



Promoting and addressing life issues affecting the general welfare of older gay, lesbian, bisexual, transgender, and intersex (GLBTI) individuals



The Rainbow Seniors Newsletter

March 2006

RSWNY's third annual intergenerational panel, Sunday, March 19

Join us at 4 p.m., Sunday, March 19 for "*When I Knew*," a discussion of our lives and times, 1st Universalist Church. Bring your friends! We welcome everyone from the GLBTIQ community and anyone else who might benefit from hearing our stories. [See attached flyer](#) for additional information!

Victory in New York State

On February 6, 2006 Governor Pataki signed a bill that gives same-sex (and opposite-sex) partners the ability to make decisions about their partner's remains. "The new law creates a simple proxy form for use by New Yorkers, recognizing that a written document expressing the wishes of the deceased always takes highest precedence in determining disposition of bodily remains. When no proxy exists, a priority list is followed to determine authority. The list in the law gives equal standing to spouses and domestic partners above blood relationships like adult children, parents and adult siblings.

In defining a domestic partner, the law provides for three different methods:

1. For same-sex couples who are able to register their partnership with a government entity, the bill recognizes registration as sufficient proof for control of remains authority;
2. Being formally recognized as a beneficiary or covered under a partner's employment benefits or health insurance also provides this authority; or,
3. If none of these methods is available or has been utilized, providing documents similar to what the private sector and New York State require for an employee to obtain domestic partner health insurance is also acceptable proof of a partnership." (from Empire State Pride Agenda Press Release, 2/6/2006)

Workshop, Memory Myths & Memory Tips

Sometimes the right word escapes you or someone's name just isn't on the tip of your tongue. Want to learn more about memory and some ways to strengthen it? Then don't miss our upcoming workshop with Dr. Silvia Sorenson ([see attached flyer](#)). It's free for members but open to all. Non members are asked to make a \$3 donation if they can. **RSVP required**; contact Sherlea at Sherlea_dony@rainbowseniorswny.org; 585.544-2633.

Mark your calendars for our Spring Fling!

Come dance to the music of Chuck Argento on Saturday, May 13 at the Roger Robach Community Center, 5:30-10 p.m. If you'd like to help with this event or donate an auction basket, contact Nan Fry, 585.544.2633, nanfry@rochester.rr.com, or DeeDee Corcimiglia, 585.872.2631, facpainting@frontiernet.net. Tickets go on sale March 1 at Pride Connection, Outlandish, or by contacting Nan or DeeDee.

Change of date for March Euchre Club

Please note: Euchre Club for this month has been moved to **Sunday, March 12**, 3-6 p.m. Contact Ginny Dekin, 585.473.4765.

Maybe you saw the movie. Would you like to read the book?

Meredith Reiniger has a copy of the short story, "Brokeback Mountain" written by Annie Proulx, published in The New Yorker (c:1997). If you would like to borrow her copy, contact her at MeredithElizabethReiniger@frontiernet.net, 585.872.2631, mailbox 2.

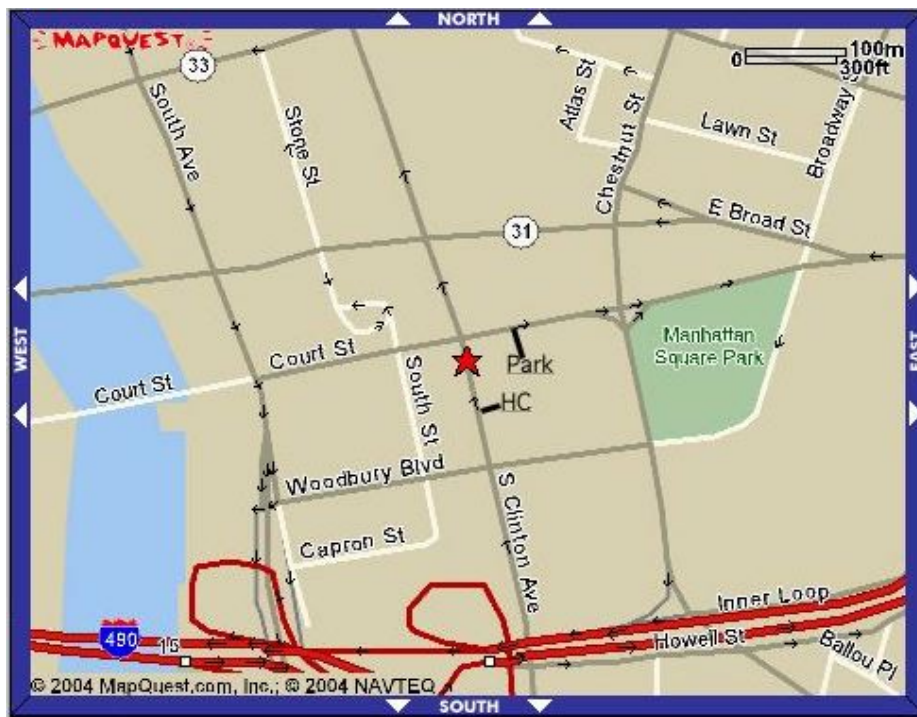
The full text of the short story is also available online by [clicking here](#).

Potlucks and other dates of interest

- **Tuesdays, March 7, 14, 28, 6-7 p.m.**, Yoga, Metropolitan Community Church, 175 Norris Drive.
- **Sunday, March 12, Euchre Club, 3-6 p.m.** Contact Ginny Dekin, 585.473.4765, rudinandreaxx@aol.com, for details.
- **Sunday, March 19, 2006, 4 p.m.** Intergenerational panel, 1st Universalist. Bring salads or desserts; RS will provide pizza.
- **Sunday, April 2, Euchre Club, 3-6 p.m.** Contact Ginny Dekin, 585.473.4765, rudinandreaxx@aol.com, for details.
- **Tuesdays, April 4, 11, 18, 25, Yoga**, Metropolitan Community Church, 175 Norris Drive.
- **Sunday, April 16, 2006, 4 p.m.** Spring is in the air! Bring light and airy foods.
- **Tuesdays, May 2, 9, 16, Yoga**, Metropolitan Community Church, 175 Norris Drive.
- **Sunday, May 7, Euchre Club, 3-6 p.m.** Contact Ginny Dekin, 585.473.4765, rudinandreaxx@aol.com, for details.
- **Sunday, May 21, 2006, 4 p.m.** Garden theme, dress in your favorite garden garb. Bulb or seed exchange. Bring cold cuts, breads, or salad.

For transportation, call DeeDee at 585.872.2631.

Map To 1st Universalist Church



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