

**PFLAG BUFFALO/NIAGARA**  
**Parents, Families, Friends, And Allies United with LGBTQ People**



**May Sharing Meeting  
via Zoom  
Sunday, May 16th  
2:30-4:00**

***Please leave your phone or email contact information on our Helpline at 883-0384 at least 24 hours before the meeting. We will send you necessary meeting codes. We can also help you if you are new to Zoom.***

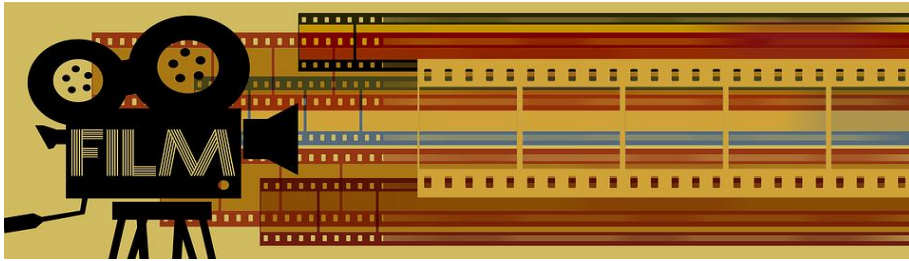
In addition, outside of our monthly group sharing/support meeting, New Parent Virtual Meetings can be scheduled for those in need of support and information between monthly meetings. Call our Helpline to request a meeting. Please reach out. We are here for you.

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**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.**

## **MEDIA CORNER**



*Disclosure*, a documentary film on Netflix, was brought to our attention at a recent sharing meeting. We would like to pass on the recommendation to our readership. It is a powerful and enlightening look at film and television's depiction of transgendered individuals over the decades.

It sheds much-needed light onto the stereotypes and damage created. Laverne Cox and others in the entertainment and trans communities discuss trans representations on film and other issues in the entertainment industry.

From silent films to television shows to recent movies, this documentary is comprehensive and eye-opening. We hope you take the opportunity to watch Netflix's *Disclosure*. We highly recommend. A trailer for the film is on YouTube for you to preview or share with others to get them interested. Here is the web address: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2eF4m5AJhpA>

## **MORE MEDIA TO VIEW**

*Please prepare to be inspired. Stella Keating, a 16 year old from Washington State, recently spoke to the Senate about the Equality Act. You will not want to miss her presentation. Please use this link/address to hear what she had to say.*

**[https://www.washingtonpost.com/dc-md-va/2021/03/17/stella-keating-equality-act/?utm\\_campaign=wp\\_main&utm\\_medium=social&utm\\_source=facebook&fbclid=IwAR0gv0-xzVBTdcbf74bWxERIUeRkbUnx2pD4KWv3aAw6r\\_PWEnxH0b6LtGo](https://www.washingtonpost.com/dc-md-va/2021/03/17/stella-keating-equality-act/?utm_campaign=wp_main&utm_medium=social&utm_source=facebook&fbclid=IwAR0gv0-xzVBTdcbf74bWxERIUeRkbUnx2pD4KWv3aAw6r_PWEnxH0b6LtGo)**

## **SOUTH PARK STUDENTS ENJOYING PROJECT FUNDED BY PFLAG GRANT**



In addition to scholarships, PFLAG Buffalo/Niagara also offers grants to local Gay Straight Alliances or Alliances for Equality at local high schools. South Park's GSA advisor, Amber Nigro, requested funds for supplies to make crafts.

We awarded the group funds and they were and running, despite COVID and its restrictions. Ms. Nigro recently updated us with the group's progress and product.

*Our South Park High School GSA has 15 members, and we have students from every grade level. I have been running it since joining South Park, for the past 4 years but it predates my time in the building. I think it has been going on and off for close to 20 years, as I have spoken to former students who were members in the early 2000s.*

*I rolled supplies out to our students a few weeks ago and it is going swell! We are already selling quite a few in the building and amongst our families. I attached a photo of some of the jewelry the students have made.*

*We are selling them outside school as well. Please share with whomever you feel may be interested. The prices are \$1.50 for a bead bracelet, \$2.00 for a rubber band bracelet, and \$3.00 for a yarn bracelet.*



*Please feel free to attach my e-mail for orders and inquires! We can do custom orders too! Thank you so much for the grant. The kids are having a blast and we get to save up some money in our rainy day fund! **Amber Llano Nigro** [allanonigro@buffaloschools.or](mailto:allanonigro@buffaloschools.or)*

**LAST CALL!**  
**THREE PFLAG SCHOLARSHIPS FOR HIGH SCHOOL SENIORS**



Time is running out! PFLAG Buffalo/Niagara scholarship applications must be postmarked or received by May 1<sup>st</sup>. The application is available at [www.pflagbuffalo.org](http://www.pflagbuffalo.org); follow the Scholarship/Grants tab. The requirements are listed in the application.

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