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MEETING DATES 2009

Feb-20 & 21, Mar-28, Apr-25
May-16, Sep-2, Oct-24
& Dec-19

Lake Erie Gala

November 16th – 22nd, 2009

Cabin Fever Weekend

Feb 20th & 21st
At the Avalon Hotel

Inclement weather dates
Feb 27th & March 1st

2008 Lake Erie Gala Highlights

Wednesday we had 49 girls at Molly Brannigans Irish Pub. The food was great.



After dinner we had a Casino night mixer that went very well.



We started the day Thursday with a tour of local wineries.



Lake Erie Group

The Girls Who Like To Have Fun

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Erie Sisters / Lake Erie Group was
founded in 1991.

You are unique, and if that is not fulfilled then something has been lost.

Martha Graham, dancer, choreographer

2008 Gala highlights cont.

Thursday continued with lunch at a haunted hotel.



Thursday evening we enjoyed two transgender performers.



Friday started off with a golf and fashion tournament, at least it looks like it.



"It's nice to have the opportunity to play for so much money, but it's nicer to win it."

Patty Sheenan

E-mail List

In 2009 the email list will be more important as some information will only be available to those on the list as the printed newsletter may be scaled back.

To subscribe visit:

<http://www.eriesisters.org/EMAILLIST.html>

This is for those girls that would like to be informed of:

- Someone going out in the Erie, PA or Warren, OH areas
- Gala updates
- Meeting Information

EGN

Erie Gay News is published monthly as a source of news and affordable advertising for the GLBT community.

Check it out.

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2008 Gala highlights cont.

Saturday started with the vendor faire.



Saturday continued with the fashion show and performances from celebrity impersonators.



The fashion show ended with flurry of wedding gowns and friends. A special thanks to our stand-in grooms from the gay community.



Erie Sisters *Transgender Support Group*



Guy: John Doe
Gal: Jane Doll
DL PA 12 345 678

Signature _____ Date _____

Transgender ID Card

Card # 12345-07

This card is intended to be used in conjunction with another form of picture ID and not as sole form of picture ID.

Erie Sisters Transgender Support Group
Website www.eriesisters.org
Phone 814-746-5524

Above is the Erie Sisters Transgender ID card. Shown is front and back. Card has two pictures one in each gender. Card comes laminated. Cost is \$10.00 and is only available to Erie Sisters members. In case you lose your ID card duplicates are \$5.00 each. Contact [Bethanymyers at eriesisters dot org](mailto:Bethanymyers@eriesisters.org) for more details or to order a card.

Avenue

They carry a full line of casual and office casual clothes in sizes 14-32. They also, carry a line of body shaping underwear, and shoes up to, and including size 12.

you can go online at: www.AVENUE.COM.

Hint: If you sign up on line, you'll get special offers and coupons in the mail.

Cabin Fever Weekend

Feb 20th & 21st at the Avalon Hotel
The hotel rate is \$79.00 make sure that you ask For the Erie Sisters – Lake Erie Gala rate.
Gala meeting on Sat at 1PM Avalon Hotel open to all. Dinner, clubbing and perhaps a show. For More info see our website. www.eriesisters.org



Jackie & Brent at The Avalon Hotel in Nov 08

We would like to pay tribute, and bid a fond farewell to a wonderful friend.

Brent died early in the morning on New Year's Day 2009, as result of complications to injuries he sustained in a fight. This was not a hate crime, but rather a stupid fight that should never have taken place. Or, perhaps it was just his time. We'll never know.

We extend our love and condolences to Jackie on the loss of her soulmate, while we, ourselves grieve the loss of a friend.

To extend your personal condolences and view the obituary:

<http://www.legacy.com/ErieTimesNews/GB/GuestbookView.aspx?PersonId=122160521>

Pulakos Chocolates

In 2007, Pulakos Chocolates treated us to free candy bars.

In 2008, we were treated to a free candy bar **and** a tour. The reigning George Pulakos (he's the fourth), gave us that wonderful tour complete with insider information on "how" chocolate covered cherries are made. (If you missed that, I guess you'll just have to find someone that was there to fill you in).

If you think that you missed something special... YOU DID! Not everyone gets the red carpet treatment that the Gala Girls got this year.

Whether you missed the tour and want to learn more, or enjoyed it thoroughly and want more chocolate ...click the link below.

<http://www.pulakoschocolates.com/HTML/Pulakos-info.html>

The 17th Annual Erie Pride Picnic will be held at the Rotary Pavillion (Presque Isle State Park) on Saturday, June 13, 2009 from 1pm-6pm.

- **All are invited.**
- **Bring a large dish to share**
- **Optional: Non perishable food collected will be donated to the local food bank**
- **Alcohol prohibited due to it being held at a State Park**

For the last couple of years, Bethany and I have represented the Erie Sisters at the picnic. It is a very worthwhile event where everyone is made to feel welcome and accepted. I encourage all Erie Sisters, family and friends to come out and enjoy the company of 200+ potential friends.

Support of any kind is always appreciated. Many locals donate merchandise, services and gift cards to make the picnic a success. Much of it ends up in a **free** Chinese Auction. (Each attendee is given a certain number of free tickets at the registration table). If anyone would like to make a donation as a form of free advertisement, or simply help out....all is appreciated.

Last year, we (Erie Sisters) provided a handful of beach balls, necklaces and bracelets to the children. I have to tell you that it wasn't enough! The number of families that attended far exceeded my expectations. I would like to see more summer toys and organized activities for the children ranging from newborns to teenagers. If anyone can help in any way, please contact Bethany via email or phone as soon as possible.

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Mar 1 (Sun) - LBT Women of Erie meets (Presque Isle Gallery Coffeehouse, 35 Peninsula Drv, Erie, PA) 2 PM. Social group for lesbian, bisexual and transgendered women. Meets the 1st Sunday of each month at Presque Isle Gallery Coffeehouse. Sign up for email list at <http://lists.eriegaynews.com/> Email: womynspace-owner@eriegaynews.com. Browse to <http://womynoferie.wetpaint.com/>. [MapQuest Map to Presque Isle Gallery Coffeehouse](#). Also see Resource entry for [Presque Isle Gallery Coffeehouse](#). Also see Resources for the [Erie County PA area](#). Weather for [Erie PA area](#).

G2H2 (Gay Guy/Girl Happy Hour) is modeled after similar regional groups in Cleveland and Pittsburgh where GLBT professionals and their colleagues and friends meet once a month for happy hour at a local bar for networking. It's also a great opportunity for us to improve the local image of our GLBT community. And it's great fun.

~Your G2H2 Hosts

info@eriegba.org

Painless Hair Removal

Every once in a while, a product comes along that you just want to tell everyone about. Such is the case with a new hair removal process called microlysis.

Having spent several years torturing myself with conventional probe electrolysis and continually getting re-growth, I was willing to try something else. I had considered laser, but at my age, I was starting to get more than a few grey hairs, and since laser does not work on non-pigmented hair, that was ruled out.

I had purchased my electrolysis machine from Global Electrolysis years ago, and decided to look at their web page to see if anything was new. I read about the new microlysis method, and after weeks of debating whether I should take a chance or not, decided to buy one of these units.

The process is very quick and pain free, and covers large areas at one time. It works by electronically forcing anti-androgen solutions into the pores that hair grows in in a three step process. You have your choice of treating 1,2 or 3 square inch areas at a time, taking a total of less than 4 minutes to treat each area.

First, apply a blue solution to the area, hold the negative probe in your hand and rub the brass positive probe back and forth over the area for 30 seconds to one minute. Repeat with the red second step solution, and finally the 3rd clear solution, rinse off and you're done.

It is recommended that you remove hairs from the area before treating, since it greatly improves the effectiveness of the treatment. While many might be hesitant at plucking facial hairs, doing so is much, much less painful than probe electrolysis, (trust me, I know) and any re-growth is much finer and easier to pluck out. I compare the maximum level of discomfort of treatment to scraping a credit card against your beard, and often there's no sensation at all.

Treatment should continue on a regular basis throughout the entire growth cycle of your beard, or approximately 90 days. I bought my unit in March, and have not touched a razor to my face since May, and I admittedly have been negligent on re-treatment. What little re-growth I have is largely like the peach fuzz you had on your face before puberty. I currently spend less than 2 minutes to prepare my face for makeup, and have complete confidence that nothing will show through at any time of the day.

The kit is complete except for electrolyte solution to improve contact between your hand and the negative probe, and is also available from Global Electrolysis in high and low viscosity solutions.

For more information visit:

<http://www.global-electrolysis-supply.com/MicrolysisTutorial.htm>

By Melanie S.

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Due to the high cost of printing and postage the newsletter will have five published issues a year. Those are January/February, March/April, May, September/October, November/December.

The newsletter can be viewed and printed online at: <http://www.eriesisters.org/NEWSLETTER.html>

We have established an email list to keep everyone informed about club activities. Please, sign up for this to stay informed.

Visit <http://www.eriesisters.org/EMAILLIST.html> for more details.

We will be posting updates, as needed, on the news page of our web site at:

<http://www.eriesisters.org/news.html>



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As a member in good standing, you will receive our newsletter Mirror Images and invitations to all our events, where you can safely enjoy your feminine- self with wonderful people and friends. Please fill in the blanks on this form and mail it to the address below. To save mailing and printing costs, we want to know if you would be willing to read Mirror Images online in PDF format.

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