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According to experts who treat substance abuse among gay men, we have had a major epidemic of substance abuse in our community for years—so much so that most of us have accepted substance abuse as a routine part of gay life. What was once routine, however, is now deadly.

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Remember:

- Sharing needles is dangerous. Don't share needles.
- Alcohol and drugs depress the immune system. Protect your health.
- Getting high can lead to Unsafe Sex and exposure (or re-exposure) to the AIDS virus.

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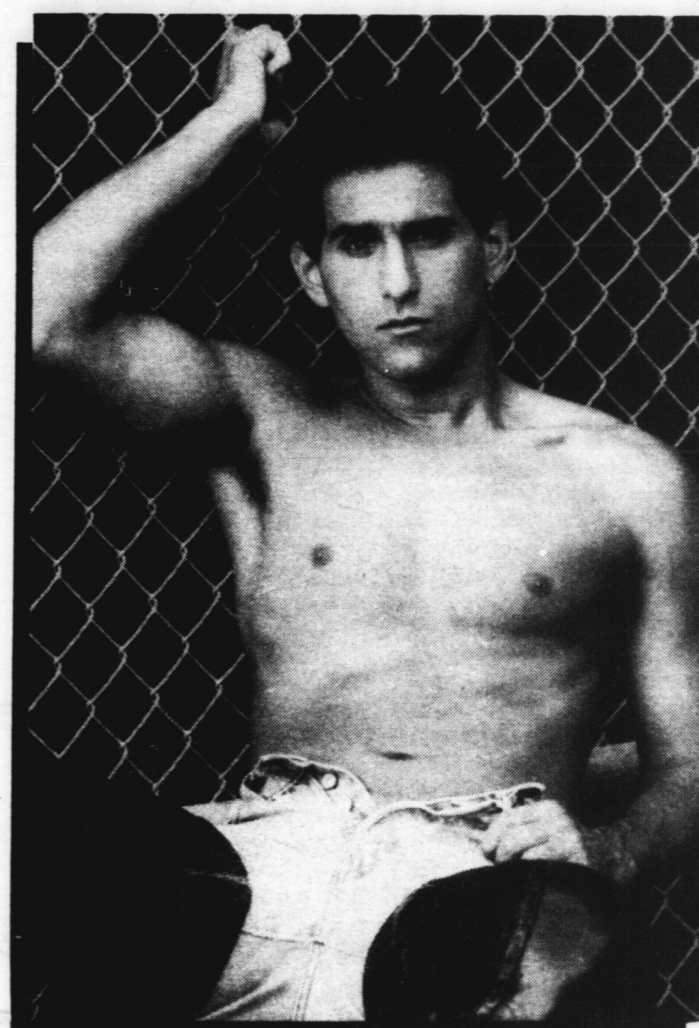
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The weather got hot, so hot Mark Ferrari decided to take a breather. (Photo: M. Hicks)

KQED License On the Line

Community Groups Contest License; FCC Hearings Set for May

by Charles Linebarger

Public Television station KQED now the object of a gay and lesbian boycott is also in the midst of defending its licenses before the Federal Communication Commission, *Bay Area Reporter* learned this week. Stephen Yelverton, a trial attorney with the federal agency told *B.A.R.* that KQED is currently fighting to prevent the possible revocation of three licenses for its radio and television outlets. Hearings before the FCC are scheduled for this May.

According to Yelverton, KQED has been accused of misrepresentation to the FCC by a Bay Area community coalition known as the California Public Broadcasting Forum. At issue is KQED's pulling its channel 32 (KQEC) off the air in the mid-'70s for financial reasons. The FCC warned KQED that it would revoke the station's KQEC license if channel 32 was not returned to the air. KQED then testified to the FCC that equipment problems were keeping channel 32 dark. It is this last

statement for which KQED is being accused of misrepresentation.

"We're litigating this now in Washington before an administrative law judge of the FCC," said Yelverton.

Asked what happens if KQED loses the case, Yelverton answered, "The FCC could revoke the licenses of all three stations, KQED (channel 9), KQEC (channel 32), and KQED-FM. Possibly only KQEC's license would be revoked. The more like-

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ly scenario is to lose one but it's possible to lose all three if the misrepresentation was egregious."

David Rice, a New York attorney representing the Bay Area coalition questioning KQED's license renewal, told *B.A.R.* that hearings on KQED are scheduled to begin in Washington on May 6. "I think we have a good case," said Rice. "We wouldn't be doing this if there wasn't something to it. The case stretches back at least a decade.

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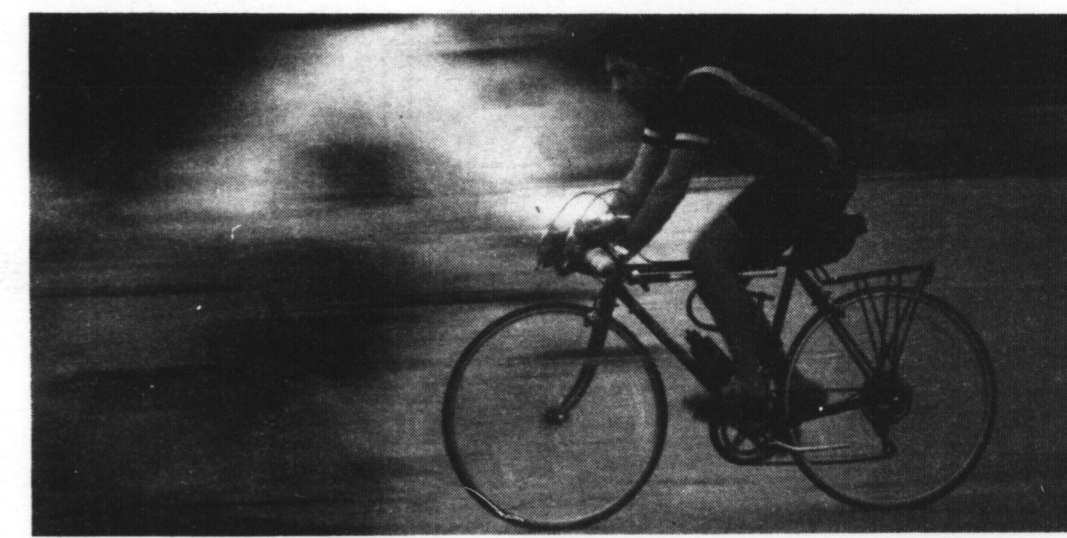
Sodomy Gets Its Day In Court

U.S. Supreme Court Hears Arguments In Gay Case from Georgia

by Ray O'Loughlin

The challenge to Georgia's state law that makes gay sex a felony went before the U.S. Supreme Court, Monday, Mar. 31. According to attorney Leonard Graff, director of the San Francisco-based National Gay Rights Advocates, the high court Justices appeared to accept the argument that Georgia's statute violates constitutionally protected rights to privacy.

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Racing against time to register for the Bike-a-Thon? Not really. Just practicing. But you can still register for the Bike-a-Thon. For more Bike-a-Thon news, turn to page 16. (Photo: S. O'Hara)

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Project Inform is coordinating renegade research into treatments for AIDS. Paul Reed explains, **page 3.**

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Falwell Cries Poverty, Hangs Up

Calls Eat Up \$1 Million, He Says; 'The Gays Would Bankrupt Us.'

by Ray O'Loughlin

Is it God's will? Or maybe the work of Satan himself? Rev. Jerry Falwell is crying poverty and destruction these days because those militant phone queens have been dialing his toll free number like crazy. So busy have the lines been that the reverend is hanging up the free spiritual counselling service as of April 5.

In a three-page, desperate sounding appeal to his loyal viewers, the television evangelist wrote, "Listen to the tragic losses we have sustained: Approximately one million 'profane and harassment' calls have been

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Jerry Falwell was smiling during the 1984 Democratic Convention in S.F., but now the Rev. is crying poverty, citing misuse of his telephone lines by bullying gay callers. (Photo: M. Hicks)

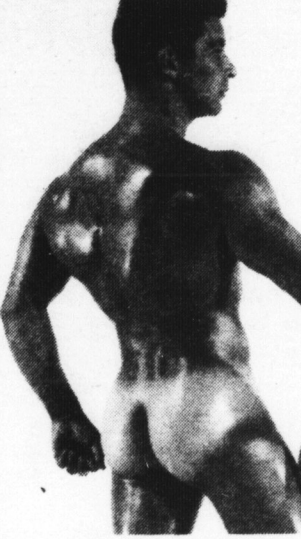
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The events which are now the focus of this case didn't appear until the middle of all this. Originally, we were concerned with community programming on KQED."

"It's shocking what a small amount of the money they bring in goes for programming," said Rice. "I don't know where the money goes. The people who are running public broadcasting today are having a wonderful time running businesses instead of being the service they were meant to be for communities who are not presently being served by television and radio."

At KQED, Nancy Fernandez, director of the station's legal services, said the station is fighting the revocation of one or all of its three licenses by offering community testimony. "Part of the evidence we will present are statements from community leaders about how they feel KQEC is representing the community."

But that part of KQED's evidence for the FCC may in fact be difficult to obtain. Larry Bush, legislative aide to California Assemblyman Art Agnos, told B.A.R. that Agnos' office received a letter from KQED asking for just such an endorsement last week. "They were told that Art Agnos would not be a witness on their behalf," said Bush.

The problem here is KQED's difficulties with the gay community. Bush said that the lack of gay and lesbian representation on the station's community advisory panel, the airing of Monitoradio by the *Christian Science Monitor*, and concern about the lack of gay programming on the station would be included in a letter to be sent to the station soon explaining Agnos' position.

At Congresswoman Barbara Boxer's office, aide Marke Cloutier said, "I can definitely say we're outraged by the *Frontline* program (AIDS: A National Inquiry) and we would seriously reconsider doing anything like that (testifying in support of KQED's license renewal). There is a perception here that they are not interested in doing public broadcasting."

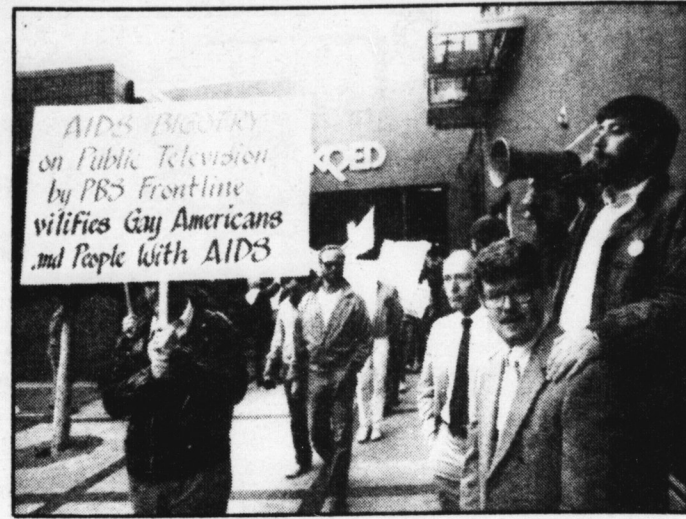
Dana van Gorder, Sup. Harry Britt's legislative aide, said that Britt might also be willing to testify against KQED's license renewal.

MINORITY TV

Waiting on the sidelines is another group which is actively seeking to supplant KQED at channel 32, the Minority Television Project. The Project is fighting against KQEC's license renewal on grounds of the lack of community-oriented programming on the station.

According to Otis McGee, a San Francisco attorney who is also president of the Project, "This started going on about two-and-a-half years ago. What started it was the recognition that KQEC was not really satisfying the needs of the community, particularly the minority community. We asked the FCC to focus on these concerns."

McGee said that he would be



Gay protesters at KQED (Photo: Rink)

talking to his board of directors later this week on the role gays and lesbians would have in programming should his group win control of channel 32.

Yelverton explained how gay people can participate in the process to decide what happens to KQEC. "We normally have witnesses from the community come in and testify, but because of budget cuts," said the FCC attorney, "we don't have the money to fly me and a judge to San Francisco. But people can file affidavits, sworn testimony that they are viewers of channel 32, which state the reasons they feel the station is not responding to the needs of the community. They can either contact me here at the FCC or Otis McGee, the competing applicant for the license."

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 California Public Broadcasting Forum

SCREWED US AROUND

"Right now we're trying to decide what kind of group should meet with KQED," said

C. Linebarger

Client Dies But Lawsuit Continues

Attorney Pursues AIDS Bias Suit Against Blue Cross For Family

by Gregory Douthwaite

A \$5-million lawsuit against Blue Cross for failure to pay the medical expenses of a man with AIDS will continue although the plaintiff has died, a gay rights attorney said this week.

Attorney Alice Philipson said it was the second time an AIDS patient with Blue Cross insurance troubles has died before she could take the case to court. "Every time it happens, it makes it harder to make Blue Cross pay," she said.

Funeral services for the plaintiff, San Francisco resident James Litzenger, 38, were held last week. But his family and bereaved lover are committed to going on with the lawsuit, Philipson said.

The lawsuit, filed in January, charges that Blue Cross acted in "bad faith" by failing to pay claims until the suit was filed, said Philipson, who works for

Roberto Esteves, president of the Alice B. Toklas Democratic Club. "The appearance is that nothing is happening, but in effect we're coalescing. There's going to be a draft document which will be going the rounds of the various groups seeking consensus soon," said Esteves.

"We're moving into the next phase," said Rick Pacurar of the Harvey Milk Democrats. "There are two basic things we're going to do. The upcoming board of directors meeting (at KQED) will be one focus, and the FCC hearings will be another," said Pacurar. "There is another group that is trying to get channel 32's license. If they are willing to offer us more than KQED is, then I would be willing to go strongly for taking 32 away from KQED."

Pacurar added, "They (KQED) should be extremely careful. The boycott is only the

beginning of things. I want them to know the seriousness of the way they've screwed us around. I certainly wouldn't hold back any punches now."

C. Linebarger

Inside Project Inform

Testing Treatments on the Front Lines of Illness

by Paul Reed

There is such a glut of facts—articles, opinions, "announcements," and books—about AIDS research and hopeful treatments that it's hard to find a way through it all. And for those who are specifically interested in treating their AIDS condition—be it HTLV antibody positive, ARC, or AIDS—it can be dizzying to sort through.

But there is more than one way to go about doing AIDS research and getting that information, and two San Francisco men have struck out on their own to prove it. Dissatisfied with current medical approaches to a treatment for AIDS, Joseph Brewer and Martin Delaney founded Project Inform to coordinate all research information available on the AIDS treatment involving isoprinosine and ribavirin—the two so-called "Mexican drugs" that have become the focus of so much attention in the past year. (see B.A.R. issues, 7, 8, 9).

According to Brewer, psychotherapist, traditional medical researchers have "defined the variables of AIDS research in such a way as to make finding effective treatment nearly impossible." What he means is that the usual research process is governed by certain conventions and protocols that are painstaking and time-consuming. Project Inform, on the other hand, is based on what they call a "clinical model." That means their approach is not a critique of medical science, but rather is a down-to-earth quantitative study of people actually using the drugs. Do the drugs help? What are the side effects? How do people feel? What do their doctors notice? What are the numbers?

What is so important about this approach? Delaney says, "It allows us to provide a balance by focusing on the well-being of patients themselves, rather than the conventional procedures of research. We want to know right out, by collecting the data from the participants and their doctors, does this medication help or not?"

The treatment under investigation here is a combined use of two drugs currently unavailable in the United States, isoprinosine and ribavirin.

Project Inform is a research program funded by the community and sponsored by the non-profit foundation D.A.I.R. (Documentation of AIDS Issues and Research). Project Inform is coordinated by Brewer, who has been involved with the AIDS Health Project and with the Psychosocial AIDS Project through UCSF.

The other coordinator is Martin Delaney, a Marin business consultant who has worked as a volunteer with the AIDS Health Project and the National Institute on Drug Abuse. He is also a co-author and editor of the *Gay Men's Health Workbook* (in preparation for publication). Their work as administrators of Project Inform is voluntary.

Why are they doing this? Brewer answers that they "recognized that a lot of data on the use of the two drugs against AIDS existed, but that it just wasn't being collected or analyzed systematically or made available to the public." Having lost too many friends, witnessing the alarming rise in cases, and hearing the medical establishment offer so little, Brewer and Delaney realized that someone had to do something, and they elected to study the phenomenon of isoprinosine and ribavirin themselves.

One of the key elements in their approach is their community involvement and commitment. "When medicine and traditional research have no accepted treatment to offer," Brewer explains, "it's up to us to take responsibility for helping ourselves and our community." They stop short of recommending using the drugs for treat-

ment of AIDS, but they will provide all the available information so that individuals can make their own well-informed decisions.

Delaney explains that there's something deeper going on with Project Inform than just research. "When you've got a crisis, the standard research routes are just not adequate, it doesn't move fast enough. And a lot of that is because the real front lines of clinical care are at the doctor's office, not at the lab."

What Project Inform does is gather data directly from doctors and patients, as well as researchers in the lab. They have established a nationwide, centralized data bank into which doctors and patients are providing (in complete confiden-

tiality) personal medical histories, clinical symptomatology, routine lab data, and patient data on improvement or decline in their conditions. For example, they work with a biostatistician, a medical researcher who consults with the FDA, and several doctors, most of whom prefer to remain unnamed at this point.

Project Inform will tabulate, analyze, and run statistical analyses of the data so they can make reliable statements about the drugs based on at least three to twelve months of use. They will also be able to report any negative findings, such as side effects. They have retained the traditional stance of neutrality about it all.

But they are enthusiastic about what they've seen so far. But Brewer adds a warning note.



Martin Delaney, left, and Joseph Brewer. (Photo: P. Reed)

"It is important always to remember that we're not talking about, or promising, a cure, or anything like it. There is no cure... there are few cures for any illness. The important idea is control of the disease. And sometimes, maybe too often, folks hold out for a cure when they could be doing something now to control their condition."

In the interest of acquiring as much data as possible, Project Inform would like to have anyone who is using the drugs or planning to use them become a volunteer and confidential participant of the study. As Brewer

puts it, "This is a ballsy kind of thing to do, to take control of your situation and not wait for them to do something for you."

Perhaps the real bottom line for Project Inform comes from Martin Delaney's comment that "We want to help people start healing."

If you want to volunteer as a Project Inform research subject, call Project Inform at 861-8064. Your call will be returned within 24 hours. Or write to Project Inform at 2336 Market Street, Suite 33, San Francisco, CA 94114.

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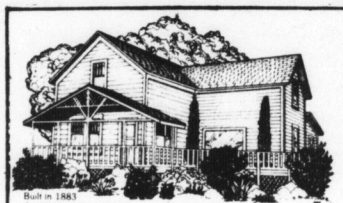
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Misdiagnosis Report Exaggerated, Says UC

Clinic Director Says Problem Not Widespread; Says Report Sensationalized

by Gregory Douthwaite

A report on people being misdiagnosed with AIDS was sensationalized by local daily newspapers, the director of the UCSF AIDS Clinic said this week.

"The problem is not really very widespread," said Dr. Harry Hollander, clinic director and co-author of the report. "I don't think it should have been on the front page."

The report, published in the *Western Journal of Medicine* this month, surveyed 80 patients who were referred to the AIDS Clinic by physicians, and noted that 8 of them did not have AIDS or AIDS-related conditions. The headline in the *Examiner* last week read, "10 percent of Bay AIDS Cases Misdiagnosed, UC Says".

The eight patients represent less than half a percent of AIDS cases in San Francisco alone. Many of the eight patients had not been definitively diagnosed, but were referred because of a suspicion of AIDS or to rule out AIDS.

The report on "Pseudo-AIDS," co-authored by Dawn Cortland, R.N., was written a year ago, Hollander said. The clinic is now seeing fewer cases of misdiagnosed patients, he

said.

One case noted in the report involved a 20-year-old man who was sent to the AIDS Clinic by a doctor in the family, who assumed he was gay because he lived with male companions. The man worked as a physical laborer in a winery and complained of fatigue and pain under his right arm.

At the clinic, the young man said he never had sex with other men and had not engaged in any other high-risk activities. The pain under his arm turned out to be from lifting heavy wine barrels and was cured with aspirin and hot compresses.

"Unnecessary concern about AIDS was prompted by the failure to inquire about risk factors," Hollander wrote. "While a frank sexual history was difficult here because of familial



Harry Hollander (Photo: Rink)

ties, assumptions like these can lead to stress."

The other seven cases in the report all involved gay men. Final diagnosis included tuberculosis, heart disease, anemia, hyperthyroid, two cases of recurrent bronchitis, and one case of Hodgkin's disease.

A 54-year-old man was diagnosed with AIDS in Southern California and moved to San Francisco to spend his "final days" with his family. Four months later, the man was re-diagnosed with Hodgkin's disease, a curable illness which is characterized by swollen lymph

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Falwell

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made to our toll free counselling lines. Loss to this ministry—about \$1 per call, totalling \$1,000,000."

Other tragic losses include:
• 50,000 Bibles "probably burned or otherwise destroyed." Loss: \$600,000.
• 25,000 "fake calls allegedly seeking Christian counselling for salvation." Loss: "scores of thousands of dollars."

• Thousands of persons truly seeking help or wanting to pledge donations unable to get through. Loss: "impossible to compute the spiritual and finan-

cial losses—but they are awesome."

Things got so bad that Rev. Falwell has had to grimly conclude, "My friend, the bottom line is—we have almost been destroyed by this nationally organized conspiracy."

As of April 5, Falwell's Old Time Gospel Hour will require callers to pay the toll by dialing 1-800-847-2000, a Virginia area code number.

"I have no choice," lamented the servant of the Lord, "The gays would bankrupt us otherwise."

In his letter to contributors, Falwell reported that he had a \$1 million note to pay off by Mar. 25.

Falwell also likened his woeful predicament to that of former orange juice queen Anita Bryant. Bryant, like himself, stood up for "the Christian family and traditional values." In return, wrote Falwell, the homosexuals "with fierce and vicious tenacity, set out to destroy her professional career, her family and her very life."

Little did he know back then "that I was the next target of the militant homosexual community in America."

In an inspired act of humility, Rev. Jerry does not ask for a specific donation. Instead, "I am asking you to pray and ask God how much you should send."

Falwell concluded his weepy appeal by saying, "We are facing some ominous deadlines."

In San Francisco, Sister Sadie, the Rabbi Lady, that inveterate Falwell watcher, had little sympathy for the poor reverend. "Jerry works under an annual budget of over \$100 million. To claim a loss of a million or two is a very small percentage of what's going on," Sister said.

Why the pleading mailer claiming defeat?

"Well, any excuse to call out for more money is an extra opportunity to hit up his followers for even more cash," said the Sister of Perpetual Indulgence.

But Sister's eyes are now set on bigger, holier sights. "Pat Robertson is even more satanic. Pulling in over \$250 million per year, this enemy is even stronger and just as hating. His toll free numbers are still operating," said Sister. "In case you get an itch to call and show them the error of their ways, call 1-800-446-0700 or 1-800-420-0700."

All this work for the Lord filled Sister Sadie with graceful humility too. "I'm honored to be a small cog in the wheels of positive change," she said. Humbly.

R. O'Loughlin

City Appeals Pride Dismissal

Goes After Former Staffer for \$2,000 While \$2 Million Suit Ignored

by Charles Lineberger

A Municipal Court judge has dismissed the case against former Pride Foundation employee, Lonnie Scott, who took \$2,000 last year in tenant rental checks to cover wages that he claimed were due him from Pride. But the District Attorney's Office has already decided to appeal. At the same time, the city's \$2,000,000 suit against the Pride Foundation for conspiracy to breach contract and defraud the city languishes in civil court, effectively blocked by Pride's bankruptcy. Named in the suit are former director Del Dawson and former board president Brandy Moore.

According to Lonnie Scott's attorney, Daniel Bacon, Scott is still owed \$300 in back wages by Pride despite the \$2,000 he took. "He is destitute. He hasn't been able to get a job. Here's a case where the employer has stolen from the employee and yet the employee is accused of theft."

"Before, I felt that either the DA was grossly misinformed on the facts here or there was a vicious and malicious attempt to prosecute an innocent person. Now I definitely think it's malicious, because the DA has refused to discuss the case with me."

Bacon had another allegation to make. "It was Lonnie who discovered that Pride was taking Hayes Valley tenants' rent checks and depositing them into its own account rather than into the Hayes Valley account. Hayes Valley Community Development Corporation was a city financed, low income housing agency under Pride's fiscal administration. Pride, at Del Dawson's request, had taken over \$5,000 from Hayes Valley CDC for its own uses. This is now one of the causes of action against Pride in the city's civil suit."

George Butterworth, an assistant district attorney who oversees cases handled by other assistant DA's, talked to the B.A.R. about Scott's case and Bacon's charges. Asked why the assistant district attorney handling the case in February had decided to appeal the judge's dismissal, Butterworth said, "It's our opinion that an error of law had been made." He added that in his opinion Pride's non-payment of Scott's salary wouldn't justify his taking the rent checks.

When asked why the DA is trying so hard to get Scott, while higher-ups at Pride, who had been accused of misappropriating much larger amounts of city money, were not being brought to court, Butterworth responded, "We appeal on the basis of legal principles, not monetary. I've appealed over two joints of marijuana before."

Butterworth said the decision as to whether or not to bring criminal action against Pride and its officers would have been made by the City Attorney's Office. "There are different standards of proof involved. It's easier to meet the standard of proof required for a civil suit than a criminal action."

In its civil suit against Pride, the city accuses the Pride Foundation of being merely the "alter ego" of its officers. According to the tough wording of the city's suit, "Adherence to the fiction of the separate existence of Pride from the individual defendants would permit an abuse of corporate privilege, would per-

mit fraud, and would permit injustice in that the individual defendants have used, controlled and manipulated Pride in violation of the contracts between Pride and the city."

According to the suit, (the officers of Pride) have misused and dissipated to the benefit of individual defendants, the assets of Pride that were required to perform said services (for the community) ... (They) have



Del Dawson. (Photo: Rink)

diverted funds entrusted to and have used them for im-
Pride for designated purposes proper purposes."

Misdiagnosis

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nodes. The mistake was tragic, Hollander said, because it delayed treatment of the real problem.

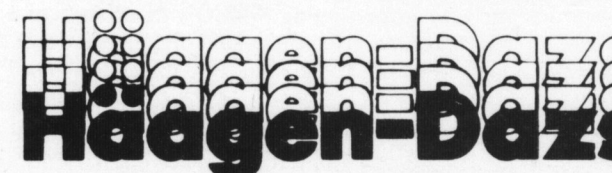
A 37-year-old man checked into a hospital emergency room in a panic because he had begun suffering severe chest pains and shortness of breath. He told doctors he led a promiscuous homosexual lifestyle. Chest x-rays were taken and the man was sent to the AIDS Clinic as a case of "probable pneumocystis" pneumonia—one of the most severe and lethal forms of AIDS. There, the x-rays were re-interpreted as normal, and the illness was re-diagnosed as clogged coronary arteries. Chest pains were relieved with standard drug treatments.

Hollander said the message from these cases is that not everyone in a risk group who gets sick is sick from AIDS. "It's too easy to pigeonhole people and rush to a quick diagnosis, especially in a city like San Francisco where AIDS is on everyone's mind."

A conclusive diagnosis of AIDS is no simple matter, according to Hollander.

G. Douthwaite

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EDITORIALS & OPINIONS

Censorship Is Not The Issue

The damage has been done. Despite our best efforts to dissuade them, the Public Broadcasting Service (PBS) and local public television station KQED did as they had planned. They broadcast to a poorly informed and very frightened American public their worst fears.

By making Fabian Bridges' story—whether it was true or not—the apparently typical story of the gay community's response to AIDS, PBS and KQED have not only slandered us, they have lied to their viewers.

Public television officials claim they were surprised by the reaction of the gay community to the documentary. This is hard to believe. Perhaps they've been watching too much "educational TV". Public television these days isn't much more than chipmunks, ballerinas and Wall Street stock analyses.

When Minneapolis station WCCO (not a PBS affiliate) produced their inflammatory video footage, it was no secret what they'd done. The station was heavily criticized in Houston and Minneapolis. The news director even apologized for what his staff had done.

The PBS producers knew very well what a hot property they were dealing with in presenting WCCO's handiwork to a national audience. In fact, given the media biz, the stench of controversy is likely what pushed the report to the attention of PBS.

For protesting this package of sensational lies, we are criticized for trying to censor the media. Our protests are portrayed as that of a powerful interest group trying to prevent the truth from being told. But we are the victims of censorship, not its perpetrators.

The powerful national media should not be beholden to any interest group. There is no obligation to broadcast any group's particular version of events. There is no obligation to respect the feelings of any group in presenting sensitive material. The obligation the media has, is to tell the truth.

It is censorship to prevent certain opinions, no matter how odious or aberrant, from being heard. But we are not dealing here with matters of opinion. We are dealing with matters of fact.

The fact is, no one has proven Fabian Bridges was ever a prostitute. The fact is, Bridges showed no inclination to engage in sex, according to Houston gay men who cared for him. The fact is, gay men across the U.S. have radically altered their sex habits to prevent the spread of AIDS. The fact is, the gay community has gladly co-operated with public health departments and medical researchers in studying and containing this disease.

If the truth be told, Fabian Bridges was a victim, not a victimizer. He was a victim not only of AIDS but also of the kind of hysteria that his story was exploited to generate.

KQED's general manager Anthony Tiano said last week that he would not have allowed his reporters to get a story as WCCO did. Why then show a shoddy piece of journalism? Because lurid controversy generates interest and that produces viewers. It's called pandering.

In the end, will our rights be sacrificed for the sake of some high-minded social purpose? Or will we be sacrificed for show biz?

Ray O'Loughlin

IN MY OPINION

A Open Letter to KQED

by Curtis Hillier and Gabriel Proo

We have been long-time viewers and regular members of KQED for a dozen and more years under one or another's name. We enjoy much of your programming, but believe that KQED, as a San Francisco station located at the heart of one of the world's largest and most established gay communities, could do more for its broadcast constituency than it presently does in several respects.

Your local constituency includes a very large number of gay viewers and supporters. Your gay members would like to see more programming that reflects their lives. The failure to provide any outlet for gay comedians, recently noted in the Bay Area Reporter, is significant, but not isolated.

We have seen and enjoyed enough gay comedies to believe that there exists a reservoir of gay talent upon whom to draw whose humor possesses universal appeal within an identifiable gay context—as much Jewish humor possesses universal appeal within an identifiable Jewish context.

It would not be sufficient for the gay community to be given a program of our own, neatly segregated from the main stream, since much of what we seek from a television station located in San Francisco is public recognition and validation of a large segment of the local population that contributes much of the city's character and vitality—and of the extent to which that segment is integrated into the larger community. Segregated programming cannot serve this purpose.

You are uniquely situated to provide this kind of programming, since you are less beholden than other local stations to commercial interests, and more able than stations elsewhere to find gay talent locally.

Implicit in the preceding sentence is a question concerning your obligation to commercial interests, since such an obligation may impair your ability to portray members of your immediate local constituency who represent world views unpopular elsewhere. Thus, your ability to serve your local community apparently depends on your national ambitions.

You must decide how best to serve your broadcast constituency—by producing programming which is inoffensive and widely marketable, or by producing programming which really serves your local constituency at the potential expense of a larger, profitable market.

This decision could be difficult, since the profits of national distribution make possible your service in other ways to your local audience. We insist, though, that the San Francisco community is special—as both tolerating and requiring gay programming.

If KQED were to incorporate gay program material as a natural and regular outgrowth of its locality, an incidental result would be its ability to make some of this programming available to stations serving localities where such programs might be aired, but which could not develop them independently. KQED might even manage to make some money in these transactions, at least partly offsetting revenues that might have been lost because some stations will not purchase programs with any detectable gay content.

In other words, sales lost one place may be found someplace else.

We do not, however, base our belief that KQED should incorporate gay material into its regular programming on a financial analysis. We believe that San Francisco's only public broadcast station must place the goal of serving directly a major segment of its community ahead of the indirect goal of generating revenues from outside distribution. This is both a unique opportunity afforded to KQED by its location in the city with the world's most concentrated gay community and an obligation of KQED's charter to serve its community.

By contrast, your failure to acknowledge a major segment of your local constituency is bound to have an adverse effect on your local membership, which we hope is still as important as your pledge drives would have us believe.

LETTERS

KQED

Hey, KQED: I Don't Trust You

This letter was sent to KQED-TV.

I watched your Frontline documentary, AIDS: A National Inquiry. I was appalled at the film's lack of basic ethical journalistic standards. More to the point—the film was unprofessional sensationalism reminiscent of stories found in the National Enquirer.

I am alarmed that PBS management on the national and local levels has forgotten what makes their stations different from commercial networks—namely the public trust. The trust that you will inform us, enlighten us, and educate us through objective journalism. The trust that your reports will be compassionate and understanding of all segments of the society that you serve. The trust that you will act, not to divide, but to unite the groups within our society. That you will not create controversy but will seek to resolve it. That you will not spread fear, but will alleviate it.

As for this viewer, it will be a long time before you will have my trust again.

Ray Tobler
San Francisco

Boycott Is Irresponsible

I agree that the March 25 Frontline was a terrible, irresponsible and sensationalist exploitation of gays. I agree that strong action is needed in response. I disagree with the calls for prevention of the airing of the show in the Bay Area and for boycott of KQED.

As righteously angry as we are, we should attempt to carefully examine the facts and coldly determine a course of action. Little would have been gained and much lost if the show had not been aired in the Bay Area. It is essential that we understand the national scope of the issue. KQED did not produce the show, nor could they cancel airing on a national level. We must be ever-vigilant and ever-aware of national politics. Not to air the telecast here would mean sticking our collective beaks in the Bay and pretending that we are an island unto ourselves.

I feel that KQED acted responsibly. It did not cave into pressure from leaders of the gay community to cancel the program. Instead, it broadcast opposing points of view. I am a member of KQED and will not cancel my membership over this issue. There may be other reasons to cancel, but this is not one of them.

I feel boycott of KQED is also irresponsible. Rather than work our frustrations out locally, we should put pressure on the agencies who fund Frontline to review and cut funding for Frontline.

We have a unique opportunity to educate. We can participate with KQED to produce sympathetic documentaries on AIDS that can be released nationally. Let us not waste the opportunity, or we are as guilty of irresponsibility as the Frontline crew.

Nicholas Papadopoulos
San Francisco

Send a Message!

It is about time we tied up KQED's lines on Pledge Night.

When they ask for my name I will tell them "Not until you stop broadcasting AIDS hysteria" or something to that effect.

No need to be discourteous to the volunteer and swear or tell them off.

Vernon Link
San Francisco

Fabian and Racism

Brian Jones' revelation concerning WCCO-TV's unethical manipulation of Fabian Bridges is a revelation missed by the Bay Area's general newspapers and television stations.

Jones clearly indicates the controversy is more complex than an issue of free speech.

I always assumed that public television's unattractiveness was its usually cultural and intellectual blandness, its attempts to be all things to all people by its dodging of controversial subject matters.

Jones' analysis underlines that intellectual dishonesty is a serious problem at PBS because, like commercial TV, profit is the closeted god worshipped there.

Despite this unethical documentary, however, many gay men and women seem to have over-reacted to "The Story of Fabian Bridges."

They have failed miserably in not noticing the person Fabian Bridges.

The assembled panelists in Washington, Houston, Denver, and San Francisco as well as participants and callers during the following KQED-FM radio talk show, generally missed seeing the pathos, the quiet courage, the personal dignity, and the obvious kindness of Fabian Bridges himself.

Instead, they saw only an embarrassment for the gay community. By so doing, they catered to the public hysteria surrounding the AIDS virus and the AIDS disease by unjustly labeling Fabian Bridges as a male prostitute or a person mentally demented by AIDS. Their major concern was to reject Fabian Bridges as not one of us!

Fabian Bridges was rejected by everyone close to him, most tragically by his own flesh and blood, but also by the black community and by the Houston gay community prior to his becoming a media personality.

Anyone who watched that documentary with any degree of intelligence graphically witnessed the social evil of racism in American society. It is a racism that pretty much taints the minds and the wills of gay men and women of European ethnicity to the same deplorable degree as it does their heterosexual brothers and sisters.

The deepest tragedy of the Gay Liberation Movement has been its widespread failure to eradicate this racism from its own ranks.

James F. Gibbons
San Leandro

Members Only

It would appear to me that Ray O'Loughlin took the same wrong-road approach as another letter writer of a couple of weeks ago in trying to reprogram KQED. Albeit, he appears to have been more polite in his approach.

My suggestion is to take what sounds like the knowledgeable advice of John Lambert's letter in last week's B.A.R. Since programming is chosen by members, joining KQED in order to have a voice in programming doesn't sound like a bad system to me. Actually it's quite a good one, guys.

J. Lebowitz
San Francisco

Write to the Sponsors

I would like to know the sponsors of the March 25 Frontline program and also the sponsors of Monitoradio.

It's time we wrote to these sponsors to let them know what we think of the programs and policies they support at KQED. It may become necessary to boycott the products and services of these sponsors, to show the resolve of gay men and women in the Bay Area.

If KQED does not understand human relations, perhaps they will understand dollars and cents.

Charles Bedard
San Francisco

Spouting Garbage

I think KQED owes an explanation and an apology to the gay community for allowing Rep. William Dannemeyer to be on a program concerning a supposedly intelligent discussion of the AIDS crisis.

It's obvious to anyone that a person like Dannemeyer has little or no knowledge of AIDS because he is so blinded by hatred and homophobia. Homophobia is his only issue, and thus he greatly clouded the issue being discussed. People of Dannemeyer's ilk fuel the hatemongers with more hate, offering no solutions to the problems facing society, but offering up gobs of lies, moralisms, and perverted religious views that support their disturbed view of homosexuality.

And what does the media do? It gives him the broadest of forums to spout his garbage. I suppose someone at KQED thought that having Dannemeyer would somehow balance out the program. Would this someone consider inviting a Nazi to a panel discussing Tay-Sachs disease?

Kenneth Wolff
San Francisco

ED NOTE: Far be it for us to act as apologists for KQED, but that station did not invite Rep. Dannemeyer to add his opinions. PBS' national desk did.

Will Snyder

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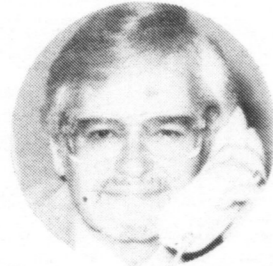
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The Meanies at MUNI

★ It seems as if every time the MUNI gets a good thing, it goes out of its way to screw it up.

A good case in point is the annual Historic Trolley Festival which operated daily last year and had a successful reception from our gay community and the residents of Upper Market. When MUNI raised the fare in January, it said that it was saving all the services. However, this saving apparently does not apply to the Trolley Festival because MUNI plans to operate the Trolley Festival only on weekdays.

For all of you who enjoyed a ride on the open "boat car" on a warm sunny Saturday or Sunday afternoon, forget it! MUNI wants to eliminate the #8 Castro bus and turn the Trolley Festival into a commuter rail!

One wonders what MUNI is doing with all the fare increase money if it wants to do this little number on our community. Is Mr. Stead really "not interested" in running the Trolley Festival? Well, how about it? Can we fight MUNI on this one? Or will we accept this MUNI fiasco just like we accept the MUNI Metro and the crime-ridden #24 bus.

Let City Hall and MUNI know your feelings now!

Samuel R. Ganczaruk
San Francisco

How Much 'Enough' Is 'Enough'?

★ Let me start by saying how very much I appreciate Fr. Cromey and his message of love and action that is so obvious at Trinity Episcopal Church. After 20 years of sleeping late on Sunday mornings, I never thought I'd be so moved and impressed by any church and its congregation.

So Fr. Cromey thinks the church is not doing "enough" and says so. And Ted Andrews thinks Cromey does not do "enough" (although he does not tell us what "enough" he, himself, does). And, of course, I don't do "enough" to be sure. Do you?

We're only human, after all, and I am grateful for the humanity and loving Spirit from all of the (many) clergy at Trinity each doing what he/she does best as his *own* "enough."

My heart goes out to the obviously distressed and troubled Mr. Andrews who has missed the point and thrown the baby out with the bathwater.

Ted Knipe
San Francisco

Time to Unite

★ The Coalition Against Racist, Sexist, Anti-Gay Attacks wants to confirm that Uhuru House did endorse the Dec. 13, 1985 Concord BART demonstration against the police cover-up of Timothy Lee's murder. We urged them to participate and to speak at the demonstration, but they did not. We are holding another Concord BART demonstration on Friday, April 11, from 5-6:30 p.m. We urge Uhuru House and all groups and individuals who oppose Timothy Lee's murder, the police cover-up, and all right wing and KKK/Nazi attacks to endorse the demonstration and come out to it. The Coalition can be reached at P.O. Box 5357, San Francisco, 94101. We meet every Tuesday from 7-9 p.m. at the New College of Law, 50 Fell Street, San Francisco.

Timothy Lee was both black (and half Shoshone Indian) and openly gay. Unity between the black and gay communities is urgently needed to stop these racist, anti-gay attacks. It is essential to fight the right-wing terror and hate propaganda with a unified struggle. The right wing is united against us. We need to unite our struggle against them!

Joyce Schon
for the Coalition
San Francisco

What About Vitamin C?

★ Either you can't keep a good man down, or more importantly—Dr. Robert Cathcart has been victimized by the medical establishment. Which is it? I saw a man with a cane, almost covered in Kaposi sarcoma lesions, walk across Castro the other day. If Dr. Cathcart is legitimate, that man would benefit.

It is not important that you remember I was asking for investigations into this last year, and that I was writing to you urging Vitamin C against AIDS two years ago. Phil Donahue is no fool, so couldn't B.A.R. do the man crossing Castro a huge favor and get to the bottom of the "C" thing? God, if it saved one life, wouldn't you be proud of yourselves!

Mentioning Phil Donahue will mean nothing if your readers don't have the whole story—that Cathcart was on the show, etc. Try, because it is so crucial to rid ourselves of the scourge.

M. H. Murphy
San Francisco

Trashed

★ The last time the B.A.R. trashed the United States Mission, you were kind enough to print a reply from me. So, again, I come to you for a redress from B.A.R. (fortunately this is a minor trash compared to the last time).

Since the March 27 article is a reprint from *Update*, which is generally a reputable publication, you might well assume that the allegations are reasonable, and the facts are valid. This is just not the case.

The most flagrant untruth is the statement that "The Revitalized Hollywood program funneled some funds to Hudson House and the U.S. Mission." The United States Mission and our Housing Ministry, Hudson House, did not get one penny of the Hollywood Revitalization monies. The grant of \$140,000, which was later increased to \$165,000 was originally slated to go to us for Hudson House to expand the housing and feeding services into the area of employment counseling and to provide wages for the staff at Hudson House which was receiving very little compensation for the great amount of work they were doing.

The government would not give the money to us, insisting that the recipient needed to be a separate corporation. I did not want to give up control of Hudson House, but I would not let my ego stand between the community and \$140,000, so I allowed Hudson House to be incorporated, provided the money would be forthcoming by a certain date. That failing, Hudson House would return to the control of the U.S. Mission.

Time passed, and finally it was decided that the Mission could keep Hudson House and that we would incorporate the employment counseling services of Hudson House as Hudson House, Inc. This was later (almost immediately) altered to Hudson House, Inc. d.b.a. Crossroads Employment Counseling Services. Pat Rocco was appointed executive-director of Crossroads (the way all of us referred to the agency at the time). Morris Knight was president of the board of Crossroads (legally Hudson House, Inc.). I was secretary, Pat Lenhof, Karen Kirchner, and Sally Fiske were the remaining board members.

At no time was the above-named board negligent in its duties of overseeing the proper functioning of the agency. To my knowledge, there never has been any allegation from any level of the government that there were any financial irregularities under the administration of Pat Rocco. Indeed, there was no problem with Valerie until the second United Way (FEMA) grant of which she was convicted of misusing substantial amounts.

As for reopening the case, Valerie has been found guilty, and nothing is going to alter that fact. The fact that additional people might be guilty of the same thing does not alter the situation *vis-a-vis* Valerie. All the underlined items in the reprint indicates my distress with slipshod reportage (this is a direct attack on *Update* and a passing criticism of B.A.R., of course).

The real reason that I am upset by this reprint is the fact that there is an implication of dishonesty on the part of the United States Mission/Hudson House, and on the part of Pat Rocco. This sort of innuendo is a great burden when we are trying to expand here in San Francisco under the administration of Pat Rocco. We have just opened a new shelter here at O'Farrell and Larkin with a capacity of 30 plus.

Thanks in part to our ad in B.A.R. we are filling fast, so it is very distressing to have to bear the burden of this rather vicious sloppiness on the part of *Update* and B.A.R.

Finally, Pat Rocco was not the founder of Hudson House. I have that honor Pat Rocco became the executive-director of Hudson House almost from the first day, he founded the first house, expanded it into five houses with a capacity of more than 100 people, and established the foundation which allowed the U.S. Mission to be able to serve thousands of people in L.A. in the last six or seven years. We want to do the same thing here in the Bay Area, and we will with the help of responsible community leaders such as you. Next time there are any allegations regarding the Mission, please give us a call and get our side. Thank you for all your past kindnesses.

Robert Humphrey
United States Mission
San Francisco

New Policy?

★ As an option to designating a lover or close male friend as beneficiary on a life insurance policy, how about listing a trusted family member or a close lady friend as beneficiary (thereby reducing the possibility of being red-lined), and then drawing up a will directing said beneficiary to donate any potential insurance payment to an organization such as Hospice, Shanti, Operation Concern, etc?

Rick Heilman
Oakland

LETTERS

Continue the Support

★ I would like to bring to the attention of your readers that, like the San Francisco AIDS Foundation, there is another Food Bank located in the East Bay at the Pacific Center AIDS Project.

The Pacific Center AIDS Project has been helping people with AIDS and people with ARC who live in the East Bay.

While there has been a lot of help in San Francisco, the East Bay has responded too. However, because of the ever-growing numbers of newly-diagnosed people, your contributions are needed more than ever.

I urge all of your readers to support their neighborhood AIDS organizations in the Bay Area. Because of your support in the past, we have done more than any community nationwide. Please continue that support.

If you would like more information on the Pacific Center AIDS Project or the Food Bank, please call 420-8181.

Again, I'd like to thank all of you for your ongoing support to your community.

James G. Wimmer
Volunteer Director
Pacific Enter AIDS Project Food Bank
Berkeley

Ernie—Get On Our Backs

★ When Crown Books announced its plans to open a branch on Castro Street, there was concern about its ability to be sensitive to and serve the needs of the community.

On Our Backs, a lesbian sex magazine celebrating its second anniversary this summer, is a case in point. For two years we have been trying to get Crown Books to carry the magazine. *Mandate*, *Honcho*, *Men*, and other gay men's magazines are available for sale, but their one and only lesbian equivalent, *On Our Backs*, is not.

Crown Books has told us that this particular outlet on Castro Street is the only one that has a gay section. Am I supposed to be impressed by the fact that a bookstore on Castro in San Francisco has a gay section? Hello! This is 1986! If they think that's something, obviously *On Our Backs* doesn't stand a chance.

Thank goodness for Walt Whitman on Market, and some international newstand that is rumored to open on Castro soon and which has carried us for a year in the Haight. They understand their neighborhood!

Debi Sundahl
Publisher, Blush Productions
San Francisco

We Have Christian Friends

★ I would like to take issue with a statement by Thomas M. Edwards in his letter of March 20th. Mr. Edwards wrote: "Christianity, particularly Roman Catholicism and the Church of England (Episcopal, in America), was and is the greatest singular enemy we gays have."

I can't speak for the changes taking place in attitudes and outreach services of the Roman Catholics, but in San Francisco the Episcopal Church is an important bridge of understanding between the gay and heterosexual community. Bishop Swing does have 19th century sexual views, but Father Cromey is considerably more politically correct on gay issues than I care to be. The point being that gays have friends in this town and in the nation and in the world who are Christians. Contemporary Christianity is quite diverse and the best of it creates a buffer zone between gay people and those extreme political and philosophical elements which are dangerous. The enemies to which Thomas Edwards refers are indeed real, but they represent the antithesis of Christian ethics.

I might remind Mr. Edwards of the many gay events that have been hosted by Grace Cathedral in this city. Any church which will allow fire baton twirlers to practice their art in front of the high altar can't be all bad.

Tom Youngblood
San Francisco

Inane Pronouncements

This letter was sent to the San Francisco AIDS Foundation.

★ Some of us "older gay men" saw your recent ad claiming that "older gay men were less responsible and less prone to believe your various edicts on AIDS than were younger men," and concluded that you must be living in a different gay community. In fact, my personal experience has been quite the opposite—no one under the age of 35 has ever

approached me to ask "Are you safe?" (Since I don't know what that means, I always answer "no" and watch them reel back across the room at a stupid answer to a stupid question), while several age 35 and up have done exactly that. In the 30-35 age bracket, occasionally the issue of "safe sex" is brought up, and I have never heard anyone under 30 mention it.

Of course, that claim would be in keeping with your current ad campaign—"Condoms Stop AIDS!" Some of us "older gay men" looked at that ad, looked at your brochure on safe sex, and concluded that "Condoms Stop AIDS," only if you are wearing one on your penis, one on each hand, and one over your face, since activities involving all those areas are listed in your brochure as "causing" AIDS, even though the claim that kissing transmits AIDS has been debunked from New York (Dr. Friedman-Kien and the University of New York) to Los Angeles (Dr. Michael Gottlieb), and flatly contradicted by even your directors, and even though no one has even been able to explain how fisting or fingering causes an exchange of body fluids.

And some of us "older gay men" have read your pronouncements on the causes and transmission of AIDS and have been thoroughly amazed that the people of Belle Glade, Florida are so into those activities. One would never have thought that such goings on would be found among straights in so unprepossessing a place as Belle Glade, Florida, with its highest per capita incidence of AIDS in the country.

Donald Cameron Scott
San Francisco

Flirting With Racism

★ In the matter of the death of Timothy Lee, what the FBI and the establishment media decline, B.A.R. takes up with alacrity... the shameful role of the conduct of the Concord police.

The fact that Timothy's roommate changed his story is not fatal to the theory of foul play. And, hypnosis as means of establishing fact is dubious.

But in electing to introduce Timothy's grades, B.A.R. sinks to a new journalistic low and flirts with racism.

It is not unheard of, even in the case of whites, to accord middling-to-average grades less than top priority when considering scholarship material.

The truth will win out in the case of Timothy Lee, but not because of anything useful from Charles Lineberger. It is worthy of notice that he fails to remind readers that the Klan was out and about in the region the morning that Timothy met his death.

Those people who would combat ignorance of gays in the black community and who desire to utilize this tragic death to transcend, in a political fashion, the real and imagined differences between the two oppressed communities, have received a stab in the back.

Maurice Jerome Flood
San Francisco

ED NOTE: Apparently, you didn't see our earlier coverage of Lee's death in which we questioned the actions of the Concord police. In an editorial, B.A.R. called for further investigation of his hanging.

Ray O'Loughlin

Fundraisers

★ I'm a bit disappointed that the recent Mr. & Ms. Bunny Contest to benefit the AIDS food bank probably raised at least one-half of what could have been, were there less competition between ourselves and "whose part of the event is going to out-do the other."

When I inquired a week and a half early to get raffle tickets to sell in order to compete as Ms. Bunny, I was told that "so and so" has the tickets and "she's" probably stalling on getting them to us so that her part of the event will raise more money than our part." Am I simply hearing personality conflicts, or is this the truth? I'm hoping it is the former.

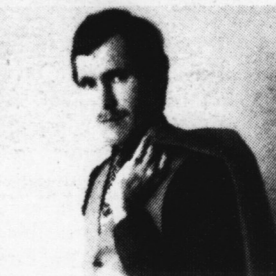
Some explanations that I did receive when inquiring (which seemed to be consistent) were "well, that's just the way it is" with undertones of "It's just one of those things that we don't speak of and it's always been that way" and "she's just a bitch—so who cares???"

Well, I don't buy this kind of behavior. I wish that some people (and you do know who you are) would take a good look at our primary purpose for these fundraisers.

We're here to make money for those who need it—not to try and "out-do" one another and/or attempt to make ourselves look like something we're not. We're on the same side—remember?

Mark W. Olsen
(Ms. Bunny '86)
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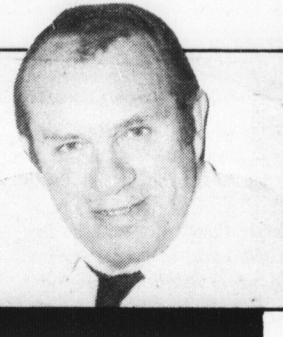
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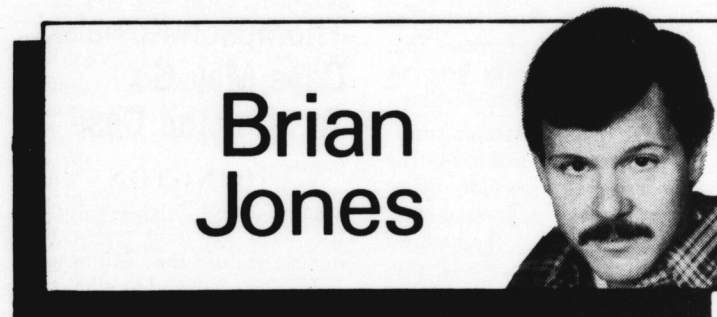
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Dianne is not Brian's type. (Photo: Rink)



Brian Jones

Why I Don't Like Dianne

Not long ago the mayor hosted an affarette for the gay band at her modest little cottage in Presidio Heights. At one point Her Honor asked a colleague of mine, "This Brian Jones: Why does he hate me?"

Now I don't worry about what the mayor thinks I think about her. You don't care either. But it seems that the mayor does care. In this hangs the tale.

The mayor again ventures into gaydom this week. She will open a weekend conference of gay Democratic clubs. Such appearances have become rare—not that they ever were well done.

This mayor is not a friend to gay and lesbian people. She never was and she never will be. That gay people in this town occasionally do fawn over her imperial presence is at once a source of amazement and disgust to me.

This strange dynamic between the mayor and us was first demonstrated to me at the 1984 Cable Car Awards, where Her Honor was feted with a human rights award. I had just gotten off the bus from Minnesota and had imagined myself to be in the Mecca of gay lib.

The mayor received a standing ovation—the only one of the evening. This followed a stern but concerned lecture that we "be careful"—knowing pause and stare—"until a cure for this awful disease is found."

Puke, puke, puke.

The emotional response of the crowd was so much more than political that I could feel it. These people were genuinely thrilled that such a

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Obviously I hadn't made it to Mecca. I had been cast overboard a mile offshore. I felt myself drowning in a sea of sycophancy. This dreadful feeling was reinforced minutes later when one of our own, Harry Britt, was booted.

I felt myself cast backward in time, sucked through the time tunnel. Suddenly we had lost 15 years and I was back in the time when we felt honored by straight people just because they acknowledged our existence.

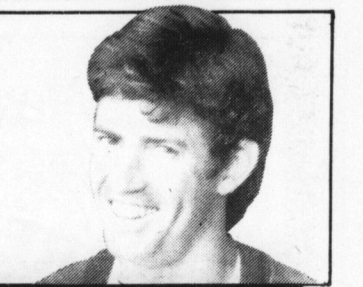
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Mike Hippler

ON THE OFF BEAT



And Baby Makes Two

I don't know if it's something in the air or what, but it seems that most of my women friends are having babies these days. Birth announcements have been arriving in the mail like Christmas cards, followed by letters rhapsodizing on the joys of parenting. First Missy had a child, then Anne, then Debbie, Gigi, and Martha. Even Barb, that perennial bachelorette, finally got tired of waiting for Mr. Right to come along and had a child without him.

I think it's an epidemic. If so, no one seems immune.

I don't know what is responsible for this state of affairs. Perhaps it is because my friends are entering their mid-thirties and feel their biological time clocks ticking away. Perhaps it is because having babies and raising children is the thing to do in Ronald Reagan's America. And perhaps it is because, like my sisters (both of whom are pregnant right now), my friends simply love children.

It is certainly this last reason for my friend Martha, who writes, "Let me tell you that for me my son is the core of my happiness. Greg and I have something special, but Stephen has made us complete in a way we could never have imagined. I'd

would love to have my sister's three as my own as well. I think children are the essence of what people are and should be. They're so much more fun than adults."

Barb agrees on her own child, "Alexandra really is adorable, but of course, I'm biased."

I'm delighted for my friends—really I am—but I am beginning to feel a little left behind, as if I'm missing out on something. And I tend to resent their implied suggestions that life is less complete for those of us who do not have children.

Writes Missy, "It's hard to tell you what you're missing in Christopher and Amelia." (But this is nothing to what I'm missing without Jesus, she adds.)

And claims Martha of parenting, "I guess it's like sex. Until you experience it, it's only an abstraction."

Of course, Martha has good reasons for saying what she does. She knows me well and she remembers that once upon a time I wanted children more than anything else in the world. When I was 16, I loved working with younger kids at the church Bible school. I happily volunteered to tutor "disadvantaged" kids in the poorer parts of town. And I relished playing an older

brother role in my Boy Scout troop. (The less said about that, the better.) I fantasized about being a father, and I even had the names selected for about ten of my offspring—all boys, of course.

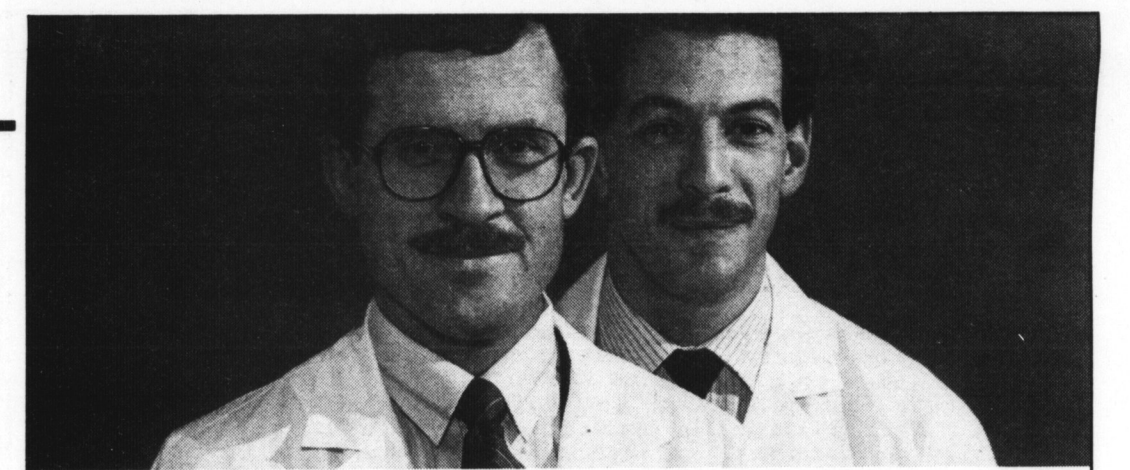
My mom said I'd make a great father, and I believed her. "With your zest for life, your enthusiasm, and your boundless love, you'd be perfect," she said. (Mothers can be so perceptive.)

I suspected, however, that a few of my motives were somewhat less than ideal. One of the reasons I wanted to be a father, after all, was that I wanted to be a star, somebody's hero, someone my kid could look up to with pride and say, "That's my dad."

Furthermore, like so many others, I wanted a kid so that I could make my bid for immortality. I wanted to perpetuate an idealized version of myself. And of course I wanted to make sure my life had "meaning," a purpose beyond that which I could establish by and for myself. Somehow I thought a kid could give it that.

Unfortunately, when I came out, suddenly this whole kid business was thrown up in the

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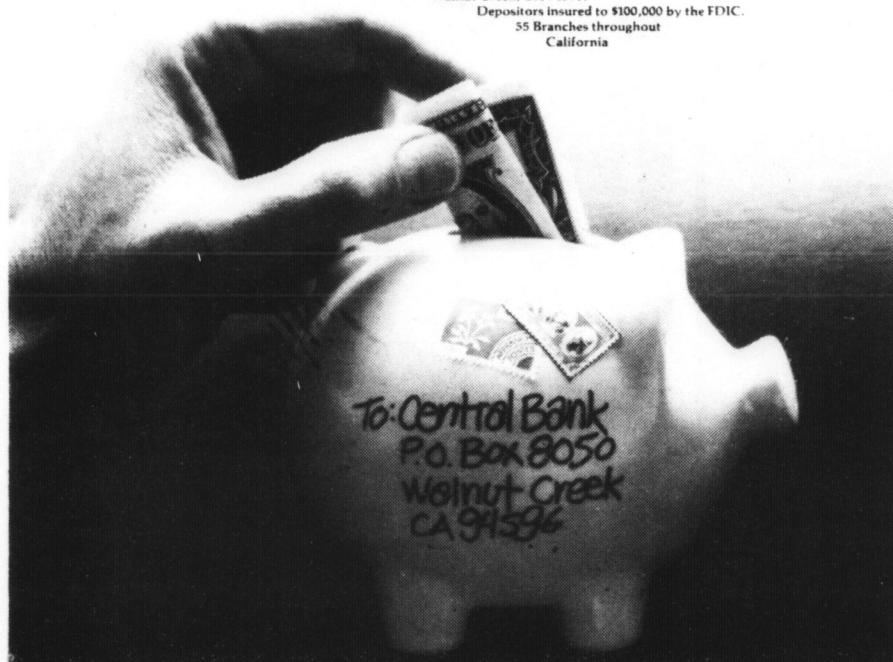
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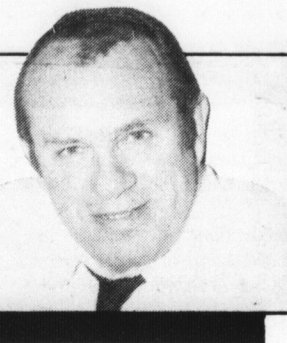
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Though there has never been any evidence that the lodge was anything other than what Kemp says it was—a real estate investment that he had never even visited—the rumor persists. At least three times recently Rep. Kemp has been asked whether he has ever been gay or had a homosexual experience. *Newsweek*, in a recent interview asked Kemp about his sexuality. A couple of weeks ago, the question was put directly to Kemp on the national *Today* show. On the NBC show, Kemp was asked to "categorically" deny that he had ever had a homosexual experience. He did so, "categorically."

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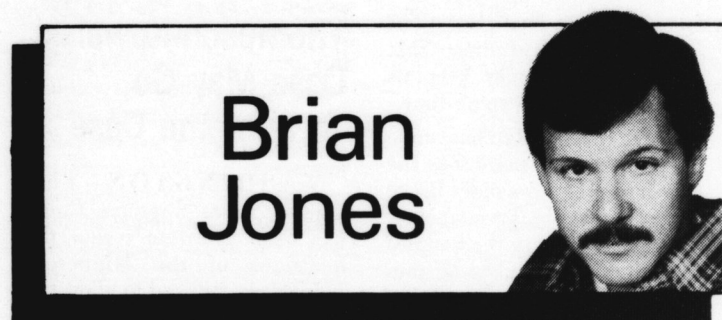
From Lynchburg comes the word that Jerry Falwell is laying off more than 200 of his 2,300 employees because of a "financial crisis." Among the reasons for Falwell's money problems is a reported 50,000 harassing calls a month to his Old-Time Gospel Hour TV Show that Falwell claims caused a loss of millions of dollars. The Moral Majority boss claimed that gay newspapers across the country had urged their readers to make the costly calls.

Board of Supervisors President John Molinari will welcome the California Association of Lesbian & Gay Democratic Clubs to San Francisco at a reception tomorrow evening (Friday, April 4, 7 p.m.) at the Swedish-American Hall, 2174 Market Street. On Saturday, April 5, the state Association of Lesbian & Gay Democrats will hold a reception at the Atherton Hotel honoring Sen. Milton Marks and Assemblymembers Art Agnos and John Vasconcellos (5:30-7:30, \$15 donation asked).

The Billy DeFrank Community Center, located at 86 Keyes St. in San Jose serves the lesbian and gay community of Santa Clara County through a variety of services, including a switchboard, a monthly newsletter, weekly rap meetings, a drop in service and sponsorship of a number of other community groups through its non-profit status. The Center is supported entirely through donations, mostly in the form of membership contributions and fundraising activities.



Dianne is not Brian's type. (Photo: Rink)



Brian Jones

Why I Don't Like Dianne

Not long ago the mayor hosted an affair for the gay band at her modest little cottage in Presidio Heights. At one point Her Honor asked a colleague of mine, "This Brian Jones: Why does he hate me?"

Now I don't worry about what the mayor thinks I think about her. You don't care either. But it seems that the mayor does care. In this hangs the tale.

The mayor again ventures into gaydom this week. She will open a weekend conference of gay Democratic clubs. Such appearances have become rare—not that they ever were well done.

This mayor is not a friend to gay and lesbian people. She never was and she never will be. That gay people in this town occasionally do fawn over her imperial presence is at once a source of amazement and disgust to me.

This strange dynamic between the mayor and us was first demonstrated to me at the 1984 Cable Car Awards, where Her Honor was feted with a human rights award. I had just gotten off the bus from Minnesota and had imagined myself to be in the Mecca of gay lib.

The mayor received a standing ovation—the only one of the evening. This followed a stern but concerned lecture that we "be careful"—knowing pause and stare—"until a cure for this awful disease is found."

Puke, puke, puke.

The emotional response of the crowd was so much more than political that I could feel it. These people were genuinely thrilled that such a

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person as Dianne Feinstein would deny to honor us with her presence.

Obviously I hadn't made it to Mecca. I had been cast overboard a mile offshore. I felt myself drowning in a sea of sycophancy. This dreadful feeling was reinforced minutes later when one of our own, Harry Britt, was booted.

I felt myself cast backward in time, sucked through the time tunnel. Suddenly we had lost 15 years and I was back in the time when we felt honored by straight people just because they acknowledged our existence.

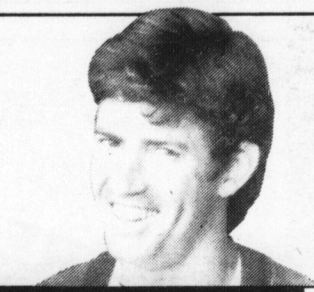
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As Bette Davis might say: How Nice.

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Mike Hippler

ON THE OFF BEAT



And Baby Makes Two

I don't know if it's something in the air or what, but it seems that most of my women friends are having babies these days. Birth announcements have been arriving in the mail like Christmas cards, followed by letters rhapsodizing on the joys of parenting. First Missy had a child, then Anne, then Debbie, Gigi, and Martha. Even Barb, that perennial bachelorette, finally got tired of waiting for Mr. Right to come along and had a child without him.

I think it's an epidemic. If so, no one seems immune.

I don't know what is responsible for this state of affairs. Perhaps it is because my friends are entering their mid-thirties and feel their biological time clocks ticking away. Perhaps it is because having babies and raising children is the thing to do in Ronald Reagan's America. And perhaps it is because, like my sisters (both of whom are pregnant right now), my friends simply love children.

It is certainly this last reason for my friend Martha, who writes, "Let me tell you that for me my son is the core of my happiness. Greg and I have something special, but Stephen has made us complete in a way we could never have imagined. I'd

love to have my sister's three as my own as well. I think children are the essence of what people are and should be. They're so much more fun than adults."

Barb agrees on her own child, "Alexandra really is adorable, but of course, I'm biased."

I'm delighted for my friends—really I am—but I am beginning to feel a little left behind, as if I'm missing out on something. And I tend to resent their implied suggestions that life is less complete for those of us who do not have children.

Writes Missy, "It's hard to tell you what you're missing in Christopher and Amelia." (But this is nothing to what I'm missing without Jesus, she adds.) And claims Martha of parenting, "I guess it's like sex. Until you experience it, it's only an abstraction."

Of course, Martha has good reasons for saying what she does. She knows me well and she remembers that once upon a time I wanted children more than anything else in the world. When I was 16, I loved working with younger kids at the church Bible school. I happily volunteered to tutor "disadvantaged" kids in the poorer parts of town. And I relished playing an older

brother role in my Boy Scout troop. (The less said about that, the better.) I fantasized about being a father, and I even had the names selected for about ten of my offspring—all boys, of course.

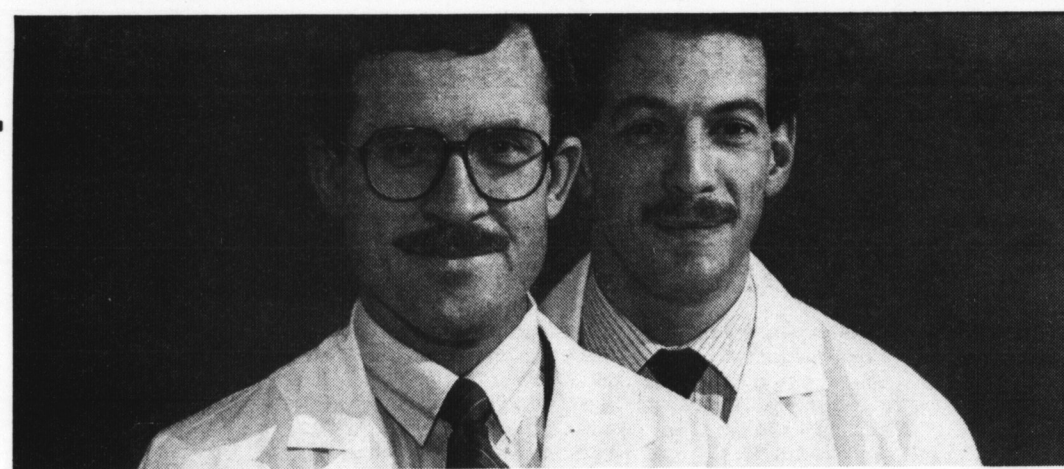
My mom said I'd make a great father, and I believed her. "With your zest for life, your enthusiasm, and your boundless love, you'd be perfect," she said. (Mothers can be so perceptive.)

I suspected, however, that a few of my motives were somewhat less than ideal. One of the reasons I wanted to be a father, after all, was that I wanted to be a star, somebody's hero, someone my kid could look up to with pride and say, "That's my dad."

Furthermore, like so many others, I wanted a kid so that I could make my bid for immortality. I wanted to perpetuate an idealized version of myself. And of course I wanted to make sure my life had "meaning," a purpose beyond that which could establish by and for myself. Somehow I thought a kid could give it that.

Unfortunately, when I came out, suddenly this whole kid business was thrown up in the

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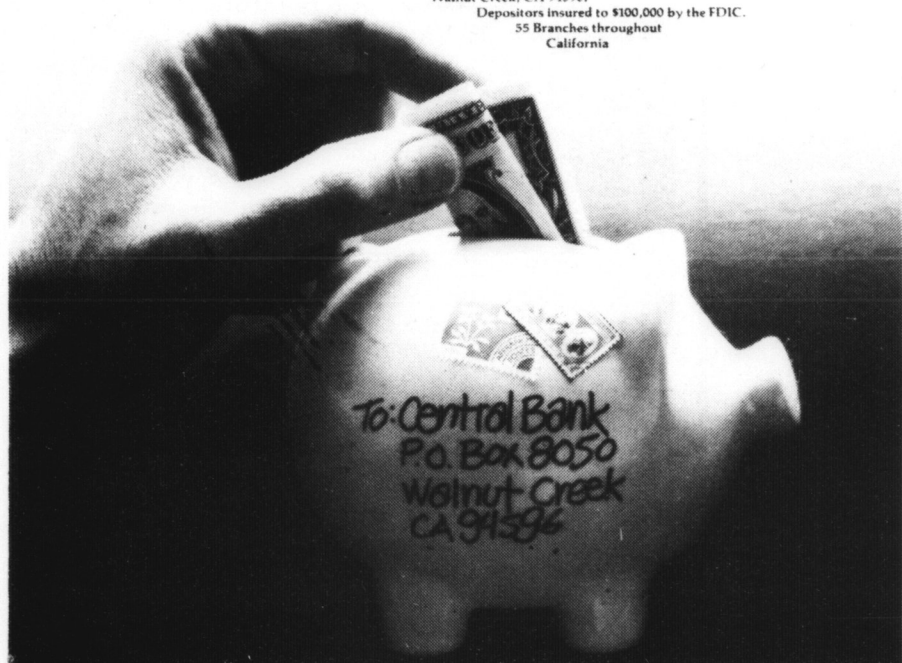
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NATIONAL/WORLD NEWS

WILL SNYDER

**'I Wanted to Keep on Living!'
 Gay Man Defends Self From Thugs**

LEWISTON, Maine—It seems to happen so often in so many small towns across America. A man lives alone in an apartment. He might be a man in his mid-to-late 30's or older. Soon, the rumors start spreading about him. And, the next thing the man knows is terror... or bigotry... or tragedy of the worst kind.

That happened her last November to Robert Gravel, a 35-year-old gay man. Everybody knew "about" Robert Gravel. Or, at least they think they did. Word travels fast in Lewiston.

Soon, hordes of teenage boys traveled quite fast to Gravel's apartment. They came to taunt him, to torment him, to cause all kinds of physical damage.

On Nov. 3, a tragedy occurred. A group of youths visited Gravel's apartment building with the intent of getting their kicks. One of the youths had threatened to kill Gravel before. Gravel felt he needed protection, so he borrowed a .22-caliber pistol from a relative.

After being unable to enter Gravel's apartment, the group left the apartment building, all except one, 24-year-old Joseph Saucier. When Gravel checked to see if the kids were gone from his hallway, Saucier charged him.

Gravel warned him to stop by firing a warning shot, but Saucier kept charging. Gravel then shot and killed Saucier.

"I was cornered," Gravel told the *Maine Sunday Telegram*. "You corner an animal and what does he do? It's survival... I didn't want to do that, but I wanted to keep on living."

Gravel was found not guilty for either murder or manslaughter by an Androscoggin County Grand Jury. But that doesn't stop the pain Gravel is feeling. Since the shooting, he has sought counseling, and has suffered chest pains. He's also been visiting the gravesite of Saucier.

He said he had "to make peace with him."

And what does one of Saucier's companions, Timothy Mercier, think of all this? Mercier told the *Telegram* why he harassed Gravel. "I'd smash any homo... because they are gay. Weird. Sick. I'd like to smash this guy (Gravel)."

Gay... weird... sick.

And yet, as all of Lewiston looks out the windows, all the townsfolk see is a badly bruised victim visiting the gravesite of one of his tormentors.

—The New York Native

**Holy Gendramer!
 Is Batman Straight?**

NEW YORK—Now really, haven't you always wondered about Batman? You know, that guy who always hangs in a tight-fitting outfit with that young man named Robin?

That question has been mulling through the minds of gay

folks for years. New revelations from Gotham City indicate that our caped hero may keep us guessing for quite some time.

There is a new Batman comic book hitting the market in the near future. In it, an older Bruce Wayne comes out (hmmmm) of retirement to lock up the baddies of Gotham City. Only one trouble, though... his new Robin isn't the same gender as before.

Of course, all is not lost. Maybe Robin just decided to take up drag.

—The Philadelphia Gay News

**Harvey Milk High
 Has An Alumnus**

NEW YORK—So now, Harvey Milk High School has an alumnus. The historic lad is Gram Damon, an 18-year-old from the Bronx.

Gram graduated from HMHS on Feb. 20. In his mind, there was no doubt about the significance of the event. "I really felt I had a part in changing people's opinions" about homosexuality.

For Damon, Harvey Milk High was a natural thing. He had experienced extreme difficulties in New York's public schools. Transfers back and forth between different schools had become quite a common thing for Damon.

"In those schools," said Damon, "teachers as well as students would tend to ignore me."

As a result of the alienation in the public schools, Damon said he began skipping classes. Then, he read about the new Harvey Milk High School.

"School, besides being a place for education, is also a place where you spend four years of your life," said Damon. "It was very intense at Harvey Milk. There was a real camaraderie—everyone wanted to learn. Everyone wanted to be there."

Learning how to play the piano and reading *Hamlet* were two of the most enjoyable experiences for Damon. He's currently working as a secretary in a New York law firm. He hopes to go on to college.

—The New York Native

**Thompson-Kowalski
 Case May Go
 To Supreme Case**

WASHINGTON—The United States Supreme Court has been asked to review the decisions of the Minnesota judges who refused to allow the Minnesota Civil Liberties Union to participate in the court cases involving Karen Thompson, her lover, Sharon Kowalski, and Kowalski's parents.

Sharon Kowalski was brain-injured in a Nov., 1983 automobile accident. Since that time, Thompson has attempted to visit her lover, but has been refused by Kowalski's parents. In the latest of the court cases, Appeals Court Judge Peter Poppovich upheld the guardianship of Donald Kowalski over his daughter.



This decision didn't surprise Sue Wilson, Thompson's attorney. She said that Poppovich has been known for making decisions "that said homosexuals don't have the same rights as everyone else." She added that she is still hopeful that the Minnesota Supreme Court will overturn Poppovich's decision, an action she says the Court has done on many occasions.

But Wilson still doesn't know for sure which way the state court will go. Thus, the MCLU decided to file a petition with the U.S. Supreme Court, asking it to consider the right of a handicapped person to be represented by the legal counsel of her choice.

Legal fees have exceeded \$75,000. Tax-deductible contributions can be sent to Minnesota Gay and Lesbian Legal Assistance, c/o Suzanne Born, 3436 Holmes Ave., Minneapolis, MN 55408. Letters of support to Karen may be sent to Route 1, Box 112, Clear Lake, MN 55319.

—The Philadelphia Gay News

Mike Hippler

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air. For the first time in my life, it dawned on me that I might not have a kid. I was terrified. Nevertheless, for years I clung stubbornly to the hope that someday I would have a child despite the limitations imposed by my homosexuality, and I carefully explored all the options.

The first of these was to shack up with one of my straight women friends in a primary but basically platonic relationship. The plan was that after producing our offspring, we would stick together for life. But we would each be free to entertain love affairs on the side as we saw fit (as long as we kept our hands off each other's men). If for any reason, however, we decided to separate somewhere down the line, the kids would go with me, of course.

Barb was my first choice to fill this role, but I could never quite convince her of its advantages to her. Keaton was my next, but she

had a problem. Some years earlier she had had her tubes tied, and while I tried to figure out what to do about this, she fell in love with someone else.

The next option was adoption, but it was hardly a realistic one for a single gay man like me. I did see a gay couple on Phil Donahue once who had been allowed to adopt a son, but they were a doctor and a lawyer and too perfect for words. I could just see an agency awarding custody of a child to a waiter who had no savings to speak of and came down with the clap every other week. Then I considered hiring a surrogate mother, but money was still a problem, as well as a lack of information. Where does one go to find such a person?

Finally, I thought about teaming up with a lesbian friend to produce a child. My friend Martha says that this phenomenon has become all the rage in Atlanta, her hometown. "Gay couples (female/female and male/male) pair up, and each female is legally married to

money—sometimes, they kowtow to Her Honor just for a smile and a nod. You would think she were Catherine, and our city, Petersburg.

She does think she is Catherine, and too many of us do think this is St. Petersburg, and that is why I Don't Like Dianne. This is San Francisco and this lady is only the mayor. And we are the largest and most powerful block in the Body Politic.

It is time she started acting her part, and us, ours. One goes with the other. We have given

'It is time she started acting her part, and us, ours. One goes with the other. We have given Dianne Feinstein far more than she has ever offered.'

These days, a Tsar is born. Dianne has all the perks an imperial presence can dispense. And so, too many leaders of our community fawn and pander to the mayor. In return, they get jobs, they get status, they get city

Dianne Feinstein far more than she has ever offered. And for what? A brief walk-on, a few words, a smile, a wave. How cheap. How very cheap.

B. Jones



Can you find the Waist/Length patch? Don't feel badly. Neither can anyone else. These nouveau designer jeans arrived in time for the Holy Season at the Lily Street Fair. (Photo: Rink)

one or the other of the male couple (exchanging vows with their real mates after the legal ceremony)," she says. "Of course, prenuptial agreements are signed and so forth, but then the females are artificially inseminated by the males, or if two of the partners have bisexual tendencies, they copulate only at the time of ovulation."

"Anyway, the gist of this is that each couple has a child to raise and generally they get a big old house in midtown and the men take the bottom floor and the women take the top floor. The children are evenly divided after infancy, and because of the legal ceremony the men retain their parental rights. This has worked well for ten different fourmes."

Sounds great to me—but there are just two problems. (A) I don't know any lesbian couples, and (B) I don't have a lover.

Obviously, then, nothing has worked out, and I'm still childless. However, over the years I've gotten used to the idea and don't think I mind so much anymore. In fact, I may even prefer it. I'm a selfish old coot now and am not sure I could make the necessary sacrifices.

Besides, my lifestyle is hardly conducive to having children. No, I don't do drugs and party all night like I used to do, and the traffic coming in and out of my bedroom is but a fraction of what it once was, but other things would still make it difficult for me to be a father.

For one, I'm not the most responsible individual in the world. After four years, I put my dog up for adoption. If I couldn't even take care of a dog, how could I expect to take care of a child? Furthermore, I don't have a whole hell of a lot of time. I spend almost all my time work-

ing and writing now. If I had to change diapers, when would I find time to forge a career?

I still have little money, and can you imagine the cost of college tuition in 18 years? Finally, even if I had the dough, considering the present health crisis, who knows if I'll be around to pay the bills in the year 2004?

Luckily, as both of my sisters have taken on the responsibility of carrying on the family line (if not the name), I at least have the opportunity to experience the joys of child-rearing vicariously through them. And believe me, being an uncle is a hell of a lot easier than being a dad. I get all the fun and none of the trouble.

So, I still get to play the adored big brother/hero role. And if I sometimes miss the rest—well, fuck it. You can't have everything.

M. Hippler

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SF Rises For Easter

Balloons, Rainbows Greet Softball League Opener; Miss Box Lunch Social Sweeps Lily Street

by Allen White
Bobby Reynolds opened the Gay Softball League season by throwing the first ball. Miss Box Lunch Social won the Lily Street Easter Bonnet contest. And Olivia Record's Showcase donated the largest quantity of food ever from the performing arts community to the San Francisco AIDS Foundation Food Bank. It was Easter weekend, 1986, a time for celebrating life in the Bay Area's gay community.

That community showed a strength and unity rich in diversity. At times appropriately sentimental, the moods changed in a flash to outlandish camp at most of the major events.

Easter Sunday was opening day for the ninth season of the Gay Softball League. Seventeen teams strong, they ranged from lesbian teams sponsored by Captain Video and Amelia's to bars from throughout the city including the opening day teams

from Pilsner Inn and Rawhide. The opening day festivities included a pre-game warm-up with many San Francisco personalities participating. Hundreds sang the national anthem led by former Beach Blanket Babylon star Tom Andersen.

As the song concluded, over 1,500 helium filled balloons floated into the air. The concept was the planning of Tony Treviso and dedicated to people with AIDS and AIDS-Related Conditions, their lovers and friends. Those balloons had special meaning for Treviso. Last year Dwayne Campbell, his lover, died the evening of the gay softball league opening game on Mar. 31.

The sentimentality was mixed by the presence of the huge rainbow flag carried by a group of people that made the broad colors of the flag appear almost as an understatement in contrast. Many were members of the Sisters of Perpetual Indulgence who were making no small secret that they have a Gay Games II preview next Saturday night at the Kezar Pavilion.



What an Easter bonnet! (Photo: Rink)



Dosey-do to you, too. Square dancers on Lily Street. (Photo: Rink)

The surprise of the afternoon, and the most important statement possibly made, came with the appearance on the field of Bobby Reynolds. Reynolds had been a player on the old Moby Dick softball team until his diagnosis with AIDS in 1982. With Bobbi Campbell and Gary Walsh, they chose to lead a march in May, 1982 and announce to the world that they were "Fighting For Our Lives." The man who loved to play softball was again out on the field giving new meaning to the word hope.

Over on Lily Street thousands turned out for the largest Easter party to date. At 2 in the afternoon, the group went into a vacant lot on Page Street for an Easter egg hunt. Bob Bellville of the Western Star Dancers spent most of the afternoon giving instructions to square dancers.

At 3 there came the annual Lily Street Easter bonnet contest. This year there were two dozen entries. They ranged from the politically correct Alice B.

Toklas Club to such entrants as Lily of the Valley, Magnolia, Esther Williams, Alexis Incognito, Tippi Hedron and Miss Safe Sex and her dog Rage. These were not the themes for the hats, these are the names of the contestants.

Third place winner was Esther Williams. Second place was garnered by Miss Safe Sex and the winner was Miss Box Lunch Social. Miss B.L.S. is actually Kent Schooler, a member of the respected (by most), Imperial Guard.

Asked how it felt to follow a dog as a winner, Miss Box Lunch Social simply replied, "Last year a dog, this year a bitch." Many of his friend standing nearby nodded in agreement.

The Duke and Duchess had a hot dog booth located directly across from the sound system. For those working the booth it was a fine afternoon until the planned Easter Parade. The music was Judy Garland singing

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White Party waiters at the Troc. (Photo: Rink)

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Oscar Party Nets \$16,000 For Hospice

by Allen White

Over \$16,000 was raised for Coming Home Hospice last Monday night at the spectacular Friends of Oscar Academy Award party in Pacific Heights. Close to 500 people paid \$35 directly to the charity to enjoy an elegant black tie event at the home of Edward Estreito.

Dozens of television sets were placed in the multi-floored mansion as people drank champagne, socialized and listened to the music of pianist Peter Mintun. Raffle tickets were sold with prizes ranging from a piano from Kassman Pianos, dinners at such restaurants as Lily's (which is not in the Western Addition), the Hard Rock Cafe, the Alta Plaza and Rosalies. Marines Memorial theatre tickets, Marilyn Tiriolo Aerobics and Limousine service from Lime Lite Livery and Regency Limousine were also among the prizes.

Colton, Kevin J. Corcoran and Charles Duggan.

Nines, formerly the Arena, was the site of another award party presented by Frameline, the group that produces, among other things, the San Francisco Lesbian/Gay Film Festival in June. Several hundred people showed to watch the awards and hear such comics as Tom Amiano and Marga Gomez. A special guest was Rob Epstein who last year was accepting his own Oscar for *The Times of Harvey Milk*. Casually eating popcorn, Epstein seemed to sum up many people's assessment of the evening saying, "It just wasn't quite like last year."

Witness Alert

Anyone having observed a police officer allegedly assaulting an Asian male on the night of Oct. 27, 1985 at the corner of Post and Polk is asked to call Randy Schell at CIAV, 864-3112.



Amelia's was one of the teams displaying a banner for the opening of the Gay Softball League. (Photo: P. Brown)

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the song of the same name. The song was on a continuous track and repeated itself for almost twenty minutes.

"If I hear that song one more time I think I'm going to puke!"

Immediately there were people present to give him assistance, monitor the street and call for the ambulance that responded promptly. Once on the street, the ambulance attendants took the person to San Francisco General and immediately the street cleared.

The night before, Berkeley's Zellerbach Auditorium was jammed with a primarily women's audience for Olivia Record's Showcase. The Oakland-based record company had chosen the concert, as Olivia president Judy Dlugacz said, to "plant a seed." They wanted to set an example for using musical events as a vehicle to gain donations for the hungry. The beneficiary for the evening was the Food Bank of the San Francisco AIDS Foundation.

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exclaimed one of the sellers grabbing a hot bun with relish. Despite the frivolity and mellowness of the afternoon, there was a moment of emergency. One of the partygoers, a person with AIDS, collapsed on the

Food Bank head Carrie Norsworthy said they had originally planned one trip back to San Francisco to bring the food. When the evening concluded they had made three trips in separate vans.

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As the concert was concluding in Berkeley, the evening was just starting at Trocadero Transfer. It was the annual White Party and this year the evening was themed to "An Evening In Paris". Throughout the night there were models displaying Paris gowns against a magnificently created Paris motif.

A. White

Run For Life

Win A Trip To London While Raising \$\$ For AIDS Foundation

On Sunday, May 4, the San Francisco AIDS Foundation will hold its first annual Run for Life in Golden Gate Park. The race will include two segments: a 10k race and a 3.5k fun run.

An exciting feature of the Run for Life will be the raffle of two round-trip air tickets to London and two round-trip air tickets to Hawaii. Everyone paying the \$12 entry fee is eligible to win. The drawing will take place after the run in the registration area in front of the Bandshell at about 10:30 a.m. Entrants need not be present to win.

Trophies will be awarded to men's and women's first, second and third place finishers of both races. The first 2,000 pre-registered entrants will receive t-shirts.

"The AIDS Foundation is sponsoring the Run for Life to enable a wide cross-section of the community to join the fight against AIDS," said development director Ron DeLuca. "Proceeds from the Run will

Foundation's education department provides a wide range of educational events, public forums, and seminars and produces over 35 different brochures aimed at educating all segments of the public about AIDS.

The AIDS Foundation gratefully acknowledges the assistance of Now Voyager, World Airways, Calistoga Water, Lee Printing and other businesses and

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further the Foundation's work. A significant portion of our income is generated by fundraisers such as the Run for Life," DeLuca said.

The AIDS Foundation operates a toll-free informational telephone hotline serving 44 northern California counties, emergency short-term housing, the Food Bank and other services to people with AIDS. The

individuals whose donations have greatly contributed to the Run for Life.

For further information and entry forms, contact Ron DeLuca, San Francisco AIDS Foundation, 333 Valencia St., 4th Floor, San Francisco, CA 94103, (415) 864-4376 or Randy Hayes of Pacific Promotions at (415) 948-1420.

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Cala Foods Supports Bike-A-Thon

175 Cyclists Signed Up to Ride; Registration Continues Until April 20

Cala Foods is donating the food for the four rest stops for all riders for the Saturday, May 3, '86 AIDS Bike-A-Thon. Ed Cala stated, "This is just the kind of community activity that we are proud to support and be a part of." Auntie Pasta's Pat Howell, and owner of La Musica, along with Leticia Luna of Leticia's is coordinating a lavish post-event buffet catered by restaurants to make sure the bicyclists are well fed when they return home from the 25-mile jaunt and the 100-mile trek.

"The outpouring of support is inspiring," said Jim King, Bike-a-Thon coordinator, adding "The community is rallying and pumping life into the Bike-a-Thon. Individuals have been sending us donations from \$5 to \$50, which is helping to cover paper and postage costs." Thus far, almost every item essential to the Bike-a-Thon has been donated or obtained at deeply discounted prices.

One hundred and seventy-five riders have already registered with 8-10 new registrants being added daily. Registrations have come from Los Angeles, Fresno and all over Northern California.

"What a beautiful day May 3 will be," extolled Kerry Kelley, coordinator of ride logistics, "hundreds of cyclists pumping and pedaling across the city to raise money for AIDS." Ever aware that people are nervous about hills, Kerry drolly added, "pumping and pedaling across the flattest parts of San Francisco—anyone can do it!"

The women's community is getting involved with over 25 percent of the registered riders being women. Bay Area Career Women and Women on Wheels have joined forces for a massive pledge night in conjunction with BACW's program on April 7



Practice runs on the bikes are crowding S.F. Streets

(Photo: T. Walther)

featuring Ginny Foat. "This is an important event which is really bringing the community together—it's vital that women and men work side by side and we're doing it," exclaimed BACW's Donna Yutz. Patty Rose who walked 100 miles

across Death Valley to bring attention to AIDS has signed up to ride.

Straight friends are joining the Bike-a-Thon. Six cops from the Mission Station have signed up to ride, Sup. Louise Renne is planning a loop or two and

cyclists from other bicycle clubs in the Bay Area are registering.

Gene Howard, the 65-year-old marvel who rode 100 miles in last year's Bike-a-Thon is riding again. When asked why, Gene responded, "The personal sense of accomplishment from the Bike-a-Thon last year was a once-in-a-lifetime experience. Everyone can share in it—by riding this year. I'm lucky, because I'll get to experience it all over again!"

Deadline to register is Sunday, April 20 and registration packs may be picked up at the Different Spokes booth on Hibernia Beach any Saturday or Sunday. Also, registration packs are available at Headlines, All American Boy, and from the beneficiaries by mail ('86 AIDS, P.O. Box 14711, San Francisco, CA 94114) or by phoning (415) 771-0677.

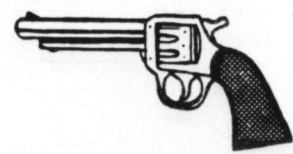
Impotence in Gay Men

A program and support group dealing with impotence in gay men in San Francisco has sparked a great deal of interest in the community. Several groups in the Bay Area sponsor meetings on impotence but they focus their attention mainly to the straight married male population which encourage their spouses to attend such sessions for support.

For several months now, a program and support group has been holding meetings, lectures, and serious discussions on impotence and sexual dysfunctions in gay men.

The program usually starts with a presentation by a urologist describing the physical problems which cause impotence. Questions from the audience are answered. Other speakers present their expertise on the psychological aspects related to impotence in gay men. Smaller groups meet in weekly sessions on an informal discussion program.

The next meeting will be held on Monday, April 7, from 7 to 9 p.m. at Pacific-Presbyterian Hospital, 1st floor, Merrill Room, 2333 Buchanan Street. The program is free. No sales or promotions. Anonymity is protected. For more information call 474-7978.



AIDS ANTIBODY TESTING

Free, Anonymous Test Program Continues in San Francisco

New funding will extend the anonymous AIDS antibody testing program offered by the San Francisco Department of Public Health.

Without revealing your name or identity, you can make an appointment to learn more about the test by telephoning 621-4858, T-Th, 3-9 p.m.; F, 12-5 p.m.; Sat 8 a.m.-5 p.m. MAKING AN APPOINTMENT DOES NOT COMMIT YOU TO TAKING THE TEST. After hearing a brief presentation at the test site you will have a chance to ask questions. You may then leave or stay to take the test.

The AIDS antibody test detects the presence of antibodies to the AIDS virus by using a simple blood test. **This is not a test for AIDS.** The test does NOT show if you have AIDS or an AIDS Related Condition (ARC), nor can it tell if you will develop AIDS or ARC in the future. **THE TEST DOES SHOW IF YOU HAVE BEEN INFECTED WITH THE VIRUS WHICH CAN CAUSE AIDS.**

Although the test is available at other locations, your anonymity is guaranteed if you take the test at an Alternative Test Site. You will receive your test results at the San Francisco Alternative Test Sites without revealing your identity or losing your privacy. Post-test consulting and referrals are available.

Your decision whether or not to take the test is a difficult one. The San Francisco AIDS Foundation is not recommending that you either take or not take the test. YOU MUST DECIDE FOR YOURSELF. We want to provide you with information that will help you make the decision that is right for you.

If you want general information about AIDS or the AIDS antibody test, telephone the San Francisco AIDS Foundation HOTLINE (863-AIDS, 9-9 M-F, 11-5 S-Su). If you want to make an appointment at an Alternative Test Site for education or testing, call 621-4858 T-Th, 3-9 p.m.; F, 12-5 p.m.; Sat, 8 a.m.-5 p.m.



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Reserch Subjects Needed

Studies to test the effectiveness of two new experimental drugs on persons with AIDS-related Kaposi's sarcoma (KS) will soon be underway at the AIDS Research Clinic at Children's Hospital of San Francisco.

The first study will compare the effectiveness of alpha interferon used alone, with alpha interferon used in conjunction with the chemotherapeutic agent vinblastine. Alpha interferon, a substance normally produced by the body's own cells, is an immunomodulatory drug—one that is known to boost the body's own immune system. Both alpha interferon and vinblastine when given alone have been shown to reduce tumor size in approximately 40 percent of KS patients with AIDS. This study will test patient response when they are used together.

The study is being conducted jointly by the AIDS Clinic at San Francisco General Hospital and the AIDS Research Clinic at CHSF under the direction of Paul Volberding, M.D. Assistant Professor of Medicine at UCSF, and Chief of Medical Oncology at San Francisco General; William Lang, M.D. Clinical Director of The San Francisco Men's Health Study at Children's Hospital; Richard Cohen, M.D., Chief of Medical Oncology and Hematology at Children's, and George Tardelli, M.D., Medical Director of Bay Area Addiction Research and Treatment, Inc. The study is sponsored by Hoffman-LaRoche pharmaceutical company.

The second study, under the direction of Drs. Lang and Cohen, will evaluate the effects of beta interferon on persons with KS. Beta interferon, another of the body's natural immune modulators, has been shown to have activity against malignant melanoma, a type of skin cancer. This will be the first time beta interferon has been used in treatment of persons with AIDS. The study is sponsored by Triton Biosciences.

Participants with Kaposi's sarcoma are sought for both studies. They will be medically screened for eligibility and will be seen at the outpatient clinic at Children's. There will be no charges to the patient for testing or treatment in either study.

Persons interested in participating should call the San Francisco Men's Health Study at Children's, 922-4800, for more information.

Basketball Extravaganza

The Sisters of Perpetual Indulgence present their 5th Annual Charity Basketball Game Extravaganza, Saturday, April 5, at Kezar Pavilion 7:30 p.m. Performing will be Sharon McNight, S.F. Gay Freedom Day Marching Band, Twirlers, Flag Corps, S.F. Lesbian/Gay Chorus, Hayward Raw Raws, and more.

Gay Games II will receive the proceeds, and this event is a special preview to the competitions to be held August 9-15. Featured are the Los Angeles and San Francisco Women's Gay Games II Basketball teams.

Tickets are \$5 at Headlines on Polk and Castro (or \$7 at the door).

City College AIDS Week

A 5-day free AIDS Awareness program will be held at City College of San Francisco and the seven Community College Centers the week of April 7. The program is sponsored by the San Francisco Community College District and the San Francisco AIDS Foundation.

Participants in the free daily events include: Dr. Tim Wolfred, executive director of the San

Francisco AIDS Foundation, who has just returned from hearings about AIDS support in Washington, D.C.; Dr. Donald Francis, California Department of Public Health and participant in the recent worldwide AIDS Conference in Brussels; Dr. Steven Follansbee, director of oncology, San Francisco General Hospital; and Dr. Robert Schmidt, San Francisco State University. The participants who will explore the psychological, social, ethical, legal, and prevention issues of AIDS; and a media panel with Jim Bunn, KPPIX;

Katy Butler, *San Francisco Chronicle*; and Brian Jones, *Bay Area Reporter*.

San Francisco's Theatre Rhinoceros will present two free performances of their production *Unfinished Business—The New AIDS Show*, 1-2 p.m. on Monday, April 7, at City College, and 8-9 p.m. on Thursday, April 10, at the Community College District's Castro-Valencia Program, 450 Church Street. For more information and a free detailed schedule of events, call Chet Roaman, 647-4884 Diana Bernstein, 239-3110.

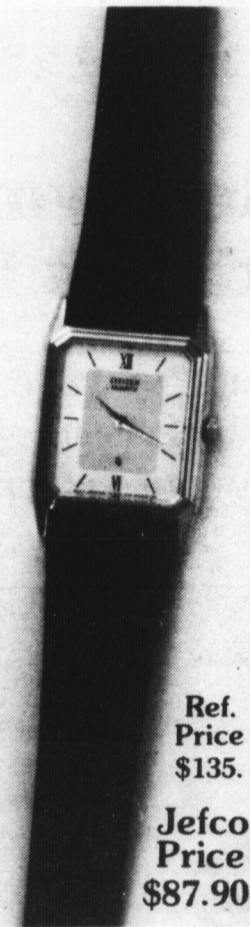
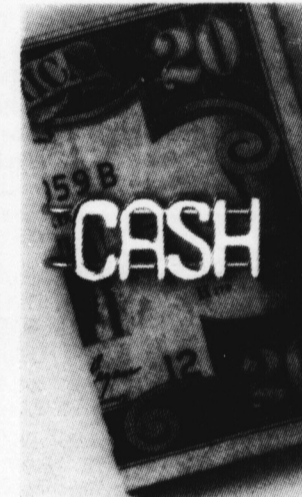
Natl. Academy Of Sciences

What are the best national strategies for responding to the growing national and international problem of AIDS?

A joint National Academy of Sciences/Institute of Medicine committee will hold a public meeting in San Francisco on Tuesday, April 8, to gather views from organizations and in-

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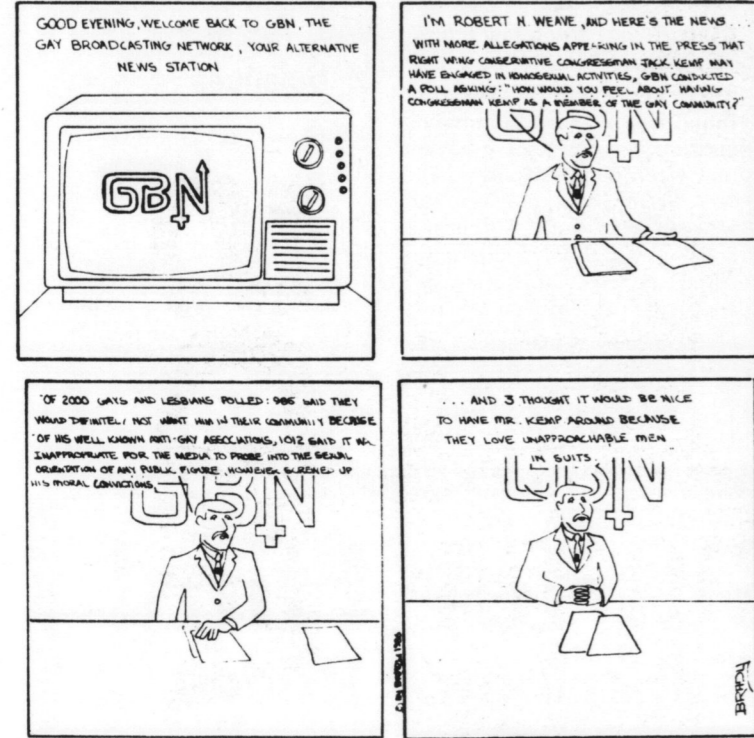
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LIFE AT THE CLOSET DOOR



Tim Wolfred and Sen. Edward Kennedy listen to information about AIDS.

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dividuals on this subject. A similar public meeting will be held on the East Coast in May.

The public meeting will be held in room 1194 of the State of California Building, 350 McAllister St., from 1 to 5 p.m.

prizes with an admission ticket and a raffle for a microwave oven. Minimum buy-in is \$10. A concession stand will be available for hungry and thirsty bingo players.

Bishop Swing at Healing Service

The Rt. Rev. William E. Swing, Bishop of the Episcopal Diocese of California, will preside at the Ecumenical AIDS Healing Service on Monday, April 7, at 6:30 p.m. in Grace Cathedral. This service will be co-sponsored by the AIDS Inter-Faith Network, Grace Cathedral, the Episcopal Diocese of California, and the Parsonage.

Holy Redeemer Hosts Bingo Night For Coming Home Hospice

Cries of "B-51!" and "G-9!" will fill Most Holy Redeemer Church, 100 Diamond Street, on Thursday, April 10 when the Most Holy Redeemer Support Group hosts its first Bingo Night. The proceeds will go for the Coming Home Hospice and will be held every Thursday night.

There will be all kinds of wonderful events. There will be two early birds beginning at 7 p.m., 15 regular lap boards beginning at 7:15 p.m. two intermission specials at \$100 each, two \$1 get-aways, jackpot cherry tabs at two for \$1, fun door

AIDS Forum Tackles Red Cross, Racism

Groups Too Gay for Red Cross; Services to Minorities Questioned

by Tim Wolfred, Executive Director San Francisco AIDS Foundation

Politics and healing were the major themes woven through the four days of the 4th Annual National AIDS Forum, sponsored by the National Lesbian & Gay Health Foundation. Grassroots AIDS workers 400 strong from across the country gathered in Washington, D.C., March 13-16, to share teaching and healing skills, to heal one another, and to organize in the face of political and other threats.

National AIDS Network (NAN) played a prominent role at the Washington conference in serving as negotiator with other national organizations recently arrived on the AIDS education scene. With funds from local AIDS groups, NAN was formed in November, 1985, with goals of sharing information among AIDS groups and support for newly forming organizations. NAN will play an important role in national efforts from this point on.

The American Red Cross recently rejected an attempt by

Quarantine proposals and the threat of mass antibody testing of persons at risk for AIDS fueled the political organizing of the Washington conference.

of minorities in the AIDS epidemic. Documenting the all too prevalent inattention was an article the week of the conference in the *Philadelphia Inquirer* revealing half the gay men with AIDS in Philadelphia are black. The clientele of Philadelphia service agencies, however, is overwhelmingly white.

Attention was given to the upcoming Western Regional Conference on AIDS and Minorities scheduled for April 25-27 in San Francisco. Calu Lester of the San Francisco Shanti Project and Miguel Ramirez of the San Francisco AIDS Foundation were appointed to seats on the Council on Minorities and AIDS of the National Institutes of Health. The Council will be convened in Washington in June to plan better AIDS service outreach into black and Hispanic communities.

Eroticizing safe sex, education strategies for ethnic communities and IV drug user populations, lesbian health issues, fundraising, and burnout prevention were among topics discussed. Impressive was the creativity and energy evident in the products displayed. Communities in every state, for example, have developed effective ways to promote safe sex—from Captain Condom ever present at gay gatherings in Minneapolis to the survival kits of Atlanta that contain all a man needs for hot and healthy liaisons.

Gay Men's Health Crisis (GMHC), New York, premiered their safe sex film, *Chance of a Lifetime*. AIDS Project Los Angeles (APLA) previewed four 30-second TV spots attacking AIDS fear and hysteria. The spots were produced by nine participating AIDS agencies in Southern California under the umbrella of Southern California Cares. The project received large grants from the GMHC and the San Francisco AIDS Foundation (SFAF). Those public service announcements will be released in the San Francisco Bay Area beginning April 15.

The next forum will be held in Los Angeles in spring, 1987.

DEATHS

Glenn Cavallaro

Glenn Cavallaro, 37, died March 27 in Santa Rosa 16 days after being diagnosed with PCR.

Born in Astoria N.Y. raised in Fresno, Glenn came of age at UC-Berkeley where he graduated with honors in 1970. He was active in the earliest days of the Gay Movement with the Berkeley Gay Liberation Front, Bishop's Coffee House Rap Groups, and Freedom Day Parades. In addition, he was a featured soloist with Baby Grand & The 88 Keys which performed extensively in the Bay Area.

In 1972 Glenn moved to San Francisco where his home quickly became a focal point for old and new friends to meet, exchange ideas, eat, laugh, and relax.

Over the years he divided his energies in many ways—he was a waiter at Coffee Cantata, Social Service Worker for four years for the Visiting Nurses Association of San Francisco, a travel agent in South Lake Tahoe, manager of the Catro Village Wine Shop, creative renovator of numerous houses in this his favorite city, flutist in the San Francisco Conservatory of Music Orchestra, contributing member of both the Symphony and Opera Associations, student in Athens of classical philosophies and the Greek language, and an importer of video equipment from Hong Kong. His last job was as regional salesman for A.L. Romano Wine Co. which he left voluntarily in January, 1985. From then until his death, he worked with Dr. Rob Robin on a non-profit Institute to preserve the integrity of the Hopi Indian Culture.

A noted wine authority, Glenn was naturally drawn to the vast vineyards of Northern California where he and Richard Trepanier, his lover of almost five years, relocated three years ago. In Healdsburg, they worked together building their dream home. Glenn looked forward to growing old with Richard surrounded by good friends and beautiful vistas.

In his last days he remained ever optimistic well aware of his prognosis. Tended by Richard, best friends Murray Selkow, Bill Jeremiah, and Dr. Jeff Jones, his mother Rose Firenz and brother Richard, both of San Diego, Glenn closed his eyes.

Donations in his name to Shanti or the AIDS Foundation would be greatly appreciated.

A memorial service will be held at the Metropolitan Community Church 150 Eureka St. Friday April 4 at 6 p.m. All are welcome to mark the passing of such an exceptional individual.

Ronald Fletcher

Ronald Lee Fletcher died quietly among loving friends in Felton, Ca. at 10:30 p.m. on Monday, March 17, at the age of 46 of lung cancer. His ashes were cast by a gathering of friends along the river in the Santa Cruz Mountains.

For 15 years Ron lived with me in Hawaii and in California, returning to San Francisco from Hawaii in 1979 with a different life companion, also now departed this life through leukemia.

Ron was a native of Atwater, Ca. where his family was very active in civic affairs. Ron was an outstanding school teacher specializing in foreign languages. He had an active interest in breeding and raising Shetland Sheepdogs.

Ron, dear Ron, may you now find the sweet peace you so often looked for in life. Only the good times will be remembered by us all who love you so very much.

David E. Reeves

Dan Sharp

Dan Sharp, 45, died March 26 of pneumocystic pneumonia at Pacific Presbyterian Hospital.

A native Californian and long-time resident of San Francisco, Dan leaves behind his mother, Julia, his brother, Tom, and many loving friends.

He loved living life to its fullest, enjoyed entertaining and bringing new friends together, being in the mountains, and gardening.

Dan's ashes will be spread at his beloved sanctuary, Donner Lake.

Memorial services will be held at the First Unitarian Church chapel, 1187 Franklin at Geary, Friday, April 4, at 7 p.m.

Donations may be sent to Shanti Project, 890 Hayes St., San Francisco, CA 94117 or Coming Home Hospice, 225 30th St., San Francisco, CA 94131.

Gerald Galbraith

Gerald James Galbraith of San Francisco died March 31 in a local hospital. Gerald worked for G.T.E. as a computer operator. He is survived by his lover, Tom Ayling, his sister and step-brothers and many loving friends in San Francisco. Memorial services will be held Friday April 4 at 7:30 p.m. at 3300 16th Street at Dolores St. San Francisco under the direction of Tom Simpson Funeral Counselor. Inurnment will be private.

Memorial donations may be made to San Francisco AIDS Foundation 333 Valencia St. S.F. For additional information contact Tom Simpson Funeral Counselor at 626-3400.

Donn C. Davis

Donn C. Davis died March 26, after a long fight against AIDS.

Donn was born in Gary, IN. on July 31, 1940, but was a son of California having lived in San Francisco for more than 20 years.

A dear and loving friend and a patient teacher, he will be deeply missed by Allen Peterson, Stewart Byers, Don Davidson, Gary Abbott, John Wise, Jack Thornberg and many friends and acquaintances at The Gateway.

His remains are to be cremated and scattered at sea, at his request. No memorial services will be held. Donations may be made to Shanti Project.

"Stranger, go and tell the Spartans that I lie here according to their law."

Jack Olson

Jack Olson, 65, died Tuesday, March 18 after a short battle with AIDS. He passed away peacefully at his home with his sister at his side.


He was at one time an announcer on KLOK Radio in San Jose and had his own show, Polka Party until 1963. He then when to CBS in San Francisco until he retired.

A lot of people will remember him as "Aunt Blue Bell." And none will forget.

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- Imperial AIDS Foundation Rap Group: rap group, Home Federal Savings Meeting Room, 480 S. Mathilda (at Olive St.), Sunnyville, 7-10 PM. Call 968-8976 or 965-1189 for details.
- Think Cock, It's Friday: jack-off party sponsored by JO Buddies, 260 Shotwell (at 16th St.), 9:30 PM-12 Midnight, \$10. A marathon jack-off session. More men than you can shake your dick at.
- The Jon Sugar Review: cabaret, Artemis Cafe, 1199 Valencia St., S.F., 8 PM, \$6. Featuring Strange de Jim, Jai Jai Noire, poetry by Steve Abbott and William Bent, keyboardist/musician.
- Women's Drop-in Space: conversation and caring, 1615 Polk St., upstairs, S.F., 7-9 PM, every Friday.
- Levitation: stage presentation, Theatre Rhinoceros, 2926 16th St., S.F., 8:30 PM, \$11-\$12. The West Coast premiere of a magically endearing comedy about a cynical young writer who spends a transforming night with the ghosts of his past.



Suzy Berger will be part of the madness when the Bay Area Physicians for Human Rights go comical April 5 (Photo: Baldocchi)

SATURDAY 5

- Krapp's Last Tape: stage presentation, Napa Valley Theater Company, AAA Studios, 233 14th St., S.F., 8:30 PM. Proceeds go to the support of the San Francisco AIDS Food Bank. Call 861-8180 for details.
- Gay Artists and Writers Kollektiv: meeting, call 664-2682 for details.
- Blazing Redheads: music, Sofia's 527 Valencia St., S.F., 9:30 PM, \$5.
- Sue Fink: music, Mama Bear's, Telegraph Ave., Oakland, 8:30 PM.
- Different Spokes: Bike-a-Thon preview bike run, McLaren Lodge, Stanyan and Fell Streets, Golden Gate Park, S.F., 9 AM. A 75-mile preview of the May 3 Bike-a-Thon. Call 864-2778 for details.
- Bay Area Racquetball League: practice, Schoeber's Athletic Club, South San Francisco, 11 AM, \$4 per person. Challenge courts will be reserved for our use.
- San Francisco Wrestling Club: meeting, 172 Prentiss St., S.F. Call 821-9721 for details.
- Artists for Community Life: book and bake sale, 18th and Castro Sts., 10 AM-3 PM. Proceeds go to Art & Well Being: An AIDS Art Show. Bring used books and baked goods to the following addresses Friday between 7-9 PM: 1024 Clayton St., S.F. and 480 Chetwood St., Oakland. Call 753-2331 and/or 839-1923 for details.
- Bay Area Physicians for Human Rights: comedy show, Gemini Club's Comstock Mansion, 1409 Sutter St. (at Franklin St.), S.F., 6:30-9:30 PM (show at 8 PM), \$12 at the door. A benefit for the AIDS Food Bank. Beer, wine and soft drinks will be served for \$1, along with light snacks. Comedys will include Tom Armiano, Suzy Berger, and Kelly Kettel.

SUNDAY 6

- Krapp's Last Tape: stage performance, Napa Valley Theater Company (see Saturday for details).
- Golden Gate MCC: Sunday worship services, 48 Belcher St. (between 14th St. and Duboce), S.F., 12:30 PM, 7 PM. Call 474-4848 for details.
- Mr. S.F. Leather Contest Finals: Powerhouse, 1347 Folsom St., S.F., 6-9 PM. Beer bust.
- Golden State Gay Rodeo Association: meeting, Double D Saloon & Grill, Folsom and 7th St., 5 PM.
- Dignity: Sunday Mass, St. Boniface Church, 133 Golden Gate (near Civic Center), 5:30 PM. Call 584-1714 for details.
- Aldo Antonio Bell: cabaret, Buckley's, 131 Gough St., S.F., 8:30 PM, \$6 cover with 2-drink minimum, \$4 with minimum food purchase of \$6.
- Gay Games Fundraiser: N'Touch, 1548 Polk St., S.F., 3-6 PM, \$4. Includes beer bust and tea dance.
- Voz do Samba: Brazilian music, El Rio, 3158 Mission St., S.F., 4-8 PM, \$5.
- G-40 Plus Club: meeting and discussion, First Unitarian Church, 1187 Franklin St. (at Geary), S.F., 2-4 PM. Acupuncturist Mark Hirano will talk about acupuncture.
- S.F. FrontRunners: Lone Mountain Run, 1-3 hilly miles, 10 AM at Masonic and Fulton Sts.
- Different Spokes: Bike-a-Thon preview bike run, McLaren Lodge, Stanyan and Oak Sts., 10 AM. A 25-mile, magically flat S.F. route for all those who want to get in shape for the May 3 Bike-a-Thon. Call 282-3032 for details.
- Different Spokes: Bike-a-Thon registration, Hibernia Beach, Castro & 18th Sts., 9 AM-6 PM.
- Affirmation, Gay and Lesbian Mormons: meeting, every Sunday evening, 7 PM. Call 641-4554 for details.
- Metropolitan Community Church of San Francisco: worship and communion service, 150 Eureka St., S.F., 10:30 AM. Childcare provided. Call 863-4434 for details.
- Santa Rosa MCC: worship services, 7 PM. Call (707) 526-HOPE for details.
- Slightly Younger Gays & Lesbians: meeting, Billy



Sharon McNight will perform as part of 'Starry Night, City Lights' April 10 (Photo: Rink)

De Frank Lesbian and Gay Community Center, 86 Keyes St., San Jose, 1-3 PM.

- Diablo Valley MCC: worship celebration, 2247 Concord Blvd., Concord, 10 AM. Call 827-2960 for more information.
- Gay Volleyball: pick-up games, Potrero Hill Jr. High School, 19th and Deharo, S.F., 11 AM to 2 PM.
- Le Jazz Hot: cabaret, The Black Rose, 335 Jones St., S.F., 9 & 11 PM, \$1. Join MC's Consuelo del Rio and Tommi Rose every Sunday for a classy show featuring S.F.'s finest female impersonators.
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- Levitation: stage presentation, Theatre Rhinoceros, 3 PM, 8:30 PM, \$9-\$10. (See Friday for details.)

MONDAY 7

- Krapp's Last Tape: stage presentation, Napa Valley Theater Company (see Saturday for details).
- Pacific Center AIDS Project: lectures of AIDS and ARC-related nature. Topics: *Parents and Families of Children Living with AIDS and ARC*, 6-8 PM (call 420-8181 for details), *Health Care Providers Support Group*, 6-8 PM (call 420-8181 for details), *Men Concerned About AIDS Rap Group*, Pacific Center for Human Growth, 2712 Telegraph (at Derby), Berkeley, open to the public.
- Western Star Dancers: new dancing class, males and females welcome for this continuous Monday class by this S.F. gay square dance club. Call 621-5631 or 621-3990 for more information and location.
- Gay and Lesbian Outreach to Elders: men's support group, 1853 Market St., 2nd Floor, 6-8 PM.
- Support Groups for PWA and those concerned about AIDS: ongoing meeting, Kaiser Foundation Hospital, 2425 Geary Blvd., 3:30-4:45 PM. The meetings will be held in Conference Room B on the fifth floor. Call 929-4186 for details.

TUESDAY 8

- The James White Review: poetry and short prose readings, Intersections, 766 Valencia St., S.F., 8 PM, \$3 general admission, \$2 intersection members. Readers include Robert Burdette Sweet, Edward Myscye, Jay Jaslinski, Robert Bedoya, Joel Ensana and the *James White Review* editors.
- Self-Defense Class for Men: 7-9:30 PM, \$50 fee for four-week class. Call 861-3523 for details.
- Radical Women: dinner and discussion, 523-A Valencia St. (near 16th St.), S.F., dinner at 6:45 PM; discussion at 7:30 PM. Call 864-1278 for details. Donation requested.
- Nutrition and Immunity: The Choice Is Yours: seminar, 2269 Market St. (at Noe), S.F., 7 PM. Nutritionist Dr. Betty Kamin focuses on state-of-the-art nutrition products, dietary recommendations as well as the do's and don't's for optimal immune system functioning. Call 221-5554 for details. Free.
- Pacific Center AIDS Project: *People With AIDS/ARC Support Group and Family of People with AIDS/ARC*, 6-8 PM. Call 420-8181 for details.

THURSDAY 9

- Meditation and Healing Circle: meeting, Haight-Ashbury Community Center, Park Branch Library, 1833 Page St., S.F., 7:30 p.m. Call 864-5483 for details.
- Gay International Folk Dancing: for lesbians and gay men, Eureka Valley Recreation Center, Collingwood Park, S.F., teaching 7:30-8 PM, request dancing 8-9:30 PM, \$2.50. Call 585-9784 or 552-8413 for details.
- San Francisco Intergenerational Program: prose and play-writing workshop for beginners and advanced students. Call 431-6254 for more details.
- Black Gay and Bisexual Men: meeting, Pacific Center, Berkeley. Call 548-8283 for details.
- Asian Gay and Bisexual Men: meeting, Pacific Center, Berkeley. Call 548-8283 for details.
- San Francisco Gay Freedom Day Marching Band: practice, every Tuesday, Pacific Ballet Center, 11th St. and Mission, S.F. Interested? Call the Bandfone, 621-5619.
- Slightly Older Lesbians: meeting, Billy De Frank Lesbian and Gay Community Center, 86 Keyes St., San Jose, 7 PM.
- Gay-Nite: Rollergarden, 15721 East 14th St., San Leandro, 7:30 PM-Midnight.
- The Temescal Gay Men's Chorus: rehearsal, Trinity Hall, 2320 Dana (at Durant), Berkeley, 7 PM. For details, call 465-7388 or 655-3825.

WEDNESDAY 8

- Federal Lesbians and Gays: 2nd Birthday Party Celebration, Rooney's, 229th St., S.F., 6 PM. No-host cocktails, free buffet. All are welcome, especially



Danny Williams and the Dote Sisters will perform at Buckley's April 10 (Photo: Rink)

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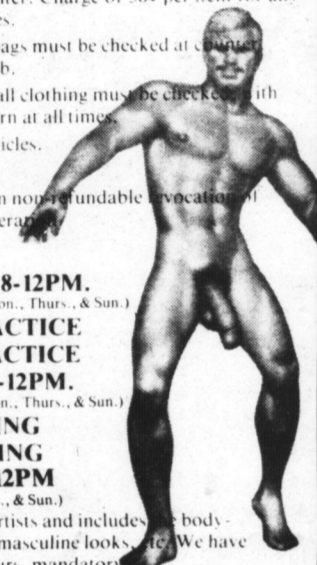
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MR. MARCUS



Making it with Mucky Ducks and Mad Hatters

Hope at least one of you met the "thumper" of your life over Easter weekend. While I could never understand this penchant for Easter bonnets and bonnet contests, the general populace seems to go for it in a big way.

From all reports, the classiest party in town was the Stanton St. shindig, with lots of free booze, food, hot men, etc., etc.

The Lily Street party scored high points with everyone; I must have talked to nearly 50 people who said they were going for the first time, so Lily St. at Easter has become an annual "happening."

Over at the SF-Eagle patio, the Warlocks M/C ended their all-day Easter Run with a beer bust and a parade of bonnets that showed a remarkable amount of effort and talent. The weather wasn't all that great, but a huge crowd was on hand for the event.

Saturday night, the Barbary Coasters M/C held a splendid 20th Anniversary party at the California Club. The invitees were raving about the great buffet, free cocktails, and a commemorative pin that's quite spiffy. The room was decorated in the 'Coasters colors, and video screens were scattered about showing tapes of several previous bike runs. The guests scattered all over South of Market afterward, including His Majesty Glenn Robinson, the 53rd Rex of the Oedipus M/C of Los Angeles. Ms. Larisse grabbed onto that hunk in a hurry, but that photograph best not be published.

Over at Trocadero Transfer, a huge crowd turned out for the Annual White Party, and down



Hampton Taylor won the final heat of the Powerhouse Mr. Leather contest March 19. He will vie against other heat winners April 16 for Mr. Leather SF (Photo: Marcus)

in L.A., Probe was doing its Black Party.

Sunday afternoon, the Gay Softball League opened its season with a game between the Pilsner Inn and the Rawhide. Lots of hoopla, machismo, cheerleaders, and pompoms. It was a great weekend for all those with stamina, and believe me, if you want to live in the fast lane, stamina plus is what you need, as well as a lot of tokens.

Glenn Terrio celebrated with gusto, and Sunday he could barely be touched on the chest he was so sore, and it wasn't from getting his tits caught in a wringer; unless you can conceive of the West Coast's dildo king as a washing machine! By the way, I hear Glenn is heading for Reno this weekend to see Ray Charles, and from all reports, he plans to "Shake That Thang" all over the place.

This is supposed to be a free country, but if you're out on the

streets South of Market at night you'd never know it. During one of the torrential downpours a couple of weeks ago, this dude was waiting for a cab under the awning on the corner of 9th and Folsom when this cop car came along and ordered him off the street because he was "obstructing the sidewalk"! The fact that he was a few hundred yards away from Ringold Alley may have had something to do with it since it was shortly after 0200. I just wonder what is happening with our community relations with the SFPD, especially Southern station. Is all this harassment necessary? Is it a crime to stand under an awning to stay dry while trying to hail a cab? Is it time for some meaningful dialogue between some of our so-called community leaders and the SFPD?

Softball, bowling, cycling, and pool leagues are in full swing as spring lurks (Continued on page 36)



Empress Sable and Emperor Matt were part of the crowd at the Eagle beer bust Easter Sunday (Photo: Rink)

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Ch-Ch-Chatter

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Another big fundraiser was the National Mobilization Against AIDS "Spring Madness" party at the Industrial Dance Company Thursday, March 20. More than \$2,000 was raised from this event and according to Paul Boneberg it was a huge success and everyone had a great time.

What does this all add up to? The fact that money is greatly needed to continue the fight against AIDS and to provide those organizations with the necessary funds for care, information, and research. We need your help in any way possible. We must continue the fight and we will be victorious!

BARBARY COASTERS ANNIVERSARY

The Barbary Coasters M/C celebrated its 20th Anniversary Saturday, March 29, at the California Club. More than 350 well-wishers were there to congratulate the club members and to wish them continued success. A sumptuous buffet and lively

conversation added to the festive occasion. The new officers for 1986 were introduced along with the active members, honoraries, and associates. Every good wish to the BC's and many more anniversaries.

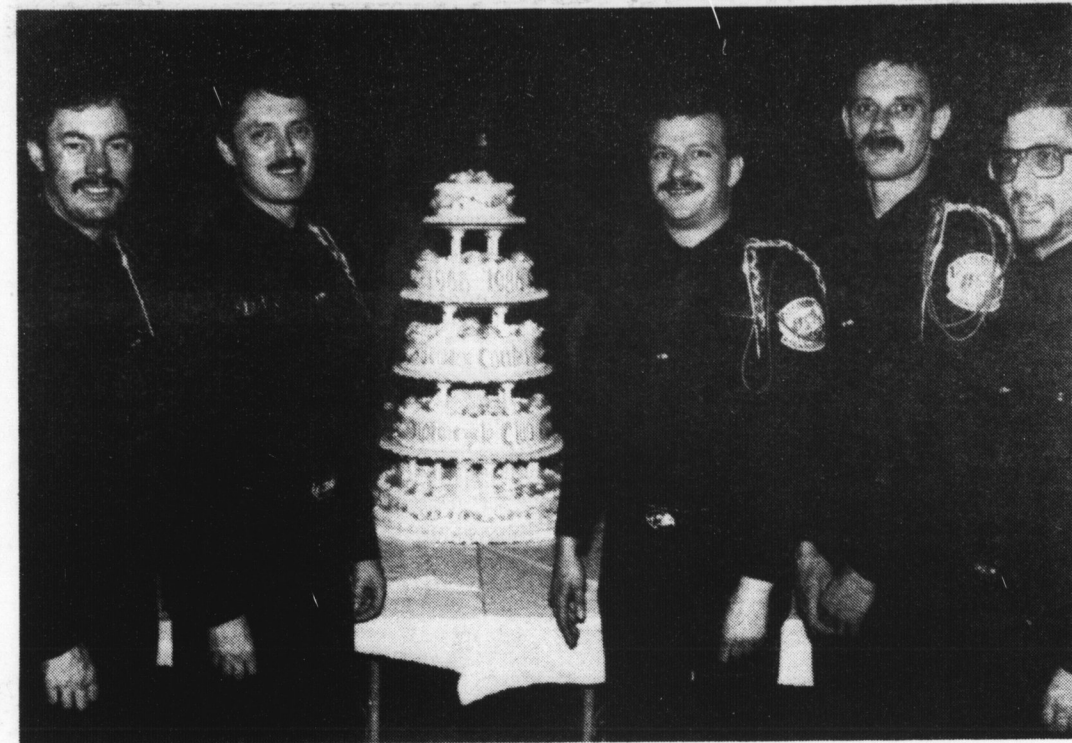
UP & COMING

Saturday evening, April 5, is the Investiture of Their Most Imperial Majesties the Emperor and Empress of San Francisco, Matthew Brown and Sable Clown. It is being held at the Western Merchandise Mart's Exchange Ballroom, 1335 Market St. Doors open at 6:30 p.m. and ceremonies begin at 7:30 p.m. The theme for the evening is "A Trip Through Time," which will be done in four segments. The formal investiture of office will start out the evening, followed by entertainment and the naming of the court. Admission is \$12 in advance or \$15 at the door. A no-host bar will be available. From all indications, this evening will be spectacular. For ticket information call Rick Manring at 861-1919.

Sunday, April 6, the Kokpit is having an "Earthquake Party."



Members of the Constantines attended the SF Eagle beer bust Easter Sunday (Photo: Marcus)



The officers of Barbary Coasters and their birthday cake (Photo: Rink)

Although plans had not been finalized by the time this column was being written, rumor is that the party will start at 6 a.m. Contact the Kokpit for actual time at 775-3260.

The 42nd Street Gang will host a beer bust on the S.F. Eagle patio Sunday, April 6. The fun begins at 3 p.m. and lasts until 6 p.m. There will be many surprises, and it's only a \$6 donation for all the beer you can drink, and munchies too!

Later that day, Miss Parkay and Miss Paulette will host a benefit Beer Bust for Coming Home Hospice at the Transfer, Church, Market, and 14th Streets, starting at 3 p.m. Part of the festivities include a lip sync contest and a raffle for a weekend for two at the Woods Resort at the Russian River. The cost is \$5 for all the beer you can drink and snacks.

The Constantines of the Bay

Area have announced their 2nd Annual 500-mile motorcycle trip. It is scheduled for April 26 and 27 with the destination of Historic Jackson, in the heart of the Mother Lode country. The cost is \$25 which covers lodging, lunch both ways, and a commemorative pin. The event is open to all riders and buddies, club affiliated or independent. If you remember last year the trip was to Fort Bragg and we all had a wonderful time. I'm sure this trip will be just as fun. For applications and information contact Dan Jeansonne, Road Captain, at 685-3525, or Marty at (408) 988-1210. Space is filling up, so act now. Deadline is April 21!

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Belated Birthday wishes to Frank Rauch of the Warlocks M/C (March 29) and to Roger Coca of BATS (April 1). Birthday

wishes to Grand Duchess XII Trixie Trash, and all of our love!

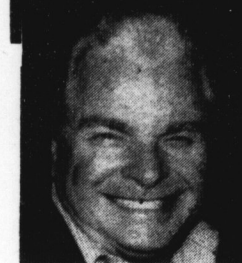
If you haven't seen Helen Shumaker as "Mona Rogers" at the Climate, 252 9th St., you are missing one hell of a show. For 90 minutes, this one-woman show takes you through so many different thought processes you can't help but pay attention. Her delivery and characterization of Mona Rogers is breathtaking. She makes you laugh and gives you much food for thought. It was, to say the least, a very emotionally rewarding evening. Who is Mona Rogers? Go see her and find out for yourself. She is appearing at the Climate Gallery through April 13. For ticket information call 626-9196—and it's worth every cent!

That's it for now. Hope you had a Happy Easter and enjoy the Rites of Spring. Till next time, Aloha!

Remy

SWEET LIPS SEZ . . .

Hello Vancouver



DICK WALTERS

The 1986 World Exposition in Vancouver, B.C., is going to open on May 2 and close Oct. 13. From what I hear around the city a lot of people are contemplating going to see it, so I thought I might be able to give you all a little information I've gotten from different sources (but a special Thanks to Bill Houghton, the British Columbia Correspondent for EXPO '86 and the City Open Press of Portland, Oregon).

It's theme, "World in Motion, World in Touch" heralds achievements in transportation and communications. The fairgrounds (expogrounds?) covers 173 acres (bring comfortable shoes) and is broken up into six "zones." Each zone follows a color scheme right down to flowering plants, towers, support columns, trash bills, etc. You have probably all read so much about the Expo and it's exhibits already that I want to just touch on some of the "other" places to go and stay.

There is a breakfast registry available for gay travelers to Vancouver who need a place to call homebase. You can write to the registry at: Pacific Lambda Housing, 745 Clark Dr., Vancouver, BC, V5L 3J3 (that's the zip code) and they will be happy to send you all the information you need.

Some of the places to stay are: Dufferin Hotel, 900 Seymour St., which has a dance bar called Street's, Lotus Int'l Hotel, 455 Abbott St., and the West End Guest House, 1101 Thurlow St. The Lotus Hotel also has a bar called Cruz Bar.

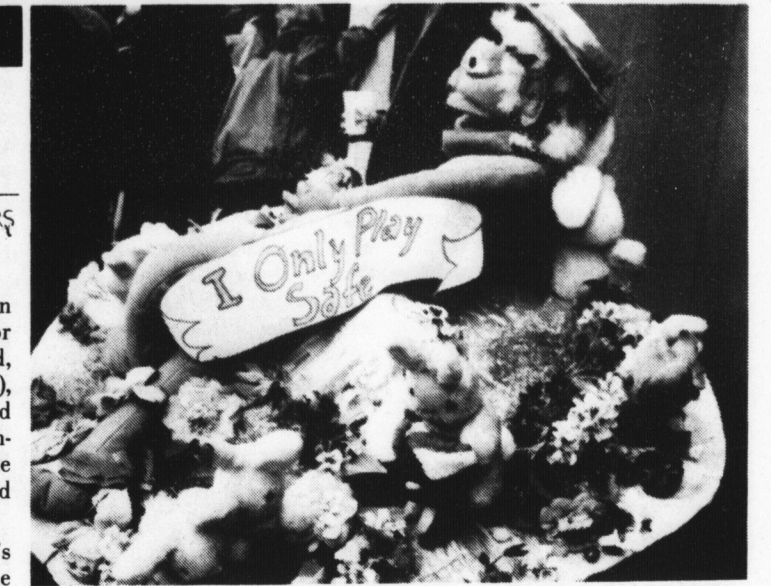
Interesting bars are: Buddy's (dance bar), 1018 Burnaby St.; Faces, 795 Seymour; Gandydancer, 1222 Hamilton St.; Neighbours (Video Bar), 1337 Robson; Shaggy Horse, 818 Richards St.; Playpen South, 1369 Richards St. (Friday-Sunday only) levi, leather. There is also a Hamburger Mary's at Davie and Bute which serves after hours food also, and Someplace Else at 739 Beatty St. has Sunday brunch and piano entertainment. Vancouver has a great array of restaurants, but be sure to eat some of the salmon and Alaska King Crab because it is so fresh and delicious. They also have the second largest Chinatown after ours. Adult three-day passes to the Expo are \$29.95 which admits you to 80 pavilions and all displays, but

amusement rides are extra.

Of course, if you're stopping in Portland either on the way up or back from Vancouver, the places to drink and eat in Portland are numerous. The Embers/Avenue at 110 N.W. Broadway is my favorite hangout what with Tony, Steve, Lucy, and of course Jeannie to serve and host. You are certain to have a good time. Ray's Ordinary Bar & Grille is just two blocks down Broadway with a nice, congenial drinking crowd. C.C. Slaughter's at 1014 S.W. Stark is an exceptionally well-decorated bar that has a warm atmosphere. There are many, many more interesting bars in Portland, and anyone in these three places will direct you to the next nearest or to whatever you have in mind (Portlanders are very friendly). Also, any bar that serves liquor also serves food—it is mandatory—but there are a lot of beer and wine bars around and most bars open at 7 a.m. and close at 2:30 a.m. The Embers/Avenue is open for dancing in the disco room till 5 a.m. on weekends, so you'll have plenty of time for everything. Then, of course we have one of the finest Female Entertainment Clubs in the country—Darcelle's XV—who bills herself as "that's no lady that is Darcelle XV." Her club serves liquor, food (delicious) and great, great entertainment with a very large cast, no reflection on your added eight, dear. Having been around a few drag clubs a little in my lifetime, I can tell you this is one spot not to miss when you visit Portland—reservations are a must.

The sensational Rose Festival of Portland is June 7 on Saturday, and it is a spectacular not to be missed. Yes, I'll be there and in Vancouver later because I am taking three weeks vacation—that is a vacation for you because I'll be gone. Beat you to that you sweet Hawaiian, Walter.

Start marking your calendars for the next two Tavern Guild meetings: Tuesday the 15th at Ginger's Too, 43 6th St., which is Don Roger's latest bar with Kewpie Doll as the G.M., isn't that right Jiggs? And then on the 29th of April, Googie's on Geary, will host its Tavern Guild meeting. These are all at 1 p.m., so get there early for a good seat, right Jim Bonko, and congrats to the new V.P. Mr. George Banda.



Safe sex at the Lily Street Fair

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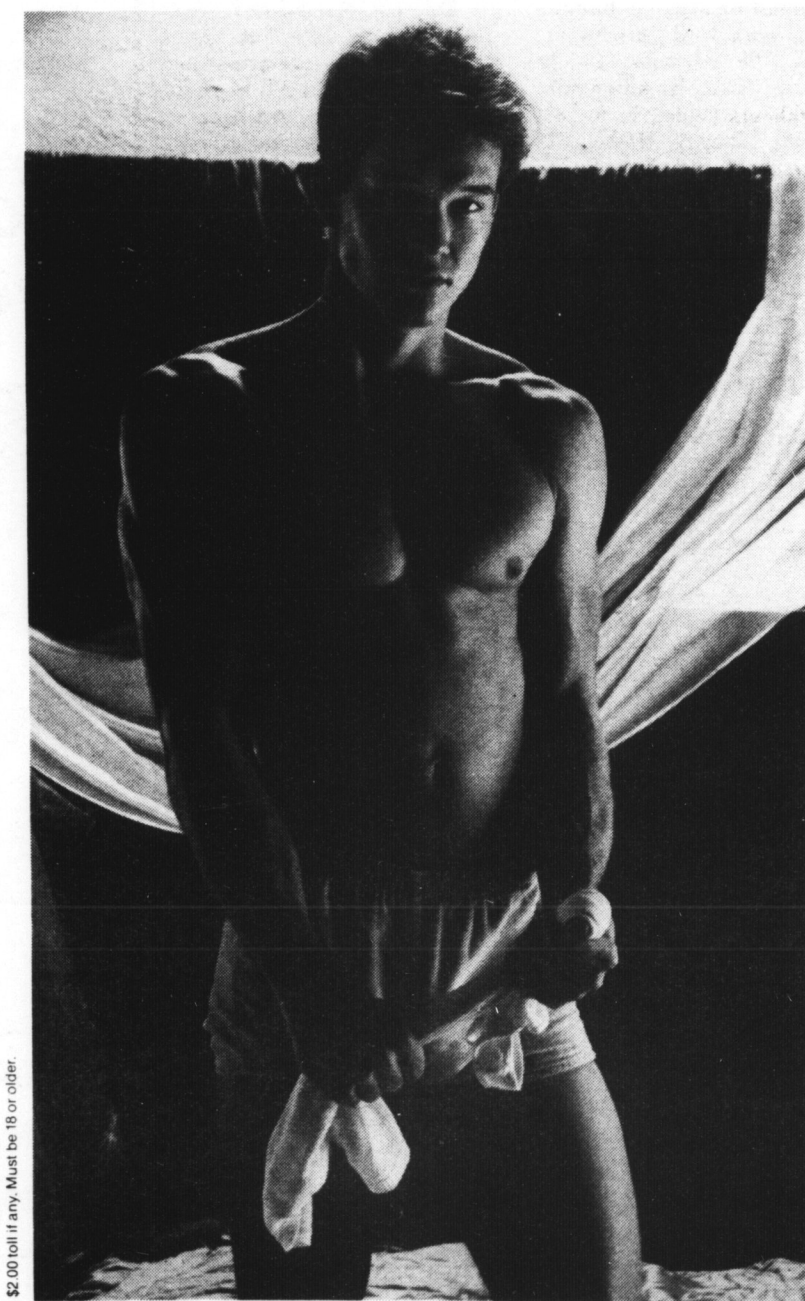
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DRUIDS ON THE MARCH

Although a bit premature, my award for the most confusing experience of the 1985-86 season goes—hands down—to the performance of *Norma* which the New York City Opera mounted in Lincoln Center on Halloween. While arriving at JFK late that afternoon, I can remember gazing out of my airplane window at the full moon on the rise and thinking that if ever the heavens indicated an appropriate time to drop in on Bellini's Druid priestess, this would be the night. Friends had informed me Andrei Serban's production—much maligned by New York's critics when it was first unveiled in July—had since been substantially watered down. And, since New York's opera houses are usually safer than its subways on nights like Halloween, I felt confident Bellini's melodious score—along with the controversial theatrics which were supposed to accompany it—would make Halloween 1985 a night to remember.

Unfortunately, I must confess to harboring a distinct prejudice against certain types of stage business. Anytime I see a pro-

duction which makes repeated use of an elevator simply because the director cannot find anything else to do, I become cynical, distrustful and, on some occasions, downright furious. Although Andrei Serban may indeed have some idea of what he wants to communicate to his audiences through Bellini's *Norma*, I sure as hell do not. His interpretation of this classic opera proved to be one of those unhap-

standard far above Serban's. The saving grace of the evening was Richard Bonyng's conducting, which brought wondrous sounds from the New York City Opera's orchestra.

On the way home from Lincoln Center, as I wended my way through the drugged-out and dragged-up Halloween celebrants clogging Christopher Street, I tried to make some sense out of the bizarre produc-

'As the years go on, I admire the simplicity of Stonehenge more and more.'

py occasions when I found myself wanting to grab the stage director by the throat, push him up against a wall, and demand to be told just what the fuck he was doing and why.

Although Olivia Stapp delivered one of the most emotionally committed portrayals of Bellini's Druid priestess I have witnessed in years, on that particular night the soprano was having enough problems with pitch and vibrato to take the bel out of bel canto. By contrast, Robert Grayson's Pollione was strong, masculine, and forcefully sung, while Judith Forst's Adalgisa evidenced an artistic

tion of *Norma* I had just experienced. When the light of the full moon fell on two gay men dressed as Marilyn and Leon Klinghoffer—one seated in a wheelchair wearing a child's inflatable swimming tube around his neck while the other, decked out in furs, held a sign which stated "Property of the S.S. Achille Lauro"—the pieces of Serban's puzzle slowly began to fit together.

As the years go on, I admire the simplicity of Stonehenge more and more.

G. Heymont

Ballet

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with Laurie Cowden a standout in the second duet.

Seasoned authorities readily admit Balanchine's *Brahms-Schoenberg Quartet* is not one of his masterpieces. But what a ballet, all the same! In its San Francisco Ballet premiere, *Brahms-Schoenberg* closed the program on a thrilling note despite some last-minute cast changes. Each of the four movements is conceived apart from the others in cast, mood, style, and even color scheme; in sum, a grand, if somewhat circus-y affair: four ballets under one roof. The second movement "Intermezzo" in which the ballerina over and over swoons meltingly into her partners arms is a beautiful highlight of the work, nicely danced by Wendy Van Dyck and Tomm Ruud. David McNaughton's allegro distinguished the third movement—"Andante." In the gypsy movement—the "Rondo alla Zingherese" Tracy-Kai Maier and Antonio Lopez had the time of their lives. For sheer devil-may-care showmanship, no one in the company can top these two.

K. White

Screen

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it's used as a substitute for a plot, but its rhythm has a certain charm here when employed to enhance a straightforward narrative.

Jackson and Kingsley dream, first independently and then together, of liberating three huge sea turtles which have been in a tank at the London Zoo for more than 30 years. The surprisingly simple project gives the turtles. The specific results are mildly surprising, but in line with the pleasantly predictable drift.

A number of supporting characters are sketched with varying degrees of subtlety. Richard Johnson plays Jackson's neighbor across the hall. In one scene they're talking in his doorway. A man's cough is heard from inside and he quickly, nervously closes the door behind him, instantly conveying both what Johnson is and how he feels about it. The zookeeper, Michael Gambon, recently played Oscar Wilde in a BBC series, and one of Kingsley's neighbors is Jeroen Krabbe, who was the gay protagonist in *The Fourth Man*.

Turtle Diary moves a lot faster than its namesake, and leaves you sorry it has to end. (Opera Plaza)

S. Warren

Frears

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again, he takes steps to resume their friendship and carry it to new plateaus.

With a new world of possibilities open before him, sweet, innocent Omar tells his cousin Tania, "I think I should harden myself."

"Wow!" she replies. "What are you into?" The family will eventually try to arrange a marriage between these cousins, but by then Omar will have other ideas. He persuades his uncle to let him manage a rundown laundrette in a poor section of South London. He hires Johnny to help him with it, and they intercept one of Salim's drug shipments to get money to fix up the place.

"The real victims in the film," Frears points out, "are the white kids, who are completely disenfranchised." They have less hope of improving their lot than the well-connected immigrants. "If you have money," the director says, "you're okay." That's not the way the class system in Britain used to work, but as Nasser says in the film, "there is no question of race in the new enterprise culture."

Frustrated with their lot, the poor whites take it out on the "Pakis." One of them says, "They came over here to work for us. That's what we brought them over for." And that's why they're moved to violence at the sight of Johnny, one of their own, working for Omar.

They name the laundrette "Powders," a reference both to washing powder (detergent) and the substance that provided their capital. To carry the word-play further, "Omo is a well-known washing powder in England," Frears says in answer to the question of whether a pun was intended in Omar's nickname, "Omo." That gives you a triple-entendre because Omar, of course, is 'omosexual.

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Frears

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"The gay aspect was done with such innocence in the script," Frears says. "When Hanif was writing it, it just happened. The relationship just grew. I don't think it was intentional."

The first overt indication occurs midway through the film when Omar and Johnny are celebrating outside the laundrette, where Johnny's punk friends are hanging out. The young men embrace and, just out of his buddies' sight, Johnny licks Omar's neck.

"That happened on the first day of shooting," according to Frears. "It was an inspiration!" His actors did very well for not having had time to adjust to the idea of portraying gay intimacy on screen. "It was all that Peter Finch stuff," the director speculates, "about 'Think of England and just do it.'"

They had a couple of weeks after that to prepare for their big

love scene, which occurs during the laundrette's grand opening. The boys are back in the office getting it on while Uncle Nasser and his mistress (Shirley Anne Field) dance to Muzak in the front. We see both couples at once, thanks to a two-way mirror. "I saw the shot in *Paris, Texas* and liked it, so I used it," Frears admits shamelessly. When Nasser enters and doesn't see Omar and Johnny, he asks, "Where are those two buggers?" It's left to the audience to tell him they're in the back, bugging.

"People in America are startled," Frears says, "that a television company would make a film like this." The fact is that *My Beautiful Laundrette* was never intended for theatrical release, but reaction at last year's Edinburgh Film Festival was so enthusiastic a distributor picked it up and gave it a highly successful run.

The director is fond of saying he could never have obtained financing for a theatrical feature by announcing, "I'm going to

in *An Officer and a Gentleman*. If anybody rooted for that," she adds dryly.

Realizing she may be coming on a bit strong with her hard sell, Deitch stops to explain, "I feel that the film is a communication tool and (gay) people can use it that way, to communicate about a relationship between two women. They can bring their (relatives and co-workers) to see it and communicate about a lesbian relationship."

Donna Deitch has been devoting all her energy to promoting *Desert Hearts* and hasn't chosen her next project. If the film is successful it will give Deitch more clout in the industry. "I'm not interested in establishing clout," she protests, modifying, "I'm interested, but I'm not motivated by it."

Kim Garfield's cover story in the *The Advocate* did a thorough job of reporting *Desert Hearts* and the people who made it, with one glaring exception. While the lead actresses were identified as heterosexual, there was no mention of the producer-director's sexual preference.

"They were too polite to ask," Deitch says with a disarming smile to soften the implication that your reporter is being impolite in trying to get the facts for you.

She explains she doesn't want to shift the focus from her film to herself and says that with the exception of one reporter in Toronto, no one outside of San Francisco has raised the question. In San Francisco, everybody asks.

If she could relive the six years spent bringing *Desert Hearts* to the screen, Deitch says she would change only two things: "I wouldn't spend two and a half years raising money, and I would want to have more money so I could afford to pay people more and have more shooting time."

But while she'd make those adjustments, Deitch replies to a question based on an early line of Frances Parker's, "I'm not sure that 'we'd all put in for a new past if we could.'"

Donna Deitch will attend the Northern California premiere of *Desert Hearts*, a benefit for Northern California Women in Film and Television, Wed. April 9, at the York Theatre. There will be a cocktail party before the film and a question and answer session afterward. Call Jane Hall at 431-3886 for information.

S. Warren

make a film about a gay Pakistani laundrette owner."

After directing his first feature, *Gumshoe*, in 1971, Frears worked exclusively in television for 13 years. Part of the reason is that's where the steady employment was while Britain's film industry was in decline. He jokingly quotes Noel Coward's view of TV, "It's not for watching, it's for appearing on," but he's proud of a lot of the work he did in the medium.

The Hit, a fine psychological thriller with Terence Stamp and John Hurt which had a very limited release in the U.S., was Frears' second theatrical release, and *Laundrette* has turned out to be the third.

Had he been working with a theatrical budget Frears might have included Kureishi's scenes

in Pakistan, which gave more of a *Godfather* flavor to the script; but that wasn't what appealed to him about the project: "He'd also written this sort of street comedy. That's what's good about it. If you weighed it down with more portentous matters you'd lose the tenderness."

"Reading it, when I came to the first kiss (between Omar and Johnny), I think that was when I decided I wanted to do it. It was so spontaneous!"

Frears shoots his next film in India, an adaptation of John Masters' *The Deceivers* for producer Ismail Merchant. Why has Merchant hired him instead of his usual director, James Ivory? "I've been brought in to tart it up a bit," Frears jests.

The project he hopes to make after that, perhaps late this year,

will be of special interest to gay audiences, a biography of playwright Joe Orton based on John Lahr's book *Prick Up Your Ears*. "It's very outrageous and very sensational," the director promises. "Alan (*An Englishman Abroad*) Bennett has written the script." He doesn't have an actor in mind for Orton, but says Ian McKellen wants to play Orton's lover/murderer Kenneth Halliwell.

Meanwhile, Stephen Frears is basking in the admiration surrounding *My Beautiful Laundrette*. "People love it in England," he reports. "They like the characters."

He acknowledges it won't travel everywhere: "You'd get your hands chopped off if you showed this in Pakistan!"

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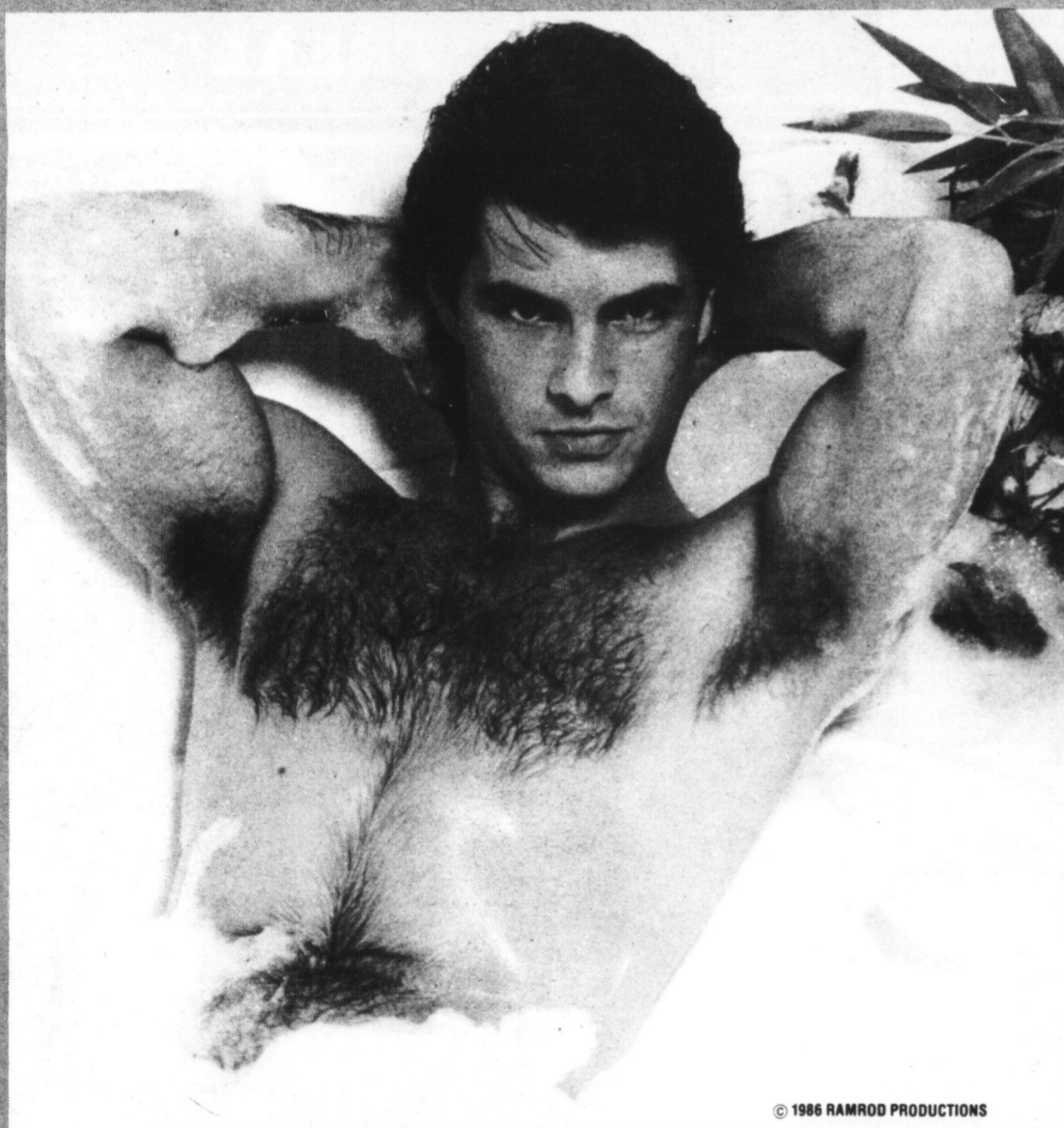
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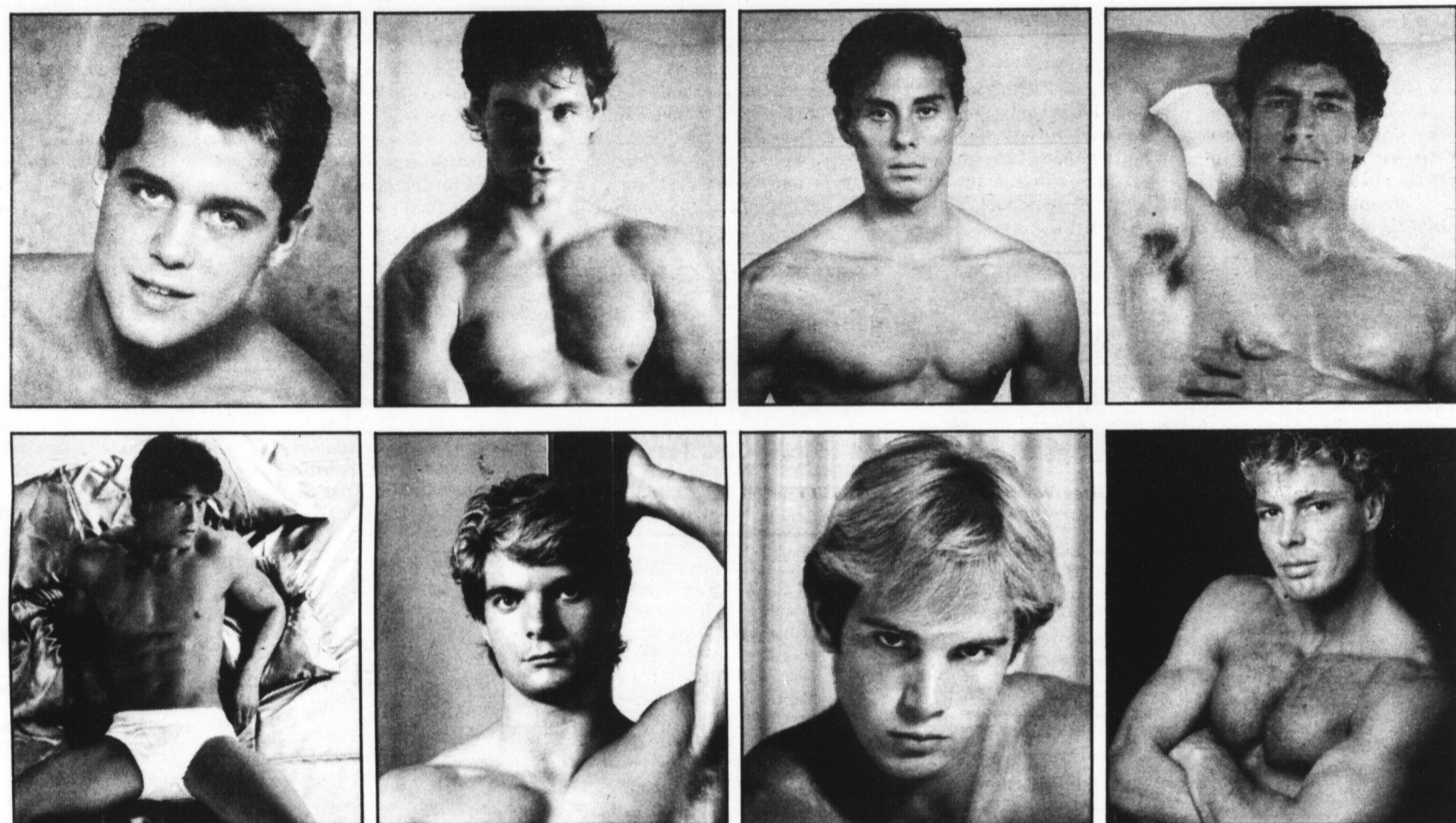
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Auditions

The San Francisco Gay Men's Chorus is conducting auditions now for new members for its trip to the G.A.L.A. festival in Minneapolis this summer. The Gay and Lesbian Alliance of Choruses conducts the festival tri-annually and the SFGMC will open the 1986 event. The Chorus will travel June 29 through July 6, and members are expected to pay their own way.

For further information, please call 469-7323 and ask for Robert.

Impotent?

A lecture and serious support group for gay males with sexual impotence and/or sexual dysfunction will be held at Pacific Presbyterian Hospital, 2333 Buchanan St., in the Merrill Room on the first floor from 7 to 9 p.m. April 7. Free, anonymously protected. Qualified physicians will volunteer their expertise. Call 474-7978 for more information.

Sexual Liberties

The Committee to Preserve our Sexual and Civil Liberties will present Family Life teachers Gene Kelly and Marty Carls who will speak on "Sexuality, AIDS,

Phobias, and Taboos" in the high school classroom April 4 at 7:30 p.m. at 150 Eureka St. (MCC). Call Tim at 863-5428 for more information.

Demo Confab

The Alice B. Toklas Lesbian and Gay Democratic Club will hold an opening reception for the California Association of Lesbian/Gay Democratic Clubs April 4 at 7 p.m. at Swedish American Hall. Admission is free.

A reception honoring Assemblyman Art Agnos, Senator Milton Marks, and Tom Chortlon, executive director of the National Association of Lesbian/Gay Democratic Clubs, will take place April 5 from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. at the Atherton Hotel, 685 Ellis St.

Comedy Tonight

The Gay Italian Americans Club will meet April 3 at 8 p.m. at Most Holy Redeemer School, 117 Diamond St. Admission is free. The comedy group Egos 'R' Us will perform for one hour and 15 minutes. The group consists of John Caporale, Nicolle Balotti, Tim Thompson, and David Twist.

Men Over 40

Martin Stow, well known psychologist and gay community opinion leader, has agreed to teach the popular class "Options for Men Over 40."

The short-time class is being offered at the Castro/Valencia site of the Centers Division, San Francisco Community College, 450 Church (Everett Middle School, between 16th and 17th streets).

The class is free and will run for six weeks. Stow will start with the class April 1 and carry it for six to seven weeks. The class is on Tuesdays and begins at 6:30 p.m.

Oasis

A new Peninsula-area social group is forming to bring gay men and women of color together at Stanford University. Asian, Black, Hispanic, Filipino, Native American, etc., men and women, aged 18 and older, are invited to attend the first meeting of Oasis Saturday, April 5, 8 p.m., on the Stanford Campus at the Old Firehouse Building, Santa Theresa Street. The purpose of Oasis is to provide gays and lesbians of color a social network on the Peninsula through which they can combat

the isolation of ethnic peoples in this area, and reverse the self-oppression which often results. No academic credentials necessary. For more information, or directions, contact Weldell Carter or Mario Huerta at GLAS, 723-1488, or leave a message at the end of the tape.

Gay Games II Tickets Available

San Francisco Arts & Athletics has announced that tickets for Gay Games II ceremonies are now on sale. The elaborate Opening and Closing events will highlight the Games scheduled for August 9-17.

Opening Ceremonies, on August 9, will express the joy of participation through the ceremonial March of Athletes. Five thousand athletes are expected for the event from countries around the world. A dozen gay and lesbian marching bands are scheduled to perform, along with a host of other talent.

Closing Ceremonies, on August 17, will culminate the week-long athletic competition in 18 sports for men and women of all ages. This dramatic event will feature the finish for the Marathon (up to 500 runners) as well as headliner talent.

Tickets can be purchased for \$20 for a single ceremony or \$30 for both. Through special arrangement, tickets may be purchased nationwide from BASS outlets in California. For charge by phone, BASS can be contacted at 762-BASS. Ask for Gay Games II Opening or Closing Ceremonies, or a combination ticket. Credit card charges through Visa and MasterCard are accepted.

People of Color

The fourth convening of the International Lesbian and Gay People of Color Conference will take place Nov. 27-30 at California State University in Los Angeles. The theme for the conference will be Joining Struggles: Making Our Future.

The conference planning is at a critical stage. Regional contacts are needed across the country to provide information and registration materials. Call (213) 599-6583. Organizations can help make the conference a reality by holding local fundraisers. If you can help throw a party, raffle, or know of sponsors, please call the number above. The programs committee also wants to hear your ideas for workshop topics and speakers.

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