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**Meeting Place:** 

Friends Meeting House, 1704 Roberts Court, Madison, WI

**Meeting:** 

2:00 to 4:00 PM, 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of the month, Sept. to May **National PFLAG Website:** http://www.pflag.org

President: Jeanne Williams Treasurer: Paul Wertsch

Board Members: Sandy Feria, Michael Rosenman, and Jackie Wealti

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, April 21, 2024



Meet Ziggy Odogun, a motivational speaker & discusses how to beat the system of oppression when it comes to being:

- 1. A minority & a part of a marginalized community
- 2. Being part of the LGBTQ community
- 3. Being part of a family of immigrants or being one yourself

1704 Roberts Ct, Madison

2:00 - 3:00pm Speaker meeting

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

Overflow parking is free and available at the Madison Public Library, 1705 Monroe St.

The meeting is open to everyone!

# Meeting Summary, March 17, 2024

Representative Jenna Jacobson was our speaker for our March 17, 2024 meeting. Jenna represents the 43rd Assembly District. She was elected in November of 2022. She informed us of the LGBTQ+ Caucus and explained that this Caucus provides space for LGBTQ+ issues in the Legislature and Senate. The Caucus helps to write legislation that will support LGBTQ+ issues. The members of the Legislative LGBTQ+ Caucus are Senator Mark Spreitzer (D-Beloit), Senator Tim Carpenter (D-Milwaukee), Representative Greta Neubauer (D-Racine), Representative Lee Snodgrass (D-Appleton) and Representative Marisabel Cabrera (D-Milwaukee). She discussed the list of LGBTQ+ Caucus Bills and Resolutions. She noted we could research any bill at <a href="legis.wisconsin.gov">legis.wisconsin.gov</a>. Jenna has co-authored several proposals related to LGBTQ+ issues. Jenna can be reached at rep.jacobson@legis.wisconsin.gov.

### **Perfect Harmony Spring Concert**

Tickets are available for "Under the Surface: A Musical Deep Dive" May 17 & 19, 2024. For more information: <a href="https://perfectharmonychorus.org">https://perfectharmonychorus.org</a>.



#### Help Wanted

Volunteers are needed to help our Chapter grow and continue to offer the community support we have for over 40 years. Some of the ways you may be able to help:

### \*Farmer's Market Table Tabling

Continuing the 20+ year tradition, we will have a presence every Saturday at the Dane County Farmer's Market. The purpose is to talk to people, answer their questions, and to offer free booklets and our famous rainbow-flag pins. Two volunteers are needed from 8:45-11:15AM starting May 4 through September 28 with the exception of July 13 (Art Fair on the Square) and August 31 (Taste of Madison). Fromagination, 12 S. Carroll St, stores our supplies (thank you!) so that is where the morning begins and ends. Volunteer on-line at <a href="SignUpGenius.com">SignUpGenius.com</a>. You will need a user ID and passcode, search for PFLAG Madison Farmer's Market Table to find open dates. Changing your sign-up is just as easy if you become unavailable during the season.

#### \*Pride Month Volunteers

Madison and Dane County organizations are increasingly celebrating June Pride month in various locations and volunteers will be needed to table these events. If you would like to be added to the contact list to receive information as it becomes available, please let us know.

#### \*Website Design

National PFLAG now has a design that will make it easier to convert to their format while offering guidelines and support to do so.

## \*Chapter Board Members

We are looking to increase our Board to assist with meeting ideas, decision making, and continued growth.

We welcome new volunteers and will provide all the mentoring necessary to do the task. Email <u>pflagmadison@gmail.com</u> to volunteer or receive more information on any of these opportunities. Your help is greatly appreciated!

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We cannot learn from one another until we stop shouting at one another — until we speak quietly enough so that our words can be heard as well as our voices.

Richard Nixon

