Rainbow Flags Fly over Everywhere for Gay Pride

With the legalization to allow same-sex marriage in Scotland was passed by the Scottish Parliament in February 2014, until now there are 17 countries have legalized same-sex marriage during the last 14 years (from 2001 in the Netherlands to 2014 in Scotland) and most of them are western countries.Doubtless this is a huge success of the fight for gay pride for LGBT community.

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June is coming, and June is the wary month for Gay Pride

Parade all over the world. As an annual spectacle at a global scale for the LGBT (Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, and Transgender) community to celebrate their culture and pride, Pride Parade also serves as demonstrations for legal rights such as same-sex marriage. On the Parade, Everyone who is LGBT can voice their opinions and express their belief by bright colored floats, banners, dramatic dressing and makeups, body paintings, singing, dancing and everything you can and dare to do. And of course the most important and typical LGBT sign- the rainbow flags, will fly over the sky and lit up a colorful world.

Although the development of gay marriage legalized and recognized is fast-paced in the latest several years (some people even assert that 2013 is the' year of the gay'). The shift from crimes to freedom, from sin to rights of being gay is difficult and fraught with hardship. Almost 50 years before, the homosexual acts were still criminalized in the UK, in the US, in China and almost everywhere around the world, as a undue charge of 'sodomy'.

- **1895**, the court of England declared the accusation of Oscar Wilde on the ground of "posing as a Sodomite".
- Alan Turing, the father of computer science, was prosecuted for homosexuality in the year 1952.
- Happened In the early morning hours of **June 28, 1969**, The Stonewall riots, a series of spontaneous, violent demonstrations by members of the gay community against a police raid.And the Stonewall riots is widely considered as a pivotal moment leading to the gay liberation movement and the modern fight for gay and lesbian rights

- In **2001**, same-sex marriage has been legal in the Netherlands and The Netherlands was the first country in the world to legalize same-sex marriage.
- In **2011**, the implementation of repealing ‘Don’t ask, don’t tell’ in the military conducted in the USA.
- Legislation to allow same-sex marriage in England and Wales was passed by the Parliament of the United Kingdom in **July, 2013** and came into force on 13 March 2014.
- Until **May 20, 2014**, there are 19 states of the USA legally recognize same-sex marriage.

This is history, this is history that created by those who pride to be gay and fight for the pride to be gay. If someone asks about why pride about it? The answer is simple for everyone: When people are out to get you, it takes strength to be brave enough to let the world know who you are. When legislators are making speeches about how you are evil for loving the wrong person, it takes boldness to stand up and get up in their face. When you are persecuted for the way you are born, it takes a certain amount of courage to stand in the face of that, and tell them to back off. You need to be proud of your community and strong in character.

So In reality, “gay pride” is actually “celebration of the ability to be safely, openly, happily gay”