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## Pride Community Center Applauds Gainesville Voters for Saying No to Discrimination



Voters rejected the discriminatory ballot measure by a 58 percent to 42 percent margin. Charter Amendment 1 would have removed Gainesville’s existing nondiscrimination protections for lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender people, some of which have been in place for more than a decade.

For nearly a year, supporters of Charter Amendment 1 waged a fear-based campaign that blatantly lied to voters about the intent and impact of Charter Amendment 1 and specifically targeted transgender people with harmful discrimination. The sweeping language of the ballot initiative, which was written by a far right conservative group in Michigan, would have prohibited the City of Gainesville from providing nondiscrimination protections beyond the minimal protections

set forth in the Florida Civil Rights Act.

Pride Community Center of North Central Florida would like to thank the voters of Gainesville for standing up for the rights of the gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgender citizens of Gainesville.

By turning out in record numbers to defeat Charter Amendment 1, the citizens of Gainesville said no to discrimination and confirmed that Gainesville will not be intimidated by outrageous scare tactics and divisive politics.

The transgender community undoubtedly faces discrimination and huge barriers to public acceptance. But Gainesville voters stood up and said we are going to support the anti-discrimination laws that protect these members of our community. Gainesville is truly a great place to live.

“Gainesville voters showed that they value the rights of all citizens,” said EQGB Chair and Gainesville City Commissioner Craig Lowe. “They rejected the politics of fear and instead chose to retain the values that make our city such a beautiful place.”

**Be Sure to Come By the Pride Center & Sign the Unity Banner!**



### Upcoming Community Events:

**Sat. April 18th, 8pm - Lesbian Variety Show**

**Sat. April 18th, 10pm - Women’s Dance Party**

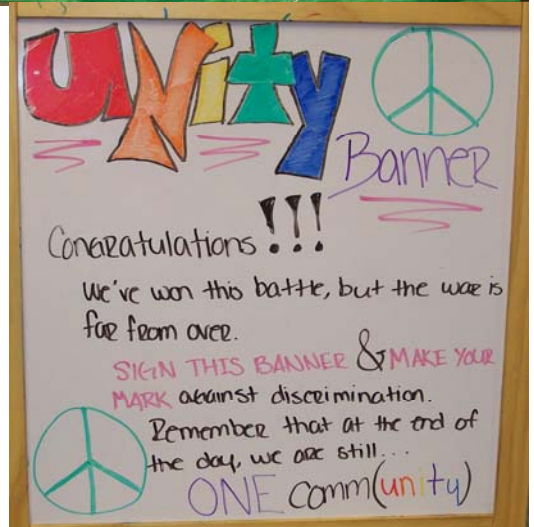
**Tues. April 21st, 6pm - Estate Planning Seminar**

**Fri. April 24th, 7:30pm - Gay Movie Night**

**Sun. May 3rd, 5pm - Women’s Dinner & Movie**

**Tues. May 5th, 6-10pm - Bingo**

**Sat. May 16th, 7pm - May Lei**



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Saturday, May 16th

7:00 to 10:00 p.m.

at the Pride Community Center  
3131 NW 13th St Suite 62, Gainesville



Join Pride Community Center of North Central Florida  
for this Hawaiian Themed Party!



Music, Beer, Food, Fun,  
& Door Prizes

Special Prize for the Winner of the  
Ugliest Hawaiian-Shirt Contest!

This is a fundraiser for PCCNCF.

Party Admission:  
\$ 8.00



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## THE LESBIAN VARIETY SHOW

Saturday, April 18th

Doors Open at 7:00pm  
Show at 8:00pm

at the Thelma Boltin Center  
516 NE 2nd Ave, Gainesville

\$7.00 - \$20.00 (sliding scale)

There is nothing like being  
in a room full of 225+  
Womyn!

--Skits, singers, dancers,  
comedians, diversity,  
intergenerational .....FUN!



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## DANCE TO FOLLOW!

...AND THAT'S FOLLOWED BY AN  
AFTER-PARTY AT WILD IRIS BOOKS  
AT 802 W UNIVERSITY AVE!

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#### Hours of Operation

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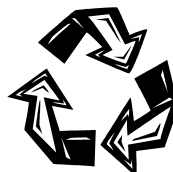
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