+Halloween
Costume Contest
& more!**

**+ Pumpkin Painting
+ Community
Vendors**

Location:
Timber Creek Park, Blackwood, NJ

100% of Proceeds Benefit **You Are More Than Inc.** a national survivor-led agency uplifting BIPOC and LGBTQ+ survivors of trafficking

WWW.YAMT.ORG/WALK-WITH-US

**You
are
More
than.**

Garden State Equality is holding their 14th annual Equality Walk!

Held every year during LGBTQ+ History Month and the weekend of Coming Out Day, the Equality Walk is Garden State Equality's largest annual community fundraiser.

Thursday, Oct. 5 (5pm) • Trenton Friday, Oct. 6 (5pm) • Atlantic City

Saturday, Oct. 7 (3:30pm) • Asbury Park Sunday, Oct. 8 (11am) • Montclair

Find out more information at: <https://gardenstateequality.rallybound.org>



TRENTON
THU, OCT 5, 5PM
COOPER'S RIVERVIEW
(*KICKOFF RECEPTION)

ATLANTIC CITY
FRI, OCT 6, 5PM
OCEAN CASINO RESORT

ASBURY PARK
SAT, OCT 7, 3:30PM
SPRINGWOOD PARK

MONTCLAIR
SUN, OCT 8, 11AM
FIRST CONGREGATIONAL
CHURCH

—14TH ANNUAL—
EQUALITY WALK

 **GARDEN STATE
EQUALITY**

Help is just a call away.

NJ PRISM, a 24/7 statewide hotline providing information and referrals to New Jersey's LGBTQIA+ Community, offers resources including prevention and support services, medical care access needs, community safe space groups, advocacy and legal resources.

Get connected by calling 844.NJPRISM (657.7476).



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LGBTQIA+ community



You can make a difference in the lives of LGBTQIA+ youth and young adults.

Your gift in any amount will create a supportive, affirming environment for a young person seeking community with other members of the LGBTQIA+ community.

If you are interested in donating, scan the QR Code to access the Center for Family Services donation page. At the bottom of the page there is an option to select “Donate to a Specific Program” and you can note that you’d like your donation to be for Kaleidoscope.

