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Check Our Recent Interview
Scott Lively with Gone2Far discusses Pride Fall Month

News From Around PA
The annual Leadership Experience and Development Conference (LEAD) will be held in Philly on May 21st. There LGBTQ student leaders from across the city “hope to empower and educate GSAs and area learning centers to build community, share resources and knowledge.”

A new queer library has opened in Hatboro (Montco). It is hosted by Love In Action United Church of Christ and “consists of books on history, health, queer religion and spirituality.” The organizing group is working hard at the task of “queering-up the burbs.”

The first national conference of Familia: Trans Queer Liberation Movement was held in Philly “to highlight the struggles of transgender and queer people, to help those confined at immigrant detention centers, and to try to stop the construction of more of those facilities.”

State Rep Brian Sims has met with House leadership of both parties re his verbal attack on pro-lifers praying outside a Philly abortion clinic. Dems are convinced he will not repeat his actions; the House GOP is not satisfied and issued a statement saying in part, “Our caucus has given Rep. Sims time to take responsibility for his behavior and show he is willing to treat people who have opinions different from his own with the respect befitting a member of the House of Representatives. We expect House Democratic Leadership to address this. We are extremely disappointed that Rep. Sims’ actions have caused harm to his victims and to our chamber.”

News From National Scene
Officials in Coldspring, TX have been contacted by the Freedom From Religion Foundation about the four white crosses on the San Jacinto County courthouse. Their response: illuminating them at night!

Senator Elizabeth Warren has introduced a bill to legalize taxpayer-funded abortions for any reason up to birth.

Planned Parenthood, the ACLU, NARAL Pro-Choice America, the Women’s March and other groups are working to organize nationwide demonstrations against a series of bills they view as an “unconstitutional attempt to gut Roe and punish women.”

The 100% Raw Powerlifting Federation has revoked titles and trophies given last month to powerlifter Mary Gregory for breaking multiple records, on the grounds that Gregory is actually a male and therefore ineligible.

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