



# Press Release

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## PFLAG Tri-Cities Chapter Forms

**Johnson City, Tennessee** – A new chapter of PFLAG (Parents, Families and Friends of Lesbians and Gays) has formed to serve the Tri-Cities area. PFLAG Tri-Cities will hold its first meeting Thursday, April 17<sup>th</sup> at 7 p.m. on the ETSU campus in room #503 of the Warf-Pickel (College of Education) Building.

Several counselors, academics, and clergy persons have seen the need for education, support, and advocacy for lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, and questioning persons and their families in East Tennessee. This first meeting will brainstorm ideas and set the direction for PFLAG Tri-Cities.

PFLAG Tri-Cities is a support community for all individuals who are the parents, family or friends of a person who is gay, lesbian, bisexual, transgender or questioning. Straight allies are also encouraged to take part in our work of making our community safer, more understanding and affirming of GLBT or questioning individuals.

If you are a gay, lesbian, bisexual, transgender or questioning individual; PFLAG Tri-Cities is for you, too. The vision of PFLAG is:

“We, the parents, families and friends of lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender persons, celebrate diversity and envision a society that embraces everyone, including those of diverse sexual orientations and gender identities. Only with respect, dignity and equality for all will we reach our full potential as human beings, individually and collectively. PFLAG welcomes the participation and support of all who share in, and hope to realize this vision.”

If you agree with this sentiment, we encourage you to join us. For more information about PFLAG Tri-Cities, visit the web log [www.pflagtricity.blogspot.com](http://www.pflagtricity.blogspot.com).

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*Parents, Families and Friends of Lesbians and Gays (PFLAG) is the nation's foremost family-based organization committed to the civil rights of gays, lesbians, bisexual and transgender persons. Founded in 1973 by mothers and fathers, PFLAG has 200,000 members and supporters in more than 500 chapters throughout the United States. To learn more, please visit [www.pflag.org](http://www.pflag.org) or PFLAG Tri-Cities at [www.pflagtricity.blogspot.com](http://www.pflagtricity.blogspot.com).*