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# Shelf Life

OUT ON THE SHELF'S BI-MONTHLY NEWSLETTER



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**BEGINNINGS!**

**YOUTH involved in GSAs!**

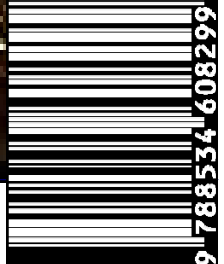


Who is this guy  
and what does he  
have to say?!!

LGBTTFSLQOXYZ

What does it all mean?!?!

**...and MUCH MUCH MORE!...**



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## From the Editor – Another New Year...?!



Well the dust seems to have settled after yet another Christmas, Kwanzaa, Hanukkah, Winter Solstice,

Yule, Ramadan, New Year, Holiday-of-Your-Choice Season! And naturally, with another new year comes all the extra baggage of old resolutions unfulfilled; to do lists unfinished; could've/would've/should've moments that were missed, put off or ignored.

But c'mon. Honestly, who needs it?! It's the New (calendar) Year! This is the one time that we are all given a "Get outta Jail Card" FREE! Indeed,

we can all pass GO and collect \$200!! Cuz here's how I look at it. Everything that was on that list to do...meh...it's too late. But that's not a bad thing! The thing is...that was last year. With the new year, we all have a choice. Do we dutifully move everything over from last year and slap it on this year's list? Or is it time to just let go of unrealistic goals and past/missed opportunities? I'm for the latter.

I'm not saying to give up. I'm just saying...if you hemmed and hawed about wanting to accomplish something ALL of last year...and you still didn't accomplish it...well ya must not have wanted it all that badly. So if yer gonna aim for it again...maybe it's time for a new approach?

Speaking of new beginnings, Out on the Shelf is starting this year off with a bang as we plan for the upcoming year. We hope to make this newsletter a monthly means of connecting with all of you. As well, we're recruiting more volunteers, collecting more resources AND planning some terrific events! Naturally, we hope that you'll be a part of all of this with us.

Whatever we all decide to do...Happy New Years from all of us at OUT ON THE SHELF!! Here's to another terrific year full of food, folks and fun with our family and friends!

Cheers!

Jerome Chang

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***"Yesterday is history.  
Tomorrow is a mystery. And  
today? Today is a gift. That's  
why we call it the present."***

***~ Babatunde Olatunji***

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***"The best thing about the  
future is that it only comes one  
day at a time. ."***

***~ Abraham Lincoln***

# Out On The Shelf NEEDS YOU!!

So was one of your New Year resolutions to get out and be involved? YES?! Perfect! NO?! Why not?

Out on the Shelf is into it's second year of operation and we are getting bigger and better with each passing month. This is where you come in. In order to continue to grow and meet the needs of our ever changing and diverse community, we need more VOLUNTEERS to come out (no pun intended) and be involved. You do NOT have to identify as a member of the Queer community to volunteer



with us. We're definitely looking for volunteers to do many different things from staffing information booths at community events to behind the scenes work like book cataloguing and fundraising. If you feel that you have some time and are interested in Out on the Shelf, email us at [volunteer@outontheshelf.ca](mailto:volunteer@outontheshelf.ca) or calling **519.821.1789**. We would love to get together with you and find out how you can contribute to Out on the Shelf! Hope to see you soon!

## Upcoming Events:

### GAMES NIGHT!!

The second Friday of each month!

Come and join in the social fun at Games Night at Out on the Shelf, an all ages event! From **7:30pm to 10:00pm**, come play either Euchure, Dominos, Yatzy, Life, Clue, Battleship, Monopoly, Scrabble, Crib, Outburst..... or bring an idea for a game that you would like to share with others. You don't need to know how to play, just bring yourself and we'll teach you. Please bring your own drinks, we will provide snacks. For more information call Out On The Shelf at 519.821.1789.



### QUEER CUTS!

Monthly Queer Movie Night

The fourth Friday of each month!

"Queer Cuts" is a monthly movie night for Guelph's vibrant and diverse Queer community. This completely FREE event is open to everyone of all ages. **Starting at 8pm**, come enjoy a night of great cinema and meet new people from the community. Bring whatever snacks and beverages you want, we'll provide some too! For more information about future screenings, call Out On The Shelf at 519.821.1789



CHECK OUT the Out On The Shelf EVENTS CALENDAR at [www.outontheshelf.ca](http://www.outontheshelf.ca)

Anyone can post events on this calendar and everyone checks this calendar! EVERYONE!

# What Does it All Mean?

By Wayne Harrison, former Executive Director of PFLAG Canada, 2004

On the PFLAG Canada website you will find "PFLAG Canada is a nation-wide organization that provides support, education and resources on issues of sexual orientation and gender identity for gay, lesbian, bisexual, transgender, transsexual, two-spirited, intersex, queer, and questioning persons, and their families and friends". This descriptor was arrived once the Board made the decision to work toward having PFLAG Canada as inclusive and welcoming as possible but what does it mean. Well, I did some investigation as to what each of the terms meant and compiled definitions from many sources into what you will read here. It was quite an education and I am sure I will be receiving some valuable feedback about how to make the definitions better. I hope to have these definitions added to our website as part of the resource information we are putting together for the benefit of all PFLAG Canada Chapters and Contacts. If you have suggestions for improvement, Please email me with your input at: [newsletter@pflagcanada.ca](mailto:newsletter@pflagcanada.ca).

**Sexual Orientation:** Sexual orientation is an important aspect of an individual's psychological, sexual and relational identity. It refers to one's attraction to another person emotionally, physically, affectionately, romantically, sexually, erotically, and/or spiritually. Those whose sexual orientation is to people of the opposite sex are called "heterosexual", those whose sexual orientation is to people of the same sex are called "homosexual" (or lesbian or gay), and those whose sexual orientation is to people of both sexes are called "bisexual." The term "sexual preference" is misleading because it implies that this attraction is a choice rather than an intrinsic personal characteristic. Sexual orientation is not defined by sexual behaviour or practices.

**Gender Identity:** An individual's innermost sense of self as 'male/masculine', 'female/feminine,' somewhere in between, or somewhere outside of these gender boundaries. Sometimes this "innermost sense" does not correspond with anatomy (e.g. a person born anatomically male, but who identifies as female). At birth, we are assigned one of two genders, usually based on our visible genitals. For many people this gender assignment fits and feels comfortable and they never think about it further. Others do not feel as comfortable with their assigned gender, either because they find the two-gender system too limiting or because they feel more identification with the gender opposite that to which they were assigned at birth. People deal with this discomfort in many ways, sometimes only in personal ways, and sometimes in ways visible to others.

**Lesbian:** A female who is primarily attracted emotionally, physically, affectionately, romantically, sexually, erotically, and/or spiritually to other females.

**Gay:** A male who is primarily attracted emotionally, physically, affectionately, romantically, sexually, erotically, and/or spiritually to other males. (Gay is also used as a broader, all-encompassing term for the community of gay men, lesbians, bisexuals, and transgender people.)

**Bisexual:** A male or female who is attracted emotionally, physically, affectionately, romantically, sexually, erotically, and/or spiritually to people of both genders.

The attraction may be stronger to males or to females or they may be approximately equal. If they have a relationship with someone of the opposite gender, they would appear as a heterosexual whereas if they had a relationship with a person of the same gender, they would appear as homosexual.

**Transgender:** An umbrella term that encompasses anyone whose behavior or identity crosses gender roles assigned to them by society based on their biological sex. This includes a wide range of identities like, transvestites, cross-dressers, two-spirit people, and drag queens and kings, as well as pre-operative, post-operative, and non-operative transsexual people. Transgendered people may identify as heterosexual, homosexual, or bisexual.

**Transsexual:** A person whose inner-self gender identity is opposite to their biological sex at birth and sometimes alters their bodies with sexual reassignment surgery (SRS) to reconcile their gender identity and their physical body and/or biological sex. There are three categories of transsexuals:

**Non-operative ("non-op"):** People who either do not want, cannot afford, or for health reasons cannot risk SRS to change their primary sex characteristics though they may still take hormones. They may or may not take hormones of the opposite gender to alter their secondary sex characteristics.

**Pre-operative ("pre-op"):** People who are preparing for but have not had (SRS). This term covers people from the time they have begun the process of reassignment to the time just before the actual surgery.

**Post-operative ("post-op"):** People who have undergone SRS and continue to take hormones, often for the rest of their lives. These people may identify as a male, a female, a Female-to-male (FTM) transsexual or "transsexual men," a male-to-female (MTF) transsexual, or "transsexual women." etc.

**Two-Spirit:** The definition of a Two-Spirit person varies across the Native American cultures in which they appear but in general, Two-Spirit is a label that many First Nations lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender people are using to identify themselves. The Two-Spirit is a broader term that can encompass alternative sexuality, alternative gender and an integration of Native Spirituality. Throughout Native history, Two-Spirit people were considered part male and part female (or wholly male and wholly female) fulfilling the roles of both males and females and often revered as natural peacemakers as well as healers and shamans who performed at various celebrations and rites of passage as embodiments.

**Intersex:** Technically, intersex is defined as "congenital anomaly of the reproductive and sexual system." Intersex people are born with external genitalia, internal reproductive organs, and/or endocrine system that are different from most other people. There is no single "intersex body"; it encompasses a wide variety of conditions that do not have anything in common except that they are deemed "abnormal" by the society. What

makes intersex people similar is their experiences of medicalization, not biology. Intersex is not an identity. While some intersex people do reclaim it as part of their identity, it is not a freely chosen category of gender—it can only be reclaimed. Most intersex people identify as men or women, just like everybody else. A person who is born with some degree of ambiguity regarding primary and/or secondary sex characteristics creating a condition where the biological sex is not immediately or easily identifiable as male or female. These people may have a combination of genitalia (penis and ovaries), lack "corresponding" organs (penis but no testes, ovaries but no vagina), or have genitals cosmetically out of the norm (enlarged clitoris or a micro penis). This term encompasses any condition, which prevents a clear expression of sexuality as either male or female.

At least one in 2,000 children are born with some degree of ambiguity regarding their primary and/or secondary sex characteristics to the point where the child cannot be easily identified as a 'boy' or a 'girl' and the majority end up having surgery to make the infant's genitalia to conform to society's or the family's expectations of 'normalcy,' even though such surgeries are medically unnecessary and can damage the child's reproductive organs. Opinion regarding the advantages of such surgery is now sharply divided.

The term 'hermaphrodite' is the name commonly heard in our society and is widely used in the medical profession but some intersex people find the term misleading and stigmatizing.

**Questioning:** This term is used to explain the phenomena that some individuals are unclear as to their sexual orientation. They are questioning it.

**Queer:** For many people dealing with issues of sexual orientation and/or gender identity, the word "queer" has a negative connotation and they may consider it derogatory; however, many younger people have embraced the term as a self-affirming umbrella term that is inclusive of people who are not heterosexual. Because of its gender-neutrality and implication of social non-conformity, these people feel the term "queer" is positive and empowering.

## \*ONLINE RESOURCE SPOTLIGHT\*

[www.pflagcanada.ca](http://www.pflagcanada.ca)

PFLAG Canada is a registered charitable organization that has chapters or contacts in more than 60 communities across Canada. If you are gay, lesbian, bisexual, transgender, transsexual, two-spirit, intersex, queer or questioning, or if you care about someone who is, our compassionate volunteers are ready to help.

# Out of our Closets and onto our Shelves...



**Hear Me Out: True Stories of Teens Confronting Homophobia**, Non-Fiction by T.E.A.C.H. (Teens Educating And Confronting Homophobia), a project of Planned Parenthood

More and more gay teens are talking. They are speaking about their lives, about the realization of their sexuality, and the consequences for themselves. These young people discuss the reactions of their friends and families, their schoolmates and

society in general. Now presented in a book of twenty true stories, these heartfelt memoirs, which were originally presented orally in schools, speak poignantly about the lives of young people today.

Coming Out. Hiding Out. Just Being Out. There are many overriding themes in this collection of stories from Teens Educating And Confronting Homophobia (T.E.A.C.H.), but these three capture the essence of what it means to be gay, lesbian, bisexual, transgender, transsexual and young. This unique anthology celebrates the bold and tender storytelling that volunteers have shared with thousands of youth in schools and community settings.



**Luna**, Young Adult Fiction, by Julie Anne Peters, [www.julieannepeters.com](http://www.julieannepeters.com)

From as early as she can remember, Regan O'Neill has known that her brother Liam was different. That he was, in fact, a girl. Transgender. Having a transgender brother has never been a problem for Regan until now. Liam (or Luna, as she prefers to be called by her chosen name) is about to transition. What does it mean, transitioning? Dressing like a girl? In public?

Does Liam expect Regan to embrace this decision, to welcome his sex change? She's always kept her brother's secret, always been his confidante, but now Regan's acceptance and love will be put to the test.

For more information on books available at Out on the Shelf, check out the queer book review column **"Out of our Closets and onto Our Shelves"** written by Out On The Shelf volunteers that is published in The Bookshelf's bi-monthly newsletter.

Got a question for Dave? Email it to [info@outontheshelf.ca](mailto:info@outontheshelf.ca) with the subject line "Dear Dave"

## Dear Dave...



Dear Dave,  
So I've recently moved to Guelph and I can't seem to meet people. I've been trying to connect with guys online and it's been brutal. Most guys seem to only be interested in my "stats" and "how big it is" before we can even get into a conversation. Now, I'm not saying I'm an angel or anything...I've had my share of fun romps with guys I've met online, but I'm getting a little tired of that. I want to meet people and actually get to know them before I find myself awkwardly exchanging names AFTER exchanging body fluids. Where does a guy go in Guelph to meet other guys? For that matter...other LGBTPIISQXYZ people in general? I'm in my late 30's so I don't really feel like I fit into the university crowd. I'm sure I've seen quite a few queer people around

town, but where does everyone hang out? Is there even a queer community in Guelph? How do I connect with other people? (and yeah...I guess finding a boyfriend wouldn't hurt either)

### Sleepless in Guelph

Dear SIG,

First off Welcome to LGBTTSIQQ-Friendly Guelph! Yeah online stats questions can sure be a conversation stopper. I agree, initially making your way into the queer scene locally is difficult, especially if you not certain where to start. Here are a few suggestions. Why not start with attending a local event, there are lots to choose from. Join us at Out On The Shelf on the fourth Friday of each month for movie night, or the second Friday for games night. If you like music, Guelph has its own Chorus (The Waterloo Wellington Rainbow Chorus) so whether you like to sing or just enjoy music there is a place to meet others and socialize. The spring rehearsals are just commencing. If you rather just hang out sipping coffee, come to one of Guelph's 12 queer friendly restaurants. My friends tell me there are only two spots in south western On-

tario (Toronto and Guelph) where they can feel at ease in a restaurant, so come wine and dine with us. If you are more into an activity why not try the Friends of Dorothy Bowling League, at Frederick Bowl on a Sunday afternoon, this is great way to socialize and hang out. If spirituality is something that speaks to you, check out one of the five communities of faith locally that are supportive to our communities, great way to meet like minded folks. Really the best way to get to know people within our community is to get involved, you can do this by merely stopping by Out on the Shelf, or you can decide to volunteer at one of several queer organizations locally (Outline, GQE, Rainbow Chorus, Guelph Pride and of course Out On The Shelf). Remember that the more you can come to events the more you will find yourself feeling comfortable and running into familiar faces. If you are looking for more information on any of these organizations and others, look up their contact information in the Guelph Queer Resource Guide on our website ([www.OutOnTheShelf.ca](http://www.OutOnTheShelf.ca)).

I look forward to meeting you at one of these events, and again welcome to Guelph!

*Sincerely, Dave!*

# Horror-scopes!

**Scorpio** - Yowza! What's goin on?! Things seem kinda hectic these days no? Well no worries...good times are definitely heading your way. I was sitting at breakfast thinking about you actually. I was eating toast and there were crumbs everywhere. I thought to myself...Scorpio...yeah. There's just one thing that you really need to make sure to take care of. You KNOW what I'm talking about...so let's not waste time discussing it. Just take care of it. Now. Right now. What're you doing still reading. Are you not picking up what I'm putting down yo?! Get going! Oh...before you go...one more thing. Enjoy the hair...trim the hair...love the hair. It's lovely.

**Virgo** - So there I was. Lying on my bed thinking about the day and how it went. That's when I noticed my iron on the ironing board next to my bed. And I thought to myself...wow...the last time I used the iron was 3 days ago. Then I realized that it was still plugged in...and stil turned on. Let that be a lesson to you. Do not buy clothes that need ironing. We need to make a move towards simple. Everything is getting too complicated. Simplify everything. Your clothes...your work...your schedule...your meals. Trust me, you'll thank me for it later. Much later.

**Pisces** - I don't know about you...but whiny people piss me off. I mean, come on. If you have energy to whine about...clearly you have energy to take care of it. What's more is...I don't care. Anyway...let's talk about something more important. Let's talk about how much I hate doing laundry. Such a pain. This is a warning to you. For the next little bit...no matter how much laundry you do...things are gonna get dirty.

So just go with it. Be filthy. Trust me...it'll be therapeutic. Just try not to stand too close to me.

**Aquarius** - It occurs to me that some cultural words have a lot of different meanings around the world. It's true. Taken out of context, or used improperly, this can be a good thing...or a terrible horrible thing. This is kinda how things are gonna be for you this month. People are going to take what you say and put it into different contexts and things might get a little messy. So let this be a warning to you...do not talk to anyone unless you absolutely have to for the next week or so. Trust me...it'll be better this way. Much better. Incidentally, remember "So You Think You Can Dance" in the summer?...you'll know what I mean when I say...dudes...your cousins...should you really be dancing like that with each other? Anyway...you be more like Travis and Danelle: FABULOUS!!! Absolutely FABULOUS!!! Keep it up!

**Cancer** - Ok, so it's another new year. Get over it. Sheesh. This is a good time to really take stock of things and see where you're at. Are you happy with what you're doing? Are you happy with who you're hanging out with? Are you happy with your wardrobe? No really...reconsider your wardrobe. Aside from that, things are looking good for you in the next little bit. You is gonna be hella busy...but no worries...ain't no janky people gonna bring you down. You are in for some seriously crunk times! Oh...and about your wardrobe...I was just kidding. It's mostly just your shoes.

**Taurus** - So hey...50 Cent was at

the fourth annual Drive for Life event in NYC for the Tikva Children's Home for Ukrainian orphans. What does that tell you? That tells you that he is one OK dude...that's what it tells you. Now on a totally different topic. Let's talk a little bit about fish. My friend's fish just had a crazy number of babies. And apparently...they're gonna have babies every 40 days. That's crazy. I'm glad I'm not a fish. My cousin just found out that she's pregnant. So did my first partner from university. All these people having babies. Wow. Clearly...the universe is telling you something here. Eat more fish. Unless your vegetarian...in which case...more tofu.

**Capricorn** - This just in. Who's tired of hearing about Brad and Angelina and Jen and Lindsay and...whoever else?! Instead, treat yourself to some fine dining this month. Go on...you deserve it. Do it up right. You've been working so hard lately. It's time for you to kick back and really relax. You deserve it. You really do. But just remember...no one likes a pompous loud mouth who's tackily dressed who's chewing with their mouth open. Remember that as you are thinking about who to invite to enjoy the fine dining with you. Seriously.

**Leo** - Aren't you excited?!?! August 16th...the new season of Laguna starts!! EEEEEEE!!! What cliques will clash? What secrets will be revealed? What hearts will be broken? What will this new generation bring the drama? Wait a minute...I DON'T CARE!!! Honestly...who are these people? Reality TV my butt. Who's reality? Are they for real? So yeah...let's put a little perspective on our lives this month my

little lions. Sure...you might be all that...but c'mon...no need to flaunt it 24/7. Take it down a notch. At the same time...this is your month to shine shine shine!!!...so make sure to live it up and really flaunt what you've got! Take it up a notch.

**Sagittarius** - So it's come to my attention that a lot of my friends left Guelph this summer. This made me sad. It's sad to lose friends that are super cool. However...at the same time...you would not believe some of the deals I got for stuff they're trying to get rid of before they move?!?! I love it! I wish more of my friends would move! Honestly...i love getting stuff! So this is your task for the month...you're about to make a big move of some sort...it's time for you to figure out what you wanna keep and what you wanna give away. What's gonna stay with you...and what's goin to the yard sale? Pick wisely. And sugar...I ain't just talking about stuff around the house...you best be checking out some of them "friends" of yours. I'm just saying...

**Libra** - So the other day...some friends of mine played a wicked crazy prank on another friend of mine. Admittedly...the prank was a good one. However...they kept up the prank for a wee bit too long...and my other friend...yeah, she didn't think it was funny in the end. In fact...she pissed. So let that be a lesson to you. Before you prank a friend of yours...it might be a good idea to think to yourself..."Self...wouldn't it be more fun to work WITH this friend and prank a complete stranger?" The answer is yes. It's always yes my friends. Course...don't prank me...or there's gonna be a whoopin'. Really...pranks.

They're not as cool as you think. Unless they're REALLY funny...or nudity is involved. Just kidding. Kinda.

**Gemini** - So my brother got married in the fall. Isn't that great? I'm so happy for him. No really...it's wonderful that he's found the person he would like to spend the rest of his life with. I'm really happy for him. Really. I mean, so what if I'd be happy with a date. One measly little date. It doesn't even have to be a good one. C'mon...throw me a bone will ya?! Honestly! Would it kill ya?! HUH?!?! I digress. This month...seek out your single friends...buy them gifts...lots of them...they deserve it.

**Aries** - Ok. Yowsers. This month has been a doozy for you. You've definitely extended yourself and tried some amazing things! It's also been a month of trial and tests...not fun ones either. Just know that you are truly surrounded by people who luv ya bunches. It's true. Now...that's no reason to get all crazy and do something silly like go make a snow angel in your underwear with someone you like! Simmer. And hey...there ain't no clock ticking except the one in yer head. Chill...relax. Everything is gonna work itself out...in it's own time. Trust me...yer friends, THAT's where it's at this month. And listen...don't pick at it. Just don't.

**"The future has a way of arriving unannounced."**

**~ George Will**

## GUELPH RESOURCE CENTRE...

The Guelph Resource Centre for Gender Empowerment and Diversity (GRCGED) functions within a framework of empathy and compassion.

It's vision is to provide a safe, inclusive, challenging, self reflective, dynamic, interactive, and creative space within which all people fight against all forms of oppression, in-

cluding but not limited to: white privilege, white domination, racism, colonialism, ableism, classism, gender oppression, transphobia, intersexed discrimination, queerphobia, patriarchy, etc. through the conscious effort and diverse experience of all Centre Users, Volunteers, and Staff.

Please feel free to contact us!

Centre Hours are as follows:

Monday 1-5pm  
Tuesday 1-5pm  
Wednesday 10-11:30am  
Wednesday 1-3 by appointment  
Wednesday 3-5pm  
Thursday 1-5pm

[www.uoguelph.ca/~wrc](http://www.uoguelph.ca/~wrc)

# YOUTH: Gay-Straight Alliances

All over North America, high school students who want to end homophobia are launching Gay-Straight Alliances or GSAs. These are clubs devoted to human rights and human dignity, including the rights and dignity of gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgender humans. These clubs usually have a social justice and education focus. They work to change school policies and to educate their staff and student bodies regarding gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgender people and about anti-gay harassment and violence. Their members may be of any sexual orientation or gender identity.



Some schools have also launched Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual, Transgender and Questioning Students' Support Groups through a health center or counseling program.

Just as a lot of schools offer support groups for empowering young women or young men, or for students who want to stop smoking, some offer these GLBTQ support groups. These groups are usually less focused on social justice activism than a GSA. They may be recreational (a chance to hang out in a safe space once a week and play cards) or support-focused (a place to talk about issues such as dating, getting bullied, coming out, etc.). Some GLBTQ Support Groups invite participation by straight allies (heterosexual students with a GLBT friend or family

member or who just care about the issue) and some restrict membership, for safety's sake, to people who are, or who think they might be, sexual minorities.

## Resource Spotlight:

For more information about local GSA Chapters, please contact the Guidance department or the staff listed below:

**Centennial CVI** 519-821-0360

Mac Howson; John Roberts; Katharine Nelson; Eryn Frankin

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Fax: 519-823-5471

**College Heights Secondary School** 519-821-4510

Sue Fernholm; Tanya Hobbs

371 College Avenue W. Guelph Ontario N1G 1T3

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**Guelph CVI** 519-824-9800

Lisa Stewart

155 Paisley St. Guelph Ontario N1H 2P3

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Joyce Bridge; Amanda St.Jean

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### \*ONLINE RESOURCE SPOTLIGHT\*

[www.safeschoolscoalition.org](http://www.safeschoolscoalition.org)

The mission of The Safe Schools Coalition: An international public-private partnership in support of gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgender youth is to help schools - at home and all over the world - become safe places where every family can belong, where every educator can teach, and where every child can learn, regardless of gender identity or sexual orientation.

