2019 PRIDE guide

State Pageant
May 25th

Parade & Festival
June 1st

Featuring
Qiet

Festival Headliner
raja

Rainbow PRIDE
of West Virginia
BROADWAY PRIDE EVENTS

Saturday, May 25th
AFTER PAGEANT PARTY - 11PM

Sunday, May 26th
MOUNTAIN STATE BEAR CONTEST - 10PM

Wednesday, May 29th
RETRO 80’S DISCO PARTY - 9PM

Thursday, May 30th
PRIDE BINGO - 7PM
DRAG QUEEN PRIDE KAROKE
WITH TIFFANY SOMMERS RICH - 9PM

Friday, May 31st
"GET YOUR GLOW ON"
BROADWAY GLOW PARTY - 9PM TO CLOSE

Saturday June 1st
COOKOUT AFTER PRIDE FESTIVAL
SHOWS AT 5PM

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GREETINGS FROM MAYOR AMY SHULER GOODWIN!

As the Mayor of Charleston, it is my pleasure to welcome you to the 23rd Annual West Virginia Pride Parade and Festival.

The City of Charleston is committed to being an inclusive community. We are dedicated to making both visitors and residents feel welcome, safe and fully able to participate in life in our city.

I am proud to continue being part of an event that brings together folks to celebrate the diversity of our people here in our Capital City and throughout our state. It is important for us to come together—listening across our differences for understanding—so that we can build respect and sustain our sense of community.

While you are here, I encourage you to explore the sights, sounds and tastes of Charleston. Experience the gracious hospitality of our business owners and residents. And, more importantly, make lasting memories with family and friends.

Thank you for your support of the West Virginia Pride Parade and Festival and Rainbow Pride of West Virginia. Enjoy!

My best,

Amy Shuler Goodwin
Mayor of Charleston

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Mayor Amy Shuler Goodwin
Pre-Exposure Prophylaxis (PrEP)

• One pill daily can help prevent HIV infection (up to 92% lower risk)
• Can help stop HIV from turning into a permanent infection
• Can be used in conjunction with other prevention methods
• Recommended for those who are HIV negative and at substantial risk for HIV infection

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Message from the Pride President

Happy Pride, West Virginia!

Welcome to Rainbow Pride of West Virginia’s 2019 Pride Parade and Festival.

As our Board of Directors set out to plan this 23rd year of Rainbow Pride in the Mountain State, our goal has been to bring to you events that are fun, relevant, impactful and welcoming to all. We’ve continued to work at building relationships with other nonprofits, businesses and community members. We recognize that Rainbow Pride of WV is at it’s best when everyone works together. We believe Rainbow Pride is for everyone!

This year’s Power of One Award honoree, Delegate Dani-elle Walker from Morgantown, is an inspirational example of just how one person can create a positive impact of the lives of LGBTQ West Virginians. Our Parade Grand Marshal is Mr. Jeff Haught and Capital High School’s production of The Laramie Project. Mr. Haught and his students delivered a performance that touched lives, educated audiences, and started LGBTQ positive community conversations.

With support from our 21 Sponsors, we are bringing several exciting events to the Capital City. The May 25th Pride Pageant is a competition of some of the state’s brightest talents. May 31st’s 8th Annual Charity Drag Race has become a Pride Week favorite and a “not to be missed” event. The largest LGBTQ celebration in WV happens on June 1st at our Pride Parade and Festival. Headlined by Raja from RuPaul’s Drag Race Season 3, featuring the popular band Qiet, our Haddad Riverfront stage will be rocking all afternoon! Don’t miss the first ever Power up the Pride night at Appalachian Power park for an event that makes WV professional sports history with the WV Power baseball team.
It’s an exciting time for Pride in West Virginia! Not only does participation with Rainbow Pride continue to grow, but fellow Pride groups are being organized all over our state. We are developing relationships with them, too. When we work together and show the very best of ourselves living authentically, we start conversations, we touch hearts and we win over minds.

I’m so proud of Rainbow Pride’s annual Educational Scholarship. Students enrolled in any post-secondary education program are eligible to apply. This year we are opening our office and community space to an LGBTQ Sensitive Addiction Recovery Support Group. Providing a safe space where there’s no judgement—just support.

Thank you to our sponsors, donors and many volunteers. We can’t do any of this without you! I am also so very proud of our Board of Directors. Each of you brings a unique and impactful viewpoint, brightening our path and creating a positive impact on our greater WV LGBTQ and Allied community.

Thank you all!
Be You, Be Proud!

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Sports Bar
326 7th Ave. South Charleston
Tuesday May 28th

Dart Tournament
Sign ups at 6:00p
Games start at 7:00p
You & a partner
501 dart tourney
$10 entry
Single elimination
a Rainbow Pride of WV Benefit

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28 Capitol St.
Charleston, WV

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WHERE ALL KINDS ARE WELCOME!
everyone has an element #GetInYours
It didn’t seem that long ago to me, but none of my students were alive when Matthew Shepard was brutally kidnapped, tortured and murdered in Laramie, WY.

Two trials, a media frenzy, and a town in pain. For so long, those were the legacies of that murder. Eventually, through great advocacy and dedication, it would lead to federal hate crime legislation: The Matthew Shepard Act.

In between came the play. An oral history of the events surrounding that time that included over 30 different voices telling their reactions and pain, collected and developed into dramatic structure by Moises Kaufman and Techtonic Theatre Company.

And that was 20 years ago.

It seemed like a good time for Capital High School to tackle the play, and the issues. I approached our principal, Larry Bailey, and explained what we intended to do, what the significance of the timing, the subject matter of the play, and the possible reactions, both good and bad, that have come from high schools producing this work. He didn’t hesitate. He asked me three questions: Was it real? Was it relevant? Would our students learn something?
Yes. Yes, unfortunately. And we couldn’t imagine everything we would learn.

The timing was serendipitous. We auditioned on the 20th anniversary of the day Matthew Shepard was taken to that fence on the outskirts of town. We did our first read-through on the anniversary of the day he died. We opened the show on the day Tectonic Theatre Company went to Laramie to begin interviews. Throughout the rehearsal process, we kept track of the events as they occurred years ago.

We watched as Matthew Shepard’s ashes were interred in the National Cathedral in Washington, then took the stage and brought to life the recollections of the people who watched him die.

In the play, Matthew has no lines, and yet, in a very real way, we felt like the words we were saying brought his presence into our lives.

We, like the people of Laramie, didn’t expect other people to become involved. We were just doing a play. And yet, Rainbow Pride, Fairness WV, and the ACLU in Charleston, wanted to be a part of our experience. Our school GSA leapt at the chance to participate. Like the events in Laramie, a whole community was taking part in our memorial.

And we were blessed by the contributions of the company we were now keeping. The talkback after our matinee allowed us to share the stage with some of the most salient of the soldiers of the cause of acceptance and equality. The students learned of the struggles they deal with every day, and our guests learned of the progress our actors had made, as individuals and as a community.

A couple of students decided to keep a video journal of thoughts from the cast as they were working through this process. Their comments, completely without rehearsal, were testimony to the power of Matthew’s story to move people.

20 years later. Even now.

Even now, when high school theatre programs are prohibited, for whatever reason, to take the journey we took with this play. Even now, when there is still so much work to be done.

Even now, more than 20 years from Laramie, Matthew’s life, and his tragic death, call people to action.

If one student was changed, if one LGBTQ student was touched, if one person was moved to action, then we did our jobs.

We will never be the same.

We are profoundly honored and thrilled to be a part of this celebration. Thank you.

Jeff Haught, teacher at Capital High School
West Virginia finds itself amid a clash of two visions.

On one side are people like Delegate Eric Porterfield, who hates the LGBTQ community so passionately he has hinted he might drown his own children if they ever came out to him.

On the other side? We have those who are fighting for a fairer future for all.
WV PRIDE “WHY WE MARCH”

Everybody Loves Fruit

As a child, I recall always hearing that America was like a melting pot. The premise was that we are a nation of diverse peoples with different faiths, cultures and backgrounds that melt and fuse together to make one great America. This logic makes a lot of sense at first glance. It focuses on unity, belonging and harmony which are all great concepts, but this analogy has always bothered me. Why should we lose who we are to become anything? Our country is the place so many have immigrated to seeking asylum from cultural or religious persecution. We are a country that prides itself on freedom and the opportunity to live out the “American dream.” If we as a collective people have fled to this country to be able to live out our lives as we so please, does losing what makes us different make us culturally incompetent?

Do we want to melt? Do we want to lose our unique characteristics with the hopes of becoming one? Is conformity the very thing that hinders the LGBTQ+ community the most? Being asked to be less like you, hide parts of you, hide feelings that you have been taught aren’t “normal?” For marginalized communities, you are more often asked to lose your unique identity to be palatable to everyone else. What lead me to advocate for the LGBTQ+ community was becoming aware of how intersectional this civil rights conversation is in 2019. If there are social and cultural communities of people who aren’t allowed to love and live in their respective light, we create a breeding ground for hate. What if the beloved “Melting Pot” analogy left much to be desired?

Unfortunately, there were unexpected and unwanted ingredients added to this pot analogy such as: bigotry, xenophobia, racism, nationalism, etc. These ideals, which are fueled by fear/hatred, have contaminated the “blend” that was used to describe the America we live in. Many of us have experienced hate mongering, discrimination, or have been the targets of hate crimes. In this country founded off freedom and the pursuit of happiness, we still struggle to define who has the accessibility to that “American dream”. So this cultural melting pot we have been taught to aspire to become hasn’t quite ironed out its recipe hiccups. I suggest we throw out this dated analogy and move to something more representative of our future.

Let’s examine a more palatable approach with another analogy I used during a PRIDE board meeting. What if we could keep our distinguishable characteristics, shapes, flavors and compliment others...
pieces? More like a fruit salad? Yes, PERFECT analogy! What if we could embrace all types of cultures, ethnicities and races and we proactively support them maintaining their own culture, tradition, customs, and language? When I think of LGBTQ+ pride, honestly, “conforming” is the furthest outcome that comes to mind. Identity is something that this community is centered around!! I see folks from all around, celebrating, advocating, networking, learning, sharing, educating and helping each other to create a more meaningful and positive world for the present as well as the future.

In 2019, our society (not without flaw) is more diverse and inclusive than ever! Barriers are being broken, difficult conversations are being had, and there are so many “firsts” that it would be difficult not to accept variety as the spice of life. Our culture is being inundated and simultaneously enriched by the Renaissance of diversity and inclusion we are experiencing. From healthcare rights, to legalization and policy, to community events, employment opportunities and more, I believe we are on an upward trend to obtaining more representation and group protections. In order to progress our efforts in becoming freer, we should also commit to being more inclusive and ally for others civil liberties. Our LGBTQ+ community is also intersected with other social justice issues such as disability, racial inequality, sexism, and socioeconomic status. We should be mindful in our work to be just as supportive of those communities as well.

At the Rainbow Pride of West Virginia, we seek to represent all colors and spectrums of the rainbow. Our goal is to welcome, include and honor all that falls in our lively and diverse fruit salad bowl. We look to collaborate with other organizations, grow our corporate partnerships, strengthen community ties and cultivate a supportive and healthy society. We as a community should commit ourselves to continue to be as inclusive and diverse as possible so that we are growing our safe space and welcoming all kinds into our community of many. We are learning and evolving as an organization so we thank all of you for allowing us the space and supporting our collective growth. We are committed to challenging ourselves and seek to educate and empower others to do the same. Let’s continue seek to be inclusive, understanding and loving together!

Stacy Oden, Member at Large of Rainbow Pride of WV

Y'all means ALL
The City of Charleston is proud to support Rainbow Pride of WV!

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Wednesday May 29th 7:00pm
2019 Interfaith Service

Hosted at Pentecostal Affirming Ministries
847 Woodward Drive Charleston WV

• Different speakers
• Different singers
• Power of one

Rainbow Pride of West Virginia
BIG GAY SUNDAY
AT
NORTH CHARLESTON
COMMUNITY CENTER
SUNDAY, JUNE 2

HOT DOGS

Big Gay Hot Dog Social
At the Dog Park
1 PM to 4 PM
A Social Activity for You and Your Dog, Free Hot Dogs, Bring Your Own Beverages

Sponsored by
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BIG GAY DOG SHOW
At the Dog Park
2 PM
Let Your Dog Show Off!

BIG GAY SOFTBALL GAME
At the Softball Field adjacent to 7th Ave., 3 PM
Slow-Pitched Softball Mixed Guys and Gals Game
Grey T-Shirts Vs Green T-Shirts
For Information Call Carl at 304-395-3672
Delegate Danielle Walker was born August 18, 1976, to Derbie Bernard and Oscar Walker Sr., in Lafayette, Louisiana. Danielle is mother to two children, Demetry and Devin Walker. Almost nine years ago, Danielle and her family made the Wild and Wonderful state of West Virginia home. She credits the state and it’s people for being welcoming to her family and affording them a second chance. Every program or state assistance program was a hand-up, not a hand-out.

Delegate Walker’s passion to become an advocate and activist was inspired after the Charlottesville car attack and learning her son was gay. Her fight became personal and introduced new pathways of empathy. “My own son could be targeted as a black, gay male.” Fighting for a Non-Discrimination Ordinance in her city of Morgantown fueled her motivation. Walker says “I was at every city council meeting. I was so proud of Morgantown and its diversity”.

The motto of Walker’s campaign was “Take a Stand We Are One, and One Love.”

Delegate Walker stood up to one delegate’s anti-LGBTQ+ speech by reciting the following “You call them butch. You call them f……. You call them creatures. You call them a disgrace of God. You call them demons. You call them the devil.

equality for all is a testament to the compassion she has received in the Mountain State”.

Delegate Danielle Walker is affiliated with Mon Valley Habitat for Humanity, Morgantown NOW, NAACP Branch #3241, and is a Read Aloud Board Member. She was Elected to the House of Delegates in 2018 and honored by Rainbow Pride of West Virginia as the 2019 Power of One recipient.
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AN EVENING OF WINE TASTING
Thursday, May 23rd
7:00 PM - 9:00 PM
Red Carpet Lounge
ALL ARE WELCOME
$10 donation

VIST US AT OUR BOOTH AT THE PRIDE PARADE AND FESTIVAL SATURDAY, JUNE 1st

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No experience necessary!

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Have fun while learning about a smoke free alternative to stress relief

CELEBRATE PRIDE

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 5, 2019
COVENANT HOUSE
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all that Glitters pageant

May 25th 6:00pm
Cash bar $10 cover

“A Fierce competition of some of WV’s best talents!”

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PRISCILLA’S Drag Brunch
PRIDE edition

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CLAN NATION
Does Charleston

$40 admission
Doors open at 7pm
Sat. June 1st

Catered Buffet 8p-10p
Fetish fellowship
50/50 Raffle
Cash Bar

Tickets at the door or purchase online, plus Hotel Info, at wvpierce.org/events

10 Capitol St
Charleston, WV

This event is presented in association with CLAN Nation, a national leather charity. Details at claninfo.org. CLAN is 100% non-profit and has donated over $600,000 to community charities.
8th Annual
PRIDE of West Virginia
Drag Race
a fundraiser for Manna Meal
Friday May 31st 6:00 p.m.
Capitol St. in front of Davis Park
$50 Team Entry Fee
FREE to watch & cheer on your fave team!

Bring your $5
Buy water balloons
to THROW at the racers!!

PRIDE BINGO
Thursday, May 30
Broadway, 7 PM
$20 To Play

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PUT YOURSELF IN THE SPOTLIGHT

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- Bags
- Cheer Basics
- Field Basics
  - Twirling Shoes
  - Batons
- Accessories

205 Washington Street West, Charleston, WV
304-343-2100

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2019 Mountain State Bear Contest
Are You Bear Enough!!!

May 26, 2019

Category is:
Club Wear
Underwear Q&A

Registration
9 pm
Contest
10 pm

Prize Money for the top 4 Contestants

At Broadway 210 Leon Sullivan Way
Charleston WV

Additional Info contact
call or text 3049328693

Bill Meadows (Left) and Robert Sheets (Right)

IN MEMORIAL BILL MEADOWS
1961 - 2016

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Do you have questions or concerns about being lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, queer, or intersex? There are resources that can help you sort out the issues of coming out, what it is to be Gay and what other people will think if they know you are Gay and other issues of the LGBTQI community, for example: Have you been bullied? Are you overwhelmed that you might be different in some way than your friends? Do you need someone to talk to? There are national and local resources available.

The resources are as follows:

LGBT National Youth Talkline: 1-800-246-PRIDE (1-800-246-7743)
LGBT National Hotline: 1-888-843-4564
SAGE LGBT Elder Hotline: 1-888-234-SAGE (1-888-234-7243)
Itgetbetter.org (videos of testimonials that “It gets Better”)
Local PFLAG Chapters: (Charleston/Huntington): lesbak44@gmail.com, jjalley8561@yahoo.com and mulder@marshall.edu.
(Fairmont): pflagfairmont@gmail.com and 304-508-3636
(Morgantown): info@pflagmorgantown.org

Have you had any thoughts concerning suicide? Suicide is not the answer. There are national and local resources on suicide prevention. The website, www.suicide.org started in 2004 with the mission of providing national and local resources on suicide prevention.

The national resources are as follows:

National Suicide Prevention Hotline: 1-800-273-TALK (1-800-273-8255)
The Trevor Project Hotline: 1-888-4-U-TREVOR (1-866-488-7385)

Suicide.org also provides local suicide or crisis hotlines that are for seven areas in the state. In the Huntington and Charleston area and also statewide, Prestera Center for Mental Health provides a crisis hotline. This crisis hotline is as follows: 1-800-642-3434. The business hours for Prestera is 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday to Friday. During non-business hours, you need to dial “9” during the recorded message to reach the crisis center.

Another helpful resource for suicide prevention and for training in suicide preventions is the website: www.preventsuicidewv.org. This website is provided by Prevent Suicide WV with funding by the Bureau for Behavior Health and Health Facilities and the Bureau of Public Health. This website provides informational articles concerning the prevention of suicide. Prevent Suicide WV provides classroom instructions to medical professionals and also to youths acting as peer support and gatekeepers to look for signs in helping to prevent suicide.
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RAINFOUR PRIDE OF WEST VIRGINIA
2019 EVENT SCHEDULE
VISIT WWW.WVPRIDE.ORG FOR FURTHER INFORMATION

May 23, 2019
Party Between the Deck/Patios**
Tricky Fish and Red Carpet Lounge
7 pm to 9 pm, “A Family Friendly Event”
Join us to a casual evening of friendship.
Meet the Board of Directors and
Members of PFLAG

May 23, 2019
Prime Timers Wine Tasting**
7 pm to 9 pm
A Rainbow Pride of WV Endorsed Event
Red Carpet Lounge, 308 Elizabeth Street, Charleston
Admission: $10.00
Sponsored by WV Prime Timers. Prime Timers is a social organization for older gay & bisexual men and their admirers.

May 25, 2019
Pride Pageant**
Mr. Rainbow Pride & Miss Rainbow Pride of WV
Mr. Rainbow Pride King & Miss Rainbow Femme of WV
6 pm to 11 pm, Admission: $10.00, “A Family Friendly Event”
Beni Kedem Temple, 100 Quarrier St., Charleston

May 26, 2019
Mountain State Bear Contest
10 pm
A Rainbow Pride of WV Endorsed Event
Admission: $5.00
Broadway, 210 Leon Sullivan Way, Charleston

May 28, 2019
Dart Tournament
$10 To Play
A Rainbow Pride of WV Endorsed Event
Sign Up: 6 pm, Games: 7 pm
Bo Daddy’s Sport Bar
326 7th Ave., South Charleston

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May 29, 2019
Interfaith Service
7 pm, “A Family Friendly Event”
A Rainbow Pride of WV Endorsed Event
Pentecostal Affirming Ministries
847 Woodward Dr., Charleston

May 30, 2019
Pride Bingo**
$20 To Play
7 pm to 9 pm
Broadway, 210 Leon Sullivan Way, Charleston

May 31, 2019
8th Annual Charity Drag Race / PFLAG Cheerleaders**
6 pm to 8 pm, “A Family Friendly Event”
Form a team and come have some fun!
Please email contact@rainbowpridewv.org for additional details
Capital Street adjacent to Davis Park, Charleston

May 31, 2019
Broadway Pride Night – Get Your Glow On**
9 pm to close
A Rainbow Pride of WV Endorsed Event
Glow Party!
Broadway, 210 Leon Sullivan Way, Charleston

June 1, 2019
Pride Brunch**
11 am, “A Family Friendly Event”
A Rainbow Pride of WV Endorsed Event
Black Sheep Burrito & Brews
702 Quarrier St., Charleston

June 1, 2019
23rd Annual Pride Parade & Festival featuring Raja**
12:30 pm to 5 pm, “A Family Friendly Event”
Come join us free of charge! A rainbow explosion!
Haddad Riverfront Park, Charleston

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June 1, 2019
CLAW Nation Does Charleston
A leather party and fundraiser for the Living AIDS Memorial Garden and Rainbow Pride of West Virginia
Doors Open at 7 pm, Catered Buffet 8 pm to 10 pm
$40
Big Joe's Bar & Grill
10 Capitol St., Charleston

June 2, 2019
Drag Brunch Featuring Priscilla Divine**
11:30am, Show starts at 12:00pm
A Rainbow Pride of WV Endorsed Event
Cantina
4102 MacCorkle Ave. SE, Charleston

June 2, 2019
Big Gay Hot Dog Social
1 pm to 4 pm, “A Family Friendly Event”
A Rainbow Pride of WV Endorsed Event
Sponsored by Dog Bless
North Charleston Dog Park
North Charleston Community Center
2009 7th Ave., Charleston
Free Hot Dogs, Bring Your Own Beverages

June 2, 2019
Big Gay Dog Show!
2 pm, “A Family Friendly Event”
Strut your mutt for a chance to win fun prizes
$5.00 registration fee for each contestant
North Charleston Dog Park
North Charleston Community Center
2009 7th Ave., Charleston

June 2, 2019
Big Gay Softball Game
3pm, “A Family Friendly Event”
Mixed Slow Pitched Softball Game
Grey T-Shirts vs Green T-Shirts
At the softball field adjacent to 7th Ave.
Call Carl Maxwell at 304-395-3672
To join a team
North Charleston Community Center
2009 7th Ave., Charleston

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June 4, 2019
Book Club
7 pm
Cantina
4102 MacCorkle Ave. SE, Charleston

June 5, 2019
Freedom from Smoking Pride Drum Circle
1 pm to 2 pm, “A Family Friendly Event”
A Rainbow Pride of WV Endorsed Event
Free Admission, Free Lunch
Covenant House
600 Shrewsbury St., Charleston

June 5, 2019
Queer Money
Sponsored by Element Federal Credit Union
6 pm to 8 pm, “A Family Friendly Event”
A Rainbow Pride of WV Endorsed Event
Black Sheep Burrito & Brews
702 Quarrier St., Charleston

June 6, 2019
Power Up With Pride
Pride Night at the Appalachian Power Park
7 pm to 10 pm, “A Family Friendly Event”
$8 Box Seat and $6 General Admission
Appalachian Power Park, 601 Morris St., Charleston

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PRIDE BRUNCH
BEFORE THE PRIDE PARADE
702 QUARRIER ST., CHARLESTON
SATURDAY, JUNE 1
11:00 AM

2019 PRIDE GUIDE
RAINBOW PRIDE OF WEST VIRGINIA
23rd Annual Pride Parade & Festival
SATURDAY, JUNE 1st - CHARLESTON, WV
FEATURING RAJA
VISIT WWW.WVPRIDE.ORG FOR FURTHER INFORMATION

Vendor/Exhibitor Setup**
10 am to 11 am
Kanawha Blvd. between Court Street and Capitol Street
All vendors and exhibitors must register and pay registration fees with Rainbow Pride of WV by May 24
Email contact@rainbowpridewv.org for additional information
Or www.wvpride.org/become-a-vendor

Pride Brunch**
10:30 am to 12:00 pm
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Parade**
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West Virginia Rainbow Pride Festival Featuring Raja**
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*Exotic and edgy, Raja has the other queens gasping at more than just her eleganza. A self-professed supermodel, Raja is setting the runway on fire with her ferocious strut and eye-popping style. Stand in her way and Raja will shantay past you like fashion road kill!*

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*Entrance at the back of the church*

**June 13, 2019**

7pm - 9pm

**Open House**
I will never forget my father’s words when I sat him and my mother down at our kitchen table and told them, through sobs and tears, that their eldest son was gay. He hugged me tight and said, with conviction, “K.W., you are my son, and I love you no matter what. And I’m proud of you.” My father was a venerable former Green Beret who had served in Vietnam.

In Clendenin, all my friends here are straight. I may be wrong, but I think I’m the only gay man who lives here. They love me, welcome me, embrace me, respect me, and we learn from each other.

My brother, Andy, helped me prepare for the preliminary pageant. We still laugh about the hysterically inappropriate things we talked about. We were a straight man and a gay man, in fellowship in the face of God and in the name of PRIDE. Andy designed and created my Pride wear for the preliminary contest—which was better than any crown and sash I’d seen. He taught me to be brave, live freely, and to never hide in the shadows of society. He sat on the edge of my bed one night and told me, regarding an instance of adversity I faced, “I’m proud of you. They don’t matter, and they’ll never be half the man you are. Be proud of your gay self. I love you, and you’re my brother.”

My dad can be proud of me, and I can have the honor as the son of a retired decorated U.S. Army Veteran and Union man. I have pride in myself—physically, mentally, sexually, and emotionally. I am Kenneth Wayne Morrison, Jr., the son of Kenneth Wayne Morrison, Sr., a son of Clendenin, and a beloved child of God.

I’d like to express my love to my mom, dad, brother, sister, niece, nephew, aunts, uncles, cousins, my amazing friends in the areas of Clendenin, Queen Shoals, Leatherwood, Reamer, Falling Rock, Pinch, Elkview, and all of my friends throughout West Virginia, and Minnesota.”

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Kenneth W. Morrison, Jr.
Mr. Rainbow Pride of WV 2018
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Well, hello and welcome to Pride 2019!!! One year has flown by again!!! The past year has been a tremendous experience that some would call once-in-a-lifetime to serve as your Miss Rainbow Pride of WV! When I competed last year, my platform was one of expanding the reach of Rainbow Pride of WV to parts of the state that needed to know that truly “all are welcome within West Virginia.”

This year our state will have nine pride celebrations, a huge jump from the past! The past year has taught me the need for discipline and so much more about the LGBT issues that affect our great state and how to address them.

To my sponsors, I could not have reigned without your support: from my medical team who kept me healthy; to my jewelers, hair stylists and costumers—you guys made sure I had what I needed. It has been my honor to represent Pride throughout virtually every part of our state, something I hope that the future Miss Prides continue to build upon.

To the lovely ladies competing for the coveted title this year, I wish you all the best. May your reign be as wonderful as you make it, this is your year to make the most of it.

I send you all love, lashes and light, one last time with tears of grateful love.

Sadae Spears
Miss Rainbow Pride of WV 2018
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Hello! My name is Torin Monroe Grey, and I am your current reigning Mr. L Pride of WV 2018, and also the last Mr. L Pride of WV. I was the changing voice to make the titles more inclusive and renaming the Mr. L Pride title to Mr. Rainbow Pride of WV King. I was also the 2018 Mr. L Broadway Pride. My drag career started just last year, and I have come a long way since my first time performing.

In addition to being Mr. L Pride, I am also a Captain at my local Fire Department where I was voted Officer of the Year in 2017 and received my 15 Years of Service award this year. I’ve been married to my wife, Jasmine, for 3 years and we are currently awaiting the arrival of our first child in August.

I would like to thank my wife for being there for me every step of the way in all aspects of my life. Thanks to my drag mother, Madison DeMoore Monroe, for helping me grow and be the performer I am today, for the late night questions when I was unsure of what to do, and for everything she has and continues to do for me not only as a drag mentor but also a very beloved friend.

To my new drag sister, my Miss Rainbow Pride, Sadae Spears, getting to know you this year has been an absolute joy. You have helped me grow and have showed me a whole new side of drag that I never knew existed. My drag father, Nathan Grey Lafontayne, for believing in me and giving me the courage to be who I always knew I wanted to be. To my mother, Beverly Scott, thank you for dealing with all my shenanigans and still loving me for it. To my Ms. L Pride, Lauren Jackson, having this year with you was awesome. Thank you for making everything fun. To my Monroe and Grey family, y’all are everything and I love all y’all.

Thank you to everyone who has stood behind Rainbow Pride this year. Without you nothing would be possible.

Torin Monroe Grey
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Having my wonderful father, Anthony Jackson, by my side, plus the wonderful rainbow family supporting me as well, I could not have gone through it without everybody’s support. As I step down, I know there is a great amount of work to be done in the community.

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Lauren Jackson
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