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GLBT News UPDATE

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Dayton, Ohio AIDS Walk.Run

Wright State University's Boonshoft School of Medicine 5K AIDS Benefit Walk/Run will be held on Sunday, April 17 at Wegerzyn Gardens, 1301 E. Siebenthaler Avenue in Dayton, OH 45414

Registration begins at 8 a.m., the Race starts at 9:30 a.m., rain or shine.

Preregistration is \$20 before race day. Race day registration is \$25.

You can register online: <<http://www.active.com/running/dayton-oh/aids-benefit-5k-2011>><http://www.active.com/running/dayton-oh/aids-benefit-5k-2011>

There will be men's and women's prizes by age categories will be given. All participants will be entered in a raffle for additional prizes.

Proceeds go to the AIDS Resource Center Ohio and Miami Valley Positives 4 Positives. The event is sponsored by:

Wright State University
Boonshoft School of
Medicine,

AMSA - American
Medical Student Associa-
tion BSOM Chapter,
Five Rivers Metroparks.

Cincinnati Symphony PRIDE Night

Cincinnati Symphony Orchestra PRIDE Night: OUT On the Town is set for 8 p.m. Saturday, May 7, at Music Hall, 1241 Elm Street.

Tickets are, \$20 student, \$50 guest, \$100 host/hostess (includes concert ticket + post-concert party)

Visit www.cin

cinnatisymphony.org/pride or call the CSO Box Office for more information at 513-381-3300.

The CSO welcomes the LGBT community, its friends and supporters to a thrilling concert featuring an all-American program with dazzling clarinetist Martin Fröst performing Copland's captivating fusion of jazz, Charleston rhythms, boogie woogie and Brazilian folk tunes. Edgar Varèse, a fixture on the New York music scene who influenced Frank Zappa, composed the program finale, a raucous soundscape of unwavering excitement.

Join them after the concert for *Out On the*

Town—a lively party with live music, edibles, festive libations and fun.

Dead Musicians Society II event benefits STOPAIDS

A Dead Musicians Society II event benefits STOPAIDS Cincinnati.

It will feature eight bands performing songs by their favorite musicians and songwriters who have passed on.

It takes place on Saturday, April 23, 8 p.m. at Molly Malone's Irish Pub - 3rd floor in Covington. The cover is \$6.

Coalition meets this Saturday

The Coalition represents a long, rich and diverse history from 1978 to the present.

It initially developed from the energy of Dignity, Gay Dreams (*radio show now Alternating Currents*),

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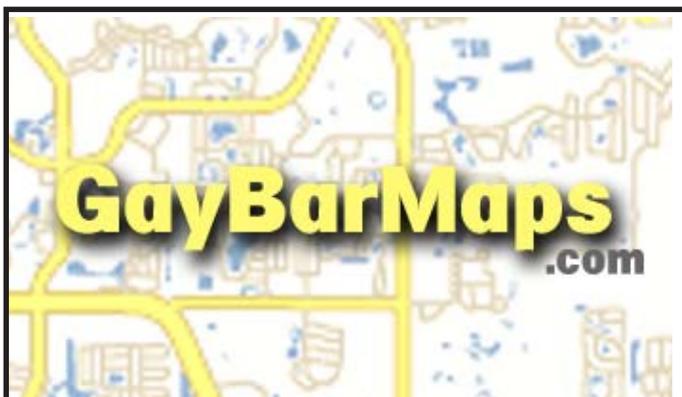
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and the Switchboard. It was then GCGC (*Greater Cincinnati Gay Coalition*). In 1984, the group incorporated as a non-profit and changed its name to the Greater Cincinnati Gay & Lesbian Coalition.

This group ultimately became the Community Center when it opened in the fall of 1993.

After a six year absence, various community leaders felt that the need still remained for a “monthly Coalition meeting,” so, the Coalition was reinvented in 1999 as a “forum for GLBT organizations and

individuals to foster pride and unity in the GLBT community.” Additionally, the Coalition advocates, both within and beyond the GLBT community, for fairness and increased acceptance, on a non-political basis, by facilitating communication. The Coalition meets at 11 a.m. on the third Saturday of the month at The Center, 4119 Hamilton Avenue in Northside. Meetings last about one hour.

During meetings, diverse local groups share information on projects, events and suggest projects of general community interest.

In 2010, the following groups sent representatives: PFLAG, GLSEN, UC Student Government Special Interests, Gay & Lesbian Community Center of Greater Cincinnati, Muse, Cincinnati Men’s Chorus, HRC, Equality

Cincinnati, Stop AIDS, New Spirit MCC, Crossport, Church of Our Saviour, Share a Bear, Truth & Destiny Covenant Ministries and Peru’s Special Kids Are Us.

Not only is this a great space for GLBT and ally organizations to share information and acquire new volunteers, but the Coalition also serves as an opportunity for

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all members of the general public to come and learn about the organizations and regional resources. The Coalition does not have a membership fee and is open to all.

Friday is Day of Silence

The Gay, Lesbian and Straight Education Network (*GLSEN*) is encouraging students in schools across the nation to be silent for the entire day on Friday to highlight their opposition to bullying and attacks against gays -- but social and religious conservatives are attacking the Day of Silence (*DOS*) event.

According to organizers, more than 20,000 students from some 7,500 schools registered to participate in the 2010 *DOS*, while hundreds of thousands actually took part. Students will remain silent all day, except when called on during class, to focus on anti-LGBT (*Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender*) insults, bullying and harassment.

“The Day of Silence is a symbolic representation of the silencing effect young people across the country experience every day because of anti-LGBT bullying,” said Eliza Byard, executive director of

GLSEN. “For far too long we as a nation have ignored the pervasive problem of anti-LGBT bullying. While we at *GLSEN* are working to improve the situation in schools for LGBT youth and those perceived to be LGBT, students across the country are coming together on the Day of Silence to say it needs to get better now.”

GLSEN encourages students taking part to pass out cards with the following message:

Please understand my reasons for not speaking today. I am participating in the Day of Silence (DOS), a national youth movement bringing attention to the silence faced by lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender people and their allies. My deliberate silence echoes that silence, which is caused by anti-LGBT bullying, name-calling and harassment. I believe that ending the silence is the first step toward building awareness and making a commitment to address these injustices. Think about the voices you are not hearing today.

The *DOS* activities won the legal backing of the ACLU and Lambda Legal, an organization that works on same-sex issues.



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