

PFLAG Madison

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Meeting Place:

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Meeting:

2:00 to 4:00 PM, 3rd Sunday of the month, Sept. to May

National PFLAG Website: <http://www.pflag.org>



President: Jeanne Williams

Treasurer: Paul Wertsch

Secretary: Jackie Wealti

Board Members: Sandy Feria, Michael Rosenman, Sue Martinson

Founded in 1973, PFLAG is the first and largest organization dedicated to supporting, educating, and advocating for LGBTQ+ people and their families.

Next Meeting Sunday March 16, 2025

2:00 - 3:00P Meet Lane Hanson, a long time Madison resident who is passionate about addressing systemic disparities that are pervasive in our community. She currently serves as the Director of Finance and Development for the Gay/Straight Alliance for Safe Schools (GSAFE). GSAFE creates just schools for LGBTQ+ youth in Wisconsin by developing the leadership of LGBTQ+ youth, training educators and advancing educational justice. In her role at GSAFE she is responsible for securing financing for grassroots organizing efforts that will ultimately make life better for queer and trans identified youth across Wisconsin. Lane is also the proud parent of two thriving young adults who have benefited from GSAFE programming.

3:00 - 4:00PM Optional sharing/support time

Please contact pflagmadison@gmail.com for more information.

There will be no April meeting because of Easter.

PFLAG Meeting Summary February 16, 2025

Judge Rhonda Langford and Lee Leigh "Lili" were the speakers for our February 16, 2025 meeting. Judge Langford is a Dane County Circuit Court Judge elected in 2013. Judge Langford has been recognized by her peers as a top 50 attorney in Wisconsin, a leader in the Law and a top 25 attorney in the Madison area. Lili has been in the court reporting profession for 25 years. Lili has been promoting consent and bodily autonomy in the Madison area since 2012 when they started creating safe spaces for the LGBTQIA+ community. Both speakers were energetic, knowledgeable and passionate about LGBTQIA+ issues especially as it relates to the law surrounding name changes, gender marker changes, passport changes, etc. They have seen a definite uptick in requests. The meeting was especially pertinent considering the political climate that surrounds the LGBTQIA+ community

Farmer's Market Volunteers

Beginning May 3 we will once again have a table at the Dane County Farmer's Market from 9:00-11:00AM Saturdays through the end of September. Two volunteers are needed each week to greet visitors, answer questions, and distribute booklets and rainbow flags. You will need a user ID and passcode at SignUpGenius.com. Look for PFLAG Madison Farmer's Market Table to view the schedule and select your dates. If your availability changes,

deletions or additions can be done at any time. Contact Jeanne Williams, jtwilliams8348@gmail.com, for questions or assistance.

Perfect Harmony Chorus Spring Performance

“Saddle Up! A Country Cabaret” will be March 21, 2025 at 7:30PM at the Goodman Community Center, www.PerfectHarmonyChorus.org.

Buck and Honey’s Sun Prairie Donation

PFLAG-Madison has been the recipient of a \$614.00 donation from Buck & Honey’s Sun Prairie. Buck & Honey’s offers a “donation creation pizza” each month. A portion of the proceeds of each donation creation pizza is donated to a local charity. Buck & Honey’s has a long standing tradition of living a life of service and philanthropy in the community. Their mission includes empathy, inclusion, fun and community. Thank you Buck & Honey’s for your generosity to PFLAG-Madison.

Board of Directors Announcement & Looking for More!

I am pleased to announce Jackie Wealti has become our Chapter Secretary and Sue Martinson is our newest Board of Director.

Do you have an interest in becoming more involved in the future of our Chapter and have ideas to share? We are looking to expand our Board of Directors, please contact pflagmadison@gmail.com for more information.

Book & Movie Suggestions

If you have suggestions on references, reading material or movies, please let us know: pflagmadison@gmail.com.

In-Person Meetings Resume

We’re excited about the topics for 2024-25 that have been scheduled so far and encourage your ideas. Meetings will be January 19, February 16, March 16, and May 18. Because of Easter, there will be no meeting April 20.

Speaker meetings are held from 2:00 - 3:00PM followed by an optional hour of sharing/support time.

Membership Renewal

Annual dues, \$30 per person or \$40 per couple are due October 1, 2024. See the membership form at

<https://www.pflag-madison.org/MembershipCurrent.pdf>

and submit payment online through our website “donate” button or send your payment directly to our Treasurer, Paul Wertsch, 4221 Venetian Ln, Madison, WI 53718.

When submitting payments using PayPal or credit cards, please provide the following information via email to Paul Wertsch, Treasurer, pwertsch@gmail.com:

- Your complete name, mailing address for a tax receipt, and email address to receive the monthly newsletter.
 - The amount of money you submitted either as membership (\$30 individual/\$40 family) or as a donation.
- Email pwertsch@gmail.com if you have not received a confirmation of past transaction.

Indoors or out, no one relaxes
In March, that month of wind and taxes,
The wind will presently disappear,
The taxes last us all the year.

~Ogden Nash