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# PFLAG<sup>of</sup> Door County

5-6:30PM THE 3RD SUNDAY AT HOPE CHURCH, STURGEON BAY



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## TEACH THE WORLD TO SING

The PFLAG organized group performed for the HOPE UCC Church talent show Sunday, April 29th.

To start off their singing talent they were introduced as the group who started performing in the 60's at many church talent shows, which showed no promise of a future.

So in an eager moment to reunite themselves they then took on the effort to teach every one there how to sing in perfect harmony. John at the key board started them off. Some you could hear were not in harmony with the same verse. Soon you could hear them blend together in tune and words.

For the grand finale and the last verse the choir disbanded and ventured to the audience and took them by the hand and formed a large circle around the room as they all in harmony sang "I like to see the world for once all standing hand in hand and hear them echo through the hills for peace throughout the land."

Thanks to the Hope Church for the invitation to participate again this year.

## PFLAG OF DOOR COUNTY SEEKING VOLUNTEERS

Volunteers are needed to help staff the PFLAG booth at the Farmers Market on Saturdays in Sturgeon Bay, from 9:00 a.m. until noon. Please email or call Richard Gardiner if you are willing and able to volunteer for this worthy endeavor. Richard's contact information: [richardgardiner2001@gmail.com](mailto:richardgardiner2001@gmail.com) or 920-746-0981.

# Local and Door County News

## 2012 RELAY FOR LIFE DOOR COUNTY

Hi Everyone! My name is Ryan Zahler and I am part of the Door County PFLAG chapter. We are getting a team together to help support Relay for Life and all the cancer survivors out there. Our fund raising goal for the team this year is \$1000 and we have just over thirty days to get it done. We can do it!

“No matter who you are, there's a place for you at Relay. Each dollar you raise will help save lives. Your reasons for walking in the Relay For Life are as unique and special as the story that motivates you. This is your opportunity to not only honor cancer survivors and remember people we have lost, but also to raise funds and awareness to help save lives. Because of your support, we are creating a world where cancer can't claim another year of anyone's life. You are helping create a world with less cancer and more birthdays!”



Event Date: Friday, June 8, 2012

Event Time: 6:00PM

Event Location: John Miles County Park

We are asking all members to donate \$10 to cover our group registration fees and anything over that will go to our team fundraising goal.

If you would like more information about the event or would like to become part of our team or donate to this cause to help us reach our goal of \$1000 then please don't hesitate to contact me on my cell phone at (920) 737-3698 or email me at [ryan.zahler@gmail.com](mailto:ryan.zahler@gmail.com).

You can also find our team page at the following link and either join or donate there!

[http://main.acsevents.org/site/TR?team\\_id=1192965&pg=team&fr\\_id=39297](http://main.acsevents.org/site/TR?team_id=1192965&pg=team&fr_id=39297)

Thanks for your support!

# Wisconsin and National News

## FEDERAL LEGISLATION PROPOSES TO END DISCRIMINATION IN SOCIAL SECURITY BENEFITS FOR SAME-SEX COUPLES

Representative Linda Sanchez, D-Calif., introduced legislation in the United States Congress seeking to end discrimination against same-sex couples when it comes to Social Security benefits. The proposed legislation would

grant same-sex couples the same Social Security benefits now available to opposite-sex couples.

A rally in support of the measure at the U.S. Capitol last week drew support from celebrities, including actor George Takei, who played “Mr. Sulu” in the original “Star Trek” television series.

# Wisconsin and National News

## WISCONSIN MEDICAL SOCIETY PASSES TWO PRO-LGBT RESOLUTIONS

At its meeting on April 21, 2012, the Wisconsin Medical Society passed two resolutions favoring the rights and welfare of LGBT people:

RESOLUTION 111 supports the legal right of civil marriage between any two consenting adults.

The resolution recognizes that denying civil marriage based on sexual orientation is discriminatory and contributes to health care disparities affecting same-sex households.

RESOLUTION 203 supports the notion that people and agencies that deal with geriatric populations should be educated about problems, and needs of LGBT and should ask each of their clients if they would like to be informed about resources available for LGBT people.

These two resolutions, among others, will be presented to the American Medical Association at its June, 2012 annual meeting.

## SERVICES FOR LGBT OLDER ADULTS: 2012 SURVEY RESULTS

**The following is a statement from the  
National Resource Center on LGBT  
Aging:**

Earlier this year, the National Resource Center on LGBT Aging asked all of you to complete an online survey to help us better understand what resources are working for you and what else we can provide to further improve the lives of LGBT older adults across the country.

In total, nearly 1,000 people took the survey. We learned that the website functions that are most interesting to you are the online locator of LGBT-friendly services, FAQs and fact sheets, links to other websites, and downloadable print materials. This year, we will continue to add to these resources, bringing you information on subjects such as Medicare & Medicaid, health and wellness, and elder abuse.

We also saw encouraging results from those who identified as aging services providers— 90% reported that sexual orientation is included in their agencies' nondiscrimination policy and 64% include gender identity protections. Also, 69% reported that they speak at LGBT events or programs.

From those who identify as working or volunteering at LGBT organizations, 80% reported that their agencies co-sponsor or provide speakers for local events and programs for older adults. And, 72% reported that their organizations offer programs and support groups for older adults.

All of these results show improvements from our 2011 survey!

## PRIDE ALIVE 2012

MILWAUKEE, WI. June 8, 9, 10

GREEN BAY, WI. July 13, 14, 15

## PFLAG OF MANITOWOC

**July Meeting:** Due to the July Fourth holiday, the meeting for that month is rescheduled to Thursday, July 12. Notice of the change of date will be posted on the door at St. James.

# LGBTQ SERVICES



Brad Baranowski MS, LPC

Brad has a wide range of experience counseling adolescents and adults, currently works in a private practice in Madison & will be providing *sliding fee income based* services in Door County!

He has dedicated his career to helping and teaching those who are marginalized and holds a particular passion for working with the LGBTQ population. Counseling available for:

- Identity management
- Transgender issues
- Anxiety/mood disorders
- Career guidance & counseling
- Self-esteem and stress management.
- LGBTQ concerns
- Gender/sexuality
- Addiction
- Grief/loss
- Couples

Patients with and without insurance are welcome  
Hormone Consultation/Prescription Available

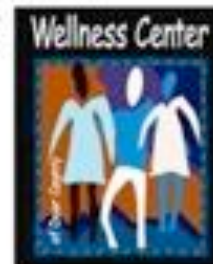
WELLNESS CENTER OF DOOR COUNTY

312 N. 5th Avenue

Sturgeon Bay, WI

(920) 746-9444

[wellnesscenterofdoorcounty.com](http://wellnesscenterofdoorcounty.com)



# Calendar of Meetings and Other Events

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## Appleton

### **PFLAG of Appleton**

PFLAG of Appleton meets on the 2nd Wednesday of the month at the Appleton Harmony Café, 233 College Avenue at 6:30 p.m. For more information, please email: [pflagappleton@gmail.com](mailto:pflagappleton@gmail.com).

### **Valued Families**

(Support Group for LGBTQ parents with children)

Note: this group disbanded in late 2010. If anyone would like more information about this group or similar groups in the area, please call Jesse Heffernan, 920-734-CAFÉ (2233).

### **Spectrum**

(LGBTQ and allied social group 18 years and up) Spectrum meets Mondays from 7:00 p.m. until 9:00 p.m. at Harmony Café--Fox Valley, 233 East College Avenue, Appleton, WI 54911, 920 734-2233.

[See also under Green Bay below]

### **GBLT Partnership**

(Offers leadership development and support for teens ages 14-18)

GBLT Partnership meets weekly on Tuesdays from 6:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. at Harmony Café--

## Door County

### **PFLAG Door County**

PFLAG Door County meets on the 3rd Sunday of every month at 5:00 p.m. at the Hope UCC Church, 12th and Michigan, Sturgeon Bay. For more information:

[www.pflagdoorcounty.org](http://www.pflagdoorcounty.org) or

[Richard\\_gardiner2001@yahoo.com](mailto:Richard_gardiner2001@yahoo.com)

Fox Valley, 233 College Avenue, Appleton, WI 54911. Tel. 920-734-2233.

[See also under Green Bay below]

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## Green Bay

### Conversation Cafe

The following happens at the Harmony Café (West Mason Street (next to Toys R Us)): Conversation Café takes place every Friday from 11:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., hosted by Cricket. For a complete list of the services provided by the Harmony Café, click on the following link: [www.focol.org/harmonycafe/](http://www.focol.org/harmonycafe/)

### The Green Bay Transgender Group

(The Green Bay Transgender group meets on the 1st Wednesday of the month from 6:30 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. at the Harmony Café.

### Spectrum

(LGBTQ and allied social group 18 years and up) Spectrum meets Tuesdays from 7:00 p.m. until 9:00 p.m. at Harmony Café, Green Bay, 1660 West Mason Street, Green Bay, WI 54303. Tel. 920-569-1593. [See also under Appleton above.]

### Manitowoc PFLAG Manitowoc County

PFLAG Manitowoc County meets the 1st Thursday of the month from 7:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. at the St. James Church, 434 N. 8th St.

### GBLT Partnership

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GBLT Partnership meets weekly on Mondays from 6:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. at Harmony Café-Green Bay, 1660 West Mason Street, Green Bay, WI 54303. Tel. 920-569-1593.

[See also under Appleton above.]

### LaCrosse

#### PFLAG LaCrosse

PFLAG LaCrosse meets every Tuesday starting at 6:30 p.m. at the LGBT Resource Center of the 7 Rivers Region. [www.7riverslgbt.org](http://www.7riverslgbt.org)

### Adult-Gay/ Straight Alliance of Green Bay

A-GSA, Adult Gay/Straight Alliance of Green Bay, is a new advocacy group located

in Green Bay for families and friends of persons who identify as GLBT.

A-GSA provides opportunities for dialogue about topics related to sexual orientation. All sessions are respectful, nonjudgmental, and strictly confidential. A-GSA charges no fees. All are welcome.

Meetings are 6:00-8:00pm, second Tuesday of the month (September through May)

"The English Room" at the Union Congregational United Church of Christ

716 S. Madison St. Green Bay, WI 54301

Contacts: Michele Becker, 920-432-1283 or Robin, 920-468-2521.

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## Madison

### PFLAG Madison

#### Straight Spouse Group

PFLAG Madison meets the 3rd Sunday every month except June, July and August, from 2:00 p.m. until 4:00 p.m. The Straight Spouse Group meets at 4:00 p.m., immediately following the PFLAG Group meeting. See [www.pflag-madison.org](http://www.pflag-madison.org) for directions and agenda topics.

## Point

### PFLAG Point

PFLAG Point meets on the 3rd Tuesday of every month from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. No permanent meeting place has been determined. Link on the following for more information: [www.pflagpoint.com](http://www.pflagpoint.com) or phone 715-572-6922.

## Milwaukee

### PFLAG Milwaukee

PFLAG Milwaukee meets on the 3rd Sunday of every month at 5:00 p.m. at the Martin Luther Church in Milwaukee. See the following for more information: [www.milwaukee-pflag.org](http://www.milwaukee-pflag.org).

## Oshkosh

### PFLAG of Greater Oshkosh

PFLAG of Greater Oshkosh meets the 2nd Tuesday of each month at 6:30 p.m. at the First Congregational Church, 137 Algoma Blvd. in Oshkosh. Contact information: [pflagoshkosh@gmail.com](mailto:pflagoshkosh@gmail.com).

## Washburn

### PFLAG Washburn

PFLAG Washburn meets on the 4th Tuesday of every month at 7:00 p.m. on the lower level of the Washburn Public Library, 307 Washington Avenue, Washburn. For further information, please call 715-209-1100.

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