

Monday, November 11th 2020

On Monday, the topic we discussed at our meeting was LGBTQ+ History! We had a very interesting discussion about the riots at Stonewall, Bayard Rustin, Joan of Arc, Native Americans!

We started off the meeting by watching a few videos talking about different important figures who fought for LGBTQ+ rights. We also watched a video that discussed different historical figures who were allegedly members of the LGBTQ+ community, like President Lincoln! A video talking about the black Civil Rights leader Bayard Rustin who was also gay was shown. This video had less to do with LGBTQ+ rights, but more to do with Rustin's views of opposing Affirmative Action.

Next, someone in the club shared a theory they had heard that Joan of Arc was actually an example of a transgender person. Another member of the club countered this theory by stating that maybe Joan of Arc was not transgender, but possibly changed the way they presented themselves due to the harsh gender roles at the time.

We ended the meeting by talking about how many Native American tribes believed in people being two spirited, which is similar to what is called being non-binary today.

This was the final meeting of the semester and everyone is looking forward to meeting again in January!

