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# PFLAG Riverview Newsletter

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## *Our Mission*

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**Our mission is to build on a foundation of loving families united with LGBTQ+ people and allies who support one another, and to educate ourselves and our communities to speak up as advocates until all hearts and minds respect, value and affirm LGBTQ people.**

## **A Message From Faith**

**Hello PFLAG Riverview Family!!**

I hope this newsletter finds you and your families doing well. I want to thank everyone of you who continue to show up for our monthly support meetings & help spread the word PFLAG Riverview is here for everyone!! Having a safe supportive community is life giving especially in the times we have found ourselves together. While we balance work, school, relationships, personal struggles, & the weight of what is going on in the world around us it is easy to forget to care more ourselves. Make time to do what brings out the best in you and not the stress in you.

I also wanted to take this time to wish and your families a happy and safe Labor Day.

Lots of Love to you!!

Faith she/her

PFLAG President/Cofounder



If you have found that PFLAG Riverview has been a light in your life any time over the past year and a half, please take a moment to nominate this chapter for an award to put Riverview on the map! The deadline in September 10<sup>th</sup>.

[https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScFFbR2zqutBKkidfIG\\_Mg-xeVIEuihKmbFe3yQzZVEBID1mg/viewform](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScFFbR2zqutBKkidfIG_Mg-xeVIEuihKmbFe3yQzZVEBID1mg/viewform)

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## Special Guest Spotlight

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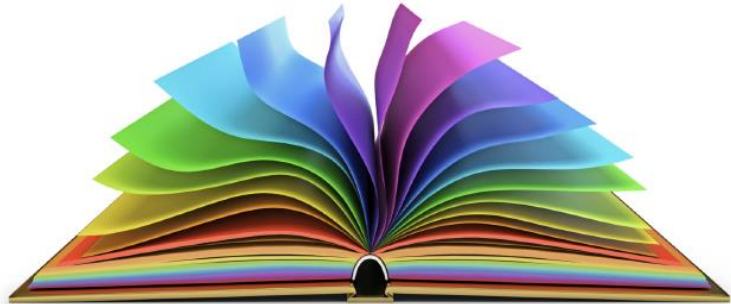
We are proud to announce that the lovely [Nichelle Neal](#) is our special guest for September on Zoom!!...

Hello 🌟 My name is Nichelle, my pronouns are her, she and hers. I am a special education teacher this is my 16th year in the classroom! I live with my girlfriend Georgie and our many animals. We have been together for 3 years. I started coming to PFLAG to find like-minded people, have a support system for myself and find ways to better support my students and my niece who is currently working to find out who they are.



## Lending Library

We are looking for LGBTQ+ educational books donated to our chapter for people to be able to check out at our monthly in person meeting. If you would like to donate any books to the chapter, please bring it to the next in person meeting.



## Upcoming Events

**September 7<sup>th</sup>:** **Drag Queen Bingo Cancelled.** Due to the higher COVID-19 numbers in our area, we are going to reschedule our fundraiser for another date.

**September 14<sup>th</sup> 7pm:** PFLAG Connects On Zoom support group. Our fabulous Nichelle will be sharing this evening.

**September 18<sup>th</sup>:** Pride on the River

**September 28<sup>th</sup> 7pm:** PFLAG At The Regent in person support group

**\*\*\*\* Due to the covid numbers going up we are going to recommend wearing masks at our in person gatherings to do what we can do to create a safe space for all.**

## Future Events

**October 21<sup>st</sup> 7pm:** Painting Party Pinot's Palette at The Regent

Please click on this link to register for event. You can choose for in person painting or you can also do it at home.

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**October 22-24<sup>th</sup>:** PFLAG National Conference

**November 12<sup>th</sup>:** Tampa Pride at the Zoo

**November 30<sup>th</sup> 7pm:** PFLAG At The Regent In person Support Meeting and Holiday Party at The Regent

From time to time, we have special guests share on both zoon and in-person support meetings. Please feel free to email Faith at [Pflagriverviewfamily@gmail.com](mailto:Pflagriverviewfamily@gmail.com) to offer your suggestions for future topics of discussion.

## PFLAG National Conference

The PFLAG National Conference, We are the Change, is going to be held virtually this year 10/22-10/24! Everyone is invited to attend!! Registration is FREE! Please notify Faith if you plan to attend. Click here to register

<https://registration.socio.events/e/change2021>



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