

ROCKY PRIDE

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ROCKY PRIDE NEWS!

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2) NEW PARTNERSHIP WITH ROCKY MOUNTAIN PUBLIC LIBRARY!

3) PROGRAM PLANNING! LOOK FORWARD TO FUTURE DATES OF ADULT QUEER BOOK CLUB AND YOUTH MOVIE NIGHTS!

4) MEETING WITH RED DEER QUEER COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION - STAY TUNED FOR FUTURE COLLABORATIONS

5) OUR WEBSITE IS UP AND RUNNING! FIND US AT: www.rockypride.weebly.com



MEET THE TEAM BEHIND ROCKY PRIDE

Rocky Pride is a group created by Samantha Chisholm and Sierra Wigmore. They live together in Rocky Mountain House, Alberta with their three cats Nugget, Phoebe, and Joey. Sam moved to Rocky Mountain House in January of 2018 from Kenora Ontario and Sierra joined her from Blackfalds Alberta in May of 2019. Sam works in Rocky Mountain House as a midwife and Sierra teaches physical education in Blackfalds. Their days are filled with work, serious Sequence battles (which Sam always loses), building catios, and planning their wedding. Between taking care of their cats and travelling, they dreamed up Rocky Pride and brought it to life in August of 2019!

OPEN HOUSE: SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 21 FROM 2-4 PM
JOIN US AT THE LIBRARY FOR A DROP IN MEET AND GREET

LGBTQ2S+ COMMUNITY FEATURE

Town Council member Merrin Fraser has started a movement in Rocky Mountain House to ban conversion therapy. She plans to accomplish this by preventing businesses from promoting and offering conversion therapy through fines and by declining business licenses.

Conversion therapy is a detrimental, non-scientific practice that aims to change an individual's sexual orientation, gender identity, or gender expression. It is a dangerous practice that targets a vulnerable population, most often youth, and can lead to increased risk of suicide, depression, anxiety, drug use, and homelessness.

HOW CAN WE SUPPORT THIS MOVEMENT AND MAKE A DIFFERENCE???

- 1) Write a letter that voices your opinion about banning conversion therapy in RMH
- 2) Address the letter to the Mayor and Town Council
- 3) Send it via email to dkrause@rockymtnhouse.com
- 4) Send your letter by Dec 17, 2019 (prior to the vote)



PARTNERSHIP WITH ROCKY MOUNTAIN HOUSE PUBLIC LIBRARY

We have officially partnered with the Rocky Mountain House Public Library to provide queer friendly programming and pride activities! Join us on Saturday September 21 from 2-4 pm for a drop in session where you'll have the chance to voice your ideas for the group and what programming you would like to see! We look forward to meeting you!



MARKET ON MAIN WAS A SUCCESS!

Rocky Pride debuted on August 29, 2019 at the last Market on Main of the season. We were met with an overwhelmingly positive response and wonderful program suggestions. These included Queer Book Club and organizing a pride float in the summer parade. We are excited to say that we will be accomplishing both of these goals!

There were many people who took part in our photobooth contest and the winner received two tickets to Rocky Cinema. The cinema generously donated the tickets which were used in the contest!

Thank you to everyone who came out and said hello! It meant so much to us that you reached out. Find us next year at Market on Main for more fun and photobooth opportunities!

THANKYOU 🙌