



## American Family Association of Pennsylvania Weekly Update

### Seeking to Expose Attacks on Faith, Family and Freedom with a few wins thrown in

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**News from Around PA**

**LGBTQ advocate Cherelle**

**Parker** won the Democratic Primary for Philadelphia Mayor. She will run against Republican City Councilman David Oh in November. Since Democrat voters vastly outnumber GOP voters, Parker is expected to win. She has promised "Trans Black women [and] members of the LGBT community will be a significant part of my administration."

**Open lesbian Rue Landau won a Philly Council-at-Large seat.**

She will be the first LGBTQ person to serve on Council. She is the former executive director of the Philadelphia Commission on Human Relations. In that role she got a so-called anti-discrimination ordinance that included sexual orientation and gender identity language passed. "In 2014, Landau and her wife Kerry were the first same-sex couple to get a marriage license in Pennsylvania."

**Dignity Philadelphia,** a nonprofit organization for

Philly's LGBTQ Catholic community, will mark its 50th anniversary this month. The organization was founded in 1973 "out of the need to create a space for LGBTQ people to practice Catholicism fully and authentically," explained Dignity Philadelphia President Michael Rocks. The Archdiocese of Philadelphia "is not considered a pro-gay diocese at all," Rocks said.

#### **News From National Scene**

May 17 - the day was initially called **International Day Against Homophobia** (IDAHO), but biphobia, interphobia, and transphobia were later added to form IDAHOBIT. Senator Bob Casey, Jr. tweeted: "I'm proud to be an ally of the LGBTQ+ community in the fight to ensure they can live authentically without fear of discrimination."

**"Family-friendly drag show",** including 'furries', held at United Methodist Church in Sherman, TX. The church's website indicates that the church is an LGBT-inclusive congregation.

**Leslie Mumford (prior to 2017 he was known as Wesley Mumford)** won the

women's Desert Gravel Co2Ut, a 100-mile women's cycling race through the Colorado mountains. And how far behind was the second place finisher -- an astounding 17 minutes! The times were so lopsided, the second and third place finishers refused to join him on the winners' podium!

#### **White House Press Secretary**

**Karine Jean-Pierre** attended the 34th annual GLAAD Media Awards and declared, as President Biden has, the children of America "belong to all of us" as she defended "gender affirming care" for minors.

#### **Governor Gretchen Whitmer**

signed a bill amending civil rights law in Michigan to include legal protections for abortion.

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