

Pride in Manchester Week celebrates its 27th year of festivities in and around downtown Manchester, June 1 through 10.

Three main events are planned by a committee of volunteers, free and for the enjoyment of the community, with the support of generous sponsors.

A Senior Dance - will be held on **Friday, June 1st from 6:00 to 9:00 p.m.** at the Senior Center, sponsored by Tierney Funeral Home. There will be line dancing led by caller Jim Gregory. Admission is free but tickets are required to be eligible for prizes. Tickets are available at town hall or the Senior Center.

Concert in the Park - sponsored by First Choice Health Centers, will take place on **Saturday, June 2nd, at Center Memorial Park.** The featured band is **Shaded Soul**, named Hartford Magazine's Reader's Choice in the Best Band category several years running. The concert begins at 6:00 p.m. and food and beverages will be on sale. Bring chairs and blankets. (Rain Date: Sunday, June 3rd)

Imagine Main Street - will take place on **Thursday, June 7th from 5:30 to 8:00 p.m.,** on seven blocks in Downtown Manchester. Horse-drawn wagonette rides will be sponsored by ECHN, seven musical groups, super-large puppets, more than 35 vendors, artists, exhibitors and more will be found on both sides of the street. An "Imagine After Dark Pub Crawl" will take place from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. at six locations. For more information, www.imaginemainstreet.com.

Other events during this special annual week include "Love Sick" at Little Theatre of Manchester, an East Side Pride Clean Up on June 2nd, Art in the Park art show and sale on Sunday, June 3rd, Open Museum Day on Saturday, June 9th, various hikes, a bike rodeo, Flag Day ceremony and much more.

All programs are subject to change. Brochures will be available at Town Hall, Mary Cheney Library, various downtown locations and Highland Park Market. For more information, check the website: <http://prideinmanchester.townofmanchester.org/>