



# TransCentralPA Newsletter

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## Announcements

### Mark your Calendars!

May 27 Be-All Conference, Chicago

May 29 7th Annual Trans -Health Conference, Philadelphia

**Jun 7 TCPA Group Meeting**

Jun 8 Philadelphia PRIDE

Jun 21 Lancaster PRIDE

Jun 21 Baltimore PRIDE

**Jul 5 No TCPA Group Meeting**

Jul 25 Harrisburg PRIDE

Visit our website for more event info!

### Group

**No Meeting!** Our July 5th meeting is cancelled due to the holiday weekend. We will be participating in Harrisburg PRIDE on July 25th.

**Harrisburg PRIDE.** We decided at our last meeting that we would participate in the Harrisburg PRIDE parade and maintain a booth. Our Outreach Director Pamela has volunteered to take the lead for this event. We need volunteers willing to march in the parade as well as work the booth. Please email Pamela for details and to volunteer.

**New TCPA Email Addresses.** Thanks to Michelle C. for setting up our new email addresses for each of the directors.

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**Hungry?** We are meeting at Scott's Grille in Harrisburg for dinner at 6:00 pm prior to our June 7th meeting. Scott's Grille was one of our benefactors for the Spring Fling Auction. We need to make reservations, so please let Kristy or Jeanine know via email by Thursday the 5th if you are interested in joining us.

Scott's Grille  
212 Locust Street  
Harrisburg, PA 17101  
(717) 234-7599

**Problems at Stallions.** After our last meeting, one of our members was denied free admission into Stallions. Although she was initially admitted free-of-charge, she was asked afterwards to pay the door fee. Unfortunately, it seems that the person who offered us the deal with Stallions was not in a position to do so. We are trying to contact Stallions' management to solidify the deal or negotiate something different.

Hopefully we will have an answer by our next meeting.

**Help!** There are many individuals who need a helping hand to take that first step out. If you are interested in helping out, please let Kristy or Jeanine know.

**Welcome to our Newest Members:**

Natasha M.  
Thom B.  
Jennifer L.  
Kain K.

**Like to talk?** TransCentralPA is often asked to provide Trans-speakers to participate in discussion panels at schools, community programs and other groups. If you want to become involved with Outreach, please see Jeanine.

**Congratulations** to our very own Pamela H. who is now the sales executive

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### Thank You Dr. Richards!

On May 3rd, TransCentralPA hosted Dr. Ce-rise Richards who presented her theories on "Brain Gender Identity--Why We Are, Who We Are" to TransCentralPA members and the general public. Dr. Richards provided a synopsis of current medical research and evidence of gender variance in the formation of the prenatal brain as well as the effects of prenatal endocrine disruptors on hormonal receptors found in the prenatal brain. She explained how gender variance is not a choice and is determined before birth regardless of sex.

The presentation was quite thought provoking and Dr. Richards answered a myriad of questions from the audience. Please join our mailing list if you would like to be invited to our next TransCentralPA Speaker Series Event.



## From the Managing Director



**Jeanine Ruhsam**  
Managing Director

### Announcements (continued)

for the Central Voice—Harrisburg's premiere GLBT newspaper.

**Relay For Life.** Ellen Davidson is participating in the Elizabethtown Relay for Life for the American Cancer Society on June 27 and 28. and is soliciting donations. Please contact her if you are interested in supporting her in this cause.

### Other

**Everyone is welcome at Liquid891!** Tim and Jeff, the owners of Liquid891, would like us to pass on the word that they are completely gender friendly whether you are male, female or somewhere in between. Sadly, nasty rumors have been circulated that they don't want girls at the club which couldn't be further from the truth! Jeff and Tim have always been very supportive of us and the entire GLBT community so please pass on the word that everyone is welcome there!

**Trans-Health Conference.** The Mazio Center in Philadelphia is hosting their 7th annual Trans-Health Conference on May 29th-May31st. The conference is geared not only to professionals by offering continuing education credits, but also to individuals and family members as well. A Career Fair will be held on Saturday.

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Well...finally, it happened: sixteen of us at dinner together in one of Harrisburg's finest restaurants, following an inspiring, intellectual presentation by one of our community's generous leaders. Our past day and evening rendezvous on May 3rd was a true change in direction and purpose for our group.

We are getting there...or, indeed, we have arrived. Thank you all for participating and I hope you feel as rewarded and uplifted as I.

Laydie & Greg of the Center for Cosmetic Dermatology in York- which a few of us, including me, regularly patronize- will be leading our next meeting off on June 7th with their presenta-

tion on skin care, hair removal & anti-aging procedures (guys: if you were more present & active, you might be spared this, but come, anyway...and, you are invited to dinner).

Yes, we'll be dining at Scott's Grille on Locust Street at 6:00PM that evening before the meeting. Please indicate your desire to join us by emailing me or Kristy. Jeff Rose, the owner of Scott's Grille, has supported our group for years by donating to our annual fund raiser...we are delighted to patronize his wonderful establishment again.

Warmly,

Jeanine



After Dr. Richard's presentation, sixteen of us met at Stock's on Second in Harrisburg for a wonderful dinner prior to our May meeting. Stock's on Second is a very Transgender-friendly establishment which has donated gift certificates in the past for our Spring Fling Auction. Our next dinner out is at Scott's Grille on June 7th at 6:00 pm.

## Spotlight on Local Transgender Resources



205 Saint Charles Way  
York, PA 17402  
(717) 741-5512

### The Center For Cosmetic Dermatology

Located in York, The Center for Cosmetic Dermatology offers various services such as laser hair removal, aesthetics treatments, laser skin rejuvenation, facial and leg vein and rosacea treatment, etc. With over 70 combined years in medical skin care, the physicians of Dermatology Associates know skin.

[www.centerforcosmeticdermatology.com](http://www.centerforcosmeticdermatology.com)