

1 5 N O V E M B E R 2 0 1 5

# PFLAG<sup>of</sup> 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.

## *PFLAG's National Convention: We Are The Change*

PFLAG Door County member, Sandy Brown, attended this year's annual national PFLAG convention. See the article page 2.

*It's not too early to think about holiday  
decorations and it's always a good time to support  
our local GSA!*

The GSA students are selling poinsettias! They are quite pretty. I promised the kids I would send the info to PFLAG. Orders and money are due to me by Friday, October 30th. The order form is attached to see the colors. Standard colors are \$13 and the painted colors are \$15. They are nice size -- 6 in pots, 15 inches tall and 15 inches wide. Plants will be delivered to the high school sometime between Nov 30 and Dec 11. I will have definite date after we submit our order. If anyone from PFLAG would like to order any, please have them connect with me. Money can be dropped in the high school office with my name.

Thank you!

Jenni

**Jenni O'Handley**  
**School Counselor Grades 11 and 12**  
**District Wellness Coordinator**  
**Sturgeon Bay High School**  
**1230 Michigan St**  
**Sturgeon Bay, WI 54235**  
**Phone 920-746-3867**  
**Fax 920-746-3888**

**STURGEON BAY**  
**HIGH SCHOOL GSA**  
**POINSETTIA**  
a living color fundraiser

# PFLAG's National Convention: We Are The Change

PFLAG Door County member, Sandy Brown, attended this year's annual national PFLAG convention held in Nashville, October 16th through 19th, and Sandy's brimming with information and renewed enthusiasm for the cause.

At the national convention, members catch up with old friends and meet new ones. The national is the ideal venue for making those all-important connections with PFLAG members throughout the country.

Participants attended sessions given by experts in their respective fields, and Sandy will share some of the insights learned with the membership in future newsletters, including changes in the national PFLAG organization itself.

In addition to learning new information, the convention provided an opportunity to recognize and honor leaders in the endeavor for LGBT equality. [See more.](#)

Lots of new information did not overlook a constant: "One supportive person decreases the likelihood of a suicide attempt by 30%," Sandy was reminded, and she urges each one of you to be that person.

In addition to renewed enthusiasm and new friends and connections, Sandy brought back to share with everyone new and exciting materials:

The book, "It's Not Over" by the keynote speaker, Michelangelo Signorile: and 2 DVDs: Trans-Kin: A Guide for Family and Friends of Transgender People and A Place in the Middle.

Sandy plans to share more about the convention and about the materials in subsequent newsletters.



**Nov. 12** PFLAG at the UUFDC in Ephriam at 6 pm, 2nd Thurs.

**Nov. 15** PFLAG Door County meeting is 5 - 6:30 p.m. on the 3rd Sun. in Sturgeon Bay

**Dec. 1** World AIDS Day, <http://www.worldaidsday.org/>

**Nov. 20** Annual National Transgender Day of Remembrance, Remembering transgender people killed in hate crimes, in 1998 - 12 were reported, in 2008 - 71 were reported worldwide, by Oct. 2015 - 21 were reported in the US alone! <http://tdor.info/>, [https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Transgender\\_Day\\_of\\_Remembrance](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Transgender_Day_of_Remembrance),

## 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](http://www.pflag.org).

Keep in touch with PFLAG National on Facebook at [www.facebook.com/pflag](http://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

### 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](mailto:pflagmanty@gmail.com) 920-629-3771

There is also a weekly gathering every Monday at the Unitarian Universalist Church on the corner of N. 7th and Park St. in Manitowoc of members of the local LGBTQ community from 6 – 8 pm. All are welcome to attend.

### 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)

### 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

[pflagsturgeonbay@gmail.com](mailto: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.

#### GSA, Gender Sexuality Alliance

On the first and third Tuesday's of the month we meet at school right at the end of the day. On the 2nd and 4th Tuesday's we meet at frozen spoon at 530. Meetings go to about 630 or 7. People from other schools are all welcome as long as they're in high school.

# Calendar of Meetings and Other Events

## Green Bay / Appleton

### PFLAG of Appleton

Appleton PFLAG meets the 2nd Wednesday at our new location, 1800 Appleton Road (Goodwill Menasha), at 6:30. The office in the back of the building is where we will meet. You can park on the side. Be aware of the construction and plan an alternate route. The wisdot.gov website says use Midway Road or Oneida Street interchanges as alternate routes.

[pflagappleton@gmail.com](mailto:pflagappleton@gmail.com).

### 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! Meeting at rotating locations, please contact Cricket at [paul.jacob@arcw.org](mailto:paul.jacob@arcw.org) for each week's location.

### Spectrum

(LGBTQ and allied social group 18 years and up)

#### Appleton

Mondays from 7-9 p.m. at the Goodwill Community Center (1800 Appleton Road, Menasha, WI, 54952)

#### Green Bay

Tuesdays from 6-8 p.m. at UWGB LGBTQ Resource Center (Mary Ann Cofrin Building)

### T-Force

(transgender adults)

2nd & 4th Fridays from 7-9 p.m. at the Goodwill Community Center (1800 Appleton Road, Menasha, WI, 54952)

### LGBT Partnership

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

#### Appleton

Mondays from 6-8 p.m. at the Goodwill West Store in Green Bay (1660 W. Mason St. Green Bay, WI 54303)

#### Green Bay

Tuesdays from 6-8 p.m. at the Boys & Girls Club of the Fox Valley (160 South Badger Avenue, Appleton, WI 54914)

### 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 and Karen Wirch 920-434-9960.

### Trans Support Group

The Appleton Group meets at 6pm in the Appleton Library. We meet on the third Monday except March and April when we meet on the third Tuesday due to the library schedule.

# 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.

Ask about the Straight Spouse Group meetings!

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).

## Sheboygan

### PFLAG Sheboygan

Meeting the first Tuesdays 7-8,  
823 Union Ave.

Sheboygan, WI 53081

Contact information:

[PFLAGSheboygan@live.com](mailto:PFLAGSheboygan@live.com)

(920) 2540-1834

## Newsletter Contact Information:

PFLAG Sturgeon Bay/Door County

Sturgeon Bay, WI 54235

920-421-8815

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

E-mail: [pflagsturgeonbay@gmail.com](mailto:pflagsturgeonbay@gmail.com)

Also find us on Facebook: PFLAG Door County

Editor/Secretary: Beth Mitchell

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.