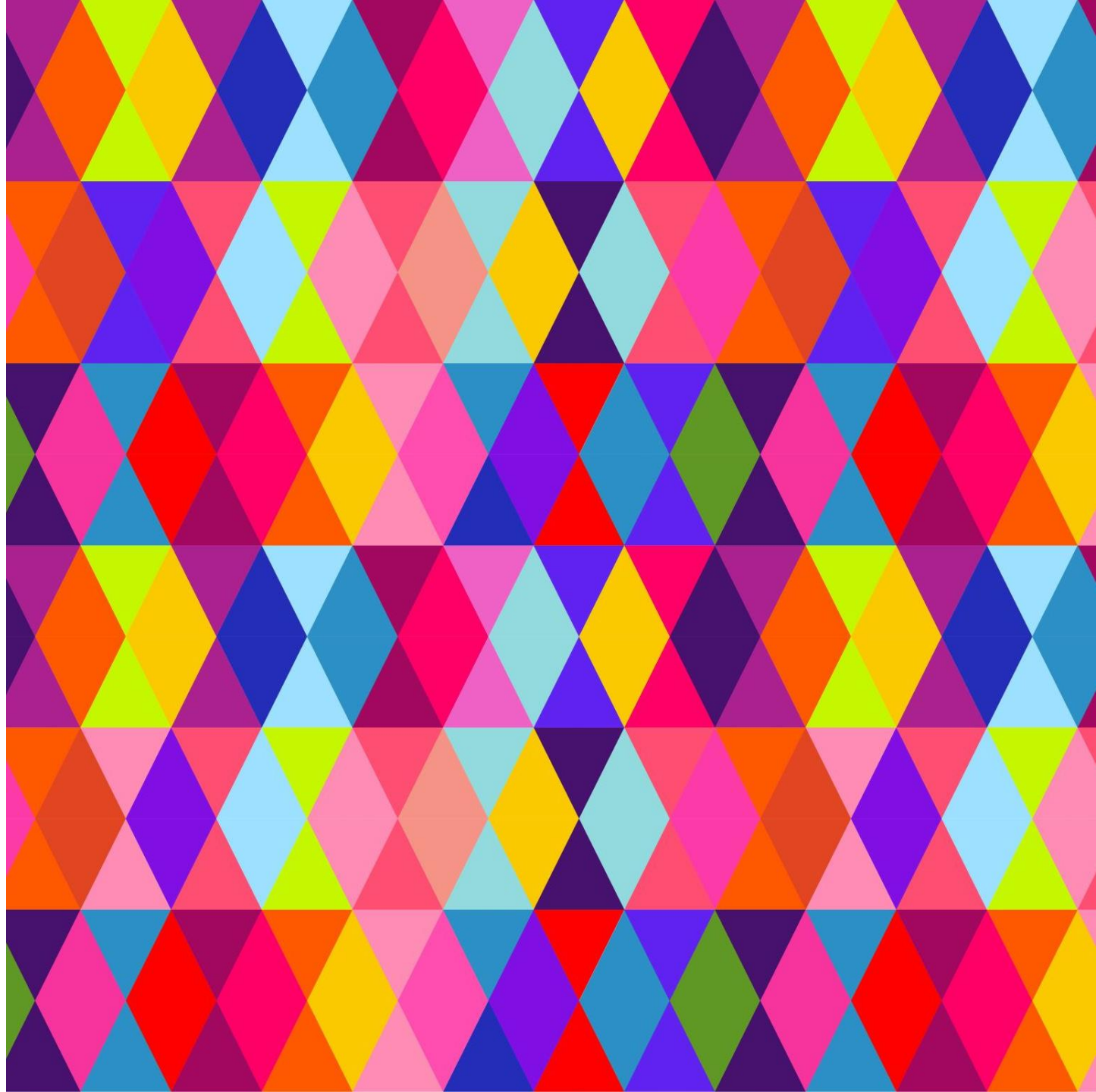


Lunch and Learn
PFLAG
Buffalo/Niagara



May 21st, 2021





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In 1972, Jeanne Manford marched with her son in NYC's Pride Parade. Later Jeanne began a support group for families like hers. PFLAG was born.

The original name stood for "Parents, Families, and Friends of Lesbians and Gays.

The acronym PFLAG is still used. There are over 200 chapters In the US.

PFLAG Buffalo/Niagara has been in existence since the late 1980's.

PFLAG Buffalo/Niagara's mission is to support.

- + Monthly Sharing Meetings of Support (3rd Sunday of most months) Now via Zoom but hopefully back at Kenilworth United Church of Christ In Tonawanda.**
- + Helpline- 883-0384 A PFLAG parent will call back with support, resources, and willingness to listen and share.**
- + Scholarships and Grants**



We meet because we have learned someone close to us is gay, lesbian, bisexual, or transgender. We try to help one another deal with this information in a positive manner. Although we do not always agree, we try to be understanding. We offer help to those who seek it, but do not force ourselves on others. We strive to maintain anonymity while sharing on a level that is comfortable.

PFLAG's Mission is to Educate

- **PFLAG parents visit schools and conferences**
- **Monthly newsletter and Facebook page share current articles of interest**
- **October "Time to Stop Bullying" movies and panels at Central Library**
- **Interfaith Panel**

PFLAG's Mission is to Advocate

- + Yearly support of Lobbying Day in Albany**
- + Speak at meetings in support of bills/policies (GENDA, Dignity for All Act) against bills/policies (against conversion therapy)**
- + Rally with other local groups in support of LGBTQ+ issues**

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**Thank you so much for this opportunity to share with
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