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GAAPOR News

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ABOUT US

GAAPOR is the social affinity group for LGBTQ AAPOR members. We organize conference sessions on topics including LGBTQ politics and measuring sexual orientation and gender identity (SOGI). We also organize social events for our members at the annual conference, including a dinner outing in the gayborhood of our host city.

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MAILING LIST

If you'd like to receive updates on GAAPOR events and activities, please send an email to gaapor.affinitygroup@gmail.com to sign up.

FACEBOOK GROUP

Are you a member of the LGBTQ community and want to stay connected? [Click here to join our Facebook Group!](#)

NEWSLETTER CONTRIBUTORS

Amy Djangali, RTI
Brad Edwards, Westat
Michael Lenmark, Stony Brook University

ALL-CHAPTER EVENT

GAAPOR hosted a table during this conference's All Chapter Reception. This is the first time affinity groups have been invited to participate and GAAPOR's table was well-attended. Through the coordination of members, Brad Edwards and Amy Djangali, the GAAPOR table hosted a raffle of several gift cards, the purchase of which each went to support a local Chicago LGBTQ charity. We were able to support: The Center on Halsted, Brave Space Alliance, Howard Brown Health Center, the Chicago LGBT Hall of Fame, and the Gerber/Hart Library & Archives. To learn more about these community organizations or make your own donation, click on its logo below.

Reception attendees could stop by, learn a little bit about our GAAPOR group, read a little about the charities we were supporting, and drop their contact information in a basket for a chance to win a restaurant or Amazon.com gift card. All gift cards were purchased through the AmazonSmile program which made this an easy way to support five different charities. The raffle was a big hit thanks in large part to Brad pulling in the traffic with his charming pigs!



This year's raffle winners were:

Matthew Anderson
Abe Neis-Eldridge
Carol Cosenza
Jessica Gollaher
Scarlett Pucci



PLANNING MEETING

At the AAPOR conference in Chicago, 6 members convened for the GAAPOR Planning Meeting. Discussion centered around the desire for better communication about the group's activities. Some members noted that they were unaware of the GAAPOR Planning meeting until they saw it in the conference app. And while some communications are sent through the GAAPOR Facebook group, not all of our members are active on Facebook.

To remedy these issues, the group agreed that we should develop a newsletter to better publicize the group's conference activities. Moving forward, GAAPOR will curate its own mailing list so as to ensure that our members can stay informed about the group's activities at the annual conference and what are members are up to throughout the year.

ANNUAL DINNER

For our annual dinner, our GAAPOR crew headed out to [Drew's on Halsted](#) in Boystown. We had over 25 attendees for the dinner this year and both the food and the ambiance were wonderful. The owner (the eponymous, Drew) and our server Rob took great care of us and provided a private, open-air patio for our (sometimes rowdy) group. If you find yourself in the Chicago area, we highly recommend this fabulous spot.



GAAPOR ROUNDTABLE



Jerry Timbrook, Ph.D., Research Survey Methodologist at RTI International and Associate Chair of AAPOR's Membership and Chapter Relations Committee, organized and hosted a sexual orientation and gender identity (SOGI) roundtable sponsored by GAAPOR on May 13, 2022.



GAAPOR ROUNDTABLE



Anthony Pho (Ph.D. candidate at Stanford) briefed the group on an NIH grant he's working on, and Nancy Bates (retired from Census) and Kellan Baker, Ph.D. (Executive Director of the Whitman-Walker Institute) reviewed the research recommendations from the National Academies of Science, Engineering, and Medicine (NASEM) consensus report. About 40 people attended the roundtable and contributed to a lively discussion about current SOGI issues.

FUTURE NEWSLETTERS

Our next newsletter will contain information for all GAAPOR activities at the May 2023 conference in Philadelphia, as well as member updates and accomplishments.

Are you interested in contributing? Please reach out to us at gaapor.affinitygroup@gmail.com for more information.