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PFLAG^{of} Door County

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.

Happy Holidays!

THANK YOU TO ALL OUR GENEROUS DONORS!

At the PFLAG National annual meeting members approved a **New Vision**: PFLAG envisions a world where diversity is celebrated and all people are respected, valued, and affirmed inclusive of their sexual orientation, gender identity, and gender expression.

New Mission: By meeting people where they are and collaborating with others, PFLAG realizes its vision through:

- Support for families, allies and people who are LGBTQ
- Education for ourselves and others about the unique issues and challenges facing people who are LGBTQ
- Advocacy in our communities to change attitudes and create policies and laws that achieve full equality for people who are LGBTQ

WE ARE SAD TO SAY THAT HARMONY CAFE WILL BE CLOSING AT THE END OF DECEMBER, SO THOSE PROGRAMS LISTED TO BE THERE WILL ALSO BE CHANGING AND WE ARE WAITING TO SEE WHERE THEY WILL BE. MORE INFO: [HTTP://GBPG.NET/1Y0E6PL](http://gbpg.net/1Y0E6PL)

Conversation Cafe: All meetings will continue to be held on Fridays, from approximately 11:30 to 1:00pm. There are no fees, and no requirement to purchase food or drinks. We are informal, and discuss news, weather, books, movies, personal stories, and even religion and politics! Beginning in January meeting at rotating locations, please contact Cricket at paul.jacob@arcw.org for each week's location.

We have a new email address!
pflagsturgeonbay@gmail.com

PFLAG activities are supported by donations and volunteers.
PFLAG is a 501(c)3 tax exempt organization.



PFLAG Door County Parents, Family, and Friends of Lesbians and Gays



November 2014

Dear Friends,

PFLAG Door County greatly appreciates your support, and we appeal to you, once again, during our third community-wide financial campaign.

PFLAG (Parents, Families and Friends of Lesbians and Gays) Door County formed 17 years ago from the depths of the crushing emotional pain and apparent solitude of a local gay man contemplating suicide. And when he realized he was not alone, the organization was born.

He was not the only gay person who thought he was alone and who contemplated suicide. A 1998 report in Pediatric revealed a startling statistic: gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgender you have about a three times higher rate of attempted suicide than the general population of youth. Studies also suggest that the coming-out experience of half of GLBT teens was very negative and fully one quarter of them were abandoned by their families and turned out of their homes.

PFLAG's mission: Promote the health and well-being of gay, lesbian, bisexual, and transgender persons, their families, and their friends through

Support – to cope with an adverse society,

Education – to enlighten an ill-informed public, and

Advocacy – to end discrimination and secure equal civil rights.

PFLAG provides opportunities to discuss sexual orientation and gender identity and acts to create a society that is healthy and respectful of human diversity.

But we cannot perform our mission without your support! With your help, this year's contributions will go to support the recent development of high school gay straight alliance activities and the presentation of **Gen Silent** at the Door County Senior Resource Center. Our on-going needs include the maintenance of a 24/7 phone line providing support and resources to callers as well as up-to-date educational resources to local schools and to libraries.

PFLAG is not affiliated with any ethnic, religious, or political group, and, as a 501(c)(3) organization, all contributions are tax deductible.

On behalf of PFLAG Door County, we ask you to please be our partner in supporting the GLBT community and their friends and family members in Door County. We appreciate your generosity and thank you in advance for your contribution.

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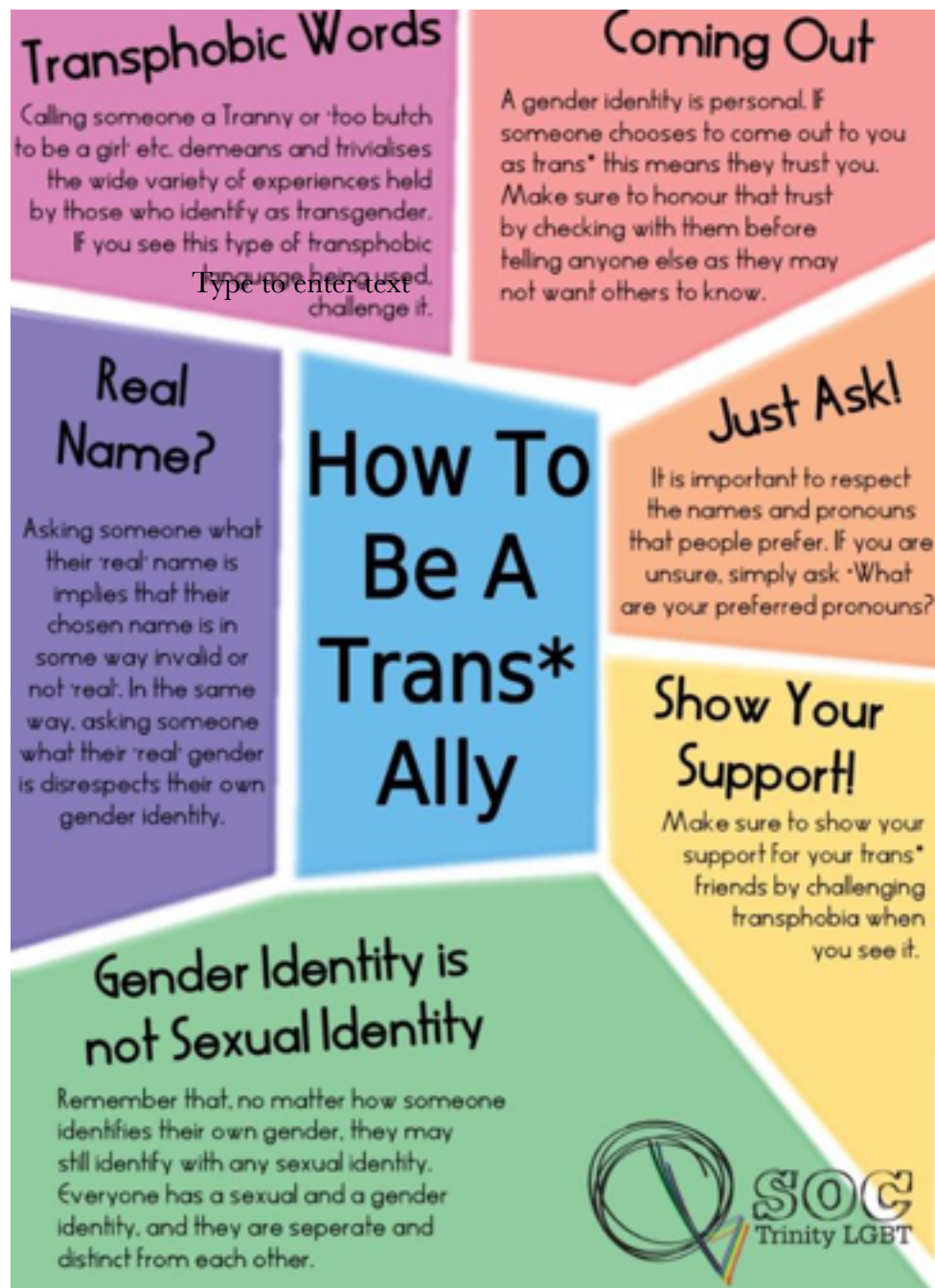
Here are PFLAG tips for the Holidays for both allies and LGBT

<http://community.pflag.org/AllyHolidays>

<http://community.pflag.org/LGBTHolidays>

PFLAG released some new trans materials!

[HTTP://WWW.STRAIGHTFOREQUALITY.ORG/TRANSMATERIALS](http://www.straightforequality.org/transmaterials)



STAY CONNECTED

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

Stay current with PFLAG National by visiting www.pflag.org.

Keep in touch with PFLAG National on Facebook at www.facebook.com/pflag.

Follow PFLAG National on Twitter at <http://twitter.com/#!/PFLAG>.

Check out recent posts on our PFLAG National blog at <http://blog.pflag.org/>.

Watch PFLAG National on our YouTube channel at <http://www.youtube.com/user/pflagnational>.

Calendar of Meetings and Other Events

Appleton

PFLAG of Appleton

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For more information, please email:

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.

Spectrum

(LGBTQ and allied social group 18 years and up)

Spectrum meets Mondays from 7:00 p.m. until 9:00 p.m.

[See also under Green Bay below]

Note: the three above groups met at Harmony Cafe, which is closing. We will pass along more information as we receive it.

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
pflagsturgeonbay@gmail.com

920-421-8815

PFLAG Northern Door

Meets the 2nd Thursday of the month at 6:00 p.m. at The Unitarian Universalist Fellowship located between Ephraim and Sister Bay, just south of the Shops of the Green Gables.

Calendar of Meetings and Other Events

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.harmonycafe.org

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.
Location TBD.

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

GBLT Partnership

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

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.]

Spectrum

(LGBTQ and allied social group 18 years and up)
Spectrum meets Tuesdays from 7:00 p.m. until 9:00 p.m. Location TBD. Tel. 920-569-1593.
[See also under Appleton above.]

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 6:30-8:00 pm, 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

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.
pflagmanty@gmail.com 920-629-3771

Calendar of Meetings and Other

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 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 or phone 715-572-6922.

Sheboygan

PFLAG Sheboygan

Meeting the first Tuesdays 7-8,
823 Union Ave.
Sheboygan, WI 53081
Contact information:
PFLAGSheboygan@live.com
(920) 2540-1834

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.

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