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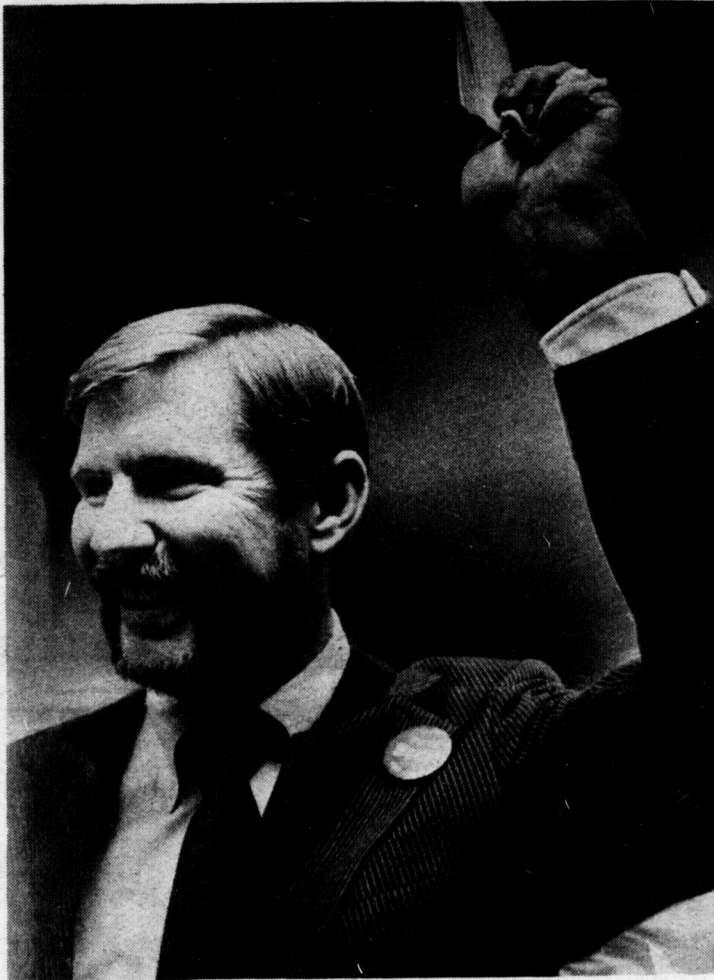
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As Seen from the Debates

## WHERE SCOTT STANDS



David Scott at one of three debates with the major contenders, Kopp and Feinstein.

David Scott according to most expert witnesses earned high marks in the series of Mayoral debates. He was given equal billing, equal time, and equal attention. He scored exceedingly well in both his presentations and his control of the material.

According to Jeff Jarvis, S.F. Examiner columnist, the City Hall duo have even co-opted some of Scott's original proposals for city government.

What follows is one of Scott's staffer's account of what Scott put into the debates and what came out of them.

The opportunity to debate the major candidates has enabled David Scott to overcome the handicap imposed by his small campaign budget that is unable to compete with the well-heeled campaigns of Dianne Feinstein and Quentin Kopp.

Also through the debates, adding David Scott to the Feinstein-Kopp traveling roadshow has shifted the mayoral dialogue to the left. Feinstein and Kopp have been presenting themselves as middle of the road candidates, with Mayor Feinstein appearing to lean somewhat in the direction of her Chamber of Commerce and downtown business contributors while Kopp's appeal has been directed more to smaller business and conservative elements. The Feinstein-Kopp strategy has left David Scott with an opening on the left.

The first two debates revealed Scott's attempt to fill the political vacuum left by George Moscone's death. Scott has seized on the apparent reluctance of candidates Feinstein and Kopp to comment on the merits of Proposition P, the so-called tax the corporations proposition.

Supervisor Kopp has mainly attacked the mayor for her refusal to concede that the city may be in the hole to the tune of \$117 million, beginning with the new budget in July of next year. Kopp has promised that he would as mayor manage the city back into the black with such techniques as allowing city employee attrition and changes in civil service rules to increase productivity. David Scott, during two debate appearances before the S.P.U.R. planning group and the University of San Francisco Law School, argued that the proper way to go was to seek more tax monies to balance the budget without firing city workers or cutting essential services. It was Scott's contention that passage of Proposition P would require downtown businesses to cough up some of their "Proposition 13 windfall tax savings." Scott contending that it was not anti-business to think that business should pay for its

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## Why Gay People Should Vote for Harry Britt

by Gwen Craig and Bill Kraus

Harry Britt is the Supervisor in District 5. And he is Gay. To all of us who are Gay or who share our hope that someday Gay people will receive full justice in our society, what does that mean?

It means that, for hundreds of Gay people from all over the city who are harassed by the police, or beaten by punks, or suffer any indignity because they are Gay, there is one office in City Hall where they — who feel they have nowhere else to go — will find a sympathetic ear and competent, effective people who can help them.

It means that when off-duty police attack Peg's Place, there is a Gay city official who can pressure the Police Department and the District Attorney to take action.

It means that when the Immigration Service excludes Gay people from the country there is a Gay city official whose position allows him to be heard in the White House and to move powerful allies in Congress to work for us.

It means that when the national or even international news media want to do a story on Gay people, there is a city official who, because of his position, is listened to as Gay people have seldom before been listened to.

It means, for women and for all people, a continuous public challenge to the rigid sexual stereotyping which has limited human possibilities and forced all of us to play roles.

It means that for tens of thousands of Lesbians and Gay men around the country — people like Harvey Milk's often-invoked teen-aged boy from Altoona, Pa. — there is a Gay person in an elected, responsible position for one of the first times in American history. There is a positive role model, someone to counter the fear and aloneness and lack of self-worth to which Gay people are still subjected in most of this country. The Gay Supervisor is a symbol that, at least in California, there is a place where Gay people are free.

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Supervisor Harry Britt campaigning in Noe Valley homes. (Photo by Rink)

## B.A.R. Endorsements

### CANDIDATES

- MAYOR**  
David Scott
- DISTRICT ATTY.**  
Carol Ruth Silver
- SHERIFF**  
Mike Hennessey
- SUPERVISORS:**
- DISTRICT 1**  
Gordon Lau
- DISTRICT 3**  
John Molinari
- DISTRICT 5**  
Harry Britt
- DISTRICT 7**  
Bob Gonzales
- DISTRICT 9**  
Lee Dolson
- DISTRICT 11**  
Eric Moncur

### PROPOSITIONS

#### CITY & COUNTY

- A ... NO J ... YES
- B ... NO K ... YES
- C ... YES L ... YES
- D ... NO M ... YES
- E ... NO N ... NO
- F ... NO O ... NO
- G ... YES P ... NO
- H ... YES Q ... YES
- I ... YES R ... YES

#### STATE

- 1 ... NO 3 ... YES
- 2 ... NO 4 ... NO

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**Where David Scott Stands**

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fair share of the cost of running the city.

As articulated in the debates, Scott argued that rent control and high-rise control propositions should be passed and combined with a \$100 million low interest municipal bond program to finance low to moderate income housing in the city.

The effect of this whole program would be to cap speculation fueled rent hikes, runaway and tax draining downtown growth while providing for means to loosen up an extremely tight housing market.

Kopp replied that he favors the high-rise limitation proposition to protect the neighborhoods, but that he opposes Proposition P on the grounds that no new taxes are justified until city government has shown it can manage itself more economically. Kopp has joined Mayor Feinstein in opposing the affordable housing proposition, arguing that rent control has resulted in thousands of abandoned buildings in east coast cities such as Washington and New York. The mayor refused to commit herself on the high-rise limitation during the debates, promising only that she would have a position before election day.

David Scott's entry into the debates has had one of its most significant effects in his getting the other candidates to talk about the future of the San Francisco Police Department. Scott struck a responsive chord

with many of the USF law students when he pledged to conduct a search for a new police chief outside of the ranks of the S.F.P.D., declaring at one point that he would look for the best person for the job, "man or woman." Scott argues that the police department has for too long been dominated by an "old boy" network, symbolized by the strong influence exercised behind the scenes by the Police Officers Association and the Supervising Officers Association, just before Mayor Feinstein fired Police Chief Charles Gain.

Mayor Feinstein has promised the POA to pick a new chief from the ranks, while Kopp has indicated a desire to do likewise, if possible. Both Feinstein and Kopp oppose the ballot proposition Q that would abolish the police department vice squad, the mayor fearing it would give San Francisco a "sin city" reputation while Supervisor Kopp contends that the same state laws would merely have to be enforced in another way. David Scott emphasized during the debate before the USF law students that abolition of the vice squad would free up more police time and monies to fight serious violent crime.

The first three debates between the now three major mayoral candidates served to broaden the scope of the campaign debate and possible push the Feinstein and Kopp forces to the left somewhat.

According to a staffer, David Scott is forging a new Moscone-like coalition of Gays, minorities and left political activists.

**Harry Britt & Gay Voters**

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Finally, it means that here in San Francisco Gay people have learned to overcome the centuries of societal and self-denigration and to assert ourselves politically, as in other ways. It means that we have begun to claim that part of the responsibility for managing our own lives and contributing to the political affairs of the city which we have been so long denied.

We are far too diverse as a community to agree on all economic or social or political issues.

But we share one overwhelming personal reality — we are all Gay people struggling in what is still a largely hostile society for a measure of personal dignity and simple freedom to be who we are. For those who think that freedom has already come, let them ask themselves if there is a single Gay person in liberated San Francisco who has not experienced — either personally or by way of a friend — an incident of physical violence or verbal harassment simply for the "crime" of being Gay.

The Gay Supervisor cannot end all this. Harvey Milk, whom we loved and who changed all our lives for the better, could not end all this. And Harry Britt, even if given a fair chance by our community, cannot end all this.

The bigotry of centuries does not disappear easily overnight. It is overcome by a long historical process. And essential to

that process is the achievement — and preservation — of Gay political power in San Francisco, California, in 1979.

The existence of a Gay Supervisor — Harry Britt — who is intelligent, humane, compassionate, and effective, and whose work for all of the people in San Francisco has earned him the broadest support — both Gay and non-Gay — of any candidate for Supervisor in District 5, benefits all of us, and makes it easier for those Gay people who will come after us to grow up in a less hostile world.

We can be proud of our Gay Supervisor. We can be proud that in District 5 we have found the opportunity to represent ourselves and to represent the rest of the people in our neighborhoods. We can be proud that the actions of a Gay Supervisor for the elderly, the disabled, women, renters, and the poor and middle income people who need city services have won us new understanding and new support.

And we should remember when we go to the polls this November that the victory which we and our non-Gay friends will be celebrating will not be for Harry Britt alone, but for all of us.



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**Our community is united behind Harry Britt.**

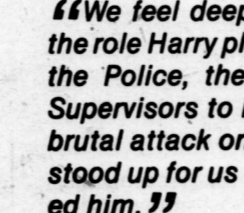
"Lesbians and gay men should be proud of the work Harry Britt has done for seniors, the disabled, minorities and women. We should make sure he can continue that work."  
Gwen Craig  
Vice President  
Harvey Milk Gay Demo. Club

"I'm voting for Harry Britt. Not just because he's the only gay person who has a chance to win, but because I know him and trust him."  
Ed Fry

"Having a gay Supervisor in City Hall is essential. Harry, like Harvey before him, serves as an example to gay people everywhere, making it easier for them to come out and feel good about themselves."  
Dr. David Kessler  
President  
Bay Area Physicians for Human Rights

"We owe Supervisor Britt a special thanks. His efforts behind the scenes played a decisive role in overturning the Immigration Service's policies against homosexuals."  
Don Knutson  
Exec. Director  
Gay Rights Advocates

"We feel deeply grateful for the role Harry played in getting the Police, the D.A. and the Supervisors to investigate the brutal attack on our bar. Harry stood up for us when we needed him."  
Alene Levine and  
Linda Symaco of Peg's Place



- List of names and titles of community leaders and organizations supporting Harry Britt.

**ELECTION SPECIAL  
A STACKED DECK**

Not unexpectedly the B.A.R. has deeply committed its staff and its resources into the current political turmoil. Over the past months we have weeded through the various contenders and championed one after another. For months our leanings have been no safe-locked secret.

One of our earliest guiding principles was to undo via the electoral process what Dan White could only do through bullets.

Harvey Milk — his memory and his spirit — has remained what we stood for one year ago and what we stand for today. Harvey was closely associated with B.A.R. for six years. He was a member of the staff; he wrote his column, "Milk Forum," and never missed an issue. He was a member of our editorial board and was equally our ally, critic, and friend.

The B.A.R. worked with him through four successive campaigns. We helped create the man who came to be a hero to so many.

This is not to say that once stolen from us we deserved any special commendations, testimonials, sympathies for our especial loss — we were our own tacit squad (at times a squat squad). There was no B.A.R. draped across Harvey's coffin, but most assuredly part of us slipped into the Golden Gate with his ashes.

Harvey in nothing was a neutral — nor has been or is the B.A.R. We know what it is to lose an election, and with him we knew what it was to win. Together we learned to hit hard and after the fray pick up the pieces and try to patch up the humpty dumpty of Gay politics.

Harvey taught us also to laugh at it all — the pomposity, the dirty tricks, the bombast, the hurt. We lost so many elections together and friends in elections that we had nowhere to go but up.

Every word in this issue of B.A.R. is partial. It's calculated; it's loaded. And why? To turn the tricks we see best for us all in the long haul.

Come Wednesday, November 7, and we'll all be dealt a new deck of cards.

Let us all remember we are dealing with a civilized deck of cards — to be reshuffled and reshuffled.

We are in earnest but not that much that we would destroy any one person. Regardless of who ends up with the Queen of Spades or the "Old Maid" or who has tramped whose ace — homophobia goes on, the beatings, stampings, and harassment go on. What's more, we must make sure that the exquisiteness of Gay life goes on.

Out of the six Gay candidates in District 5, one will emerge — better for it all and similarly the best of show. To the other five rests now the responsibility of being good sports and turning their attention united to the next deal and the larger stakes.

Equally we have to turn out of office a District Attorney and bring a Mayor down to earth. This season the other issues and districts were secondary — not that they were less to those deeply involved — but we congealed (some would say iced) around three major races. Accused of many myopics we might be, but dilettantism is not one of them.

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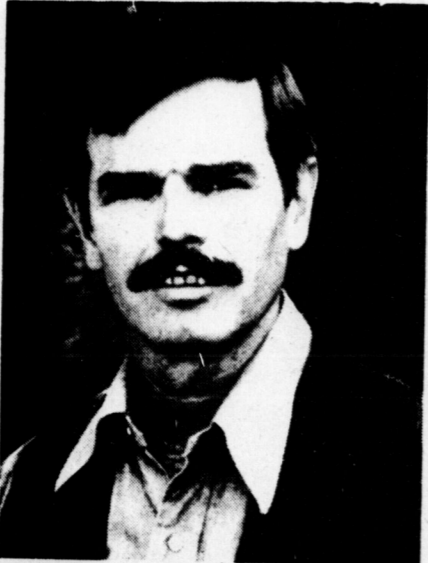
**HOWARD WALLACE'S RECORD IN THE GAY MOVEMENT IS UNMATCHED BY ANY OTHER CANDIDATE**

- INITIATED with Harvey Milk massive gay boycott of Coors Beer.
PIONEERED an alliance of mutual support between our community and the labor movement. Put organized labor ON RECORD for gay rights.
FOUNDER of Bay Area Gay Liberation (BAGL) which challenged racial and sexual discrimination in our community. BAGL took the struggle for gay rights into the streets with massive direct action and built links to third world and feminist movements.
FOUNDER of Gay Action which established the "Butterfly Brigade" in the Castro area and a strong supporter of Community United Against Violence from its inception.
FOUNDER of Miami Gay Support Committee which led the fight against Anita Bryant with a giant boycott of Florida orange juice, raised thousands of dollars for the gay campaign in Florida and brought 7,000 of us into the streets in defiance of "Orange Tuesday."

- A FOUNDER of Bay Area Committee Against the Briggs Initiative (BACABI), largest of the coalitions for No on 6. BACABI was the only grass-roots and democratic No on 6 group locally which was open to everyone.

- ACTIVELY SUPPORTED the Patio Cafe strike and has continually fought for job security and decent wages, hours and working conditions for gay workers. He opposes gay bosses who deny their employees elementary job rights in exchange for the opportunity to work with other gays. As Supervisor, Howard will defend the rights of gay workers to union representation.

- AN INITIATOR of the National March on Washington for Lesbian & Gay Rights. Howard spoke at this historic event on behalf of gay workers and was quoted in the "New York Times."



**HOWARD WALLACE  
SUPERVISOR / 5**

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**Supervisor  
Harry Britt  
He's working hard for all of us.**



# NO UPSET SEEN IN 5

Political pundits, taking the sum and pulse of polls, surveys, hunches, and effort expended, are predicting that Harry Britt will be back in City Hall come January.

Every poll taken to date — on various propositions, i.e. Prop. A and Prop. O — has shown Britt at least 10 points ahead of the nearest challenger. And the nearest challenger has not been the same in all the surveys. The lesser-known candidates have all but thrown in the towel — having failed to attract either the funds or the supporters. Several of the "also rans" have already made overtures to the Britt forces, and recent days have seen a considerable shifting of loyalties. The Britt forces from all appearances have remained steadfastly behind him.



Castro Street's Jackie Star, formerly of the Star Pharmacy, and her family out campaigning for Harry Britt and David Scott. (Photo by Rink)

Veteran pollster Richard Schlachman of Berkeley, who has been involved in over 200 successful polls in the last two years, told B.A.R. that several city proposition polls have

shown Britt substantially ahead within the last 10 days. He said, "Britt has gained anywhere from 6 to 15 percent since October 1." From a likely 21% of committed voters on

October 1, Britt's hard support has grown between 27 to 35%. "One has to assume," he continued, "that Britt will be in the run-off."

Last week's Bay Guardian endorsement was highly significant to Britt's fortunes. By previous studies over 31% of voters in District 5 are positively influenced by the Bay Guardian. This includes, says Schlachman, liberal, non-Gay residents.

Bill Kraus, president of the Harvey Milk Gay Democratic Club, noted that "things have changed in the last week; the tide is turning in Harry's favor. The undecided are now breaking down — mostly in favor of Britt."

So too, other campaigns are showing the signs of fatigue and frustration. The Haight-Ashbury's Terence Hallinan, who is trying to coalesce the district's non-Gay vote, twice lost his composure at two recent candidates nights. His presentations, according to observers, ending in fiery outbursts. Conservative, low-key Kevin Wadsworth stormed out of one of the same candidates nights.

Other campaigns are losing steam or have lost steam completely while others have turned to desperate last-minute tactics — to either injure or solicit media sympathy. The latter are not uncommon in the closing days of a heated campaign, but in the long run usually do their perpetrators more harm than good.

The Matlovich campaign has all but foundered; two campaign chairmen have quit in succession and supporters are defecting daily. Last weekend passers-by noted no one in the Pachtner headquarters saw the solitary campaign manager.

Among the typical charges and counter-charges of ripping down each other's signs, some have taken the more extreme

steps of reporting death threats and intimidating phone calls. Kevin Wadsworth told the S.F. Examiner that his campaign car was trashed while it sat exposed in an off-street parking lot. His comment was, "There's a certain group of radicals that can't tolerate the thought that I am attracting so much support." Getting mileage out of such incidents is not an untypical political response. Wadsworth also complained that "hate pieces" were circulating in the neighborhood.

Another report circulating the neighborhood was that one Gay strategist in a non-Gay's campaign was urging Gay businesses to stop doing business with other businesses because of the latter's non-support of their candidate.

Other signs pointed to have been Britt's highly successful fundraiser last week at the Flood mansion and his warm reception from the thousands at the Beaux Arts Ball. Said one Beaux Arts'er, "He's beginning to smell like a winner."

Schlachman also reported that Britt has the most hard support in the district as opposed to soft support. Behind him he has the experienced political cadres of both the Harvey Milk Gay Demo-

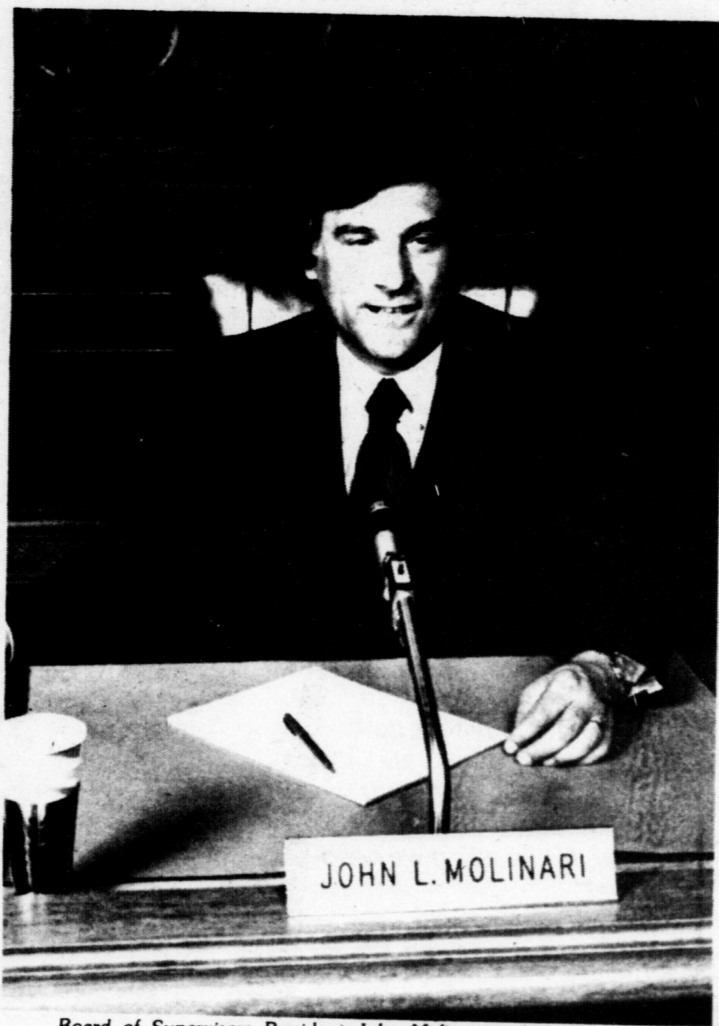
cratic Club and the Alice B. Toklas Democratic Club. Said Schlachman, "Hallinan has run a terrible campaign even from his point of view."

Hallinan had no knowledge of the Gay infrastructure and through several false starts and poor judgment has alienated more Gays than he hoped to attract. His appeal has been increasingly to anyone who does not want a Gay Supervisor as Pachtner's has fallen prey to anyone who doesn't want a male Supervisor. Wadsworth has gone for the money and Wallace's has run dry on radical labor. All of which has left much of the middle ground to Britt.

Equally, Britt can point to the effective ministrings of his City Hall staff. His record of concern for his constituents both Gay and non-Gay. He has won the allegiance of the handicapped, the elderly, and not a few small merchants.

Still, cautioned the pollster, over-confidence in the last days can be as fatal as over-reaction. "Turnout is crucial." Hard support or soft support if you can't get them into the voting booths all the preliminaries have been expended in vain.

## Jack Molinari Endorses Britt



Board of Supervisors President John Molinari endorsed Supervisor Harry Britt in District 5.

President of the Board of Supervisors John Molinari has endorsed Supervisor Harry Britt for the seat in District 5. Molinari stressed Britt's competence, sincerity and hard work. Molinari also pointed out that Supervisor Britt is carrying on the work of Harvey Milk by representing Gay people as well as the rest of the people in the District.

ative representative for the people and viewpoints of District 5. I had the opportunity to work with Harvey Milk who I liked and respected. And I can unequivocally say that Harry is carrying on Harvey's work — giving Gay people the representation they deserve and working for ALL the people of District 5. I urge you to join me in supporting Supervisor Britt."

The text of Molinari's statement is as follows:

"I've had the opportunity to work with Supervisor Britt for several months now. Everyone knows we don't always agree on the issues. But I'm supporting him. Harry is a hard worker; no Supervisor is more dedicated to his job. He has had to learn the ropes fast and has done so admirably. He's a competent, sincere and effec-

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## AN OPEN LETTER TO THE GAY COMMUNITY

**If you like Burbank . . .  
You're gonna love Proposition "O"**

Dear Friends,  
Proposition "O" (The anti highrise initiative) poses a grave threat to the quality of life and work in San Francisco. Should it pass, its effects will be broader and more permanent than any other ballot proposition in San Francisco's history.

Here's what the initiative will do to San Francisco . . .

- ★ Low rise sprawl will mean filling out the South of Market with squat buildings. We will see the spread of office buildings into neighborhoods just like Los Angeles.
- ★ Incentives in the Planning Code which encourage builders to include open space in their plans will be wiped out. No one will put parks, plazas and other open space uses next to office buildings.
- ★ Employers will forgo expansion of their work force thus removing those entry level jobs that are held by San Francisco residents. Women and minority groups will lose out the most.

Here's what the initiative will NOT do:

- ★ It will NOT increase property tax revenues.
- ★ It will NOT solve traffic congestion. In fact, sprawl will promote increased use of automobiles.
- ★ It will NOT relieve the housing shortage.

We all know that certain people stand to gain and others to lose from passage of Proposition "O". Who wins? Proposition "O" supporters have admitted that current high rise owners will reap windfall profits because the measure will drastically raise office rents.

Who loses? While major corporations can easily absorb any loss, small businesses will be hit hardest by astronomical rent increases. Restaurants, graphic arts firms, boutique owners, travel agencies, barber shops and a host of others will be in trouble. Who are the people most involved? Aren't many of those businesses?

Many of us will not find it easy to move from San Francisco; we have come to treasure our lifestyles here. It will be hard to follow jobs to Houston or relocate small businesses elsewhere. In the midst of a national recession do we really want to enact an anti-job measure? Maybe it's time to start thinking about the real issues in this campaign. We urge you to join us in voting no on Proposition "O".

Sincerely,  
Gay supporters of San Francisco Forward

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Milly Clark Tiller  
Mike Newton  
Steve Burrell  
Cappi Patterson  
Bill May  
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# VOTE NO ON "O"

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## Viewpoint

### B.A.R. ENDORSEMENTS

#### MAYOR: David Scott

A formidable protest vote can be gained here for more solid bargaining for the community with City Hall. Already he has proven himself a formidable campaigner and has earned widespread admiration.

#### DISTRICT ATTORNEY: Carol Ruth Silver

A tenacious fighter who would return honesty, intelligence and enlightened priorities to the office of District Attorney.

#### SHERIFF: Mike Hennessey

A competent, dedicated worker pledged to continue where Hongisto left off.

#### SUPERVISORS:

##### DISTRICT 1: Gordon Lau

The only Asian. A competent, quiet administrator.

##### DISTRICT 3: John Molinari

He deserves a vote of confidence.

##### DISTRICT 5: Harry Britt

He has been through the training period; we can't waste precious time training another to represent our community as well as his district. No other candidate offers anything better.

##### DISTRICT 7: Bob Gonzales

Has always voted for Gay and human rights causes. He should, however, devote some more time to district problems.

##### DISTRICT 9: Lee Dolson

A shrewd businessman and a competent administrator.

##### DISTRICT 11: Eric Moncur

A breath of fresh air.

## CITY PROPOSITIONS

### Prop. A: Police and Fire Bargaining and Arbitration. NO

We do not believe that these two special interest groups should have rights other city workers do not.

### Prop. B: Senior Executive Service. NO

The Board of Supervisors is asking you to remove hundreds of civil service positions, without giving a specific plan for hiring new positions.

### Prop. C: Temporary Employees. YES

Gives the option to part-time or temporary help to take civil service exams for those positions. Might help to improve the bureaucracy.

### Prop. D: Public Health Administrators. NO

Would allow the Director of Public Health to bring in 3 Deputy Directors and one Hospital Administrator from outside the civil service. In a department that has no current direction or long-term goals, it should put its sights on putting its house in order first and not add more expensive help.

### Prop. E: Public Works Administrators. NO

NO, for the same basic reasons as Prop. D.

### Prop. F: CAO Confidential Secretary. NO

We do not believe that Roger Boas, current Chief Confidential Officer, should be allowed a confidential aide answerable only to him when there are too many important funds, departments and projects at stake.

### Prop. G: Director of Public Health. YES

Would allow the Supervisors to waive the requirement that the Director be a physician or surgeon with 10 years' experience. What the city needs is a competent administrator or expert manager, not a doctor.

### Prop. H: Retirement Trust Funds. YES

Would declare the city's retirement trust funds to be used solely for the benefit of its members.

### Prop. I: Retirement Pension Funds. YES

Would allow the city to deposit pension funds and securities with outside financial institutions. Currently they are kept in a vault in City Hall, making it difficult to move them. It should make some transactions more profitable for the city at no taxpayers' expense.

### Prop. J: Budget Appropriation and Salary Ordinance. YES

Would lengthen the deadlines for the current budget system, give the Mayor and the Board more time and allow input after July 1st to see what kind of state funds would be available. It would also allow the Board the right to vote a temporary budget to handle bills and payrolls during the interim.

### Prop. K: Budget Estimates. YES

A companion measure to Prop. J. Hopefully it would streamline city departmental planning.

### Prop. L: Utility Debt Service. YES

It is a complicated book-juggling measure designed to move money from the Public Utilities Commission to the General Fund to make more funds available to government when needed.

### Prop. M: Taxicab Permits. YES

Would allow permits (like liquor licenses) to be bought, sold or traded. Would protect the investment of single or independent cab holders.

### Prop. N: Convention Center Parking. NO

What this city does not need is another 800-stall garage in an already overcrowded area. Use the property to build some decent low-cost housing instead.

### Prop. O: Highrise Regulation. NO - BUT...

While something must be done in the business corridor, we believe there are too many "ifs" in the wording of this legislation. We believe some other form of taxation should be set up to make the highrises pay a more substantial tax rate to pay for their increasing city services. Height limitation is not the answer.

### Prop. P: Business Tax Increase. NO - BUT...

Again we believe the larger corporations should pay a higher tax rate but not at the expense of smaller companies and businesses.

### Prop. Q: Vice Squad Abolition. YES

Get the police out of the morals business and back to work fighting hardcore crime. (If you would like to understand Mayor Feinstein's stand on morals, read her opposing argument in the Voters Handbook.) (Also read the police argument by Bob Barry of the Police Officers Assoc.)

### Prop. R: Housing. YES - BUT...

We firmly believe that some sort of rent control should be installed, but we would like to see some more safeguards for honest landlords.

## STATE PROPOSITIONS

### Prop. 1: School Busing. NO

### Prop. 2: Loan Interest Rates. NO

### Prop. 3: Veterans Exemptions. YES

### Prop. 4: Government Limitations. NO

## Letters...

LETTER TO THE S.F. CHRONICLE

\* In your (S.F. Chronicle) editorial in which you — understandably weakly — endorse Terence "Kayo" Hallinan for Supervisor in District 5, you state, disingenuously: "Hallinan ran second to the late Harvey Milk..." What you fail to state is the truth, that Hallinan two years ago ran a thinly-veiled homophobic campaign against Harvey Milk, labeling himself as the only candidate who was "a family man." Unfortunately, having learned nothing from history, he is running a similar campaign against Harry Britt, whom Harvey Milk named as one whom he would like to succeed him if anything happened to him.

As a progressive attorney who has known and admitted the Hallinan family since Kayo was a child, and who cast his first vote for President in 1952 for Vincent Hallinan (on the Progressive Party ticket), I have been increasingly disturbed by Kayo's increasing conservatism and opportunism. I was thus relieved to see that the weekly People's World, of which Kayo's brother Conn is the Associate Editor, in its issue of October 20 ran an article on the District 5 campaign highly favorable to Harry Britt and critical of Kayo Hallinan. The Hallinan clan is justly famous for sticking together and being supportive of each other, but it is good to see that when it comes to matters of principle Conn Hallinan, and I imagine other members of the family, chose not to be associated with Kayo's political opportunism and unprincipled behavior.

Alexander P. Hoffman  
San Francisco

### A LANDLORD SPEAKS OUT

Dear Mayor Feinstein:

I have just received notice that two of my excellent and valued Gay tenants are moving from a building near Golden Gate and Fillmore because of neighborhood crime and violence. One of them was walking to work along McAllister east of Fillmore early one morning when he was jumped by two youths from the nearby project. They disappeared into the project and returned with a brick which they used to inflict serious injury on him. He has been out of work two weeks.

This is not the first incident of violence I have personal cause to complain about. I have had my own life threatened four times. I have been assaulted in my own office by a pimp complaining about tickets he was receiving in a white zone in front of my building where he was not even a resident. My apartment has been burglarized twice. Every apartment in my building where I live has been burglarized at least once, notwithstanding that it is one of the more secure buildings in San Francisco. The lobby of a building I own was completely demolished by a gang of youths late one night after a dance nearby and it cost me nearly \$1,000 to replace glass, mirrors, furniture and lamps they destroyed after breaking in. Cars belonging to residents parked in the neighborhood are routinely vandalized and broken into, the latest, a BMW just two days ago. Residents and their guests are harassed if not assaulted by passing youths, and schoolchildren regularly bang on plate glass windows and hurl racial insults at guests and residents. I've had several armed robberies.

And now, what few holdings I have left are threatened by an insidious, unfair rent control ordinance initiative on the November ballot.

I am exceedingly angry. I am angry at the quantity and quality of city services that have failed to guarantee my right to live in peace and in safety where I wish.

I am angry with police for their seeming ineffectiveness in crime prevention. I am angry with the courts for failure to convict those persons who have been brought to trial wherein I and residents of my properties have been witnesses. I am angry with mental health authorities who are so reluctant to take disturbed tenants off my hands. One woman caught in the act of setting a fire to burn the building down was released the next day, matches in hand to try again. Another has tried 13 times in 3 weeks to burn a 27-unit building I just sold but continue to manage and the Neighborhood Legal Assistance attorneys have taken his case after we filed for simple non-payment of rent. He is still in residence.

I am angry to see the thousands of dollars in improvements I have invested threaten to evaporate overnight in increased crime and violence and in further racial tension. I am angry with moralists and racists who would pit black against white and straight against gay by giving implied encouragement to the kind of vicious attacks I see on the rise.

Last spring when a fiery young liberal from the San Francisco Tenants Union attempted (unsuccessfully) to organize residents of my buildings, I pointed out that I had made my Proposition 13 rebates to tenants, that I had taken less draw for living expenses than the wage I had paid some workers, that literally hundreds of thousands of dollars from sales and exchanges of properties had been ploughed back into improvements and repairs of the properties he was trying to organize. He refused to believe me and stated that there would be no solution to the housing problem in San Francisco until there is government ownership of properties like mine. I don't think he really knows about the housing projects and I was too kind to tell him.

But unless elected officials and bureaucrats unite to provide the kind of leadership that will solve these problems of crime and violence, the tax base will be reduced and if it evaporates, the young liberal will have his wish.

This is the first letter I have written. I am angry enough, after four years as a quiet man, to do something about it if you don't. And I believe in the wake of this latest Muni violence that there are enough others — black, white, straight, Gay — who feel as I do to turn every elected official in this city out of office eventually if these problems are not brought under control and soon.

Rodney W. Fye  
San Francisco

### LOSING A STAFFER

\* While I have attempted over the past few months to maintain an open mind about the accusations coming to me from a variety of sources as to the biased nature of the "politics" of the B.A.R., I feel that this latest run-in has pushed it closed. You are, of course, absolutely correct that Bob Ross, as publisher, has the last word on such matters. The question is: Does he? Really? How much "last word" does the editor have? Or Mr. Friday's organization? (As Gwen Avery said it recently, "Money talks and bullshit walks!") And when it comes down to the bare bones of personal integrity (or is it ego?), is that the point at which it stops and anyone else's opinion is invalid?

Well, agreed: it's a pointless argument. Arguing for free speech under any dictatorship is pure waste of breath. The point, in the final analysis, seems to be that the Gay community here has no "people's paper," no "open forum" that is not strictly controlled and edited.

The other accusation of importance of course is the repeated charge (again from a variety of sources) that Mr. Britt is being "bought" and marketed. Seems to be the case. In my opinion, any other candidate in District 5, Gay or not, is better qualified and anyone with any sense knows it. But fear is as powerful a unit of exchange as any other. And fortunately for those who are "in the market," most Gays in the city are so drugged up and apathetic it really doesn't make a shit where they go tomorrow. In a nutshell, that's it — the very connection I've not been wanting to have to make and now it's made: Gay Politics equals Drugs

make and now it's made: Gay Politics — Drugs — Gay Business — Oppression — Bucks — Gay Politics. Full circle. All delicately knitted together (in kiss-ass fashion).

Someone once said: "When it stops being fun, stop doing it." But I'm a "clinger." Lost causes comfort me, strangely. Nevertheless, it's good advice.

Ex-"Star Reporter"  
Ray P. Comeau

### URNS TO WALLACE

\* A few weeks ago, I had been a supporter of Harry Britt for District 5 Supervisor. I am now a supporter of Howard Wallace for District 5 Supervisor. Here are my reasons.

I come from a working class background and know that it is to work in the midst of poor working conditions. I have been on the strike support committees for the United Farm Workers, the Bay Guardian and the Patis Cafe workers.

I was one of eight people cited for disturbing the peace, while picketing outside the Patis Cafe. I called Harry Britt's office for help in our upcoming case. I was referred to legal aid. From that point on, my trust in Harry Britt declined steadily until I finally made up my mind to support Howard Wallace. The condescending attitude of Harry Britt's palace guard drove me further and further from his camp. This was another important factor in my decision to support Howard Wallace. In addition, Harry Britt's recent drive about the Tavern Guild being representative of Gay workers has confirmed my decision.

Howard Wallace has been on the side of the working class all his life. He has cared about the labor struggles that I have cared about.

Integrity, if it is truly integrity, cannot be bought in the market place. Principles, if they are truly principles, cannot be sold to the highest bidder. Howard Wallace cannot be bought and sold. He has my sincere support.

Danny Breen

### MONEY AND PRIVILEGE DO COUNT!

\* District 5 is a lot more than the extremists who live in the Castro, the Haight, Noe Valley, and Duboce Triangle. It also includes a large number of people like you and me who make over \$50,000 a year and who resent all the changes wrought in this district by tenants, women, hippies, workers, and Gay activists. Our future is too important to be left in the hands of those who cannot or will not listen to the demands of Big Money. We need a supervisor who has the courage to turn back the clock. That supervisor is Kevin Wadsworth, an All-American man whose breeding and background uniquely qualify him to take up the mantle once carried by Richard Nixon.

Moral: The Gay right wing is as ridiculous as the straight right wing. And just as dangerous.

The Red Queer

## MAYOR'S RACE DOWN TO THE WIRE

DAVID SCOTT PLANS TO BE IN THE RUNOFF

The race for Mayor of San Francisco has become increasingly bitter with the three major candidates taking pot shots at each other in a round of debates, public appearances, and through the print and television media.

Dianne Feinstein, the Supervisor appointed to the Mayor's chair in January by the Board of Supervisors is campaigning hard for a full four-year term and has taken to heaping criticism and insults on her major opponent, Supervisor Quentin Kopp. Feinstein says Kopp is a "divisive" candidate who does things for their "impact regardless of their rightness or wrongness." Feinstein charges that Kopp "drives people apart" and "creates division." Although Feinstein and Kopp were thought only last year to be political allies on the Board (some claim Feinstein even had verbally agreed to support Kopp over a race against Moscone) they have now become bitter political enemies and have taken the gloves off in the fight for Room 200 at City Hall.



Kopp says that the "appointed" Mayor has proven that she "can't make decisions"; he says she is a "weak" Mayor and that he offers San Franciscans the chance to elect a Mayor who has "the ability to make decisions and be strong enough to say no to the demands of special interests." Kopp says his candidacy offers independence and intelligence, and an extraordinary amount of commitment over the past eight years in learning the business of governing this city and in learning how city government works. Feinstein counters that Quentin Kopp offers constant criticism but little in the way of constructive advice and help in city matters.

On Gay issues, both Feinstein and Kopp brag about their records in voting for the rights of Gay people to jobs and freedom from discrimination. Kopp says "the Gay community in the main possesses the same values with respect to employment, housing, economic opportunity, freedom from fear that other people do; most people in San Francisco want to lead their own lives free from intrusion." Both Kopp and Feinstein recognize the importance of the large organized Gay vote in San Francisco and have made little secret that they are going after that vote. Feinstein says that she "hasn't said anything to the Gay community that she wouldn't say to any other community." She points out that she debated State Senator John Briggs last year, has Gay people on her staff, and she says, "I expect to look at people not on who they are but on their abilities."

Scott criticizes both Feinstein and Kopp and says there is little difference between the two. He has directed his campaign at the liberal voter and hopes to benefit from the fact that both Kopp and Feinstein are perceived as being conservative candidates.

Scott, like Feinstein and Kopp, will be campaigning right down to the last minute and all three are predicting victory on November 6.

by Wayne Friday



## Hennessey for Sheriff

THE MAN MOST LIKELY TO CONTINUE THE REFORMS OF DICK HONGISTO

by Wayne Friday

A campaign brochure for Sheriff candidate Mike Hennessey says "the Sheriff's Department is the laughing stock of San Francisco"; more than campaign rhetoric, that statement by the challenger in the Sheriff's race has become fact. Even many of appointed Sheriff Eugene Brown's deputies have become embarrassed at the way Brown has run the Department.

Brown, who was without a doubt the worst appointment the late Mayor George Moscone ever made, took over the Department upon the sudden resignation of the highly popular Richard Hongisto, and indeed, the Sheriff's Department has been a laughing stock since.

The one candidate given a chance of unseating the bumbling Brown, in an increasingly bitter race, is Hennessey. The likable lawyer, formerly with the Sheriff's Department, is hitting hard at the non-record of the incumbent and is thought to be headed for a December run-off with Brown. I have gotten to know Mike Hennessey during this campaign and there is little doubt he is the only candidate who can now clean up the mess Gene Brown has the Department in. Morale among the deputies and other employees of the Sheriff's Department is at an all time low. Some top notch employees have either quit or have requested transfer out of the Department. Hennessey hits at the almost

regular escapes coming from the Brown jails saying, "Frequent escapes letting violent offenders back on our streets are outrageous, and demonstrate poor training, no discipline, and a lack of professionalism in the Sheriff's Department." Hennessey says the rash of recent escapes from the County jails in San Francisco are "unexcusable," although after each such escape, the appointed Sheriff quickly holds a press conference to point the finger and place the blame on someone else.

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I will waste little space in this column speaking about the incumbent; his record speaks for itself. Every time you pick up one of the dailies you read of another escape, rape, suicide, or even a murder in the County jail. No, nothing more need be said about Gene Brown, except that he is totally inefficient and should be replaced. Most political observers see Brown and Hennessey in a December run-off, though the Hennessey campaign people are not overlooking a strong bid by retired police Captain Ernie Raab, a right-wing candidate campaigning as a law-and-order candidate. One of the more interesting statements attributed to the right-wing Raab is that "the perverts and miscreants have to be put in their place." In a recent story about the Moscone and Milk murders written for *Inquiry* magazine, *Chronicle* reporter Warren Hinckle refers to Captain Raab as "a Dan White



Mike Hennessey, candidate for Sheriff, on the stump to unseat incumbent Gene Brown.

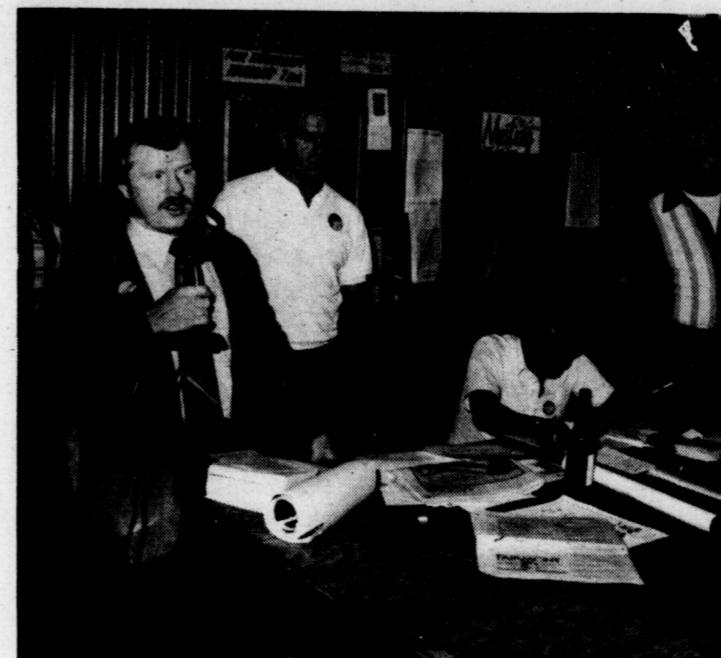
clone." Some Hennessey supporters fear that the Raab campaign will get desperate as the election day draws near and wage a very right-wing, anti-Gay campaign.

Former Sheriff Dick Hongisto has strongly urged his many friends in the city to get behind the Hennessey campaign, saying the Sheriff's Department "can't survive another four years of Gene Brown." Hennessey authored legislation aimed at improving and tightening local criminal justice programs; wrote and administered hundreds of thousands of dollars worth of grants; drafted and implement-

ed administrative procedures for the Sheriff's Department such as those affecting disciplinary procedures, a Departmental Grievance System, mail and publication censorship regulations.

Hennessey is a member of the State Bar's Commission on Corrections, a member of the Criminal Justice Advisory Committee; is legal counsel to Women's Jail Study Group; and has been endorsed in this election by all six past presidents of the San Francisco Bar Ass'n. Hennessey grew up in a small mid-western town, attended St. John's University in Minnesota, and in 1970 after

earning his Bachelor's degree Hennessey entered USF and received his law degree in 1973. Upon graduation from school, Hennessey has spent his entire professional career as an attorney and administrator with the San Francisco Sheriff's Department. In fact he has more experience in the Sheriff's Department than all the other candidates combined. Hennessey attacks the incumbent for what he calls "loose and unprofessional management of our jails" which Hennessey claims has resulted in frequent escapes, dangerous warehousing of prisoners, and multi-million dollar lawsuits.



Mike Hennessey - candidate for Sheriff - addresses the Tavern Guild at their October meeting. (Photo by Rink)

Although Brown has the endorsement of most of the Democratic officeholders in the city, a number of them have expressed privately that the Sheriff is in over his head. Some even wish he wasn't the candidate they are obligated to support. One of Brown's brochures shows a photo of popular Assemblyman Willie Brown with all Willie seemingly able to come up with is that "Gene Brown is a good guy." One Hennessey supporter laughs at this saying, "I agree Gene Brown is a nice guy, but he's one hell of a lousy Sheriff."

Like other liberal aspirants, Hennessey needs funds; Brown and Raab both seem to have enough money, but lack the enthusiastic volunteers that have taken over the Hennessey campaign. The Hennessey

campaign reminds me of the first Hongisto for Sheriff campaign when no one gave the underdog Hongisto a chance of defeating the incumbent Matthew Carberry. Hongisto won and became the best Sheriff in San Francisco history. Mike Hennessey has that same quality and could be the guy to continue the Hongisto reform policies in the Department; something that the incumbent Sheriff Gene Brown has failed miserably at. I agree with Dick Hongisto - Mike Hennessey is our best bet for Sheriff this year.

Wayne Friday

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## May 21 Defendants

### DA Candidates Challenge Latest Freitas Miscarriage Of Justice

CAROL RUTH SILVER CALLS FOR SPECIAL PROSECUTOR FOR "WHITE NIGHT" DEFENDENTS

Carol Ruth Silver last week urged the appointment of a special prosecutor by the Attorney General's office to evaluate the prosecution of the "White Night" defendants.

The 29 defendants are being prosecuted by the District Attorney's office over objections that the District Attorney was politically embarrassed by the demonstrations against his failure to prosecute in the Dan White case and is therefore attempting to use these prosecutions to draw attention away from the original verdict.

Silver said she was calling for a special prosecutor because, "the judicial process would be cleansed of the taint of conflict of interest and political chicanery. This is a classic example of an appropriate case for the use of special prosecutors."

Silver has included the use of special prosecutors as part of her District Attorney's campaign platform. She thinks they can be effectively used on various types of cases that come before the District Attorney's office, but says their use is imperative in cases where potential conflict of interest exists or where a sensitive political prosecution is at stake.



District Attorney candidate Carol Ruth Silver walks the ramp at the 1979 Beaux Arts Ball. She was escorted by B.A.R. publisher Bob Ross. (Savage Photography)

On Election Day you will elect your new Police Chief (appointed by the new Mayor).

The new Mayor will either continue the progressive policies of Chief Gain or sadly turn back the clock.

Who do you trust to appoint your new Police Chief for the 1980's?



**DAVID SCOTT MAYOR**



## BART LEE CALLS FOR AMNESTY

At the same time Libertarian District Attorney candidate Bart Lee called for amnesty for the 29 people Lee made his announcement at a demonstration in front of City Hall in support of the defendants. A hearing scheduled for that morning on a motion to refused to disqualify District Attorney Joseph Freitas from prosecuting the case.

Lee stated that Freitas is attempting to "railroad the May 21 defendants quickly through the judicial process in hopes of getting convictions by election day. He is making a mockery of justice just to provide a 'law and order' cover for his bungling of the Dan White prosecution." Lee promised that if he is elected, he will drop all charges against the defendants.

"Both this case and the Dan White case indicate the warped priorities of the D.A.'s office," said Lee. "Many of the defendants face longer prison sentences than White himself. And while I don't advocate violence as a strategy against injustice, the protest of May 21st was an understandable response to the D.A.'s refusal to go after Dan White with the same zeal with which he's now going after the May 21

defendants."

Lee went to point out that "most of the violence committed on May 21 was police terror directed against innocent bystanders. For Freitas to prosecute people for protesting his policies amounts to nothing less than a political witchhunt."



Libertarian candidate for District Attorney Bart Lee will attend his victory party November 6.

## Libertarians Plan Victory Party

A victory party for Proposition Q, the Vice Squad Abolition Initiative, and Bart Lee, Libertarian candidate for District Attorney on Election Night, Tuesday, November 6, will be held beginning at

7:30PM until 2:00AM at the Patio Cafe, 531 Castro Street (between 18th & 19th Streets), in the back. Admission is \$5 and includes beer, wine, soft drinks, and hors d'oeuvres. For more information call 397-1336.

## Scott Uncovers SFPD Metergate

David Scott announced today that he is filing a formal complaint with the FEPC (Fair Election Practices Commission) in Sacramento over the use of public funds to promote political campaigns.

Last week as many as 1100 letters promoting Mayor Dianne Feinstein and other police-favored candidates were mailed out by the San Francisco Police Department at taxpayers' expense.

Residents of the Tenderloin received the campaign material in envelopes stamped "Chief of Police" and "Central Station" with postage that has been traced to a police department meter.

Inside was a letter from the North of Market Managers Guild, an organization of Tenderloin hotel and apartment house managers.

There exists a police department service which permits use of its postage meter for organizations which promote the SAFE programs (a neighborhood safety program).

"What makes this even more mysterious," Scott told B.A.R.,

"is that this particular organization that used the meter had previously been disqualified from the free 15-cents stamps."

## Britt Introduces Disabled Rights Law

Supervisor Harry Britt introduced an important Disabled Rights Law before the Board of Supervisors on Monday, Oct. 15. It extends to the disabled the right to full employment and full services from all employers or governmental offices which receive money from the city. It demands that there be no discrimination from these city-funded organizations or programs on the basis of disability. The law will be sent to Governmental Services Committee for hearing in the near future before it is voted on by the full board.

## Britt Moves to Restore Open Space Funds

Supervisor Harry Britt introduced a resolution before the Board of Supervisors to rescind the Mayor's Emergency Proclamation which effectively cut off funding for San Francisco's Open Space Program. Prop. J tax monies were mandated by a city vote to be used only for the acquisition, development and rehabilitation of city parks. On May 21, these monies were transferred to provide funding for city pay raises improperly deferred in the wake of the passage of Proposition 13 in June of 1978.

Supervisor Britt, working closely with the broad-based citizens' group, Committee to Protect San Francisco Parks, is insistent that Proposition 13 not be used as an excuse to arbitrarily stop this important environmental program.

## May 21st Civil Rights Violations

During the last three months the F.B.I. has been investigating the conduct of the police on May 21st. Some 12 persons have come forward who were assaulted by police. Due to the fact that police were wearing riot gear that night, it is very difficult to identify the officers who were involved. Many more people were either assaulted or close enough to the assaults to have relevant information. Without that information the officers who were involved will go free to do the same thing again.

Here is an opportunity where the system is working for us, but we must help. If you have any information please call Rick Stokes, (415) 863-2312. Thank you.

## INTERVIEW: Terence Hallinan Candidate, District 5

WHERE SHOULD A NICE GUY FINISH?

by Ray P. Comeau

Terence Hallinan was the only one of four District 5 supervisorial candidates to be extensively hissed and heckled at a recent candidates night "call-back" for the Grass Roots Alliance in the Haight. The reason? His insistence that Harry Britt should be held solely responsible for the violence and damage of the May 21st Dan White verdict aftermath. (At as much distance as possible but otherwise directly next to Hallinan sat a very nervous Harry Britt.)

Hallinan wasn't the only one picking on Harry that evening, nor the only one heckled (Harry was too), but this was the only strong negative response given widespread vocal audience emphasis. "What about Freitas? What about Feinstein? What about the jury?" cat-called various audience members. Mr. Hallinan firmly stood his ground, rugged jaw tightly set against the onslaught. It is, after all, the bedrock of Terence Hallinan's current campaign to unseat Britt — that faulty accusation and his "United We Stand" appeal which many feel is directly too primarily and all too clearly at the "united" nuclear (read: "straight") family. Hallinan counters this, pointing to his awareness of the fact that many of the families in his neighborhood (the upper Haight) are single women with children. He is also kind enough to allow as though Gays living together might be described as "families" as well.

Hallinan is 42, a native San Franciscan, graduate of U.C.-Berkeley and Hastings School of Law. His lawyer father, Vincent, once ran for President (1952, Independent-Progressive Party). His mother has been "long active in peace circles." Terence himself has supported civil rights causes since 1955. He marched with members of SNCC in Clarksdale, Mississippi, in 1963 and was "rescued by Bobby Kennedy." He and his wife, Penelope, married in 1970, have two children, a 10-year old girl and a 5-year old boy.

Hallinan shares office space in a saved Victorian on Eddy Street just off Van Ness (and close to City Hall). The house sits inscrutably between a parking garage and a cleared lot. On the walls of his first floor front room office are various memorabilia: photos of himself with various political celebrities such as Angela Davis; a copy of his admission to the Bar which was originally denied him due to his civil rights advocacy; a photo of his profile with blood streaming down his face — the result of a billy-club attack by a City cop during the S.F. State demonstrations (hanging on a coat rack across the room is the actual weapon itself); as well as a copy of the check he got when his litigation against the City resulting from this incident was found in his favor.

Nicknamed "Kayo" for his brief stint as a boxer, Hallinan is a sturdy, energetic, blond-grey curly-headed Irishman as likable and rigid as they come. Frameless eyeglasses somewhat subdue his otherwise almost overwhelming good-old-boy bearing.

Still firmly dedicated to the cause of ending discrimination

of all kinds for all people, Hallinan's first venture into politics was in 1977 when he came in a close second to Harvey Milk in the District 5 election. This time around, perhaps in an effort to compensate for his lack of participation on the political front since (he's been busy with the PTA) as well as to garner support from strict straight voters of the law-and-order mentality (i.e., those opposed to "Gay violence"), he is throwing much too much of the weight of his campaign rhetoric onto the aforementioned hindsight evaluations of the May 21st episode and how it could have been handled differently. As analogy, he uses a time in the early 70's when part of a crowd of demonstrators protesting the Cambodian "incursion" — "some ten to fifteen thousand angry people" — were confronted by riot-gear police after entering City Hall. Hallinan was one of those who joined hands around the demonstrators and "walked" them

out of the building. In Hallinan's opinion, Britt's remarks to the media and his lack of attention to trying to organize a peaceful protest by seeing to it that platforms were erected, public address system available and in working order, etc., were the reasons why the violence took place. If Hallinan is to be believed, a more responsible public official (such as himself, we are to presume, were he in office at the time) would have handled it much better. In macho-jargon, I believe, it's known as "Monday morning quarterbacking." Was Terence there himself, at City Hall on the evening of May 21st? No, he said. He'd thought about it but decided not to go.

"Everyone in the district will like me," states Terence Hallinan. Sure. He's a nice enough guy, a bit brusque, but of good Irish-Catholic stock, native-born to San Francisco, straight as the proverbial arrow but



"Everyone in the district will like me," states Terence Hallinan.

- Thanks for promising to appoint a gay to the Police Commission.
- Thanks for debating Briggs on state-wide television.
- Thanks for writing the city's first ordinance against sex discrimination.

# The best way to thank Mayor Feinstein is to vote for her.

The Mayor has been with us. In public. Since 1969.

From introducing the first City ordinance prohibiting discrimination on the basis of sex or sexual orientation to her recent decision to appoint a gay to the Police Commission, Dianne Feinstein has been the most effective continuing voice the gay community has had in City government.

It was the Mayor who wrote the Board of Supervisors' resolution in support of the California Consenting Adults Act. It was the Mayor who spoke out for the formation of the Gay Rights Caucus at the 1976 Democratic Convention. It was the Mayor who took on John Briggs last year in a state-wide television debate.

Don't throw your vote away. The day when the gay community needed to announce its presence and importance by protest votes is past. We are a recognized, viable part of the City.

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nonetheless — and, I feel, sincerely — concerned about the rights of all minorities, has a successful law practice and the resultant funds to back up a strong campaign. He has also had Idaree Westbrook, local Black activist leader and firm supporter of the nuclear family, working prominently on his campaign committee. After all those nasty little discriminatory snipes she made in the *Chronicle's* front-page garbage about "Gay speculation" in the Western Addition, Mrs. Westbrook took herself a back seat on the Hallinan bandwagon. He claims she claims she's not anti-Gay. Sure. We know. And the Pope's not Catholic.

Also working on the Hallinan campaign is Scott Beach, whose mellifluous tones grace the local radio airwaves and whose supple presence in City theater has etched for him a special place in the hearts of some. That's right, the very same Scott Beach who finally "came out" following Harvey Milk's death (Hallinan says he'd known Beach was Gay for five years) — just in time, coincidentally, for Mayor Feinstein's drawn-out deliberations as to the proper replacement for Harvey (right again, the very seat Harry Britt now occupies). Two and two time, folks.

All funning aside (ha ha), Hallinan does have some good people working for him and some good ideas to put forth on the issues and a good background in human rights activism. For those reasons, he is considered Britt's closest competition in the District 5 race. But with better qualified people like Howard Wallace and Kay Pachner, not to mention several other, who are running on other than false issues, it's important that we wonder why. Is it a fact these days that money still buys political office?

Still, Terence Hallinan is a NICE guy, no two ways about it. Dan White, another Irish-Catholic concerned about minority rights, was also a NICE guy — until he got himself elected. Bob Barry, too, another Irish-Catholic heterosexual public servant, seemed like a real NICE guy — until POA power went to his head like a shot. Well, we'll let the list stop there. You get the picture. If you don't, the picture is: If you're Gay, voting for Hallinan — or any other straight male candidate running against a qualified Gay candidate — may be hazardous to your health. (Please note emphasis.) I have nothing personal against Terence Hallinan — after all, he's a real NICE guy — he even took me out to lunch — and some of my best friends are heterosexuals and all — but we all remember the saying, don't we? NICE guys finish...

Why not?

Ray P. Comeau

### Jane Fonda Endorses Britt

Jane Fonda and Tom Hayden October 24 endorsed Supervisor Harry Britt for next Tuesday's election.

In town as part of their nationwide tour, Fonda and Hayden said that the people who care about housing, nuclear power and consumer issues have three important contests on the ballot in San Francisco — Harry Britt, Gordon Lau, and Proposition R.



Activist/screen star Jane Fonda joins District 5 Supervisor Harry Britt in his bid for re-election. (Savage Photography)

### Californians May Take Time Off From Work to Vote

State Director of Industrial Relations Donald Vial reminded public and private employers that working people in California who do not have sufficient time outside working hours may take off enough working time to be able to vote in statewide elections, under state law, without loss of pay.

Vial said the State Election Code (Sections 14350, 14351, and 14352) allows California workers up to two hours off from work without penalty in order to vote on November 6.

for voting and the least time off from the regular working shift, unless otherwise mutually agreed."

To qualify for time off, "the employee shall give the employer at least two working days' notice that time off for voting is desired. . . ."

Employers are required to post provisions of the law regarding time off for voting at least 10 days prior to the election day.

Employees of state and local government have been allowed time off to vote since January 1, 1976, without loss of pay.

### National Taxpayers Union Endorses Proposition Q

The National Taxpayers Union has announced that it is supporting Proposition Q, the initiative to abolish San Francisco's Vice Squad on the November ballot. The Legislative Policy Committee of N.T.U. announced that it had voted to support the measure because it saves the city \$5 million per year.

National Taxpayers Union national field coordinator Jule Herbert said that Prop. Q "is an important step toward cutting excess government spending in line with implementing Proposition 13. With San Francisco facing a projected budget deficit of over \$100 million next year, drastic measures are called for."

Herbert added that "government on national, state, and local levels are going to have to cut back government spending to reduce taxes and inflation. This is an area that police departments around the country can look at eliminating to slash their budgets. Vice squads in every city only en-

force crimes in which there are no real victims. The limited police budgets should go entirely toward fighting violent crime."

The National Taxpayers Union is the largest taxpayer lobby in the country. They are the primary sponsors of the proposed amendment to the U.S. Constitution to balance the federal budget. The amendment has currently passed in 30 states, requiring four more to call a Constitutional Convention on the issue.

Proposition Q now has the support of Board of Supervisors President John Molinari, Community College Board President Lillian Sing, School Board members Rosario Anaya, Ben Tom, and Bill Maher, mayoral candidate David Scott, District Attorney candidate Bart Lee, the Democratic County Central Committee, the San Francisco Barristers Club, the Chinese American Democratic Club, and the Libertarian Party.

## Politics & Poker...

District 7 Supervisorial candidate Victor Medearis stirred up all kinds of Hell when he referred to Hispanics as "lazy Caucasians" . . . the race in District 7 expected to end up in a run-off between the incumbent Bob Gonzales and Enola Maxwell, incidentally . . . the "token Gay" in the Hallinan camp losing even more friends for the wealthy lawyer/candidate by screaming at everyone who dares even challenge his candidate . . . Margo St. James switched her support from Dianne Feinstein to David Scott for Mayor . . . the voter handbook revealing some interesting endorsements: Duke Smith for Joe Freitas; entertainer Sharon McNight for Howard Wallace; Dennis Peron for Mayoral candidate Jello Biafra; Del Dawson for Kevin Wadsworth; Idaree Westbrook for Terence Hallinan and for Eugene Brown; John Barbagelata for Arlo Smith. . . .

Police Chief Charles Gain got the wildest reception of all the dignitaries when introduced with his wife at Saturday night's Beaux Arts Ball (Gain really brought the house down when he predicted that "someday San Francisco will have a Gay Mayor as well as a Gay Police Chief") . . . Feinstein received mixed reaction; Kopp was booed; and Scott was warmly received. . . .

### MY CHOICES:

#### MAYOR: David Scott

Scott is right; there is little difference between Tweedle Dee and Tweedle Dum.

#### DISTRICT ATTORNEY: Carol Ruth Silver

Anyone is better than the bumbling incumbent, but Silver is the best of the lot. A good friend who is there when we need her.

#### SHERIFF: Mike Hennessey

As the Editor of this paper said last week, the incumbent is "stupid and an embarrassment." Willie Brown calls Gene Brown "a good guy" — might be a "good guy," Willie, but Gene Brown is a lousy, inept Sheriff and should be replaced. The worst appointment George Moscone ever made.

#### SUPERVISOR:

##### District 5: Harry Britt

Regardless of what the others in the race say, Britt is carrying on the policies of Harvey Milk and deserves a full term. The others are not in his league; vote for Harry Britt.

##### District 1: Gordon Lau

A good friend of the Gay community and one who is also there when needed. There should be no question on this race — Gordon Lau.

##### District 3: Jack Molinari

Even though he is running unopposed, Molinari deserves a big vote. I hope he is Mayor someday.

##### District 7:

This one takes a little thought — very little thought. None of them amount to very much, but the incumbent Bob Gonzales will no doubt win.

##### District 9:

Dolson made some stupid remarks — really stupid remarks after the Dan White verdict, but he usually votes right and Nancy Walker speaks

to the Harvey Milk Gay Demo Club telling us how important that all minorities be on the Board of Supes, but deliberately voted to deny the only Gay person on that Board the endorsement of the Demo Party so she can't be trusted. Walker talks out of both sides of her mouth, and Dolson doesn't know when to keep his shut — so take your pick.

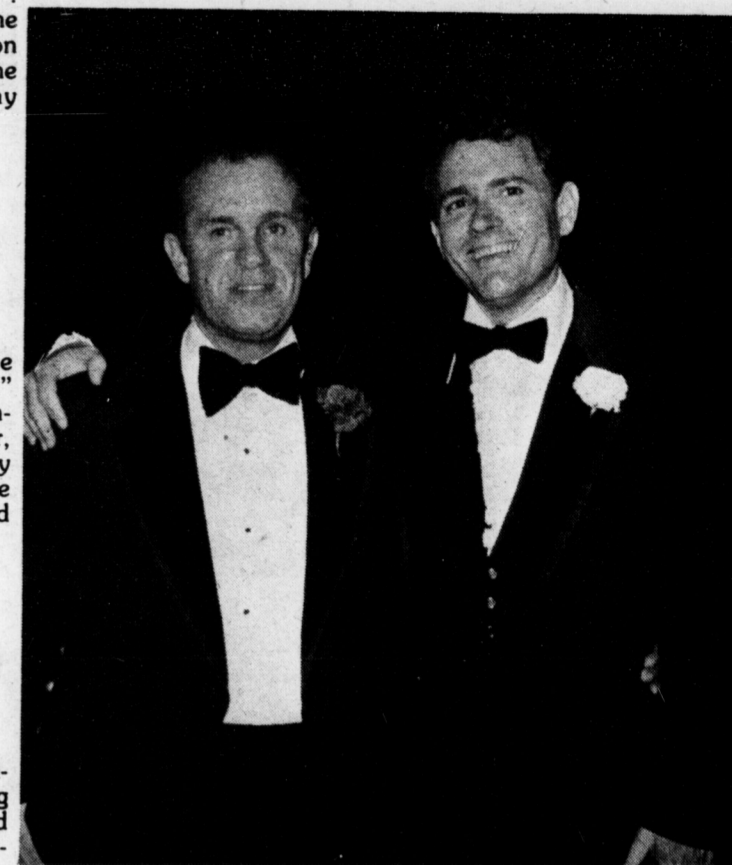
#### Wayne Friday

### Dennis Peron Special

Dennis Peron presents The Seventh "Day on the Grass," Sunday, November 4, noon-sundown, at the Civic Center, featuring entertainment by Stoneground, Camille O'Grady, special guests and speakers. Free!

### Radical Women To Meet

On Thursday, Nov. 8, Radical Women will meet, featuring a report on the National Third World Lesbian/Gay Conference and March on Washington by RW members who participated. The meeting begins at 7:30PM at 2661 21st St., between Bryant and Potrero. For information or childcare, call 824-1497 in advance.



Tavern Guild President/B.A.R. Political Editor Wayne Friday welcomed Supervisor Harry Britt to the Beaux Arts Ball. Britt made a touching speech in honor of MC Michelle's 25 years on stage and presented the perennial celebrity with a plaque from the Board of Supervisors. Britt is expected to hold his seat in District 5 despite the siege of 11 challengers. (Savage Photography)

The life you save, if attacked, may be your own — blow your whistle!

Unless every one of us participates in the legacy of Harvey Milk, it will fail. What is that legacy? Joy and sadness, memories of battles lost and won, and commitments to a continual striving for harmony between people of different lifestyles, cultures, races, political persuasions. We will not fail.

*Carol Ruth Silver*  
Supervisor Carol Ruth Silver  
Candidate for District Attorney

## SUPERVISOR LEE DOLSON

is working with all residents of DISTRICT 9

for a better San Francisco.

Supervisor Dolson opposed the Briggs Initiative, and actively campaigned against it.

Supervisor Dolson has ALWAYS voted in support of human rights.

Committee to Re-Elect Lee S. Dolson, 1425 Ocean Avenue, San Francisco

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## Gay Rap Moves to Castro

San Francisco Gay Rap has moved to 150 Eureka St. (btwn. 18th & 19th Streets) at the Metropolitan Community Church building. Meetings are every Tuesday night at 7:30pm. There will be a variety of groups and events as well as an opportunity to meet other Gay people in a friendly and relaxed atmosphere.

The meeting dates for the rest of the year are November 6, 13, 20 and 27 and December 4, 11 and 18. Gay Rap will not be meeting on October 30 or December 25.

## 1979 ELECTION ENDORSEMENTS of the HARVEY MILK GAY DEMOCRATIC CLUB

dedicated to carrying on the work of Harvey Milk, our co-founder

Mayor  
**DAVID SCOTT**  
District Attorney  
**CAROL RUTH SILVER**  
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**MICHAEL HENNESSEY**

Supervisors  
District 5  
**HARRY BRITT**  
District 1  
**GORDON LAU**  
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District 9  
**NANCY WALKER**  
District 11  
**ERIC MONCUR**

Propositions  
A (Binding Arbitration) R (Affordable Housing)  
**YES YES**  
O (Highrise Limitation) 1 (Anti-busing)  
**YES NO**  
P (Corporate Tax) 4 (Gann)  
**YES NO**  
Q (Abolish Vice Squad)  
**YES**

"I can be killed with ease, but I cannot be silenced. I am too many. I am all of us."  
—Harvey Milk

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Supervisor 9

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## Silver Sponsors Anti-Housing Discrimination Resolution

At the request of Supervisor Carol Ruth Silver the Board of Supervisors unanimously approved a resolution requesting the City Attorney to "review allegations of housing discrimination raised in recent San Francisco newspaper articles, and promptly report his findings in writing to the Board."

Silver's resolution, introduced at the Board's regularly scheduled Monday meeting this week, also calls for the City Attorney to draft additional housing discrimination legislation if appropriate.

## GAY JAIL PERSONNEL GO WITH HENNESSEY

Thirteen Gay men and women — all employees involved in the San Francisco County Jail system — have pledged themselves to candidate Mike Hennessey in his bid to unseat the trouble-prone Gene Brown. The 13 issued a public letter of their support the first week in September.

The 13 are made up of health workers, researchers, deputy sheriffs, prisoner counselors, community activists and administrators. Their major contention is that "jails are oppressive — doubly oppressive for Lesbians and Gay men. Harassment, sexual assaults, and numerous forms of discrimination are daily occurrences."

Their statement continues, "Because of our concern with these conditions, we have chosen to support the best person for Sheriff, Mike Hennessey. We believe he understands and can change the existing inadequate state of the jails."



The B.A.R. serves the Gay community of the Bay Area. From Santa Cruz to Guerneville. From San Jose to Sacramento.

"Finding decent housing in San Francisco has reached crisis proportions," Silver said, "and we cannot and we will not stand by and let landlords and realtors further complicate the search for housing by refusing to rent or to sell housing because someone is Black, Jewish, Asian, Gay, or has small children."

San Francisco has an anti-housing discrimination law, passed by the voters in 1975, which makes it illegal to refuse to rent to families with children.

## Silver Responds to Violence

Violence against San Francisco citizens — murders, muggings, and rape — have been increasing at an alarming rate. Statistics for September show rape up 63.2% compared to the same month last year.

This kind of violence has reached crisis proportions. Silver is, therefore, calling for the relevant law enforcement agencies, community organizations, and government departments to come together to confront this situation at an emergency meeting to be held at City Hall on November 8, at 4:00PM, in room 254.

Silver has asked the following agencies and organizations to participate:

San Francisco Police Department, Mayor's Office, Golden Gate National Recreation Area, San Francisco Women Against Rape, Municipal Railway, SAFE Program, Senior Escort Service, District Attorney's Office, Commission on the Status of Women, Recreation and Park Department.

The letter is signed by Louise Minarit, Diane Christensen, Ellen M. Barry, Connie O'Connor, Nancy Rubin, Joe Lucinski, Evan Zapata, Lon Valla, Kate Klein, Frank Fitch, Pam Rainhard, Jim Moore, and Loretta Whitehead.



Howard Wallace, candidate for Supervisor in District 5 who attended the March on Washington and whose address was quoted in the "New York Times," has strong labor support and has run a creditable campaign.

## 'Bay Guardian' Endorses Harry Britt

The Bay Guardian, according to research surveys the most significant endorsement in District 5, has come out strongly in support of Supervisor Harry Britt. Citing Britt's "tireless" work to preserve the "political legacy" of his "friend" Harvey Milk, the Guardian pointed out that "Britt has compiled a progressive record unsurpassed by any other incumbent." Britt's "faultless record," according to the Guardian includes strong stands for renters, Gay rights, mental health funds, and for such national

issues as opposition to nuclear power, support of the Farm Workers, and women's rights.

Bill Kraus, Supervisor Britt's campaign manager, said, "The Guardian endorsement is the one we are really proud of. The Guardian, more than any other source, speaks for the kind of politics District 5 represents. It points out that what is unique about Harry is that he can give District 5 progressive representation while still representing Lesbians and Gays."

## Gay Happenings for Silver

Ron Ross will be presenting a second benefit auction for D.A. candidate Carol Ruth Silver.

The first was held at the Hang Out (the old Endup at 6th & Harrison) Tuesday, Oct. 30. Ross served as MC and was joined by a host of guest auctioneers.

The second auction is scheduled at the Red Eye Saloon on Jones Monday, Nov. 5, at 8PM.

Ross told B.A.R. that donations will still be gladly accepted.

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Garage sales are also being held Saturdays and Sundays at 4545 18th St. for Silver. The sales will be running weekends through November 4.

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## GAY BARS TOUR

Silver recently took a tour of several San Francisco Gay bars including the Brig, Ambush, Watering Hole and the Ramrod.

Well known for her outspoken support of Gay issues, Silver was greeted with loud applause at each bar she visited.

In her campaign, she has repeatedly denounced the incumbent's handling of the Dan White case and has promised when elected to channel resources in the District Attorney's office away from non-victim crimes to instead focus on violent crimes.

In addition, Silver has called for the District Attorney to remove himself from prosecuting the "White Night" defendants and to have the Attorney General's office appoint a special prosecutor to try the case.

On Saturday, Oct. 13, the candidate was escorted on a two-hour walk along Polk Street. The walk was hosted by Royal Magos, vice-president of the Polk Street Merchants Association. Steve Cornell, owner of Brownie's Hardware and president of the Merchants Association joined the pair in their non-official stroll along the street.

On Thursday night, Oct. 25, Carol Ruth toured the Polk Street bars. That tour was launched with a champagne reception at the N'Touch. Owner Paul Bentley, Dixon (Polk St. Sally) and Wayne Friday hosted this event.

Columnists from East Bay, Marin, Sonoma, Sacramento — Contact Paul Lorch, Mgr. Editor, B.A.R. HO

## KTSF-TV Channel 26 FRIDAY, NOV. 2

1:00 - 1:30 AM

GAY NEWS & VIEWS — MATTHEWS. Topic: Homosexuals in Politics. Guests include Publisher Charles Lee Morris (Sentinel), Editor Paul Lorch (Bay Area Reporter) and San Francisco mayoral candidate David Scott.

Gay newspapers come and go. San Francisco's B.A.R. is still here serving the Gay community.

## Britt Wins 19 Organizational Endorsements

Incumbent Harry Britt has been endorsed by a wide variety of organizations to date in the race for Supervisor in District Five. With a voting record at the Board of Supervisors reflecting a concern for the needs and rights of women and children, disabled, deaf, labor, renters and Gays, the following groups have voted to support his candidacy:

Action For Accountable Government (AAG)  
Alice B. Toklas Memorial Democratic Club  
Campaign For Economic Democracy (CED)  
Chinese American Democratic Club (CADC)  
Civil Service Association — Local 400 — SEIU  
Democratic Socialist Organizing Committee (DSOC)  
Disabled Democratic Club  
Firefighters San Francisco Local 798  
Harvey Milk Gay Democratic Club  
Mexican-American Political Association (MAPA)  
Rainbow Deaf Society  
San Francisco Democratic Club  
San Francisco Federated Young Democrats  
SEIU — Local 250 — Hospital Workers  
SEIU — Local 66A — Janitors  
Stonewall Democratic Club  
TWU Local 250A — Transport Workers  
United Autoworkers — California Council  
San Francisco Renter's Alliance  
San Francisco County Council of Democratic Clubs  
Japanese-American Democratic Club  
El Bohemio



Enola Maxwell — candidate in District 7. (Photo by John Gieske)

# District Attorney CANDIDATES QUIZ

1. As of 9/24/79 in the officially filed reports

Joe Freitas had collected \$131,544.25

Arlo Smith had collected \$50,515.75

Carol Ruth Silver had collected \$26,404.62

2. Which Candidate do you want for District Attorney?

A. Freitas   
B. Silver   
C. Smith

3. What can you do?

b. Next week is too late  
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- **Proposition Q, the Vice Squad Abolition Initiative (He is the co-author.)**
- **Total non-enforcement of all victimless crime laws**

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## GAY VOTE DECISIVE

### Kopp & Feinstein in Run-Off: Scott Makes Strong Showing

by Wayne Friday

San Francisco voters braced themselves for a bitter hard fight before the December 11 run-off election; Supervisor Quentin Kopp came within 4,000 votes of besting the incumbent Mayor Dianne Feinstein in Tuesday's election. Pre-election polls that had the Mayor running as much as 11 percentage points ahead of Kopp proved wrong and some political forecasters claim that Supervisor Kopp will be considered the favorite by the time of the December run-off.

Kopp, a tireless campaigner, polled 40% of the vote against Feinstein's 42% and an impressive 10% by David Scott. The actual vote count showed Feinstein with 81,115 votes; Kopp with 77,784 and Scott with 18,506. Kopp called his strong showing on Tuesday as "just the beginning to make San Francisco the finest and most livable city in the whole world." Kopp said the coming run-off campaign will find him talking about "a government that runs, that works for people."

campaign was based on what Kopp said was Feinstein's "inability to make decisions," and he often referred to the incumbent as a "weak appointed" Mayor who was unable to take strong leadership. Feinstein appeared before her supporters at the Holiday Inn and appeared shaken by the closeness of the results. The Mayor told her supporters that "we are going into the streets to show that the Quentin Kopp of the last six weeks is not the Quentin Kopp of the last eight years." Feinstein noted that a large chunk of the mayoral vote went to David Scott, the upstart Gay candidate and to lesser known candidates such as punk rock singer Jello Biafra. The Mayor pledged to fight for those votes in the December run-off. Calling the Gay vote "a significant bloc," Feinstein said she was "going to appeal to them."

After a television interview at City Hall late Tuesday night, Kopp also indicated to me that he would be out there seeking votes in the powerful Gay community.

Much of Quentin Kopp's

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May 21 — a Gay being beaten by police. "Dan White verdict was not the cause of the May 21 riots..." — SRI Report

"The Dan White trial verdict did not cause the May 1979 San Francisco Riot..." the report states, claiming that it was merely the precipitating event. The cause, SRI says, was the increased apprehension in the Gay community following the deaths of Mayor George Moscone and Super-

visor Harvey Milk that an "open season on gays" had occurred, and that some S.F. police thought of Dan White as a hero rather than a criminal. These apprehensions were reinforced, the report added, by the events at Peg's Place as well as incidents at Amella's and on Castro Street.

The report stated that "information before the riot clearly indicated the likelihood of a demonstration in the event of a manslaughter verdict, but the Department did not accurately assess the intensity of anger in the community over such a

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Feinstein at the Beaux Arts Ball — she enters the run-off with growing liabilities. Feinstein received NO organized Gay support in her bid for Mayor. Challenger Quentin Kopp's strength grows daily.

### 'Sentinel' Staff Strike

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The nine included Editor Lydia Shectman, Political Editor Duke Smith, Advertising Manager Bob Coglianese and Political Writer Bruce Pettit. They were joined by other production, layout and office staff.

Entertainment Editor Cobbett Steinberg was also reported to have left. The staff walked out just as the paper was going into production for its sizable election issue.

Publisher Morris quickly brought in friends and associates to lay out the paper. It appeared Friday afternoon minus a news section and with a full front-page statement by publisher Morris asserting his

right to his own paper and editorial, fiscal, and planning control. Morris claimed that his subordinates had attempted to wrest control of the paper from him by delivering a set of impossible demands.

He took the position that his employees no longer had jobs and removed their names from the paper's masthead.

Since the walkout many stories have circulated as to the exact cause of the rupture (which of this writing looks irreparable) and it wasn't until this week that the employees'

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