



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

The Foundation for Individual Rights in Education (FIRE) has awarded **Mansfield University (Tioga County)** its "Speech Code of the Month" designation because of its broad speech code policy which infringes on students' First Amendment rights.

The two LGBTQ+ history exhibits at **Blasco Memorial Library in Erie** ended this week. The "The Long Road to LGBTQ+ Equality in Pennsylvania" is a traveling exhibit produced by the LGBT Center of Central PA and The Erie LGBTQIA+ History Project created "A Look Back: A History of the LGBTQ+ Community in Erie."

The Greater Erie alliance for Equality recently held and "Afternoon for Equality." The event's Platinum sponsor was Highmark.

The Human Rights Campaign (the nation's largest homosexual lobby group) has

released its **2019 Healthcare Equality Index**. More than 1600 healthcare facilities were ranked nationwide, with PA having the fourth highest number of ranked facilities. HRC recognized Children's Hospital of Philadelphia, Temple Univ. Hospital, Penn Medicine, Mazzoni Center, Einstein Medical Center-Philadelphia, Lehigh Valley Hospital-Cedar Crest and Geisinger-Shamokin Area Community Hospital in Coal Township. Lehigh Valley as "LGBTQ Healthcare Equality Leaders."

University of Scranton has a non-discrimination policy which gives special protections to students who identify as LGBTQ. One recent 'gay' graduate is suing the school claiming administrators did not take his complaints of LGBTQ harassment seriously.

News From National Scene

The **New Jersey Department of Corrections** has given in to the demands of the ACLU and a "transgender woman" (a biological male), who has been housed in a men's prison the last 17 months, will be transferred to a women's prison to finish out his sentence.

The Human Rights Campaign (HRC) has endorsed **Sarah McBride, transgender candidate for Delaware State Senate**. He is currently the National Press Secretary for the HRC and works for the Center for American Progress

A survey by **The Associated Press-NORC Center for Public Affairs Research** found "44% of Americans ages 60 or over who affiliate with a religion think their faith should allow a gay man to become a clergy member;" "nearly two-thirds of those with a college degree say a gay man should be able to become clergy in their faith, compared with 50% of those without a college degree;" "35% of older religious Americans support their faith ordaining someone who thinks abortion should be legal, compared with 54% of those younger."

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