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PFLAG 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.

Gay-Straight Alliance Continues to Expand

Everyone has been encouraged by the continued growth of the New GSA, Gay Straight Alliance.

Members of the GSA meet on Tuesdays at GLAS in Sturgeon Bay at 4:15 PM for about an hour. Participation in this new, encouraging community is limited to high school students between the ages of 14 and 19.

New Trans materials have arrived!

Included are booklets, a guide to being a trans ally, and an update for our present booklet, "Welcoming our Trans Family and Friends."

We also received the DVD, "Faces & Facets of TransGender Experience and a Discussion Guide." Only 23 minutes in duration, the DVD makes an excellent program for our chapter or for any other organization!

According to the creators of the DVD:

"The purpose of creating this film is to reveal a glimpse into the lives of transgender and gender diverse people and their families in order to expand understanding and dispel misinformation and stereotypes held by some members of the general public. Our expectation is that

this film will serve as a resource for families and organizations that work directly with families (i.e. counselors, clergy and medical professionals). Our hope is that viewing "Faces and Facets" will touch minds and hearts to change long-held prejudices and misconceptions as well as to change behaviors as people interact with transgender and gender diverse persons in more informed and sensitive ways."

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.

South Dakota Makes it Thirty-Seven!

On Monday, January 12, 2015, a federal district court overturned the state statute banning gay marriages, thus making 37 the number of jurisdictions that allow gay marriges.

In the court's opinion, justice Karen E. Schreier characterized marriage as being a "fundamental right." The opinion went on to say that the state statute banning gay marriages deprives [gay couples] of that right solely because they are same-sex couples without sufficient justification."

Making 37: A judge ruled South Dakota's gay marriage ban unconstitutional on Monday.

The decision is stayed pending a possible appeal to the Eighth Circuit Court of Appeals.

For more information about the decision:

http://www.huffingtonpost.com/2015/01/12/south-dakota-gay-marriage_n_6458402.html

Hollywood Foreign Press Honors LGBT in Film and on Television

From the magazine, <u>Our Lives</u>: Huge night for the LGBT community at the Golden Globes:

Transparent - Best TV Comedy

Jeffrey Tambor - Best Actor in a Comedy, Transparent

Matt Bomer - Best Supporting Actor for The Normal Heart

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.faceboook.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, I2th 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.

(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.]

Spectrum

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

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.]

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 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

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.

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If you would like to be removed from the PFLAG e-mail list, please let us know by replying to this e-mail and we will remove your address.

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.