



## Out & About

News and notes for LGBT-parented families

### PFP families show their pride in annual parade

PFP families proudly marched through the gayborhood and down Market Street to Penn's Landing on June 13 as part of the annual **Philly Pride Parade & Festival**.

A sudden downpour helped cool things off at Penn's Landing while dozens of kids enjoyed crafts, [Jack the Balloon Man](#) and a shady place to rest in the **Family Zone**.

The night before, dozens of **prospective parents** joined PFP board members [Marla McCulloch](#) and [Wendy Forbes](#) at [Q Lounge](#) in the gayborhood for a happy hour mixer. The courtyard was packed thanks to some last minute leafletting at the **Philly Dyke March**.





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### Philadelphia Qfest 2010 begins July 8

The opening of the 16th annual Philadelphia LGBT film festival, [QFest](#), is just over a week away!

This year, [Philadelphia Family Pride](#) is a Community Partner and will have a table and speak before the Friday showing of [You Should Meet My Son!](#) at Ritz East.

The movie is a wonderfully joyous film about a pair of Southern women who try and set their son/nephew up with the right man.



Scene from *Wild About Harry*

Another interesting film is [Wild About Harry](#), a 70s-based period piece that follows two teenaged sisters as they attempt to come to terms with their semi-closeted father's homosexuality and their community's disapproval.

For you Barbra Streisand fans, there's [Barbra-Palooza](#), featuring a showing of *Funny Girl* at the Gershman Y.

So buy your tickets, get a sitter, and get out to QFest!

### It's a Girl! It's a Girl!

Tom and Noe Sepulveda are thrilled to announce the birth of twin girls Isabella and Sophia on June 17th.

The girls join 2 year-old Nicholas in the Sepulveda family.

They created their family through surrogacy, using the same egg donor for all their children. Noe's little sister, an Army veteran who served two tours in Iraq, generously carried both pregnancies.



Double congratulations from Philly Family Pride!

E-mail [stephanie@phillyfamilypride.org](mailto:stephanie@phillyfamilypride.org) if you'd like us to include your family milestone in our next newsletter!



# UPCOMING EVENTS

**Sunday, July 18:** Philly Family Pride's annual [Summer Picnic](#) will be held at the amazing Castle Playground in Doylestown.



**Wednesday, July 21:**

Meet up with other PFP Families at 10 a.m. at [Linvilla Orchard Playground](#).

Philly Family Pride **Pizza Night** at area pizzerias. Stay tuned for more details!

**Monday, July 26:** Head into the air conditioning at the [Please Touch Museum](#) with other stay-at-home and off-work PFP families.

**Sunday, August 1:** Going to [Provincetown for Family Week](#)? Get together with other PFP families. Hosted by Marla and Jenn.

**Friday-Sunday, August 13-15:** We have 75 campers signed up for [Camping with Pride 3](#) at the Delaware Water Gap. [Contact Lee](#) to get on the waiting list.



## Summer Reading List: *She Looks Just Like You*

This new book, [She Looks Just Like You: A Memoir of \(Nonbiological Lesbian\) Motherhood](#) by Amie Klemptner Miller, is a must read for us nonbio moms and soon-to-be moms, but is a good read for any new parent or person on the path to parenthood.

Miller has a strong voice, and uses humor to relay the story of creating and bonding with her child, and the transition to being a stay-at-home parent. I laughed out loud several times.

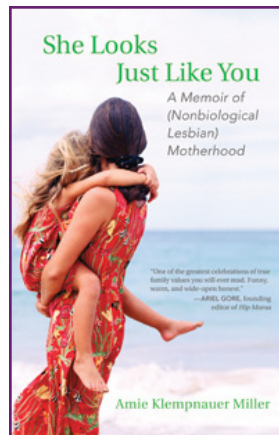
Her realistic view of how hard it is to go from being a couple to being parents will resonate with many of us as well.

Here's what some other people think:

"Motherhood can be scary for anyone, but when it comes to lesbian, nonbiological moms-to-be, there was no real guidebook-until now. Miller talks about the excitements and difficulties that come from being the lesbian partner who doesn't give birth." - *Curve Magazine*

"One of the greatest celebrations of true family values you will ever read. Funny, warm, and wide-open honest." - *Ariel Gore, founding editor of Hip Mama*

Have a book you'd like to recommend to other LGBT parents for our next newsletter? Send it and a short review along to [stephanie@phillyfamilypride.org](mailto:stephanie@phillyfamilypride.org).



Special thanks to [Bob Juillet](#) for sponsoring this newsletter.

Suggestions for what else we should include in our newsletter?

Send them to Stephanie Haynes, PFP Community Coordinator at [stephanie@phillyfamilypride.org](mailto:stephanie@phillyfamilypride.org).

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