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PFLAG Brisbane Newsletter

Quote:

There is a vitality, a life force, a quickening that is translated through you into action, and there is only one of you in all of time this expression is unique; and if you block it, it will never exist through any other medium and be lost. The world will not have it! It is not your business to determine how good it is nor how it compares with other expressions. It is your business to keep it yours clearly and directly, to keep the channel open.

Martha Graham, Modern dancer

Welcome to the new year. Hope everyone had a great break over the festive season with family and friends. This year promises to be an exciting year for PFLAG members with 2017 victories in Marriage Equality finally passing in the Australian Parliament and Law after much opposition and hurt from its opponents. I would like to take this opportunity to thank those who weathered the storm and made it possible for future Australian to live in a more equal and inclusive society

On TV: The Love Boat

The Love Boat is an Foreign Correspondent report by the ABC. While Australia says 'Yes', the country with more gay people than most says an implacable 'no'. But in China, a determined group of young men and women just won't take no for an answer. *Report by Matthew Carney.*

<http://www.abc.net.au/foreign/the-love-boat/9269324>

New brochure

The new PFLAG brochure has been released and is now available in print and on our website <https://www.pflagbrisbane.org.au/resources-multimedia/publications-ebooks>





Events

In the closing month of last year, we attended the first birthday anniversary for Queer Privilege at the Barbara Hotel in the Valley with performances games and Karaoke going all night long. Our thanks to QP for hosting the event as everyone who attended had a great time.

There promises to be a number of events happening this year within the community including the annual Mardi-Gras 2018 celebrations in Sydney, Morton Bay Regional Pride Festival, and Pride Day, IDAHOT, International Transgender day of visibility, Aids Day and Wear It Purple Brisbane’s Big Gay day calibrations happening on the Sunday 11th of March a day after our next meeting.

For those who need more information is please contact me or Lynn Davis our events coordinator.

Quote:

We make a living by what we get, but we make a life by what we give

Winston Churchill, British Statesman PM

2018 Committee Meeting

PFLAG Brisbane Dates

10th March Upcoming Meeting;

7th April next meeting.

Venue:

The venue remains the same 30 Helen Street | Newstead 4005

Dates and Times:

1:30 pm

Guest Speaker:



Hon Grace Grace – Minister for Education and Minister for Industrial Relations.

Guest speaker for the March meeting (to be confirmed) will be Queensland State Government Minister for Education and Minister for Industrial Relations Honorable Grace Grace who will be presenting a talk on the state governments achievements in the LBGQI community and parents’ concerns about bullying in our schools.

Next month for the April meeting will have Mr Dylan Barrett who is the Transgender Health Promotion and Community Development Officer from QUAC

PFLAG Membership



PFLAG is organised and resourced by volunteers and 100% of our funds, including your membership fees, goes to improving our services to you and parents seeking support. We are encouraging people to ensure they pay their annual membership (\$25). Whilst paid membership is not compulsory to receive support, it does help us to improve PFLAG resources, keep our website up to date and help cover some of our general administration costs. Go to our membership webpage @ www.pflagbrisbane.org.au/membership for more information.

Welcome to 2018
Pasi Linnosto
President

