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THE BULLETIN



COME JOIN US

Please join us for our General Meeting on **Monday, April 22** at 7:00 pm at the First United Methodist Church, 2231 Camino del Rio South in Mission Valley. The building where we meet is The United Methodist Center, in The Cove Room. Doors open at 6:45 pm. Please note that our meetings are the fourth Monday of the month; therefore, please don't show up on April 29!

No program is scheduled; please come for our support groups and cookie social.

SCHOLARSHIP DEADLINE EXTENDED

We are pleased to announce that the scholarship deadline has been extended to **Wednesday, April 10**. We are proud this is our 16th year of offering scholarships. The range of awards is from \$1000-possibly \$5000.

The purpose of the awards is: to recognize outstanding LGBT youth from the community, especially for their involvement in the gay community and/or society; to

BE A MEMBER

If you haven't renewed your membership for 2013, it's not too late!



GET WELL SOON

Sue Fine, co-facilitator of North County Inland, will be having surgery shortly. We wish her good luck and a speedy recovery.

encourage post-secondary education of LGBT persons; to promote a positive image of LGBT persons in society.

Please visit our web site, www.pflag.com and click on the scholarship link. The requirements are listed on the scholarship application. All awardees must be able to attend the awards ceremony on **Monday, May 20**. For more info, please email Patti Boman, pboman@pflag.com.

DINE OUT; FIGHT AIDS



We hope everyone will participate in the Dining Out for Life ® event on **Thursday, April 25**. A list of the restaurants appeared in the

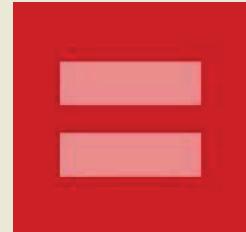
March newsletter. If you missed it, you can check out the list at www.thecentersd.org/events. The restaurants listed give a minimum of 25 percent of their proceeds on food and liquor sales to The LGBT Center for HIV/AIDS services/programs. If you would like to volunteer as a host in one of the restaurants, contact Jerry Tomaszewicz at 619-692-2077 x 202 or volunteer@thecentersd.org.

Marriage should be between a spouse and spouse, not a gender and a gender. —Hendrik Hertzberg

IT'S ABOUT TIME

Finally, the Supreme Court heard the case whether to overturn Proposition 8, the California law stating marriage is between a man and a woman. They also heard arguments whether to appeal DOMA (Defense of Marriage Act) which forbids federal agencies from recognizing legally married same-sex couples as spouses for the purposes of taxation and benefits.

Thanks to the Human Rights Campaign, supporters blasted Facebook with red equal signs and assorted, fabulous variations.





FRIENDS + FAMILY NIGHT @ DIVERSIONARY THEATRE

Please join PFLAG on **Friday, April 12** for Friends + Family Night @ Diversionary Theatre. PFLAG is hosting a reception at 7:00 pm prior to the play (8:00 pm). There is a \$5 discount off each \$35 ticket that evening (and the entire weekend). Use the code "PFLAG" to purchase tickets online at: <https://web.ovationtix.com/trs/pr/916634/prm/PFLAG> or www.diversionary.org.

Diversionary Theatre is all about equality and this is their chance to say thank you to the supporters of the LGBT community. Diversionary's mission is to weave the stories of the LGBT community into the larger cultural fabric we all share. *The Further Adventures of Hedda Gabler* is no exception. Here is a

sneak peak - you will find out what happens to your favorite literary figures after the curtain falls and the last page turns on their story. Is it really The End? Moments after her nightly death, Hedda Gabler and Mammy (yes, that Mammy) head out in search of a more fulfilling ending, encountering a host of the greatest characters of stage, page and screen along the way. Jeff Whitty, one of the brilliant minds that brought us *Avenue Q*, takes the heroines and audience on a comedic journey in search of life beyond the original authors' wildest dreams.

Editor's note: I had the pleasure of attending a performance of "Hedda" and I can vouch that the play is very witty and entertaining.

SCOUTING FOR ALL EVENT NOT TO BE MISSED

On **Wednesday, April 24**, Scouting for All will hold a candle light vigil to show the Boy Scouts of America in San Diego the need to stop the ban of gay and atheist children and adults in scout troops and packs. The vigil will take place in front of the San Diego-Imperial Council Boy Scout Headquarters, 1207 Upas Street between 6:00-8:00 pm. Solidarity is

crucial, as a vote by the 1400 delegates at the National Annual Meeting of the Boy Scouts of America on May 23 will be taken whether to continue the ban or not. Pressure is being put on the BSA® by many factions; we want the San Diego delegates to know how strongly we feel.

UPCOMING MEETINGS

April 8, 15, 22, 29, May 6, 13:
Mi Familia Support Group
Carolina: 619-692-2077, ext. 116

May 6: North County Coastal Support Group
Larry: 760-224-2178

April 8, May 13: East County Support Group
Ron: 619-588-2342

April 11, May 9: North County Inland Support Group
Sue: 858-673-4560

PFLAG THANKS YOU FOR YOUR EXTRA HELP Combined Federal Campaign

Each year, since its original application, PFLAG has been selected for inclusion in the San Diego Combined Federal Campaign (CFC). This fund-raising drive enables federal employees and military personnel to raise money that benefits thousands of non-profit charities, such as ours. If you are a federal employee, please consider PFLAG, SD County, Inc., #90212 for your CFC contributions. Encourage friends and relatives to do the same.

We thank the following individuals who donated specifically to San Diego County PFLAG through CFC during 2012:
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