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## Gender & Sexuality Services Newsletter, January 2023

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# GENDER & SEXUALITY SERVICES

## January Newsletter

Welcome back, Panthers! It's a new year and a new semester, and we're excited to (re)connect with you!

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'd like to setup a meeting, please email [lgbt@uni.edu](mailto:lgbt@uni.edu).

## LGBTTea Time

Our first LGBTTea Time of the semester is coming up! Join student presenters Daria Washington, Gabe Barnes, and Skyler Ramsey for mini-presentations from their trip to [MBLGTACC](#). Lunch will be provided.

Tuesday 1/31 @ 12-1 PM in the CME classroom (Maucker 109P).

*Save the date for our next LGBTTea Times: Feb. 8 (9:30 AM) and March 22 (12 PM).*

## Mail Exchange

Do you love to get mail? Do you like pretty stationery and positive messages? Sign up to be matched with a fellow student from Iowa State, U of Iowa, or UNI in our LGBTQlowA monthly mail exchange! Sign up by February 6th to be matched with a partner for our February exchange and beyond!

All students who have signed up by the first Monday of the month will be added to the exchange -- just sign up once and you'll get monthly reminders to write to your mail partner.



**MAIL EXCHANGE**

Sign up to be matched with a fellow LGBTQ+ student in a mail exchange between UNI, Iowa State, and the University of Iowa.

Questions? Email [lgbt@uni.edu](mailto:lgbt@uni.edu)

This program is a collaborative initiative run through UNI's Gender & Sexuality Services, UIowa's Pride Alliance Center, and ISU's Center for LGBTQIA+ Student Success. The program is for current LGBTQIA+ students attending the University of Iowa, University of Northern Iowa, and Iowa State University only.

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## QTBIPoC Affinity Group

Beginning January 24, join [Daria](#) on Tuesdays from 12-1 PM in GSS to connect with other queer and trans Black, Indigenous, and students of color.

## Pride Week

Save the date! We'll be celebrating Pride Week during the week of April 3-8. More details coming soon, including the full event lineup. In the meantime, mark your calendar for Dragaganza on Saturday, April 8 at 7 PM!

## Lav Grad

Calling all 2023 graduates! We'll be celebrating [Lavender Graduation](#) on Tuesday, May 2 in the evening. Details and registration coming soon, as well as information on Lavender Awards.

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## Did you know?

Beginning in January 2023, preferred names (what is listed in myUNIverse) can be used on student IDs! Current students who want a new card may do so by bringing their existing ID card to Housing and Dining and requesting a new card (make sure your preferred name is updated in myUNIverse first). This change is in effect for all current and incoming students (and employees). Current students changing their preferred name may receive their replacement ID at no cost.

Need to update your preferred name? Log into myUNIverse, navigate to "Update Personal Information," enter your preferred name and select the date for the change to take effect, and click "save changes."

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## Safe Zone Ally

Registration for [Safe Zone Ally](#) training is now open! Please register in advance.

### Phase One

- Wednesday, March 1 - 3:00-4:30 PM (on campus)
- Tuesday, April 4 - 2:00-3:30 PM (virtual)
- Monday, April 24 - 11:30 AM-1 PM (on campus)

## Phase Two

- Wednesday, March 8 - 3:00-5:00 PM (on campus)
- Thursday, April 6 - 2:00-4:00 PM (virtual)
- Monday, May 1 - 11:30 AM-1:30 PM (on campus)

*\*As much advance notice as possible will be given in the event that a session is shifted to a virtual format.*

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## Upcoming Events

January 16: *Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., Day*

January 17: Spring classes begin

January 24: QTBIPOC affinity group | 12-1 PM | GSS

January 27: *Holocaust Remembrance Day*

January 31: [LGBT Tea Time](#) | 12-1 PM | CME classroom

February 1: [Black History Month Kick-Off Celebration](#) | 6-9 PM | Maucker Union



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