Gender & Sexuality Services Newsletter, November 2022

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November Newsletter

We're more than halfway through the semester, Panthers! Whether you've been a regular at our programs or are just preparing to join us for the first time: We're glad you're here!

Keep reading for more information about upcoming events, Safe Zone Ally registration, and other ways to connect. Visit us in Maucker Union (plaza level, next door to NISG) to meet our staff, participate in a program, make some new friends, or just hang out. Gender & Sexuality Services will continue to provide both in-person and virtual support. If you would like to setup a meeting, please email lgbt@uni.edu.

LGBTea Time

"Am I a lesbian? What happened to all of the lesbians? Why don't I know about lesbians? How can I be a lesbian activist?"

Join guest presenter Nic Trip ('24) for LGBTea Time: Lesbian Crash Course for the answers to these questions and more! Lunch will be provided.

Wednesday 11/16 @ 12-1 PM in the State College Room (Maucker Union, lower level)

TDoR

Transgender Day of Remembrance is an annual observance on November 20 that honors the memory of the transgender people whose lives were lost in acts of
anti-transgender violence.

GSS and Proud will host a Transgender Day of Remembrance event on Tuesday, November 15. Meet at the Campanile at 5 PM for a candlelight vigil, followed by a community hang-out in the Rod Library MakerSpace.

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**Weekly Programs**

**Triumphant Tuesdays**: Join Daria on Tuesdays from 3:30-5 PM in GSS to share your good news and triumphs! This session serves as an opportunity to recognize the 'rainbows' in our lives as well as a space to seek encouragement through our storms.

**QT Chats**: Join Kalyani every-other Wednesday from 11 AM-12 noon in GSS for discussions about different queer and trans-related topics. Our next QT Chat is on Nov. 2 on the topic of telling our stories as LGBTQ+ folks with special guest Katelyn Browne from the Rod Library, and we'll make some zines!

**Queer Book Club**: Join Archer on Wednesdays from 5-6 PM in GSS to discuss books with queer storylines and highlight LGBTQ+ representation in literature. All genres welcome!

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**Safe Zone Ally**

It's not too late to participate in our Safe Zone Ally program this semester! Please register in advance. All sessions are currently scheduled to be held in-person.* The schedule for spring 2023 sessions is coming soon.

**Phase One**

- Monday, November 7 - 1-2:30 PM

**Phase Two**

- Friday, November 11 - 1-3 PM

*As much advance notice as possible will be given in the event that a session is shifted to a virtual format.*
Seeking Volunteers
GSS frequently received requests for panels and presentations by and about LGBTQ+ students. If you are a student who would be interested in participating, let us know!

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Women of the White Buffalo
A documentary of Lakota women in South Dakota who are rising up against oppressive forces by protecting and preserving traditional values and wisdom.

November 10th at Lang Hall Auditorium | Movie will begin at 5:30pm
A panel will follow after the movie to discuss and raise awareness on the ongoing public health crisis known as Missing & Murdered Indigenous Relatives. Light refreshments will be offered in the CME Lounge area after the event is done. This event is free and is brought to you by the students of SW2045 American Racial and Minoritized Populations; UNI Diversity, Inclusion & Social Justice; and Great Plains Action Society

Out of Office
Gender & Sexuality Services staff will be out of the office the week of November 20.

If you are a student in need of support, please stop by the CME to visit with a member of the Diversity, Inclusion & Social Justice staff team, or call the front desk at 319-273-2250.

UNI offices will be closed on November 24 & 25.

If you would like to setup a meeting with a GSS staff member, please email lgbt@uni.edu and we will get back to you after we return to campus.

2022 Trans Survey
The U.S. Trans Survey (USTS) is the largest community-led survey of trans and nonbinary people in the United States. The USTS documents the lives and experiences of trans people in the U.S. and U.S. territories. The survey is live now and will remain open until November 21st at ustranssurvey.org

The US Trans Survey is for all trans people ages 16 and up, and is for people of all trans identities - including binary and nonbinary trans identities.

USTS reports have been a vital resource, including the reports on the experiences of people of color and reports by state. In 2015, nearly 28,000 people took the USTS, making it the largest survey of trans people in the U.S. A lot has happened since then – and it’s time to conduct the USTS again in 2022.
Upcoming Events

November 1: Triumphant Tuesday with Daria | 3:30-5 PM | GSS

November 2: QT Chat | 11 AM-12 noon | GSS

Queer Book Club | 5-6 PM | GSS

November 3: Sappho’s Poetry: History/Workshop | 4-6 PM | CME Classroom

Proud meeting | 5-7 PM | Rod Library MakerSpace

November 6: Trans Parent Day

November 7: Safe Zone Ally (Phase One) | 1-2:30 PM

November 8: Triumphant Tuesday with Daria | 3:30-5 PM | GSS

Intersex Solidarity Day

November 9: Out & Ally Network virtual coffee hour | 10-11 AM | Zoom

Queer Book Club | 5-6 PM | GSS

November 10: Proud meeting | 5-7 PM | Rod Library MakerSpace

"Women of the White Buffalo" screening | 5:30 PM | Lang Auditorium

November 11: Safe Zone Ally (Phase Two) | 1-3 PM

November 15: Triumphant Tuesday with Daria | 3:30-5 PM | GSS

Transgender Day of Remembrance vigil | 5-7 PM | Campanile

November 16: QT Chat | 11 AM-12 noon | GSS

LGBTTea Time | 12-1 PM | State College Room

Queer Book Club | 5-6 PM | GSS

November 20: Transgender Day of Remembrance

November 21-25: Fall Break

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