

The Rainbow Seniors Logo



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general welfare of older gay, lesbian, bisexual,
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The Empty Closet

September 2003

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Yeehaw and a big WOW! We Rainbow Seniors do know how to play (age and experience, you know)! Our first time having a Pride Parade presence was fun-especially Bob driving a truck with yours truly relaxing, in wrist chains, knitting a lavender boa in the back! We had two cars and lots of walkers and a whole lot of good cheer.

Our picnic the next day at Ellison Park brought about 40 folks together for more fun and camaraderie. We ate very well; Gary worked his magic at the grill, assisted by Don, and we feasted on the wonderful mouthwatering dishes people brought to share. You know how "we" can cook! After our meal, special recognition was given to those persons and organizations that have been instrumental in the success of Rainbow Seniors.

The Brown Bag Auction that followed raised eyebrows as well as funds. Auctioneer Charlie did a great job coaxing buyers to "go higher" as they purchased and traded their special gifts. Seeing old (not chronologically, of course!) friends and meeting new ones is always inspiring. There sure are a lot of us out there!

Plans for September include our regular Potluck get together on the third Sunday of the month and introduction of our "Cheap Date" series. We'll meet on the third Thursday of the month at a fast food joint (TBA) followed by a dollar movie. All are invited to join us for fun and companionship. Call Sandra at 473-4765 for info.

A Halloween fundraiser/costume party is in the works and we'll share details as they become available!

To be on our mailing list, drop us a line at rainbowseniorswny@yahoo.com. We'd love to hear from you!

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