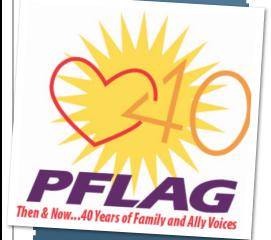
16 DECEMBER 2012 **PFIAGODOT COULT** 5-6: 30PM THE 3RD SUNDAY AT HOPE CHURCH, STURGEON BAY



Advocacy, education and support for gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgender people, their families and friends.

HOLIDAY MIRACLES

'Tis the season for many things, but most of all for miracles. Everyone seems to be looking for a miracle for himself or for others. After all, "'Tis the season.''

Some look to find peace in the world or to find peace in themselves, while others look for a new type of love in their lives. Some look forward to the end of the pain in their lives so that they might hope to feel good again.

Just like every other human condition, this search for miracles, big and small, personal and world-wide, is no different in the LGBTQ Continued on next page

HOPE CHURCH TRANS* SERIES

Hope Church will be doing a series of talks on gender identity at their adult forum. The forum begins at 9:00am and are held in the Fellowship Hall, the same location we usually have for our monthly meetings.

This is the current schedule for the adult forum:

1/27	Beth Mitchell	Transgender 101
2/3	Michael Munson	Anti-transgender Violence
2/10	Rudy and Shirley Senarighi	Film,"What's a Family"

THANK YOU!!

Donations are starting to come in! Thank you to those individuals and businesses who have contributed to PFLAG of Door County!

HOLIDAY MIRACLES

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community all around us. Many victims of bullying wait for the bullying to stop. Others wait for the time when their parents will understand them and show love to them. The parents who have come out wait for acceptance in their families and in their children--the miracle of acceptance and love in their lives.

Many gay couples look for the miracle to marry each other, and maybe even receive the word that they can have children, either through the gifts of birth or of adoption.

Many want to feel comfortable simply in the way they feel, even if it is not in their birth gender.

"The Same-Sex Legal Kit for Dummies" is the first "Dummies" reference guide comprehensively addressing the legal issues facing the LGBT Community.

Topics include estate planning, marriage equality, adoption, surrogacy, artificial insemination, immigration, housing, taxes as well as sample forms and documents.

Here's a look inside the contents of this new book:

Living in a Same-Sex Marriage and Other Relationships

Challenges Facing Same-Sex Couples and Their Children

Facing Discrimination and Seeking Additional Help

Home Sweet Home: Moving in Together

Creating a Legal Family: Yours, Mine, and Ours

Let all of us join hands and form a circle of love, of attention, and of acceptance around those who are different from us and allow each of us the freedom to enjoy our lives.

To our LGBTQ family, know that we, as the PFLAG Organization in Sturgeon Bay, are here to help you to feel the desire of your heart by joining with us.

Richard, Pres

Door County PFLAG

LGBT LEGAL KIT

Wading through Tax Issues for Unmarried Partners

LGBT Estate Planning

o Wills

o Avoiding Probate

o Living Trusts

o Funding Your Trust

o Passing Along Your Employment Benefits to Your Partner

o Dealing With Personal Injury and Death of Your Partner

o Wading through Immigration Issues

To learn more about this exciting publication go to <u>www.rainbowlaw.com/same-sex-legal-kit-for-</u> <u>dummies</u>. Or check it out at <u>AMAZON.COM</u>

This book does not substitute for professional legal advice from a trained, licensed lawyer authorized to do practice in you state.

STAY CONNECTED

To stay updated on the latest news and actions from PFLAG National, be sure to:

Stay current with PFLAG National by visiting <u>www.pflag.org</u>. Keep in touch with PFLAG National on Facebook at <u>www.faceboook.com/pflag</u>. Follow PFLAG National on Twitter at <u>http://twitter.com/#!/PFLAG</u>. Check out recent posts on our PFLAG National blog at <u>http://blog.pflag.org/</u>. Watch PFLAG National on our YouTube channel at <u>http://www.youtube.com/user/pflagnational</u>.

Calendar of Meetings and Other Events

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: <u>pflagappleton@gmail.com</u>.

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--Fox Valley, 233 College Avenue, Appleton, WI 54911. Tel. 920-734-2233. [See also under Green Bay below]

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 or richardgardiner2001@gmail.com 920-421-8815

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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/

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.]

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.

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

Adult-Gay/ Straight Alliance of Green Bay

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

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[See also under Appleton above.]

Manitowoc

PFLAG Manitowoc County

PFLAG Manitowoc County meets the Ist Thursday of the month from 7:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. at the St. James Church, 434 N. 8th St. pflagmanty@gmail.com I-920-323-3942 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 John and Karen Wirch 920-434-9960.

Calendar of Meetings and Other Events

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 <u>www.pflag-madison.org</u> for directions and agenda topics.

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.

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.

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: <u>www.pflagpoint.com</u> or phone 715-572-6922.

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.

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