

Sunday, July 31, 2016

Gray Panthers, NYC Network, hosted Happy Hour at Studio Kraut Bohemian Bar & Kitchen in the heart of the Chelsea neighborhood, inviting all to “Eat, Drink, Complain!” The theme was to have some fun and relieve current anxieties about the political scene, as well as to recruit new members of all ages to engage in, and advance, the organization’s mission of 'Activism and Advocacy Against Ageism'. President Jack Kupferman remained all business amidst the lively music and cocktail-fueled networking, signing up enthusiastic new members on his laptop.

The 25 participants included Joan Davis, a long-time activist Gray Panthers member; Isabelle Leighton, Director of the Equality Fund at Asian Americans for Equality, peripatetic writer Sally Wendkos Olds, and others eager to learn more about how they can engage with the organization. Points of common interest, ideas, and life stories were exchanged over Studio Kraut's savory Giant Pretzels, Beirock Bites, and Truffle Fries (made deliciously possible by donors).

Recruitment doesn't end with 'Eat, Drink, Complain'. Potential members are encouraged to visit **Gray Panthers NYC's** website, <http://www.graypanthersnyc.org>. Join up, donate, bring your ideas and energy to the table. The world needs Gray Panthers now more than ever, and Gray Panthers needs *you*.

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