

PFLAG Detroit
Support □ Education □ Advocacy

**August
2019**



Sunday, August 11th
Our Annual Potluck Picnic

On Sunday, August 11th, we will have our annual summer potluck picnic which will be held at our regular meeting site—the Lutheran Church of The Master.

As we have done in the years past, PFLAG Detroit will provide the entrée along with some side dishes and beverages. We will be serving Chicken Shack; Broasted Chicken, potatoes, vegetable, coleslaw and rolls. We ask that you bring a favorite dish or dessert to share.

As always, PFLAG Detroit welcomes everyone, whether member or non-member and family and friends.

Please join us for a tradition of good food and camaraderie.

We will begin our meeting at 2:00p.m., as usual, with introductions, support group sessions and follow up with our potluck picnic. We may be able to convince Mr. Ray Kell to play the piano for us. Hope to see you all there!



**PFLAG Detroit congratulates our
2019 Scholarship recipients at our summer
potluck picnic.**



PFLAG is the extended family of the LGBTQ community. We're made up of LGBTQ individuals, family members and allies. Because together, we're stronger.

Where We Meet ...

Lutheran Church of the Master
3333 Coolidge Hwy,
Troy, MI 48084

(Behind Somerset Mall)

Second Sunday of each month
(excluding Mother's Day, Easter and Christmas)

Mailing Address:

PFLAG Detroit
PO Box 1169
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48068-1169

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(248) 656-2875

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OUR MEETINGS...

As always, we welcome everyone, whether member or non-member and all GLBTQ folks, family and friends.

Our meeting will begin promptly at 2:00 p.m. with Support Groups meeting after the introductions. (Support Groups: New Parents, Parents of Transgender, Transgender, Young Adults 15-25 and General Support)

Due to the importance of the stories being told by persons in the group discussion, interruptions can be very distracting. We ask that you arrive on time to be able to enter into these groups. Any persons arriving late, after 2:15 p.m., may be asked to form their own group with a PFLAG greeter or Board Member. We appreciate your understanding in this matter.

Social half hour with refreshments will begin at 3:30 p.m.

Our speaker will present at 4:00 p.m. after brief announcements.



As we celebrate our 32nd year, est. April 1987, we invite you join us once again with a renewal of your membership.

Your contribution, at whatever level, will help us continue to offer support, education, and advocacy to LGBT persons, their families, and friends. What does joining the chapter or renewing your membership do for you? It makes you a vital part of PFLAG's continuing effort to provide support to, education about, and advocacy on behalf of LGBT individuals, their families, and friends.

What does your dues payment do for the chapter? It helps us maintain a stable financial base so that the board of directors can focus on responding to community needs, it pays the bills for the helpline, publications, program costs, and much more. The larger our membership, the more credibility PFLAG has in the community and the more able the chapter is to take on additional projects.

Does all your membership payment stay with this chapter? Most of it does however, \$15 is sent annually to PFLAG National to support their organizing and educational efforts on a nationwide scale. (If you asked us NOT to send annual dues to PFLAG National previously, WE WILL NOT) As a national member, you receive their quarterly publication, The PFLAGpole. You can also sign up to receive e-News and get more frequent updates about matters of importance to PFLAG and the LGBT community.

Is your membership donation tax-deductible? Yes! Once you donate, we will provide you documentation necessary for your IRS returns. Make checks payable to **PFLAG Detroit** and mail your membership to PFLAG Detroit, PO Box 1169, Royal Oak, MI 48068-1169

Support can take many forms. In addition to financial support, we have many volunteer opportunities that you could consider. For more information on our volunteer needs, please contact me by e-mail at

larry@pflagdetroit.org

We look forward to hearing from you.

Best regards,

Larry Jack, Co-President

	\$35.00 Individual
	\$45.00 Household
	\$55.00 Supporting
	\$105.00 Contributing
	\$1000.00 Lifetime
	Donation of Support

Be sure to visit us on

September 8th

as we welcome

COMMON GROUND

Common Ground provides a lifeline for individuals and families in crisis, victims of crime, persons with mental illness, people trying to cope with critical situations and runaway and homeless youths. Helping people in need for more than 40 years, Common Ground serves more than 80,000 individuals per year. The majority of services are free of charge and 93% of every dollar received goes to direct services.

Common Ground Sanctuary is the only 24-hour emergency crisis service agency, available for Oakland County residents, offering:

- Onsite and offsite psychiatric screening and assessment
- Confidential counseling and referrals via a 24-hour crisis and resource hotline
 - Short-term residential psychiatric care for adults
 - Jail diversion for non-violent offenses
 - Short term teen shelter
 - Victim Assistance
 - Support Groups
 - Debriefing and Grief Counseling
 - Free Legal Clinic