HeartBeat



PFLAG Olympia, Washington

It's Time to Spring Into Action With Upcoming Events

March 18th

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Join the Board of Directors at Phoebe's Pastry Café in **honoring Hillary Robbins and Kathryn Coffman** for their hard work and dedication while serving on our board. We will also conduct our monthly board meeting afterward if you would like to join us.

No Host Lunch Time: 12:30 PM Address: 800 Cooper Point Rd SW #13, Olympia, WA 98502

PFLAG Washington State Council 2017 Spring Conference

<u>No Host Social Evening</u>: Friday, March 31st at Mercato Ristorante, 6-8:30 PM 111 Market St NE; Olympia, WA 98501

Conference: Saturday: April 1st South Puget Sound Community College, 2011 Mottman Road SW; Olympia, WA 98512—in the Culinary Arts Center/Student Union - Bldg. 27

Opening Welcome and Presentation:

9:30-10:45 AM: Connecting PFLAG Washington State and advocacy leaders.

Break/Networking: 10:45-11 AM

Workshops: 11 AM-12:30 PM

- How to Lobby Political Leaders at All Levels
- Understanding the Complexity of Gender Identity
- Interactive Strategies to Build Stronger Groups and Conflict Resolution

Conference, continued:

Lunch: 12:30-1:30 PM

Workshops: 1:30-2:30 PM

- Strong Membership: How to grow connections to individuals and the business community
- Creating Funding Streams: how to write grants, work with United Way, encourage workplace giving
- Community Engagement

Break/Networking: 2:30- 2:45 PM

Closing Presentation: 2:45-4:15 PM: *Rights to Free Speech and Privacy on College Campuses and in High Schools.* A panel presentation by the ACLU of Washington.

Final Reminders & Thanks: 4:15-4:30 PM

 Alternative Workshop: Successful Models for Meetings

A \$25.00 registration fee will be collected on the day of the event. Cash or checks only, please.

Lunch will be catered by Phoebe's Pastry Café and is included in the registration fee.

Please use this website to reserve your seat:

pflagwashingtonstatecouncilspringconference.eventbrite.

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OUR MISSION — PFLAG promotes the health and well-being of gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgender persons, their families and friends through:

Support to cope with an adverse society, Education to enlighten an ill-informed public, and Advocacy to end discrimination and to secure equal civil rights.

PFLAG provides opportunity for dialogue about sexual orientation and gender identity, and acts to create a society that is healthy and respectful of human diversity.



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PFLAG-Olympia meetings are held the 2nd Sunday of each month, 2-4:30 PM at First United Methodist Church, 1224 Legion Way SE, Olympia. The first hour includes a welcome, introductions, and our program, followed by snacks and support circles.

What is happening at upcoming meetings?

March 12th Guest speaker Dr. Renee Webb, a former government minister from Bermuda, to discuss color, gender, and privilege.

April 9th Open for members suggestions, please email program suggestions to president@pflag-olympia.org.

May 14th Redefining Family

June 11th Open for members suggestions, please email program suggestions to president@pflag-olympia.org.

July 9th Ice Cream Social

August 13th Annual Picnic

September 10th HIV/AIDS Awareness

October 8th Candidates Forum

November 12th Open for members suggestions, please email program suggestions to president@pflag-olympia.org.

December 10th Annual Holiday Party



Events: Upcoming Farmer's Market Tabling Dates

July 15th August 19th September 16th October 28th

A Moment in History

"May it please the court - I am Patricia Novotny - on behalf of the Northwest Women's Law Center, Lambda Legal, and the ACLU representing the 38 individuals present in court today who wish to marry their beloved partners.

"We are here to ask merely that Washington fulfill the promise of liberty and equality made to all its citizens. In your assessment of our challenge, I ask the court to look forward, not merely backwards. And to remember that both liberty and equality were and are radical and experimental ideas. That WE as a people embraced democracy not because a study showed us how well it works, but because of our faith in these principles and our trust in the future they would help us to build.

"There have been efforts in this case to exploit fear - fear of change, fear of difference. I ask you to consider fear of failure: fear of failing our own promise and destiny. That promise requires vindication of our clients' right to marry. "

- Patricia Novotny—Opening Statement for the Washington State Supreme Court Marriage Equality Hearing, March 8, 2005

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