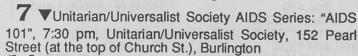
# CALENDAR

## January

special events

1 ▼New Year's Day!

6 ▼VT Legislative Session Begins.



14 ▼ Unitarian/Universalist Society AIDS Series: "Risk Reduction and Safer Sex", 7:30 pm (See Jan. 7 entry)

15 ▼"Dr. Martin Luther King's Commemoration Night." Contois Auditorium, City Hall, Burlington. Speakers and music.

**17** ▼Vt. C.A.R.E.S. Workshop, 1:00 - 3:30 pm. Vt C.A.R.E.S. office (see Vt. Resources)

**18** ▼Martin Luther King Day (observed)

21 ▼Unitarian/Universalist Society AIDS Series:"Living With AIDS", 7:30 pm, (See Jan. 7 entry)

▼Janice Perry, A.K.A. GAL - "Stand-Up Theatre", comedy. Burlington City Hall, 8pm, \$6.00. Sponsored by Burlington's Women's Council, the VT Council on the Arts, and the National Endowment for the Arts.

**24** Vt. C.A.R.E.S. Workshop, 1:00-3:30 pm, Vt. C.A.R.E.S. office. (See Vt. Resources)

26 ▼UVM-GLBA Benefit Dance. Second Annual "Homo Hop" at Pearl's! 9pm - closing. \$2.00 Donation. (See Vt. Resources)

▼Randy Shilts, author of "And the Band Played On," will speak at Ira Allen Chapel, UVM, 7:30 pm, \$2 admission, \$1 with student ID.

28 ▼Unitarian/Universalist Society AIDS Series: "Legal, Political, and Social Response to AIDS," 7:30 pm. (See Jan. 7 entry)

31 Vermont C.A.R.E.S. Workshop, 1:00 - 3:30 pm, Vt. C.A.R.E.S. Office (See Vt. Resources)

#### organizational meetings

**2** ▼Integrity. (See Vt. Resources)

10 ▼Vt. C.A.R.E.S. Fundraising Committee Meeting

**13** ▼UULGC. 6:30 pm (See Vt. Resources)

Burlington Peace Coalition Board Meeting. 7:00 pm. Peace & Justice Center (See Vt. Resources)

**15** ▼OITM, Content & Editing Meeting, 6:30 pm. Peace & Justice Center. (See Vt. Resources)

**16** ▼Integrity. (See Vt. Resources)

**19** ▼Vt. C.A.R.E.S. Newsletter Meeting, for anyone interested in writing, editing, graphics, etc. 7pm, Vt. C.A.R.E.S. office (See Vt. Resources)

▼OITM Typing. 5:30pm

**26** ▼OITM General Meeting. 6:30pm, Peace & Justice Center. (See Vt. Resources)

27 ▼UULGC Service, 6:30 pm. (See Vt. Resources)



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not been an adequate guardian. Hopefully this will reunite Sharon with Karen Thompson, who has been fighting in court, speaking around the country, raising money for legal fees, and working full time.for the past two years.

Sue Wilson told the gathering in New York that if Sharon Kowalski had had a signed power of attorney indicating her desire to have Karen appointed as her guardian were she to become incapacitated, much of this tragedy probably would not have happened. Wilson pointed out that clear written evidence of a ward's wishes as to guardianship are almost impossible for a court to ignore under most guardianship

laws which require courts to honor the wishes of the ward, if known. Hopefully the Kowalski case will motivate more people in our community to execute powers of attorney as to medical care decision-making. Also, Wilson agreed that coming out to one's parents is very important. The Kowalski parents had to cope with their daughter's sudden paraplegia at the same time they had to begin the process of dealing with her identity as a lesbian: the two together were too much for them. Had Sharon and Karen been out of the closet before the accident things might have been different.



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